



COSMO WG7 and PROPHECY PP activities

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Outline

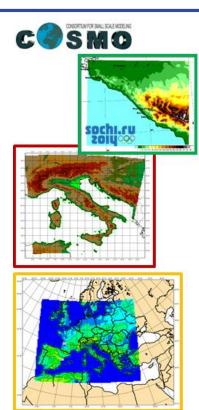
- The COSMO ensembles
- Recent developments in PROPHECY PP:
 - Sensitivity of ICON to physics parameters
 - Combination of SPPT and PP and in COSMO
 - More stochastic physics!
- Use of ensembles
- Final remarks





The COSMO ensembles

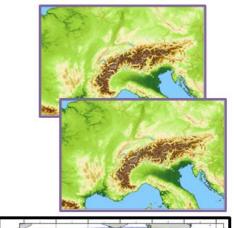


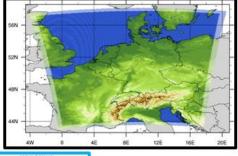


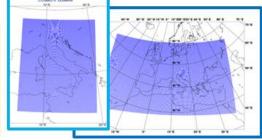
Ensemble systems

- ICON-D2-EPS
- COSMO-2E COSMO-1E
- TLE-MVE
- COSMO-2I-EPS
- COSMO-IT-EPS
- COSMO-Ru2-EPS
- COSMO-IL-ENS
- COSMO-LEPS
- COSMO-ME-EPS









http://www.cosmo-model.org/content/tasks/workGroups/wg7







Model perturbation

- Methods currently operational:
 - SPPT COSMO-2E, COSMO-1E, COSMO-IT-EPS, COSMO-ME-EPS
 - PP COSMO-LEPS, COSMO-12-EPS, TLE-MVE
- Methods currently under development:
 - SMME Stochastic Model for the Model Error (DWD)
 - AMPT Additive Model-error perturbations scaled by Physical Tendencies (RHM)

 NEXT TALK!
- New developments outside WG7 but under test (DWD):
 - SSC Stochastic shallow convection
 - PSP2 Physically based stochastic perturbations for boundary layer turbulence







Parameter list for ICON

- A list of ICON parameters for tuning and model perturbation has been provided by L. Schlemmer et al.
- A dedicated webpage has been prepared by T.Andreadis: http://www.cosmo-model.org/content/support/icon/tuning/default.htm, with the description of the parameters, their range of variability and comments from the developers
- It aims at including also the experience matured in the COSMO Consortium on the usage of the parameters

parameter	description	meaningful range	comment from the developers	model tuning	EPS perturbation	EPS perturbation in production
SSO tuning						
gkwake	low level wake drag constant Cd for blocking	1.5 ±0.5	Very strong dependency on raw data resolution: for ICON-D2 with ASTER data. we use 0.25	A	A	∄
turbulence						
q_crit	critical value for normalised super- saturation	1.6-4.0	∄	identified as "sensitive" for COSMO in [1]		ICON-D2- EPS





Status of the experiments on parameter perturbations towards ICON-LEPS

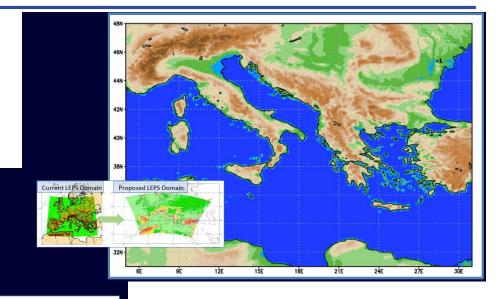
Euripides N. Avgoustoglou Hellenic National Meteorological Service

- Goal: study the sensitivity of the ICON model to a large set of parameters over a Mediterranean area, in view of the implementation of the Parameter Perturbation in ICON-LEPS (transition of COSMO-LEPS)
- Starting point: the list of ICON parameters provided by Schlemmer, Zängl and Reinert, with their range of variation
- Sensitivity runs performed at ECMWF, using Billing Units provided by HNMS; the set-up of the ICON model suite at ECMWF is provided by IMS colleagues (thanks!)

E. Augoustoglou, HNMS







24 parameters were considerd.



3 values/parameter including default.



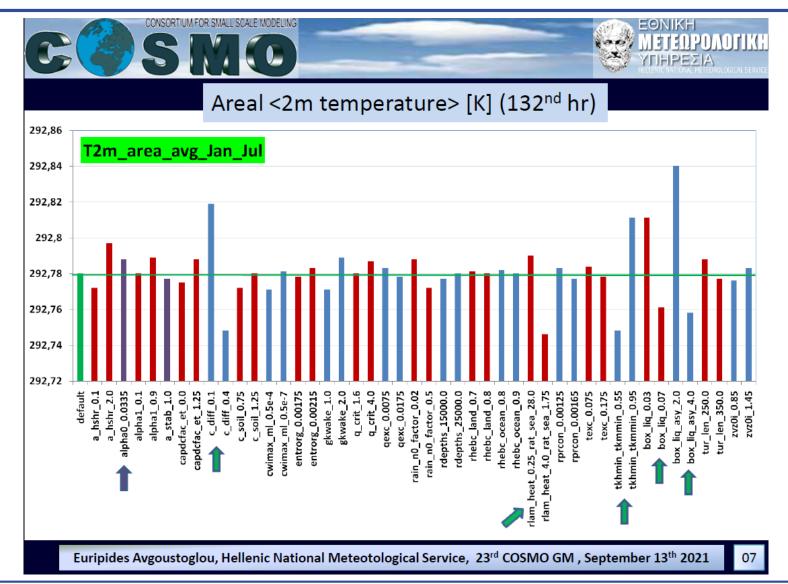
The evaluation period consisted of 62 days from year 2020 i.e.: January 1-31, July1-31

3000 runs based on ICON-IMS (Gratis IMS):

- + Horizontal grid size: R3B08 (~6.5km).
- 417x273 grid points (wider area of Greece and Italy), 65 levels.
- Integration time-step: 60 secs.
- Integration period: 132 hs.
- Boundary conditions: 3hr IFS Forecast.
- ⊕ Computational Cost ~ 5x10⁶ b.u. on Cray X C40 of ECMWF (Gratis HNMS).

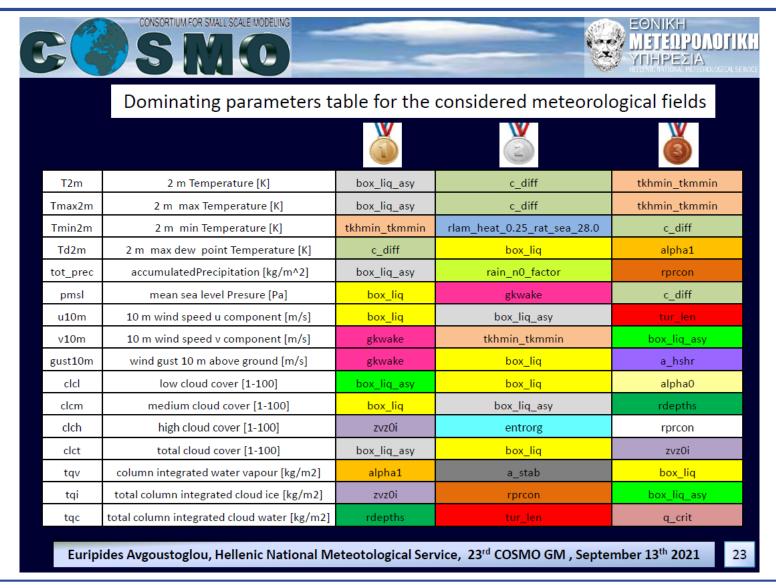
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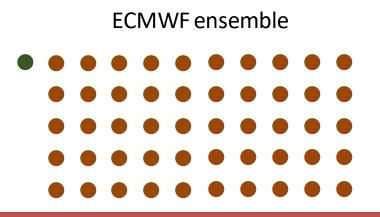
COSMO-IL-ENS

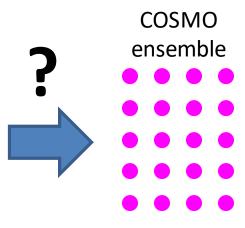
Sources of forecast uncertainty:

- Uncertainty in boundary conditions \rightarrow use of driving ensemble (**EC-ENS**)
- •V Uncertainty in model physics → Stoch. Pert. of Param. Tendencies (SPPT), parameter perturbations (PP)
- Uncertainty in initial conditions → KENDA analysis perturbations.

Questions?

- 1. Which 20 EC-ENS members to choose?
- 2. Do model physics perturbations benefit?





Please ask the authors for more information!

Khain et al., IMS

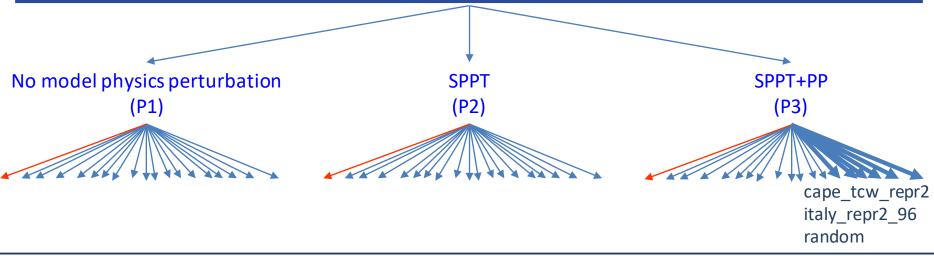


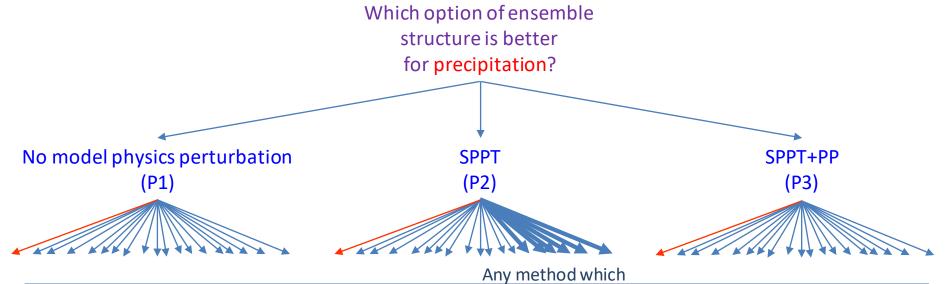


Which option of ensemble structure is better

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Wetter und Klima aus einer Hand

for near surface variables?









Schemes for model perturbation in ICON

- DWD, MeteoSwiss, RHM are implementing different schemes for model perturbation (SPPT / iSPPT, SPG and AMPT, SMME) in ICON
- The implementation is made in a consistent way and possibly using a unified interface.
- E-mail exchange and dedicated meeting have been organized as part of the PROPHECY coordination with Daniel Rieger and Günther Zängl. An implementation concept has been prepared by the three teams.
- More meetings followed ...
- It is a very good testbed for the organization of the inclusion of COSMO contributions in the ICON code





Stochastic Model of the Model Error (SMME)

- SMME aims at modeling the model error by integrating a stochastic partial differential equation at different heights levels for u, v, and T.
- The solution of the SPDE has spatial and temporal correlations corresponding to the model error in the training data set.
- These solutions of the SPDE (different in each member of the ensemble) are added to the tendencies in the slow physics scheme

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \left[\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t}\right]_{\text{det}} + \eta(t) \qquad \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial t} = -\gamma \eta + \gamma \nabla \cdot (\lambda^2 \nabla \eta) + \sigma \xi(t)$$

 $\psi:$ perturbed variables (T, U, V)

 $\eta(t)$: noise field / model error, correlated in time and space

 $\xi(t)$: Gaussian noise

 γ , λ and σ are weather-dependent parameters and are derived from past data

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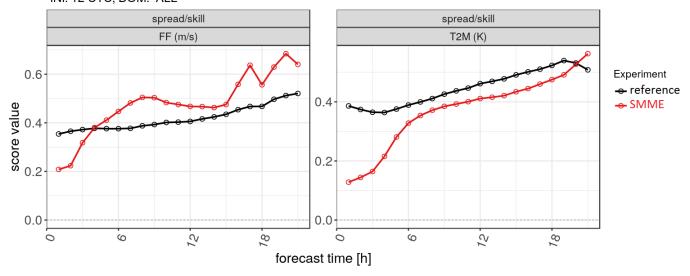




Stochastic Model of the Model Error (SMME)

- First experiments with COSMO-D2-EPS looked promising
- Currently porting the SMME to ICON-D2-EPS
 - Parameter estimation for ICON-D2-EPS is completed
 - First runs with ICON-D2-EPS show mixed results (SMME exp; reference)

2019/10/16 13UTC - 2019/10/31 21UTC INI: 12 UTC, DOM: ALL



- spread/skill improvement for wind speed but not for T2m
 - → further work needed

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Stochastic Workshop

- 2nd and 3rd of March 2021
- Purpose: to make the point about the activities on-going in the COSMO Consortium and in the other European Consortia in the field of "stochastic physics", in particular intrinsically stochastic parametrisations, in view of their usage in ensembles
- 40-50 participants, from COSMO members, LMU (University of Munich), ECMWF, Meteo France, Met Office, Met Eireann, KNMI, SMHI, Met No, Met Hu, AEMET, NCAR, KIT
- Presentations and minutes (of a very interesting discussion) are online at: http://www.cosmomodel.org/content/tasks/workGroups/wg7/default.htm





Convection is **not** in

equilibrium with the

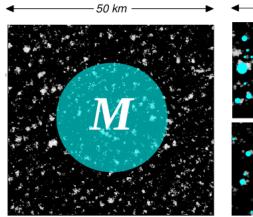
large-scale state

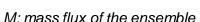
(closure)

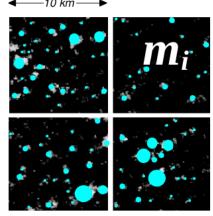
Stochastic shallow convection (SSC)

→ We will never be able to predict individual clouds with accuracy – but we can predict their distribution statistics!

Grid box area too small to contain a complete ensemble of convective clouds

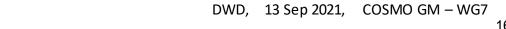






mi: mass flux of an individual cloud

- → The resolved atmospheric state no longer predicts a unique (deterministic) convective state – there are many possible realisations!
- Parametrise effect of unresolved shallow convection (at km scale)
- A scheme that is resolution-independent and adapts automatically into the gray zone M. Ahlgrimm, DWD







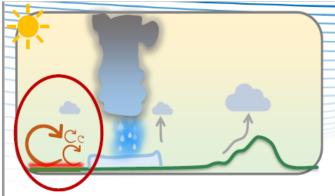
Stochastic shallow convection (SSC)

- first experiments run for I month in August/September 2020, only 00 UTC runs
- neutral results
- tests in ensemble mode (ICON-D2-EPS) on-going
 - stochastic shallow convection only
 - parameter perturbation only
 - stochastic shallow convection + parameter perturbation
- evaluation of diagnostic variables:
 - mf_b: "bulk" mass flux used by the default convection scheme to measure convective activity
 - mf_p: stochastically "perturbed" mass flux used in the stochastic scheme
 - ddt_qv_conv: convective tendency for qv
 - ddt_qc_conv: convective tendency for qc (liquid) condensate
 - ddt_temp_pconv: convective tendency for temperature

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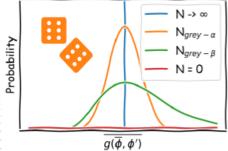


Hirt et al., 2021

PSP/PSP2 in ICON: Convective initiation by **Boundary layer turbulence**

M. Hirt

F. Jakub, I. Chen, C. Keil, G. Craig



Publications:

- Kober, K. and Craig, G. C. (2016) Physically based stochastic perturbations (PSP) in the boundary layer to represent uncertainty in convective initiation. Journal of the Atmospheric Sciences, 73, 2893–2911.
- Hirt, M., Rasp, S., Blahak, U. and Craig, G. (2019) Stochastic parameterization of processes leading to convection initiation in kilometre-scale models. Monthly Weather Review





Physically based stochastic perturbations for boundary layer turbulence:



PSP (Kober and Craig, 2016)

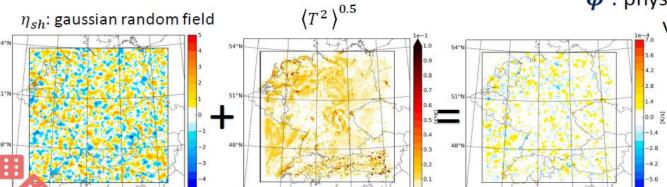
$$\left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t}\right)_{all} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \alpha \cdot \underline{\eta} \cdot \sqrt{\overline{\phi}'^2}$$

$$\phi = \{T, q, w\}$$
Stochastic perturbations

 $\eta(t, \sigma)$: Random field , regenerated every 10 min with spatial correlation σ

α: perturbation ampl., scaling factors

 ϕ' : physical scaling/subgrid-scale variance of variable ϕ



(Kober and Craig, 2016)

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It reintroduces the influence of the lost small-scale variability by adding perturbations to the tendencies of T, q_{ν} , w on the smallest effectively resolved scale (5 Δx)





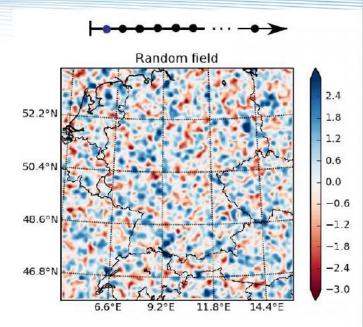
Modifications for improved physical consistency → PSP2

(Hirt et al., 2019, MWR)

• Autoregressive Process: Continously modifying η at every time step, but temporally correlated:

$$\eta_t = \sigma_t \cdot \eta_{t-1} + \epsilon_t$$

- Constraining the perturbations to the boundary layer (HPBLcut)
 - → Reduce impact of perturbations at night
 - →Scheme developed for buoyant turbulence, not shear (vertically correlated perturbations)









Physically based stochastic perturbations for boundary layer turbulence (PSP2)

- cooperation with Ludwigs-Maximilian-Universität in Munich (LMU)
- first promising tests at LMU
- PSP2 implemented in ICON by LMU based on the "current" version of the branch "icon-nwp/icon-nwp-dev" (including cp/cv bugfix & ecRad)
- first tests for a short period in August 2020 with ICON-D2-EPS
- test run from May 26th to August Ist 2021 at DWD

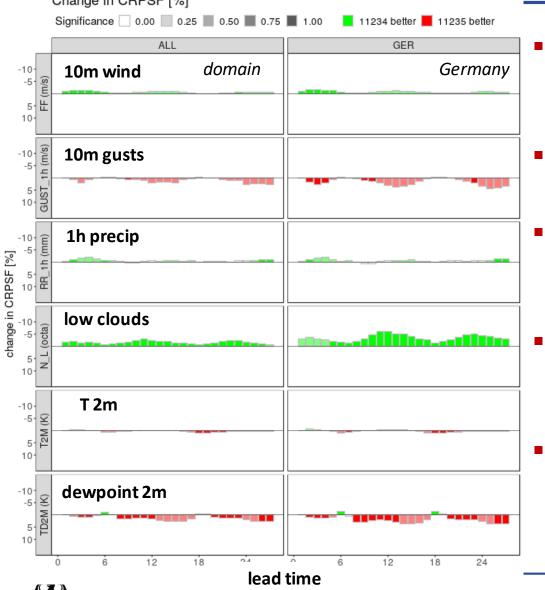


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Forecasts initialized from 2021/05/26 22UTC - 2021/08/01 21UTC Change in CRPSF [%]



ICON-D2-EPS with PSP2 vs.
 operational set up

Change of CRPS

green: PSP2 better

red: PSP2 worse

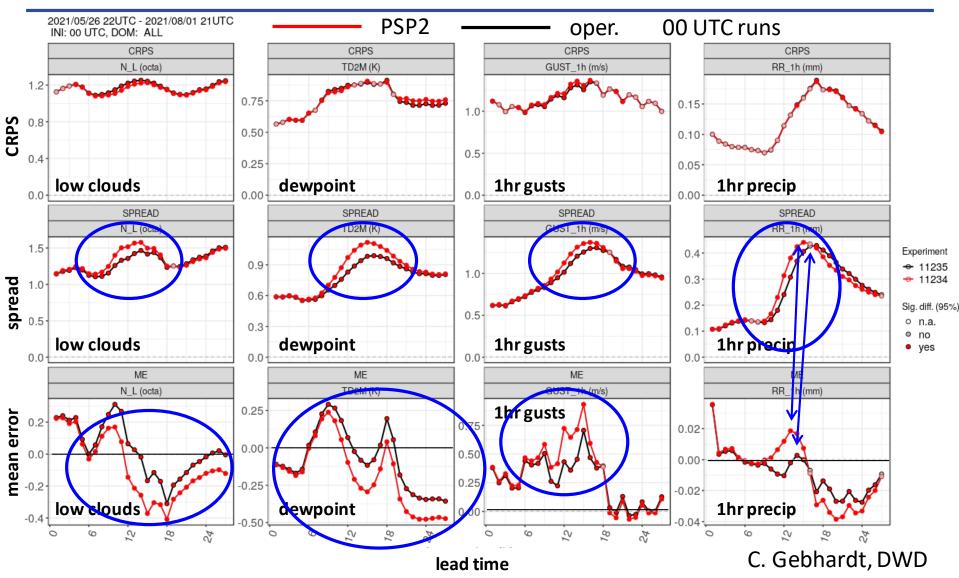
26th May – Ist Aug 2021 00 and 12 UTC runs

SYNOP observations

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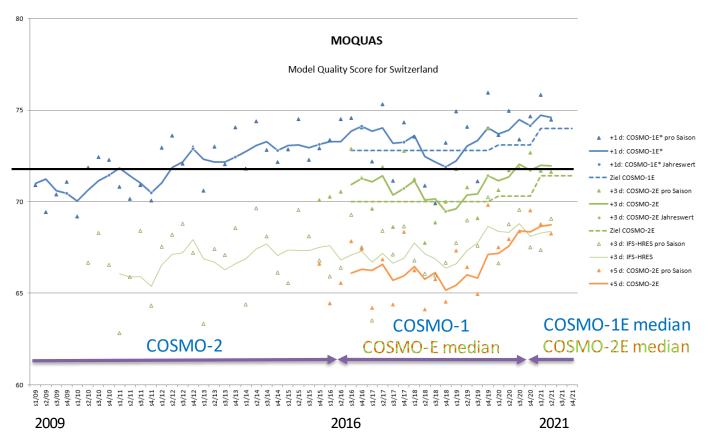








MeteoSwiss model performance scores



original figure: Pirmin Kaufmann

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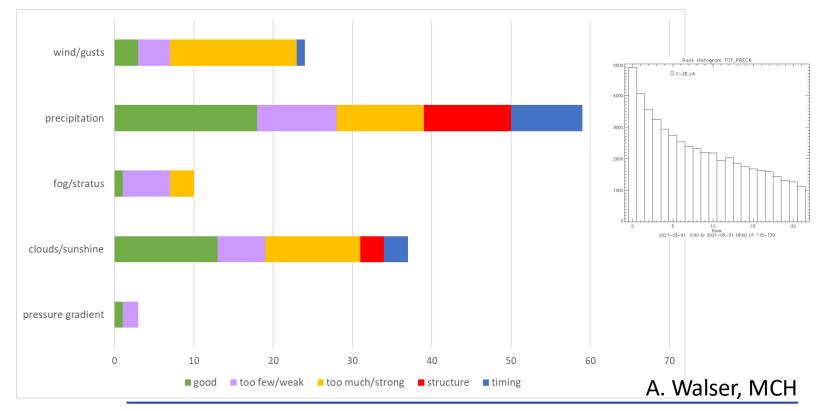




Forecaster feedbacks 2021



- model feedbacks from forecaster on duty every day (scheduled, up to 15 min)
- increased use of ensemble information also in the short range
- probabilities are translated to keywords in forecast bulletins (possible, likely, ...)
- ...but control run still get (too) much attention





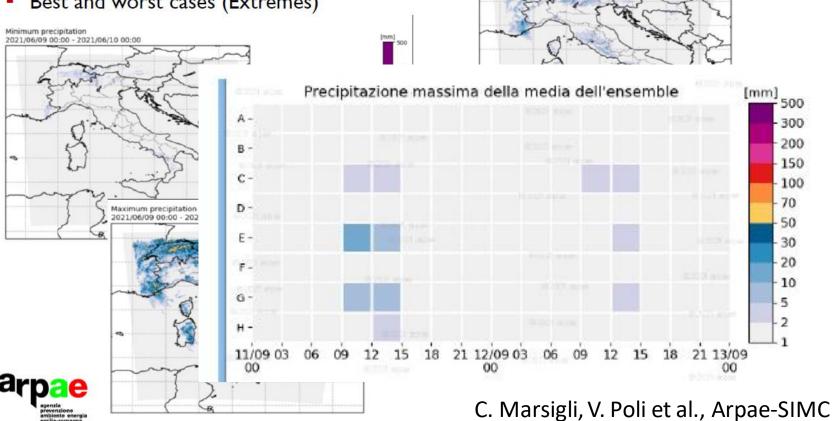


COSMO-2I-EPS

Mean precipitation

2021/06/09 00:00 - 2021/06/10 00:00

- Most likely scenario (Ensemble mean)
- Best and worst cases (Extremes)







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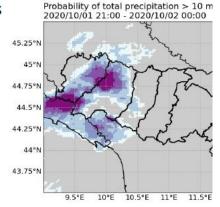
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COSMO-2I-EPS

- Probability maps
- percentiles

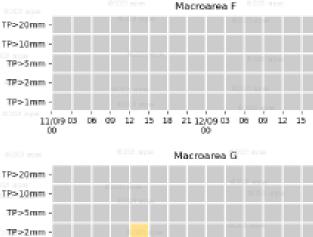




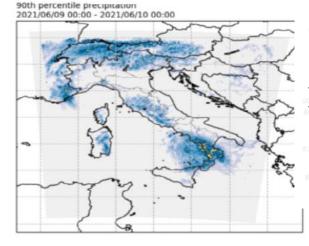
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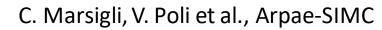
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Final remarks

- The transition of the ensembles to ICON is on-going
- Model perturbation schemes are further studied / developed /tested
- The ensemble development is becoming more and more part of the numerical modelling development
- It would be needed to invest more in ensemble interpretation and usage
 - we are all used to take decisions in condition of uncertainty!







Thank you for your attention!

