



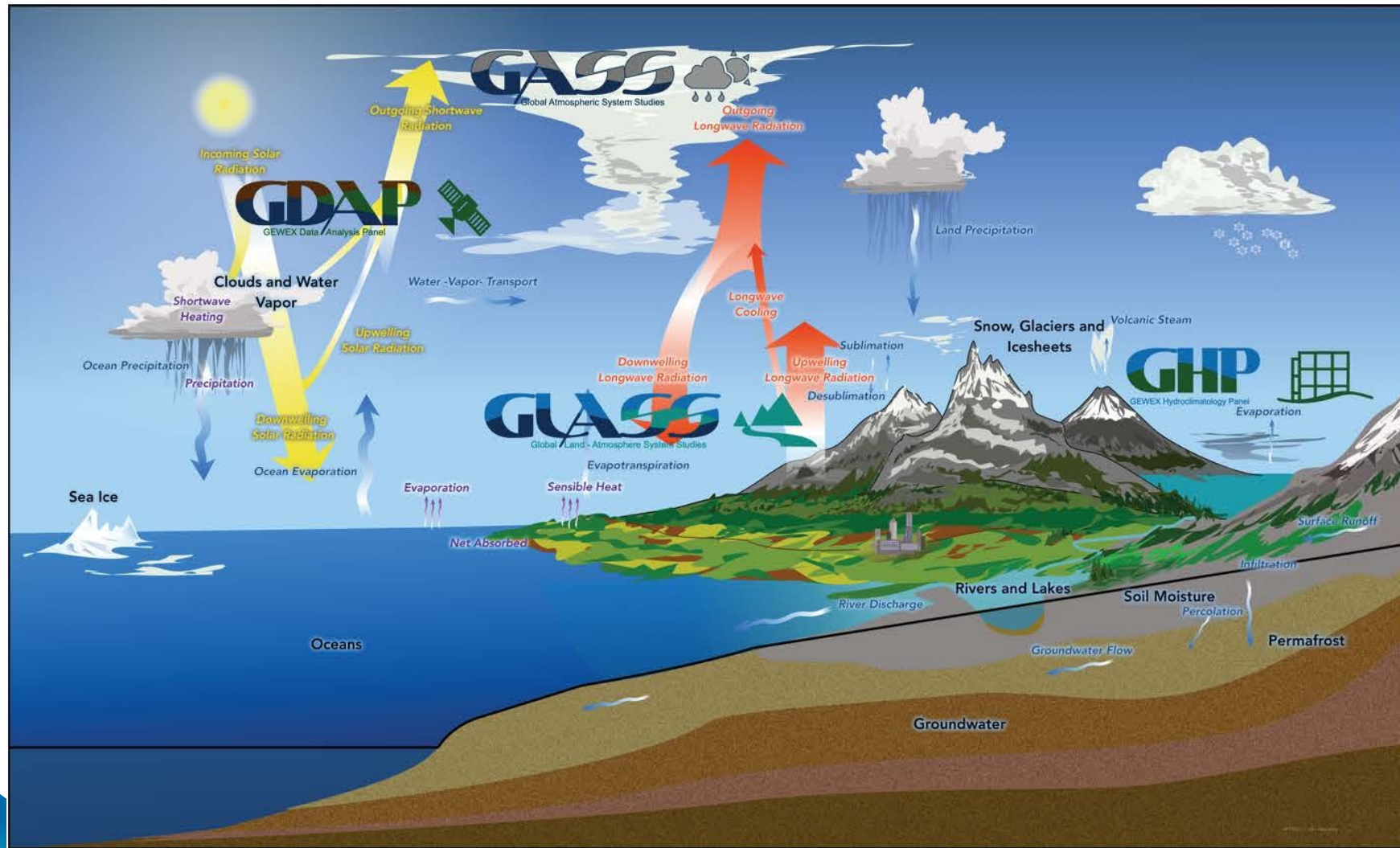
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**Joint Scientific Committee**

# **Global Energy and Water EXchanges (GEWEX)**

- Overview of GEWEX and its panels
- Two scientific highlights
- The GEWEX Open Science Conference
- Interactions with other WCRP components

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# GEWEX Panels and their Activities



The focus of the four GEWEX panels in relation to the global and regional water and energy cycles  
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# GEWEX modelling panels

- **GASS :**
  - New field campaigns in preparation to observe convective organisation.
  - LES and CRM simulations over larger domains but simple surfaces.
  - The 10 on-going projects are in healthy state
  - GASS-CFMIP meeting in July 2023 with over 200 participants
- **GLASS :**
  - An assessment of the needs of the community is underway
  - Refinement of the PLUMBER protocol for systematic comparison of LSM on well observed sites.
  - SIF inter-comparison (for the process understanding of coupled energy-water-carbon cycles) is starting with 3 LSMs on 3 tower sites.
  - Irrigation & km-scale LSMs experiments are in preparation.
  - One new GLAFO site has been initiated and others are in preparation.

# Observation oriented panels

- **GDAP :**
  - G-VAPII : Comprehensive assessment of satellite based water vapour products.
  - Convection tracking project is initiating
  - New precipitation products are coming on-line and a third assessment is planned.
  - BRSN : New leadership is in place and there is concern for the long term support of some stations.
  - ISCCP-NG is making good progress and a first demo data set is available.
- **GHP :**
  - 6 RHPs are active : GWF, ANDEX, PANNEX, BalticEarth, TPE-WS and AsiaPEX
  - A focus on mountain regions is emerging : INARCH, TeamX and ANDEX
  - Groundwater and river modelling activities are starting in collaboration with GLASS.
  - GRDC and GPCC are active and releasing regularly new versions of the global data sets.
  - Global lake level monitoring is being restarted with CNES's effort for SWOT (Hydroweb 2.0)



# Preparing new Regional Hydroclimate Projects

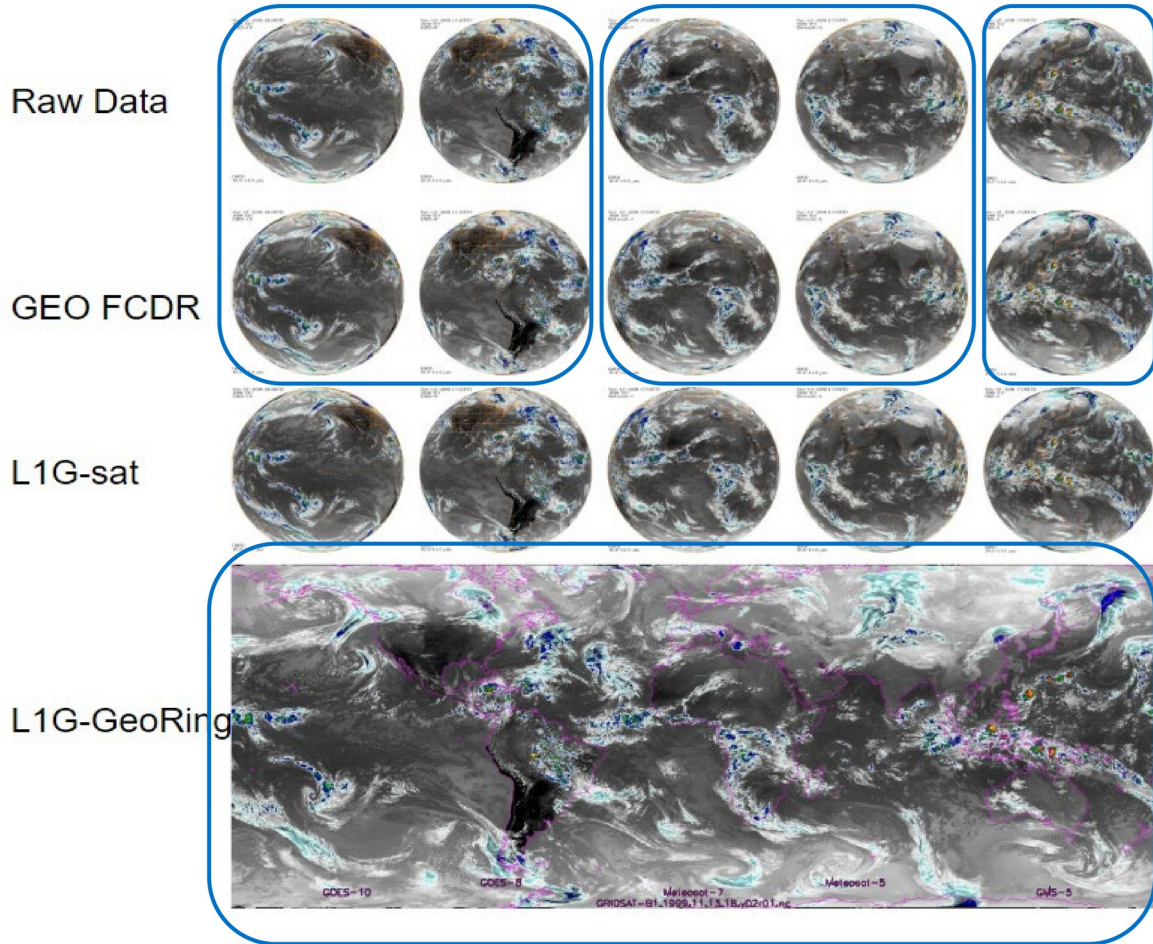
It is a continuous effort for GEWEX IPO to foster the development of regional research communities and encourage regional collaborations.

- **Central Asian community :**
  - GEWEX co-organized a conference in Osh in May 2024.
  - Water resources are challenged by climate change and the resulting glacier melt.
  - Observation gaps need to be filled.
  - Modelling capabilities needed in the region.
- **US-RHP now called H2US (Humans and Hydro climate in the US) :**
  - Some new initiatives are underway with the support of some agencies.
  - Proposal submitted to the Schmidt Sciences this year.



# Some scientific highlights from GEWEX

- GEWEX's strategic plan calls for higher resolution models for process understanding and projection.
- This needs to be supported by commensurate observation based data sets.
- It also requires to rethink some of the modelling approaches and their validation.
- **Two examples :**
  - The GEO-Ring and ISCCP-NG : GDAP, interactions with space agencies.
  - Surface structures and impact on the PBL processes : GLASS and GASS.

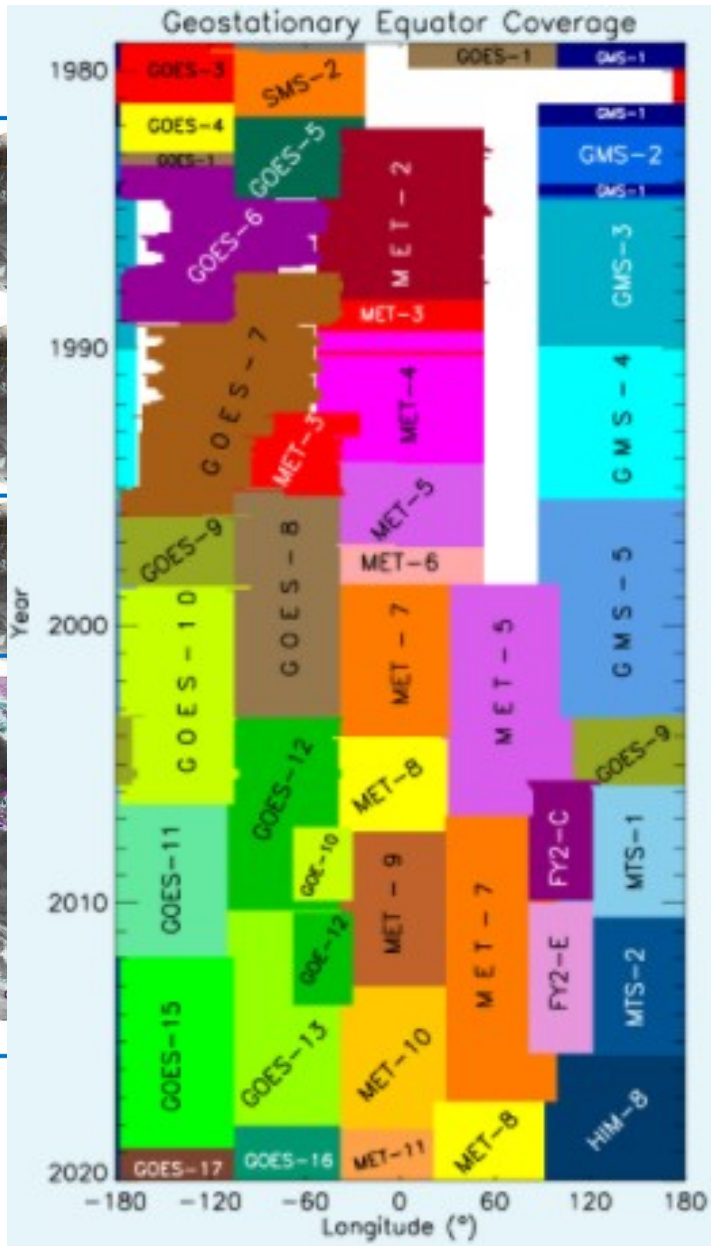
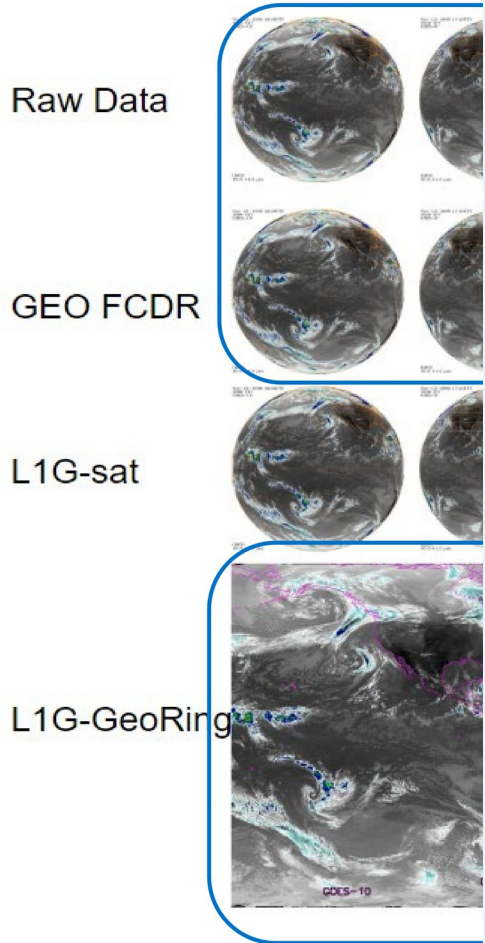


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Produced in the cloud

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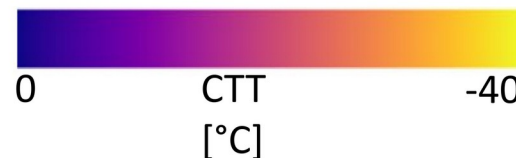
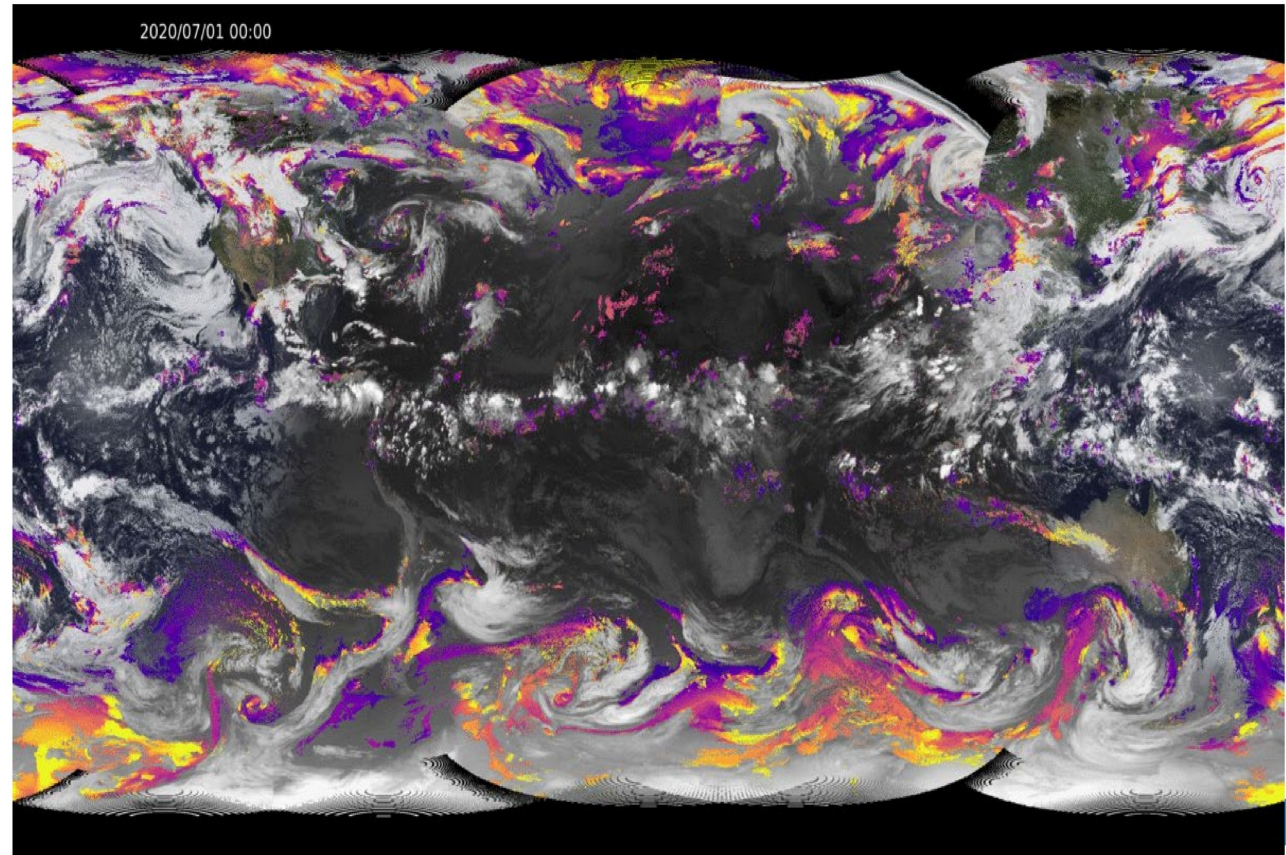
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# GEO-Ring Application: ISCCP-NG

- ISCCP-NG uses the current GEO-Ring (SEVIRI, AHI, ABI, AMI)
- ISCCP-NG L1g is a prototype method to combine all sats into a seamless GEO-Ring. Code being developed by NESDIS (CIMSS), EUMETSAT and KMA.
- Goal is to support cloud, aerosol, surface temperatures, AMVs, precipitation and other applications
- Nominal resolution is 30 min, 0.05° and all channels
- NOAA/NESDIS and EUMETSAT/CM-SAF have demonstrated use of ISCCP-NG L1g for cloud applications
- Prototypes for 2021 and 2023 available from UW/CIMSS

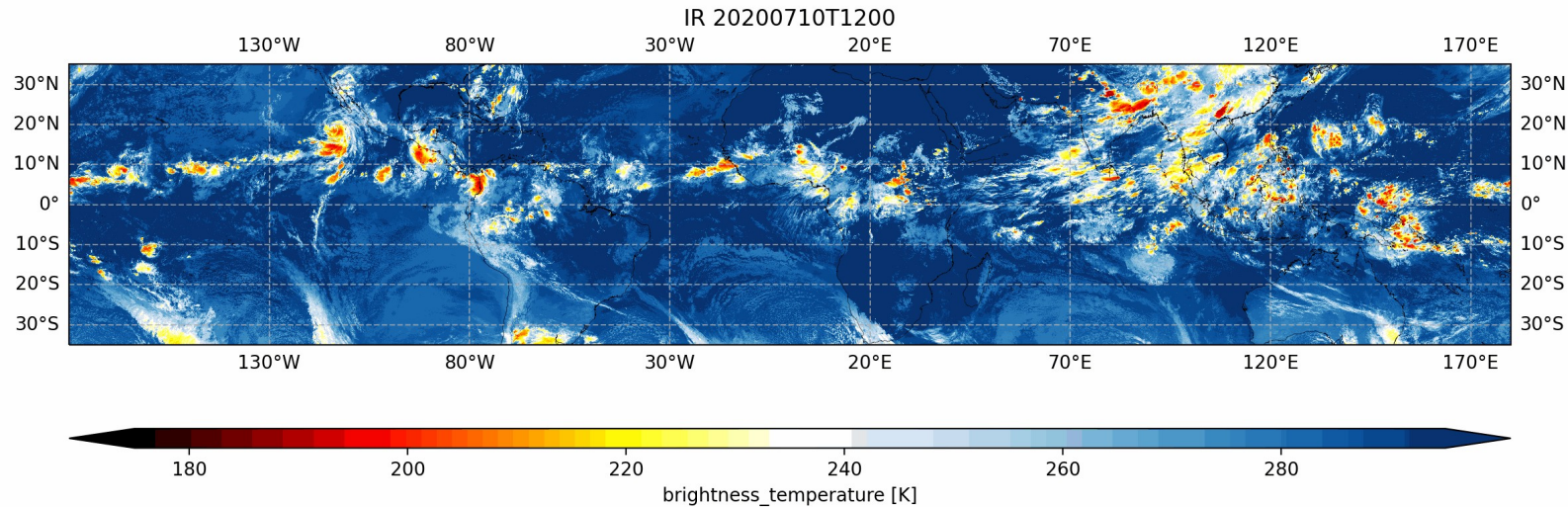
ISCCP-NG supercooled cloud detection (Martin Stengel, DWD)





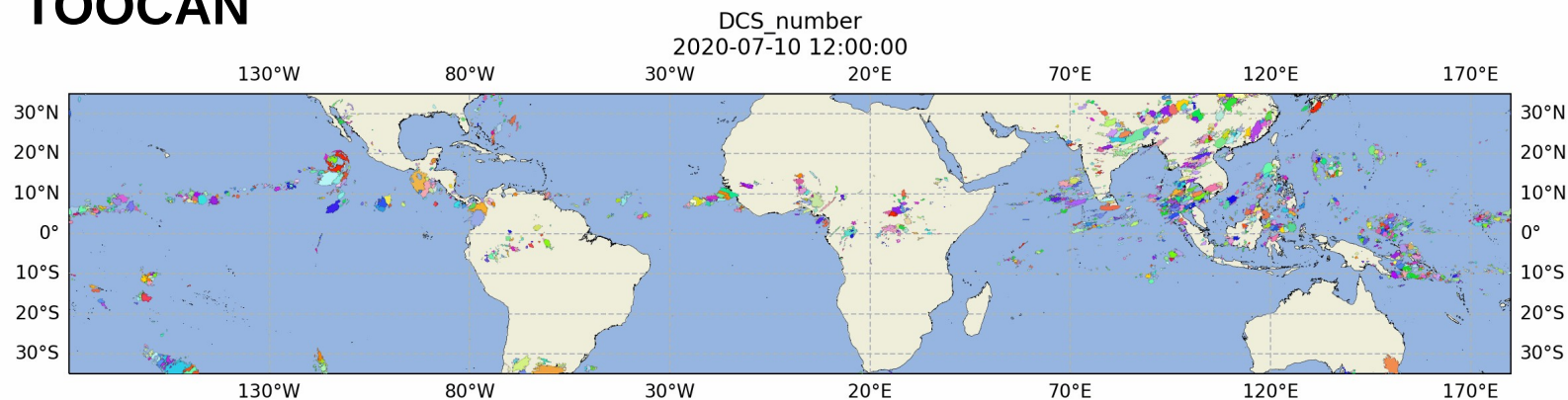
# GDAP Application to Deep Convective Strom tracking

Geo-Ring 0.05°/30min



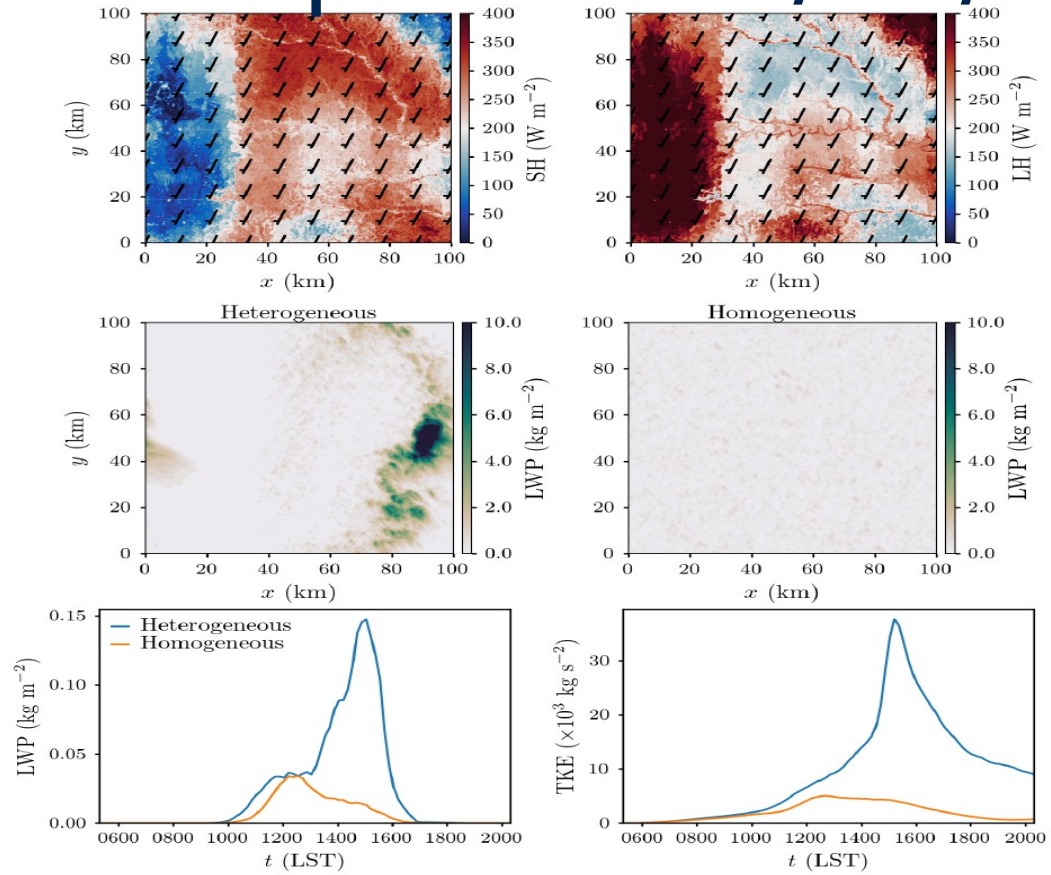
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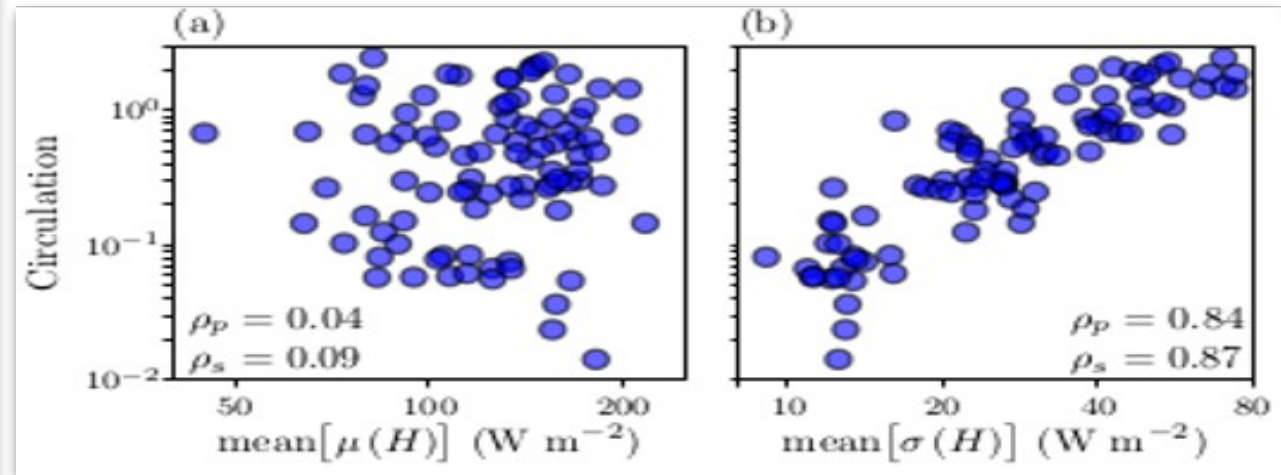
# Large Eddy Simulations over Southern Great Plains site on 92 different shallow convection days (2015-2019)

## Example: 2017/06/27



Simon et al., Heterogeneous Land Surface Effects on TKE and Cloud Formation: Statistical Insights from LES Cases, JGR Atmospheres, Accepted

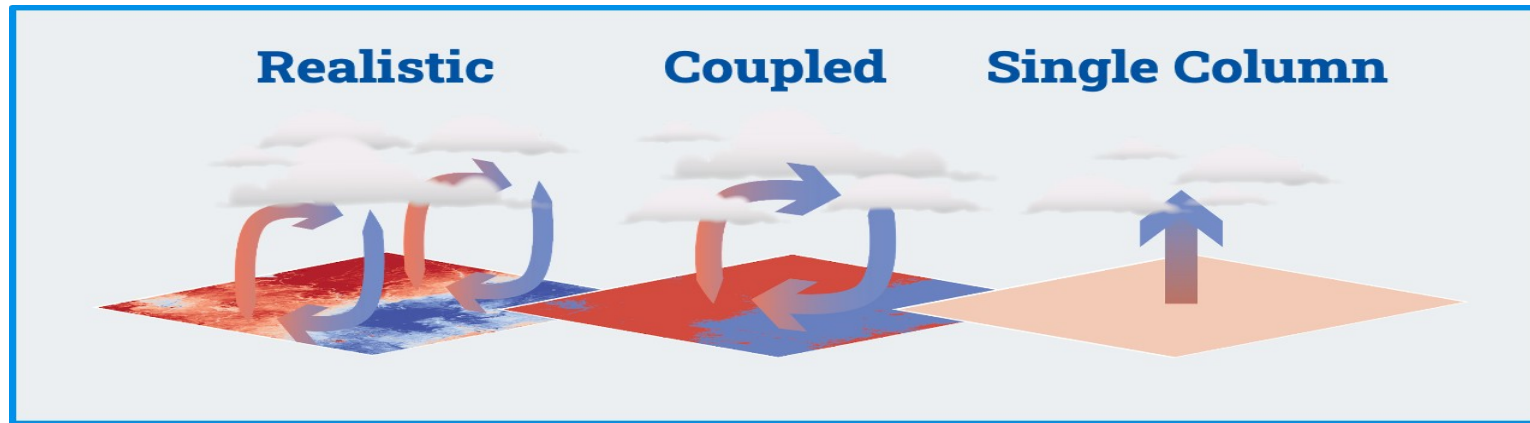
Correlation between spatial mean (and spatial variance) and circulation strength



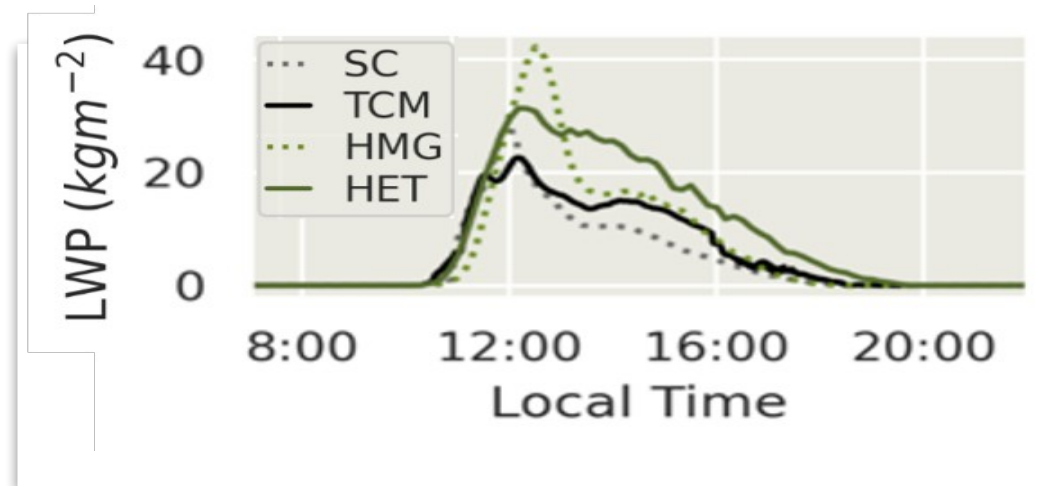
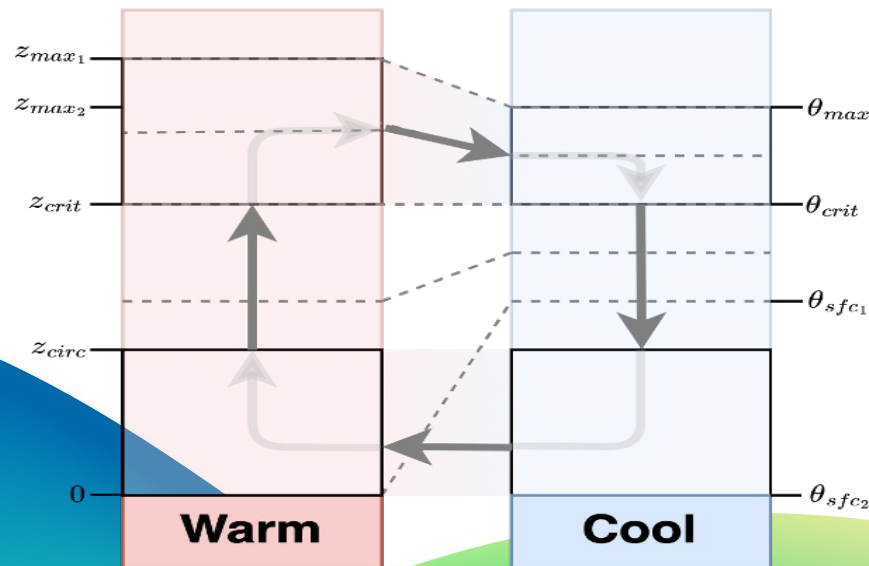
- Spatial variance and characteristic spatial length of surface fluxes plays a key role in cloud development.
- Secondary circulations drive the differences between HMG and HTG. These emerge when the surface is sufficiently “organized”.



# CLASP parameterization: Secondary circulations

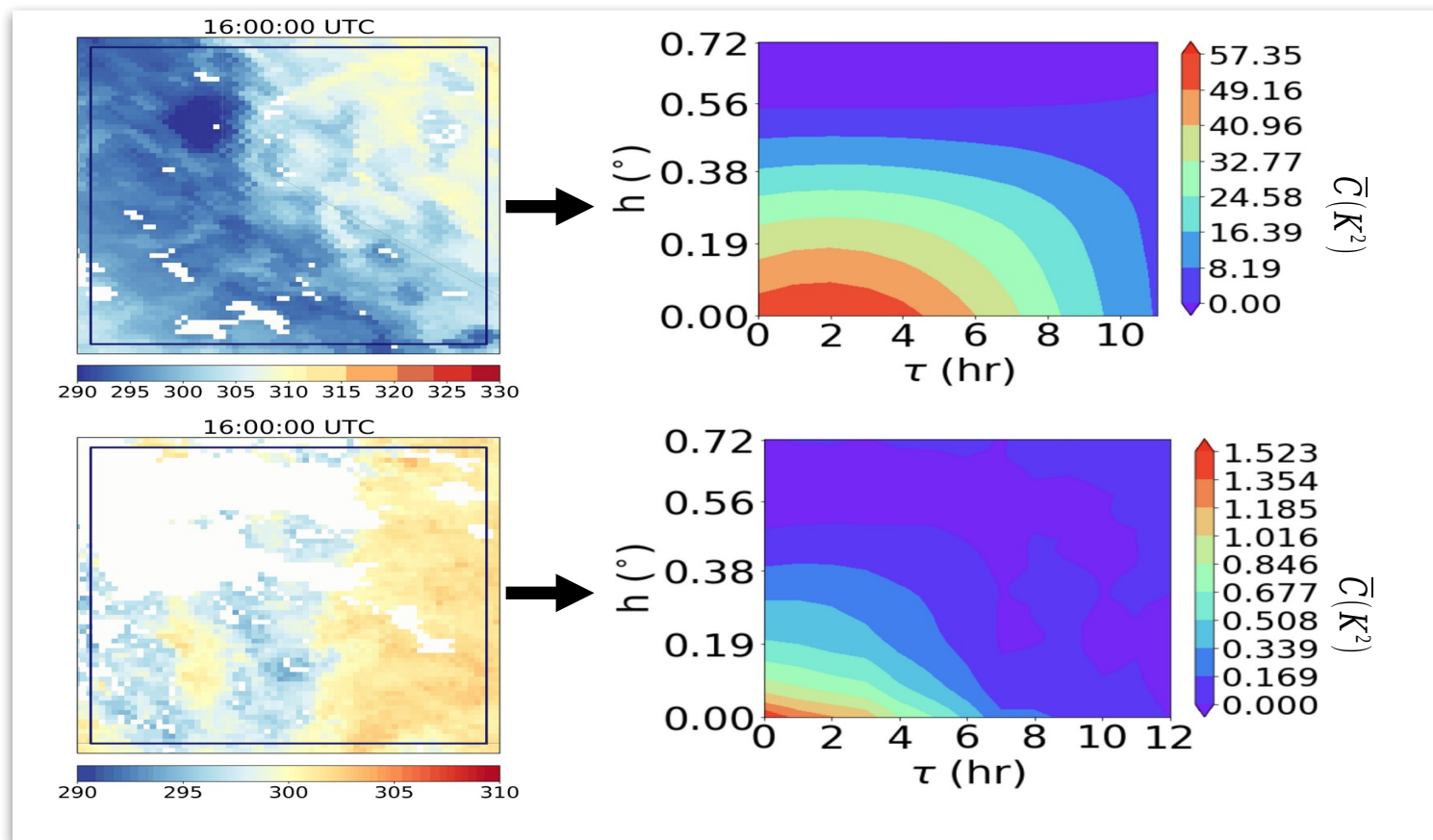


The impact of surface heterogeneities will still need to be parametrized in km-scale ESMS !



# Space-time structure of land surface temperature

- Km-scale simulations rely on robustness of representation of land heterogeneity
- Rarely (if ever) evaluated the sub-grid space-time structure of land surface models
- Space-time covariance enables a tool to summarize the 3D (2D + time) of surface fields (e.g., LST)



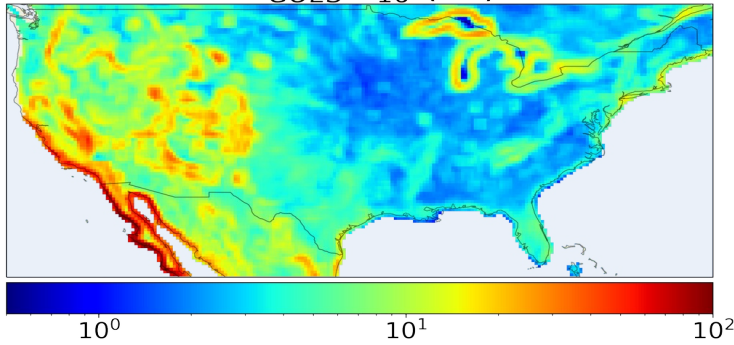
# Evaluating simulated LST space-time structure

$$C(h, \tau) = \sigma^2 e^{-\left(\frac{\tau}{\gamma}\right)^a - \left(\frac{h}{\lambda}\right)^a}$$

Observations

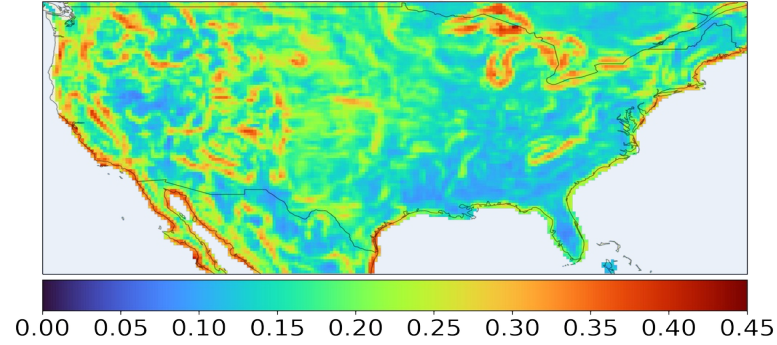
Space-time variance

$\sigma^2_{GOES-16} (K^2)$



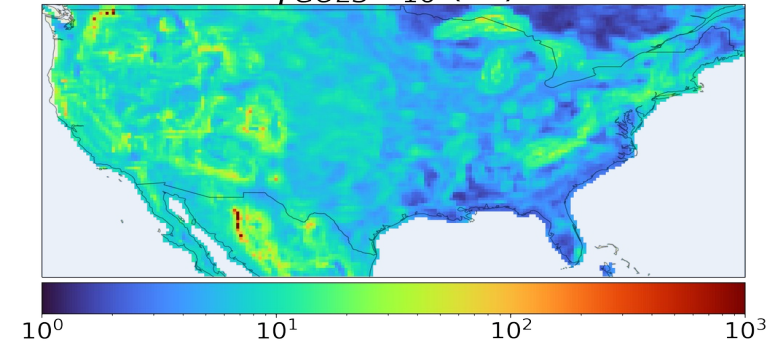
Characteristic spatial scale

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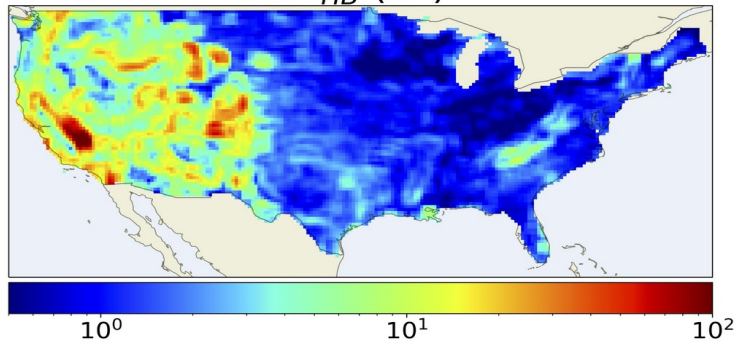
Characteristic time scale

$\gamma_{GOES-16} (hr)$

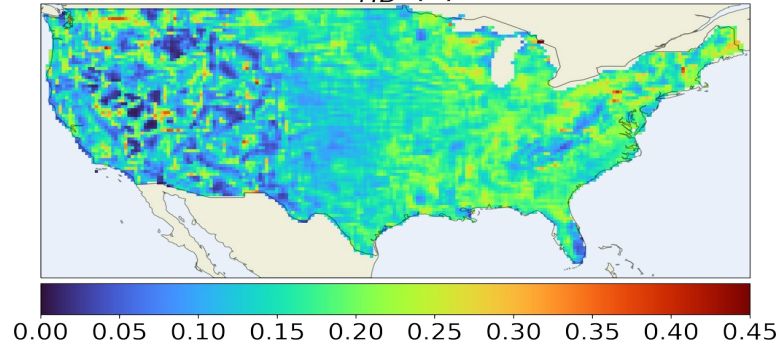


Simulations

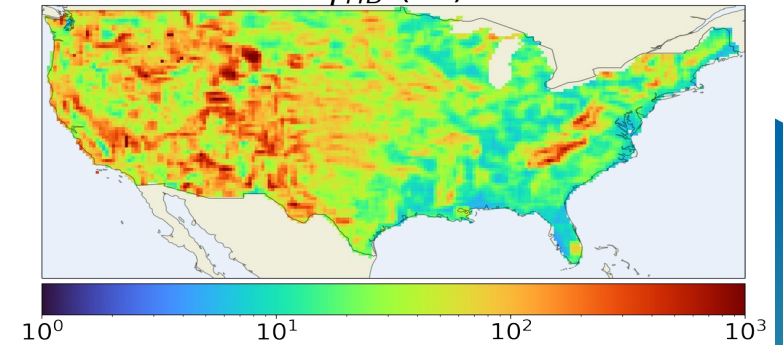
$\sigma^2_{HB} (K^2)$



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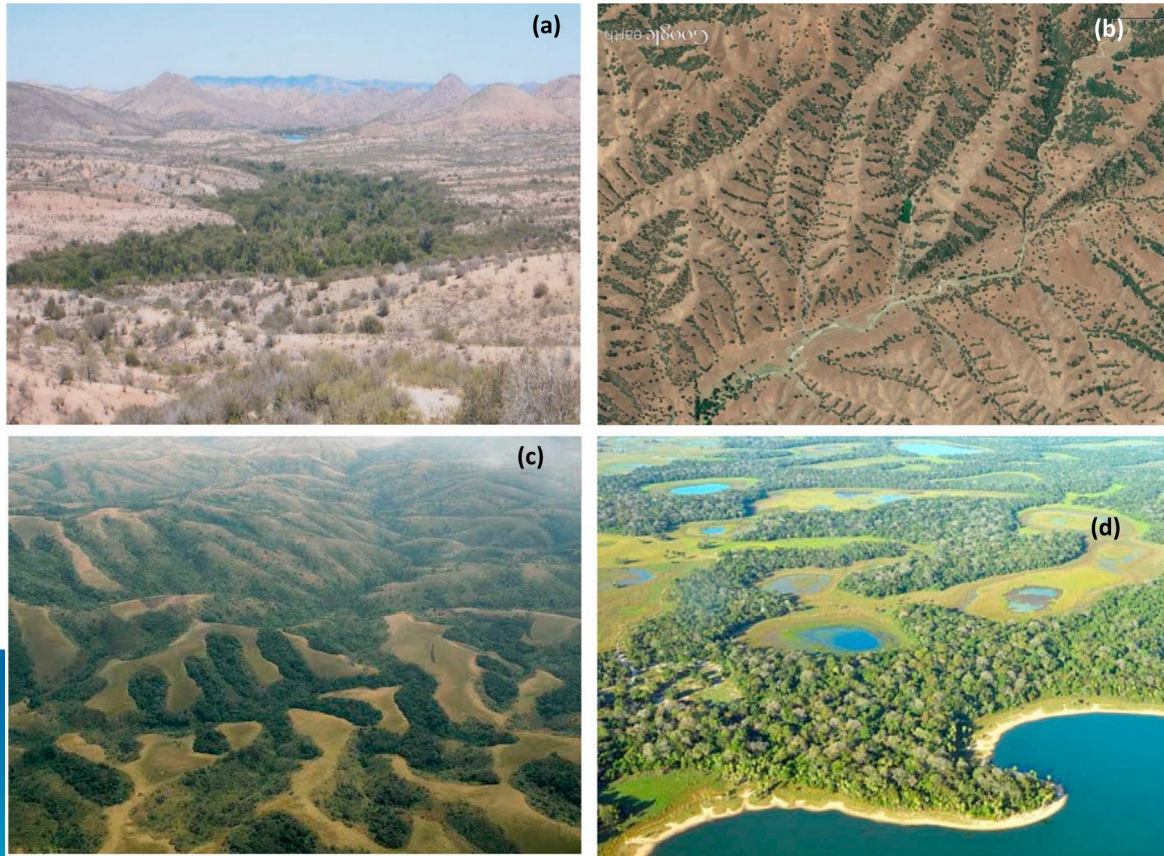


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# It is the water/vegetation interactions which organize the landscapes



- At km-scales the surface heterogeneities are the result of interactions between the hydrology, vegetation and human activities.
- High resolution models will need to predict them in order to generate the observed heterogeneities and PBL circulations.
- GLASS will encourage the land surface modelling community to integrate these processes into their models.
- The impact of these heterogeneities on the atmosphere will be done jointly with GASS.
- This process will be in interaction with Digital Earths to ensure integration into km-scale ESMS (regional & global).

# 9<sup>th</sup> The Global Energy and Water Exchanges Open Scientific Conference



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**7-12 July 2024**  
**Sapporo, Japan**  
**Keio Plaza**  
**Hotel**



- 30 Sessions (29 oral sessions with 372 presentations and 30 poster sessions with approx. 480 presentations)
- 4 stakeholder meetings in parallel. With a strong involvement of GEWEX scientists
- 4-6 July : ECR workshop jointly organized by Hokkaido university, YESS and and H3S (American Geophysical Union (AGU) Hydrology Section Student Subcommittee).
- 7<sup>th</sup> of July : Space agency day with presentations of 8 agencies and round table discussions with ECRs



## GEWEX OSC cont.

### Numbers for the OSC :

- Total number of paid registrations: 792
- Total number of submitted abstracts: 860
- Total number of ECRs: 354
- Total number of travel support requests: 150
- Gender balance : 1/3 general and 1/2 for ECRs

Two “GEWEX Lifetime Contributions”  
will be awarded :



Jack Kay  
(NASA)



Toshio Koike  
(ICARM)

### Plans for future meetings :

- 2025/26 PAN – GEWEX / RHP Conference
- 2026/27 PAN GASS/GLASS Conference
- 2028 10th GEWEX Open Science Conference (South America?)



# Planned products, high-level assessments or other key outputs/publications

## Assessments:

- G-VAPII : Comprehensive assesment of satellite based water vapour products.
- Third assessment of precipitation products
- Earth energy imbalance assessment

## Planned products:

- ISCCP-NG
- Comprehensive datasets from each RHP project (e.g., GWF)
- GRDC and GPCC datasets and BSRN data.

## Key publications:

- Each GEWEX project will produce key publication (e.g., LS4P overview article).

# Linkages with other WCRP activities

- ESMO : High resolution modelling and new data sets. In collaboration with Digital Earth. How can expertise on global observational products be provided to ESMO ?
- RifS : Close links with GHP as we have common regional interests. This also covers our interactions with CORDEX.
- With CLIVAR the joint coordination of the monsoon panel. Some discussions around coastal oceans indicate a new area to explore.
- APARC : The role of monsoons in the climate could be a meeting point.
- CliC : The increasing focus on mountain climate there is a common will to collaborate in some regions : ANDEX, TPE, Alps
- Difficulty to coordinate with other Core Projects as there are too many WCRP activities to monitor.
- Monsoon Panel (MP):
  - We encourage the MP to interact more with GEWEX panels : GASS, GHP, GLASS (?)
  - Some RHPs are relevant to the MP and are on the panel (ANDEX, AsiaPEX)
  - Model inter-comparison could be an action to raise the visibility of the MP.

# Partnerships with entities outside of WCRP

- **WWRP** : Regular exchanges on prediction of water resources in a changing climate :
  - Strong links of our two modelling panels with WGNE.
  - Active collaboration with the InPRHA initiative on flood forecasting.
- **WMO Hydrology** :
  - GEWEX can help the NHS to adapt their water resource management to climate change.
  - Collaboration on the annual state of the global water resources. This would require to operationalize the GSWP effort of GLASS.
  - Evaporation could be a common focus area as it is one of the main challenge for NHSs in a warming climate.



# Suggestions, issues or challenges

- We would like to see more co-construction with the JSC.
- There should be regular meetings between CP-chairs and JSC chairs.
  - On the other hand WCRP activities already takes-up a significant part of the working week for co-chairs !
- The LHAs should be collaboration tools for the CPs :
  - “Digital Earths” plays that role for our collaboration with ESMO.
  - “Explaining and Predicting” also offers a number of collaboration opportunities but no concrete plans yet.
  - “My Climate Risk” has chosen another dynamic. Thus coordination is only possible at the hub level.
  - “Safe Landing” should interact with GEWEX for water resource projections.
  - "Global Precipitation EXperiment" has a close interaction with GEWEX, and links to other CPs.

# Thank You



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