## Catalyzing Innovation in Weather Science: the World Weather Research Programme

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#### WMO OMM

World Meteorological Organization Organisation météorologique mondiale

### The World Weather Research Programme

WMO's mechanism to foster and progress cooperative research for improved weather and environmental prediction services from minutes to months

#### Mission

"The WMO World Weather Research Programme (WWRP) promotes international and interdisciplinary <u>research for more accurate and reliable</u> <u>forecasts from minutes to seasons</u>, expanding the frontiers of weather science to enhance society's resilience to high-impact weather and the <u>value of</u> <u>weather information for users</u>. WWRP aims at Seamless Prediction by increasing convergence between weather, climate and environmental approaches. WWRP <u>strengthens academic – operational partnerships</u> and interdisciplinary collaborations, and enhances <u>the role of Early Career Scientists</u>

### WWRP activities focus on four challenges

High-impact Weather: Toward impact-based forecasts in a variable and changing climate

Urbanization: Research and services for megacities and large urban complexes

#### A guide to catalyze innovation



Water: Modelling and predicting the water cycle for improved disaster risk reduction and resource management

Evolving Technologies: Their impact on science and their use

> SEAMLESS PREDICTION OF THE EARTH SYSTEM FROM MINUTES TO MONTHS



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## **WWRP Action Areas**

#### **Societal Challenges**

HIGH IMPACT WEATHER	WATER	URBANIZATION	NEW TECHNOLOGIES
Action Areas			
Address Limitations Uncertainty Fully Coupled Applications Verification Attribution	Integrated Water Cycle New Observations Precipitation Processes Hydrological Uncertainty	Understand Needs Observations & Processes Urban Prediction	Advanced Methods Support Facilities Tools New Observations Future GOS

#### **Objectives and Concrete Activities**

Each Action Area comes along with a set of objectives. Concrete Activities have been defined that will ensure to achieve the objectives and make progress in the action areas.



### **Three Core Projects**

High Impact Weather Prediction Project Int Coordination Office - China Sub-seasonal to Seasonal Prediction Project Int Coordination Office – South Korea

Polar Prediction Project

Int Coordination Office – Germany



### **WWRP Structure**

## Scientific Oversight & Management

#### Scientific Steering Committee

World Weather Research Division at WMO Secretariat

#### **WWRP Working Groups**

#### **WWRP Core Projects**







### **WWRP Regional Portfolio**



INVOLVING ACADEMIA AND PRIVATE SECTOR

Integrating regional and national needs into iinternational science plans through a continuous interactions with WMO members

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### High-impact Weather: Toward impact-based forecasts in a variable and changing climate



## **Action Areas 1: Address Limitations**

Increase knowledge of the physical and social factors limiting the capability to predict, communicate and mitigate the impacts of high-impact weather events; identify how these limitations can be overcome; demonstrate the resulting improvements for specific high-impact weather events at lead times from minutes to seasons, from global to local, for different users in different parts of the world

- Use diagnostic and verification information to identify capabilities and limitations in predictions of high-impact weather at lead times from minutes to seasons.
- Through targeted research on specific meteorological processes associated with high-impact weather (e.g.convection, surface interactions, etc.) improve understanding of those processes, and where possible develop the observational, algorithmic and numerical capacity to better predict them.



## **Action Areas 1: Address Limitations**

# **EXOTICCA** Observations lead to better representation of Tropical Cyclone PBL in NWP model



## **Action Areas 2: Uncertainty**

Identify, characterize and quantify analysis and forecast uncertainty using advanced probabilistic methods, and develop corresponding data channels and communication mechanisms which support decision-making under uncertainty

- Quantitative descriptions of the uncertainty of the initial state, its evolution forward in time.
- Improve the resolution and reliability of ensemble-based meteorological predictions
- Co-design communication mechanisms of uncertainty with users
- Improved diagnostics and verification tools from highresolution ensembles that assist operational forecasters



## **Action Areas 2: Uncertainty**

#### **Overarching scientific aim of NAWDEX**:

to quantify the effects of diabatic processes on disturbances to the jet stream near North America, their influence on downstream propagation across the North Atlantic, and consequences for high-impact weather in Europe.



### Water: Modelling and predicting the water cycle for improved disaster risk reduction and resource management



## **Action Area 9: Precipitation Processes**

Improve understanding, observation and modelling of aerosol, cloud and water vapour aspects of precipitation processes, with a view to improved estimation and predictions of precipitation

- Develop new/better convective parameterizations for non-convection-permitting models (which remain relevant).
- In collaboration with GAW improve the understanding of aerosol activation in the atmosphere and how this affects radiative forcing of weather and climate & cloud processes
- Make improvements to model physics and related data assimilation for improving rainfall processes



## **Action Areas 9: Precipitation Processes**



The ice-phase microphysical processes are important pathways of particle growth in the outer rainbands where riming contributes significantly to heavy rain.

### **Evolving Technologies:** Their impact on science and their use



## **Action Areas 15: Support Facilities**

Enhance access to services (observations, model output, data collection and pre-processing and global models) that require exceptional HPC and data handling

- Continue to support TIGGE, S2S, and similar data collection efforts, to enable and accelerate research worldwide
- In light of increasing data volumes, develop policies and methods for distributed data archival/ retrieval
- Develop and share (open source) tools and lessons-learned for handling and pre-processing such datasets and developing applications
- Make available to the international community model datasets in formats suitable for post-processing and verification





### New Action Area:

**Extreme-scale computing and data handling** Develop and share methodologies and technologies for the cost-effective production of forecasts and the collection/dissemination of large data volumes with increasingly complex high-resolution prediction systems across all scales.

- Establish scientific methodologies exploring enhanced parallelism and reduced data movement when employing extreme-scale HPC infrastructures.
- Support standardisation of portable code structures and programming models ensuring efficiency and code readability, and exploiting the future range of processor and system-level technologies; including metrics for code testing, performance analysis and benchmarking.
- Design portable data handling frameworks for observational data pre-processing and model output post-processing as well as



product dissemination.

## New Action Area: extreme-scale computing and data handling

- Support open and distributed, cloud-based computing and data management infrastructures dealing with all steps in the forecast production workflow, including easy access, information discovery and visualization for end-users.
- Support adaptation of artificial intelligence methods (e.g. deep learning) to facilitate increasingly diverse observational data processing, user-dependent information extraction from increasingly complex model output data, and development of surrogate model components reducing computational cost.
- Establish capacity building and training at the interface between applied science and computational science to facilitate uptake of new technologies and methodologies by community.





Five priorities for weather and climate research Science Summit key outcomes (Nature, vol 552, Dec 2017)

More than 100 experts and more than 50 countries met in Geneva last October for the Science Summit and CAS-17 session, discussing

and agreeing on five priorities:

- 1. Deliver Science for Services
- 2. Build Seamless Models
- 3. Improve Infrastructure
- 4. Nurture a Diverse Workforce
- 5. Build New Partnerships



becoming a landmark in moving Earth System science forwards.

Modes of collecting and delivering weather and climate information are evolving.

Business and non-profit organizations are increasingly supplying weather and climate services. Data now stem from a broader range of sources, such as mobile-phone apps and smart devices.



#### SCIENCE FOR SERVICES JOURNEY





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