



Forecasting Heavy Weather in Mediterranean Region

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Dear Colleagues,

The Mediterranean Sea basin is characterized by the presence of a complex orography, with mountain ranges close to a highly urbanized coast. In addition, the sea is a source of water vapor and heat, which makes this region particularly exposed to severe weather events such as flash floods, heavy rainfall, tornadoes, and tropical-like cyclones. During the warm season, heat waves and droughts represent a major threat for this region. The understanding of the physical and dynamical processes of heavy weather events as well as the impact of high-resolution data assimilation approaches are essential for improving their forecasting. These are a key point to improve in short- and long-term society resilience against the expected increase of extremes in the Mediterranean region.

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