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Dear authors,

in my role as Executive editor of GMD, I would like to bring to your attention our Editorial version 1.2:

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This highlights some requirements of papers published in GMD, which is also available on the GMD website in the 'Manuscript Types' section:

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Even more important, I like to point you to our "Model code and data policy". Among others, the "Core principles" section states:

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Best regards, Astrid Kerkweg

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