

EUMETNET EXPERT TEAM DATA RESCUE Meeting

13.5.2014 Budapest

The meeting took place in the frame work of the 8th seminar for homogenization and quality control in climatological databases and was held as an open meeting, so that not only the participants of EUMETNET-DARE but also interested participants of the seminar could take part.

After a short introduction into the project for those who haven't been involved into it so far by Ingeborg Auer, a short presentation on the data rescue activities or the general problems for data rescue in their countries were given by some participants (Hungary by Mónika Lakatos, Spain by José Guijarro, Finland by Anna Frey, UK by Tim Legg, Romania by Ancuta Manea, Slovakia by Oliver Bochníček, Austria by Ingeborg Auer). Additionally, reports sent via email before the meeting by Italy (Maria Carmen Beltrano, Gianpaolo Mordacchini) and the Czech Republic (Miroslav Řepka) have been mentioned.

For details of those presentations and the status of data rescue in the different countries please see the according presentations and reports available on the web (<https://www.zamg.ac.at/dare/reports>).

Generally the level of data rescue is quite differing between the different countries. While some have already done most of the task, while for others a lot of preparative work would be needed and other tasks are of greater importance. Also the data policy differs, as some of the countries have already placed all their data on the web for free further use, while others keep the data in an intranet-database.

Discussions evolved about different methods to digitize data, the technical equipment needed, the necessity of standards. At an approaching meeting with Peer Hechler from WMO in June an update of the according WMO guideline will be suggested. Also questions about the current whereabouts of some stations which were located in different countries due to wars were highlighted. Still not all of the questionnaires have been answered, especially those from the southern and western part of the Mediterranean Sea. But also some European countries are still collecting the information needed to complete the questionnaire. Therefore it was decided, that it was still too early to write a common report.

In the course of the meetings new members joined the expert team:

Aleksandar D. Prodanov (Macedonia)

Oliver Bochníček (Slovakia)

Mary Curley (Ireland)

Predrag Petrović (Serbia)

Anna Mamara (Greece)

The next DMW including a DARE session is scheduled for the 28-30.10. 2015 in St. Gallen /Switzerland.

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