

Tools for Climate Change Modeling and Scenario Analysis



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Biodiversity

Soils microbiology and Agro-ecology

Integrating agro-biodiversity into forests biodiversity conservation

- National planning for biodiversity conservation
 - GAP
 - Climate change

Ecosystem services

Farm level

Carbon, water and nutrient footprint assessment of CSA practices

Landscape level

Off-site benefits of CSA
practices for agriculture,
drinking water, hydro-power,
tourism and biodiversity
conservation

National level

Cross-sectorial integration Planning and monitoring systems

Drivers of change

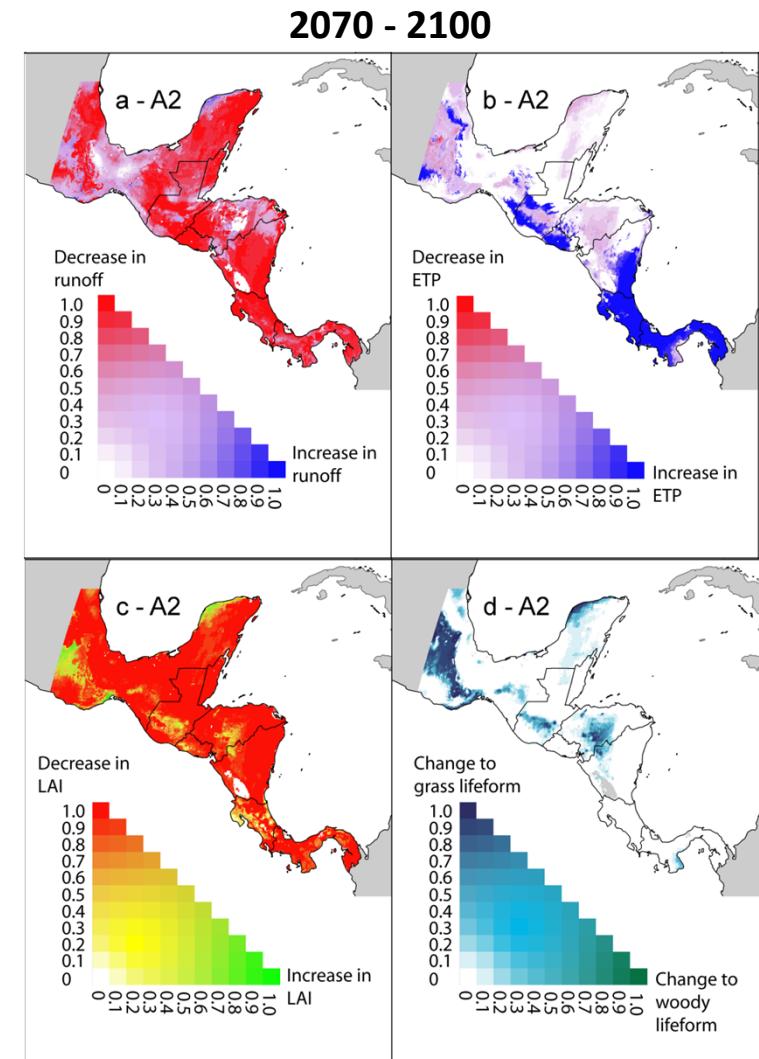
Land use change monitoring

Climate change

Adoption and information services

Land Surface Modeling

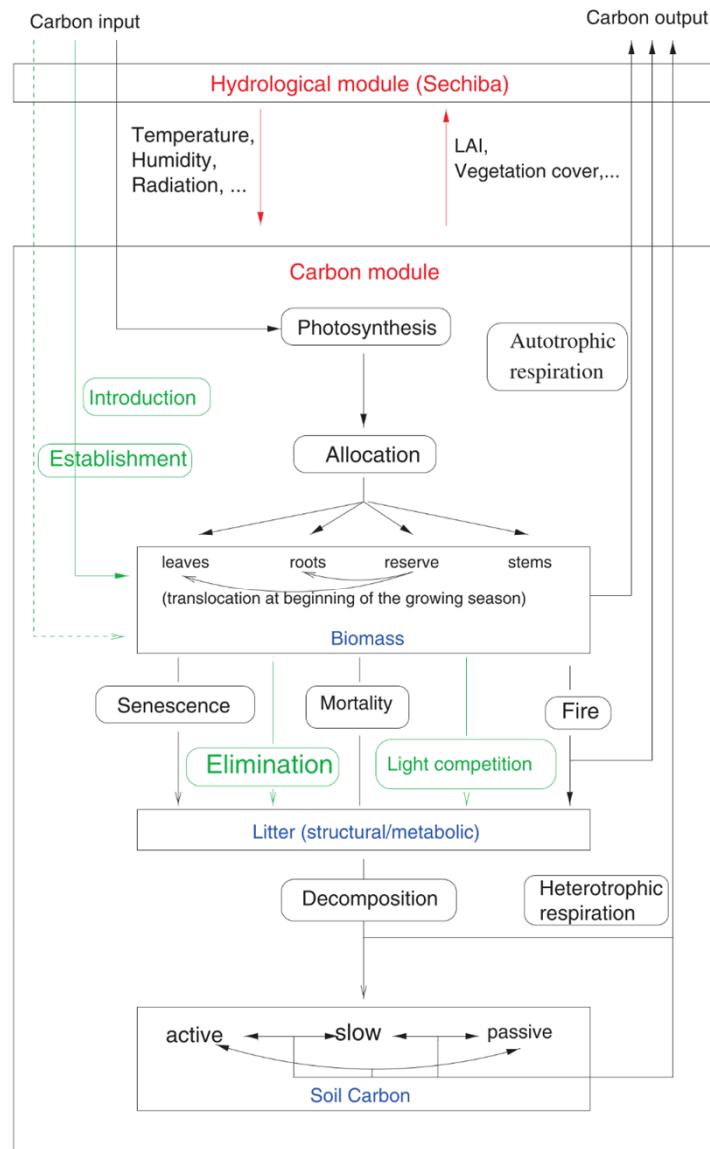
- Surface Vegetation Atmosphere (SVAT) models – Equilibrium approach:
 - Potential vegetation types that can develop given climate constraints (precipitation, temperature);
 - Comparison between current and future climate conditions.
 - Case study: use of MAPSS (Neilson 1995); potential equilibrium states (vegetation, water) in Mesoamerica under Climate Change.



Source: Imbach et al. (2012)

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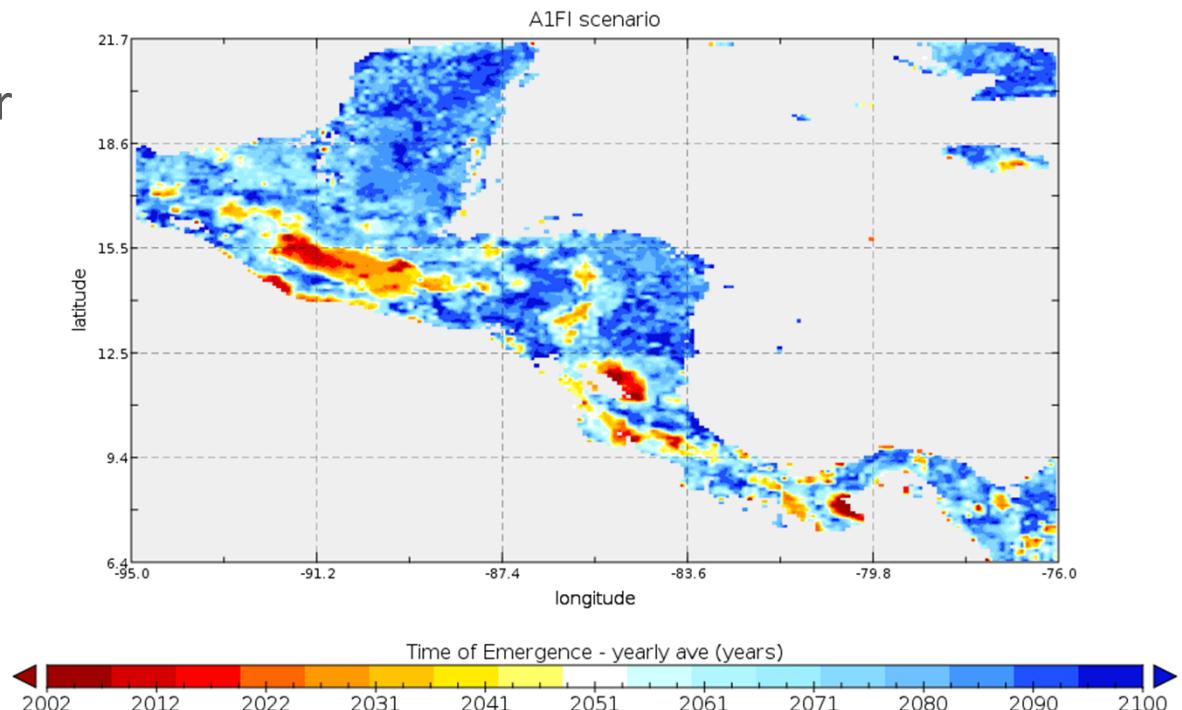
- Dynamic approach: dynamic global vegetation models (DGVMs);
- Study of **inter-annual variability** and **transient changes** in the land biosphere.



Source: Krinner et al. (2005).

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- Case study – application of a DGVM:
Use of the model ORCHIDEE (Kriinner et al., 2005) to simulate transient changes in runoff in response to climate change in Mesoamerica.

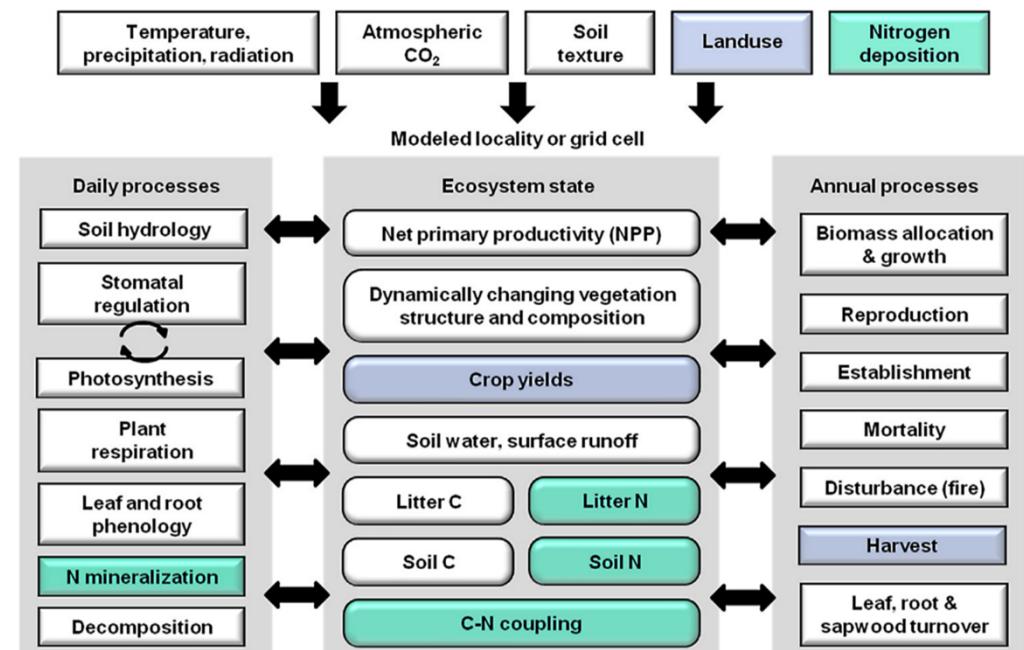


Time of emergence: the year when runoff decreases permanently below the historical minimum (Q_{25}).

Source: Imbach et al. (in prep.)

Land Surface Modeling – Current work

- Crop yields at continental/ regional scale (multi-scale approach along with crop models);
- Monitoring of soil moisture: application to monitoring of agricultural drought;
- Impact of land management practices:
 - Carbon and nutrient cycling;
 - Vegetation changes → biodiversity.



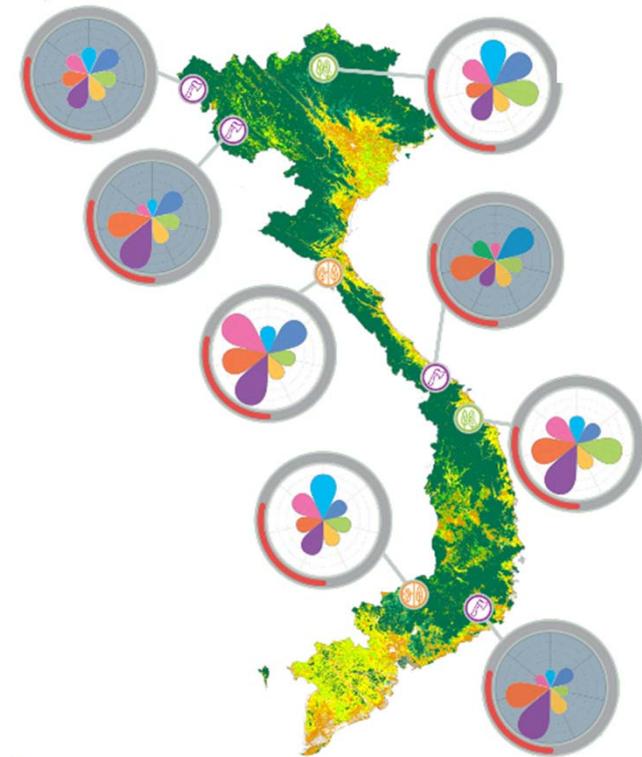
Source: Bayer et al. (2015)

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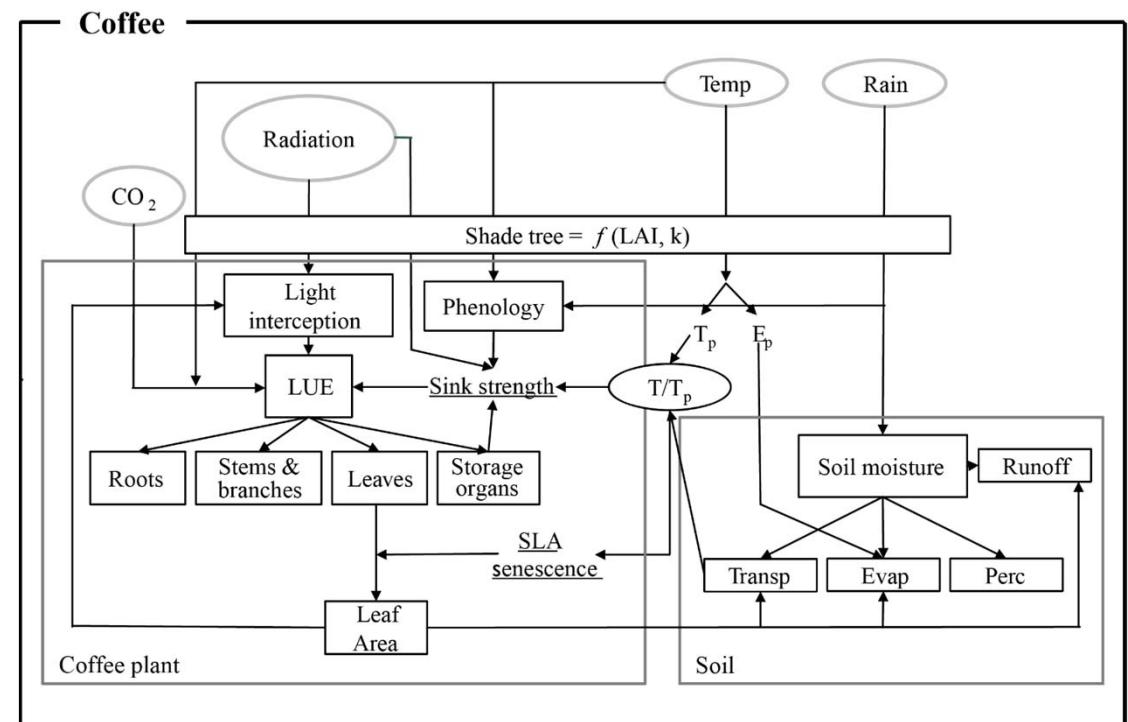
- Contribution to identification, quantification and valuation of ES:
 - Historical variability;
 - Effects of climate change and variability;
 - Effect of out-scaling agricultural practices
- Support:
 - Spatial planning;
 - Monitoring systems;
 - Cross-sectoral planning.



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Crop Modeling – Climate Change Implications

- Process-based yield forecasting;
- Project starting in Vietnam
(coffee in Central Highlands).



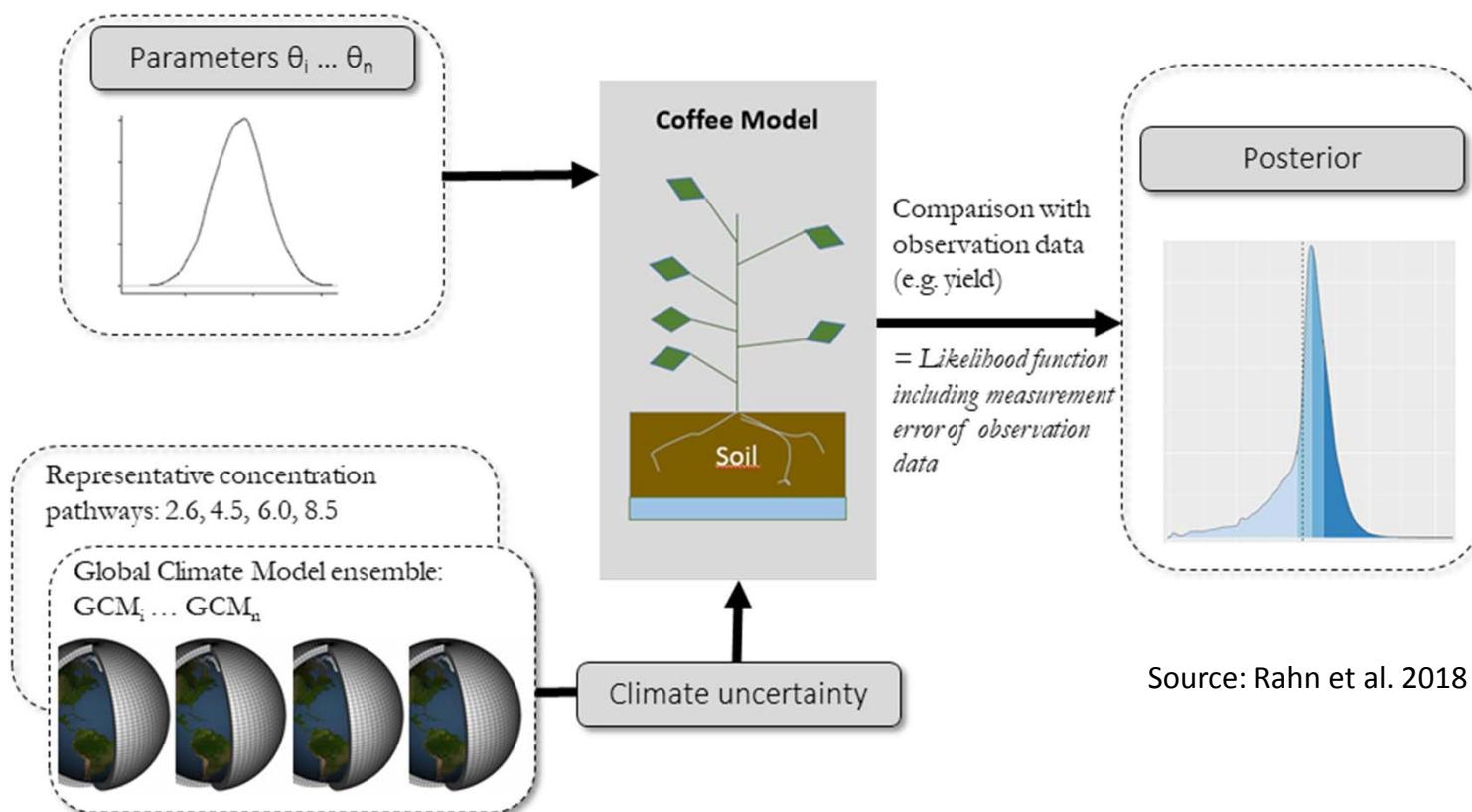
Source: Rahn et al. 2018

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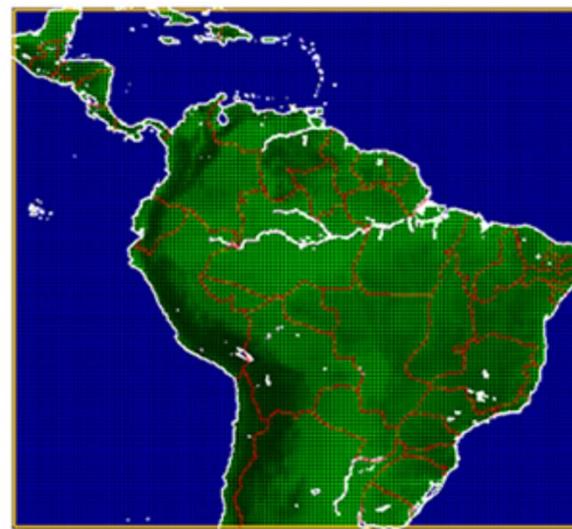
- Data assimilation: bayesian inference to estimate model parameters and uncertainty assessment.



Source: Rahn et al. 2018

Downscaling of Climate Change Projections

- CIAT GCM Data Portal;
- Statistical downscaling of CMIP3 and CMIP5 climate projections at global scale (1 km);
- Dynamical downscaling in Central and South America – models ETA and PRECIS.



| GCM | Scenario | Period |
|--------------------|------------|-------------|
| <i>HadCM3Q0</i> | SRES A1B | 1950 - 2100 |
| <i>HadCM3Q3</i> | SRES A1B | 1950 - 2100 |
| <i>HadCM3Q16</i> | SRES A1B | 1950 - 2100 |
| <i>ECHAM4</i> | SRES A2 | 1989 - 2100 |
| <i>ECHAM4</i> | SRES B2 | 2069 - 2100 |
| <i>ECHAM5</i> | SRES A1B | 1950 - 2100 |
| <i>HadAM3P</i> | Baseline | 1960 - 1990 |
| <i>HadAM3P</i> | SRES A2 | 2070 - 2100 |
| <i>HadAM3P</i> | SRES B2 | 2070 - 2100 |
| <i>ERA40</i> | Reanalisis | 1957 - 2000 |
| <i>NCEP:R2</i> | Reanalisis | 1979 - 2005 |
| <i>ERA-Interim</i> | Reanalisis | 1988 - 1997 |
| <i>ERA15</i> | Reanalisis | 1979 - 1993 |

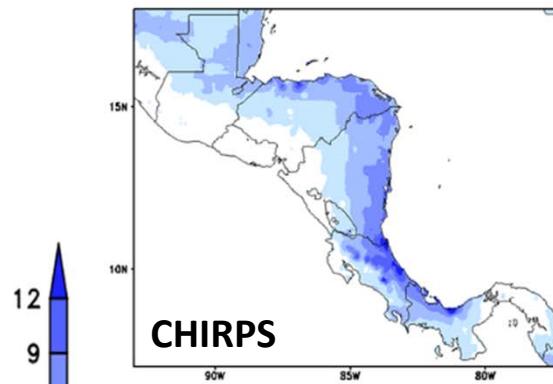
Processing domain with the regional climate model PRECIS (50 km resolution).

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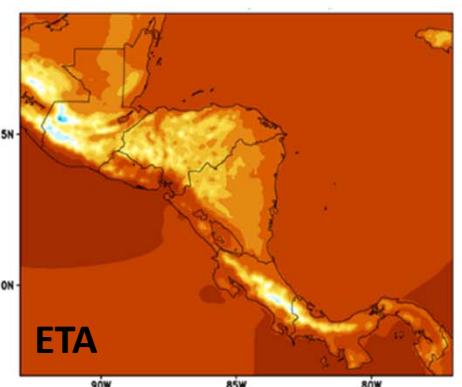
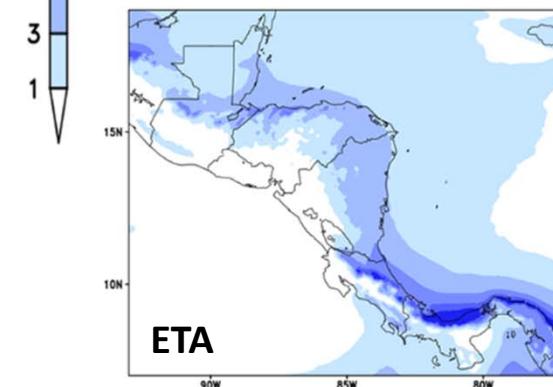
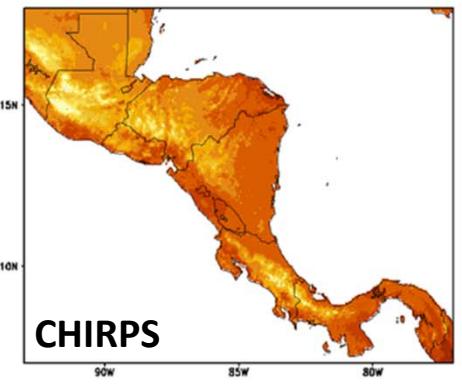
- Dynamical downscaling:
 - 8 km in Central America;
 - ETA model;
 - GCM HadGEMS2-ES, RCP 4.5.

Average over JFM 1961 - 1990

Mean precipitation rate (mm/day)



Mean 2-meter air temperature



Source: Imbach et al. (2018)



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Perspectives

- Monitoring and analysis of ecosystem services through a coherent framework (DGVMs):
 - Carbon sequestration;
 - Water availability (e.g. human consumption, hydropower);
 - Biodiversity conservation;
 - Nutrient cycling.
- Impact of climate-smart agricultural practices;
- Foresight modeling.

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Early warning for deforestation and land cover change

Potential link with:

CAAS Disciplinary Cluster: Agricultural Resources and Environment

CAAS Disciplines:

Agricultural environmental monitoring and evaluation

Agricultural and forestry biomass transformation engineering



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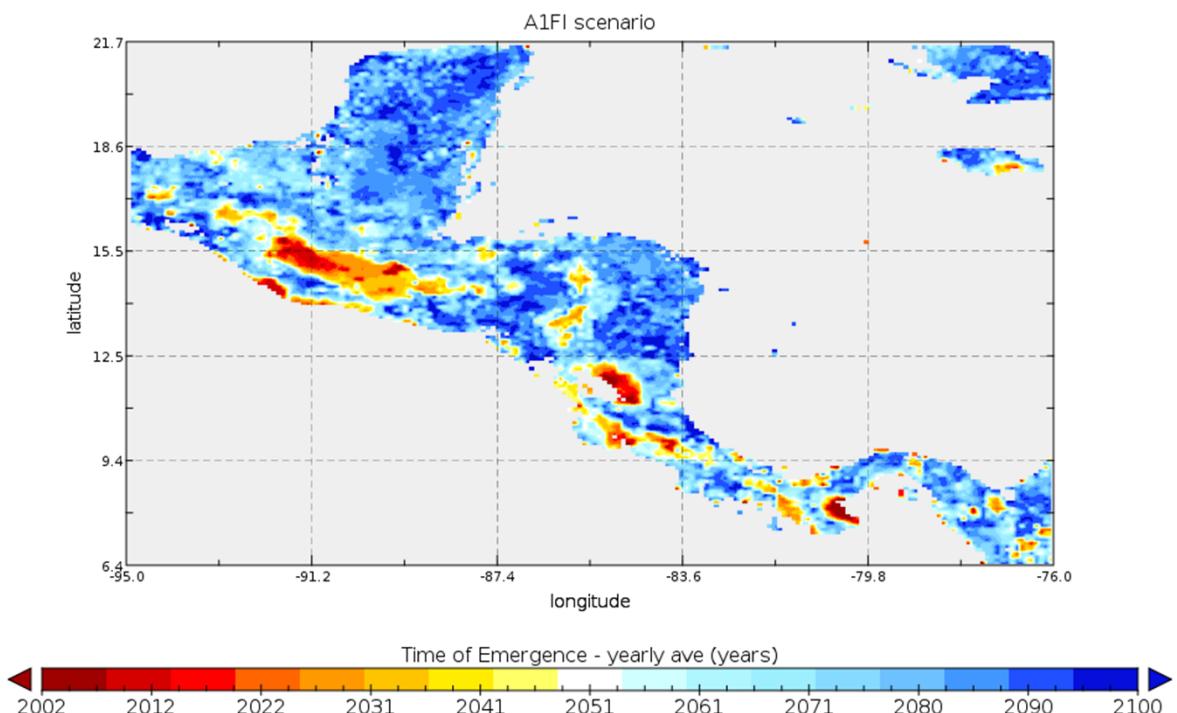
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