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Boulogne forest

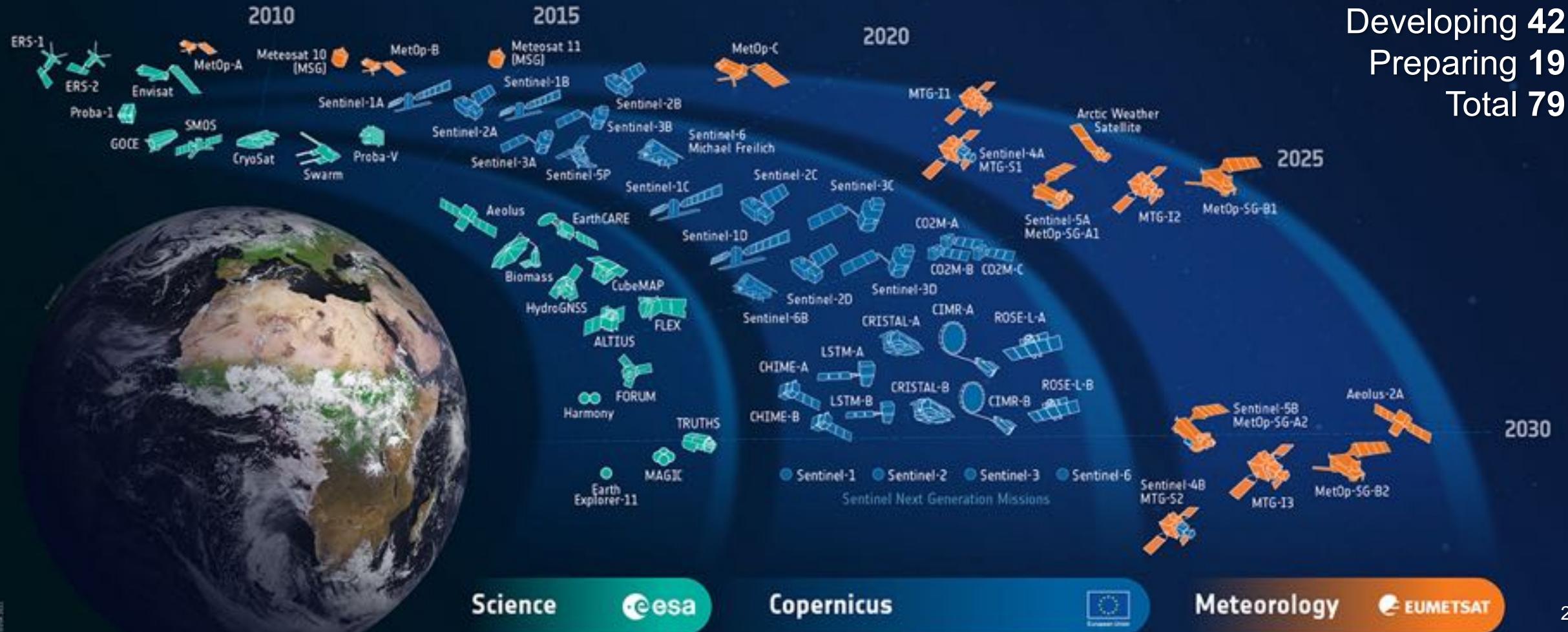
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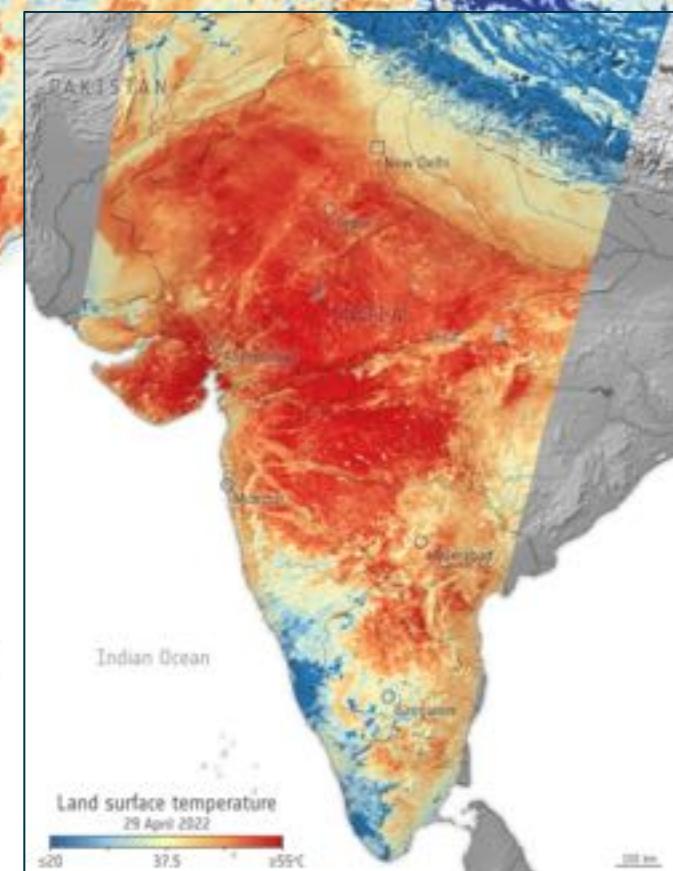
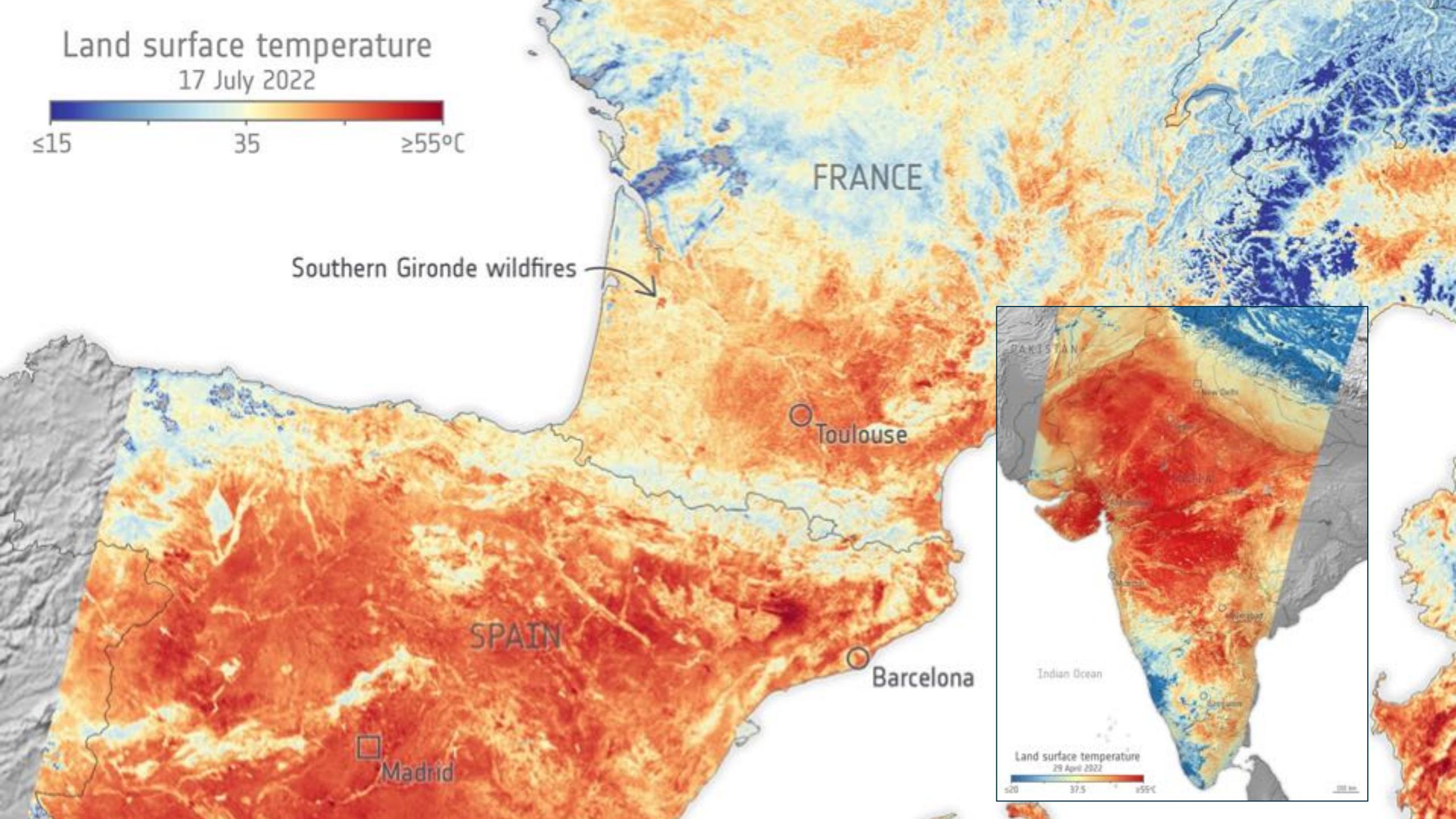
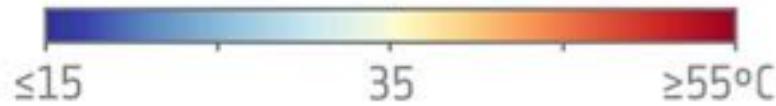
# ESA's Earth Observation Missions

World-class Earth Observation systems developed with European and global partners to address scientific & societal challenges

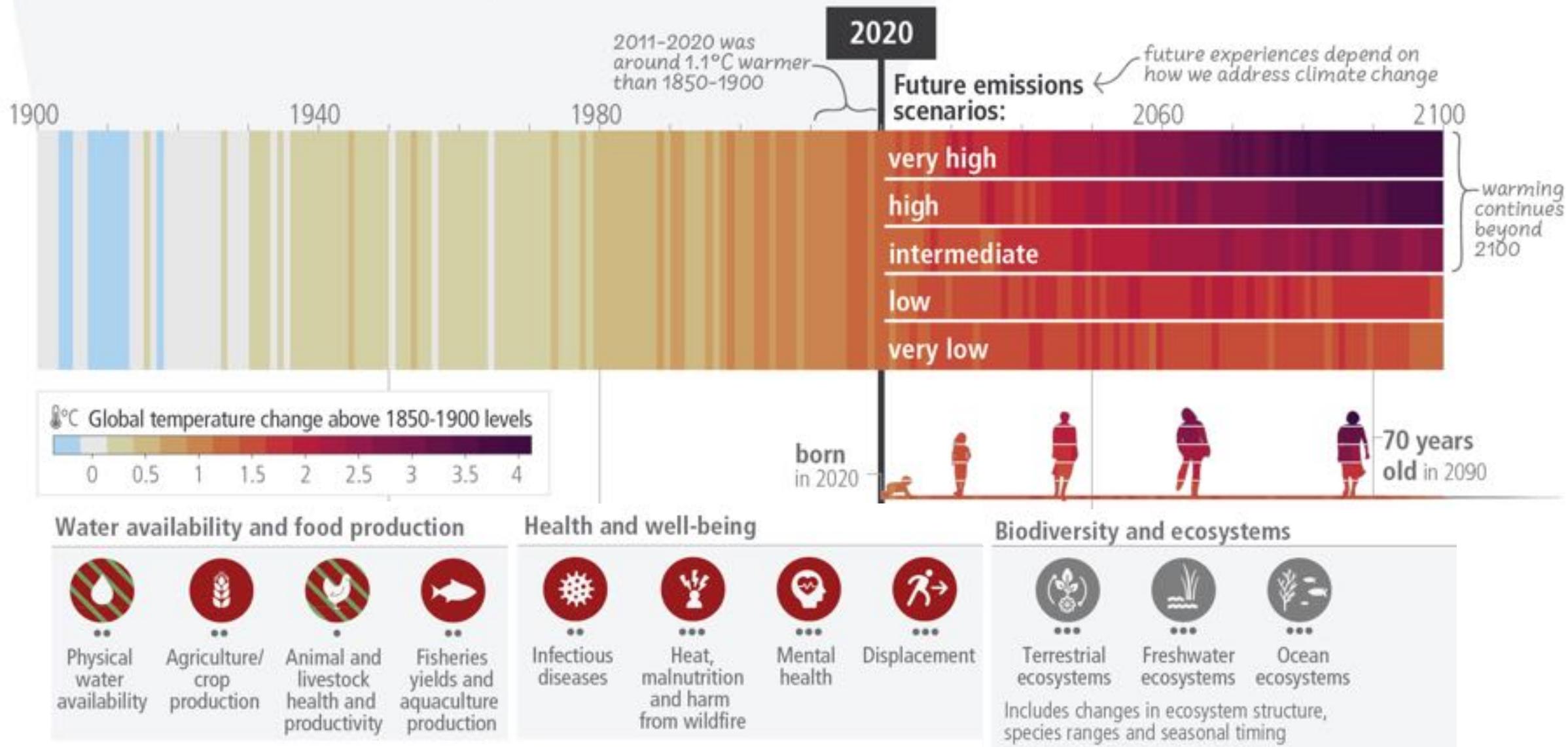


# Land surface temperature

17 July 2022



# A Hotter and Different World – AR6 IPCC 2023



# International Cooperation for HR Thermal Monitoring



TRISHNA



SBG-TIR



LSTM



Landsat



ECOSTRESS



New Space for thermal EO





164 abstracts



305 participants  
+ online

39 countries

Boulogne forest



11 missions  
(7 New Space)

5 space agencies  
as co-organizers

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# Objectives

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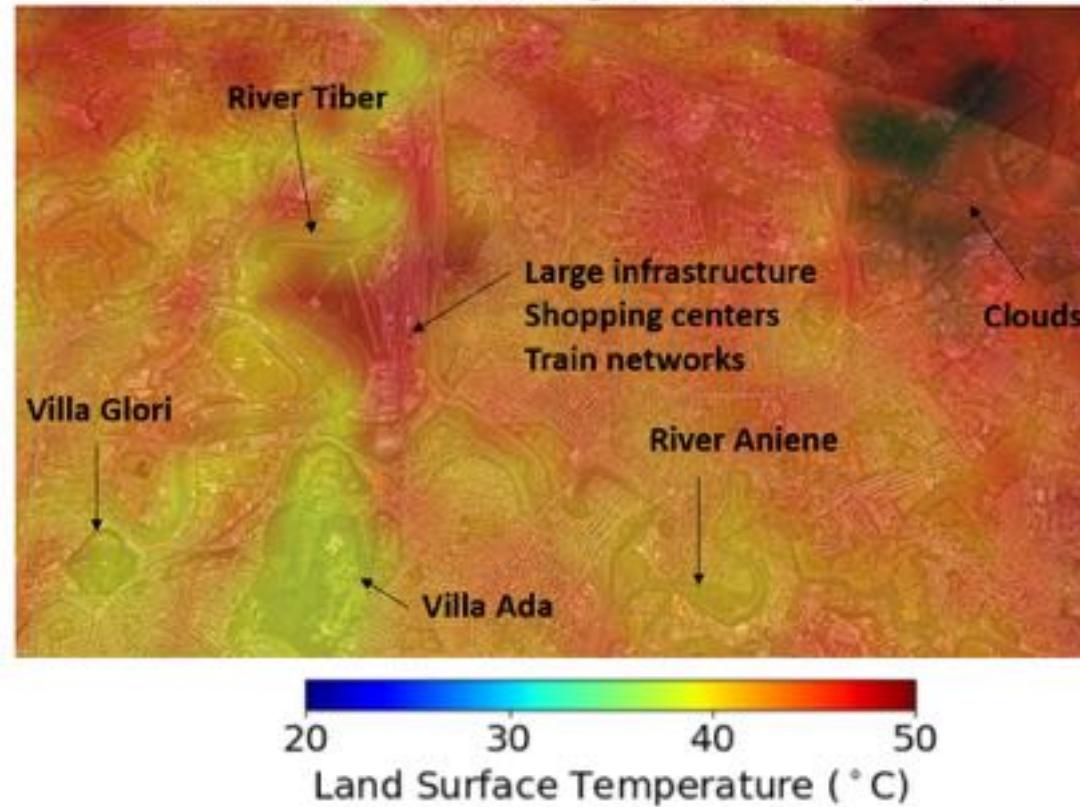
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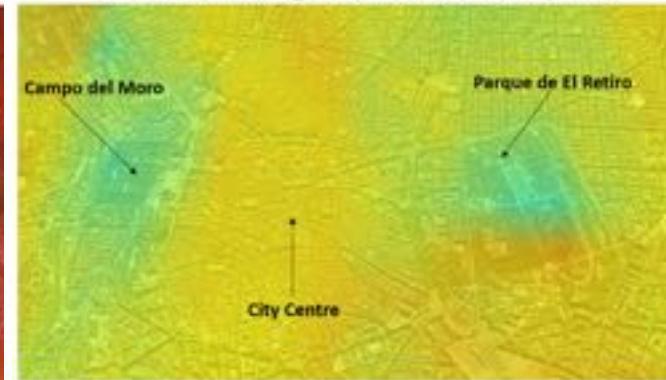
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# Need for High Resolution Thermal EO

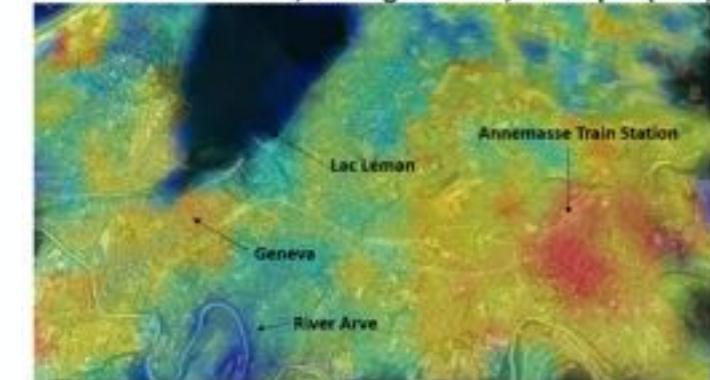
Rome, north area, 13 August 2021, 2:17 pm (UTC)



Madrid, 16 August 2021, 8:36 am (UTC)



Switzerland & France, 17 August 2021, 12:43 pm (UTC)



20 25 30 35 40 N.B.: different scale.  
Land Surface Temperature (°C)

South outskirts of Modena, 13 August 2021, 2:17pm (UTC)



European ECOSTRESS Hub (EEH)

[https://www.nasa.gov/mission\\_pages/ecostress](https://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/ecostress)

<https://foodsecurity-tep.net/ecostress-hub>



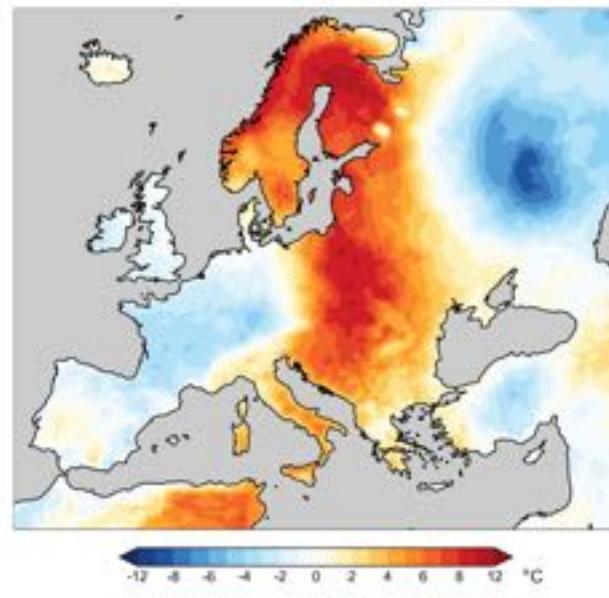
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Evapotranspiration ( $\text{Wm}^{-2}$ )

# Need for High Resolution Thermal EO



High resolution and frequent thermal EO capabilities will be critical for adaptation and preparedness to heat waves & droughts

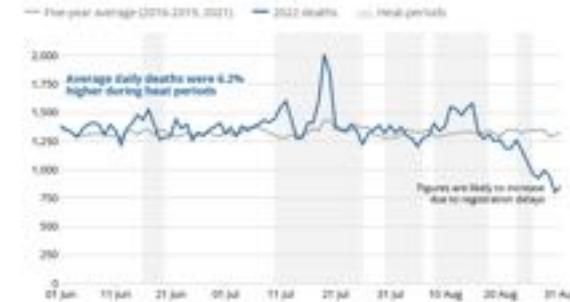
Surface temperature anomaly for 01 July 2022



Reference period: 1991-2020 • Data: ERA5 • Credit: C3S/ECMWF



Number of daily death occurrences, five-year average and heat-period days, 1 June to 31 August 2022, England and Wales



Source: Office for National Statistics

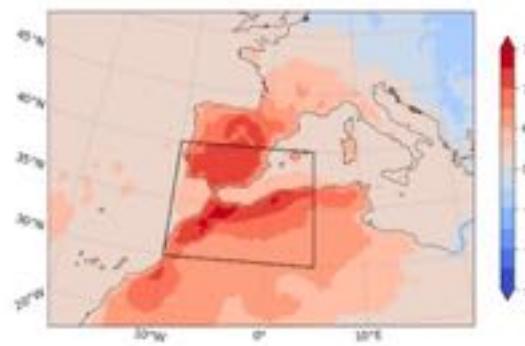
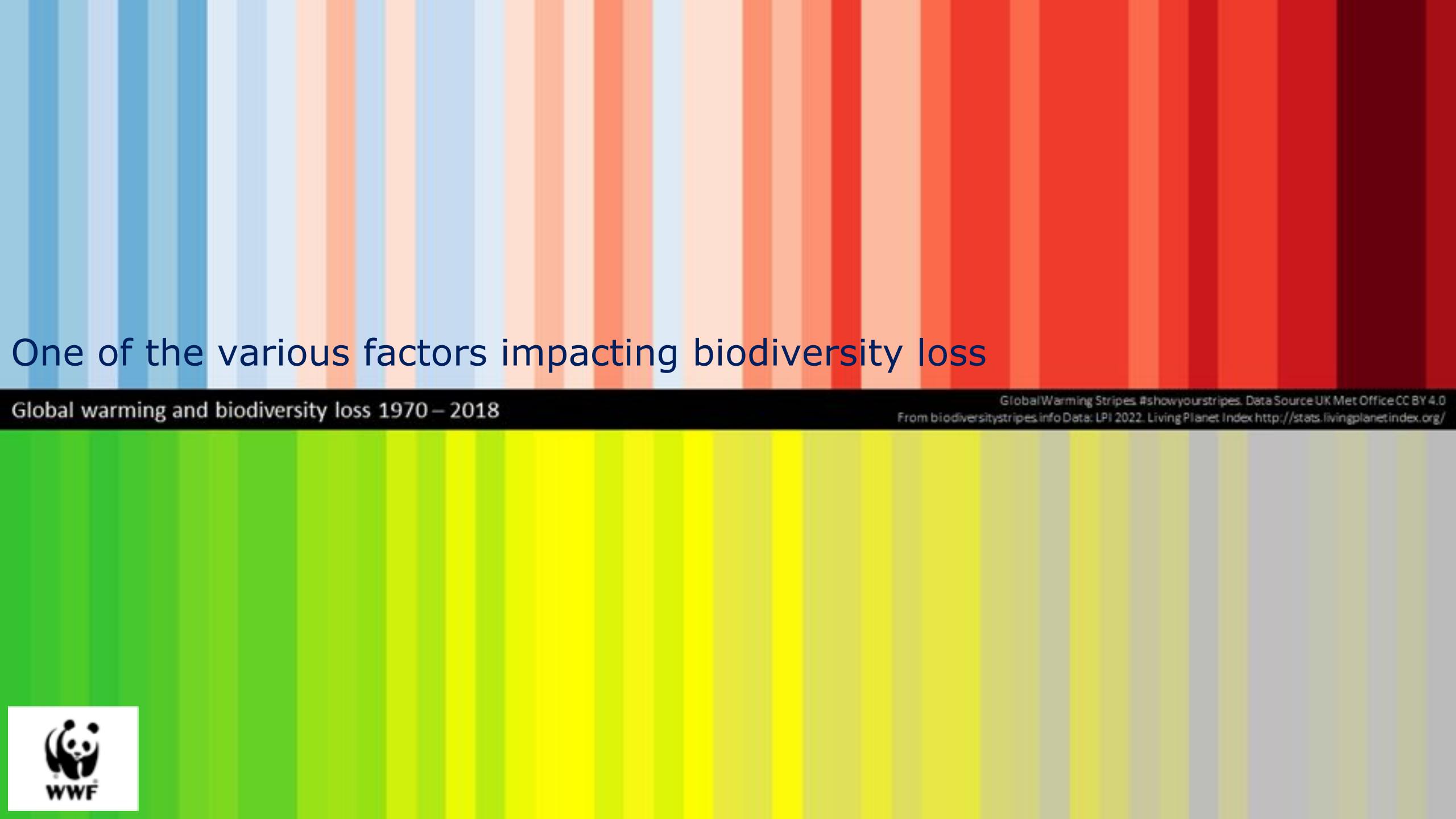


Figure 1. ERA5-extended maximum daily temperature anomaly with respect to 1991-2020 averaged over 26-28 April 2023. The black box outlines the study area.



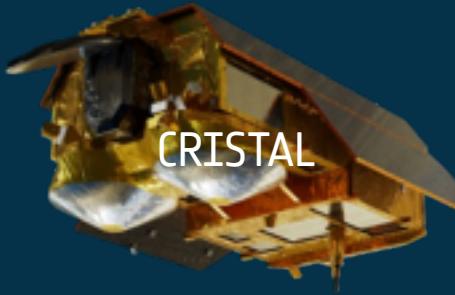
# Main Workshop Objectives

- Strengthen **international cooperation and coordination** in the space and ground segments, for calibration and validation activities, for products definition & harmonization.
- Share **updates on the state-of-the-art activities and projects** in relevant science and application areas, **stimulating exchanges** across research groups for the use of the upcoming missions.
- Formulate **recommendations** and identify high-priorities **topics for future R&D activities** supporting the preparation of HR thermal EO data exploitation. (e.g., ESA EOP FutureEO Block-4 roadmap: Science, Applications, Industry, Digital Innovation, Disruptive Technologies, Sentinel User Preparation).

# Sentinel User Preparation (SUP) ESA EOP Initiative



Activity in collaborative synergy with the EC



## WHY

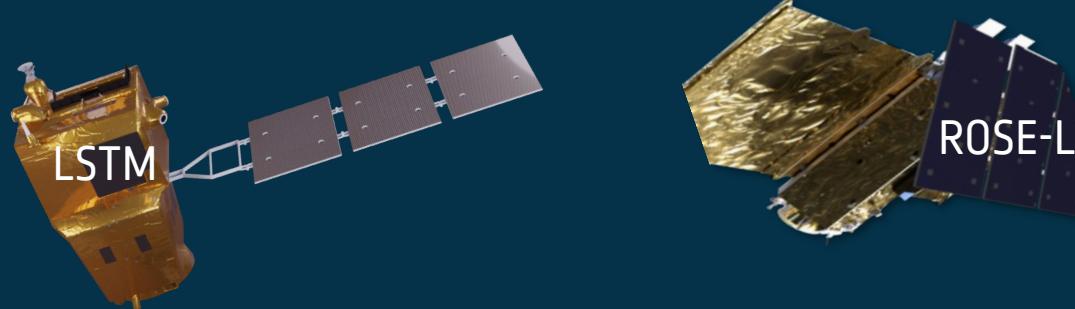
Supporting the integration of new Copernicus Expansion/NG datasets towards future operational working practices and promote European leadership for space systems where competitors are already active and boost digital commercialisation (ref. [EARSC workshop](#) 2021 with D-EOP).



## WHAT

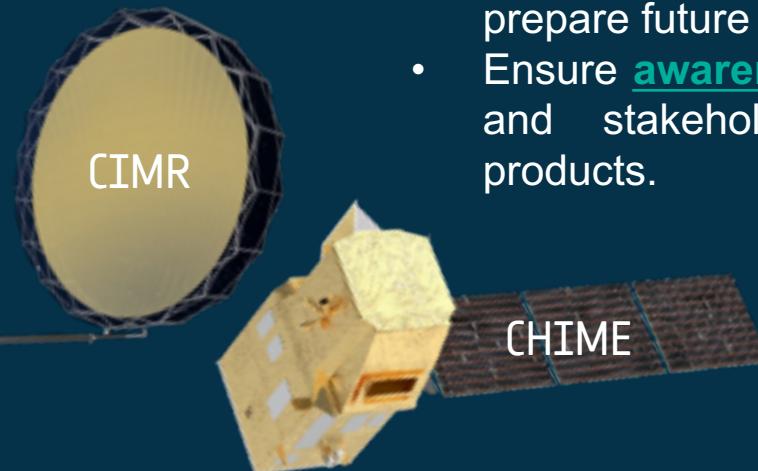
SUP is a preparatory program for the use of Copernicus Expansion/NG data. Strong support by MS and EARSC.

With a multi-mission approach.



## HOW

- Build the necessary expertise in the various science and application domains and sectors (academia, value adding companies) to prepare future downstream services.
- Ensure awareness for rapid uptake by users and stakeholders of derived information products.



## EFFECTS

- Readiness of science/applications/downstream analytics to address societal/environmental challenges.
  - Act as 'de-risking' factor and incentive for growth to maximise return-on-investment.

→ Enabling actions on:

- 1) [SUP-1] Applications preparedness with stakeholder and end-users
- 2) [SUP-3] Fundamental research and algorithm/products developments/validation
- 3) [SUP-4/5] New processing methods for Sentinel Expansion class datasets

→ Cross-cutting components :

- 1) [SUP-2] SUP Sharing and Collaboration Environment
- 2) [SUP-6] Training, toolboxes and education

→ Multi-mission approach.

→ Representative dataset consolidation (e.g., in terms of revisit time, resolution, and spectrally/technique) over specific areas of interest, with stakeholder engagement as necessary, through: proxy-data from non-ESA missions (national, international partners, commercial), simulated/synthetic data from models, and in-situ/validation/campaign data. Leveraging and complementing existing infrastructure/datasets and planned campaign data.

- **Multi-missions** Applications topics :

- **Agriculture** (crop and vegetation indices, operations monitoring, yield estimation, water productivity with soil moisture/irrigation/evapotranspiration)
- **Ecosystem and biodiversity monitoring** (ecosystem structural and functional traits, habitat mapping)
- **Soil management** capacities (e.g., composition, organic carbon, degradation)
- Enhanced **Methane Point Sources** capacities
- **Forest management** (classification, biomass/carbon, disturbances, fire risks)
- **Resilient Cities**
- **Critical Infrastructures**
- **Mining and extractives**

# Overview of Program & Logistics



Date: Wednesday, 10/May/2023

8:45am	Registration
9:30am	
9:30am - 11:00am	<b>Opening Session</b> Location: Big Hall, Building 14 Chair: Anne-Marie Goetz, NASA/JPL Chair: Michael Rastrelli, ESA
11:00am - 11:15am	<b>Discussion &amp; Recommendations</b>
11:15am - 11:45am	<b>Coffee Break</b>
11:45am - 1:00pm	<b>1.2 Harnessing EO for Agriculture, Irrigation, Water Management</b> Location: Big Hall, Building 14 Chair: Birthe Olofsson, ESA Chair: Sirish Venkateswaran, ISRO

Date: Thursday, 11/May/2023

9:30am	1.2 Harnessing EO for Agriculture, Irrigation, Water Management
10:30am	2.1 Agriculture, Irrigation, Water Management

## Discussions & Recommendations sessions fundamental for the definition of the future roadmap

Date: Friday, 12/May/2023

9:00am	3.1 Calibration & Algorithms
10:30am	3.2 Ecosystem & Coastal

1:00pm - 1:15pm	<b>Discussion and Recommendations</b>
1:15pm - 2:30pm	<b>Lunch</b>
2:30pm - 3:50pm	<b>1.3 New Space for Thermal EO</b> Location: Big Hall, Building 14 Chair: Ferran Gascon, ESA Chair: Zhuoting Wu, USGS
3:50pm - 4:00pm	<b>Discussion and Recommendations</b>
4:00pm - 4:20pm	<b>Coffee Break</b>
4:20pm - 5:50pm	<b>1.4 Algorithm development</b> Location: Big Hall, Building 14 Chair: Itziar Barat, ESA Chair: Jean-Louis Roujeau, CESBIO
5:50pm - 6:00pm	<b>Discussion and Recommendations</b>
6:00pm - 7:30pm	<b>POSTER SESSION AND WELCOME DRINK</b> Location: Big Hall, Building 14

1:20pm - 2:30pm	
1:20pm - 2:30pm	<b>Lunch</b>
2:30pm - 4:00pm	<b>2.3 Ecosystem &amp; Coastal</b> Location: Big Hall, Building 14 Chair: Emmanuelle AUTRET, IFREMER Chair: Gilles Boulet, IRD
4:00pm - 4:10pm	<b>Discussion and Recommendations</b>
4:10pm - 4:40pm	<b>Coffee Break</b>
4:40pm - 6:10pm	<b>2.4 Urban Heat &amp; Cryosphere</b> Location: Big Hall, Building 14 Chair: Glynn Hullsey, NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory Chair: Jose A. Sobrino, University of Valencia
6:10pm - 6:20pm	<b>Discussion and Recommendations</b>
6:20pm - 7:20pm	<b>POSTER SESSION</b> Location: Big Hall, Building 14

12:50pm - 1:15pm	<b>Closing Session</b> Location: Big Hall, Building 14 Chairs: Giuseppe Ottavianelli, ESA, Benjamin Koetz, ESA, Simon Hook, NASA/JPL, Philippe Gamet, CNES, Sara Venutra, ASI, Bimal Bhattacharya, ISRO
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A very rich 2.5-day programme!

ESA Conference support team (e.g., taxi, shuttle to Frascati on Friday).

Lunch in the Canteen at 1h30.

Group Photo.



Thanks to the full team  
...the organizing committee,  
...the scientific committee,  
...the session chairs,  
...the onsite team!

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