

## **Over New Horizon for One Korea together in Agricultural and Forest Meteorology**

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Agricultural and forest ecosystems are evolving for best adapt to the rapidly changing natural and human environments in which climate change is superimposed on other stresses, thereby creating more new challenges. This paradigm is facing diverse challenges in science and technology for agricultural and forest meteorological services from farming to Earth Systems. Accordingly, agricultural meteorologists are being asked to address the interactions between human influences, ecological processes, and landscape dynamics that impact many diverse aspects of managing complex coupled human-nature systems, especially in the framework of sustainability science.

Agricultural sustainability is difficult to define and to measure. Along with biophysical indicators, a comparable set of economic and social indicators still needs to be developed. An important additional dimension is how to design monitoring and assessing systems to track the impacts of the management and the policy interventions, and to assess whether or not these are contributing towards sustainability. Key questions are related to system vulnerability, resilience, adaptation, feedback processing, cycling, non-linearities, and other complex behaviors, which should be addressed by employing trans-disciplinary framework to data collection and analysis in a holistic way (e.g., life cycle analysis, information theory, network science, big data, etc.). How to implement better agrometeorological research, education and services for agricultural and forest sustainability requires radical efforts to ongoing paradigm shift from classical mono-discipline to multi-discipline to inter-discipline to trans-discipline in particular by considering emerging new horizon for one Korea.

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### AgroEcosystem - Functions/Services

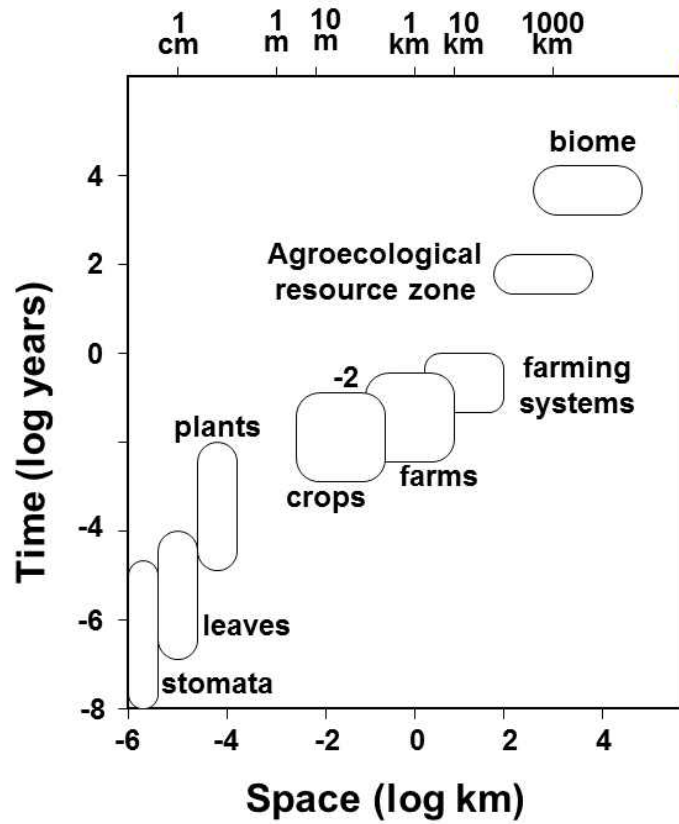
#### ❖ AgroEcosystem (Elliott and Cole, 1989)

- an interactive group of **biotic and abiotic** components
- some of which are **under human control**
- that forms a **unified whole (ecosystem)**
- for the purpose of **producing food and fiber**

#### ❖ Agriculture & Forestry can also provide **non-commodity** outputs, some of which **benefit the public** without compensating the farmer.

**Non-commodity outputs (public services)** by farms include both

- **ecological functions**  
(e.g. biodiversity, nutrient cycling, and carbon sequestration) and
- **cultural functions**  
(e.g. recreation, cultural heritage, and visual quality/amenity)

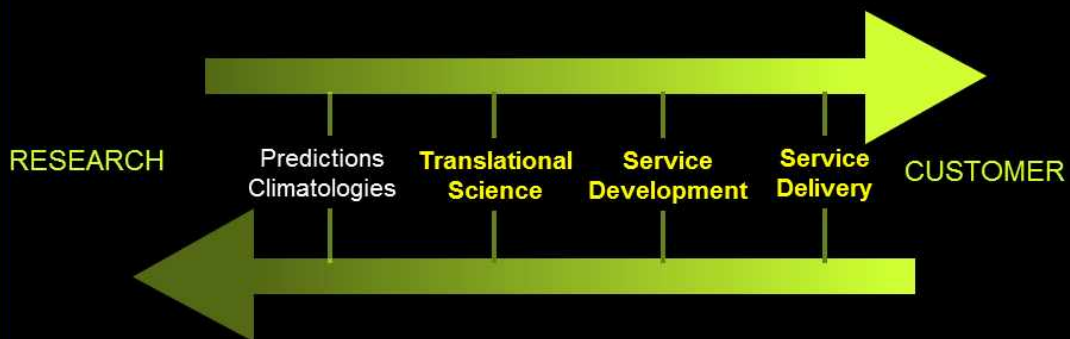


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## Setting the Right Structures

**From Science to Service:** The end-to-end delivery chain



Continuous Dialogue *Beginning* with the **Customer**

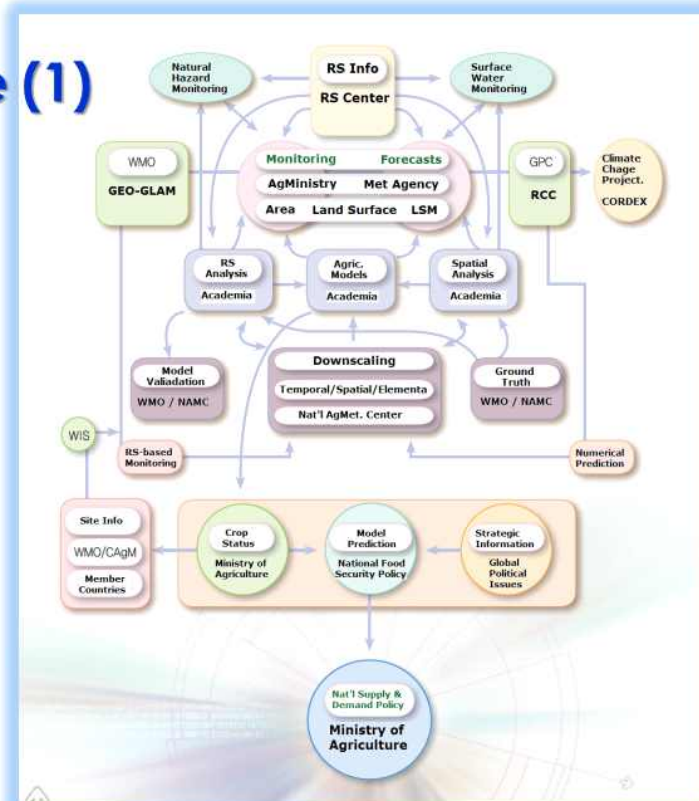
# emerging Climate Services: A revolution in the application of Climate Science

by Julia Slingo, Met Office, UK

- 1) From mitigation to **mitigation** and **adaptation**
- 2) Climate change to **climate change** and **climate variability**
- 3) Global, century-scale scenarios to **regional predictions, days to decades** ahead
- 4) Global climate to characteristics of **hazardous weather** and **climate extremes**
- 5) From few to **many customers** – public, governments, business and industry
- 6) **Operational delivery** – from IPCC Assessment Reports to updated **monitoring, forecasts, products** and **services**

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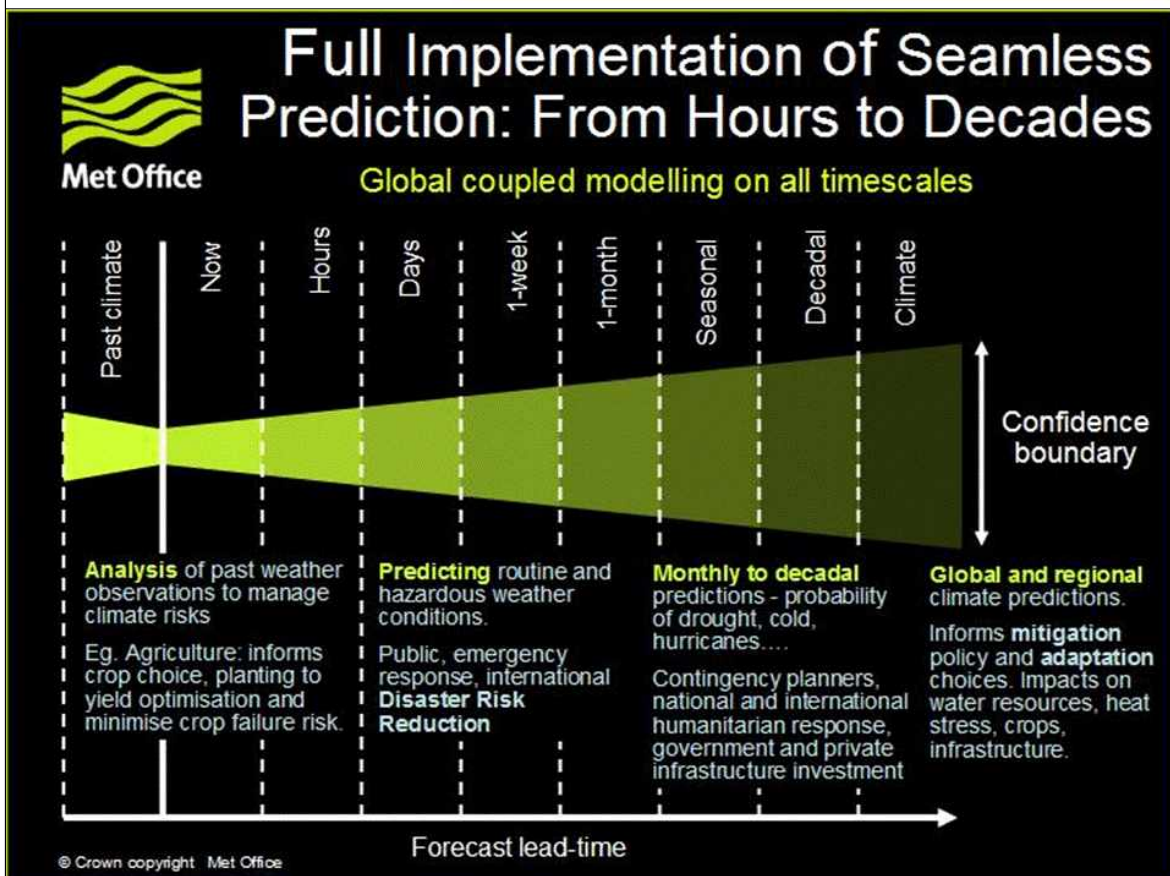
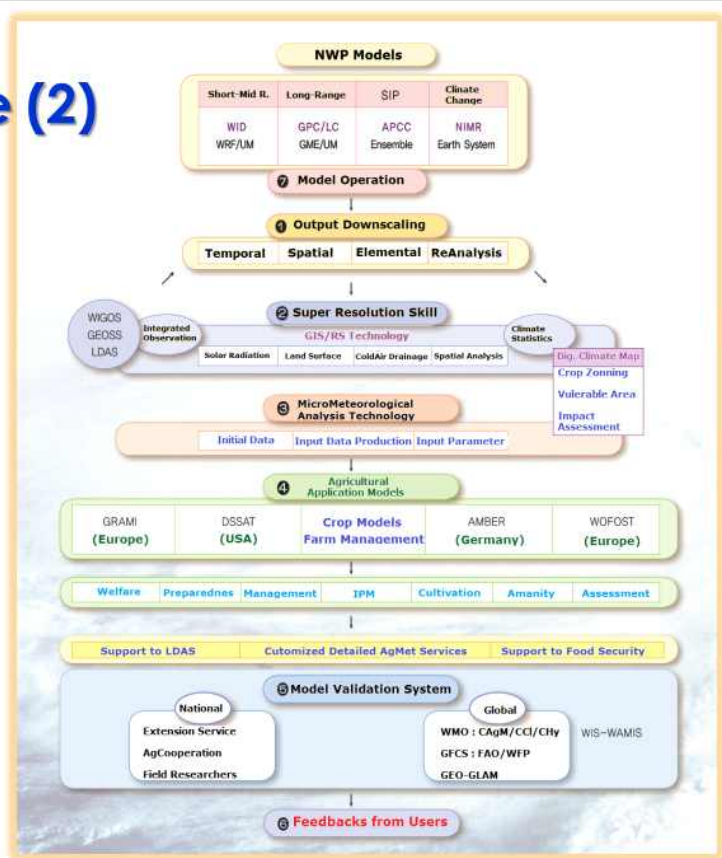
## Climate Service (1) (RS-based) Nowcasting Service Scheme (WIGOS, DRR)





# Climate Service (2)

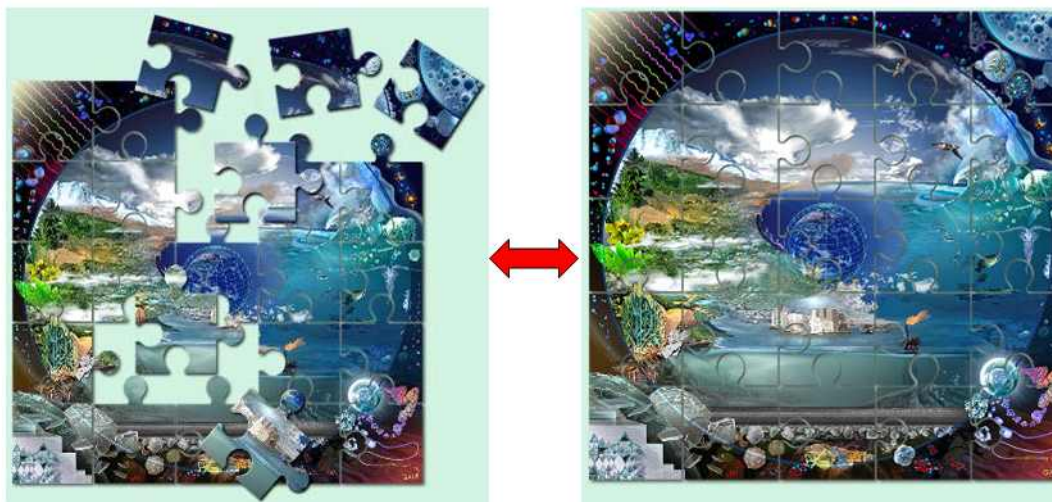
## NWP-based (Long-range) Service Scheme (GFCS, S2S)



# Earth System Science

*needs a holistic approach*

*in order to put together the puzzle!*



## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

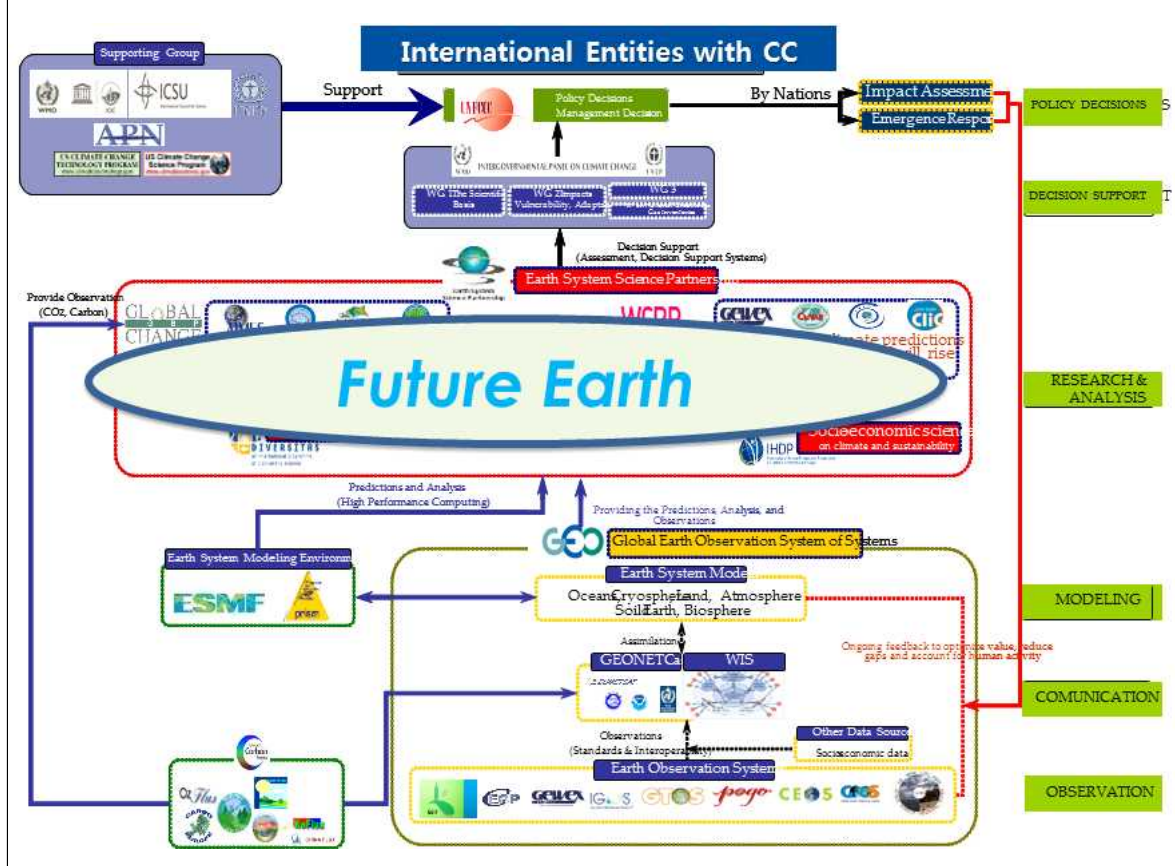
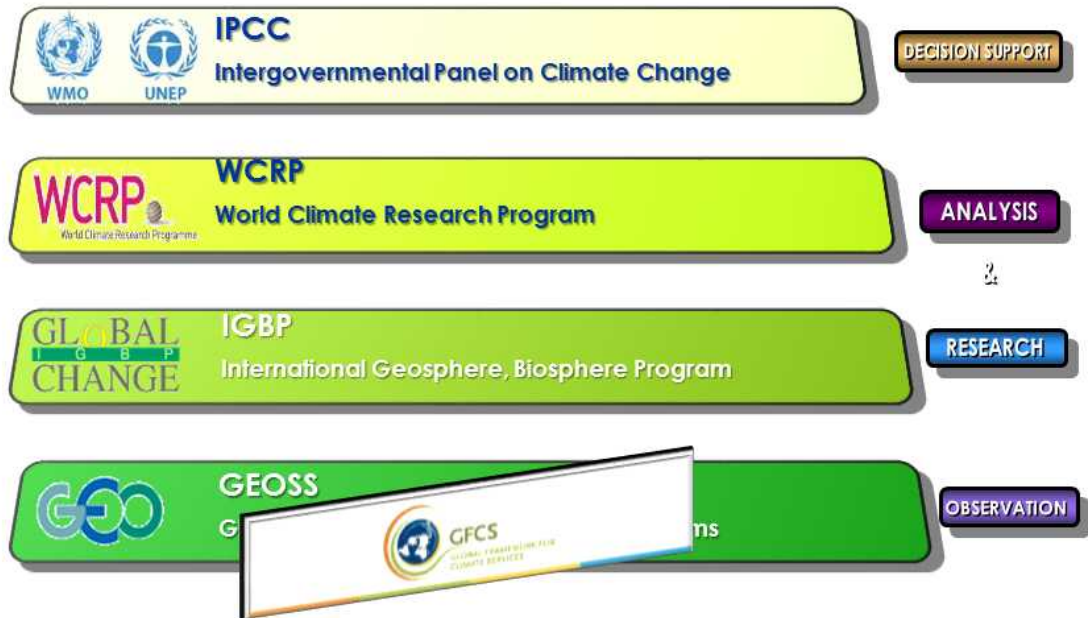


- *Agricultural sustainability* : Concept is continuously evolving, a comparable set of economic and social indicators still needs
- *Additional dimension*

How to design *monitoring and assessing systems to track the impacts* of the management and the policy interventions, and How to assess whether these are *contributing towards or away from Sustainability*.

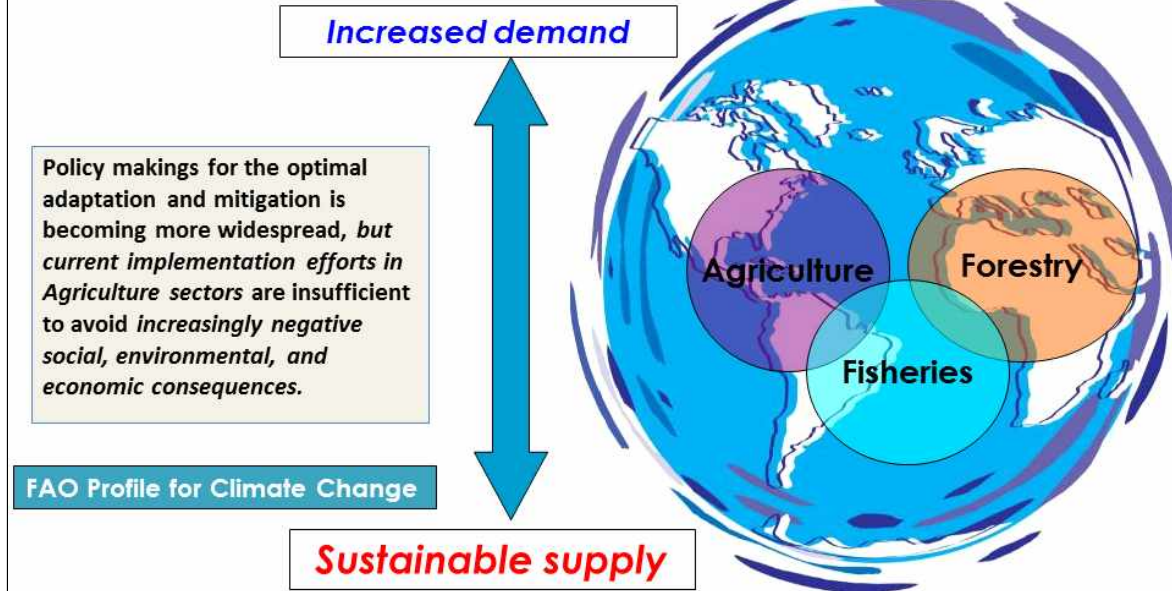


# Climate Change entities



## Socio-economic Trends

Population - Consumption - Urbanization - Migration - Economic growth - Political instability  
**Food - Feed - Fibre - Energy - Livelihood - Ecosystem Services**

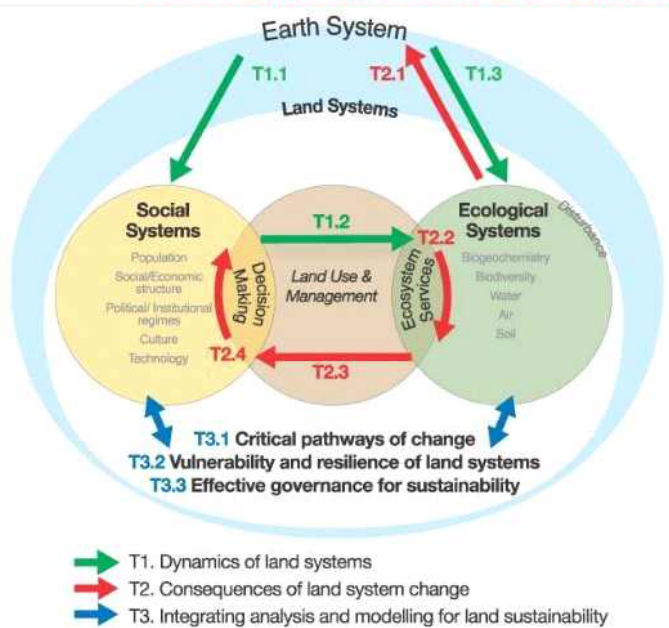


Soil - Land - Water - Biodiversity  
 Climate Change - Loss of Biodiversity - Land degradation - Water scarcity

## Environmental Challenges

## Land System Change (IGBP)

for Ecosystem Services & Earth System Functioning



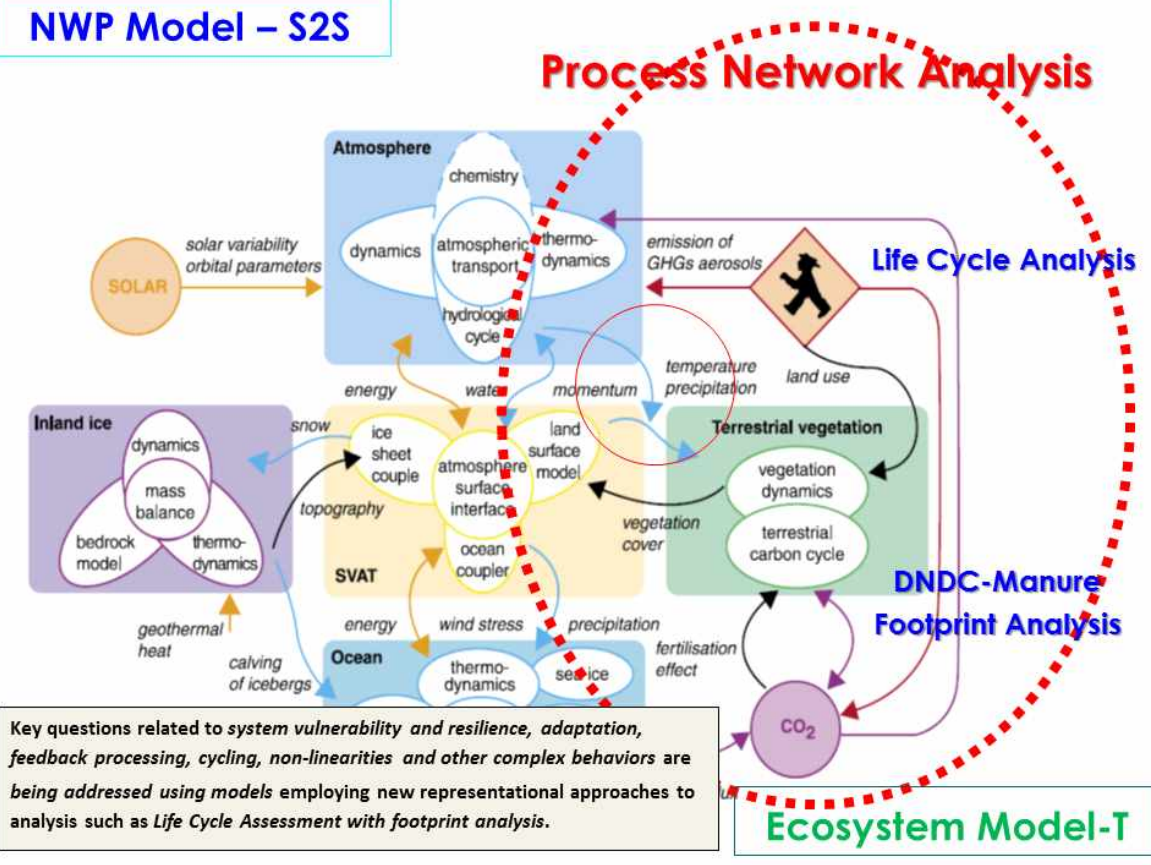
- This emerging application area is alternative futures analyses - the study of how complex coupled human/natural systems dynamically respond to varying management strategies and driving forces.
- This methodology is increasingly being used to inform decision makers about the implications of policy alternatives related to land/water/GHG managements, expressed in terms related to human valuations of the AgroEcosystem.



# Global Challenges in Climate Services for Sustainability Assessment

- Identification of ecosystem/climate system interactions**  
 Climate change : ecosystem evolution over decades  
 Climate variability : agroecosystem changes with feedbacks
- Framework development for Sustainability Assessment**  
 Concurrent assessment : mitigation/adaptation policy  
 Sustainability indicators : assessment criteria/metrics  
 Assessment tools : LCA framework with foot print analysis
- Implication of human dimensions in sustainability assessments**  
 Wide user engagements in Climate Service development  
 Implication of Socio-economic-policy aspects

## NWP Model – S2S



# Process Network

( Ruddell & Kumar 2009; Kumar & Ruddell 2011 )

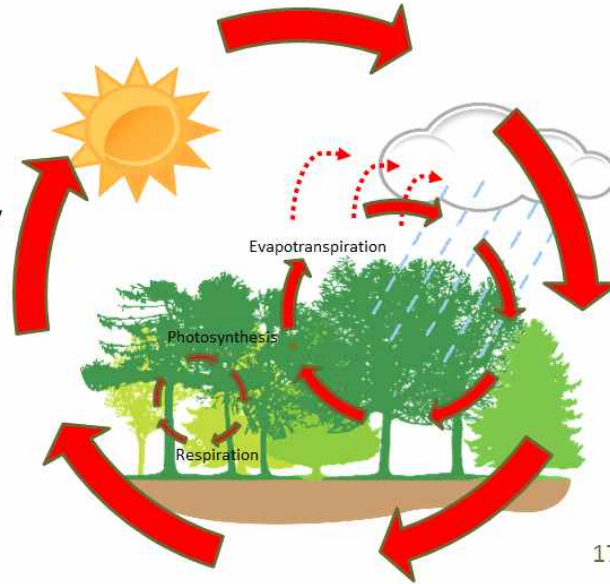
A network of feedback loops & direction of flow of matter, energy & information between the different variables.

## Information Flow Statistics using

- Flux time series
- Information theory

### Describing :

- Feedback loops
- Couplings
  - direction, type
  - magnitude
  - time lags



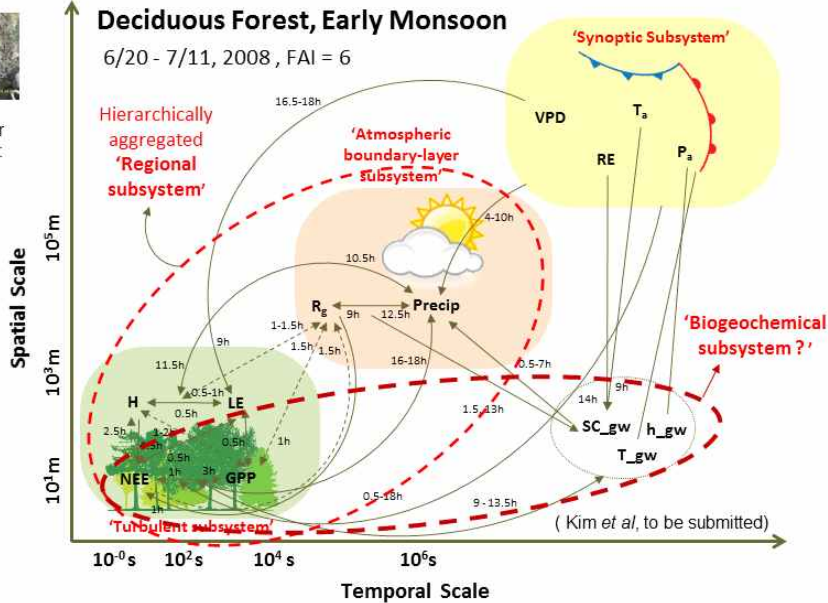
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# Information Flow Process Network



Groundwater data added :  
SC<sub>gw</sub>  
h<sub>gw</sub>  
T<sub>gw</sub>



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# Technological Challenges

## High Resolution Data/Information in Space Time Elements

- Diverse challenges in developing downscaling technologies for in-situ, monitoring, RS, predictions over the world have been made to meet the user requirements for higher resolutions in time, space and element in the disciplines of Applied Meteorology.

**GridMET (NUIST, China)** : Xinfu QIU

**Real-time Downscaling** : Grid-RD (PKNU, Korea), Jaiho OH

**Digital Climate Map (SNU/NCAM, Korea)**, Byong LEE

**Uncoupled Surface Model (Nanowx, USA)** Matt HAUGLAND

**Synthetic Observations (EC, Canada)** (TBD)

**GPCP-Generator (USDA-ARS, USA)** John ZHANG

etc.

## ICT resource sharing system WAMIS II (DCPC)

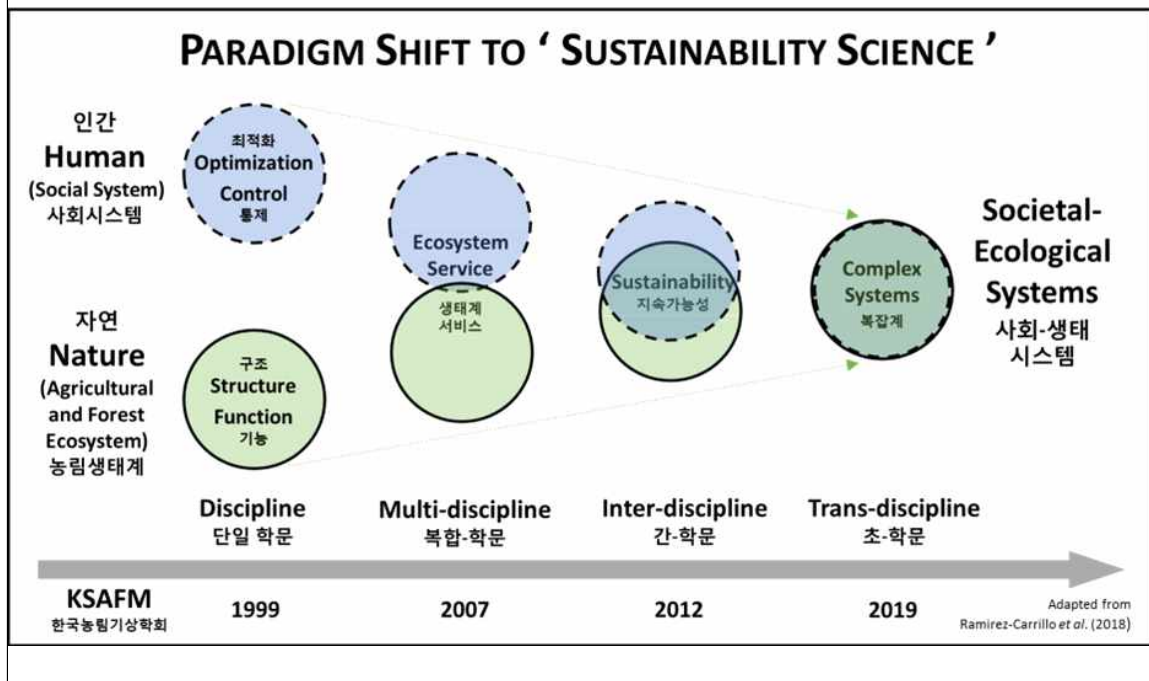
The collage illustrates various ICT resource sharing systems and infrastructure. At the top left is a large hall with 'PLSI' branding and people. To its right is a network map of Korea. Below these are server racks labeled 'Clusters', 'KISTI Cluster', and 'KT Cluster'. On the bottom left is a server room with the text 'Climate Change' and '슈퍼컴퓨팅본부 융합자원실 도입기'. In the center are network maps for 'KREONET' and 'TEIN'. At the bottom left, there is a definition: '\* ICT : Information, Communication Technology'.



## Potential Solution

- It has been under discussion among diverse disciplines to **establish *Operational Framework for AgroEcosystem Sustainability Assessment*** to support Policy Decision Making for better AgroEcosystem Performance under present and future Climate Change at diverse spatial scales
- through ***routine evaluation on cross-cutting implementation practices for mitigation and adaptation strategies***, being based on long-range forecasts (Sub-seasonal to Seasonal Weather/Climate predictions) along ***with the incorporation of socio-/economic aspects*** of societies at diverse spatial scales. (i.e. farm/catchment/county/province/state/regional and global scale)

## Evolution of Disciplines



## Beyond Classical AgroMeteorology

### ❖ **Applied Meteorology : Current & Future Scopes**

*A Meteorological Science - Service/Application oriented*

**Agricultural & Forestry Meteorology** : including **Livestock, Fishery**

**BioMeteorology** : **Health** – human/animal/plant, **Phenology**., etc.

Hydrology  
Climatology  
Marine/Ocean Meteorology,  
Aviation Meteorology  
Radar/Satellite Meteorology,  
Air pollution Meteorology, etc.

### ❖ **Future Applied Meteorology** should cover ...

emerging **Climate Service Science**

**Rural/Urban Meteorology** : resilience, amenity, environmental quality, hazards, health, ..

**Ecological Meteorology** : Ecosystem health, Bio-diversity, interactions with Atmosphere,  
long-term evolution under climate change and variability

## New Horizon

### **What we are aiming at?**

- **One Korea** : *global leader by capacity developments (\*human)  
in economy, democracy, culture, humanitarian, nature, etc.*

through

**Science = R&D** : Searching for what we do not know  
**Visioning of future Science/Society**

**Recognizing**

**Ecosystem/Environment – Nest of Nature** :

**Human beings** are a Part of Ecosystem

We are **just Guardian, not Manager** : Lives, Niche, Health, Resilience, Diversity

**Weather/Climate/Water** : *unlimited/undepleted* **Natural Resources**

**Hazard or Resource is up to Us!** - **No hazard** in Nature, just **a part of Nature!**

-> **Applied Meteorology** : Promising way of utilizing Weather/Climate/Water  
as Natural Resources (Agriculture, Energy, Materials,..)

