

GravIS
Gravity Information Service

TERRESTRIAL WATER STORAGE GROUNDWATER STORAGE OCEAN BOTTOM PRESSURE ANTARCTIC ICE-MASS CHANGE GREENLAND ICE-MASS CHANGE

Welcome to GravIS, the Gravity Information Service of the German Research Centre for Geosciences (GFZ), in collaboration with Technische Universität Dresden. Data products derived from the gravimetric Earth observation satellite missions GRACE and GRACE-FO are available for download at GFZ's Information System and Data Center (ISDC).

The Gravity Recovery and Climate Experiment (GRACE; 2002 - 2017) and its Follow-On mission (GRACE-FO; launched in May 2018) typically provide monthly independent estimates of the Earth's global gravity field. Differences between consecutive months are caused by mass redistribution and mass transport in the Earth system, particularly in the geophysical fluid layers of the atmosphere, oceans, and continents and the hydrosphere.

GRACE/GRACE-FO data processing is structured into sensor calibration (Level-0 to Level-1), global gravity field estimation (Level-2) and geophysical mass anomaly inversion (Level-2 to Level-3). Data products at GravIS comprise gridded mass anomalies, monthly average time series and are available for terrestrial regions, non-glaciated regions, bottom pressure variations and mass changes in both Antarctica and Greenland. GravIS also provides products of a prototype ocean bottom pressure storage anomalies which was part of the project Global Gravity-based Ocean Bottom Pressure project (Global Gravity-based Ocean Bottom Pressure project).

Terrestrial Water Storage

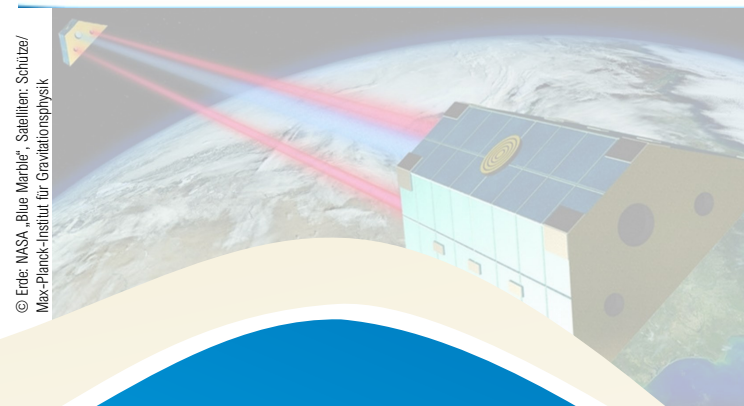
Ocean Bottom Pressure

Partners

- GFZ German Research Centre for Geosciences, Germany (GFZ)
- Centre National d'Études Spatiales, France (CNES)
- University of Bern, Switzerland (AIUB)
- Graz University of Technology, Austria (TUG)
- Leibniz Universität Hannover, Germany (LUH)
- Alfred-Wegener-Institut, Germany (AWI)
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Easy accessibility

The COST-G plotter is an easy and convenient way to look at and evaluate the data products of the ACs and other partner centres as well as the combined solutions generated at the University of Bern (AIUB).

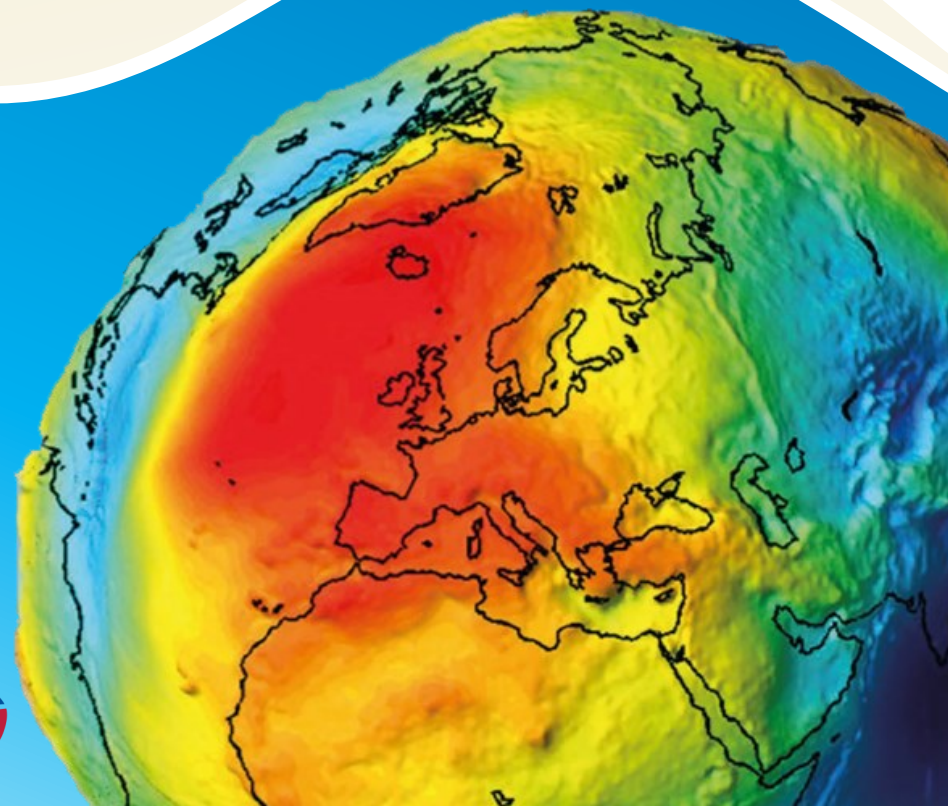
GravIS, the Gravity Information Service of GFZ in collaboration with AWI and TUD, enables the usage of satellite gravimetry data for a broader community. **User-friendly and ready-to-use products ('Level-3') are generated and visualized based on the most recent GRACE and GRACE-FO data releases from GFZ and COST-G.** The products presented at GravIS are available for download at GFZ's Information System and Data Center (ISDC).

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COST-G: a service to the community

Earth observation satellites yield a wealth of data for scientific and commercial exploitation. **The International Combination Service for Time-variable Gravity Fields (COST-G) is dedicated to provide the best available global gravity field model by combining monthly global gravity field models from a number of analysis centers (ACs).**

COST-G is a product center of IAG's International Gravity Field Service (IGFS) and stems from the activities of the former H2020 project European Gravity Service for Improved Emergency Management (EGSIEM). Its development was continued within the follow-up H2020 project Global Gravity-Based Groundwater Product (G3P).

EGSIEM: Grant Agreement no. 637010 (funding period 2015-2017)

G3P: Grant Agreement no. 870353 (funding period 2020-2022).

Space gravimetry is the only tool capable of observing the Essential Climate Variable (ECV) *Terrestrial Water Storage* globally in the Earth system.

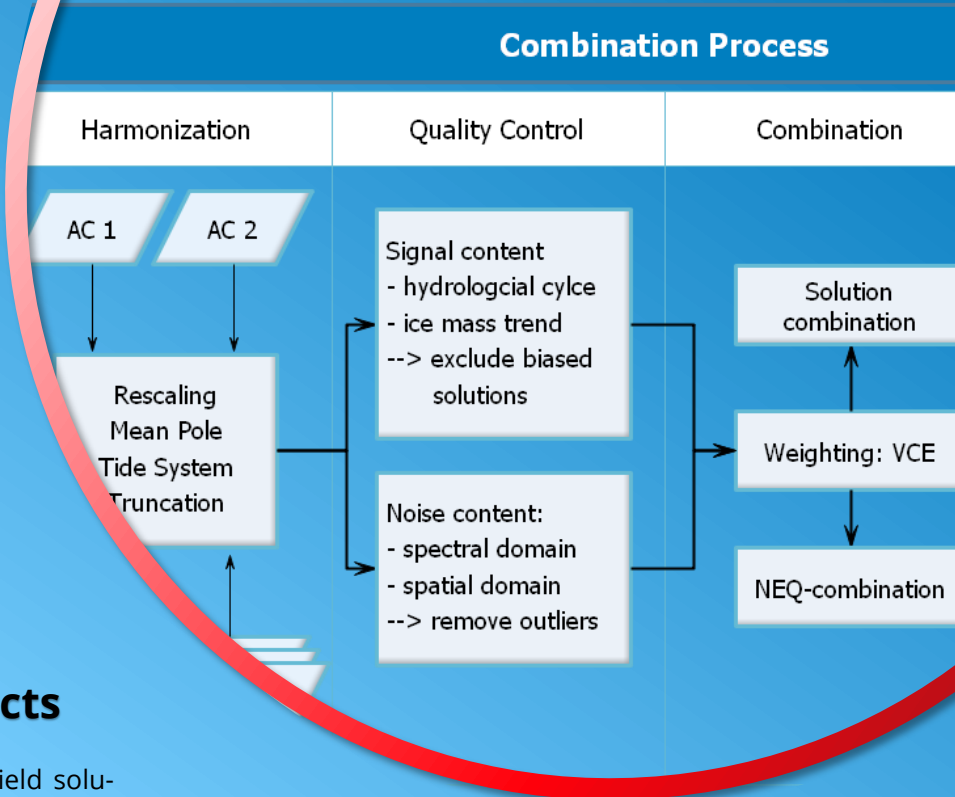
Advanced data products

COST-G combines monthly gravity field solutions of various ACs including

GFZ LUH
AIUB JPL
TUG CSR
CNES and many more ...

Solutions are provided for GRACE, GRACE-FO and Swarm. The combination procedure consists of four major steps:

1. *Harmonization*: the various solutions are common reference frames and background models.
2. *Quality control*: the signal content as well as the noise content is evaluated in order to eliminate biased solutions and/or outliers.



3. *Combination* is performed on solution level, i.e. the spherical harmonic coefficients are combined using variance component estimation (VCE).
4. *Internal and external validation* ensure the quality of the product.

Users get a cutting-edge product based on state-of-the-art statistical procedures eliminating the daring question which product on the market to choose. COST-G combines the strengths of all available solutions and its validation procedures guarantee a reliable and most advanced product. COST-G gravity field models are provided at the International Centre for Global Earth Models (ICGEM).