



WMO VL Report

VL Member Activity Report

From:	Muscat CoE for remote Sensing Applications Studies
To:	VL Members
Reporting period:	September 2008 – April 2009
Purpose:	Online VL meeting Group (20 July 2009)
Action proposed:	
Appendices:	
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Training courses given in reporting period:

Please list in the below table the training courses held in the reporting period

	Date	Name of training event	Host	Location	Addressed topics	Number of participants	Lecturers
Classroom courses	14-18 March 2009	The Fifth Eumetsat satellite Application Course ESAC-V	Oman-Met, Sultan Qaboos University & Eumetsat	Muscat (Oman)	Remote Sensing Theory Weather Satellites Satellite operators Weather Satellite Data Image interpretation & processing Learning Modules (Asmet ,Comet) Distant Learning	Total:(16),Yemen(1),Oman(5),Qatar(2),Bahrain(2),Saudi(2),Iraq(1),Iran(1)Jordan(1),Lebanon(1)	HansPeter (Eumetsat), Humaid (Oman-Met), Andy (Oman–University), Ayden (Turkey-Met), Juma (Oman-met), Henk (Eumetsat-DistantLecturer)
Distant learning courses							
RFG events							



Planned activities for:

Please list in the below table the training courses you have planned:

	Date	Name of training event	Host	Location	Addressed topics	Number of participants	Lecturers
Classroom courses	13-24 Feb 2009	The Sixth Eumetsat satellite Application Course (ESAC-VI)	Oman-Met, Sultan Qaboos University & Eumetsat	Muscat (Oman)	Remote Sensing Theory Weather Satellites Satellite operators Weather Satellite Data Image interpretation & processing Learning Modules (Asmet ,Comet) Distant Learning	20	HansPeter & Henk (Eumetsat), Humaid (Oman-Met),Andy (Oman–University), Juma(Oman-met)
Distant learning courses							
RFG events							



What do you feel is missing in your current VL training activities?

Good VL website, Our own Learning Modules

What kind of materials do you use for your courses (e.g. PowerPoint presentations, images of the month, case studies, etc.)? Please list below.

***PowerPoint
Case studies
Eumetsat Website
Comet Program
Asmet
Every day weather practice***

Who provides support in the production of your training materials?

Eumetsat, Oman met & Sultan Qaboos University

What kind of tools do you use to make training material accessible to the teaching community (real time reception of satellite data, number of PCs, network, server, hard discs, Internet capability, etc.)?

Hard Discs, Internet

What kind of course management tools do you use to conduct your courses / workshops / events?

Moodle software

What type of training and at what frequency do you provide for your training staff?

Attend international Workshops, meeting and Conferences , Once to twice a year

Please specify the limitations / restrictions which might influence the quality of training in your institute below:

Financial limitations:

For the past 5years Muscat CoE sponsored by Eumetsat (6 Satellite application courses) and UK met (1 Aviation course). The infrastructure is good but the real Financial limitation is in providing instructors, materials and support for some of participant.

Shortage of human resources:

Secretary Personal, Programmer to Develop and maintain VL website and help develop modules

Insufficient access to training materials and courses:

Muscat CoE has now good internet connection and new computers but we need training material showing example from our climate and weather events

Supplementary Information

CoE Administrative Information:

Head of CoE.....

Names of your satellite meteorology trainers:

Humaid Albadi (Oman-Met),

Andy Kwarteng (Oman–University),

Juma AlMaskari (Oman-met)

Training materials you have developed over the last reporting period:

Case Studies

Please use the rest of this page for any other more general remarks you may wish to make relating to the delivery of training by your Centre.