

CHARMe-update

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CHARacterisation of Metadata to enable high-quality climate applications and services

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Welcome to CHARMe!

The CHARMe project is developing an online system for collecting and sharing user experiences and feedback on climate datasets. This is to help users judge how suitable such climate data are for an intended application.

What is the CHARMe system?

Phil Kershaw (STFC) leading on the system development says:

"The CHARMe system collects and shares commentary annotations associated with climate datasets, which users can view and add to, complementing any existing information from data providers.



The CHARMe system will provide links between datasets and citations and other commentary information using open standards such as Open Annotation. This approach

is highly flexible and can adapt to changing user needs as the system grows."

Who will use CHARMe?

Rhona Phipps (University of Reading) CHARMe project manager says this for users:

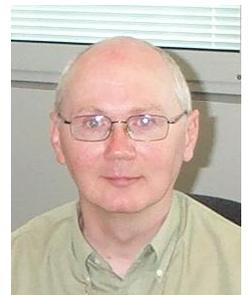
"Anybody who works with climate data is a potential CHARMe user. The system is very flexible and can be used to link datasets, publications and other useful information. At the start of the project we held a workshop to scope out the requirements of data providers and data users. This information was used to create a set of User Requirements on which the system software specification is based. The CHARMe system is still under development and a beta version will be ready in mid-2014."



How can I learn more about CHARMe?

Paul van der Linden (UK Met Office) CHARMe communicator says:

"You can learn more about us from www.charme.org.uk which has links to project outputs and information, including presentations at forthcoming climate research conferences. We are also keen to talk to users who might want help us develop CHARMe or to test the system."



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