#### **Cloud status**



# Presentation on cloud retrievals by R. Hollmann (DWD) made during WGCV-37 issues

- Application of cloud retrieval information useful for cloud screening and atmospheric correction
- Challenges identified with cirrus, snow, mountainous areas
- Of interest to WGCV/ACSG, IVOS, and LPV, as well as to numerous CEOS agency missions
- R. Hollmann expressed an interest in cooperating with the WG on the issue
- Action on WGCV was consider how to establish a crosscutting activity

## Cloud status (ii)



#### **Questions to the WG:**

- 1. Is this possible activity still relevant 6 months on?
- 2. If yes, what should we as WG focus on initially?
  - Cloud masking?
  - High or medium resolution sensors?
  - Cloud over snow?
- 1. Who wants to lead or join such an activity?

#### **DEM status**



# Presentation on a potential way forward for a WGCV endorsed DEM given by J.P. Muller during WGCV-37

- Cross-cutting across sub-groups (WGCV/ACSG, IVOS, LPV, SAR) and application requirements well established (e.g. land, snow, polar meetings)
- Identified issues: Access to EO and FRM data, as well as funding

Follow-up meeting held in March 2014 between ESA and Chair WGCV/TMSG

September announcement by US Government on SRTM-30 release

### **DEM status (ii)**



#### Questions to the WG:

- 1. What are the minimum specs for a "cross-cutting" DEM?
- 2. Is this potential cross-cutting activity still pertinent with last week's announcement of the release of the SRTM-30?
- 3. What is needed to have a WGCV endorsement for the SRTM-30?
  - What about validation?
  - What about the blackout areas?
  - What about the long-term access to SRTM-30?
- 4. Who wants to lead this activity?