

## Seasonal-to-decadal Climate Prediction

Real time predictions      Initialization/Assimilation  
Retrospective predictions      Perfect model analyses

### Cryosphere

Predictability  
Feedbacks  
Remote Impacts



### Climate Modelling



Model Biases

Role of resolution

ESM components

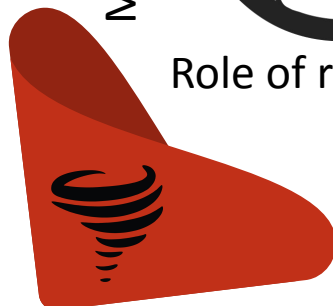


### Biogeochemistry

Marine ecosystems  
Carbon cycle  
Wildfires  
Predictability  
Climate Change Mitigation

### Climate Extremes

Tropical/extratropical storms  
Heatwaves  
Heavy precipitation  
Attribution to climate drivers  
Feedbacks



### Climate Mechanisms

Interbasin teleconnections  
Bias-development  
Initial shocks  
Sensitivity studies

**Goal of the project:** Producing actionable climate information for risk-based planning for the next 1-40 years, combining information from climate predictions and projections.

- Producing and analysing **EC-Earth3 decadal climate predictions** (*decadal.bsc.es*)
- Improving the initialisation: producing **historical reconstructions** (coupled nudging) and investigating **initialisation methods**.
- **High resolution** predictions.

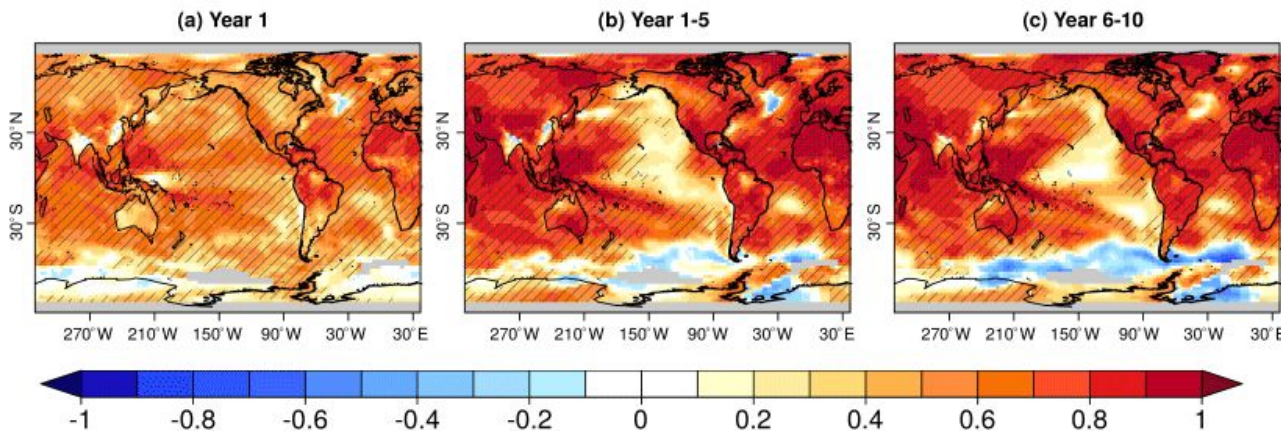


Fig. Anomaly correlation coefficient (ACC) for the annual surface temperature (SAT and SST blend) in EC-Earth3 decadal predictions.

- Understanding **predictability** with idealised simulations:
  - Atlantic Multidecadal Variability
  - Volcanic Eruptions
  - ‘Perfect model’
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- **Constraining climate projections** using decadal predictions.

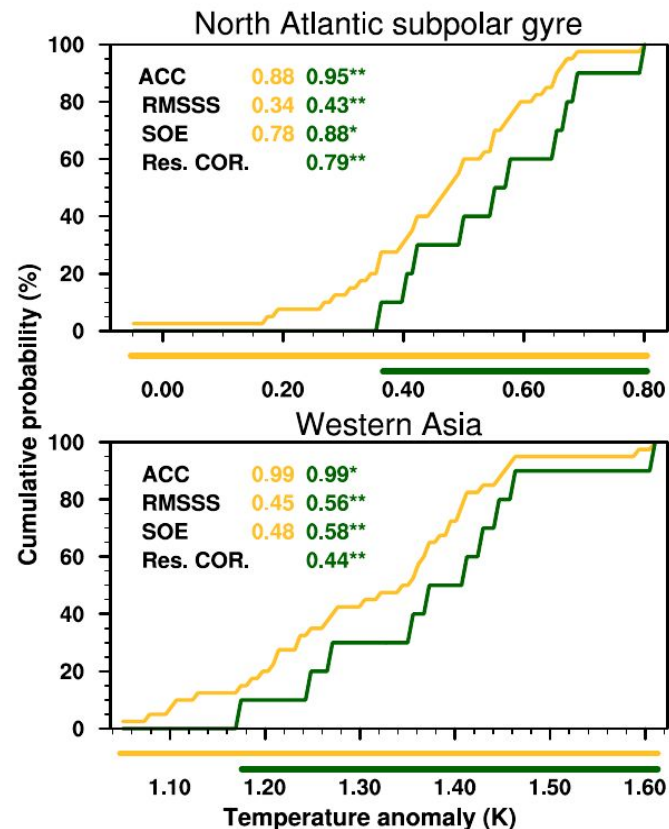
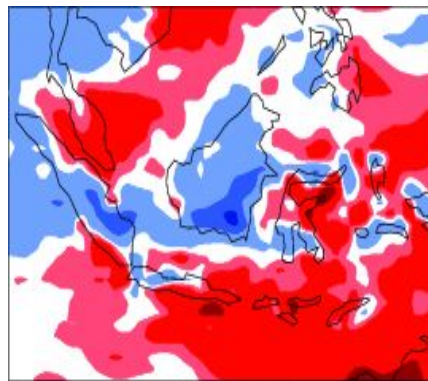


Fig: Near-term summer temperature projections. Cumulative distribution functions of 20-year average (i.e. 2016-2035) projections of summer surface air temperature anomalies (Mahmood et al., submitted)

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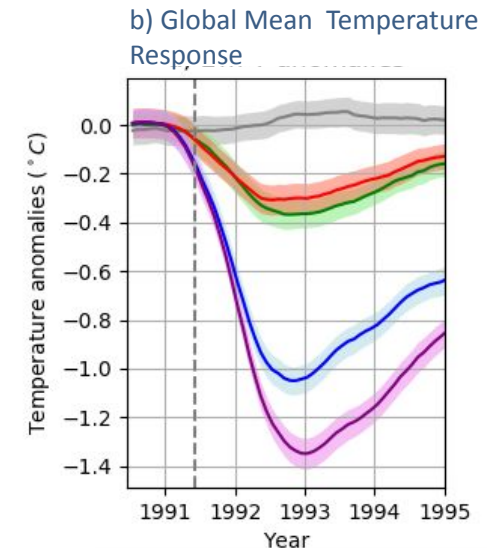
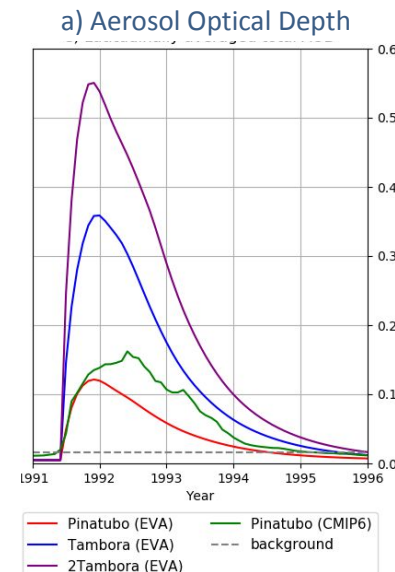
Implement the capability to anticipate emissions of **biomass burning**.



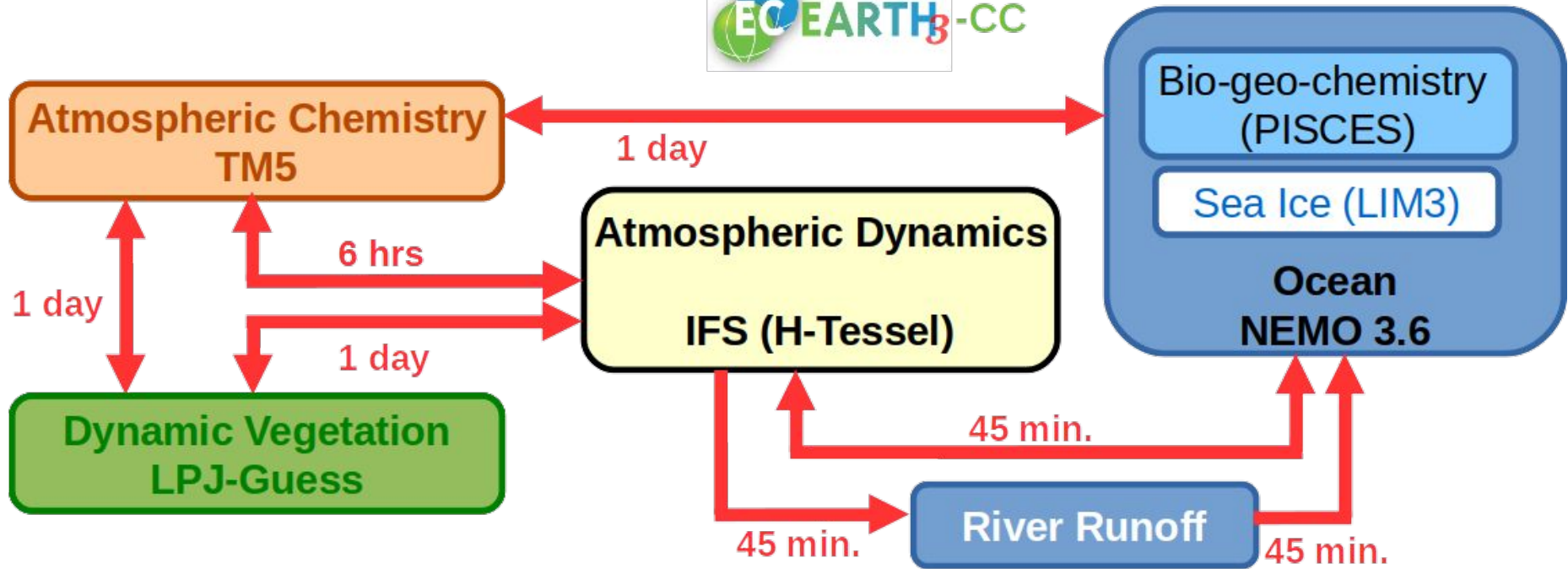
Cooling due to smoke aerosols predicted **6 months ahead**.

2m Temp anomaly Oct 2015 Forecast from 1st May With “perfect” aerosols

Implement the capability to respond to **volcanic eruptions**.



**People involved:** R. Bilbao, E. Tourigny, C. Gomez Gonzalez, G. Carella, P. Ortega, M. Donat



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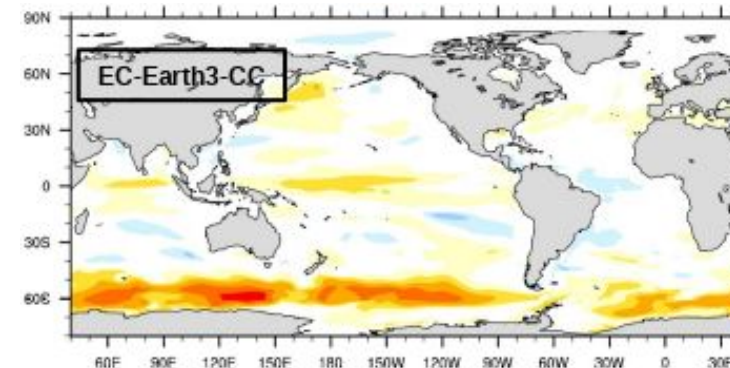
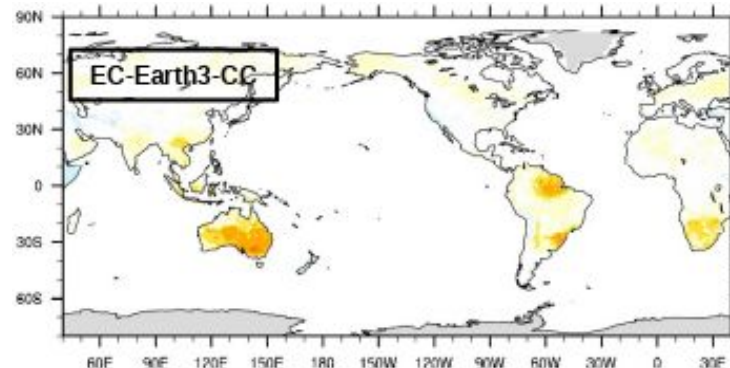
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**Key regions and drivers**

**First atm CO<sub>2</sub> predictions to assist implementation of the Paris Agreement**

**Improved climate projections**

**Improved carbon cycle reconstructions**



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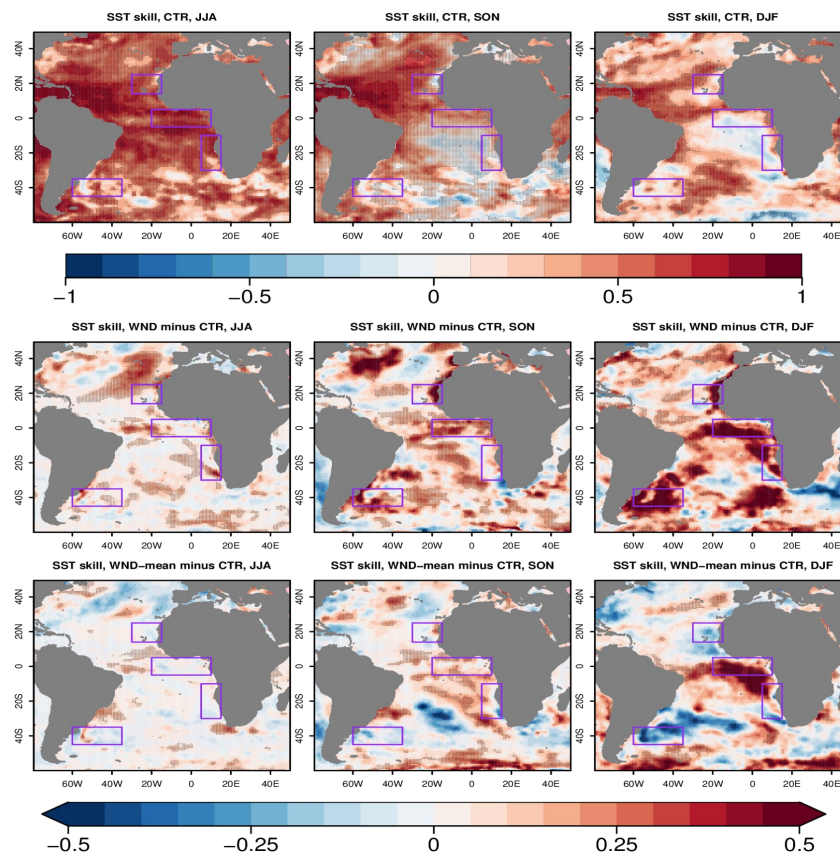
**People involved:** E. Tourigny, Y. Ruprich-Robert, R. Bernardello, V. Sicardi, P. Ortega, V. Lapin, A. Ramos

**Goal of the project:** To assess the South and Tropical Atlantic marine ecosystems and develop a framework for predicting its future changes

**Part 1:** Assessment of model biases on the ESM seasonal prediction skill

**Part 2:** Perfect model prediction study: Evaluate the potential predictability of relevant biogeochemical variables

**Part 3:** Providing frontier seasonal to multi-decadal forecasts and multi-decadal to centennial scenario simulations with TRIATLAS ESMs

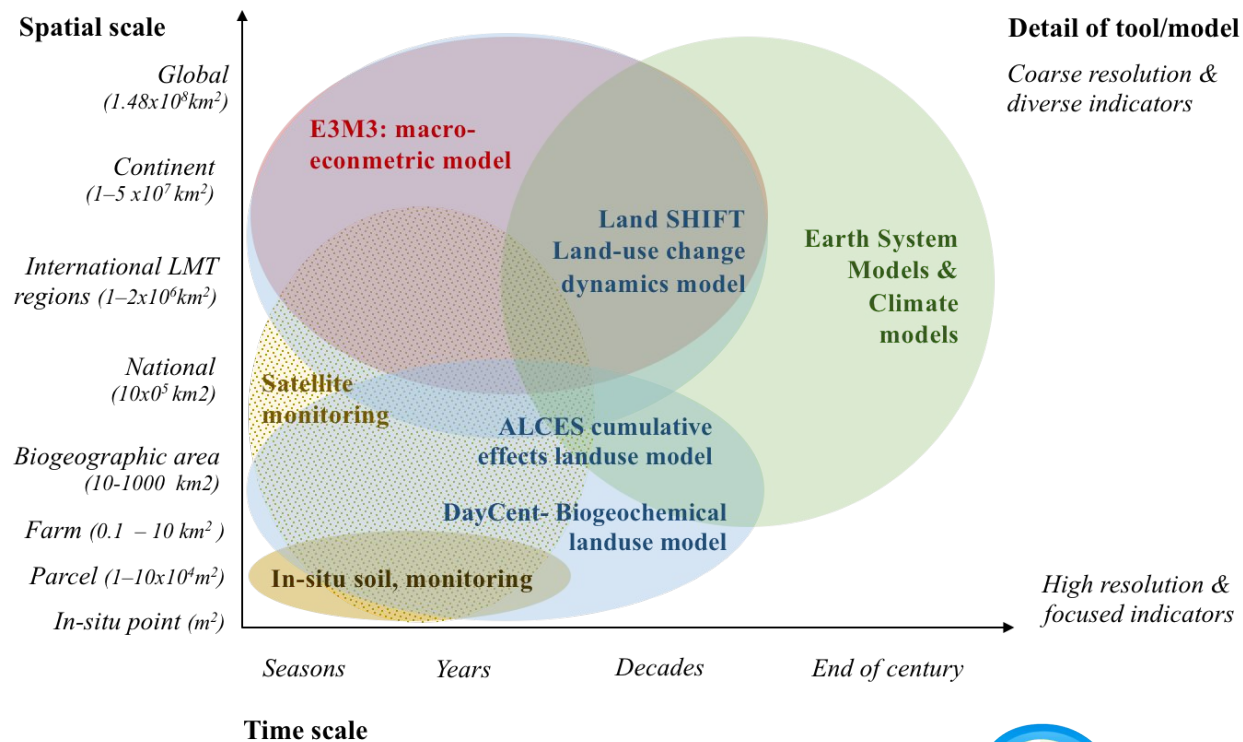


**People involved:** E. Exarchou, J. Llord, R. Bernardello, V. Sicardi, P. Ortega

**Goal of the project:** Explore the negative emissions / climate change mitigation potentials from large-scale implementation of land-based mitigation technologies (including reforestation, adjusted agricultural techniques, etc.)

**WP4:** Climate risk assessment for the LMT implementations

**WP7:** Assess mitigation potential from upscaled LMT implementations in ESM simulations



**People involved:** M. Donat, E. Tourigny, R. Bernardello, N. Pérez Zanón



**Goal of the PhD:** Understanding the dynamics and impacts of the ENSO (El Niño-Southern Oscillation) teleconnection in the North Atlantic and Europe in late winter

**Supervisors:** Javier García-Serrano (UB/BSC), Ileana Bladé (UB)

**Research activity 1:**

✓ Signal over **North Atlantic** robust

✗ Dynamics unsettled:

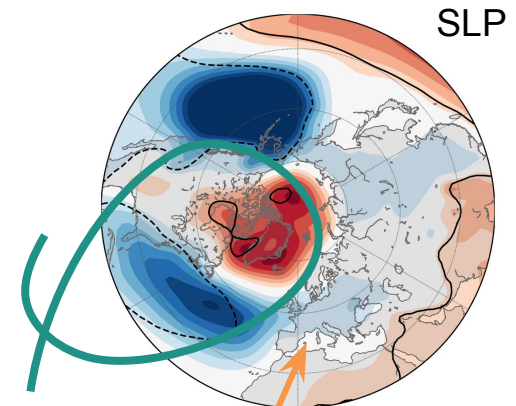
*How does it get there?*

→ Tropospheric vs. stratospheric pathway

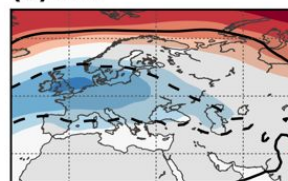
**Other ongoing activities:**

The signal over **Europe**

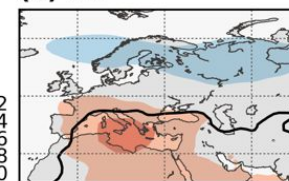
is *not* robust! :(



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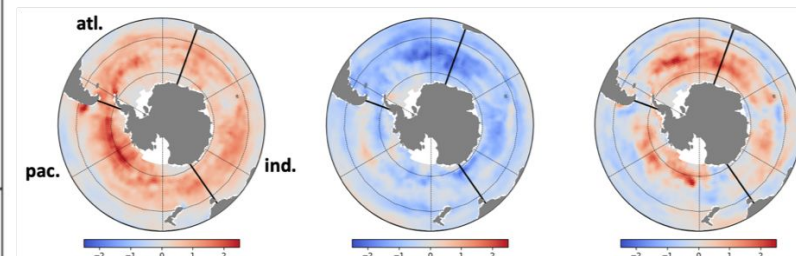
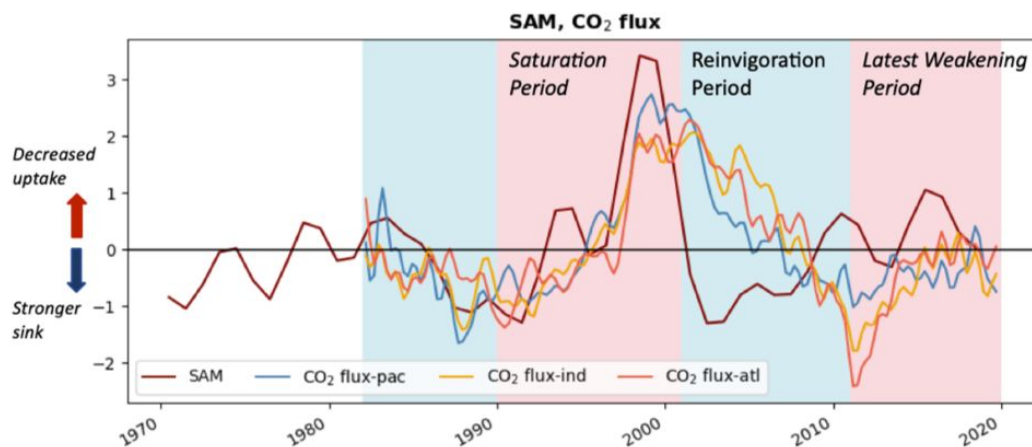
(b) LR



**Goal of the PhD:** To identify the driving mechanisms of CO<sub>2</sub> uptake decadal variations in the Southern Ocean.

**Supervisors:** Raffaele Bernardello (BSC), Adrian P. Martin (NOC)

**Research activity 1:** Investigating the response of the Southern Ocean surface *p*CO<sub>2</sub> components to the leading atmospheric mode: Southern Annular Mode.



Linear trends of C fluxes during the last 3 decades.

**Other ongoing activities:** Quantifying the impact of the relative spatial distribution of biologically-driven uptake and water masses formation on the net uptake of carbon in the Southern Ocean.

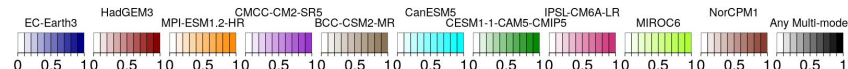
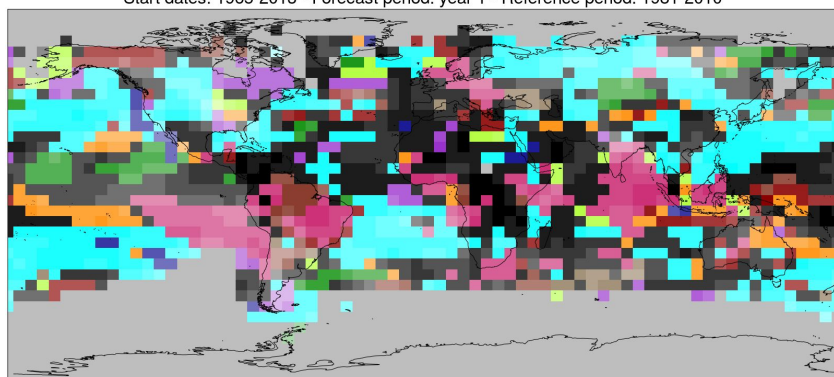
**Goal of the PhD:** Estimate and understand the predictability of climate events relevant to climate services (e.g. wind energy production and demand), and further their physical understanding by attributing the occurrence of such events to large-scale drivers.

**Supervisors:** Markus Donat and Albert Soret

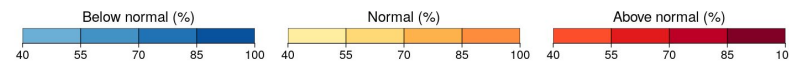
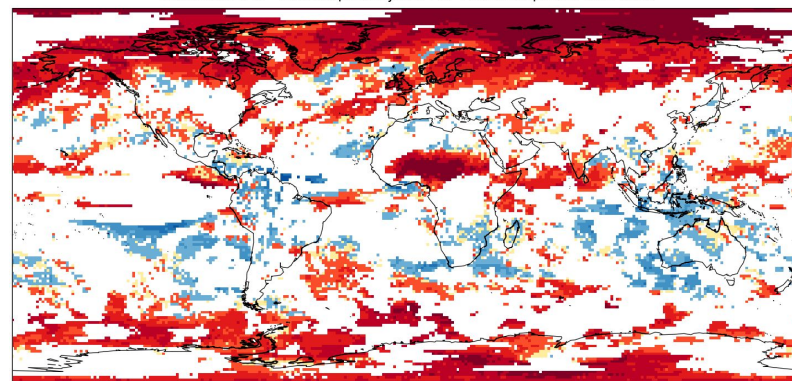
**Research activity 1:** Predictability of weather regimes (EUCP)

**Research activity 2:** Multi-model forecast quality assessment and product generation (C3S-34c / EUCP)

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Start dates: 1965-2013 - Forecast period: year 1 - Reference period: 1981-2010



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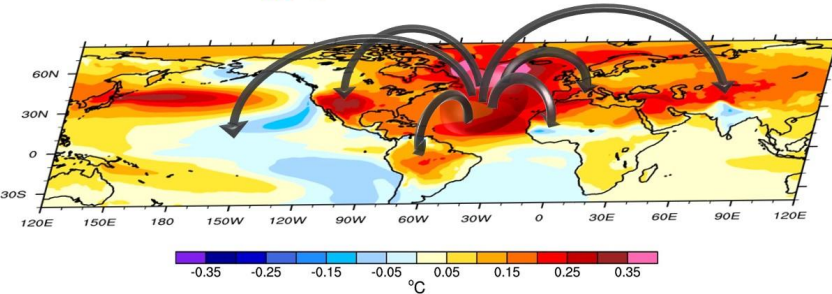


## ReSPonSe

JuniorLeader

Postdoctoral Fellowships Programme

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North Atlantic climate teleconnections:  
is their realism affected by model biases?

Development of EC-Earth3-CC version with  
reduced surface biases

Grantee: Yohan Ruprich-Robert

## ORCAS

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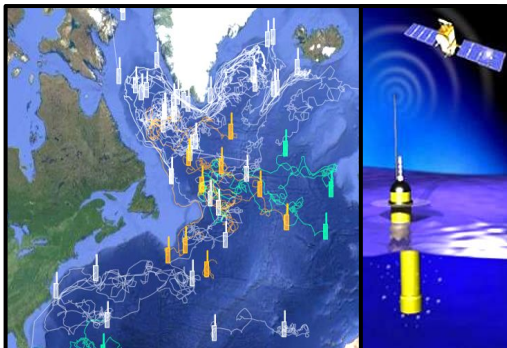
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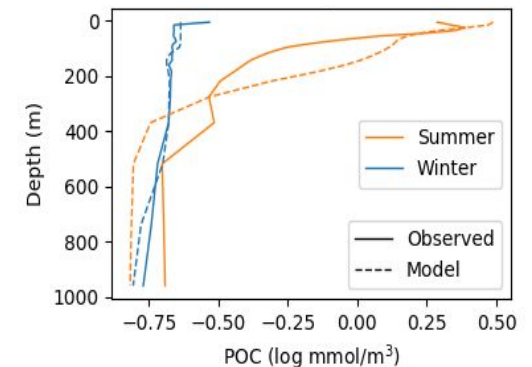
Can we improve models using robotic ARGO float observations?

Grantee: Martí Galí Tàpias



PISCES-1D parameter  
optimisation with a  
genetic algorithm within

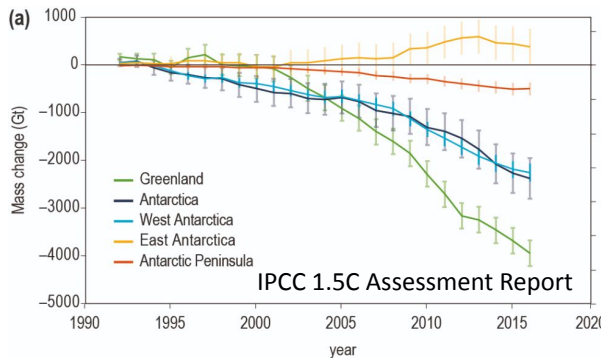
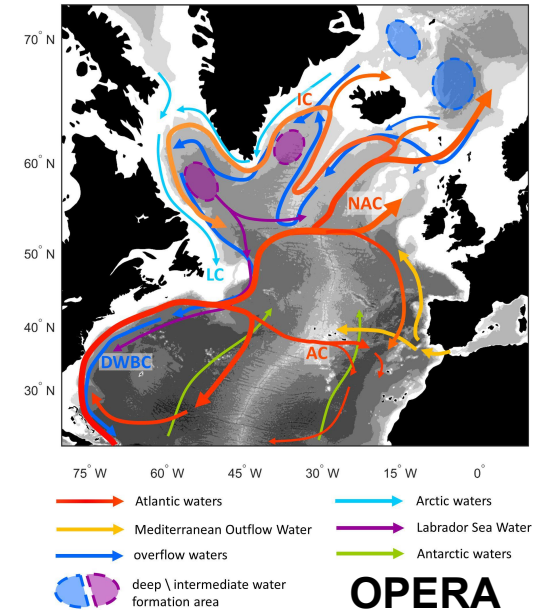
**AUTOSUBMIT**



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## Ice sheet melting:

How does it affect polar climate prediction and projections?

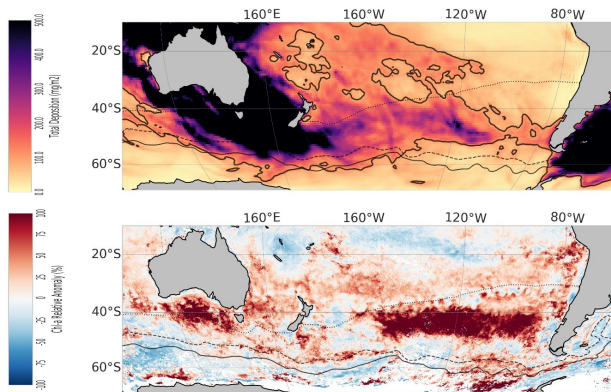
Multiple insights from regional and global models

**People involved:** Eduardo Moreno-Chamarro

## Earth System Model development (going beyond EC-Earth3)

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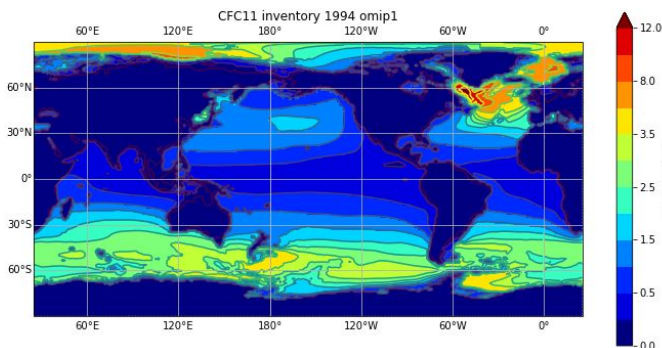
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**Wildfires ashes and ocean phytoplankton:  
are they connected?**

Observed for the first time (& published in *Nature!*)

**People involved:** Joan Llort and Sara Basart



**Ocean CFCs and biogeochemistry (BGC):  
What can we learn from CFCs of the large-scale  
ocean BGC dynamics and related model biases?**

**People involved:** Valentina Sicardi, Raffaele Bernardello and Marcus Falls

## Climate Modelling User Group (CMUG)

Linking the climate modelling community and satellite Earth observation experts across the CCI programme.



**Improving forecast initialization** (sea ice, ocean, land)

**Forecast verification** (sea ice, ocean surface, land, atmosphere)

**People involved:** J. Acosta Navarro, R. Bilbao, V. Lapin, A. Carreric, E. Tourigny, P. Ortega, J. Escribano, E. Di Tomaso, C. Pérez García-Pando

## 4DAtlantic – Regional Initiatives Science



**DOMOS**

**Atmospheric iron cycle and its impact upon ocean biogeochemistry**



**4DAtlantic OHC**

**First users of state-of-the-art observations of ocean heat content**

**People involved:** E. Di Tomaso, C. Pérez García-Pando, J. Escribano, E. Bergas, S. Basart, M. Gonçalves, R. Bernardello, J. Lloret, Y. Ruprich-Robert, R. Bilbao, V. Lapin, P. Ortega

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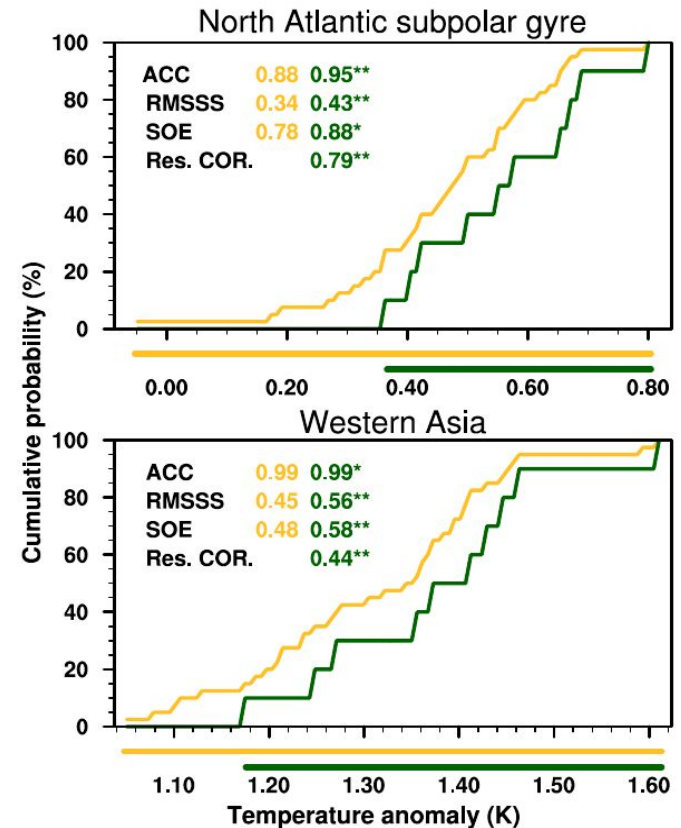
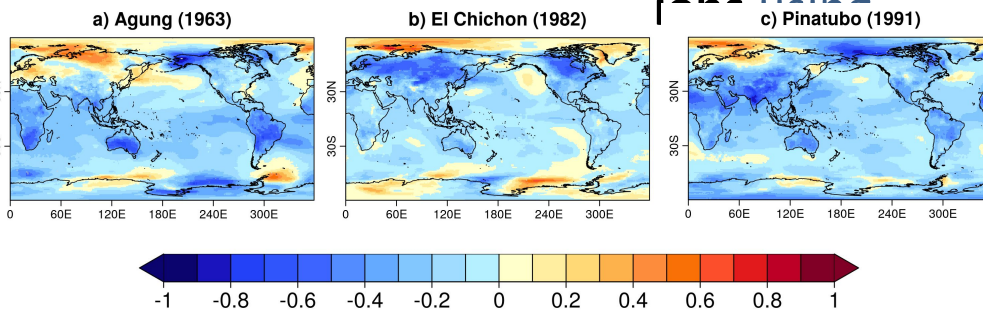


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- Understanding **predictability** using ‘perfect model’ decadal predictions.
- Predictability of the main **modes of variability** and their impacts (e.g. AMV).
- Impact of **volcanic eruptions** on predictions.
- Case studies: **agriculture and wind energy** sectors.

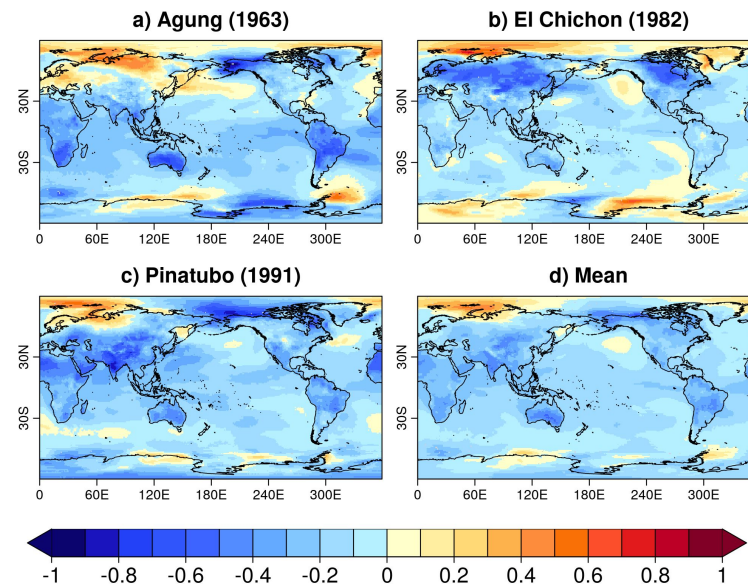
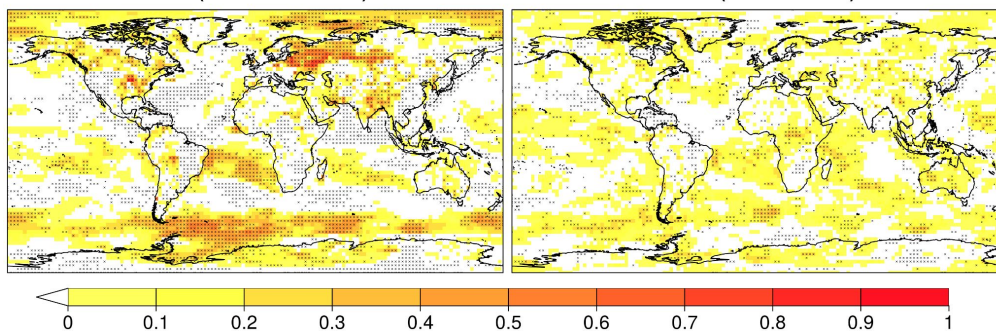


Fig: Surface temperature response the first year following the major volcanic eruptions in decadal predictions.

RPSS (3 categories) - sfcWind - Multi-model-1 vs JRA-55 - Annual mean  
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RPSS (DCPP vs ObsClim)

RPSS (DCPP vs HIST)



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- BSC Decadal Prediction Website: ***decadal.bsc.es***

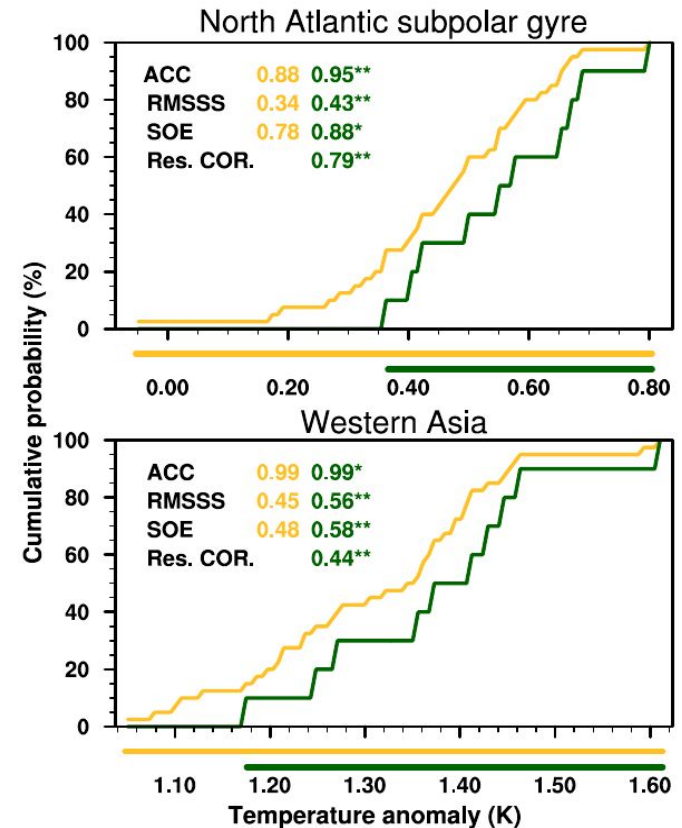
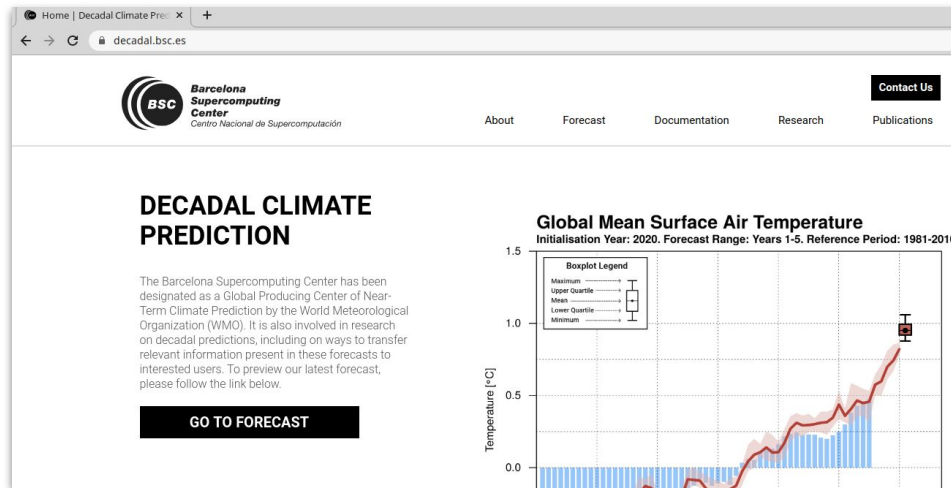
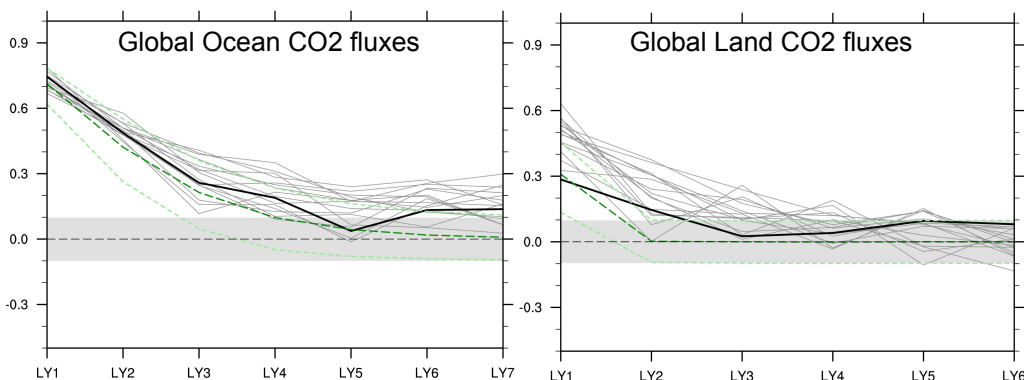


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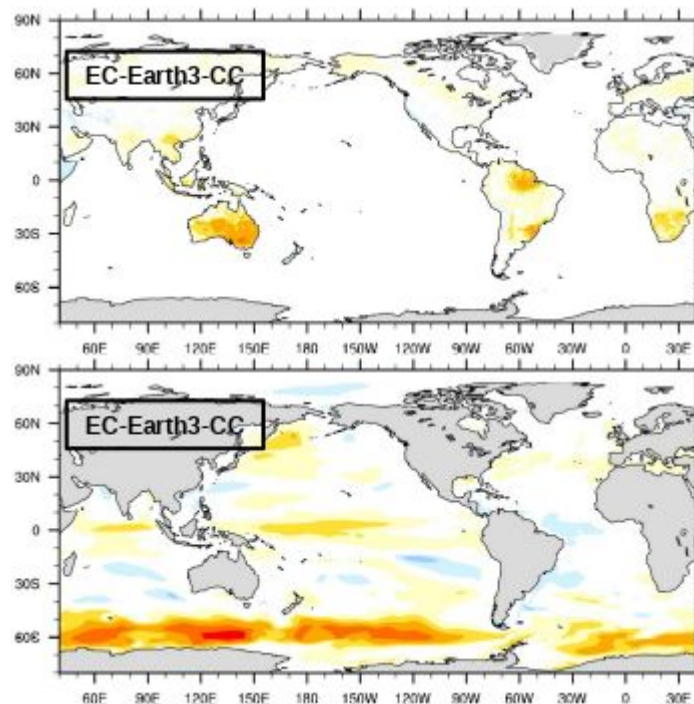
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Land predictable up to 3 years  
Atmospheric CO2 predictability limited by land

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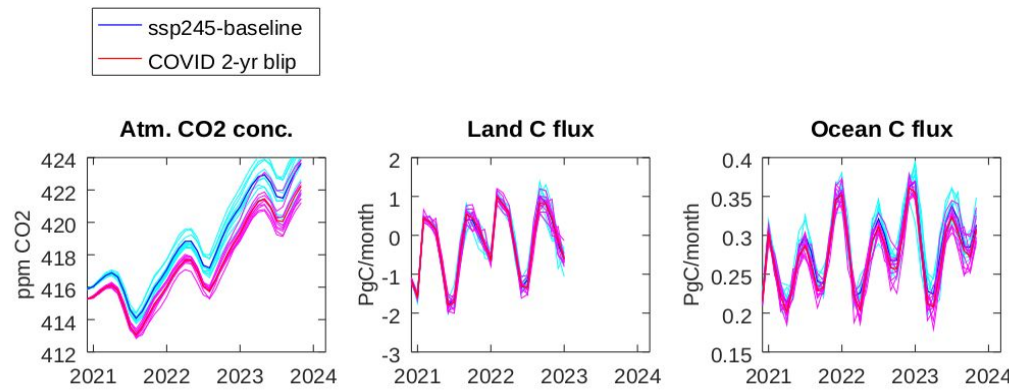


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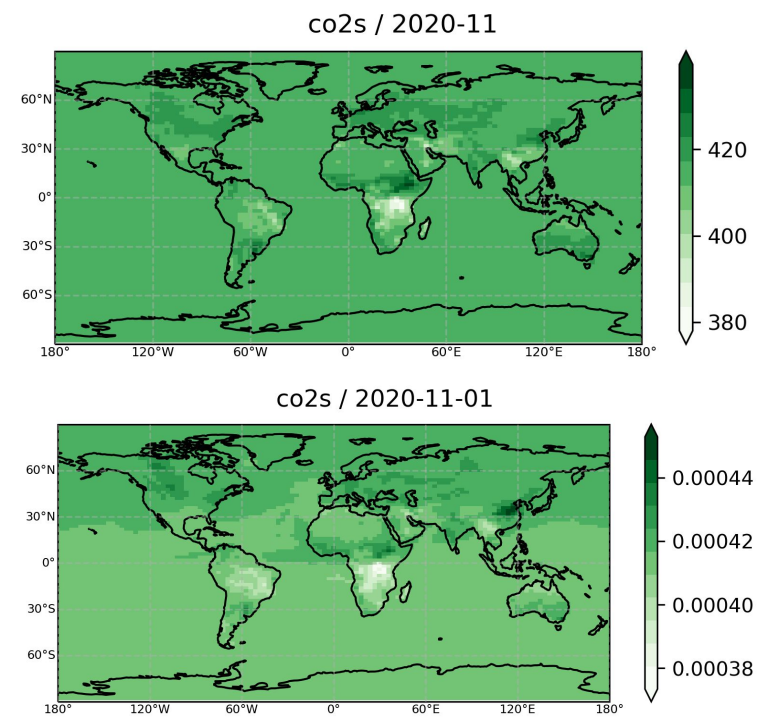
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Provide relevant information to assist the implementation of the Paris Agreement on climate (i.e. global stocktake 2023)

## First atmospheric CO2 predictions with EC-Earth3-CC



## New initialization procedure for atmospheric CO2



Baseline scenario SSP2-45 against 2-year blip  
COVID scenario

System continuously being improved

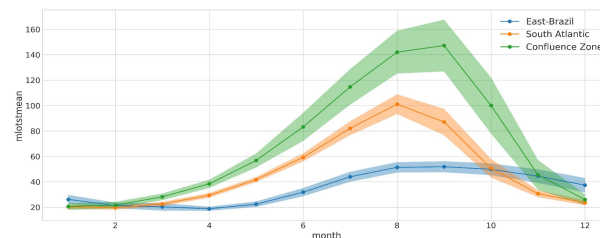
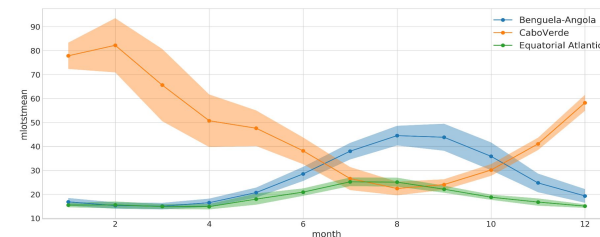
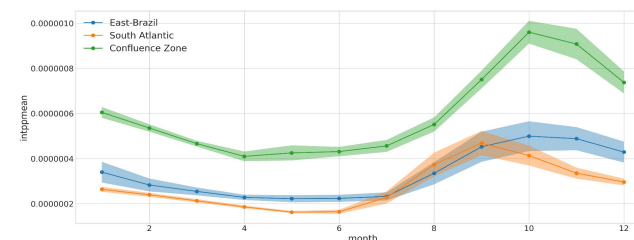
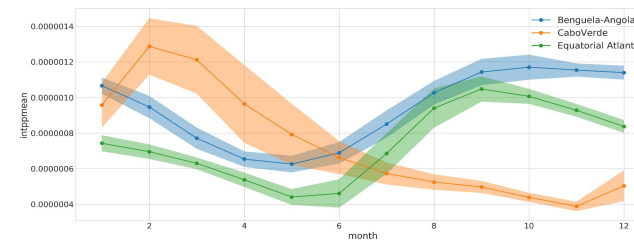
Forecast to be repeated every year

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## Part 2: Perfect model prediction study

Evaluate the potential predictability of relevant biogeochemical variables in three different hypothetical cases:

- 1) Perfect Initial conditions
- 2) Nudging Temperature and Salinity from a reference run
- 3) Nudging Temperature, Salinity and surface Chlorophyll from a reference run



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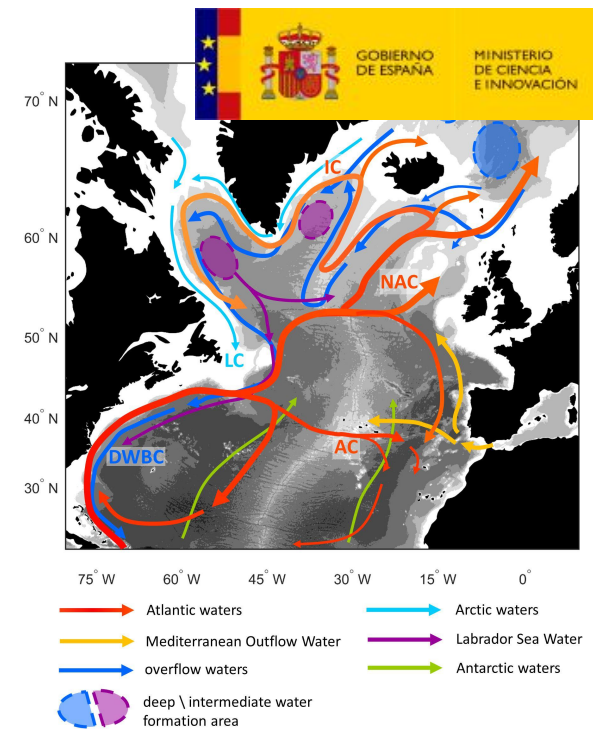
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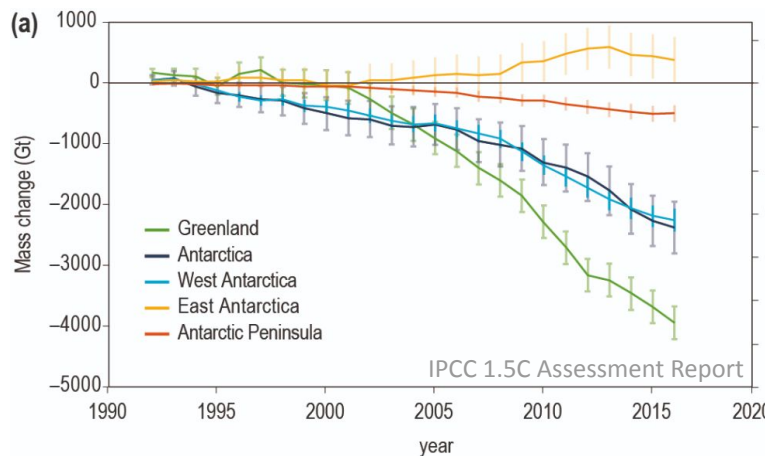
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## PARAMOUR

The global ice sheet is melting: how does it affect polar climate decadal prediction?

Combining regional and global climate models

Interested? Contact Eduardo Moreno-Chamarro

Research activity 2, persons involved, related project (if any)

ECMWF contract on land surface calibration?

Add more as needed... and also additional slides if needed

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