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# Climate Change Service

## Overview & Outlook

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## The C3S mission

To support European adaptation and mitigation policies by:

- Providing consistent and authoritative information about climate
- Building on existing capabilities and infrastructures
- Stimulating the market for climate services in Europe



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## A one-stop Climate Data Store

We are building a store.

We are putting products on the shelves.

Soon we will open the door to customers.



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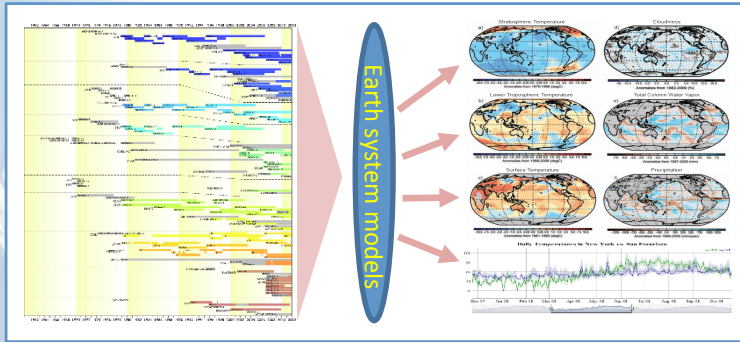
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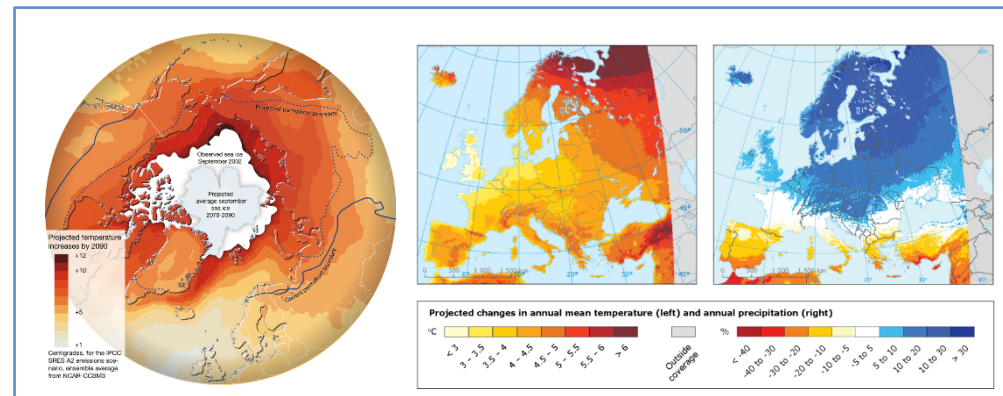
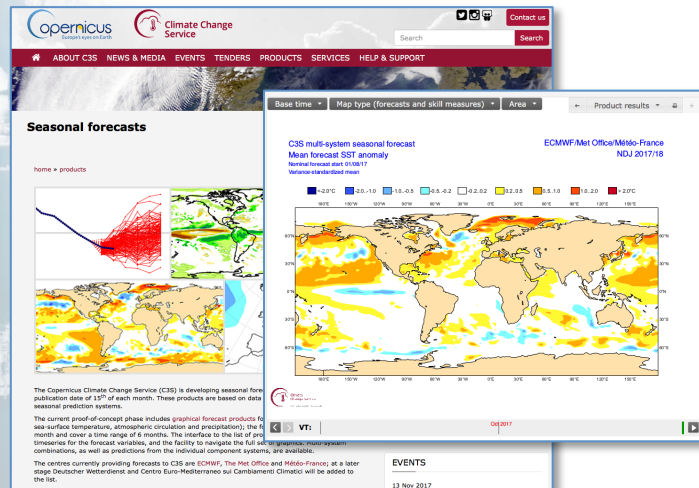
# Access to past, present and future climate information



Observations and climate reanalyses

Seasonal forecast data and products

Climate model simulations

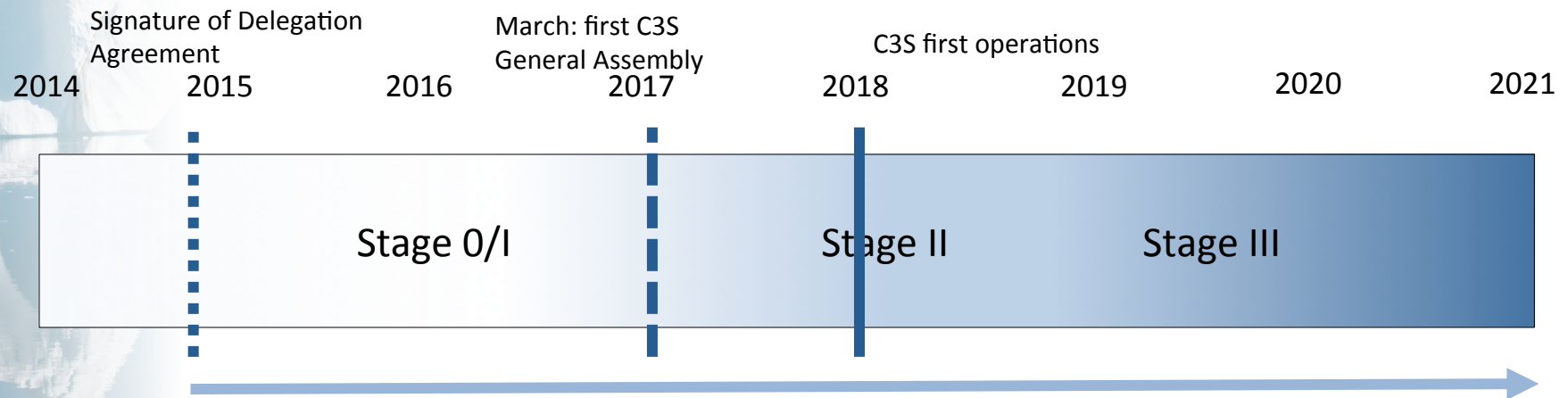






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## C3S - Development timeline





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# Climate Data Store Content





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## CDS - content



### Scientific basis:

- Essential Climate Variables as defined by GCOS
- GCOS Status Report and Implementation Plan
- IPCC, CMIP

### Observations

Global estimates of ECVs from satellite and in-situ observations

Reprocessed CDRs, reference observations

Support for data rescue, climate data collections

### Climate reanalysis

Global atmosphere, ocean, land

Regional reanalysis for Europe

Coupled climate reanalysis for 100 years

### Model output

Multi-model seasonal forecast products

Access to CMIP data and products (global and regional)

Reference set of climate projections for Europe

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## Climate Data Store: Reanalyses

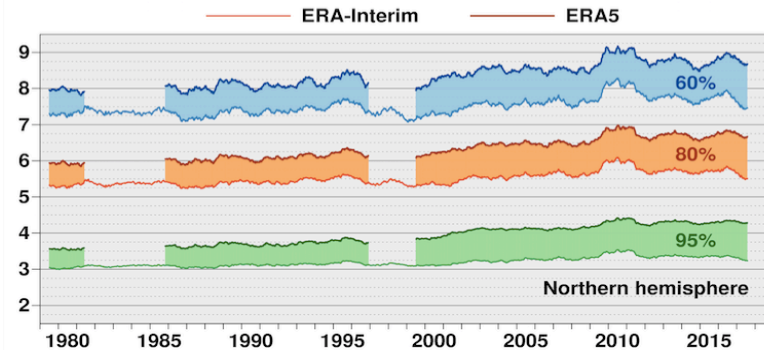
### ERA5 global reanalysis:

- Atmosphere/land/wave parameters
- 31 km global resolution, 137 levels
- Hourly output from 1979 onward
- Will be extended back to 1950s
  
- Based on IFS Cy41r2 (March 2016)
- Using improved input observations
- Ensemble data assimilation
- Providing uncertainty estimates
  
- First release of 2008-2017 dataset
  
- Full release Q3 2018

### Regional reanalysis:

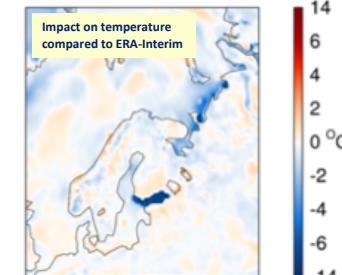
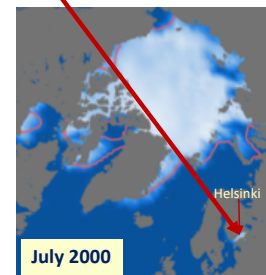
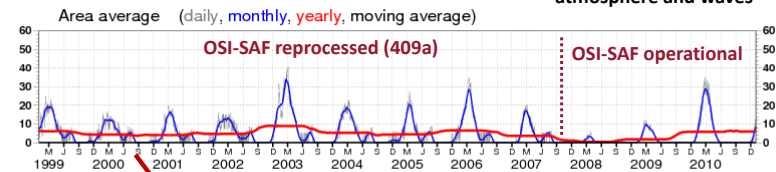
- European + Arctic domains
- Higher spatial resolution

Range (days) when 365-day mean 500hPa height AC (%) falls below threshold



### Spurious Sea-ice in Baltic Summer

Occurs each year (from 1979 - 2007)  
Has detrimental effect on  
atmosphere and waves



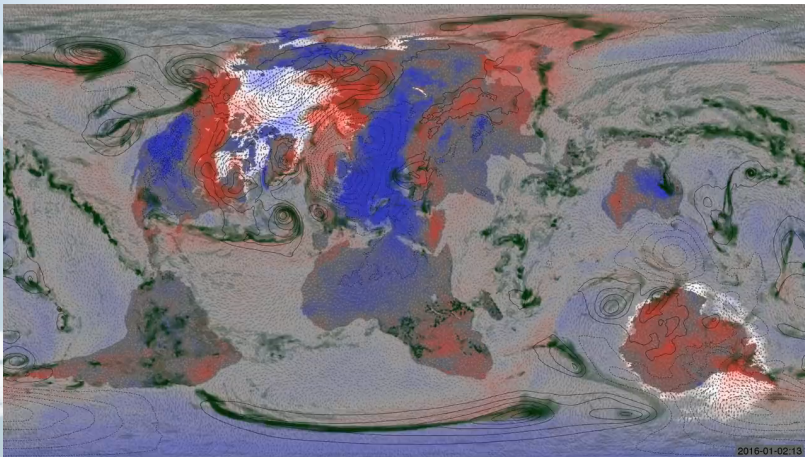




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## What is new in ERA5?

### Hourly data and more parameters



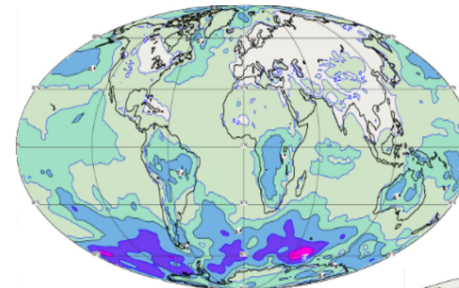
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Credit: H. Hersbach, ECMWF

### Uncertainty estimate

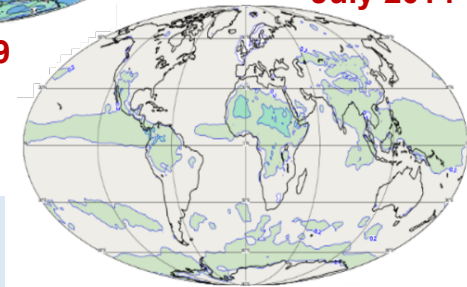
Spread in Surface Pressure (hPa)

0-0.1 0.1-0.2 0.2-0.3 0.3-0.4 0.4-0.6 0.6-0.8 0.8-1



January 1979

July 2014



Reflects variations in:

- ingested observing system
- flow-dependent sensitivity

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# Earth Observation based ECVs in C3S

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|  |                                    |        | C3S_312a | C3S_312b |      |      |      |
|--|------------------------------------|--------|----------|----------|------|------|------|
|  |                                    | GCOS   | 2017     | 2018     | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
| <b>Atmospheric physics</b>             |                                    |        |          |          |      |      |      |
|  | Precipitation                      | 4.3.5  |          |          |      |      |      |
|  | Surface Radiation Budget           | 4.3.6  |          |          |      |      |      |
|  | Water Vapour                       | 4.5.3  |          |          |      |      |      |
|  | Cloud Properties                   | 4.5.4  |          |          |      |      |      |
|  | Earth Radiation Budget             | 4.5.5  |          |          |      |      |      |
| <b>Atmospheric composition</b>         |                                    |        |          |          |      |      |      |
|  | Carbon Dioxide                     | 4.7.1  | Lot 6    |          |      |      |      |
|  | Methane                            | 4.7.2  | Lot 6    |          |      |      |      |
|  | Ozone                              | 4.7.4  | Lot 4    |          |      |      |      |
|  | Aerosol                            | 4.7.5  | Lot 5    |          |      |      |      |
| <b>Ocean</b>                           |                                    |        |          |          |      |      |      |
|  | Sea Surface Temperature            | 5.3.1  | Lot 3    |          |      |      |      |
|  | Sea Level                          | 5.3.3  | Lot 2    |          |      |      |      |
|  | Sea ice                            | 5.3.5  | Lot 1    |          |      |      |      |
|  | Ocean Colour                       | 5.3.7  |          |          |      |      |      |
| <b>Land hydrology &amp; cryosphere</b> |                                    |        |          |          |      |      |      |
|  | Lakes                              | 6.3.4  |          |          |      |      |      |
|  | Glaciers                           | 6.3.6  | Lot 8    |          |      |      |      |
|  | Ice sheets and ice shelves         | 6.3.7  |          |          |      |      |      |
|  | Soil moisture                      | 6.3.16 | Lot 7    |          |      |      |      |
| <b>Land biosphere</b>                  |                                    |        |          |          |      |      |      |
|  | Albedo                             | 6.3.9  | Lot 9    |          |      |      |      |
|  | Land Cover                         | 6.3.10 |          |          |      |      |      |
|  | Fraction of Absorbed Photosyntheti | 6.3.11 | Lot 9    |          |      |      |      |
|  | Leaf Area Index                    | 6.3.12 | Lot 9    |          |      |      |      |
|  | Fire                               | 6.3.15 |          |          |      |      |      |
|  |                                    |        | 2017     | 2018     | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |

## Heritage/coordination:

- ESA CCI(+)
- EUMETSAT SAFs
- Other Copernicus Services
- etc..

- Multiple datasets
- Provision of uncertainty estimates
- Focus on stability and consistency
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## C3S 312a Lot2 Sea Level production service

- The **Sea Level ECV** produced within the C3S (312a\_Lot2) is derived from **satellite altimetry**.
- The service is ensured by **CLS and LEGOS** (France)
- **Gridded daily maps** of **sea level anomalies** and **velocities** are provided in delayed-time in the **global ocean, Mediterranean** and **Black seas** during 1993-2017.
- **Users** are interested in **sea level changes, ocean dynamics, data assimilation for climate projections, model validation, ...**
- Strong **interaction and complementarity** with the **Copernicus Marine Service (CMEMS)**:
  - **C3S**: retrieval of **long-term variability** and focus on the **Mean Sea Level stability** with a stable altimeter constellation in time.
  - **CMEMS**: focus on the **mesoscale estimation** with all satellites missions available to provide the best sampling.
- Strong **interaction** is required with **Copernicus space component** and **space agencies**:
  - To **manage satellite databases** and
  - To phase the production with R&D activities (ESA CCI+...)

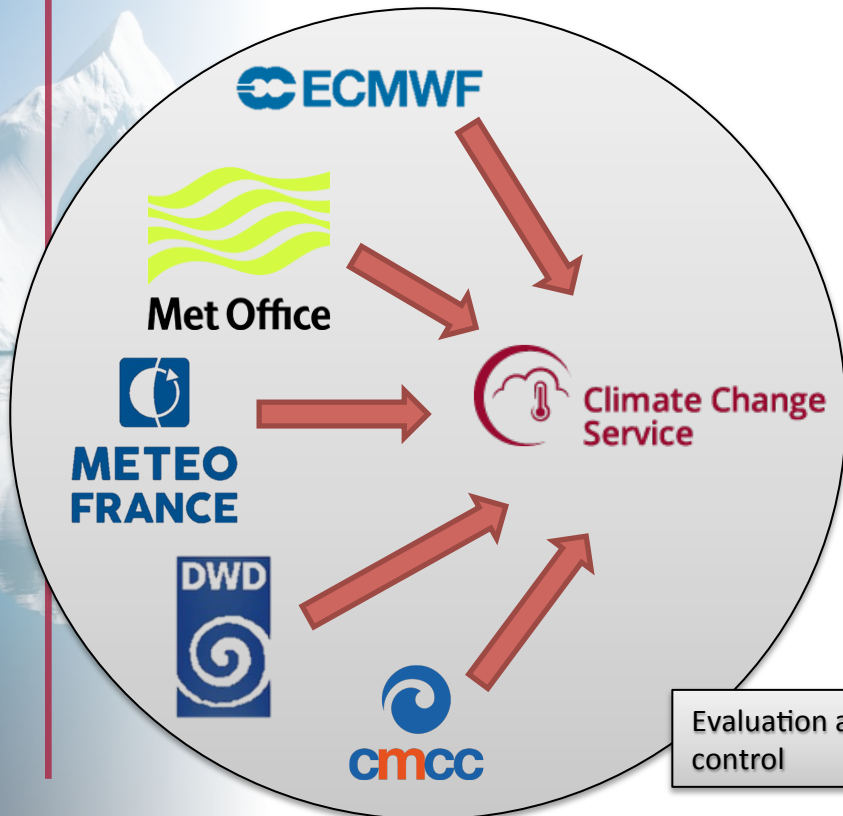




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## C3S seasonal forecasts

Aim: to generate seasonal forecast products based on the best information available, to an operational schedule, and make them publicly available.



Horizontal grid: global 1deg x 1deg

Ensemble size:

- Forecasts: ~50 members
- Hindcasts: ~25 members x 24 years (1993-2016)

Variables

- Surface
  - 7 vars every 6h
  - +30 vars every 24h
- Pressure (11 levels, from 925 hPa to 10 hPa)
  - 8 vars every 12 h

Agreed netCDF specification C3S-0.1 (based on CF)







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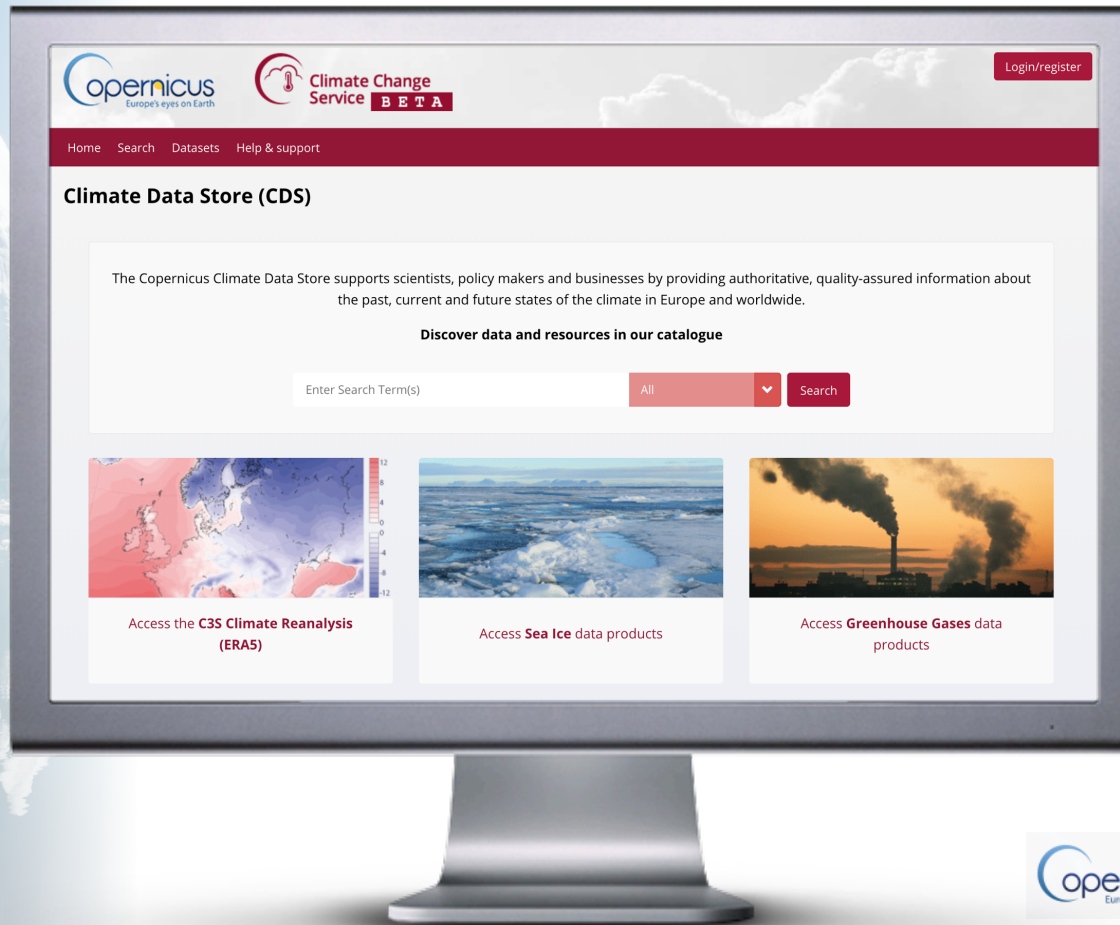
# Climate Data Store Infrastructure and toolbox





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## Climate Data Store – Current Status



The CDS contains **observations**, global and regional **climate reanalyses**, global and regional **climate projections** and **seasonal forecasts**

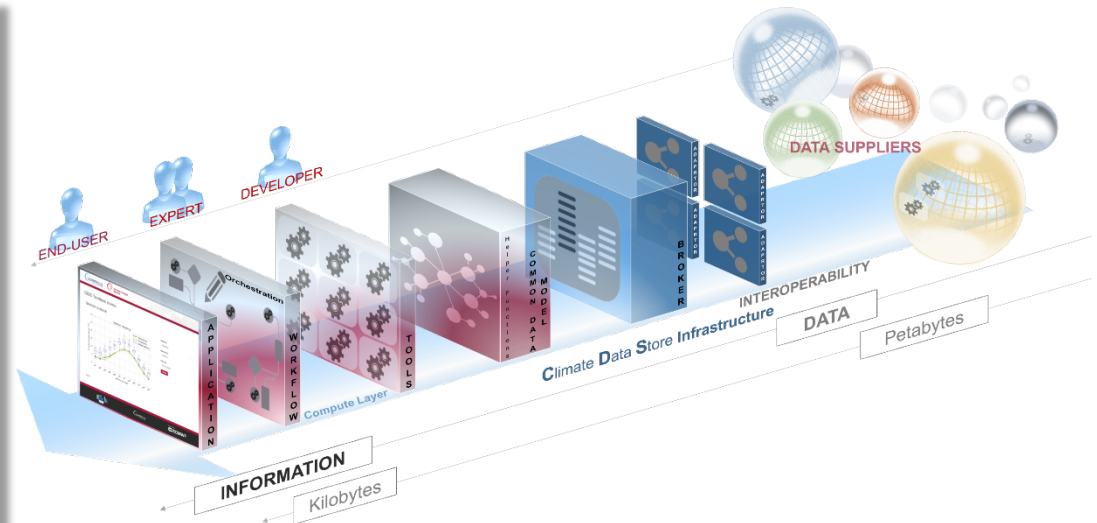
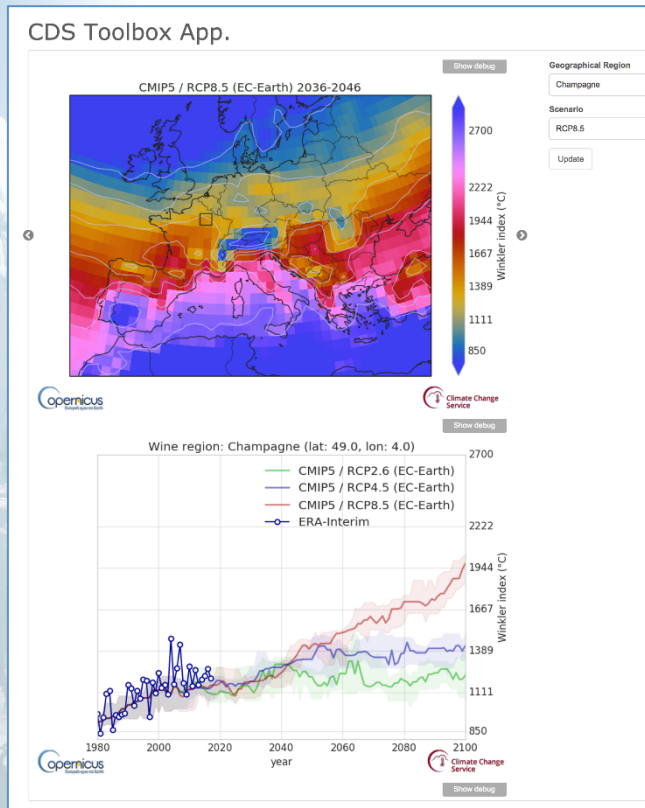
The CDS is designed as a **distributed system**, providing improved access to **existing datasets** through a **unified web interface**





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## Access to tools, workflows and applications



CDS infrastructure beta version: February 2018

CDS toolbox beta version: March 2018

**Open to Public: End of March 2018**





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# Climate Data Store

## Dataset Integration Process

### Publish:

- Collect user **feedback**

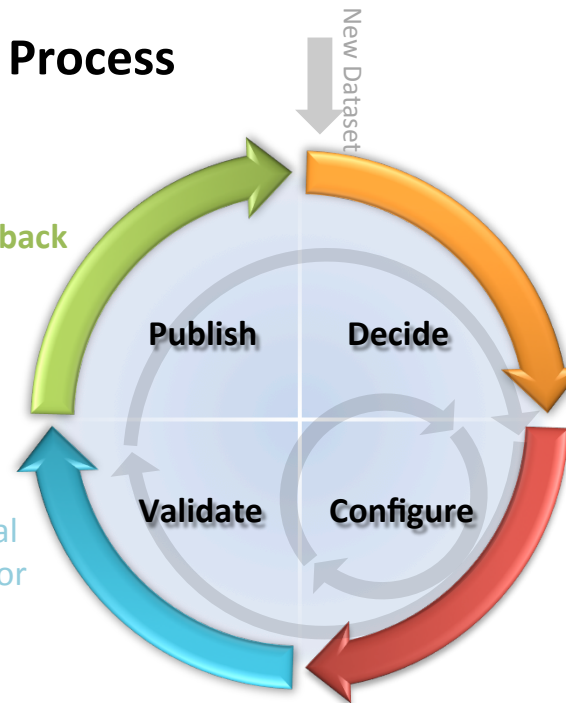
### Decide:

- ✓ CDS catalogue entries
- ✓ Granularity

### Configure:

- ✓ Catalogue **Overviews**
- ✓ **Quality Assessment Briefs**
- ✓ **Documentation**
- ✓ Sub-selection **Forms**
- ✓ Toolbox Application
  - Common Data model
  - Import Mapping

**Validate** with C3S Technical Officers, Stakeholder and/or EQCs team



**Test** downloads

**Create adaptors**  
(if not existing)

