Dear Silvio Davolio,

in the proof reading we found some formulations that were either unclear or erroneous. We would like to change these to improve the quality of the paper:

• P.4, after equation (3): We noted that α_s is never described. Further naming it α_d would reduce confusion.

We would like to specify this and suggest the following change. Replace: "The **vertical-shear angle**, $\alpha = [\alpha_s - \alpha_p] (mod360^\circ)$, is derived from the angle between the differential wind vector, $\Delta \overline{\vec{u}}$, and the propagation direction, α_p , of the PL. "

by:

"The **vertical-shear angle**, $\alpha = [\alpha_d - \alpha_p] \pmod{360^\circ}$, is derived from the angle between the orientation of the differential wind vector, α_d , and the propagation direction, α_p , of the PL."

• P.6, column 2, line 2: This part of the sentence is difficult to read; "Contours in high values in the medium-level cloud cover associated with each node have distinct patterns (Fig. 2),..."

It would be better to replace it with the following:

"The medium-level cloud cover associated with each node has a distinct pattern (Fig. 2),..."

• Table 2: We included a mistake and inconsistent formulation for the shear strength, $\frac{u}{\partial z}$, at three instances. To be consistent with the formulation it should be as in the method section: $\left|\frac{\Delta \overline{\vec{u}}}{\Delta \overline{z}}\right|$

With best regards, Patrick Stoll and coauthors