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# General guidelines for use of information-processing systems of the German Climate Computing Center Ltd

## Appendix

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### Preamble

To promote the national and international networking of scientists in the field of earth-system research and to support the common development of software in this area, the German Climate Computing Centre operates several related IT-services.

The present appendix to the general guidelines regulate the terms under which these IT-services can be used. The currently applicable list of affected IT-services can found on the DKRZ website:

[www.dkrz.de/about/Organisation/benutzungsrichtlinien](http://www.dkrz.de/about/Organisation/benutzungsrichtlinien)

### Annotation

The English version of the appendix to the general guidelines for use is for information purpose only. Please refer to the compulsory German version "Ergaenzungen zu: Allgemeine Benutzungsrichtlinien für Informationsverarbeitungssysteme der Deutsches Klimarechenzentrum GmbH" in case of any ambiguity.

### §1 Scope

The appendix to the general guidelines applies to the IT-services operated by the German Climate Computing Centre which are described in §1.2 of the general guidelines.

### §2 User group

1. In addition to the user group which is described in the general guidelines for use, the IT-services mentioned in the preamble can be utilized by any user who is directly or indirectly involved in the foundational or applied research of climatology and any immediately related research area.
2. The resources are granted to individual persons; they are allowed to form supplementary groups for collaboration within the specific IT-services.
3. The allocation of resources to individual persons and supplementary groups is done by the German Climate Computing Centre.

### §3 Formal authorisation

1. System operator is the German Climate Computing Centre.
2. Everyone, who wants to make use of the IT-services needs to apply for an account.
3. The application is done directly within the specific IT-service (contrary to the formal authorisation) and should include not less than the following information:
  - o name

- E-Mail address
  - User`s acknowledgement of the guidelines for use
  - Mention of a contact person who already has a formal authorisation (for legitimisation of collaboration)
4. The decision concerning the request will be made by the German Climate Computing Centre. The granting of access can depend on the verification of skills concerning the use of the system.
  5. The authorisation of use may be rejected by the German Climate Computing Centre.
  6. The access to IT-services entitles the applicant only to activities linked to topics mentioned in the preamble and can be limited in time.

#### **§4 Duties of the user**

The general guidelines for use of information-processing systems of the German Climate Computing Centre apply mutatis mutandis.

#### **§5 Tasks, rights and obligations of the operator**

1. The system operator documents every given user authorisation.
2. The system operator contributes to the prevention and detection of misuse in an appropriate way.
3. The system operator announces the contacts for the support of their users.
4. The system operator is obliged to respect the guidelines for access and use of other operators when data processing.
5. The system operator secures all data, as far as possible. No Guarantee by the operator.
6. The system operator is entitled to check the efficient and proper use of its systems by measuring the performance and analysing the protocol data.

#### **§6 Liability of the system operator / disclaimer**

The general guidelines for use of information-processing systems of the German Climate Computing Centre apply mutatis mutandis.

#### **§7 Consequences of inappropriate or illegal use**

The general guidelines for use of information-processing systems of the German Climate Computing Centre apply mutatis mutandis.

#### **§8 Other regulations**

The general guidelines for use of information-processing systems of the German Climate Computing Centre apply mutatis mutandis.

#### **§9 Severability clause**

Should individual provisions contained in the guidelines for use all or part of become ineffective or impracticable or become ineffective and impracticable as a result of changes in legislation after the approval of the guidelines for use, all other provisions and the effectivity of the guidelines for use remain altogether unaffected.

The ineffective and impracticable provision shall be replaced by the effective and practicable provision that is as close as possible to the purpose of the void provision.

Should the guidelines for use prove to be incomplete, it is considered as agreed upon the provisions, that correspond to the purpose of the guidelines for use, and would have been agreed upon in case of being awarded.

### **§10 Coming into force**

This appendix to the general guidelines for use were adopted by the shareholders' meeting and by the management of the GCCC on June 9th 2016 and were implemented beginning with January 1<sup>st</sup> 2017.