

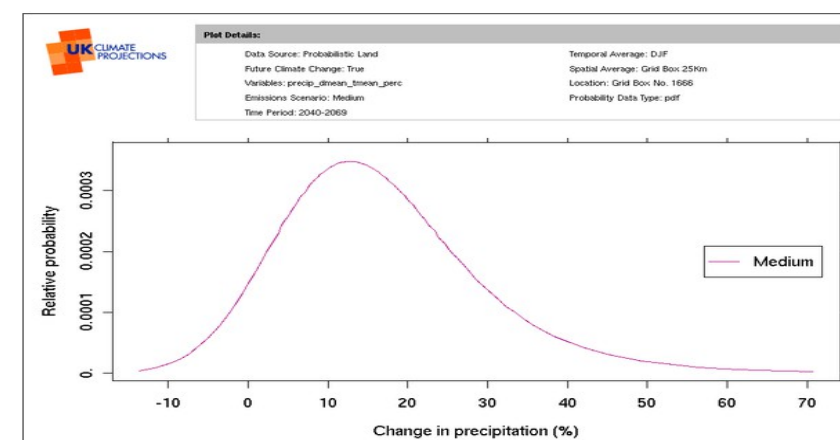
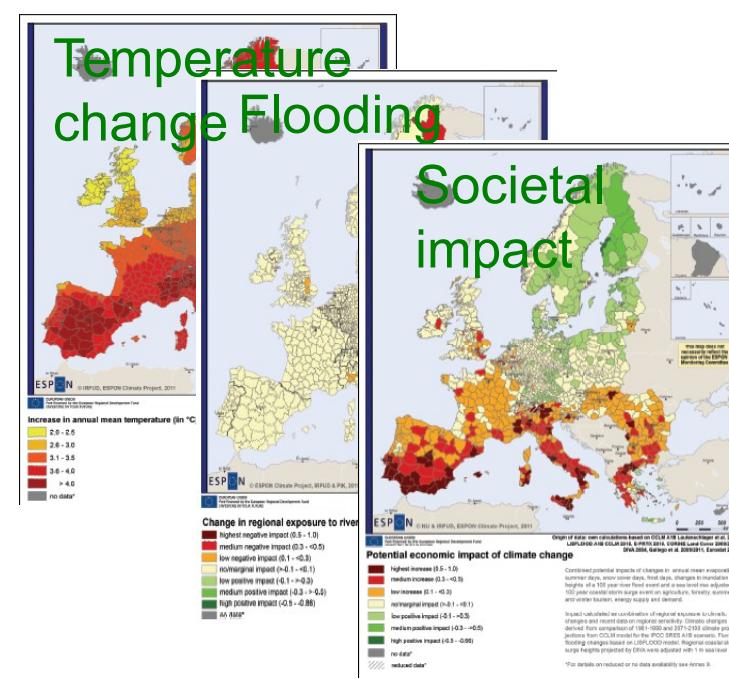
# A Climate Information Platform for Copernicus

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## CLIPC Mission

- CLIPC will design a platform to provide access to climate information of direct relevance to a wide variety of users, from scientists to policy makers and private sector decision makers;
- The “one-stop-shop” platform will provide data and information on climate and climate impacts, and ensure that the providence of science and policy relevant data products is thoroughly documented;
- Engage with user communities to inform development.



## CLIPC and the Copernicus Climate Change Service (C3S)

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Data

Requirements

Tools

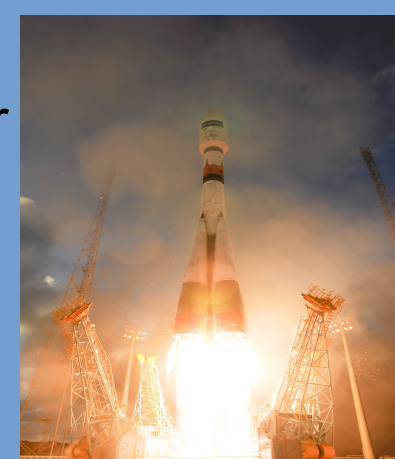
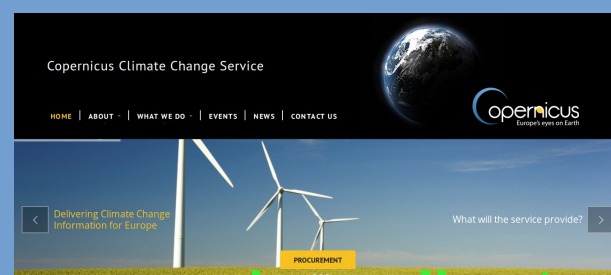
Standards

Networks

People

C3S will provide operational services, making the final link in the chain between the Copernicus funded Sentinel space missions and the user communities.

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CLIPC is a research project developing a data service infrastructure to support dissemination of climate knowledge

## Exploring uncertainty



Ross Salawitch Research Group

While projections of global mean surface temperature are now well understood, substantial uncertainty remains in many areas of more direct relevance to climate service users.



Daintree Rainforest, Queensland, Australia, Wikipedia

## User requirements

*I want a list of datasets relevant to me*

*Flexible search options, driven by vocabularies*

*Exploit standards for flexibility, robustness, and meeting user expectations*

*Earth System Grid Federation*

*INSPIRE and ISO 19115 compliant catalogues; well known file formats; interdisciplinary data format standards; well documented data format protocols.*

*All terms defined in trans-disciplinary W3C standard documents, including definitions of relations between terms.*

User interfaces

Data services

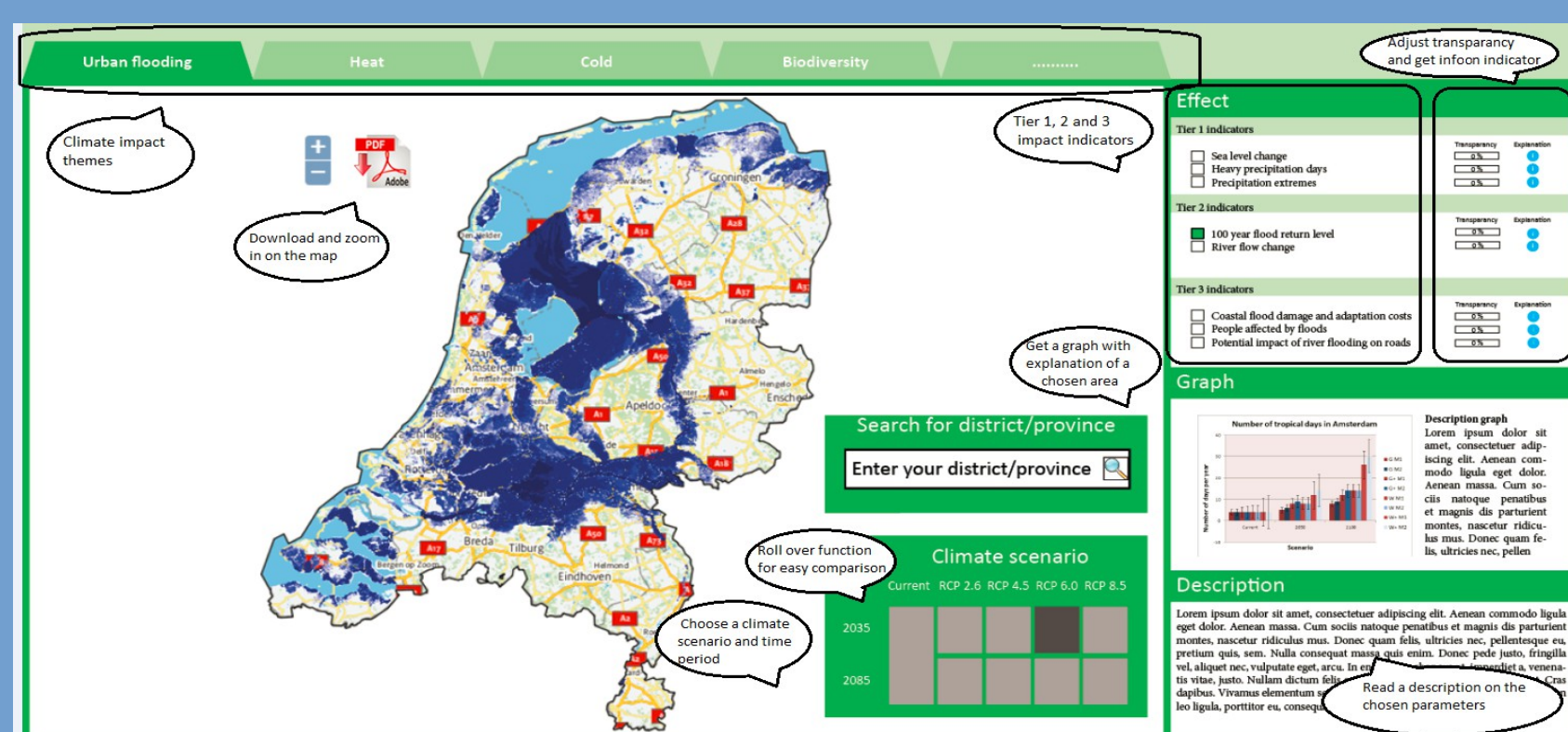
Structured archives and repositories

Standards for data and meta-data

Structured lists of keywords

## Visualisation and transformation

A dedicated visualisation portal, building on generic data standards and Web Map Services, will provide users with a flexible and intuitive tool for navigation of climate impact indicators. Additional interfaces will support access to climate data and a toolbox for ranking and aggregating indicators.



## Standards

### European Commission

- INSPIRE: Infrastructure for Spatial Information in the European Community

### International Standards Organisation

- ISO 19115 for catalogue meta-data

### World Wide Web Consortium

- SKOS for knowledge organisation
- PROV for provenance information
- PRO for publishing roles

### Open Geospatial Consortium

- WMS, WPS for visualisation and transformation services.

### Global Climate Observing System

- Essential Climate Variables

### Domain standards

- Climate Forecast Conventions (CF) – for scientific data
- Gridded Binary format for re-analysis (GRIB)
- CMIP conventions for climate scenario data
- Expert Team on Climate Change Detection Indices (ETCCDI)