### What's past is prologue...

[Shakespeare, The Tempest]



Act 7.
Adrian and the MACC generation



# The Relevance of Numerical Weather Prediction for Forecasting Natural Hazards and for Monitoring the Global Environment

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"Since 1985 there have been many developments in the technology of numerical weather prediction. We are at the threshold of a new era in observational capability for weather forecasting and for environmental monitoring. The modelling and data assimilation tools needed to exploit those new observational capabilities have been made ready."



# **CECMWF** circα 2002 THE NEW FRONTIER

Atmospheric composition

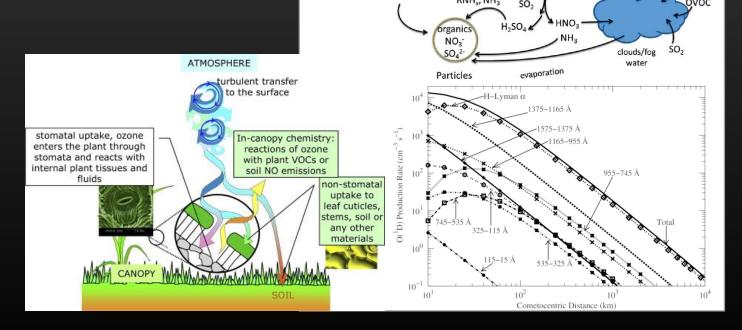
### ECMWF needed to make it happen again...

but the initial condition...

$$\frac{\partial O_3}{\partial t} = A_1 + A_2(O_3 - A_3) + A_4(T - A_5) + A_6(\Sigma O_3 - A_7)$$

Atmospheric composition in IFS circa 2002

was rather challenging...



RH + oxidants  $\stackrel{O_2}{\longrightarrow}$  RO<sub>2</sub>

**ELVOC** 

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## If that was pop music, to make it a success... ...this would have required (at least)

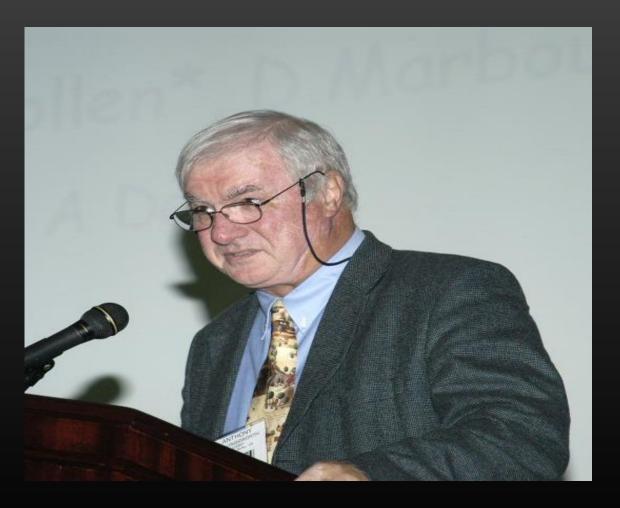






## But in matters of atmosphere... ...ECMWF was better off with Tony and Adrian





### Ideas were clear, except maybe for the name of this initiative

Global Land Ocean Atmosphere Monitoring from Space through Data Assimilation: GLOAMOS

Workshop to Prepare a Proposal for an Integrated Project in the EU's Framework 6 Programme

ECMWF, May 16-17 2002

Some background material on the GLOAMOS project may l Technical Memorandum No. 361: A. Hollingsworth, P. Viterb numerical weather prediction for forecasting natural hazar environment".

(See http://www.ecmwf.int/publications/library/ecpublications/t

The proposed sub-projects of GLOAMOS are

- Monitor-GREEHOUSE GASES: Map seasonal variations
   Greenhouse Gases such as CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O, CO
- Monitor-REACTIVE-GASES: Through assimilation in a C weather model, monitor ozone and its precursors, and sulpha
- . Monitor-LAND: Model and assimilate information on the L
- · Monitor-AEROSOL: Model and assimilate global aerosol in
- Monitor-OCEAN-COLOUR: Model and assimilate ocean cuptake.
- Monitoring-SYSTEM-INTEGRATION & RETROSPECTI above projects in a unified pre-operational system and v observational verification of retrospective analyses for the 2007, and perhaps for the epoch 1947-2007

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Call for Expression of Interest EOLFP6

#### **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

#### **Integrated Project**

#### **GloMEaSy Global Monitoring of the Earth System**

prepared May 31 2002 by

**European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts** 

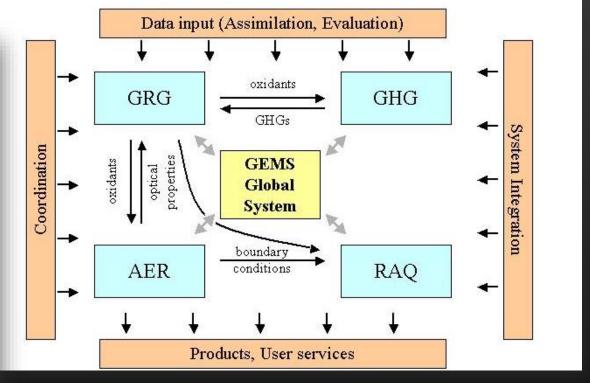
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This Expression

submitted in response to Call EOI.FP6.2002

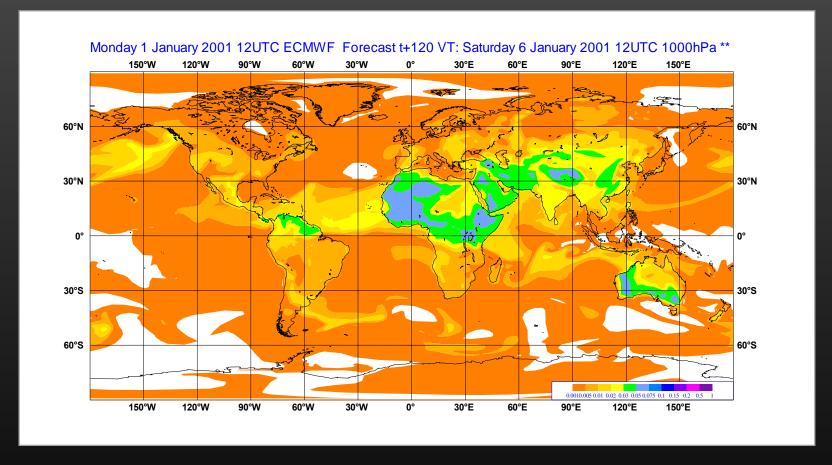
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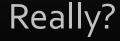
Presentation from A. Hollingsworth to ECMWF Council, June 2005



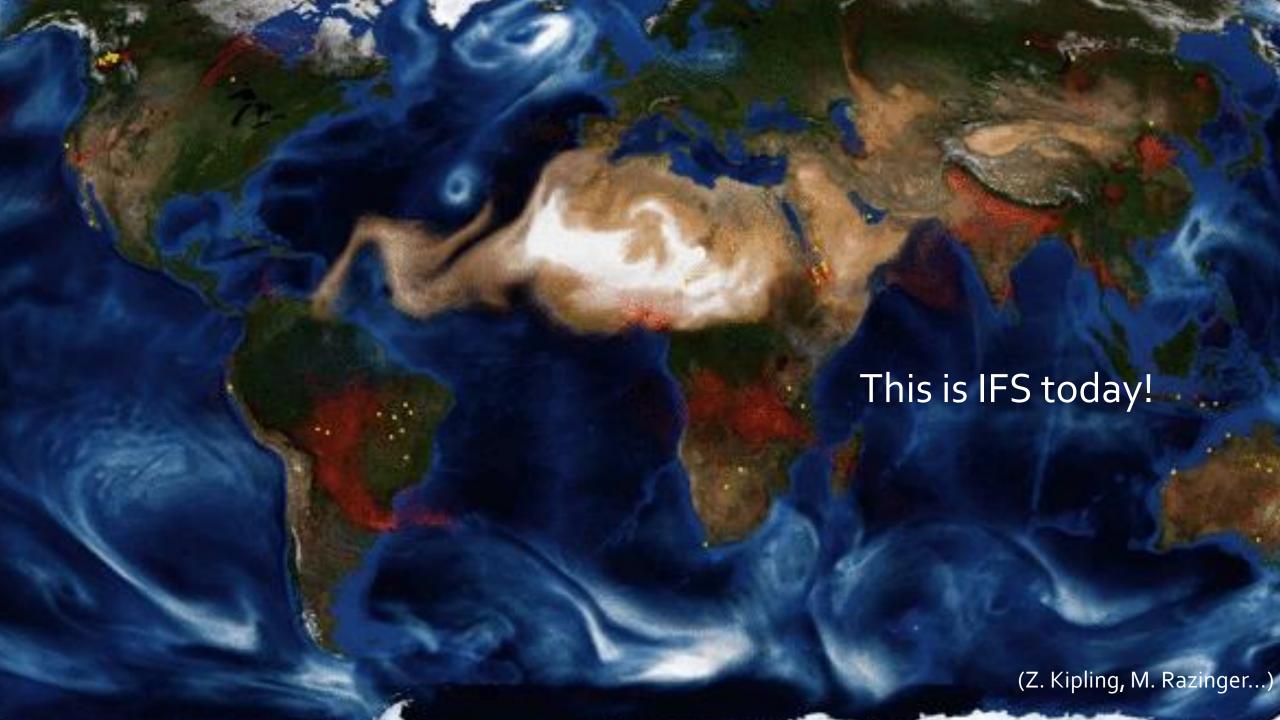
#### Tony's message was: "a flying start"



Five —day forecast, showing particulates at 1000HPa, starting from a climatological distribution of Desert Dust (Benedetti, Morcrette, Hortal...).



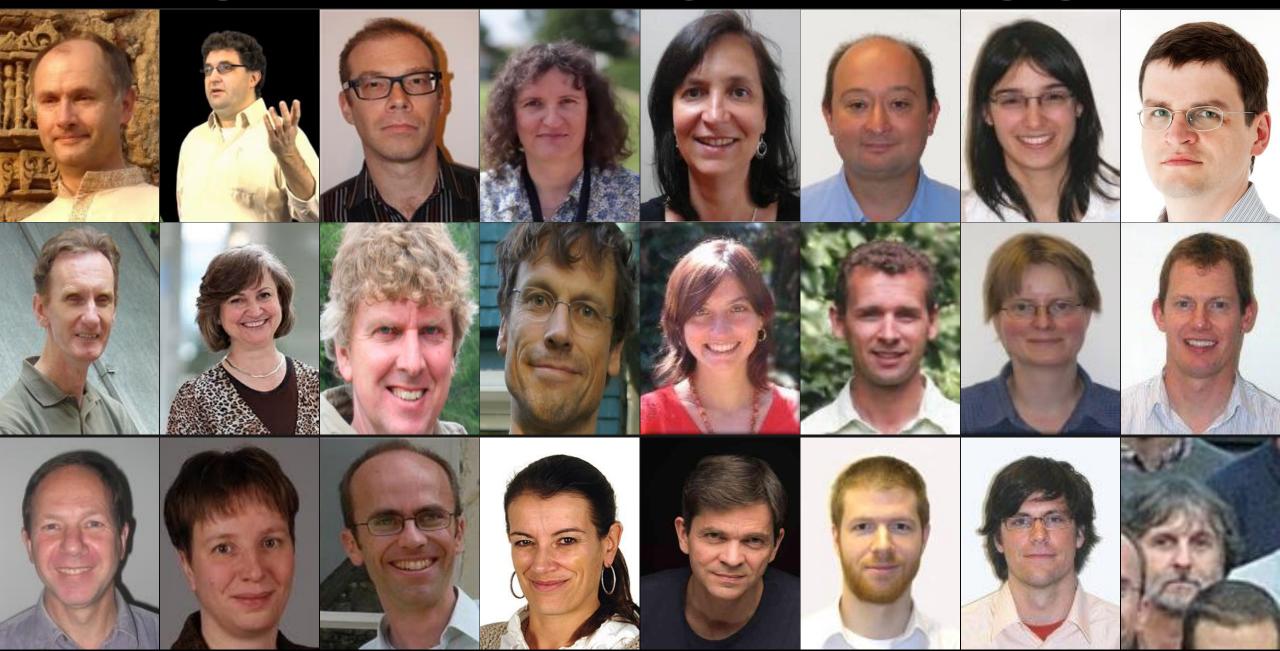




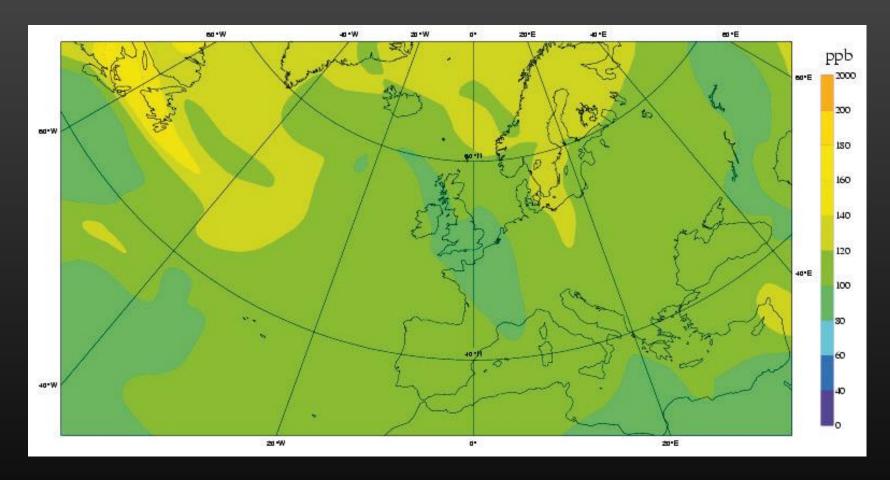
But how did we get there?



### GENERATION MACC



#### 17 May 2007: the first IFS composition forecast



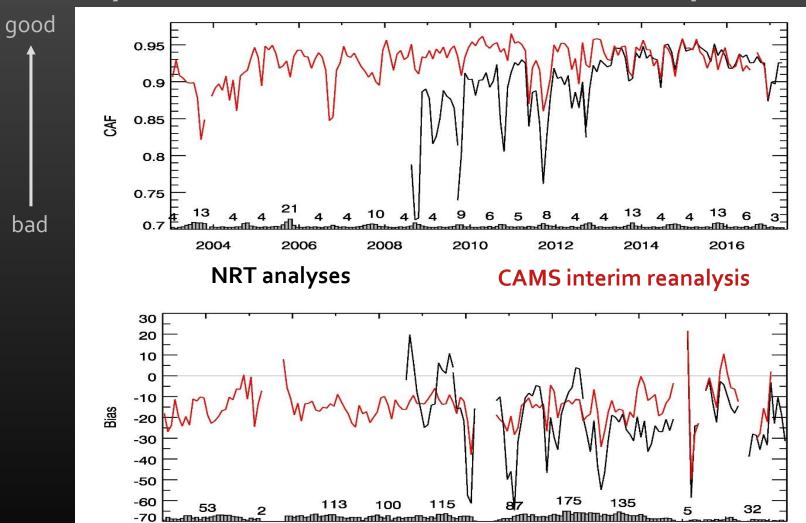
Carbon monoxide forecast obtained with IFS coupled with the MOZART Chemistry and Transport Model using the OASIS4 coupler

#### July 2008: the first IFS composition analyses

2016

2014

2012



2008

2010

Ozone profile against sondes at Neumayer (Antarctica)

CO in the 1000-750 hPa layer at Frankfurt against IAGOS aircraft data



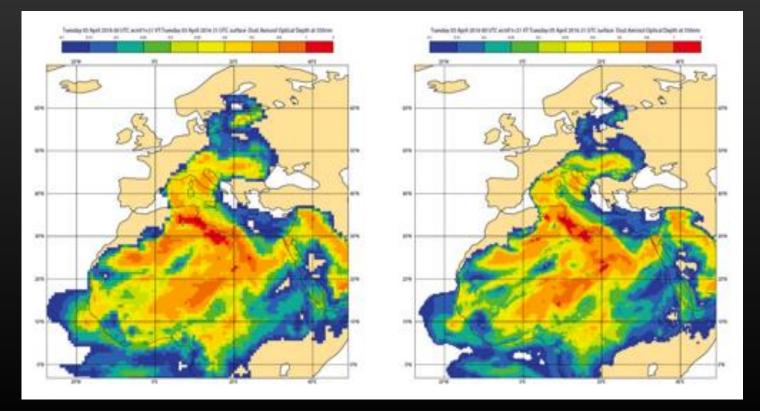
2004

2006

January 2014: the coupled system retires, IFS has online (complex) chemistry

June 2016: resolution moves to 40km, 2 daily analyses and forecasts





new



#### September 2008: the Lille forum



#### Launching GMES into orbit...







#### But, obviously, something was wrong...



#### And the road was still long...

From: Adrian Simmons <adrian.simmons@ecmwf.int>

Date: 11 December 2009 at 21:32

Subject: Report of GAS IG meetin, 11 December 2009

Dear colleagues,

I attended today a meeting of the GAS IG in Brussels.

Main item was the response to the latest disastrous plan of the EC (Unit H<sub>3</sub>, not the GMES bureau) to fund a follow-on to MACC through an inadequate CSA for an operational bit (around 3M a year for this) plus lots of (uncoordinated) small (2M max) RTD projects (ocean fighting atmosphere, ocean fighting ocean, atmosphere fighting atmosphere, most points win, nonsense).

The IG were unanimous in their condemnation of the proposal, and were supported by the bureau, who drafted a page of text that will go to the PC. Text includes message that there is a risk that ECMWF withdraws if the proposal goes ahead, that GMES could be left with no atmosphere service and thus no justification for continuing with Sentinel 4 and 5.

[...]



#### And then, the elements broke loose...

"Earlier this morning I spoke on the phone with the Director of ECMWF (I am stuck at home due to snow) to confirm that we will go ahead with the meeting despite adverse wintry conditions. We have decided to, though will warn participants that they should be prepared for a winter walk of up to one hour from down-town hotels in the event of further snow. Currently buses are running reasonably, but with taxis hard to find. We also have to warn participants that our kitchen is experiencing problems with food deliveries, so provision of an adequate lunch may be problematic."

6 January 2010









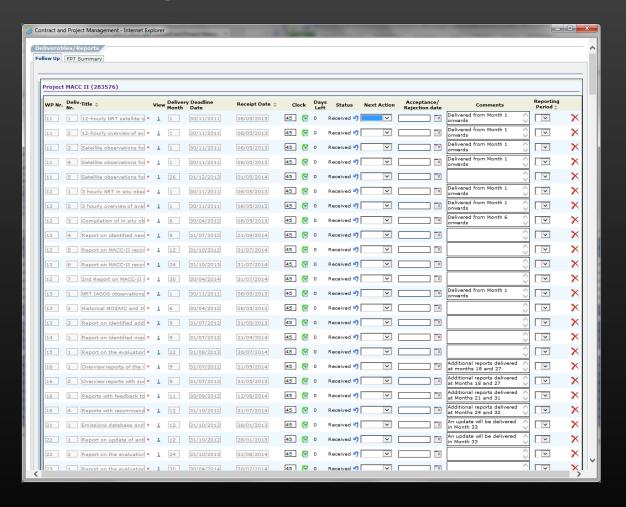
(R. Engelen)





But nothing could stop the MACC generation to respond to Adrian's call...

## And there were even more dreadful obstacles on the way!



How many clicks to upload a deliverable in this new beta-version interface?



### But we got by with a little help from our friends



And Adrian has a secret weapon...







A major archaeological dig in Wiltshire has unearthed evidence of frogs legs being eaten in Britain, 8,000 years before France, it has been claimed.

**From:** "Vincent-Henri Peuch" < vincent-henri.peuch@ecmwf.int > **To:** "Adrian Simmons" < adrian.simmons@ecmwf.int >, "Richard

Engelen" < richard.engelen@ecmwf.int > **Sent:** Thursday, 17 October, 2013 9:50:32 AM

Subject: Nothing is certain anymore

Hi,

Don't worry, this is not about Copernicus! But still shocking news;)

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-wiltshire-2452224c

Vincent-Henri

From: "Adrian Simmons" <adrian.simmons@ecmwf.int>

**Subject:** Re: Nothing is certain anymore **Date:** 17 October 2013 at 11:04:42 CEST

To: "Vincent-Henri Peuch" < vincent-henri.peuch@ecmwf.int>

Cc: "Richard Engelen" < richard.engelen@ecmwf.int>

It was probably visiting French people who were eating the frogs' legs.

Adrian

#### The easiest deliverable ever in MACC-II





