

# Package ‘ecmwfr’

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**Description** Programmatic interface to the European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts dataset web services (ECMWF; <<https://www.ecmwf.int/>>) and Copernicus's Data Stores. Allows for easy downloads of weather forecasts and climate reanalysis data in R. Data stores covered include the Climate Data Store (CDS; <<https://cds.climate.copernicus.eu/>>), Atmosphere Data Store (ADS; <<https://ads.atmosphere.copernicus.eu/>>) and Early Warning Data Store (CEMS; <<https://ewds.climate.copernicus.eu/>>).

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print.ecmwfr_archetype	<i>Methods to deal with visualizing / printing requesting info from the archetype constructor</i>
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Description

Methods to deal with visualizing / printing requesting info from the archetype constructor

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'ecmwfr_archetype'  
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

- x                    archetype object
- ...                additional parameters to pass on

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wf_archetype	<i>Creates an archetype function</i>
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Description

Creates a universal MARS / CDS formatting function, in ways similar to wf\_modify\_request() but the added advantage that you could code for the use of dynamic changes in the parameters provided to the resulting custom function.

Usage

```
wf_archetype(request, dynamic_fields)
```

**Arguments**

`request` a MARS or CDS request as an R list object.  
`dynamic_fields` character vector of fields that could be changed.

**Details**

Contrary to a simple replacement as in `wf_modify_request()` the generated functions are considered custom user written. Given the potential for complex formulations and formatting commands NO SUPPORT for the resulting functions can be provided. Only the generation of a valid function will be guaranteed and tested for.

**Value**

a function that takes ‘dynamic\_fields’ as arguments and returns a request as an R list object.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

ERA <- wf_archetype(
  request = list(
    dataset_short_name = "reanalysis-era5-pressure-levels",
    product_type = "reanalysis",
    variable = "geopotential",
    year = "2024",
    month = "03",
    day = "01",
    time = "13:00",
    pressure_level = "1000",
    data_format = "grib",
    target = "download.grib"
  ),
  dynamic_fields = c("year", "day", "target")
)
# print output of the function with below (new) parameters
str(ERA(2021, 3, "new_download.grib"))

## End(Not run)
```

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`wf_check_request`
*check ECMWF / CDS data requests*


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**Description**

Check the validity of a data request by comparing the main dataset to the list provided by [wf\\_datasets](#)

**Usage**

```
wf_check_request(request)
```

**Arguments**

`request`                nested list with query parameters following the layout as specified on the ECMWF API page

**Value**

a data frame with the determined service and url service endpoint

**Author(s)**

Koen Hufkens

**See Also**

[wf\\_set\\_key](#) [wf\\_transfer](#), [wf\\_request](#), [wf\\_transfer](#)

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wf\_datasets

*List ECMWF Data Store dataset*

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**Description**

Returns a list of all ECMWF datasets, covering all Data Store services (i.e. CDS, ADS, CEMS). This function is used to validate the datasets queried by [wf\\_request](#). For optimization reasons and limit API calls the function is cached and only called once per session (assuming that available products and their information and endpoints aren't updated on a regular sub-daily basis).

**Usage**

```
wf_datasets(service = c("cds", "ads", "cems"), simplify = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

`service`                which service to use, one of webapi, cds or ads (default = webapi)  
`simplify`               simplify the output, logical (default = TRUE). When not simplified the raw API return is provided as a nested list, for debugging purposes mostly.

**Value**

returns a data frame with the ECMWF Data Store datasets

**Author(s)**

Koen Hufkens

**See Also**[wf\\_transfer wf\\_request](#)**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
# get a list of ECMWF Data Store datasets  
wf_datasets()  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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wf_dataset_info	<i>List ECMWF Data Store dataset information</i>
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**Description**

Shows and returns detailed product information about a specific data set (see [wf\\_datasets](#)). This includes the list of sub-products in the collection as well as date and time ranges.

**Usage**

```
wf_dataset_info(dataset, simplify = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

dataset	character, name of the data set for which the product information should be loaded
simplify	boolean, default TRUE. If TRUE the description will be returned as tidy data instead of a nested list.

**Value**

Downloads a tidy data frame with product descriptions from CDS. If `simplify = FALSE` a list with product details will be returned.

**Author(s)**

Reto Stauffer, Koen Hufkens

**See Also**[wf\\_datasets.](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
# Return information
info <- wf_dataset_info("reanalysis-era5-single-levels")
names(info)

## End(Not run)
```

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wf\_delete

Delete ECMWF Data Store request

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## Description

Deletes a staged download from the queue when not using R6 methods.

## Usage

```
wf_delete(url, user = "ecmwfr", verbose = TRUE)
```

## Arguments

url	url to query
user	user, generally not set (default = "ecmwfr"), used by <a href="#">wf_set_key</a>
verbose	show feedback on processing

## Author(s)

Koen Hufkens

## See Also

[wf\\_set\\_key](#) [wf\\_transfer](#) [wf\\_request](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:

# demo query using a valid request (not shown)
file <- wf_request(request = request)

# delete request
job_url <- file$get_url()
wf_delete(url = job_url)

## End(Not run)
```

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wf_get_key	<i>Get secret ECMWF / CDS token</i>
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## Description

Returns you token set by [wf\\_set\\_key](#)

## Usage

```
wf_get_key(user = "ecmwfr")
```

## Arguments

user	user (email address) used to sign up for the ECMWF data service
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## Value

the key set using [wf\\_set\\_key](#) saved in the keychain

## Author(s)

Koen Hufkens

## See Also

[wf\\_set\\_key](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:  
# set key  
wf_set_key(key = "123")  
  
# get key  
wf_get_key()  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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wf_request	<i>ECMWF Data Store (DS) request and download</i>
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### Description

Stage a data request, and optionally download the data to disk. Alternatively you can only stage requests, logging the request URLs to submit download queries later on using [wf\\_transfer](#). Note that the function will do some basic checks on the request input to identify possible problems.

### Usage

```
wf_request(
  request,
  user = "ecmwfr",
  transfer = TRUE,
  path = tempdir(),
  time_out = 3600,
  retry = 30,
  job_name,
  verbose = TRUE
)

wf_request_batch(
  request_list,
  workers = 2,
  user = "ecmwfr",
  path = tempdir(),
  time_out = 3600,
  retry = 5,
  total_timeout = length(request_list) * time_out/workers
)
```

### Arguments

request	nested list with query parameters following the layout as specified on the ECMWF APIs page
user	user (default = "ecmwfr") provided by the ECMWF data service, used to retrieve the token set by <a href="#">wf_set_key</a>
transfer	logical, download data TRUE or FALSE (default = TRUE)
path	path were to store the downloaded data
time_out	how long to wait on a download to start (default = 3600 seconds).
retry	polling frequency of submitted request for downloading (default = 30 seconds).
job_name	optional name to use as an RStudio job and as output variable name. It has to be a syntactically valid name.
verbose	show feedback on processing



`request_list` a list of requests that will be processed in parallel.

`workers` maximum number of simultaneous request that will be submitted to the service. Most ECMWF services are limited to 20 concurrent requests (default = 2).

`total_timeout` overall timeout limit for all the requests in seconds.

**Value**

the path of the downloaded (requested file) or the an R6 object with download/transfer information

**Author(s)**

Koen Hufkens

**See Also**

[wf\\_set\\_key](#) [wf\\_transfer](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
# set key
wf_set_key(key = "123")

request <- list(
  dataset_short_name = "reanalysis-era5-pressure-levels",
  product_type = "reanalysis",
  variable = "geopotential",
  year = "2024",
  month = "03",
  day = "01",
  time = "13:00",
  pressure_level = "1000",
  data_format = "grib",
  target = "download.grib"
)

# demo query
wf_request(request = request)

# Run as an RStudio Job. When finished, will create a
# variable named "test" in your environment with the path to
# the downloaded file.
wf_request(request = request, job_name = "test")

## End(Not run)
```

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wf_set_key	<i>Set secret ECMWF token</i>
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### Description

Saves the token to your local keychain under a service called "ecmwfr".

### Usage

```
wf_set_key(key, user = "ecmwfr")
```

### Arguments

key	token provided by ECMWF
user	user (email address) used to sign up for the ECMWF data service, if only a single user is needed it defaults to ("ecmwfr").

### Details

In systems without keychain management set the option `keyring_backend` to 'file' (i.e. `options(keyring_backend = "file")`) in order to write the keychain entry to an encrypted file. This mostly pertains to headless Linux systems. The keychain files can be found in `~/.config/r-keyring`.

### Value

It invisibly returns the user.

### Author(s)

Koen Hufkens

### See Also

[wf\\_get\\_key](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:
# set key
wf_set_key(key = "123")

# get key
wf_get_key()

# leave user and key empty to open a browser window to the service's website
# and type the key interactively
wf_set_key()

## End(Not run)
```

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wf_transfer	<i>ECMWF data transfer function</i>
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## Description

Returns the contents of the requested url as a (NetCDF) file downloaded to disk or the current status of the requested transfer.

## Usage

```
wf_transfer(  
  url,  
  user = "ecmwfr",  
  path = tempdir(),  
  filename = tempfile("ecmwfr_", tmpdir = ""),  
  verbose = TRUE  
)
```

## Arguments

url	R6 <a href="#">wf_request</a> ) query output or API endpoint
user	user (email address) used to sign up for the ECMWF data service, used to retrieve the token set by <a href="#">wf_set_key</a> .
path	path were to store the downloaded data
filename	filename to use for the downloaded data
verbose	show feedback on data transfers

## Details

Normal workflows would use the methods included in returned objects. This is for legacy support and custom scripting only.

## Value

a (netCDF) file of data on disk as specified by a [wf\\_request](#)

## Author(s)

Koen Hufkens

## See Also

[wf\\_set\\_key](#) [wf\\_request](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
# request data and grab url and try a transfer  
# (request not provided)  
r <- wf_request(request, transfer = FALSE)  
  
# check transfer, will download if available  
wf_transfer(r$get_url())  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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