

Notes of the WGCEF meeting in Copenhagen, Saturday 4th October 2008

Starting time: 10:00

Introductions and agree agenda

- Many of the participants will be replaced at the next meeting in Toulouse by younger forecasters
- 26 participants joined the meeting
- Absence announcements from Nick Grahame, Greece, Estonia, Malta, Micheletti (OsMER), Norway
- Agenda was agreed

Actions from the last meeting

- Action 1 - is covered by the programme
- Action 2 - answers to the enquiry are presented in the agenda
- Action 3 - verifications shall be continued
- Action 4 - Jean Quiby did not answer, action postponed to the next meeting

Report of the chairman

- Meteoalarm received the communication award
- EUMETCAL conference in Toulouse: computer added learning
- Tendency in general forecasting: more advice to clients, special products for customers, tendency to optimise these procedures, tendency to more automated products
- Problem: if the weather is calm, less staff are on shift (KNMI, DWD)

Mikkel Madvig, Right Management Ltd., DK, human factor session

“Managing decisions and decision making pressures in weather forecasting”

Discussion of Newsletter No.13 and WGCEF website

- Meteo France is willing to print the newsletter next time, co-ordinator Bernard Roulet
- Will Lang will review the articles for the newsletter, the articles shall be sent to Will Lang, Met Office, UK, deadline Christmas time
- Website shall cover more information for the actual meeting
- List of representatives has been updated during the meeting

Short EMMA/Meteoalarm update by Frank Kroonenberg

Status and future contributions

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Contributions from WGCEF members

Human factor session, 7 presentations (KNMI, DWD, FMI, GR, B, ZAMG, UKMO), the presenters of Norway and Poland were absent

Contributions from WGCEF members

Severe weather verification session, 4 presentations (DMI, GR, ZAMG, MF)

The presentations can be found on the WGCEF website.

Plan of action 2009

These following topics had been proposed in the meeting

- 1 - Changing NMS's, "New working structures and upcoming plans"
- 2 - Verification of meteorological products (objective- and subjective- and impact verification)
- 3 - Description and use of short term ensemble forecasting at NMS's
- 4 - Examples of high resolution NWP-model use
- 5 - E-learning facilities now and in the future

Due to time constraints for open discussion, it was agreed that the chairman and the vice-chairman would make a decision to choose 2 topics from the 5 proposals.

These were as follows:

- **Changing NMS's, "New working structures and upcoming plans"**
- **Verification of meteorological products (objective- and subjective- and impact verification)**

Date and place of the next meeting

In connection with the next ECAM the WGCEF meeting will take place in Toulouse on Saturday 5 October 2009, Meteo-France is kindly asked to host the meeting.

Any other business and closure of the meeting

There was no other business and the chairman closed the meeting at 17:30.