

# CORDEX Phase I experiment design

Model Evaluation  
Framework

Climate Projection  
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Multiple regions (Initial focus on Africa)  
50km resolution (higher in some regions, Europe: 12km)

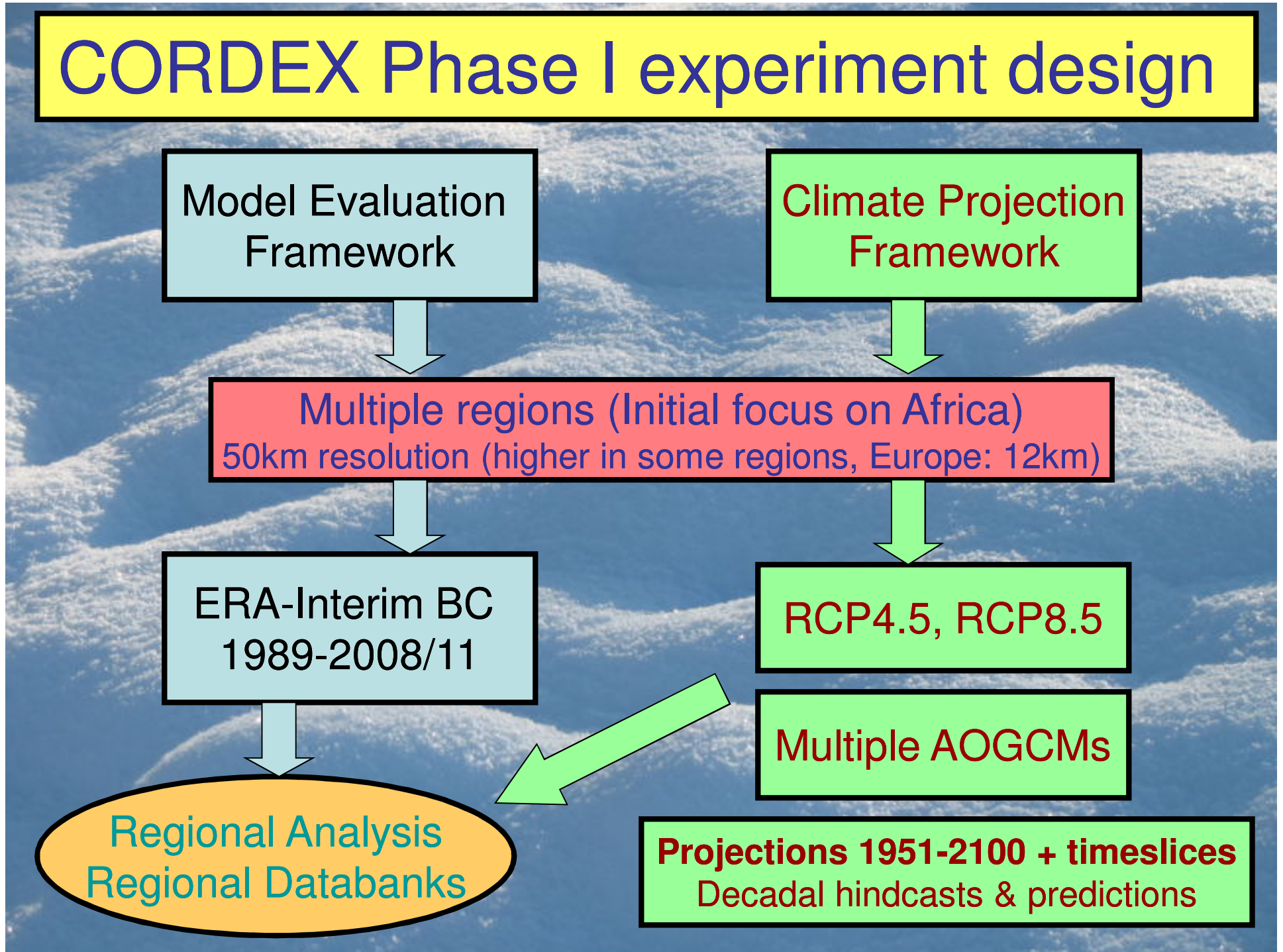
ERA-Interim BC  
1989-2008/11

RCP4.5, RCP8.5

Multiple AOGCMs

Regional Analysis  
Regional Databanks





Projections 1951-2100 + timeslices  
Decadal hindcasts & predictions



Collaboration allows for an increased number of common RCM projections to be available to all groups, helping to better understand and quantify uncertainty of future climate conditions : **Ensembles/PRUDENCE projects.**

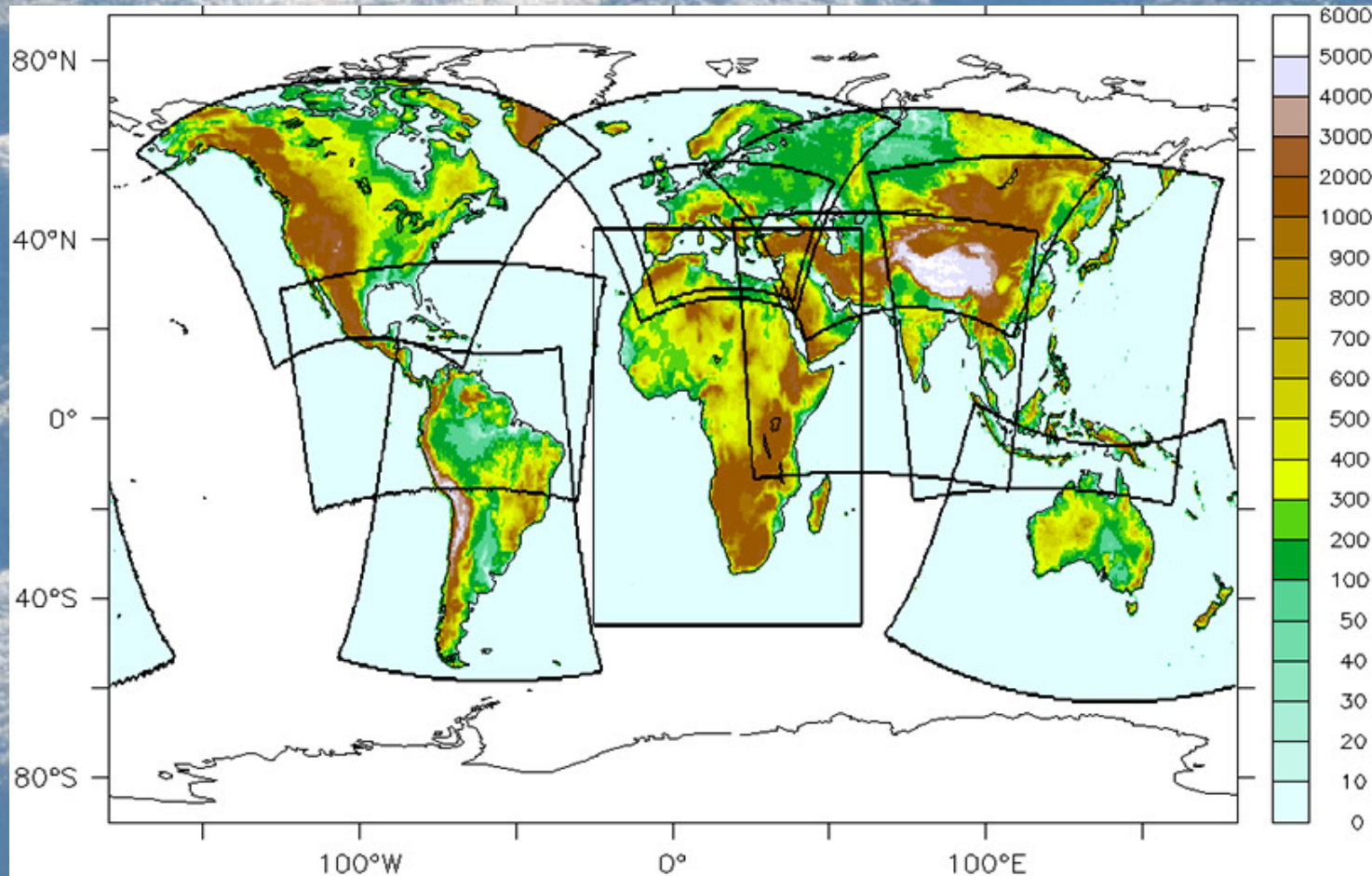
**Table 2: The first step WP2B.1 GCM/RCM matrix and relationship with current proposals from WP3.3**

GCM's	RCM's												
	METO-HC	MPIMET	CNRM	DMI	ETH	KNMI	ICTP	SMHI	UCLM	C4I	GKSS	MetNo	CHMI
METO-HC	1950-2100				1950-2050			1950-2050	1950-2050				1950-2050
MPIMET	1950-2100	1950-2100		1950-2050*		1950-2050	1950-2050			1950-2050			
FUB													
IPSL		1950-2050									1950-2050		
CNRM			1950-2050	1950-2050*									
NERSC								1950-2050				1950-2050	

-  'Contractually-obliged' simulations currently proposed by WP3.3
-  'Non-contractually-obliged' simulations currently proposed by WP3.3
-  Runs currently proposed by WP3.3 for partners not formally involved in WP2B.1
-  WP2B.1 first-step runs

\* One of the DMI runs will be extended to 2100

# CORDEX DOMAINS (plus Arctic & Antarctica)



- 12 domains with a resolution of  $0.44^\circ$  (approx.  $50 \times 50 \text{ km}^2$ )
- Focus on Africa
- High resolution  $\sim 0.11^\circ \times 0.11^\circ$  for Europe (by some institutions)

## Procedure for CORDEX South Asia Activity: Recommendations from WCRP and the CORDEX co-chairs.

1. Make ERA-interim driven runs and provide selected data to a **regional** evaluation team (May 2012)
2. Form a **regional** S.Asia CORDEX evaluation team, identify metrics and collect suitable observations (May 2012)
  - Evaluation should consider means etc, but more importantly target aspects RCMs might provide as added-value and regionally relevant impact-adaptation variables/phenomena

N.B. For Points 1 and 2: it is important these activities be **inclusive** not exclusive, to engage RCM groups from **Indian sub-continent** region (in 1) and a number of potential evaluation groups (in 2).

**ADB: This is an opportunity to fund practical climate change research as a regional collaboration venture.**

3. Publish first evaluation findings (Sept 2012)

4. Identify and interact with **regional** IAV communities **India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan, Burma, Maldives +++**  
**June 2012**
5. Make **GCM**-driven historical runs and provide data in **CORDEX** format **(Sept 2012)**
6. Make **GCM**-driven projection runs and provide data in **CORDEX** format **(Dec 2012)**
7. Evaluation and documentation of historical and projection runs and publication of results **(Oct 2012-Apr 2013)**
8. Archive and distribute **GCM-RCM** projection data to regional IAV communities and work with them in application of data **(March 2013.....)** + development & distribution of climate indices **(March 2013.....)**
9. Iterations on science aspects/collaborations mid 2012.....  
e.g. Increased model resolution, more projections, improved models, coupled models, process evaluation etc

**Groups that will contribute simulations:**

**IITM (India): LMDz\*\*, RegCM\***

**IIT/Delhi (India) : RegCM4\***

**Hadley Centre (UK) : PRECIS\* and HadGEM3-RA\***

**MPI/CSC (Ger): REMO\***

**Frankfurt: COSMO-CLM\* (Ger)**

**Bjerknes Centre (Nor) : WRF\* tropical Channel**

**Rosby Centre/SMHI (Swe): RCA4\***

**CAWCR (Aus): CCAM\*\***

**MRI (Japan): MRI GCM\*\*\***

**• RCM, \*\* Variable resolution AGCM, \*\*\*AGCM**

**6 RCMS, 2 AGCM-var, 1 AGCM**





**Regional Collaboration is the key to success**

**Timeline**

**Commitments**

**Responsibilities**

**Evaluation metrics**

**Observations**

**Data distribution**

**Outreach and engagement**