



GEOS ADC Architecture Workshop

GEO Task DA-06-02:

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All activities are proceeding as scheduled!

Phase 3				Delivery (<i>present to the community and stakeholders; distribute to member agencies</i>)		
Phase 2	Implementation (<i>develop and/or establish inter-agencies collaborations and agreements and technical tools</i>)					
Phase 1	Planning (<i>develop strategies, determine elements/activities/tasks</i>)					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
						2012

Phase 1: *Develop strategies* – Progress to-date

- Major concepts and key elements of the data quality assurance strategy were developed and approved at WGCV29 Plenary – February 2008, Sanya, China
- Quality Assurance Framework for Earth Observation (QA4EO) – Draft-1 approved at GEO/CEOS CalVal Workshop at NIST, May 6-8, 2008, Gaithersburg, MD
- QA4EO Draft-2 will be discussed/approved by the CEOS/WGCV community at the WGCV29 Plenary, 30 September 2008, Avignon France

Phase 2: *Implementation* – Progress to-date

- Project 1, Fundamental Climate Data Records (FCDR):
 - Quantified the measurement consistency among AVHRR, MODIS, and ATSR for generating FCDRs (NASA, NOAA, ESA, CCRS/CSA, USGS).
- Project 2, Benchmark Mission Planning:
 - Active studies on **TRUTHS (NPL)** and **CLARREO (NASA)**
- Project 3, CEOS/WGCV Joint Experiment:
 - Cross calibration and inter-comparisons at the Antarctic test site (Dome C) underway
- The six technical subgroups of CEOS/WGCV are developing field specific quality assurance guidelines

CEOS Cal/Val Portal – Progress to-date

Over the last 12 months, several projects, data and documents have been integrated in the CEOS Cal/Val Portal, and links are now pointing to a large number of key information sources.



The Cal/Val Portal query interface for EO data now provides access to the former WTF MODIS data.

The CEOS Cal/Val Portal has been updated to contain:

- Terms and Definitions for characterization of EO sensor systems
- Characteristics of Radiometric and Geometric Calibration Sites
- WTF products available (*MODIS, AVHRR NDVI and SPOT NDVI*)
- *In situ* Database including: *METOZ (NASA), GlobColour (ESA), MERMAID (ESA), NOAA NDBC (NOAA), Medspiration (UK Met), Coriolis (Coriolis), TEMS (GTOS)*
- New Software Tools including additional radiative transfer codes (*MODTRAN, Streamer*) and an orbit predictor *ESOV-NG*)
- Documentation including the *QA4EO Framework Document, Key*
 - *Guidelines and detailed Guidelines/Procedures*
 - *The literature section has received a new structure.*
 - *The links section has also received a new grouping.*
 - *Reference documents on calibration and validation have been added*

Upcoming changes and improvements

- The portal will be further populated with relevant information ,including, user case descriptions for the tools, additional documentation on validation, and descriptions of future instruments (e.g. SMOS).
- The site descriptions will become more illustrative
- Methodology for geometry validation will be added
- The portal will be migrated to a content management system