

ESA-CCI products to support RECCAP-2 and the Global Stocktake



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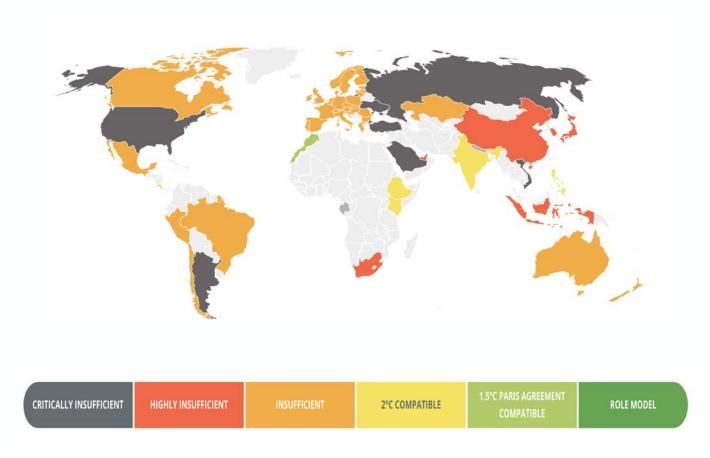


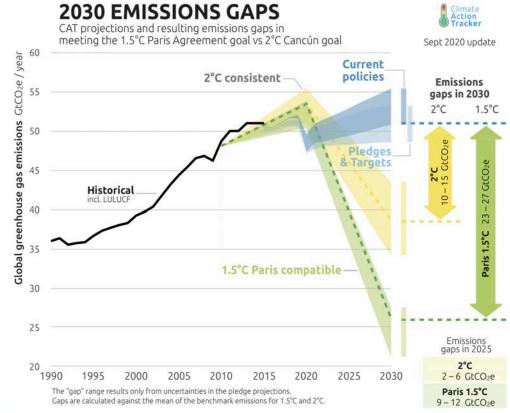




Current policies lead to a 3° C warming



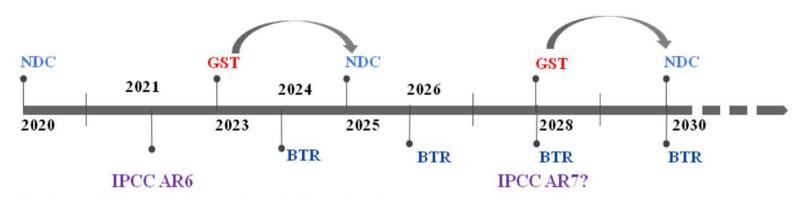






Global stock take in 2023





NDC: Focus on Mitigation, Adaptation on voluntary basis (every 5 years)

GST: assess the collective progress against long term targets (every 5 years)

BTR: GHG inventories - Track progress of NDC implementation (mitigation and financial support)

IPCC AR: Assessment Reports about knowledge on climate change, its causes, potential impacts and response options

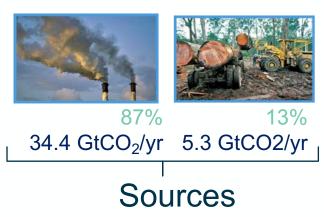
- The GST shall include information about **mitigation and adaptation processes**, and the **means of implementation** and **support**, based on the best available science and the equity concept.
- The process should inform Parties whether the **cumulated efforts** of all the Parties is in track with the "well-below 2°C" trajectory, thus providing indication on how to enhance and update their actions at national level and through cooperation.
- The outputs of the GST should, thus, provide indication of opportunities and challenges for enhancing action and support.
- The process needs to be **transparent**, in the light of **equity and best available science** and it is strictly Party driven, although external experts are invited to participate to support the process.

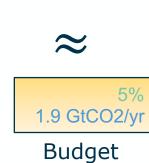


Global Sources and Sinks of Carbon



GCP Friedlingst ein et al., 2019





Imbalance

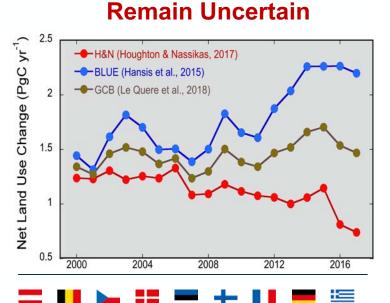
44% 17.3 GtCO2/yr

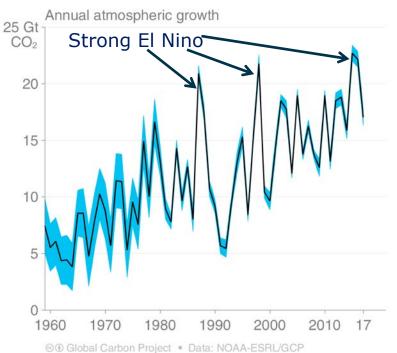




11.6 GtCO2/yr 8.9 GtCO2/yr

Emissions from Land Use

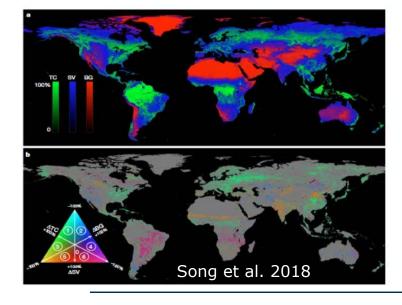




5%

Sinks

Fate of Land Sink is Uncertain

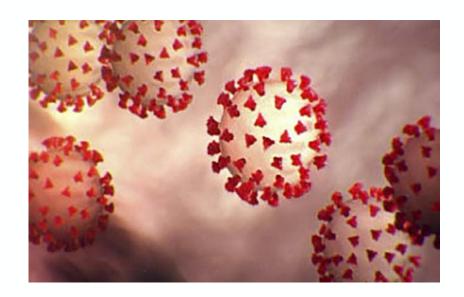


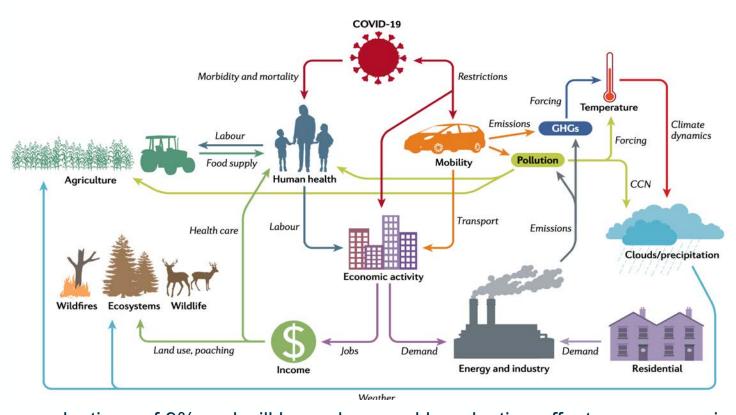




COVID-19 will not solve the climate crisis but recovery funds and policies can put us back on track







COVID 19 led to a direct short term CO2 emissions reductions of 9% and will have deep and long lasting effects on economies. The direct effect on climate is small, but indirect impacts through land use and energy systems can be large. Current stimulus recovery funds dwarf clean energy investment needs – a last chance to meet the Paris goals. We enter into an uncharted territory: can we monitor GHG emissions and sinks with high precision and low latency to inform policy?

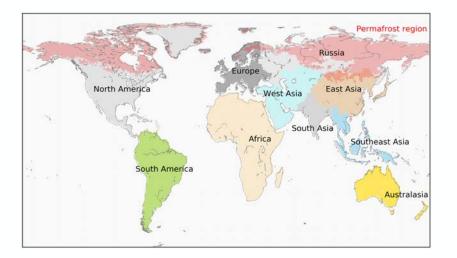
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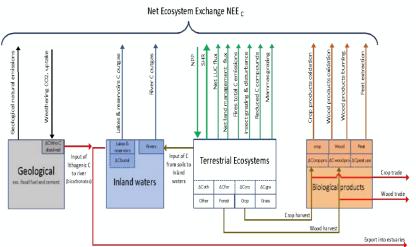


RECCAP2 is an international initiative led by the Global Carbon Project that aims to:

- Assess global sources and sinks of the three major GHGs for ten large regions
- Provide details of the contribution of different sectors
- Quantify trends and uncertainties
- Provide new insights on mechanisms and drivers
- Use recent trends to constrain future changes







Definitions and methods to estimate regional land carbon fluxes for the second phase of the REgional Carbon Cycle Assessment and Processes Project (RECCAP-2)

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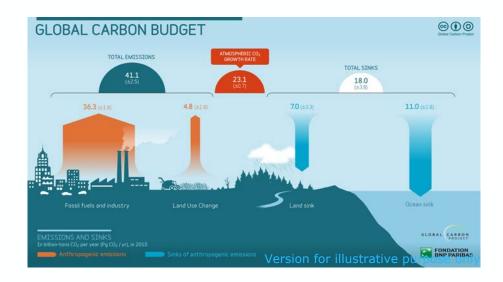


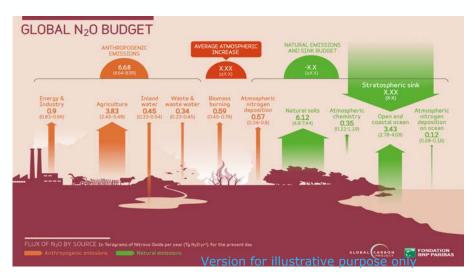


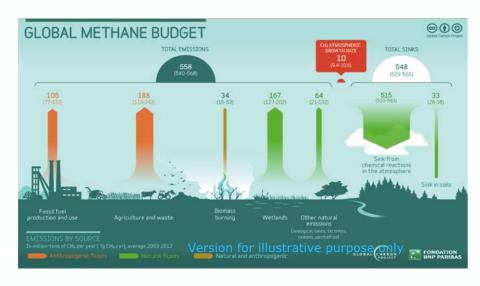


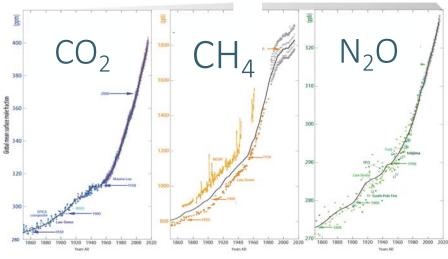
RECCAP-2 The 3-GHG Challenge











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ESA RECCAP2



'Pathfinder' project to use ESA-CCI products to support RECCAP-2 and the Global Stock-take

Evaluate consistency in country-level GHG budgets from satellite-based & in-situ inversions

Separate natural and anthropogenic components and analyze trends

Non-Annex 1 country level budgets and consistency with UNFCCC reporting

- Integration of CCI Biomass, LC, Fire & SMOS VOD products to reduce uncertainty on LULUCF fluxes in Brazil



- Use of CCI LC products in Europe for supporting national agencies for including spatially explicit LULUCF data
- UE LULUCF Regulation 841/2018 requires to MS to report using a spatially explicit method in the post 2022 (article 18(4)), referring to "Approach 3: Geographically-explicit land-use conversion data in accordance with the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories."
- "APPROACH 3: SPATIALLY-EXPLICIT LAND-USE CONVERSION DATA Approach 3 is characterized by spatially-explicit observations of land-use categories and land-use conversions, often tracking patterns at specific point locations and/or using gridded map products, such as derived from remote sensing imagery" IPCC 2006 Guidelines, Vol 4. Ch 3
- Impact of <u>recent droughts</u> on national carbon budgets





Involves national inventory agencies to provide GHG information that matches user needs

INPE Brazil, INEA Columbia, UKNAEI UK, CMCC Italy, UBA Germany &CITEPA France

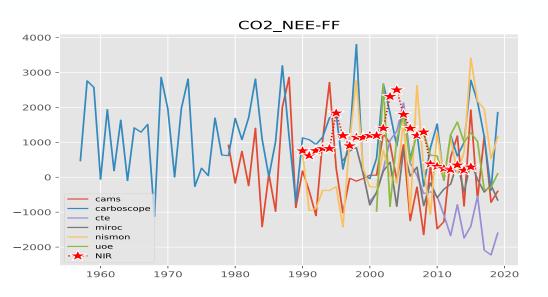




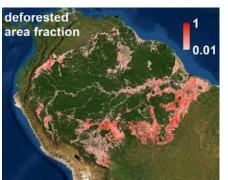


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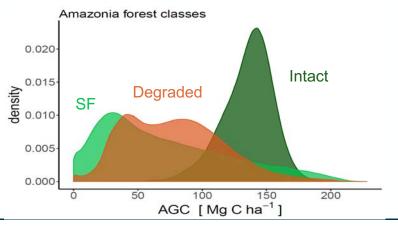
 Brazil LULUCF national communications vs atmospheric CO₂ inversions







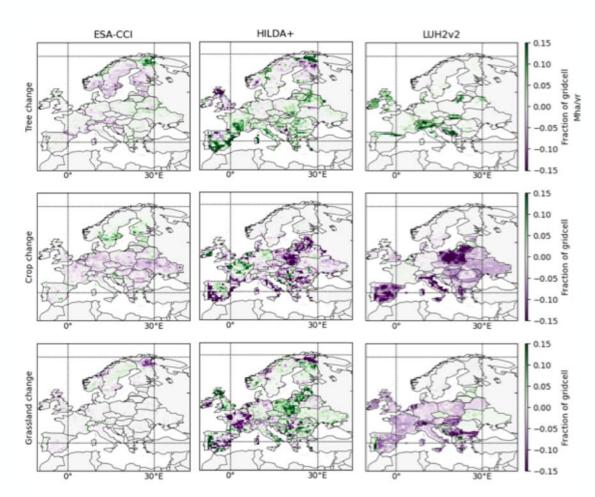
- Statistics of intact and degraded forest C density from landcover + disturbance detection and ESA CCI data (100 m spatial resolution)
- Bullock et al. (2020) and map-biomass or alternative products.



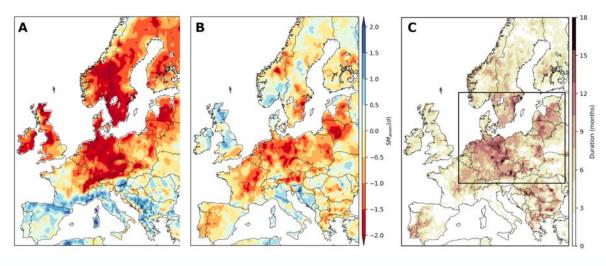


Variability in anthropogenic and natural biogenic surface fluxes across European countries

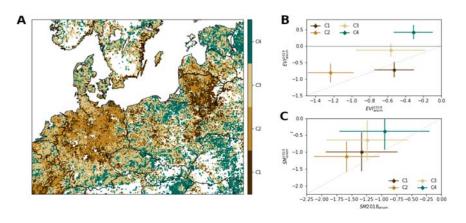




Land cover change in Europe from different datasets



2018 and 2019 droughts patterns and duration (right)



Degradation and recovery trajectories from 2018 to 2019



ESA to become a big player in GHG monitoring



The European CO₂ Copernicus initiative is focused on anthropogenic emissions and atmospheric monitoring of GHG budgets with an operational system, less is done on process attribution & terrestrial carbon accounting

The next GSTs will arrive before such a system is in place : can we track trends between 2020 and 2028?

CCI projects can be harnessed to attribute changes of carbon and other biogeochemical cycles to multiple drivers: warming, water stress, fires, permafrost changes, land use change

- ✓ Uptake by Earth System Models & IPCC projections -> CMUG
- ✓ Data driven carbon models can be built upon CCI products
- ✓ Combining ground based and satellite information is often under-appreciated

<u>Low latency & high accuracy information is needed</u> -> What are the low hanging & high-impact fruits?

- √ Fast-track updates deforestation & fire C emissions
- Annual updates of biomass changes and patterns attribution
- ✓ Analysis of GHG anomalies during recent extreme climate events : droughts, arctic heatwaves, ocean C shifts
- ✓ EO-based annual updates & assessments of regional GHG budgets with available data and models -> must have before GST



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