Science Week 2014, day 1 review exercise

Participant exercises: to assist in making this session more interactive, please complete these exercises before the 30th July.

Examine the proposed Forecaster use of Himawari 8/9 data, as previously discussed with Bureau and overseas Forecasters. Please think about this and be ready to discuss your ideas during the Science Week sessions on the 30^{th} July.

Forecaster use of Himawari 8/9 data



Main workspace screens

- Visual Weather (VW)
- Graphical Forecast Editor (GFE)
- Alerts
- Other RGB's

Forecaster use of Himawari 8/9 data

Situational awareness screens

 Colour Satellite data (eg. 24 hour Red/Green/Blue (RGB) channel product) as smaller sized png, jpeg images

Main workspace screens:

- Data visualisation program (Visual Weather, McIDAS, SatAID), displaying single channel full sized satellite images, eg. 10.8 micron infrared. Can be zoomed in. Only the last 1 hour of 10 minute data
- Forecast Editor program (Graphical Forecast Editor)
- Alerts driven by thresholds applied to key satellite image products
- The five application specific RGB products on demand

In general

• BATCH files to generate RGB and Derived products. Satellite and programming experts design additional products.

Reference slide - RGB products for Operational Forecasting – EumetSAT recommendation

Two RGB composites which complement each other



Australian Government Bureau of Meteorology

24 hour Microphysical RGB



Airmass RGB

from RGB Products Overview (RGB Tutorial) J. Kerkmann EumetSAT

Five application specific RGBs



Day Microphysical RGB Night Microphysical RGB Day Severe Convection RGB

Snow / fog RGB

Natural Colours RGB

Forecaster use of Himawari 8/9 10 minute data



Option 1: hourly data with only the last hour as 10 minute data



Option 2: at least 24 hours of 10 minute data.

