

## ***Interactive comment on “Extending the Modular Earth Submodel System (MESSy v2.55) model hierarchy: The ECHAM/MESSy idealized (EMIL) model set-up” by Hella Garny et al.***

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Dear Astrid Kerkweg,

thank you for your comment on our paper, and thank you for pointing out the misconception on the version numbering of the MESSy versions.

Indeed, you are absolutely right that it should read "based on MESSy v2.54" in the title and the text. The misconception arose from the fact that the new developments will only be available in the next version 2.55 (so my thinking was that a user looking to apply the developments described here would want to use this version, once released).

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But of course the development is based on the existing version 2.54 (as we agree is documented correctly in the code availability section), and you are right in that we should not refer to a version that is not released yet. I apologize for the mistake from my side, and will make sure to correct the version number in the revised version of the paper. The code version the results presented in the paper (i.e. the version based on v2.54) is archived and available on request.

Best regards, Hella Garny on behalf of all authors

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