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Dear authors.

Please reply to the remaining comments one-by-one from the reviewer and provide a revised manuscript accordingly.

Wrt to the 2<sup>nd</sup> comment :

Ref#2 general point : This point was not addressed.

Just to clarify this point from the reviewer that was not addressed in your reply :

To what extent can you exclude that the latitudinal dependent bias is not caused by the scaling approach you take (which can introduce seasonal and latitudinal variations) ?

Please also motivate the applied scaling approach as used in the manuscript.

Best regards, Ilse Aben