

climate change initiative

→ CMUG NEWSLETTER

CMUG News & Science Highlights

- CMUG held its CCI+ Phase 2 Kick-off Meeting on 18th September 2023. Phase 2 will run for three years (2023-2026) and include contributions to ESMValTool, to allow CCI data to be easily used in model comparisons, and several cross-ECV scientific Studies, with topics including machine learning, vegetation phenology, land cover, ocean biogeochemistry, clouds and aerosols, snow dynamics, ice sheets, and wetland methane emissions.
- CMUG welcomes new partners Centro Euro-Mediterraneo sui Cambiamenti Climatici (CMCC) who bring expertise in the use of land surface models and vegetation; Danish Meteorological Institute (DMI) who provide expertise in ice sheets and polar meteorology; and NCEO (University of Leicester and University of Edinburgh), experts in GHG.
- CMUG's next Integration Meeting will be held on 8-9th November 2023, following the CCI Colocation Meeting. These will be held at ESA's new ECSAT conference facility, Harwell, Oxfordshire, UK.
- The CMUG website has been updated to reflect the next project phase. Study descriptions have been added for each Study [here](#). An updated overview of the CMUG team can be found [here](#).

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Upcoming: CMUG Integration Meeting November 2023

CMUG is organising its next Integration Meeting on 8-9th November 2023 at ECSAT, Harwell, UK. The ESA web page for this event, with further details on its location, can be accessed [here](#). CMUG's Integration Meeting will have hybrid capabilities via Webex.

The Integration Meeting will follow the [CCI Colocation Meeting](#).

Day 1 (8th) will begin in the afternoon and consist of several sessions on observation and model intercomparison. Day 2 (9th) will consist of an official introduction to the Integration Meeting and an overview of CMUG CCI+ Phase 2 with a presentation of CMUG plans for this phase. Then there will be a breakout session for Science Studies to hold kick-off meetings attended by relevant ECV projects followed by a discussion on linking observations with models in CLIMATE-SPACE and finally concluding remarks.

The agenda is presented on the following page and can also be directly accessed [here](#).

Previous: CMUG Integration Meeting October 2022

CMUG's 2022 Integration Meeting was held on 24-25th October 2022 in Italy. The newsletter for that meeting can be found [here](#) and the event webpage [here](#).

CCI Colocation Meeting 7-8th November 2023**[Agenda webpage link](#)**

ECSAT, Harwell, Oxfordshire, UK

Tuesday 7 November

- 09:00-09:30 Registration at ECSAT Conference Centre
- 09:30-12:30 Session 1: Opening and Welcome
- 12:45-14:00 Lunch
- 14:00-17:30 Session 2: Cross-ECVs
- 17:30 Welcome Drinks reception at Oxford University Museum of Natural History

Wednesday 8 November

- 09:30-12:30 Session 3: Emerging Topics
- 12:30-14:30 Lunch

CMUG Integration Meeting First Day – 8th November 2023**[Agenda webpage link](#)**

ECSAT, Harwell, Oxfordshire, UK

Wednesday 8 November

- 14:30-17:30 Session 4: Joint CCI / CMUG Session: Observations / Model Intercomparison
- ESMValTool – Latest Updates
- ESA Approach to Obs4MIPs
- CMUG Work Package on Future Evolution of Obs4MIPs
- Recent Developments in Cloud Computing for Climate Observations
- CMIP/CORDEX Discussion
- 17:30-20:30 Poster Session

CMUG Integration Meeting Second Day – 9th November 2023**Thursday 9 November**

- 09:00-09:30 Introduction to Integration Meeting
- 09:30-10:00 Overview of CMUG CCI+ Phase 2 and Presentation of CMUG Plans for CCI+ Phase 2

Breakout Sessions by Scientific Study:

- 10:00-11:00
 - WP5.1: Machine Learning to Advance Climate Model Evaluation and Process Understanding
 - ECVs required to attend: Cloud, SST, WV, LST, SM, LC, Snow, Permafrost
 - WP5.8: Using Machine Learning to Evaluate and Understand our Capability to Model Tropical Wetland Methane Emissions
 - ECVs required to attend: GHG, SM, LST, LC
- 11:00-12:00
 - WP5.3: Impact of Integrating CCU LC in the ISBA Land Surface Models
 - ECVs required to attend: LC, Snow, SM, LST
 - WP5.6: Snow Dynamics Impacts on Temperate / High Latitude Climate
 - ECVs required to attend: Snow, LC, Fire, AGB
 - WP5.7: Atmospheric Drivers and Feedback Processes Affecting the Greenland and Antarctic Ice-sheets in Observations and Regional Climate Models
 - ECVs required to attend: Ice Sheets (Greenland and Antarctica), LST, WV, Cloud
- 12:00-12:30 Discussion on Linking Observations with Models in CLIMATE-SPACE
- 12:30-13:00 Meeting Close

CMUG Key Contacts per CMUG Partner**Met Office**

- Amy Doherty (Project Manager)
- Richard Jones (Science Lead)
- Hannah Griffith (Comms)
- David Ford (Ocean biogeochemistry)
- Debbie Hemming (Vegetation phenology)
- Rob King (Vegetation phenology)
- Nic Gedney (Methane emissions)

DLR

- Axel Lauer (ESMValTool / Cloud and aerosols / Machine learning)
- Lisa Bock (Machine Learning)
- Veronika Eyring (Machine learning)

ECMWF

- Angela Benedetti (Cloud and aerosols)
- Kirsti Salonen (Cloud and aerosols)

DMI

- Shuting Yang (Ice sheets)
- Ruth Mottram (Ice sheets)

BSC

- Pablo Ortega (Ocean biogeochemistry)
- Jeronimo Escribano (Cloud and aerosols)

UKRI-STFC (CEDA)

- Alison Waterfall (Obs4MIPs)

IPSL

- Philippe Peylin (Snow dynamics)
- Catherine Ottle (Snow dynamics)

Météo France

- Jean-Christophe Calvet (Land surface data in ISBA model)

SMHI

- Ulrika Willén (Ice sheets)

CMCC

- Daniele Peano (Vegetation phenology)

NCEO (University of Leicester)

- Robert Parker (Methane emissions)
- Cristina Ruiz Villena (Methane emissions)

NCEO (University of Edinburgh)

- Paul Palmer (Methane emissions)