



South West Indian Ocean region

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1 – OND 2023 forecast verification

In this section we present the verification of the forecast issued in september 2023 for the next quarter (OND 2023)

- First we recall the forecast produced at that time: It consist in the mixing of the statistical adaptation from 3 GCM (ECMWF, MF, NCEP)
- Then this forecast is compared to the corresponding verification data (Reference dataset for the region created from ERA5 reanalysis). The RPSS score issued from this comparison is also presented;

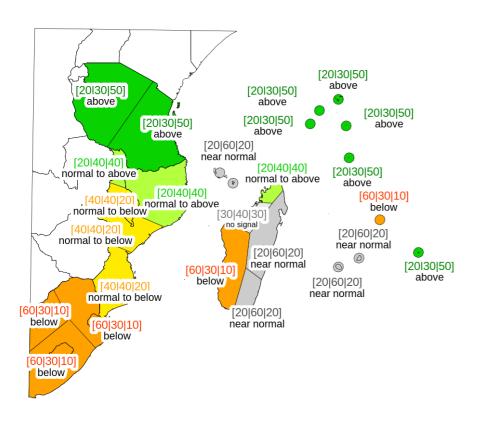


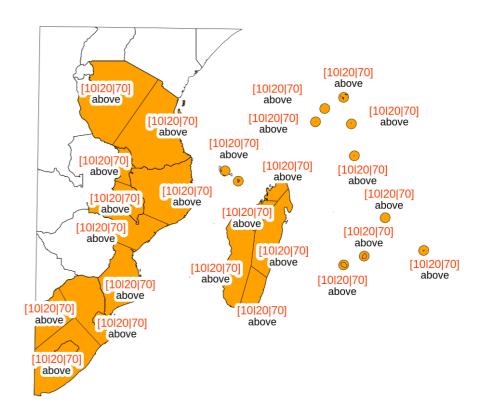
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Objective Rainfall and Temperature forecast issued in September 2023

Rainfall Seasonal forecast - OND 2023

Temperature Seasonal forecast - OND 2023





Forecast based on:

Statistical adaptation of GCM output at regional scale



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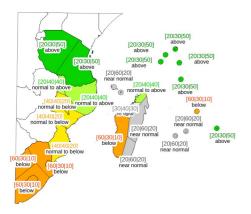
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NB : reference local dataset made of ERA5 data averaged over zones

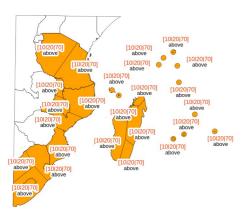
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Forecast

Rainfall Seasonal forecast - OND 2023



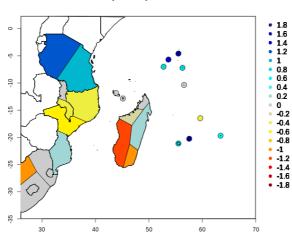
Temperature Seasonal forecast - OND 2023



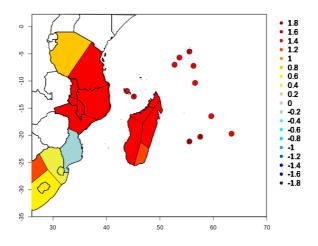
Observed anomalies

(verification Dataset ERA5)

ANOMALIE (STAND.): RR OND 2023

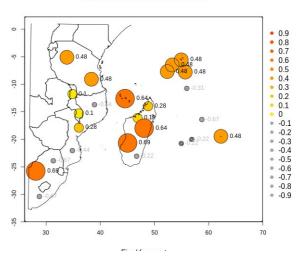


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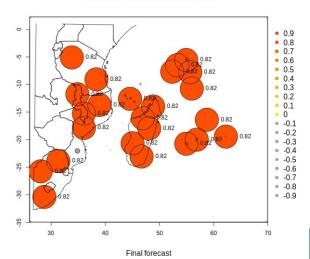


RPSS score

Score RPSS: RR OND-2023 It1



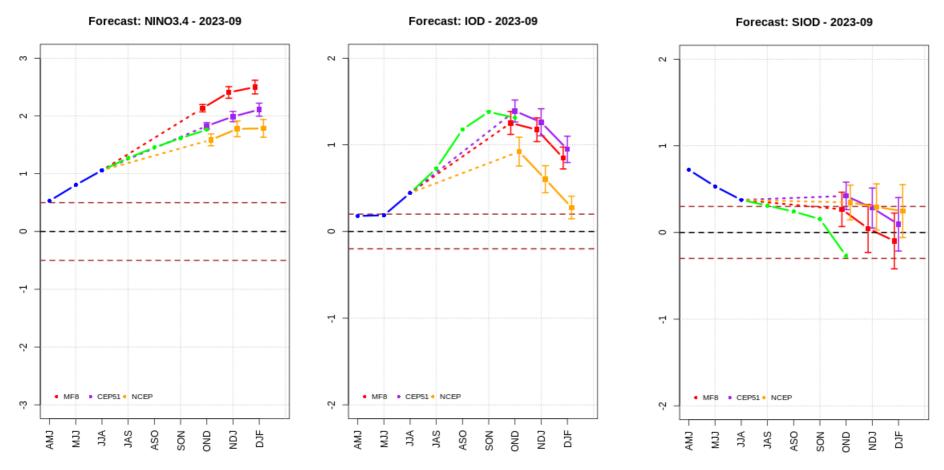
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1 - OND 2023 forecast verification

Forecast and verification of oceanic indices started on september 2023





In this section we present the objective forecasts from start month: January 2024, for leadtimes 1 (FMA) and 2 (MAM)

- First the current and predicted state of climate indices are displayed
- Second the expected Large scale situation over the region is discussed from the GCM forecasts
- Then the forecast produced with the SEAFORDS tool is showed for each leadtime
 - It is a synthesis of statistical adaptation of 3 GCM (ECMWF, MF, NCEP)
 - The « No signal » result mans that no specific scenario can be determined. It is generally associated with low score for the model or a too large dispersion of the members.
 - The confidence index of the large-scale parameters provided by the GCMs as inputs for the statistical model, are displayed. They consist of correlation score computed over the Hindcast period

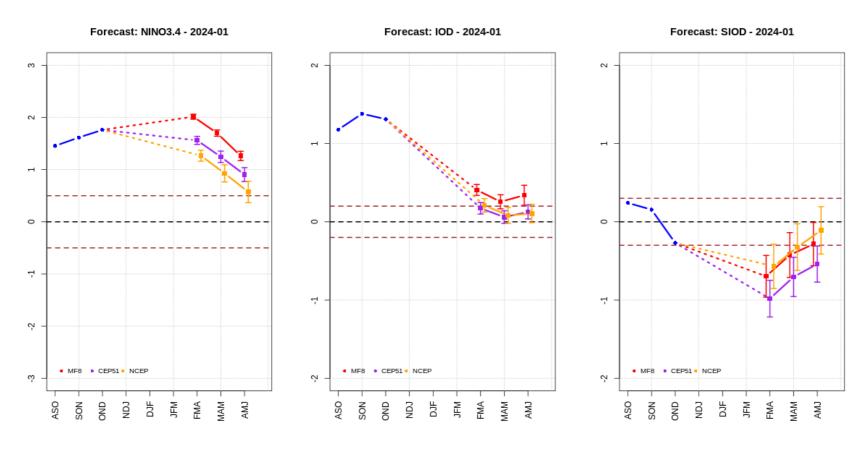


Large scale drivers context:

ENSO: Decreasing El Nino phase, yet still positive

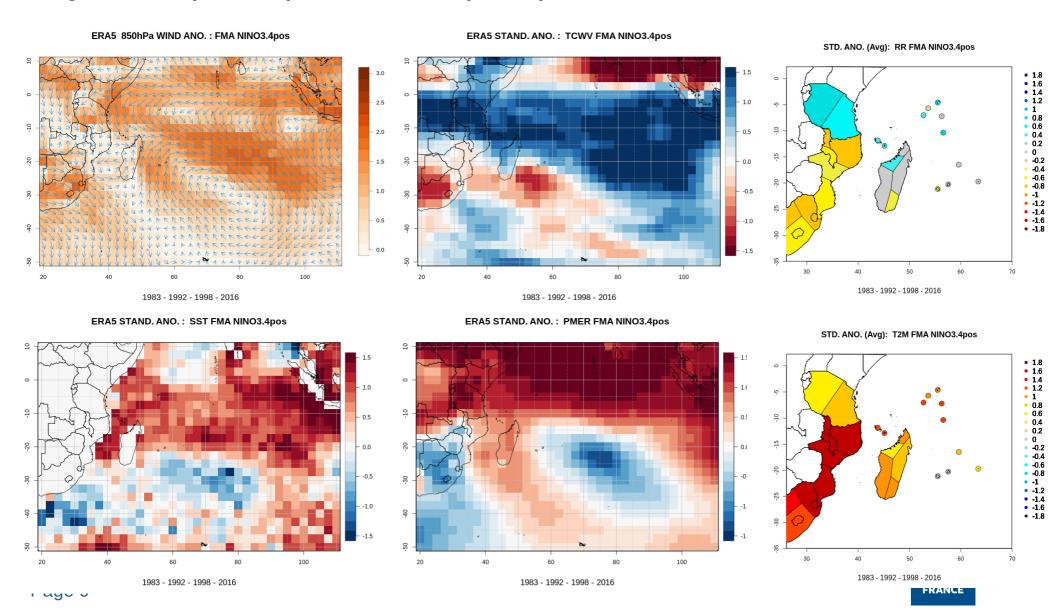
IOD : Decreasing positive phase – expected to be neutral

SIOD : presently in neutral phase but rapidly decreasing – expected to become negative

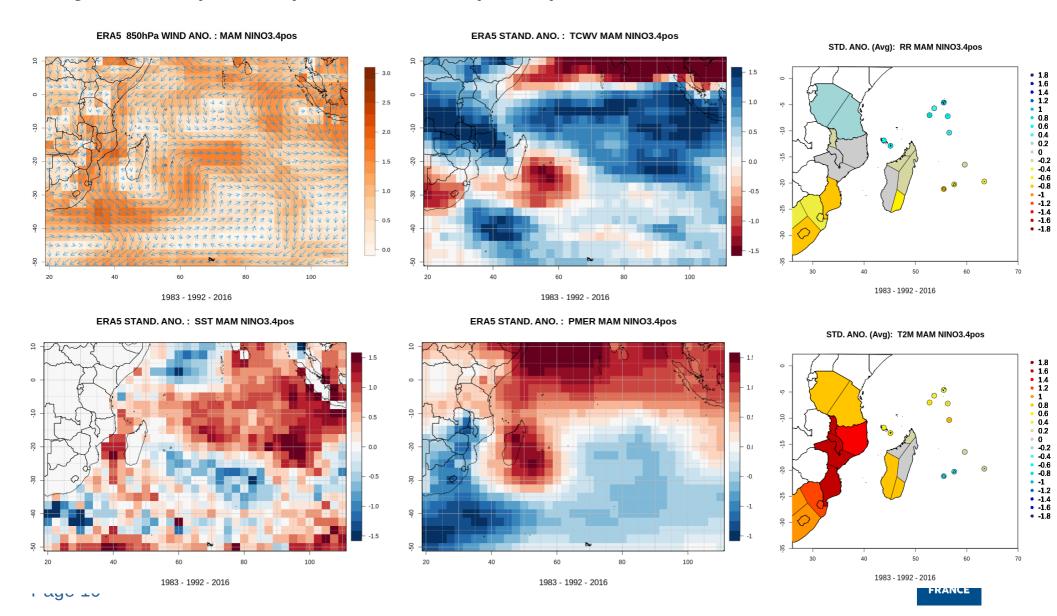




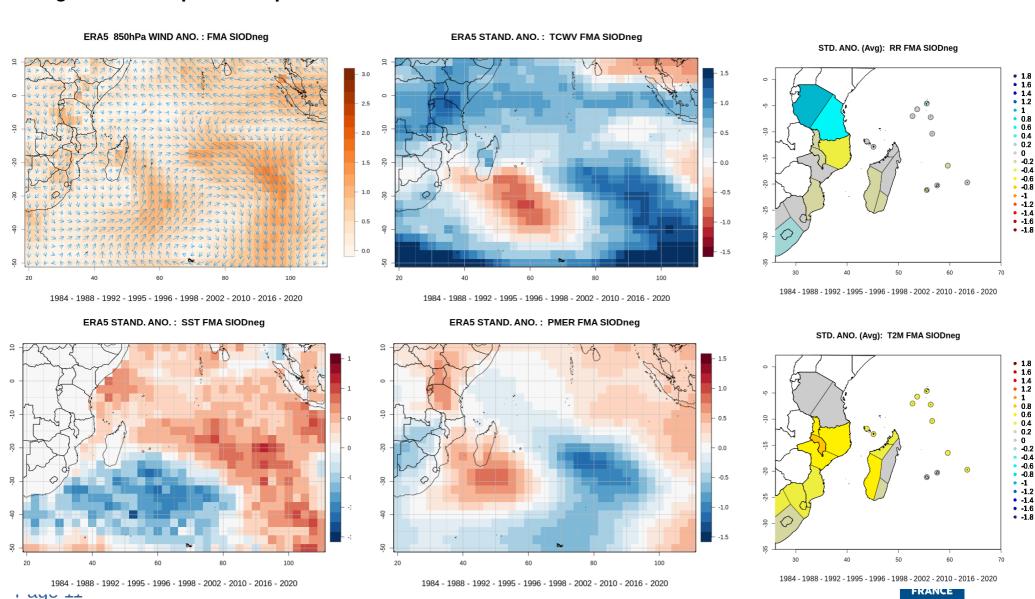
Large scale composite maps fr FMA: ENSO+ (El Nino)



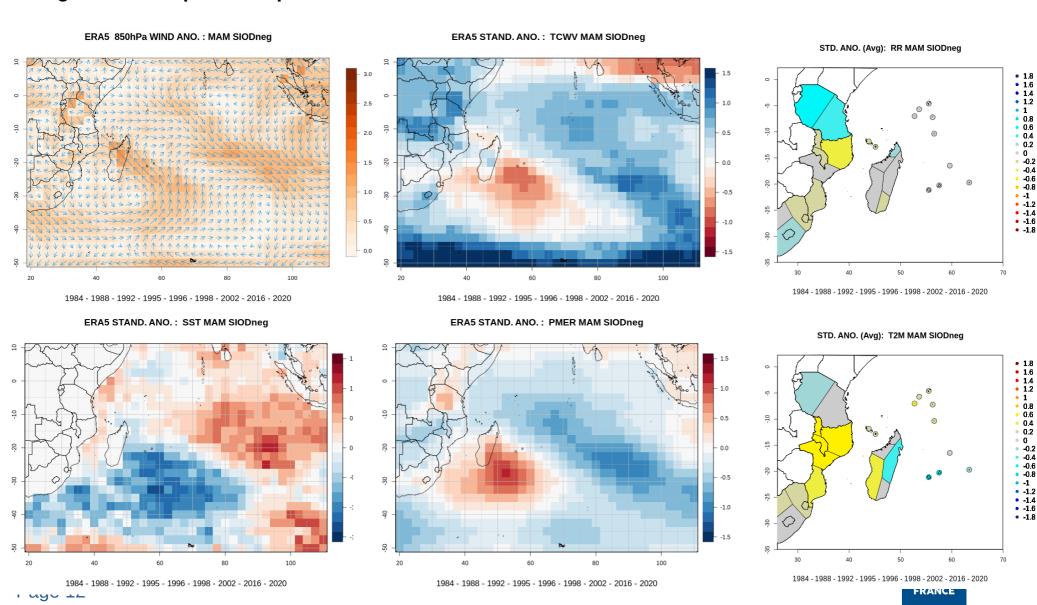
Large scale composite maps fr MAM: ENSO+ (El Nino)



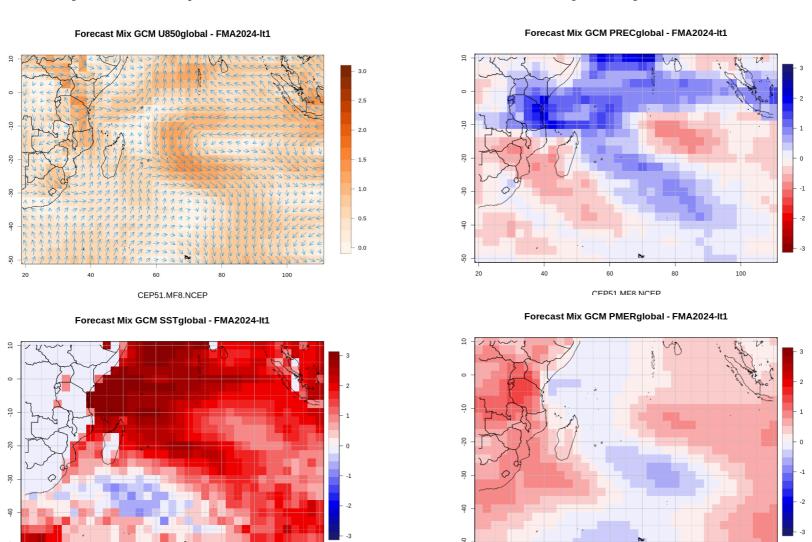
Large scale composite maps for FMA: SIOD-



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Large scale synthesis maps from MF, ECMWF, NCEP GCMs: Base january 2024 - FMA

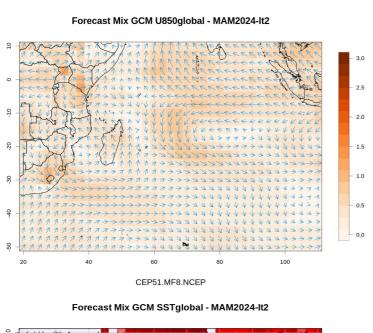


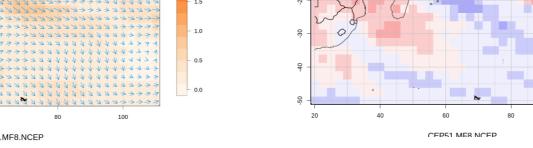


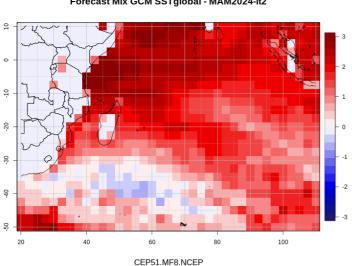
CEP51.MF8.NCEP

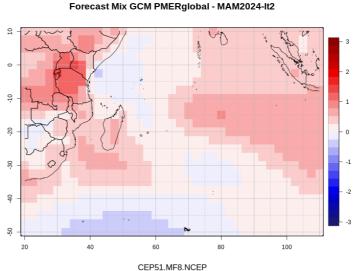
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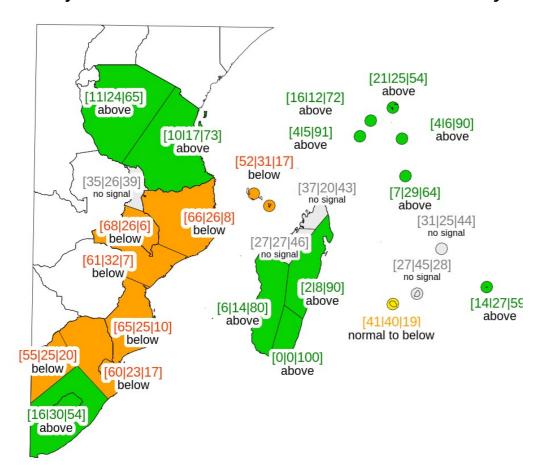
Forecast Mix GCM PRECglobal - MAM2024-It2



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Rainfall Seasonal forecast - FMA 2024 - lt 1

Objective Rainfall forecast issued in January 2024

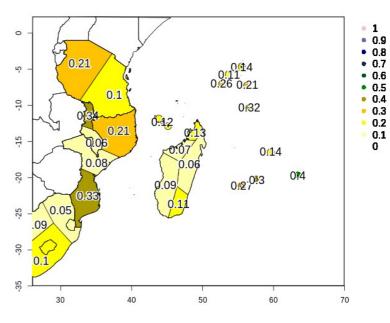


Forecast based on:

Statistical adaptation of GCM output at regional scale

>>> MME (MF + ECMWF + NCEP)

Confidence index: (CEP51.MF8.NCEP) RR FMA It 1





Rainfall Seasonal forecast - MAM 2024 - lt 2

Objective Rainfall forecast issued in January 2024

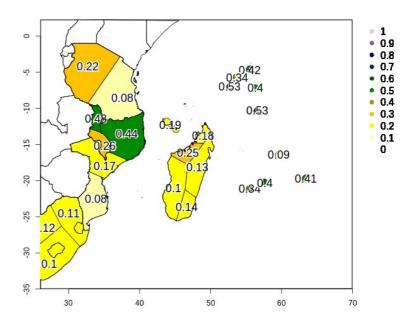
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Assessment of a confidence level associated to rainfall forecast:

Hindcast (24 years) for 3 GCM (NCEP, ECMWF, MF8) ran over the SWIO region (SWIO2) for FMA (lt1) season.

- > Production of 24 rainfall forecasts.
- > Verification of the forecasts by comparison with de reference dataset (ERA5)

FMA Global statistics for the region (25 zones):

- Nb positive anomalies (Normal to above normal / Above normal) :	FCST 172	OBS 111	64 %
- Nb negative anomalies (Normal to below normal / Below normal) :	171	104	61 %

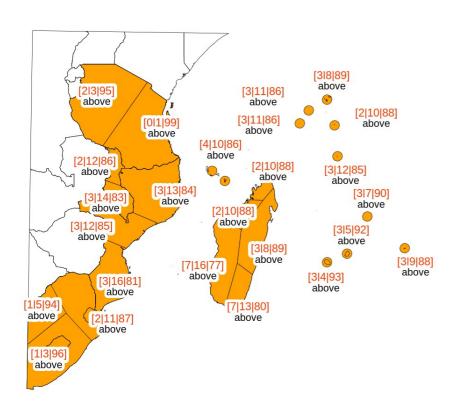
- Nb missed Above normal cases: 55 / 159 = 35 %
- Nb missed Below normal cases : 47 / 158 = 30 %

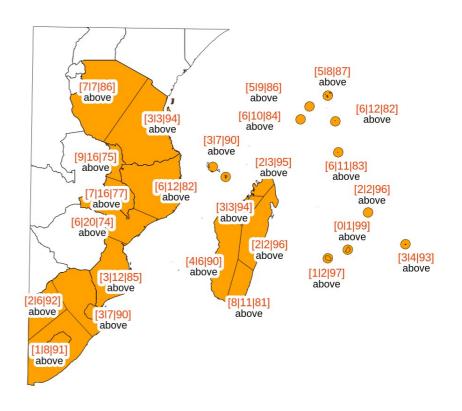


Objective Temperature forecast issued in January 2024 for lt1 and lt2

Temperature Seasonal forecast - FMA 2024 - It 1

Temperature Seasonal forecast - MAM 2024 - It 2





CEP51.MF8.NCEP CEP51.MF8.NCEP



