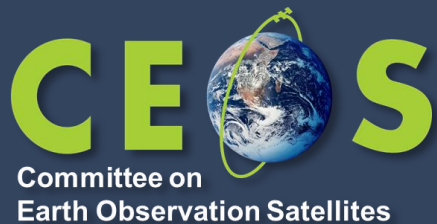


CGMS Working Group IV Report



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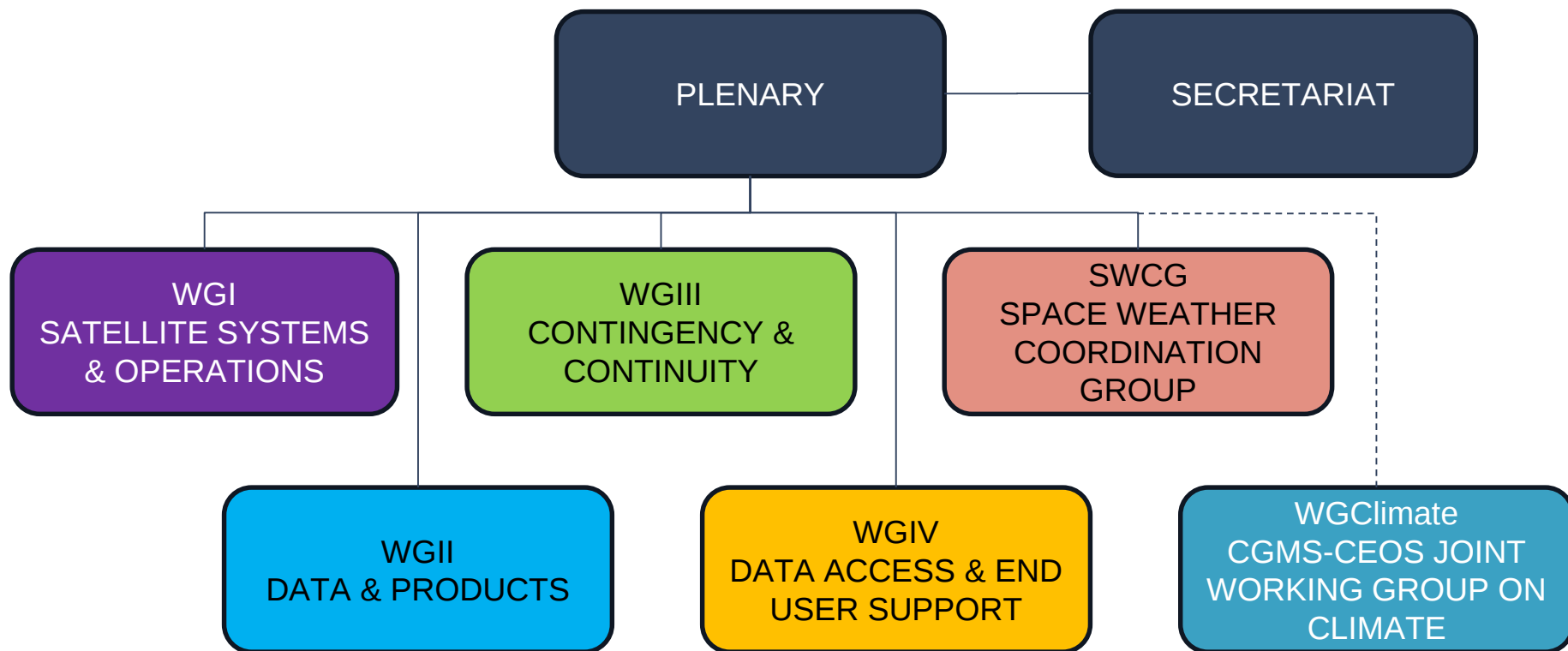
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WGISS-61 and WGDisaster-25

16-20 March, 2026

Dehradun, India

- ❖ The Coordination Group for Meteorological Satellites (CGMS) is the group that globally coordinates meteorological satellite systems. This includes protection of in orbit assets, contingency planning, improvement of quality of data, support to users, facilitation of shared data access and development of the use of satellite products in key application areas.
- ❖ Created in 1972, EUMETSAT is the permanent Secretariat
- ❖ 16 Members (IMD since 1979, ISRO since 2015) and 6 Observers
- ❖ Information here: <https://cgms-info.org/>



❖ Leadership team

- Kotaro Bessho, KMA: Co-chair
- Natalia Donoho, WMO: Co-chair
- Simon Elliott, EUMETSAT: rapporteur

❖ Meetings

- Intersessional meetings, on-line, 3 per year
- Full Working Group meeting, in-person / on-line, once per year
- Task Groups meet on-line at their own discretion (3 or 4 times per year)

CGMS WGIV provides a regular forum for CGMS agencies to address topics of interest in areas related to data access in general and the contribution to the WMO Information System

Among others, WGIV has the following objectives:

- To support the user-provider dialogue on regional/global scales;
- To support the implementation and evolution of sustained and coordinated communication satellite broadcast systems (e.g. GEONETCAST related) and global or inter-regional data circulation and access;
- To promote the widening of data access, to new missions/providers as well as for other user communities, considering cloud access, small satellite networks, and additional data sharing technologies;
- To support the coordination of metadata for satellites and instruments;
- To address the user readiness for new satellite systems and the WMO-CGMS Virtual Laboratory (VLab);

Working Group IV teams



- ❖ Expert Group on Cloud Services: Good practices created
- ❖ Task Group on Metadata: focus now on AI metadata, chair being confirmed
- ❖ Task Group on User Readiness (link to VLab): Good practices created
- ❖ Task Group on Data Access and Exchange: Ramping up
- ❖ WGI Task Group on Satellite Data and Codes: Provides SME body for WMO. Now looking at AI data formats

Participants welcome in these groups