

# CLARITY's Climate Services: Using EURO-CORDEX simulations and including dynamical-statistical downscaling to allocate current and future climate-related hazard patterns at different spatial scales

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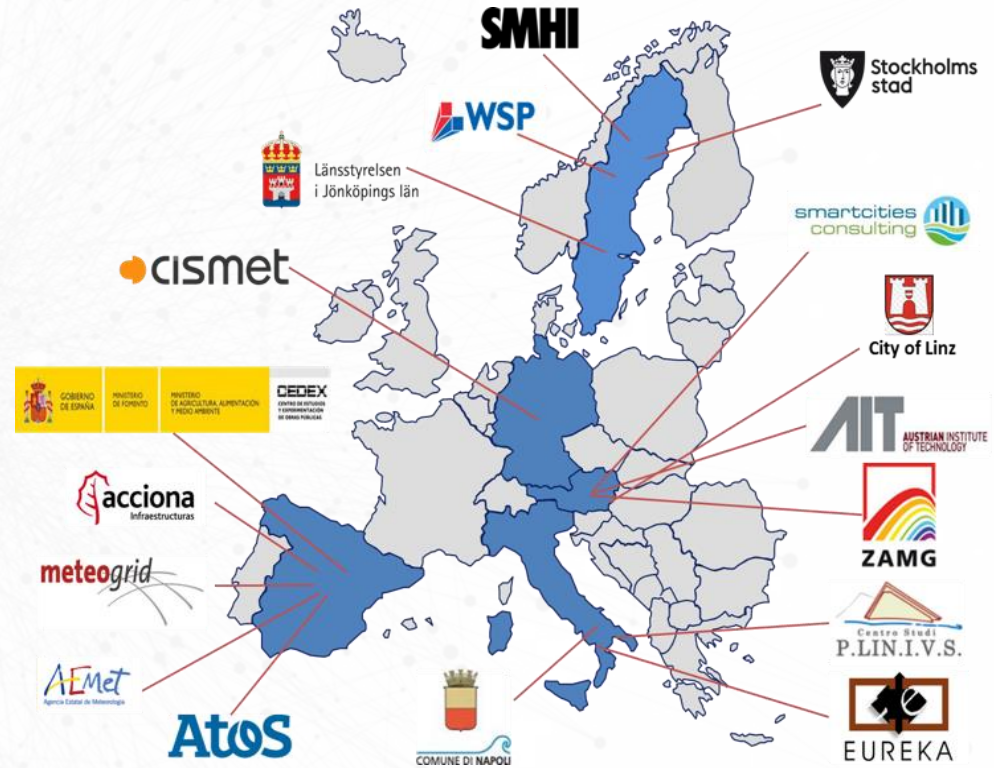
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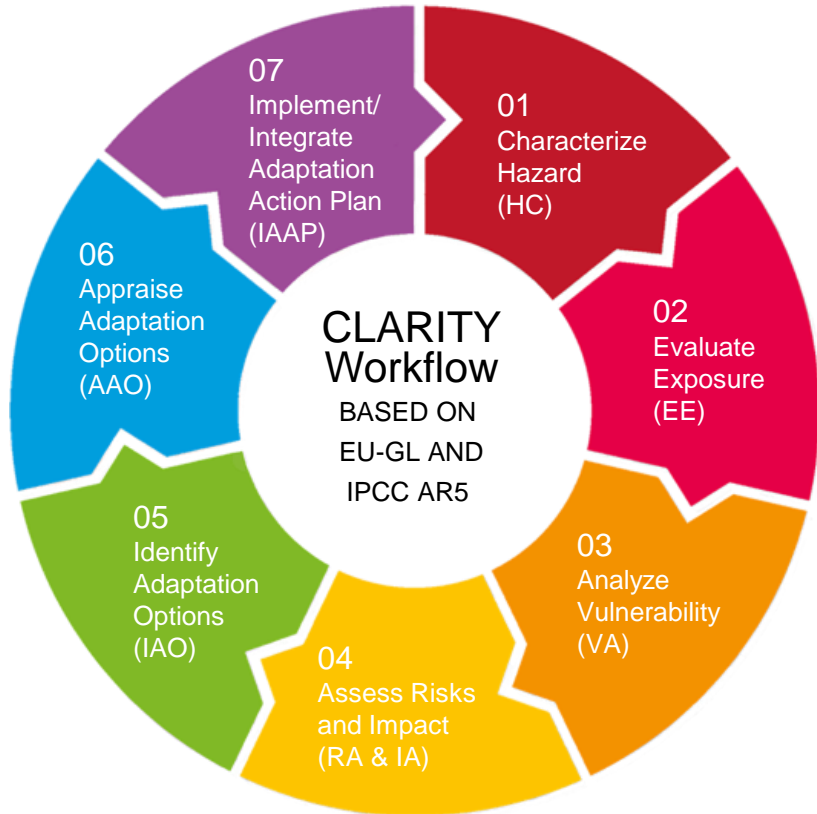


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- Development of a **Climate Services Information System (CSIS)** to support climate change adaptation planning in **urban areas** and **transport infrastructure** projects
- **Co-creation** with suppliers, purveyors and end-users
- Demonstration and validation of added value in **4 pilots**





## CLARITY WORKFLOW

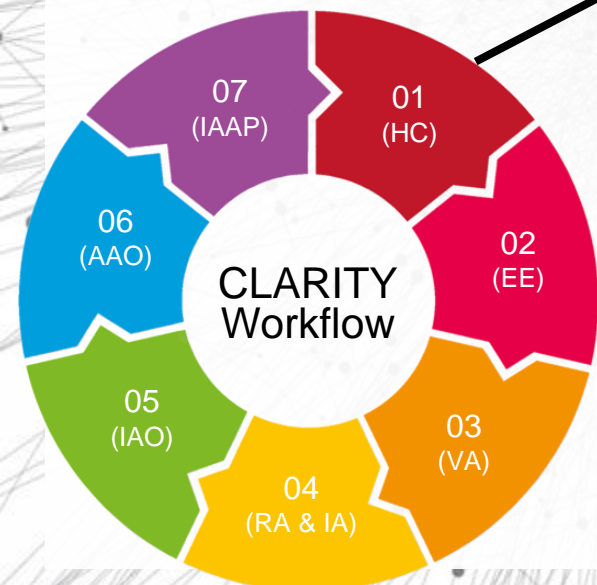
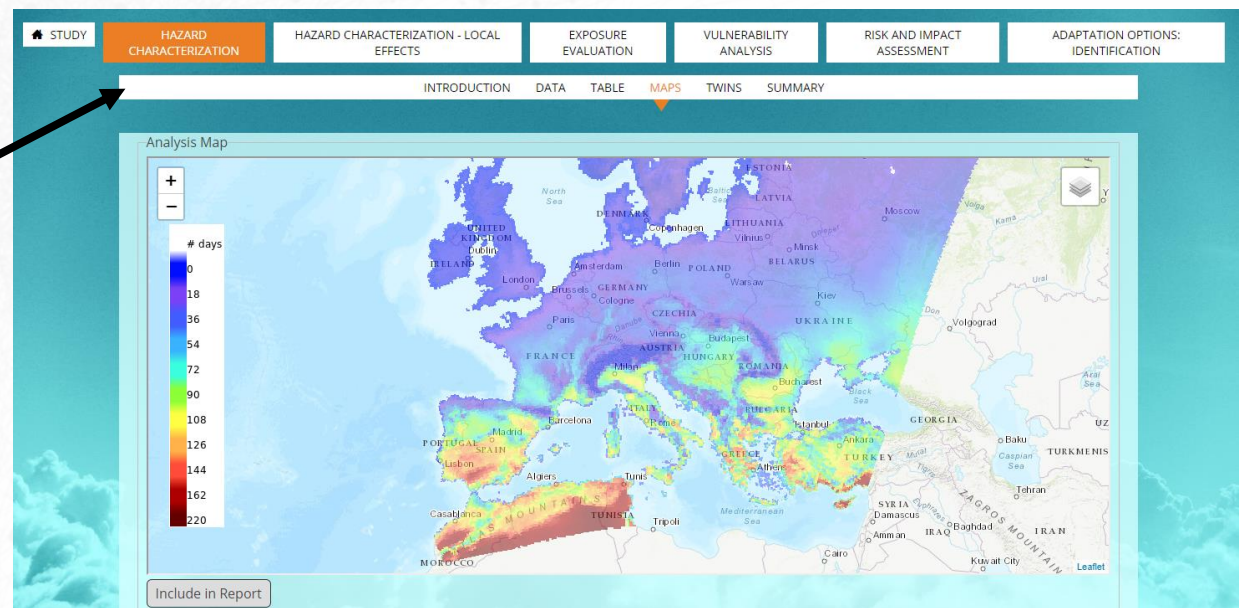
- Based on “Non-paper guidelines for project managers: making vulnerable investments climate resilient” (EC, 2011)
- Updated to comply with the 5<sup>th</sup> Assessment Report of the IPCC to promote integrated modelling approach for Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation

**For more details about the EU-GL method please check:**

<http://climate-adapt.eea.europa.eu/metadata/guidances/non-paper-guidelines-for-project-managers-making-vulnerable-investments-climate-resilient/guidelines-for-project-managers.pdf>

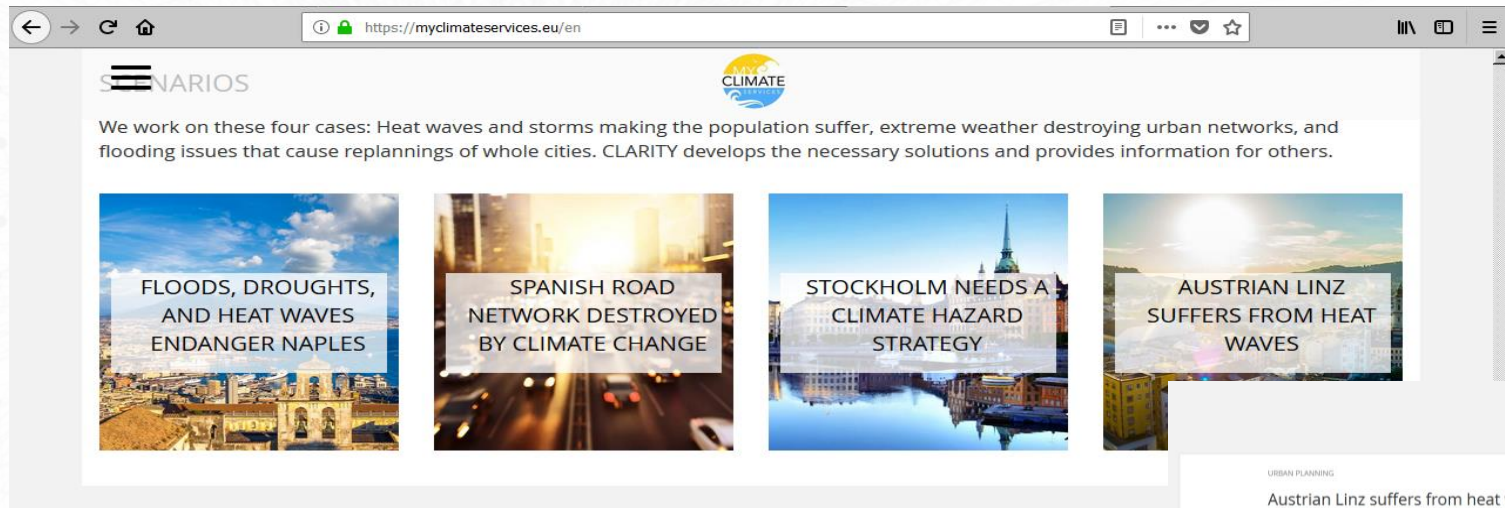
## Climate Services Information System (CSIS) – Online Screening Tool

- **Screening** of potential hazards, exposed elements at risk, general adaptation options, ..
- Based on available **open** data (e.g. EURO-CORDEX, Urban Atlas)

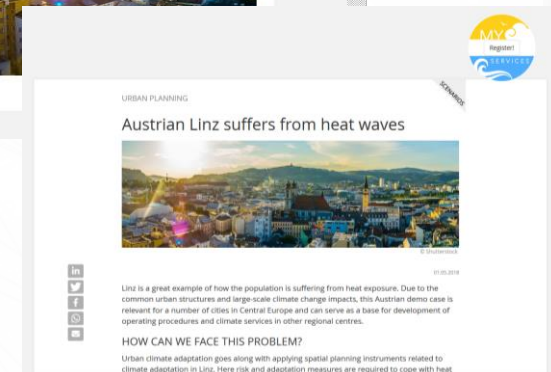


## Marketplace

- **Expert Services** and **Solutions** based on results of the screening
- Expert Studies in pilot sites (Naples, Linz, Sweden, Spain) showcase the benefit



- Application of models and tools at higher spatial resolution
- Integration of **city-specific** (i.e. non-open) datasets



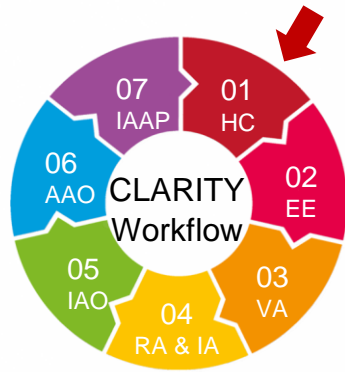
## CLIMATE MODELLING AT EUROPEAN SCALE

- Hazards are represented through a set of **climate indices** (ETCCDI, ECA&D)
- 16 GCM-RCM combinations from **EURO-CORDEX** simulations (0.11° resolution)
- Bias correction method quantile mapping applied to temperature and precipitation data using the E-OBS Dataset (still ongoing)
- Representative Concentration Pathways (RCPs): **RCP2.6, RCP4.5, RCP8.5**
- Periods: **1971 – 2000, 2011 – 2040, 2041 – 2070, 2071 – 2100**
- Special focus on **heat** and **flood-related** hazards

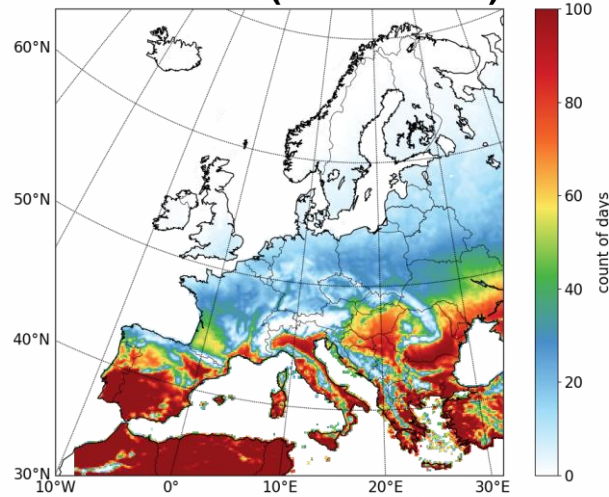




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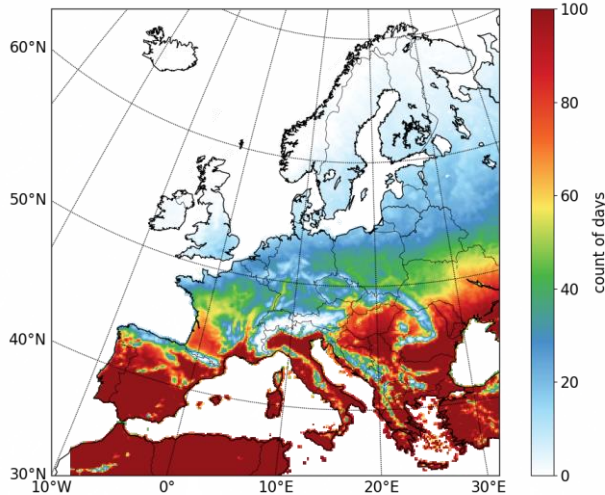


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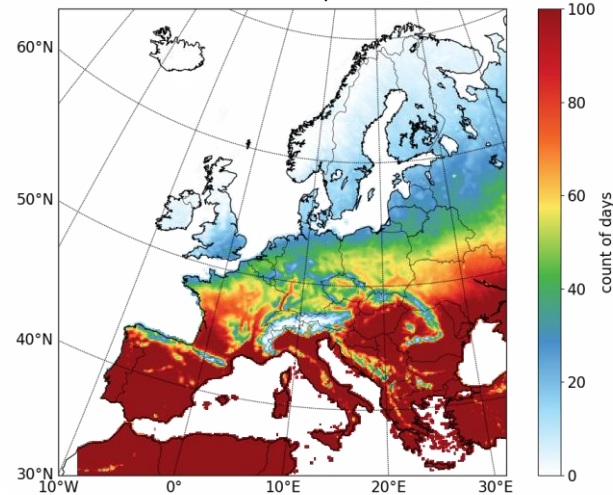


### Ensemble mean of EURO-CORDEX simulations (near-surface maximum temperature)

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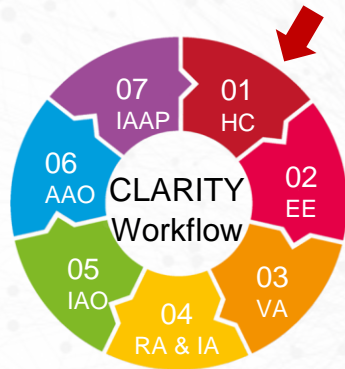
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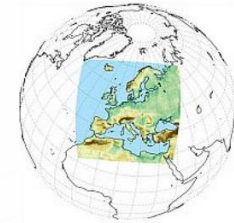
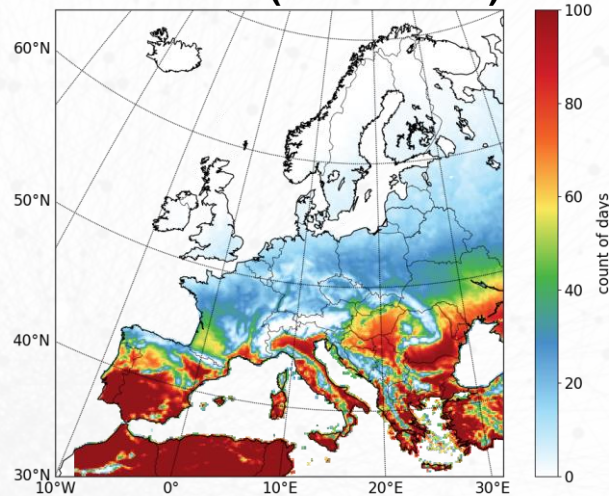
Preliminary results!



## CHANGE IN SUMMER DAYS (Tmax ≥ 25°C)

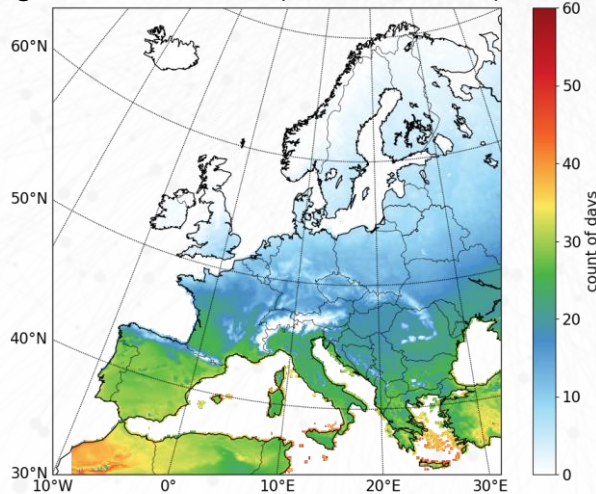


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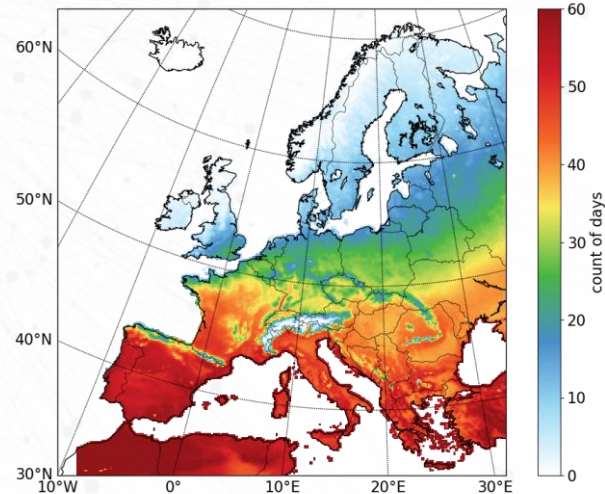


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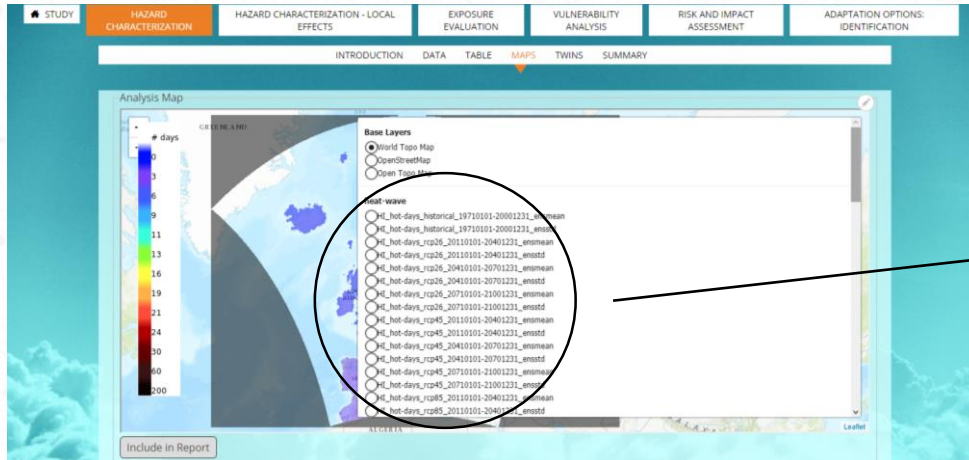


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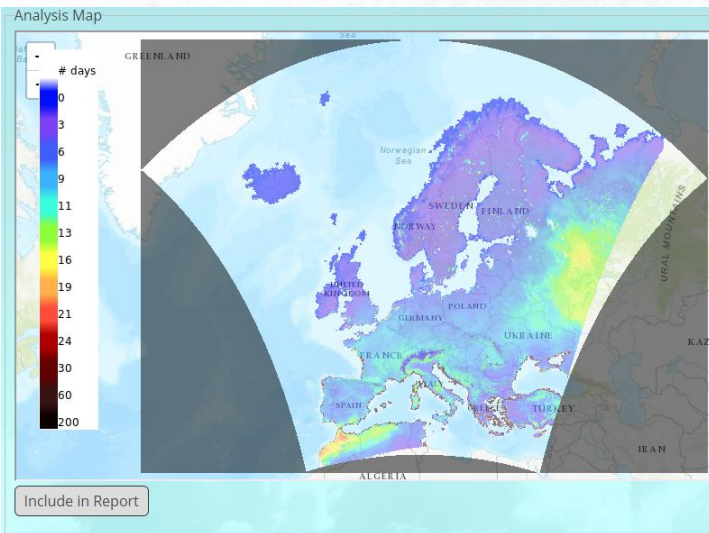




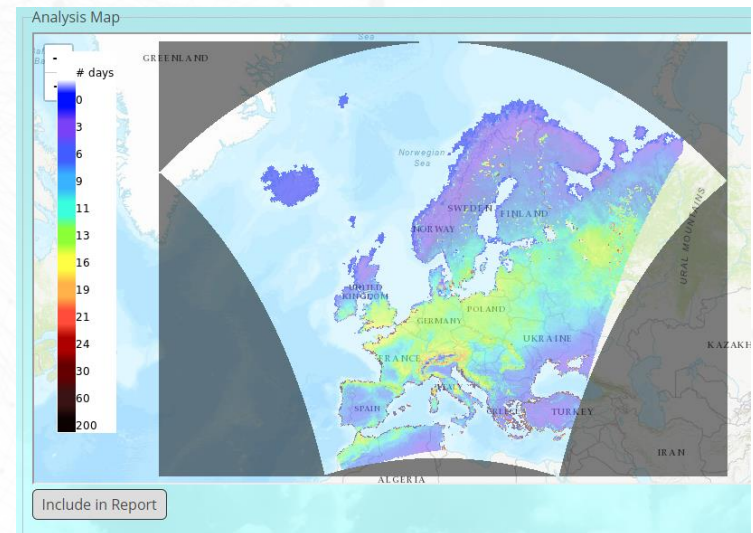
Visualisation of . . .

- Different indices
- Different RCP scenarios
- Ensemble statistics

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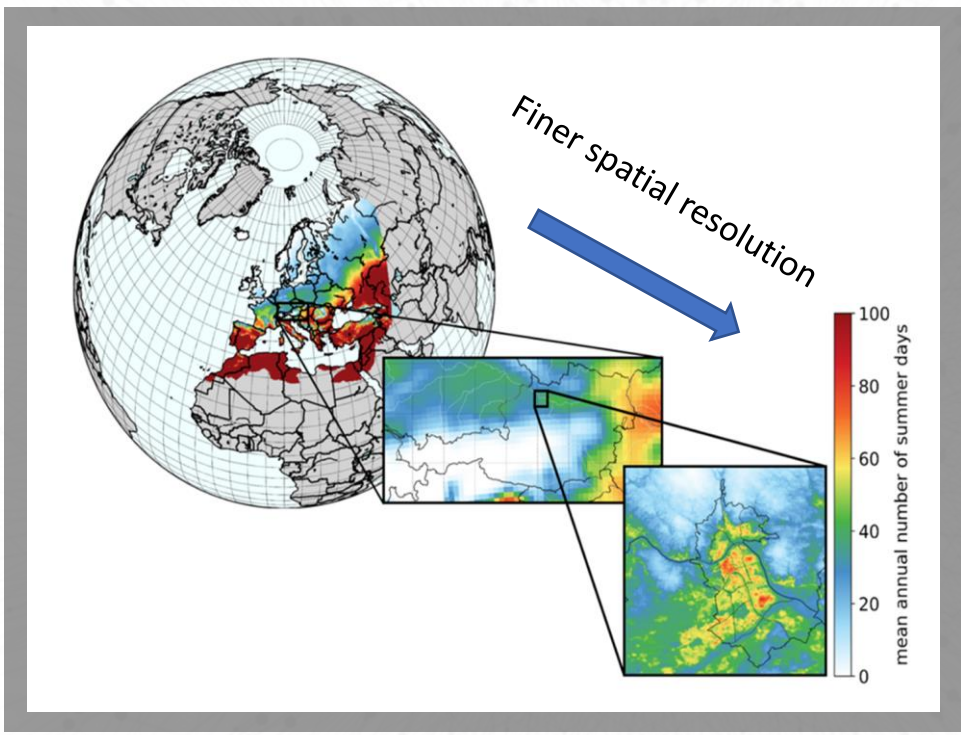


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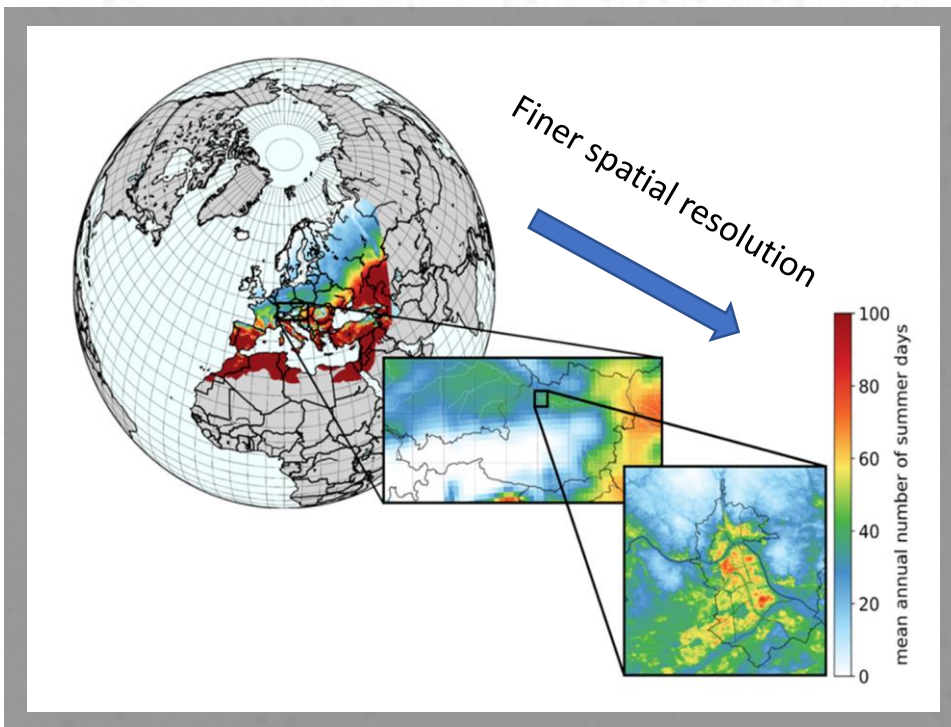


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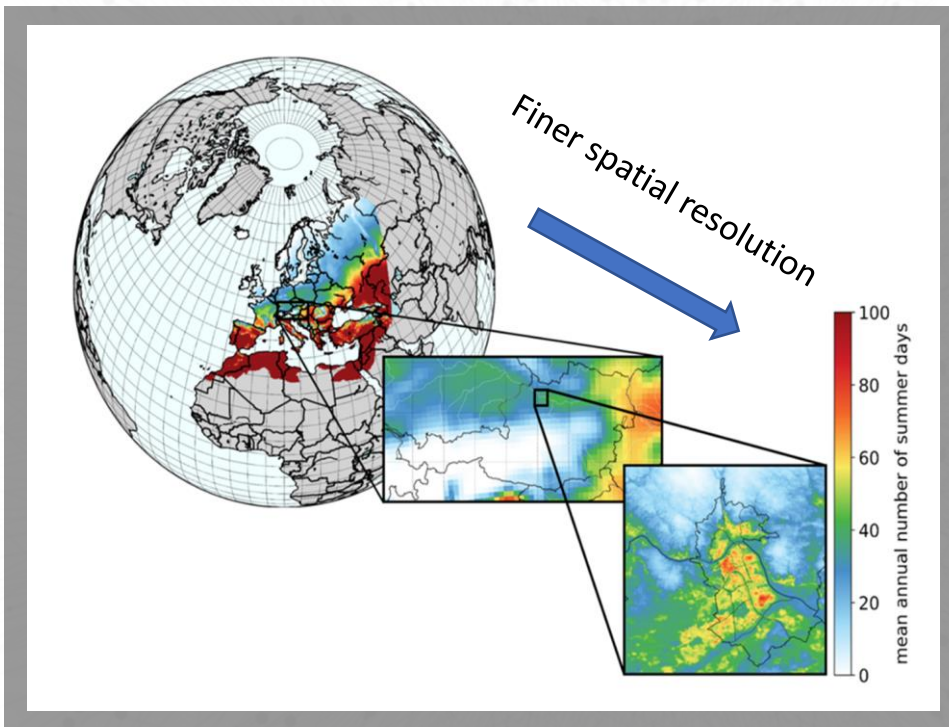
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**MUKLIMO\_3** (Sievers and Zdunkowski, 1986; Sievers, 1990; Sievers, 1995)

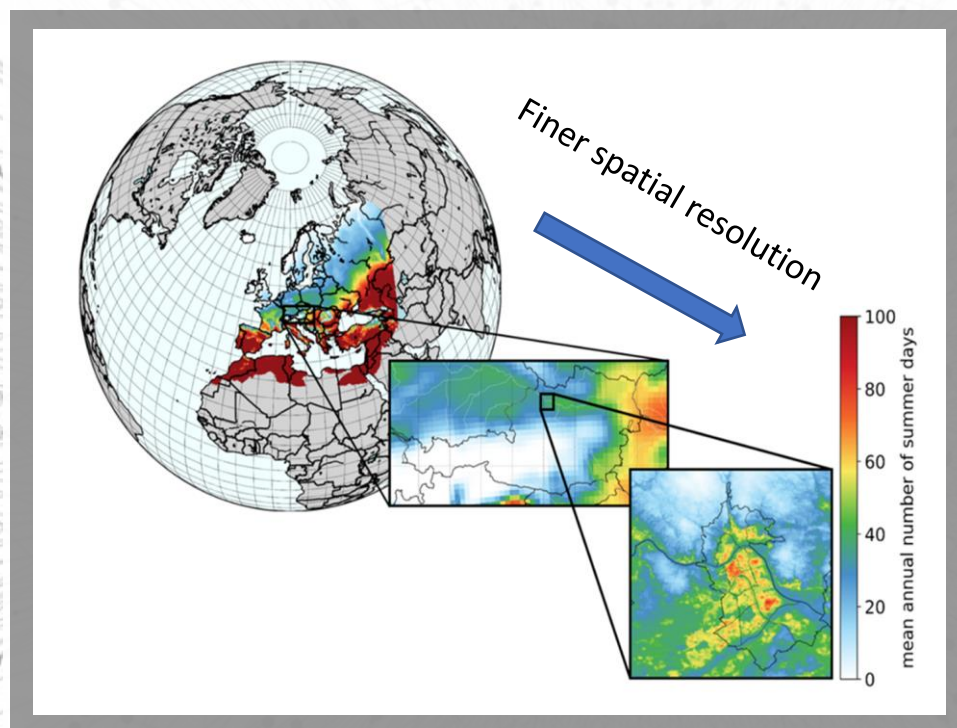
- **Main applications:** Simulation of urban heat island effects and modelling the effects of climate adaptation measures
- **Horizontal/vertical resolution:** 20–250 m / 10–100 m
- **Input data:** orography and land use (city administration, CORINE, Urban Atlas)
- **Output data and analysis:** air temperature, wind speed and direction, relative humidity and heat fluxes
- **Post-processing:** Calculation of climate indices with the cuboid method

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- Number of hot days
- Number of tropical nights

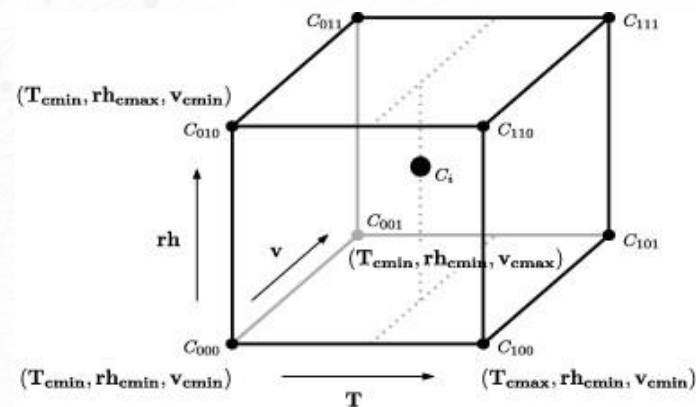
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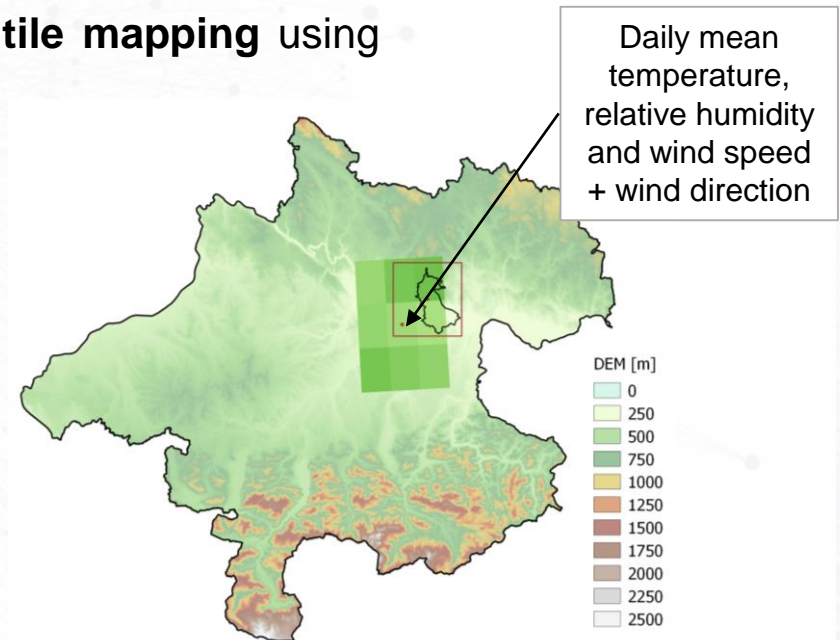
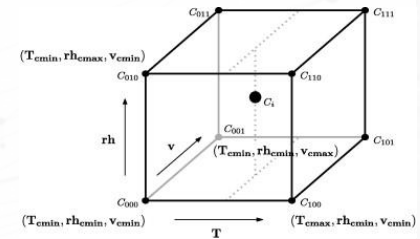
## DYNAMICAL-STATISTICAL DOWNSCALING



**Cuboid method (Früh et al., 2011):** Downscaling method combining idealized single-day urban climate simulations, carried out by **MUKLIMO\_3**, with long-term climate information of monitoring stations or regional climate simulations (e.g. **EURO-CORDEX**) by means of trilinear interpolation

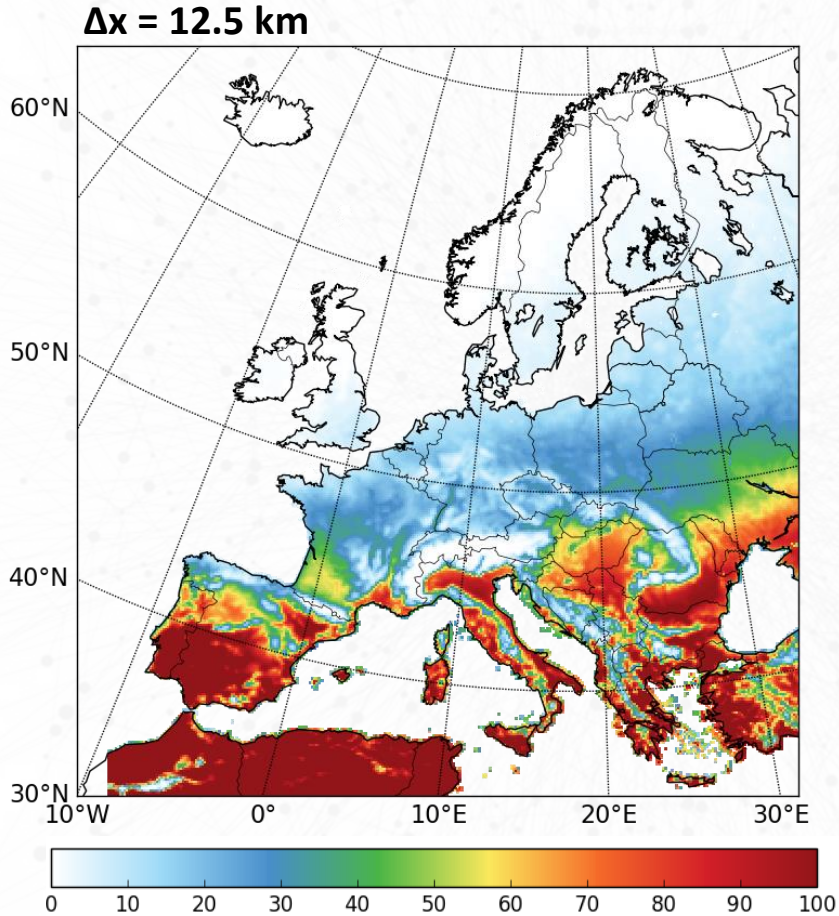
## CLIMATE MODELLING AT LOCAL SCALE – BACKGROUND CLIMATE

- Ensemble (8 members) of **EURO-CORDEX** simulations extracted for a location representative for the city's rural environment
- 3 time periods, 2 scenarios (**RCP4.5, RCP8.5**)
- Bias-correction of temperature data via **quantile mapping** using monitoring data from a reference station



Institute	Driving GCM	RCM
DMI	ICHEC-EC-EARTH	HIRHAM5
	NCC-NorESM1-M	HIRHAM5
KNMI	ICHEC-EC-EARTH	RACMO22E
SMHI	CNRM-CERFACS-CNRM-CM5	RCA4
	ICHEC-EC-EARTH	RCA4
	IPSL-IPSL-CM5A-MR	RCA4
	MOHC-HadGEM2-ES	RCA4
	MPI-M-MPI-ESM-LR	RCA4

SUMMER DAYS ( $T_{max} \geq 25^{\circ}C$ ): BASELINE (1971 – 2000)



Mean annual number of summer days ( $T_{max} \geq 25^{\circ}C$ ), model ensemble average

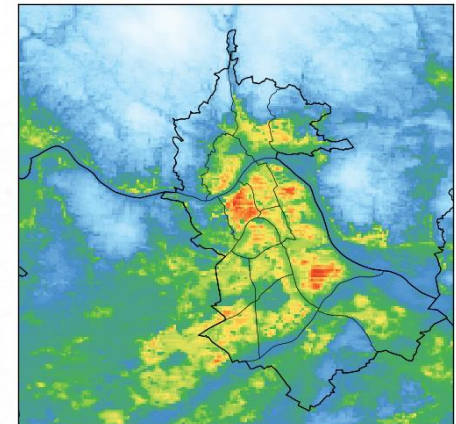
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Expert Studies

Downscaling

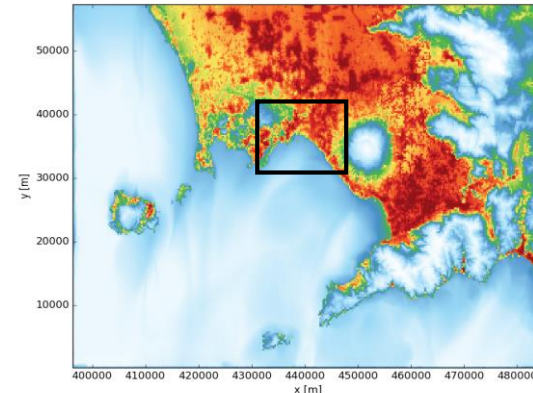
Downscaling

Linz, Austria



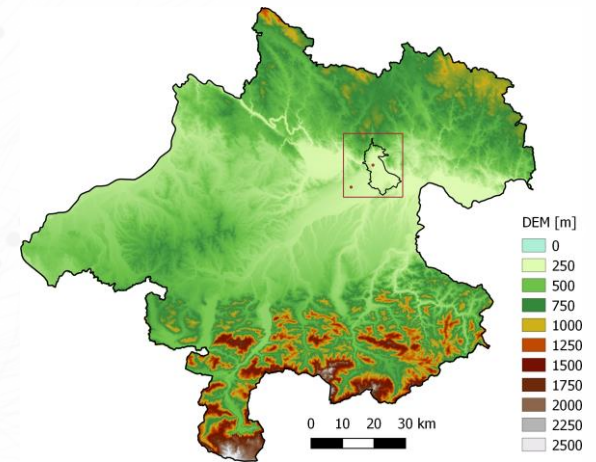
$\Delta x = 100 \text{ m}$

Campania Region, Italy



$\Delta x = 250 \text{ m}$

## EXPERT STUDY (Linz)

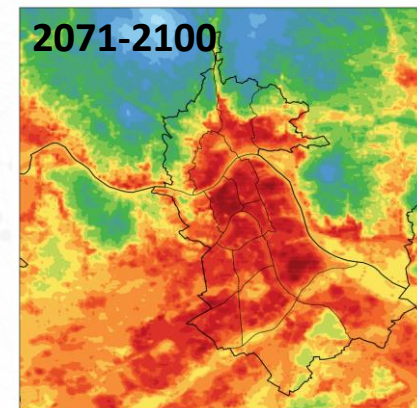
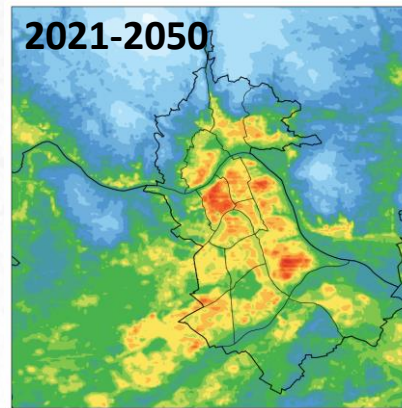
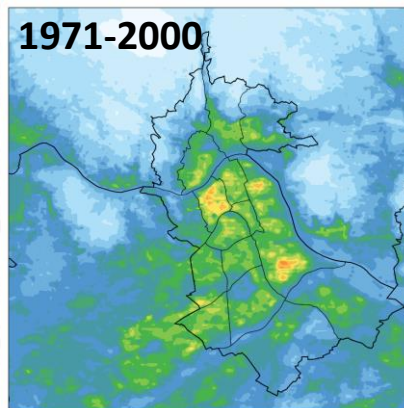


*Mean annual number of summer days for historical and future periods*

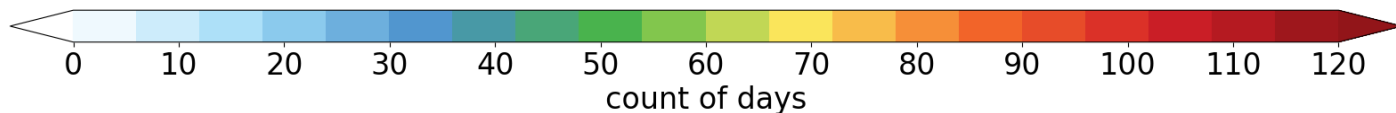
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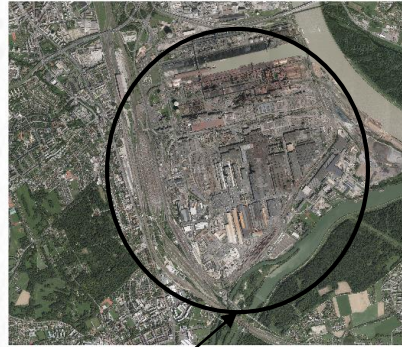
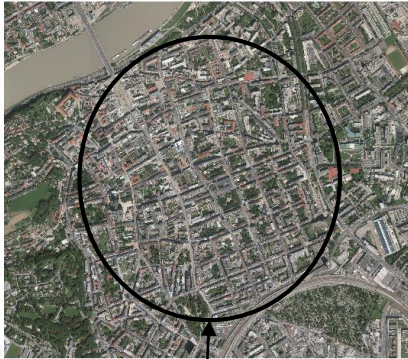
**RCP8.5**



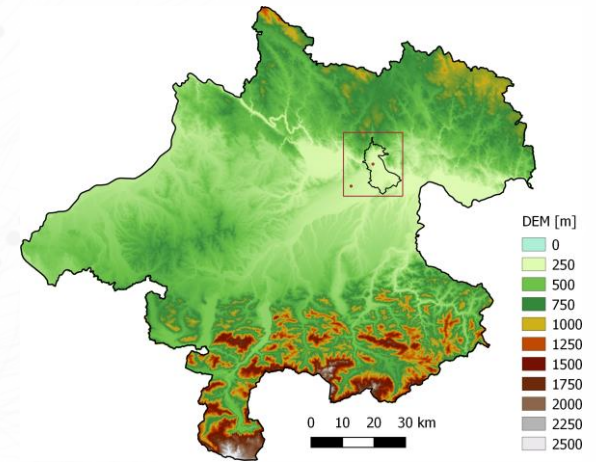


## EXPERT STUDY (Linz)

„Hot-spot“ areas



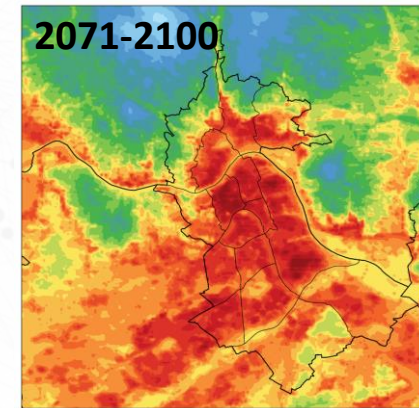
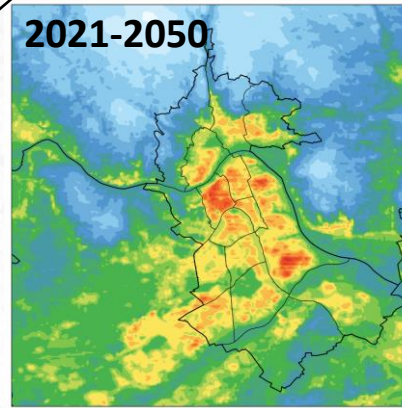
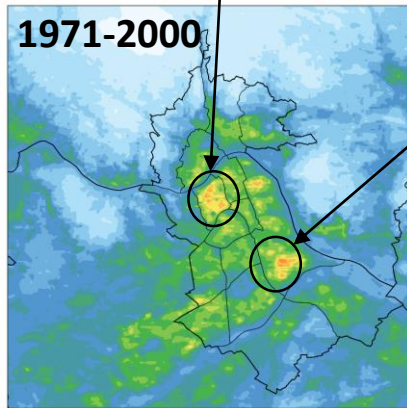
Source: Land Oberösterreich - data.ooe.gv.at



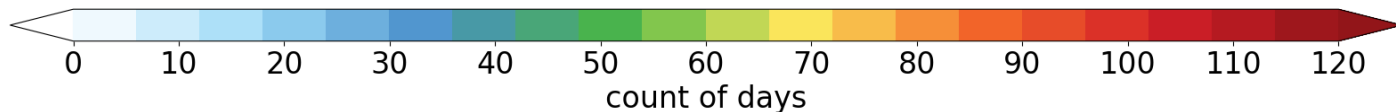
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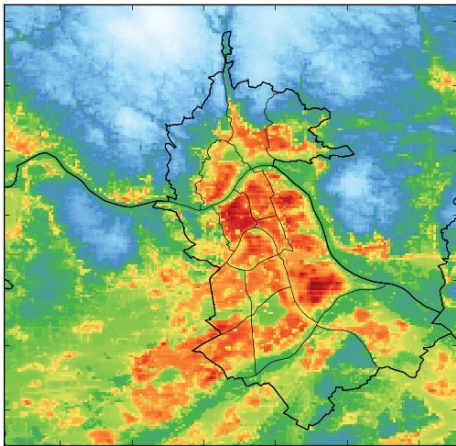


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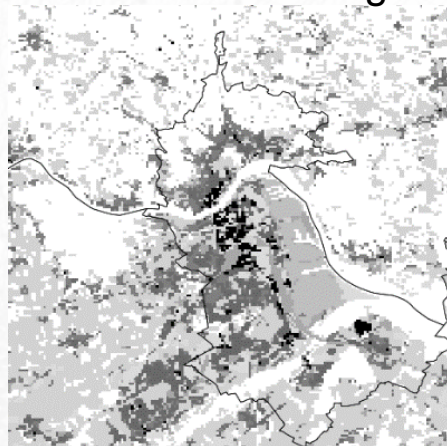


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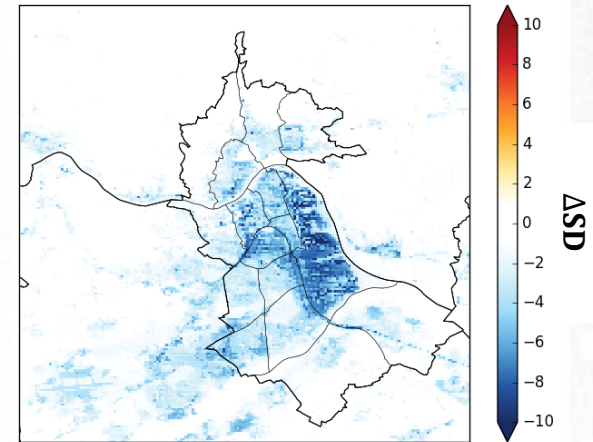
Reference simulation



Land Use Change



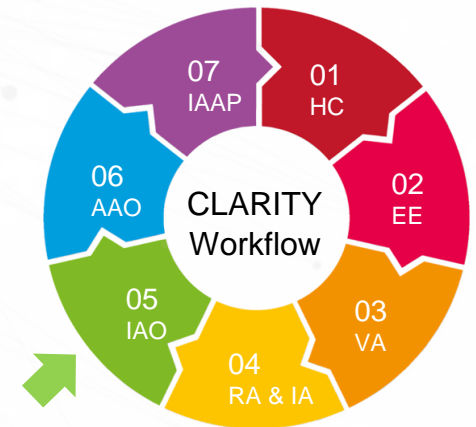
Difference in heat load



## Experiments

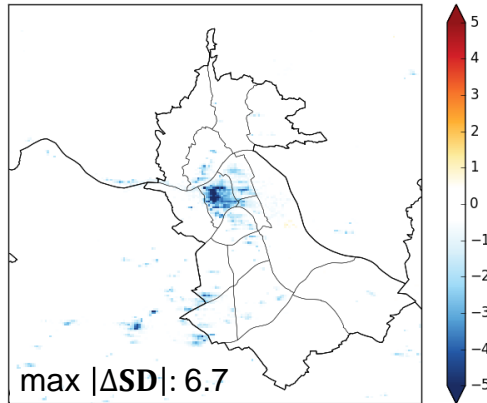
Modification of ...

- fraction of impervious surface (sealing)
- albedo (walls, roof)
- green roofs
- tree cover, vegetation cover



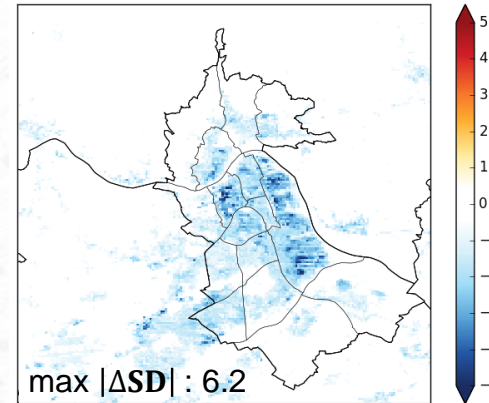
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Exp: 50% green roofs



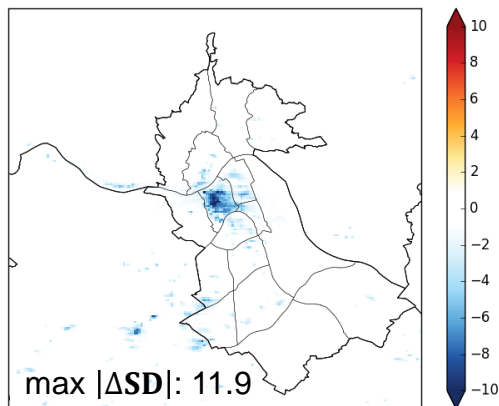
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Exp: Reduction in total soil sealing by 30%



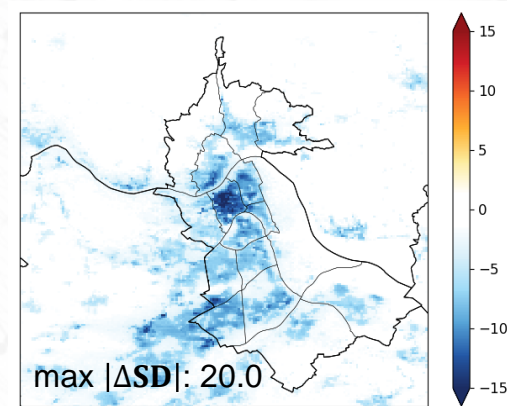
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Exp: 50% green roofs and increased roof albedo ( $a_{\text{roof}} = 0.7$ )



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Exp: Combination of measures ( $a_{\text{roof}} = 0.5$ ,  $a_{\text{wall}} = 0.5$ ,  $a_{\text{street}} = 0.4$ , 50% green roofs)



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- Within the **CLARITY** project, **hazard characterisation** is provided via the CSIS screening tool using an ensemble of **EURO-CORDEX** simulations at 12.5 km resolution
- By applying **high-resolution models**, it is possible to obtain this information at much higher spatial scales (e.g. 100 m spatial resolution) within the framework of CLARITY **Expert Services**.
- This detailed climate information might be especially useful for many urban planning and climate adaptation applications

More information about the CLARITY Project and the Marketplace:

<http://clarity-h2020.eu/>

<https://myclimateservices.eu/en>