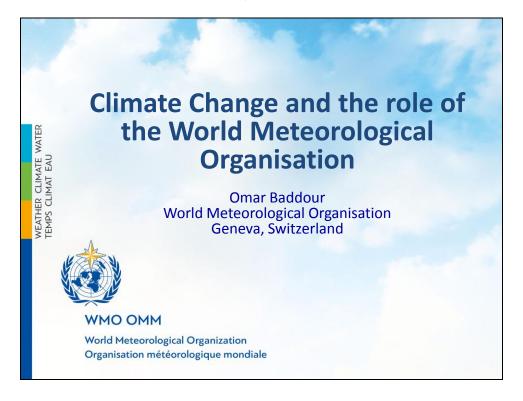
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## CLIMATE CHANGE AND THE ROLE OF THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANISATION

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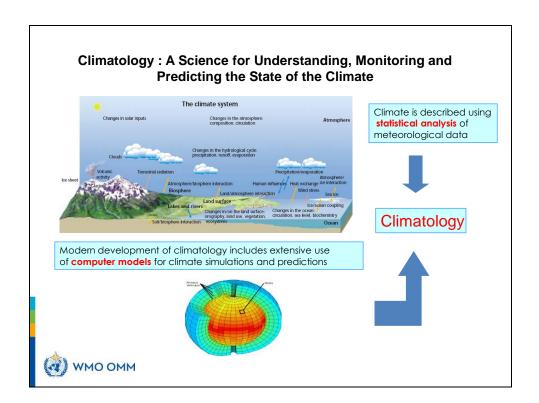
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#### **Data Sources**

Surface & Ocean in situ observing networks

**Upper-air networks** 

Surface remote sensing (Radar) networks

Airborne observations

**Satellite** 





# Climate Variability and Climate Change

- Climate varies on annual to decadal time scales
  - → Climate Variability
- Changes occurring on extended time-scale ( over more than a decade) refer to a changing of the average state of the climate
  - → Climate Change (IPCC)



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## Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)

- The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) is the leading international body for the assessment of climate change.
- Provide the world with a clear scientific view on the current state of knowledge in climate change and its potential environmental and socioeconomic impacts
- It was established by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) in 1988



# Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)

• The IPCC Working Group I (WG I) assesses the physical scientific aspects of the climate system and climate change. The main topics assessed by WG I include: changes in greenhouse gases and aerosols in the atmosphere; observed changes in air, land and ocean temperatures, rainfall, glaciers and ice sheets, oceans and sea level; historical and paleoclimatic perspective on climate change; biogeochemistry, carbon cycle, gases and aerosols; satellite data and other data; climate models; climate projections, causes and attribution of climate change.

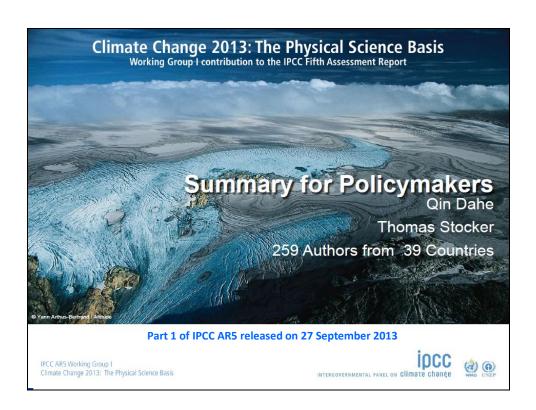
The IPCC Working Group II (WG II) assesses the vulnerability of socioeconomic and natural systems to climate change, negative and positive consequences of climate change, and options for adapting to it. It also takes into consideration the inter-relationship between vulnerability, adaptation and sustainable development. The

into consideration the inter-relationship between vulnerability, adaptation and sustainable development. The assessed information is considered by sectors (water resources; ecosystems; food & forests; coastal systems; industry; human health) and regions (Africa; Asia; Australia & New Zealand; Europe; Latin America; North America; Polar Regions; Small Islands).

The IPCC Working Group III (WG III) assesses options for mitigating climate change through limiting or preventing greenhouse gas emissions and enhancing activities that remove them from the atmosphere. The main

and enhancing activities that remove them from the atmosphere. The main economic sectors are taken into account, both in a near-term and in a long-term perspective. The sectors include energy, transport, buildings, industry, agriculture, forestry, waste management. The WG analyses the costs and benefits of the different approaches to mitigation, considering also the available instruments and policy measures. The approach is more and more solution-oriented.





## Observed indicators of global climate change (IPCC-5AR, 2013)

#### **Observed Changes and their Causes**

Human influence on the climate system is clear, and recent anthropogenic emissions of greenhouse gases are the highest in history. Recent climate changes have had widespread impacts on human and natural systems. (1)

#### Observed changes in the climate system

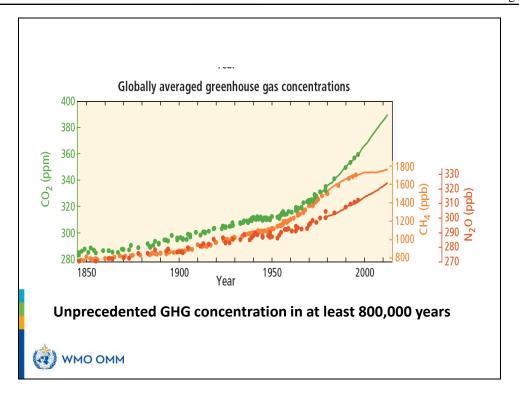
Warming of the climate system is unequivocal, and since the 1950s, many of the observed changes are unprecedented over decades to millennia. The atmosphere and ocean have warmed, the amounts of snow and ice have diminished, and sea level has risen. (1.1)

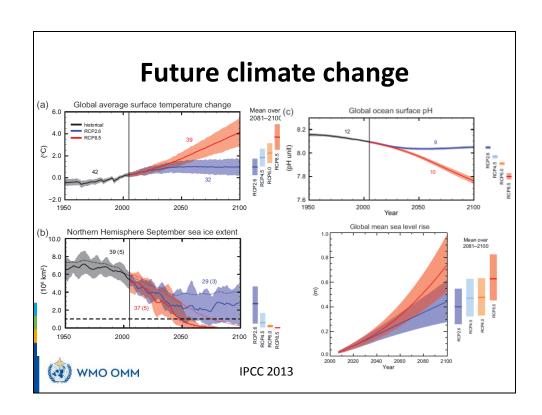
#### Impacts of climate change

In recent decades, changes in climate have caused impacts on natural and human systems on all continents and across the oceans. Impacts are due to observed climate change, irrespective of its cause, indicating the sensitivity of natural and human systems to changing climate. (1.3.2)



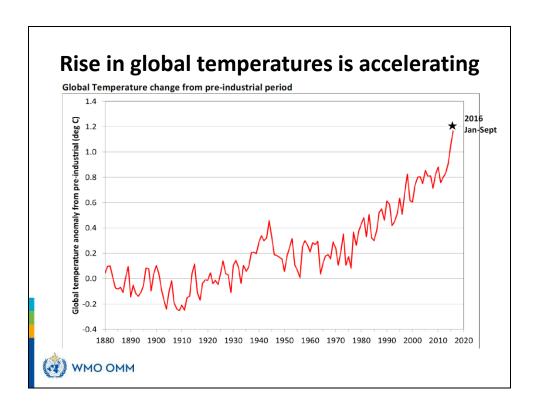
### Observed indicators of global climate change rved globally averaged combined land and ocean surface temperature anomaly 1850–2012 (a) 0.6 Annual average 0.4 0.2 Temperature anomaly (°C) relative to 1961-1990 0.0 -0.2 -0.4 -0.6 0.6 0.4 0.0 -0.3 -0.6 2000 Year **IPCC 2013** WMO OMM

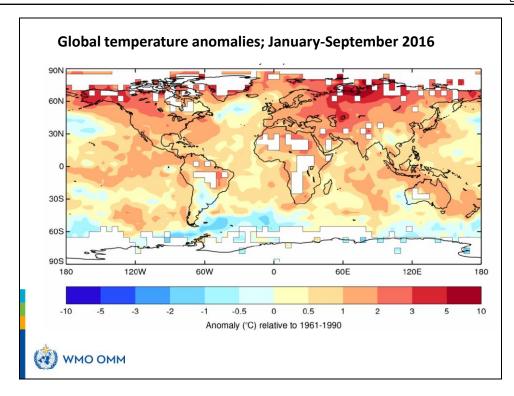




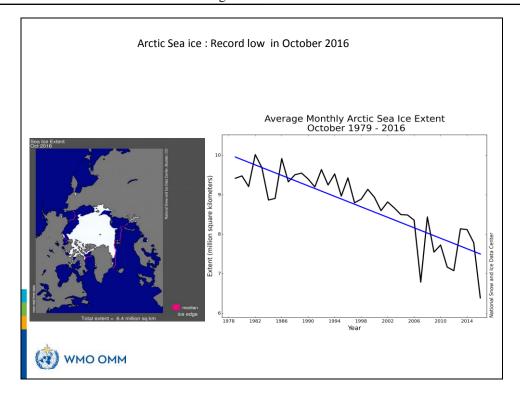
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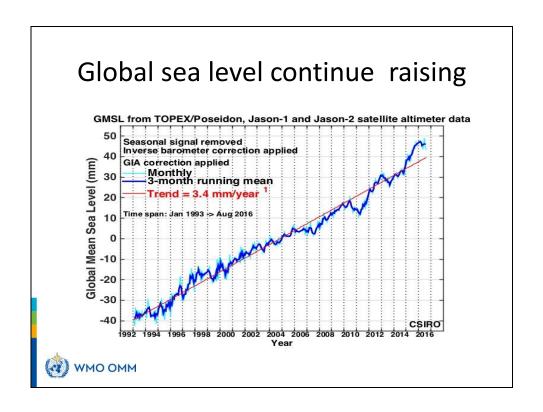


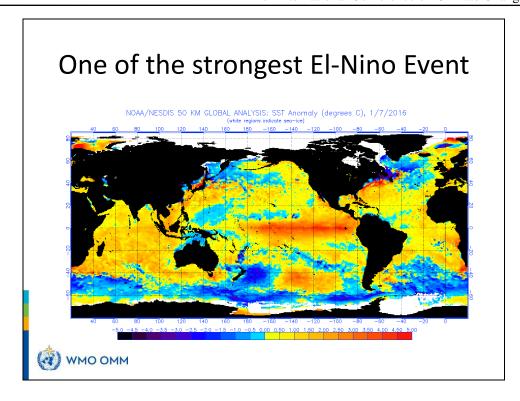


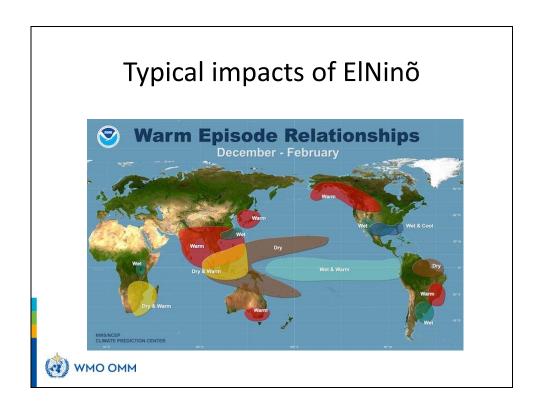


#### **Green House Gas (GHG) concentrations** reached record in 2015 CO, CH₄ N<sub>2</sub>O 400.0±0.1 1845±2 328.0±0.1 Global abundance in 2015 ppb ppb ppm 2015 abundance relative 144% 256% 121% to year 1750a 2014-2015 absolute 2.3 ppm 11 ppb 1.0 ppb increase 2014-2015 relative 0.58% 0.60% 0.31% increase Mean annual absolute 2.08 6.0 0.89 increase during last ppm yr<sup>-1</sup> ppb yr<sup>-1</sup> ppb yr<sup>-1</sup> 10 years WMO OMM









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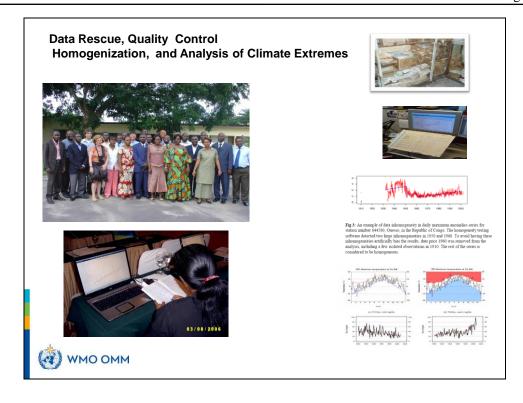


## The role of WMO; World Climate Programme (WCP)

International collaboration on climate data and analysis

- ✓ On provision and exchange of climate data sets
- ✓ For guidance on assessing climate change nationally and globally
- √ Training and capacity development





## **WMO Guide to Climatological Practices**

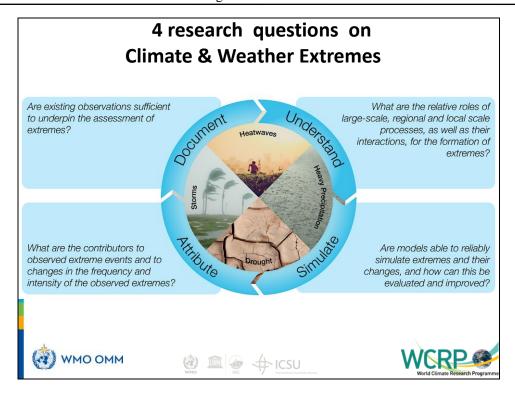
### **6 Chapters**

- 1. Climatology
- 2. Climate Observations and networks
- 3. Climate Data Management
- 4. Characterizing climate from data sets
- 5. Statistical methods for analysing climate data
- 6. Climate services and products



 $http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/wcp/ccl/guide/guide\_climat\_practices.php$ 





## **WMO Research Award for Young Scientists**



Since 1970, the Award has been granted annually by WMO in order to encourage young scientists, particularly in developing countries, to undertake outstanding research work in all fields of meteorology and hydrology. The award has been granted to young scientists from more than 20 different countries.

http://public.wmo.int/en/about-us/awards/wmo-research-award-young-scientists



