
Meeting report:

Expert Team on Climate Data Development and Stewardship (**ET-DDS**)
Standing Committee on Climate Services (SC-CLI)
SERCOM
12 November 2025, 13:00 – 14:00 Geneva time

References

Github: <https://github.com/ET-DRC>
Wiki general: <https://github.com/ET-DRC/Home/wiki>
Wiki DAYCLI: <https://github.com/ET-DRC/DAYCLI-message/wiki>
Shared drive, see at:
<https://community.wmo.int/en/governance/commission-membership/sercom-management-group/standing-committee-climate-services/expert-team-climate-data-development-and-stewardship>

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*P: Present

Notes: actions and agreements highlighted in **bold**.

1 Summary of actions and follow up since the last meeting ([08/10/2025](#))

1.1 Writeshop 11-14 November 2025 (On Progress)

Purpose of the Writeshop: The revision of WMO-No. 1238 (Manual on the High-quality Global Data Management Framework on Climate)

The revision focuses on aligning the layout with the required WMO manual structure. The work emphasizes the standards and recommended practices **for climate data management**. Another key part is ensuring consistency with other manuals, including WIGOS, WIS and marine-related manuals.

1.2 Standing Committee on Climate Services (SC-CLI) 28/10/2025

The virtual meeting of the Standing Committee on Climate Services (SC-CLI) on 28 October focused on the impact of the WMO restructuring on our SC-CLI and on the preparation of the SERCOM Management Group in December 2025.

For more information on the WMO reorganisation, please refer to: (1) [Cg-Ext\(2025\)-INF04\(1\)-IMPACT-SG-TRANSFORMATION-SECRETARIAT_fr-MT.docx](#) and (2) <https://wmo.int/about-wmo/secretariat/wmo-secretariat-reorganization>.

On **07/11/2025**, ET-DDS proposed to the SC-CLI and the WMO Secretariat on: (1) a restructuring scenario for ET-DDS, and (2) a proposal for activities with prioritization and workplan.

- Scenario 1: no change in Expert Teams and Task Teams
- Scenario 2: ET-DDS is merged with ET-MCCVC
- Scenario 3: ET-DDS is merged with ET-CIDS

1.3 Scenario 3: ET-DDS is merged with ET-CIDSDAYCLI 5/11/2025

Sergio Ferreira and ET-DATA STANDARD made the latest modifications to the template, which is now version **3.07.095** (following versions 3.07.074 and 3.07.075). See: <https://github.com/wmo-im/BUFR4/issues/238>.

The next ET-DATA STANDARD meeting is planned between 9–15 December. We need to receive feedback from the community on this by this date, especially from DWD, Japan, Switzerland, Argentina, Australia and Météo-France. It would be great if your NMHS could participate by providing a simple test file for one month. Please answer me on this if it is the case.

The Fast Track procedure for DAYCLI is planned for mid-May 2026.

We asked the ET-DATA STANDARD ET to contribute to the DAYCLI guidelines, and they have expressed interest.

[A communication plan can be considered if needed.](#)

1.4 4-6 November 2025: 15th EUMETNET Data Management Workshop, Oslo

William Wright and **José Guijarro** presented WMO's role in climate data management and highlighted homogenization. They emphasized the need for improving quality management and pointed out that many parts of the data processing chain, including CDMS systems, remain underdeveloped.

1.5 Training for Kuwait

Following their work for Paraguay and Argentina, the WMO Expert Team on Data Development and Stewardship, ET-DDS, and the WMO Secretariat participated in the training of 14 Kuwaiti climatologists in October 2025. The following presentations were given:

- José Guijarro (ET-DDS): 'Homogenisation of climate series';
- Claire Ransom (WMO): National State of the Climate Reports;
- Denis Stuber (ET-DDS): 'Climate data and WMO', 'WMO data exchange and CDMS integration', 'basic computation rules with missing data'.

2 Consultation on homogenization

Consultations will be held on **19(the western hemisphere)** and **20(the eastern hemisphere) November**.

In addition to our Wiki (<https://github.com/ET-DRC/Home/wiki>) 2 files to follow the WMO consultation on homogenization.

[Remaining tasks.docx](#) : to list all actions that are still needed. Also there is a suggestion for the introduction's text, and for the conclusion.

[Homogenization programme](#) : to show which presentations are still missing

The all directory is available at this address: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1OaKqi_2wnD9-ERDvzaNxWfM27npasVm1?usp=sharing

3 Date of next meeting

10th December 2025, 13:00-15:00 Geneva time : ET-DDS meeting to discuss and agree on its 2026 workplan

4 Coming events

- ✓ **10-21 November 2025:** COP 30, Belem, Brazil
- ✓ **19-20 November 2025:** Consultation on homogenization
- ✓ **April 2026:** INFCOM-4
- ✓ **5-7 May 2026:** 12th Seminar for Homogenization and Quality Control in Climatological Databases and the 7th Interpolation Conference in Budapest
- ✓ **19-23 October 2026:** SERCOM-4