Comment on essd-2021-53
David Carlson (Editor)

When the manuscript arrived I asked for changes and citations to reduce the too-high similarity index. As a reviewer points out, those changes have not eliminated substantial plagiarism. The authors admit that they "rephrased some sentences from Beck et al., 2018, and didn’t properly cite them".

Copernicus nor ESSD will tolerate this type of similarity / identity, regardless of language. Neither reviewers nor observers can have confidence in the manuscript as submitted. Please withdraw the paper. Consult the editor if you wish to re-submit in a much-revised form.