Homogenization of GNSS time series

COST Action GNSS4SWEC sub-WG3 activity

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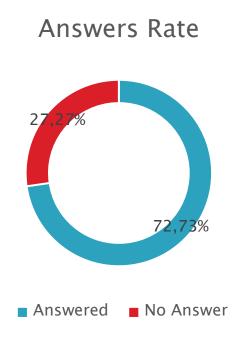
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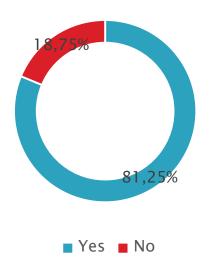
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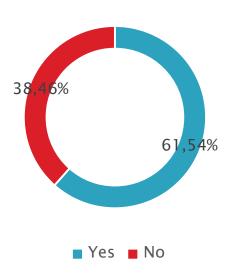
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→ Sub-WG3 Homogenisation Splinter

Thursday, 1st October 2015

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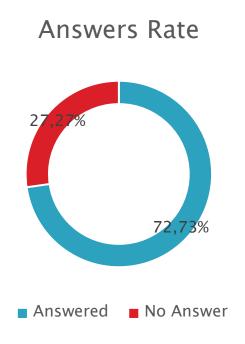
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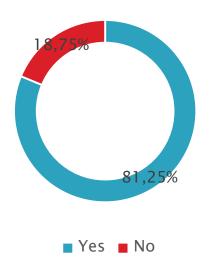
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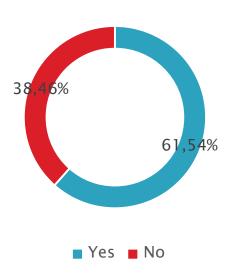
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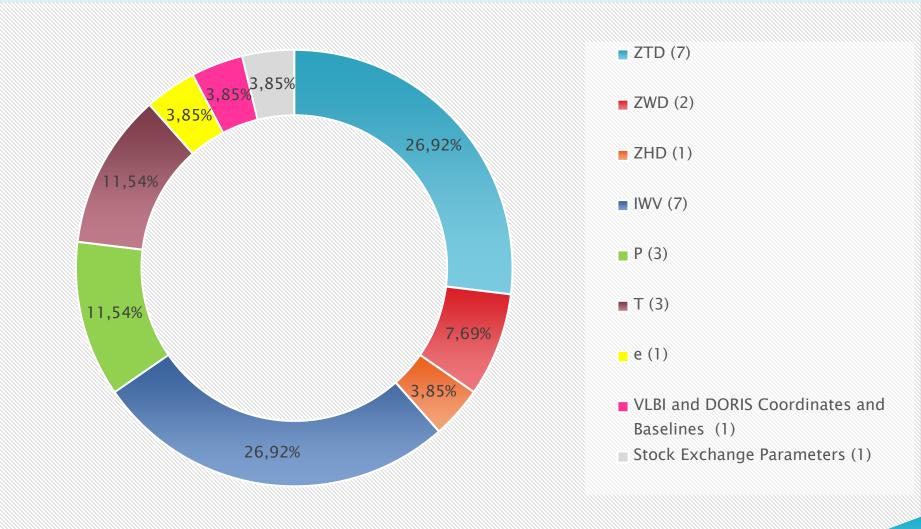


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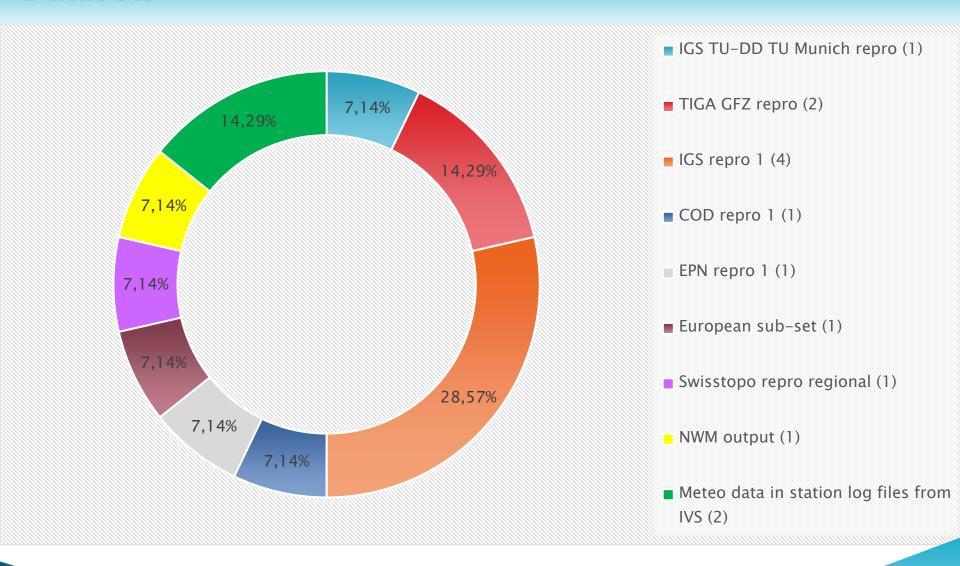


Variable(s) Homogenized



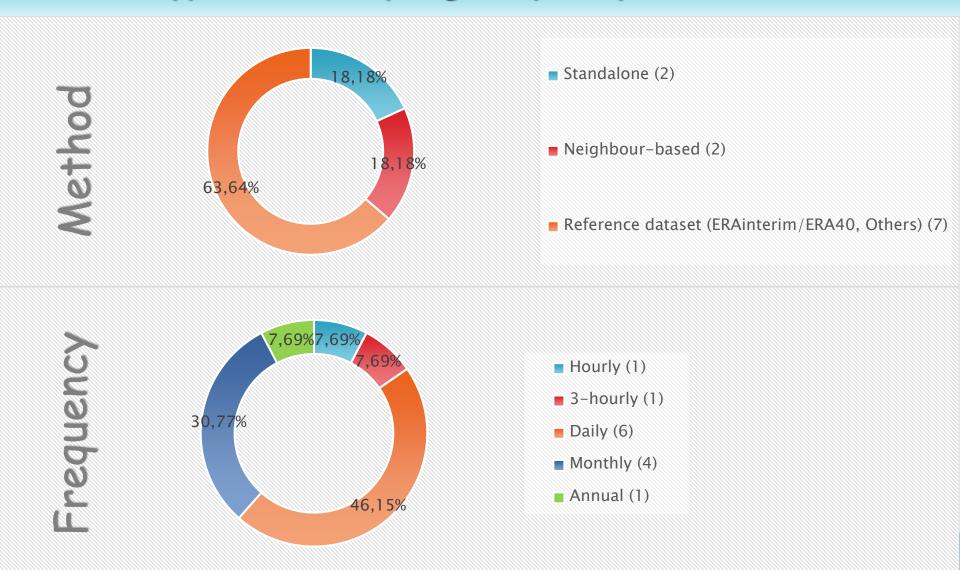


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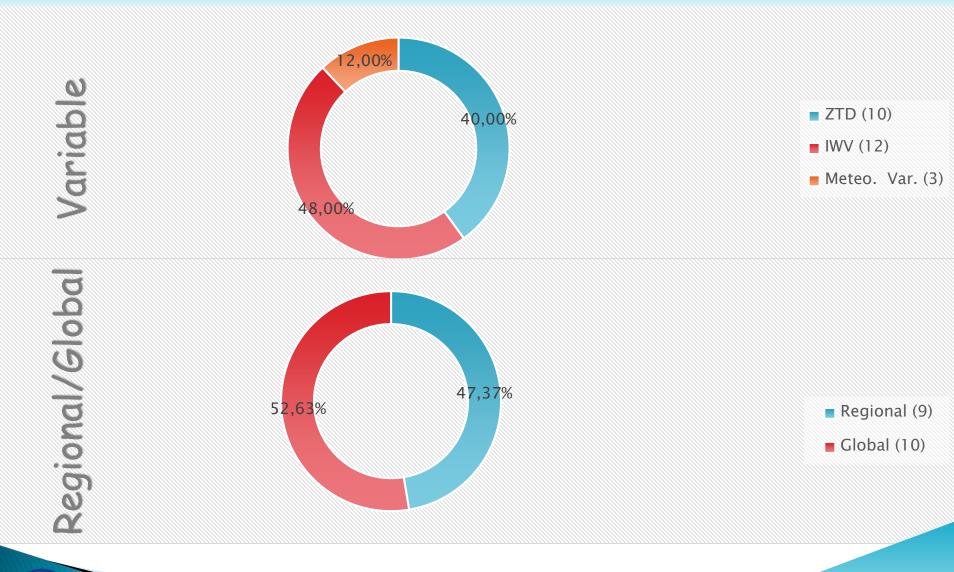


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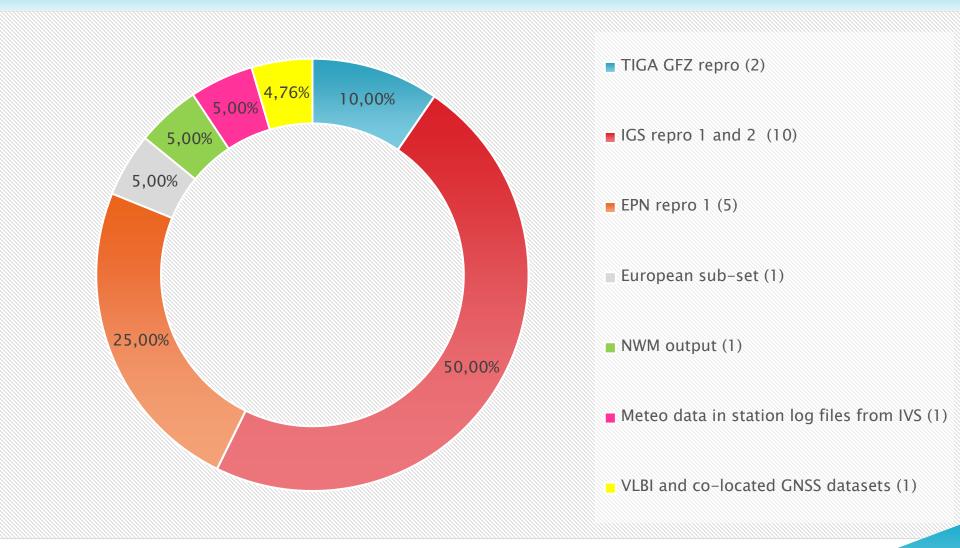


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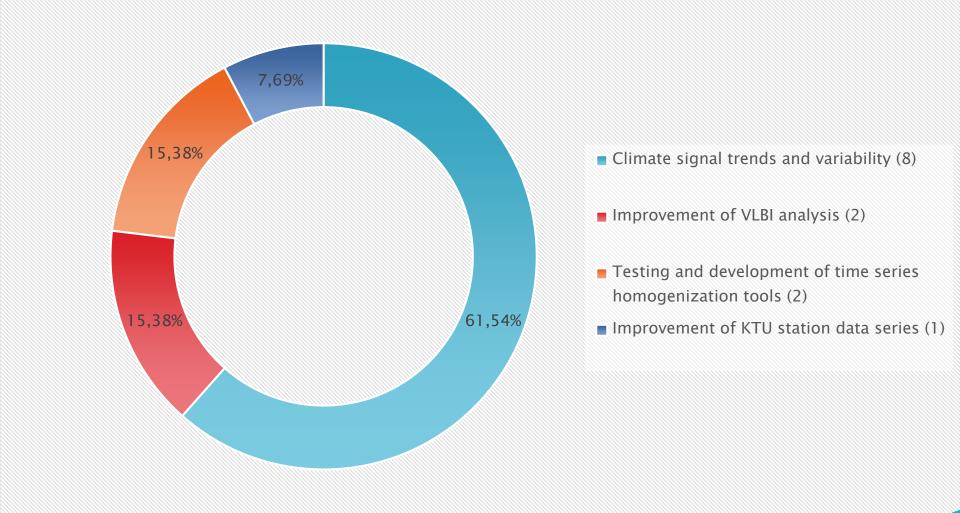


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Purpose of the Homogenization





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- Nice collaborative spirit in the responses:
 - willingness to apply tools on common dataset: 9/13
 - willingness to share identified break points of this common dataset: 11/13
 - willingness to make homogenized dataset available within group: 10/14
 - willingness to work on the homogenization of a common, open access,
 dataset: 13/14
 - willingness to teach how to use your homogenization tool: 8/12
 - willingness to learn and apply existing homogenization tool: 12/14



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Common long-term datasets

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 - Metadata? Documentation?
 - Where to store? Who will upload?
 - Access rules?



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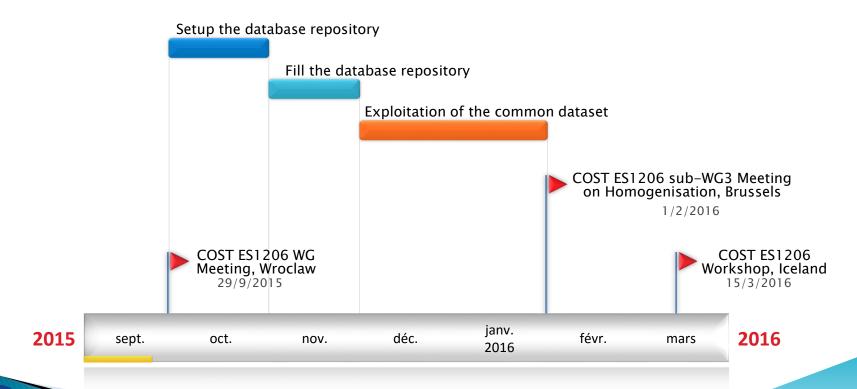
- People with experience: who will work on the databases????
- People without experience: how can we involve them (STSMs)?

Group	Common Database	ZTD or IWV	Ready to host STSM?
Pottiaux and Van Malderen	IGS repro 1 (EPN repro 2)	IWV	Y



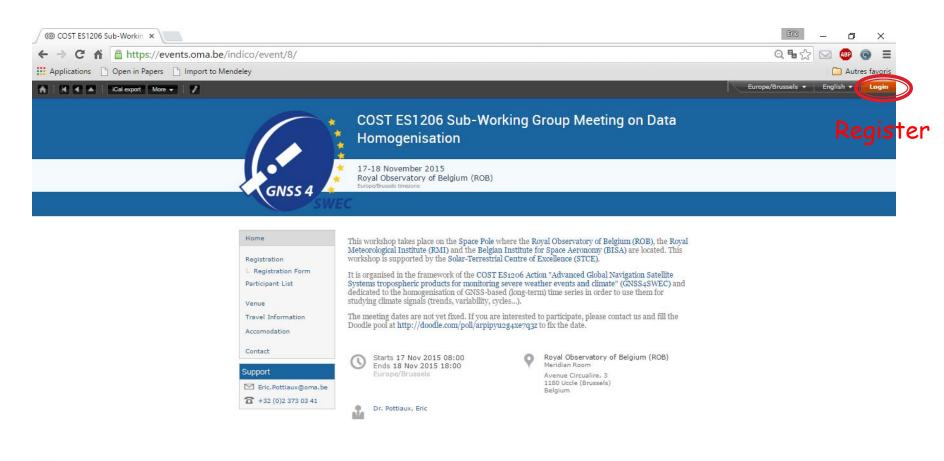
Common long-term datasets: time line proposal

- Set up data base repository (+ metadata): begin November?
- Fill the data base repository (+ medadata): End November?
- Different groups work on the common datasets (break point identification etc.): December-January
- Sub-working group meeting @ Brussels: begin February
- Presentation of progress to GNSS4SWEC community @ Iceland workshop: March





Sub-WG3 Homogenisation Workshop @ Brussels Website (information, registration, material...)



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