

# Physical Interactions between Atmosphere, Oceans and Sea-Ice

# **Fact Sheet**

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# Objective

To identify deficiencies in coupled climate models, which contribute to regional "climate drifts". To develop improved parameterizations for sea-ice and for physical interactions between atmosphere and oceans and test these against regional data. To test the global and regional impacts of model improvements on global simulations. Budget studies at high latitude will be performed, using coupled atmosphere-ocean-ice models. The representation of ice and snow cover will be analysed. It will be attempted to separate thermodynamic contributions to the drift problem from the contribution of ocean dynamics. Similar budget studies will be performed for ice-free regions of the oceans with nested coupled models (1-D and 3-D).

Special attention will be paid to the impact of errors in sub-grid parameterizations and cloud representation on the interaction between atmosphere and ocean.

In connection with the above budget studies improved parameterizations will be developed and tested in particular for sea-ice and further for horizontal diffusion in relation to horizontal resolution, for vertical transport by boundary-layer turbulence and by (deep) convection in atmosphere and oceans and for radiative fluxes and other vertical fluxes at the air-sea interface (including the role of clouds an precipitation).

Results from the studies will be exchanged between the participants and compared. Improved parameterizations will be implemented and tested in global models as a joint effort.

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