# Update on the WMO/GAW activities of relevance to LRTAP Convention (January – September 2017)

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#### Important technical meetings

- Workshop on Measurement-Model Fusion for Global Total Atmospheric Deposition (28 February - 2 March 2017)
- Ozone Research Managers (28 -30 March 2017)
- GAW Symposium (10 13 April 2017)
- VOC expert meeting (23 26 May 2017)
- 19th WMO/IAEA Meeting on Carbon Dioxide, Other Greenhouse Gases, and Related Measurement Techniques (27-31 August 2017)



### Workshop on Measurement-Model Fusion for Global Total Atmospheric Deposition (MMF-GTAD) 28 Feb to 2 March, 2017, Geneva

- To review the state-of-the-science and establish a project on measurement-model fusion for generating global maps of total atmospheric deposition, selected gases and particles.
- Agreement to establish a formal 3-phase WMO/GAW MMF-GTAD Project:
  - Phase 1 (Short Term). Ensemble Model-Measurement Fusion for the Year 2010, with initial focus on S, N and  $O_3$ .
  - Phase 2 (Medium Term). Stitching of Global/Regional Measurement-Model Products.
  - Phase 3 (Long Term). Global Reanalysis/Assimilation of Concentrations and Deposition Fluxes.
  - Include creation of an Ad Hoc Data Group to investigate needs for gathering data in the short-term and on a cyclical basis
- Developing a «Roadmap for the Future» to outline path forward.
- Will entail sustained collaboration among several SAGs and GAW partners.
   www.wmo.int/pages/prog/arep/gaw/WorkshoponMeasurementModelFusion.html



#### 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Ozone Research Managers 28 to 30 March, 2017, Geneva

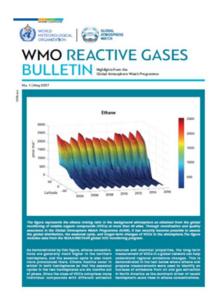
- The WMO/UNEP Ozone Assessments and the ORMs complement each other
- The Ozone Assessment gives the status of ozone layer based on peer-reviewed literature, but it does not give recommendations on research needs
- The ORM gives an overview of the status of the observational system and provides recommendations on observations, research, data stewardship and capacity development.



#### 6<sup>th</sup> VOC Expert meeting, INSTAAR, Boulder

- Discussion on new measurement techniques (how to move away from gas chromatography, implementation of the fast observations and use of spectroscopic measurement methods),
- Calibration scales and quality control single standard provider versus country-specific standards with links to central standard (comparability and traceability)
- Progress with VOC measurement guidelines (expected publication by the end of 2017).
- Technical maintenance of standards and scales, cylinder material and treatment, etc.

First
Reactive
Gases
Bulletin









#### **GAW Symposium** 10-13 April

Results from the Symposium will be used as input for a revised version of the GAW IP.



#### **GAW Symposium**

#### **10-13 April**

- Almost 130 participants, representing 43 nations
- Overarching topics:
  - Science for services (plenary 1)
  - Integrated observations (plenary 2)
  - Partnerships (plenary 3)
  - Modelling (break-out 1)
  - Quality assurance (break-out 2)
  - Data management (break-out 3)
  - Outreach and capacity building (break-out 4)

http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/arep/gaw/gaw2017symp.html





#### Value of GAW





#### Some Priority areas

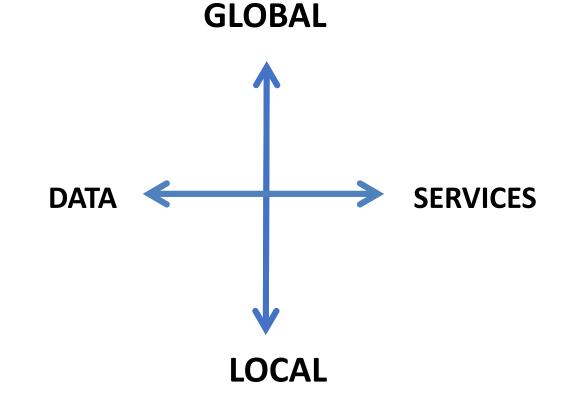


- To be successful GAW should deliver a convincing and compelling story
- GAW as a global integrator could provide better direction for groups that seek funding
- GAW as a facilitator of cooperation also in context of improving the observational network over Africa
- Regional scale needs covering all sectors of atmospheric composition – GHG, Aerosols
- Link between climate and air quality black carbon, SLCP
- Urban scale low cost sensors, local stations, remote sensing, modelling, cooperation etc.



#### Partnerships

- Two-ways collaborations already established
- Diverse organizations with common needs
- To avoid duplications, a better organisation of efforts is needed



World Bank, UNEP, BIPM, IAEA, WHO, ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability, GESAMP, LRTAP Convention, IGAC, SPARC



### GAW-QA: Use of Small Sensors (part of QA Break-out)

- Still in pre-mature stage of being capable to do a reliable measurement
- ➤ Very unstable baseline: when application then only in combination with high-end instrumentation.
- "Finger printing measurements" to obtain a morphology of local or regional pollution
- ➤ The developments are going rapidly: GAW should encourage the QA testing of small sensors, particularly the optical sensors are promising for future applications
- > SAG Reactive Gases produced a short note on low cot sensors
- > Expert group on low cost sensors was established after the Symposium with the purpose to develop a statement on the use of low cost sensors (workshop is planned in February 2018)



## 19th WMO/IAEA Meeting on Carbon Dioxide, Other Greenhouse Gases, and Related Measurement Techniques (Empa, 27-31 August)

- Discussed QA for greenhouse gases observations in GAW, updated expert meeting recommendations

- Side events: improved quality of isotopic measurements, which was led by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA); greenhouse gases observations over the ocean, where the follow up work will be undertaken to improve observations from the ship platforms; and greenhouse observations in the urban areas; O2/N2

observations.

168 participants from 26 countries





### Network update and Capacity development

- 32 course at the GAW Training and Education Centre (GAWTEC) in Germany, 30 April – 13 May 2017: on greenhouse gas observations – 2 participants from Europe
- 33 GAWTEC course, 17 30 September 2017: on aerosol observations –
   3 participants from Europe

Svartberget and
Norunda stations,
Sweden, and the Cyprus
Atmospheric
Observatory (CAO)
station, Cyprus has
joined GAW as a
Regional stations in
2017







Science Summit 20-22 October 2017 Bali, Indonesia

#### Sessions:

- 1 Science for Services
- 2 Seamless Prediction in 2023
- 3 Future Infrastructures
- 4 Nurturing Scientific
  Talents
- 5 Innovation and Resources

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### Thank you! Merci!



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