Special Issue

Wind Gusts: Observations, Processes, and Predictions

Message from the Guest Editors

A wind gust is commonly defined as a sudden but shortlived increase in wind speed. Wind gusts can threaten the safety or serviceability of various man-made objects, such as aircraft, trains, fan blades, buildings, bridges, and other wind-sensitive civil structures. Mechanisms for the generation of wind gusts are complicated. Wind gusts may be attributed to the internal structures of violent storms (e.g., tropical cyclones, downbursts, tornadoes), the influence of orographic/topographic features, deep convection, or combinations of the above factors. Such complexities lead to a distinct spatial and temporal variability of a wind gust. During the past several decades, continuous efforts have been made to understand this phenomenon. Despite the outstanding achievements that have been made, much still remains to be further explored. We look forward to your submissions, and to achieving a Special Issue representing the growing community of scientists involved in the observation, process, and prediction of gust wind.

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