Introduction to Climate Projections Guidance

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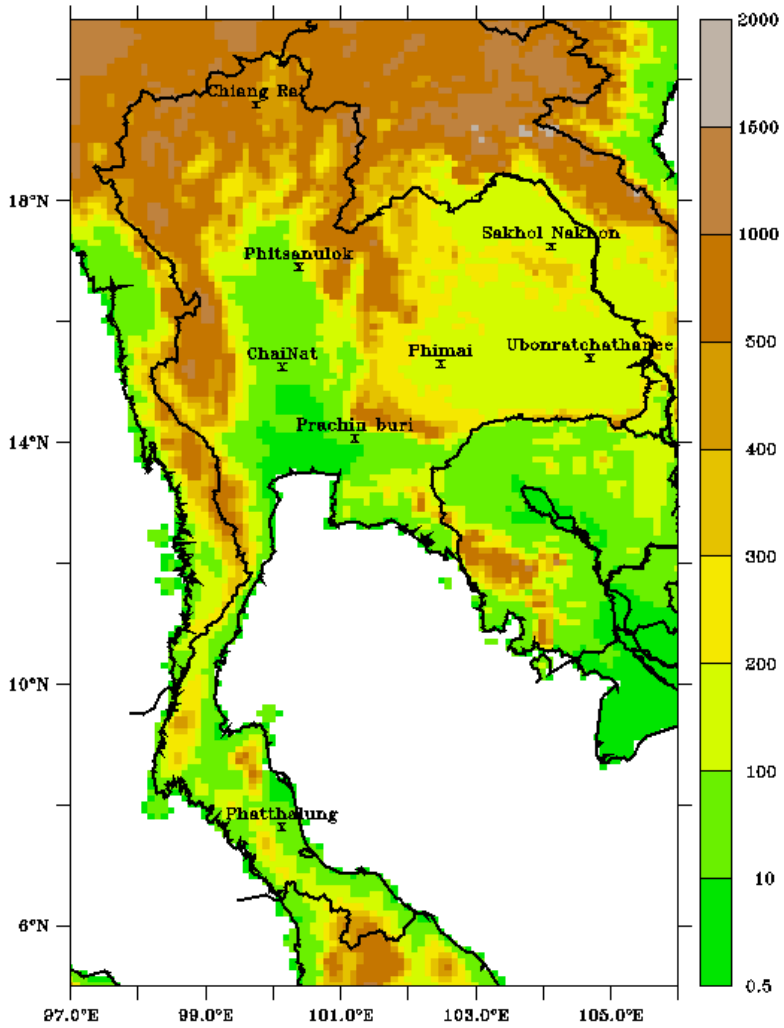
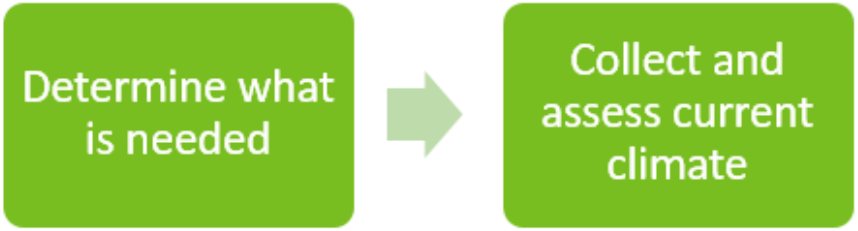
Overall guidelines for using climate information/projections

- Decide **what is needed/important** for assessment
- Collect and **evaluate current climate** information
  - Assess the **natural variability**
- Decide on **time and space scales** needed for projections
- Collect and **evaluate current climate** simulations
- Use **range of** climate projection **scenarios**
  - Ideally assess a ‘median’, ‘best-case’ and ‘worst-case’ projection
- Do we need to **application-ready** projections?
- **Assess confidence and uncertainty of projections**

Determine what is needed

Rice Model needs daily:
Tmax,
Tmin,
Rainfall and
Solar Radiation




Determine what is needed
Collect and assess current climate

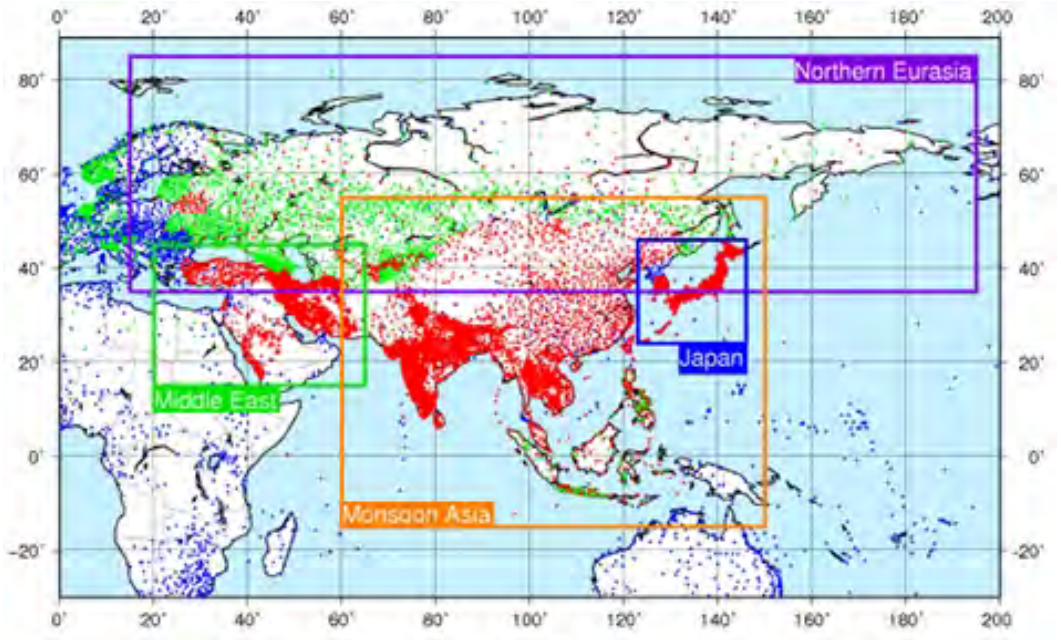
Example of gridded data

APHRODITE: Asian Precipitation - Highly-Resolved Observational Data Integration Towards Evaluation of Water Resources

Years of Record: 1951/01 to 2007/12

Type of data product: Gridded rainfall and temperature from obs

Institution and PI: University of Tsukuba, Japan Meteorological Agency/ Akiyo Yatagai



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Name	Domain	Resolution	Period
Monsoon Asia (MA)	60°E-150°E, 15°S-55°N	0.5° and 0.25°, daily	1951-2007
Middle East (ME)	20°E-65°E, 15°N-45°N		
Russia (RU)	15°E-165°W, 34°N-84°N		

Current version, with Rain/Snow discrimination: V1101R2 Download »Readme

Name	Domain	Resolution	Period
Monsoon Asia (MA)	60°E-150°E, 15°S-55°N	0.5° and 0.25°, daily	1961-2007

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Name	Domain	Resolution	Period
Monsoon Asia (MA)	60°E-150°E, 15°S-55°N	0.5° and 0.25°, daily	1961-2007

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Name	Domain	Resolution	Period
Japan (JP) (Kamiguchi et al. 2010, 2011)	123°E-146°E, 24°N-46°N	0.05°, daily	1900-2011

http://www.chikyu.ac.jp/precip/index.html

APHRODITE evaluation

https://climatedataguide.ucar.edu)

Key Strengths:

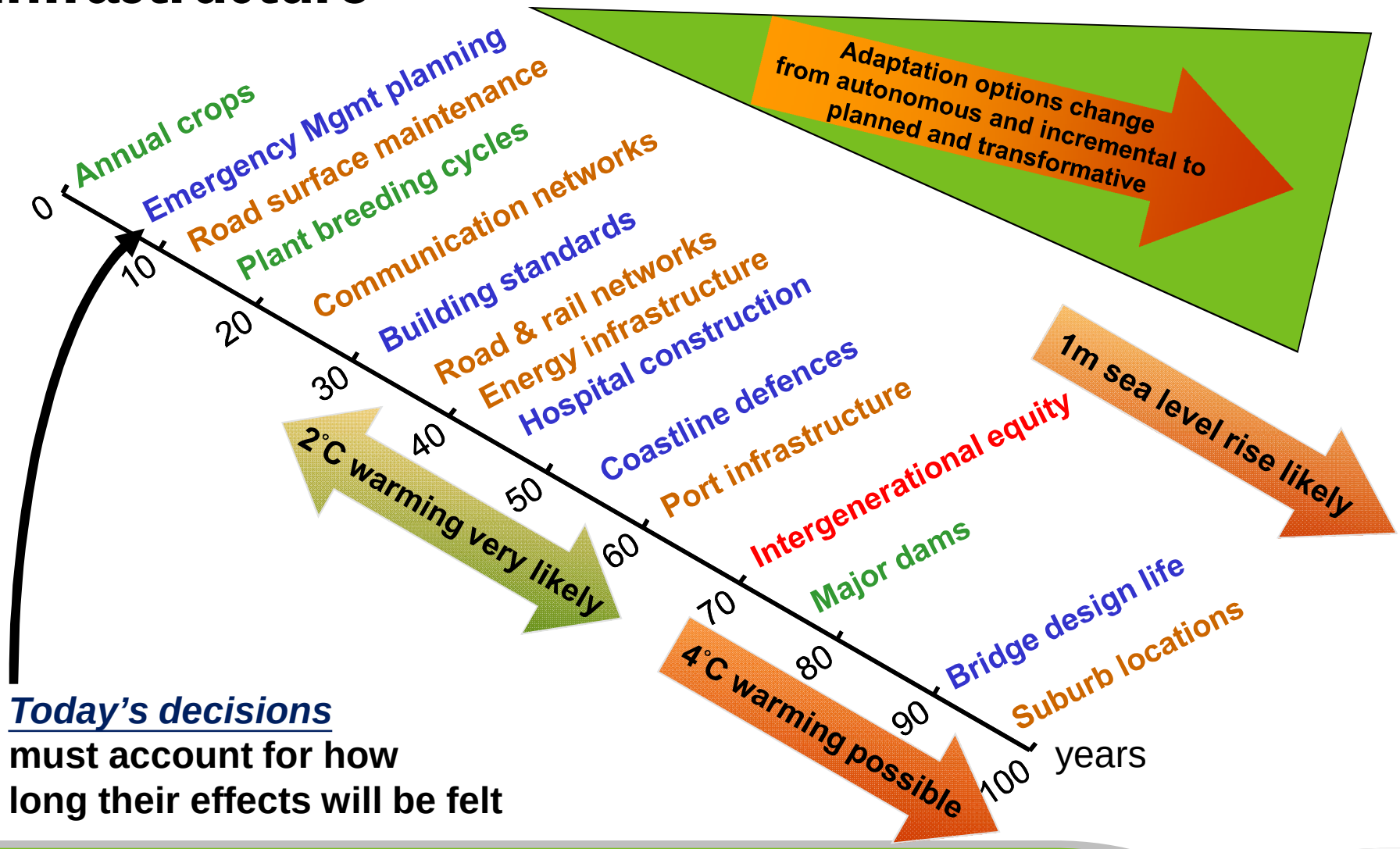
- High density and quality station network.

Key Limitations:

- Station network changes with time and season.
- We do not homogenize the observed time series of temperature data. Changes in gauges, location of the stations, and many other factors might cause discontinuity of observation data.
- Lack of observation data (in India, Indonesia and Papua New Guinea)

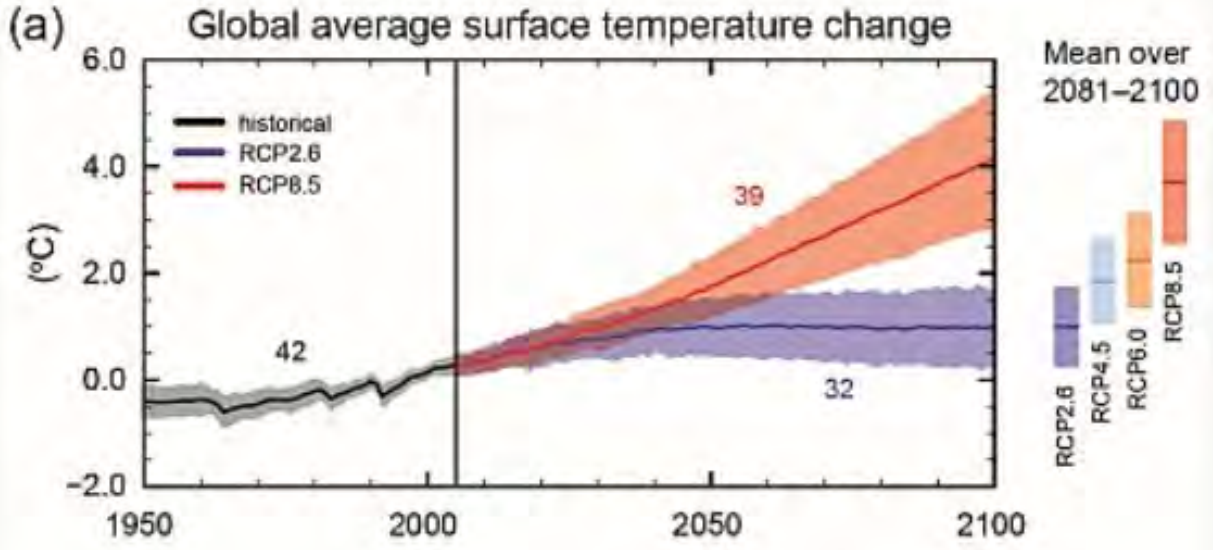

Determine what is needed
Collect and assess current climate
Decide on space and timescale required

Timescales for detailed adaptation planning for infrastructure



Stafford Smith et al, *PhilTransRoySoc* 2011 (after Jones & McInnes 2004)

Determine what is needed → Collect and assess current climate → Decide on space and timescale required → Select scenario



CMIP5 multi-model simulated time series from 1950 to 2100 for change in global annual mean surface temperature relative to 1986–2005. SOURCE: IPCC 2013

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Select scenario → Source projections data

Determine what is needed

Collect and assess current climate

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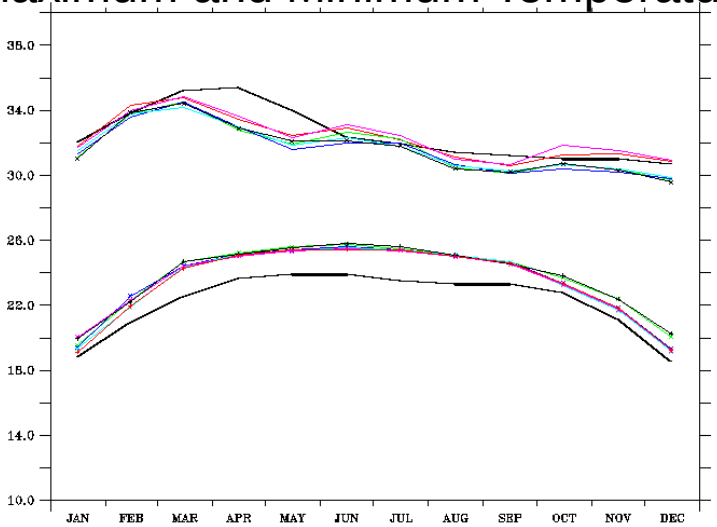
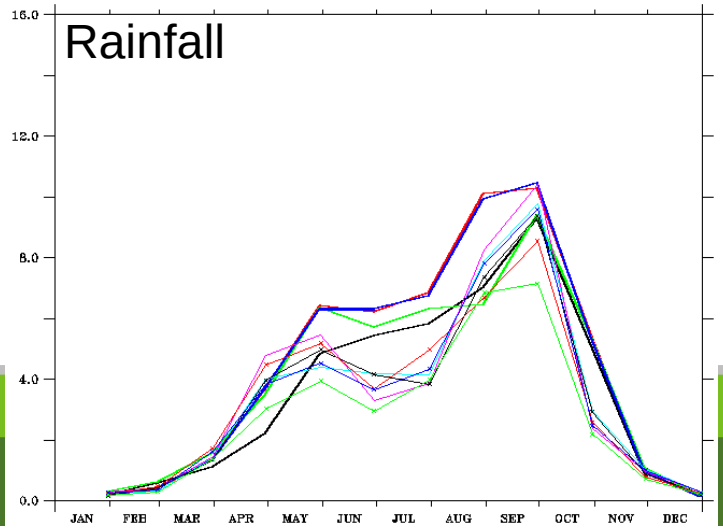
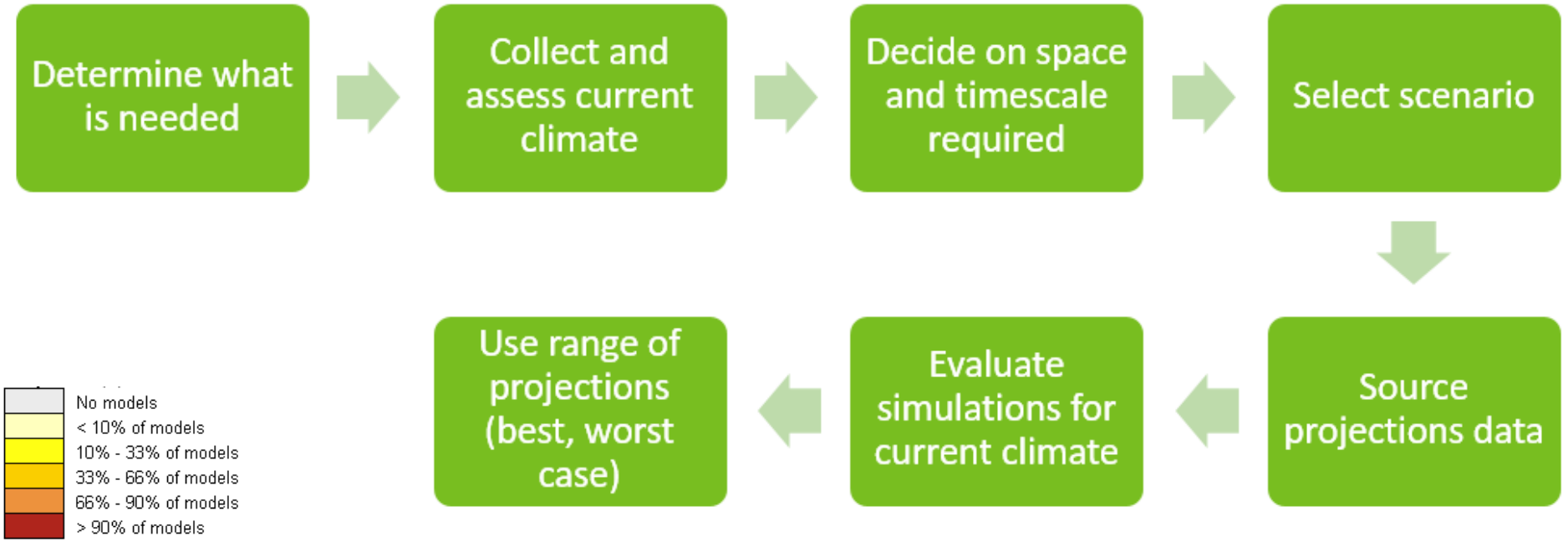
Source projections data

Evaluate simulations for current climate

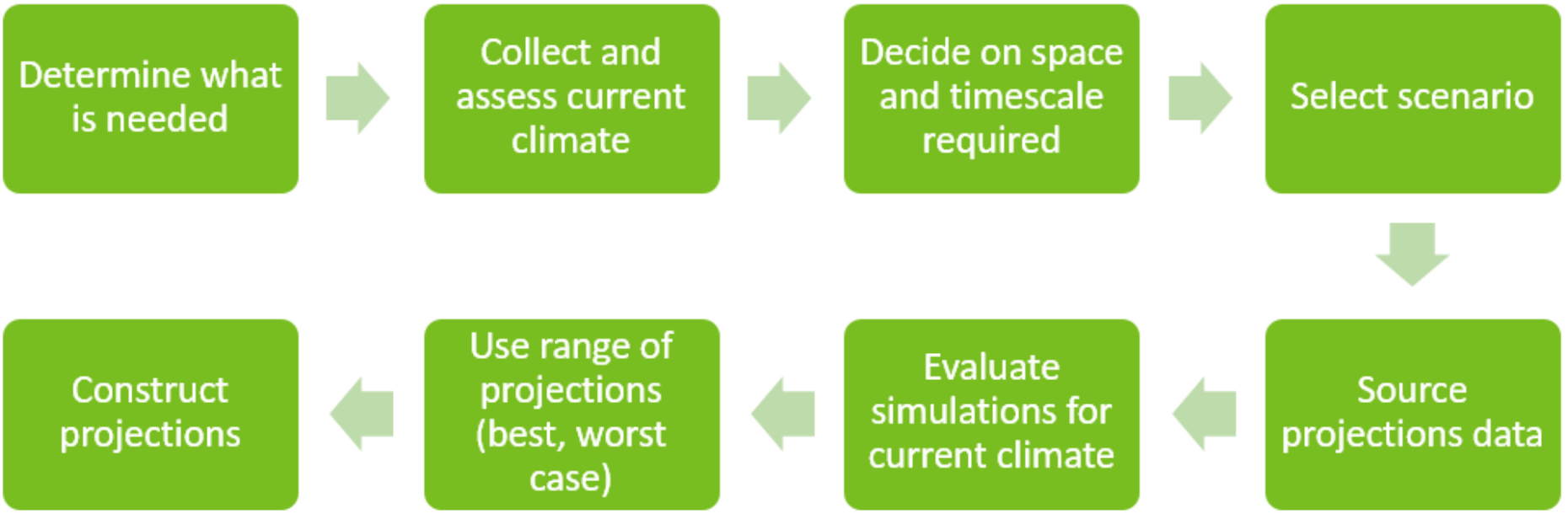
Maximum and Minimum Temperatures







		Surface Temperature - Annual (° C)			
		Slightly Warmer < 0.50	Warmer 0.50 to 1.50	Hotter 1.50 to 3.00	Much Hotter > 3.00
Rainfall - Annual (% change)	Much Drier < -15.00			Likelihood: 12 of 24 models (50%) Most Likely	Likelihood: 1 of 24 models (4%) Worst case
	Drier -15.00 to -5.00			Likelihood: 6 of 24 models (25%)	Likelihood: 2 of 24 models (8%)
	Little Change -5.00 to 5.00		Likelihood: 1 of 24 models (4%)	Likelihood: 1 of 24 models (4%)	
	Wetter 5.00 to 15.00			Likelihood: 1 of 24 models (4%) Best case	
	Much Wetter > 15.00				



Need to consider

1) Format
2) Calculate indices

Determine what is needed

Collect and assess current climate

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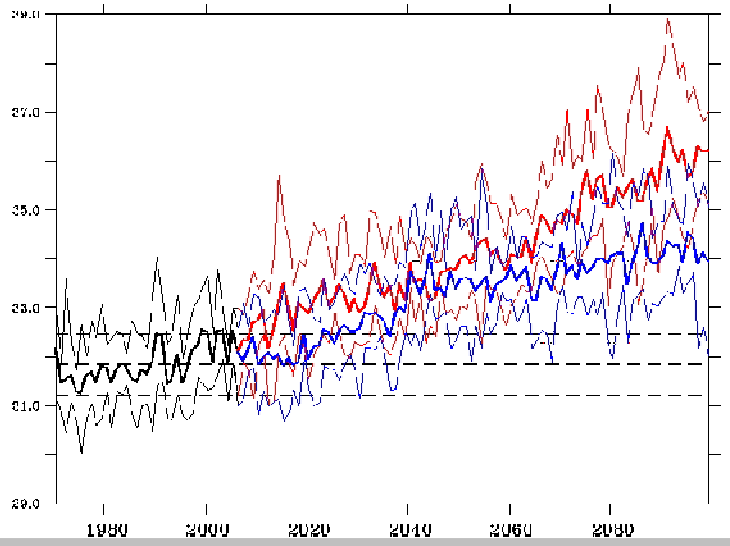
Source projections data

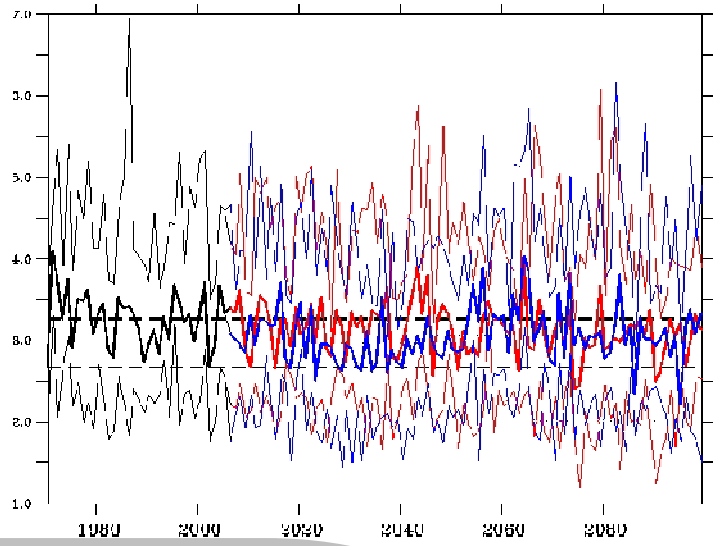
Evaluate simulations for current climate

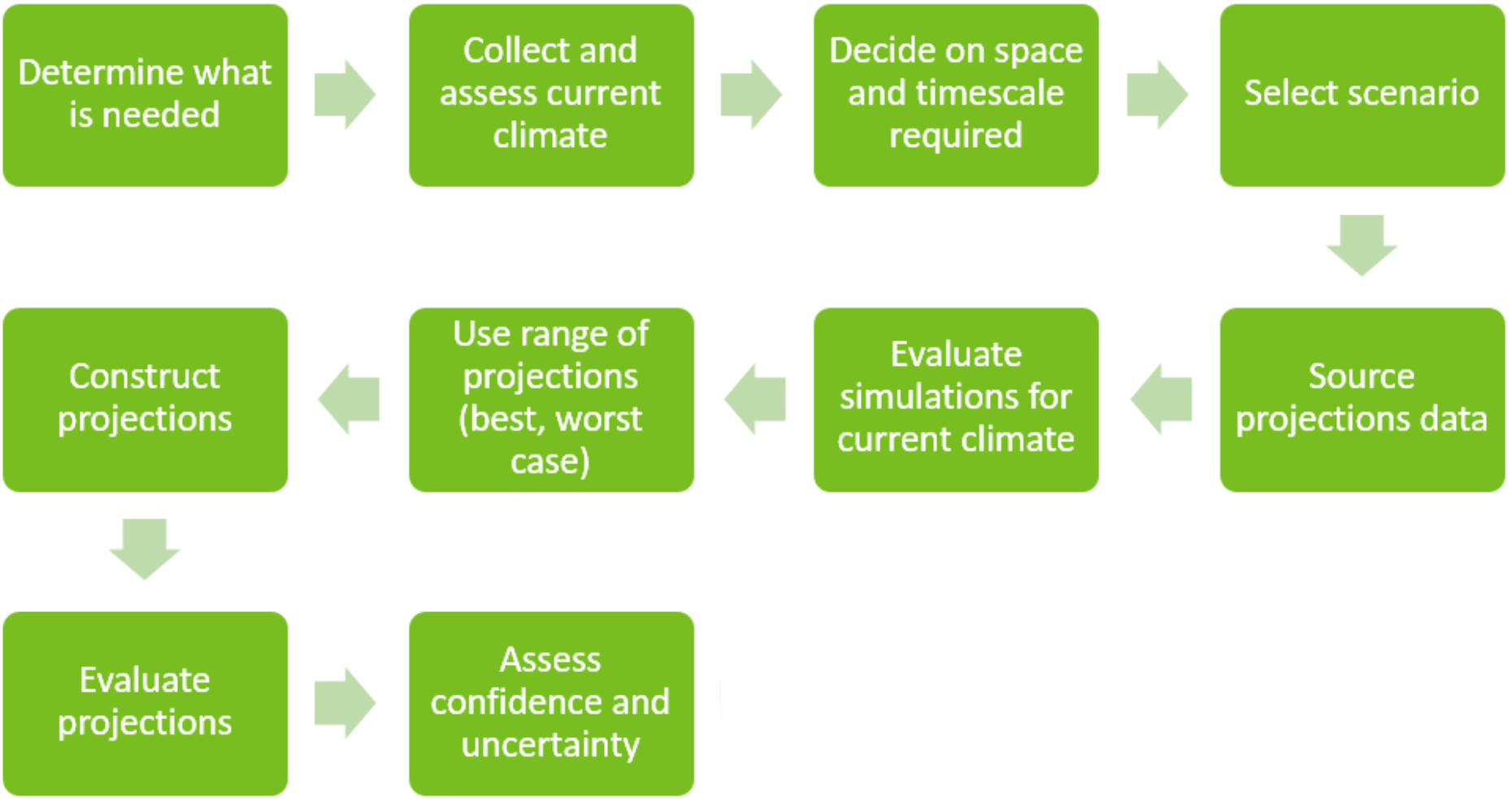
Use range of projections (best, worst case)

Construct projections

Evaluate projections



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Evaluate simulations for current climate
Use range of projections (best, worst case)
Construct projections
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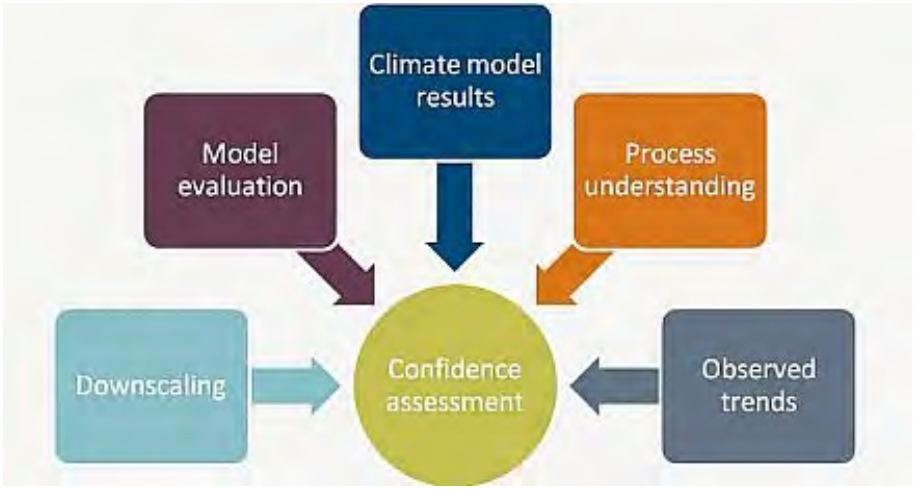
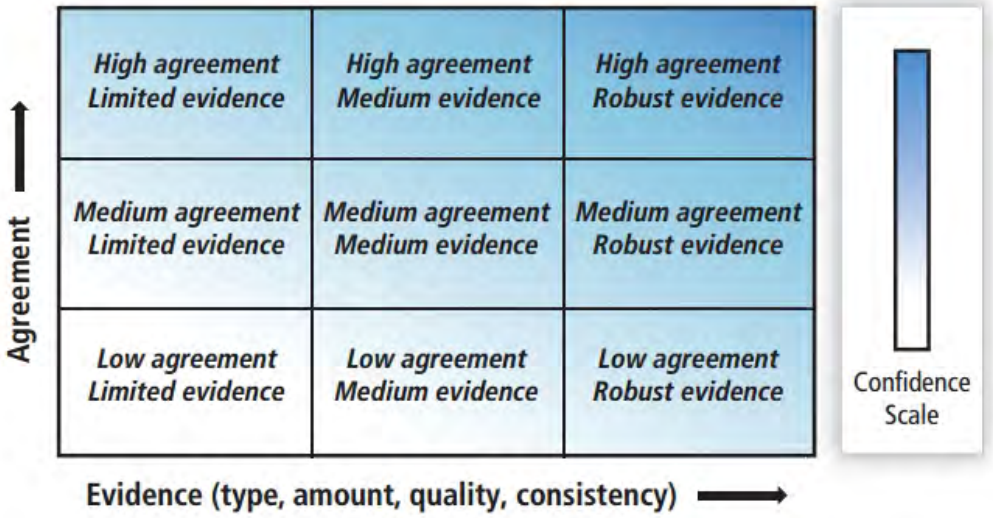
Assess confidence and uncertainty

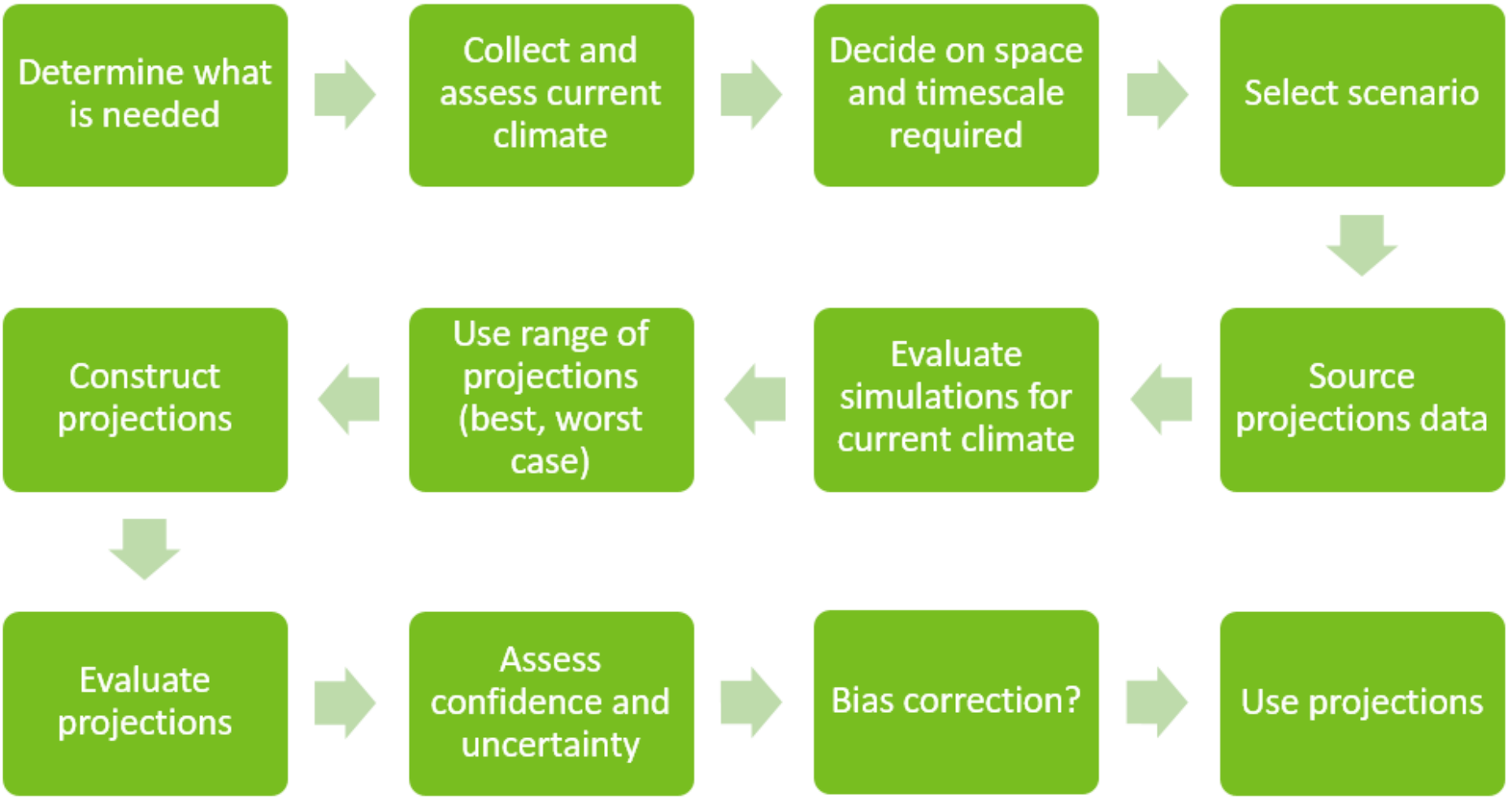
Uncertainty and confidence in projections





Five lines of evidence to consider when assessing confidence in projections

IPCC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Collect and assess current climate
Decide on space and timescale required
Select scenario
Source projections data
Evaluate simulations for current climate
Use range of projections (best, worst case)
Construct projections
Evaluate projections
Assess confidence and uncertainty
Bias correction?
Use projections

Thank you

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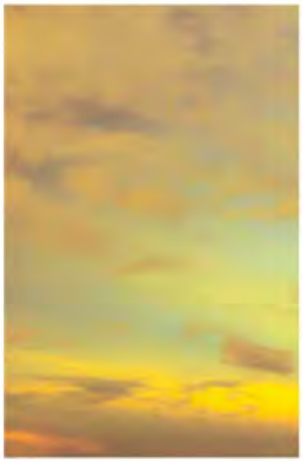
Regional Climate Projections Consortium and Data Facility for Asia and the Pacific

Use of climate services in Asia and the Pacific is challenged by limited reliable climate information, insufficient capacity to interpret and use climate information, and limited technical and financial resources.

The Regional Climate Projections Consortium and Data Facility (RCCDF) will develop a community of practice to provide this in a cost-effective and sustainable manner through capacity building. The RCCDF project[1] will address these challenges by providing:

1. Access to climate information.
2. Guidelines and examples for conducting impacts and vulnerability assessments.
3. Knowledge sharing and learning.



RCCDF GOALS:

- Adopt best practices for adaptation planning
- Support learning by doing
- Develop in-country capacity for using climate information in impacts and vulnerability assessments
- Implement and support the portal (an online resource with links to data and information)
- Increase collaboration on assessment of common regional climate impacts

THE RCCDF WILL PROVIDE ACCESS TO:

- Available current and future climate information
- Guidelines on how to develop, interpret and use climate information
- An online web interface (portal) to provide access to the guidelines, learning materials and other related services.

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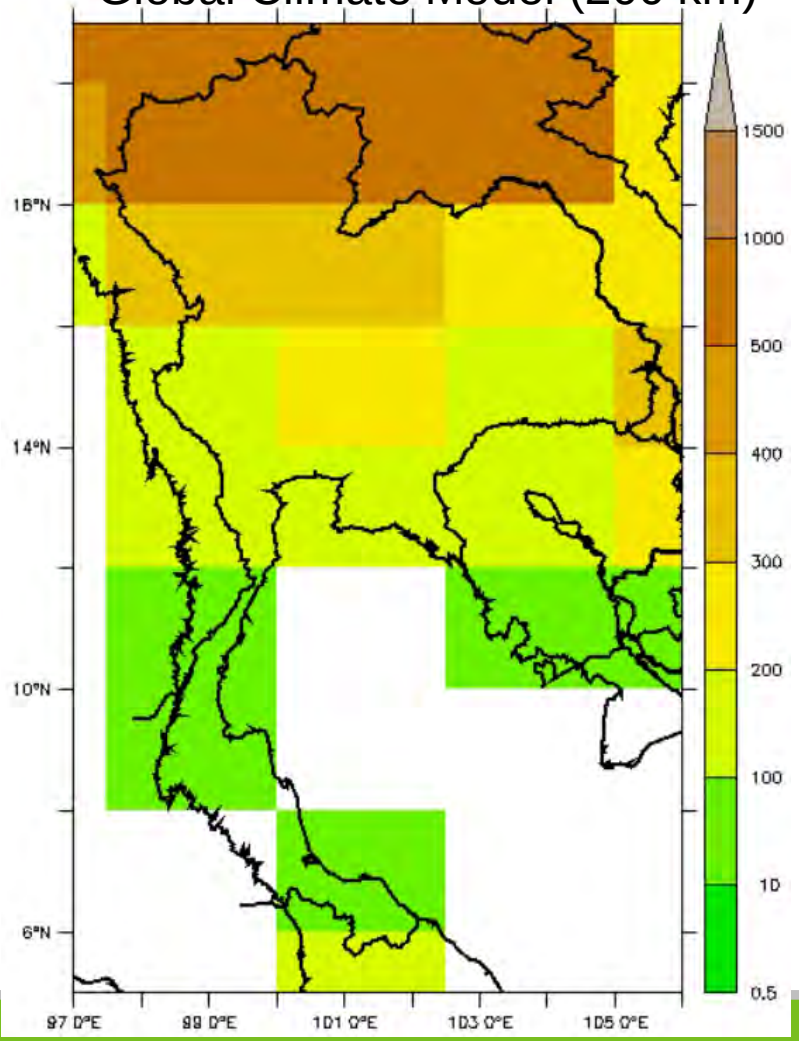
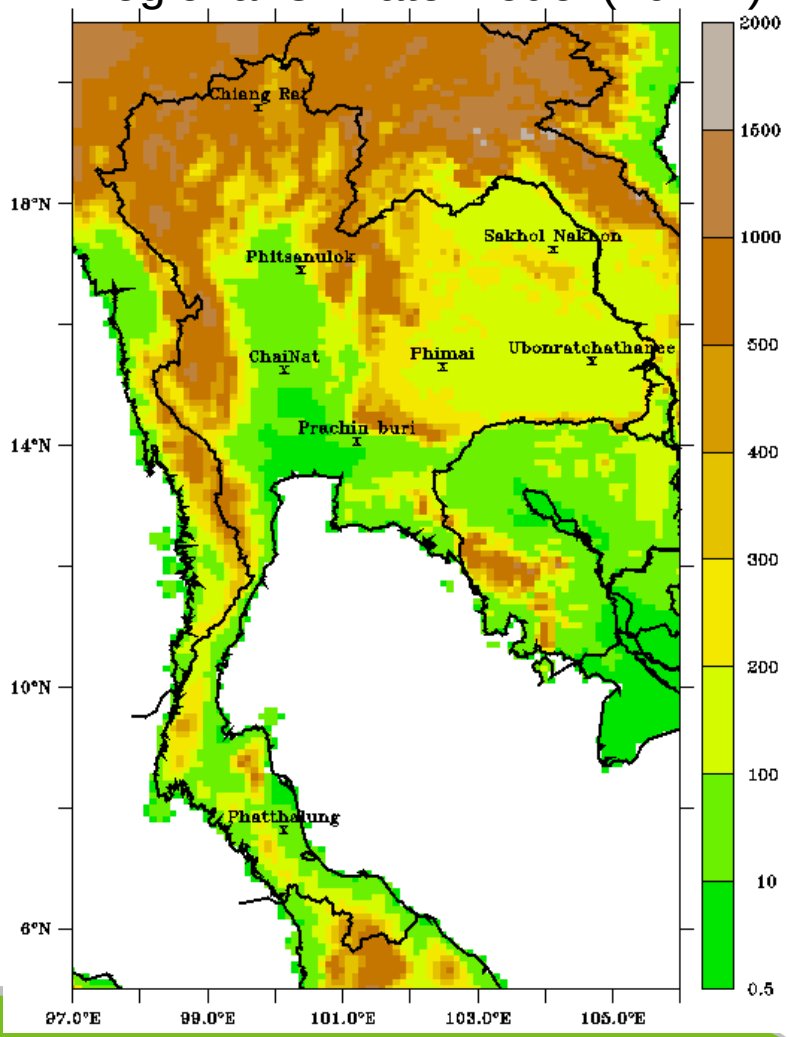
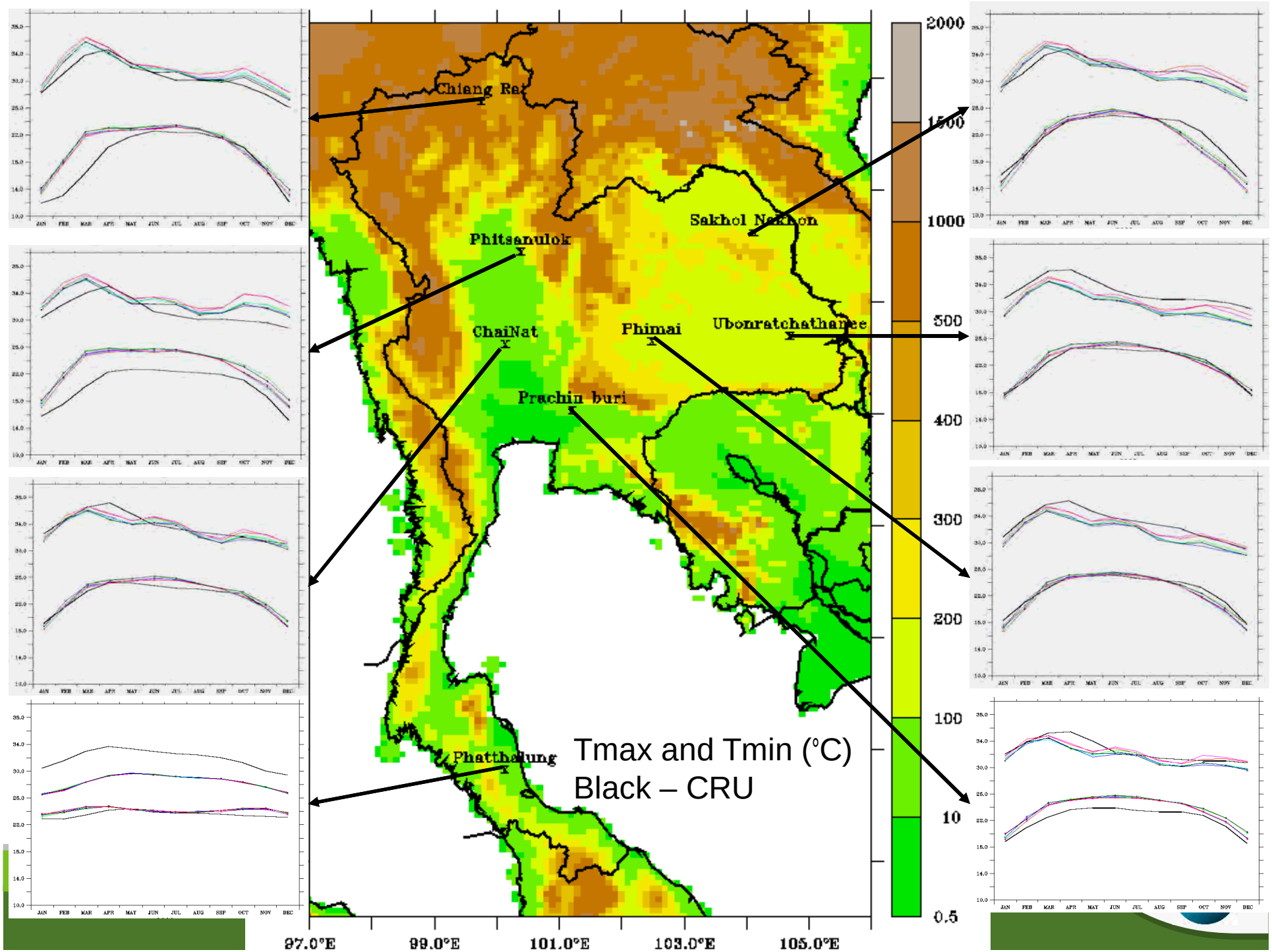
Terrain/land sea mask

Global Climate Model (200 km)



Regional Climate Model (10 km)

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Tmax and Tmin (°C)
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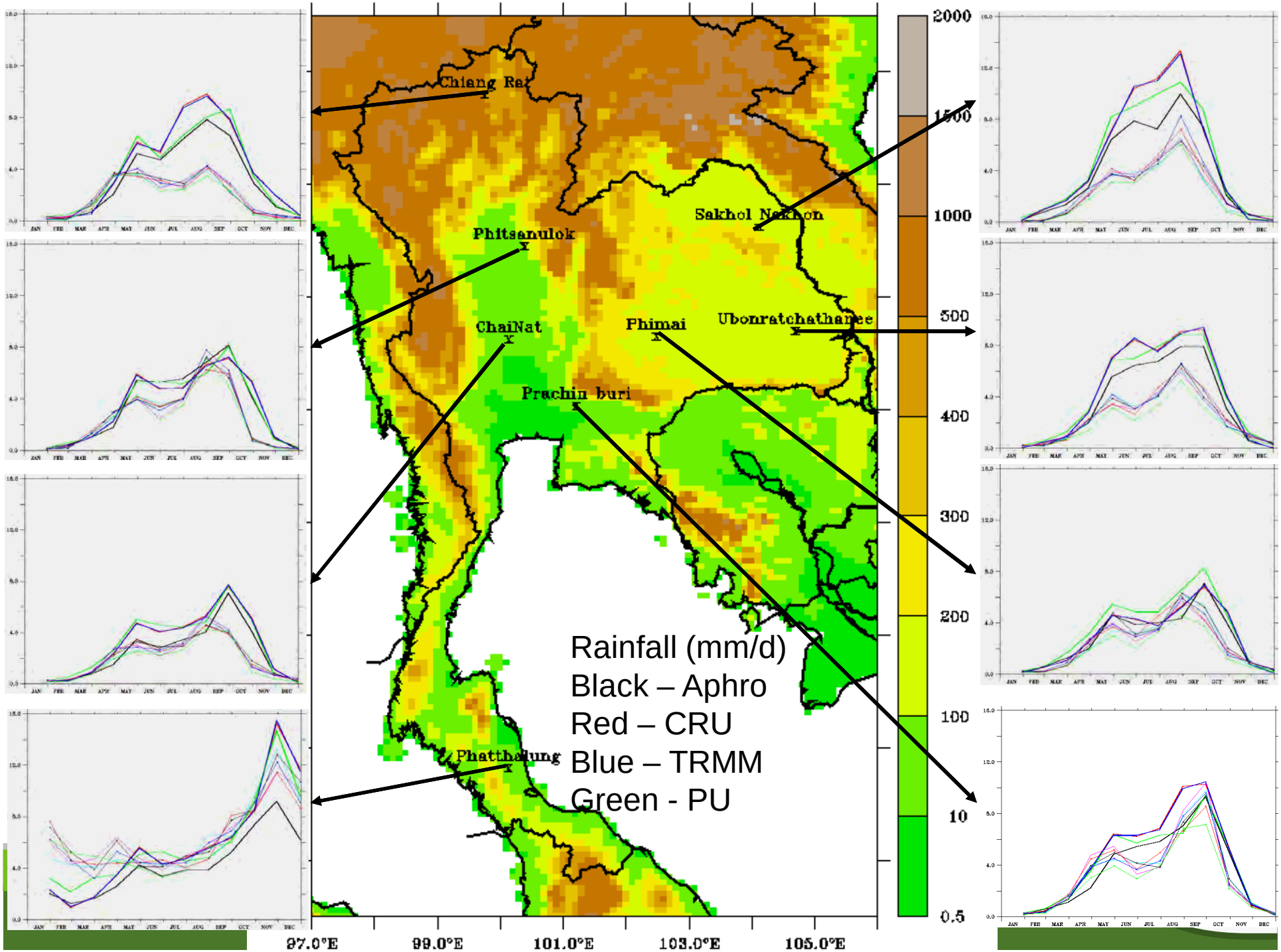
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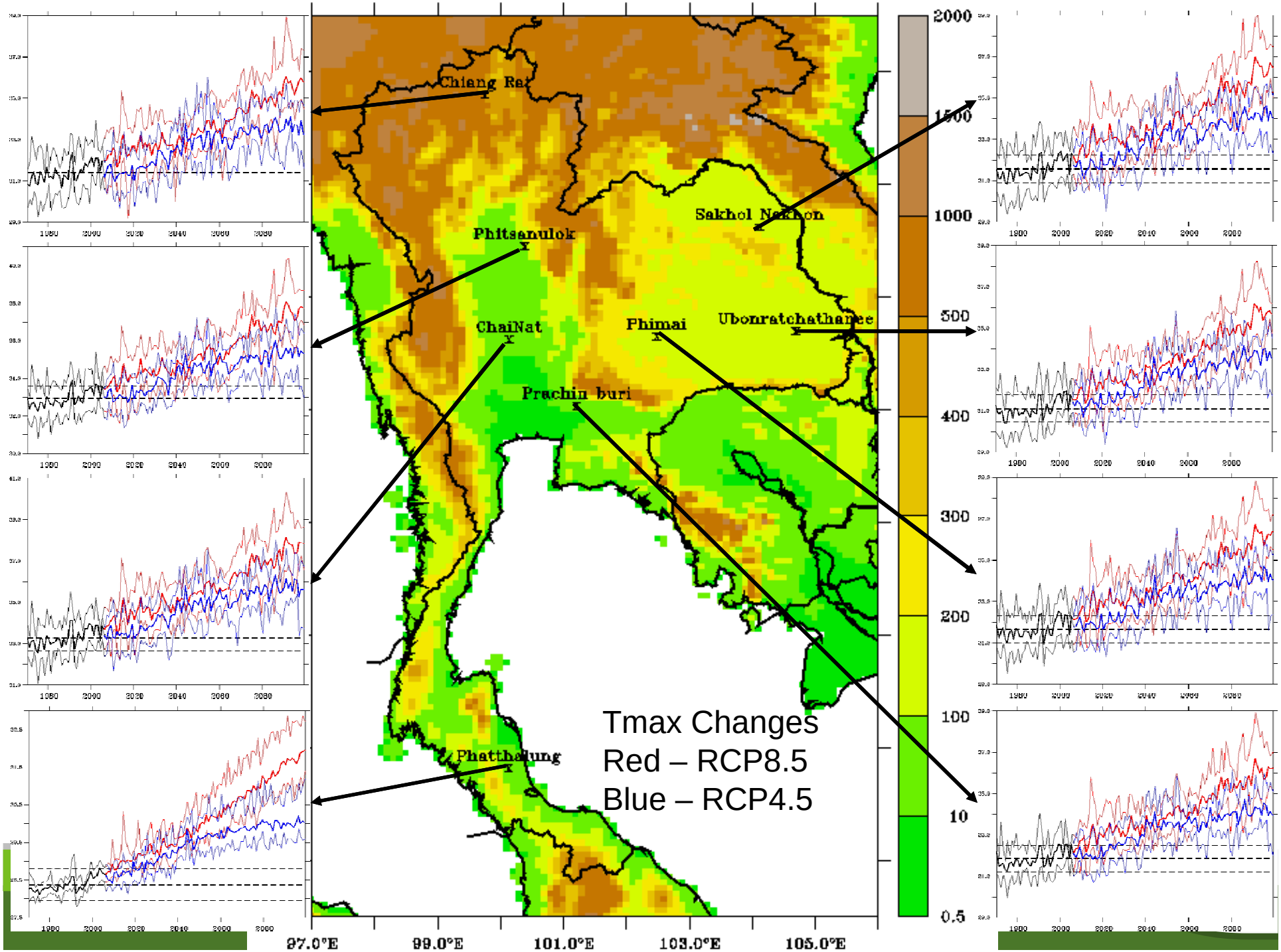
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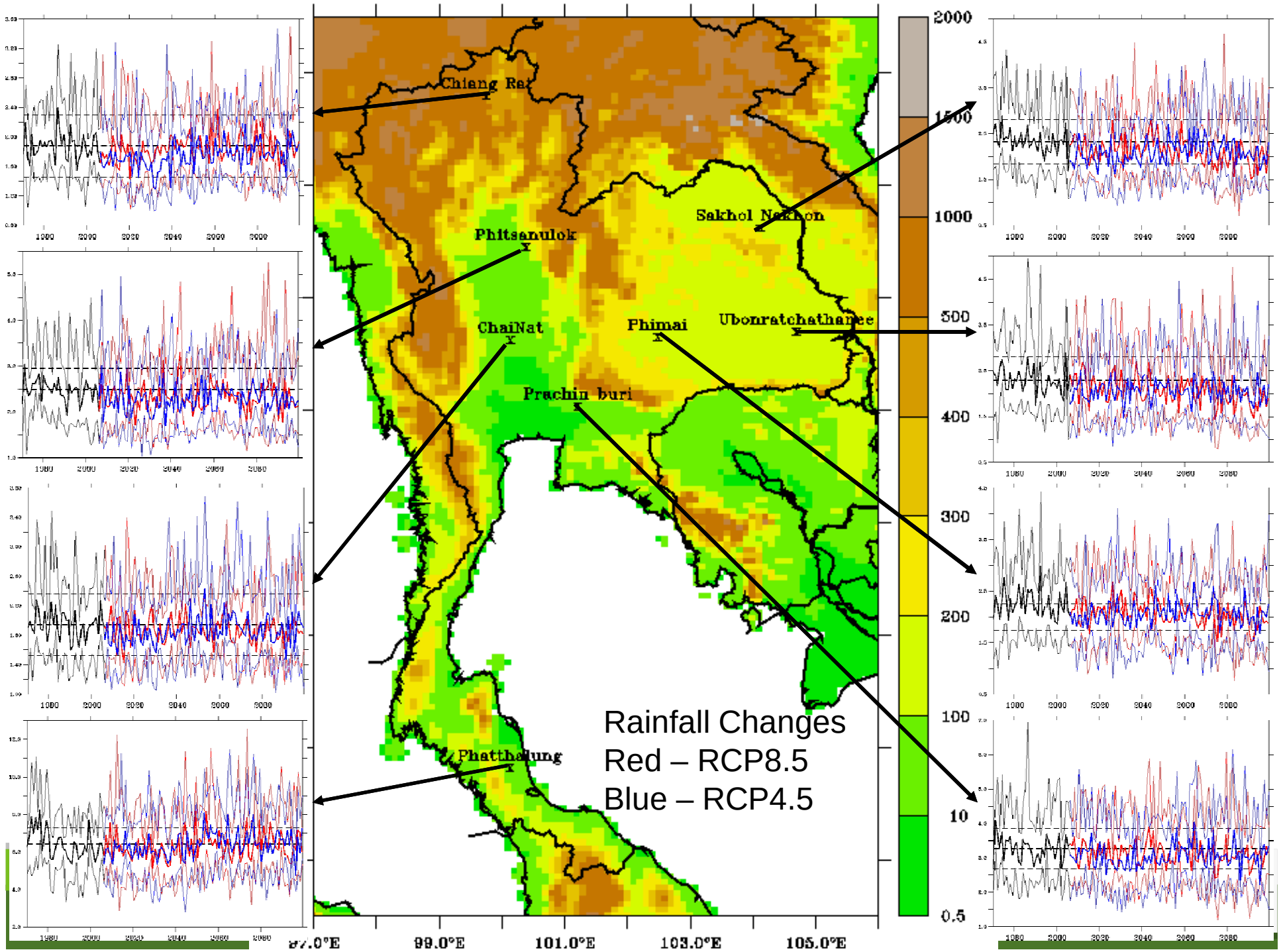
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Criteria for Selecting Historical Observational Climate Data

- What **variables** are needed for case study?
- Do you need **point or gridded** spatial data?
- What **spatial resolution and time frequency** is needed?
- What data is **available**?
- What is the **quality** of the data?
  - Accuracy of observations (station metadata?)
  - Accuracy of gridding process (number/location on input data used, interpolation technique)
- Is the available data **representative** for case?
- Is there sufficient data to capture the **natural variability**?

Criteria for Selecting Climate Scenarios

- **Criterion 1**: Chose **range** consistency with global projections.
- **Criterion 2**: **Physical plausibility**.
- **Criterion 3**: Applicability in impact assessments. They should describe changes in a sufficient number of **variables on a spatial and temporal scale** that allows for impact assessment.
- **Criterion 4**: **Representative**. They should be representative of the potential range of future regional climate change.
- **Criterion 5**: **Accessibility**. They should be straightforward to obtain, interpret and apply for impact assessment.

Evaluation of model performance

There are several generic model evaluation approaches (See the IPCC Working Group I, Chapter 9, 2013):

- **Evaluate the overall model results**
  - Use standard evaluation metric
- **Isolation of climate processes in climate models**
  - Ensure climate processes are properly represented in the models
- **Instrument simulators**
  - convert model output to match instruments such as satellites
- **Ensemble approaches**
  - explore the uncertainty in climate model simulations

Evaluation of model performance

Why measure model performance?

- Climate models should capture the main internal and external responses (e.g. volcanoes, GHG changes)
- Forms an integral part of the confidence building for climate change projections

What are the regional differences in performances?

- Usually there is a small subset of models that perform poorly across a number of performance metrics

What about El Niño and/or the Monsoon?

- Most models exhibit biases in the central Pacific sea surface temperatures, which impact on the El Niño Southern Oscillation (ENSO) relationship with rainfall. Some of the models also show biases for the monsoon.

Evaluation of model performance

Does sub-setting of models according to evaluation results change rainfall projections?

- Subset of better models did not provide more clarity on the direction of the expected rainfall changes.
- Using the full range of available models, rather than a performance-based selection or weighting, is the chosen method for regional applications.
- Model evaluation results, however, may influence the choice of individual models in some applications.

SACA&D

Southeast Asian Climate Assessment & Dataset

http://sacad.database.bmkg.go.id/

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See also: ICA&D KNMI Climate Explorer

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Home

Welcome to the website of the Southeast Asian Climate Assessment & Dataset (SACA&D) project. Presented is information on changes in weather and climate extremes, as well as the daily dataset needed to monitor and analyse these extremes.

What's new?

The database is updated until: Dec 30, 2014.
March 2011 - Website online.
January 2011 - Logo included and website colours updated.
All news items

Participants and data

Today, SACA&D is receiving data from 24 participants for 15 countries and the SACA dataset contains 6477 series of observations for 10 elements at 4090 meteorological stations throughout Southeast Asia. 31% of these series is public, which means downloadable from this website for non-commercial research (see Daily data > Data dictionary for an overview of all available series). Participation to SACA&D is open to anyone maintaining daily station data. If you want to join please contact us. See our Data Policy for more details.

DiDaH project

DIDAH project

SACA&D is developed as part of the Digitisasi Data Historis (Didah) project. This project is focusing on the digitization and use of high-resolution historical climate data from Indonesia and other Southeast Asian countries. Didah is a joint project between the National Meteorological Services of Indonesia (BMKG) and the Netherlands (KNMI).

The results on this website contribute to the work of the Asian Pacific Network for climate extremes (APN).

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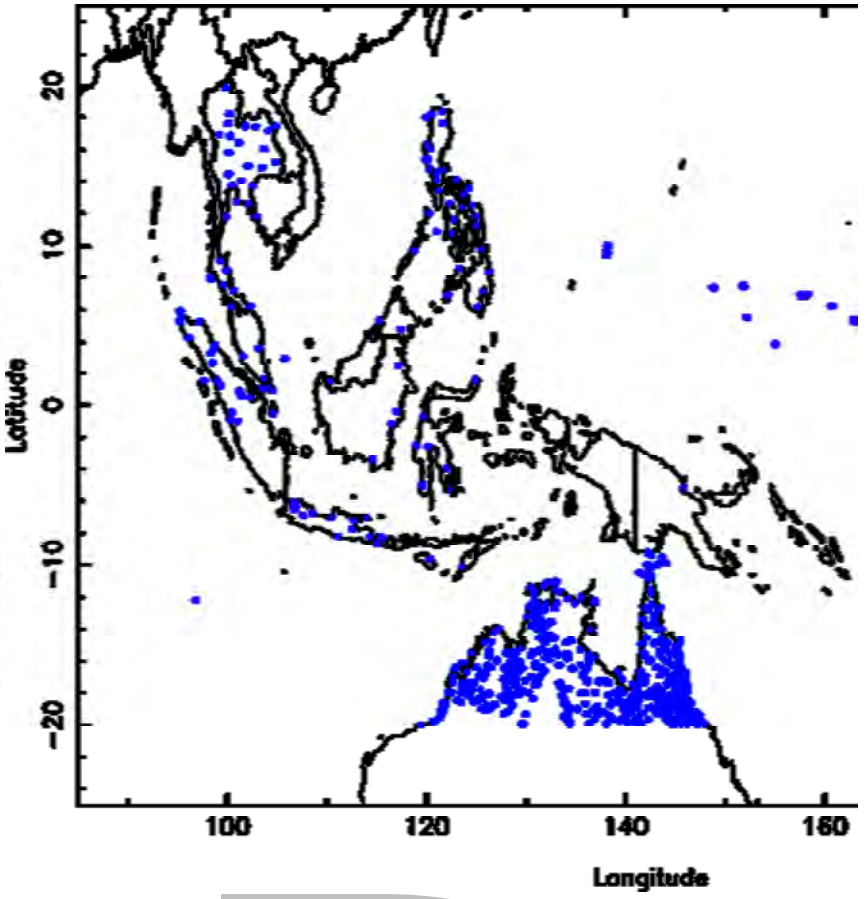

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Overview of current atmospheric reanalyses

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Current / State-of-the-art:
ASR | ERA-20C | ERA-20CM | ERA-Interim | JRA-55 | MERRA-2 | NCEP CFSR | NOAA-CIRES 20CRv2c

Possible issues: Consider other datasets for use in new research projects: NCEP/DOE II | NCEP/NCAR | NCEP NARR
Superseded / Caution use for new research projects: ERA-40 | ERA-15 | JRA-25

Model Change: NCEP CFSR (2011 and after)

Updated in real-time for public use (days behind): NCEP/DOE II | NCEP/NCAR | NCEP NARR | NCEP CFSR?
Updated in near real-time for public use (months behind): ERA-Interim | JRA-55 | MERRA-2
Updated irregularly for public use (years behind): ERA-20C | ERA-20CM | NOAA-CIRES 20CR | NOAA-CIRES 20CRv2c | NASA MERRA

Arctic System Reanalysis (ASR): 2000-2011

The Arctic System Reanalysis (ASR), which can be viewed as a blend of modeling and observations, will provide a high resolution description in space (10-30 km) and time (3 hourly) of the atmosphere-sea ice-land surface system of the Arctic. There are two versions of ASR:

Arctic System Reanalysis-Interim (ASR-int)
Source: The Ohio State University, Byrd Polar Research Center, Polar Meteorology Group
Time Range: 2000-2010
Assimilation: WRFDA-3DVAR
Model Resolution: 30 km, 71 sigma levels
Model Output Resolution: 30 km
Publicly Available Dataset Resolution: 30 km
Dataset Output Times and Time Averaging: 3-hourly for surface and upper air fields
Monthly means of selected variables
Here is the dataset location: http://rda.ucar.edu/datasets/ds631.4/
A new version is expected late 2012.

Arctic System Reanalysis-Final (ASR-fnl)
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Assimilation: WRFDA-3DVAR
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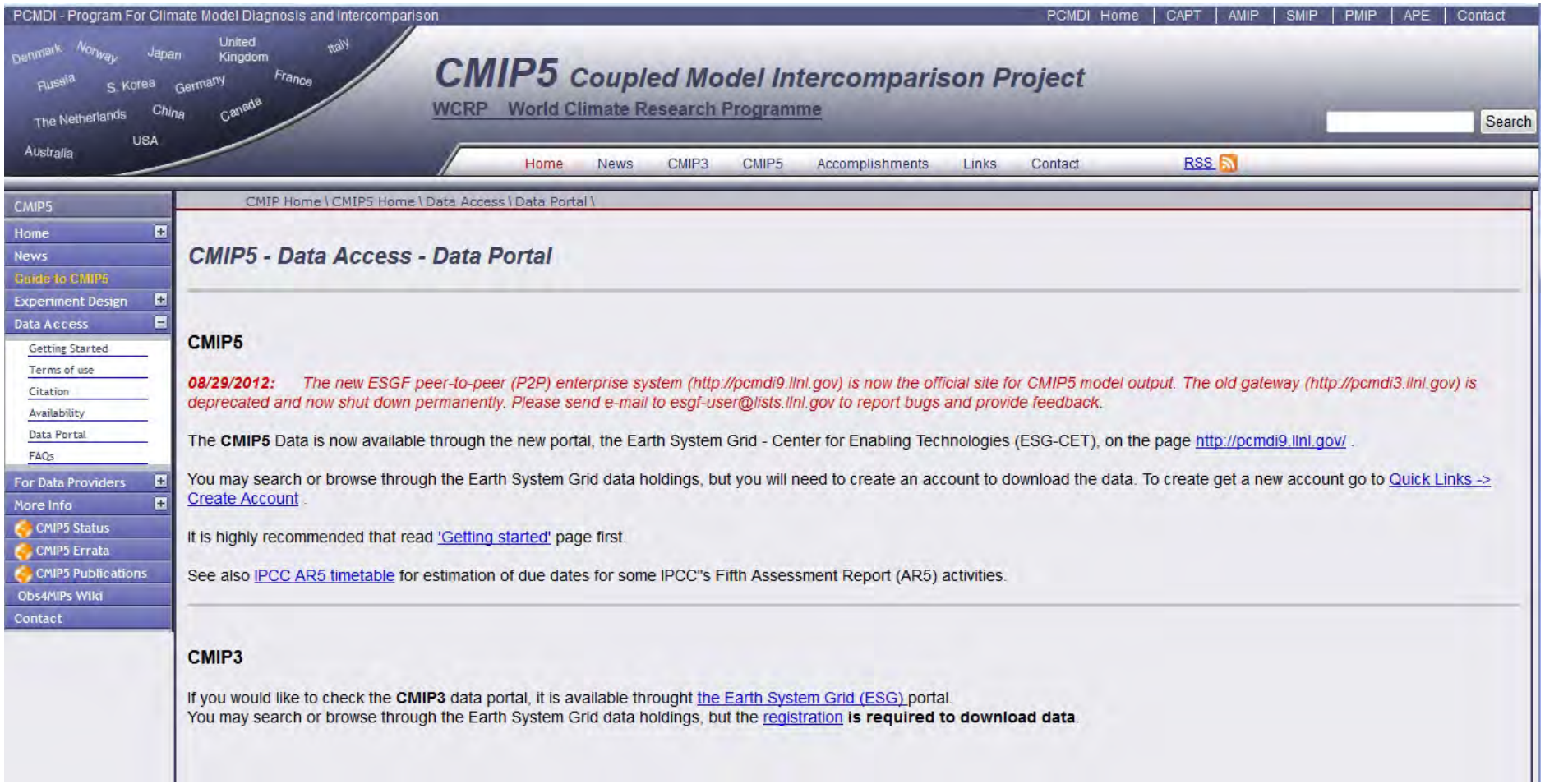

http://cmip-pcmdi.llnl.gov/cmip5/data_portal.html

Climate Assessment Flowchart