

Welcome to the WCRP Climate Research Forum

Climate research priorities for
the next decade

Southeast Asia Sub-Region
25 May 2021



Technical Guidance and Participation

- Technical guidance:
 - Please have **sli.do** loaded before we start the first Session
 - *The link is in the Zoom Chat window; it was also provided in the email from Eventbrite (along with the Zoom videoconference link).*
 - A reminder to keep your microphone off unless you are invited to speak.
 - For technical assistance, email Beatriz: **beatriz.balino@uib.no**
- Participation in today's Forum:
 - You can post questions into the Zoom Q&A window
 - *This will be monitored, and questions relayed to the Speakers.*
 - Discussion is very welcome in the Chat window/area ("Zoom Chat")
 - *This won't be monitored for questions – please use Zoom Q&A!*
 - The Forum's final Sessions 4 and 5 include opportunities for discussion as well as information about how to engage with WCRP after today.
- Recording:
 - This Forum is being recorded to assist in documenting the outcomes.

WCRP Climate Research Forum

Program – Southeast Asia Sub-Region

Session 1: Introduction and Welcome [WCRP Joint Scientific Committee (JSC) Chairs, 10 mins]

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Session 2: WCRP's "Our Climate Future" [Detlef Stammer and Helen Cleugh, 20 mins]

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Session 3: Climate Science and Information Priorities and Needs – Researcher and End User Perspectives from 4 invited Speakers [60 mins]

***Chair:** Dr Anastasia Kuswardani, Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries, Jakarta*

Session 4: Moderated Q&A Session [20 mins]

***Chair and Moderator:** Dr Kendra Gotangco Gonzales, Ateneo de Manila University*

- Q&A from Session 3
- Feedback and discussion on WCRP initiatives

Sli.Do Poll for Sessions 3 and 4

Session 5: Concluding discussion [Helen Cleugh, 10 mins]

- Key messages.
- Plans for future forums.
- Ways to engage with WCRP after this Forum.

1. Introduction and Welcome

- Welcome from Detlef Stammer and Helen Cleugh
Chair and Vice Chair of the Joint Scientific Committee (JSC) of the WCRP
- Purpose of the Climate Research Forums
- Special thanks to:
 - Our WCRP Regional Focal Points, who organized the Forum, and their respective institutions
 - *Kendra Gotangco, Ateneo de Manila University, Philippines.*
 - *Fredolin Tangang, National University of Malaysia, Malaysia.*
 - *Anna Kuswardani, Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries, Indonesia.*
 - WCRP's CORA Project Office for their assistance in planning for, and running, today's Forum.
- Sli.do Introduction and Icebreaker question(s)

Sli.Do Introduction and Icebreaker question(s)

- A reminder that **Zoom chat** is for discussion and comments; while **Zoom Q&A** is where you can post questions.
 - *We will aim to take as many questions as possible in the time available*
 - *Missed questions? We will try and address in an FAQ from the Forum*
- We will be using **sli.do** to get your feedback and input to some of our questions.
 - *As an icebreaker, and practice using sli.do, please launch sli.do and ...*

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Icebreaker

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2. WORLD CLIMATE RESEARCH PROGRAMME (WCRP)

Our Climate Future

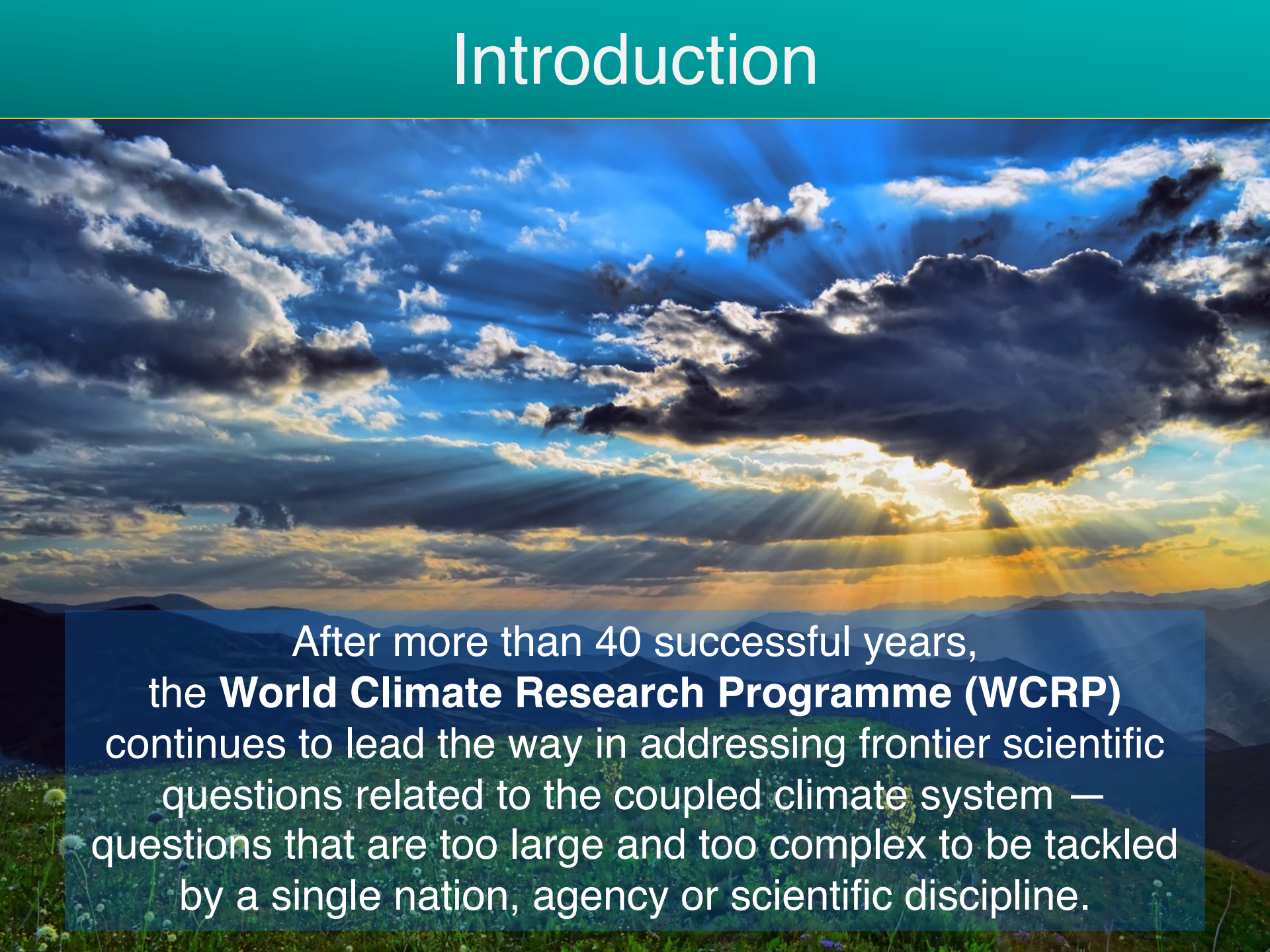
Detlef Stammer and Helen Cleugh
WCRP JSC Chair and Vice Chair



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Introduction



After more than 40 successful years,
the **World Climate Research Programme (WCRP)**
continues to lead the way in addressing frontier scientific
questions related to the coupled climate system —
questions that are too large and too complex to be tackled
by a single nation, agency or scientific discipline.

Introduction

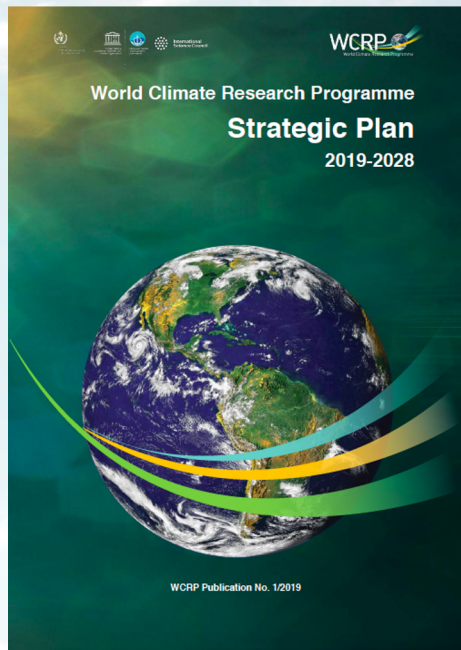
In the past, WCRP pioneered international climate research advancing our understanding of the climate system and how it is being affected by humans.

The next decade will bring even bigger challenges that can only be addressed through a worldwide coordinated effort; involving co-design and stakeholder engagement conducted by a prepared scientific workforce.

Society requires decision-relevant, evidence-based climate information to support adaptation planning and mitigation strategies.

The Future WCRP

A Strategic Plan for this Decade



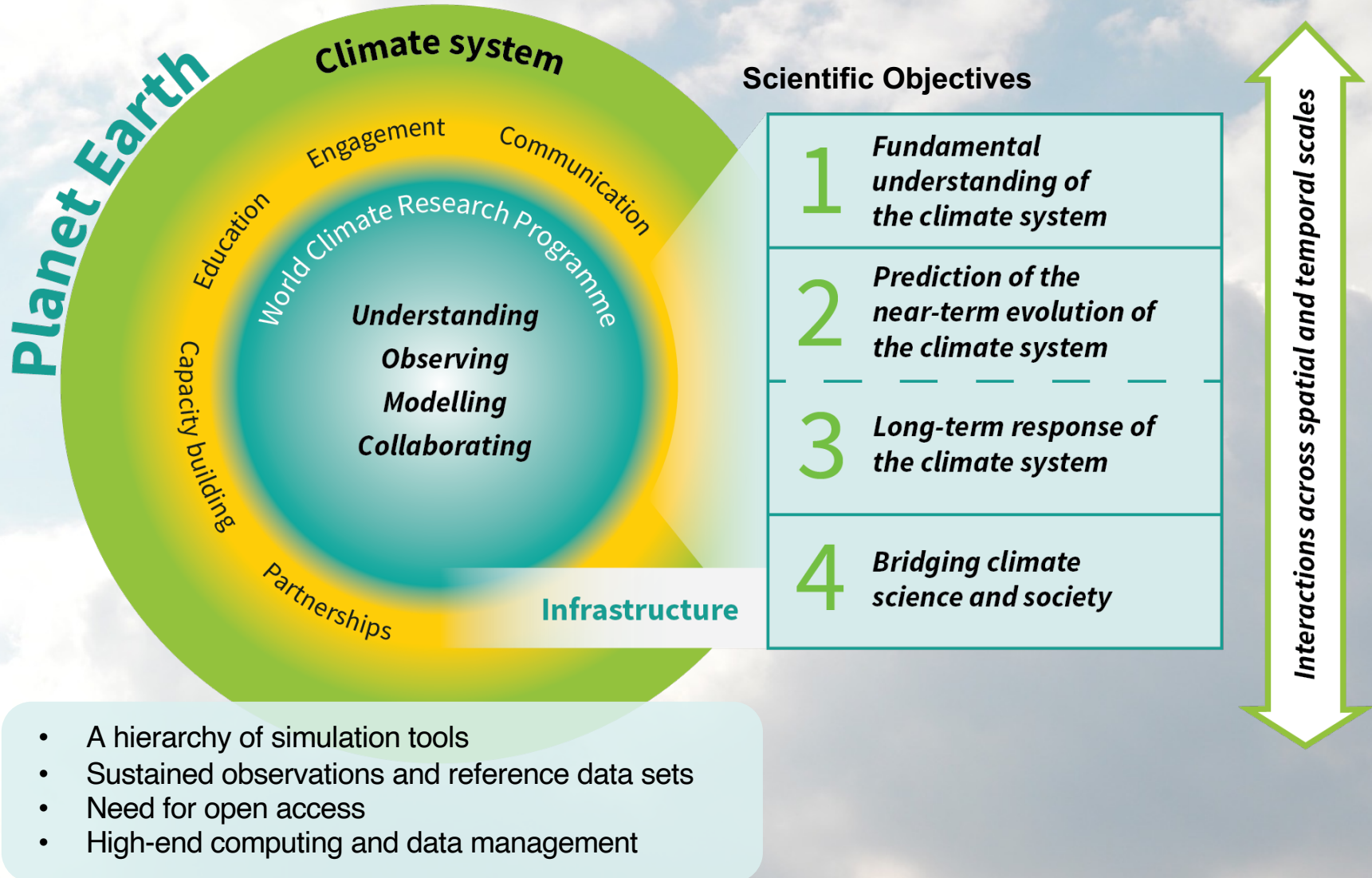
The Vision *(our aspiration)*

A world that uses sound, relevant, and timely climate science to ensure a more resilient present and sustainable future for humankind.

The Mission *(what we do, our purpose)*

Coordinate and facilitate international climate research to develop, share, and apply the climate knowledge that contributes to societal well-being.

Overview of the WCRP Strategic Plan



Implementing the Strategy

WCRP will prioritize its science by pursuing a series of Lighthouse Activities, along with other core research activities, to deliver and achieve critical outcomes over the next decade



WCRP Lighthouse Activities

These are new scientific approaches, technologies, and institutional frameworks required to meet society's need for robust and actionable climate information

Explaining and
Predicting Earth
System Change

Digital Earths

Safe Landing
Climates

WCRP
Academy

WCRP Lighthouses

My Climate
Risk

WCRP Lighthouse Activities

<https://www.wcrp-climate.org/lha-overview>



Explaining and Predicting Earth System Change

To design, and take major steps toward delivery of, an integrated capability for quantitative observation, explanation, early warning and prediction of Earth System Change on global and regional scales, with a focus on multi-annual to decadal timescales.

My Climate Risk

To develop a new framework for assessing and explaining regional climate risk to deliver climate information that is meaningful at the local scale.

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Explore present-to-future "pathways" for achievement of key SDGs.

Digital Earths

To develop a digital and dynamic representation of the Earth system, optimally blending models and observations, to enable an exploration of past, present and possible futures of the Earth system.

WCRP Academy

To determine the requirements for climate research education and to build enabling mechanisms.

The Academy will work with WCRP core activities and established climate education providers, including universities, to achieve this.

WCRP Lighthouse Activities: Status

Draft Science / Business Plans for each Lighthouse Activity are being developed by the WCRP community by June 2021, with the goal of broader consultation through 2021.

We aim to:

- **Enhance the diversity** of the science community - as both contributors to, and users of, research.
- **Co-design the activities** with key partners and get input from our stakeholders.
- **Ensure they are linked to WCRP's** core research activities.

We also seek interest from potential funding partners.

Session 5 will provide information on how you can connect

WCRP Core Projects and Research Communities

Enduring Capabilities, “Homes” of Expertise

Prioritize the research and technologies needed to advance our understanding of the multi-scale dynamics of Earth's climate system, and co-develop climate information needed for decision support, adaptation planning and climate mitigation.

This requires:

- Expertise and capabilities across oceans, cryosphere, land and atmospheric science domains.
- Process studies, observations, modelling and simulation.
- Capability for providing regional climate information.
- Model – data fusion science.
- Modelling and observing technologies and infrastructure.

WCRP's Ongoing Core Projects

Enduring Capabilities, Research Community "Homes"

CLIVAR - Climate and Ocean Variability, Predictability and Change

Understanding the **coupled ocean-atmosphere system**, to better understand climate variability and change.

www.clivar.org



GEWEX - Global Energy and Water Exchanges

Observing, understanding and modelling the **global and regional water cycles and energy budgets** in the Earth's atmosphere and at the surface.

www.gewex.org



CliC - Climate and Cryosphere

Improving our understanding of the **cryosphere and its interactions with the global climate system**; and using the cryosphere to detect climate change.

www.climate-cryosphere.org



SPARC - Stratosphere-troposphere Processes and their Role in Climate

The **role of the atmosphere** in climate variability and prediction, atmospheric dynamics and predictability; chemistry and climate.

www.sparc-climate.org



WCRP's New Core Projects

Enduring Capabilities, Research Community “Homes”

Earth System Modelling and Observations [ESMO] (new)

Science and technologies for modelling, observations and model – data fusion.
Unite and strengthen the work of these communities and groups:

- Working Groups on:
 - Coupled Modelling (WGCM) incl. CMIP (CMIP & Infrastructure Panels)
 - Numerical Experimentation (WGNE)
 - Sub-seasonal to Interdecadal Prediction (WGSIP)
- WCRP Modelling and Data Advisory Councils (WMAC and WDAC)



Regional Information for Societies [RIfS] (new)

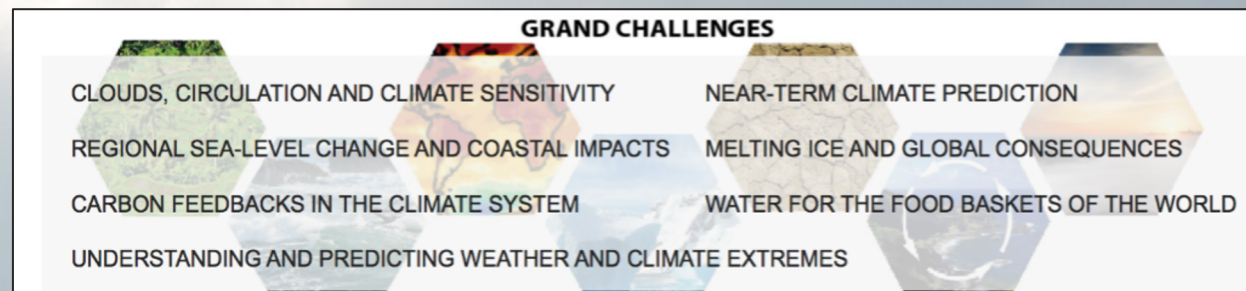
Science and capability needed for providing societally-relevant climate information for regions.
Unite and strengthen the work of these communities and groups:

- CORDEX (science and applications of regional climate downscaling)
- Working Group on Regional Climate (WGRC)



WCRP Grand Challenges

will “sunset” by 2022; i.e. transition to other research activities and/or conclude.





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WCRP Structure



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Joint Scientific Committee (JSC)

WCRP Secretariat

Lighthouse Activities *New*

International Offices

Core Projects and Research Communities

- Climate and Cryosphere (CliC)
- Global Energy and Water Exchanges (GEWEX)
- Climate and Ocean Variability, Predictability and Change (CLIVAR)
- Stratosphere-troposphere Processes And their Role in Climate (SPARC)
- *Earth System Modelling and Observations (ESMO)*
- *Regional Information for Societies (RIfS)*

Ongoing Activities and Fora

- Fixed-term projects
- Conferences and workshops
- Reference datasets, evaluations and benchmarking
- Diversity and capacity building: ECRs, regions
- Rapid updates, syntheses, assessments, gap analysis
- Communications and outreach

A soft transition to the new WCRP: Timeline

2020

- Consultation on proposed WCRP structure and elements
- Assessment of all existing WCRP activities

2021

- New elements (Core Projects): Approved in principle; being designed
- Lighthouse Activities: Science planning underway; activities initiated
- Older elements transitioning

- New WCRP
- Implementation continuing

WCRP Open Science Conference 2023

Advancing climate science for a sustainable future

2023

FIRST CIRCULAR



TENTATIVELY
MARCH 2023

Themes

- Recent advances in climate science
- Climate research challenges and opportunities
- Regional climate extremes and risks
- Useful and useable climate information

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For more information and to register your interest please visit the Conference webpage

www.wcrp-climate.org/WCRP-OSC23

WCRP Open
Science Conference
in first half of 2023

“Sunset” and transition
Grand Challenges

Our Joint Climate Future

WCRP's community stands ready to work with our co-sponsors and partners, and to support nations, to ensure that society has the climate knowledge and information needed.

It is also important for WCRP to engage the next generation of scientists and improve our diversity – across nations, regions and disciplines.

We want to explore ways to better connect and work with you:
Sessions 4, 5 and beyond.



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5. WORLD CLIMATE RESEARCH PROGRAMME

Concluding discussion

Helen Cleugh, WCRP JSC Vice Chair

You can help shape the future WCRP

We welcome your suggestions, feedback and questions on our new Lighthouse activities, new and ongoing Core Projects, and new structure.

Engage with us to jointly develop and deliver our research.

We are very grateful to all our sponsors, nations and agencies who have supported us so far.

We welcome you to continue on this journey with us, to ...

- Foster, coordinate and deliver the science that is important for you.
- Co-design and co-produce climate knowledge and information so that it better targets your needs.

***See last slide for information describing
how you can connect with us***

WCRP is here to support you

Sponsors, Partners and Nations: WCRP stands ready to support your needs for relevant, accessible and credible climate knowledge and information, by:

- Working with you to jointly identify research frontiers, challenges and collaborations.
- Directing our scientific expertise towards innovation in new scientific, technological and institutional approaches.

Through any, or all, of WCRP's core activities (i.e. Core Projects, Lighthouse activities etc)

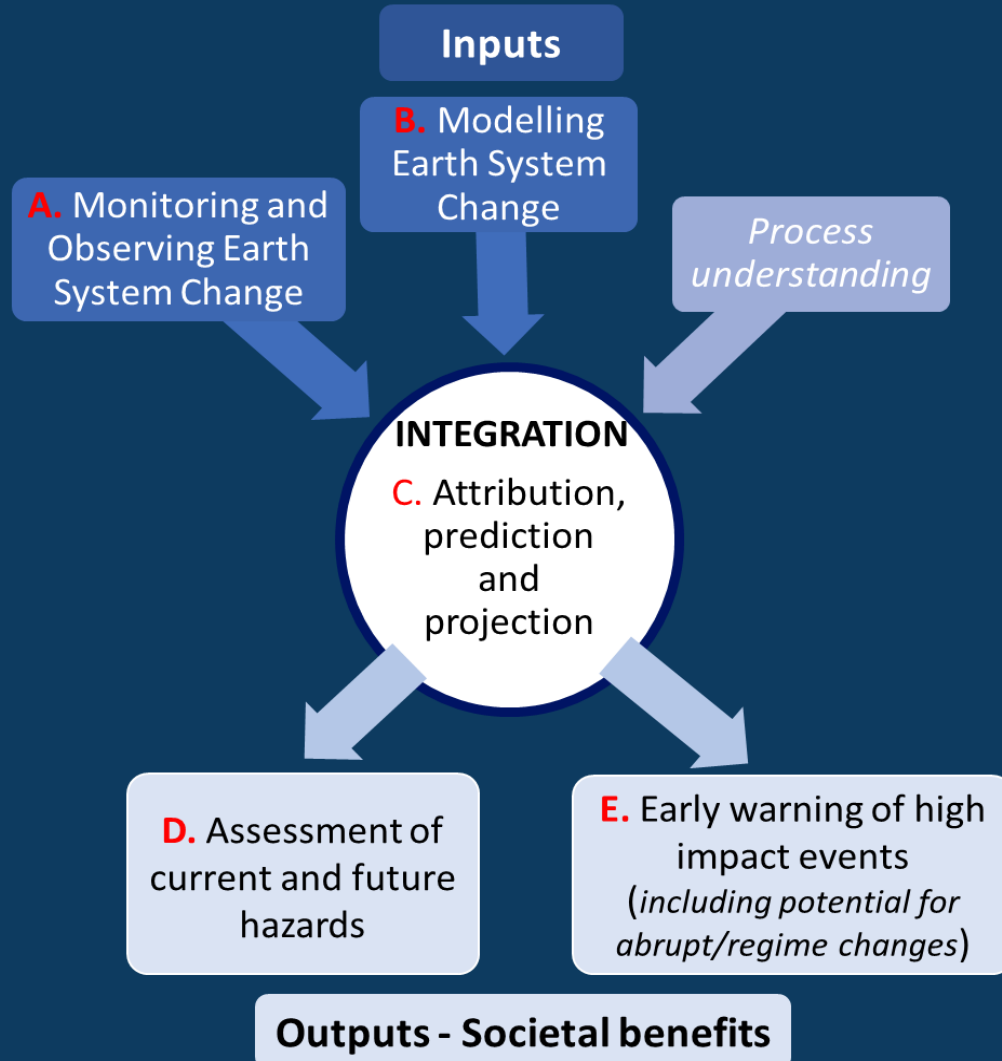
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WCRP Lighthouse Activities

Explaining and
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System Change

An integrated capability for observing, explaining and providing early warnings and predictions of Earth System Change.

Co-leads: Rowan Sutton and Kirsten Findell



The poster features logos for WCRP, World Meteorological Organization, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, International Science Council, and IPSL. The title is "WCRP workshop on attribution of multi-annual to decadal changes in the climate system" with dates "22 – 24 September 2021, Online". Below the title is a collage of four images: a bush fire, a dead tree in a desert, palm trees on a beach, and a stormy sea. The caption at the bottom reads "Explaining and Predicting Earth System Change Lighthouse Activity".

Workshop website:
<https://wcrp-epesc.sciencesconf.org>

WCRP Lighthouse Activities

My Climate Risk

To develop a new framework for assessing and explaining regional climate risk to deliver climate information that is meaningful at the local scale.

Co-leads: Regina Rodrigues and Ted Shepherd

Purpose:

Make climate information more meaningful at local scales

Vision:

New science is about how models, observations and process understanding can be used together within the context of uncertainty

Goal:

A new approach for regional climate risk assessment – one that starts with the decision context

What?

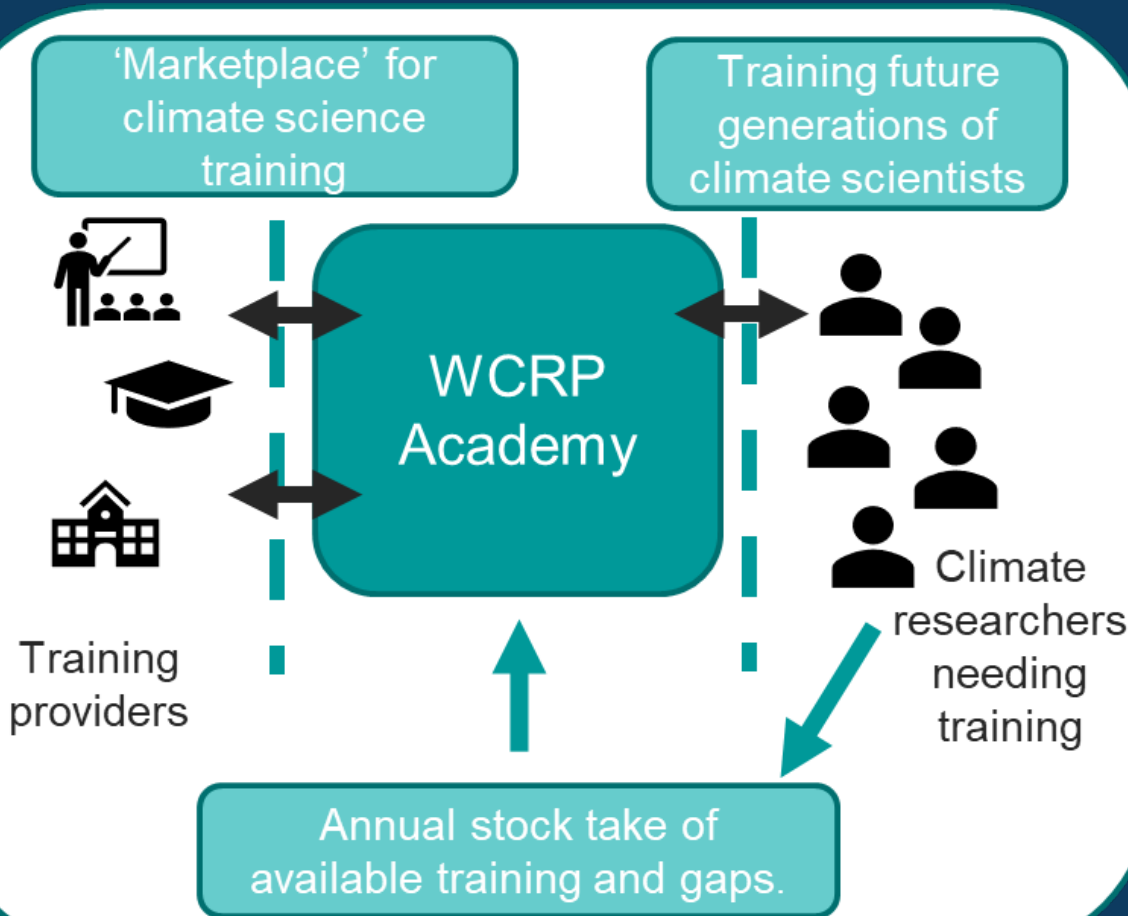
- A Risk Framework that is applicable to various types of region (large-scale, urban etc); to underpin development of climate services.
- A case-study approach via “labs”, these are dynamic, exploratory, transdisciplinary environments - more like communities of practice than physical infrastructure – where application of the Framework can be demonstrated.

WCRP Lighthouse Activities

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Co-leads: Angela Maharaj and Andrew Charlton-Perez



You can be involved:

- *Take part in first stock take (coming soon in 2021).*
- *Can your organisation fill the training gaps? Watch for results of stock take (likely Dec 2021).*
- *We need expertise in working with philanthropic donors and in setting up non-profit organisations.*

Contact Narelle Van Der Wel:
nvanderwel@wmo.int

Today's Forum is just the beginning

We welcome your ideas and feedback on next steps. These could be more virtual Forums like today; as well as further bilateral discussions.

For example, to explore opportunities for:

- Follow-up Forums(s) to focus on specific research themes, from our Core Projects or Lighthouse activities
- Further engagement with partners and sponsors, to:
 - Build and strengthen partnerships
 - Identify research priorities of mutual benefit
 - Co-design research
- Connecting with Early to Mid-Career Researchers, including YESS (Young Earth System Scientists).

Our Climate Future – Key Contacts

We are keen to hear from you and continue the conversation.

We will therefore contact you after today's Forum – *please let us know then if you'd rather not be contacted.*

If you want to know more, or wish to be involved in any of our activities, then you can:

1. Email us with questions or ideas at climatefuture@wcrp-climate.org
2. Register for email updates at www.wcrp-climate.org/wcrp-ip-connect
3. Register at www.wcrp-climate.org/climate-research-forums to tell us more about you and your interests
4. Check website for updates at www.wcrp-climate.org/wcrp-ip-overview

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Given the current and new initiatives presented in this forum, which of the following WCRP activities would you like to be involved in? Select all that apply.

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Co-leads: Peter Bauer and Christian Jakob

Some Key Aspects

- **Framework** to develop capabilities for the global community
- Software that is ***open and freely available, modular and interoperable, and built to agreed-upon standards***
- Envisage developing ***global and regional*** systems under the Framework
- Organised into four components across **Science, Technologies, and User engagement**
- **Cross-cutting** with other WCRP Lighthouse Activities and Core Projects

