# The new operational model setup COSMO-D2 at DWD

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At **DWD**, **COSMO-D2** (-EPS) will replace the current COSMO-DE (-EPS) by the following changes:

- → increase horizontal grid mesh size from 2.8 km to 2.2 km
- $\rightarrow$  increase number of vertical levels from 50 to 65
- $\rightarrow$  increase area from 10.5° \* 11.5° to 13° \* 14.3°



COSMO-D2:	651 * 716 * 65 GPe 1440 * 1590 * 22 km³
COSMO-DE:	421 * 461 * 50 GPe 1160 * 1280 * 22 km³

# Time schedule:

since 1 June 2017: pre-operational phase 15 May 2018: operational introduction





# New choice of vertical levels in COSMO-D2:

- increase resolution mainly of the boundary layer
  - $\rightarrow$  motivation: improve initiation of convection
- change from Gal-Chen to SLEVE-coordinate



Leuenberger et al. (2010) MWR: SLEVE coord.



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# Test case: 09.06.2014 ,Düsseldorfer Unwetter'

From the ,regionaler Sofortbericht' of ,Tief Ela':

Es sind !	5 Warnungen für Soest vorhanden:			0
Datum:	09.06.14 10.06.14			
Warnstufe:				
Uhrzeit:	22:00 23:00 00:00 01:00 02:00 03:00 04:00 07:00	10:00	16:00	22:00

Amtliche UNWETTERWARNUNG vor SCHWEREM GEWITTER mit EXTREMEN ORKANBÖEN, HEFTIGEM STARKREGEN und HAGEL

für Kreis Soest

gültig von: Montag, 09.06.2014 22:01 Uhr

bis: Montag, 09.06.2014 23:00 Uhr

ausgegeben vom Deutschen Wetterdienst

am: Montag, 09.06.2014 22:01 Uhr

Von Westen ziehen Gewitter auf. Dabei gibt es extreme Orkanböen mit Geschwindigkeiten um 140 km/h (39m/s, 76kn, Bft 12+) sowie heftigen Starkregen mit Niederschlagsmengen zwischen 30 l/m<sup>2</sup> und 40 l/m<sup>2</sup> pro Stunde und Hagel mit Korngrößen um 3 cm.





Sigma: 0.961952

# 06.09.14, 12 UTC-run, 1h precipitation sum + radar obs.

RADAR COMPOSITE Start time: 09.06.2014 12:00 UTC COSMO-DE Routine valid: 09 JUN 2014 13 - 14 UTC Forecast time: 09.06.2014 14:00 UTC Total precipitation [mm/1h] (shaded) Geopot. at 700 hPa [gpdm] (dist. isol. 1gpdm 1h PRECIPITATION 50 40 0.5 0.1 Mean: 0.137601 Max: 33.3409 Min: 0 Sigma: 0.642235 Min: -0.000244141 Max: 31.1272 Totprec Mean: 0.0515743 FI700: Max: 321.494 Sigma: 2.83164 Mean: 317.9 Min: 309.836 -0.1 0.1 0.5 1 2.5 5 7.5 10 15 20 30 4∩ 50 mm/h

+ 2h

Start time: 09.06.2014 12:00 UTC Forecast time: 09.06.2014 14:00 UTC Total precipitation [mm/1h] (shaded) C-DE 2.2km L65 5.1



operational COSMO-DE

Radar

COSMO-D2 setup (2.2km, L65, ...)

Mean: 0.106616

Totprec:



Min: -0.000488281 Max: 42.3594



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Radar



+ 4h

Start time: 09.06.2014 12:00 UTC Forecast time: 09.06.2014 16:00 UTC Total precipitation [mm/1h] (shaded) C-DE 2.2km L65 5.1



COSMO-D2 setup (2.2km, L65, ...)



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COSMO-DE



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# 06.09.14, 12 UTC-run, 1h precipitation sum + radar obs.

Radar



+ 6h

Start time: 09.06.2014 12:00 UTC Forecast time: 09.06.2014 18:00 UTC Total precipitation [mm/1h] (shaded)

C-DE 2.2km L65 5.1



COSMO-D2 setup (2.2km, L65, ...)



operational

COSMO-DE



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Start time: 09.06.2014 12:00 UTC Forecast time: 09.06.2014 20:00 UTC Total precipitation [mm/1h] (shaded)

C-DE 2.2km L65 5.1



operational COSMO-DE

+ 8h

Radar

COSMO-D2 setup (2.2km, L65, ...)





# 06.09.14, 12 UTC-run, 1h precipitation sum + radar obs.

Radar

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+10h

Start time: 09.06.2014 12:00 UTC Forecast time: 09.06.2014 22:00 UTC Total precipitation [mm/1h] (shaded)

C-DE 2.2km L65 5.1



COSMO-D2 setup (2.2km, L65, ...)



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COSMO-DE





Totprec: Menn: 0.047712 Min: 0

Max: 27.0449

Sigma: 0.472518

Totprec: Mean: 0.053798 Min: 0



Totprec: Mean: 0.052753

Min: 0 Max: 18.3818 Totprec: Mean: 0.0550101

Sigma: 0.49l

Min: 0

Max: 20.4912

Sigma: 0.53

Totprec:

Mean: 0.0867856 Min: 0 Max: 36.0732 Sigma: 0.828116

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2.5

0.5 0.1

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# Advantage of horizontal resolution:

32.7

28.5

24.5

20.8

17.2

13.9

10.8

# **Gusts**





### Start time: 09.06.2014 12:00 UTC Forecast time: 09.06.2014 19:00 UTC max |v| in 10 m [m/s] (shaded)

C-DE 1.1km L65 5.1 Radnew

MSL Pressure [hPa] (dist. isol.2.0hPa)

dx=1.1 km



			vmax_10m:	Mean: 5.99232	Min: 0.21632	Max: 30.2339	Sigma: 2.90324					
			PMSL:	Mean: 1017.78	Min: 1012.17	Max: 1031.47	Siama: 2.66087					
Min: 0.149542	Max: 30.3829	Sigma: 2.88182					-	vmax_10m:	Mean: 6.04681	Min: 0.142141	Max: 34.8267	Sigma: 3.00713
Min: 1012.24	Max: 1030.91	Sigma: 2.64373						PMSL:	Mean: 1017.82	Min: 1012.27	Max: 1031.29	Sigma: 2.62455



vmax\_10m:

PMSL:

Mean: 5.97632

Mean: 1017.75

### Start time: 09.06.2014 12:00 UTC Forecast time: 09.06.2014 19:00 UTC

12 UTC + 7h

C-DE 2.8km L65 5.1

MSL Pressure [hPa] (dist. isol.2.0hPa)



# dx=2.8 km

max |v| in 10 m [m/s] (shaded)

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### dx=1.1 km

C-DE 1.1km L65 5.1 Radnew





			vmax_10m:	Mean: 5.92489	Min: 0.206287	Max: 29.5232	Sigma: 2.87594				
			PMSL:	Mean: 1017.98	Min: 1012.52	Max: 1031.04	Siama: 2.53299				
Min: 0.202422	Max: 29.0867	Sigma: 2.84161					-	vmax_10m:	Mean: 5.90282	Min: 0.147533	Max: 33.6358
Min: 1012.54	Max: 1030.98	Sigma: 2.50859						PMSL:	Mean: 1018.02	Min: 1012.15	Max: 1031.4

Sigma: 2.98159 Sigma: 2.52503



17.2

13.9

dx=2.8 km

C-DE 2.8km L65 5.1



12 UTC + 8h

Start time: 09.06.2014 12:00 UTC

Forecast time: 09.06.2014 20:00 UTC

max |v| in 10 m [m/s] (shaded)

vmax_10m:	Mean: 5.94722	Min: 0.202422	Max: 29.0867	Sigma: 2.84161
PMSL:	Mean: 1017.96	Mín: 1012.54	Max: 1030.98	Sigma: 2.50859



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32.7

28.5

24.5

20.8

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10.8

Start time: 09.06.2014 12:00 UTC

Forecast time: 09.06.2014 21:00 UTC

max |v| in 10 m [m/s] (shaded)

# **Gusts**



### dx=1.1 km

C-DE 1.1km L65 5.1 Radnew





				vmax_10m:	Mean: 5.85177	Min: 0.153197	Max: 26.4135	Sigma: 2.86391				
				PMSL:	Mean: 1018.26	Min: 1012.9	Max: 1030.46	Siama: 2.57371				
Mean: 5.84814	Min: 0.234328	Max: 23.1435	Sigma: 2.78202					-	vmax_10m:	Mean: 5.80167	Min: 0.117333	Max: 37.2062
Mean: 1018.24	Min: 1012.86	Max: 1030.01	Sigma: 2.5385						PMSL:	Mean: 1018.27	Min: 1012.79	Max: 1031.81



vmax\_10m: Mean: 5.84

PMSL:

Sigma: 2.99677

Sigma: 2.60408

# dx=2.8 km

Start time: 09.06.2014 12:00 UTC Forecast time: 09.06.2014 21:00 UTC max |v| in 10 m [m/s] (shaded)

12 UTC + 9h

MSL Pressure [hPa] (dist. isol.2.0hPa)

17.2

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C-DE 2.8km L65 5.1







# Advantage of increase of # Levels

12 UTC + 7h

C-DE 2.2km L65 5.1

L65



Totprec: Mean: 0.0484582

Max: 28.3379 Min: 0

Sigma: 0.50438

Totprec:

Mean: 0.0533321

Start time: 09.06.2014 12:00 UTC

Forecast time: 09.06.2014 19:00 UTC

Total precipitation [mm/1h] (shaded)

Max: 34.8086

Min: 0

Sigma: 0.598397

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5

2.5

0.5

0.1





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# Advantage of increase of # Levels

12 UTC + 8h







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12 UTC + 9h

C-DE 2.2km L65 5.1

L65



Totprec: Mean: 0.0521431 Min: 0

Sigma: 0.4696

Max: 22.5879

Totprec:

Mean: 0.0561208

Start time: 09.06.2014 12:00 UTC

Forecast time: 09.06.2014 21:00 UTC

Total precipitation [mm/1h] (shaded)

Max: 20.2354

Min: 0

Sigma: 0.536436

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15

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7.5 5

2.5

0.5

0.1



# Power spectra of kinetic energy





FFT over 439 gridpoints, averaged over 504 lines; area (4.257938E,45.665855N)...(18.408329E,55.632652N) FFT over 361 gridpoints, averaged over 401 lines; area (3.939074E,45.578014N)...(18.409288E,55.506725N)

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   → much too dry soil for the COSMO physical parameterizations!
   experience: it takes at least several months to reduce this problem
   remedy: init. by mixed COSMO-DE/ICON-EU-soil
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   Replacement by the ,EUCOM-product'



# Soil moisture in COSMO-D2\_P1 (level 27-81cm)

Start time: 27.07.2017 00:00 UTC

Forecast time: 27.07.2017 00:00 UTC

soll moisture in lev=4 (27.0-81.0cm) [kg/m²]

COSMO-D2\_P1

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Start time: 02.06.2017 00:00 UTC COSMO-D2 P1 Forecast time: 02.05.2017 00:00 UTC soll moisture in lev=4 (27.0-81.0cm) [kg/m²]



Sigma: 120.842 Sigma: 120.842 W\_SO(L4)(C-DB)ean: 168.149 Min: C Max: 731.12 Nean: 168,149 Min: 0 Mex: 731.12 W SO(L4):

W SO(L4)(C-DBlean: 142,997 Min: 0 May: 722.049 Sigma: 104,532 W\_SO(L4): Sigma: 106.692 Mean: 132.6 Min: 0 Mex: 731.12

### Difference: ,COSMO-D2' O-DE': Start time: 27.07.2017 00:00 UTC

COSMO-D2\_P1 02.06.2017 00:00 UTC Start time: Forecast time: 02.06.2017 00:00 UTC - COSMO-DE Routine soil moisture diff. in lev=4 (27.0-81.0cm) [kg/m<sup>2</sup>]

-56

Min: -376.558

02.06.2017

COSMO-D2\_P1 Forecast time: 27.07.2017 00:00 UTC - COSMO-DE Routine soil moisture diff. in lev=4 (27.0-81.0cm) [kg/m<sup>2</sup>]



-30

-35

-40

-45

-50

Start time: 23.08.2017 00:00 UTC COSMO-D2 P1 Forecast time: 23.08.2017 00:00 UTC



Start time: 23.08.2017 00:00 UTC COSMO-D2\_P1 - COSMO-DE\_Routine Forecast time: 23.08.2017 00:00 UTC soil moisture diff. in lev=4 (27.0-81.0cm) [kg/m<sup>2</sup>]



23.08.2017

unrealistic dry



Start time: 19.09.2017 00:00 UTC COSMO-D2 P1 Forecast time: 19.09.2017 00:00 UTC - COSMO-DE\_Routine



# 19.09.2017

soil remains too dry

soil moisture diff. in lev=4 (27.0-81.0cm) [kg/m²]



24

RMSE: 83.878

Max: 721.759

27.07.2017



W\_SO\_diff(L4): Mean: 2.08492

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After fixing these problems, restart of COSMO-D2 (Exp. 10536) ...



# Synop-Verification (contin. scores), 0 UTC runs

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Verification tool by Felix Fundel







cloudiness in COSMO-D2 slightly higher  $\rightarrow$  rad\_gl reduced, rad\_dif increased





### Fraction Skill Score of precipitation against RW (=adjusted radar obs.)



# Roberts, Lean (2008) MWR



01-29 June 2017

0.5 2 5 0.1 10

Schwellenwerte [mm/h]



0.1

0.5 2

Schwellenwerte [mm/h]

5 10



Schwellenwerte [mm/h]







Forecast Centre	2017	2017
(Country)	High resolution det.	High res. EPS
Met Office	950x1015; 1.5km vrb L70	2.2km vrb L70; M12; 2.5 days
(UK)	_	
Météo France	1536x1440; 1.3 km; L90	2 Elizado M42: 2 dave turias a dav
(France)		2.5kmL90; M12; 2 days twice a day
DWD	zooming 6.5 km; L60	2.2 km, L65; M40; 1.125
(Germany)	651x716; 2.2 km; L65	
HMC	2000x1000, 6.6km, L90	2.2 km;M12;2
	2 dom. 2000x1000, 2.2km, L80	
(Russia)	2 dom.: 800x400, 2.2km, L80	
	2 dom.: 1000x500, 1.1km, L80	
NCEP	935x835; 12 km; L60	12km M26 3.5day 4cyc
(USA)	1827x1467; 3 km; L60	3km M6 2.5day 4cyc
	1189x1249; 3 km; L60	
	373x561; 3 km; L60	
	401x325: 3 km: L60	
	501x501: 1 km: L60	
	935x835: 12 km: L60	3km M6 1day 24cvc
	1827x1467; 3 km; L60	12km M6 1day 24cyc
	100 relocatable areas. Nested,	fixed: 15km, 3 day moving Tc: 5km 5
Naw/FNMOC/NRL	Variable size, inner nests: 15,	day
(USA)	5,1.67, or 0.55 km L60	
CMC	-	10 km; M21; 5
(Canada)	3750x3000; 2.5 km; L120	L80
CPTEC/INPE	500x600, 15 km, L60	40 km, M7, 5
(Brazil)	2700x2900, 2km, L75	5 km, L60, M9, 5
JMA	817x661; 5 km; L76	5 km; L48 M11
(Japan)	1581x1301, 2km, L58	1 time/day; 39hr
CMA	751x501,10km,L50	10km,M30,72h
(China)		
KMA	540x432, 12km, L70	3kmL70;M12
(Korea)	1188x1148,1.5km~4km, L70	
NCMRWF	1.5kmL70	
(India	1	
BoM	1650x1120; 8km L70	Nil
(Australia)	816x668; 1.5km, L70	
	300*300: 12km. L70	

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# What others are doing ...

High-resolution NWP systems, planings for 2017

from the ,WGNE-table about the centre computing resources and model configurations 2016'



# **Outlook: use of an SSO scheme in a convection-permitting model?**

SYNOP-Verif. shows that COSMO-D2 is ~0.1 m/s too fast.

*G. Zängl* has already demonstrated the positive effect of an SSO scheme for ICON-LAM.

Hindcast runs for **COSMO-D2 with SSO-scheme** (Lott, Miller (1997) QJRMS) show indeed a reduction in wind speed with only little effect to other verification scores:





# Summary

- COSMO-D2 has a significantly positive impact to summerly precipitation. Especially afternoon convection is much better represented. This is visible in particular in the morning runs, less pronounced in 12-UTC-runs.
- The improvements in TERRA (by *G. Zängl, L. Schlemmer*) with a reduction of drying of the soil have a large positive impact on synoptic scores: T2m, RH2m, Td2m are better than in COSMO-DE routine. This is also an argument to use the new COSMO v5.4h(1) (=v5.5)
- During winter no clear advantage of COSMO-D2 over COSMO-DE visible
- Needs ~3.2x more storage and ~4x more computer power compared to COSMO-DE
- operational use of COSMO-D2 is planned for 15 May 2018











# A short history of COSMO-D2

April 2007	operational start of COSMO-DE (LMK)
2010	first tests with COSMO-DE L80 (K. Wapler) $\rightarrow$ ,L65-project'
Jan. 2013	new fast waves-solver operational (Baldauf (2013) COSMO Tech. R.) $\rightarrow$ solution of stability problems
2014	$\rightarrow$ possibility to add higher resolution (2.2km) to L65 and larger domain
Jan. 2015	New global model ICON
Jan. 2016	Ensemble DA in ICON
March 2017	KENDA assimilation in COSMO-DE
1. June 201	7 pre-operational start of COSMO-D2
15. Mai 201	8 goal: operational start COSMO-D2





# Frequency spectra for <PS> (horizontal average)

### **Hindcast-runs**

i.e. BCs by ICON-EU (6.5km) analysis from the ENS-VAR-DA

# **Observations:**

- daily cycle: 24h
- solar tides at period 12h (induced from global ICON)
- BC update: Nyquist-fr. = 1/2h!
- ICON-analysis every  $3h \rightarrow N$ .-fr.=1/**6h**
- obviously no further artifacts, instabilities, ....





# Power spectra of vertical velocity





SW-inflow, some heavy showers

![](_page_38_Picture_4.jpeg)

processes."

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10-4

wavenumber k (in 1/m)

10<sup>-3</sup>

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other marginally or underresolved small-scale

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# Synop-Verification (contin. scores), 0 UTC runs

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![](_page_39_Picture_2.jpeg)

![](_page_39_Figure_3.jpeg)

![](_page_39_Picture_4.jpeg)

# Synop-Verification (categ. scores), 12 UTC runs

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![](_page_40_Picture_5.jpeg)

# Synop-Verification (categ. scores), 0 UTC runs

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![](_page_43_Figure_0.jpeg)

score value

## upper air verif. 0 UTC runs

![](_page_43_Picture_2.jpeg)

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![](_page_44_Figure_0.jpeg)

score value

# upper air verif. 12 UTC runs

![](_page_44_Picture_2.jpeg)

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