

**9th EMS Annual Meeting &
9th European Conference on Applications of Meteorology (ECAM)**

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- Recipient of an EMS Young Scientist Travel Award

I was delighted to receive a Young Scientist Travel Award to attend the European Meteorological Society 9th Annual Meeting and the 9th European Conference on Applications of Meteorology in Toulouse in 2009. The award was given for a paper on a new method for forecasting clear-air turbulence, co-authored with John Knox and Don McCann. I also presented new work on inertia-gravity waves, the role of mean ocean salinity in climate, and a novel time-stepping technique for predictive numerical models.

As well as catching up with old colleagues, my attendance at the conference has resulted in a couple of new possible collaborations, with the Institute of Geophysics at the University of Warsaw, and the Aviation Outcomes Team at the UK Met Office. I am very grateful to the European Meteorological Society for enabling me to attend what was a very stimulating and productive meeting.

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