... a climate service is a process of developing and delivering climate information in such a way as to meet a user's need...

Climate services are the dissemination of climate information to the public or a specific user. They involve strong partnerships among providers, such as NMHSs, and stakeholders, including government agencies, private interests, and academia, for the purpose of interpreting and applying climate information for decision making, sustainable development, and improving climate information products, predictions, and outlooks.
WMO

Climate services are the dissemination of climate information to the public or a specific user. They involve strong partnerships among providers, such as NMHSs, and stakeholders, including government agencies, private interests, and academia, for the purpose of interpreting and applying climate information for decision making, sustainable development, and improving climate information products, predictions, and outlooks.

National Research Council, USA (2001)

...mission-oriented and driven by societal needs to enhance economic vitality, maintain and improve environmental quality, limit and decrease threats to life and property, and strengthen fundamental understanding of the Earth...

Google hits

- Climate services
  - Ca 667 000
- Climate services AND definition
  - Ca 35 000
- Climate services AND research
  - Ca 441 000
- Klimattjänster
  - Ca 6010

Take-home message

- Not new
- New as a concept
  - Delivery
  - Partnerships
  - Actionable
- Research component
  - Process, delivery
  - Sectorial
  - Underlying climate science and monitoring