



RECLIDO: A NETWORK FOR CLIMATE RECONSTRUCTION FROM DOCUMENTARY SOURCES

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Spanish documentary sources may be specially rich for climate reconstruction since they contain information from the Spanish territory and, for the period 1500-1815 from the former American colonies. RECLIDO (Reconstrucción del Clima a partir de fuentes documentales) is a network funded by the Spanish Ministry of Science and Technology (REN2002-10819-E/CLI). In this early stages, its main objectives are to improve the linkages among research groups, specially with the most relevant archives, to increase the knowledge and access to the documentary sources and to increase the accessibility of the results, making them freely available via internet. It is participated by research groups of Universidad Complutense de Madrid (acting as coordinator), Universities of Vigo, Pablo de Olavide (Seville), Extremadura, Zaragoza, Barcelona, Almería and Granada, IANIGLA (Argentina) as well as by the General Archive of Indies (Seville), Archivo del Museo Naval (Madrid) and Archivo General de la Marina 'Alvaro de Bazan' (Viso del Marqués). This combination of researchers and archives provides it a multidisciplinary character which will allow for a better contribution of archival sources into the climatic research mainstream. The information about RECLIDO is currently available from www.ucm.es/info/reclido. This URL allows free access to databases containing proxies and data, bibliography and a periodic bulletin.