



Meeting notes

Regarding : 7th ECSN Data Management Workshop, DMI, CPH
Comments from Plenum to Ole Einar Tveito, met.no,
on the EUMETGRID project approved yesterday.

Date of Meeting d.: November 5th 2009 15:25 – 15:55

Setting: Auditorium, DMI, Copenhagen

Participants: Plenum



The aspects of getting the EUMETGRID started, does require special needs
etc...

Plenum comments recorded during the meeting by: Ellen Vaarby Laursen, DMI

Plenum comments:

Ingeborg Auer: Patchy 'country by country' approach, do you have any
ideas for how to handle the data gaps?

Ole Einar Tveito (OET): There will be data sources, but not with same type
of quality etc. as for the rest of the participating countries.

Ingeborg Auer+OET: There should be flags for data uncertainty, like for
ensample info.

Simon Scherrer: The existing flagging of uncertainty depends on
parameter.

Paul Eglti: Standard interface control?

OET: EUMETGRID will take the data from the NMHSs as they are, but the
NMHSs must comply to standards. There must be a final quality mark of
the final disseminated product.

Else van den Besselaar: There's uncertainty available from ECA&D.

John Cappelen: Are borderlines a problem?

OET: Yes, basically. I.e. different map projections means different
computations to get them into the grid. If using different elevation models
etc. may also introduce inhomogenities. Smoothing might be applied.



Ingeborg Auer: Will you apply technical assistance for those members not able to comply to technical standards?

OET: There is something on this in the proposal. It is a long term goal to get all to the same level.

Aryan van Engelen: We must not encourage production of 'white spots' which setting demands for standards would do. It is very important to have ALL to participate, and also to make non-ECSN-members participate.

Conor Daly: Is EUMETGRID intended to comply with INSPIRE?

OET: Yes

Johannes Berhrendt: Proposal on how to handle these tiles, and fill in gaps?

OET: Yes, no limitations in the portal, but the basic EUMETGRID is the national input.

Johannes Berhrendt: Only gridded data and not in situ data, not even in the future?

OET: In situ data is the SOURCE of the grid, so in the end it will be up to the participants.

Solfrid Agersten: Insure the different countries use e.g. the same algorithm to obtain the maximum temperature etc.?

OET: We know this is a problem! In Norway we have two different daily temperature grid since met.no operates two different temperature days.

Paul Eglitis...? Grid specification?

OET: Cyprus is a nice example. It might have an effect. Regionalized gridding procedures are for the future.

Aryan van Engelen: How was the national commitment for the EUMETGRID proposal? It should be founded in the national NMHS's working people, not only the director generals.

Plenum: Only three countries agree to know the vote of their director generals yesterday.

Claus kern-Hansen: Technicalities to be specified?

OET: The showcase is our starting point. We should rely on the technical group.

Kenan Vilic: Kick off meeting is planned etc. How about finance? No work actually to be performed before 2011?



OET: The approval was uncertain to the last moment. The budget is cut into: Financed and in kind financed. We're supposed to obtain financing from a third party to a similar amount. The first financing is to be used for Management, finding third party funding and to technical support to the countries in need of such. We must ask for the size of the in kind support for each country.

Aryan van Engelen: We need to show work before we get more funding from outside. It will be quite easy to get funding when we first show we're able to produce something really meaningful.

Aryan van Engelen, addressing Plenum: PLEASE consider how, by changing just a little in your work at home at the NMHS's you might contribute to the in kind financing to EUMETGRID. We will get the reward when we show the results and get more funding.

Ole Einar Tveito: If you would like to take part of EUMETGRID PLEASE go to your director general and say you want to participate.