

ECV Data Access in the ESA Climate Change Initiative (CCI)

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Introduction



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- 2. CCI Data Access Portal
- 3. CCI Toolbox

CCI - Objective



To realize the full potential of the long-term global Earth Observation archives that ESA together with its Member states have established over the last thirty years, as a significant and timely contribution to the ECV databases required by United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

[CCI Phase I SoW]

CCI - GCOS ECVs



Aerosol CCI



Cloud CCI



GHG CCI



Ozone CCI



SST CCI



Sea Level CCI



Ocean Colour CCI



Sea Ice CCI



Glaciers CCI



Ice Sheets Greenland CCI



Ice Sheets Antarctic CCI



Land Cover CCI



Fire CCI



Soil Moisture CCI



CMUG



13 GCOS ECVs 35 GCOS Parameters

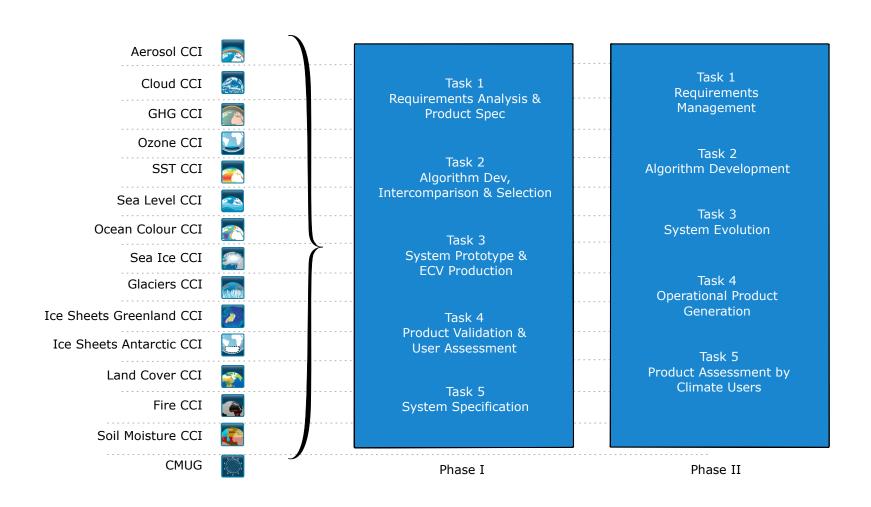
CCI – Project per ECV



| | | prime contractor | web site |
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| Aerosol CCI | | DLR (D) | www.esa-aerosol-cci.org |
| Cloud CCI | | DWD (D) | www.esa-cloud-cci.org |
| GHG CCI | | U. Bremen (D) | www.esa-ghg-cci.org |
| Ozone CCI | | BIRA-IASB (B) | www.esa-ozone-cci.org |
| SST CCI | | U. Reading (UK) | www.esa-sst-cci.org |
| Sea Level CCI | | CLS (F) | www.esa-sealevel-cci.org |
| Ocean Colour CCI | | PML (UK) | www.esa-oceancolour-cci.org |
| Sea Ice CCI | | NERSC (N) | esa-cci.nersc.no |
| Glaciers CCI | | U. Zurich (CH) | www.esa-glaciers-cci.org |
| Ice Sheets Greenland CCI | 2 | DTU Space (DK) | www.esa-icesheets-cci.org |
| Ice Sheets Antarctic CCI | | U. Leeds (UK) | www.esa-icesheets-cci.org |
| Land Cover CCI | | UCL (B) | www.esa-landcover-cci.org |
| Fire CCI | | UAH (E) | www.esa-fire-cci.org |
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| CMUG | | Met Office (UK) | www.esa-cmug-cci.org |

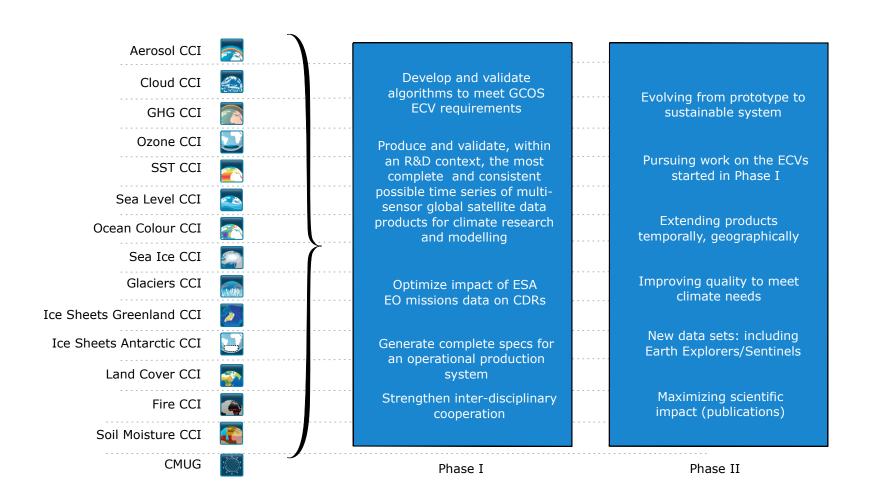
CCI – Common Phases & Tasks





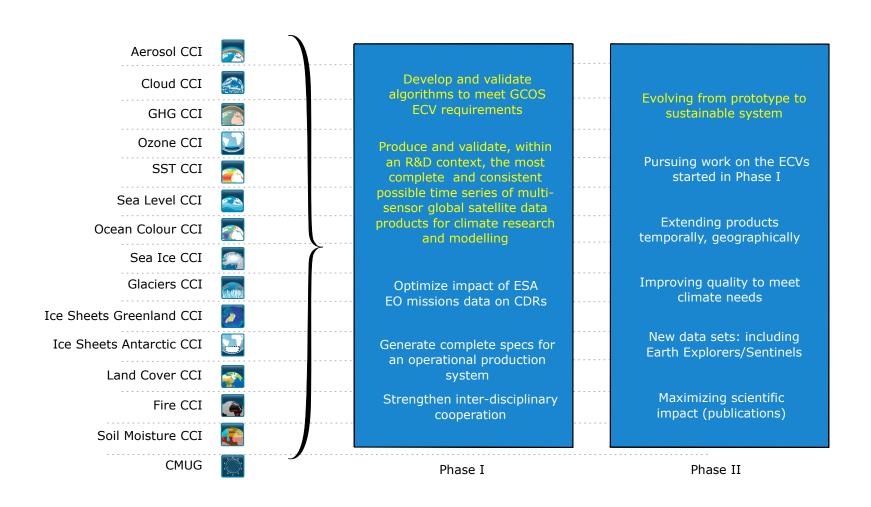
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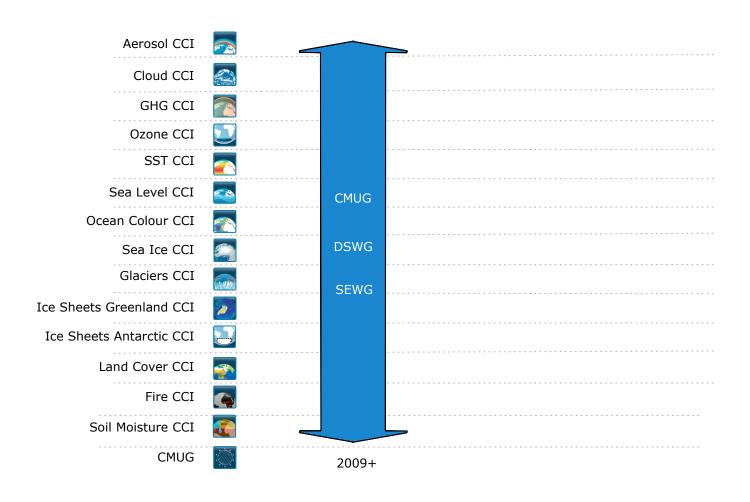
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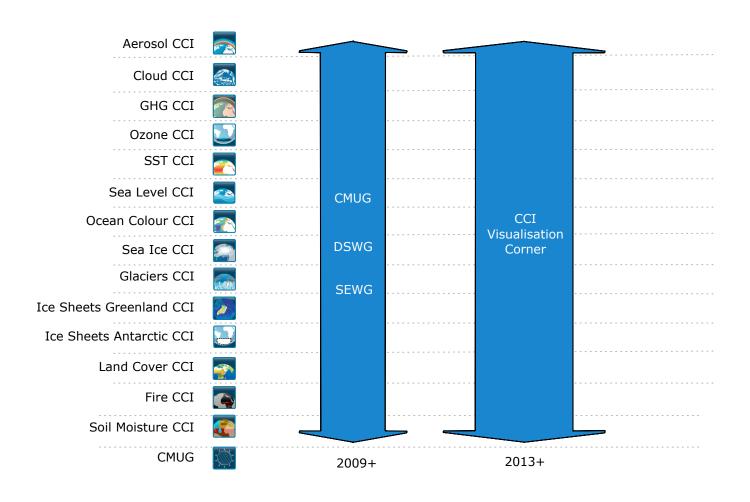
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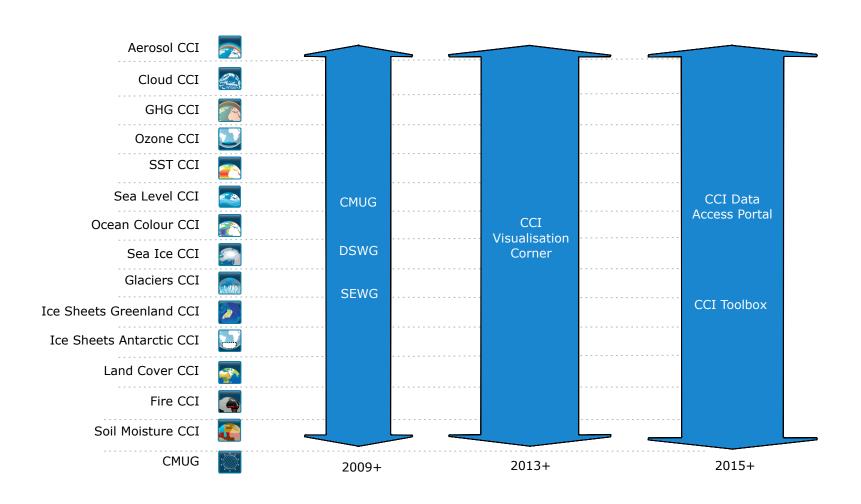
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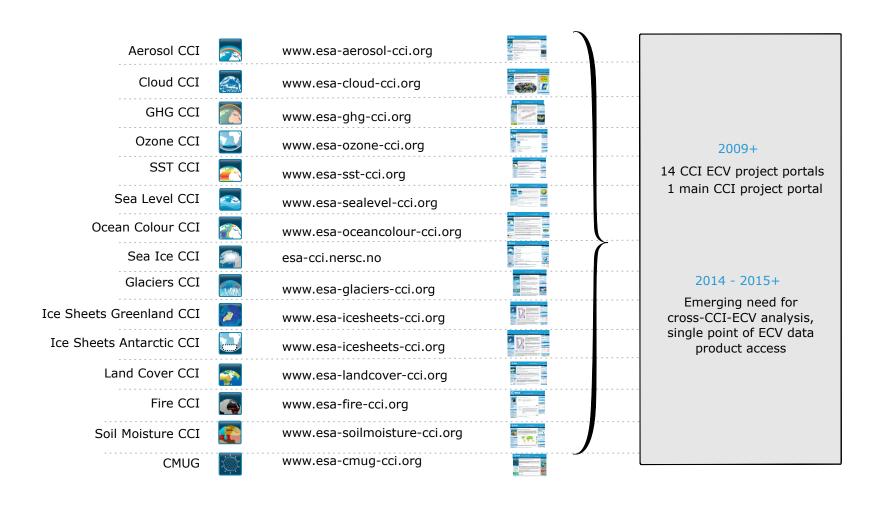
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CCI ECV Data Access - Currently





CCI Data Access Portal – Objectives



- To satisfy climate users' needs for a single point of harmonised reliable
 access to the subset of mature and validated ECV data products delivered by the
 CCI programme that are of main interest to the climate users.
- To ensure the ECV data products and other results of the CCI programme are provided to users in a consistent and complementary way to other key initiatives, such as the Copernicus Climate Change Service (CCCS) and the international Global Climate Observing System (GCOS).
- To provide the primary communication and promotion web site for the ESA CCI programme.
- To gather and examine user requirements for a potential Thematic Exploitation
 Platform for Climate.

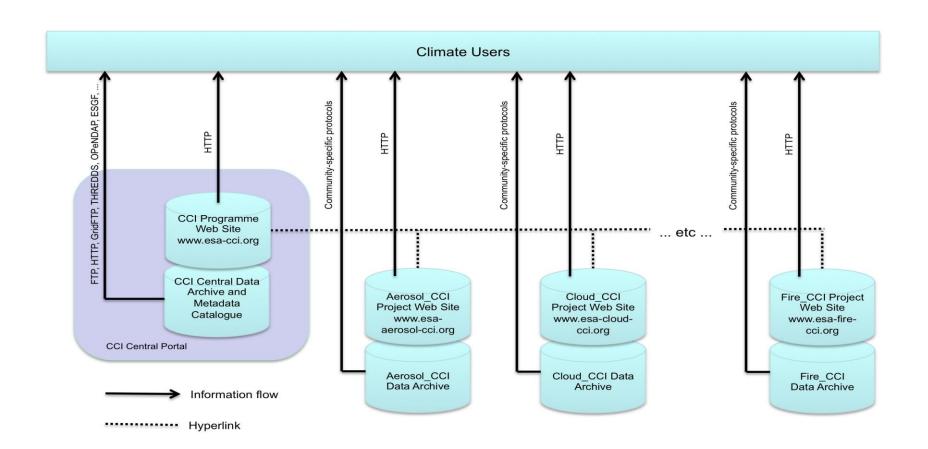
CCI Data Access Portal - Users



- International climate research community contributing to IPCC scientific assessments, including climate model development, verification and dataassimilation, and scientists performing research on climate change monitoring, detection, attribution and mitigation.
- Climate service developers and providers, to support in their development and provision of climate services.
- **Earth system reanalysis community**, for use in reanalysis model development, verification and data-assimilation.
- General public, for access to general information about the CCI programme and success stories. The general public should also in principle have access to all climate data sets hosted, although it is unlikely that they will be major users of these data sets.

CCI Data Access Portal – System





CCI Data Access Portal – Activities



- Improvement and operation of the CCI programme web site.
- Development, implementation and operation of a CCI Central Data Archive and Metadata Catalogue.
- Development, implementation and operation of interfaces to access ECV data and metadata from the CCI Central Data Archive and Metadata Catalogue.
- Support to CCI projects to facilitate the contribution of CCI data to the international Obs4MIPs initiative of the CMIP community, and assignment and management of Digital Object Identifiers.
- Improvement of the common elements of the design of the CCI project web sites, and assistance to the project teams to implement these improvements and maintain their CCI web sites.
- User requirements analysis of a Thematic Exploitation Platform for Climate.
- Option Online ECV data visualization, analysis and processing tools

CCI Data Access Portal - Schedule



Schedule:

- 19 Sep 2014 ITT issued on EMITS
- 19 Nov 2014 ITT closed
- Dec-Feb Proposal evaluation
- ~Mar 2015 Contract negotiation & KO (3 yr project)
- ~June 2015 First version of data access portal online (FTP)

Budget:

750k€ + up to 250k€ for optional online tools

CCI Toolbox



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CCI Toolbox - Objectives



- 1. Ingest different ECV products into a common data model. Although in principle the CCI community largely adhere to a common NetCDF-CF file format tailored to fit all CCI ECVs, the ingestion of all CCI ECV types into a single common data model will be non-trivial. ECV data products differ significantly in their structure, spanning a variety of vector and scalar representations and differing dimensionality. Moreover, syntactic and semantic idiosyncrasies across data records spanning different ECV types exist. The CCI Toolbox shall include a common data model for ECV data products and the means to ingest any CCI ECV data product into the model.
- 2. Compute algorithms homogeneously across a common data model. The CCI Toolbox shall include functions, or *Processors*, each homogeneously applicable to any ECV data product. Baseline requirements for these processors are contained herein, with the complete set of processors to be specified and developed by the Contractor after a user consultation.
- 3. Support ECV analysis and visualisation. The CCI Toolbox shall provide a means to visualise and analyse the output from Processors. The toolbox shall also provide the means to reapply this output, including its analysis by the user, as new input back into Processor(s). The toolbox shall also make all output from Processor(s), together with the analysis conducted by the user, exportable to a variety of file types.

[CCI Toolbox SoW. ITT released Feb 27th 2015. Available on EMITS]

http://emits.sso.esa.int/emits/owa/emits_online.showao?actref=14.155.05&type=mail

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Budget:

• €1m



Thank You

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