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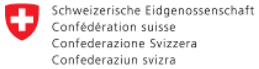
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user needs from the perspective of a national weather service

Mark Liniger, Andreas Fischer
Christof Appenzeller, Mischa Croci-Maspoli, Sophie Fukutome, Elias Zubler



CH2011 and beyond



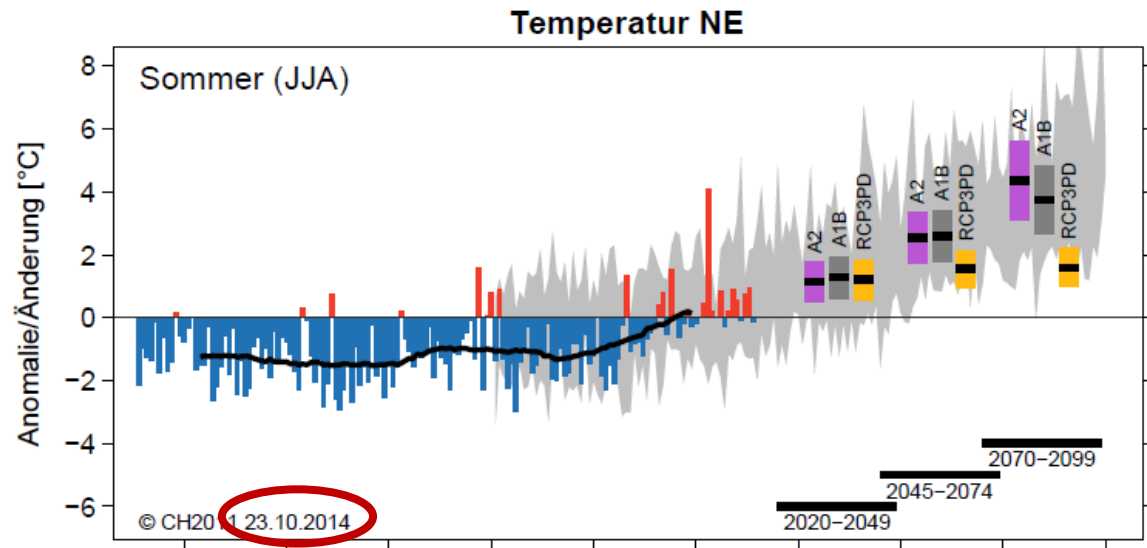
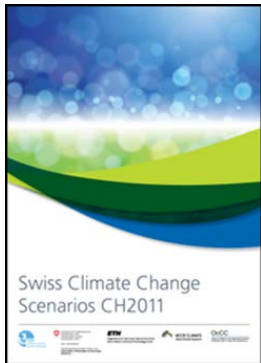
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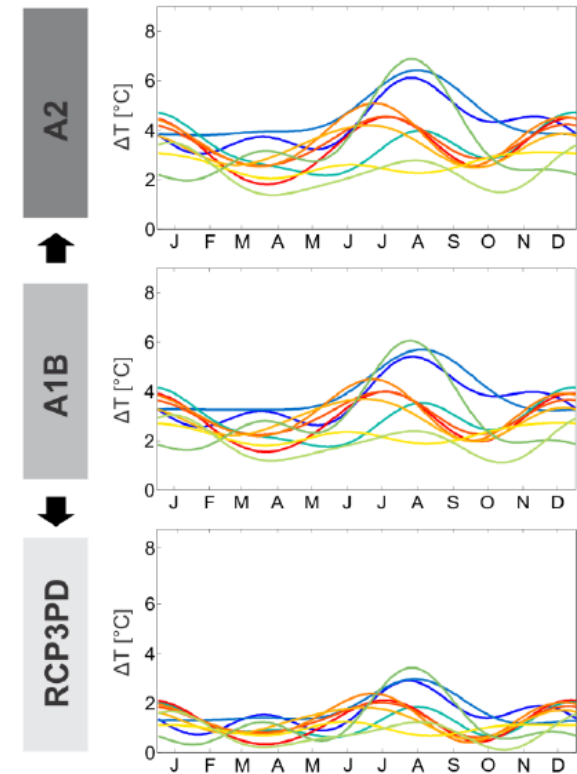


Release am 28. September 2011
www.ch2011.ch



CH2011 Extensions in prep based on user feedback

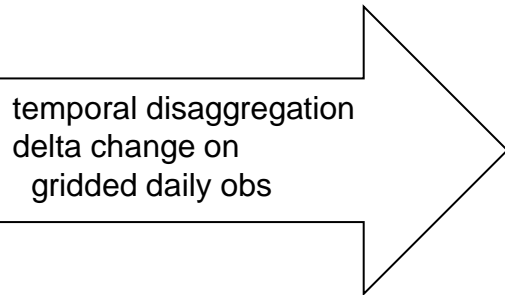
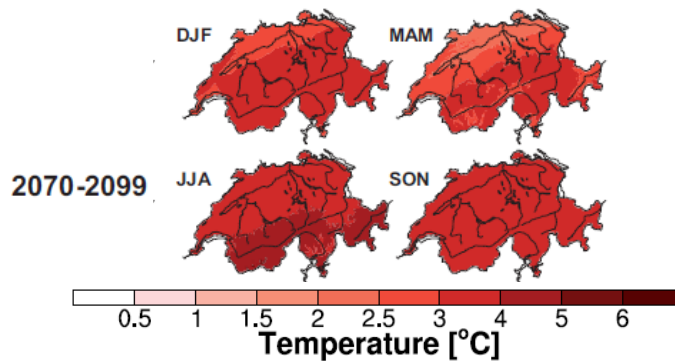
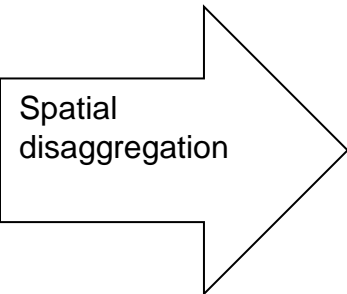
- Daily delta-change station series for other scenarios?
 - Bosshard et al.
- How to combine seasonal changes?
 - Fischer et al.
- Alpine regions? Transient changes?
 - Fischer et al.
- Extreme precipitation?
 - Rajczak & Schär



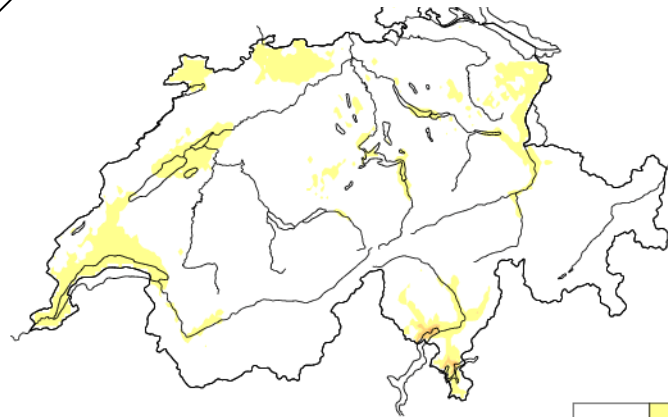
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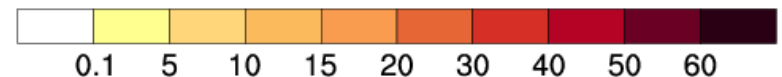
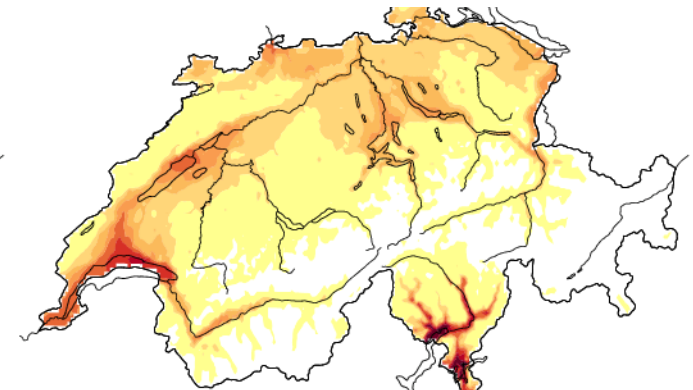
User specific indices for CH2014 Impacts - Study



Heute
(1980-2009)



A1B-Scenario
(2070-2099)



Some examples from MeteoSwiss | COST VALUE Workshop on
Mark Liniger, Mischa Croci-Maspoli, Andreas Fischer, Sophie Fukutome, Elias Zubler

Zubler et al., (2014a, b)

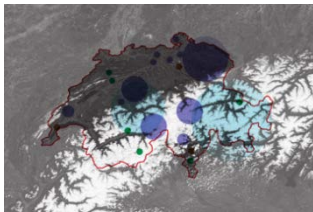
Tropical nights / year
($T_{\min} \geq 20^{\circ}\text{C}$)



CH2014-Impacts

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TOWARD QUANTITATIVE
SCENARIOS OF CLIMATE
CHANGE IMPACTS IN
SWITZERLAND



- Coordinated national effort to calculate quantitative scenarios of climate impacts
- **CH2011 Scenario Data** as common basis
- Different Sectors: Hydrosphere, Cryosphere, Agriculture, Forests, Biodiversity, Health, Energy
- Released in March 2014

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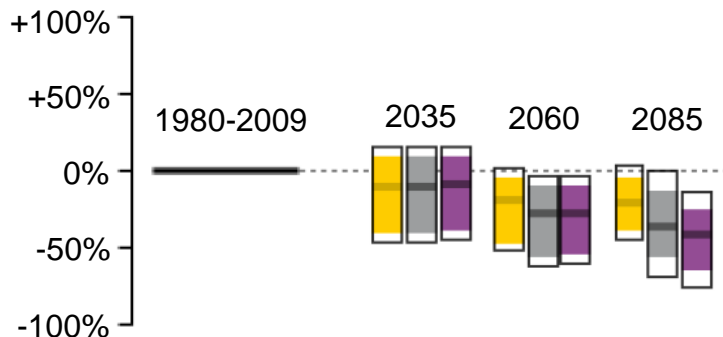
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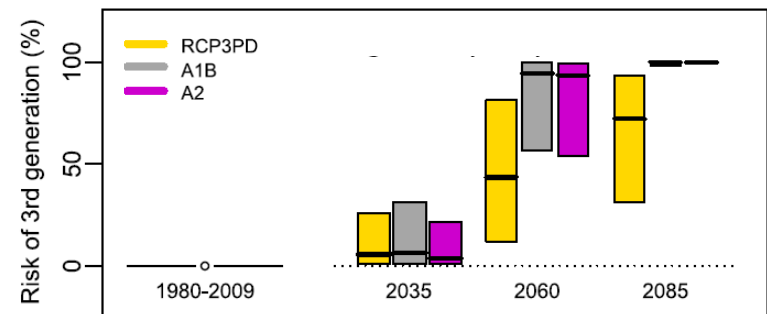


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Example 1:
Projected Summer Runoff (Emme)



Example 2:
Risk 3rd Generation Codling Moth





CH2014-Impacts

INDICES

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- summer days
- tropical nights
- frost/ice days
- growing season length
- heating/cooling degree days

CRYOSPHERE

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- snow cover
- winter tourism
- glaciers
- permafrost

HYDROLOGY

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- river runoff
- groundwater temperature

BIODIVERSITY

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-
- bird and plant species
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FORESTS

- tree species
- forest properties
- ecosystem services

AGRICULTURE

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- heat stress in cattle
- pest phenology
- wine production

ENERGY

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- energy for heating/cooling
- effect on total energy use and GDP

HEALTH

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- health indicators
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Coordinated national effort to
diverse scenarios of
Data as common
Hydrosphere,

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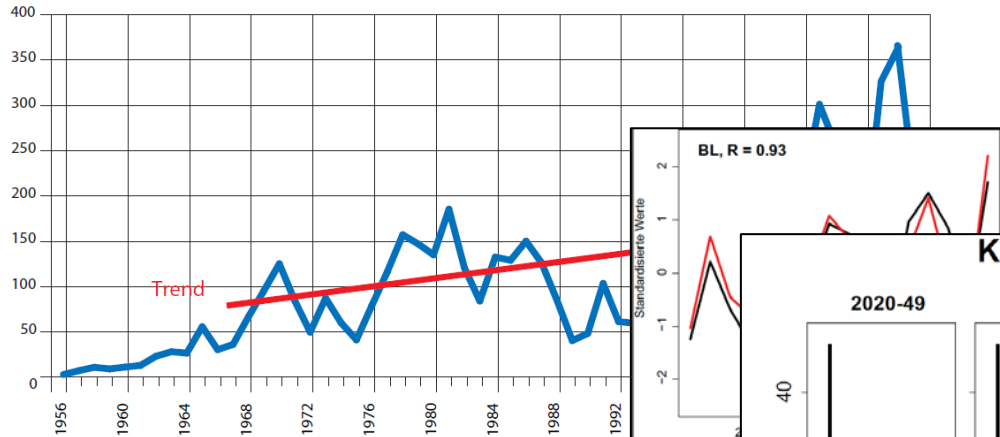
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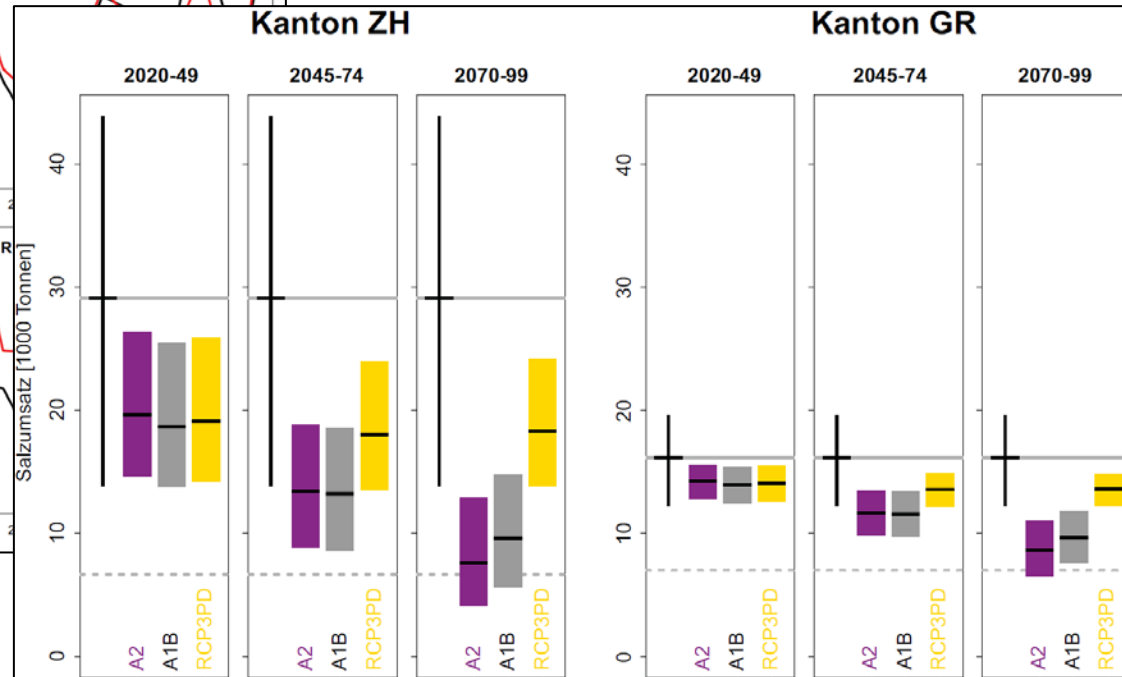
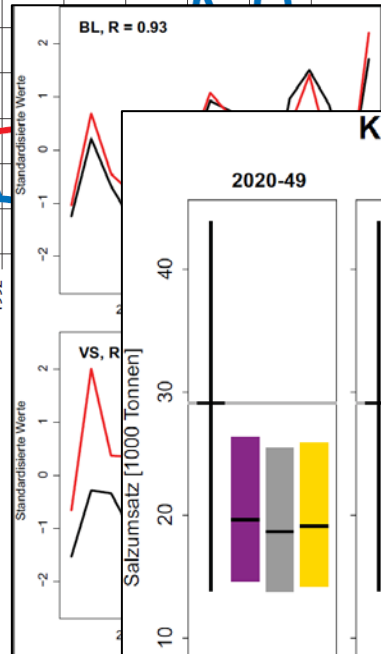


Example: Future road salt use in Switzerland

Absatz Auftausalz (in 1'000 Tonnen)



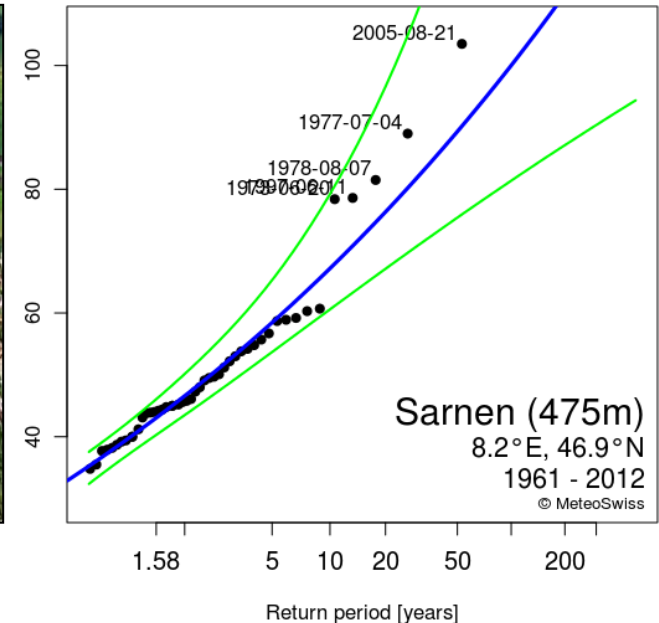
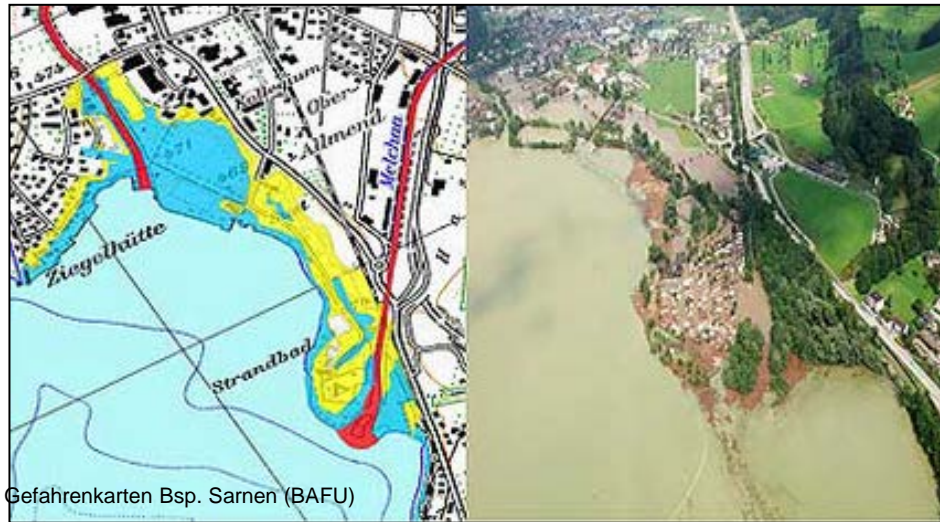
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Project Niederschlagsextreme

BAFU + MeteoSchweiz with various Stakeholders



Return values of extreme precipitation

«blauen Bände» (Zeller, Geiger, Röthlisberger, 1976-1992, WSL)

- Research and development
- Continuous update and operation
- Implementation and **user interface**

→ Market research with 12 interviews (each 1 hour) with stakeholders of engineering offices, administration, energy companies, insurance

RESULTS

Two separate Online-Modules

Basic

- Simple and fast presentation of specific extreme-value-analysis results
- Search functionality
- Catalogue of Top10 events
- Output as simple values, diagrams, PDF with summary results.

→ Webportal

Pro

- Ability to work with raw data
- Import function of user data, analysis of time series, extreme value statistics.
- High flexibility and individuality in use
- High level analysis by MeteoSwiss on issues like trends, cycles, etc.
- Background information on station history etc.
- Tutorials, training, etc.

→ Toolbox
(long-term)

The EUPORIAS project

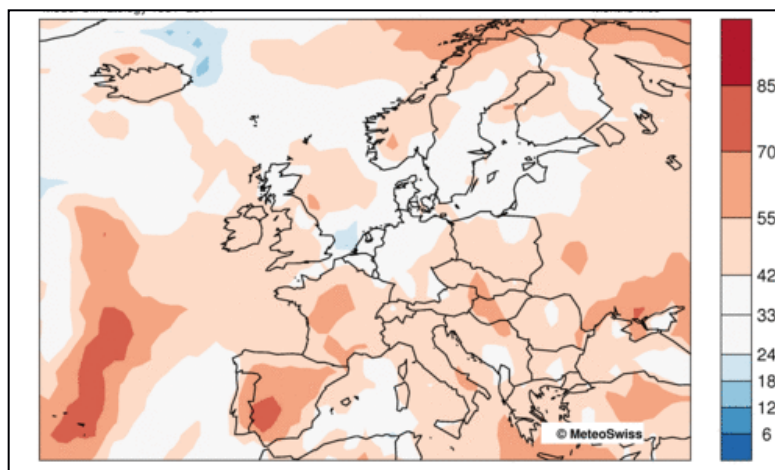
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Slides by Marta Bruno Soares m.soares@leeds.ac.uk

- EUPORIAS: **EU**ropean **P**rovision **O**f **R**egional **I**mpact **A**ssessment on a **S**easonal-to-decadal timescales;
- Co-production between producers and users of prototypes of climate impact prediction services on seasonal to decadal (S2D) timescales (a month up to a year; 2 to 10 years);
- Led by UK Met Office; 24 partners (incl. MeteoSwiss), 15 WPs, 60+ stakeholders.
- More information: www.euporias.eu



Seasonal forecast: 3-monthly mean temperature to be above average conditions for temperatures from May to July 2012.

Source: MeteoSwiss

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WP12: Assessing users' needs

Report on results in prep

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- Assess users' needs with regard to S2D climate predictions across European sectors (e.g. energy, agriculture, water, health, transport);
- 16 partners led by the University of Leeds: UoL, UK Met Office, TEC, IC3, ENEA, Predictia, AEMET, UC, MeteoSwiss, UL-IDL, ULund, CETaqua, IPMA, WHO, EDF, Meteo-Ro, SMHI
- Interviews with EUPORIAS stakeholders and other users – 80 interviews across 16 European countries.
 - Mainly private companies & government organisations
 - Mainly on the energy, agriculture, transport, and water sectors
 - Larger companies (i.e. $\geq 1,000$ employees)

But sample not representative of sectors or Europe!

Use of weather and climate data

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Sector (n=interviews)	Historical data/past observations	Weather forecasts (up to 1 month)	Seasonal forecasts	Climate change projections/ scenarios
Energy (n=14)	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XX
Agriculture (n=12)	XXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXX	XXX
Transport & emergency services (n=12)	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXX	XXXXXX
Water (n=10)	XXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX
Tourism (n=9)	X	XX		
Health (n=8)	XXX	XXXXXX	XX	XXXXX
Forestry (n=5)	XX	XXXX		X
Insurance (n=5)	XX	XXX	XXX	X
Other (n=4)	XX	XXX	X	XXXX

Note: Each cross corresponds to an organisation using that type of weather/climate information.

Use of weather and climate data



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- Type of data – most used are weather forecasts; historical data used to understand climate variability/feed models/forecast future conditions; CC scenarios used to plan impacts or capital investment;
- Main parameters – precipitation (rainfall), temperature, and wind; other included solar radiation, snowfall, frost, & humidity;
- Post-processing – many process data in house (n=21), others outsource (n=11), and some do both (n=13);
- Climate information indices – few use it; mostly related to temperature (e.g. HDD,GDD) & precipitation (e.g. SPI);
- Main sources – National Met Services; other sources include research institutes, government agencies, own data, and ECMWF;
- Larger organisations tend to use more types of information.

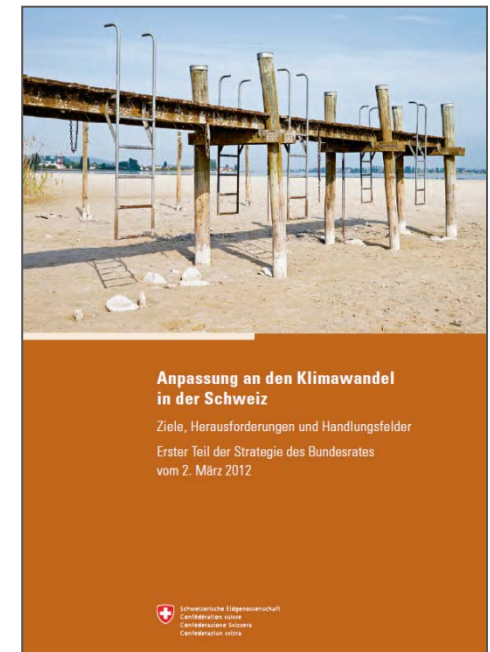


Political recognition of climate adaption needs

Adoption of “Aktionsplan Anpassung an den Klimawandel” by federal council in April 2014

Regular update of regional climate scenarios for Switzerland

- **Coordination** in close collaboration with experts of academic sector.
- **Regionalization** for specific locations and sectoral needs.
- Communication and **dissemination** of scenarios and corresponding infrastructure.





Climate adaptation plan by Swiss Government: challenges across sectors

	Water	Natural disasters	Agriculture	Forestry	Energy	Tourism	Biodiversity	Health	Spatial development
1. Heat <small>Hitzebelastung in Städten und Agglomerationen</small>									
2. Summer droughts <small>Zunahme von Sommerdürren</small>									
3. Flooding <small>Schneeschmelzwasserrisiko</small>									
4. Mass movements <small>häufigere Massenbewegungen</small>									
5. Snow line <small>Schneefallgrenze</small>									
6. Water, soil, air quality <small>Belastung für Wasser, Boden und Luftqualität</small>									
7. Ecosystem changes <small>Veränderung von Lebensräumen, Artenzusammensetzung und Landschaft</small>									
8. Spreading of diseases <small>Verbreitung von Krankheiten, gebietsfremde Arten</small>									
9. Monitoring, early warnings <small>Überwachung, Frühwarnung</small>	alle Sektoren								
10. Uncertainties, knowledge gaps <small>Unsicherheiten, Wissenslücken</small>	alle Sektoren								
11. Information <small>Information und Koordination</small>	alle Sektoren								
12. Ressources, finance <small>Ressourcen, Finanzierung</small>	alle Sektoren								

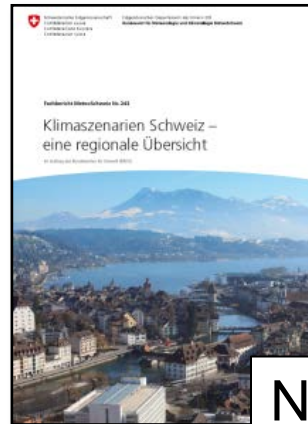


How to go onwards?



(ETH, MeteoSwiss, ProClim, et al.)

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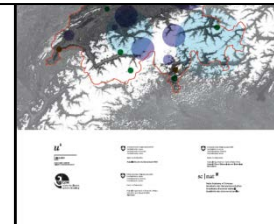
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Next steps

- Brainstorming with small group of experts based on the experience from CH2011
- “Market” research on user needs on climate change scenarios



(BAFU Anpassungsstrategie,)

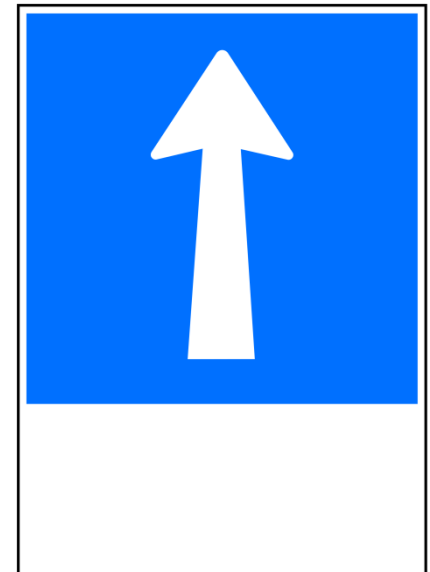


(Oeschger Centre et al.)



Conclusions

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