

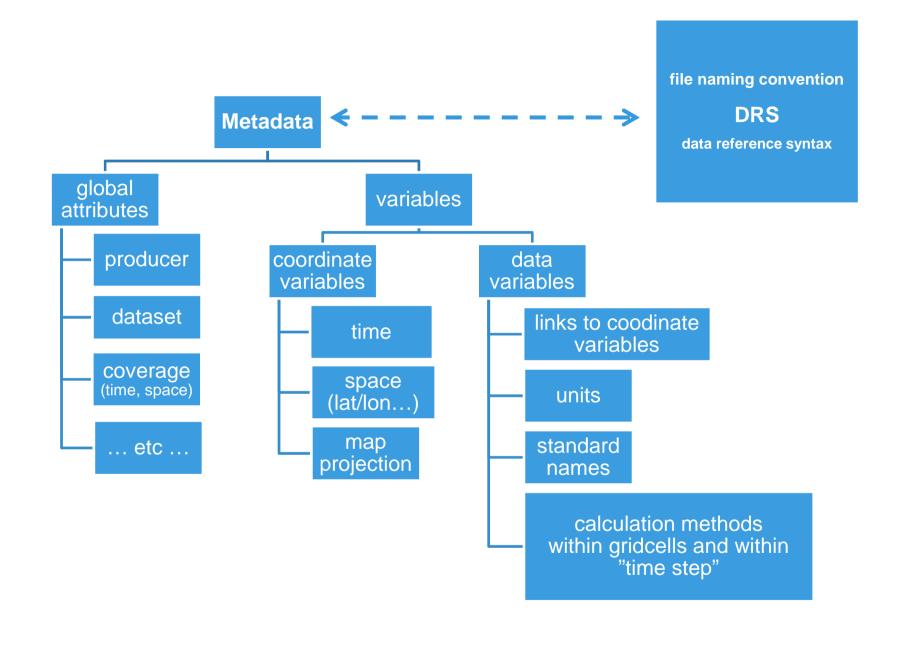
Workshop intro & overview

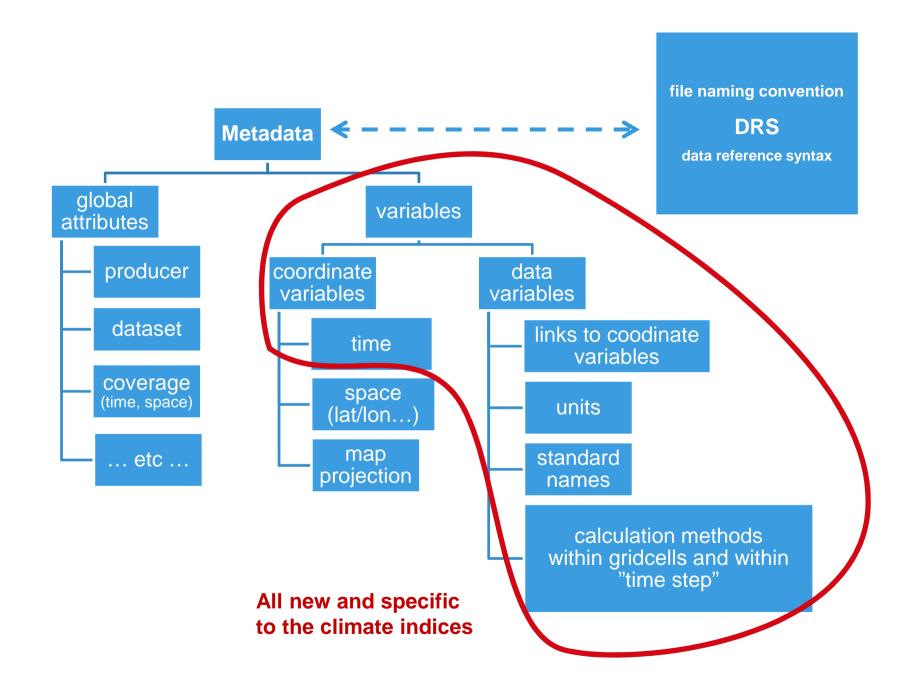
- Climate indices (climate indicators) coming into focus
- Well-established core sets by ETCCDI, ET-SCI, ECA&D
- Interaction on CF-Metadata list some 8-9 years ago --- partial progress renewed activities in CLIPC and IS-ENES2
- Substantial development since then
 - ... of the CF convention
 - ... of new types and/or more complex climate indices
 - ... of user expectations on data quality and information
 - ... of data dissemination methods and infrastructure
- Increasing need for a metadata "standard" (= workable guidelines !!)



Workshop overall aim

- Get an overview of where development of 'climate indices' is heading
- Make tangible progress (and hopefully finish!) several outstanding issues related to common and important ETCCDI, ET-SCI indices
- Discuss what needed in terms of CF convention development --- would that be viable given present and future climate indices ?
- How to proceed beyond IS-ENES2 and CLIPC?
- Is the larger 'climate indices community' ready for community-driven metadata guidelines ('standard')?
- If possible, prepare ETCCDI indices metadata to the level of ESGF publication







Workshop overall aim

- In other words and succinctly:
- Solve outstanding technical issues
- See what is around the corner
- Discuss what it would take to form a community to take this further



Hands-on work session 1

Focus on ECA&D indices

- Suggestion: two groups:
 - 1. Group on naming conventions:
 - -- variable names
 - -- long names
 - -- name of threshold variables
 - 2. Technical work on
 - -- standard names
 - -- cell methods
 - -- how to handle thresholds

Other/alternatives groups?