

# PT CORSO-A:

## Final status

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## Goal:

- To transfer results of the PP CORSO to COSMO software, applications and know-how for be available for COSMO- community

**The resources requested/spent: 1.0 FTE**

**Period: 09.2014 – 08.2015 - 08.2016**

## Subtasks:

- ST1:** The guidance of the optimal domain's size selection for COSMO-1 for the regions with complex mountain relief
- ST2:** T2m Implementation of algorithm of subgrid “h-correction” of (due to the differences between model’s and real orography) based on COSMO T lapse rate forecasts
- ST3:** Preparing of archives COSMO-Sochi-EPS applicable for research (as TIGGE LAM) aimed at improving COSMO EPS systems and available for community
- ST4:** Preparing of guidelines for forecasters “The features of using and interpretation of the results of meso-scale modeling” based on Sochi experience

## **The guidance of the optimal domain's size selection for COSMO-1 for the mountain regions**

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### **Motivation:**

- The runs of COSMO-1 for Sochi2014 demonstrated that forecast results depend on size and on site of domain of runs
- The calculations of COSMO-1 are strong useful for meteosupport in mountain areas, but they are very computing expensive

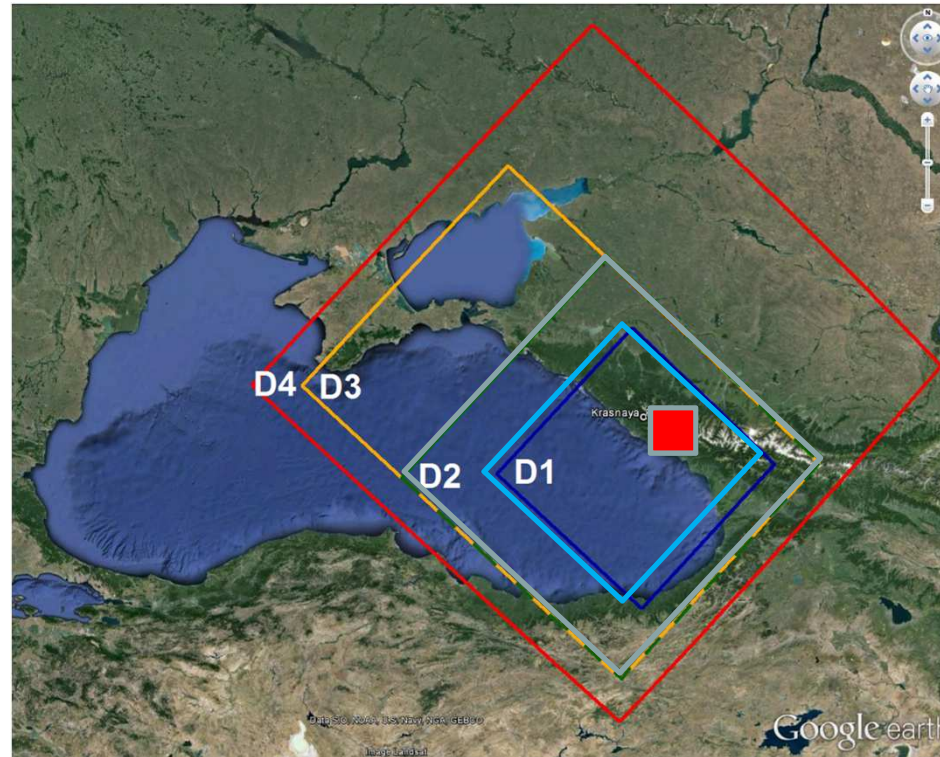
### **Expected results:**

The results of experiments with different COSMO-1 domains and proposals for choosing minimal useful domain size of COSMO-1 &

Practical recommends for COSMO-1 calculations in limited computing resources

## Selected Domains

COSMO-Ru1  
simulations  
performed for  
different  
domains from  
February 3 to  
March 31,  
2014



The most part  
of observation  
data used for  
verification  
was available  
for region of  
competitions  
(Red)

<b>D1:</b>	<b>300 x 300 km</b>	<b>(90 000 / ~ 60 000 km**2)</b>
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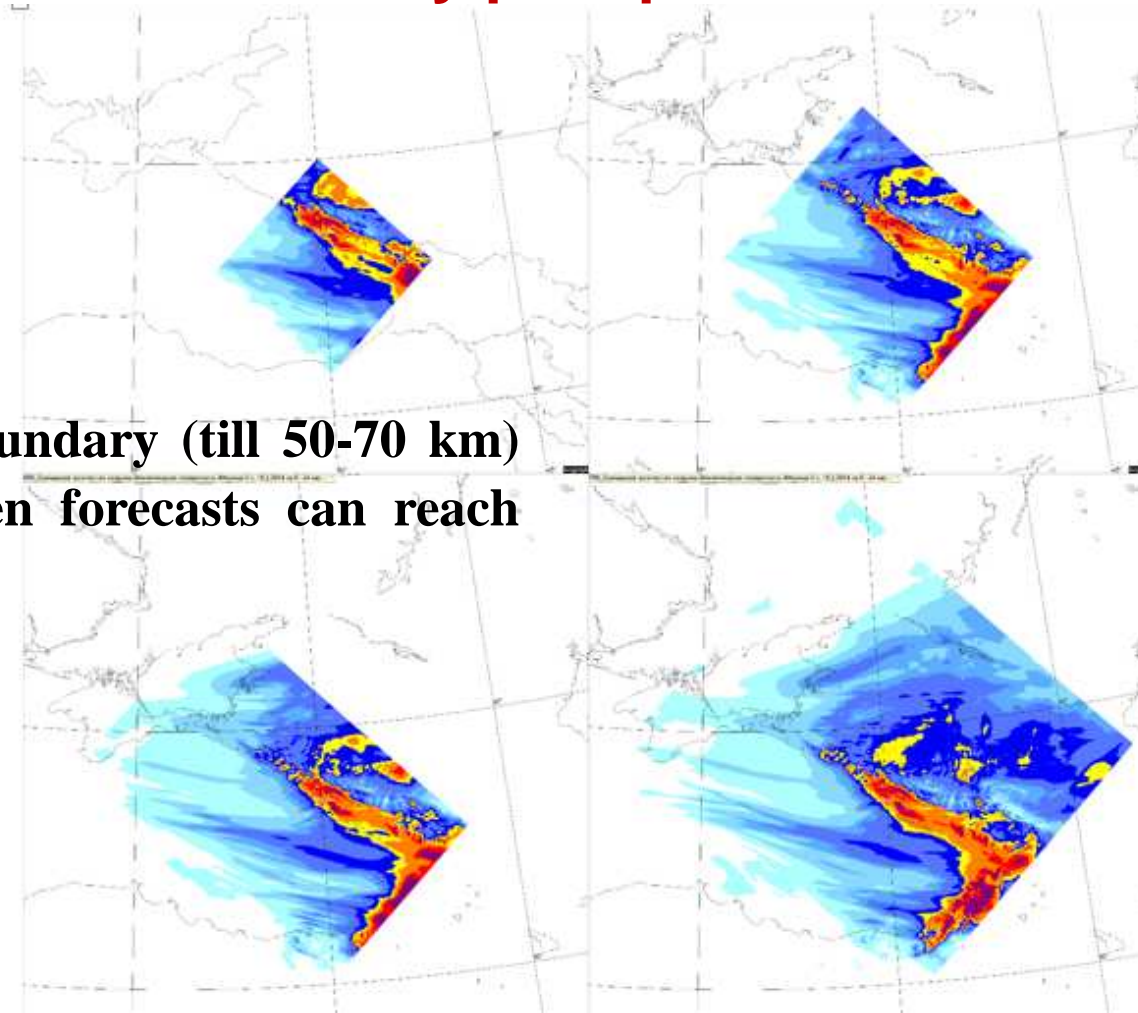


## *What was performed:*

- Several simulation domains were selected taking into account the prevailing direction of air mass transfer (using of GWT\_27 weather type classification) and its transformation due to local conditions (e.g. orography effect)
- Simulations are made for the period 3-20 February, 2014
- Forecasts verification by VERSUS was made for the mentioned period
- Forecasts for different domains for heavy precipitation cases were investigated
- Forecasts evaluated for the central part of the domains onl

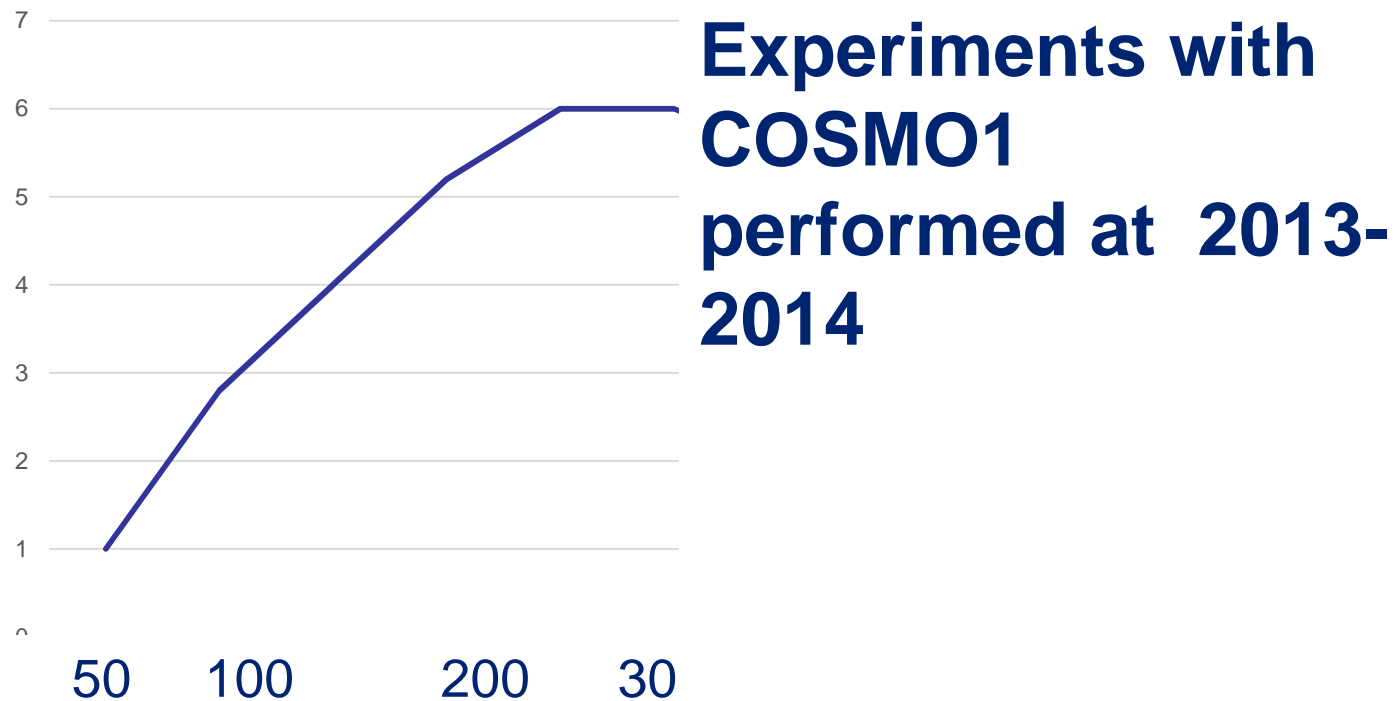
## Case studies of heavy precipitation events

**Near the domains boundary (till 50-70 km)  
the difference between forecasts can reach  
10 mm/day.**



24 h precipitation predicted from 18.02.2014, 00 UTC

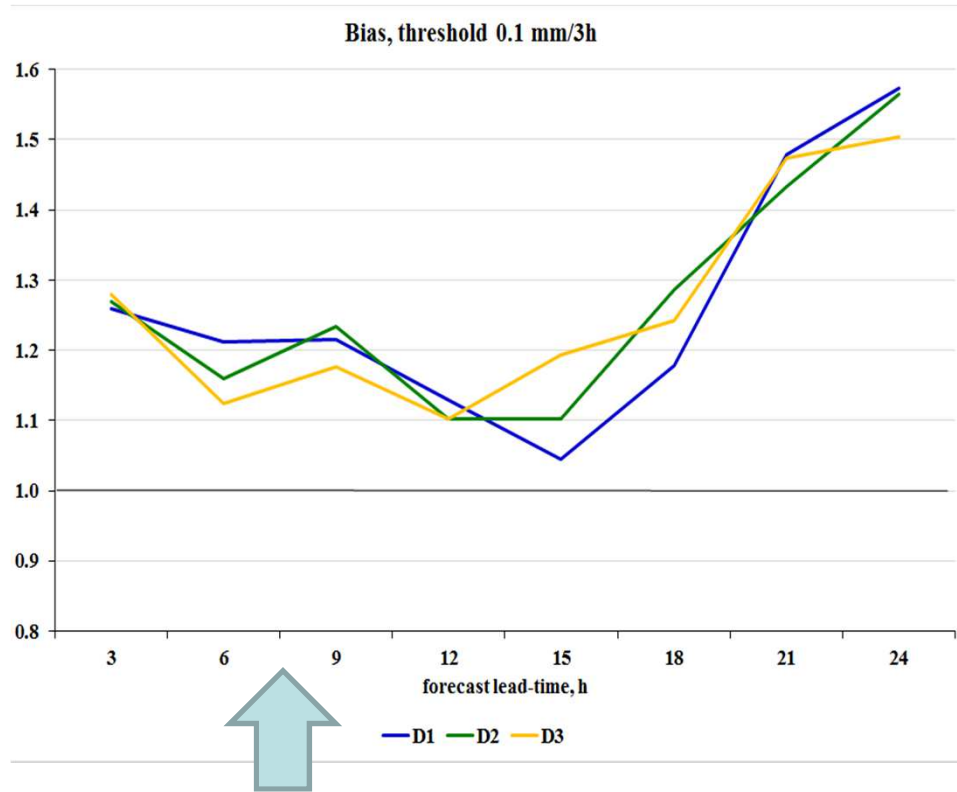
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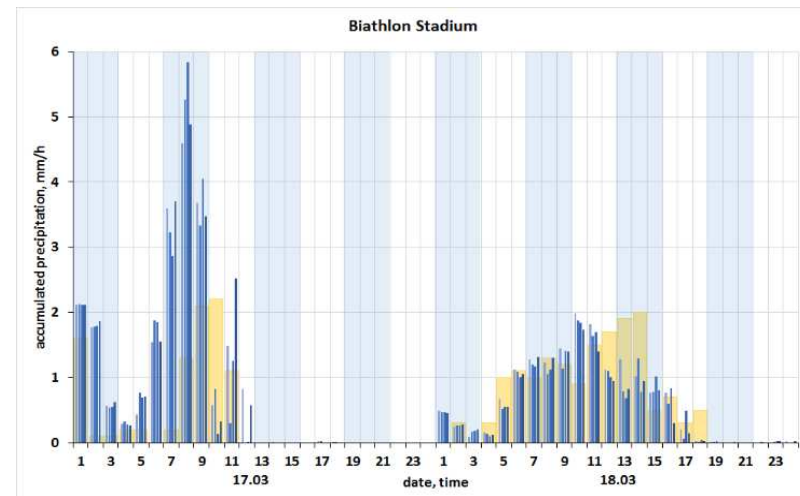
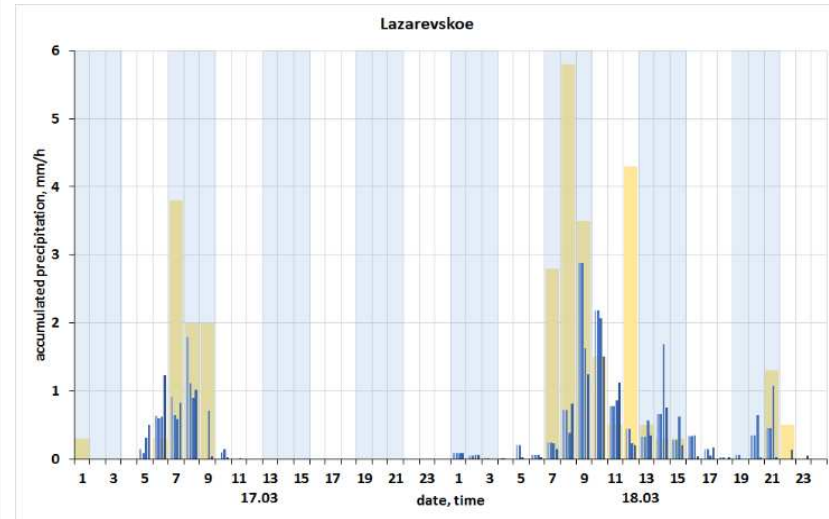
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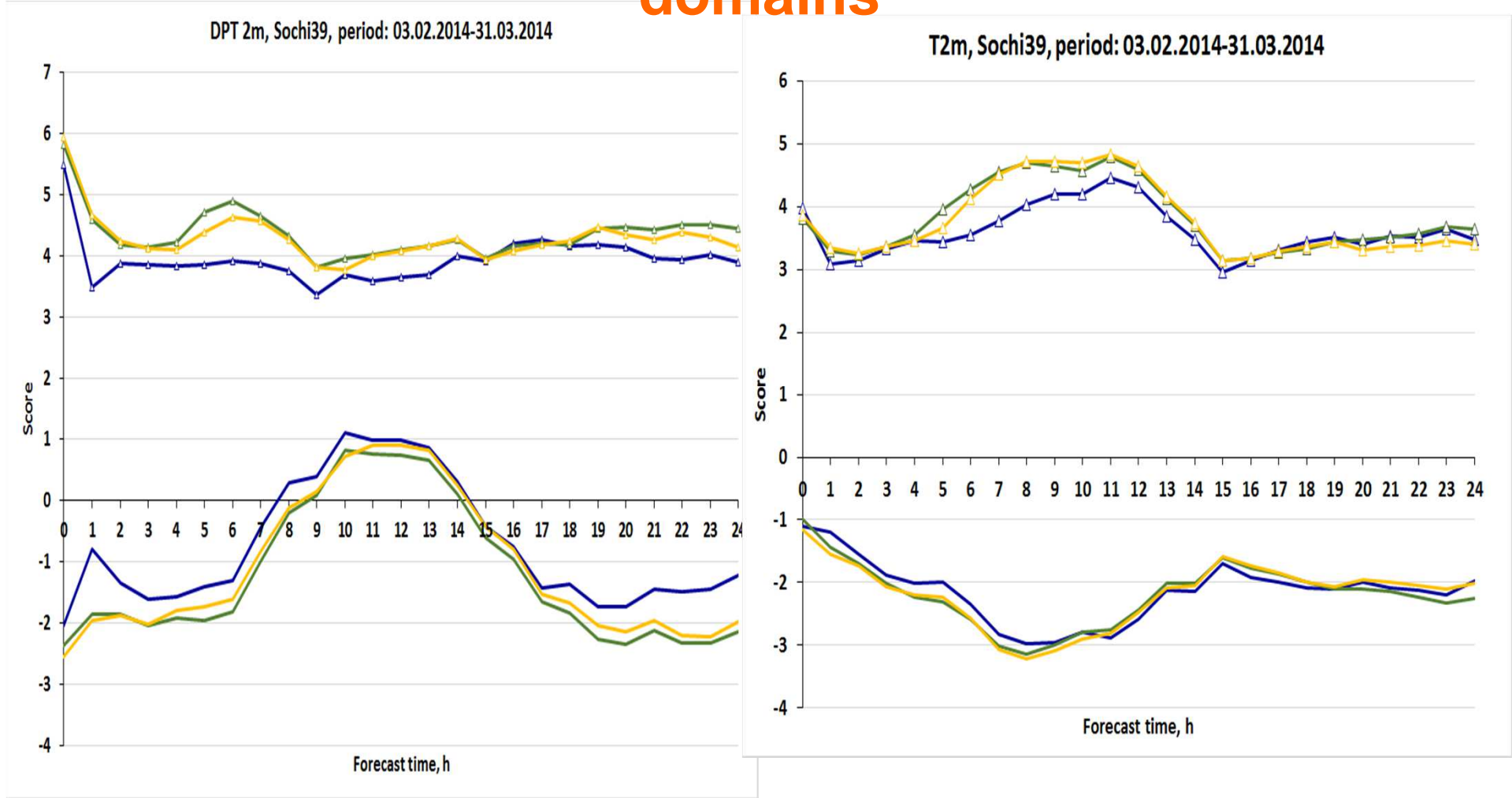
# Testing of precipitation forecasts for different domains



All stations, all precipitations (more 0.1 mm/3h)



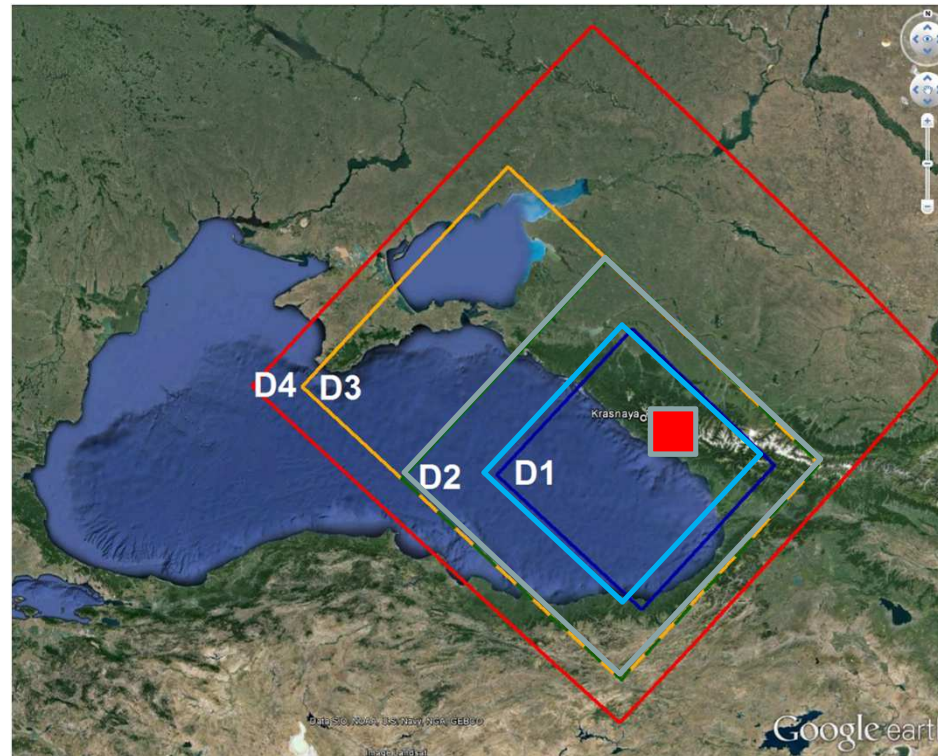
# Testing of T2m & TD2m forecasts for different domains



—ME\_D1 —ME\_D2 —ME\_D3 —△RMSE\_D1 —△RMSE\_D2 —△RMSE\_D3

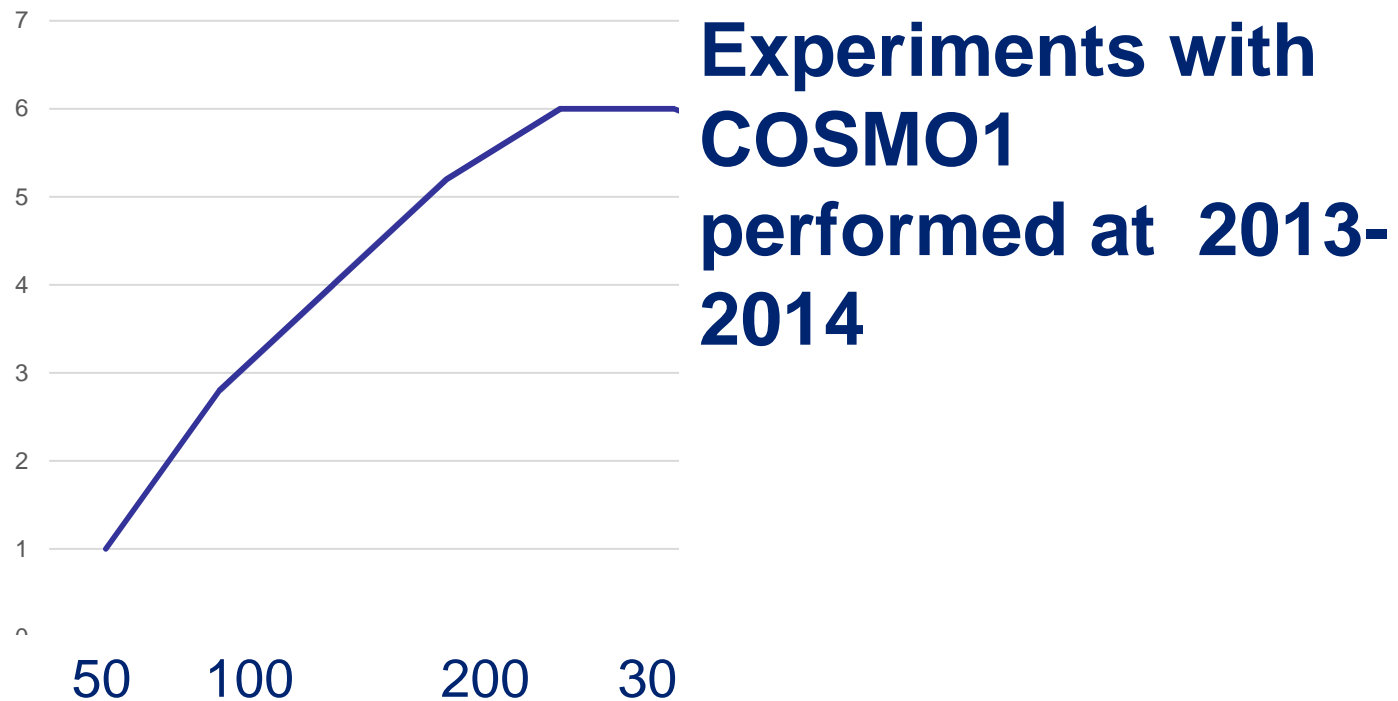
## Selected Domains

Evaporation over water surface and produced cloudiness in COSMO1 can be bigger than in COSMO7



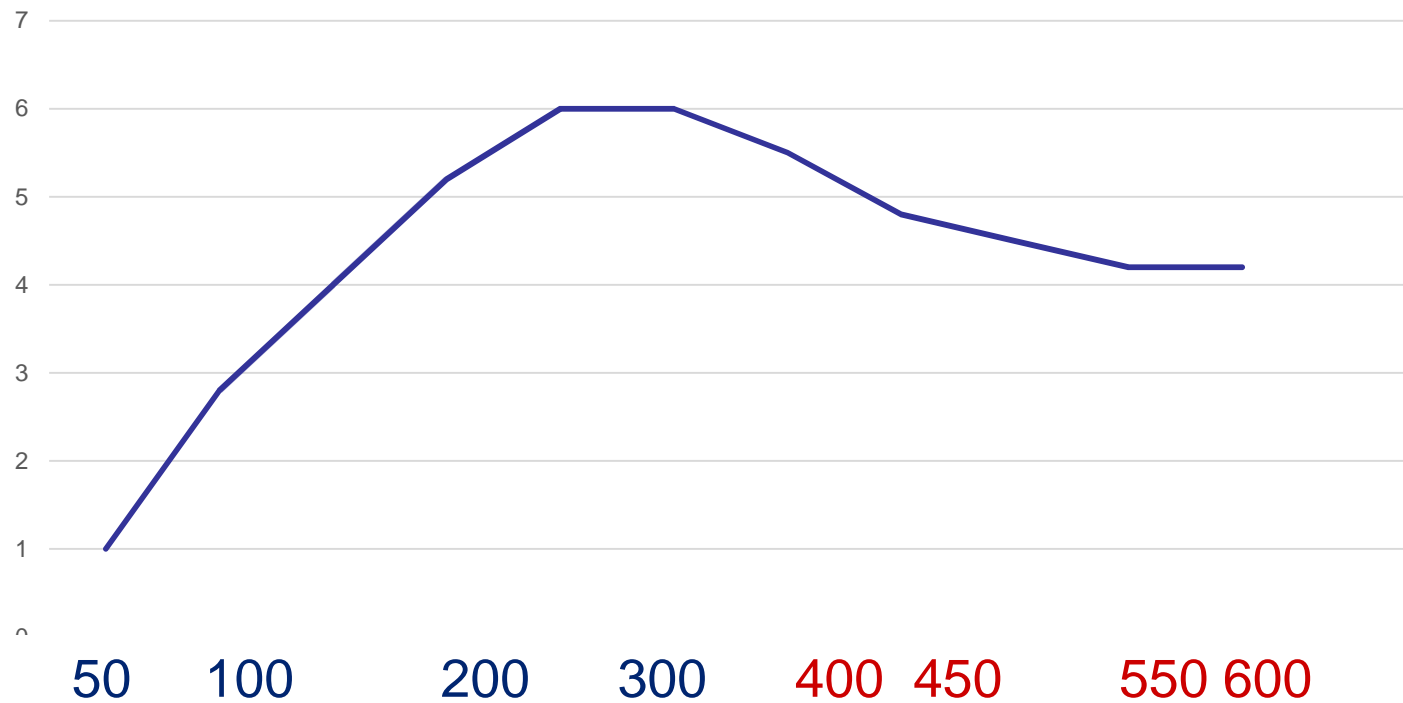
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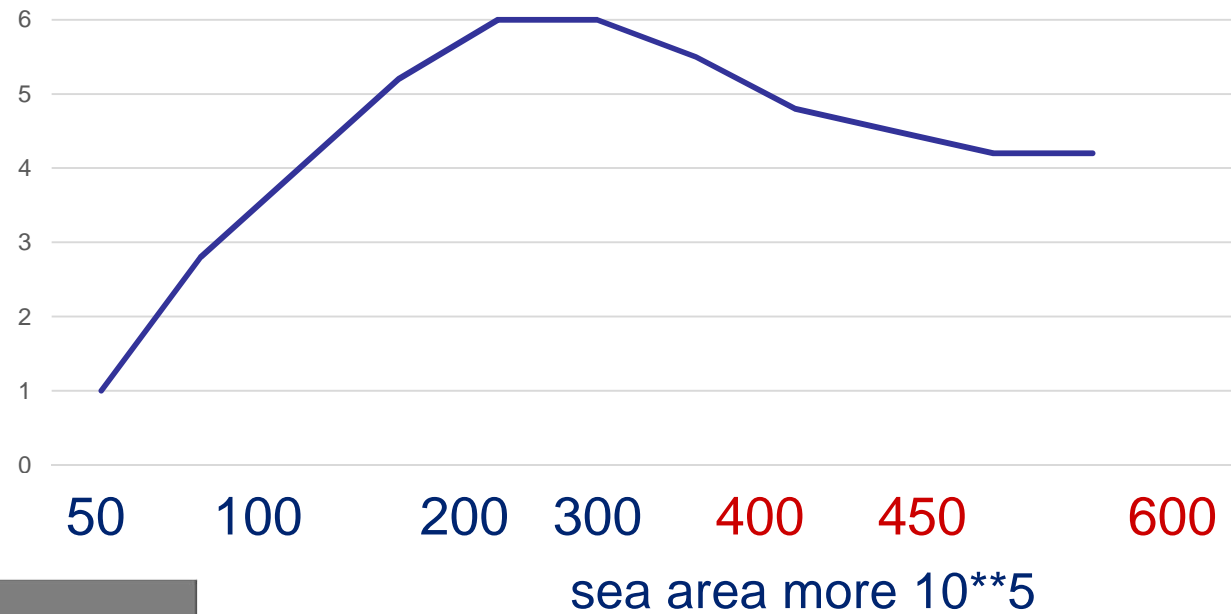
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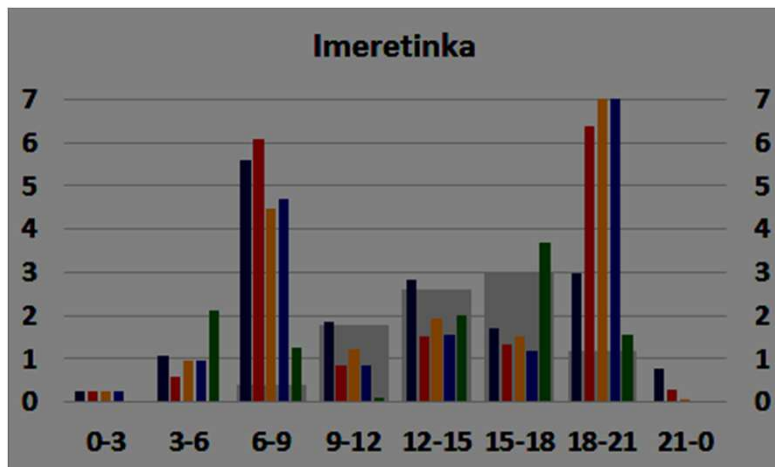
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## CONCLUSION:

Verification of the forecasts shown:

- for V10m : insignificant variations of the results for chosen domains
- for T2m-TD2m : some increasing of negative Bias and of RMSE for domains larger 400-600 km (due to included large sea surfaces-?)
- for precipitation: COSMO1 **overestimates** precipitation sum **averaged for all period** regardless of the domain size; in case of **heavy precipitation both tendencies as under- as overestimation** can be observed for different points
- **The influence of borders** can be indicated in fields of precipitations till **50 km** Difference between forecasts can reach 10 mm for daily amount and 2-3 mm for hourly-accumulated precipitation
- Verification scores **demonstrate possibility to use rather small simulation domain (300x300 grid points) for the forecasts with lead-time until 18 h without loss of forecast quality**

M. Shatunova. G. Rivin “**Optimal domain's size selection for 1.1 km resolution of nested COSMO models for the mountainous regions**”  
**COSMO NL (in Issue)**

**ST2:** Implementation of algorithm of subgrid “h-correction” of T2m (due to the differences between model’s and real heights) based on COSMO T lapse rate forecasts (h-correction)

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## **Expected results:**

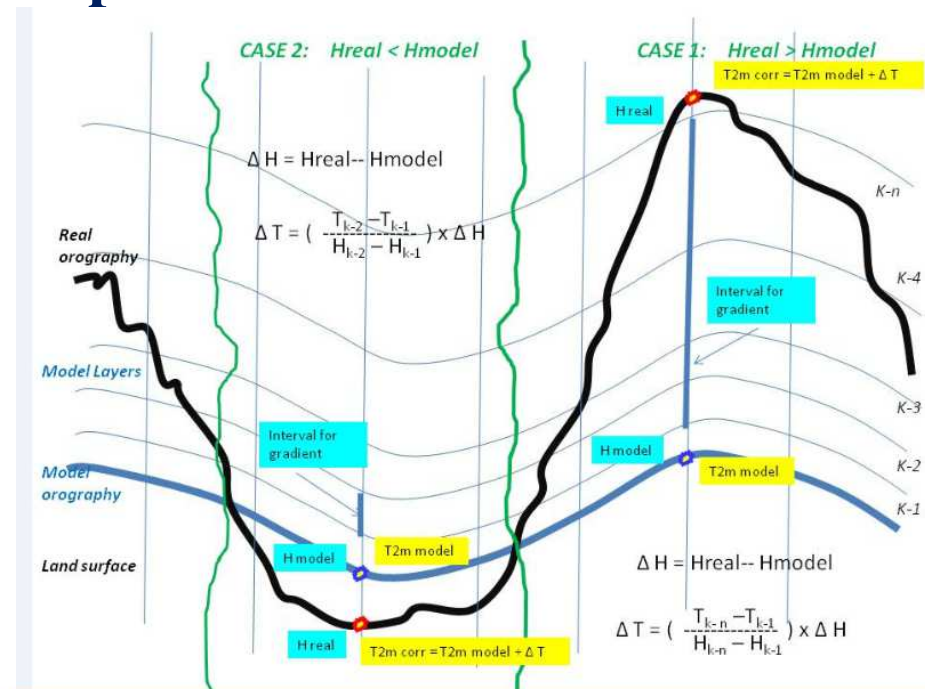
Adapted algorithm & software for the implementation into Fieldextra and into techniques of forming of COSMO meteogram tables, Results of tests for different weather conditions and points

## *What was performed:*

At 2015-16:

The algorithm was formulated and included into FieldExtra Software (since 2016, FieldExtra 12.2.0, J-M Bettems)

The tests based FieldExtra tools performs for mountain stations of Russia and Greece



**ST3: Preparing of archives COSMO-Sochi-EPS  
applicable for research aimed at improving COSMO  
EPS systems and available for community**

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**Goal:**

Archives of 7 km and 2.2 km EPSs forecasts for the Sochi-2014 modeling area applicable for research aimed at improving COSMO EPS systems and available for community

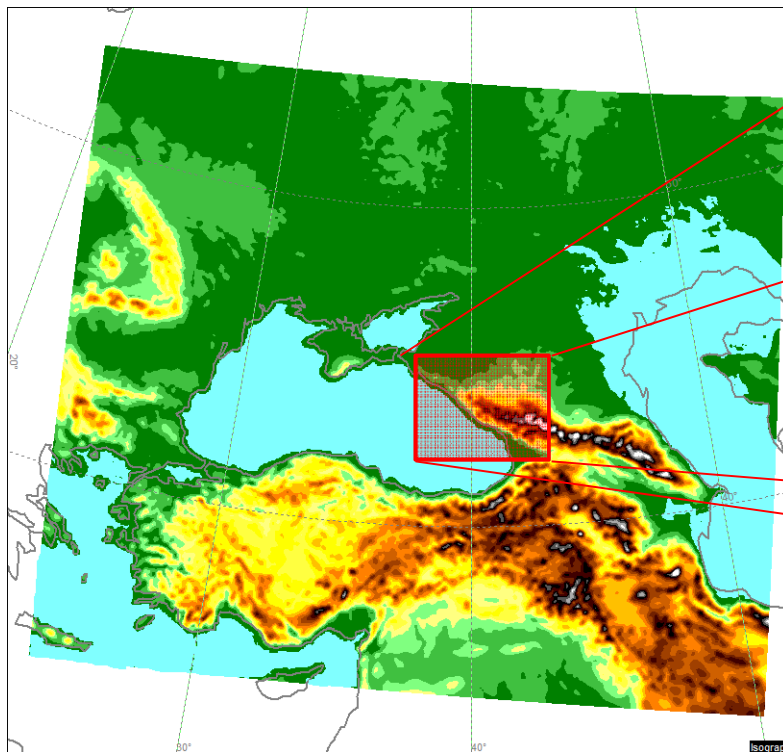


## Results:

- **Archive of COSMO-EPS forecasts in TIGGE-LAM style for the period of Olympics/Paralympics (January 14,2014 – March 16, 2014) are prepared**
- **Web-tool to export forecasts and observations is developed**
- **A list of most interesting cases during Olympics/Paralympics is available**
- **ICs and BCs for high-resolution EPS available on demand**

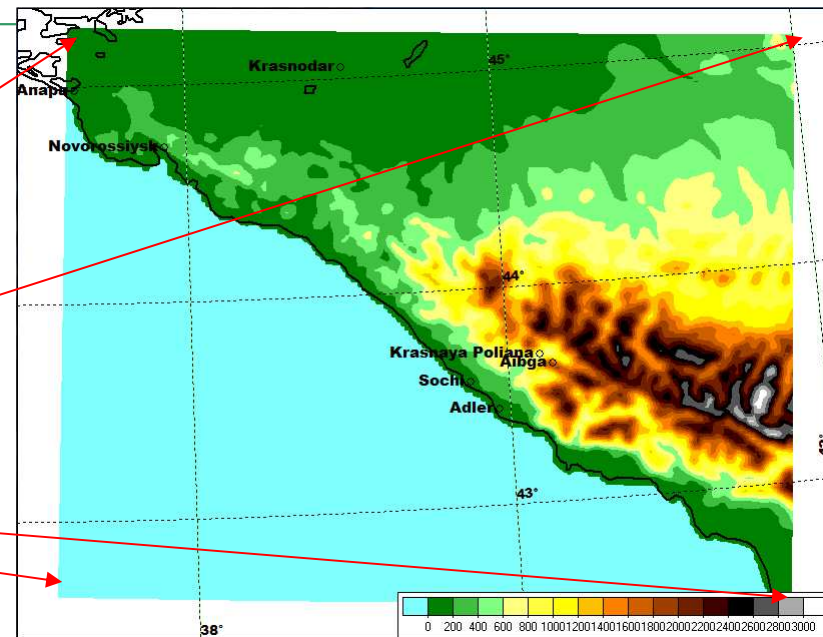
Two COSMO-EPS were developed in CORSO project

COSMO-S14-EPS – a “clone” of COSMO-LEPS moved to the Sochi region  
 COSMO-Ru2-EPS – downscaling of COSMO-S14-EPS  
 10 members



**COSMO-S14-EPS**

Domain: 1575 km \* 1680 km  
 Grid: 226\*241, 40 lev  
 Step: 7 km



**COSMO-Ru2-EPS**

Domain: ~ 376 km \* 288 km  
 Grid: 172x132, 50 lev  
 Step: 2.2 km

## Specification of CORSO Unified Archive for Sochi (follows TIGGE-LAM )

- *Data format:* **WMO-GRIB2**
- *Period:* **January 14,2014 – March 16, 2014**
- *Ensemble systems:* **COSMO-S14-EPS, COSMO-Ru2-EPS**
- *Model runs:* **2 per day (00 UTC, 12 UTC)**
- *Time step frequency:* **3h (cumulated parameters are not archived at step 0)**
- *Grid:* **original model grid**
- *Parameters:* **T 2m, Td 2m, U 10m, V 10m,  
gusts 10m, pmsl, 3-h accum prec**
- *Static fields:* **orography, land-sea mask (are archived only once)**

*GRIB files for ensembles contain the following metadata:* size of ensemble;  
ensemble member's number; type of forecast (perturbed/control)

*CORSO archive is a part of FROST-2014 archive,*

which additionally contains forecasts by 4 other EPSs:

**GLAMEPS (11km), HarmonEPS(2.5 km), NMMB-EPS(7 km), LAEF-EPS (11 km)**

Web-tool to export gridded ensemble forecasts from the archive

Select interval of forecast initial dates

From  To

Select forecast origin and initial time

	COSMO-S14-EPS	GLAMEPS	LAEF-EPS	NMMB-EPS	COSMO-Ru2-EPS	HarmonEPS
00:00	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
06:00		<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>
12:00	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
18:00		<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>

[Select all](#) [Clear](#)

Select ensemble members

- 0  1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9  10  11  12  13  14
- 15  16  17  18  19  20  21  22  23  24  25  26  27  28  29
- 30  31  32  33  34  35  36  37  38  39  40  41  42  43  44
- 45  46  47  48  49  50  51  52  53  54

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Forecast Lead Time [hr]

- 0  1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9  10  11  12  13  14
- 15  16  17  18  19  20  21  22  23  24  25  26  27  28  29
- 30  31  32  33  34  35  36  37  38  39  40  41  42  43  44
- 45  46  47  48  51  54  57  60  63  66  69  72

[Select all](#) [Clear](#)

Select meteorological parameters

- 10 metre U wind component
- 10 metre V wind component
- Wind Gusts at 10 m height, m/s
- Dew Point Temperature (at 2 m above the ground), K
- Temperature (at 2 m above the ground), K
- Land-sea mask
- Mean sea level pressure, Pa
- Orography
- Total precipitation, mm

[Select all](#) [Clear](#)

Your email:

Submit (Once your data are ready you will get a notification to this E-mail)





## Web-tool to export observations from the automatic meteorological stations in the Sochi region

Select a time interval between 2011-01-01 23:00:01 and 2014-09-29 13:24:53

Date from  to

Select stations

<input type="checkbox"/> Snowboard-1025	<input type="checkbox"/> Freestyle-1080	<input type="checkbox"/> Biathlon-1500	<input type="checkbox"/> Biathlon-1400
<input type="checkbox"/> Biathlon Stadium	<input type="checkbox"/> Ski Stadium	<input type="checkbox"/> Nordic Combination-675	<input type="checkbox"/> Nordic Combination-615
<input type="checkbox"/> Ski Jump-650	<input type="checkbox"/> Ski Jump-800	<input type="checkbox"/> Sledge-830	<input type="checkbox"/> Sledge-700
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<input type="checkbox"/> RKHU-2 (2137m)	<input type="checkbox"/> RKHU-3 (2043m)	<input type="checkbox"/> RKHU-8 (1740m)	<input type="checkbox"/> RKHU-4 (1580m)
<input type="checkbox"/> RKHU-7 (Finish, 980m)	<input type="checkbox"/> Adler-AMSG	<input type="checkbox"/> Magry (Roshydromet)	<input type="checkbox"/> Helicopter Pad Roza-Khutor
<input type="checkbox"/> Lunnaya Polyana (Helicopter Pad)	<input type="checkbox"/> Krasnaya Poliana-Verblude (Megafon)	<input type="checkbox"/> Adler-Norluis (Megafon)	<input type="checkbox"/> SBT-Dacha (Megafon)
<input type="checkbox"/> Adler-Airport (Megafon)	<input type="checkbox"/> SYNOP stations		

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Select parameters

<input type="checkbox"/> Wind Speed	<input type="checkbox"/> Wind Direction	<input type="checkbox"/> Air Temperature	<input type="checkbox"/> Dew Point Temperature
<input type="checkbox"/> Ground Temperature	<input type="checkbox"/> Relative Humidity	<input type="checkbox"/> Precipitation	<input type="checkbox"/> Precipitation Intensity
<input type="checkbox"/> Atmospheric Pressure	<input type="checkbox"/> Visibility	<input type="checkbox"/> Cloud Base Height	<input type="checkbox"/> Reflected Sort-Wave Irradiance
<input type="checkbox"/> Total irradiance			

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Your e-mail:



## A list of most interesting cases during the Olympics/Paralympics

Date	on competitions)	Behavior of models
February 7, 2014	Foehn	Underestimation of temperature by the most part of models
February 10-11, 2014	Precipitation dissipation	Precipitation predicted by the overwhelming majority of models but not observed actually
February 15, 2014	Wind gusts	Underestimation of maximum wind speed in Krasnaya Polyana (by 3.5-7 m/s) by the most part of models
February 16-17, 2014	Local cyclogenesis/Poor visibility (postponed competitions in biathlon and snowboard)	Not all forecasting systems performed well
February 18, 2014	Cold front/Precipitation	Accurate precipitation forecast by the majority of models
February 22, 2014	Foehn	Underestimation of air temperature (by 2.4-4.4°C) by the most part of models
March 11, 2014	Cold front/Temperature (postponed competitions in Alpine skiing)	Not so accurate forecast of maximum air temperature and diurnal variations
March 13, 2014	Weak slow process/Precipitation above 1500 m caused by "settling" of clouds	Inaccurate forecast of precipitation by the majority of models
March 16-17, 2014	Cold front/Wind gusts	Underestimation of wind speed by the most part of models

- The CORSO and FROST-2014 archives are ready
- The Web tools to export data are prepared
- Various observation data are available

“COSMO-based ensemble forecasting for Sochi-2014 Olympics: archiving the results” *E. Astakhova, A.*

*Montani, D. Kiktev, A. Smirnov* : COSMO News Letter No.

16, pp. 40-45

**Welcome to the Sochi testbed!**



**ST4: Preparing of guidelines for forecasters “The features of using and interpretation of the results of meso- scale modeling”** *I.Rozinkina, (RHMC)*  
*P.Eckert (MS)*

## **Expected results:**

Guidelines for forecasters –concerning the features of interpretation of High resolution NWP products

## **Motivation:**

The implementation, including interpretation of LAM HR products has some features in comparison with products of Global modeling. Some experience was obtained as result of feed-back from forecasters during Sochi2014 and trials



# PT CORSO-A: ST4

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## Recommendations to forecasters on the use of products of small scale LAM NWP

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## Availability of Results for COSMO:

**ST1:** “Optimal domain's size selection for 1.1 km resolution of nested COSMO models for the mountainous regions” M. Shatunova, G. Rivin : Prepared for COSMO NL

**ST2:** Software included into FieldExtra, 12.2.0.

**ST3:** “COSMO-based ensemble forecasting for Sochi-2014 Olympics: archiving the results” E. Astakhova, A. Montani, D. Kiktev, A. Smirnov : COSMO News Letter No. 16, pp. 40-45

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<http://frost2014.meteoinfo.ru/obs/export-observations-data>,

<http://frost2014.meteoinfo.ru/forecast/exportgridforcs>

**ST4:** ”Guidelines for forecasters of interpretation of LAM mesoscale NWP products” I.Rozinkina, P.Eckert (will be presented on COSMO-model.org till Feb 2017)



## PT CORSO-A:

*Thanks for your attention!*

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