

CDR: New centennial station Klagenfurt

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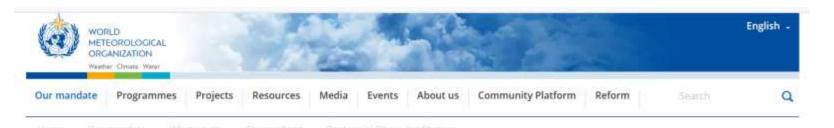
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Motivation



aim: long time series in WMO program centennial stations https://public.wmo.int/en/our-mandate/what-we-do/observations/centennial-observing-stations





Centennial Observing Stations

"These long-term measurements ... are the backbone of both weather forecasting and climate science. It is highly important that we ensure the long-term sustainability of these measurements,"

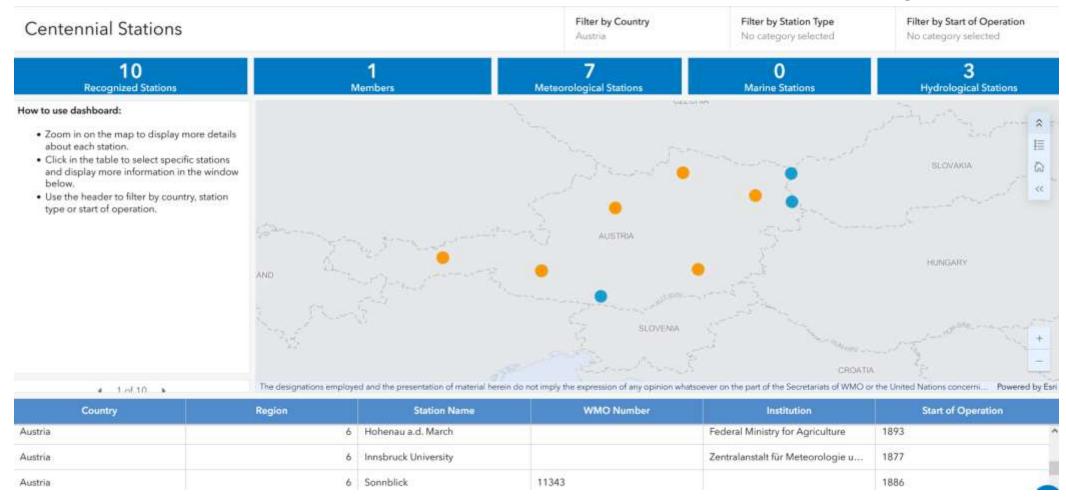
> Prof. Petteri Taalas, Secretary-General, World Meteorological Organization

Long-term meteorological observations are part of the irreplaceable cultural and scientific heritage of mankind that serve the needs of current and future generations for long-term high quality climate records. They are unique sources of past information about atmospheric parameters, thus are references for climate variability and change assessments. To highlight this importance, WMO has a mechanism to recognize centennial observing stations. By so doing, the Organization promotes sustainable observational standards and best practices that facilitate the generation of high-quality time series data.

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Recognition criteria for centennial meteorological observing stations



Guidelines on the WMO Recognition of Long-term Observing Stations

2024 edition

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- (1) The observing station was founded **at least 100 years** ago, observing at least one meteorological element since then, and is in operation as an observing station at the date of nomination
- (2) Periods of **inactivity** of the observing station shall not exceed 10%
- (3) The **minimum historical station metadata** for the full duration of station operation shall contain actual or derived geographical coordinates including elevation, known changes of station name and/or station identifier, identified meteorological element(s) and its unit(s) as well as the observing schedule(s)
- (4) Any known observing station **relocation or change** in the measurement technique have **not significantly affected** the climatological **time-series** data
- (5) All historical observational data and metadata have been **digitally archived or will be rescued**. Members shall share their plans for data rescue, if applicable
- (6) The observing station shall be **operated** according **to WMO observing standards** (...)
- (7) The current environment of the observing station has been **classified** or will be classified according to the siting classification defined in the Guide to Instruments and Methods of Observation (...). Members shall share (i) the metadata attached to the siting classification in the appropriate WMO metadata repository (currently **OSCAR**) or (ii) their plans to classify the observing station
- (8) The observed and measured data shall be subject to **routine quality control** procedures according to current WMO guidelines and practices. The quality control processes as well as its results shall be well documented.
- (9) Members shall do their utmost to maintain nominated stations according to the above recognition criteria
- (10) Historical observation data and metadata have been or will be made available for scientific research (...)

KLAGENFURT 1830 - 2025





Klagenfurt Fliegerhorst 1940



Overview - What we DID - DO - WILL DO



- Process of digitization
 - scan | imaging
 - conversion | formatting
 - first check
 - editing
 - second check
- Insert/input into database
 - automatically | tests with AI software (transkribus)
 - manually | input | quality control | DCT Software
 - challenges
 - metadata
- Outlook
 - in general | timetable
 - dataset | analysis | publishing | sharing via www (datahub, WIS2.0,....)
 - Al tools

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2020: Transfer historical documents to Vienna

2020: data material screening: first metadata information and documentation / FIRST CHECKS

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data material: climate data sheets – bound into books

met. parameters:

- precipitation, temp, wind speed + direction, snow, pressure, rel. humidity
- sun duration (start 1883)

resolution: daily



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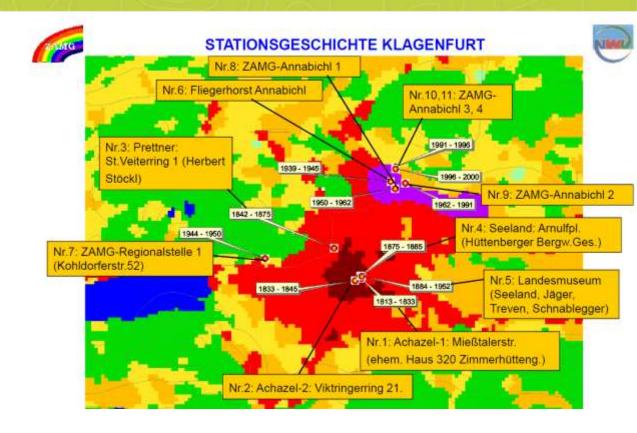


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Klagenfurt state museum Landesmuseum (1830-1952) Klagenfurt airfield/airport Flugplatz/Flughafen (1950-2025) ++ overlapping measurement period (1950-1952)



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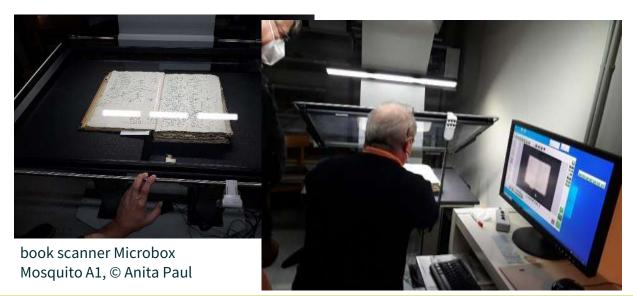


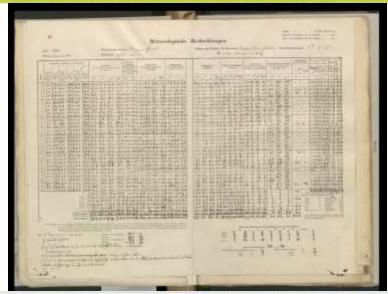
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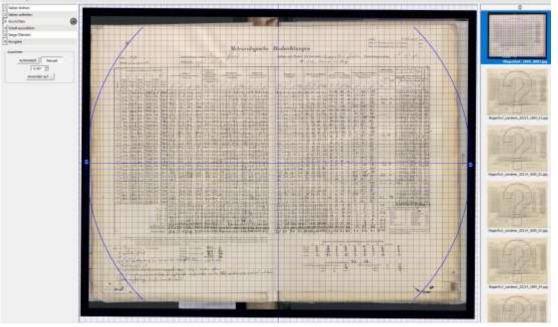
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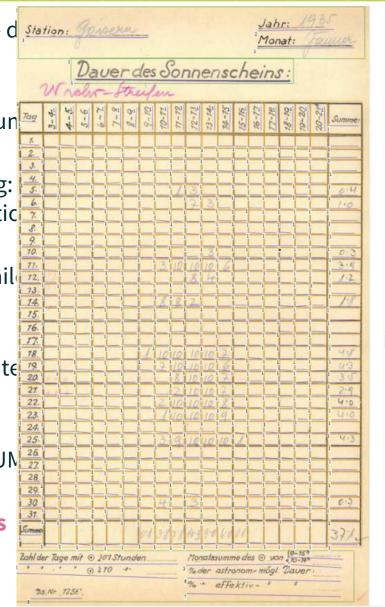
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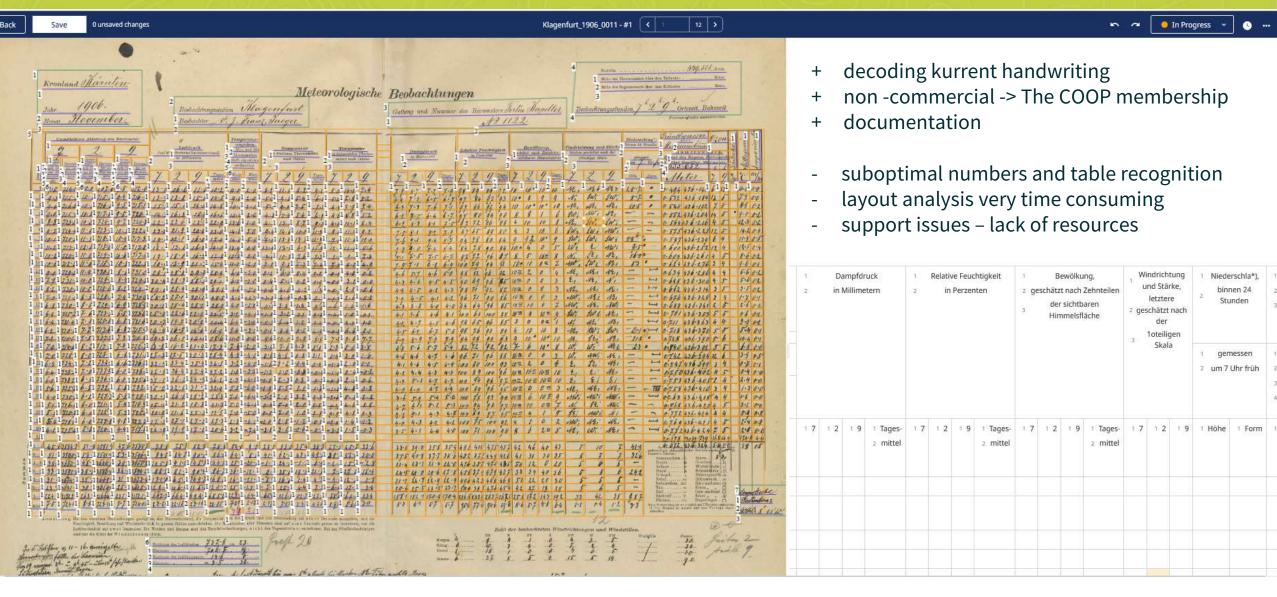
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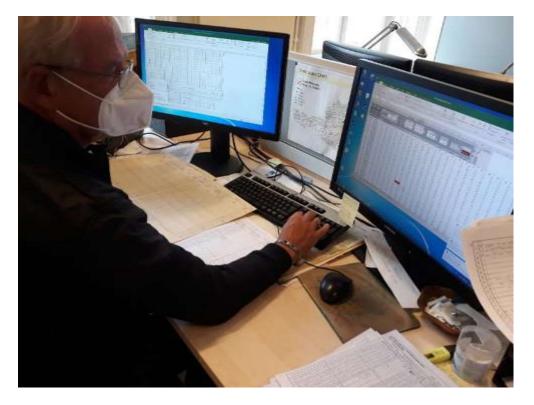
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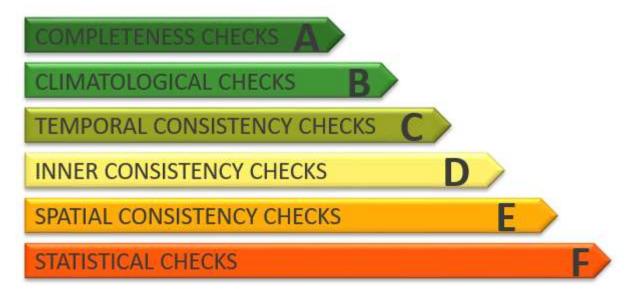
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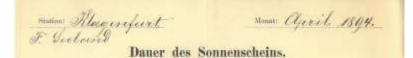


typical errors:

- **pressure:** conversion errors
- **precipitation:** incorrect allocation of sums day shift
- temperature: tmin, tmax errors (observing time/ no reset)
- **sun duration:** wrong day / burn trace
- humidity: over 100%

parameter sun duration





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 - errors depending on station observer
- Astronomical time
 differs from civil time
 day begins at noon / shifted 12 hours
 no year zero

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- → change in 1971 @ZAMG
- → Reason:

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Example for different scaling:

Date	Scaling
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1830 – 04/1855	0 - 4 (4 = Storm)
05/1855 - 01/1916	0 – 10
02/1916 - today	1 – 12 Beaufort
Temperature	
1830 – 11/1871	Réaumur (1 = 1,25 °C)
12/1871 - today	Celsius
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12/1871 - today	mm
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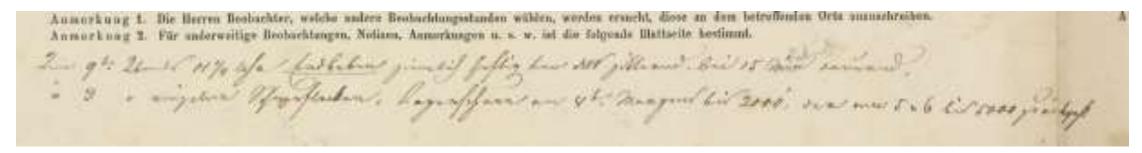


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climate sheet 1856 - Nov



Am 9. Abends 11:15 Uhr Erdbeben ziemlich heftig von NW zitternd, bei 15 Minuten dauernd.

Am 3. Abends einzelne Schneeflecken, Lagerschnee am 4. Morgens bis 2000 Fuß, der am 5 und 6 bis 5000 xxx

On the 9th, at 11:15 p.m., a fairly violent earthquake shook from northwest, lasting 15 minutes.

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climate sheet 1897 - July

Am 6. Temp. des Wörthsee's 24.8°C

Am 15. 6h57' morgens (Eisenbahnzeit:)

War ein Erdbeben. 2 bedeutende Rüttler

Von SE nach NW wellenförmig verlaufend. Dauer ca. 3 Sec.

Am 16. abends doppelter Regenbogen. Der schwächere oben.

Am 19. abends schönes Alpenglühen

On the 6th, the temperature of Lake Wörthsee was 24.8°C. On the 15th at 6:57 a.m. (railway time): There was an earthquake.

Two significant tremors. Wavy pattern from SE to NW. Duration approximately 3 seconds.

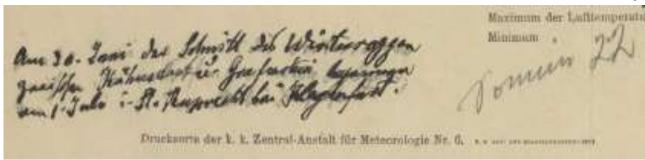
On the evening of the 16th, a double rainbow appeared. The weaker one was at the top.

On the evening of the 19th, beautiful alpenglow.



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climate sheet 1911 - July

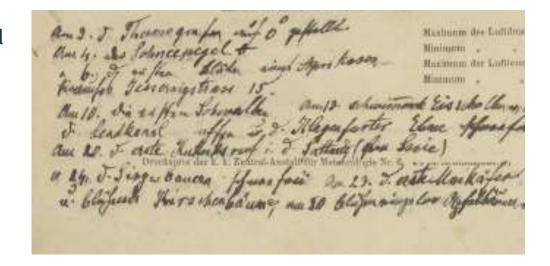


Am 30. Juni der Schnitt des Winterroggen xxx Cut of winter rye on June 30th

climate sheet 1909 - April

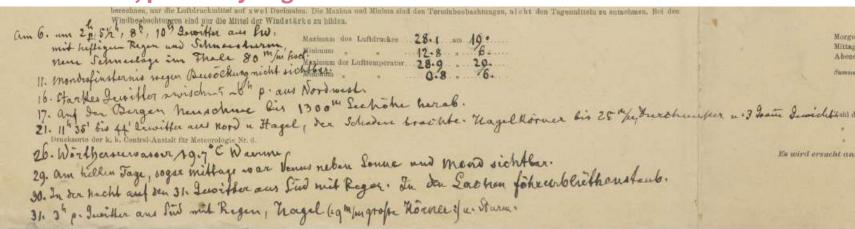
Am 6. erste Blüte der Aprikosen Am 10. ersten Schwalben Am 23. blühende Kirschbäume und Apfelbäume, erste Maikäfer

On the 6th first blossom apricot trees On the 10th, the first swallows appear On the 23rd, cherry and apple trees blossom, and the first cockchafers appear.





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climate sheet 1892 - May

Am 11. Mondfinsternis wegen Bewölkung nicht sichtbar

Am 29. am hellen Tage, sogar Mittags war Venus neben Sonne und Mond sichtbar

The lunar eclipse on the 11th was not visible due to cloud cover.
On the 29th, Venus was visible alongside the sun and moon in broad daylight, even at midday.

Am 13. 7h 20' abends ein schöner Meteor Richtung SE-NW in Vollmondgröße mit Auflösung in 4 Stücken von gelben, goldenen und grünen Lichtern 20m ober dem Boden bei Ehrenthal. Zeit 6 sekunden. Bahnfleck nordöstl. vom Zenit. (Beobachter Gärtner Hirsch in Ehrenhausens)

On the 13th at 7:20 PM, a beautiful meteor, the size of a full moon, was observed in the SE- NW, resolving into four pieces of yellow, gold, and green lights, 20 meters above the ground near Ehrenthal. The duration was 6 seconds. The meteor's path was NE of zenith. (Observer: Gardener Hirsch in Ehrenhausens)

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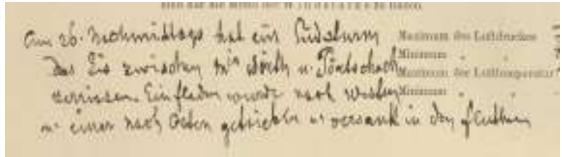
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climate sheet 1883 - Mar



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climate sheet 1900 - Mar



Am 26. nachmittags hat ein Südsturm das Eis zwischen Maria Wörth und Pörtschach zerrissen. Eisflächen wurden nach Westen und einer nach Osten getrieben und versanken in den Fluten

On the afternoon of the 26th, a southerly storm tore apart the ice between Maria Wörth and Pörtschach. Patches of ice were driven westward and one eastward, both sinking into the floodwaters.



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Besondere Beobachtungen: Zun solen Panten Rich, Ofuns Sil 2200' auf van Sulagan

climate sheet 1855- May

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Am 10 ten starker Reif, Schnee bis 2200 auf den Südalpen

On the 10th, heavy frost, snow down to 2200 in the Southern Alps.

Ice thickness
Präbichl 25cm
Pörtschach 23cm
Loretto 23cm

climate sheet 1906 - Jan



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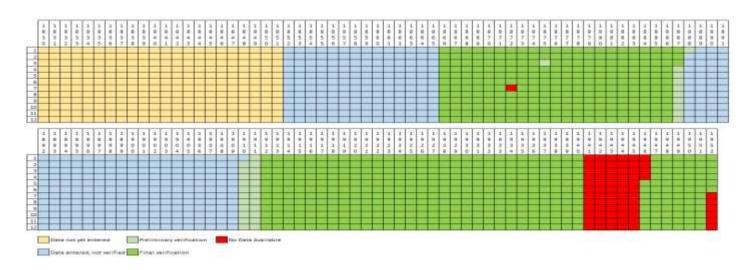
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- (1) The observing station was founded at least 100 years ago, observing at least one meteorological element since then, and is in operation as an observing station at the date of nomination
- (2) Periods of inactivity of the observing station shall not exceed 10%
- (3) The minimum historical station metadata for the full duration of station operation shall contain actual or derived geographical coordinates including elevation, known changes of station name and/or station identifier, identified meteorological element(s) and its unit(s) as well as the observing schedule(s)
- (4) Any known observing station relocation or change in the measurement technique have not significantly affected the climatological time-series data
- (5) All historical observational data and metadata have been digitally archived or will be rescued. Members shall share their plans for data rescue, if applicable
- (6) The observing station shall be operated according to WMO observing standards (...)
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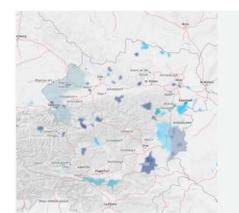


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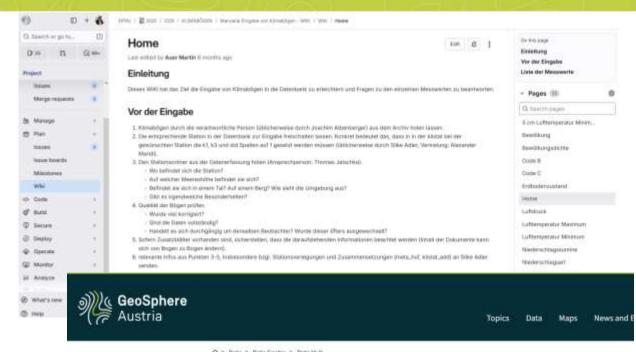
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