

# VLab Report of Activities

The Questions in this form should be answered based on the VLab activities of your Centre of Excellence for the period from January to December 2015.

## About the Centre of Excellence

1. Please select your Centre of Excellence (CoE) from the list below. \*

Oman 

2. What is the profile of the people supporting training activities in the CoE? \*

Please select all options that are relevant.

- Training Manager
- Full time trainer
- Part time trainer
- Researcher
- Forecaster
- Administrative staff
- University lecturers
- Other: .....

Please use the space below to provide any additional comments regarding Question 2

Comments could include number of staff, proportion of support received from different institutions supporting the CoE or anything else regarding the support to plan and offer training in the CoE.

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3. Is training (on the subject of training and education) offered to trainers supporting the activities of the CoE? \*

Yes

No

### Please comment on the answer above \*

If training is offered, please comment on the sort of training provided and frequency. If training is not offered, please comment if there is a need for this sort of training in the CoE and if so, what are the difficulties to provide it.

Not much training has been given to trainers during 2015

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### 4. What were the major achievements of the CoE during this reporting period? \*

The center started giving online courses with real involvement of its staff in it. Especially the online phase of the Satellite application course in 2015. It is believed to be the beginning of such activities.

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### 5. What were the main difficulties of your CoE during this reporting period? \*

Training the trainers, number of staff, enough budget for the activities and technical support to implement and manage the Center website.

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## About Training

### 6. Is any kind of Learning Management System used by your CoE to conduce training activities? \*

Moodle

Edmond

- ConnectEDU
- Learning Management System is not used
- Other: .....

**7. Is any kind of Online Conferencing System used by your CoE to conduce training activities? \***

- Saba Centra
- Blackboard Collaborate
- GoTo (Webinar, Meeting)
- Cisco Webex
- Online Conferencing System is not used
- Other: .....

**8. Please list any training resource you have developed over this reporting period \***

For each Training Resource please include: 1) Title of Training Resource, 2) Type of resource (e.g. text book, video, Moodle course, PowerPoint slides, recorded lecture, etc) and 3) Availability of resource (can be shared, institutional use only).

Some power point presentations: e.g: Basics of NWP, The use of Satellites Products and RGB, and some case studies to weather events for the region.

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**9. What sort of training resources would you be interested in borrowing from other CoEs or training programmes, to adapt and reuse in your CoE? \***

If the CoE is not interested in adapting and reusing training resources, please indicate reasons.

all types of resources are welcomed like Moodles and power point presentations.

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## About VLab collaboration

10. Is the CoE working closely together with the CoE's sponsoring Satellite Operator/Agency in VLab training activities? \*

Yes

No

Please comment on the answer above and, if applicable, suggest ways to improve collaboration \*

Eumetsat is always giving the needed help in terms of training materials, advices, using SABA program when needed. To improve collaboration, some attachments of local trainers to eumetsat in a yearly basis can be a good idea.

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11. What sort of support would you like to receive from other CoEs, Supporting Satellite Operators/Agencies, WMO Space Programme, VLab Co-chairs and TSO? \*

collaboration in organizing joint training events, having some visit to some of these CoEs and get ideas of how they operate. having a visit to our center from other CoE for a period of time, (exchanges trainers). Offering specialized course for trainers.

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12. What sort of support could you offer to other CoEs, Supporting Satellite Operators/Agencies and WMO Space Programme? \*

This could be any kind of support. For example: collaborate in RFG sessions organised by other CoEs, organise joint training events in a particular subject, or any other support/collaboration you think the CoE could offer.

Exchange trainers, collaborating in RFG sessions, inviting some trainers in our local courses.

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## Training Events organised in 2015

Please prepare a table containing all training events organised by the CoE during this reporting period. If you have submitted your events to the VLab Online Calendar, all you need to do is to download your report (CSV/Excel spreadsheet) directly from there. If the CoE had conducted other training events considered as part of their VLab activities, that for some reason were not submitted to the Online Calendar, please add them to the spreadsheet downloaded from the Online Calendar.

In the case the CoE has not submitted the training events to the Online Calendar, please prepare a table or spreadsheet (Excel or word) containing the data as indicated in the figure below.

The table/spreadsheet containing the training events organised by the CoE in 2015 should be sent to the VLab TSO by email at [luveeck@gmail.com](mailto:luveeck@gmail.com)

### Example of Table of Events

Date	Title of Event	Location	WMO Region	Host	Type (online, classroom, blended, RFG)	Language	Number of trainees	Country of origin of trainees

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- By selecting this option I confirm that a table/spreadsheet containing the information about training events organised by this CoE (as requested above) will be sent by email to the VLab TSO by the 30th of April 2016 (at the latest).

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# Training Events organised in 2015

## Table of most important Events \_ CoE Oman

Date	Title of Event	Location	WMO Region	Host	Type (online, classroom, blended, RFG)	Language	Number of trainees	Country of origin of trainees
Jan 4 Feb 5	Satellite Application course (online phase)	Muscat	II		Online	English (Arabic)	Around 20	GCC (Oman, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Bahrain, Kuwait, UAE), Yemen, Iran, Egypt
Feb 2	Weather Briefing	Muscat	Region II		Online	English/Arabic	Around 25	GCC
Feb 22-26	Satellite Application course (classroom phase)	Muscat	II		Classroom	English (Arabic)	Around 20	GCC (Oman, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Bahrain, Kuwait, UAE), Yemen, Iran, Egypt
April 12-16	Advance Marine Meteorology	Muscat	II		Classroom	English/Arabic	10	Oman
April 19-23	Marine Meteorology	Muscat	II		Classroom	English/Arabic	14	Oman
Aug 30- Sep3	Marine Meteorology	Muscat	II		Classroom	English/Arabic	10	Oman
Oct 25-29	Marine Meteorology	Muscat	II		Classroom	English/Arabic	10	Oman
Nov 15	Train trainers in McIDAS-V	Muscat	II		Classroom	English	8	Oman
Nov 29-Dec 3	Marine Meteorology	Muscat	II		Classroom	English/Arabic	10	Oman