

To whom it may concern,

as a designate referee for the review process of the “The FORUM End-to-End Simulator project: architecture and results” paper by L. Sgheri et al. submitted to the AMT journal, I confirm to have performed a quick review on the 3rd version of the article, also taking into account the adjustments highlighted in the Author’s tracked changes version.

The authors have introduced consistent improvements in the work after the last round of reviews. In particular, they have fixed some shortcomings in the explanation of the methodology used for the validation between E2ES and SACR codes and for the retrieval test in a realistic scenario reconstructed with MODIS data.

The work is overall very good and well-structured, I recommend the publication on AMT journal after some minor revisions.