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WIGOS & OSCAR

... Where Observational Requirements
Meet Observational Capabilities

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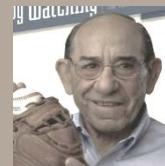
Outline

- WIGOS
- WIGOS metadata standard and exchange format(s)
- OSCAR/Surface
- Outlook

WIGOS

“If you don't know where you are going,
you'll end up someplace else.”

— Yogi Berra





WIGOS (WMO Integrated Global Observing System)

- A governance framework for WMO and co-sponsored observing systems, surface-based and space-based
- A strategy to do more with less
- An information resource

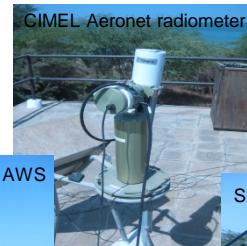


How to do more with less?

- Specify requirements
- Document existing capabilities
- Identify gaps
- Collaborate and integrate
 - Identify partners
 - Eliminate unnecessary redundancies
 - Automate
 - Streamline data operations



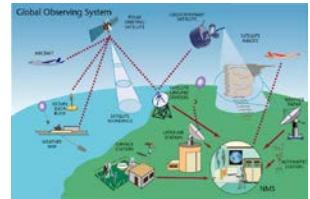
Example: Mbour, Senegal





WIGOS Targeted observing systems

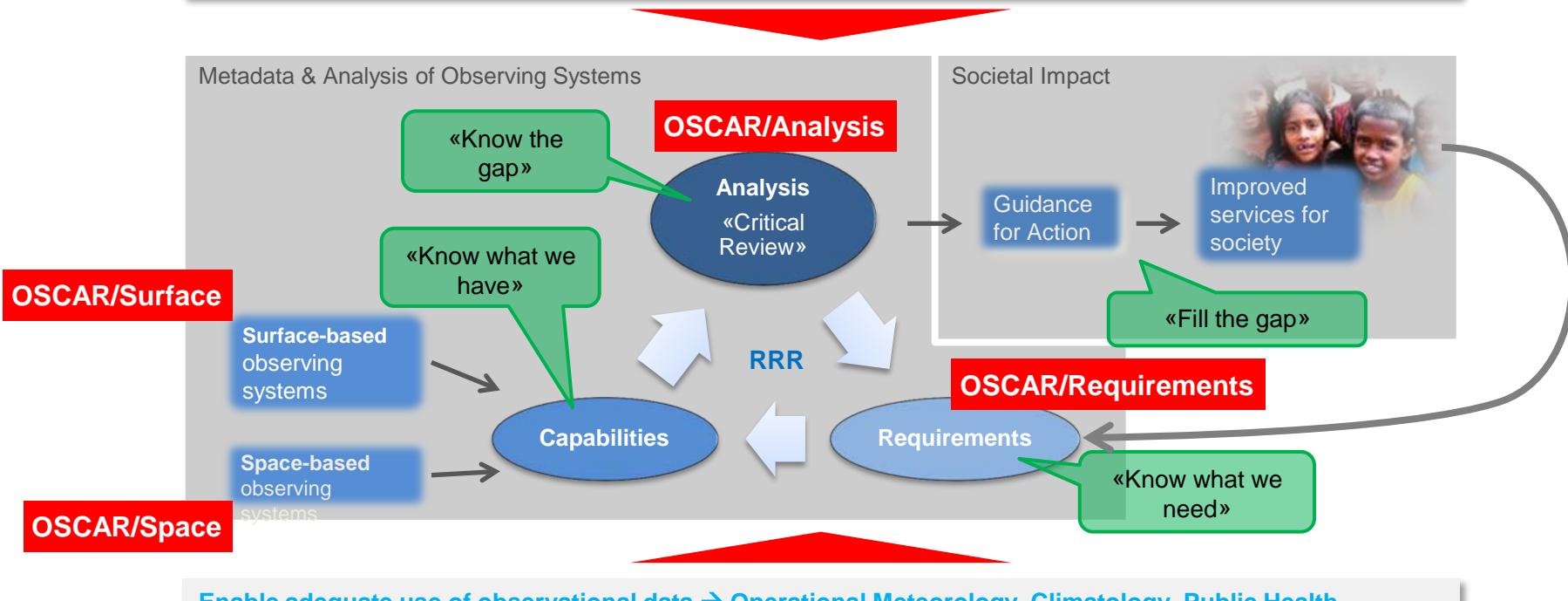
- WMO Observing Systems
 - Global Observing System (WWW/**GOS**)
 - Observing component of Global Atmospheric Watch (**GAW**)
 - WMO Hydrological Observing System (**WHOS**)
 - Observing component of Global Cryosphere Watch (**GCW**)
 - Co-Sponsored Observing Systems
 - Global Climate Observing System (**GCOS**) (WMO-IOC-UNEP-ISC)
 - Global Ocean Observing System (**GOOS**) (IOC-WMO-UNEP-ISC)





RRR and OSCAR

Evolve observing systems rationally → WIGOS “Rolling Review of Requirements” Process



WIGOS metadata standard and exchange format(s)

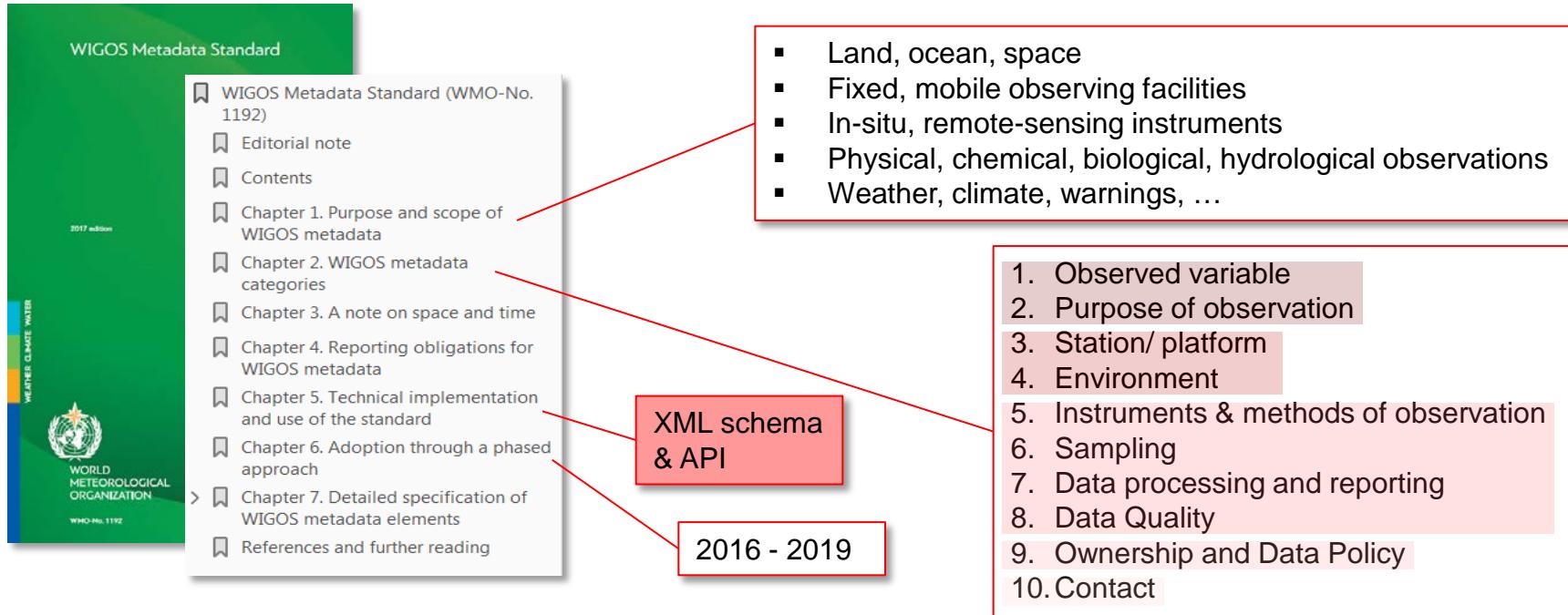
“If the world were perfect, it wouldn't be.”
— Yogi Berra





WIGOS Metadata Standard

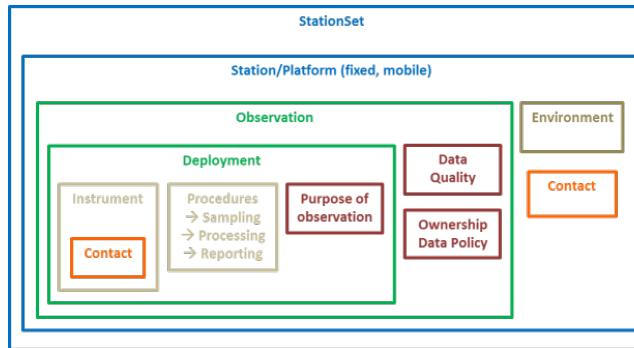
Approved by WMO Cg-17 (2015)



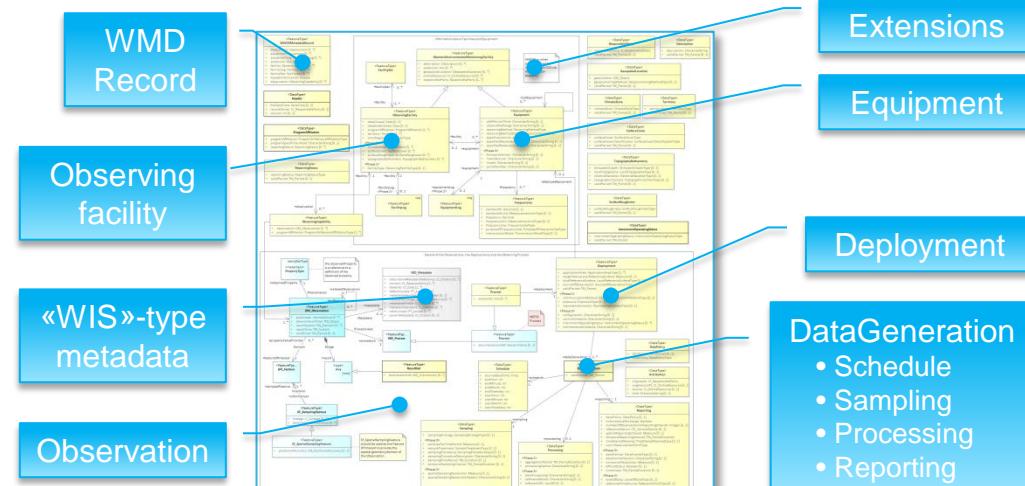
<https://wis.wmo.int/WIGOS-MD>



WIGOS metadata exchange format(s)



1. Observed variable
 2. Purpose of observation
 3. Station/ platform
 4. Environment
 5. Instruments & methods of observation
 6. Sampling
 7. Data processing and reporting
 8. Data Quality
 9. Ownership and Data Policy
 10. Contact



WMDR
XSD
XML

OSCAR/Surface

Reference implementation of WMDS





Public web interface

Various search targets and results export possibilities

Station

Data

Contact

Bibliographic Reference

Instrument

Search for stations

[Browse by station name](#)

Station name:

[Search using advanced criteria](#)

Criteria matching: All Any

Search term:

New Result Type:

Station type:

<input type="checkbox"/> Air (fixed)	<input type="checkbox"/> Seafloor (mobile)
<input type="checkbox"/> Air (mobile)	<input type="checkbox"/> Sea (fixed)
<input type="checkbox"/> Land (fixed)	<input type="checkbox"/> Seafloor (mobile)
<input type="checkbox"/> Land (mobile)	<input type="checkbox"/> Underwater (fixed)
<input type="checkbox"/> Satellite (geostationary)	<input type="checkbox"/> Underwater (mobile)

Program / institution affiliation: [View details](#)

WHO IHA / Country: [View details](#)

Organization:

Variable: Temperature, Air temperature (at specified distance from reference surface), Dew-point

More search options

Management console for registered users

Management console for registered users

OSCAR Observing Systems Capability Analysis and Review Tool

Home Search Critical review Management

Quick access

Generate station report by:

Station name

WMO ID

Generate station lists by:

Country

Type

Find people by:

Contact name

Filter map

By program / network:

WIGOS components

GOS

GAW

WHOS

GCW

Welcome to OSCAR/Surface

OSCAR/Surface is the World Meteorological Organization's official repository of metadata on surface-based meteorological and climatological observations that are required for international exchange. For more details on OSCAR, please visit the [About](#) section.

Industry-standard technology stack

- Oracle DB, ArcGIS
- JEE, AngularJS

Safe and secure, traceable

air ● land or ocean surface ● sub-surface ● lake or river ●

Latest news

Finely tuned search

Detailed st report

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**Finely tuned
search**

The screenshot shows a detailed station page from the Meteoswiss.ch website. The top navigation bar includes a search bar and links for "Surface", "Forecast", "Observation", "Archive", "About", and "Contact". A red box highlights the left sidebar, which contains sections for "Geographical and Climatological Information", "Lake or River Observations", and "WMO ©". Below this is a map showing a blue area labeled "lake or river". The main content area features a large image of a lake with green and blue patterns. To the right, there's a "Detailed station" section with a red box around it, containing information about the lake or river, including its name ("Tennensee"), location ("Tennensee, Thurgau, Switzerland"), and a link to "Detailed station". Other sections include "Programs / Network Overview" with a table of programs and their status, and a "Last updated" section.

Detailed station report



Restricted management console

- Stations
 - Basic characteristics
 - Photos
 - History
- Observations
 - Location
 - Variable
 - Methods
 - Instruments
 - Quality and uncertainty
 - History
- Contacts
- Bibliographic references & documents

The screenshot shows the OSCAR Management interface with the 'Management' tab selected. Under 'Management', the 'Stations' section is active. A sub-menu for 'Register new station' is open, showing options like 'Pending approvals', 'My stations', and 'View linked stations'. The main content area displays a 'Register new station' form. At the top right of the form are buttons for 'Save as draft', 'Submit', and 'Cancel'. The form fields include:

- Name*:
- Date established*:
- Station type*: (Land (fixed) / Observing facility on solid terrain, at fixed position)
- WMOOS Station Identifier(s)*: (Add WMOOS Station Identifier)
- WMO region*: (Add country / territory)
- Coordinates*: (Add latitude / longitude / elevation / geopositioning method)
- Time zone*: (Add time zone)
- Supervising organization***: (Add supervising organization)



GUI interface to API endpoint for testing ...

- Upload full records or increments
- Register or update stations, observations, deployments, contacts, ...
- Flexible + powerful = tricky!

copy/paste

The screenshot shows the OSCAR Management interface. On the left, there's a sidebar with links like Home, Search, Critical review, Management, and XML submission. The main area has a note: "Note: This is a test environment, use OSCAR for the operational environment." Below this is a "Stations" section with a "Register new station" button. A modal window titled "Copy and paste your XML below:" contains XML code. Red arrows from the text "copy/paste" point to the XML code in the modal.

Generate XML

log

new/updated report

The screenshot shows two parts of the WMO interface. On the right, a "Status: SUCCESS_WITH_WARNINGS" message is displayed above an "XML parsing logs" section. The logs mention "REF_6: No value found for the element 'facilityResponsibleParty/validPeriod'". On the left, a "Station report details" page for "Jungfraujoch (Switzerland)" is shown. It includes a map of the area, station characteristics, and a "Report status" section. Red arrows from the text "log" and "new/updated report" point to the status message and the station report details respectively.



REST API for search and upload

- <https://oscar.wmo.int/surface/rest/api? wadl>
- Public (GET) endpoints, e.g., station search
- Private (POST) endpoint requiring security token for upload of XML and different scope
 - NMHSs → their territory
 - World data centres → global
 - Instrument experts → instrument catalogue

```
<resource path="/upload">
  <method name="POST">
    <request>
      <representation mediaType="application/xml">
        <param type="xs:string" style="plain" name="request"/>
      </representation>
    </request>
    <response>
      <representation mediaType="application/json"/>
    </response>
  </method>
</resource>
```

Stations

Homepage > Management > Contacts > Manage machine access

Generate security token for NMHS Surname NMHS Name

I accept the conditions for use of security tokens as specified in the [General conditions for use of this application]

Generate

Security token:

35a4b6c5-b4a9-4f51-ba22-8e6a9078ee1b

This token is only displayed once, immediately after generation. Please copy the token and embed it in your scripts. The token needs to be sent in the HTTP header "X-WMO-WMDR-Token" with each request.

Expiration date: 2019-10-03



```
>>> url = 'https://oscar.wmo.int/surface/rest/wmd/upload/'
>>> headers = {'X-WMO-WMDR-Token': '35a4b6c5-b4a9-4f51-ba22-8e6a9078ee1b'}
>>> files = {'file': open('observations_0-2008-0-JFJ_atmosSurfaceOzone.xml', 'rb'), 'application/xml'}
>>> r = requests.post(url, headers=headers, files=files)
>>> r.text
{
...
"files": [
  "file": "<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?><wmdr:WIGOSMetadataRecord xmlns:wmdr=..."
],
...
}
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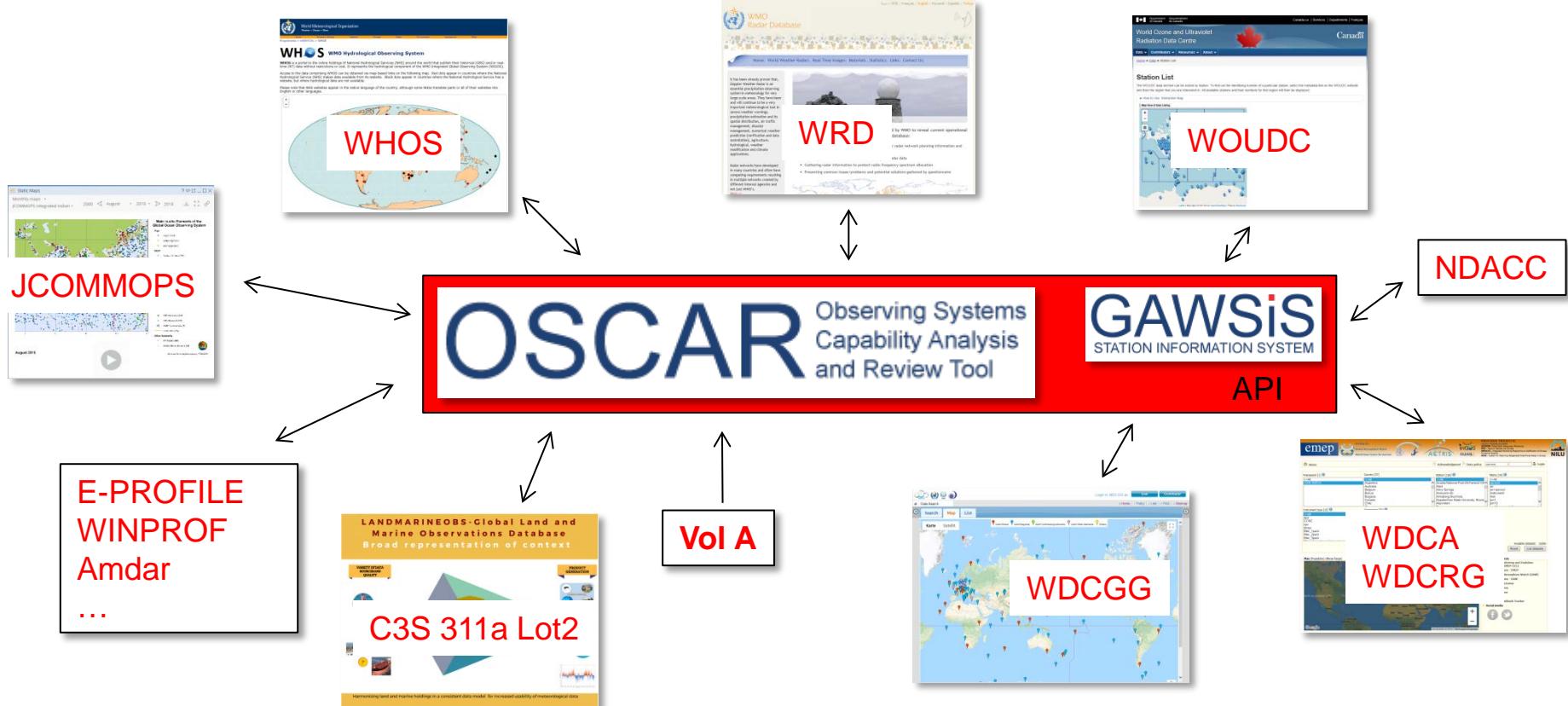
Outlook

“Cut my pie into four pieces, I don’t think I could eat eight.”
— Yogi Berra





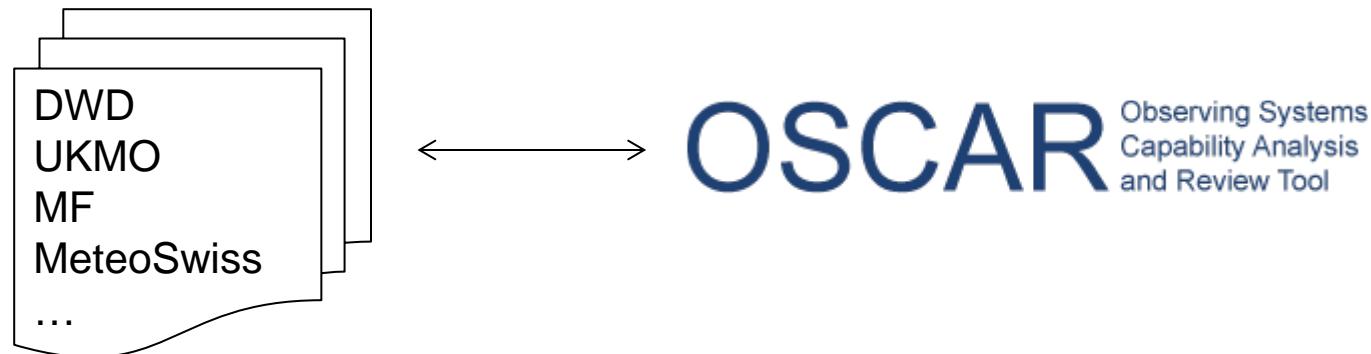
(Re-)link data centres to OSCAR/Surface





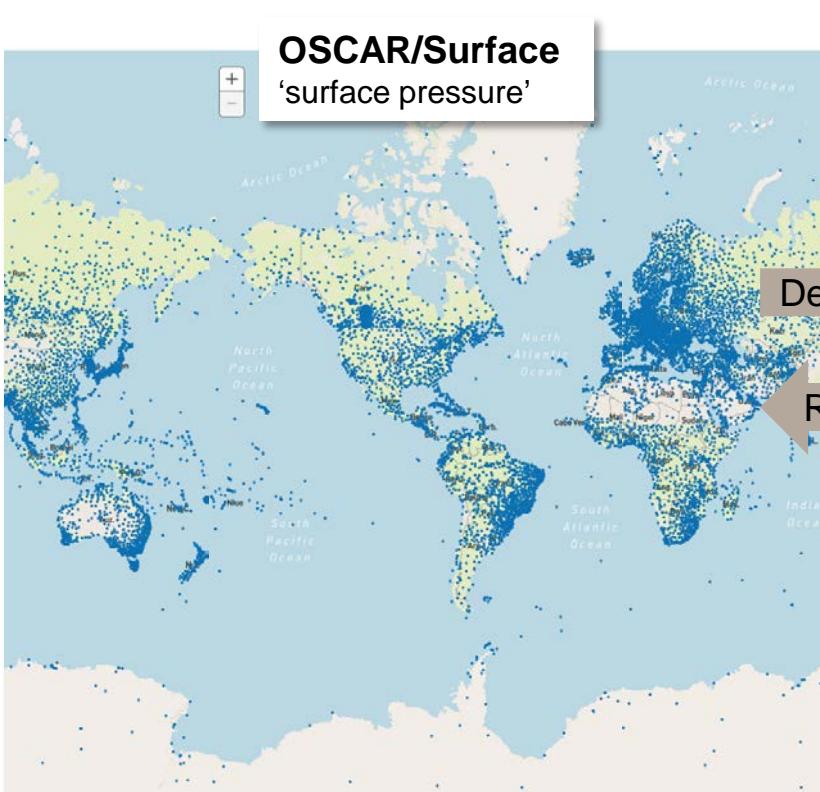
Link NMHSs to OSCAR/Surface

- Primary candidates are the larger services with own metadata repositories
 - Export WMDR records in XML
 - Upload to OSCAR/Surface using API





OSCAR/Surface & WIGOS Data Quality Monitoring System (WDQMS)



Declared
Received

WDQMS Pilot Project with NWP Centres



NWP monitoring
pilot project

ECMWF select center
2016/11/14 18:00 select date
Surface Pressure (110)

Nr. expected vs. Nr.
Received

all observations in period
two observations in period
one observation in period
did not report in period
not in VoIA
more than 100%

Homepage for monitoring output from WDMQS Pilot Project
(page is not password-protected, but link is not publicly visible)





Improve OSCAR/Surface API

- Extend API to allow retrieval of
 - Full and partial station records as
 - WMDR records (XML, JSON)
 - WIS records (XML, JSON)
 - Lists based on parameterized searches
- ...



Furthermore ...

- Integration of OSCAR toolset
- Integrate ABOS
- Multilingual support
- Evolve web application's functionalities, workflows ...



Training



RA III Lima 2017

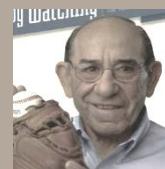
RA IV Habana 2018



Questions?

“If you ask me anything I don't know, I'm not going to answer.”

— Yogi Berra





Thank you for your attention

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