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High-resolution climate forcing data & sensitivity experiments

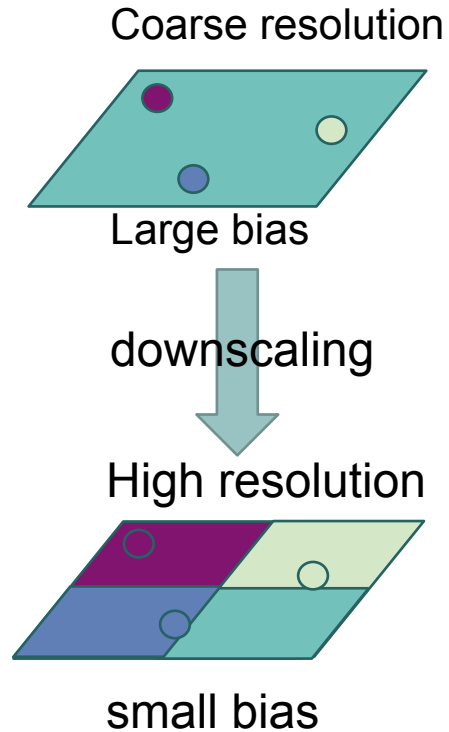
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- **High-resolution climate forcing data**
 - What is available for ISIMIP3, and how is the performance of the high-resolution data?
- **High-resolution climate forcing sensitivity experiments (TG 1.7)**
 - Overview & first results



High-resolution climate forcing data

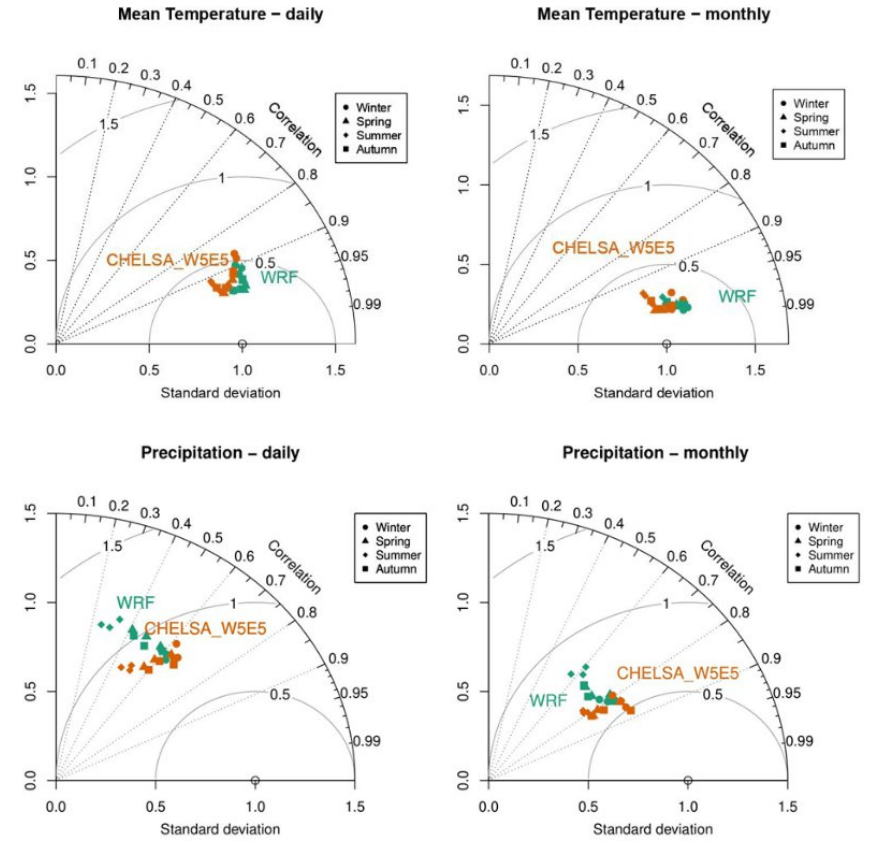
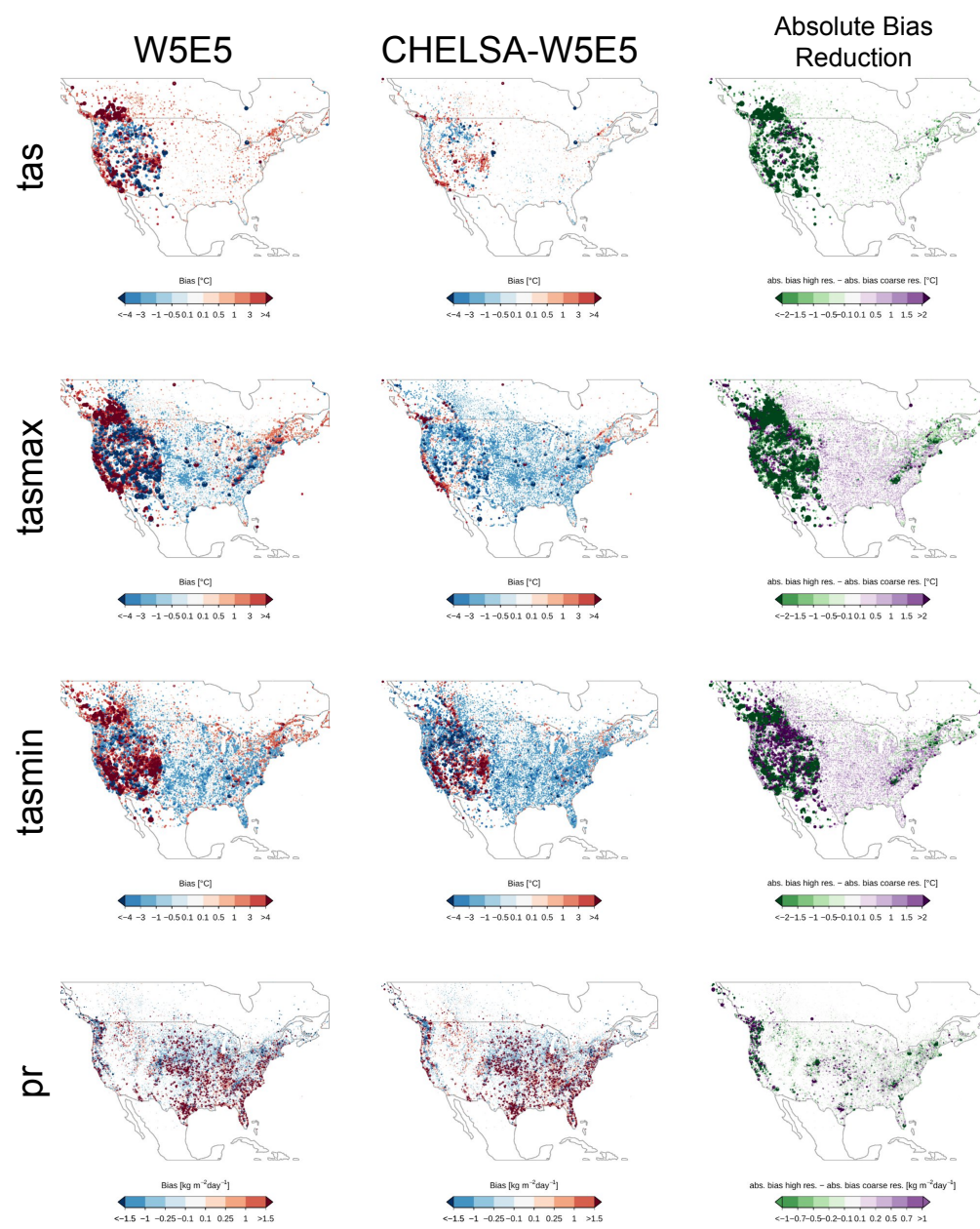
What is available for ISIMIP3?



- Daily precipitation, solar radiation, minimum/maximum/mean temperature
- 30'' / 90'' / 300'' / 1800''
- Historical period (1979 – 2016)
- Download via ISIMIP data portal (<https://data.isimip.org/search/query/chelsa/>)

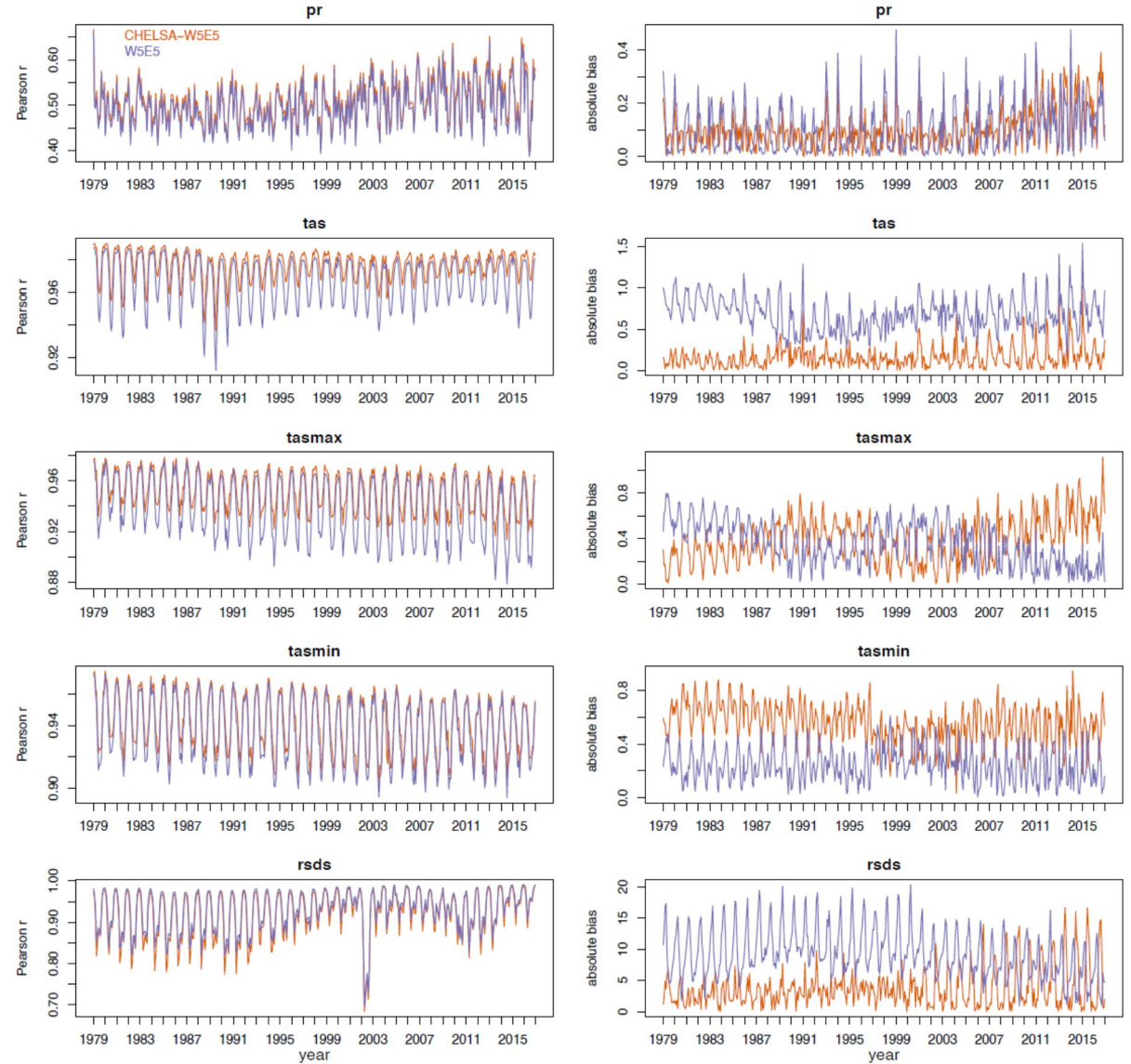


- Highest bias reduction in topographically heterogeneous terrain
- No real effect over flat terrain
- Minimum temperature downscaling not always reliable
- Similar accuracy compared to WRF



Comparison with GHCN-D

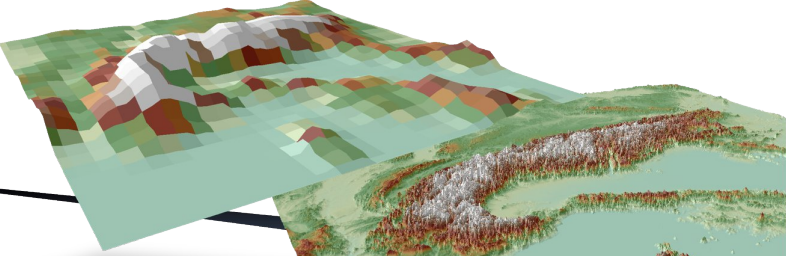
- Correlation usually higher for the highres data, except for rsds
- tasmx and tasmin have various shifts in bias (stations?)
- rsds has lower bias in the highres data



High-resolution climate forcing sensitivity experiments

Adohris - Advantages of downscaling climate to high resolution for climate change impact studies

What are the effects of spatial scale in climate change impact models?



Forcing data

Protocol

3D-CMCC-FEM
(Coupled Model for Carbon Cycle)
BioGeoChemical - BioPhysical
Forest Ecosystem Model

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WATER MODEL
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LAND SURFACE MODEL

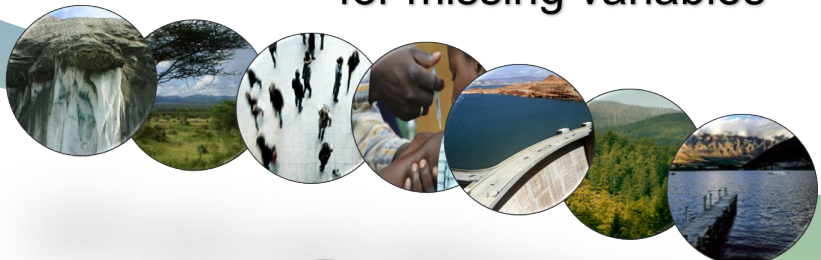
SWIM
Soil and Water Integrated Model

Dynamic
Hydrological Model
Carbon Allocation and Growth
Water and Soil Carbon Dynamics

Participating models...

Scripting environment for missing variables

High-resolution sensitivity 1km
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CORDEX agricultural forestry water_global water_regional
High-resolution sensitivity 3km
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High-resolution sensitivity 10km
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... from 7 different sectors



First results!

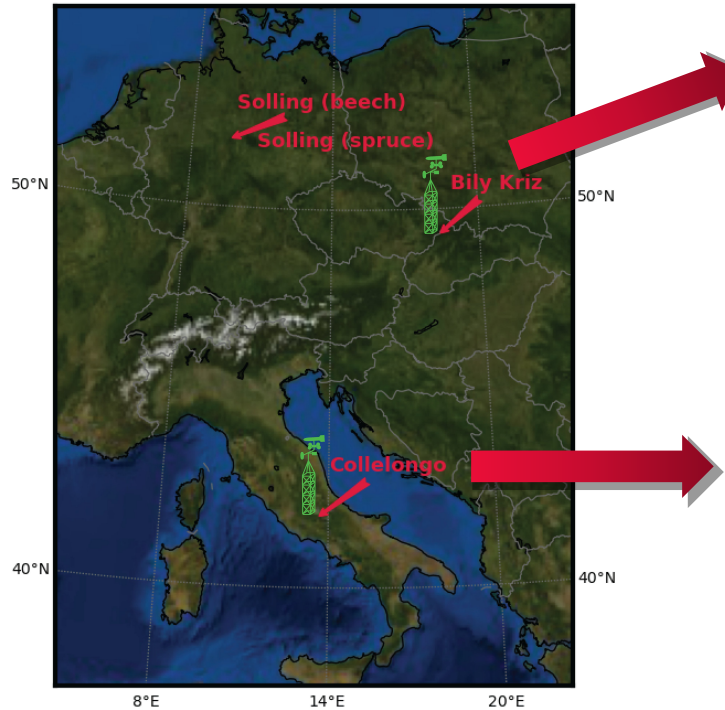
You can still join with your sector and model!

Analysis and paper writing

► Inform future ISIMIP decisions

High-resolution climate forcing sensitivity experiments

First Results



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	Gross primary productivity				Actual evapotranspiration			
	60km	10km	3km	1km	60km	10km	3km	1km
4C	1.88	1.55	1.32	1.44	4.19	4.20	4.22	4.21
3pgnbw	1.48	1.25	1.22	1.20	-	-	-	-
3pghydro	3.10	4.11	4.47	4.67	4.19	4.10	4.05	4.06
3D CMCC FEM	1.29	1.22	1.14	1.21	4.22	4.24	4.26	4.25
Biome-BGCMuSo 6.2	3.13	2.67	2.27	2.41	4.09	4.07	4.09	4.07
Biome-BGCMuSo 7.0	3.35	2.99	2.82	2.94	4.08	4.02	4.01	4.00
ensemble mean	2.37	2.30	2.21	2.31	4.15	4.13	4.13	4.12

norm. MSD

Collelongo

	Gross primary productivity				Actual evapotranspiration			
	60km	10km	3km	1km	60km	10km	3km	1km
4C	1.18	1.07	1.06	1.02	3.84	3.76	3.75	3.69
3pgnbw	1.64	1.40	1.53	1.30	-	-	-	-
3pghydro	3.09	2.83	3.06	2.44	4.10	4.14	4.13	4.15
3D CMCC FEM	1.63	1.43	1.50	1.26	3.97	3.92	3.90	3.85
Biome-BGCMuSo 6.2	1.71	1.65	1.91	1.84	4.11	4.10	4.09	4.09
Biome-BGCMuSo 7.0	1.05	1.00	1.05	0.99	4.10	4.09	4.09	4.03
ensemble mean	1.72	1.56	1.69	1.48	4.02	4.00	3.99	3.96

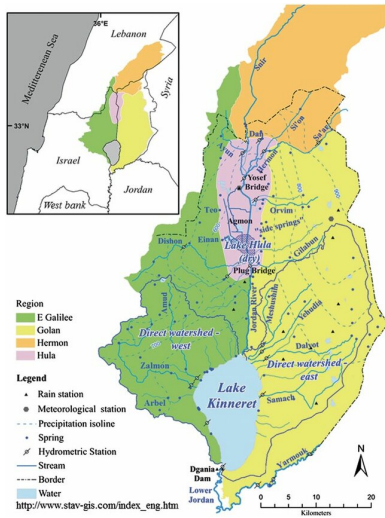
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- Similar results between 3km and 1km
- Collelongo located in more complex terrain
 - larger improvement in climate forcing resolution
 - larger effects for forest impact models



High-resolution climate forcing sensitivity experiments

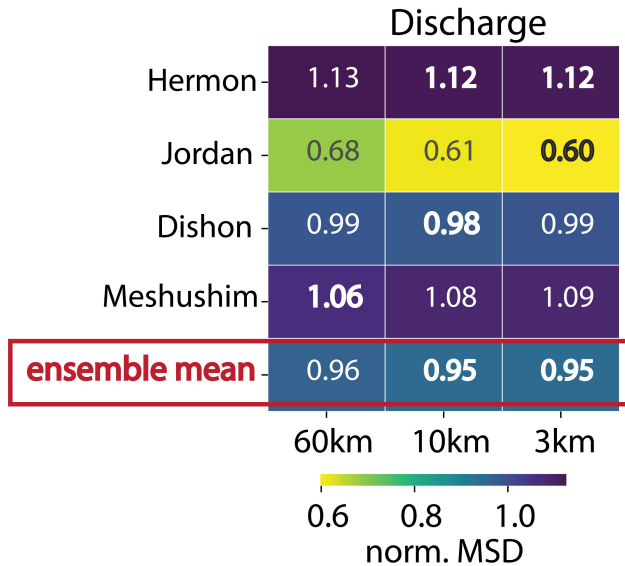
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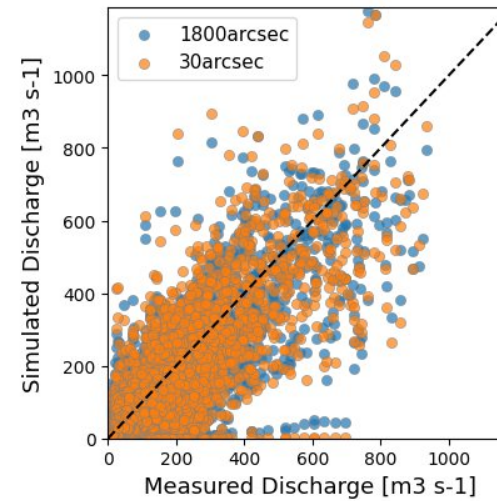
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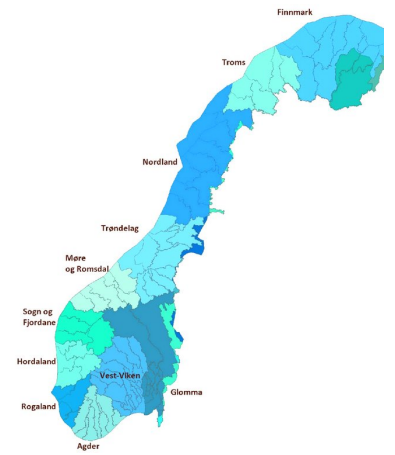
SWAT Soil & Water Assessment Tool



- Small improvements with resolution



	60km	1km
RMSE	10.69	10.14
MAE	4.11	3.75
MSD	0.40	0.36



Source: <http://www.vannportalen.no/org/anisering/vannregioner/>.

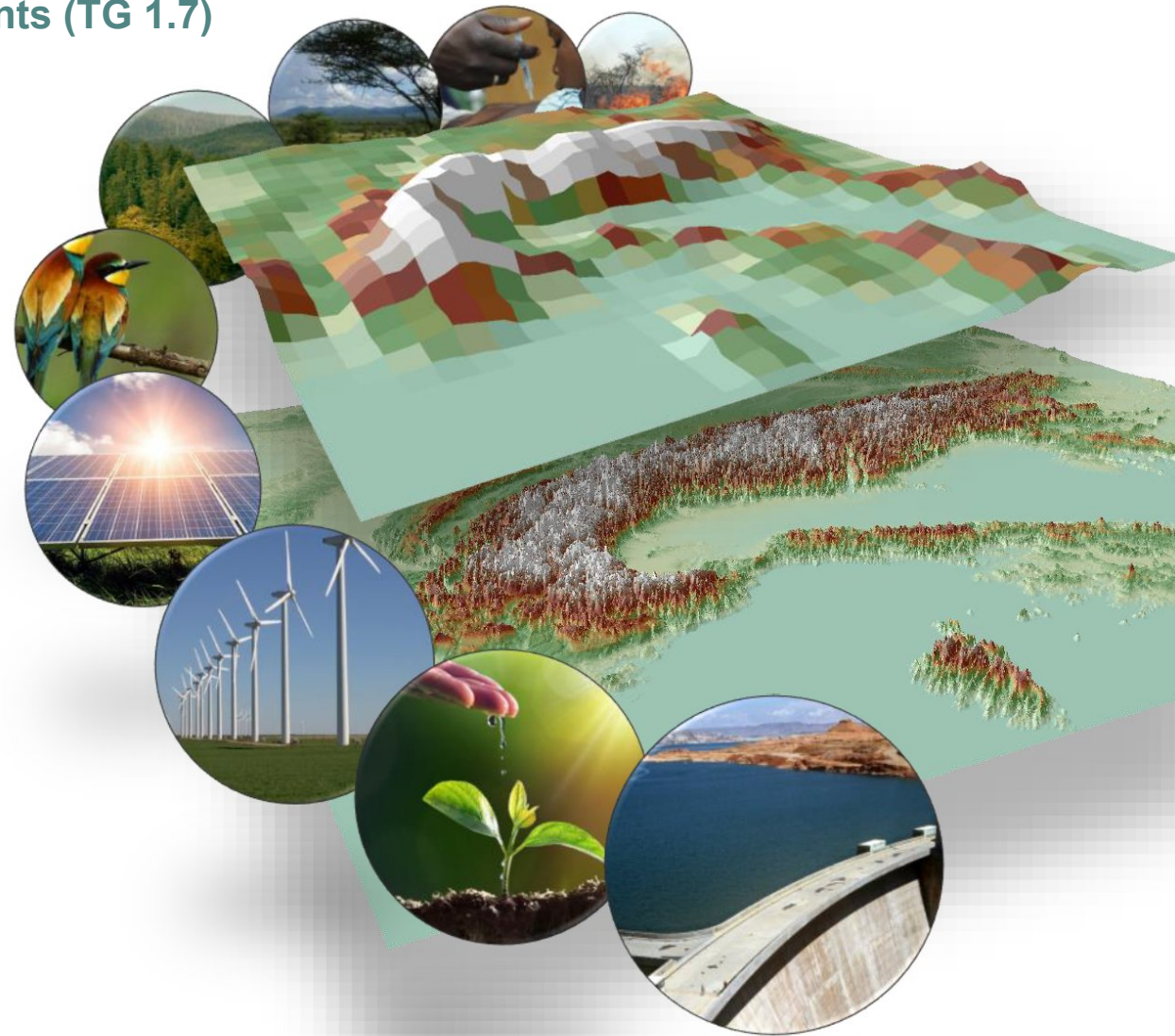


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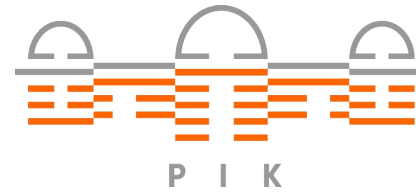
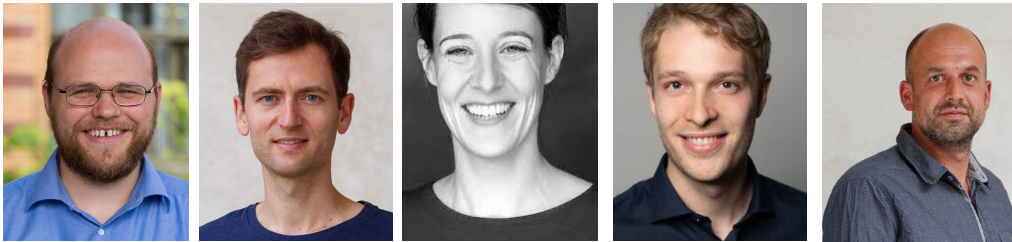
**Break out session this afternoon (15:30 – 17:30):
ISIMIP High resolution climate forcing data and experiments (TG 1.7)**

- **High-resolution forcing data**
 - Current development status, where are we headed?
 - Additional cloud-based applications for CHELSA-ISIMIP3 data?
 - Missing variables, other high-resolution data (LUC)
- **Overview and progress of the high-resolution sensitivity experiments (ADOHRIS project)**
 - How can I still join with my sector and model?
 - Discussions of first results
 - Paper planning

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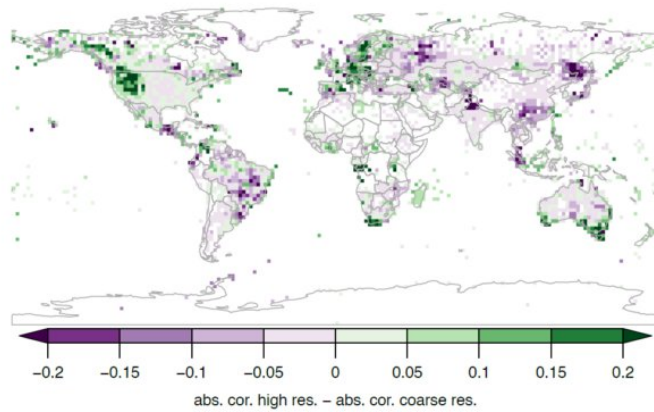
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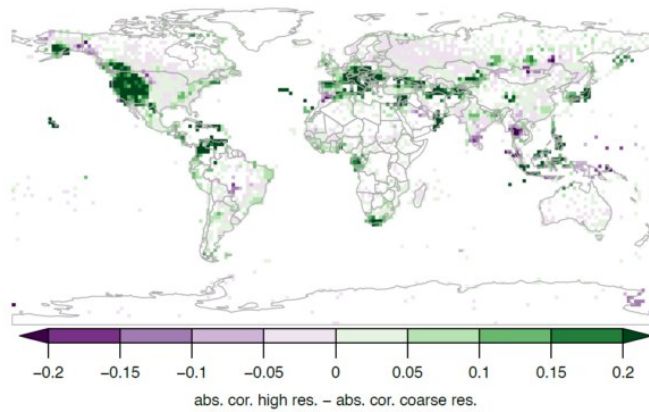
High-resolution climate forcing data

Absolute differences between coarse (W5E5 0.5°) and high-resolution (30arcsec) CHELSA data

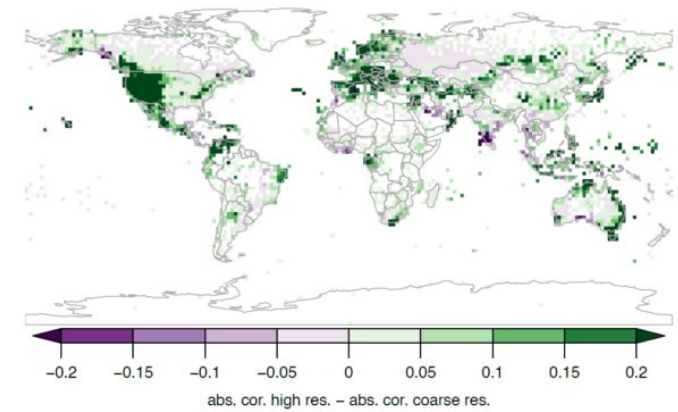
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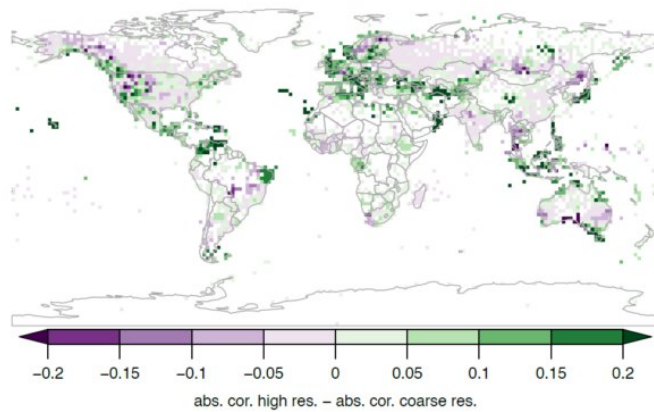
Mean Daily 2m Air-Temperature



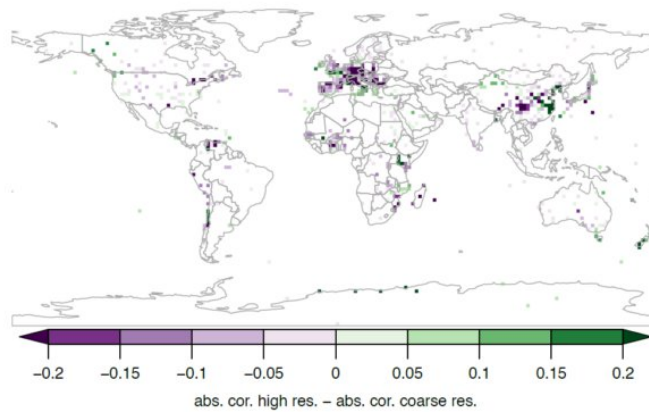
Maximum Daily 2m Air-Temperature



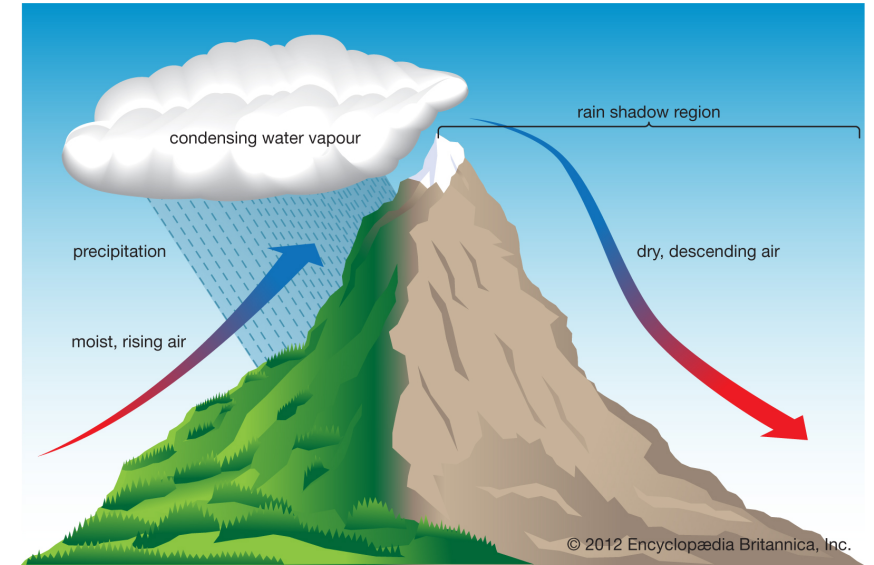
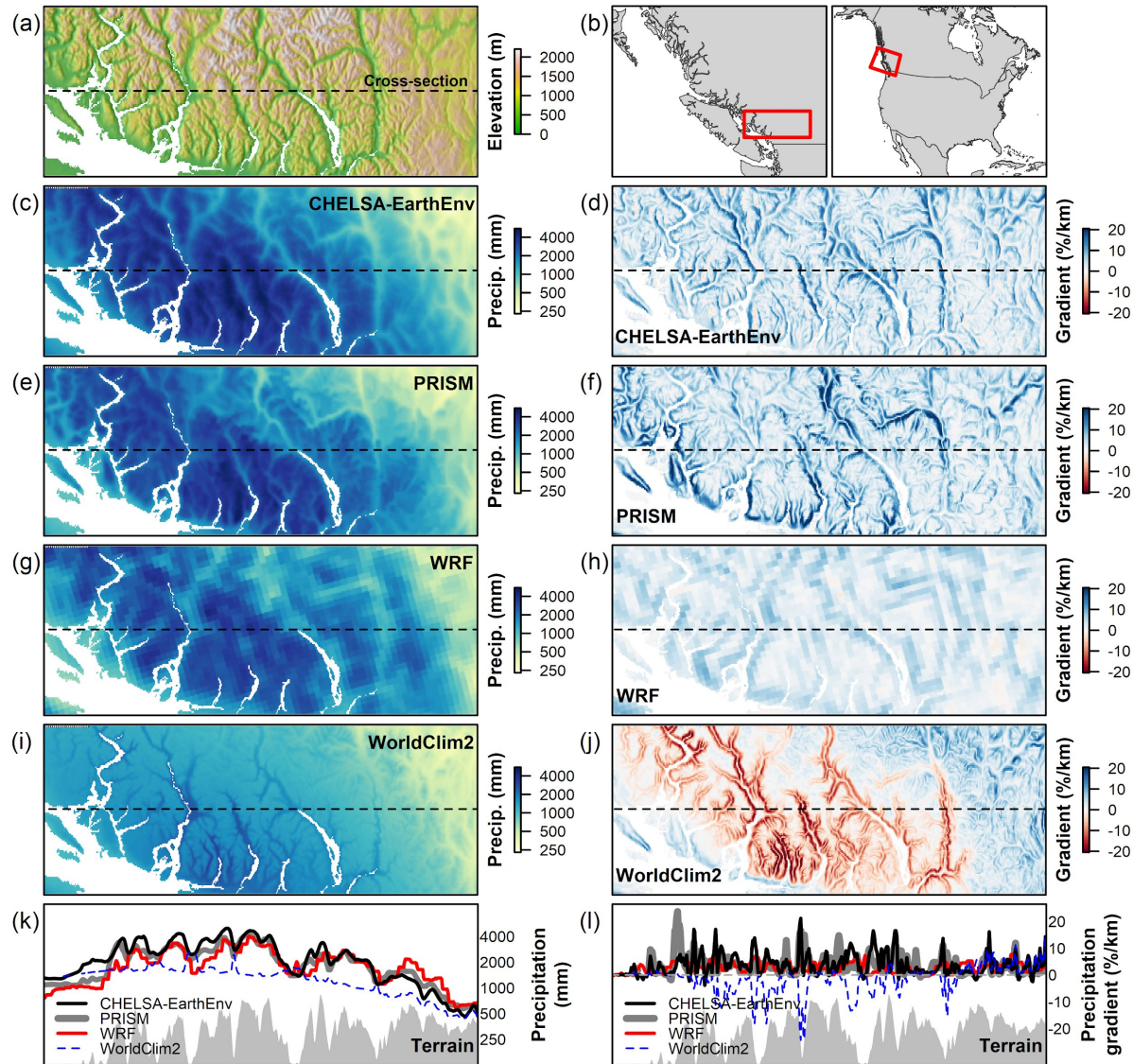
Minimum Daily 2m Air-Temperature



Downwelling Shortwave Solar Radiation



Comparison to other high resolution products



- Better representation of orographic rain effects
- >100 x faster than a numerical model, but not a complete representation of all processes
- Avoids problems of pure statistical interpolations based on stations