Welcome to ECMWF & EGOWS 2010



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Our users require visualisation

- Forecasters in their daily work using workstations
- Forecasters and the general public via the web
- Developers of new products
- Researchers (model and observations)
 - by time, space, parameter, ensemble number, ...
- The video wall
- Data volumes are increasing
 - Model resolution
 - More observation types
 - Observations with improved spatial sampling
- Users expect Google Earth's interactive capabilities



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The operational forecast system

- High resolution deterministic forecast: twice per day 16 km 91-level, to 10 days ahead
- Ensemble forecast (EPS): twice daily
 51 members, 30/60 km 62-level, to 15 days ahead
- Ocean waves: twice daily
 - Global: 10 days ahead at 28 km
 - European Waters: 5 days ahead at 10 km
 - Ensemble: 15 days ahead at 55 km
- Monthly forecast: once a week
 51-members, 30/60 km 62 levels
- Seasonal forecast: once a month 41-members, 125 km 62 levels, to 7 months ahead



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Some additional observational data sets, 2009

- MSG All Sky Radiances
- ASCAT low resolution level 2 soil moisture data from EUMS (Metop02)
- NOAA-19 ATOVS data
- MSG-2 Atmospheric Motion Vectors
- AVHRR winds produced from CIMSS/UW-Madison (NOAA-15,16,17 and 18)
- SBUV/2 data version 8 NOAA19 ozone profiles
- Coriolis/SDR data (passively monitored)
- Additional weather radar wind profiles from Poland and Slovenia
- ATOVS data from Asia Pacific (RARS NOAA-15,16,17 and 18)
- Cloud motion winds from Chinese FY-2
- MODIS winds produced from CIMSS/UW-Madison (AQUA TERRA)
- JASON-2 altimeter data in BUFR format



Visualizing the observations



The observation handling project

- The archive (MARS) is being enhanced to support ODB data
- Rapidly increasing volumes of satellite data
- Generic monitoring tools are being developed



ECMWF – our products

Thursday 27 May 2010 12UTC ECMWF Forecast t+24 VT: Friday 28 May 2010 12UTC Jean sea level pressure (MSLP) Ensemble Mean and Normalised Standard Deviation (shaded)



- Each day we deliver 13 millions products (fields) to Member and Co-operating States and customers
- Model resolution is now 16 km which broiught many new challenges:
 - Handling of larger data volumes
 - Visualizing meteorological features at their true resolution

 For next year and increase from 91 to140 model levels is planned



Interactive EFI Extreme Forecast Index

Anomalous weather p 1000 hPa Zensemble

and EFI values for To

rature (all 24h)

valid for 24hours from Wednesday 30 September 2009 at 00 UTCto Thursday 01 October 2009 at 00 UTC



Model simulated satellite images



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Plume Diagrams - revisit earlier 'Klaus' example:



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Tim Hewson http://www.ecmwf.int/newsevents/meetings/workshops/2009/MOS_12/Presentations/index.html

EGOWS is an important community for ECMWF

- The forecaster workstation is often the means by which forecasters access our products
- We appreciate the efforts of developers to catch up with our changes in products ...
- We are keen to operate with exciting new developments, such as OGC standards

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ECMWF – providing some support for your work



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