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Enhancing capacities of National Meteorological and Hydrological Services: best practices, challenges and opportunities



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Purpose of Side event:

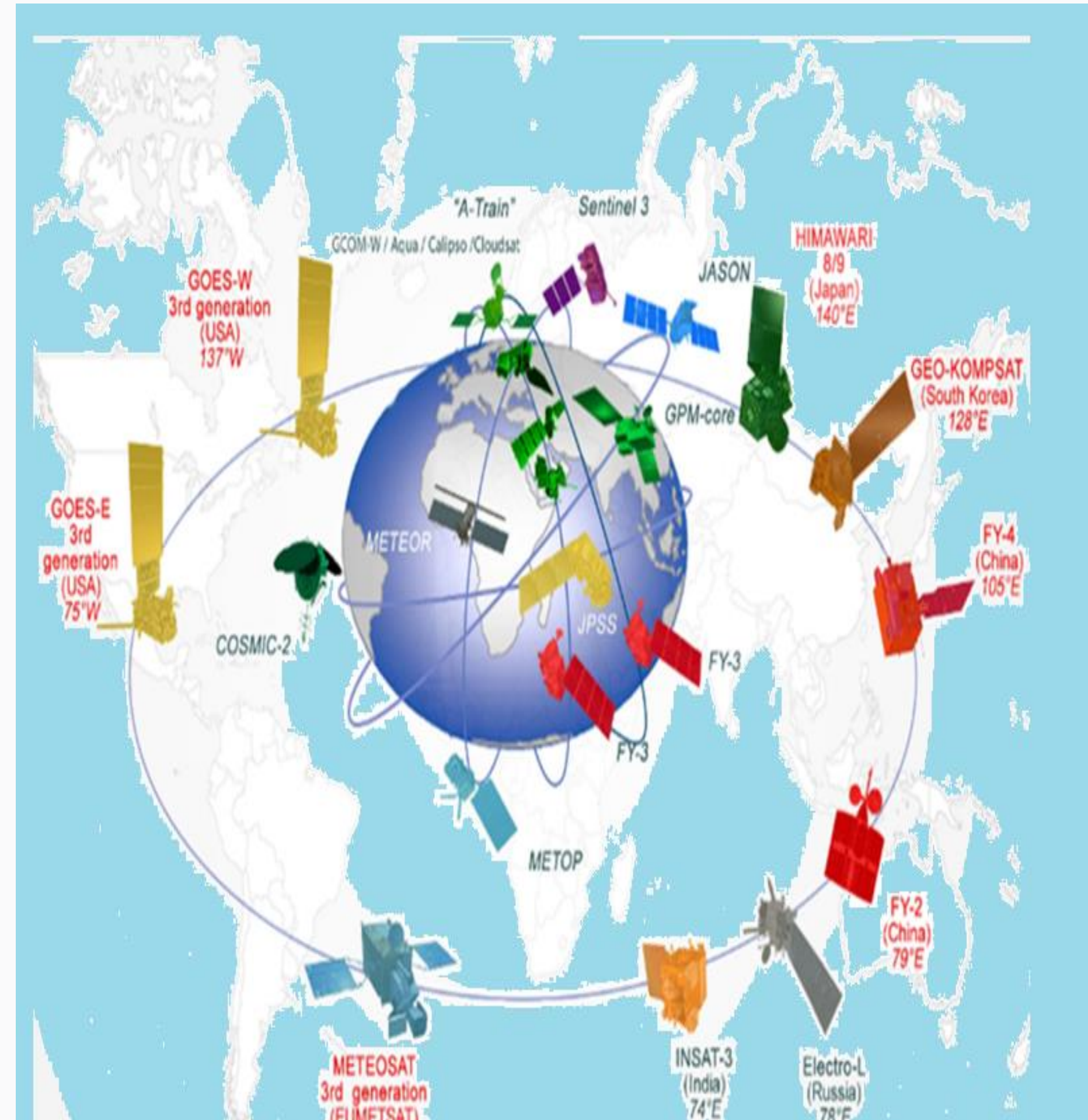
- **Raise awareness of public for Decision Makers to invest in weather and climate services for building a sustainable and resilient society**
- **Present Eight missions of National Meteorological**

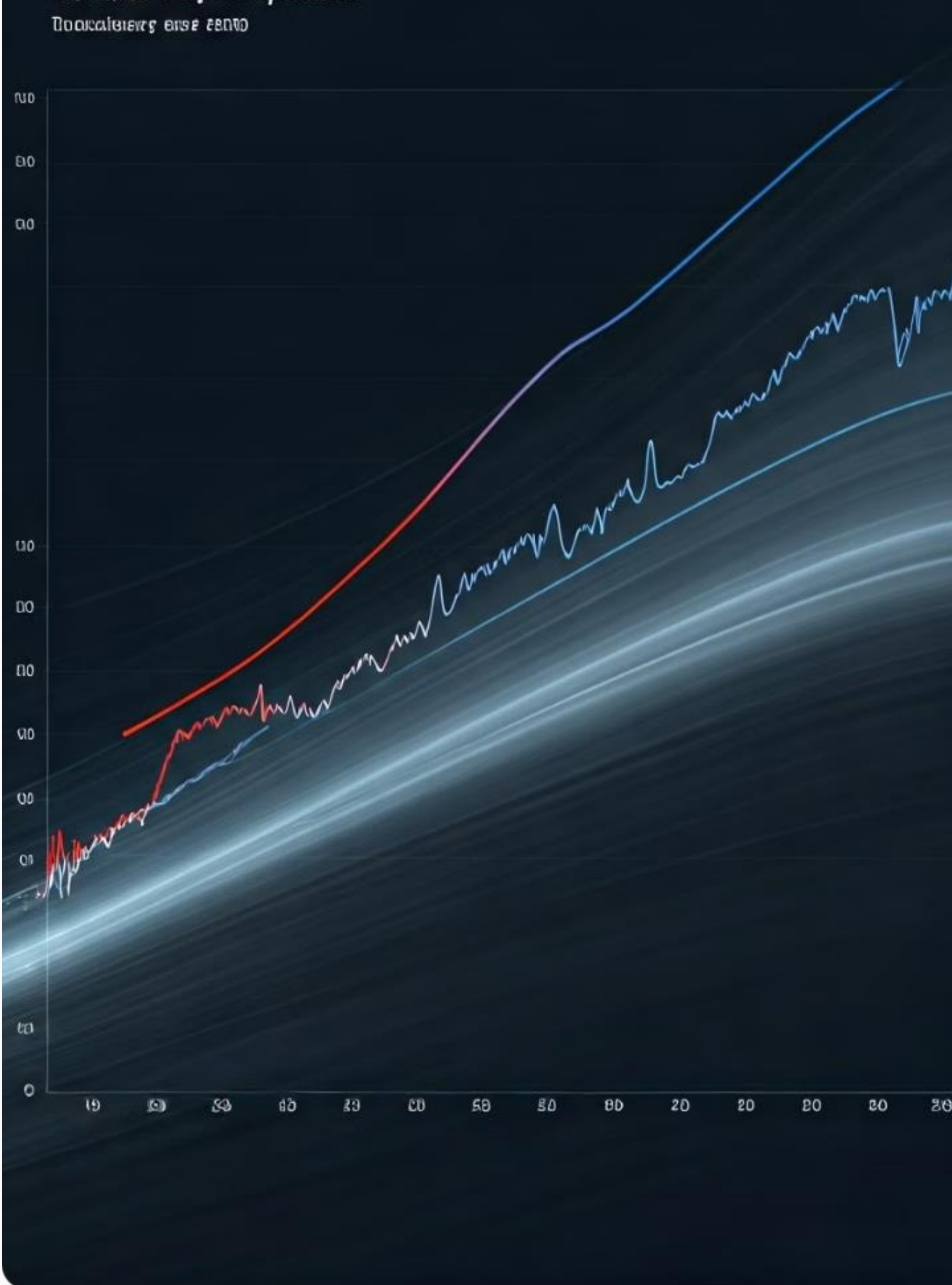
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EIGHT MISSIONS OF NATIONAL METEOROLOGICAL & HYDROLOGICAL SERVICES

I. Weather Monitoring and Forecasting: A Key Role in Safety and Planning

- Short- and long-term weather forecasts, providing essential information for **the safety of people and property**.
- The forecast is based on the sophisticated **monitoring and data processing systems**,
- It enables the authorities to take preventive measures **to protect people and minimise potential damage**.
- Monitoring and forecasting are for **planning economic activities**, such as agricultural production, tourism and transport.





II. Monitoring and Analysis of Long-Term Climate Trends

- Monitoring for identifying ongoing **climate changes** and **anticipating the associated risks**.
- Analysis of climate trends provides a better **understanding of the impacts** of climate change on ecosystems, human health, agriculture, water resources and infrastructure.
- Climate services provide key information for **decision-makers in developing policies** and **strategies for adapting** to climate change.
- It contributes to **the transition** towards a more **resilient and sustainable society**.

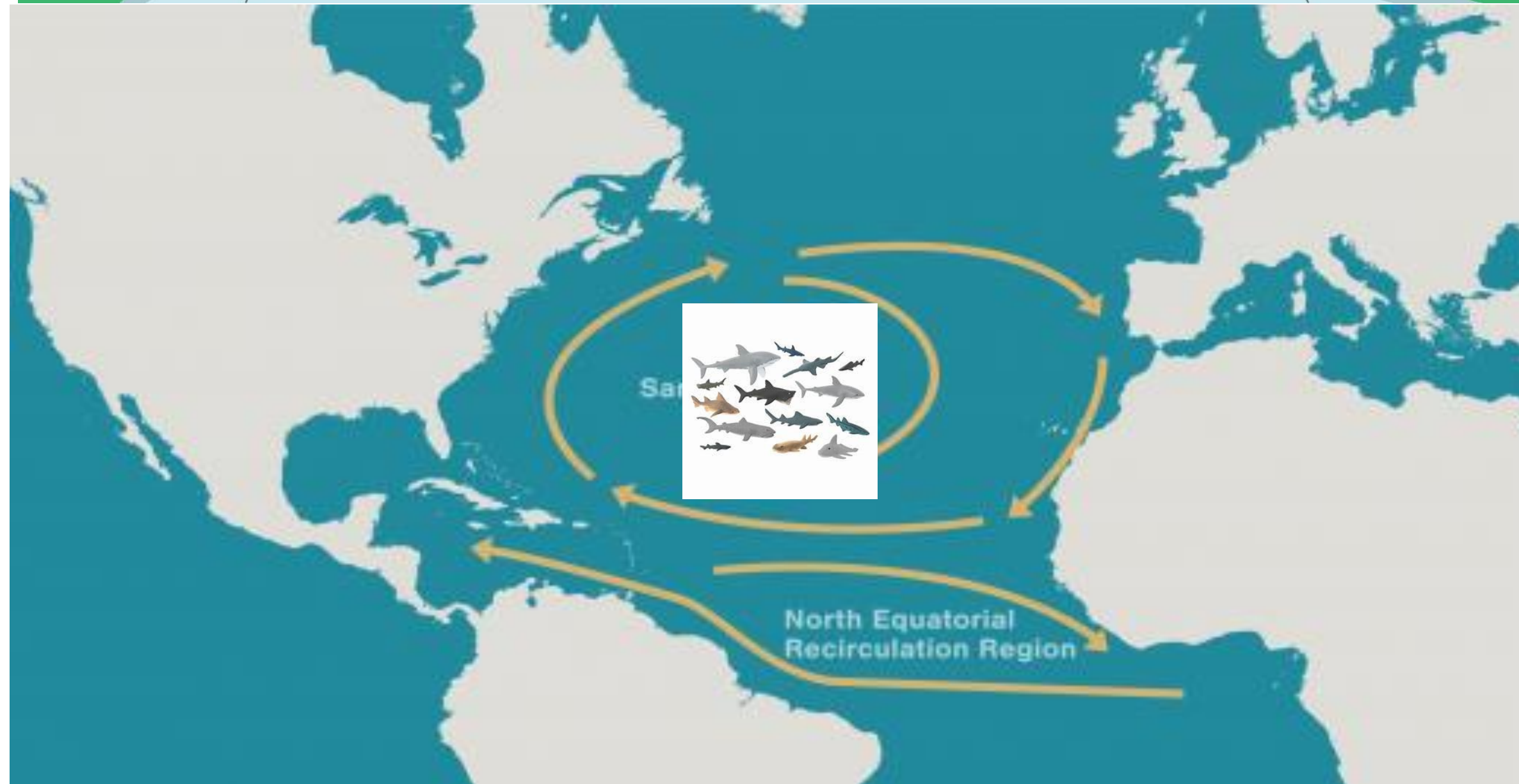
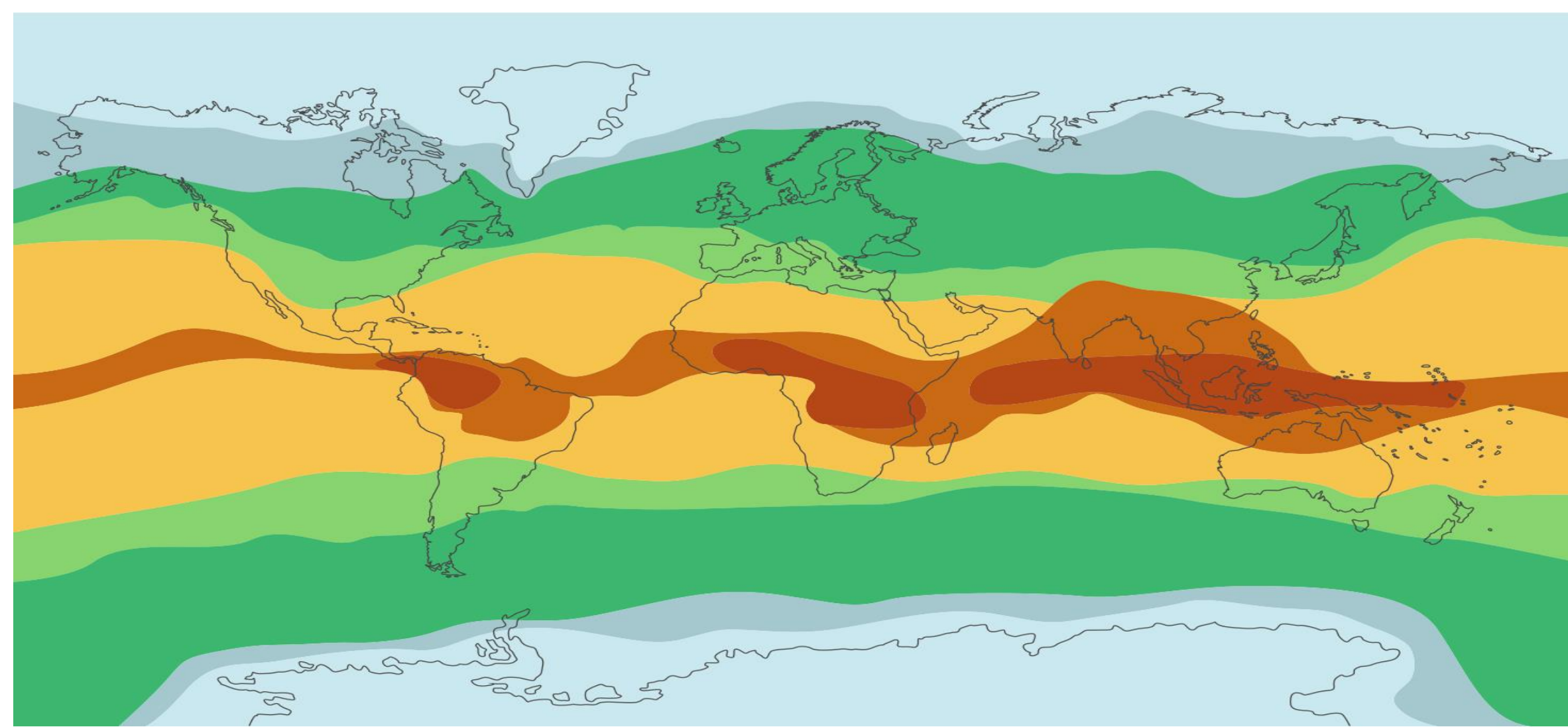


III. Extreme Weather Risk Assessment

- **Extreme weather events**, such as storms, floods, droughts and heat waves, are becoming **more frequent and intense as a result of climate change.**
- This information enables to put in place **prevention and mitigation measures.**
- Better protection and reduction of **human and economic losses** associated with extreme weather events.
- Core player for EW4ALL initiative

IV. Contribution to the management of Natural resources

- Weather forecasts and climate services for **optimise farming practices and maximise yields.**
- **Better management of irrigation, crops and harvests.**
- Long-term climate data **to develop strategies for the sustainable use of resources**



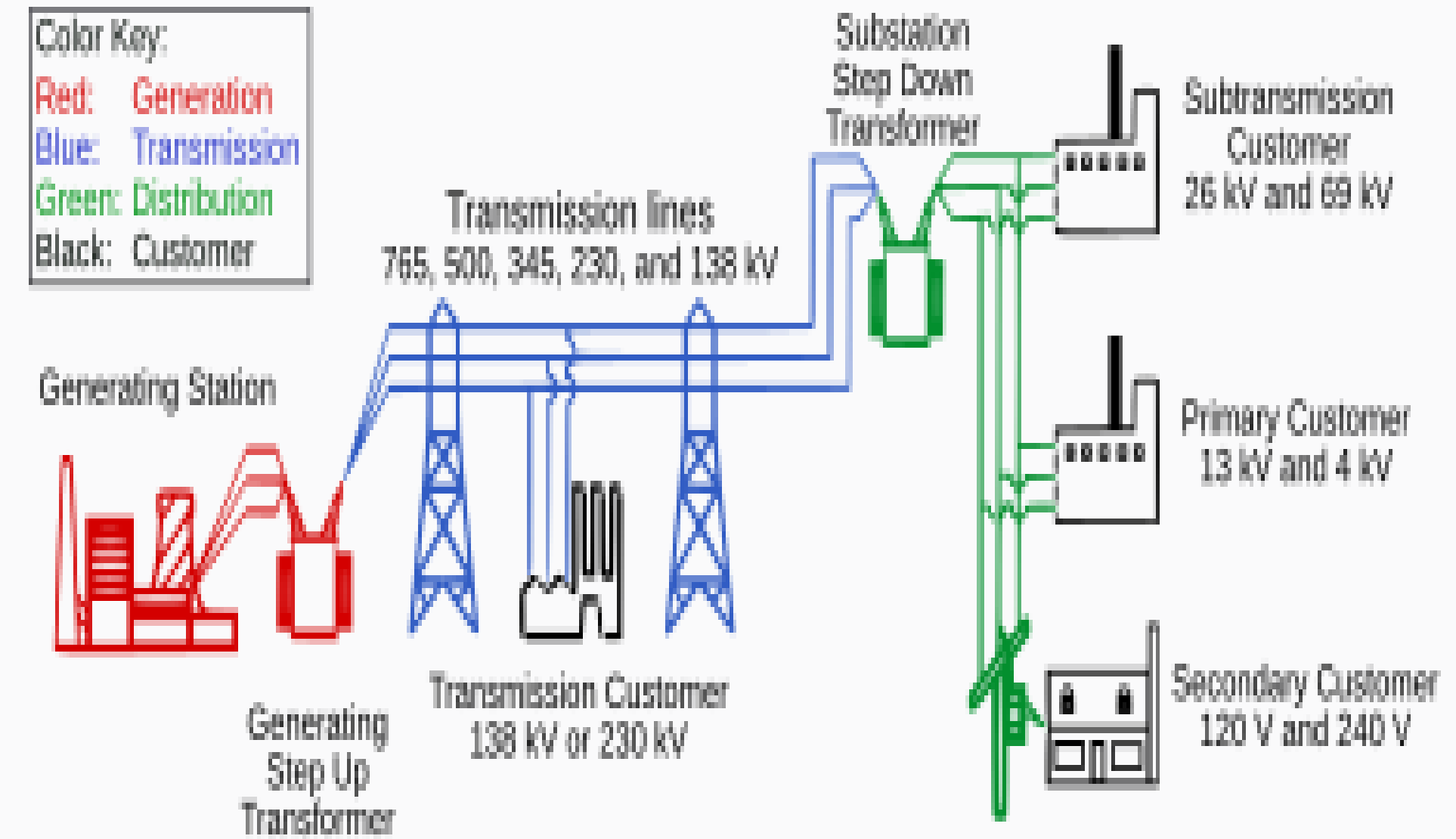
V. Support for the Design of Resilient Buildings and Infrastructures

- The **design of buildings and infrastructure**
- **Make informed decisions about the construction and design of structures.**
- For example, data **on strong winds and intense precipitation can be used to design storm- and flood-resistant buildings.**
- Information on **temperature for designing ventilation and air conditioning systems.**
- Infrastructure can be **constructed to withstand the impacts of climate change.**



VI. Decision Support System for climate sensitive sectors : Ex. In Energy & Transport Sectors

- To forecast energy requirements and optimise **production** and **distribution**.
- Plan for **transport operations**, particularly for **air and maritime safety**.
- Help to **prevent accidents and delays**.



1 ENERGY FORECAST

Data for planning the production of solar and wind energy, depending on variations in the weather.

2 SAFETY OF TRANSPORT

Plan for air and sea transport operations, minimising the risks associated with adverse weather conditions.

3 Electric Network Management

Optimise energy production and distribution, taking into account energy requirements and weather conditions.

VII. Raising public awareness and educating people about climate issues



Public awareness
On the **impacts** climate change and **adaptation** measures..

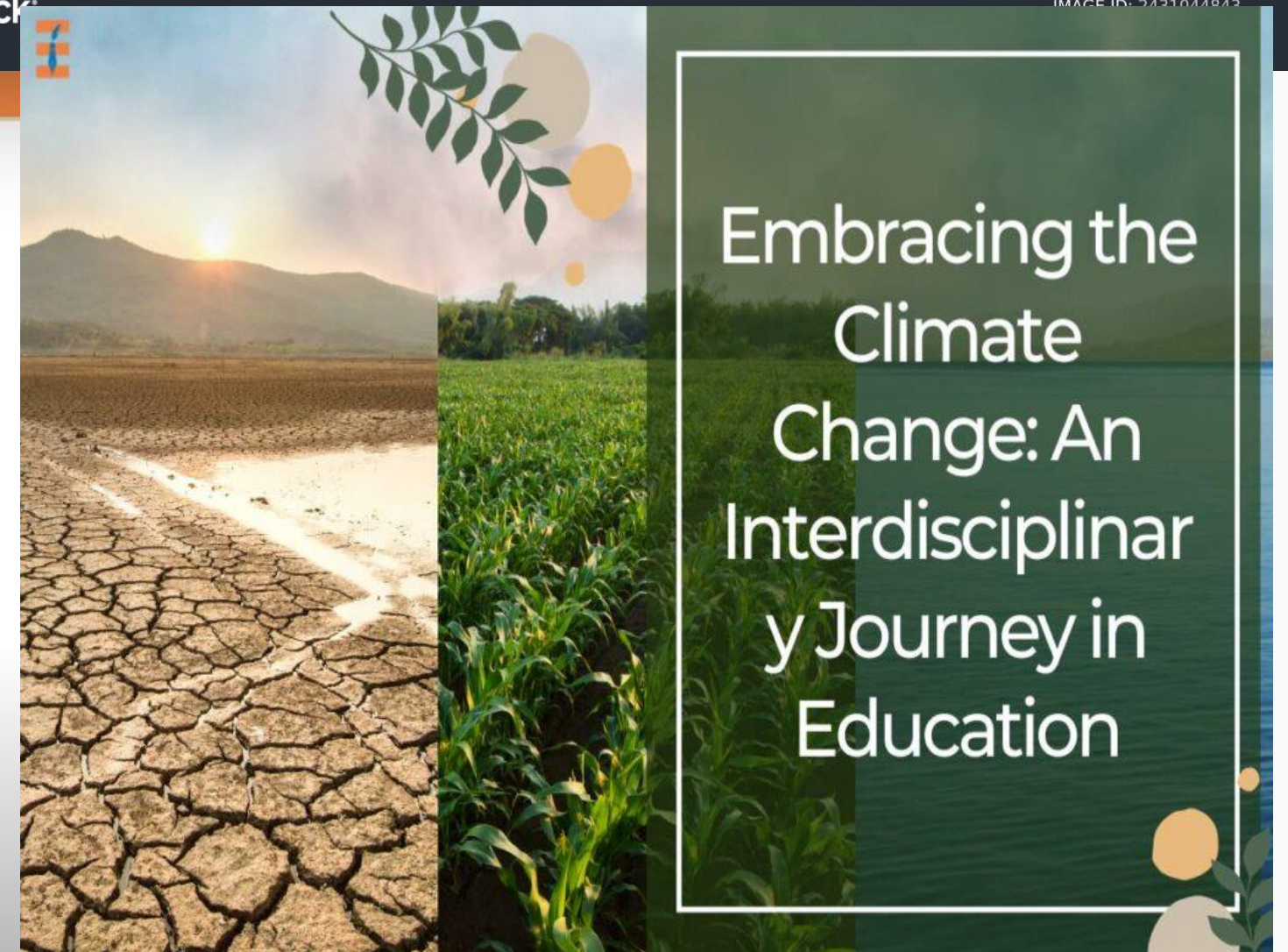
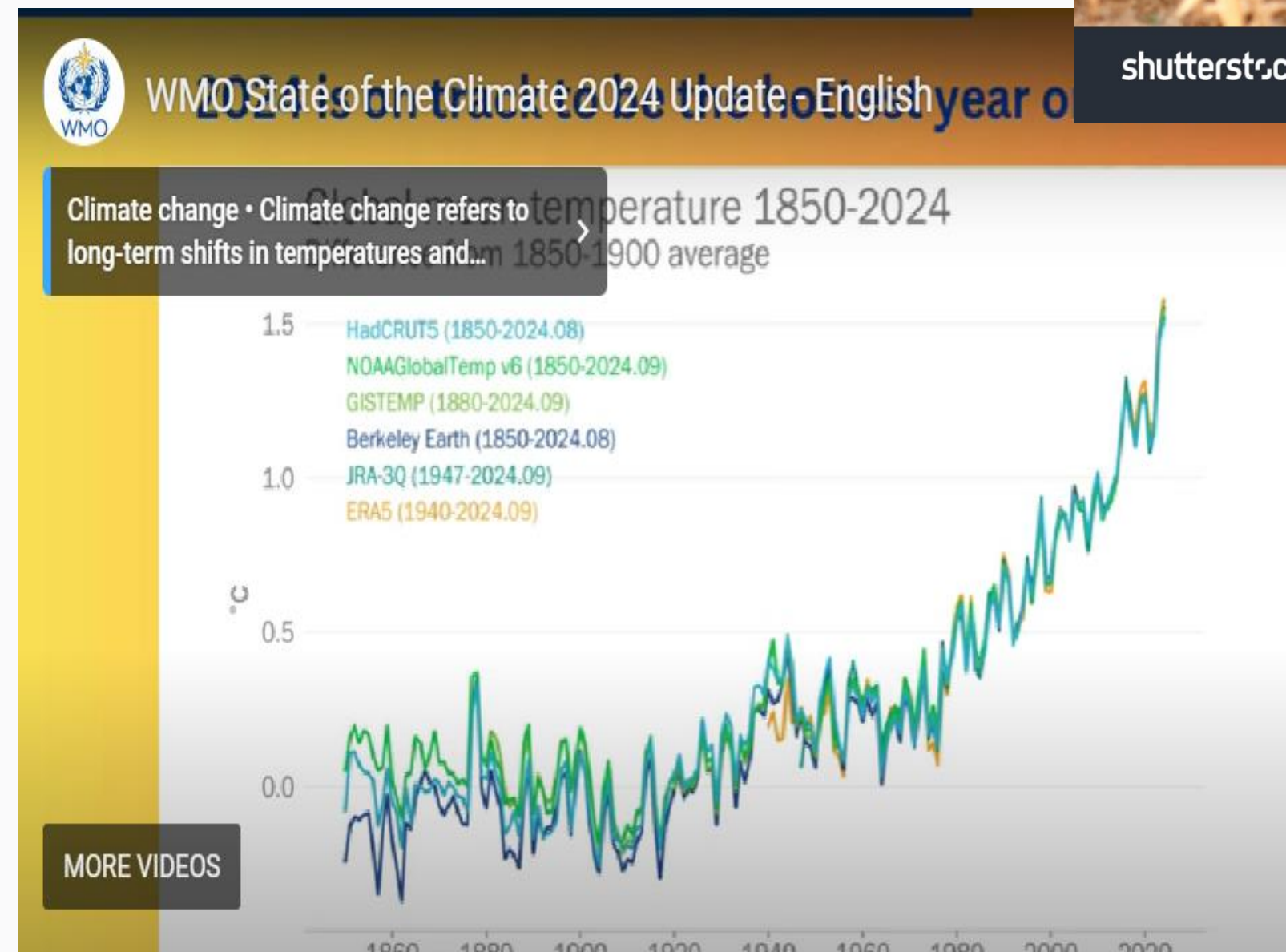


Éducation

TRAINING
To raise awareness and provide information on climate issues.



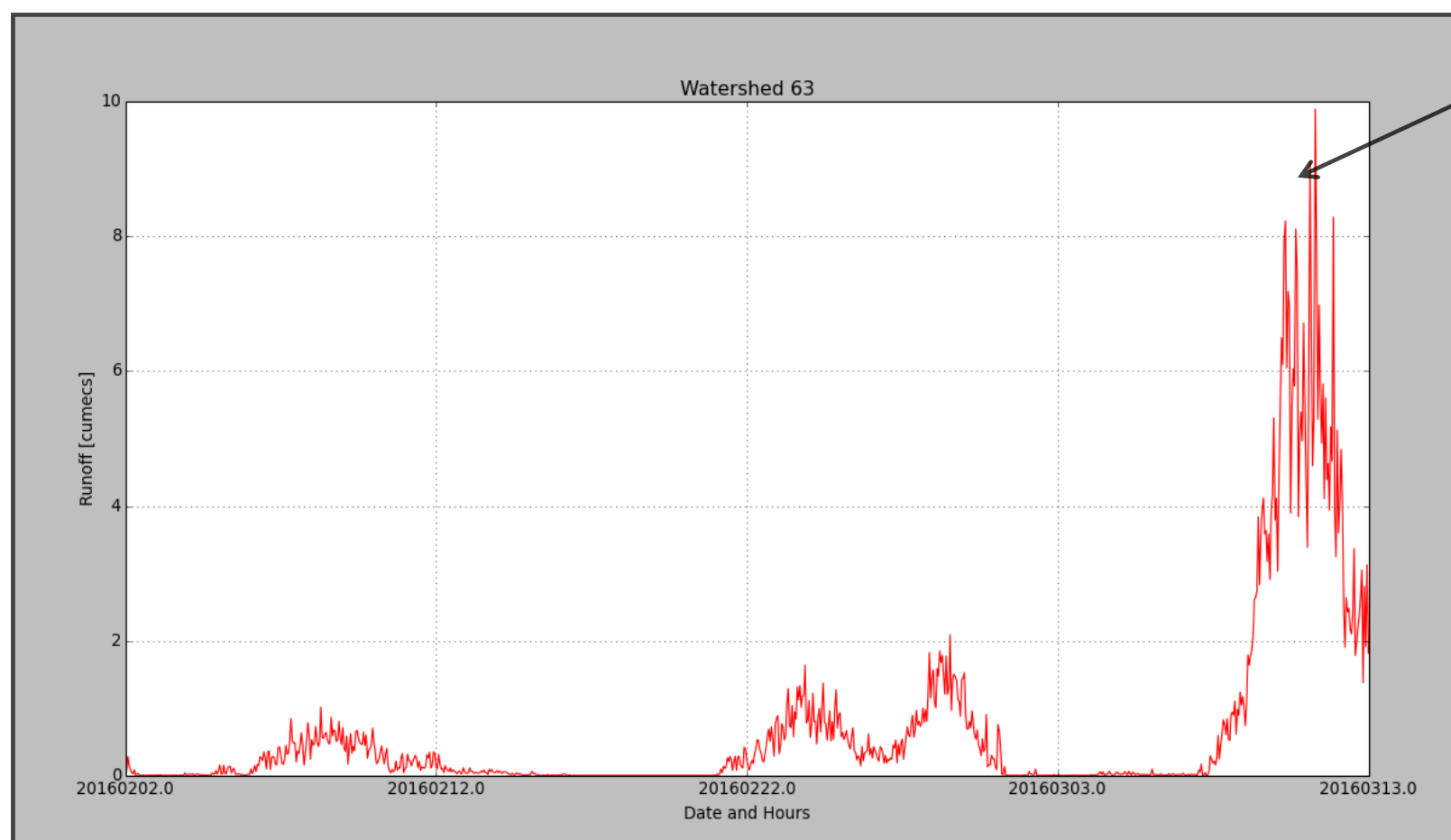
Early Warning
Helping to keep **people safe**.



Embracing the
Climate
Change: An
Interdisciplinary
Journey in
Education

Flood monitoring Example

Looks like we Nailed IT!!!



Credit Prof Amon Murirwa, UZ- Flood service team leader

<http://www.thezimbabwedaily.com>

VIII. International Collaboration for a Global Action

The global challenges of climate change require global actions; Working together to share data, knowledge and best practice.

International organisations such as the **World Meteorological Organisation (WMO)** play a key role in **coordinating global efforts**.

International collaboration makes it possible to **strengthen weather monitoring and forecasting systems**, develop more **accurate climate models** and **share information and knowledge on a global scale**.



Conclusion: Towards a Sustainable Society Thanks to Meteorological Services

They contribute to the

1. **safety of people and property,**
2. **Management** of natural resources,
3. **Adaptation** to climate change, and
4. raising **public awareness.**

By **investing in weather and climate services**, governments and organisations can make **societies more resilient to the challenges** of climate change.

These services are essential to building a more **sustainable and prosperous future for all.**



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