



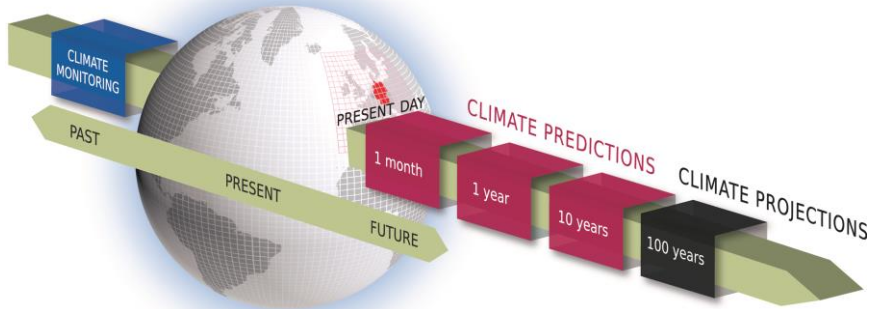
# ICON for climate simulations

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# ICON for Climate Simulation





# ICON-Seamless - Uniform model for weather and climate

*ICON-Seamless* = model and data assimilation for

- ✓ Numerical Weather Prediction (NWP)
- ✓ Climate Prediction (seasonal, decadal)
- ✓ Climate Projections (global and regional)

based on NWP physics

→ in collaboration with **MPI-M, KIT, DKRZ, MPI-BGC** and many more...

- One **consistent model** including atmosphere, ocean, land, air chemistry
- **Configurations** for different applications
- Project started in November 2020





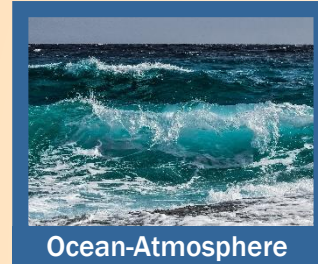
## Goals

- 2024:** *pre-operational* system for **seasonal and decadal climate predictions**
- 2025:** experimental version for *new ICON-Land* for **NWP and climate**
- 2025+:** further development to allow *global climate projections* & *coupling of regional mode with ICON-O-LAM*



## ICON-Seamless Governance

Coordination Group – W. Müller & P. Korn (MPI-M), R. Potthast & B. Früh (DWD)



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- formed with participants from DWD, MPI-M, KIT, DKRZ, MPI-BGC, MeteoSwiss, UHH and many more
- intention:
  - work in parallel as much as possible,
  - allow experiments as early as possible
  - achieve computing performance of ICON-Seamless approx. 100y/d



## ***Expert Group Atmosphere – Ongoing & Future Activities***

### ***Transient Aerosol***

- Kinne aerosol, CMIP6 volcanic aerosol and simple plume anthropogenic aerosol implemented ✓
- aerosol input data characterize **optical depth, single scattering albedo & asymmetry factor** to facilitate implementation of additional aerosol data

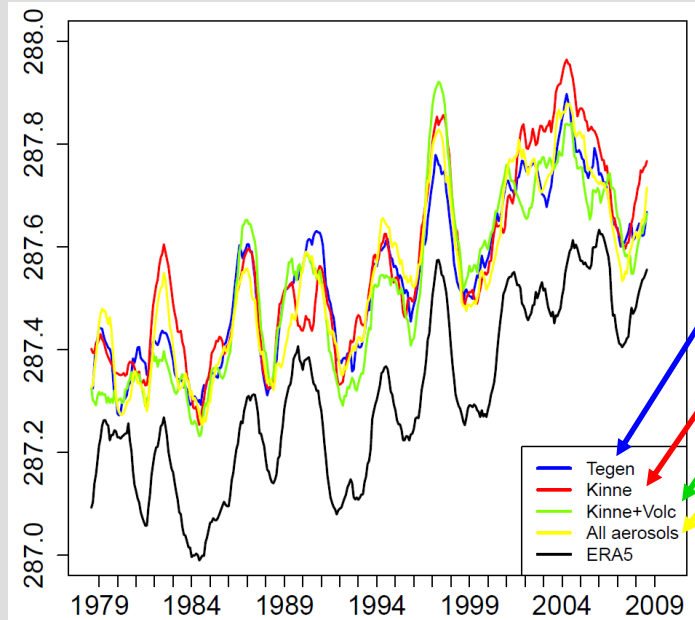
### ***Next steps:***

- Tests and evaluation



# AMIP experiments

## Temperature 1979 - 2009



- R2B4 (NWV grid), 160 km
- namelist irad\_aero
- 6: Tegen Climatology
- 13: Kinne Climatology
- 15: Kinne + volcanic (1962-1966)
- 18: Kinne + volcanic (Simple Plume)

**TALK on time dependent aerosol at 10:00 today**

Trang Van Pham et al.





## ***Expert Group Atmosphere – Ongoing & Future Activities***

### ***Transient Ozone***

- Module migrated from ICON-ECHAM to ICON-NWP

### ***On going work:***

- First tests (1979-2009, R2B4) ongoing
- Implementing transient solar radiation





## **Expert Group Land-Atmosphere – Ongoing & Future Activities**

### **JSBACH + VDIFF in ICON-Seamless**

- implementation completed ✓

### **On going work:**

- generation + reading of initial data
- evaluation of performance of JSBACH+VDIFF for NWP and climate
- integration of JSBACH external parameters (boundary conditions) into EXTPAR
- further work on the interface atmosphere – land is foreseen (ICON consolidated & Warmworld)
- stand-alone capability kept in mind

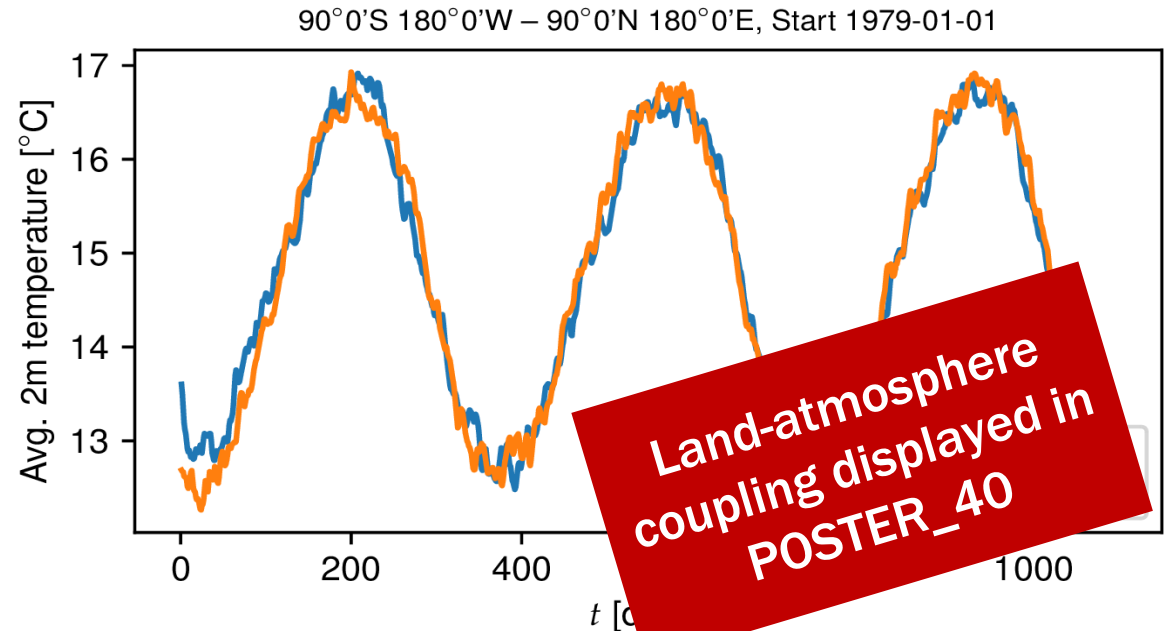


## ICON-NWP with JSBACH – Climate

- JSBACH + VDIFF integrated ✓
- Similar averages to TERRA without additional tuning
- 30% slower than TERRA

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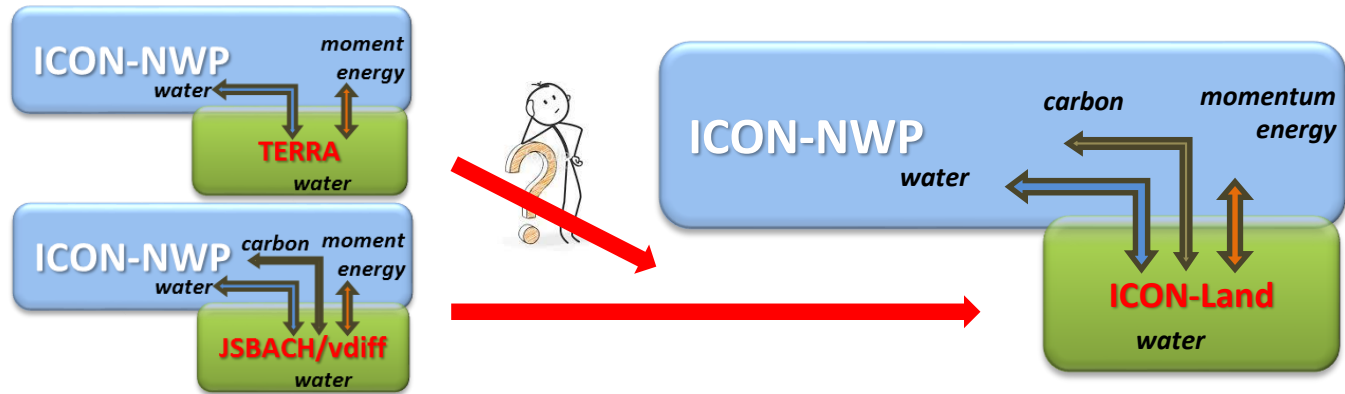
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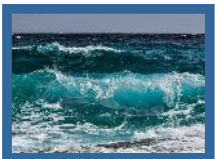


## Expert Group Land-Atmosphere - Future Activities

### ICON-LAND will be the land component of ICON

- ICON-LAND as software architecture, currently holds JSBACH
- inclusion of modular code parts into ICON-LAND

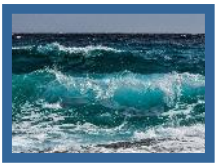




## ***Expert Group Ocean-Atmosphere – Prototype 1 (Common Grid) Status & Outlook***

### ***ICON-O/ICON-NWP coupled model on common grid in coarse resolution (R2B4/160km)***

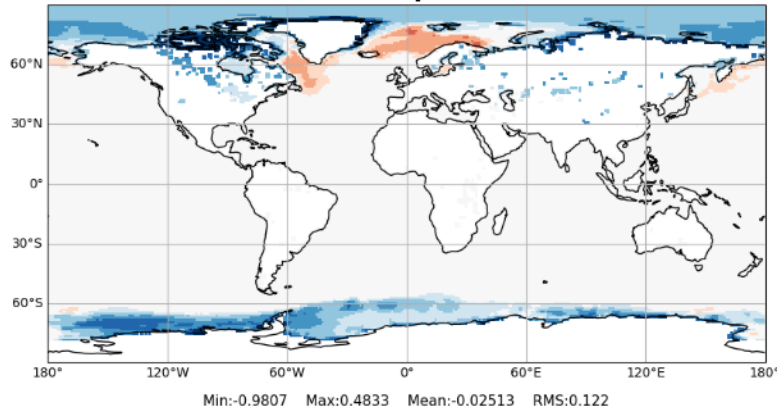
- Up to 120 years long simulations, no “unreasonable” results, no enhanced analysis yet
- technical improvements in sea-ice thermodynamics and restart capability
- Speed still not optimal, but currently working solution
- No closed water cycle yet – river runoff is missing



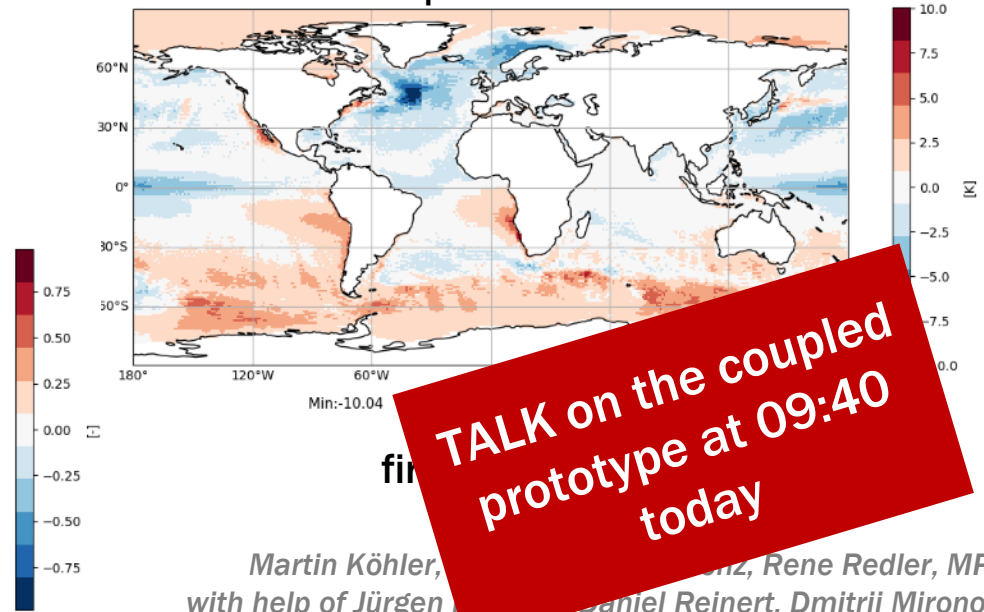
# ICON-A+0 Prototype on Common Grid (R2B4)

- land-sea-mask from ocean
- YAC coupler
- 20 years – no in depth analysis yet

sea-ice fraction coupled ICON – ERA5



SST coupled ICON – ERA5



**TALK on the coupled prototype at 09:40 today**

Martin Köhler, ... Renz, Rene Redler, MPI  
 with help of Jürgen ... Daniel Reinert, Dmitrii Mironov  
 and many others



## ***Expert Group Data Assimilation – Ongoing & Future Activities***

- PDAF and ICON-Seamless (Prototype1) are running in BACY
- ocean-only assimilation experiments with coupled ICON-Seamless completed (1960-2015, full-field and anomaly methods)
- atmosphere-only assimilation experiments (nudging ERA5) with coupled ICON tested

### ***Next steps:***

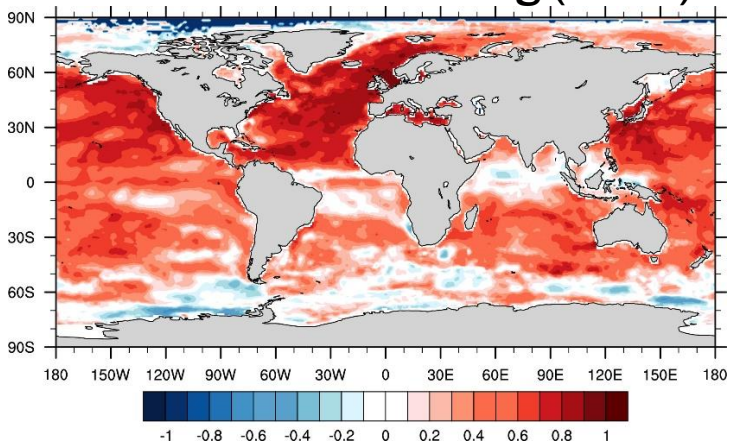
- external forcing like in historicals + projections also necessary
- increase resolution of ICON-Seamless
- produce a set of seasonal and decadal hindcasts to assess the prediction skill



# Ocean Data Assimilation with ICON-ESM (160km/40km)

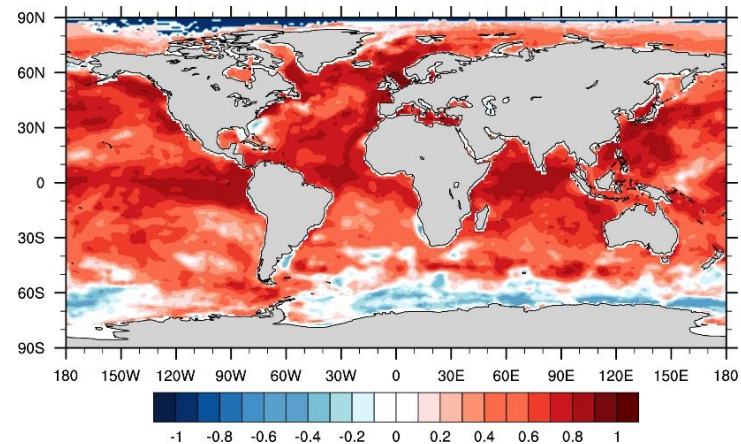
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- PDAF EnKF full-field T & S
- Constant external forcing (1850)



## System2 (1960-2013)

- PDAF EnKF anom T & S
- CMIP6 external forcing



**SST**  
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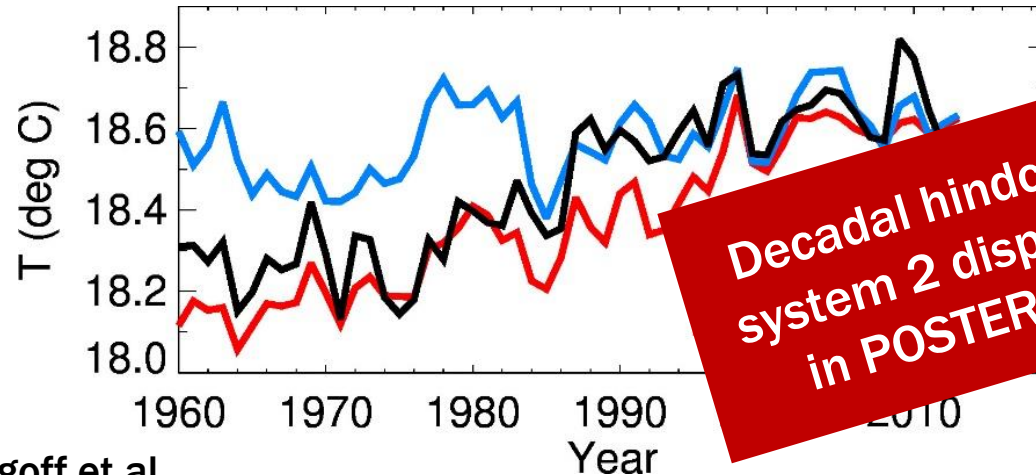
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SST



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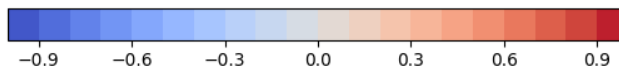
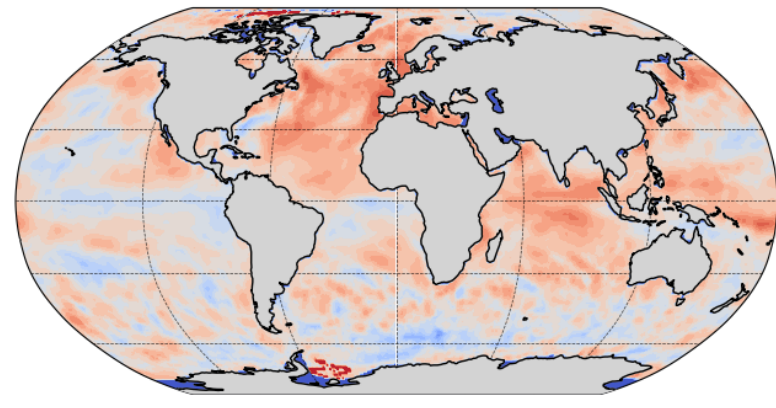
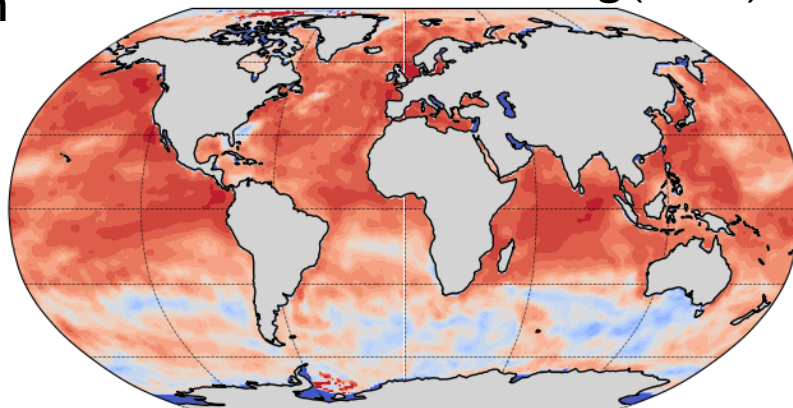
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### Reference (1960-2015)

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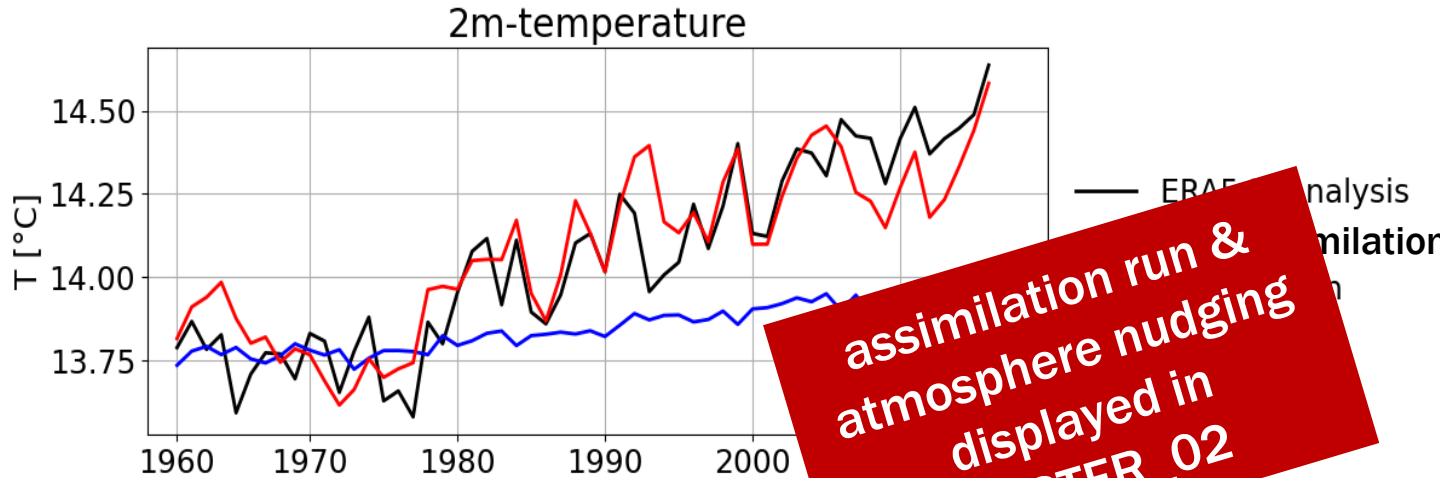
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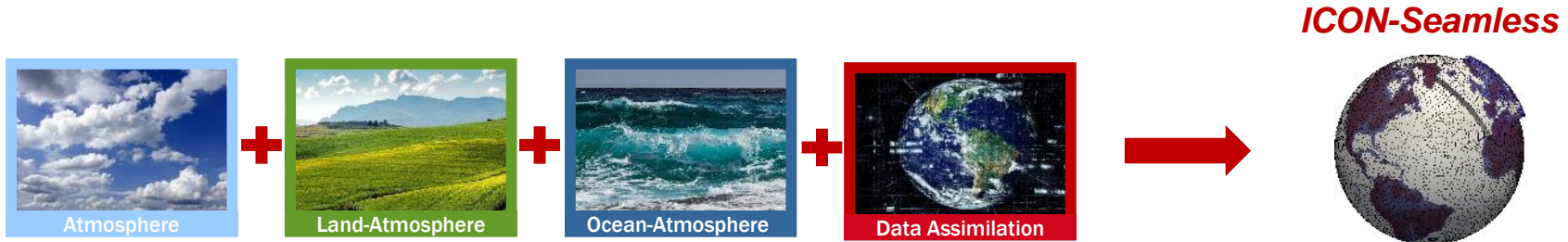


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# Towards a seamless model for weather and climate prediction and projection



- many implementations also relevant for **ICON-CLM** will be realized in the course of **ICON-Seamless**
- it will be important taking the opportunities and reviewing the functionality for **ICON-CLM**
- contributions are very much appreciated

## ***ICON-CLM development – What has been done so far?***

- ***Administrative*** (code access for community members, workflow for developments)
  - clarified & development partnership agreement between DWD and CLM-Community signed in January 2021
- ***SPICE*** (Starter Package for ICON-CLM Experiments, Version 1.0.1)
  - runtime environment for ICON-CLM released
  - available for community members
  - Information/documentation: <https://spice.clm-community.eu>
- ***EVA Suite*** (tool for standardized evaluation) integrated in SPICE
- ***ICON-CLM development*** made progress (thanks esp. to colleagues from BTU and Hereon and Daniel<sup>2</sup> for support from DWD/ICON consortium);
  - regular task force meetings took place every month



## ***ICON-CLM development – Changes from CLM-Community***

### ***Input***

- Implementation of time dependency of
  - SST
  - sea ice
  - greenhouse gas concentrations

### ***Output***

- Implementation of
  - precipitation & runoff accumulation over output interval
  - sunshine duration
- Additional variables and correction of soil moisture budget



## *ICON-CLM development*

- **Changes and additions for ICON 2.6.5**
  - New compiler flags in the CLM wrapper
  - Variable lower boundary for hydrologically active soil layers
  - Snow melt rate
  - Output variable height of planetary boundary layer (HPBL) -> next release
- **Tests for preliminary setup in project NUKLEUS**
- **Work on buildbot test for CLM functionality started**



## Next steps

- **COPAT2 (COordinated PArameter Tuning 2)**
  - Improve preliminary setups of COSMO 6.0 and ICON-CLM
  - Analyse first reference simulations and fix problems if necessary
  - Test different settings for some sensitive parameters
- **CMIP6 downscaling – CORDEX**
  - CLM-Community will contribute with COSMO-CLM to CORDEX – CMIP6
  - Coordination of activities in WG Climate Projections

Discussion on CMIP6  
downscaling in WG CP  
meeting  
THU 11-12:30 CET

## ICCARUS meetings related to ICON for climate simulations



**ICON-Seamless Workshop  
THU 15-18 CET**

**Everyone  
interested is very  
much welcome!**

**PG ICON meeting  
THU 13-15 CET**

Very good progress in the development of ICON for climate simulations!

- Implementation of transient external parameters almost finished
- Coupling of ICON-NWP with ICON-O technically completed
- Coupling of ICON-NWP with JSBACH technically completed
- ICON-CLM is almost ready for simulating regional climate projections

Now the work starts....



A vibrant rainbow arches across a clear blue sky, starting from the left side and ending near the center. Below the rainbow, a dense line of green trees and foliage stretches across the bottom of the frame. The overall scene is bright and clear, suggesting a sunny day after a light rain.

***Thank you very much for your attention!!!***