



Progress towards setting up a communication and reporting framework



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Outline

- Goals
- Current services
 - E-mail
 - GRUAN website
 - GRUAN blog
- The near future: Additional services
 - Reporting system
 - Monitoring of network
- Discussion

Goals of communication within GRUAN

→ Explicit information flow

- Where can I get information about ...?
- If a specific event has happened → What should I do?

→ Purpose of communication

- Contact an appropriate person
- Search for special information
- Publish relevant information
- Discussion about various topics
- Reporting issues → problems, errors, wishes, ...
- Network status overview

E-mail

→ Internal point-to-point communication

- **Pros:** easy, quick, familiar
- **Cons:** no long-time archiving, confusing (if more than 2)

→ Lead centre

- holger.voemel@dwd.de, franz.immler@dwd.de, michael.sommer@dwd.de

→ Current mailing lists

- gruan.lc@dwd.de → complete lead centre staff
- gruan.chairs@dwd.de → all chairs of GRUAN (LC, WG, GCOS Sec.)
- gruan.bugs@dwd.de → administrator of web portal, blog, data flow...

→ Possible additional mailing lists → useful ?

- Station contacts, GRUAN community, ... → *other ideas?*

Website of GRUAN – www.gruan.org

→ Administrative facts

- Hosted by DWD
- Administered by LC

→ GRUAN information portal

- News
- Meetings
- Campaigns
- Documents
- Network
- Contact



GRUAN - GCOS Reference Upper Air Network [printer friendly version]

2nd GRUAN Implementation-Coordination Meeting (ICM-2)

Info	Agenda	Documents
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Detailed Agenda of GRUAN ICM-2

- Download this [agenda](#) (pdf file)

Monday 1st March – Pre-Meeting of WG-ARO (members and ex-officials only)

13:00–17:00 Discussion of WG issues, including

- Terms of Reference and Membership
- Site consideration
- AOB

Tuesday 2nd March – 2nd GRUAN Implementation Coordination Meeting (ICM-2) – DAY ONE
Chair: Carolin Richter

08:00 *Bus pick up from the hotels*

(08:30–09:00)	Welcome and logistics
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08:30–08:45 Welcome note
D. Keuerleber (Director MeteoSwiss)

08:45–09:00 Local logistics
Rolf Philipona, Dominique Ruffieux (MeteoSwiss)

Session 1 (09:00–09:45)	Update on progress since ICM-1
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GRUAN

Documents

Access to GRUAN Documents, Publications, and Literature. [\[more\]](#)

Data

Data access (Not yet available). [\[more\]](#)

Contact

Send an email to gruan.lc@dwd.de. This is the easiest way to contact the **GRUAN Lead Centre**.
Web site comments to Michael Sommer (gruan.bugs@dwd.de). [\[more\]](#)

→ Publishing of information

- If you have relevant infos → send them to LC → LC will publish it

Planned improvements of our website

- ➔ Detailed information about all GRUAN stations → a network overview
 - Site inventory
 - Current GRUAN measurement systems
- ➔ Expanded document section with:
 - Related articles and technical documents
→ measuring, instruments,
 - If you have relevant documents → please inform us
- ➔ **Additional ideas for improvement?**
 - Please contact the LC and we can discuss about your ideas!
 - We need feedback from you!

Blog of GRUAN – gruan.wordpress.com

→ Administrative facts

- Hosted by *wordpress.com*
- Administered by the lead centre

→ Easy publishing of information

- You have an annotation → comment on an article yourself
- You have relevant infos → write a blog article → publish it yourself



Possibilities of the GRUAN blog

- Menu bar → access to static pages
- Posts can be accessed via categories and tags
- Everybody can comment on everything.
- Sidebar → easy access to recent discussions and posts.
- Subscribe posts and comments → RSS client
- Write and publish your own articles → if are registered
- Publish not only a text but also documents and links
- More extended features ...

Flyer



A Little User-Guide of the GRUAN Blog - gruan.wordpress.com Version 1.0 (2010-02-07)

In addition to our static website (www.gruan.org) we have an interactive GRUAN Blog (gruan.wordpress.com) since May 2009. There you can, amongst other things, find the latest news and publications in regular updates. A blog has many interesting properties to improve our team-network communication, e.g. the possibility to comment and to subscribe.

Possibilities of the Communication Platform

Obviously, not everybody is well experienced with Web 2.0. Therefore it might be useful that you first get acquainted with the platform and check out the possibilities it offers. Please note the following facts:

- The menu bar at the top gives access to static pages which give general and technical information on the blog. In particular you find information on how to register.
- The posts can be accessed via the categories and tags.
- Everybody can comment on everything.
- The sidebar gives easy access to recent discussions and posts.
- You can subscribe to the posts and comments using your favourite RSS client. Use the widget *Follow RSS* and *Comments RSS* in the sidebar.
- You can write and publish your own articles on the blog (if you registered).
- You can publish not only a text but also documents and links.
- If needed, you can protect (with password) a published article of the blog that only a few selected persons can see it.

Please let us know your opinion on the platform, and how you register and participate!

Add posts

If you wish to add a new article (post) to the blog, you need to register first at wordpress.com, the provider of the blog service. Please find the instructions for registering below.

Add comments

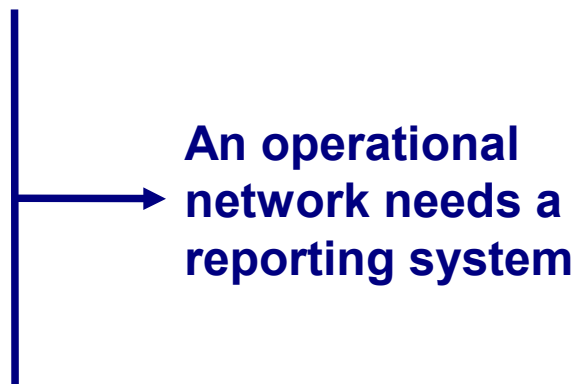
If you wish to add comments to existing articles you can do so without registering (although this adds some advantages). Simply use the link at the end of each article. With your comment you need to supply your name and e-mail address (unless you are logged on there will be added automatically). Leave a reply to a comment by using the link *reply* near the bottom.

Your comment will not appear immediately. It will be checked by the editor of this page before publication in order to prevent the blog from SPAM.

Reporting → issue tracking system

→ GRUAN has many participants

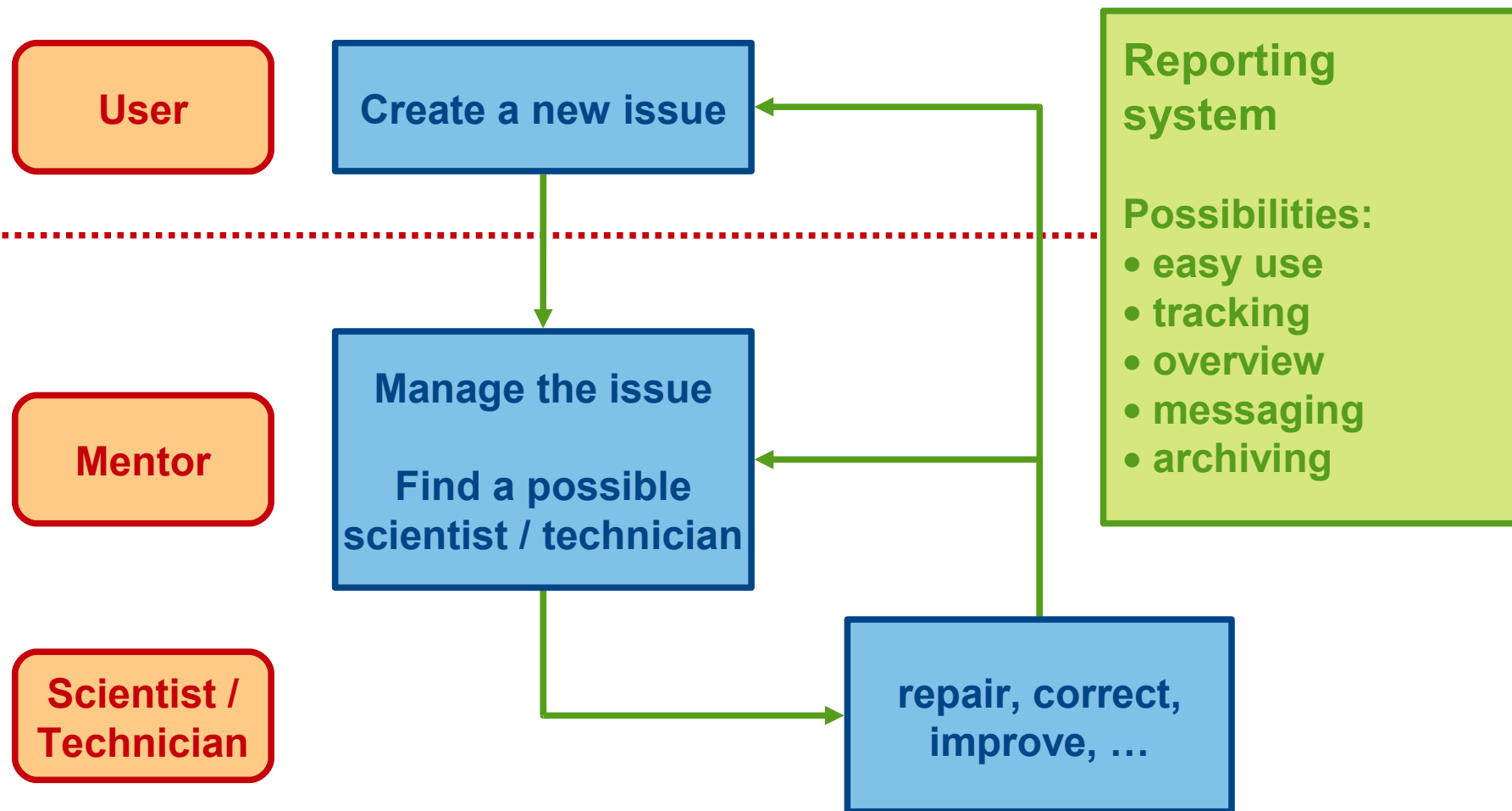
- Lead Centre
- Stations
- Processing hosts
- Dissemination host
- Data user



→ Solution → **a little and easy system**

- Possibility to report issues (problems, wishes, bugs, ...)
- Tracking and archiving of all issues

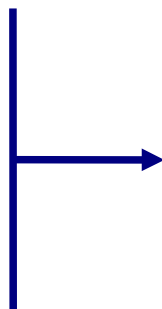
Schema of a simple reporting system



Monitoring of network and data flow

→ Logging of all relevant activities in the meta database

- Collection of measuring data
- Pre-processing
- Processing
- Dissemination



Status of network data flow

→ Manual overview → *Status of all components in our network*

- Integration in our web site

→ Automatic messages → *in case of any problems in the data flow*

- Link to the reporting system

Discussion

→ Current services:

- E-mail
- Web site
- Blog

→ Additional services:

- Reporting system
- Monitoring of network

→ Which topics have the priority?

- What do you need?
- Which expansions of communication services should be our next steps?