

8th G-VAP Meeting: First announcement

We cordially invite you to participate in the 8th meeting on the GEWEX Water Vapor Assessment (G-VAP).

The meeting will be hosted by the Agencia Estatal de Meteorología (AEMET) in Madrid, Spain. The meeting will take place in AEMET Headquarters (AEMET Servicios Centrales; Calle Leonardo Prieto Castro, 8; Ciudad Universitaria; Madrid; Spain) on 13th and 14th June 2019. The meeting will start at 08:30 CEST (registration) (09:00, welcome address) on 13 June 2019 and will end at 16:00 (open discussions until 17:00) on 14 June 2019. The drafting of the agenda is organised by DWD, UVSQ and NOAA. The agenda will be distributed in an upcoming circular. Information on hotels and transportation can be found below.

The GEWEX Data and Assessments Panel (GDAP) has initiated G-VAP intended to quantify the current state of the art in water vapour data records being constructed for climate applications, and by this support the selection process of suitable water vapour products by GDAP for its production of globally consistent water and energy cycle products. Summaries from previous workshops have been published in the GEWEX News and at <http://www.gewex-vap.org> where also more information on G-VAP can be found.

The overall objective of the meeting will be to:

- Present and discuss results from the analysis and characterisation of water vapour products (G-VAP science activities and wider community)
- Foster cooperation, exchange and outreach
- Discuss the next steps of G-VAP, in particular potential new activities and initiation of a special issue in a peer-reviewed journal

Please register for the G-VAP meeting by sending an email to xcalbeta@aemet.es (Xavier Calbet) as well as to marc.schroeder@dwd.de, Helene.Brogniez@latmos.ipsl.fr and shu-peng.ho@noaa.gov and provide relevant information, that is, your name and affiliation. It is foreseen to have invited presentations only. Nevertheless, you may submit abstracts as well. We kindly ask you to register prior to 10 May 2019.

With your registration you agree to the terms mentioned below.

Participants are expected to cover their own expenses to attend the meeting.

We look forward to your active participation in this important international activity under the framework of WCRP-GEWEX.

Yours sincerely,

Marc Schroeder, Helene Brogniez and Shu-peng (Ben) Ho (co-chairs)
Xavier Calbet (local host)

Information on transportation and hotels

Near AEMET Headquarters, there are very few hotels which can give the option to get to AEMET walking in just a few minutes. The best one could be: "AC Los Vascos". It is fine, but it is in a neighbourhood which is boring in the evenings (<https://www.espanol.marriott.com/hotels/travel/madva-ac-hotel-los-vascos>).

There are other options, with which you normally need to use metro/bus/taxi to get to AEMET but are nearer to the city centre. They all are at least a 45 minutes walk away from AEMET. Some options can be:

"EXE Moncloa":

https://www.exehotels.co.uk/exe-moncloa.html?_ga=2.31052089.747366145.1551447406-373131347.1551447406.

"Sercotel Gran Hotel Conde Duque":

<https://www.sercotelhotels.co.uk/bookcore/availability/rooms/sercocondeduque/>.

"ApartHotel Muralto (If looking for an apartment!)"

<https://www.muralto.es/en/>.

"Sercotel Suites Viena".

<https://www.suitesviena.com/>.

Subway (Metro) is usually the best and easiest way to travel in Madrid. You can buy a ten journeys ticket for 12.20 euros. You also need to purchase, only once, a card (Multi Card) for 2.50 euros. If you want to use the Metro to leave or return to the airport, you need to pay an extra fare of 3 euros per trip and person. Alternatively, you can get a Tourist Travel Pass (<https://www.esmadrid.com/en/madrid-tourist-travel-pass>), with similar prices for two days and perhaps simpler to use. There are plenty of taxis available at the airport and a trip from the airport to Madrid city costs 30 euros. You can also order them via App (MyTaxi or PideTaxi).

Travel information and on-site information can be found here:

http://www.aemet.es/en/conocenos/quienes_somos/informacion_util/inf_util_visitantes_Sede_Central_AEMET.

Terms

I agree that CM SAF, DWD, UVSQ, NOAA and AEMET store and use my personal data for the purpose of organising and documenting the 8th G-VAP meeting.

I agree that my name, affiliation and email address are shared with participants of the 8th G-VAP meeting.

I agree that photos taking during the events may be published.