



Final report of PP CORSO



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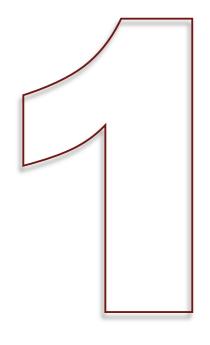
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The important target of PP CORSO for COSMO: Implementation and development of some COSMO researches permit to improve the whole complex of COSMO based technologies

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COSMO - METEOROLOGICAL SUPPORT FOR OLYMPICS "SOCHI-2014"

COSMO Priority Project CORSO: Consolidation of Operation and Research results for the Sochi Olympic Games

The main goal:

to enhance and demonstrate the capabilities of COSMO-based systems of short-range numerical weather prediction in winter conditions for mountainous terrain and to assess the effect of practical use of this information during SOCHI-2014 Olympic Games

PP CORSO is considered as COSMO contribution into WMO project FROST-2014 (Forecast and Research in the Olympic Sochi Testbed) PL Dmitry Kiktev

Participants: Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Greece and Russia.





MAIN DIFFICULTIES OF SOCHI METEOROLOGICAL SUPPORT and of PP CORSO

1. Complex geographical conditions

(high mountains near the subtropical Black Sea coast):

- Strong temperature gradients and inhomogeneity
- Powerful influence of high mountains on synoptic processes
- Sport venues were close to the snow boundary
- The local weather on the venues was strongly governed by local orography

Coastal cluster (Sochi)

Mountain cluster (near Biathlon Stadium)



End of Jan 2013



2. Low observational network density.

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PP CORSO: TIMELINES



Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
2011 / 2012	2012 / 2013	2013 / 2014
 Choice of strategy Proposals for development and modification of algorithms Preliminary tests 	 Tests Pre-operational runs Feedback from forecasters 	 Tuning Operational runs Analysis of results

The main requirement: the newly developed tools and the COSMO-Ru system modifications must be quickly implemented to the operation







Expert meetings were a very important part of PP CORSO !

ARPA-SIMC, 5-10 December 2011 Italy, Bologna

Tasks 1 and 3

Italy: T. Paccagnella, A.Montani, C.Marsigli, D.Cesari, M.-S.Tesini. Russia: G.Rivin, E.Astakhova, A.Scherbakov.

DWD, 2-6 July 2012

Germany, Offenbach on Main

Task 1 Germany: D.Majewski, C.Schraff, J.Foerstner. Russia: G.Rivin, D.Blinov.

DWD, 5-10 December 2013 Germany, Offenbach on Main

Task 1 Germany: D.Majewski, J. Helmert. Russia: I.Rozinkina, M.Shatunova MeteoSwiss: 12-16 December 2011 Switzerland, Zurich-Geneva - Planning and optimizing PP CORSO - Tasks 1 and 2 Switzerland: More than 15 participants, responsible: Ph. Steiner, M.Arpagaus, P. Eckert Russia: G.Rivin, I.Rozinkina

An example of the expert meeting agenda

Time	Title	Who			Place			
09:00	COSMO-1: Numerics (Prototype configuration and Code-Improvements for stability)	Guy o Аграс		er, Marco	507			
11:00	COSMO-1: Physics				507 er 2011, MeteoSwiss Zi	urich		
12:30	Lunch		Time	Title			Who	Place
13:30 C	COSMO-1: synchronization of the developments at Roshydromet and	Marco Stein	Marci 09:00 CORSO project plan (2 nd part) Stein			Marco Arpagaus, Philippe Steiner	507	
	MeteoSwiss		11:00	Postprocessi	ng		Vanessa Stauch	Ackermannstrasse
14:30	Snow map derived from satellites	Nand	12:00	Lunch				
		(even Better analy	13:00		r for COSMO (Kalman m le coefficients / Fleidextra m)		Vanessa Stauch	Ackermannstrasse
16:30	CORSO project plan, mainly task 2	Marco Stein	14:00	Use of COSN	NO-ART		Philippe Steiner, Pirmin Kaufmann	507
18:30	End		15:00	Additional qu	estions of Roshydromet		Marco Arpagaus, Philippe Steiner, ?	507



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(Project Leaders: G.Rivin, I.Rozinkina (Roshydromet)

TASK 1.High resolution COSMO-modeling for mountainous regions (TL G.Rivin)

1.1. Improvement of modeling technology of deterministic forecasting of weather conditions with resolution 2.2.km for the North-Caucasian area (SOCHI-2014) (FDP)
 1.2. Development of COSMO-So-1km (RDP)

TASK 2. Downscaling / postprocessing for Sochi area and applications (TL I.Rozinkina)

- 2.1. Adapted down-scaling techniques for winter conditions in the mountains and IOC requirements (FDP)
- 2.2. Determination of typical COSMO-model inaccuracies for typical synoptic situations , incl. verification (RDP)

TASK 3. Development and adaptation of COSMO EPSs for Sochi region TLs E. Astakhova, A. Montani

- 3.1. Adaptation of COSMO LEPS 7 km to the Sochi region and to specific requirements of winter Olympics. Operational ensemble forecasts during the Trials and Olympics (FDP)
- 3.2. Development and verification of COSMO-RU-LEPS 2.2 km for the Sochi region (with ICs and BCs from SOCHMEL7) (RDP)





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Task 1High resolution COSMO-modeling for mountainous regions
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V. Perov, A. Revokatova,
I. Rozinkina, M. Shatunova;Germany:D. Majewski, J. Foersner, J. Helmert;
Switzerland: G. de Morsier, M. Arpagaus, P. Steiner.

Task 2Downscaling / postprocessing for Sochi area and applications
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A. Kirsanov, V.Kopeikin, A. Muravev, G. Rivin,
M. Zaichenko;Switzerland: P. Eckert, J-M. Bettems;
Greece:E. Avgoustoglou, A. Voudouri.

Task 3Development and adaptation of COSMO EPS for Sochi region
Russia:
Italy:E. Astakhova, D. Alferov, G. Rivin;
A. Montani, C. Marsigli, T. Paccagnella.

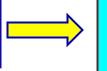
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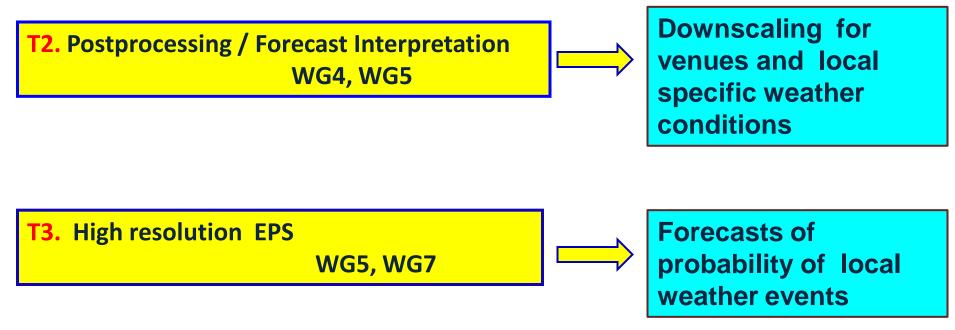




T1. High resolution Modeling and DA WG1, WG2, WG3a, WG3b, WG4, WG6



Operational forecasts of meteorological fields





Observation network 1/4



Radars	4
<u>Profilers</u>	3
Video cameras	3+4x2

Meteorological stations

Total number	33
Roshydromet stations	13
Automatic meteo station (AMS)	20

Most of the AMS are located in the mountain cluster next to the sports facilities.

Variables

- Pressure
- Air temperature at 2 m,
- Dew point temperature at 2 m
- Relative humidity at 2 m
- Wind speed (mean, min, max) and direction (average period ...)
- Wind gust
- Lowest cloud base altitude
- Precipitation rate (average period ...)
- Visibility
- Snow depth
- Snow temperature



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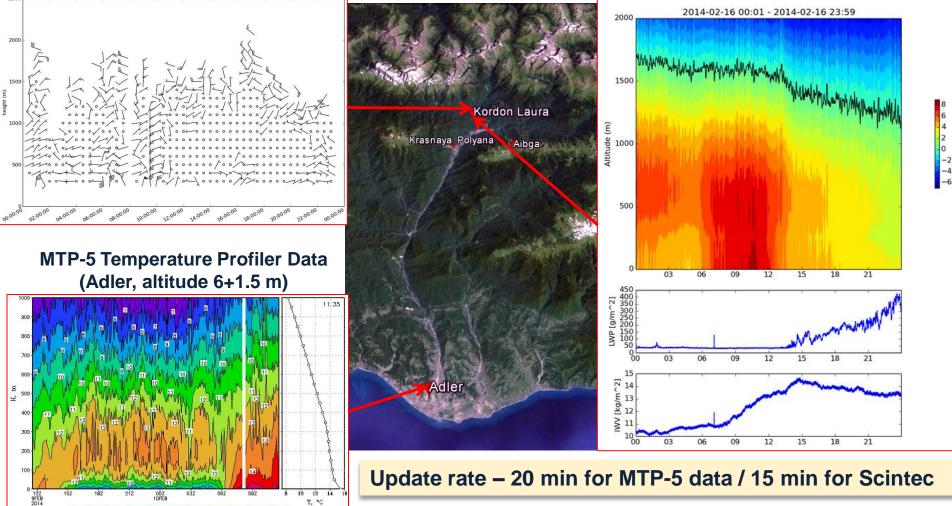
Observation network, 2/4

Profilers



scintec wind profiler 2014-02-18 00:30 - 2014-02-18 23:00

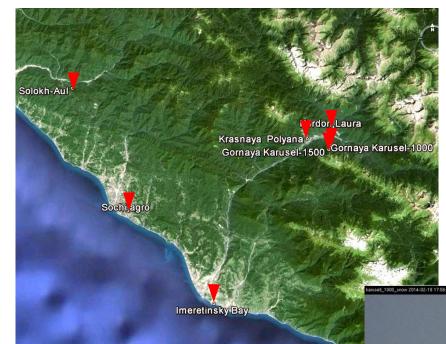






Observation network, 3/4

Video cameras



Sky conditions and development of the clouds

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Surface conditions

Single cam – 3 sites (2 at the seashore and one at 11 km from the sea) Paired cam – 4 sites, all within the valley at different altitude (560, 570, 980, 1400 m)





Update rate – 10 min

fresh snow

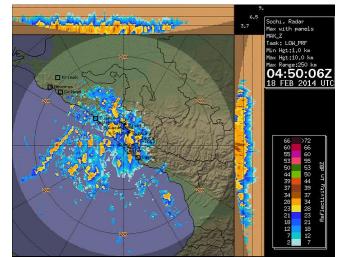


Observation network, 4/4

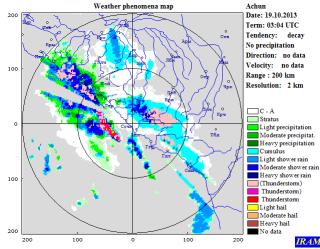


Radar

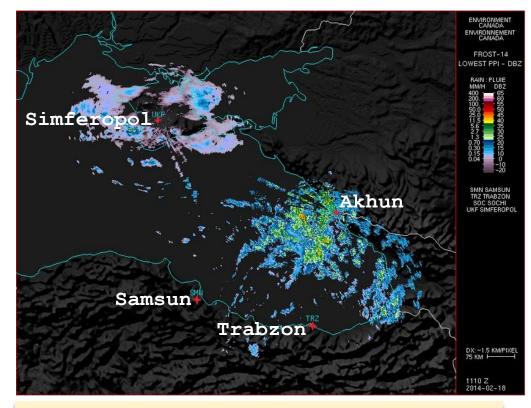
Max Reflictivity (Akhun Radar) Product of Central Aerological Observatory



Weather phenomena map (Akhun Radar) Product of IRAM



Black Sea Composite map (Akhun+Simferopol+Samsun+Trabzon) Rain Intensity (mm/h) / Reflectivity (DBZ) Product of Envaronment Canada



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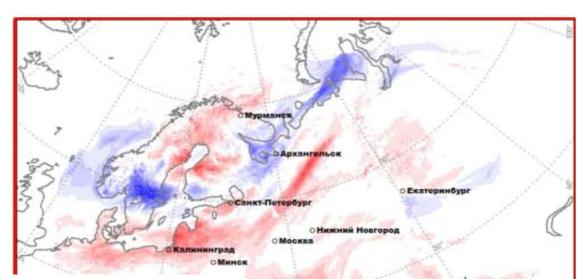




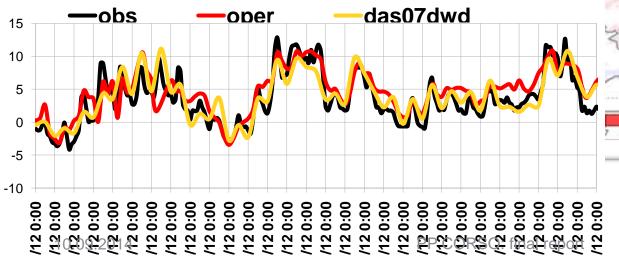
Atmospheric data assimilation: comparing COSMO-Ru7 running with (at DWD) and without (at Roshydromet)

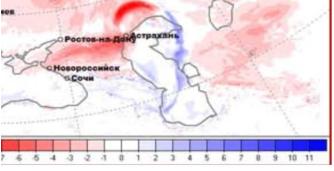
Results of comparison of the differences for T2m: COSMO-Ru07 without DA minus COSMO-Ru07 with DA from DWD

The most significant differences was obtained in the T2m fields



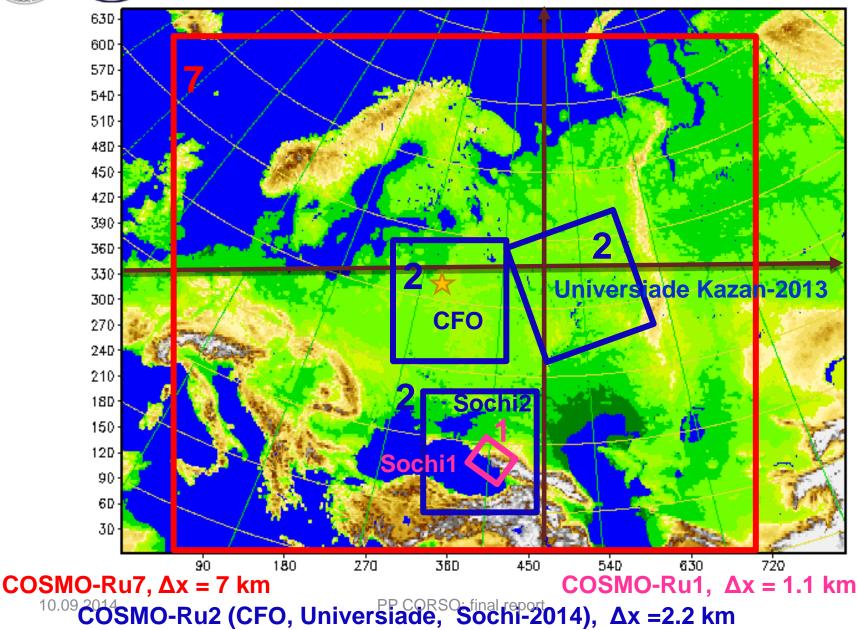
T2M, Sochi: lead time 24h







COSMO-Ru domains in 2013-2014

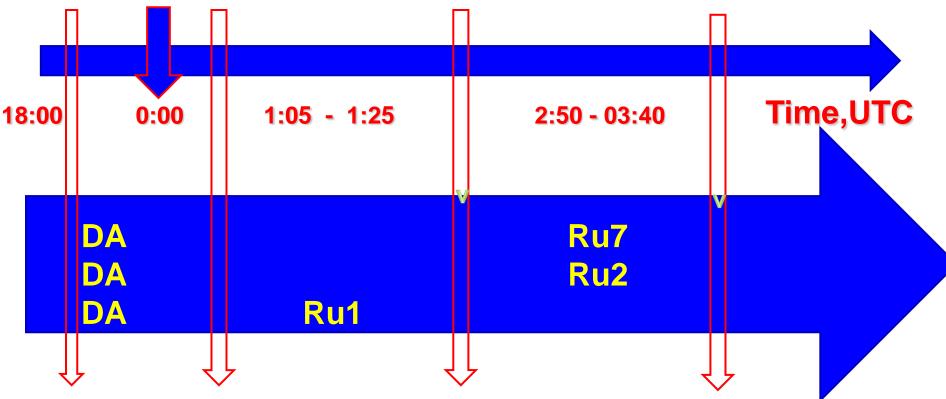






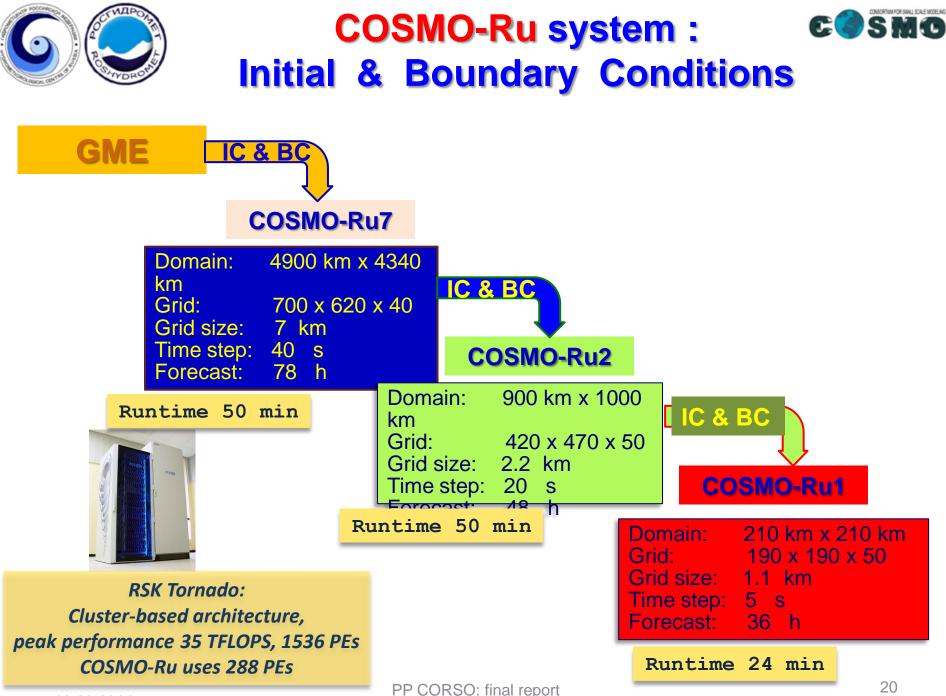
COSMO-Ru system for Sochi-2014: technological line

Start and end times of the nested models runs for 00 UTC analysis



Forecasts by different nested models (COSMO-Ru7/2/1)

The structure of forecast runs was so complicated because of strict time requirements

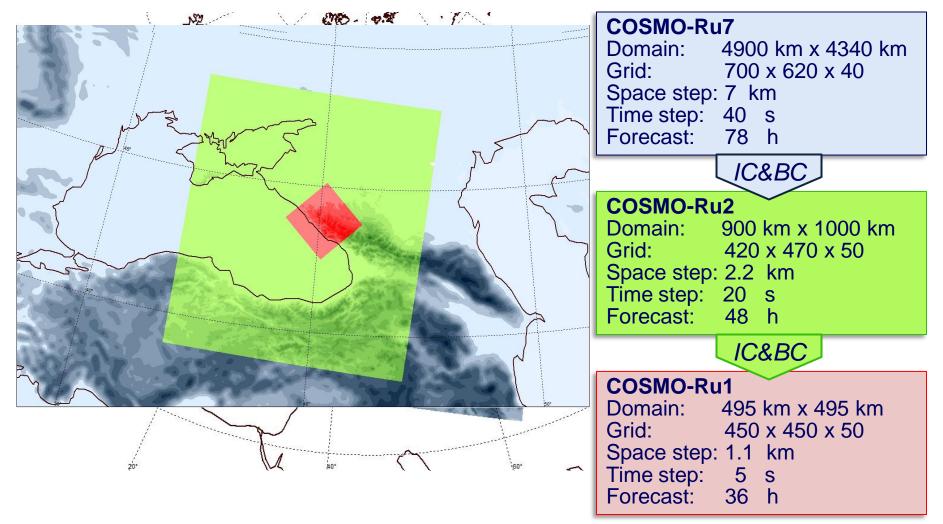


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Model overview







Model overview Model orography



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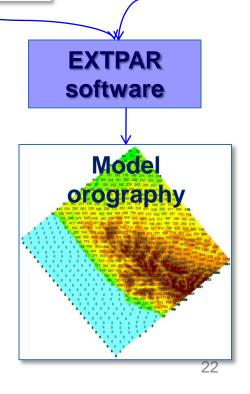
GDEM2

Initially model orography was based on the GLOBE (The Global Land One-km Base Elevation Project) data (NOAA/NGDC).

Rather large difference between model's grid height and observation points height, and **ASTER** data also, forced us to correct model orography.

New orography is based on the **ASTER** (Advanced Spaceborne Thermal Emission and Reflection Radiometer) data that has resolution 1" (~ 30 m) (METI/NASA). *With new orography:*

- *T2m and wind forecast* have been improved for the most sites;
- slightly improvement of the precipitation forecast was noticed;
- there are changes in the precipitation amount, its space and time distribution.





Case study



□ On February, 16-18, 2014 in mountain cluster low visibility conditions were observed. The first reason was in high humidity and formation of cloud on the mountain slopes (February, 16-17). The second reason was in heavy snowfall during cold front passing (February, 18).

□ Another case of low visibility (March, 11) was connected with cold front.

Could we make good forecast of visibility using COSMO-Ru2 or/and COSMO-Ru1 results???

Direction of the study

- \checkmark review the synoptic situation
- ✓ browse observations
- ✓ investigate models results
- ✓ make conclusions



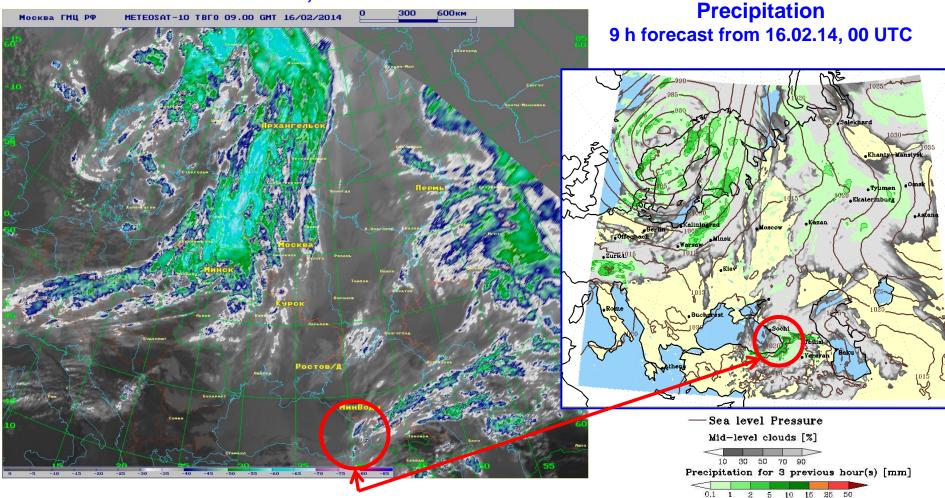
Low visibility on February, 16-17, 2014



COSMO-Ru7 forecast.

PMSL, Midlevel Cloud &

METEOSAT-10. Cloud top temperature 16.02.2014, 09 UTC

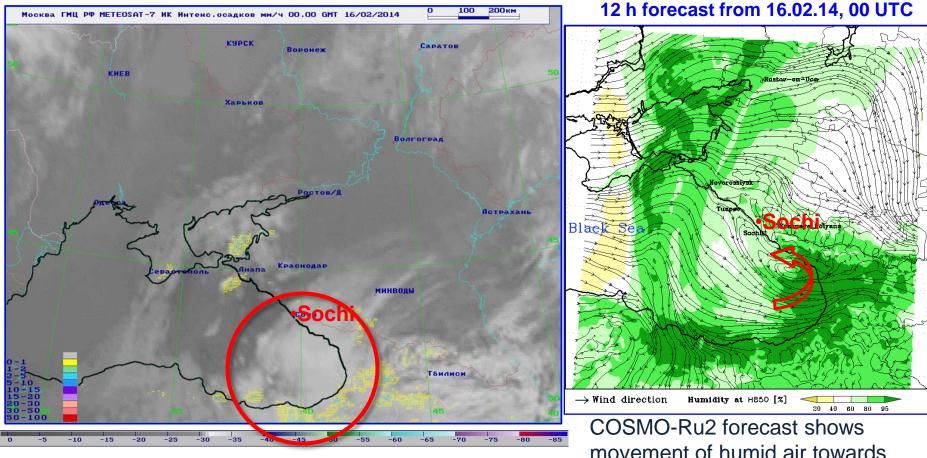


Local cyclone existed during first half the day on February, 16. Instability zone was observed on satellite images till 15 UTC, 16.02. PP CORSO: final report

Low visibility on February, 16-17, 2014

METEOSAT-7. Cloudiness and precipitation rate 16.02.2014, 00-22 UTC

COSMO-Ru2 forecast Stream lines and relative humidity at 850 hPa



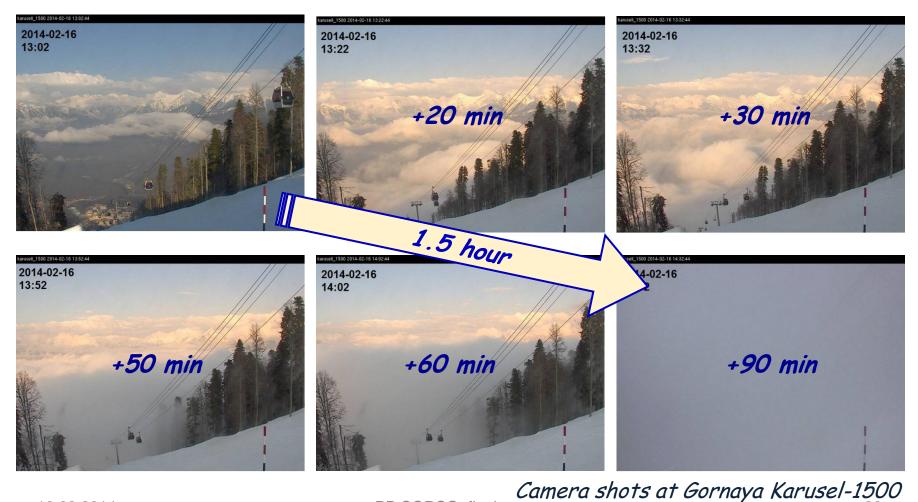
movement of humid air towards Sochi region along the coastline





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Cloudiness formation due to adiabatic cooling of the moisture air during it rise along the slope of the valley







- High resolution model (the higher the better) has a **potential for visibility forecast** having most of the necessary predictors as a simulation results (e.g. temperature, humidity and wind speed at different level, precipitation intensity and phase).
- But! It is necessary to have high vertical resolution within near surface layer. And not forget about high precision of the prescribed model orography, especially for mountain regions!
- Meteorological support for sporting events should have high temporal resolution forecasts. It's important to know time of the beginning and ending of events, the timing of the maximum (e.g. heavy precipitation, low visibility, etc).
 - Today error in determining the beginning of the event is about 1-2 hours.

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COSMO-Ru1: FUTURE PLANS COSMO

• Subtask within the PT CORSO-A: the guidance of the optimal domain's size selection for 1.1 km resolution of nested COSMO models for the regions with complex mountain relief.

Motivation:

During the CORSO PP were obtained results shown the strong dependence of the predicted precipitation amount and spatial distribution on the model's domain size. This problem need the more attentive examination, because the runs of COSMO-Ru1 as part of nested technologies are very expensive in point of view of computing time.

 To perform case study for all cases mentioned by forecasters (see Table).





Task 2. Downscaling / postprocessing for Sochi area and applications



PP CORSO:



Development of postprocessing and f eedback from forecasters

- Postprocessing for Sochi-2014:
 - Tools for correction of forecasts
 - Tools for calculation of new products (For example, fresh snow depth)
- Feedback from forecasters:
 - Trainings
 - Selection of more important forecast elements & Visualisation
 - Guidelines





- The calculations of fresh-snow depth were included in the operational technology and were available for forecasters from meteograms and form charts. In Nov/ 2013 the algorithm was implemented in FieldExtra (release 11.2.0) by Jean-Marie Bettems (<u>http://www.cosmo-model.org/content/support/software/default.htm#fieldextra</u>)
- The operational technology for down-scaling corrections of forecasts for points of venues based the forecasts of lapse rate + the KF statistics was realized. Results of tests for the forecasts archives was received
- During the Olympics some in-situ trainings and Guidelinesrecommendations for forecasters for specifics of interpretation of mesoscale products were performed
- The verification of operational forecasts was performed

T2m forecasts

Main factors of T2m inaccuracies in mountain areas:

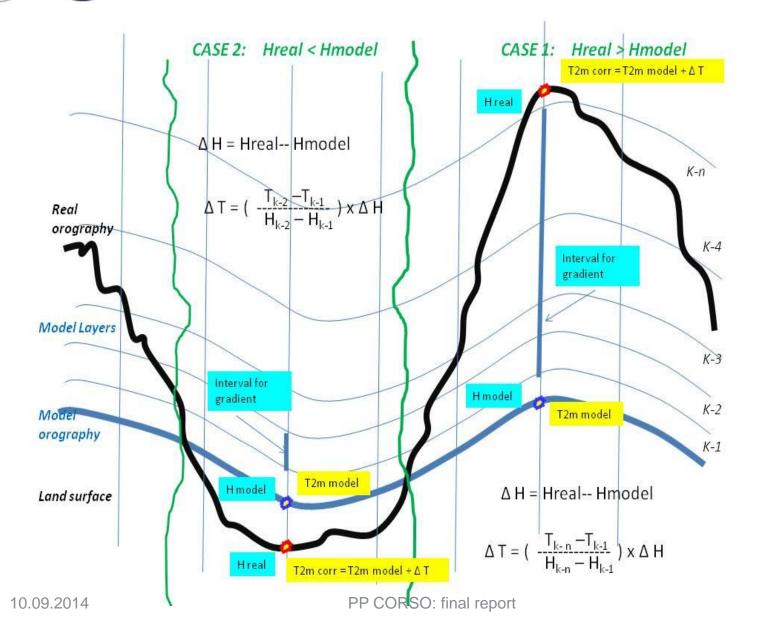
Discrepancy of model and real height of soil levels (smoothed and averaged orography). For Sochi2014 mountain cluster the differences of heights of COSMO-Ru attempt to 1000 m

Inadequate work of parameterizations schemes

Two-step correction of forecasts for points (meteograms)

Correction based on the forecasts of vertical T gradient of bottom levels (h- correction) Statistical correction based KF

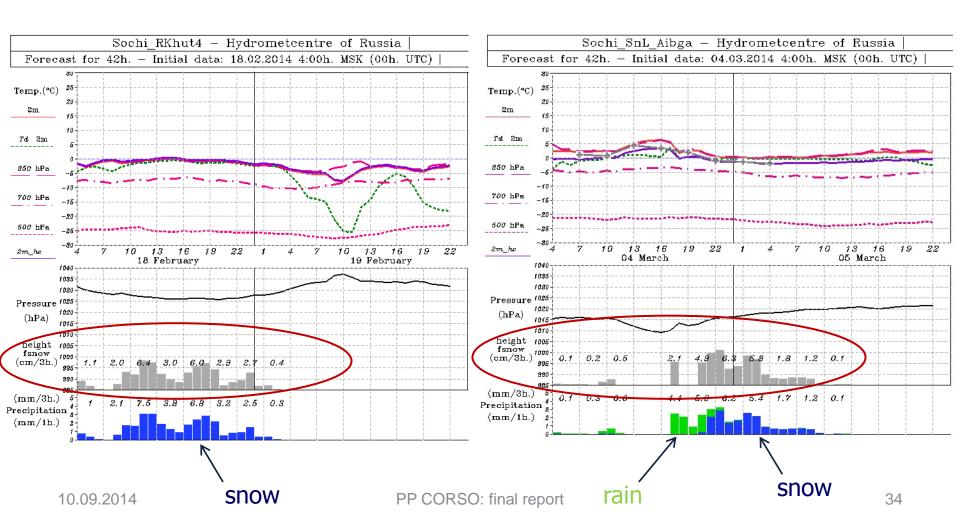
Scheme of h-correction of T2m





Meteograms for stations Roza Khutor 4 and Aibga by COSMO-Ru 2.2 km

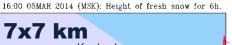
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Example of fresh snow depth forecasts 12 UTC 5 March 2014

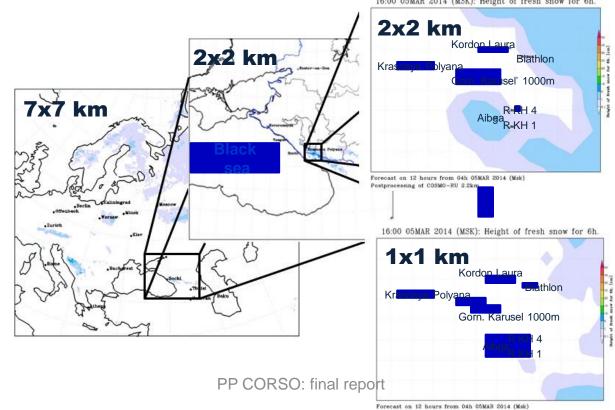




Forecast on 12 hours from 04h 05MAR 2014 (Msk) Postprocessing of COSMO-RU 7km

Postprocessing of COSMO-RU 1.1km

16:00 05MAR 2014 (MSK): Height of fresh snow for 6h.





Results of



verification activities

- Traditional scores aggregated over the Sochi region show overall prevalence of COSMO-RU2 wrt COSMO-RU7 and COSMO-RU1
- However, some cases of intense precipitation and visibility are better predicted by COSMO-RU1
- Wind is also better in COSMO-RU1
- Precipitation is best forecasted in the late afternoon



Proposals for CORSO-A

- Is planned to realize the of the T2m correction
- based the forecasts of T lapse rate in bottom levels into FieldExtra
- (J-M Bettems, E.Kazakova, I.Rozinkina)





The main problem were T2m forecasts Main factors of T2m inaccuracies in mountain areas:

Discrepancy between model and real surface height (the height differences for COSMO-Ru were up to 1000 m at some points of the Sochi2014 mountain cluster)

Inadequate work of parameterization schemes

Two-step correction of forecasts for points (meteograms)

Correction based on the forecasts of vertical T gradient within the boundary layer (H-correction) Statistical correction based on Kalman Filter (KF-correction)

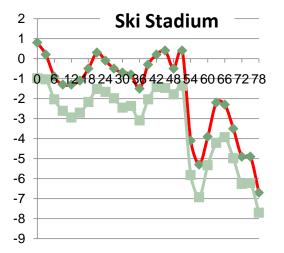


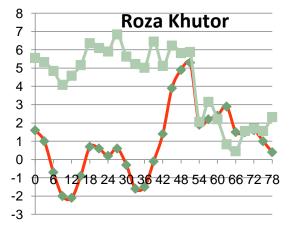
The examples of H-correction

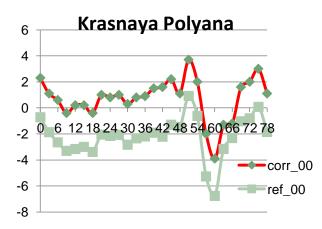


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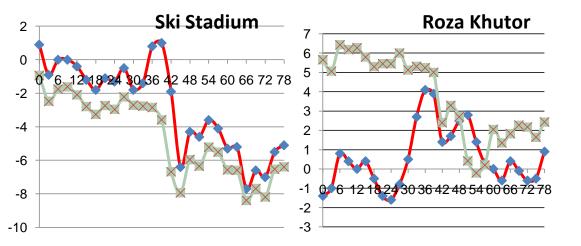
dT2m before correction (green), dT2m after correction (red)

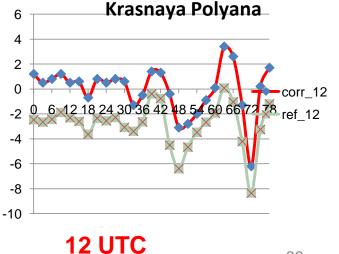






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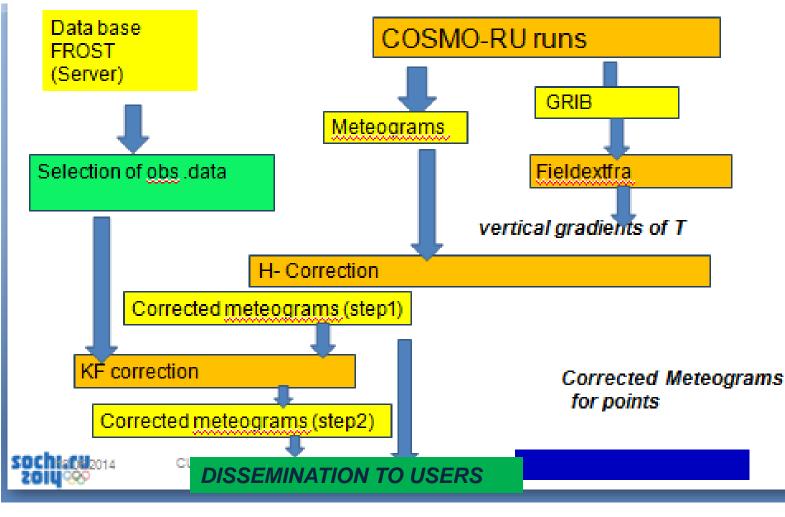
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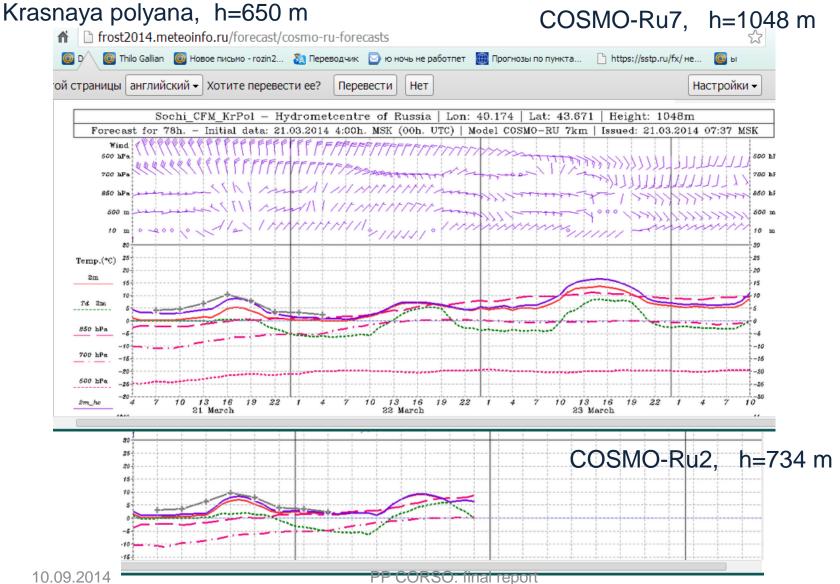
The 2-step correction :

realization for the Sochi-2014 meteorological support



in example of meteograms with corrected T (violet)

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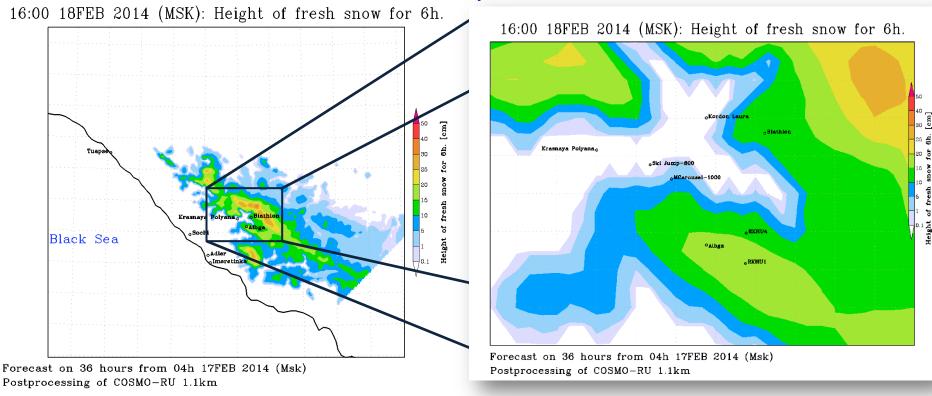
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Development of postprocessing: new products

Map of fresh snow depth (cm). COSMO-Ru 1.1 36-hour forecast from 00 UTC 17 February 2014.







Task 3. Development and adaptation of COSMO EPSs for Sochi region





Ensemble organization ECMWF-EPS

T779L61 (∆x~30 km)

ECMWF computer



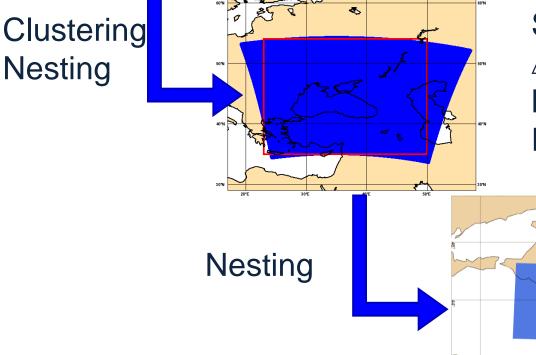
COSMO-S14-EPS SOCHI DOMain $\Delta x \sim 7$ km, L40 M10, fc+72h ECMWF computer

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COSMO-Ru2-EPS Sochi region ∆x~2.2 km, L51 M10, fc+48h RHMC computer

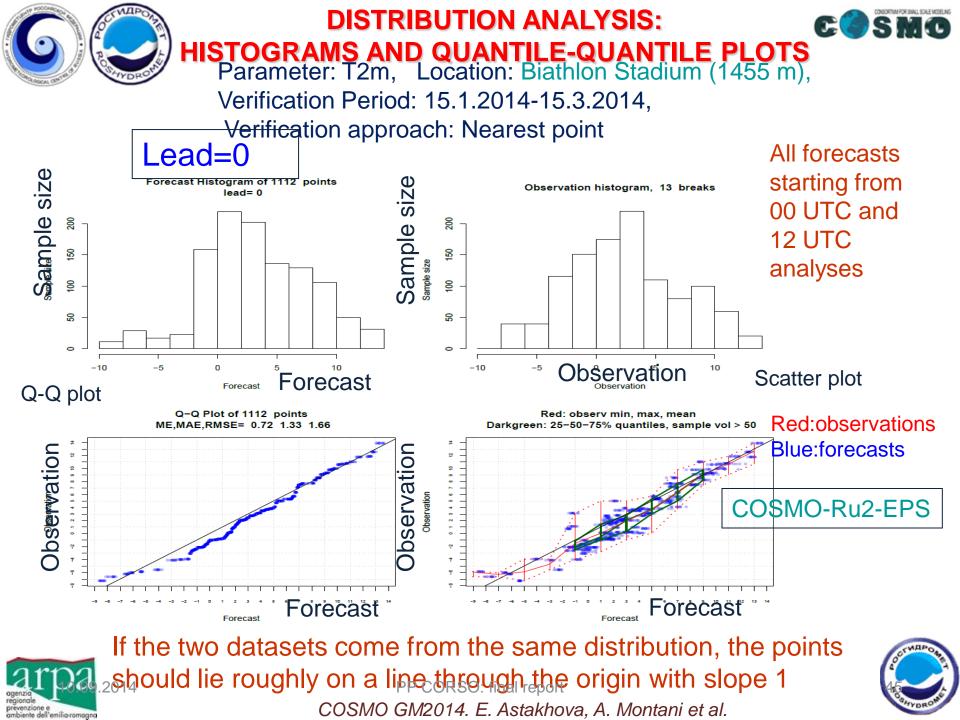


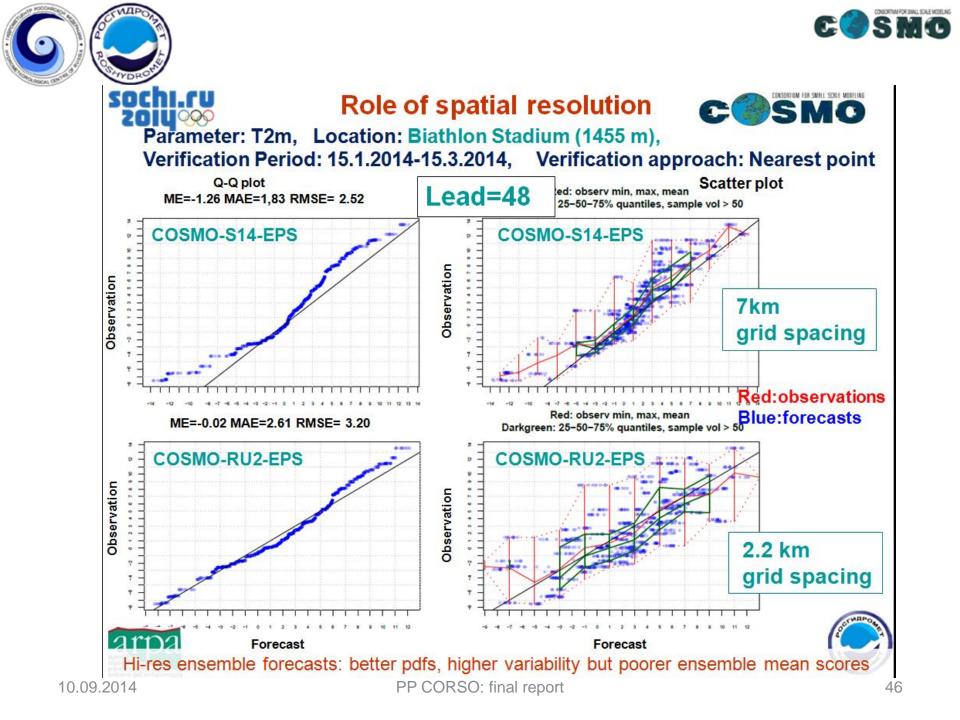


Globe

M51, fc+14d







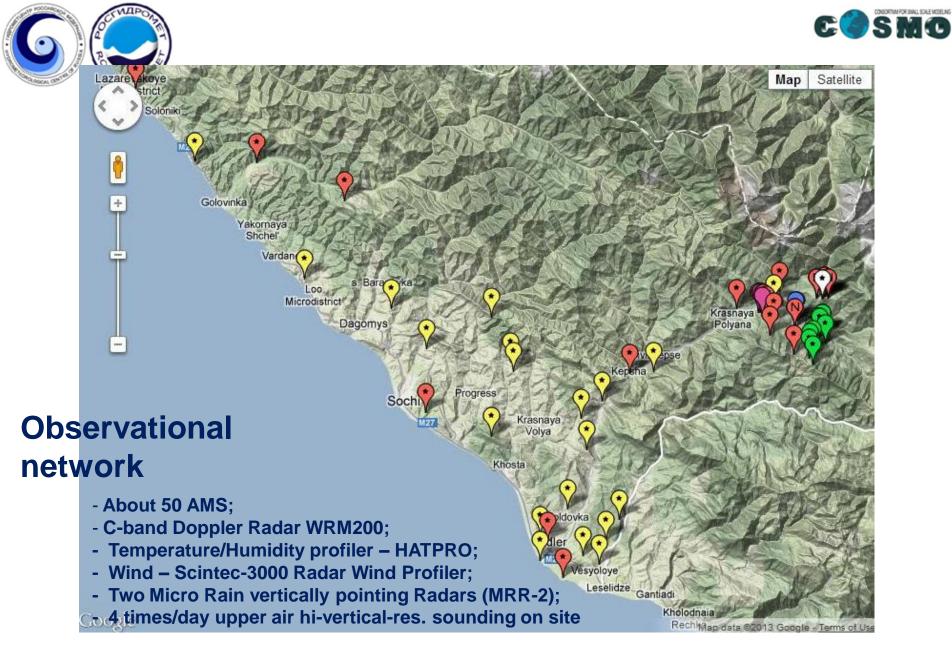








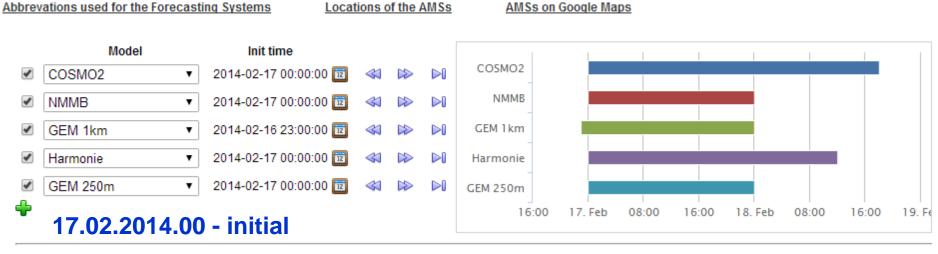
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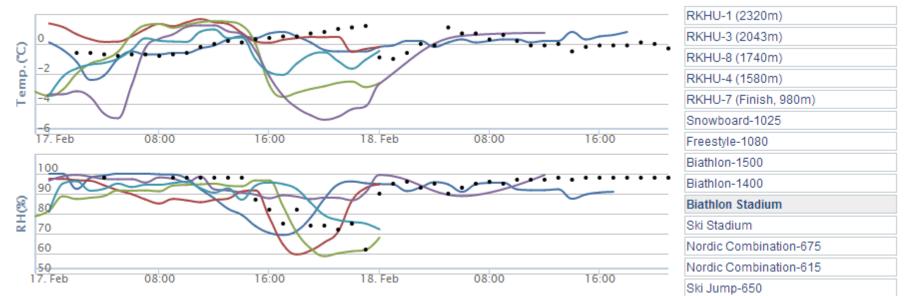


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COSMO-Ru, Aug 2014

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Daily 4 times (00, 06, 12, 18 h UTC):

- prepares more than
 8000 (total for 1 day) weather forecast maps and about
 1000 (total for 1 day) meteograms (images)
- sends these maps and meteograms to the weather forecasting offices of Roshydromet
- spreads on a FTP-servers the GRIB and graphical files (about 70 Gb)





Technological line of COSMO-Ru in Moscow

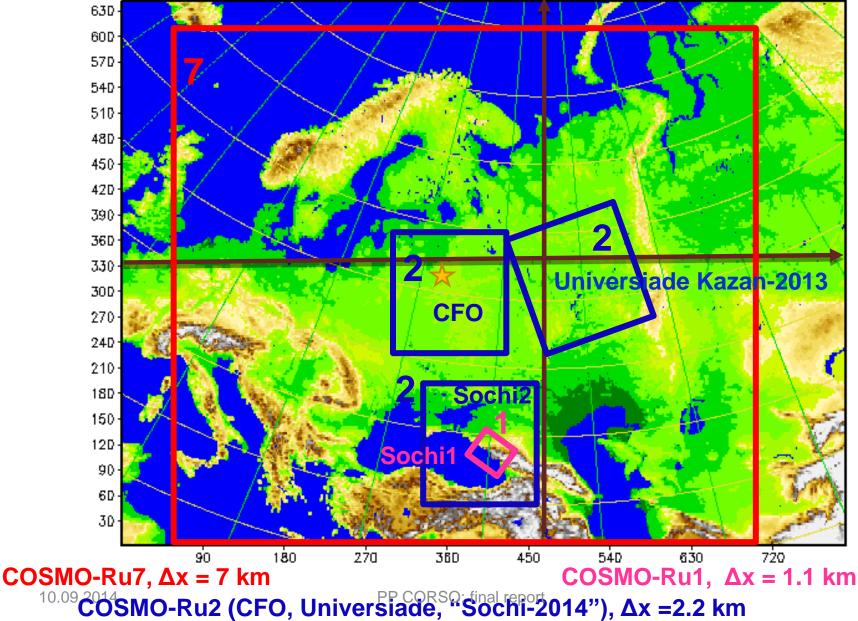
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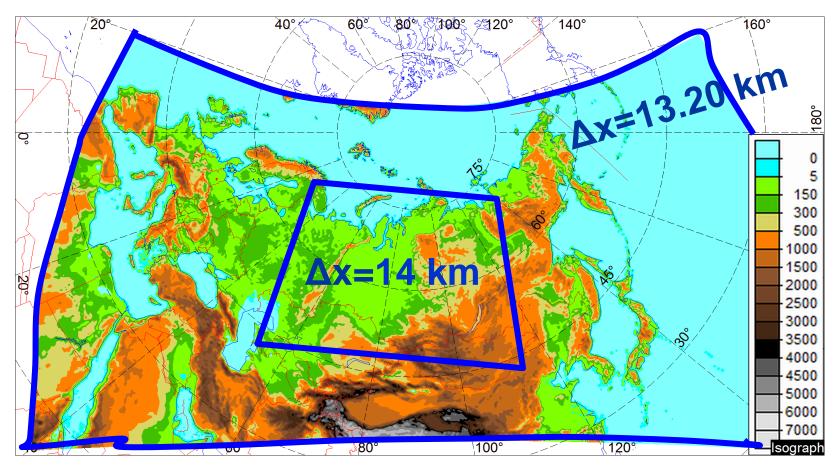
COSMO-Ru domains in 2013-2014





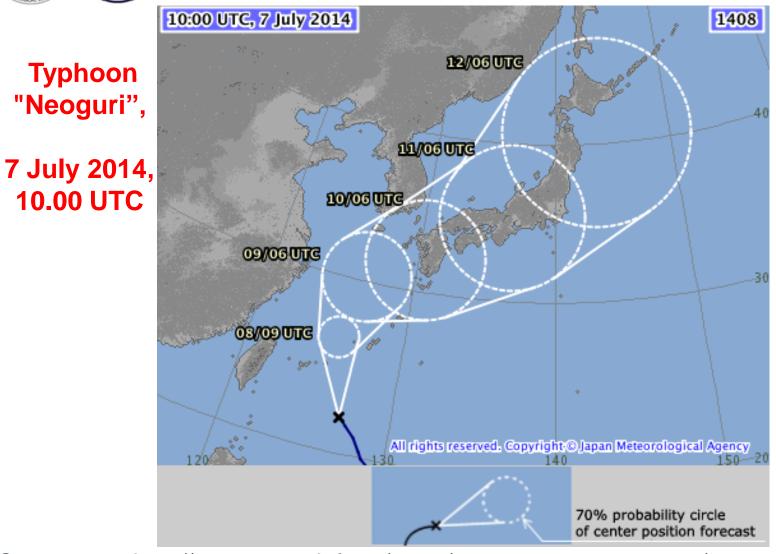


СОЅМО-Ru14 for Siberia: 14 km - 360 x 250 COSMO-Ru13/6 для ENA (<u>E</u>urope & <u>N</u>orth <u>A</u>sia) Now: 13.2 км – 1000 x 500. Later: 6.6 km - 2000 x 1000.







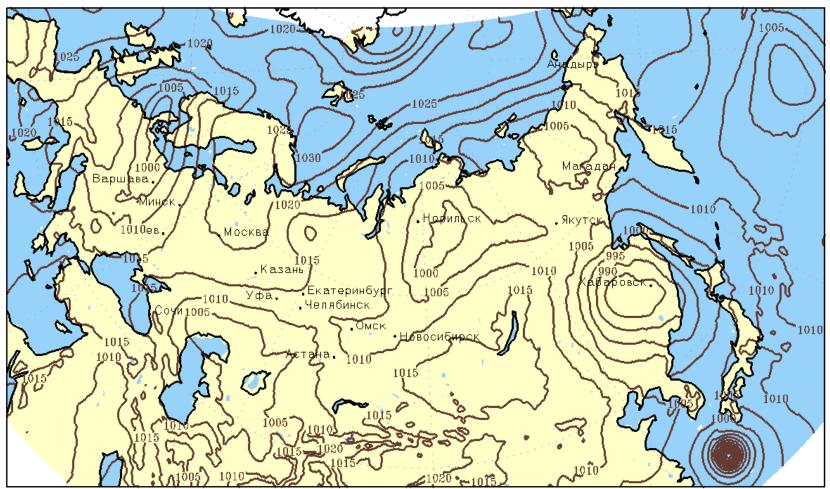


См. сайт http://www.meteoinfo.ru/news/1-2009-10-01-09-03-06/9417-07072014-qq-



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Typhoon "Neoguri"

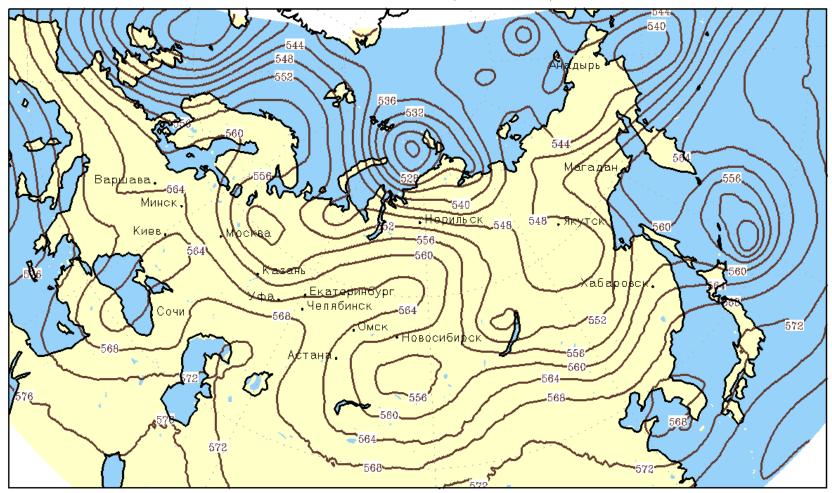
COSMO-RU 13км

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COSMO-Ru13 for Europe and North Asia (ENA13)). Forecast from 2014070600 until 2014071003

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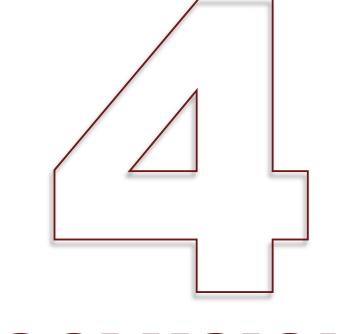


MODELING

COSMO-RU 13KM







COCLUSIONS



HIGHLIGHTS



- COSMO-based technologies succeeded in meteorological support for the Sochi-2014 Winter Olympics and other important sport events in Russia in 2013-2014 (for example, Universiade Kazan-2013).
- Sochi and Kazan forecasters considered COSMO-based products to be the primary material for preparing detailed weather forecasts
- High-resolution deterministic COSMO-Ru systems (7km/2.2km/1.1km) and COSMO-EPS systems (7km/2.2km) were developed and tested for the region of sport events. Higher-resolution systems added value.
- Usage of very high-resolution orography and assimilation of additional data improved the forecasts considerably.
- Development and implementation of temperature h-correction in postprocessing and fresh-snow parameterization schemes improved forecasts in the high-mountains region.
- > Introduction of Flake model was useful for the Volga region.





- The PP CORSO is a successful example of international fruitful scientific and technologic cooperation within the COSMO consortium
- The project leaders and Olympic forecasters are grateful to all scientists from COSMO countries who participated in the project
- The main results of the project, including down-scaling postprocessing algorithms, the new fresh snow parameterization scheme, experience in very high resolution and ensemble prediction, nudging-assimilation, the data archives, could be useful for further research and operation in COSMO countries

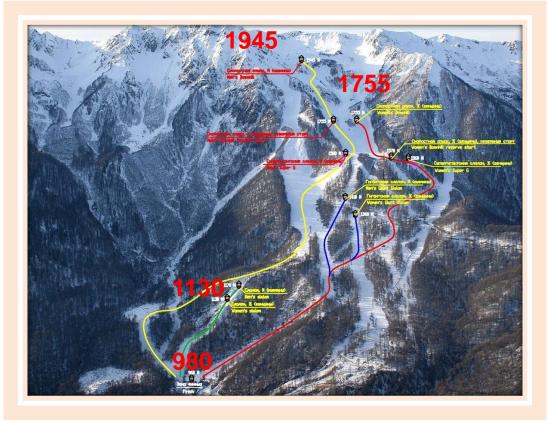






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