Climate Change and Energy: from Knowledge to Decisions

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Outline

- The evolving relationship between Energy and Climate
- How Weather/Climate impacts Energy
- A Copernicus Climate Change Service for Energy: ECEM
- Climate Services and decision making in Energy Sector





Energy and meteorology go hand in hand





World Energy & Meteorology Council (WEMC)

Our primary goal is to enable improved

Sustainable

energy

For a low carbon economy

Resilience

Of energy infrastructures

Efficiency

Of energy systems



Under ever changing weather and climate



WEMC activities are:

- 1. The **dissemination of information** on products, practices, and experiences in Energy & Meteorology including the promotion of our members' work
- 2. The **coordination of Special Interest Groups** leading to the production of reports, analyses and syntheses on key topics in Energy & Meteorology
- 3. The development and maintenance of **climate and energy demonstration tools** for the energy industry and the education of the general public
- The organisation of events such as the International Conference Energy & Meteorology (ICEM), professional workshops, seminars and webinars



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The energy industry has a multi-decadal experience in dealing with meteorological variables. So, what's the big deal?

The landscape, in both climate and energy spaces, is changing rapidly.



Energy industry is multi-faceted



Strong growth in renewables





IRENA (2016)

C02 emissions and temperature



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IPCC AR5 (2013)

Disasters due to natural events



EM-DAT (2016)



See also Diffenbaugh et el. (2017, PNAS)

Simplified Energy & Climate feedback





Meteorology

Weather, Climate & Water

Energy



Impacts



Climate impact on coal mines





Love et al. (2014)

Climate impacts on hydro-power

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Masinga Dam Water levels in different Years



From Christopher Oludhe (2015)

Climate impact on nuclear power



The 2003 heatwave in France had serious consequences on the cooling of nuclear reactors. The overall cost of the heat wave for EDF was around €330 million



Dubus (2009)

A selection of publications





Global changes in streamflow projections



Change in streamflow for RCP8.5, 2040–2069 (2050s) vs1971–2000

Reductions in usable capacity for 61–74% of the hydropower plants



van Vliet et al. (2016)

Global changes in water temperature projections



Change in water temperature for RCP8.5, 2040–2069 (2050s) vs 1971–2000 Reductions in usable capacity for 81–86% of the thermoelectric power plants



van Vliet et al. (2016)

Solar Radiation Inter-annual Variability



Percentage difference in monthly solar radiation in El Niño relative to La Niña



Davy and Troccoli (2012)

Addressing the ever variable nature of climate



- Very mature: 30+ years of experience
 - Also financial products since late 1990's
- Products well understood by many users
 - Relatively easy to identify needs
 - Users wish to be updated about latest developments in weather products but otherwise develop their own services
 - Regular (e.g. annual) users meetings and/or specific training normally offered by weather service providers



- Relatively recent: ca. 10 years
 - First products from International Research Institute (IRI)
- Services still under developments
 - Large uncertainties in climate forecast/projections makes it more difficult for users to ascertain real value of climate information
 - Need to provide concrete examples of how to use climate information in practice





What is a Climate Service?

A set of actions/tools aimed at helping 'people' make the best use of climate information so as to improve their 'business'



Troccoli (2017)

Meteorology forecasting issues at different time scales









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Increasing share of power supply from variable renewable energy (RE) sources. Demand variability is also increasing. The transformation is taking place against a **variable and changing climate**.





European Climatic Energy Mixes (ECEM)



Integration of energy & climate information for energy mixes assessment

- ★ Is climate important for energy operations and planning?
- ★ What can climate R&D learn from interaction with energy sector and make output more easily adopted by the industry/policy makers?

European Climatic Energy Mixes (ECEM) is developing a demonstrator to assess how well **different energy supply mixes** in Europe will meet demand, over different time horizons, focusing on the role climate has on the mixes.









European Climatic Energy Mixes (ECEM)



★ Energy Mix assessment for:

- ★ Present day
- ★ Seasonal Forecasts
- ***** Climate Projections











Multi-faceted Stakeholder Engagement

- ★ Workshops
- ★ Advisory Committee
- ★ Survey
- ★ Presentation at events
- ★ Webinars
- ★ Web site
- ★ Twitter









Stakeholder Engagement: Workshops







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Stakeholder Engagement: Workshops



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Climate variables

- Assessing ERA-Interim quality by comparison to gridded observed data (over land areas) for various variables
- ★ Emphasis here on Climate Variables of greatest relevance to Renewable Energy (radiation/sunshine and wind), but others (e.g. temperature, RH influence Demand, precipitation influences HEP) are also relevant
- ★ ERA-Interim despite possibly being the best Reanalysis is not perfect. We can assess how good it is (when and where) by comparisons with gridded observational datasets. Improving on it is termed bias adjustment







The ECEM Domain

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□ ERA-Interim regridded to a 0.5°x0.5° grid

- ERA-Interim available every 6-hours. Some variables are from the analysis, some from the forecasts
- Many gridded climate datasets available for assessment on the 0.5° by 0.5° grid
- Gridded climate datasets produced by interpolation of station observations accounting for elevation
- Energy Variables available at country (33) and eHighWay2050 cluster (96) level (+ gridpoint)

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Ensuring Climate variables are fit-for-purpose

Fit of 10 m observations to Weibull distribution



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Seasonal forecast information in the ECEM Demonstrator

What seasonal statistics can be provided to the energy sector, to help with energy system balancing?

Main points:

- How skilful are current models in predicting relevant climate variables in European countries?
- 2. Where there *is* skill, can it be translated into skilful forecasts of energy indicators (supply/demand)
- 3. Demonstrate the use of seasonal forecast information through Case Studies and in the Demonstrator.

Skill is **varies** across countries, variables, seasons or models. → Seasonal forecasts must be used **carefully** and **selectively**.

How skillful do seasonal forecasts need to be, to help in decision-making?









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Seasonal forecasting skill: correlations for summer





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Seasonal forecasting skill: correlations for winter







Available Nov 2017

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Seasonal forecast: summary table of skill for winter

Country		Met Office					ECMWF					Météo-France				
Code	Name	WS	T2M	RH	TP	SSRD	WS	T2M	RH	TP	SSRD	WS	T2M	RH	TP	SSRD
AL	Albania	1							C++		C					
AT	Austria							C					C			
BE	Belgium							C	C++			C	C			
BA	Bosnia-			N:							C					
	Herzegovina				•											
BG	Bulgaria															
HR	Croatia			×				R		C	C					
CZ	Czech			\sim				C	C		C		C			
	Republic			-												
DK	Denmark			\sim											C	
EE	Estonia			L.N			C	C								
FI	Finland						C-R	C							C	
FR	France												C			
DE	Germany							C	C-R			C	C	C-R		
GR	Greece			- (-)					C	C	C					
HU	Hungary										C					
IE	Ireland			~				C	C						C-R	
IT	Italy			~												
LV	Latvia											C		***		
LT	Lithuania			1								C				
LU	Luxembourg							C	C				C			
MK	Macedonia						• • • •		C		C					
ME	Montenegro) (C		C					
NL	Netherlands							C	C-R			C	C		C	
NO	Norway			CT T	5		C-R	C-R	R	C++						
PL	Poland								C		R	C	C			
PT	Portugal															
RO	Romania			T										***		
RS	Serbia			10							C					
SK	Slovakia									***	C	***	C		***	
SI	Slovenia							C					C			
ES	Spain															
SE	Sweden						C-	C-R							C	
CH	Switzerland											C	C			
UK	United				***			C-R					***		***	
	Kingdom			_	_											

DJF skill:

Where a skill score is significantly greater than zero, it is marked with a C (correlation), B (Brier skill score) or R (ROC skill score). Colours: 1 score, 2 scores, 3 scores

Skill is diverse across models,

variables and seasons.

Having more significant skill scores can add confidence, but the behaviour of the models should be examined in detail for each use case.









Seasonal forecasting for Summer Temperatures



European Commission



Climate Projection (RCP 8.5) Radiation



Climate Projection time series – Temperature





Climate Projection time series – Precip and Wind





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Ensuring we use the most accurate Energy data

The Energy data challenge:

- There is no single reference database for energy
- Many data sources, inconsistencies between them, incompleteness, access rights (minimal open/free access data) ...
- > Need strong support to collect & organise the huge amount of energy data required for a useful service
- **ECEM** is demonstrating that good data allows a good service!



Energy variables: A summary



Demand modelling – Historical

Challenge: identify role of climatic factors



Wind Power – Historical



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All countries

- Capacity factor
- Power (MW)
- Energy (MWh)

Statistical Model:

- SVR
- RnF

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Reading

Training: 2015-2016 Simulation: 1979-2016

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Physical Models:

- Capacity factor
- Power (MW)
- Energy (MWh)
- Simplified:
 - Enercon E70-2.3MW
 - Gamesa G87-2.0MW
 - Vestas V110-2.0MW
- More Accurate:
 - Actual Fleet







Wind Power – Country Mean Capacity Factor

Mean Capacity Factor per Country 1986-2014



ECEM Phys BA WS mod1 **ECEM Phys BA WS mod3** ECEM Phys noBA WS mod1 ECEM Phys noBA WS mod3 **ECEM Phys single turbine ECEM Stat JRC EMHIRES**

NINJA

ECEM mix1

ECEM mix3

ECEM noc1

ECEM noc3

JRC NINJA

ECEM PhM03 wbc ECEM Stat



Risk climatologies - examples



Ideas: p5-p95 of production volume for RE, p5-p95 of annual hours at a specified load level for conventional plant ,"best" and "worst" case years,
 Curtailment, Spatial correlations maps for neighbouring zones

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An online interactive tool to test energy mixes



http://ecem.climate.copernicus.eu/demo



General Documentation and Key Messages



Using the demonstrator						
Methods & assumptions						
Key messages & pre-prepared graphs						
Variable fact sheets						
Event case studies						
FAQs	Glossary					
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The main purpose of the ECEM Demonstrator is to enable the energy industry and policy makers to assess how well energy supply will meet demand in Europe over different time horizons. focusing on the role climate has on energy supply and demand. It gives users the capability to explore high-quality climate and energy data sets and to easily: (i) produce maps and time series plots of these climate and energy variables, (ii) modify the appearance of these maps and plots, and (iii) download the underlying data and/or the maps and plots. Different levels of help and ouidance are provided including Key Messages and Event Case Studies which illustrate the types of information which the Demonstrator offers for the benefit of the energy sector. Documentation (including Variable Fact Sheets) is provided on all the data sets embedded in the Demonstrator to ensure transparency and that users have appropriate information to judge the quality and reliability of these data for their own particular applications. Getting started Help menu Creating and modifying the map Creating and modifying time series Time slider and map legend Date range and temporal resolution Downloading data Downloading and printing graphs Zooming and resetting Absolute values and anomalies Thresholds Close

Using the demonstrator

Introduction



- Temperatures have risen consistently across Europe over the last ~40 years
- In countries such as Germany the warming has been strongest in winter whereas in Spain, for example, it is strongest in summer
- At the same time, variability from year-to-year and dav-to-dav persists, and cold events have continued to occur in recent years
- Temperature is a major driver of the ECEM models for energy demand and of solar and hydro supply thus these trends and patterns of variability will impact estimates of these energy variables

How do we know Europe is warming?

Warming trends are evident in time-series plots of historic air temperature data (°C) for 1979-2016 including those for the seven countries shown here (Sweden, UK, France, Italy, Spain, Germany and Romania). The plot below shows the trends for summer (June, July and August).



www.ecem.climate.copernicus.eu or contact the ECEM team at support@ecem.climate.copernicus.eu











Case Studies Fact Sheets

EUROPEAN CLIMATIC ENERGY MIXES (ECEM)

VARIABLE FACT SHEET ECEM VFS E01

Energy demand

A series of fact sheets which provide metadata for the climate and energy variables produced by ECEM



1.1 Description 1.2 Units 1.3 Links 1.4 Data format 1.5 Keywords 1.6 Contact

2 Dataset coverage

2.1 Geographic area2.2 Temporal resolution2.3 Time period2.4 Spatial resolution

3 Usage

3.1 License conditions 3.2 Citation(s)

4 Lineage statement

4.1 Original data source4.2 Tools used in production of indicators

5 Data quality

For more information visit http://ecem.climate.copernicus.eu Date of publication: 12 June 2017



ECEM CS 001

Winter 2009-2010



A series of case studies based on extreme events which illustrate how the ECEM Demonstrator can be used by the energy sector to enhance understanding and support decision making.



Boosting Decision Making

1 Winter 2010 saw amongst the coldest seasonal temperatures and highest power demand in recent history across much of northern Europe, which can be seen in the ECEM demonstrator

2 The impact of a winter like 2010 would be greater today, given the increase of renewables in the energy mix. The ECEM reanalysis shows the UK would have seen a significant drop in wind power capacity factor if 2010 conditions occurred today

Scientific/Technical Advances

1 ECEM has brought together credible data from the climate and energy communities, processed in a consistent way over a range of time scales

 $2\,$ The demonstrator tool has been valuable for gaining insight into the winter 2010 event and can be used to study other extreme events

3 Analysis of the ECEM datasets has revealed dependencies and risks across European countries and between energy and climate variables

Key Lessons

1 The ECEM reanalysis dataset provides the ability to:

- Investigate an event or type of event in the
- Investigate an event or type of event in the context of recent history
- Ask 'what if' questions based on todays energy mix and the climate drivers

2 The demonstrator tool could be useful for anticipating future risks through:

- Seasonal forecasts
- · Climate projections

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We have seen that a huge amount of climate data is available. These data are increasingly tailored to sectors like energy. But to what extent are they really used?

Let's see ...



Monthly forecasts for hydro power in France

Hydropower represents 20.6% of EDF's installed capacity in France and provides very attractive flexibility during peaks in demand. Forecasts of river flow and water stocks are therefore crucial for the managers of the system





Durance@SerrePoncon - one month lead time forecast

Forecast date

Dubus (2014)

Use of Climate Projections for HydroPower in Canada

In response to adverse weather impacts Hydro-Québec developed a research program to improve knowledge of climate change, business impacts and adaptation solution in the mid- to long-term. Runoff projections based on 90 hydroclimatic scenarios for 2040-2071 were developed.





Case studies from Ouranos







Available at: http://ouranos.ca/en/programs/energy-adaptation-case-studies/

Ouranos' Case study – Ireland Transmission Operator







Using Climate Change Risk Assessment Wisely

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Ouranos' Case study – Ireland Transmission Operator

EirGrid

- System Operator
- Plan, develop, operate and maintain

ESBN

- System Owner
- Approve project
- Infrastructure Agreement

"To fulfil their mandate, EirGrid and ESBN must be aware of how climate change will impact Ireland, what risks it poses to the transmission system and what adaptation methods are available to reduce these risks." John McGuckin, Engineer in Transmission Engineering & Maintenance, EirGrid









Courtesy Braun

Ouranos' Case study – Ireland Transmission Operator

Increasing extreme precipitation

- Increase the risk of flood
- Damage to control building of substations
- Assess the need for flood management work

Five-year plan

- Budget for flood-alleviation measures
- Substations at highest levels of risk
- Implementation





The Climate Change Risk Assesment

The investigation of substation vulnerability

- Geographical Information
 Systems to provide
 guidance on the
 vulnerability of sites to
 flooding from rivers, lakes,
 estuaries and the sea.
- Questionnaires to record the knowledge and memory of operational staff regarding flood levels.

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Summary

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- Energy and Meteorology are closely connected
- Energy systems are already experiencing sizeable impacts, which are likely to become more severe
- Climate services are emerging as robust useful tools for Energy planning, and operations/maintenance
- Despite emerging use of climate in energy (and other) sectors, there is a strong need:
 - to improve knowledge of meteorological data and processes
 - to improve access to meteorological and energy data for improved products







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