



Lead Centre report for 2018-2019

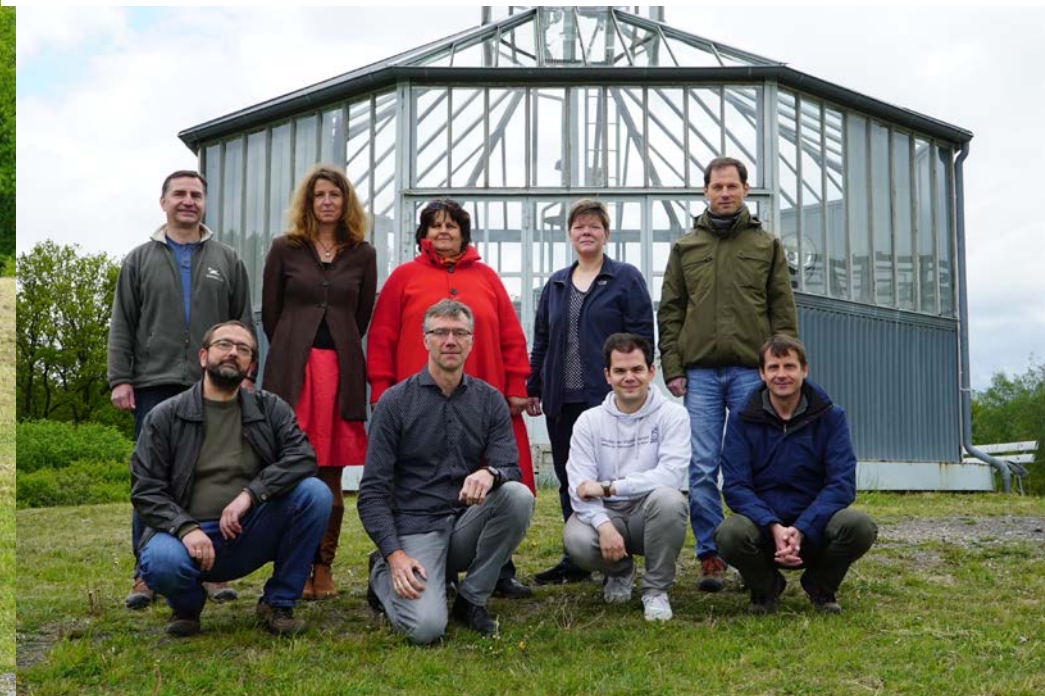
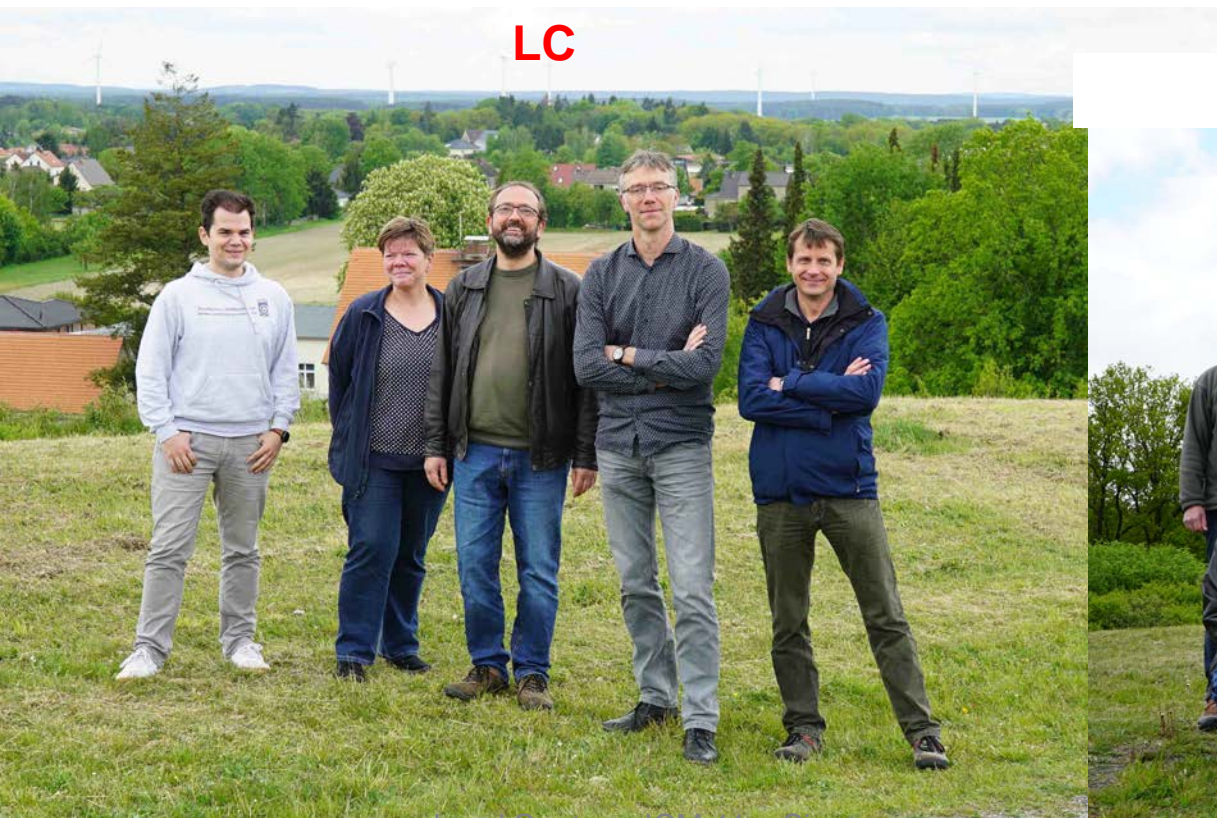
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11th GRUAN Implementation and Coordination Meeting (ICM-11)
Singapore
May 2019

- New hire: Tzvetan Simeonov (1 April)
 - RS41 data product



In-situ sounding group



- Neumayer & Arrival heights invited to become candidate sites
- Singapore (SNG) & Lamont (SGP) certified
- Several sites recertified
 - Boulder, Lindenberg, Lauder, Ny Alesund, Sodankyla
- Under review:
 - Tenerife (Payerne, recertification)
- In total
 - 26 sites
 - 12 GRUAN-certified sites

GCOS Reference Upper-Air Network



- CONCIERTO Campaign La Reunion (RS92-RS41-M10-CFH)
- Visitors
 - Graw, discussion/coordination, May 2018.
 - ETH-Zürich, tests with PCFH, July & December 2018.
 - Alexey Lykov (CAO - Dolgoprudny), test of FLASH-B November 2018.
 - Meisei, test of Skydew instrument, April 2019.
 - David Smyth, GRUAN coordination, May 2019.
- Site Visits
 - Korea Research Institute of Standards and Science (KRISS), December 2018



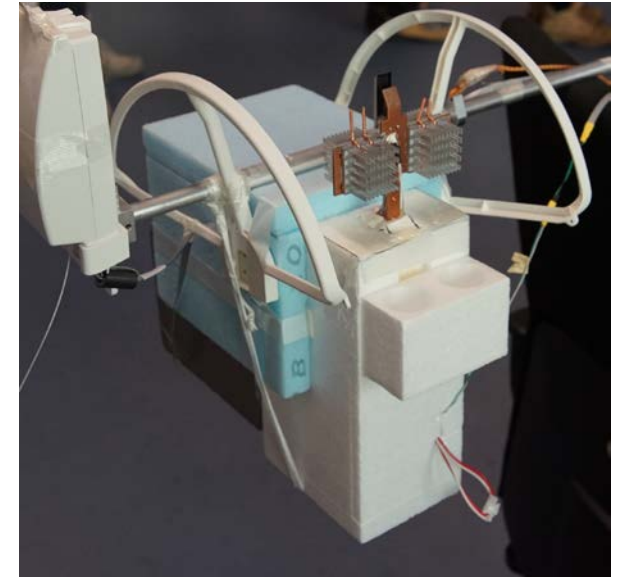
- GRUAN data archive
 - Operationally running GRUAN data management server - GDMS (24/7)
 - Operationally running GRUAN meta-data data base - GMDB (24/7)
 - Operationally working GRUAN file archive - GFA (24/7)
- Ongoing development and optimization of all GRUAN server software components, GDMS, GMDB, GFA
- Ongoing development on GRUAN software tools for use at sites
 - RsLaunchClient, LidarRunClient, gt92, gtRsl, gm41
- Regularly update of data flow statistic plots (available at website)
- Configuring radiosonde data flow
 - BoM sites
 - RS92-RS41: RIVAL & UKMO

- Laboratory experiments (radiation, calibration)
- All RS92 sites have switched to RS41
- Dual soundings with RS41/RS92 (and CFH) ~800 GRUAN-wide
 - Radiosounding database complete (CFH, M10, FPH, O3, COBALD, Skydew, RS11-G, iMS100 etc)
 - Transfer of ancillary data still to be initiated
- Several RS92-RS41 intercomparison programs ongoing (Lindenberg, RIVAL, Payerne)
- Strategy paper nearly finished



➤ Stratospheric hygrometers

- FLASH-B
- Meisei Skydew (presentation 8-3)
- PCFH (presentation 8-1)



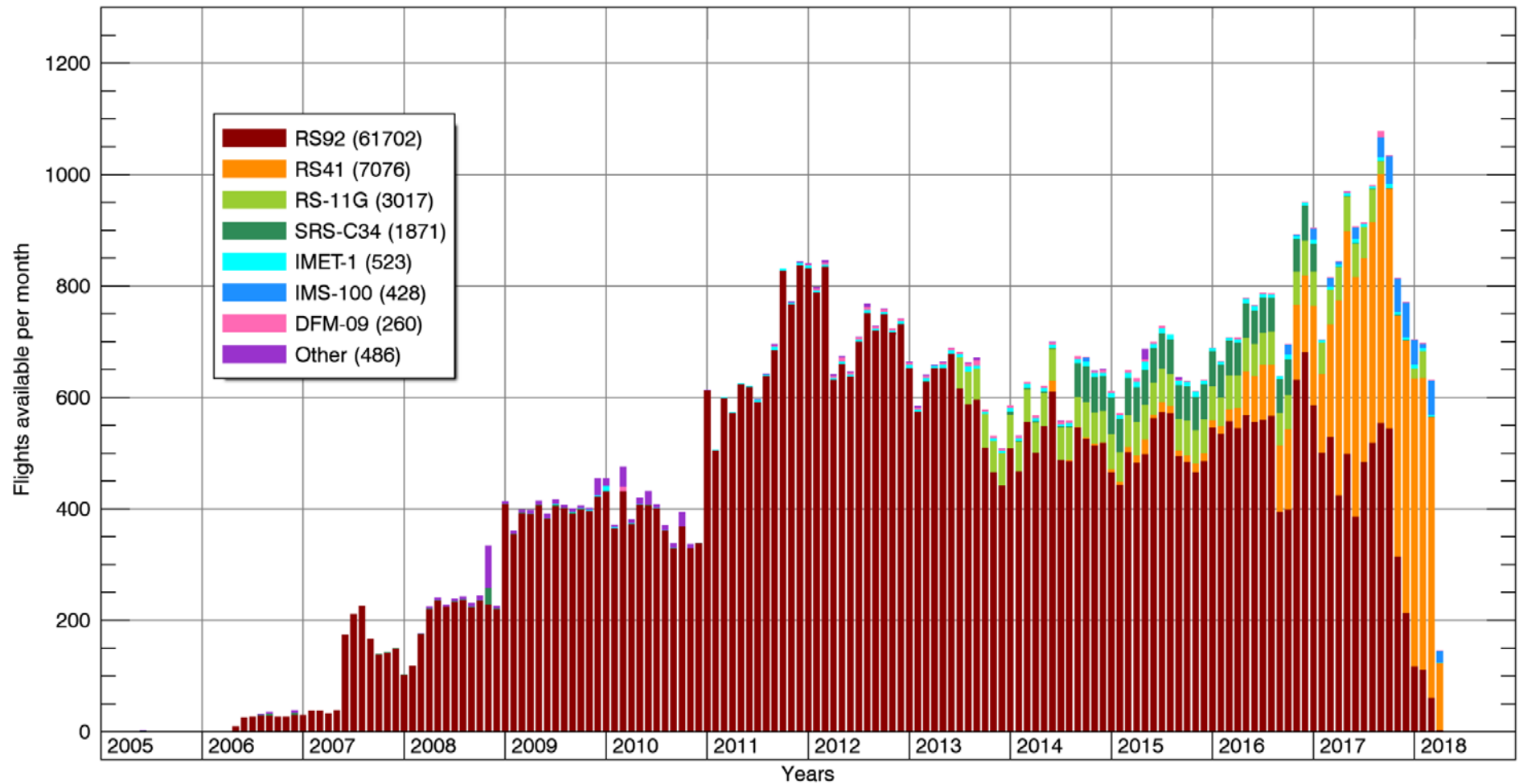
➤ Research contract TU Dresden to investigate alternatives for R23.

- Presentation 8-2

➤ RS41, RS92, DFM-09 (laboratory & intercomparison).

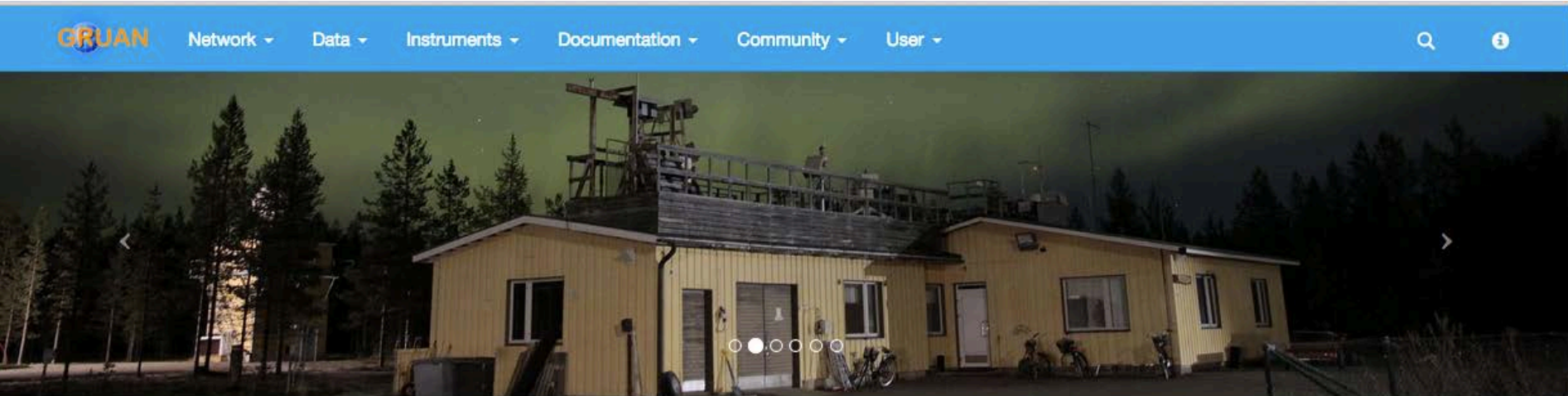
- GRUAN-TD-7 published - *Review of Multiple-payload Radiosonde Sounding Configurations for Determining Best-Practice Guidance for GRUAN Sites*
- GRUAN TD-6 *Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) - Precipitable Water (PW) Omnibus*. Reviewed & accepted. Under preparation for publication
- RS41 GDP Alpha version
- Meisei RS-11G GRUAN data product certified
- Various GRUAN-related papers (~25) and presentations
- Expansion satellite overpass prediction service

GRUAN Radiosonde Launches (total: 75363 at 2018-04-12)



Presentation Wednesday morning

- Vaisala radiosondes (Lead Centre)
 - Presentation 4-2, 4-10
- Modem Radiosonde (J-C du Pont, Damien Vignelles)
 - Presentation 4-18
- Lidar (Thierry Leblanc)
 - Presentation 4-12
- MWR (Nico Cimini)
 - Presentation 4-14
- GNSS (GFZ & TT)
 - Presentation 4-8



GCOS Reference Upper-Air Network

The climate reference network

- Steady development
 - Addition of functionality
 - Regularly updated data flow statistic plots
 - Content: input needed from community (e.g. instrument experts)

- Complete the development of a new GRUAN data processor.
- Finish development of GRUAN data product for RS41 (RS41-GDP.1).
- Develop GRUAN new version of data product for RS92 (RS92-GDP.3).
- Complete the GRUAN radiosonde omnibus.
- Prepare WMO-CIMO Radiosonde intercomparison campaign.
- Continue development of alternative, non-R23 based, cooling mechanisms for frostpoint hygrometers.
- Further coordinate RS92-RS41 transition within GRUAN.

- (Re)certify sites.
- Further development of the GRUAN website.
- Operationalize processing of CFH data.

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Questions

Deutscher Wetterdienst
Wetter und Klima aus einer Hand

