

*Regional Cooperation for
Limited Area Modeling in Central Europe*



LACE highlights in 2013

LACE Management



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LACE R&D highlights in 2013

Common operations

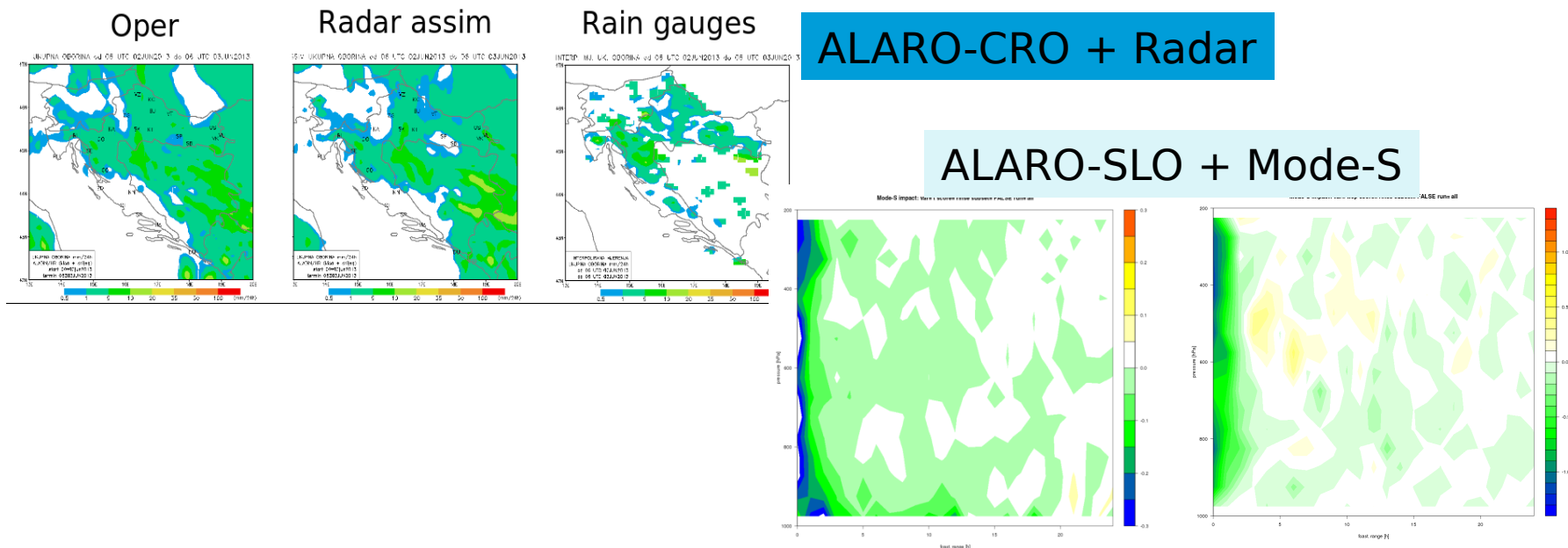
Performance of LACE forecast

R&D highlights in DA

Radar, GPS, IASI and SEVIRI radiances DA experiments with AROME

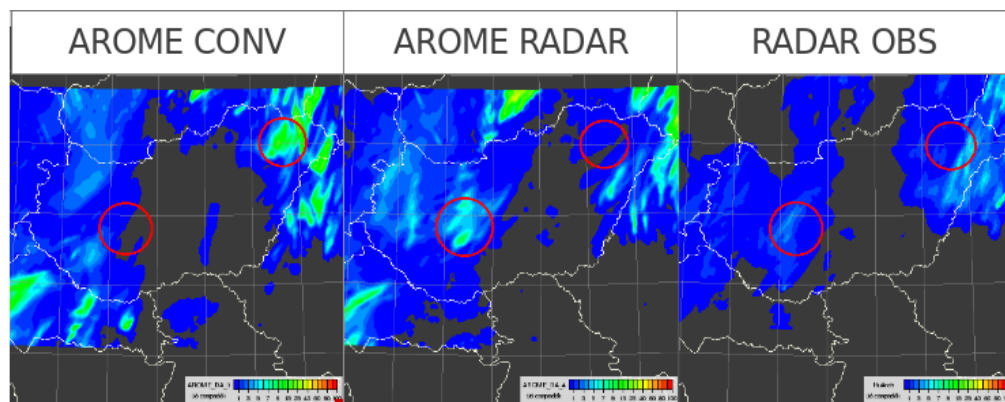
Radar, Mode-S and IASI and SEVIRI radiances DA experiments with ALARO

Studies on representation of background error statistics

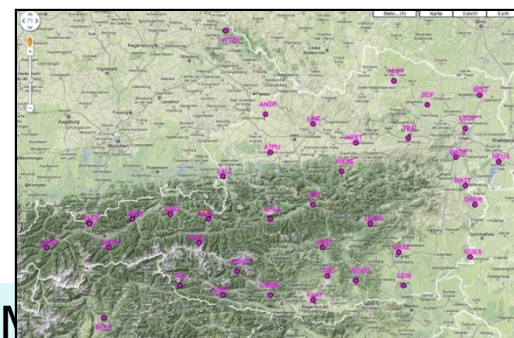


R&D highlights in DA

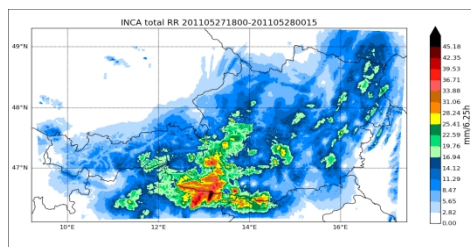
Radar assimilation with AROME



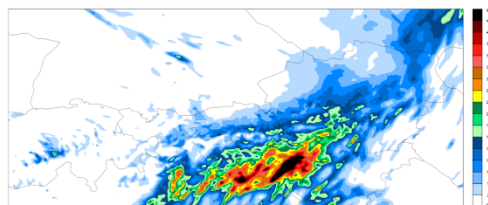
AROME-HU + Radar



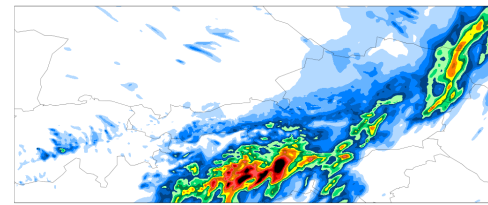
Local GPS assimilation with AROME



Observation



AROME-AU + GPS



AROME-AU control



R&D highlights in DYN

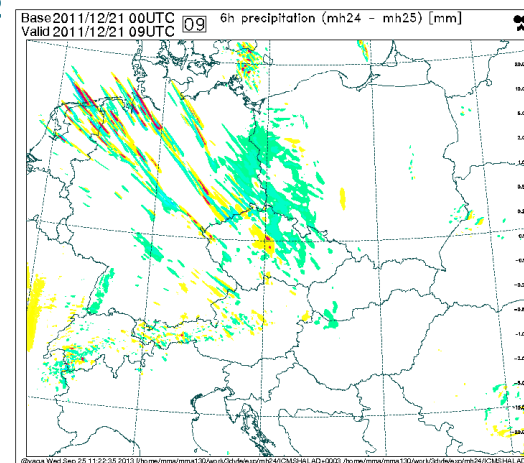
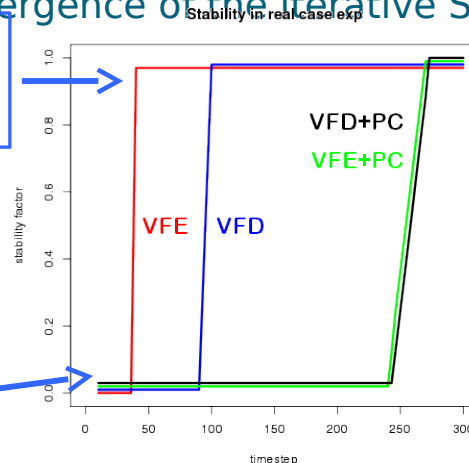
1. Works on FE (finite element) in vertical discretization of ALADIN-NH

- ▶ Design and implementation with general B-splines
- ▶ Testing of stability: 2D model tests (potential flow, non-linear flow over steep orography, density current), 3D academic adiabatic experiments over steep orography, 3D real cases in 2.2 km resolution ALARO – the stability is in all the experiments comparable to FD method
- ▶ Testing of accuracy: theoretical accuracy of vertical operators improved, the enhanced accuracy in experiments not proven

- ▶ Testing of convergence of the iterative SI

crash in less
then 24 hours

stable



Difference in
cumulated
precipitation
for 6hours,
 $\Delta t=180s$, VFD –
VFE (both with
PC time
scheme)

R&D highlights in DYN

2. Physics-dynamics interface

▣ Second-order accurate time scheme based on SETTLS technique

- Stability analysis – encouraging, stability properties limited but encouraging properties to test in the model code
- Implemented
- Tested in real case simulations in 4.7km resolution – when applied on moisture, significant time oscillations appear in the field of temperature mostly near the ground
- If applied only on temperature and wind components, the stability recovered but the expected enhanced accuracy not detected

▣ Impact of SLHD (semi-Lagrangian horizontal diffusion) in AROME with 3DVAR

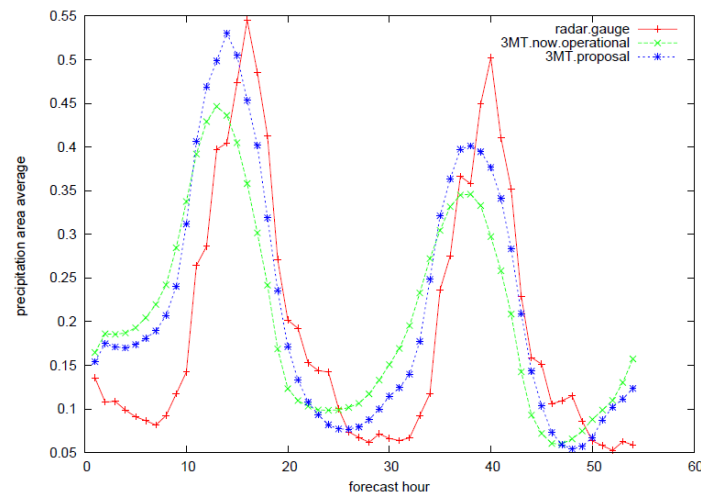
- Comparison of SLHD on falling hydrometeors, not on wind and temperature VS. the opposite. Results achieved by applying new setting show:
 - positive impact on mean 10 m wind, wind gusts and precipitation
 - neutral impact on 2 m temperature and humidity

▣ Consistency with the time step choice

- model results is sensitive to small change in Δt

R&D highlights in PHY

- ▶ ALARO-0
 - ▶ In use in operational applications in all LACE countries at resolutions (4-10 km), in LAEF
- ▶ ALARO-0 baseline version (December 2012)
 - ▶ introduction of latest improvements in the convection scheme 3MT;
 - ▶ 3MT behaves very consistently across the resolutions (test on 16km, 8km, 4km, 2km and 1km without and with parameterised moist deep convection.)



Impact on diurnal cycle

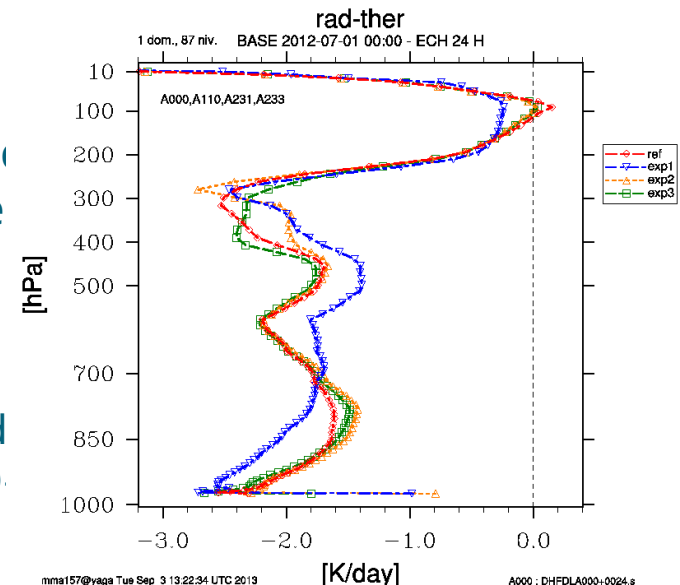
average of mean hourly precipitation over the area (11 realizations, 4.7 km)

R&D highlights in PHY

ALARO-1 development (10km – 1km)

- ▶ Works on turbulence TOUCANS scheme
 - ▶ Extensive testing and tuning of various options
 - ▶ Searching for an optimal set-up for operational use
 - ▶ Developing new prognostic features e.g., turbulent total energy (TTE), mixing length, shallow convection cloudiness (SCC)
- ▶ Works on radiation scheme
 - ▶ Improvement, upgrade and reformulation of gaseous transmissions statistical mode simulation model etc.
 - ▶ validation in 3D model

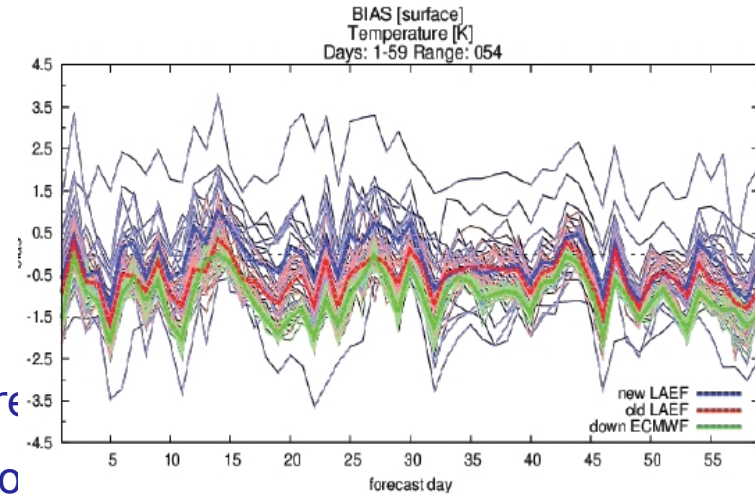
TOUCANS, improved radiation and unsaturated Downdraft scheme will be integrated in ALARO



R&D highlights in EPS

ALADIN-LAEF

- Higher horizontal/vertical resolution
- Ensemble surface assimilation
- Optimising multi-physics scheme
- Verification against deterministic fore
- Study on uncertainty due to initial co



AROME-EPS

- EDA
- stochastic physics SPPT
- Coupling strategies

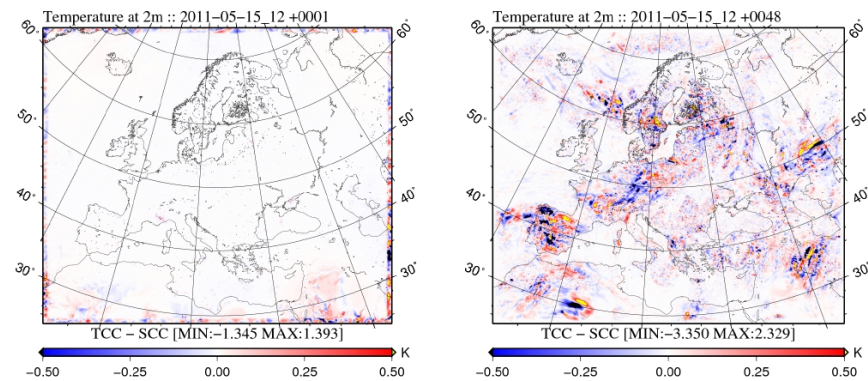


Fig 2: The difference between TCC and SCC experiments for Temperature at 2m after 1st hour of integration (left) and after 48 hours, i.e. valid for 17th of May 2011, 12 UTC (right).

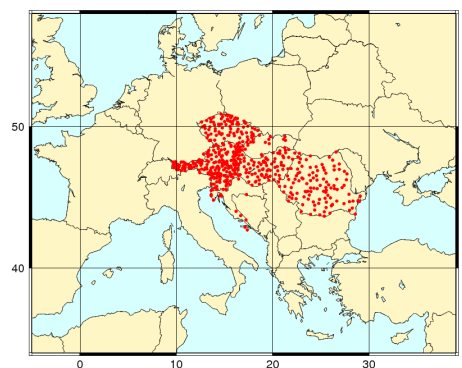
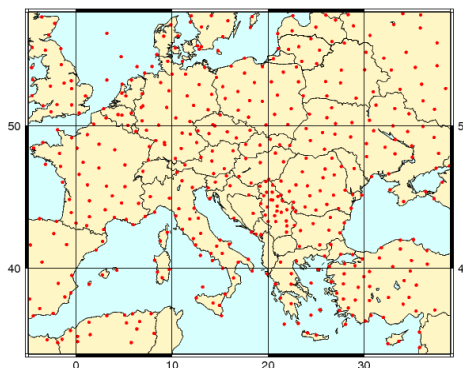
LACE in 2013

LACE common operations

Common operations

- ▶ OPLACE: The common Observation Pre-processing for LACE DA and Verification: SYNOP, TEMP, AMDAR, AMV, Wind profilers and
radiances (SEVIRI, AMSU-A/B, MHS, HIRS, IASI)

New in the last year:

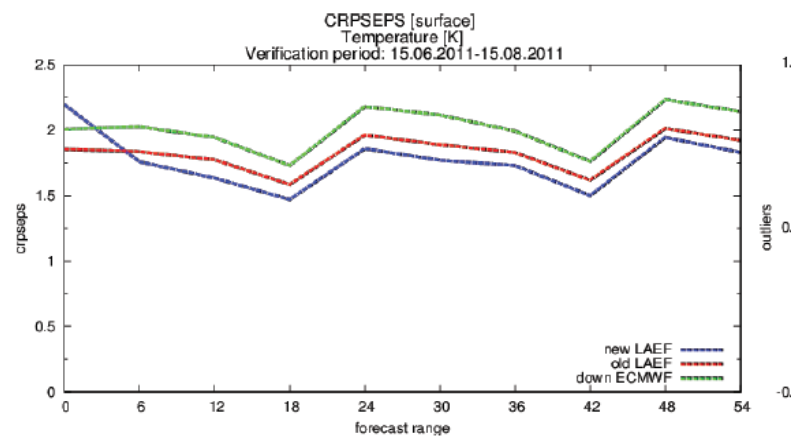
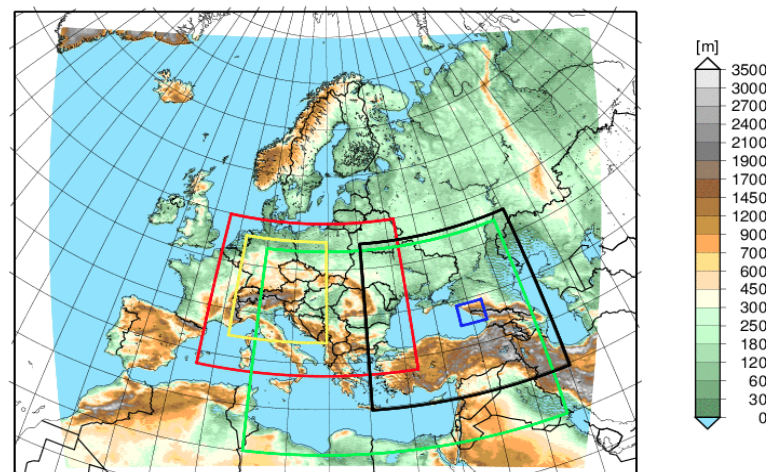


More national SYNOPs; IASI, extensive observation monitoring, switch to Meteosat-10 products, extension of windprofilers; investigation and preparation: BUFR SYNOP, national SYNOP data, LANDSAF and ASCAT products. Preparation of exchange of national radar data.

Common operations

► Upgrade of ALADIN-LAEF

Ensemble size	16+1
Horizontal resolution	18km → 11km
Vertical resolution	37 → 45
Runs/day	2
Forecasts available	09:00 → 04:00
Coupling	direct → time lagged



Comparison: new—old—ECMWF

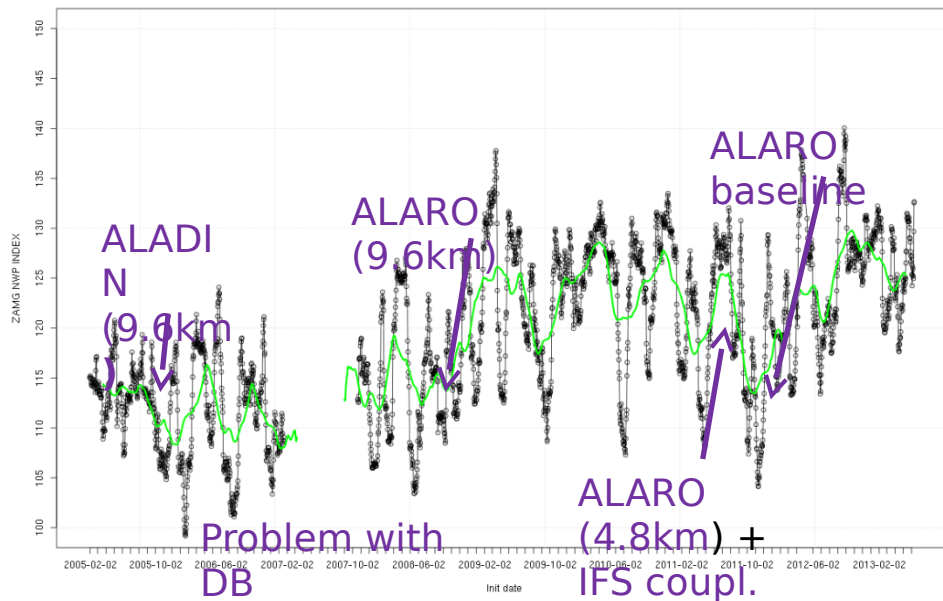
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Verification

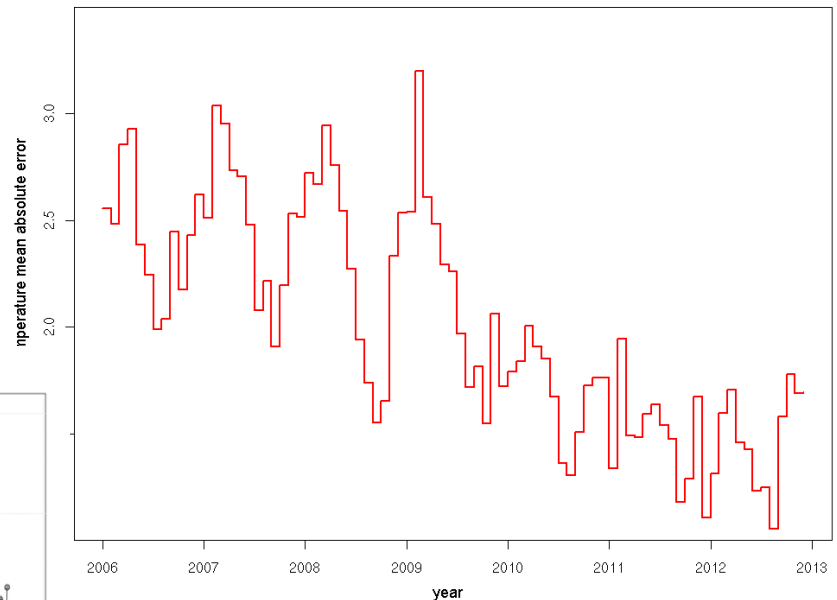
Work towards to long term verification in each LACE country

Austria

ZAMG NWP INDEX (2005-02-01 - 2013-07-01)



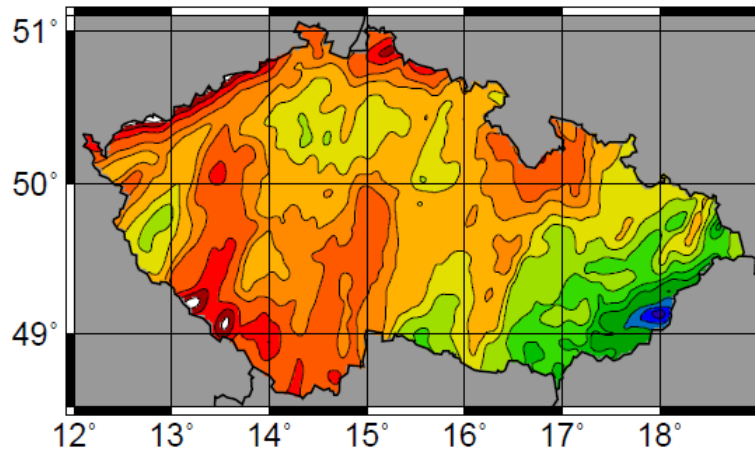
Mean absolute error of 2m temperature forecast (+12h)



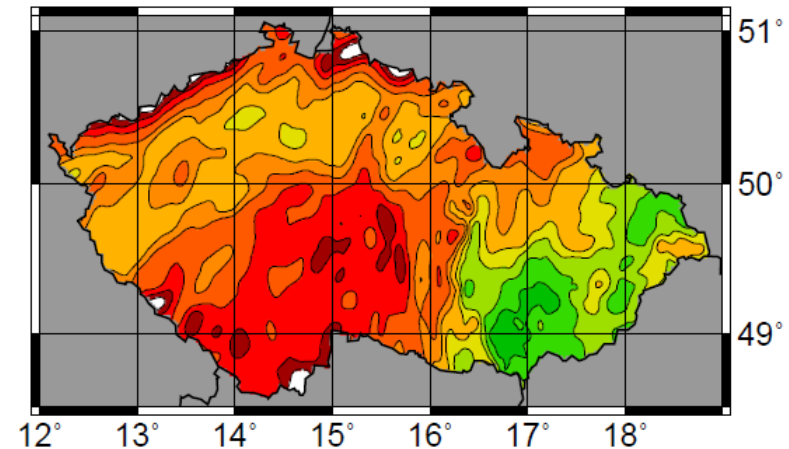
Slovenia

Flooding 2013

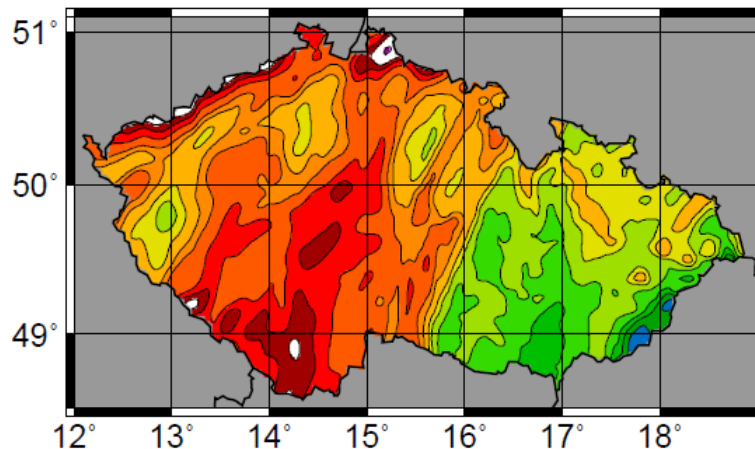
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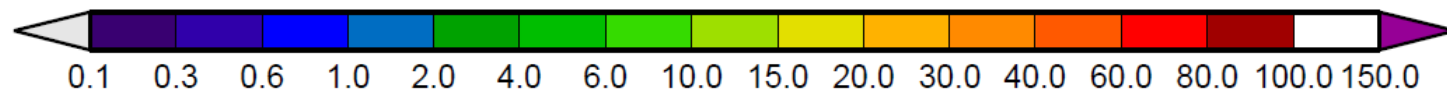
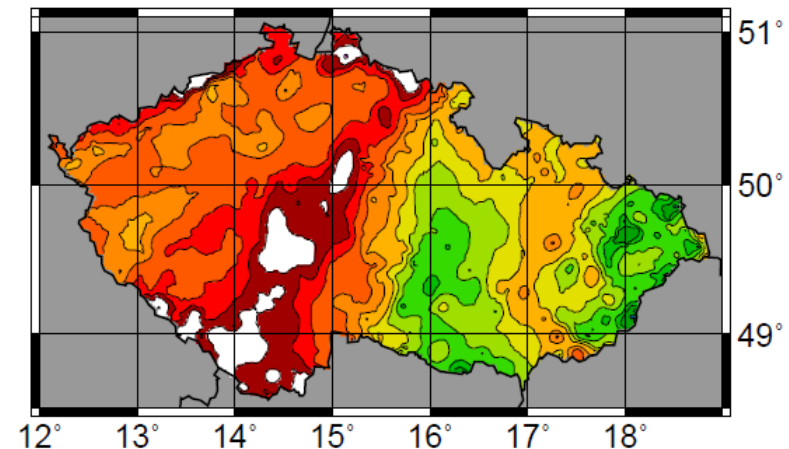
base 01-06-2013 06 UTC, 00-48h



base 01-06-2013 12 UTC, 00-42h

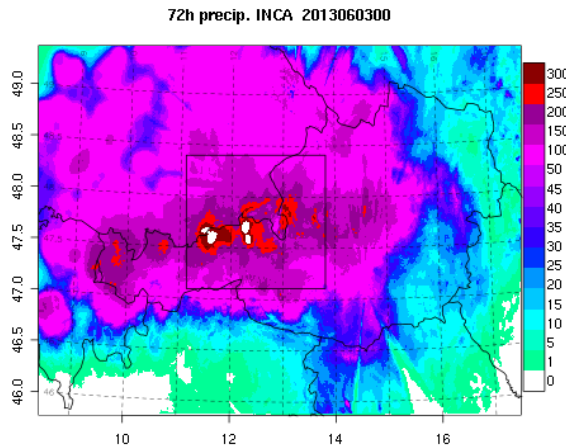


observations [mm/48h]

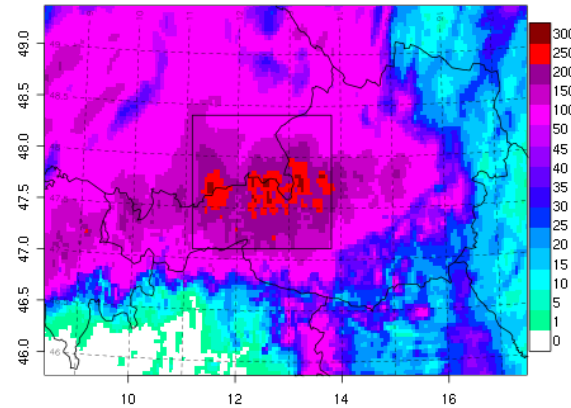


Flooding 2013

INCA

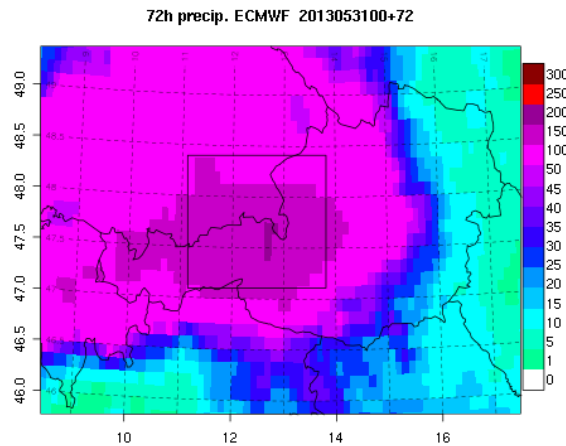


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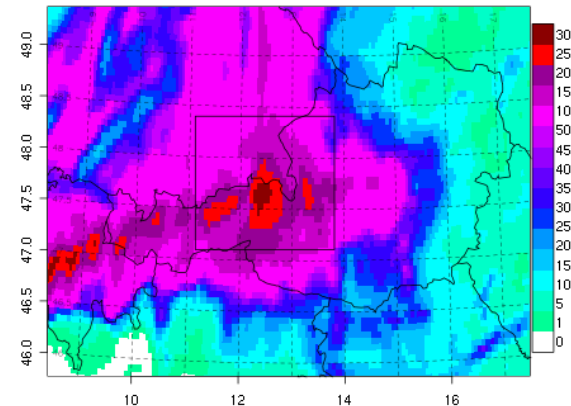


ALARO

ECMWF



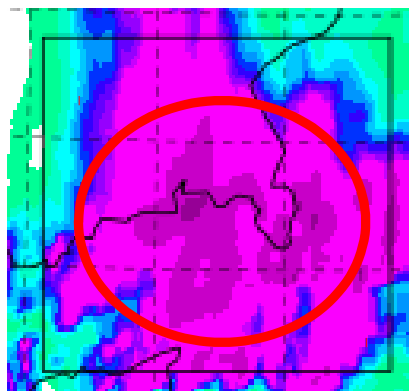
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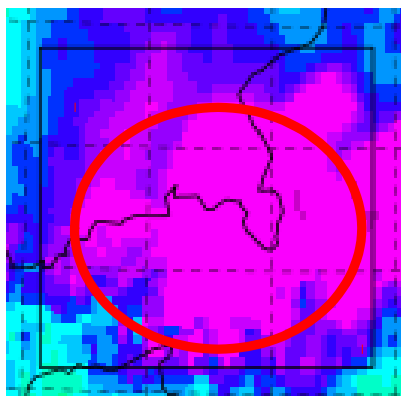
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Flooding 2013

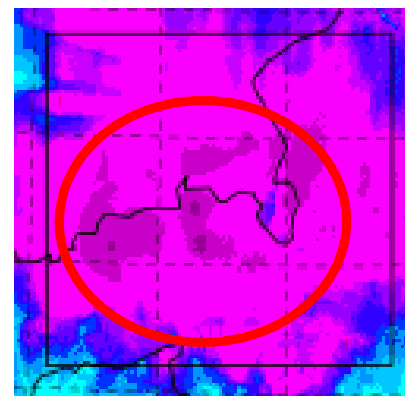
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INCA Analyse	33.7	44.5	68.6
AROME	30.5	42.1	63.9
ALARO	23.9	36.8	50.9
SAL (AROME)	0.02/-0.10/0.06	0.17/-0.06/0.01	-0.11/-0.07/0.02
SAL (ALARO)	0.24/-0.34/0.07	0.32/-0.19/0.01	0.25/-0.30/0.03



AROME



ALARO



INCA

24h acc. Rainfall fcst 02-03.06.2013
00 UTC

Current LACE management

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– **Area Leaders:**

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Physics: Neva Pristov

Data Assimilation: Mate Mile

Predictability: Theresa Gorgas

– **Data Manager:** Alena Trojakova

– **System Coordinator:** Oldrich Spaniel

Working with PM:

Climate issues: Gabriella Szepszo

Administration and Finance: Andrea Sigl

- ▶ Promoting the ALADIN climate modelling in LACE
 - To set up ALADIN climate network
 - To search funding possibilities for all LACE NWP teams

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