



Nowcasting SAF: Current Status and future plans

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Outline

- NWC SAF concept
- Current status (CDOP-2: 2012-2017)
 - ✓ MSG v2013: current operational software package for MSG
 - PPS v2014 current operational software package for polar satellites
 - ✓ New GEO v2016 release in summer 2016 for GEO satellites

• Future plans

- ✓ CDOP-3: 2017-2022 (include support to MTG-I, EPS-SG A)
- ✓ CDOP-4: 2022-2027 (include support to MTG-S, EPS-SG B)
- MTG Rapid Scan Service



NWCSAF concept: objectives

Satellite Application Facility on Support to Nowcasting and Very Short Range Forecast (NWC SAF) belongs to the EUMETSAT SAF Network.

The general objective of the SAFNWC is to provide operational services to ensure the optimum use of meteorological satellite data in Nowcasting and Very Short Range Forecasting by targeted users.

To achieve this goal , the NWC SAF is responsible for the development and maintenance of appropriate SW Packages (GEO and POLAR Satellites), as well as of all related tasks for user's support.







Current status: MSG v2013

- Current operational SW package is MSG v2013
- Applicable to MSG data
- Products:
 - Cloud products (Météo-France)
 - Cloud mask, Cloud Type, Cloud Top Temperature and Height
 - Wind Product (AEMET, Spain): High Resolution Winds (HRW)
 - ✓ Automatic Satellite Interpretation (ZAMG, Austria)
 - ✓ Clear Air product (AEMET, Spain):
 - total water content and water content at different levels
 - Instability indices



Current status: MSG v2013

• Products:

- ✓ Precipitation Products (AEMET, Spain):
 - probability of precipitation
 - convective rainfall rate
 - day-time probability of precipitation and convective rainfall rate from microphysical properties.
- ✓ Convection product (Météo-France):
 - Rapid Development Thunderstorms



Convective Rainfall Rate. CRR and CRR-Ph



Precipitation Products from Cloud Physical Properties (PGE14)



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Current status: PPS v2014

- Current operational SW package is PPS v2014
- Developed by SMHI, Sweden
- Process data from the joint polar system (EUMETSAT and NOAA polar satellites)
- Products:
 - Cloud products: Cloud Mask, Cloud Type, Cloud Top Temperature and Height, Cloud Physical Properties
 - ✓ Precipitation product: probability of precipitation



GEO v2016: main improvements

- New common library NWCLIB:
 - ✓ processing additional geostationary satellites
 - ✓ common tools to be used by all NWC/GEO products
- New output format: NetCDF
- Use of updated version of RTTOV (11.2)
- General improvements



GEO v2016: main improvements

- New products:
 - CMIC: cloud phase, cloud water path, effective radius, optical depth
 - ✓ ASII-NG: automatic satellite interpretation new generation
 - EXIM: extrapolation of SEVIRI imagery or NWCSAF products up to a lead time of 1 hour
 - ✓ CI: convection initiation
- Adaptation of HRW to GOES-N satellites (included validation)



GEO v2016: main improvements



NWC/GEO High Resolution Winds v2016 AMV output example in the Continental United States region (1 July 2010 1745Z, GOES13 satellite),

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Future plans:

- Provide software to generate day-1 products for the new EUMETSAT programmes MTG-I and EPS-SG, ensuring a continuity of service between current and future satellites and extending it by the use of innovative new EUMETSAT sensors:
 - ✓ MTG-FCI and MTG-LI on board of MTG-I
 - ✓ METimage on board of EPS-SG A
- Development studies to prototype MTG-LI derived products to become NWC SAF products in CDOP-4 (2022-2027)



Future plans:

- Comparison of cloud products from GEO and PPS SW packages
- Adaptation of GEO-I products to Himawari and GOES-R/S
- Adaptation of PPS to Chinese satellites in the Fung Yun 3 series, carrying the MERSI-2. This will considerably improve data coverage at high latitudes.



Future plans:

- Start preparation for new and extended NWC functionality using innovative new EUMETSAT sensors available in CDOP-4 (2022-2027):
 - ✓ MTG-IRS on board of MTG-S (New SW package GEO-S). New products: qIRS, sSHAI_ES, sSHAI
 - ✓ MWI/ICI on board of EPS-SG B (New SW package PPS-MW): IWP, LWP, PR





MTG Rapid Scan Service

- Current Baseline for FCI-RSS: 2.5 min, VIS0.6, NIR2.2, IR3.8 and IR10.5 (0.5km,1km)
- NWC SAF products can not be generated or will have lower quality with the current FCI-RSS baseline
- NWC SAF opinion: a solution should be found to disseminate all channels to end-users
- Cost of dissemination versus cost of MTG-I RSS
- A recommendation of the CWG to this respect



Thanks for your attention!!