

## **Report about the MeteoXchange conference**

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Firstly, it's a great honour to win the best poster award amongst so many other great studies presented at the MeteoXchange conference! Congratulations to all.

It was my first time attending the MeteoXchange conference, and I can just say that it has been a valuable and fantastic experience. The interactivity of the conference is sky-high with gather.town platform. It enables the participants to reach an almost like real conference simulation, thus avoiding the issues that online conferences often face. Since the conference is aimed at early career scientists at any stage, from Master's to PhD students and others, it creates a vibrant group of people who wish to discuss and discover more about science. From oral to poster sessions, everyone has been awesome and I learned a lot from various topics that were presented. Also, it has been encouraging to see many Master's students presenting their research. So, to everyone unsure, nervous or under the pressure of attending only big conferences, MeteoXchange is a great first point to practise your presentation skills.

Not to forget, the organisation team (primarily consisting of early career scientists!) has been awesome, they did a great job so kudos to them.

Lastly, since the organisation team arranged such good prizes this year I'll see you all in Barcelona in September at the EMS Annual Congress!