

**Subject:** [gbird] Happy New Year!

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Hello Teams,

Happy New Year – I hope the winter break was everything you wished for! Here in Raleigh, NC, US, we are braving the cold snap. The lows have been down to 10F [-12C], which is cold for the Southern US.

Here is an update on recent and upcoming activities:

- Next year's annual meeting date & location will be decided on in the very near future (candidates are WA, AU/Canberra, AU/Raleigh, US)
  - ACTION TIME: Fill out the doodle when you receive it, asking for currently open weeks.
- The next NCSU DARPA Monthly Technical Update is scheduled for Jan 18
  - I will send out a specific email to those receiving funding
- My three big goals going into 2018 (first quarter) are:
  - Support the DARPA effort in report coordination
    - Monthly Technical Updates
    - Monthly Financial Updates
    - Quarterly Reports
  - Facilitate the interdisciplinary process for GBIRD leaders and NCSU DARPA performers
    - Create iterative process for DARPA Performers
    - Do the same for GBIRD Leaders
  - Finalize and start the Ethics Committee process

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