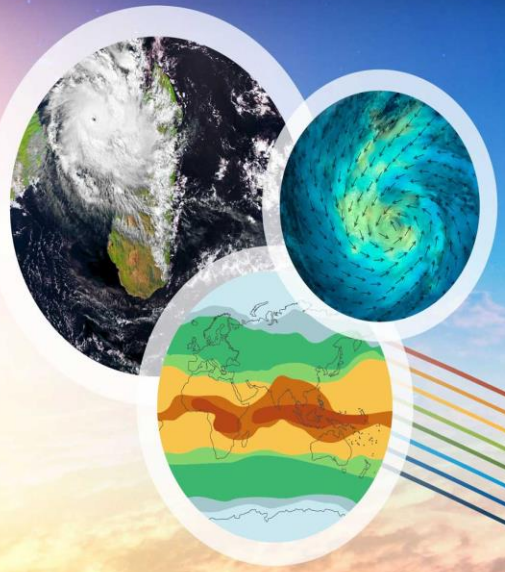
WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION

AFRICAN CENTRE OF METEOROLOGICAL APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT (ACMAD)

17TH AFRICA CONTINENTAL CLIMATE OUTLOOK FORUM

ACMAD SEASONAL FORECAST METHOD



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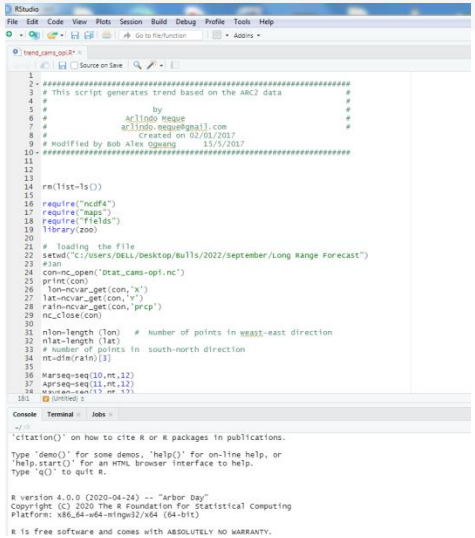

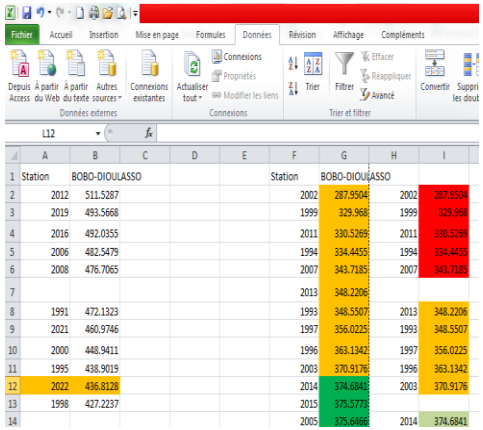

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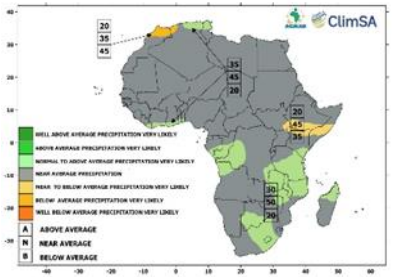

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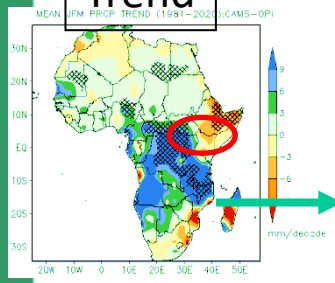

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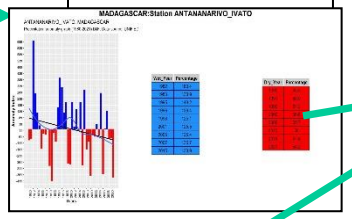

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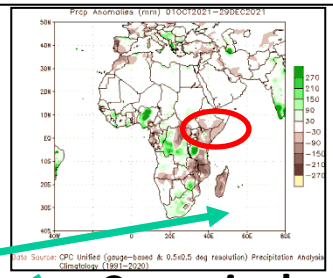

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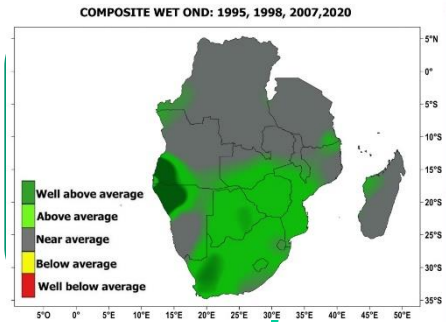

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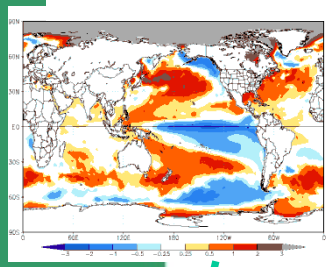

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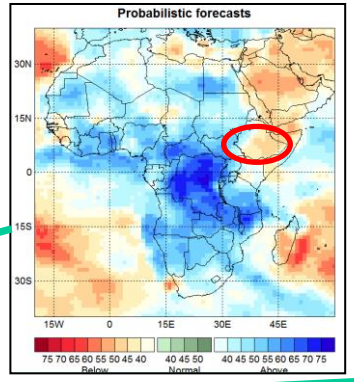

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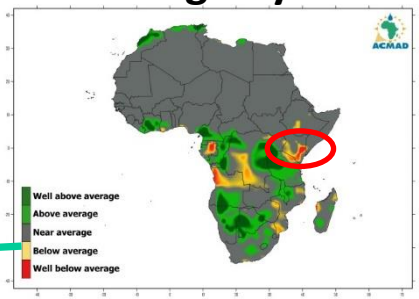
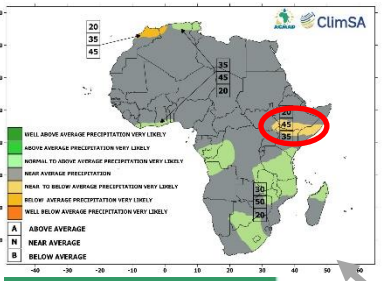


SEASONAL OUTLOOK



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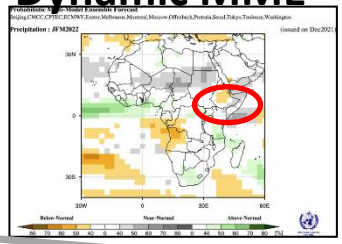
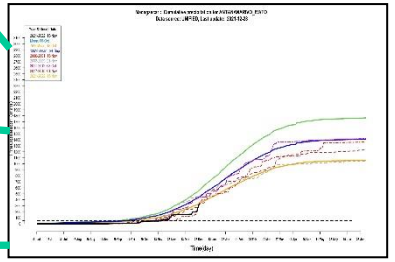


AI: Neural Networks

Daily cumulative profile



Cluster Analysis

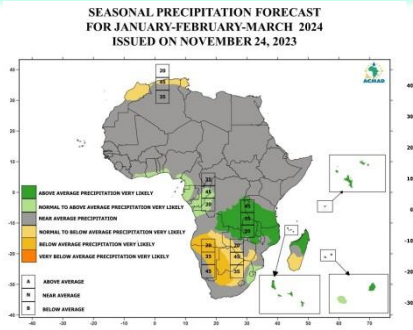
SEASONAL FORECAST APPROACHS

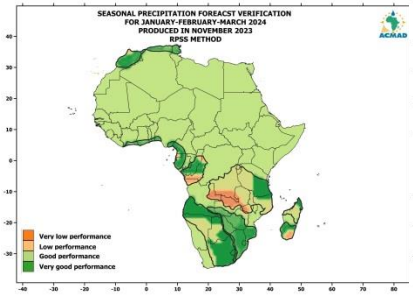
1. ***Time series analysis of Climate variability (seasonal and annual cycles, interannual/interdecadal variability) and trends***
2. ***Composite analysis***
3. ***Analogue Analysis***
4. ***Linear regression, principal component, canonical correlation analysis***
5. ***Teleconnections analysis (i,e ENSO, AMO, IOD, SIOD, Atlantic Dipole, NAO, AO, SAM, Benguela Nino, Mediterranean SSTAs)***
6. ***Interactions analysis between seasons (summer and following winter) and regions for the same target season (i.e summer African monsoon and Atlantic cyclone activity)***
7. ***Single Model Ensemble Analysis (i,e ECMWF, NCEP, UKMET)***
8. ***Multi-model Ensemble Analysis (ie MME, Copernicus, IRI)***
9. ***Consolidation and consensus Analysis***

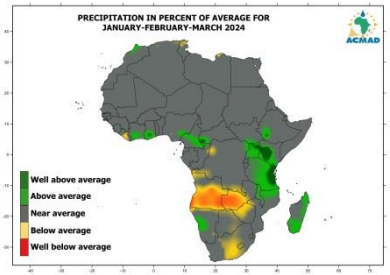
Step 1:

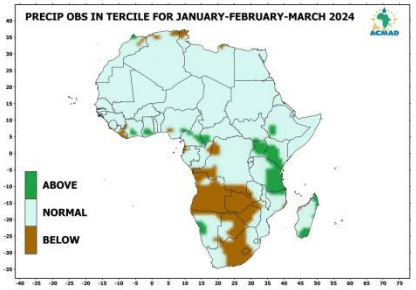
Time series analysis of Climate variability (seasonal and annual cycles, interannual/interdecadal variability) and trends

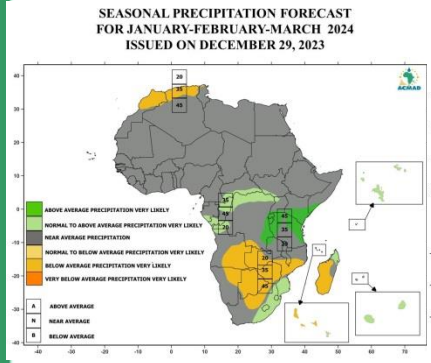
VERIFICATION

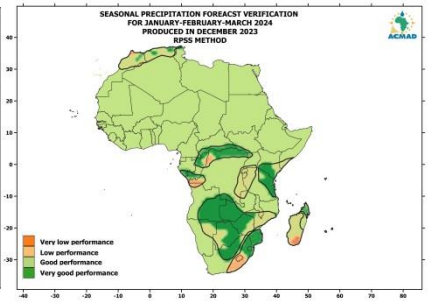


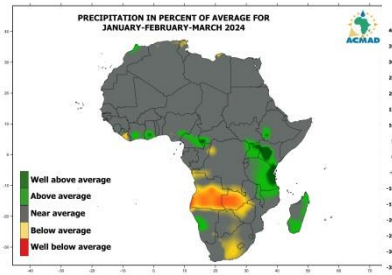


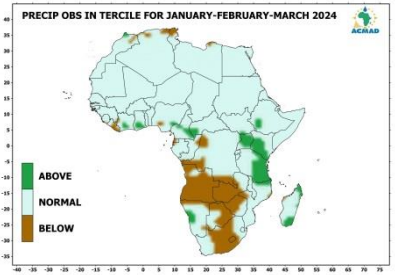










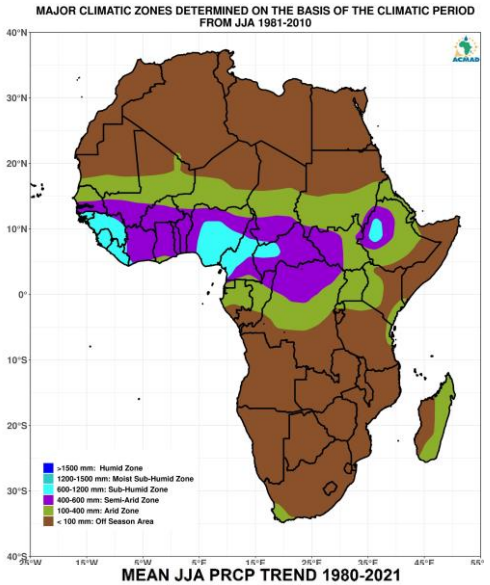


Time series analysis of Climate variability (seasonal and annual cycles, interannual/interdecadal variability) and trends (1/3)

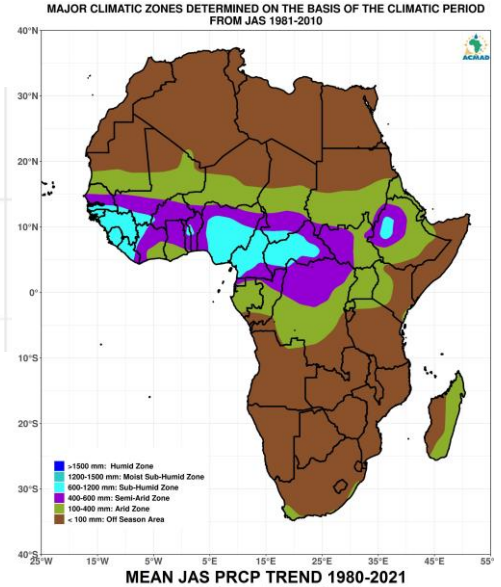
Season 1

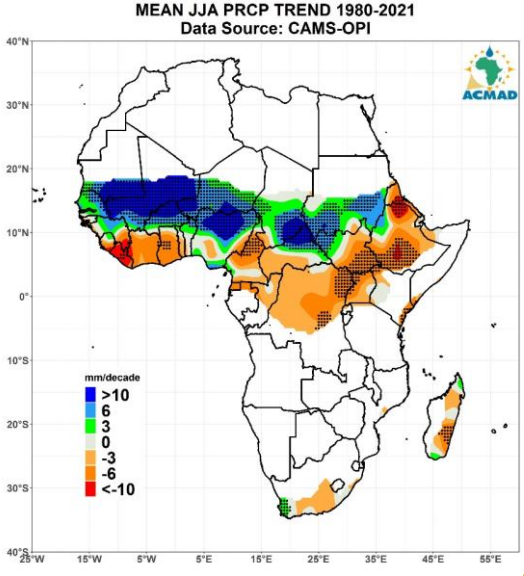
CLIMATIC ZONE

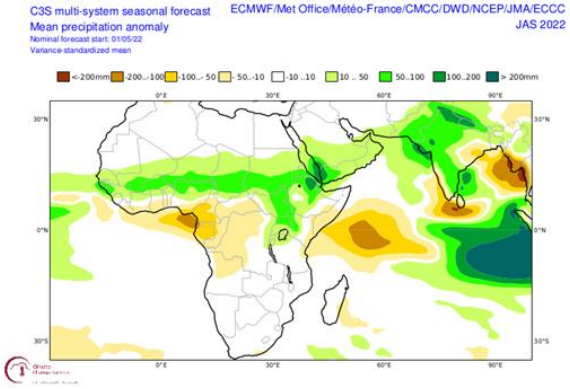
Season 2

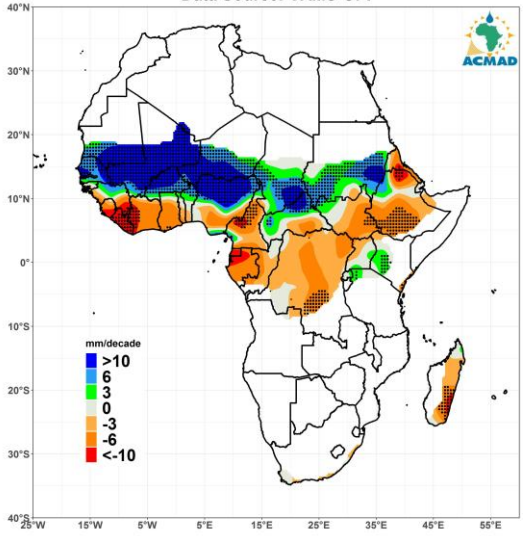


>1500 mm: Humid Zone
1200-1500 mm: Moist Sub-Humid Zone
600-1200 mm: Sub-Humid Zone
400-600 mm: Semi-Arid Zone
100-400 mm: Arid Zone
< 100 mm: Off Season Area



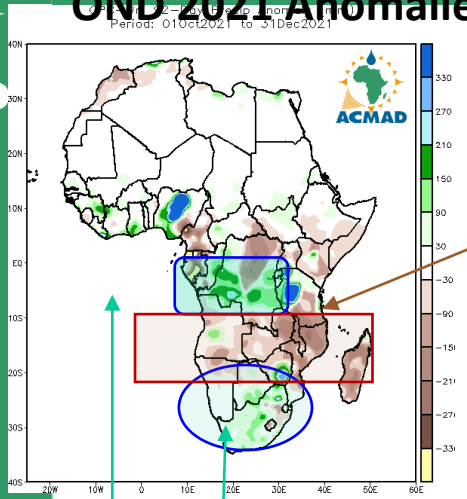




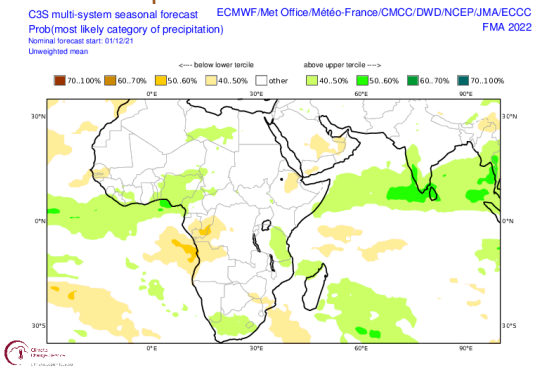


FORECAST PERSISTENCE (WET AND DRY CONDITIONS)

OND 2021 Anomalies



Persistent Dry conditions



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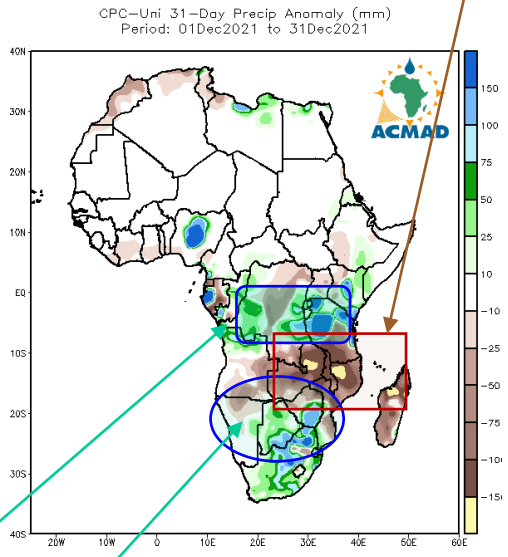

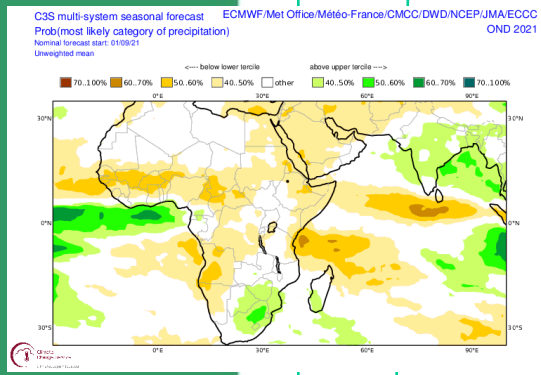

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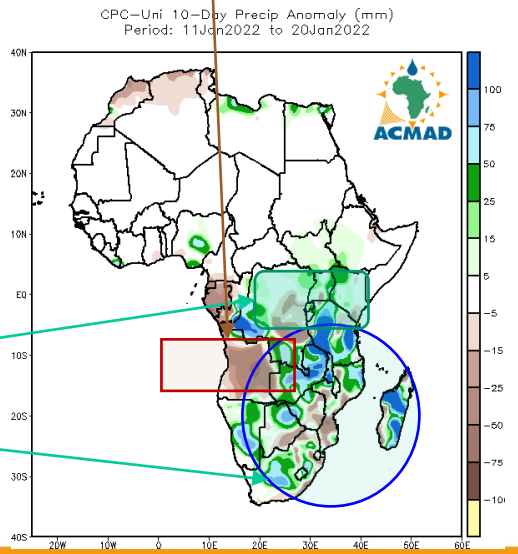

Persistent wet conditions

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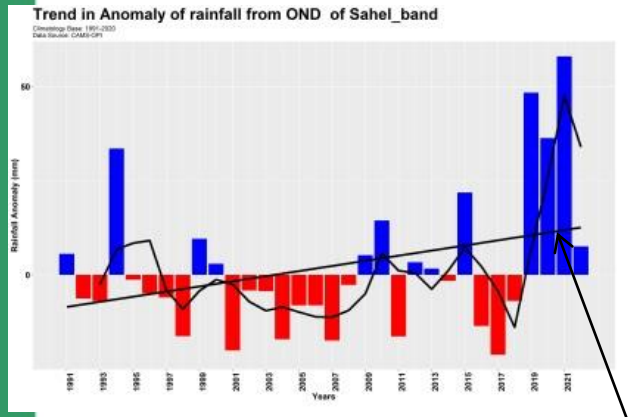
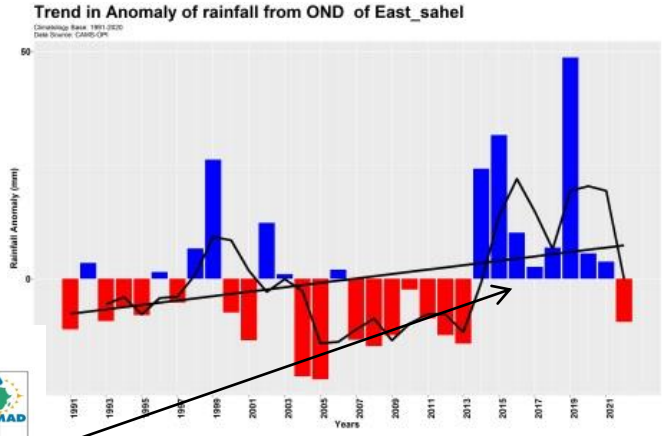
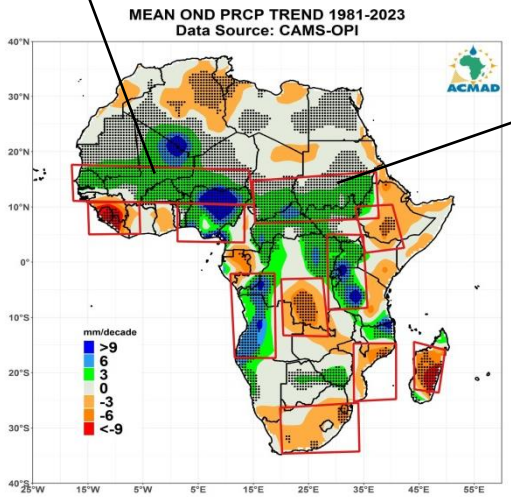
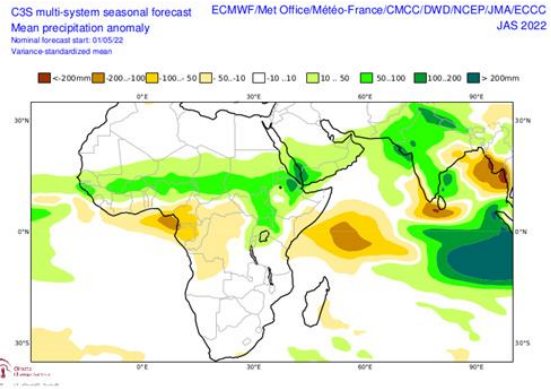
Season 3









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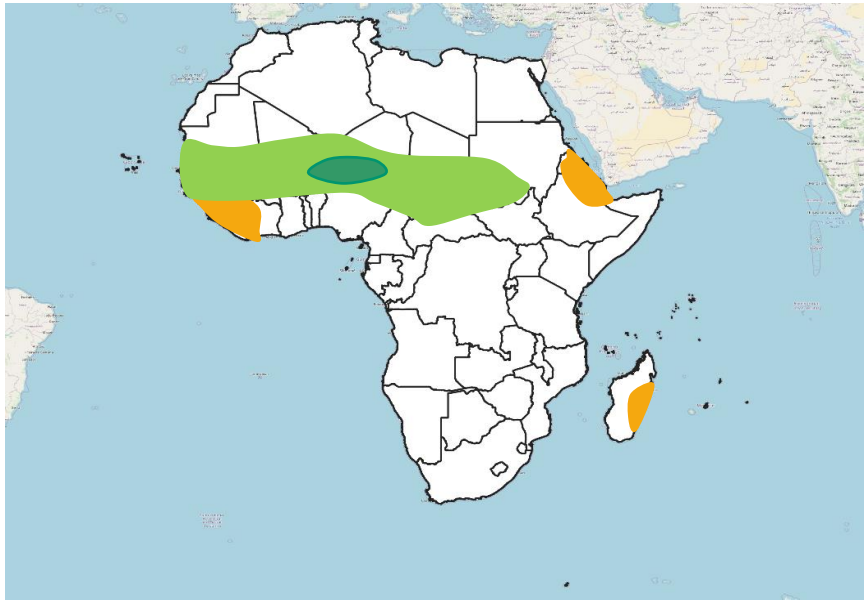


Step 2:

SSTs and Rainfall Composite analysis for Dry and Wet Years

Composite analysis (Dry and Wet Years) – SSTs & Rainfall

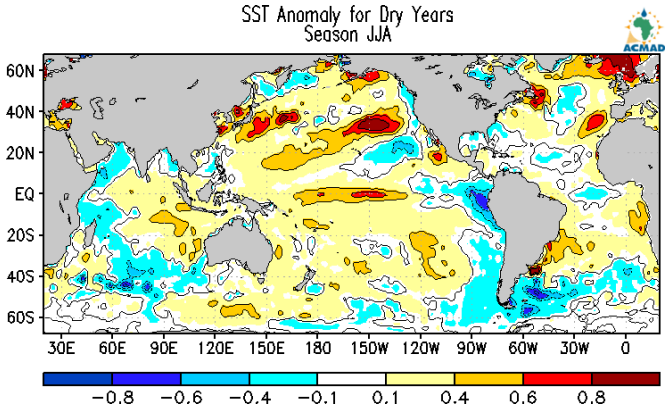
SST Composite

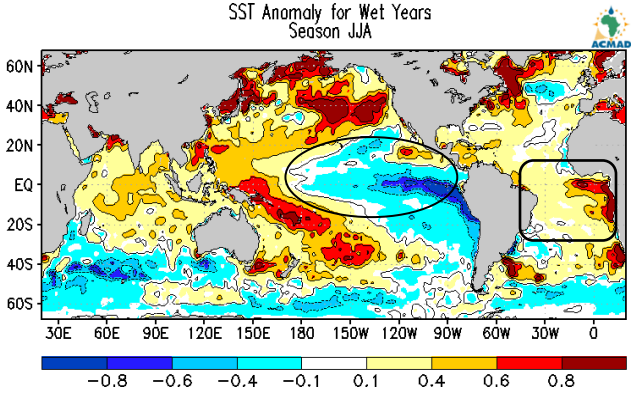
Rainfall Composite

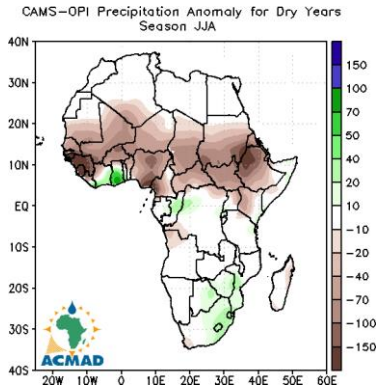
DRY

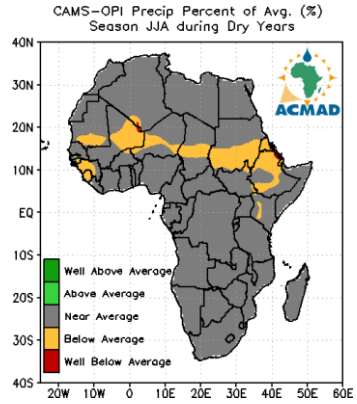
WET

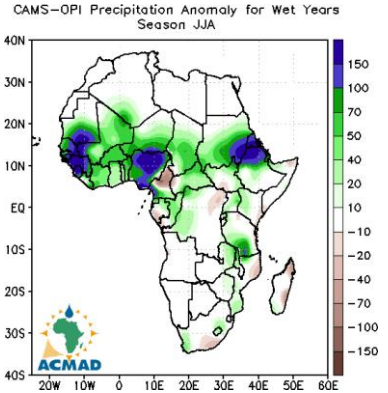
FCST

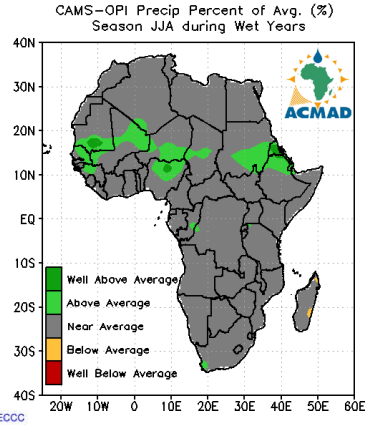


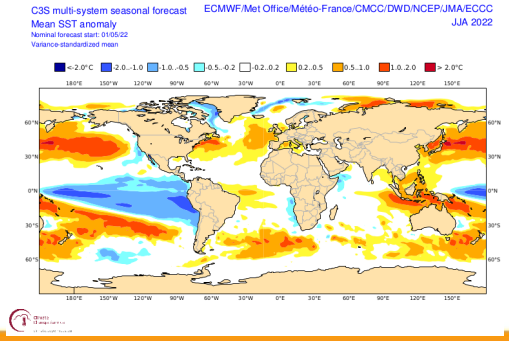


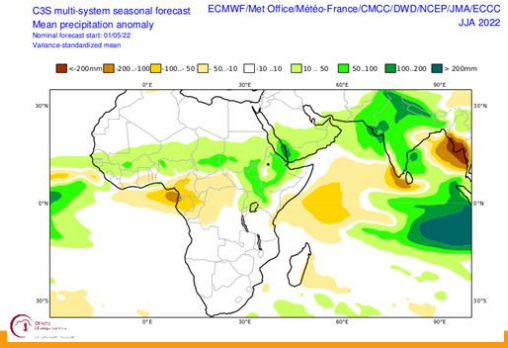












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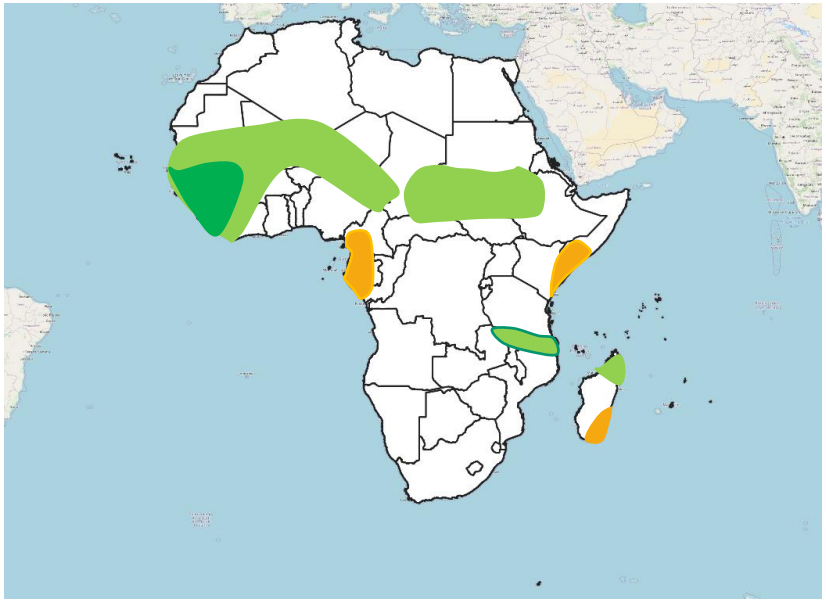

Step 3:

Analogue Years Analysis

Identification of Analogue Years (1)

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2010	1.5	1.2	0.8	0.4	-0.2	-0.7	-1.0	-1.3	-1.6	-1.6	-1.6	-1.6
2011	-1.4	-1.2	-0.9	-0.7	-0.6	-0.4	-0.5	-0.6	-0.8	-1.0	-1.1	-1.0
2012	-0.9	-0.7	-0.6	-0.5	-0.3	0.0	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.1	-0.2
2013	-0.4	-0.4	-0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.3	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3
2014	-0.4	-0.5	-0.3	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.6	0.7
2015	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.9	1.2	1.5	1.9	2.2	2.4	2.6	2.6
2016	2.5	2.1	1.6	0.9	0.4	-0.1	-0.4	-0.5	-0.6	-0.7	-0.7	-0.6
2017	-0.3	-0.2	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.4	-0.7	-0.8	-1.0
2018	-0.9	-0.9	-0.7	-0.5	-0.2	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.8	0.9	0.8
2019	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.5
Year	DJF	JFM	FMA	MAM	AMJ	MJJ	JJA	JAS	ASO	SON	OND	NDJ
2020	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.2	-0.1	-0.3	-0.4	-0.6	-0.9	-1.2	-1.3	-1.2
2021	-1.0	-0.9	-0.8	-0.7	-0.5	-0.4	-0.4	-0.5	-0.7	-0.8	-1.0	-1.0
2022	-1.0	-0.9	-1.0									

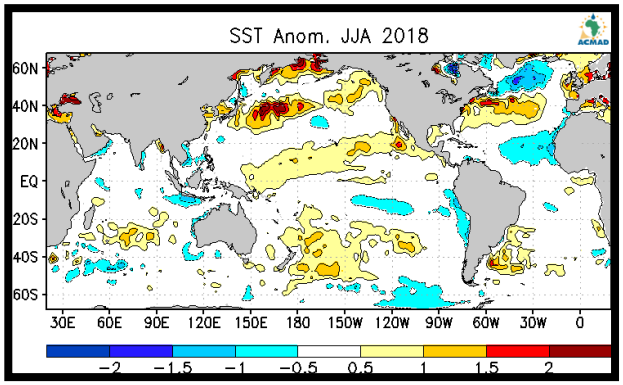
Saisons (2022 – 2023)									
Modèle	AMJ	MJJ	JJA	JAS	ASS	FILS	OND	NDJ	DJF
Modèles moyens et dynamiques	-0,699	-0,603	-0,486	-0,432	-0,460	-0,586	-0,638	-0,436	-0,314
Moyenne, modèles statistiques	-0,718	-0,599	-0,509	-0,489	-0,511	-0,542	-0,510	-0,473	-0,392
Moyenne, Tous les modèles	-0,705	-0,601	-0,493	-0,449	-0,476	-0,569	-0,588	-0,453	-0,351

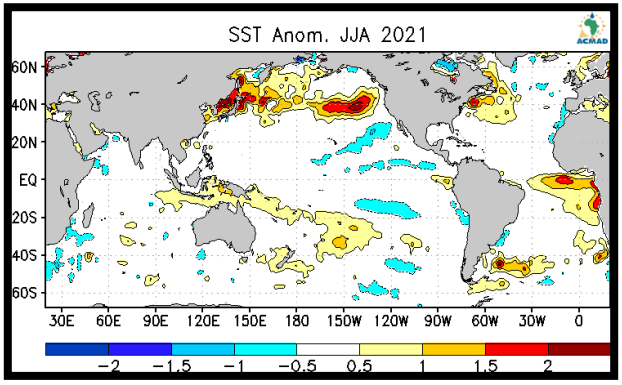
- **Identified analogue years – 2001, 2009, 2012, 2018, 2021**

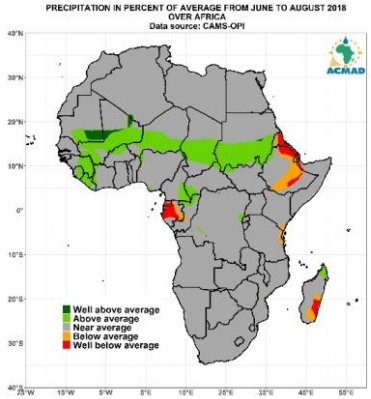
Analogue Years Analysis

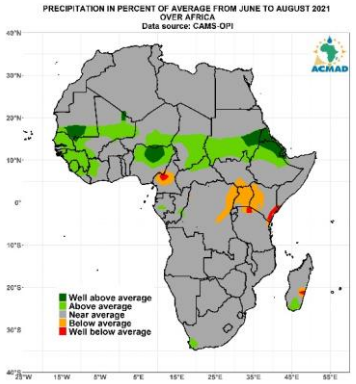
Seasonal SSTs maps for Target Season(s)

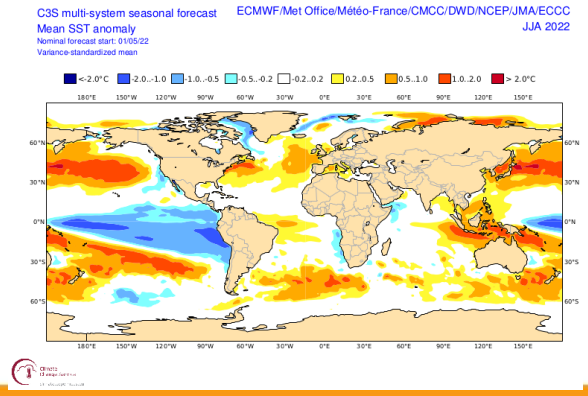
Analogue Analysis (3) – Rainfall Spatial Distribution

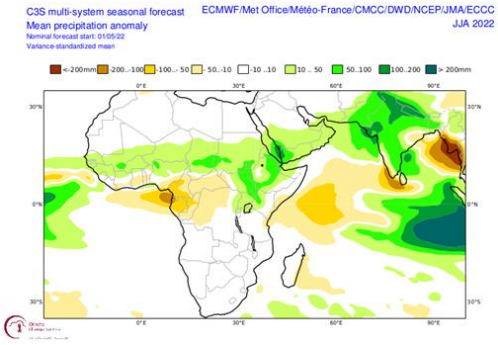










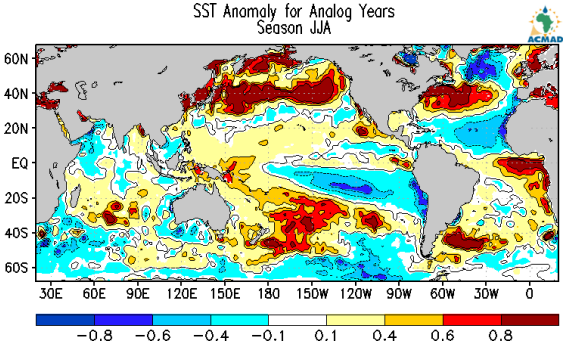


Identical Analogue Year Composite (6)

Composite

FCST

SSTs



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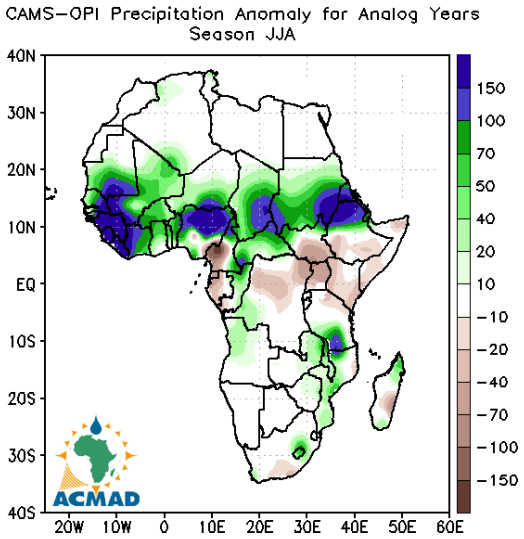
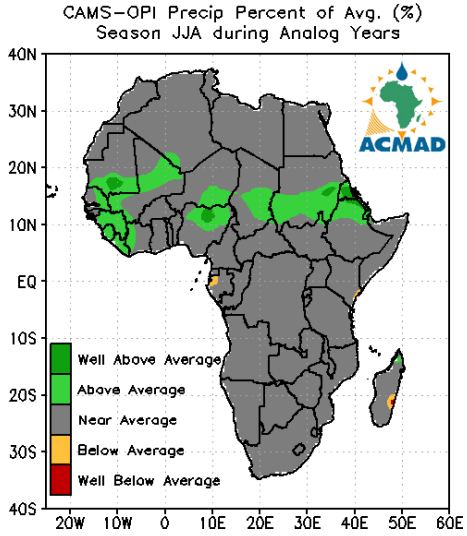
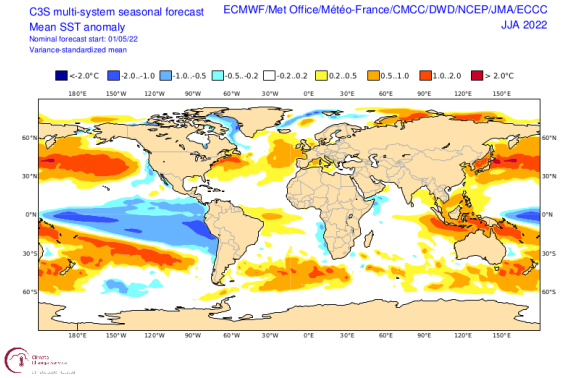
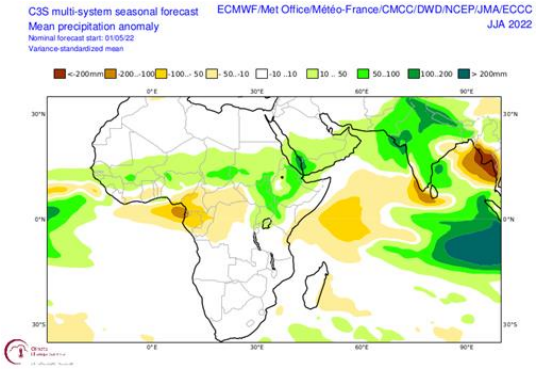


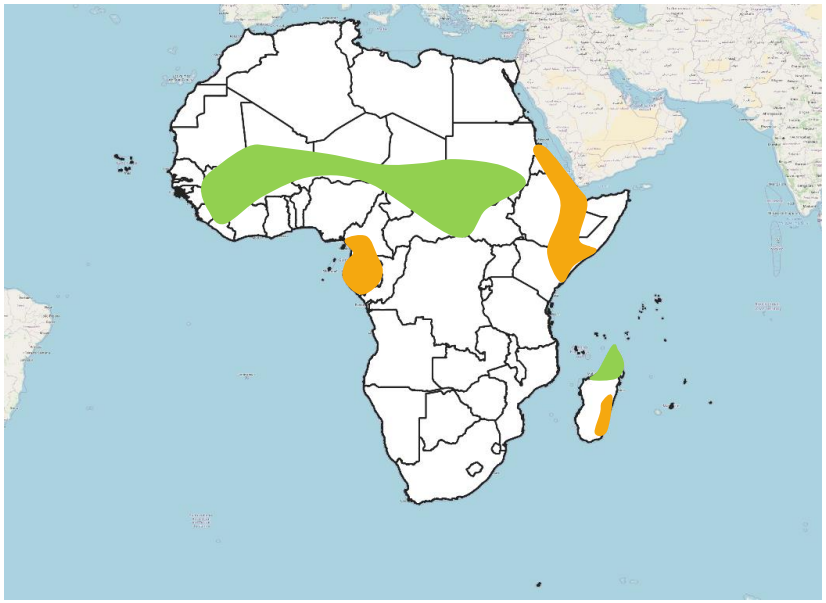






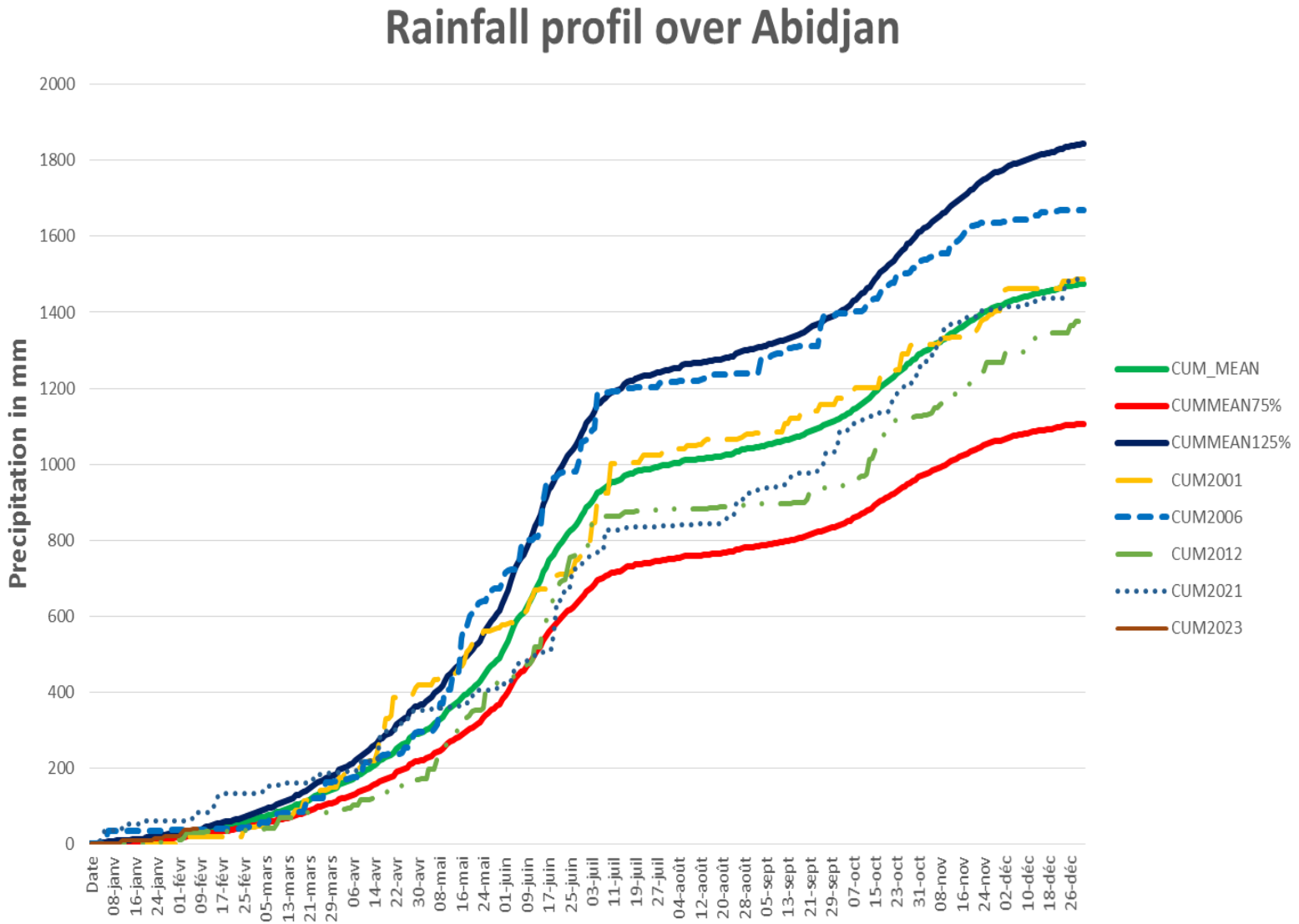
Preliminary indicative outlook based on Step 3

FCST SCENARIO



Step 4: Daily Rainfall Profil

Daily rainfall profil



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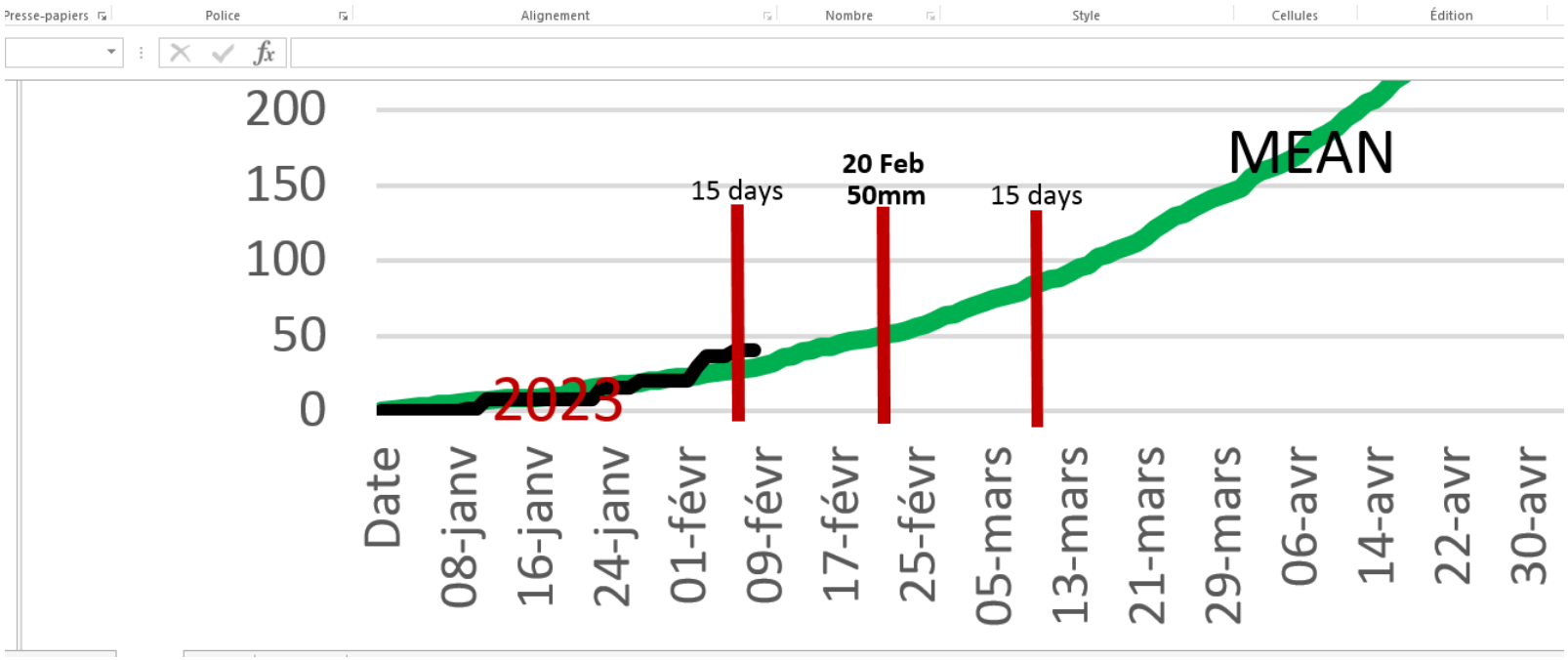

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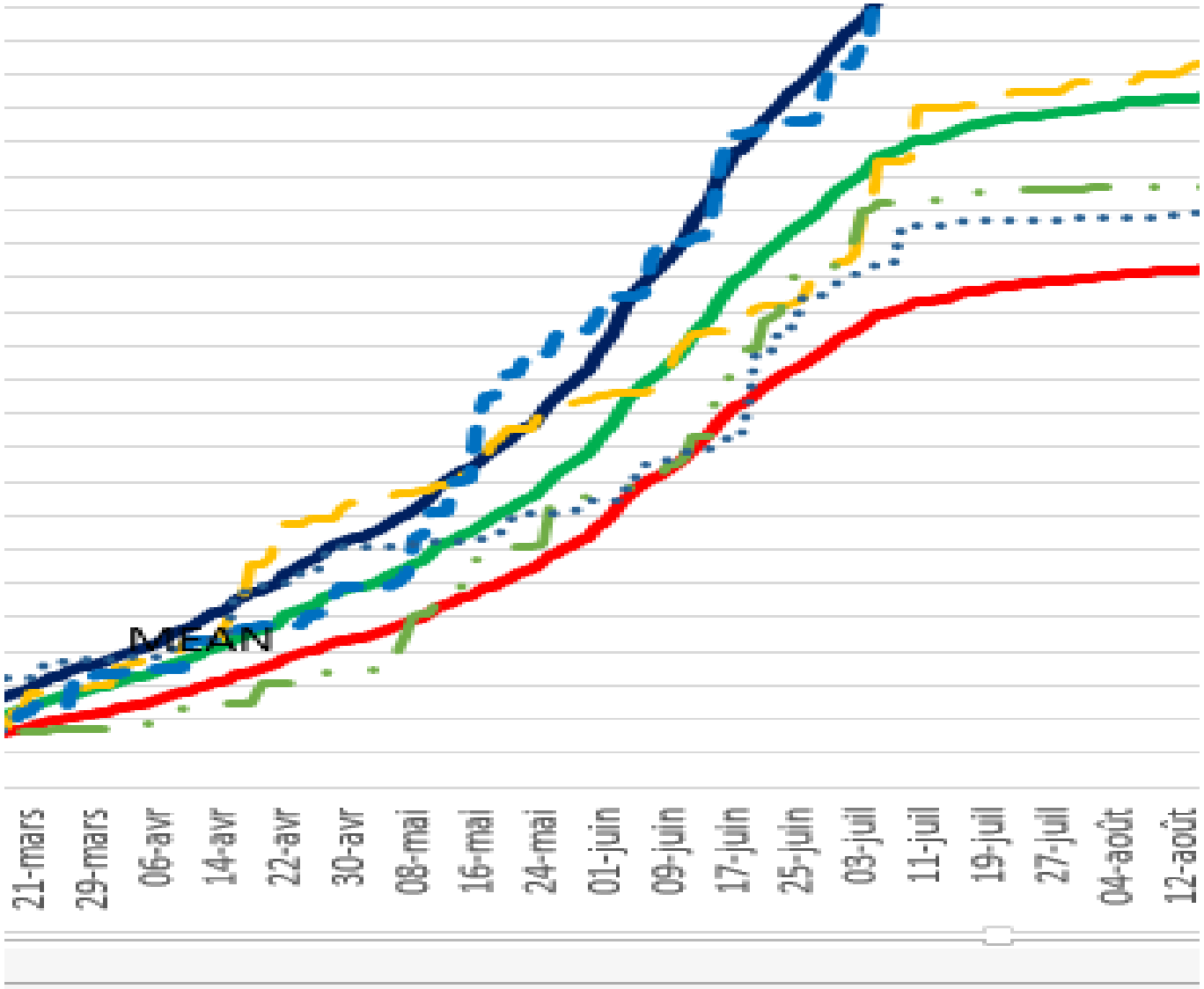

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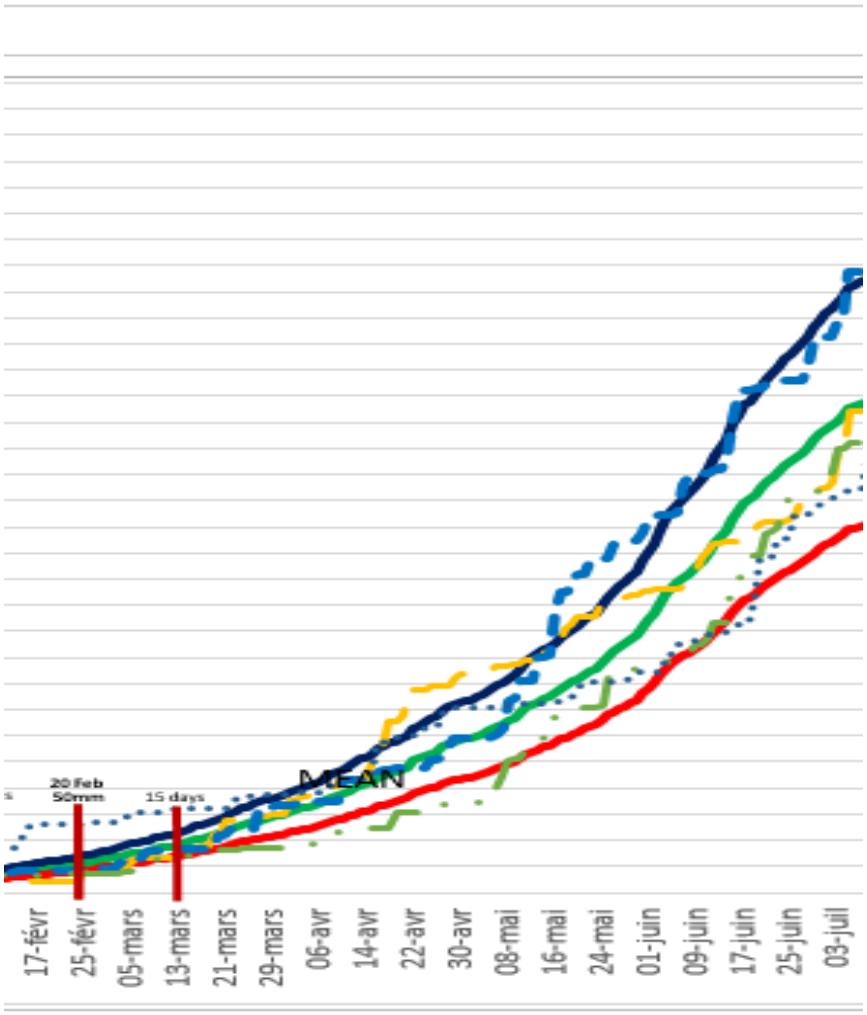


Step 5: Statistical Forecast

Canonical correlation analysis

Outlook based on Obs. SSTs, Fcst SSTs & Precip – Season 1

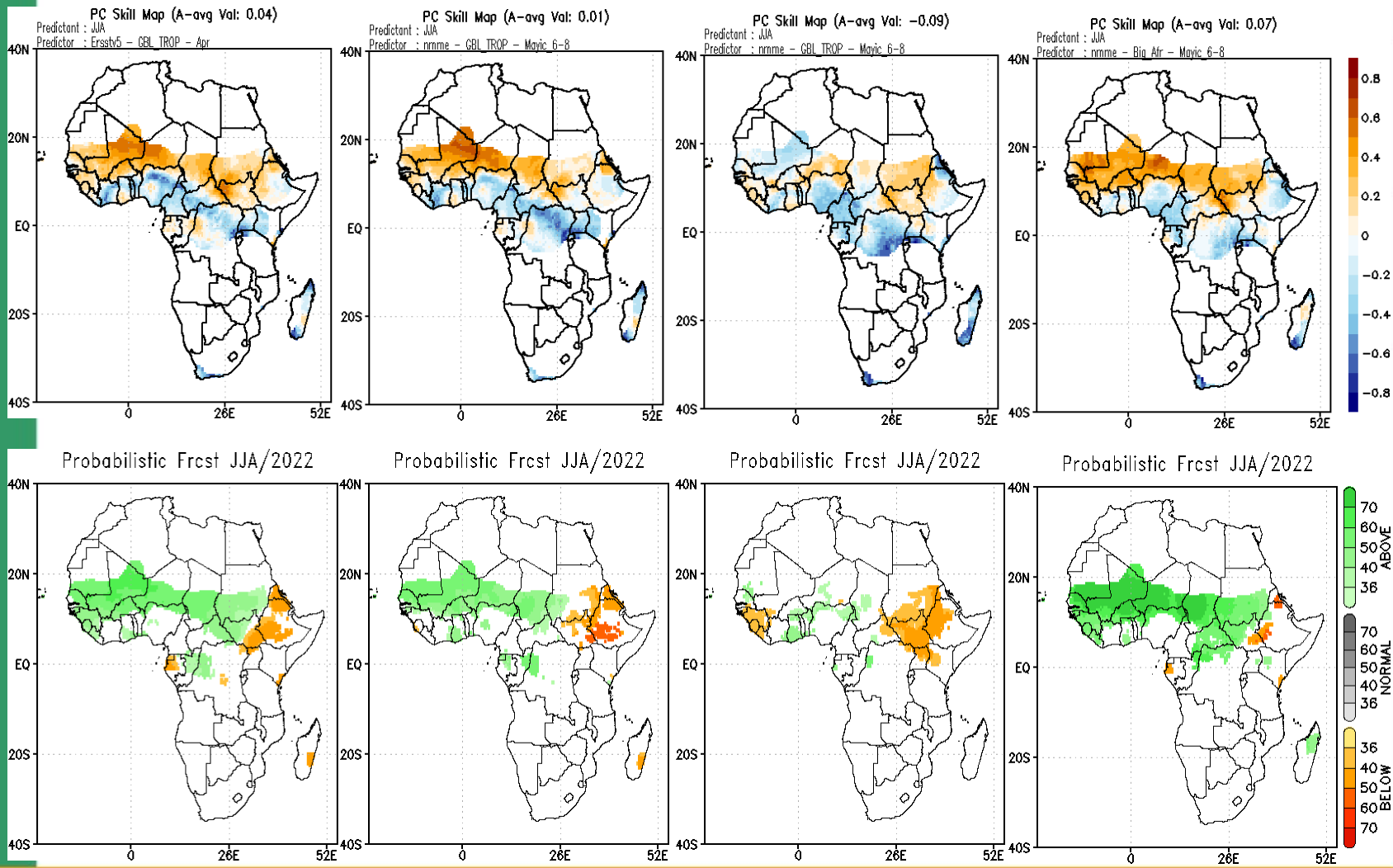
OBS. SSTs

nmme fcst SSTs

nmme fcst Precip

Global predictor

Regional predictor



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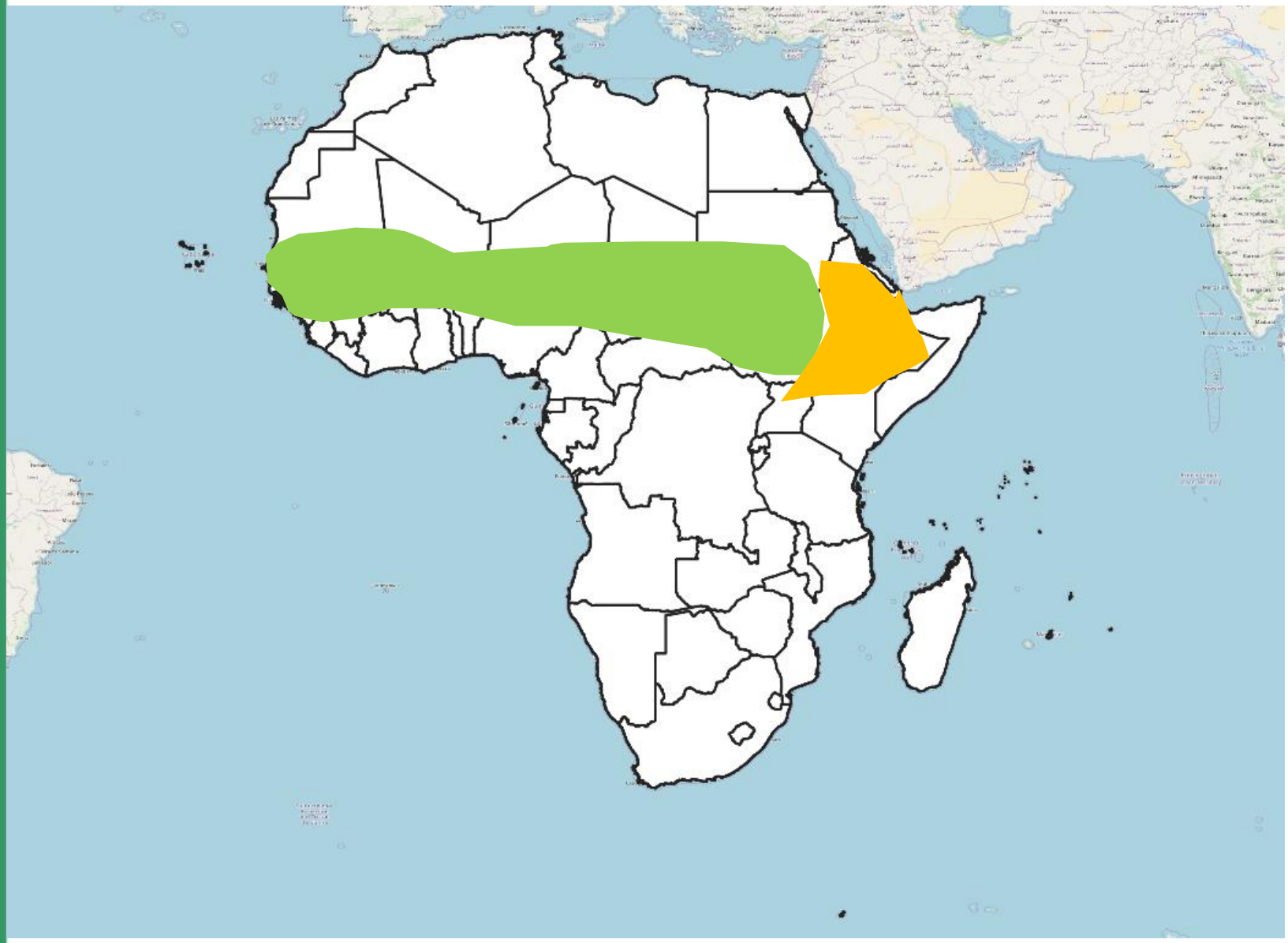

Step 6:

Teleconnections analysis (i,e ENSO, AMO, IOD, SIOD, Atlantic Dipole, NAO, AO, SAM, Benguela Nino, Mediterranean SSTAs)

Teleconnections analysis (i,e ENSO) - Index plumes

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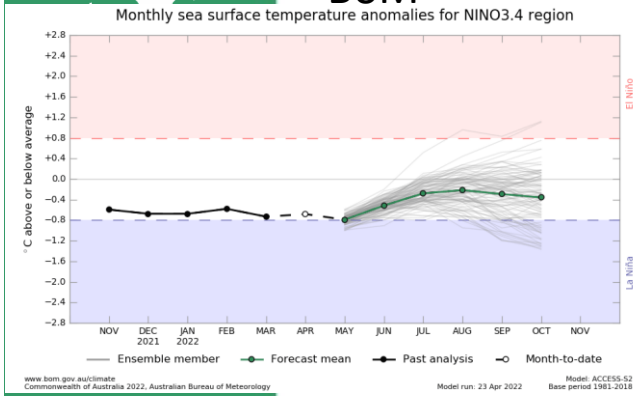

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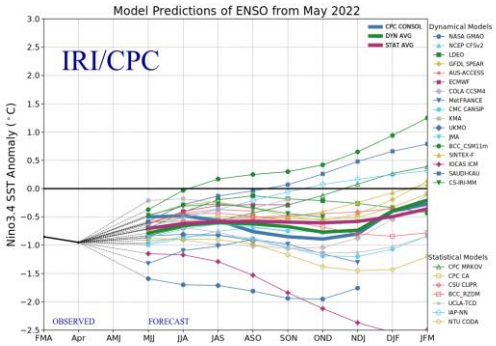

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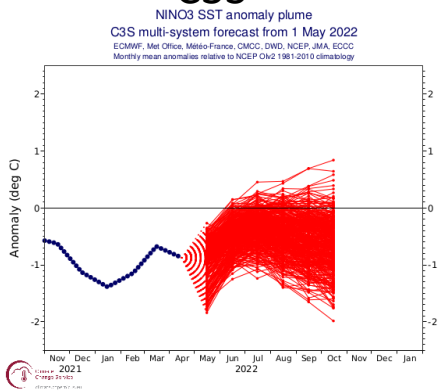

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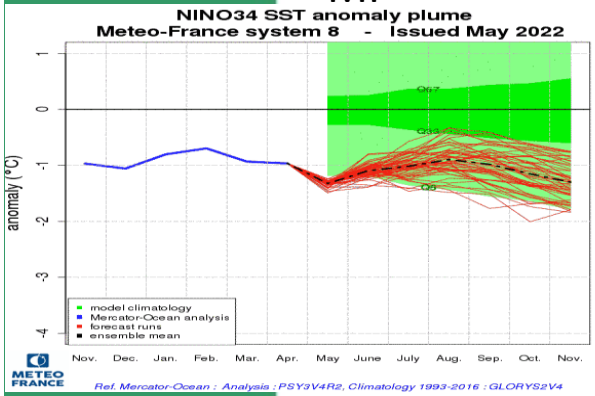

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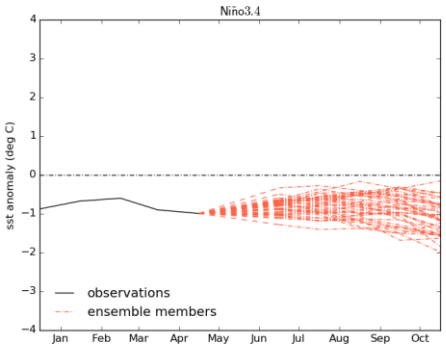

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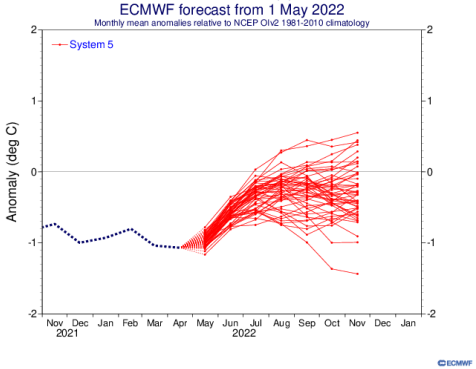

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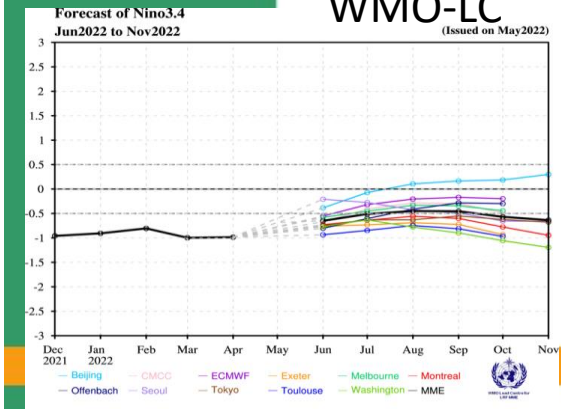
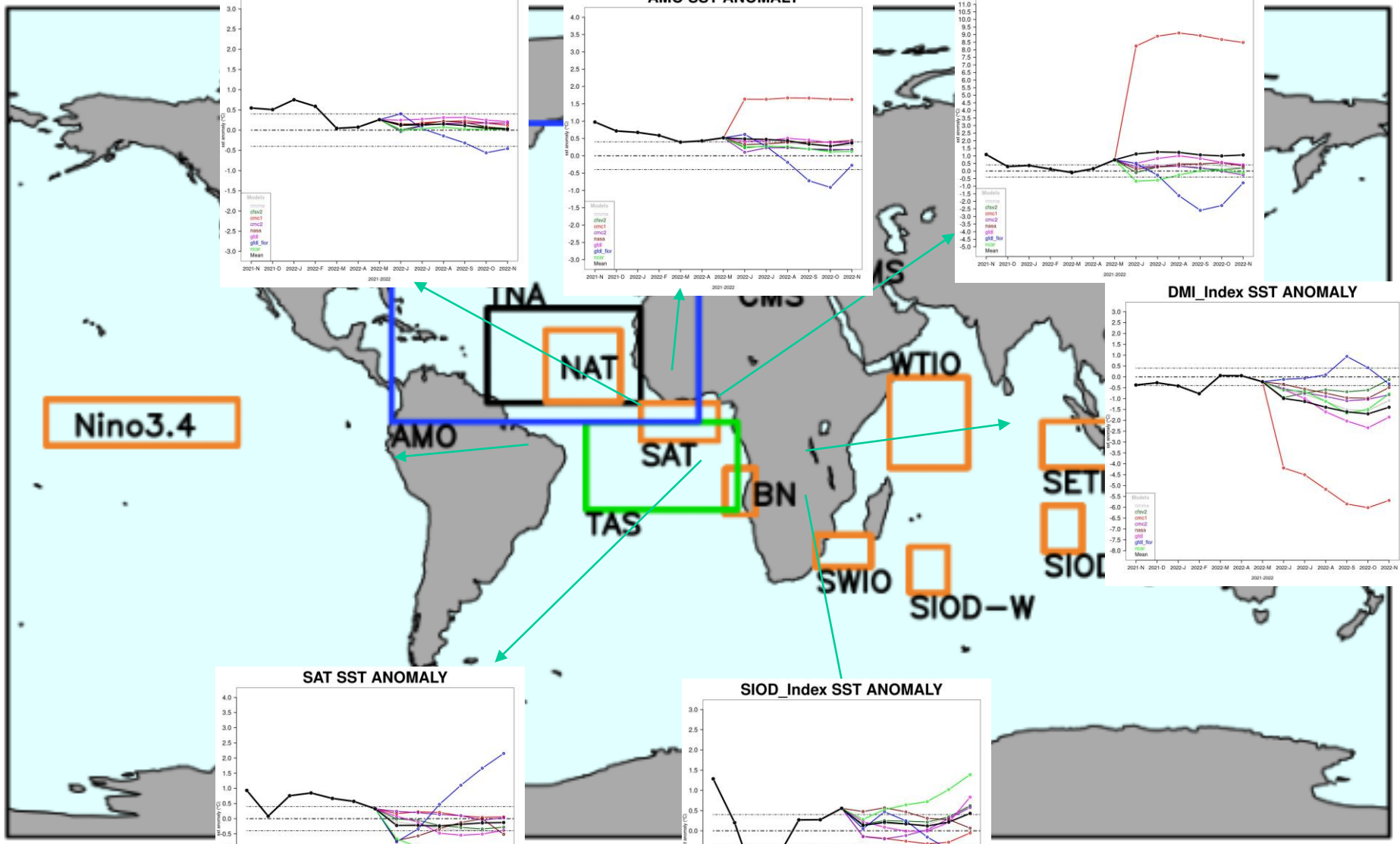


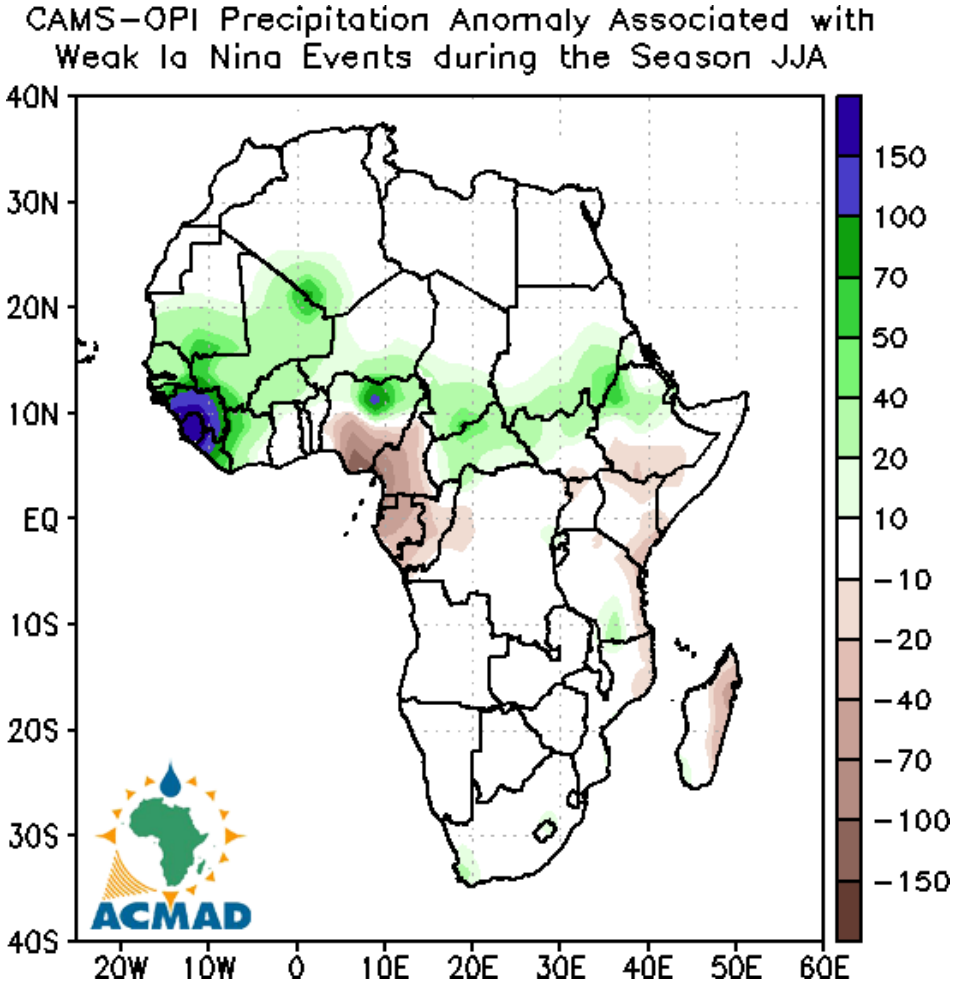
Weak La Nina

Evolutions of SST over specific ocean basins



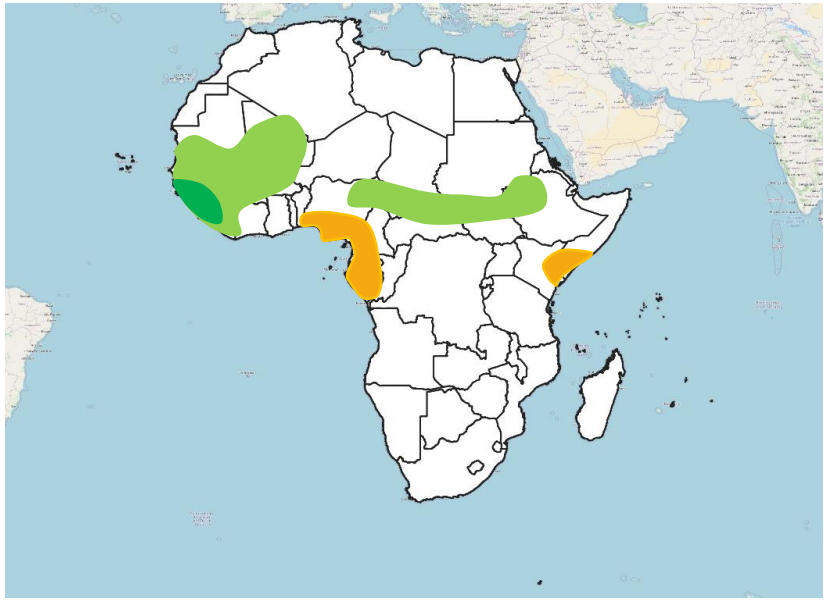
Teleconnections analysis – Rainfall Composites – Season 1

Weak to Moderate La Nina



Indicative Preliminary outlook based on Step 5

FCST SCENARIO



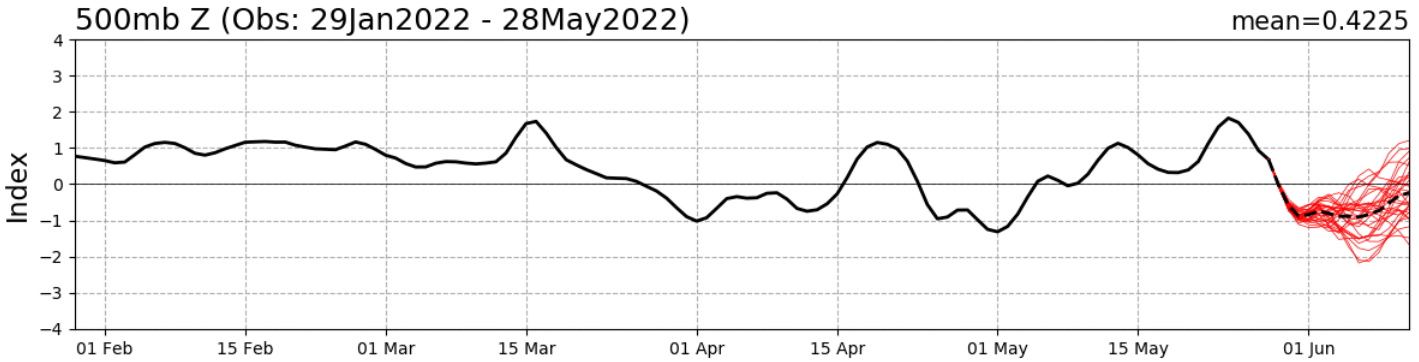
Step 7:

Interactions analysis between seasons (summer and following winter) and regions for the same target season (i.e summer African monsoon and Atlantic cyclone activity)

Interactions analysis between regions for the same target season (i.e summer African monsoon and Atlantic cyclone activity)

NAO and AO

NAO Index: Observed & GEFS Forecasts



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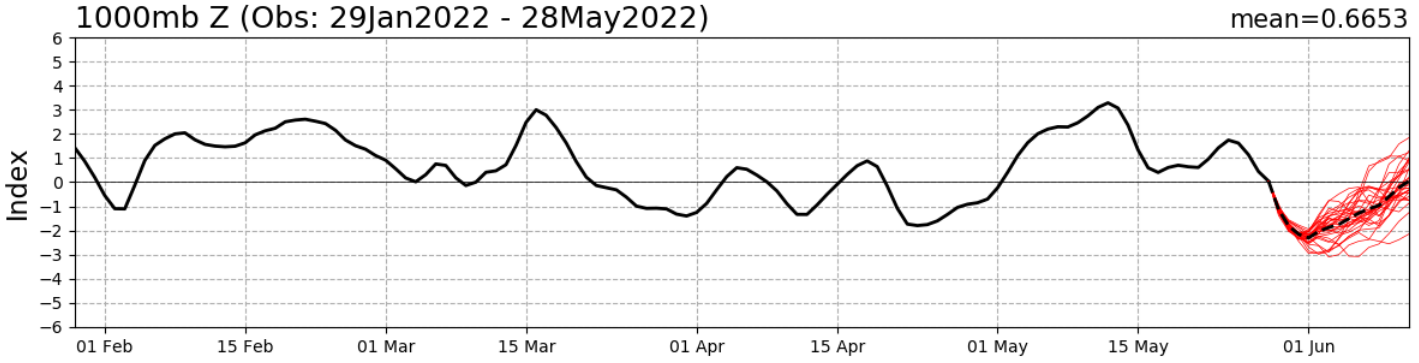

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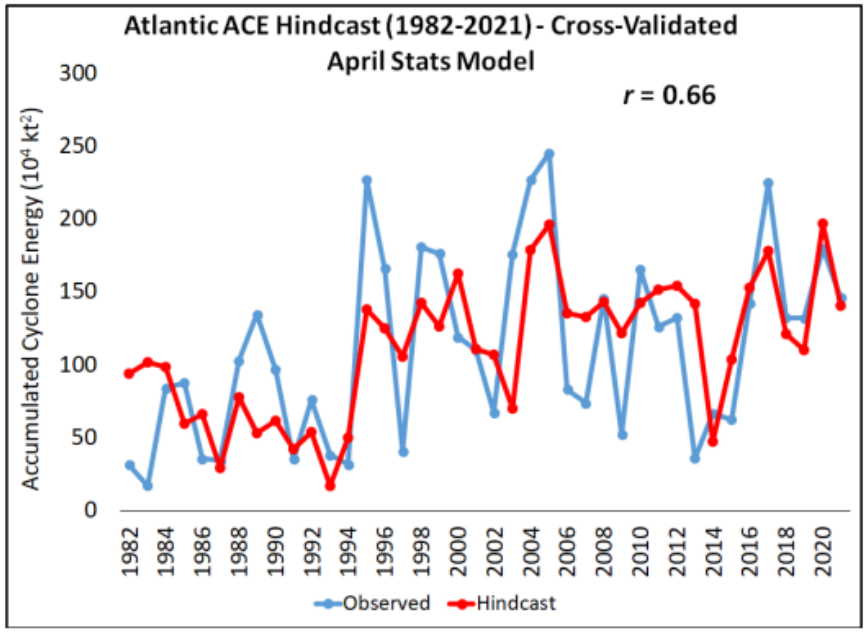


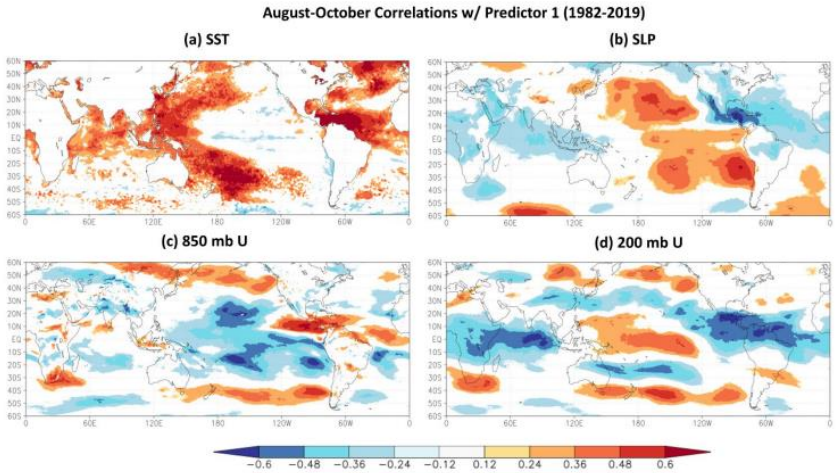


Figure 4: Rank correlations between January–March SST in the tropical and subtropical Atlantic (Predictor 1) and (panel a) August–October sea surface temperature, (panel b) August–October sea level pressure, (panel c) August–October 850 hPa zonal wind and (panel d) August–October 200 hPa zonal wind. All four of these parameter deviations in the tropical Atlantic are known to be favorable for enhanced hurricane activity.

Table 10: Analog years for 2022 with the associated hurricane activity listed for each year.

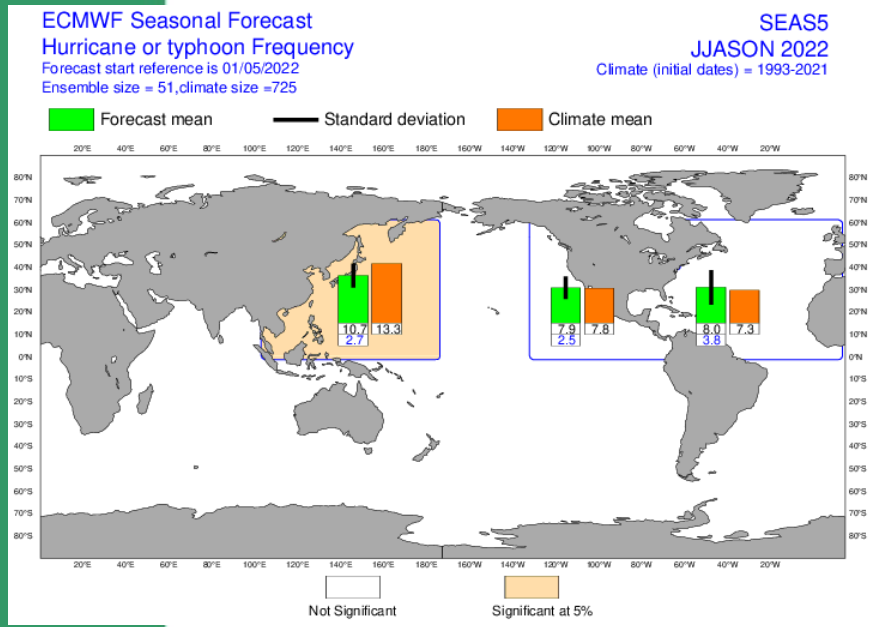
Year	NS	NSD	H	HD	MH	MHD	ACE	NTC
1996	13	79.00	9	45.00	6	13.00	166	192
2000	15	71.50	8	32.75	3	5.00	119	134
2001	15	68.75	9	25.50	4	4.25	110	135
2008	16	88.25	8	30.50	5	7.50	146	162
2012	19	101.25	10	28.50	2	0.50	133	131
2021	21	79.00	7	27.50	4	13.75	146	177
Average	16.5	81.3	8.5	31.6	4.0	7.3	137	155
2022 Forecast	**19**	**90**	**9**	**35**	**4**	**9**	**160**	**170**

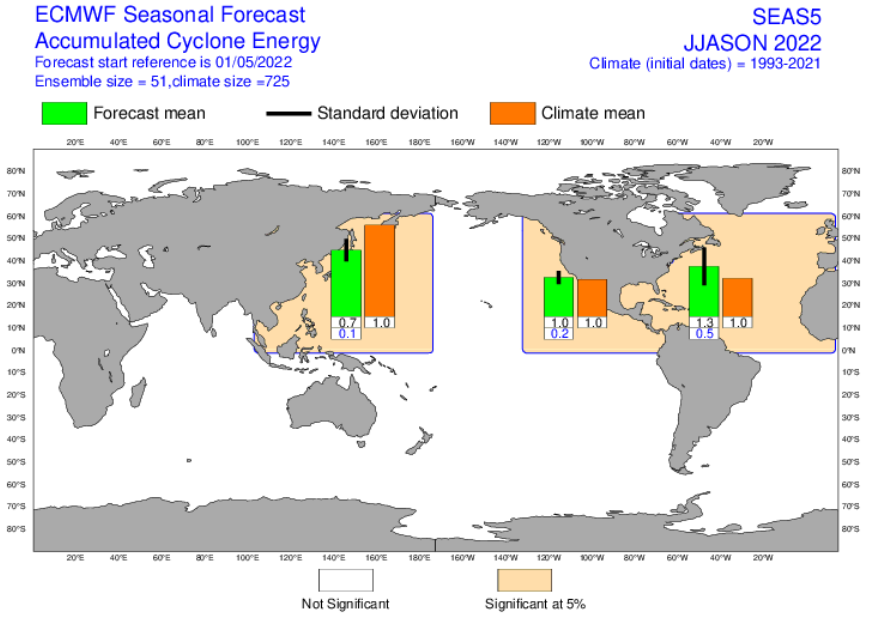
Table 11: Summary of our early April statistical forecast, our statistical/dynamical forecasts, our analog forecast, the average of these five schemes and our adjusted final forecast for the 2022 hurricane season.

Forecast Parameter and 1991–2020 Average (in parentheses)	Statistical Scheme	ECMWF Scheme	Met Office Scheme	JMA Scheme	Analog Scheme	5-Scheme Average	Adjusted Final Forecast
Named Storms (14.4)	17.2	17.9	17.0	21.0	16.0	17.8	19
Named Storm Days (69.4)	88.4	93.5	87.6	114.9	77.3	92.3	90
Hurricanes (7.2)	9.2	9.7	9.1	11.9	8.2	9.6	9
Hurricane Days (27.0)	37.4	40.1	36.9	51.8	32.3	39.7	35
Major Hurricanes (3.2)	4.4	4.7	4.3	6.0	4.4	4.8	4
Major Hurricane Days (7.4)	11.1	12.1	11.0	16.3	8.7	11.8	9
Accumulated Cyclone Energy Index (123)	168	180	166	231	137	176	160
Net Tropical Cyclone Activity (135%)	180	192	178	243	160	191	170

Interactions analysis between regions for the same target season (i.e summer African monsoon and Atlantic cyclone activity)

Tropical Hurricane FCST 2022





Step 8:

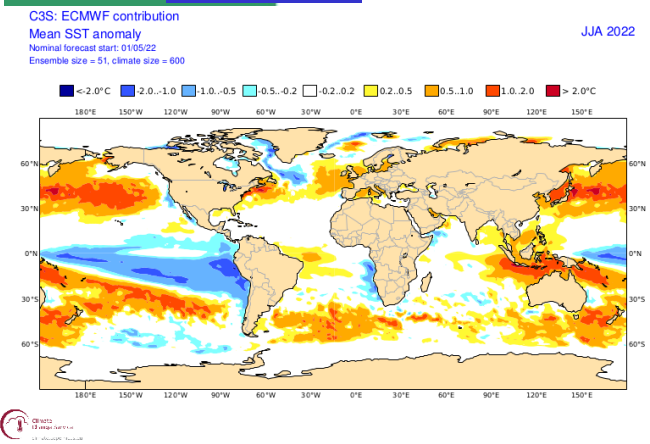
Single Model Ensemble Analysis (i,e ECMWF, MF, NCEP, UKMET)

SSTs and Rainfall Forecasts

Single Model Ensemble Analysis (SSTs)

Season 1

ECMWF



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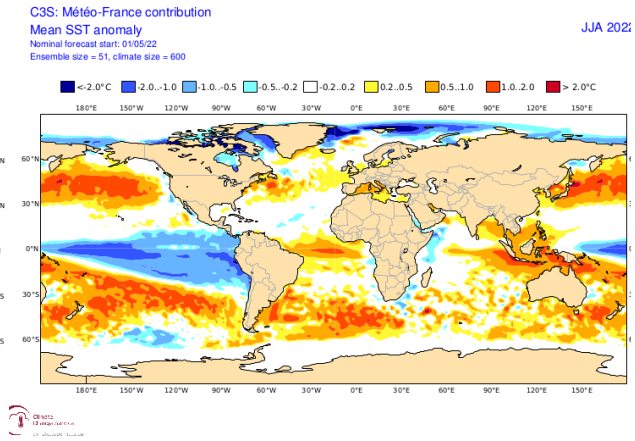

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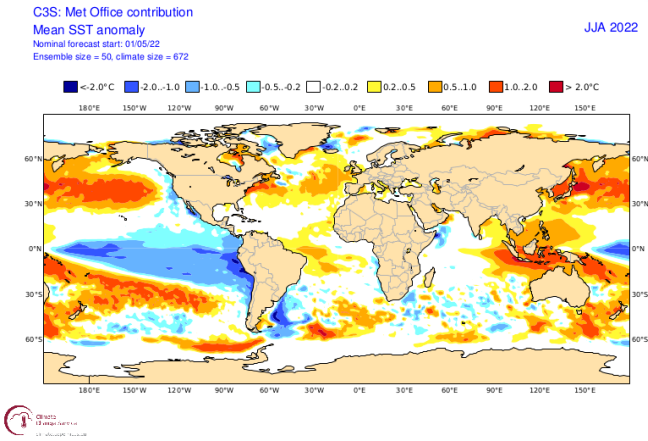

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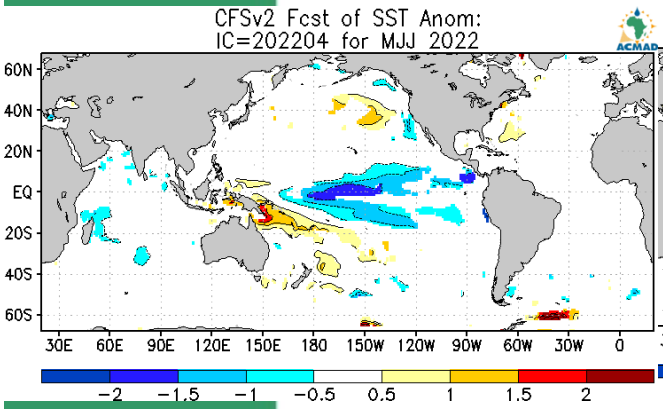

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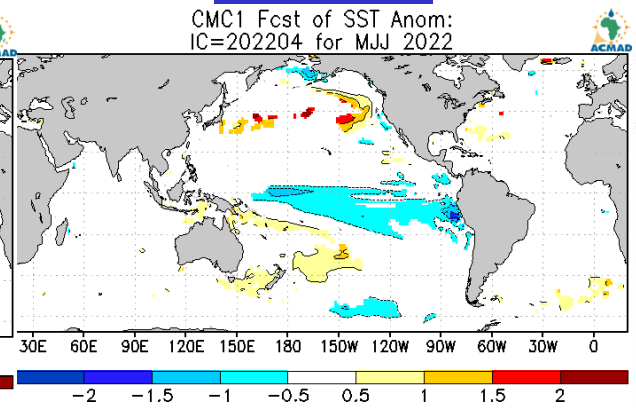

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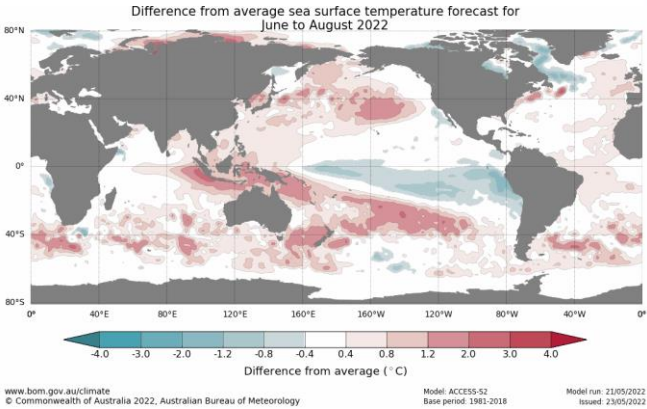

Single model Ensemble Analysis (Rainfall)

Season 1

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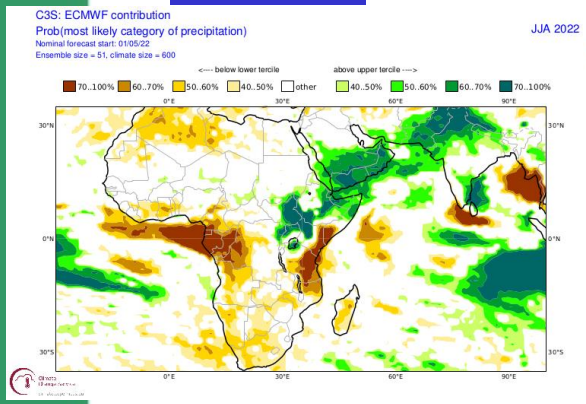

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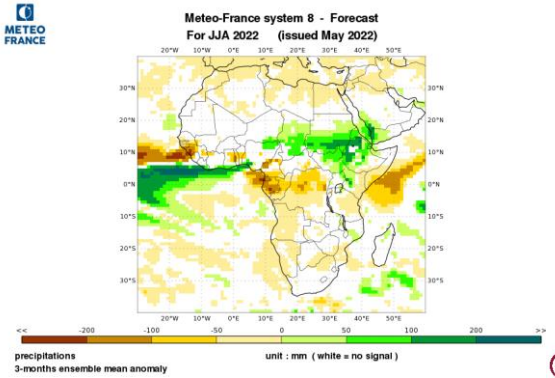

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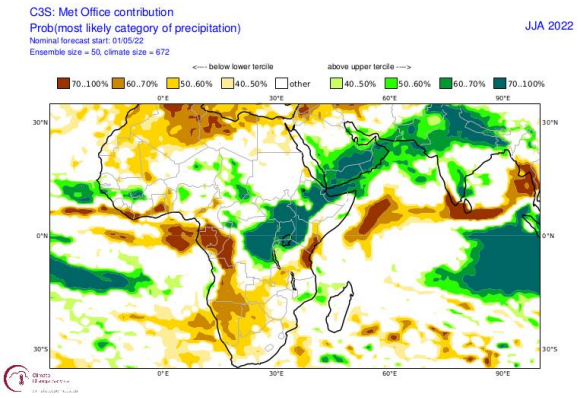

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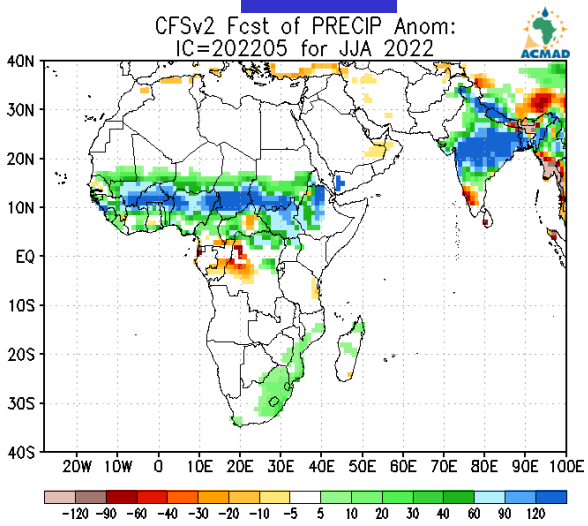

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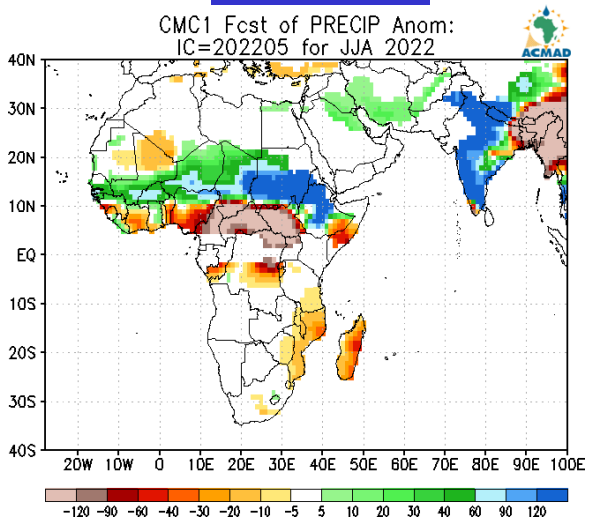

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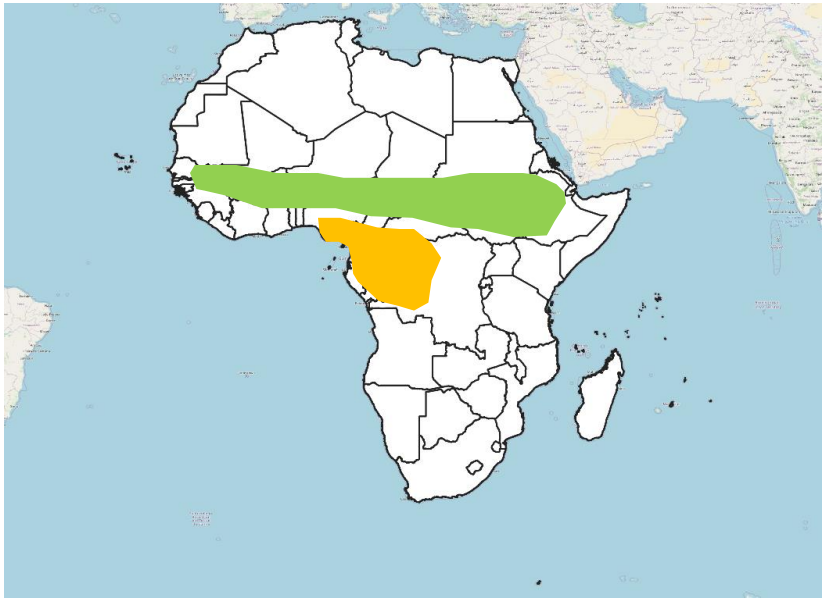

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Multi - Model Ensemble Analysis (i,e WMO-LC, MME, Copernicus, IRI)

SSTs Forecasts

Multimodel Ensemble Analysis (SSTs)

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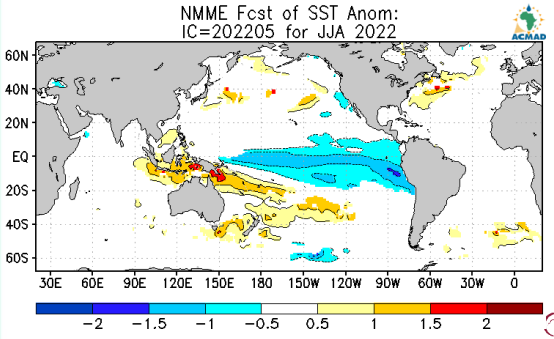

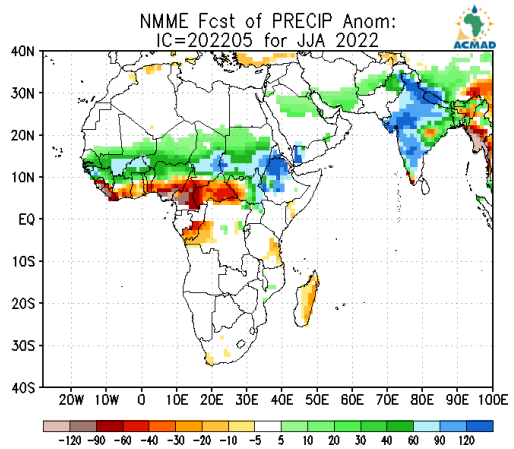

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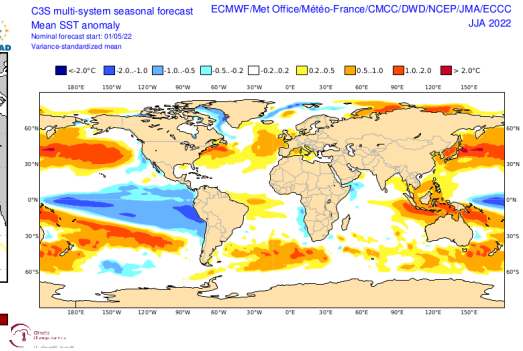

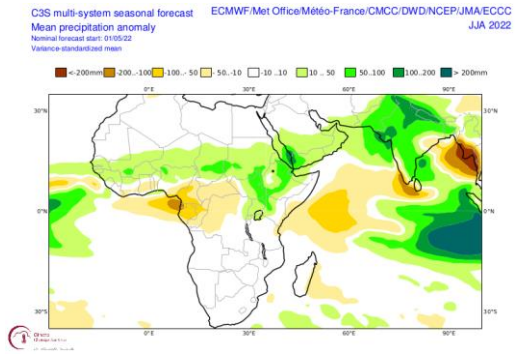

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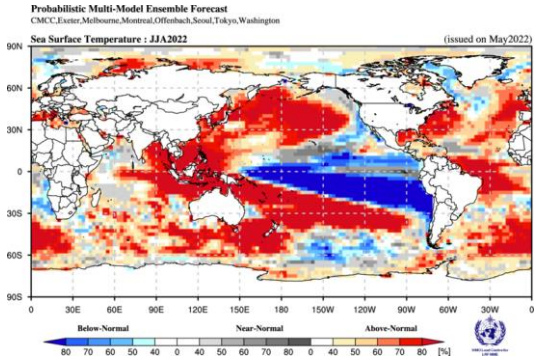

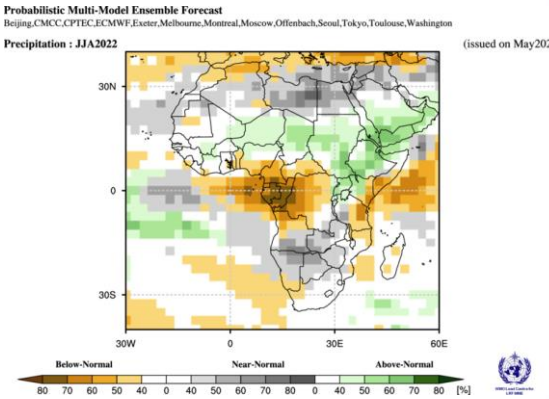

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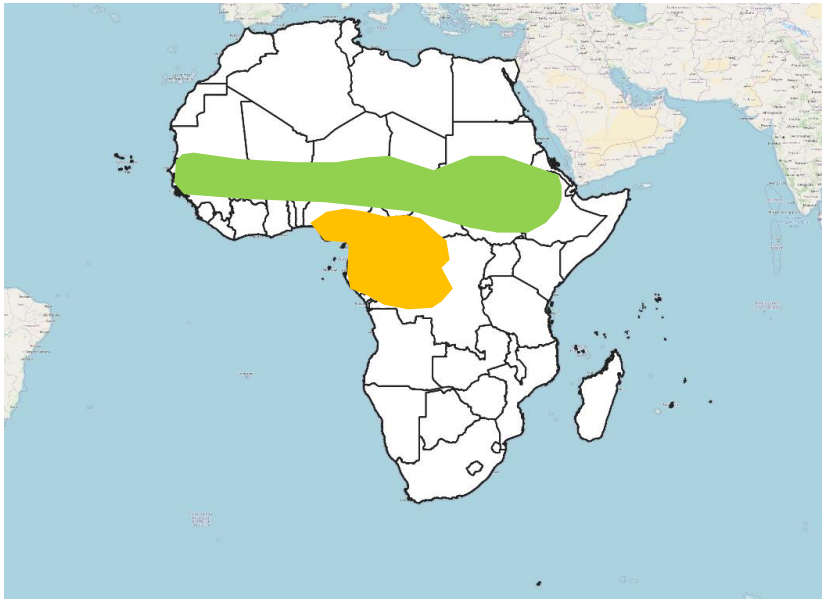
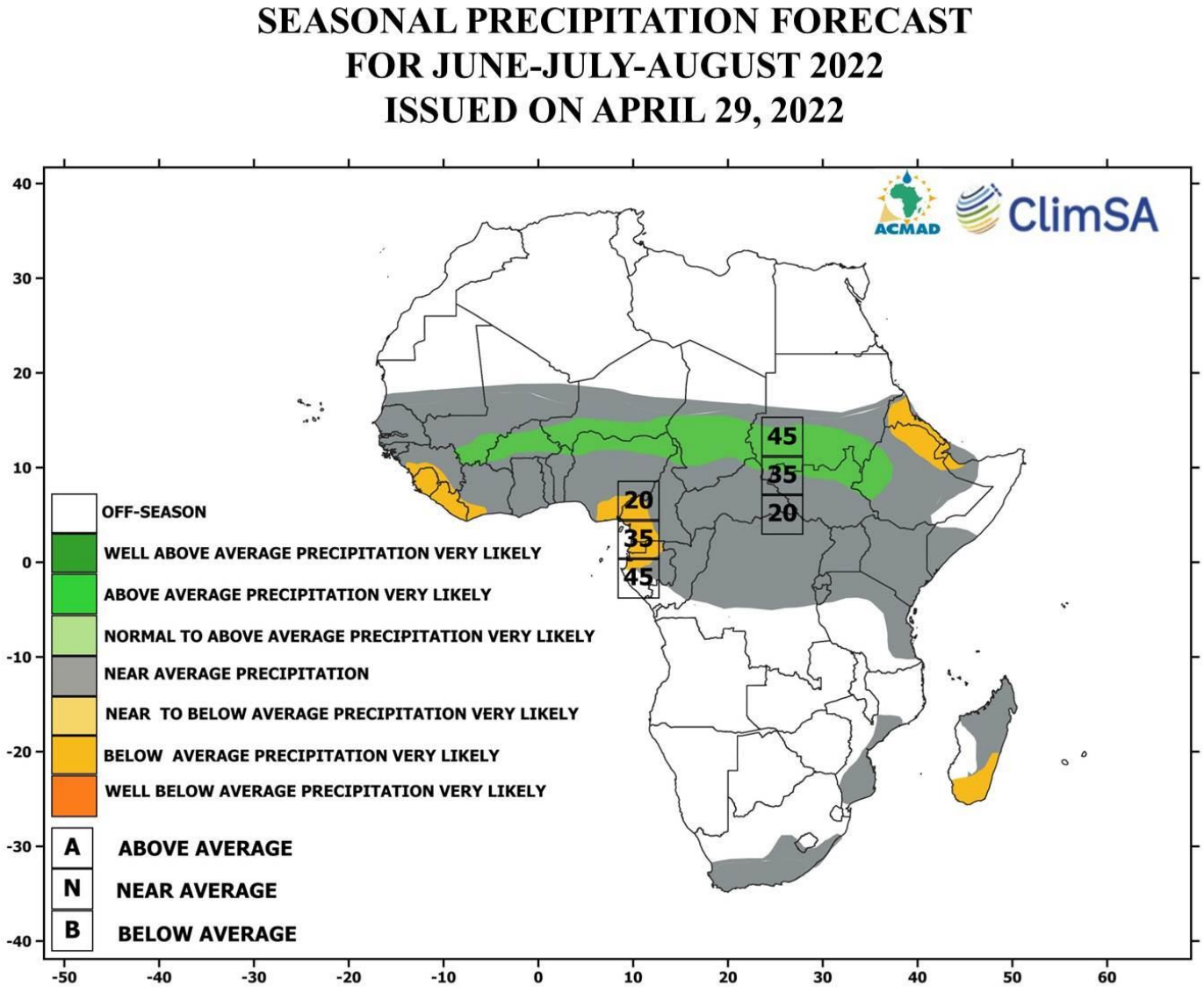


Step 9:

Consolidation Analysis of institutional outlook

SEASONAL PRECIPITATION OUTLOOK FOR JJA 2022



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