PRESANORD PROPOSAL
Roadmap On Objective Seasonal Forecast

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Objective Steps towards OSF

❑ **Identifying the climate variability of the region:**
   Seasonal Forecast <== Comparison to the climatology

❑ **Identifying the main action centers impacting the region** (such as the Saharan depression, Acores High..) as well as climate drivers and possible impacts
   -Capitalize on what already exists through:
•   a review of the climate drivers impacting the region
• Try to identify how to combine the information issued from climate drivers
   (Explore new techniques of artificial intelligence   )

❑ **Explore the range of models available either via copernicus or WMO-LRFMME** (Meeting with Ernesto and Esteban) by doing either:
• Correction / calibration of models
• Selection of relevant models for the region (for this we can benefit from products from MEDSCOPE toolbox
• Multimodel Ensemble weighting
• Downscaling of climate models

Objective Steps towards OSF

❑ **Produce relevant information for climate services** depending on the season and the area

   For instance :soil moisture and forest fire index for Summer season and the start   of the rainy season for Winter

❑ **Promote the Objective Seasonal Forecast work** on the Mediterranean region through a scientific paper or document

Challenges to OSF

❑ **Non perfect models**

The forecast cannot be 100% objective <== Relying on experience of regional experts

❑ **Combination of information from climate models and climate drivers** (especially when scenarios issued from climate models and drivers are diverging)

➔ The way to proceed is subjective, based on the experience on the expert.

Conclusion

- Finally, **trying to standardize the methodology** of the seasonal forecast that allows to provide enough **relevant tools** will helps to **improve the quality** of the seasonal forecast
But, the forecast cannot be in any way 100% objective given the imperfect nature of climate models
➔ This is the **added value of Human** comparing to machines

THANKS ☺