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Comment on gc-2021-47

Anonymous Referee #1

Referee comment on "W.A.T.E.R. – a structured approach for training on advanced measurement and experimental research" by Margaret Chen et al., Geosci. Commun. Discuss., <https://doi.org/10.5194/gc-2021-47-RC1>, 2022

Dear authors,

thanks for the interesting and valuable paper.

I have some comments and proposal for revision/complement towards the publication:

a) in the abstract you wrote line 13 about "the" learning and training platform, but in the paper W.A.T.E.R is described as "event" or as "Summer School" and not as platform.

I recommend to classify this by only one type (e.g. workshop event and workshop series) and not using different terms.

line 13: platform

line 21, 30, ...: event

line 76/77, 101, 122: Summer School

line 146: training event

b) I propose to mention the main target group of PhD students in the abstract and introduction and not "late" on page 5 in chapter 5.

c) in Table 1

the number of involved lecturer and of involved organizations might be added to underline the interinstitutional concept,

the lecturers listed on the Webpage demonstrate this,
but in the paper the information is missing
- 2022 Portugal as country of the organizer is missing

d) you mentioned ECTS but never wrote about the number of credits
and related work load (e.h. in hours), maybe you can add at least
for the last event in Bolzano the number of ECTS achieved by the
participants as example.
How is the academic recognition done by the involved universities?

e) Is teaching material prepared and distributed to the participants?

f) How can other institutions / IAHR members can benefit from this activity
(I assume at least to send participants ?)

g) line 58: what are reasonable costs ?
Maybe you give a fee example from the 2021 event including the covered
costs such as accomodation, ...

Fig 9 : numbers are missing !
what is shown: the nationality of the participation,
or the countries of their actual university/institution ?
Is a PhD student from India, doing his/her PhD at VUB counted
for Belgium/Europe or as India ?

last link <https://water2020.events.unibz.it/>
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