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WG #4: Climate Monitoring and Climate Services – Eastern Africa

1. **Q&A:** Clarifications on the Introductory presentations done in plenary (~20')
 - 12 Participants: Tanzania, Kenya (KMD,2), Rwanda (MeteoRwanda, 2), Somalia (2), Burundi (BMD), ICPAC, Sudan (SMA), Eritrea (EMO)
 - Tanzania (TMA): it is been installed in some RCCs, and will in the NHMS. Do the NHMS have to pay for them ? No, AUC has a budget for that under ClimSA, for both PUMA-202X and C-Station. ICPAC has already a prototype working, with the UI already accessible online for interested Users. The link will soon be shared, as soon as the installation reach the needed level

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 - Kenya: how will be the way for the Users in Eastern Africa of accessing the Data Cube? To be discussed in plenary (none from EUM in the room).
 - Rwanda: what are DBMS on top of CLIMSOFT ? What does IMPACT propose exactly ? Is there a mobile application as well ? The C-Station will interface other DBMS (Clisys, ..) and a mobile application is foreseen (prototype 2022/Q3).
 - Kenya: how are the requirements from NHMSs taken into account in the Climate Station design and development ? Activities have been done by an external consultant in IGAD. Something more can be done (either as an action from JRC or through the RCCs) – see Rec. from EUFA-14.

3. Wrap-up: identification of main recommendations and action points (~15').

1. Ensure systematic collection of User needs from the National level (NHMSs) for the evolution of the Climate Station in terms of products and functionalities.
2. The Institutions that received eStation experienced issues in both maintaining and exploiting the system. It is therefore essential that the ClimSA foresees an adequate training program to avoid the same issue.
3. The EUM Data Cube should be presented in order to make evident the options for the Users to access/exploit it and pull data from it.