

# IGETS Data Base – Status Report

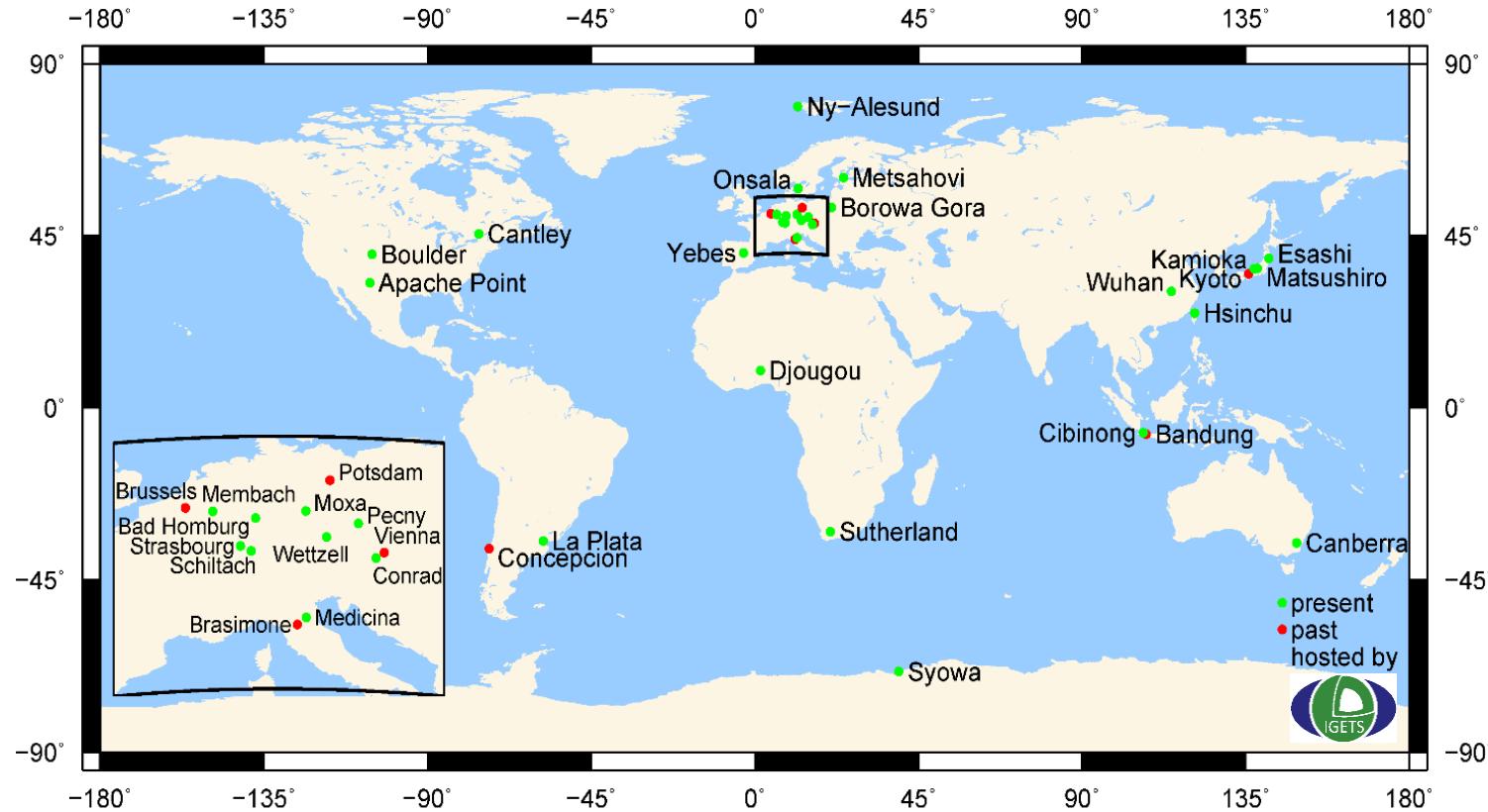


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# Stations

IGETS data base containing data from 35 stations



# Recently added stations and sensors

Date	Station	Sensor	Begin of data
2016-10-18	La Plata, Argentina	SG038	2016-01
2017-01-19	Borowa Gora, Poland	iGrav027, LaCoste&Romberg 1036	2016-05
2017-01-24	Wuhan, China	SG065	2013-03
2017-03-31	Djougou, Benin	SG060	2010-07



SG038 at La Plata



iGrav027 at Borowa Gora



# New data sets

Level	Files	Content
1	GGP	1 s gravity and pressure data (Apache Point, Djougou, Strasbourg, Sutherland and Yebes)
1	CAL	One calibration file for each sensor according to IGETS conventions (Apache Point and Sutherland)

# Data Publication and Citation with DOIs

First DOI (Digital Object Identifier) assignments established for the Level 1 data sets of Sutherland and Potsdam:

- Förste, C., Voigt, C., Abe, M., Kroner, C., Neumeyer, J., Pflug, H., Fourie, P. (2016) Superconducting Gravimeter Data from Sutherland - Level 1. GFZ Data Services. <http://doi.org/10.5880/igets.su.l1.001>
- Neumeyer, J., Dittfeld, H.-J., Pflug, H., Voigt, C., Förste, C. (2017) Superconducting Gravimeter Data from Potsdam - Level 1. GFZ Data Services. <http://doi.org/10.5880/igets.po.l1.001>

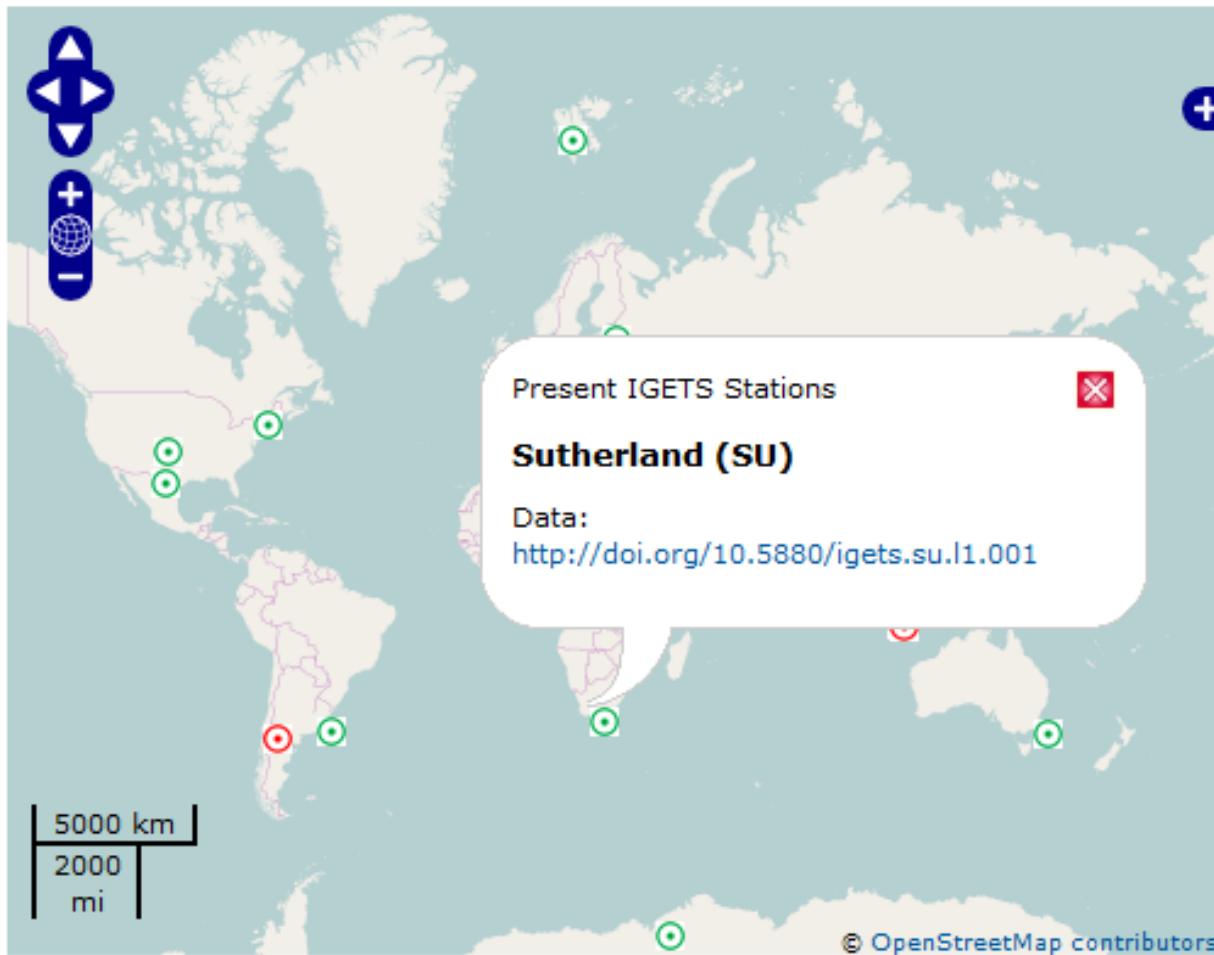
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Filename : IGETS-SG-MIN-su037-1-20161200.ggp  
Station : Sutherland, South Africa  
Instrument : GWR D037\_L

# Data Publication and Citation with DOIs



# DOI landing page for Sutherland

- data download
- link to data base report
- reference to related publications
- introduction
- contact
- official keywords and meta data
- geographical position

Dataset

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Data Files

Data download via <ftp://igetsftp.gfz-potsdam.de> (registration required)  
IGETS Website

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Abstract

An International Geodynamics and Earth Tide Service (IGETS) was established in 2015 by the International Association of Geodesy IAG. IGETS continues the activities of the Global Geodynamics Project (GGP) between 1997 and 2015 to provide support to geodetic and geophysical research activities using superconducting gravimeter (SG) data within the context of an international network. As part of this network, the South African Geodynamic Observatory Sutherland (SAGOS) was established by the GFZ German Research Centre for Geosciences during the years 1998 and 2000 based on an Agreement on Cooperative Activities between the National Research Foundation (NRF) and GFZ signed in August 1998. Continuous time-varying gravity and atmospheric pressure data from the SGs at SAGOS are integrated in the IGETS data base hosted by GFZ.

The SAGOS observatory is located at the site of the South African Astronomical Observatory (SAAO) approximately 350 km northeast of Cape Town (longitude: 20.81 E, latitude: 32.38 S, height above MSL: 1755 m). The operation and maintenance of the SAGOS instrumentation is jointly done by staff of SAAO and GFZ. The shortest distance to the South Atlantic coastline is approximately 20 km. The area is located in a tectonically quiet zone far away from the African rift. Geologically, the setting is a huge dolerite plateau with a several kilometres thick layer of dolerite. This bedrock also has a good coupling of the SG pillars to the ground. The environment is a remote area with no industry and low seismicity. The climate at this place is determined by the border between summer and winter rainfall zones, so that temperature fluctuations are not too rough. The observatory is built into the ground to protect it against environmental effects like strong winds and temperature changes. All rooms are thermally insulated. An air-conditioning system controls the temperature inside the measurement chamber, which is equipped with three concrete pillars embedded into the dolerite bedrock. Two of the pillars are constructed for SGs or other geophysical instruments. The third pillar is dedicated for absolute gravimeters for the calibration of the SGs. In the vicinity of the observatory four further pillars were set up for various other geodetic antennas and instrumentation.

SAGOS is a high precision geodynamic observatory comprising space techniques and ground instruments. Presently, the observatory is equipped with two SGs manufactured by GWR Instruments (SG D037 and SG 052). The time series of gravity and barometric pressure from the dual sensor gravimeter SG D037 starts in February 2000 and is interrupted from July 2008 to November 2009 due to an upgrade of the electronics package. The time series of SG 052 begins in August 2008 without interruption. Both SGs are active and the time series are kept up to date regularly with a time delay of a few months. The time sampling of the raw gravity and barometric pressure data of IGETS Level 1 is 1 minute. Starting in January 2016, raw data with a time sampling of 1 second is provided additionally. For a detailed description of the IGETS data base and the provided files see Voigt et al. (2016, <http://doi.org/10.2312/GFZ.b103-16087>).

In addition, SAGOS is equipped with auxiliary data supporting the interpretation of the SG measurements, which is, however, not provided in the IGETS data base due to their complexity. These are a local network of hydrological and meteorological sensors as well as a permanent GNSS (Global Navigation Satellite Systems) station as a core station of the International GNSS Service (IGS) with the ID SUTM.

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# Documentation



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## Introduction

The International Geodynamics and Earth Tide Service (IGETS) was established in 2015 by the International Association of Geodetics (IAG). IGETS is part of the activities of the Global Geodynamics Project (GGP), 1997–2015, which has supported international geodetic and geophysical research activities using superconducting gravimeter data within the context of an international network. The objectives of IGETS are:

- to support the GGP by providing measured measurements
- to monitor temporal variations of the Earth's gravity field and deformation of the Earth's surface by long-term records
- using ground gravimeters, tiltmeters, strainmeters and other geodynamic sensors

IGETS also continues the activities of the International Center for Earth Tides (ICET), in particular, in collecting, archiving and distributing Earth tide records from long series of the various geodynamic sensors.

## Stations and Sensors

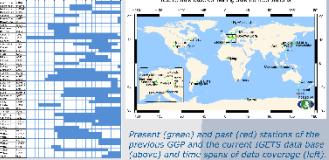
The IGETS data base is hosted by GFZ Potsdam and is accessible via

<http://igets.gfz-potsdam.de>

### Currently

- Data from 35 stations are available, globally distributed
- Provided by 20 providers
- Covering a time span of up to 20 years

IGETS now supports gravimeters made by GWR of compact (GT) and observatory (OS) type predominant. However, recently data from a transversal superconducting gravimeter GWR Grav and a LaCoste & Romberg spring gravimeter were added for stations in Bolivia, Costa Rica, Palau, northern Italy and Japan. All operators are giving gravimeters who are willing to send their data to the IGETS data base in the near future.



### How to become a producer for the IGETS data base?

Interest operators of geodynamic sensors should send an initial e-mail to the IGETS support team at [igets@gfz-potsdam.de](mailto:igets@gfz-potsdam.de).

All former GGP producers can use their existing GGP accounts to send their data to the FTP server of the IGETS data base: <http://igets.gfz-potsdam.de>.

[www.gfz-potsdam.de](http://www.gfz-potsdam.de)

## The Data Base of the International Geodynamics and Earth Tide Service (IGETS)

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### Data Products

Gravity and atmospheric pressure data are usually recorded with 1 s sample rate. Different product levels are derived from these data:

**Level 1:**  
Raw data as recorded without pre-processing and downsampled to 1 min resolution after filling gaps or spikes shorter than 10 seconds by linear interpolation.

Records with 1 s samples are already provided for a few stations, i.e. Apache Point, Sutherland and Yebes.

**Level 2:**  
Pre-processed data, i.e. elimination of gaps, spikes, steps and earthquakes. These data sets are ready for tidal analysis and are provided by the station operators or by the University of French Polynesia (or by both).

**Level 3: A new product in progress**

Residual gravity data after reducing Level 2 gravity data for modeled tidal and non-tidal gravity variations.

**Level 4: Models:** Models specific for each station and cover the effects of solid Earth tides and ocean loading effects and are obtained from harmonic analysis of the level 2 residuals.

**Earth rotation effects:** (par motion and length-of-day variations) are computed from the EOPs of the IERS.

**Non-tidal loading effects due to atmospheric, oceanic and hydrological mass redistributions:** are reduced according to the products provided by EOST Loading Service

<http://badlands.u-strasbg.fr/>

Atmospheric Attraction Compensation Service AIRMACS

**Repair codes:** introduced by GGP are adopted and delivered by IGETS and are part of the file name convention; indicate the pre-processing strategies and processing levels.

Comments of the repair codes for the different GGP based on specific repair methods and error types are planned for the future by linking GGP with the International Database for Absolute Gravity Observations (Adraw) (see EGU2017-15025). IGETS stations will play an important role to establish a Global Absolute Gravity Reference System (IAG Resolution No. 2 2015).

In addition, IGETS establishes individual calibration files for the stations providing a systematic review of the calibration changes formerly given in the GGP header. These include the full history of amplitude calibration factors for gravity and pressure as well as the phase calibration (time delay) for the sensors.

**Data Availability and Access**

The IGETS data sets are stored on a **FTP server** and are freely available after user registration. The number of IGETS users has been rapidly increasing since the launch in summer 2016.

All relevant information are consulted in the scientific technical report (<http://doi.org/10.5194/str16-302>)

**How to become a user of the IGETS data base?**

This user access for browsing and downloading data from the IGETS source of information is open to all. All users are cordially invited to join IGETS!

User benefits are a long-term storage, an increased visibility and use of your data as well as a prior data access by DOI assignments of each data set!



### Data Publication and Citation - DOI

IGETS establishes the provision of digital object identifiers (DOI) for the data sets. DOI are unique and persistent identifiers used to reference and track the individual data sets. The advantages are:

- clear reference to data sets;
- enable to link scientific results with associated publications;
- structure (attribute) in science when publishing scientific articles;
- improve access to scientific data, enhances the visibility of research data, encourage new research to be conducted, and foster scientific cooperation.

**Level 1 data:** DOI assigned for each station, i.e. one for all sensors of a station returning the station operators. The DOI of the Level 1 data sets refer to IGETS landing pages with an overview of the station and the data sets.

These IGETS assigned data sets and the Level 1 data sets from Sutherland and the University of French Polynesia (UFP) are available via:

Förste, C., Voigt, C., Abe, M., Kröner, C., Neumeyer, J., Pfug, H., Fourni, P. (2016) Superconducting Gravimeters: Data from Sutherland – Level 1. GFZ Data Services. <http://doi.org/10.5194/igets-1.0.01>

**Level 2 and Level 3 data:** DOI are assigned for all IGETS stations in total, i.e. one DOI for all data sets.

### Outlook and Discussion

At the IGETS business meeting at the EGU General Assembly 2017 on

**Wednesday, 26 April 2017, from 17:30 to 19:00, Room 283,** information about the IGETS data base will be presented and the structure of current and future products are given. Several aspects of IGETS are discussed and short status reports of the contributing station operators are presented. All interested EGU participants are welcome.

### You are invited!

Are you operating gravimeters, tiltmeters or strainmeters? You are cordially invited to join IGETS!

User benefits are a long-term storage, an increased visibility and use of your data as well as a prior data access by DOI assignments of each data set!



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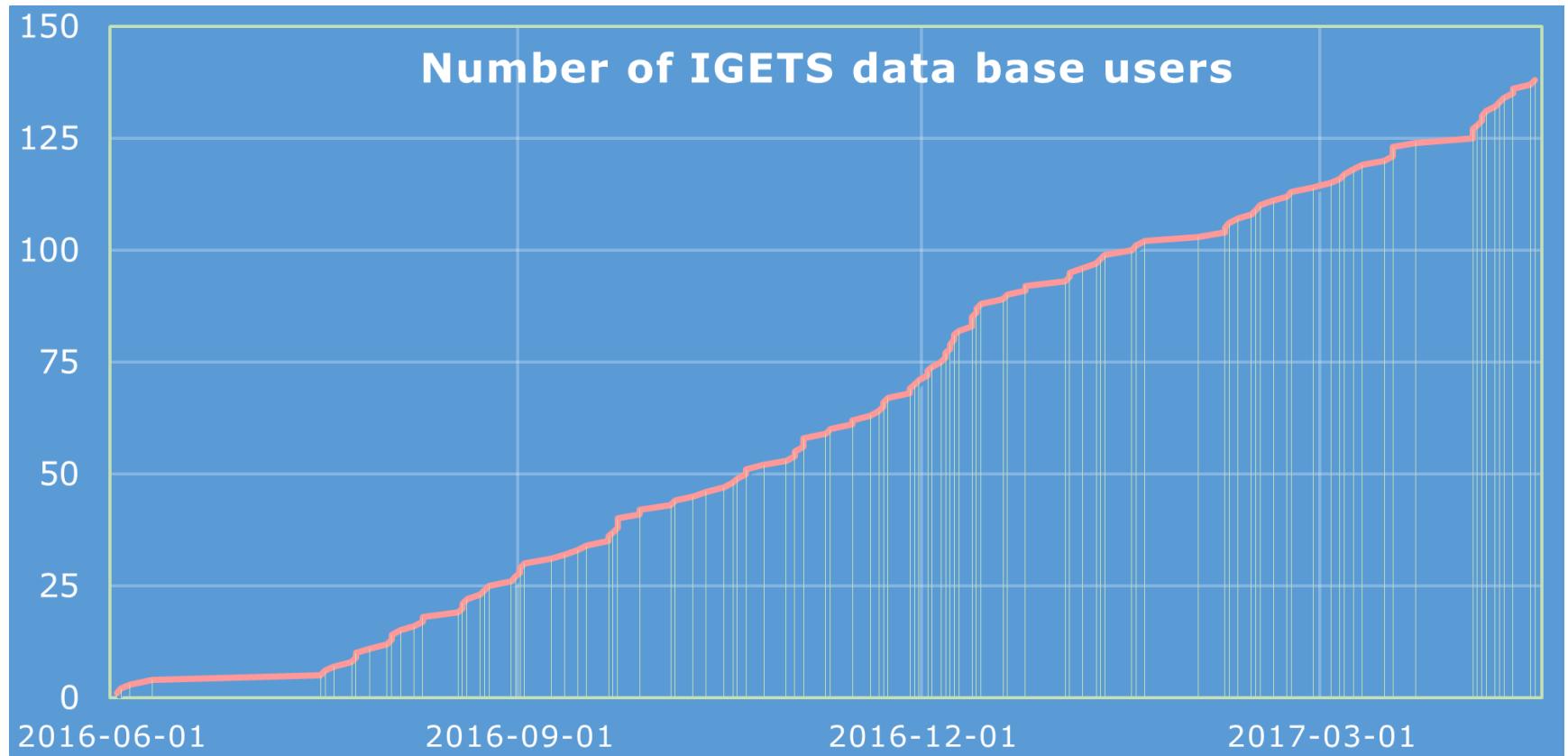
## Report on the Data Base of the International Geodynamics and Earth Tide Service (IGETS)

Scientific Technical Report STR16/08 – Data



**Poster EGU2017-4947 and GFZ Scientific Technical Report both available in "Documentation" of <http://igets.gfz-potsdam.de>**

# User statistics



138 users at 2017-04-18 (1 user registration every 2 days)