

SMHI HARMONIE RA progress

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What is HARMONIE?

During 2004 and 2005 HIRLAM and ALADIN consortia decided to deepen already existing cooperation in NWP. One of the main goals of the new cooperation is **to develop a km-scale operational NWP system.**

HARMONIE - Hirlam Aladin Regional/Mesoscale Operational NWP In Europe

For HIRLAM a clear need for a common system:

Combine all the important processes in one launch.

- Compilation.
- Climate and boundary generation (and data assimilation).
- Forecast (Arome, Aladin and Alaro with different physics options).
- Postprocessing and file conversions.
- Verification.

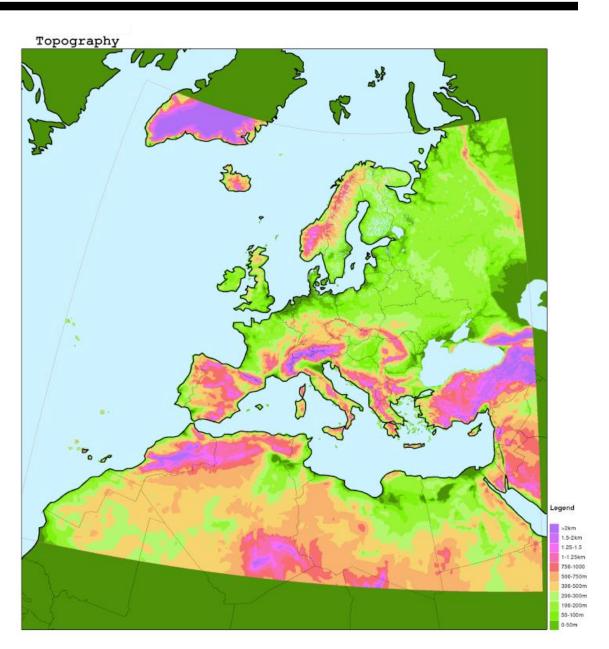


Model setup

576 X 576 points 11 km hor. res. 65 vertical levels, 13 below 1500m

6-hour cycle, surface assimilation and 3D-var upper air assimilation

00 and 12 UTC + 48H 06 and 18 UTC + 06H



Model setup



| | Aladin | Alaro |
|----------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| Dynamics | 2TL Semi-implicit semi-lagrangian discretisation, hydrostatic | |
| Vertical | Hybrid pressure terrain-following coordinate | |
| Horizontal diffusion | Spectral diffusion | Traditional SLHD |
| Surface | SURFEX (Le Moigne 2012) | |
| Turbulence | TKE (Cuxart et al 2000) (prognostic equation) | pTKE (Geleyn et al 2006) |
| Mixing length | Bougeault Lacarrere (1989) Modified by the shallow cloud thickness and deep convection | Prandtl-type mixing length (Geleyn) |
| Shallow convection | KFB (Bechtold et al 2001) (Mass flux scheme) | Modified Ri (Geleyn 1987) |
| Deep convection | Moisture convergence (Bougeault 1985) | 3MT (Gerard & Piriou 2007) |
| Clouds (PDF) | Smith (1990) | Xu & Randall (1996) |
| GWD | Catry et al. 2008 | |
| Microphysics | QI,Qi,Qr,Qs Lopez(2002) Bouteloup et al (2005) | QI,Qi,Qr,Qs,Qg(diag) |
| Radiation | RRTM for LW (Mlawer et al. 1997), SW (Morcrette et al. 2001) | Modified old version of acraneb |



Model setup, technical

- Run on ECMWF cca, compiled with gfortran
- mSMS used for scheduling
- Some difficulties with unexplained crashes and hangups, close monitoring essential
- Data stored on ECFS (grib1), to be converted to grib2 and stored in MARS



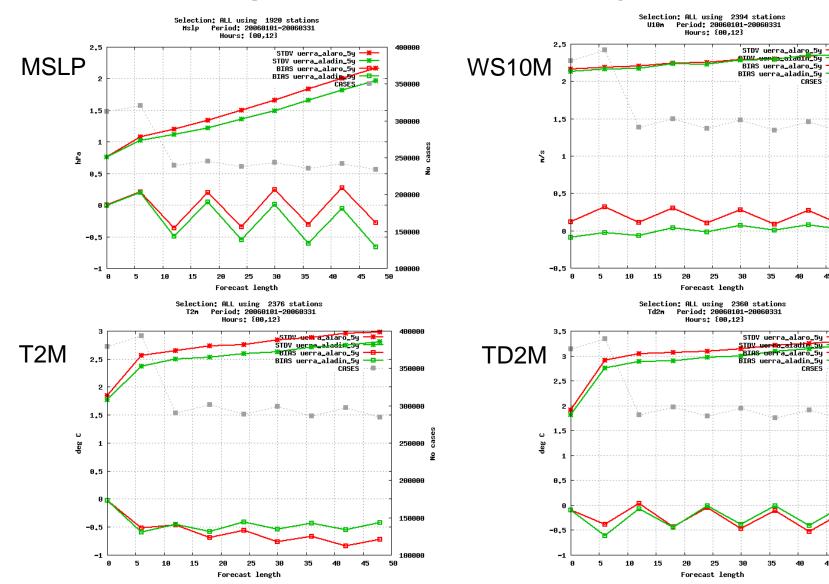
Five year runs

- Both models will be run for five years 2006-2010.
- It is expected to take about 100 days (ideally)
- Results from these runs will decide what model to use for the final RA.
- A few months completed so far.
- Some preliminary verifications presented below.

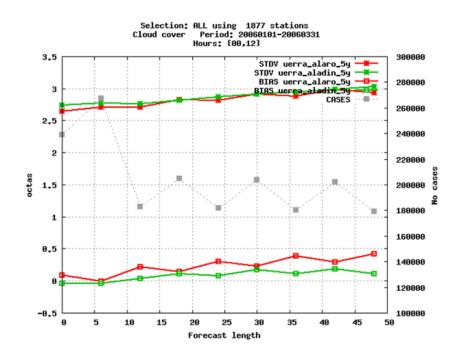


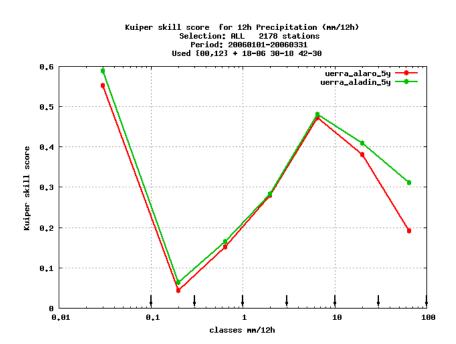
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Verification against observations for 1 jan – 31 mar 2006







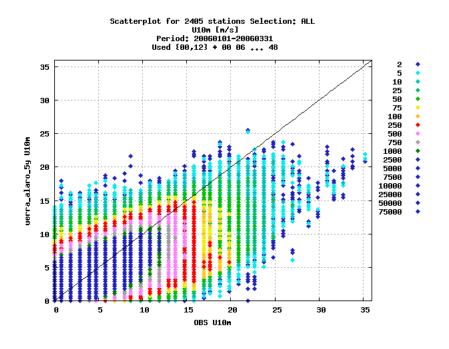


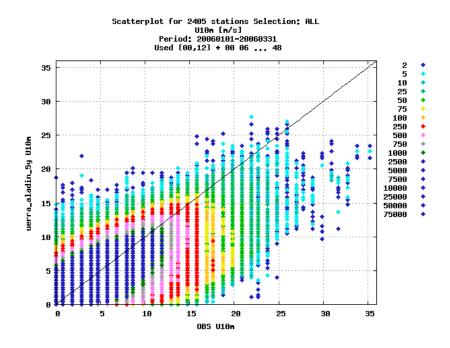
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12H precip: Kuiper skill score



Scatterplots WS10M



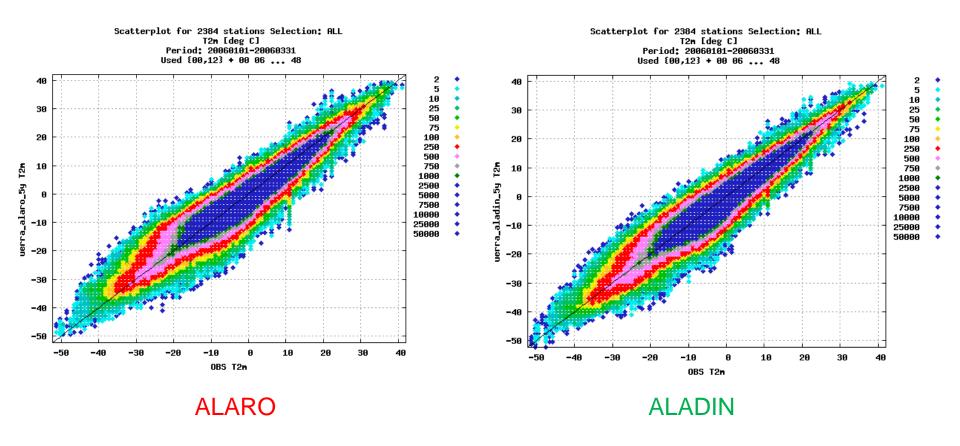


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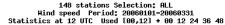
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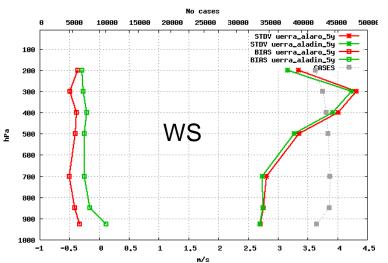


Scatterplots T2M



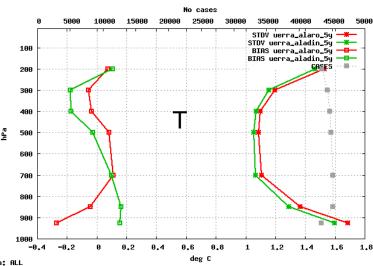




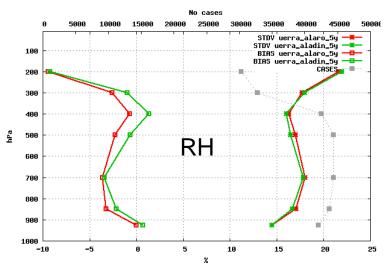


Profiles

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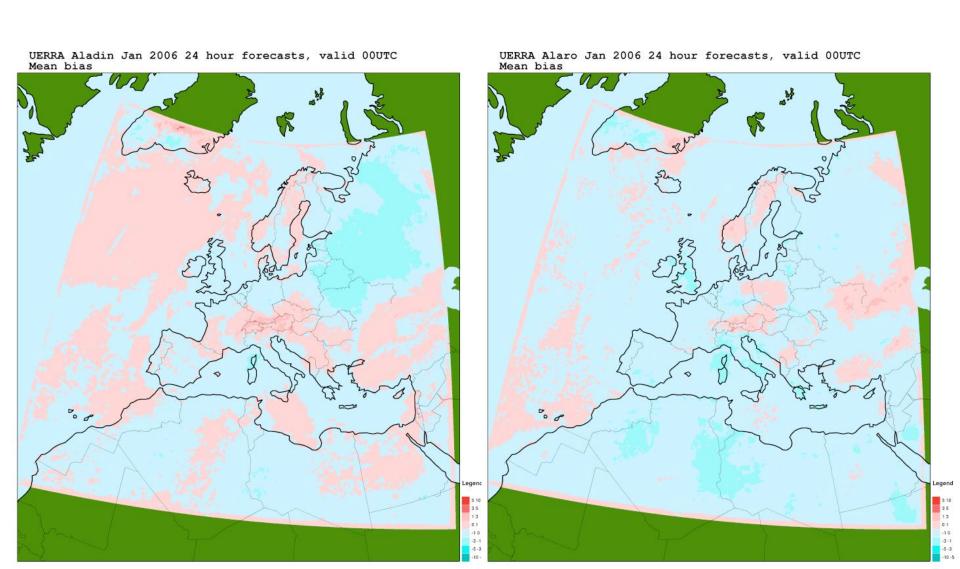


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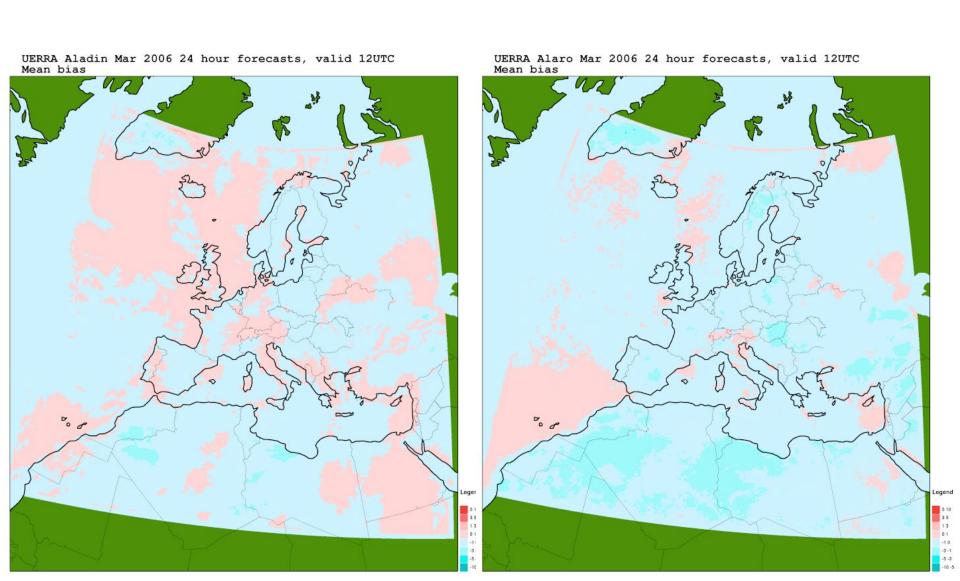
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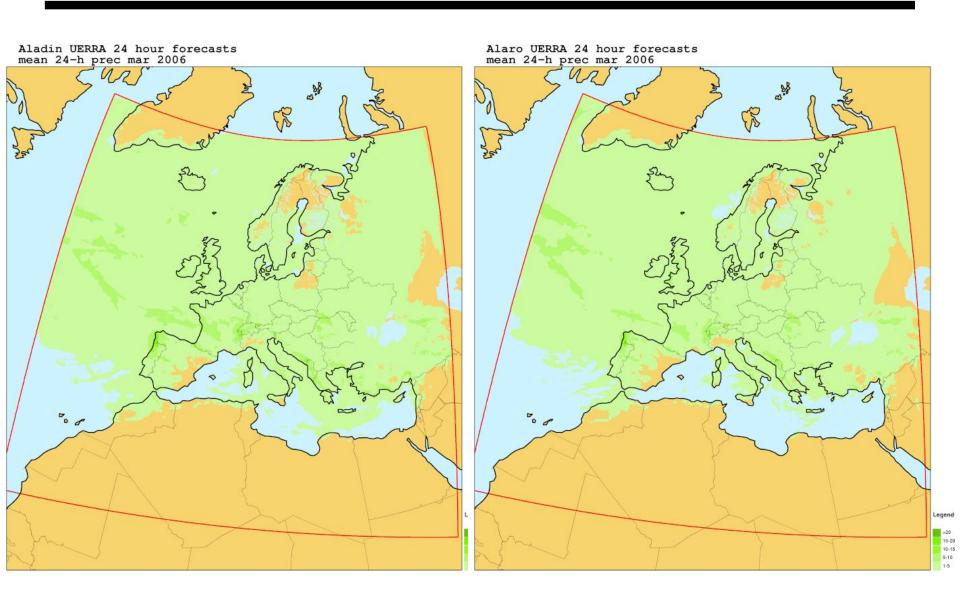
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Mean 24-hour precipitation Mar 2006, starting 00UTC







Summary

- Running HARMONIE Aladin and Alaro for a five year (2006-2010) test period
- Results will be analyzed to decide what model to use for the 50 year RA
- So far (only 3 months), a small advantage for Aladin



Thank you Any questions??