Air Quality & GEOSS
Meeting Goals & Overview

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- Learn about Air Quality Projects building GEOSS
  - Forecasting & Public Information:
    - MACC, AIRNow, SERVIR, WMO/Sand & Dust Storm WAS, WMO/GURME
  - Air Quality Model Evaluation:
    - AMEN/HTAP Network, AQMEII
  - Integration of Space Observations:
    - CEOS/ACC, NASA, NOAA

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- Learn about Air Quality Projects building GEOSS
- Discuss the emerging infrastructure being built by GEO and others to support data access and interoperability
  - Is this infrastructure what we need?
  - Best practices for use of the infrastructure (exposing datasets to GEOSS)
  - How do we get needed data exposed to GEOSS?

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- Moving forward: better communication, coordination
  - Activating a GEO AQ Community of Practice, getting GEO recognition
    - What does a CoP mean?
    - Logistics
  - Next steps

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Plus three general tasks with important AQ input:

- US-09-01b: Development of Communities of Practice
- AR-09-01b: GEO Architecture Implementation Pilot
- US-09-01a: Identifying User Requirements for SBAs

Air Quality Forecasting & Public Information

8:50 - 9:05	MACC
9:05 - 9:20	AIRNow-International
9:20 - 9:35	SERVIR-Air
9:35 - 9:50	WMO Sand & Dust Storm WAS
9:50 - 10:05	WMO GURME Program
10:05 - 10:30	*Break*

Air Quality Model Evaluation

10:30 - 10:45	HTAP and AMEN
10:45 - 11:00	AQMEII

Integrating AQ Satellite Observations

11:00 - 11:15	NASA perspective
11:15 - 11:30	NOAA NESDIS perspective

IT Infrastructure: GCI, Portals, Community Infrastructure

11:30 - 11:50	GCI, portals, Air Quality Community Infrastructure
11:50 - 12:15	Discussion: Infrastructure
12:15 - 13:30	*Lunch*

Discussion, Next Steps

13:30 - 13:45	Viewpoints on Communities of Practice
13:45 - 14:45	Discussion: Priorities, Roles Moving Forward
14:45 - 15:00	Next Steps
15:00	*Adjourn*

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A Scenario for the Envisioned System of Systems

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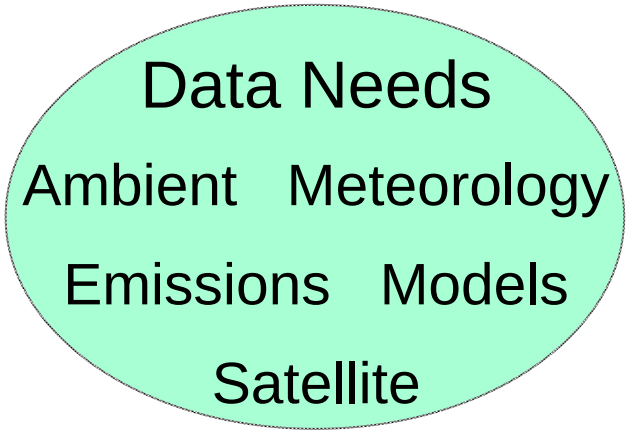

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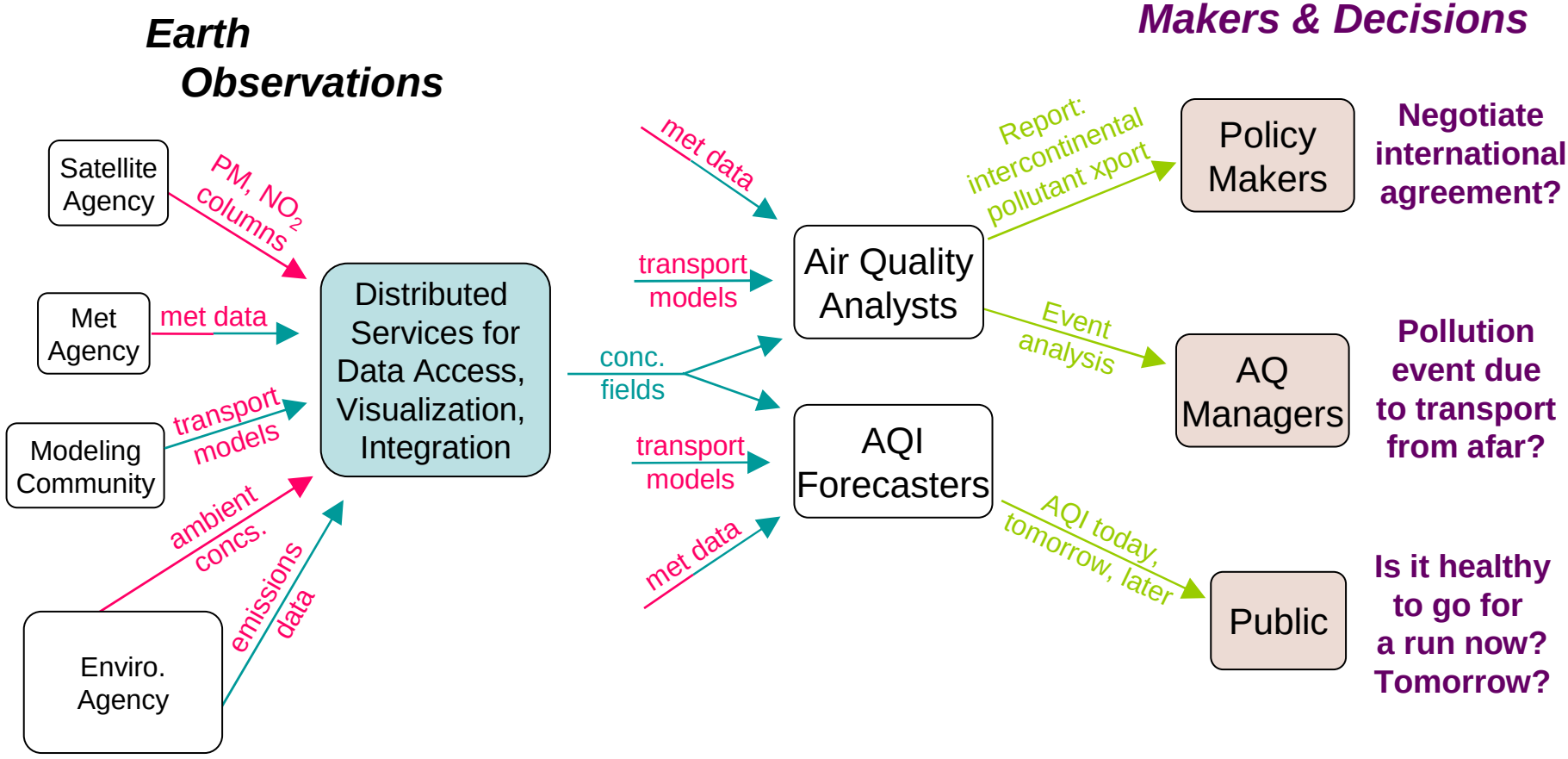
The AQ Vision



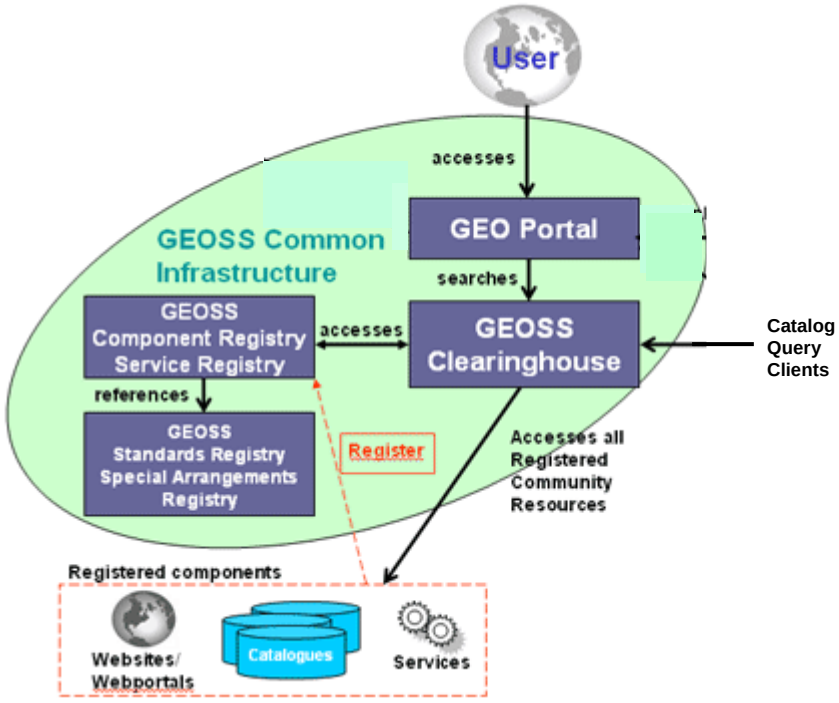
Pink: exists, hard to get, hard to use: *GEOSS (**GCI**) can help*

Blue: not currently operationally existent; *our goal for broad GEOSS*

Green: not currently adequate; *what society needs from GEOSS*

GEOSS Common Infrastructure and beyond

GEOSS is built around a minimal central clearinghouse and other components of a Common Infrastructure. This GCI is not to house data or tools for using data – it is used to enable users to find that data.



GEOSS registries are designed to work with 'any' observation, so metadata is minimal.

Community catalogs and portals are a response to the need for a richer access point, tuned for a particular user community.

GEOSS is about decision support. The GCI won't provide that. It is set up as a base for service oriented architecture which will in turn improve decision support.

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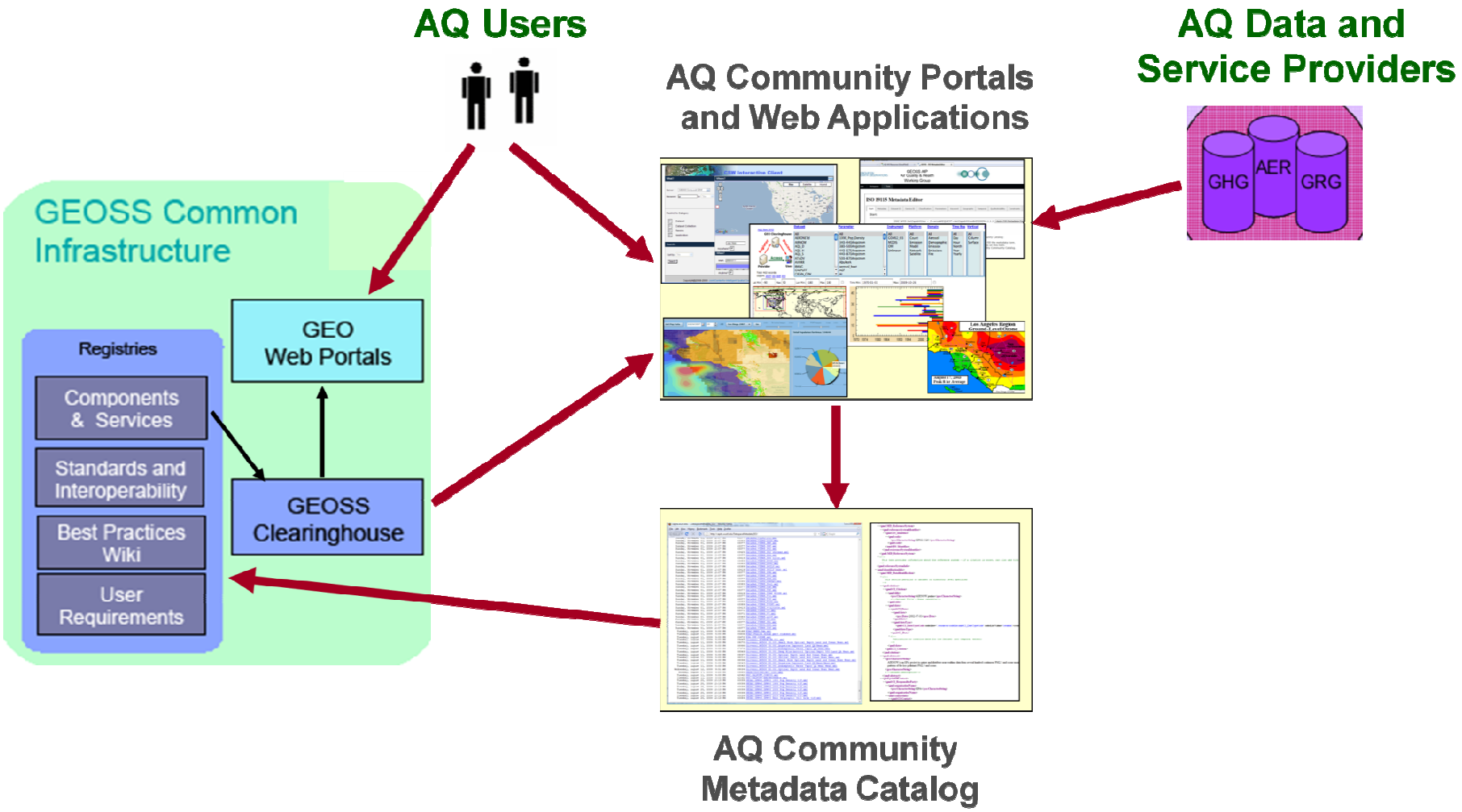

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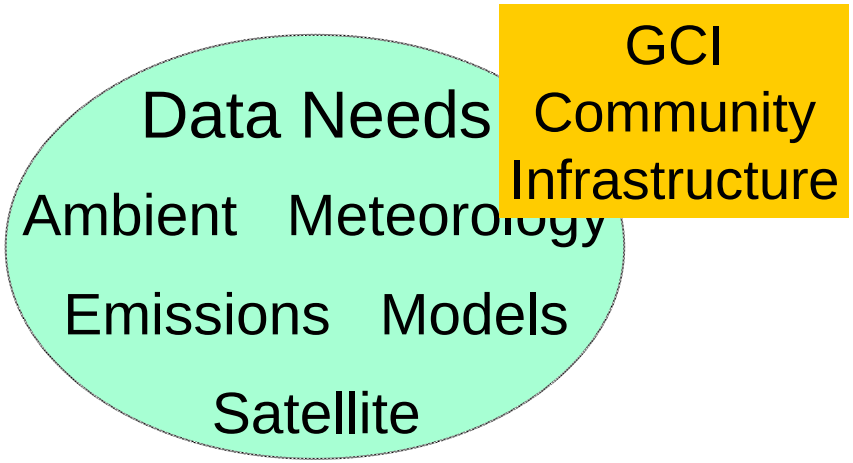

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