# ICM-15 Agenda

11-15 March 2024

#### In-person meeting + On-line

Host: MeteoSwiss

Organizers: Ruud Dirksen (DWD), Peter Thorne (Maynooth), Fabio Madonna (University of Salerno), Caterina Tassone (WMO), Tim Oakley (WMO), Marion Maturilli (AWI), Richard Querel (NIWA), Alexander Haefele (MeteoSwiss), Giovanni Martucci (MeteoSwiss), Simone Gagliardi (CNR-IMAA)

#### Monday 11 March (Times in CET : UTC+1)

#### Session 1 - Welcome, Logistics, Background and Updates

|        | Chair: Tom Gardiner |  |                                 |  |
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|        | 08:30 - 09:00       | Registration                                 |                                 |  |
| 1 - 1  | 09:00 - 09:15       | Welcome (GRUAN WG - Co-Chairs)               | Peter Thorne /<br>Fabio Madonna |  |
| 1 - 2  | 09:15 - 09:30       | Opening Statement (GCOS/WMO)                 | Caterina Tassone                |  |
| 1 - 3  | 09:30 - 09:45       | Official Opening (Local Host/MeteoSwiss)     | Bertrand Calpini                |  |
| 1 - 4  | 09:45 - 09:55       | Meeting Logistics                            | Giovanni Martucci               |  |
| 1 - 5  | 09:55 - 10:15       | GRUAN - Introduction                         | Ruud Dirksen                    |  |
| 1 - 6  | 10:15 - 10:35       | GSRN Lead Centre                             | Jianxia Guo                     |  |
|        | 10:35 - 11:05       | Coffee break                                 |                                 |  |
| 1 - 7  | 11:05 - 11:30       | GRUAN - Update since ICM-14 and GDP Status   | Fabio Madonna                   |  |
| 1 - 8  | 11:30 - 11:50       | Status of actions from ICM-14                | Peter Thorne                    |  |
| 1 - 9  | 11:50 - 12:20       | LC and Site Reports: summary and key threads | Lead Centre                     |  |
| 1 - 10 | 12:20 - 12:30       | Sites certification and other presentations  | Peter Thorne /                  |  |
|        |                     |  | Fabio Madonna                   |  |

#### 12:30 - 13:30 LUNCH

**Chair: Axel Von Engeln** 

#### Session 2 - Task Team GNSS (TT-GNSS)

| 2 - 1 | 13:30 - 13:55 | Task Team Report, GNSS-PW data format (A6) and<br>Metrological Closure (B8) | Kalev<br>Rannat/Galina<br>Dick |
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| 2 - 2 | 13:55 - 14:15 | Comparison between GRUAN GNSS GDP and other techniques                      | Tzvetan Simeonov               |
| 2 - 3 | 14:15 - 14:30 | Tracking biases and inhomogeneities in GNSS PW Time series                  | Olivier Bock                   |
| 2 - 4 | 14:30 - 14:45 | Discussion Time : Agree new actions on GDP progression                      | TT Chairs to<br>moderate       |
|       | 14:45 - 15:15 | Coffee break  |                                |

#### Session 3 - Task Team Ground Based (TT-GB) Chair: Belay Demoz

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| 3 - 1 | 15:15 - 15:30     | Task Team Report                                       | TT Chairs                   |
| 3 - 2 | 15:30 - 15:45     | Microwave Radiometer progression GDP (Action A1)       | Tobias Marke                |
| 3 - 3 | 15:45 - 16:00     | MWR value added product and experience from ARM        | M. P. Cadeddu               |
| 3 - 4 | 16:00 - 16:15     | IIII)AR (i)P progression (Action A2)                   | Thierry Leblanc<br>(remote) |
| 3 - 5 | 16:15 - 16:30     | Discussion Time : Agree new actions on GDP progression | TT Chairs to<br>moderate    |

| 16:30 - 17:30 | FORUM/DISCUSSION 1 - Quality Assurance / GDP Interoperability &<br>Consistency / Reprocessing GDPs or new GDP.<br>15 min presentation to introduce the discussion topic and expected<br>outcome (WG-Chair) |
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# Tuesday 12 March (Times in CET : UTC+1)

# Session 4 - Task Team Satellite (TT-SAT)

|       | <b>Chair: Ankie Pite</b> | rs   |                         |
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| 4 - 1 | 09:00 - 09:15            | Task Team Report & Satellite co-locations (B2) & EUMETSAT Campaign   | TT Chairs               |
| 4 - 2 | 09:15 - 09:30            | Update on the study for a vicarious calibration using GRUAN sondes (VICIRS)  | Nico Cimini             |
| 4 - 3 | 09:30 - 09:45            | GRUAN radiosondes applied in preparation and validation of specific humidity profiles derived from radio occultations. | Johannes Nielsen        |
| 4 - 4 | 09:45 - 10:00            | On the consistency between GRUAN RAOBs and satellite hyperspectral infrared sounder measurements                       | Bomin Sun               |
| 4 - 5 | 10:00 - 10:15            | Update on GRUAN Radio Sondes Validation against<br>Radio Occultation   | Axel von Engeln         |
| 4 - 6 | 10:15 - 10:30            | Discussion Time  | TT Chair to<br>moderate |
|       | 10:30 - 11:00            | Coffee break   |                         |

### Session 5 - Task Team Sites (TT-Sites)

|       | Chair: Evan Keele | er   |   |
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| 5 - 1 | 11:00 - 11:15     | Task Team Report   | TT Chairs   |
| 5 - 2 | 11:15 - 11:30     | GRUAN sites metadata (inc photos B3)   | Michael   |
|       |                   |  | Sommer/Fabrizio<br>Marra  |
| 5 - 3 | 11:30 - 12:00     | New Sites General + Helwan + Dome-C (Antarctica)   | Fabio Madonna,<br>Zeinab Fahmy<br>(Egypt), Claudio<br>Scarchilli (ENEA) |
| 5 - 4 | 12:00 - 12:30     | Xilinhot GRUAN Implementation and Progress of Beidou<br>Round-trip drifting sounding system(RDSS) technology<br>report | Guo Qiyun, Zhang<br>Xuefen, Dabu<br>Xilatu, Luo<br>Haowen               |

# 12:30 - 13:30 LUNCH

# Session 6 - Task Team Radiosonde (TT-RAD)

Chair: Alessandro Fasso'

| 6 - 1  | 13:30 - 13:45 | Task Team Report  | TT Chairs  |
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| 6 - 2  | 13:45 - 14:00 | Graw DFM-17 and DFM-09 GDP development  | Johannes<br>Frielingsdorf and<br>LC                        |
| 6 - 3  | 14:00 - 14:15 | Quantitative analysis of the anomaly in radiosonde air temperature measurement above the cloud layer                    | Kim Yong-Gyoo  |
| 6 - 4  | 14:15 - 14:30 | Calibration of radiosonde humidity sensors at air ventilation speed of 5 m/s  | Lee Sang-Wook  |
| 6 - 5  | 14:30 - 14:45 | Status of the Peltier Cooled Frost Point Hygrometer (PCFH) and comparison with CFH                                      | Steven Brossi  |
| 6 - 6  | 14:45 - 15:00 | Reference Humidity Retrievals with 'Dry Ice CFH' during the Swiss H2O Hub 2023 Campaign                                 | Yann Poltera   |
|        | 15:00 - 15:30 | Coffee break  |  |
| 6 - 7  | 15:30 - 15:45 | Frostpoint Hygrometer GDP progression (Action A3)   | Ruud<br>Dirksen/Holger<br>Voemel                           |
| 6 - 8  | 15:45 - 16:15 | Modem M10 GDP progression (Action A4) - 2<br>presentations; update from MODEM and<br>intercomparison of M10 radiosondes | J-C Dupont &<br>Christoph von<br>Rohden & Bruce<br>Ingleby |
| 6 - 9  | 16:15 - 16:40 | Ozonesonde GDP progression (Action A7) + SHADOZ collaboration   | Richard Querel<br>and/or Holger<br>Voemel                  |
| 6 - 10 | 16:40 - 17:00 | Discussion Time : R23 Replacement (HP-2) + Agree new actions on GDP progression   | TT Chairs to<br>moderate                                   |
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|        | 17:00 - 17:45 | FORUM/DISCUSSION 2 - Data Management and d<br>15 min presentation to introduce the discussion top<br>outcome (GRUAN-LC) |  |

|               | FORUM/DISCUSSION 2 - Data Management and dissemination             |
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| 17:00 - 17:45 | 15 min presentation to introduce the discussion topic and expected |
|               | outcome (GRUAN-LC)   |

Wednesday 13 March (Times in CET : UTC+1)

Site Day : Visit to Payerne, Host presentations and tour of Payerne Station

| Session 7 - Site Vi | isit Day + Host Presentations + Conference Dinner |  |
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| 7 - 1  | 09:00 - 09:15 | Bus Pickup                                   |                    |
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| 7 - 2  | 09:15 - 10:00 | Transfer to Payerne                          |                    |
| 7 - 3  | 10:00 - 10:30 | Café+Croissant, welcome to MeteoSwiss and    |                    |
|        |               | Presentation from WMO INFCOM & GCOS Director | Bertrand Calpini   |
|        |               |  | and Nir stav       |
| 7 - 4  | 10:30 - 12:00 | Visit  |                    |
|        |               | - Raman Lidar                                |                    |
|        |               | - SMN (+soil moisture)                       | Upper Air division |
|        |               | - BSRN                                       |                    |
|        |               | - EMER-Met                                   |                    |
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| 7 - 5  | 12:00 - 12:15 | Balloon Launch                               |                    |
|        |               |  |                    |
| 7 - 6  | 12:15 - 13:15 | On-site business Lunch                       |                    |
| 7 - 7  | 13:15 - 14:45 | Visit (cnt)                                  |                    |
|        |               | - SOMORA                                     |                    |
|        |               | - AutoPollen                                 | Upper Air, Pollen  |
|        |               | - Radiosounding                              | & Technical        |
|        |               |  | division           |
|        |               |  |                    |
|        | 14:45 - 15:00 | Coffee                                       |                    |
| 7 - 7  | 15:00 - 16:30 | Scientific presentations                     | MeteoSwiss staff   |
|        |               | - E-Profile                                  | A. Haefele         |
|        |               | - RALMO                                      | G. Martucci        |
|        |               | - BSRN                                       | L. Vuilleumier     |
|        |               | - Ozone                                      | E. Maillard        |
|        |               | - Radiosounding (R2HOME)                     | Yohan Hadji        |
|        |               | - Aerosols                                   | M. Collaud         |
|        |               |  |                    |
| 7 - 8  | 16:30 - 17:00 | Transfer to Murten                           |                    |
| 7 - 9  | 17:00 - 18:15 | Stroll through town                          |                    |
| 7 - 10 | 18:15 - 21:15 | Dinner                                       |                    |
| 7 - 11 | 21:15 - 21:30 | Bus Pickup                                   |                    |
| 7 - 12 | 21:30 - 22:00 | Transfer to Hotel                            |                    |

# Thursday 14 March (Times in CET : UTC+1)

### Session 8 - Science Coordination

# Chair: Axel Von Engeln

| 8 - 1 | 09:00 - 09:15 | Update and Plans  | Tom<br>Gardiner/Arnoud<br>Apituley |
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| 8 - 2 | 09:15 - 09:30 | QC flagging (A5)  | Tzvetan Simeonov                   |
| 8 - 3 | 09:30 - 09:45 | A campaign of atmospheric characterization at ESO sites in Northern Chile | Florian Kerber                     |
| 8 - 4 | 09:45 - 10:00 | Discussion Time   |                                    |

# Session 9 - Requirements and Innovation

Chair: Marion Maturilli

| 9 - 1 | 10:00 - 10:15 |  |                  |
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|       |               | GRUAN Manual (& Guide) + Technical Documents<br>(Theory) | Fabio Madonna    |
| 9 - 2 | 10:15 - 10:30 | Site and Instrument certification + practices (Reality)  | Ruud Dirksen     |
|       | 10:30 - 11:00 | Coffee break   |                  |
| 9 - 3 | 11:00 - 11:15 | High altitude sonde NWP experiment                       | Fabien Carminati |
| 9 - 4 | 11:15 - 11:30 | Radiosonde data denial studies and implications for      | Bruce Ingleby    |
|       |               | height attainment  |                  |
| 9 - 5 | 11:30 - 11:45 | Justification for high ascent attainment (HP4)           | Masatomo         |
|       |               |  | Fujiwara         |
| 9 - 6 | 11:45 - 12:00 |  |                  |
|       |               | Standard Humidity Chamber (SHC) (HP3)                    | Lead Centre      |
| 9 - 7 | 12:00 - 12:15 | The ALBATROSS laser spectrometer for balloon-borne       | Simone           |
|       |               | measurements of UTLS water vapor: laboratory and in-     | Brunamonti       |
|       |               | flight validation  |                  |
| 9 - 8 | 12:15 - 12:30 | Discussion and summary                                   |                  |
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# 12:30 - 13:30 LUNCH

|   | 13:30 - 16:00 | Breakout afternoon : 2 groups; includes coffee break.<br>Discussion topics: 1. GRUAN cooperative approach to access resource in<br>support of network operations.<br>Discussion topics: 2. Design of a quality assurance framework and quality<br>flagging system for GDPs. |
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| L | 16:00 - 16:30 | Breakout reporting (5 minute per session) + discussion  |

| 16:30 - 17:30 | FORUM/DISCUSSION 3 - Intercomparisons : Presentations on WMO<br>Radiosonde Intercomparison; GDP parallel soundings; Others (30 mins) :<br>General discussion (30 mins) |
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| 16:30 - 17:30 | Radiosonde Intercomparison; GDP parallel soundings; Others (30 mins) :   |

# Friday 15 March (Times in CET : UTC+1)

#### Session 10 - Outreach, Users & Other ICM-14 Actions Chair: Masatomo Fujiwara

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| 10 - 1 |                          | GRUAN Implementation Plan + External review of<br>GRUAN                               | Fabio Madonna     |  |  |
| 10 - 2 | 09:15 - 09:30            | Balloon control technology aimed at advancing upper-air observations                  | Kensaku Shimizu   |  |  |
| 10 - 3 | 09:30 - 09:45            | Water Vapor variability at different scales   | Xavier Calbet     |  |  |
| 10 - 4 | 09:45 - 10:00            | Impact of clouds on GRUAN observations - need to adjust the uncertainity calculation? | Simone Lolli      |  |  |
| 10 - 5 | 10:00 - 10:15            | The Evaluation and Quality Control of GRUAN data in the Copernicus Climate Data Store | Virginia Ciardini |  |  |
| 10 - 6 |                          | Discussion on GRUAN outreach: materials, webinars and training activities             | Simone Gagliardi  |  |  |
|        | 10:30 - 11:00            | Coffee break  |                   |  |  |

#### Session 11 - GRUAN Governance & Management

#### Chair: Frédéric Vogt

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| 11 - 1        | 11:00 - 11:15 | GRUAN data usage hosting, serving and tracking (B4) | Simone Gagliardi |
| <b>11 - 2</b> | 11:15 - 11:30 | GRUAN 'data portal' and quality reports             | Michael Sommer   |
| 11 - 3        | 11:30 - 11:45 | Data Policy (B5)                                    | Ruud Dirksen     |
| 11 - 4        | 11:45 - 12:00 | Silent Stations (B6)                                | Fabio Madonna    |
| 11 - 5        | 12:00 - 12:20 | Processing historical data (since 2010)             | Fabio Madonna    |

#### 12:20 - 13:30 LUNCH

#### Session 12 - Closing Remarks

#### Chair: Ruud Dirksen

| 12 - 1 | 13:30 - 14:15 | ICM-15 Actions + agreement from ICM-15 | Fabio Madonna |
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| 12 - 2 | 14:15 - 14:30 | Change in WG co-chairs                 |               |
| 12 - 3 | 14:30 - 14:45 | ICM-16                                 |               |
| 12 - 4 | 14:45 - 15:00 | Formal closure of ICM-15               | WG co-chairs  |

# FORUM/DISCUSSION 1 - Quality Assurance / GDP Interoperability & Consistency / Reprocessing GDPs or new GDP.

The goal of the forum is to share ideas to design the quality assurance program for GDPs including:

- 1. Requirements for GDPs and the related uncertainties, and homogeneity of data records also in view of a GRUAN trend analysis.
- 2. Requirements for consistency of GDPs and the related uncertainties
- 3. Design of an approach for the QC flagging of GRUAN data, also exploiting uncertainties.

A document outlining the triggers for the reprocessing of GRUAN GDP will be also discussed.

The session will start with two short presentations (3-4 slides) by

- Fabio Madonna: "Consistency and uncertainties of the GPDs"
- Michael Sommer: "Current quality check system in the production of GDPs"

# FORUM/DISCUSSION 2 - Data Management and dissemination

The goal of the forum is to consolidate the GRUAN data Management and dissemination strategy by:

- 1. Identifying the GRUAN data distribution hub(s) (NCEI, PANGEA, C3S, LC facility)
- 2. Providing input to draft the data policy document considering also existing data licensing options (WMO res. 1, CC-BY, ...)
- 3. Improving automation for the data submission and management.

The session will start with two 10 minutes presentations:

- Current Data Management Plan (Michael Sommer)
- Overview on Data licensing options (Peter Thorne)

### FORUM/DISCUSSION 3 - Intercomparisons

The goal of the forum is to:

- 1. Identify the lessons learnt in the 2022 UAI to share with the GRUAN community
- 2. Discuss the most recent progress made in the practice for multiple payload sounding
- 3. Review the Requirements for the sites to perform GDP parallel soundings and its impact on the network operations

The session will start two 15 min presentations by:

- Lesson learnt from the 2022 WMO UAI (Ruud Dirksen)
- GDP parallel sounding (contributions coordinated by TT Sites)

# Breakout 1: GRUAN cooperative approach to access resource in support of network operations

#### Moderator: Peter Thorne

The breakout session will discuss the GRUAN proposal for the EUMETSAT validation campaign of MWI/ICI as well as other opportunities for funding different activities or subgroups of stations. The discussion aims also at identifying what are the real funding needs of the network and how to establish a cooperative approach to access funding.

# Breakout 2: Design of a quality assurance framework and quality flagging system for GDPs

### Moderator: Tom Gardiner

Upon discussion and input received during FORUM 1 and other discussions, the session aims at writing the draft of a document where the skeleton of the quality-assurance framework and quality flagging system for GDPs will be described. This initial document shall serve as the basis for a more structured document to submit to the WG-GRUAN for discussion and, after approval, to include in the updated GRUAN guide.