

TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE TAC SUBGROUP TO REVIEW USER-RELEVANT SUB-SEASONAL VERIFICATION 2024

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- a) Liaise with Member States, Cooperating States and other experts, to share best practices and views on the use and interpretation of sub-seasonal and seasonal forecasts, and on how Member States/Cooperating States face users' requests and questions on forecast accuracy;
- b) Review existing verification measures for sub-seasonal and seasonal forecasts, focusing on how they relate to product use and interpretation, and identify gaps;
- c) Recommend updates to existing verification measures and/or implementation of new informative verification measures for effective decision making and communication;
- d) Recommend upgrades in forecast products on these timescales to aid interpretation;
- e) Identify the needs for revising user support in their use of sub-seasonal and seasonal forecasts, including training, and propose efficient solutions making the most of the existing expertise.
- f) Examine product portfolios and suggest adjustments for existing products.