

New CM SAF webpage now available!

CM SAF is happy to announce the launch of our new webpage (www.cmsaf.eu). The redesigned page features a new look with a dynamical layout. The updated page includes changes in the navigation of the page and adapted menus for mobile and desktop versions. New features such as an improved search functionality and filter functions (e.g. in the [Document](#) section) will help our users to find the needed information more easily. We are happy to hear your feedback on our new page and please let us know (via contact.cmsaf@dwd.de) if you are missing any information. Users who have set bookmarks to sub-pages of our former CM SAF page should be aware that some of these links have changed with the redesign of the page.

Upcoming CM SAF workshops in June 2019 – save the date!

Next year, there will be two interesting workshops for our CM SAF users:

- The 5th **CM SAF User Workshop** will take place from 3-5 June 2019 in Mainz, Germany. You can introduce your application of CM SAF data and register your wishes for the future developments and operations of the CM SAF. We will also celebrate the 20th CM SAF anniversary!
- On 5-7 June 2019 **EUMETSAT** organizes an **Advance Climate Training Course** for CM SAF users, which will take place immediately after the CM SAF User Workshop at the same location in Mainz.

More information on both events will follow soon and users are encouraged to monitor the CM SAF [webpage](#) for these upcoming [workshops](#).

Termination of parallel distribution via ftp protocol by end of July 2018

As announced in [Newsletter 35](#), CM SAF has changed the data distribution to https/sftp in early May 2018. The parallel distribution via ftp has been terminated by the end of July 2018 as planned. Since August 2018, only https/sftp access to the orders is available. Users who have not yet changed their data download to the https/sftp protocol are strongly encouraged to adapt their routines accordingly.

Operations Report for January-June 2018 available

The [Operations Report 2018/1](#) covering the reporting period January to June 2018 is available on our webpage. The purpose of the Operations Report is to outline the operations activities within the CM SAF and to provide a summary of operational activities during the reporting period. Furthermore, a summary of User Help Desk (UHD) activities and user statistics is given. An [archive](#) of previous reports can be found on our webpage as well.

Publications by CM SAF team

The following list gives an overview of some recently published papers by the CM SAF team covering CM SAF products and developments. Authors from the current CM SAF team are marked in bold:

Amillo, A. G., Ntsangwane, L., Huld, T., **Trentmann, J.**: Comparison of satellite-retrieved high-resolution solar radiation datasets for South Africa. *Journal of Energy in Southern Africa*, **29**(2), 63–76, doi:[10.17159/2413-3051/2018/v29i2a3376](https://doi.org/10.17159/2413-3051/2018/v29i2a3376), 2018.

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Riihelä, A., Manninen, T., Key, J., Sun, Q., Sütterlin, M., Lattanzio, A., Schaaf, C.: A Multisensor Approach to Global Retrievals of Land Surface Albedo. *Remote Sensing*, **10**(6):848, doi: [10.3390/rs10060848](https://doi.org/10.3390/rs10060848), 2018.

Schröder, M., Lockhoff, M., Fell, F., Forsythe, J., Trent, T., Bennartz, R., Borbas, E., Bosilovich, M. G., Castelli, E., Hersbach, H., Kachi, M., Kobayashi, S., Kursinski, E. R., Loyola, D., Mears, C., Preusker, R., Rossow, W. B., and Saha, S.: The GEWEX Water Vapor Assessment archive of water vapour products from satellite observations and reanalyses, *Earth Syst. Sci. Data*, **10**, 1093-1117, doi: [10.5194/essd-10-1093-2018](https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-10-1093-2018), 2018.

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