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Acronyms

AGAGE Advanced Global Atmospheric Gases Experiment

AMO Atlantic Multidecadal Oscillation

AVHRR Advanced Very High Resolution Radiometer

BGS Beginning of Growing Season
BODC British Oceanographic Data Centre

C-CAPS Centre for Climate and Air Pollution Studies

CCI Climate Change Initiative

CCIP Climate Change Impacts on Phenology
CDNC Cloud Droplet Number Concentration
CEA Atomic Energy Commission (France)

CFC Chloroflourocarbon
Chl-a Chlorophyll a

CLS Collecte Localisation Satellites

CMRC Coastal and Marine Research Centre
CNES Centre National d'Etudes Spatiales

CNRS Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique

CORINE Coordinated Information on the European Environment

DAFM Department of Agriculture Food and Marine
DECC Department of Energy and Climate Change

DEFRA Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

DIC dissolved inorganic carbon

DMSP Defense Meteorological Satellite Programme

EC European Commission

ECV Essential Climate Variable

ENSO El Niño—Southern Oscillation

EPA Environmental Protection Agency

ESA European Space Agency ESB Electricity Supply Board

EU European Union

FAO Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
FAPAR Fraction of Absorbed Photosynthetically Active Radiation

GAW Global Atmosphere Watch

GCOS Global Climate Observing System

GEOSS Global Earth Observation System of Systems

GHG Green House Gases

GLOSS Global Sea Level Observing System

GMES Global Monitoring for Environment and Security

GPM Global Precipitation Measurement

GPS Global Positioning System

GRACE Gravity Recovery and Climate Experiment

GSN Global Surface Network
HAB Harmful Algal Bloom
HCFC Hydrochlorofluorocarbons

hPa hectoPascal

ICES International Council for Exploration of the Sea

ICOS International Carbon Observing System
IPCC Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change

LAI Leaf Area Index

LSCE Laboratoire des Sciences du Climat et l'Environnement

LSW Labrador Sea Water

LUCAS Land Use and Cover Area frame Survey

MACC Monitoring Atmospheric Composition and Climate

MERIS Medium Resolution Imaging Spectrometer

MI Marine Institute

MODIS Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer

MOLAND Monitoring Land Use/Cover Dynamics

MSL Mean Sea Level
NAC North Atlantic Current

NASA National Aeronautics and Space Administration

NBDC National Biodiversity Data Centre

NOAA National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

NPP National Polar-orbiting Partnership NUIG National University Ireland Galway

OMPS Ozone Mapper Profiler Suite

OPW Office of Public Works

pCO₂ partial pressure of carbon dioxide

PFC Perfluorocarbons

pH measure of acidity in a solution

POL Proudman Oceanographic Laboratory

Ppb parts per billion
Ppm parts per million
Psu practical salinity unit

SAC Special Area of Conservation

SAHFOS Sir Alister Hardy Foundation for Ocean Science

SCIAMACHY Scanning Imaging Absorption spectrometer for Atmospheric Chartography

SFPA Sea Fisheries Protection Authority

SLR Sea Level Rise SMD Soil Moisture Deficit

SMOS Soil Moisture Ocean Salinity

SOC Soil Organic Carbon
SPA Special Protection Area

SPOT Système Pour l'Observation de la Terre

SST Sea Surface Temperature

SWH Significant wave height

TA Total alkalinity

TCD Trinity College Dublin

Tg Teragrams (equivalent to 1 tonne)

TM Thematic Mapper

TUCSON The Unified Climate and Synoptic Observation Network

UCC University College Cork

UK United Kingdom UN United Nations

UNFCCC United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

UTC Coordinated Universal Time

UVSQ Université de Versailles Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines

WOCE World Ocean Circulation Experiment

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