



FEWS news: issue 1, 2023

Dear Ms Ten Broeke,

In this winter edition of the Delft-FEWS newsletter, you will find a summary of the news, upcoming events, and other highlights published on the [Delft-FEWS portal](#).

Looking back on 2022

- The [Delft-FEWS Product Management team](#) provided an overview of [User Meetings](#), [roadmap updates](#), [stable releases](#), and [support and maintenance updates](#).
- The [International Delft-FEWS User Days](#) celebrated its 18th birthday with two presentations:
 - an overview of [all the FEWS applications](#) since Delft-FEWS began, and
 - an overview of [the growing FEWS community](#).All presentations and the group photo can be found on [the events page](#).
- The [North American FEWS Community](#) enjoyed updates from 4 speakers during the Update Call in November.
- [FEWS Community Talks](#), short 1-hour online conversations, were introduced by the Community Strategy Board (CSB). At the first Talk in June, Justin Robinson of the Bureau of Meteorology showed many FEWS systems with some nice old and new features and displays. At [the second Talk in October](#), Gabe Miller demonstrated how the Tennessee Valley Authority uses FEWS for reservoir operations and highlighted strengths of the FEWS archive. The recording can be found on [the CSB page](#).

Events in 2023

- The [third FEWS Community Talk](#), on February 9 at 15:00 CET, will focus on Forecast Verification. There will be short presentations and a community discussion to exchange needs, best practices, and tools to help each other take the next steps in verification and improving forecast quality.
- The first community user meetings of 2023 will take place in June. More information will follow shortly about the [Dutch FEWS User Day](#) on June 6th and the [German-speaking User meeting](#) on June 15th & 16th.
- The 10th edition of the [Australian Delft-FEWS days](#) will take place from August 23rd to 25th in Brisbane. An invite with more details, including the destination of the field trip on

Friday August 25th, will be sent out soon.

- On [the courses page](#), you can find dates for instructor-led courses in 2023 and information about the eLearning environment, which is in its final stages of development.

Did you know that...?

- The [NEPTUNE Operational Management System](#) helps the National Environment Agency in Singapore monitor and forecast coastal water quality for recreation (beaches) and fisheries (including aquaculture) and manage the spread of contaminants during (oil) spill incidents.
- [RIBASIM version 7.01.25](#) was released, and many short instruction videos are available on the RIBASIM website.
- [New tips and tricks for configurators](#) are available on the [Delft-FEWS public WIKI](#). A new series “How-to of the month” kicked off with an explanation of [thumbnail graphs in the Schematic Status Display](#).

We look forward to connecting with you on [the portal](#) and via [LinkedIn](#)!

Contact: fews-moderators@deltares.nl for all questions related to the Delft-FEWS portal, and to submit your news item, blog, or showcase.

Kind regards,

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