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1. Introduction: Focus of the Talk

- What is the linkage between both?
 - A key problem of global environmental change
 - A key area of international relations
- Securitizing climate change:
 - GECHS (1999),
 - Brauch for BMU (2002),
 - U.S. DoD (2004), CAN (15 April 2007)
 - UNSC (17 April 2007),
 - CC as international, national and human security
- UNFCCC & IPCC: epistemic community as a securitizing actor major concern in Europe

2. Reconceptualizing Security: Publication Project

■ Basic Assumption & Guiding Question:

- Did global and regional political contextual changes trigger a reconceptualizing of security?

■ What did change? Contextual factors:

- End of the Cold War: 9 November 1989: Berlin Wall;
- Events of 11 September 2001;
- Process of globalization (1945, globalized in 1990)
- Shift from 'Holocene' to 'Anthropocene'

■ Which were the conceptual innovations?

- Theoretical: social constructivism & Beck: risk society
- Widening, deepening & sectorialization of security

2.1. Which conceptual innovations?

- **1989-1991: End of the Cold War (E-W-C)**
 - **Widening:** from 2 to 5 security dimensions
 - **Deepening:** from national to human security
 - **Sectorialization:** energy, food, health, water security
- **11 September 2001: Vulnerability of U.S.**
 - **Shrinking:** weapons of mass destruction, terrorists
- **Transatlantic dispute on security concepts**
 - **Dispute on goals: Terrorism vs. Climate Change**
- **Econ. crises: econ. & social vulnerability**
 - **New wars:** humans as victims: ,freedom from fear'
 - **Crises, Globalization & Complex Emergencies:** poverty: high economic and **social vulnerability**

2.2. Global Mental Mapping of Rethinking on Security

■ **What does security mean globally?**

- Security debate influenced by North Atlantic debate
- What are cultural, philosophical, religious influences?

■ **How has security been reconceptualized?**

- What are obj. security dangers & subj. security concerns: threats, challenges, vulnerabilities and risks?
- What are security threats, challenges, vulnerabilities and risks in 5 dimensions, for state and humankind?

GEC & hazards pose new security dangers?

- Global Environmental Change: pressure & cause
- **Water-related natural hazards**: impacts & societal outcome (victims) depend on social vulnerability

2.3. Objective, Subjective, Intersubjective Security

- Wolfers (1962) pointed to two sides of the security concept: “Security, in an *objective* sense, measures the **absence of threats to acquired values**, in a *subjective* sense, the **absence of fear that such values will be attacked**”.
- **Objective security dangers:** **absence of threats**
- **Subjective security concerns:** **perception of absence of fear**
- From a constructivist approach in international relations ‘security’ is the outcome of a process of social & political interaction where social values & norms, collective identities & cultural traditions are essential. Security: **intersubjective** or “**what actors make of it**”.
- **Copenhagen school** security as a “**speech act**”, “where a securitizing actor designates a threat to a specified reference object and declares an existential threat implying a right to use extraordinary means to fend it off”.
- Such a process of “**securitization**” is successful when the construction of an “existential threat” by a policy maker is socially accepted and where “survival” against existential threats is crucial.

2.4. Copenhagen School: Securitization

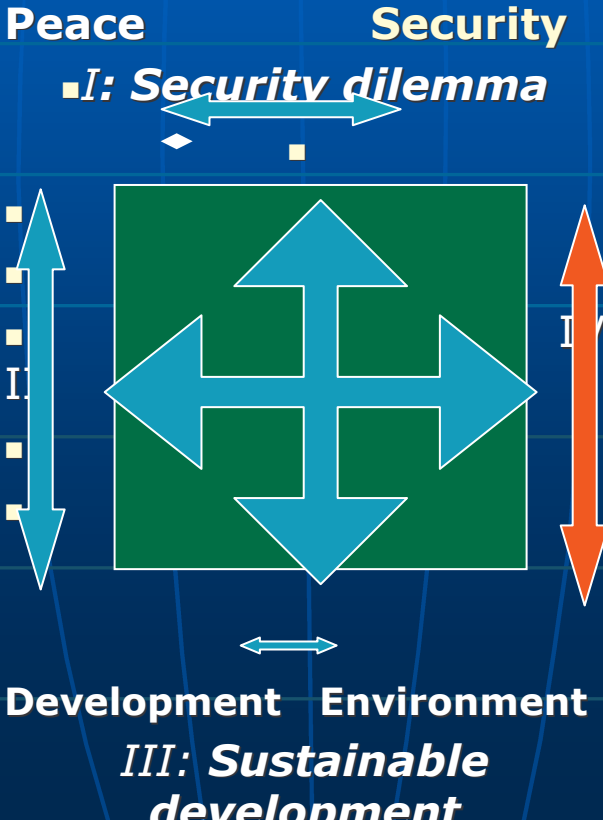
- **Securitization:** discursive & political process through which an intersubjective understanding is constructed within a political community to treat something as an existential threat to a valued referent object, and to enable a call for urgent and exceptional measures to deal with the threat.
- **'Referent object'** (that is threatened and holds a general claim on 'having to survive', e.g. the **state, the environment or liberal values**),
- **'Securitizing actor'** (who makes the claim – speech act – of pointing to an existential threat to referent object thereby legitimizing extraordinary measures, often but not necessarily to be carried out by the actor), and
- **'Audience'** (have to be convinced in order for the speech act to be successful in the sense of opening the door to extraordinary measures).
- **It is not up to analysts to settle the 'what is security?'** question – widening or narrowing – but more usefully one can study this as an open, empirical, political and historical question.
- **Who manages to securitize what under what conditions & how?**
- **What are the effects of this?** How does the politics of a given issue change when it shifts from being a normal political issue to becoming ascribed the urgency, priority and drama of **'a matter of security'**.

2.5. Security Perception: Worldviews and Mind-sets

- Perceptions of security dangers (concerns) depend on worldviews of analyst & mind-set of policy-maker.
- **Mind-set (Ken Booth):** have often distorted perception of new challenges: include ethnocentrism, realism, ideological fundamentalism, strategic reductionism
 - **Booth:** Mind-sets freeze international relations into crude images, portray its processes as mechanistic responses of power and characterize other nations as stereotypes.
 - **Old Cold War mind-sets have survived global turn of 1989/1990**
- **3 worldviews** are distinguished by the English school:
 - ❖ *Hobbesian* pessimism (realism): power
 - ❖ *Kantian* optimism (idealism) *international law & human rights*
 - ❖ *Grotian* pragmatism: multilateralism, *cooperation* is vital.
- **3 ideal type perspectives in other cultures & traditions:**
 - Power matters: Sunzi, Thukydides, Machiavelli, Hobbes,
 - Ideas matter: Kant, W. Wilson
 - Cooperation matters: Confucius, Grotius

2.6. Concepts of security in relation with peace, environment and development

Programmes, pillars & linkage concepts within the quartet

IR research programmes	Conceptual Quartet	Conceptual Linkages
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peace Research Security Studies Development Stud. Environment Studies <p>4 conceptual pillars</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I: <i>Security dilemma</i> II: <i>Survival dilemma</i> III: <i>Sust. developm.</i> IV: <i>Sustain. peace</i> 	 <p>Peace Security</p> <p>I: <i>Security dilemma</i></p> <p>Development Environment</p> <p>III: <i>Sustainable development</i></p>	<p>Political use of concepts & theoretical debates on 6 linkages</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peace & security Peace & development Peace & environment Devel. & security Devel. & environment <p>Of interest here:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Security & environment

2.7. From International & National to four Pillars of Human Security

- **International Peace & Security:** League of Nations (1919): "high contracting parties"; UN Charter (1945): "*We the peoples of the United Nations*"
- **National Security:** new U.S. concept World War II, post WW II: National Security Act (1947), before: goal defence, means: Army (War Dep.), & Navy Dept.
- **Alliance Security:** NATO (1949-), WP (1955-2001)
- **Common Security** (Palme Report 1982)
- **Environmental Security** (Brundtland 1987)
- **1990:** Widening, Deepening, Sectorialization
- **2001:** Shrinking: U.S. nat. security agenda **Global Security:** Steinbrunner (2000)
- **Cooperative Security:** Brookings Institution (1990's)
- **Human Security:** UNDP (1994): 4 pillars of HS

2.8. Widening of Security Concepts: Towards Environmental Security

4 trends in reconceptualisation of security since 1990:

- **Widening** (dimensions, sectors), **Deepening** (levels, actors)
- **Sectorialisation** (energy, food, health),
- **Shrinking** (WMD, terrorists)

Dimensions & Levels of a Wide Security Concept

Security dimension⇒ ⇓ Level of interaction	Mili- tary	Political	Economic	Environ- mental ⇓	Societal
Human individual ⇒			Food sec. Health sec.	Cause & Victim	Food sec. Health sec.
Societal/Community				⇓⇑	
National	shrinking		Energy se.	⇓⇑	Food,health
International Regional			Water security	⇓⇑	Water security
Global/Planetary ⇒				GEC	

2.9. Environmental & Human Security

Expanded Security Concepts (Møller, '03; Oswald '01)

Label	Reference object	Value at risk	Source(s) of threat
National security	The State	Territ. integrity	State, substate actors
Societal security	Societal groups	Nation. identity	Nations, migrants
Human security	Individual, mankind	Survival	Nature, state, global.
Environmental sec.	Ecosystem	Sustainability	Humankind
Gender security (Oswald Spring)	Gender relations, indigenous people, minorities	Equality, identity, solidarity	Patriarchy, totalitarian in- stitutions (governments, churches, elites) intoler.

Human security: Referent: **individuals and humankind**. [Human Security Network]

- ❖ Values at risk: survival of human beings and their quality of life.
- ❖ Major source of threat: nature (global environmental change), globalisation, nation state with its ability to cope with this dual challenge.

Environmental Security: Referent: **Ecosystem**; Value at risk is **sustainability**.

- ❖ **Major challenges:** global environmental change & humankind,
- ❖ **Focus:** Interactions between ecosystem & humankind, impact of global environmental change on environmental degradation, of increasing demand on environmental scarcity & environmental stress. [No Environment Security Network of States, & IGOs & NGOs]

3. Four Pillars of Human Security

- **"Freedom from want"** human development agenda: poverty (stimulated by Asian economic crisis of 1990s) by reducing social vulnerability through poverty eradication programmes (UNDP 1994; CHS: Ogata/Sen: Human Security Now, 2003, Human Security Trust Fund, HSU of OCHA), **Japanese approach**;
- **"Freedom from fear"**: humanitarian agenda: violence, conflicts, weapons (Canada, Norway, Human Security Network) (UNESCO, HSN), **Canadian approach**: Human Security Rep. (2005)
- **"Freedom to live in dignity"**: agenda: rule of law, human rights, democratic governance (**Kofi Annan**: *In Larger Freedom* (March 2005))
- **"Freedom from hazard impact"**: environmental (GEC) & natural hazard agenda: Bogardi/Brauch vision, goal: securitize: "environment" (GEC as pressure) and "natural hazards" as impact by reducing environmental & social vulnerability & enhancing coping capabilities of societies confronted with natural & human-induced hazards (**Bogardi/Brauch 2005; Brauch 2005a, 2005b**).

3.1. First Pillar of HS: “Freedom From Fear”

- **Primary Focus of the Human Security Network**
- **Requirements and objects:**
 - **Rule of Law:** ICC, International Court of Justice and national, regional and local judicial courts and mechanisms
 - **Universal Humanitarian Standards:** initiatives in international, humanitarian and human rights law, human development, human rights education,
 - **Good Governance:** capacity building of not only national, but regional and local governments or leadership authorities; fostering democracy; respect for minorities
 - **Conflict Prevention/ Post-Conflict Reconstruction:** land mines, child soldiers, protection of civilian population in armed conflict, small arms and light weapons, trans-national organized crime (Ottawa Convention on Anti-personnel Landmines)
 - **Strong International Institutions**

3.2. Human Security Network Members & Goals

NATO (4)	EU (6)	Third World (6)
Canada		Chile
Greece	Austria	Costa Rica
Nether-lands	Ireland	Jordan
	Slovenia	Mali
Norwa y	Switzer-land	Thailand (chair)
		South Africa

The Network has an interregional & multiple agenda perspective, strong links to civil society & academia.

The Network emerged from landmines campaign at a Ministerial, Norway, 1999. Conferences at Foreign Ministers level in Bergen, Norway (1999), in Lucerne, Switzerland (2000), Petra, Jordan (2001) Santiago de Chile (2002), Graz (2003), Bamako, Mali (May 2004), Ottawa (2005) Bangkok (2006), Ljubljana (2007): Greek Presidency

Anti-pers. Landmines, Intern. Criminal Court, protection of children in armed conflict, control of small arms & light weapons, fight against transnational organized crime, human development, human rights educat., HIV/AIDS, implement. of intern. humanitarian & human rights law, conflict prevention

Until 2006 no environmental security issues on agenda of this HS-Network.



3.3. Greek Presidency (2007-8)

- **18/19 May 2007 in Ljubljana: 10th presid.**
- **Human Security and Climate Change with a focus on the affects on vulnerable children, women and refugees”.**
- **Deputy Foreign Minister Evripidis Stylianidis said that among the pro-blems that could ensue from climate change are drought, infectious diseases, illegal migration, poverty and human trafficking, particularly children.**
- **He stated that the Greek presidency will attempt to shed light on all these aspects and contribute to international dialogue.**
- **Greece has chosen an issue that is very high on the agenda of inter-national organisations. Climatic changes preoccupied the UN Security Council and constitute a main priority of the EU’s German presidency.**

3.4. “Freedom From Want”:

Human Security Commission: Human Security Now

- **Broad:** wider agenda, conceptually more convoluted
- **Goal:** reducing individual/societal vulnerabilities in the economic, health, environment, political, community, and food sphere. Create conditions that can lead to empowerment for individuals,
- **Japanese FM:** HS “comprehensively covers all menaces that threaten human survival, daily life, and dignity...and strengthens efforts to confront these threats.”
- **Threats:**
 - diseases, poverty, financial crises, hunger, unemployment, crime,
 - social conflict, political repression,
 - land degradation, deforestation, emission of GHGs, environm. hazards,
 - population growth, migration, terrorism, drug prod./trafficking



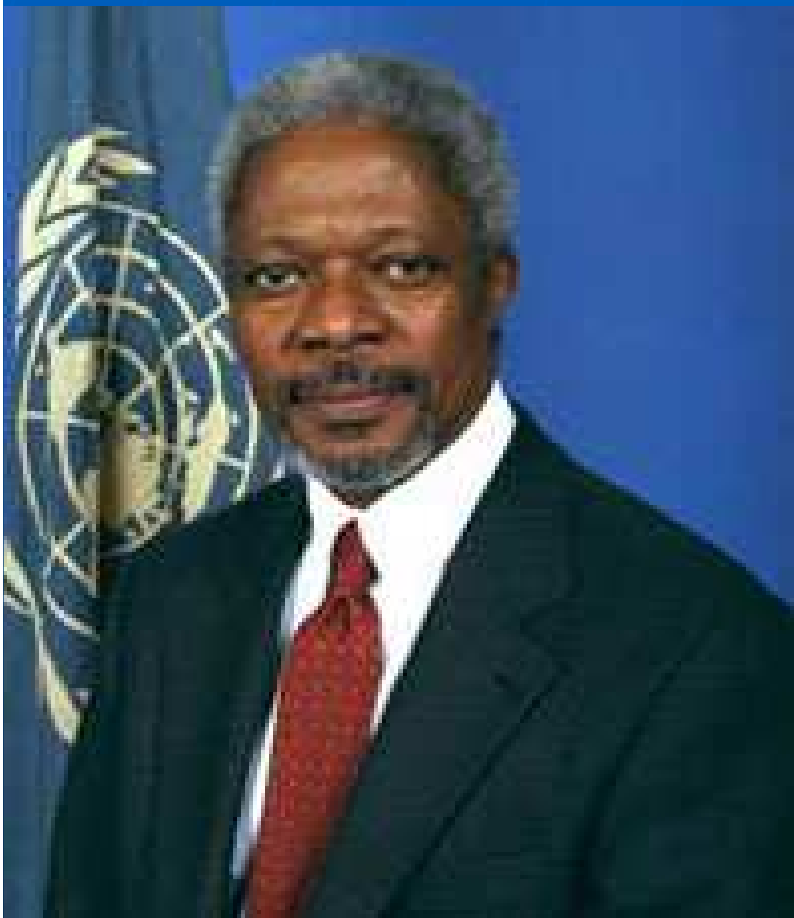
3.5. Human Security Commission Report: Ogata/Sen: Human Security Now (2003)

- **Commission on Human Security (CHS)** established in January 2001 at initiative of Japan. The Commission consisted of twelve persons, chaired by Sadako Ogata (former UNHCR) Amartya Sen (1998 Nobel Economics).
- **CHS goals:** a) promote public understanding, engagement and support of human security; b) develop the concept of human security as an operational tool for policy formulation and implementation; c) propose a concrete program of action to address critical and pervasive threats to HS.
- **Human Security Now** (2003) proposes a **people-centered** security framework that focuses “on **shielding people** from critical and pervasive threats and **empowering them to take charge of their lives**. It demands creating genuine opportunities for **people to live in safety and dignity and earn their livelihood**. Its final report highlighted that:
- More than **800,000 people a year lose their lives to violence**. Ca. **2.8 billion** suffer from **poverty, ill health, illiteracy & other maladies**



3.6. “Freedom to Live in Dignity”

- **Kofi Annan** – need for a human centered approach to security “human security can no longer be understood in purely military terms.
- It must encompass economic development, social justice, environmental protection, democratisation, disarmament, and respect for human rights and the rule of law.”
- “Embraces far more than the absence of violent conflict”



3.7. “Freedom From Hazard Impacts”

- **UNU-EHS:** Bogardi/Brauch (2005), Brauch (2005)
- **Goal:** reduce vulnerabilities/enhance capacity building & coping capabilities of societies faced with nat.hazards
- **Threats/Hazards:**
 - **Environmental:** floods, droughts, and other natural disasters, env. degradation, lack of water or clean water, human-induced climate change, exhaustion of fish resources, depletion of finite resources
 - **Societal:** poverty, improper housing, insufficient food and water, malfunctioning of technical systems, traffic accidents, population explosions, terrorism and organized crime
- **Develop vulnerability indicators and vulnerability mapping** to apply to operational realm by working on solutions
 - **improved early warning systems & capacity-building**
 - **disaster preparedness** (education and training, infrastructure)
 - coordinated rapid **disaster response** by local, regional and national level
 - developing clear guidelines for **post hazard reconstruction**
 - **long term strategies:** e.g. Kyoto, Montreal Protocol
 - **adaptation measures:** e.g. dams, switching to renewable energy
 - **mitigation measures:** restrict housing in hazard areas (coastal areas-flooding, mud slides), charging more for garbage disposal and energy usage, birth control measures

3.8. “Freedom from Hazard Impact”:

New Issue for “People-centred Development” for HSN

- During **Thai Presidency** (2005-2006) at 8th Ministerial meeting in Bangkok, 1-2 June 2006, the Thai foreign minister, **Kantathi Suphamongkhon**, suggested in the chairman’s conclusions:
- **The network should ... broaden the scope of its focus** into non-traditional threats to human security **by addressing ‘freedom from hazard impact’ such as threatening diseases and natural disasters** and promoting ‘freedom from exclusion’ through the involvement of the public in human security dialogue in order to engage all stakeholders.
- (1) **Environment:** prevention of global environmental impact as a result of human activities, with emphasis on the cross-sectional connection between **human security & environmental impact**, the significance of humanitarian assistance, and engagement with the business sector such as the **insurance industry** in time of **natural disasters**; (2) **HIV/AIDS:** integration and measurement of human security in existing HIV/AIDS national programmes;

4. Global Environmental Change: PEISOR Model

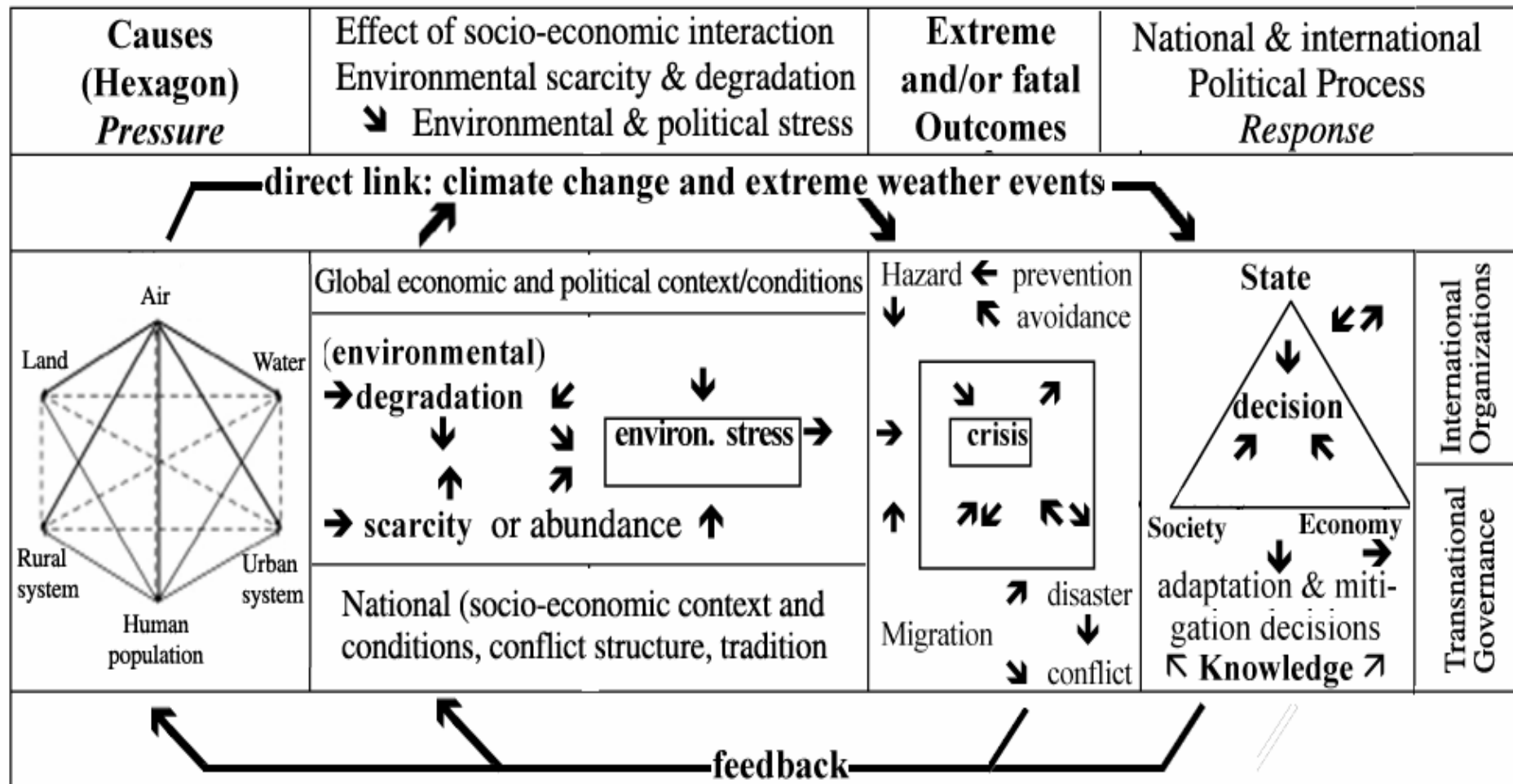
- Other Models: Environment – Response
 - OECD: PSR-Model
 - UN-CSD (Committee for Sustainable Development)
 - EEA (European Environment Agency)
- PEISOR Model: Environmental stress and extreme and sometimes fatal outcomes
- Hazards: Nature impacting on humans: victims: poor and highly vulnerable people
- Concept of social vulnerability
- Human security: Freedom from hazard impact

4.1. PEISOR Model: Global Change, Environmental Stress & Extreme Outcomes

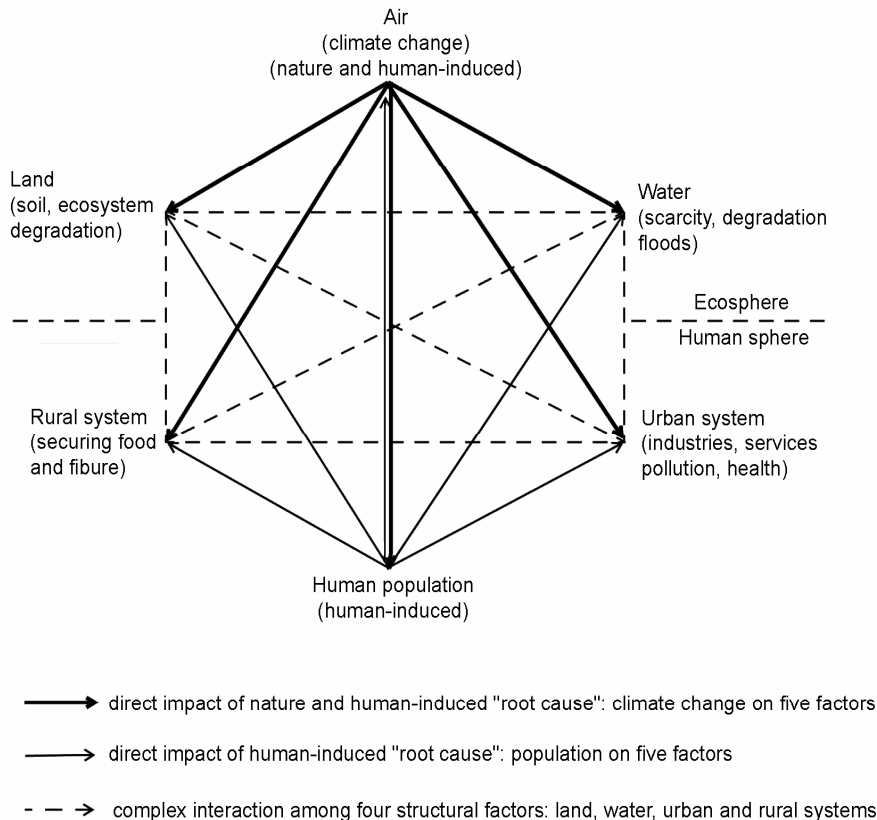
■ The model distinguished 5 stages:

- **P:** Pressure: Causes of GEC : Survival hexagon
- **E:** Effect: environm. scarcity, degradation & stress
- **I:** Impact: Extreme or fatal outcome: hazards
- **SO:** Societal Outcomes: disaster, migration, crisis, conflict, state failure etc.
- **R:** Response by the state, society, the economic sector and by using traditional and modern know-ledge to enhance coping capacity and resilience

4.2. PEISOR Model: Global Change, Environmental Stress & Extreme Outcomes



4.3. Cause: Pressure of Global Environmental Change: Six Determinants: Survival Hexagon



Ecosphere:

- **Air: Climate Change**
- **Soil: Degradation, Desertification**
- **Water: degradat./scarcity**

Anthroposphere:

- **Population growth/decline**
- **Rural system: agriculture**
- **Urban system: pollution etc.**

Mode of Interaction

- **Linear, Nonlinear**
- **Exponential**
- **Chaotic, abrupt**

4.4. **E**ffects: Environmental Scarcity, Degradation & Stress

Four Phases of Env. Sec, Research since 1983 - 2003

First Phase: Conceptual Phase: Concept Environmental Security

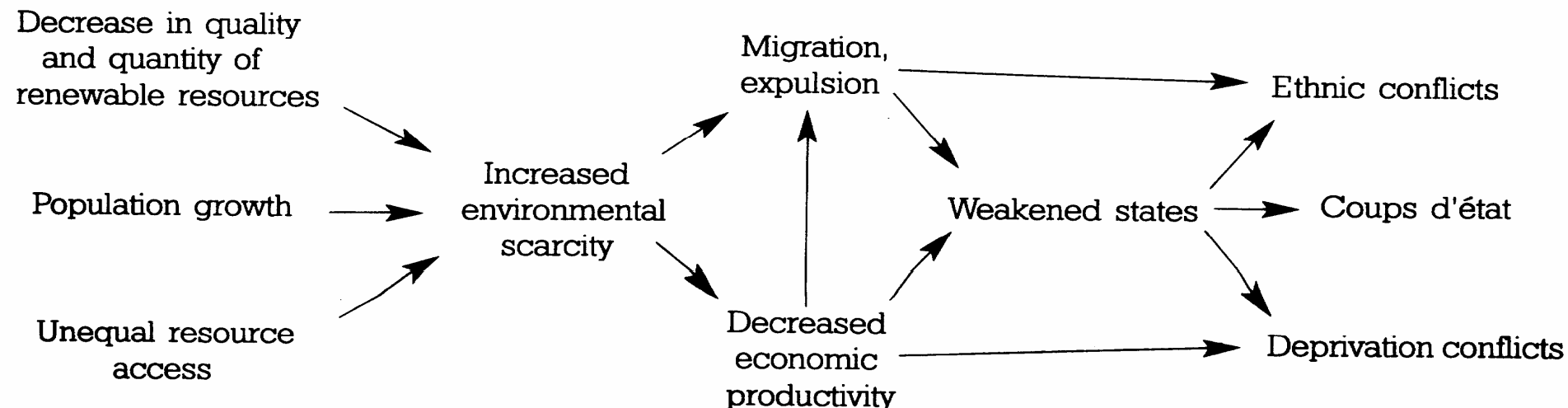
Second Phase: Empirical Phase: Case studies: Scarcity - Conflict

- Toronto: Homer-Dixon: since 1991: 3 Projects (figure © Homer-Dixon 1998)
- Zürich/Bern: Günther Bächler, K.Spillmann

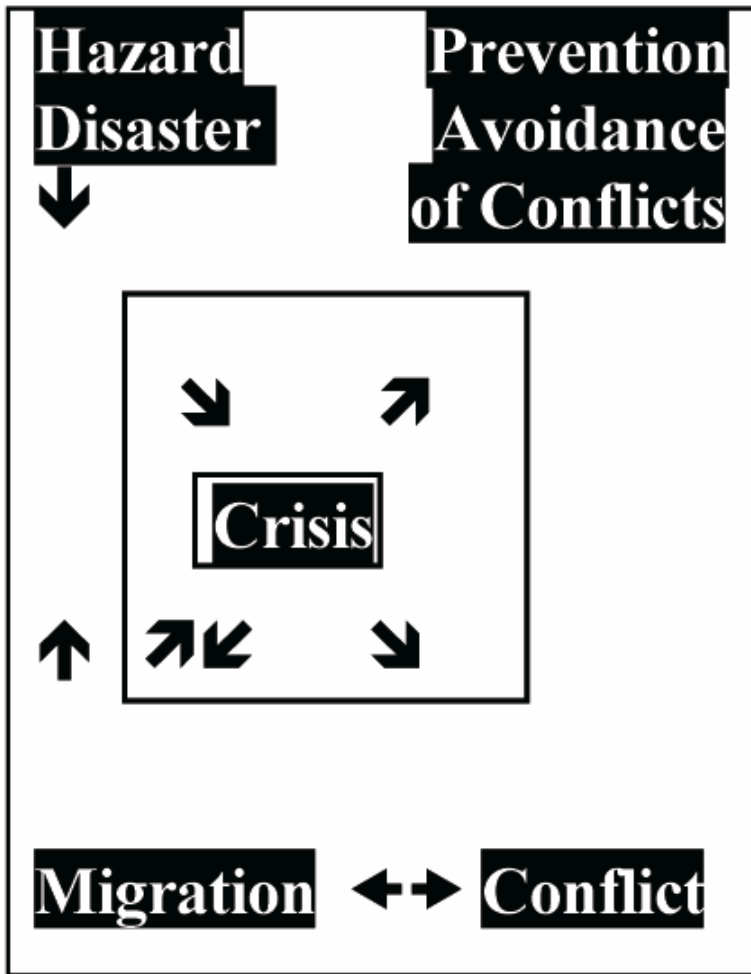
Third Phase: Manifold Research without Integration (1995 - pres.)

Sources of environmental scarcity

Social Effects



4.5. Impact: Human-Induced Natural Hazards Drought, Famine and Societal Outcomes



Much knowledge on these factors:

✓ Drought, migration, crises, conflicts

Lack of knowledge on linkages among **fatal outcomes**

➤ Drought & drought-ind. migration

➤ Famine & environm.-ind. migration

➤ Conflicts & conflict-induced migration

Lack of knowledge on **societal consequences**: crises/conflicts

➤ Domestic/international crises/conflicts

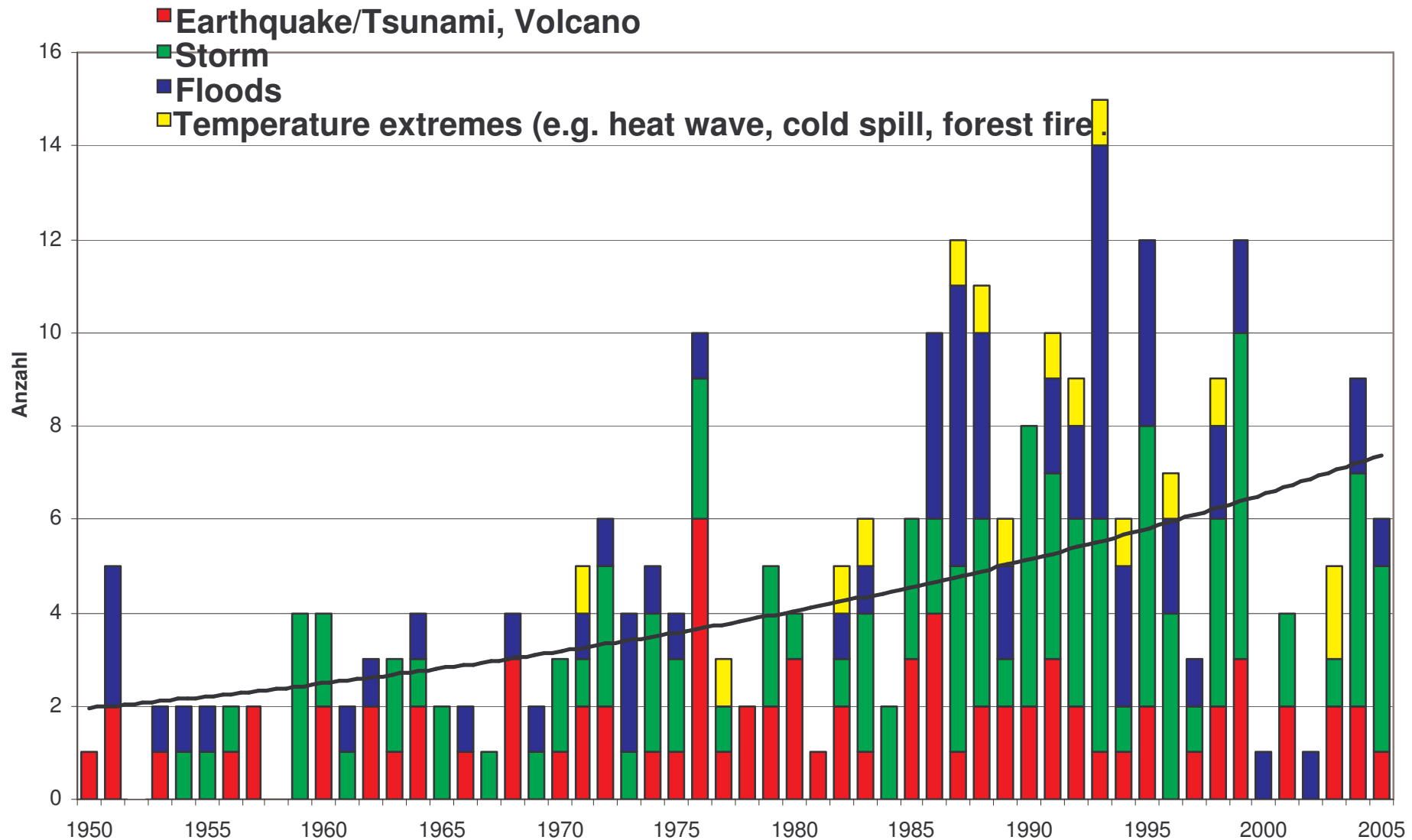
➤ Environmentally or war-induced migration as a cause or consequence of crises and conflicts

4.6. Societal Outcomes: Knowledge on Linkages of Outcomes

- **What are consequences of climate change, desertification and water scarcity for:**
 - Environmental scarcity
 - Environmental degradation
 - Environmental stress?
- **What are indirect Societal Outcomes of:**
 - Human-induced hydro-meteorological **natural water-related hazards** (Storms, floods, landslides, drought) due to natural variability & increase due to climate change?
 - For **migration, societal crises and domestic and international conflicts**?
 - What role does **social vulnerability of victims** play?

4.7. Global Impacts: Major Natural Disasters 1950 – 2005. Source: MunichRe, 2006

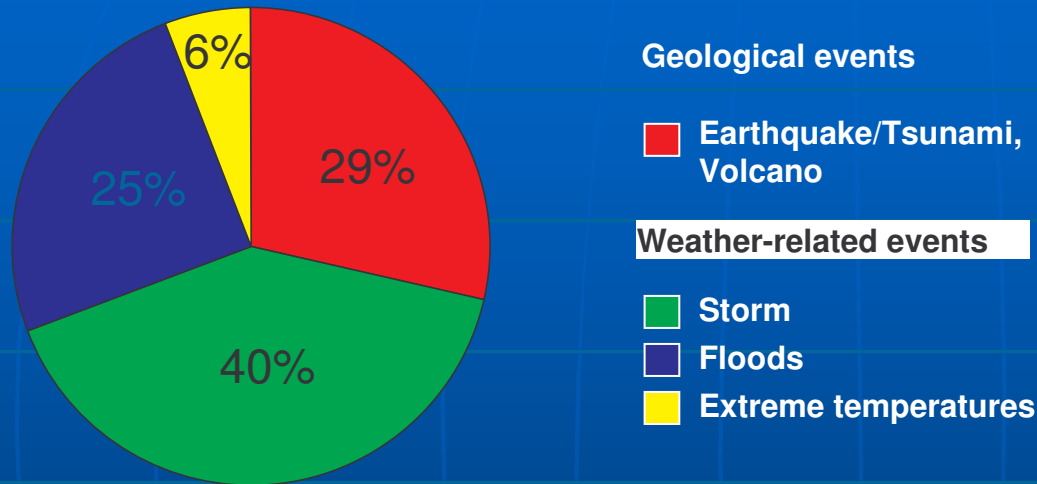
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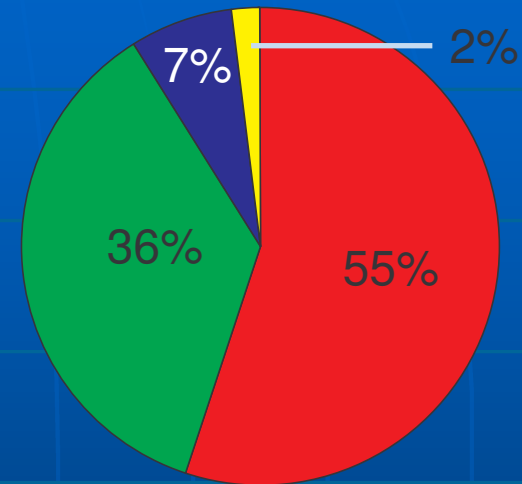
4.8. Major Natural Hazards (1950-2005).

Source: Munich Re Research Div., 2006

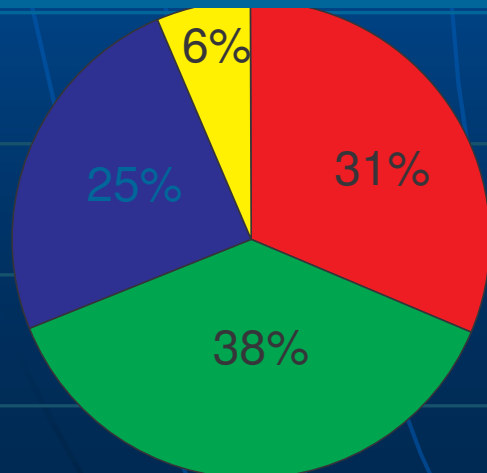
267 Events



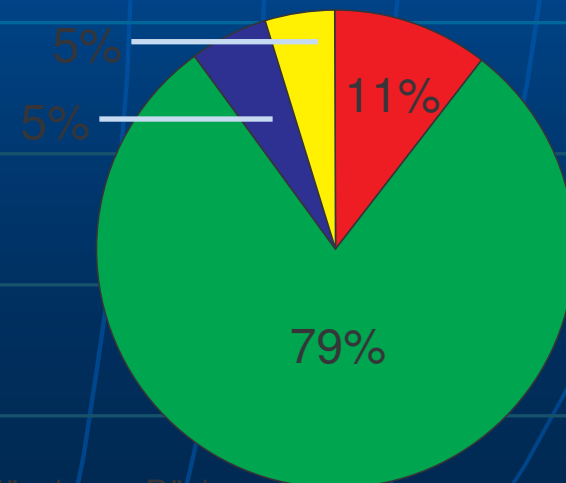
1,75 Million Dead



Economic damage: 1.400 billion US\$

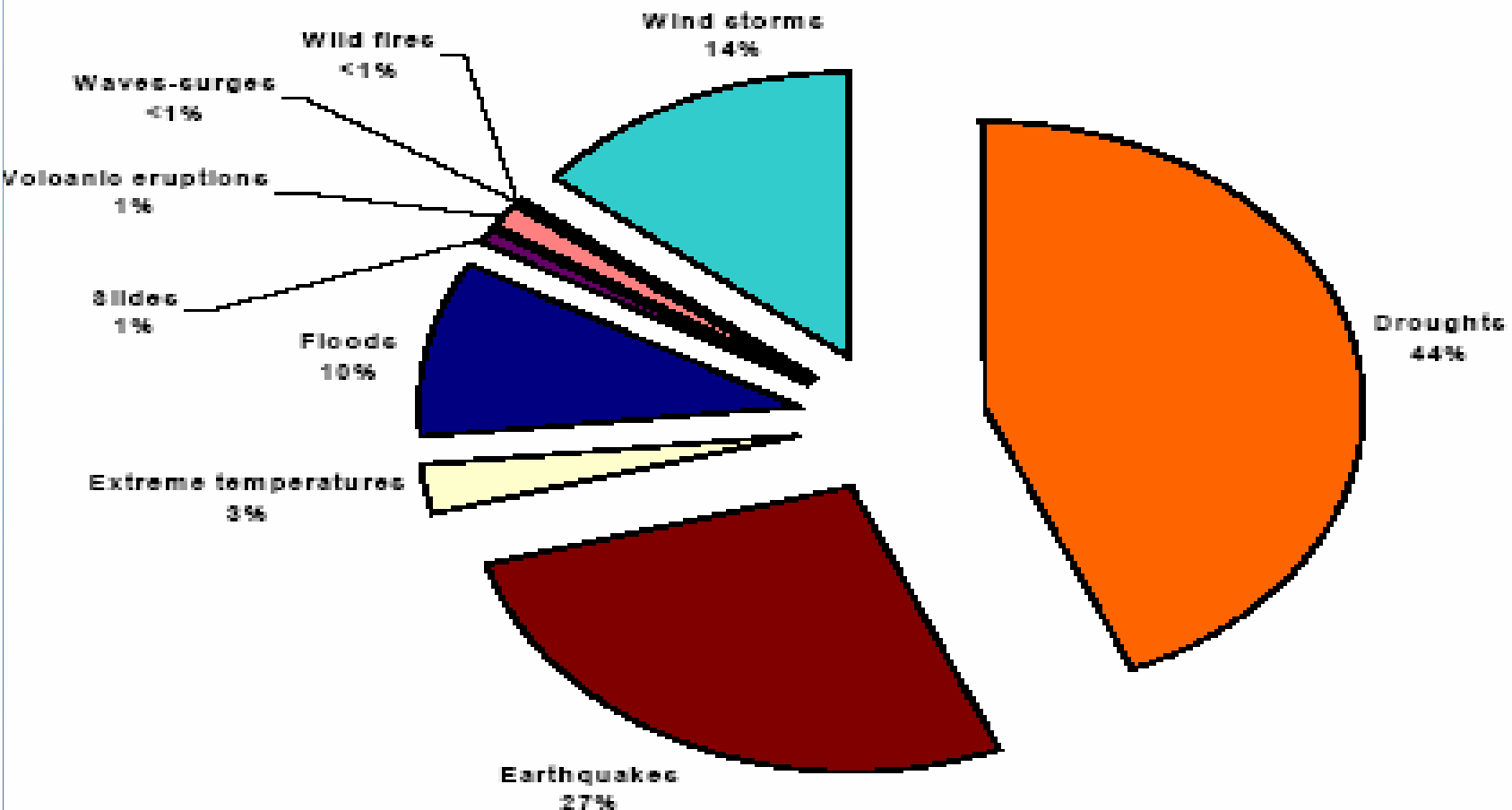


Insured damage: 340 billion US\$

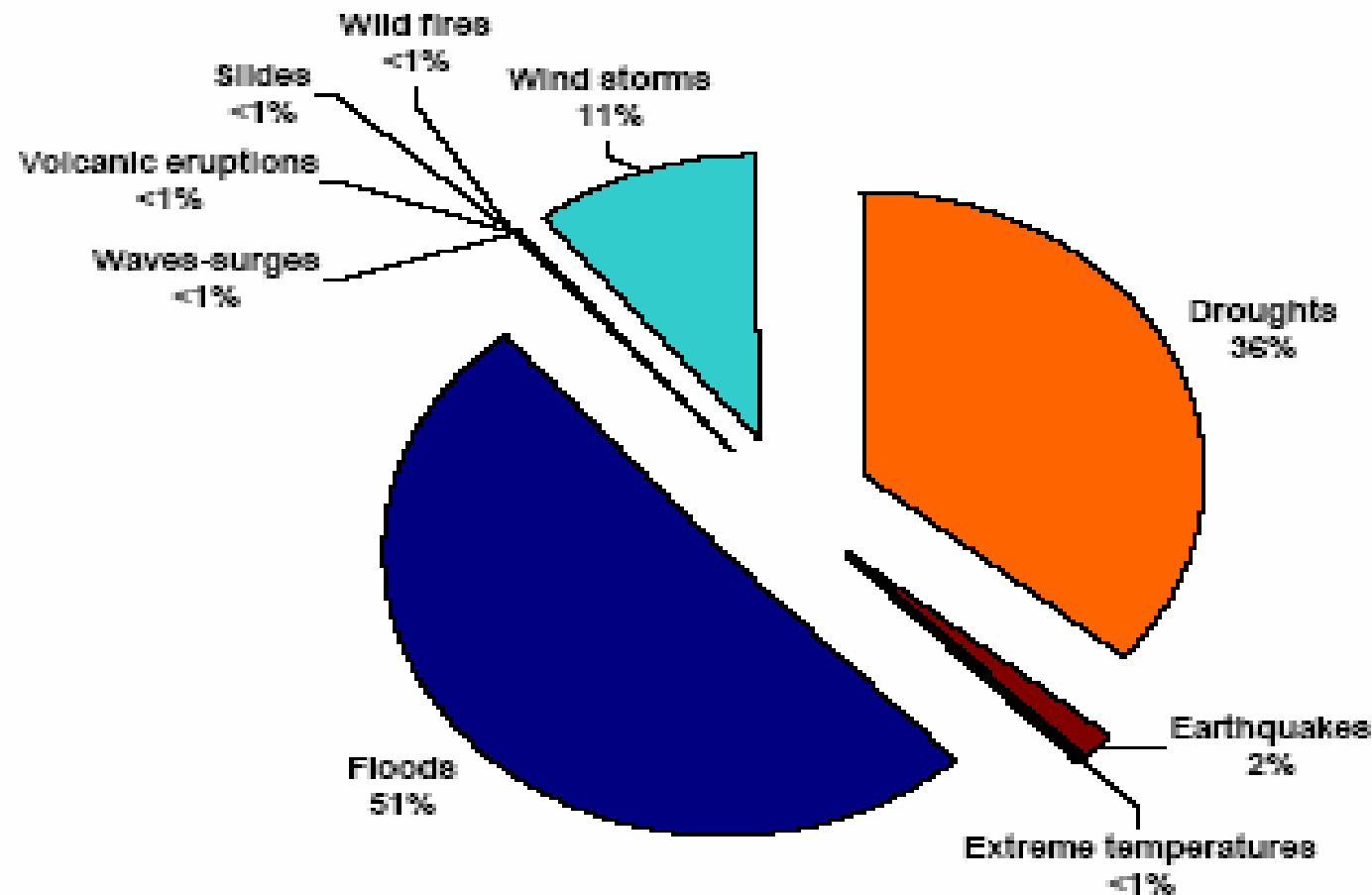


*in Werten von 2005

4.9. Reported Death of Natural Hazards globally (1974-2003): 2.066.273 persons



4.10. Affected persons of Natural Hazards globally (1974-2003): 5 076 494 541 persons



(1) injured + homeless + affected

4.11. Water-related Hazards: Victims of Storms, floods, drought, extreme temperatures

■ **MunichRE (1950-2005), major events**

- **Events:** Storms/floods/extreme temperatures: **71%**
- **Dead:** 45% of 1,75 mio. people
- **Economic damage:** 69%
- **Insured damage:** 9%

■ **CRED (1974-2003), all reported events**

- **Dead:** Storms (14%); floods (10%); extreme temperatures (3%); drought (44%): **71% of a total of 2.066.273 persons**
- **Affected:** Storms (11%); floods (51%); extreme temperatures (>1%); drought (36%): **98% of a total of 5 076 494 541 persons**

4.12. Policy Responses to Natural and Water-Related Hazards

■ Slow onset hazards: GEC

- **Climate change:** temperature increase, sea level rise
- **Policy response: policy & measures: Reducing greenhouse gas emissions (UNFCCC, Kyoto Protocol)**
- Soil degradation & erosion: desertification
- Water scarcity, degradation, water stress

■ Rapid onset hazards:

- **Storms** (winter storms, hurricanes, cyclones)
- **Flash floods, flooding**
- **Drought**
- **Policy response:** Early warning, disaster preparedness and response (infrastructure, training, education, foodaid),
- **Reducing social vulnerability: simultaneous concepts:**
 - **Climate change: adaptation & mitigation**
 - **Poverty eradication**
 - **Protection and empowerment of the people**

5. Global Climate Change: Temperature Increases & Sea Level Rise

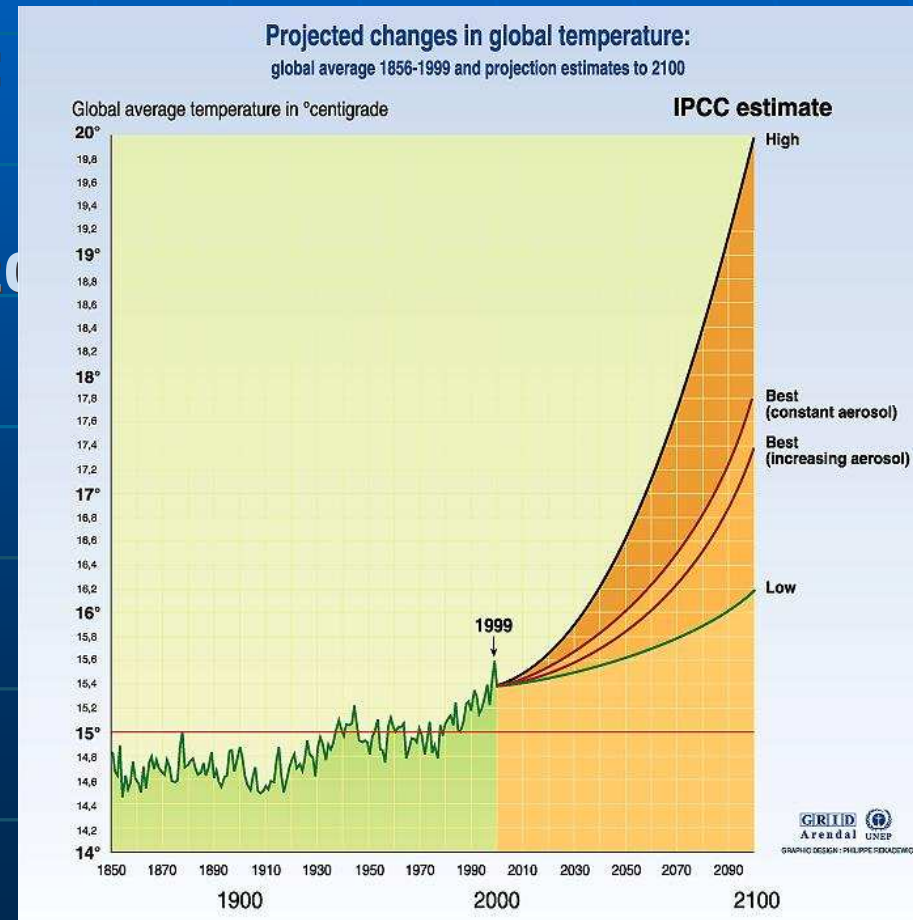
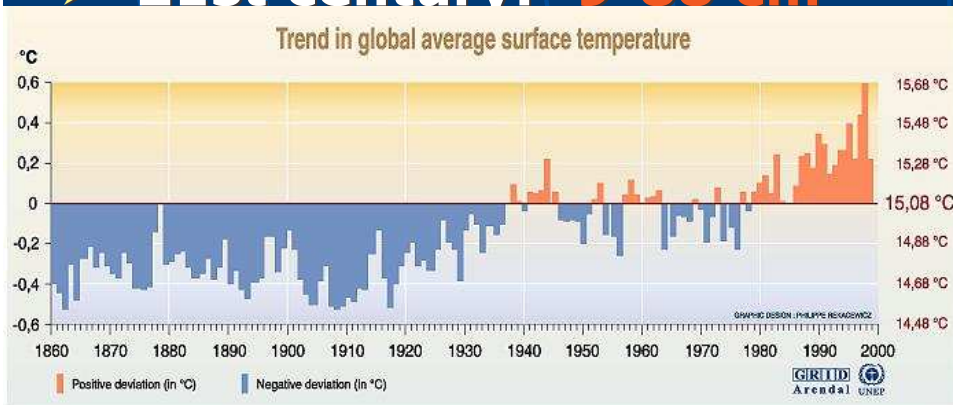
2 Climate Change Impacts: Temperature & Sea level Rise

- ❖ Global average temperature rise in 20th century: **+ 0.6°C**
- ❖ Proj. temperature rise: 1990-2100: **+1.4 – 5.8°C**

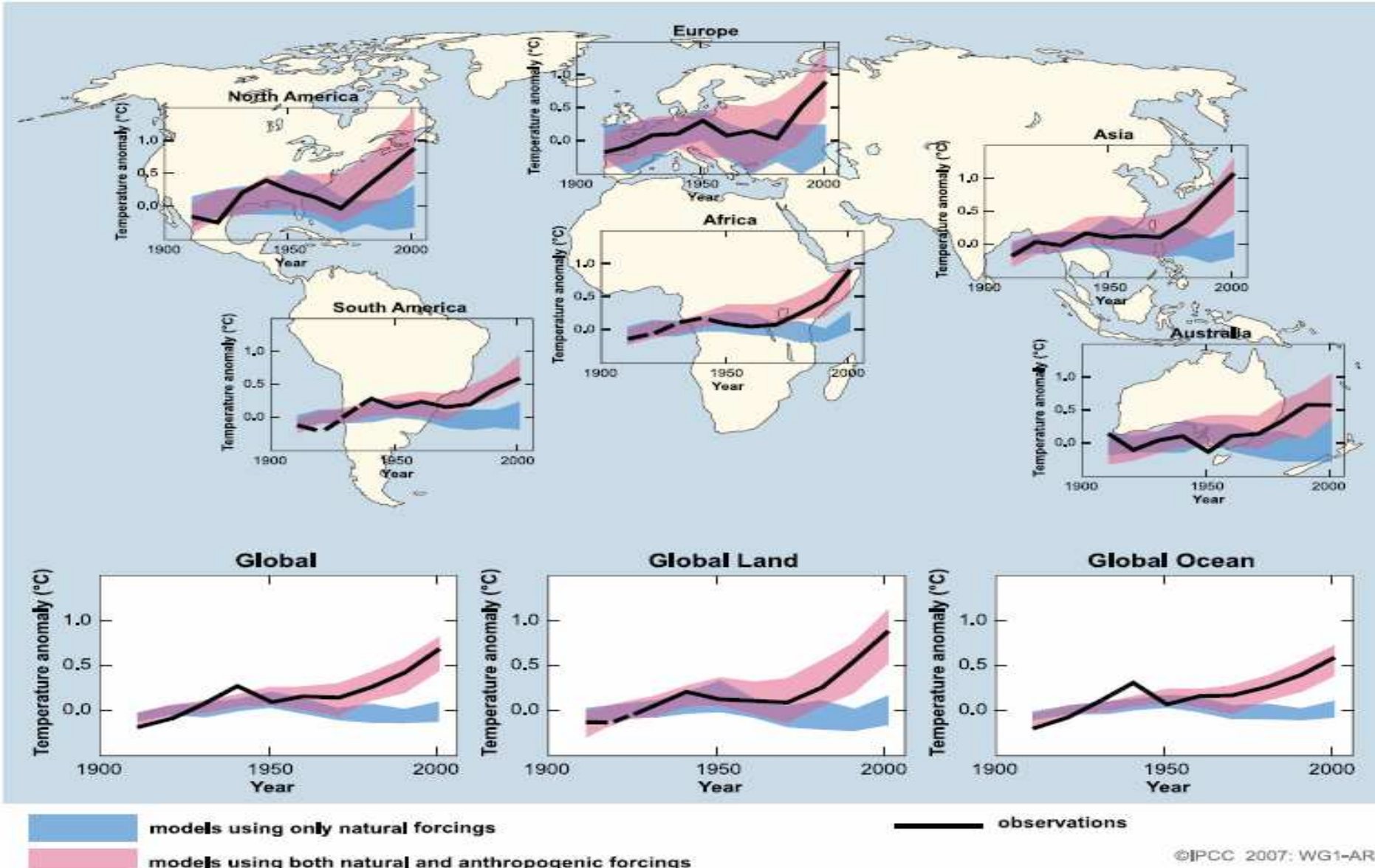
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Sea level Rise:

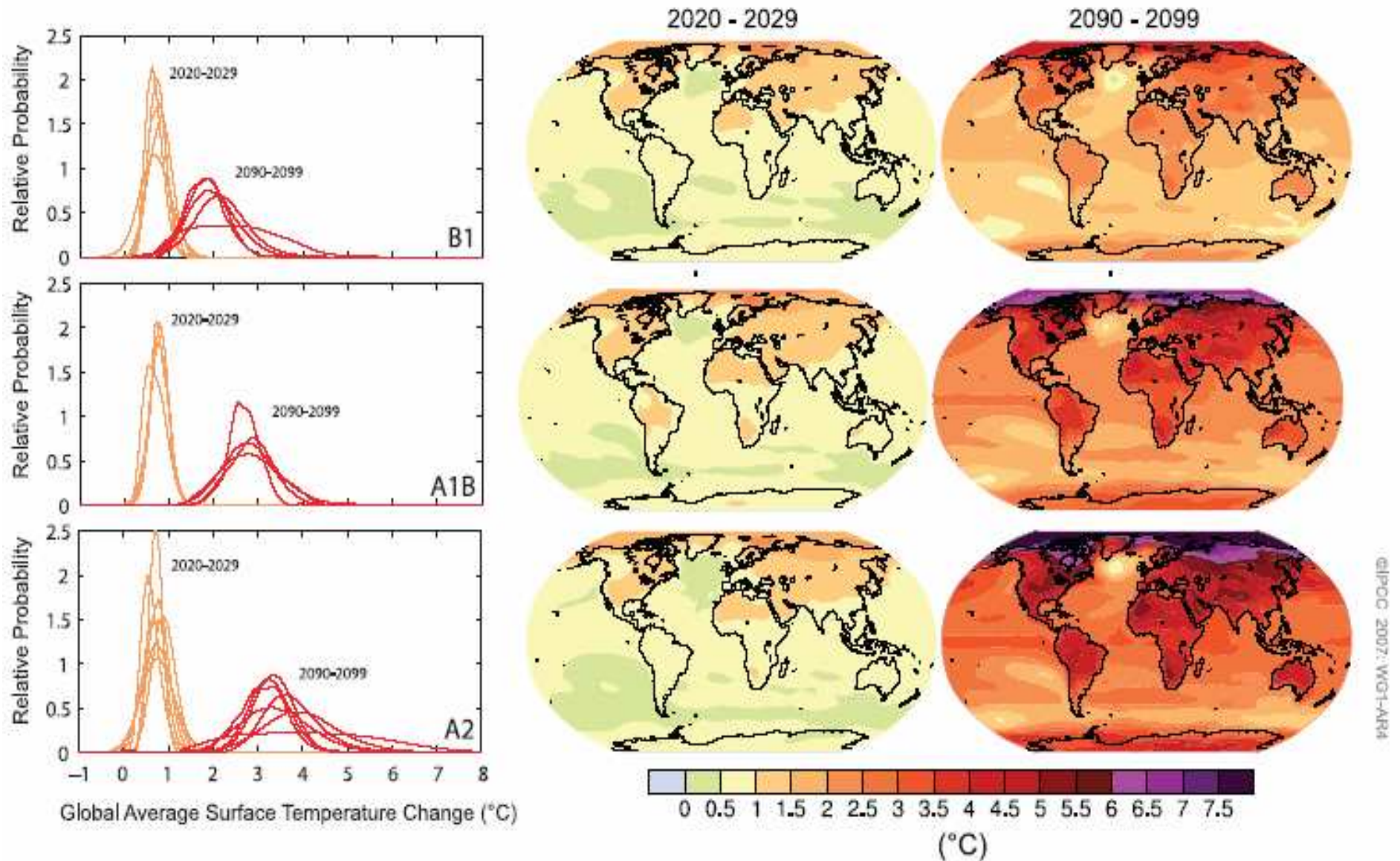
- 20th cent.: **+0,1-0,2 m**
- 21st century: **9-88 cm**



5.1. Global and Regional Change in Temperature (IPCC 2007, WG 1, AR4, S. 11)



5.2. Projection of Surface Temperature (IPCC 2007, WG 1, AR4, S. 15)



5.3. Average Value of Surface Temperature (IPCC 2007, WG 1, AR4, S. 14)

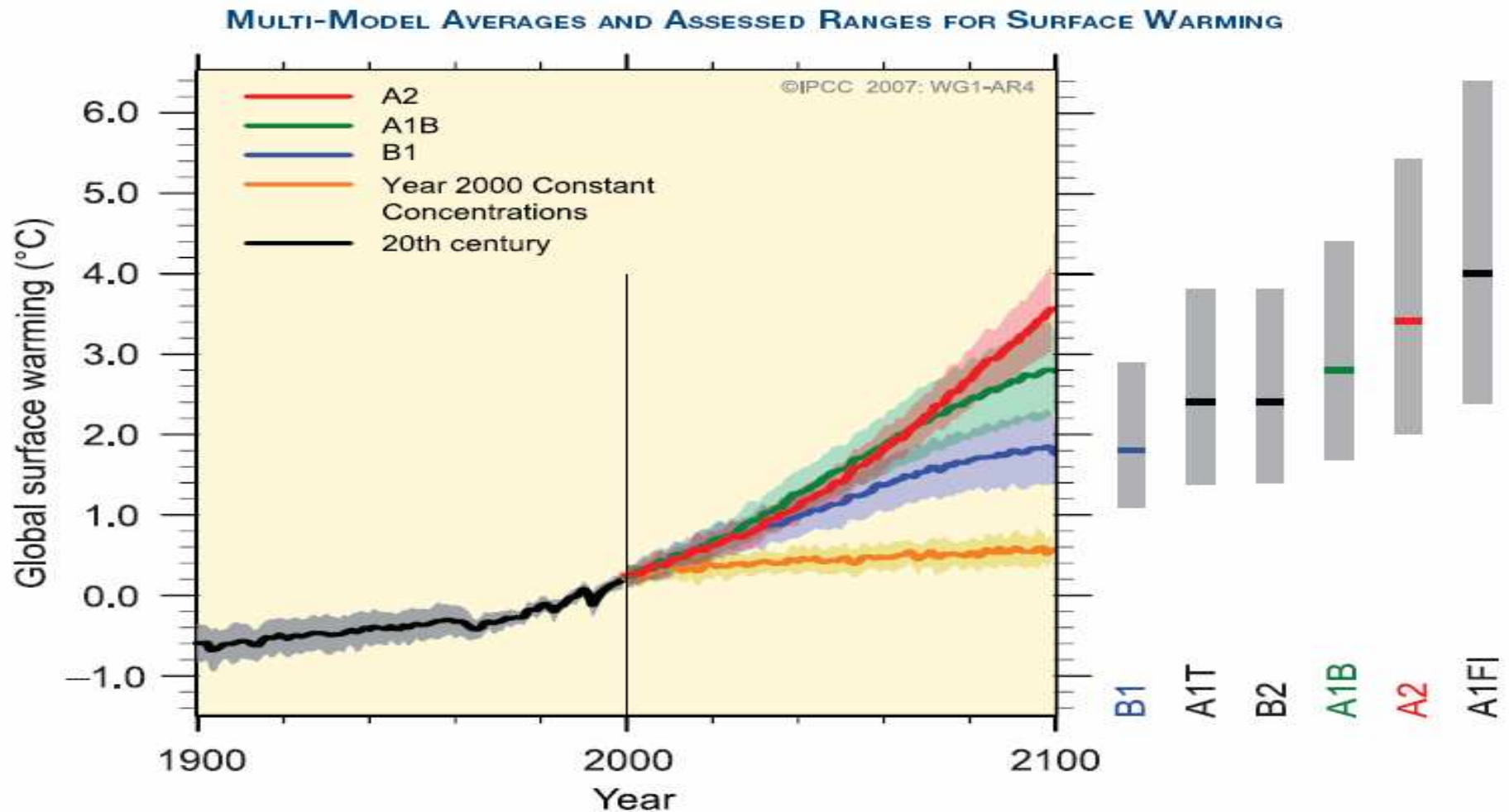
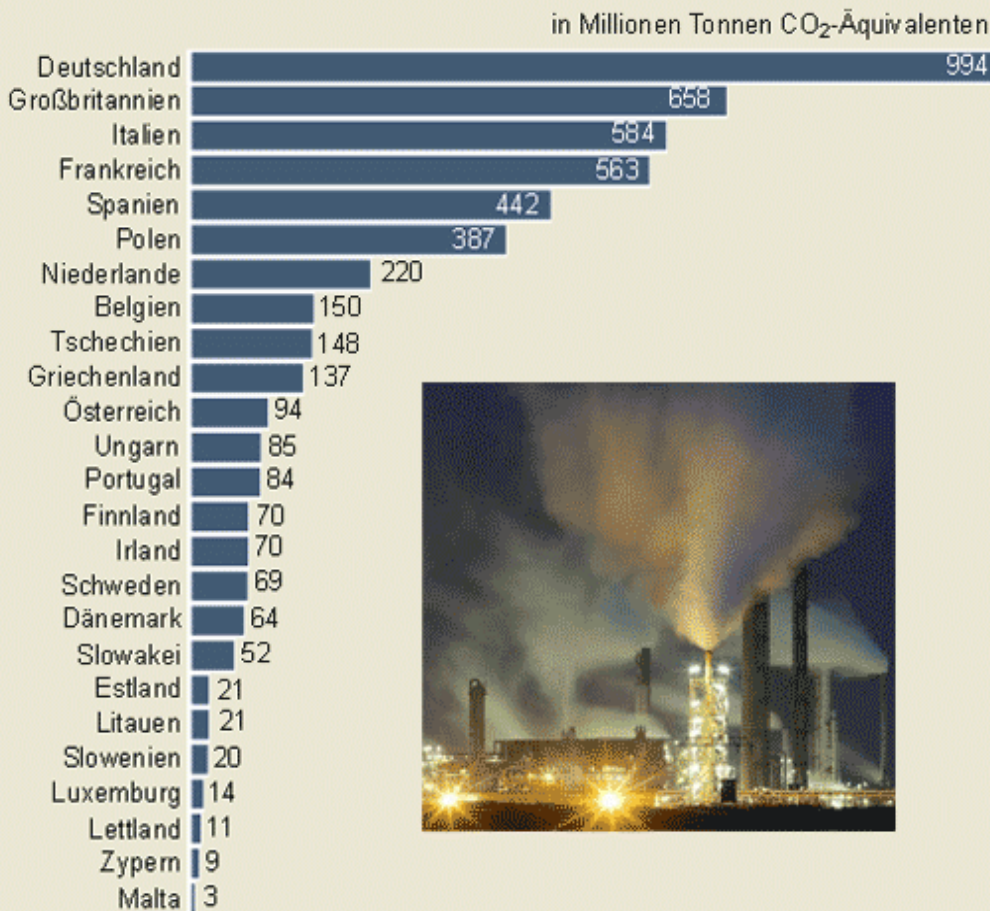


Figure SPM.5. Solid lines are multi-model global averages of surface warming (relative to 1980–1999) for the scenarios A2, A1B and B1, shown as continuations of the 20th century simulations. Shading denotes the ± 1 standard deviation range of individual model annual averages. The orange line is for the experiment where concentrations were held constant at year 2000 values. The grey bars at right indicate the best estimate (solid line within each bar) and the likely range assessed for the six SRES marker scenarios. The assessment of the best estimate and likely ranges in the grey bars includes the AOGCMs in the left part of the figure, as well as results from a hierarchy of independent models and observational constraints. {Figures 10.4 and 10.29}

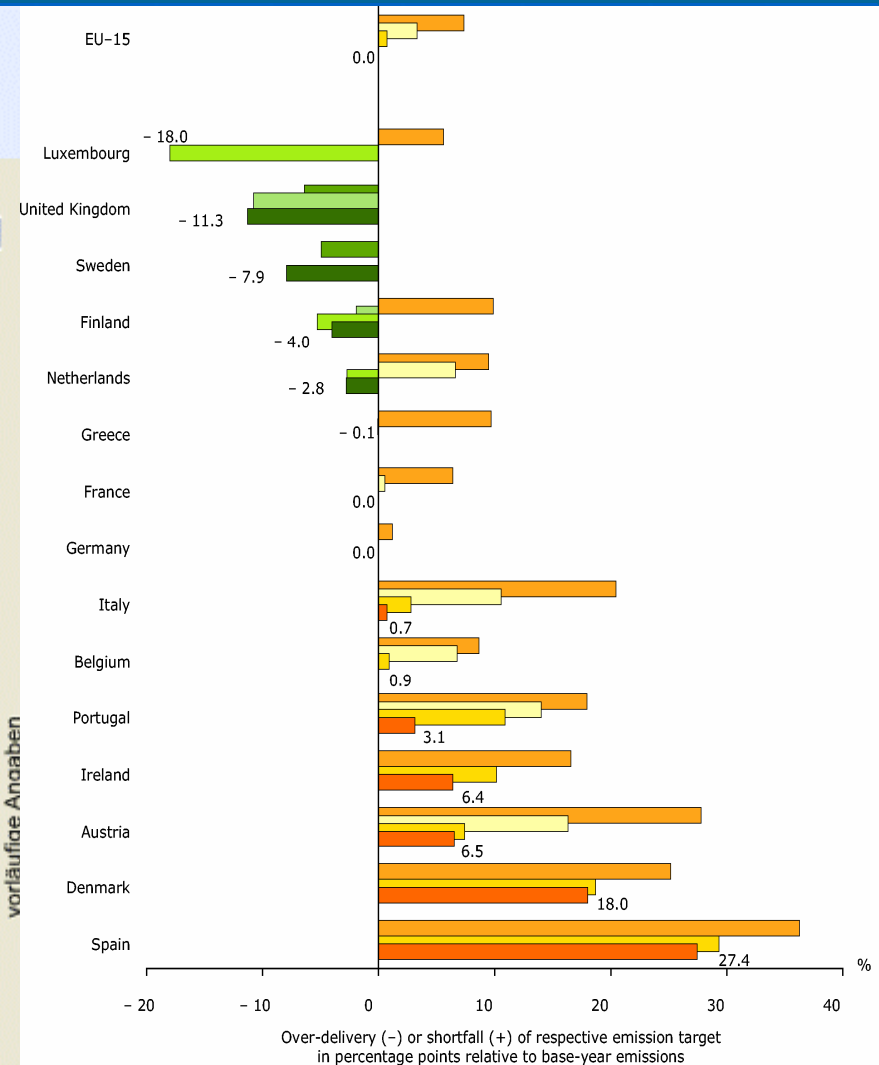
5.4. Greenhouse Gases of EU-Staates

Treibhausgase in der EU

Emissionen der sechs wichtigsten vom Menschen verursachten Treibhausgase* im Jahr 2005



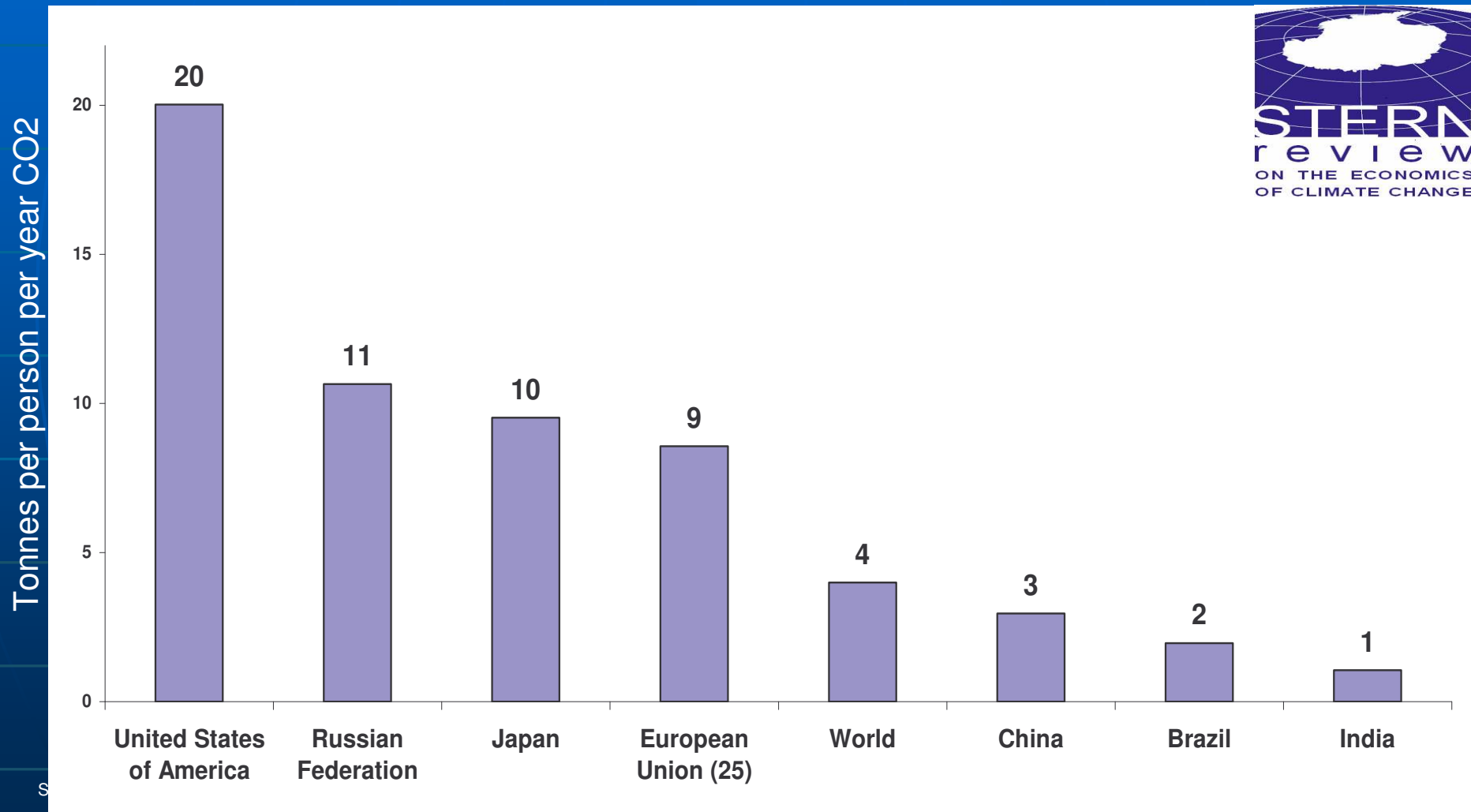
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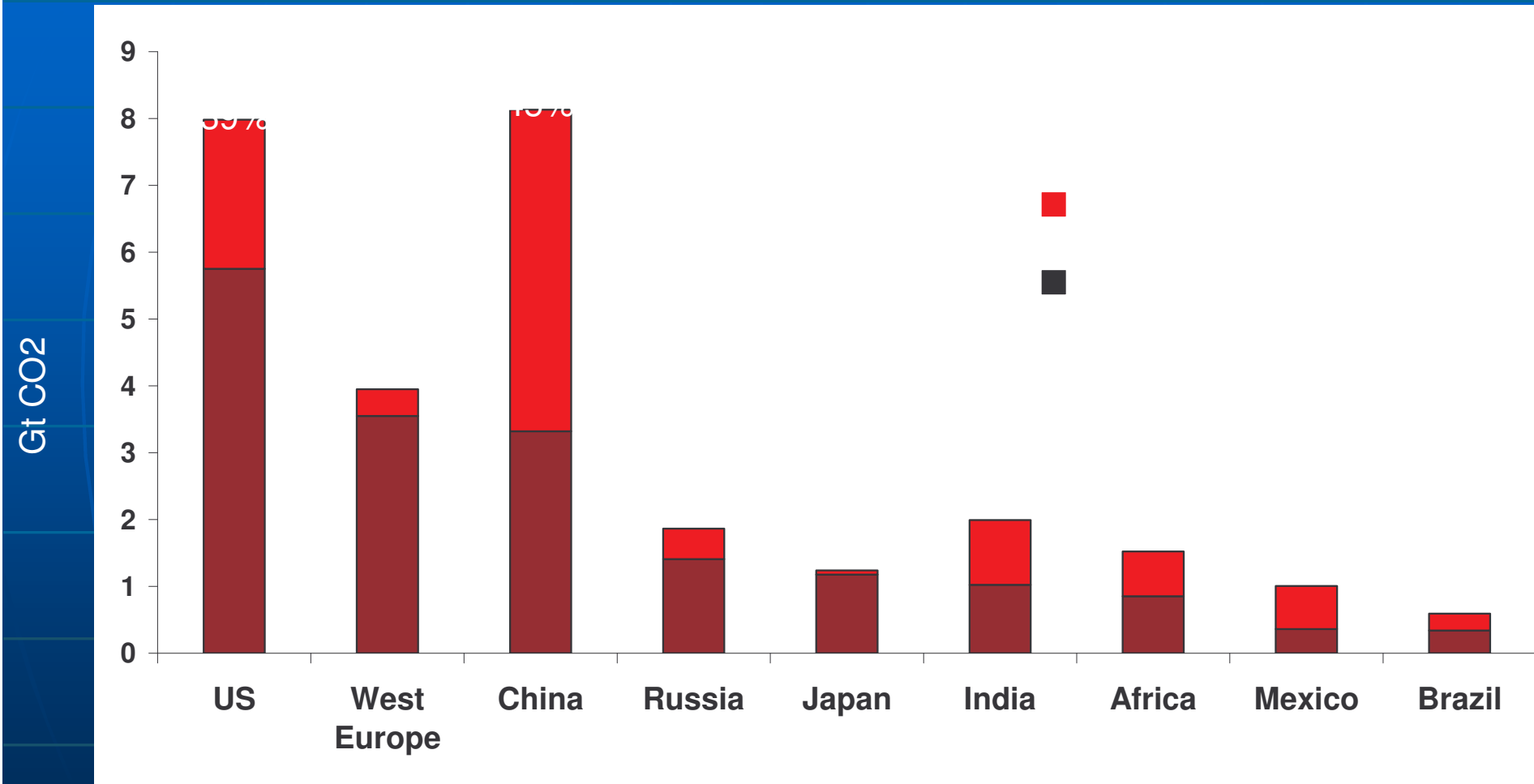
■ With existing domestic measures
 ■ With all measures and Kyoto mechanisms

■ With additional domestic measures
 ■ With all measures, Kyoto mechanisms and carbon sink

5.5. Emissions: Responsibility of Industrial States (Tons of CO2 Emissions/Capita in Energy Sector only, 2002)

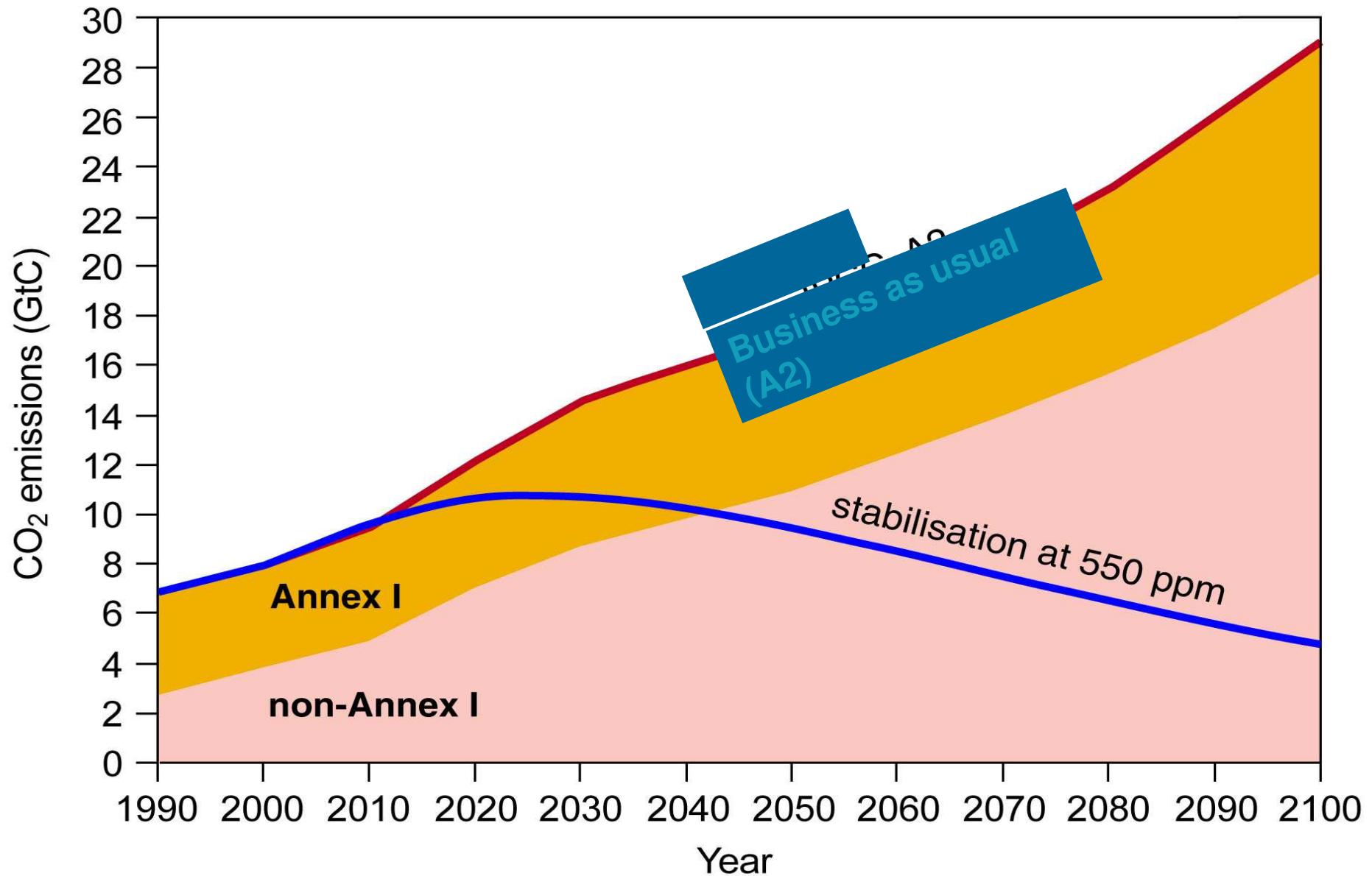


5.6. Projection: Greenhouse Gas Emissions 2025 (only in Energy Sector)



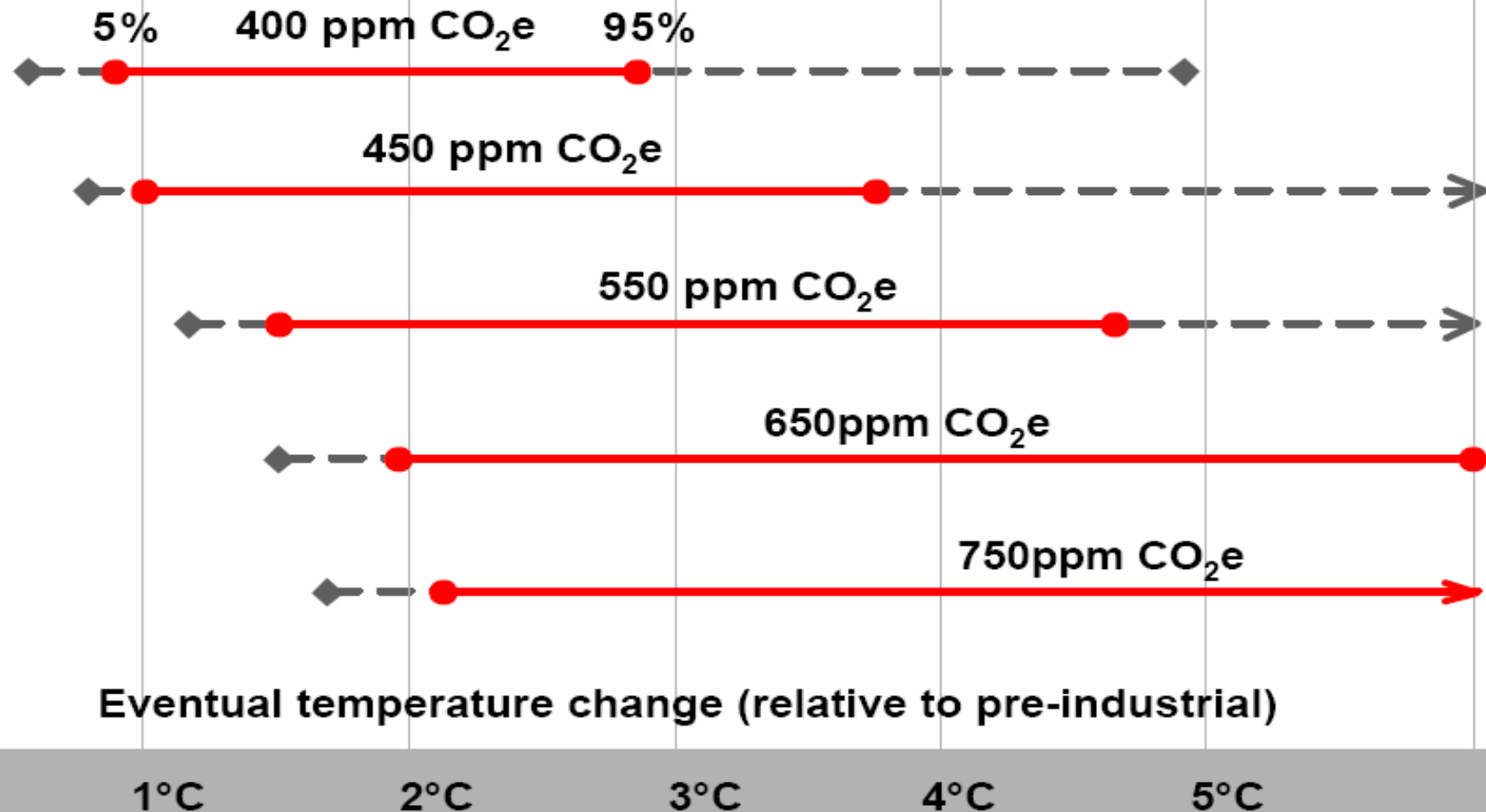
Source: World Resources Institute, CAIT Energy Information Administration Reference Scenario, Energy emissions only

5.7. Projection: Stabilization at 550 ppm



5.8. Stabilization and Temperature Increase

Stabilisation and Commitment to Warming



5.9. Projected Impacts of Climate Change

Projected Impacts of Climate Change

Global temperature change (relative to pre-industrial)

0°C

1°C

2°C

3°C

4°C

5°C

Food

Falling crop yields in many areas, particularly developing regions

Possible rising yields in some high latitude regions

Falling yields in many developed regions

Water

Small mountain glaciers disappear – water supplies threatened in several areas

Significant decreases in water availability in many areas, including Mediterranean and Southern Africa

Sea level rise threatens major cities

Ecosystems

Extensive Damage to Coral Reefs

Rising number of species face extinction

Extreme Weather Events

Rising intensity of storms, forest fires, droughts, flooding and heat waves

Risk of Abrupt and Major Irreversible Changes

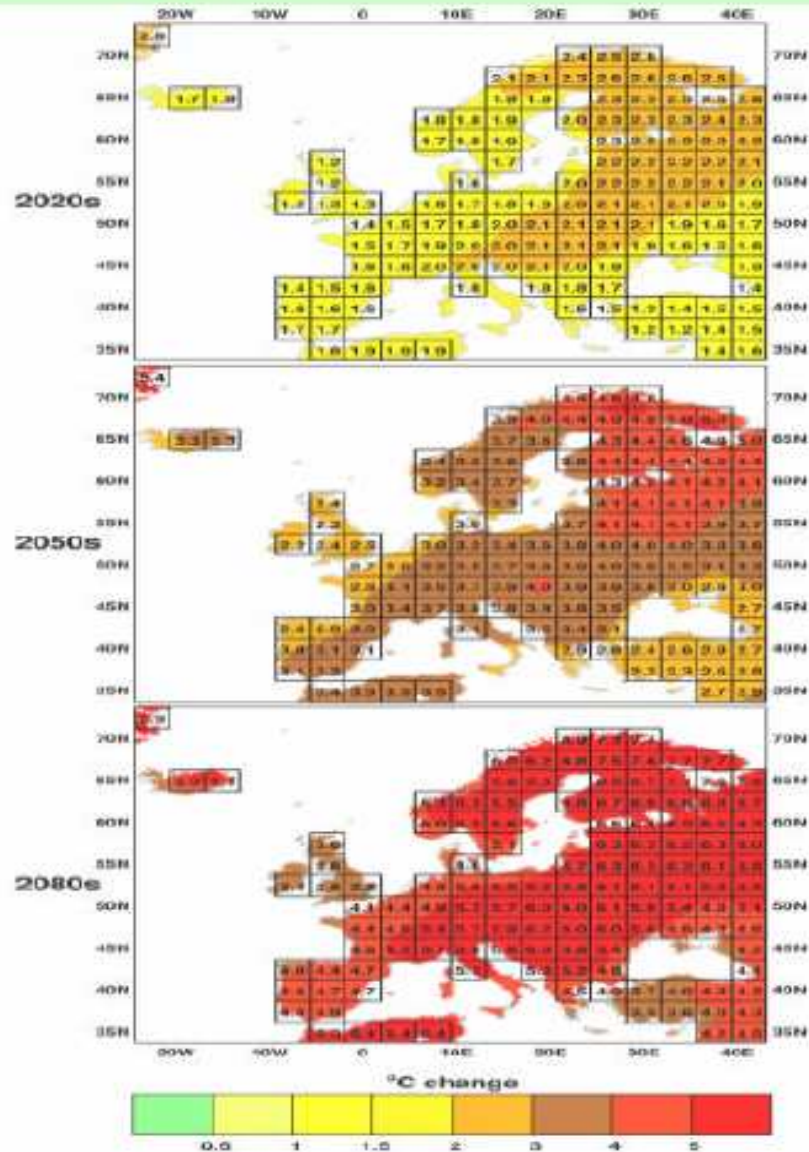
Increasing risk of dangerous feedbacks and abrupt, large-scale shifts in the climate system

5.10. Human Influence on Extreme Weather Events (WG I, AR4, Februar 2007: S. 8)

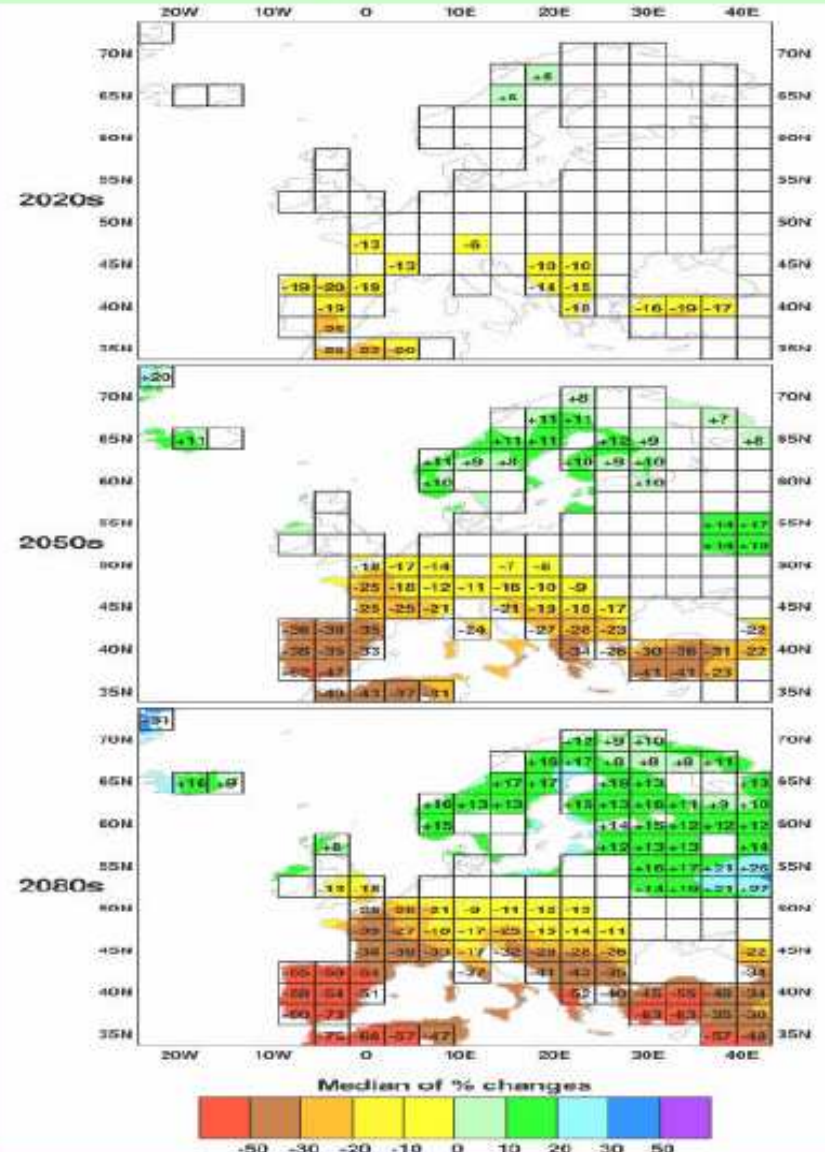
Phenomenon ^a and direction of trend	Likelihood that trend occurred in late 20th century (typically post 1960)	Likelihood of a human contribution to observed trend ^b	Likelihood of future trends based on projections for 21st century using SRES scenarios
Warmer and fewer cold days and nights over most land areas	<i>Very likely^c</i>	<i>Likely^d</i>	<i>Virtually certain^d</i>
Warmer and more frequent hot days and nights over most land areas	<i>Very likely^e</i>	<i>Likely (nights)^d</i>	<i>Virtually certain^d</i>
Warm spells/heat waves. Frequency increases over most land areas	<i>Likely</i>	<i>More likely than not^f</i>	<i>Very likely</i>
Heavy precipitation events. Frequency (or proportion of total rainfall from heavy falls) increases over most areas	<i>Likely</i>	<i>More likely than not^f</i>	<i>Very likely</i>
Area affected by droughts increases	<i>Likely in many regions since 1970s</i>	<i>More likely than not</i>	<i>Likely</i>
Intense tropical cyclone activity increases	<i>Likely in some regions since 1970</i>	<i>More likely than not^f</i>	<i>Likely</i>
Increased incidence of extreme high sea level (excludes tsunamis) ^g	<i>Likely</i>	<i>More likely than not^{f,h}</i>	<i>Likelyⁱ</i>

5.11. Winter Temperature (2020-2080) Winter Precipitation

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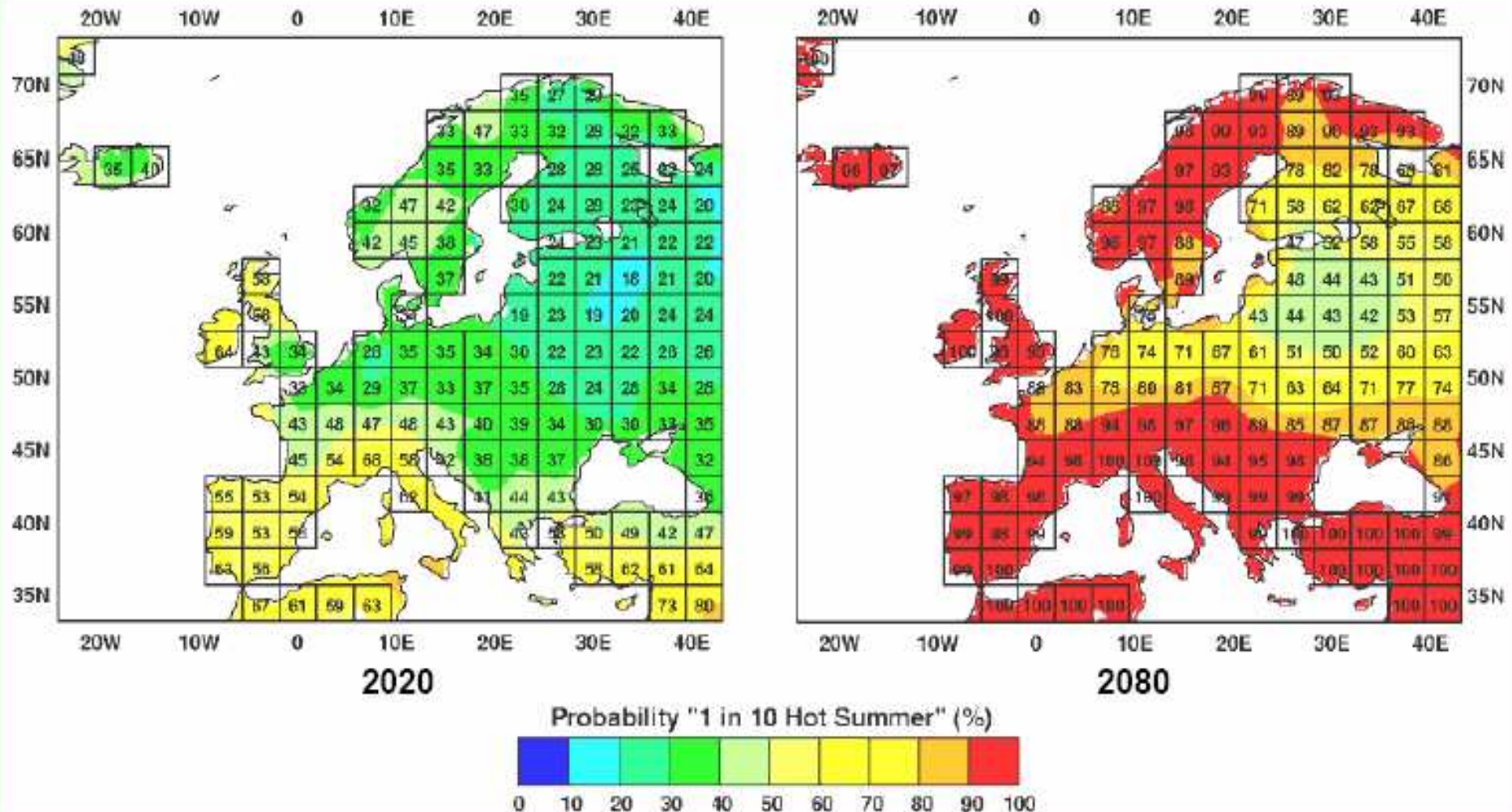


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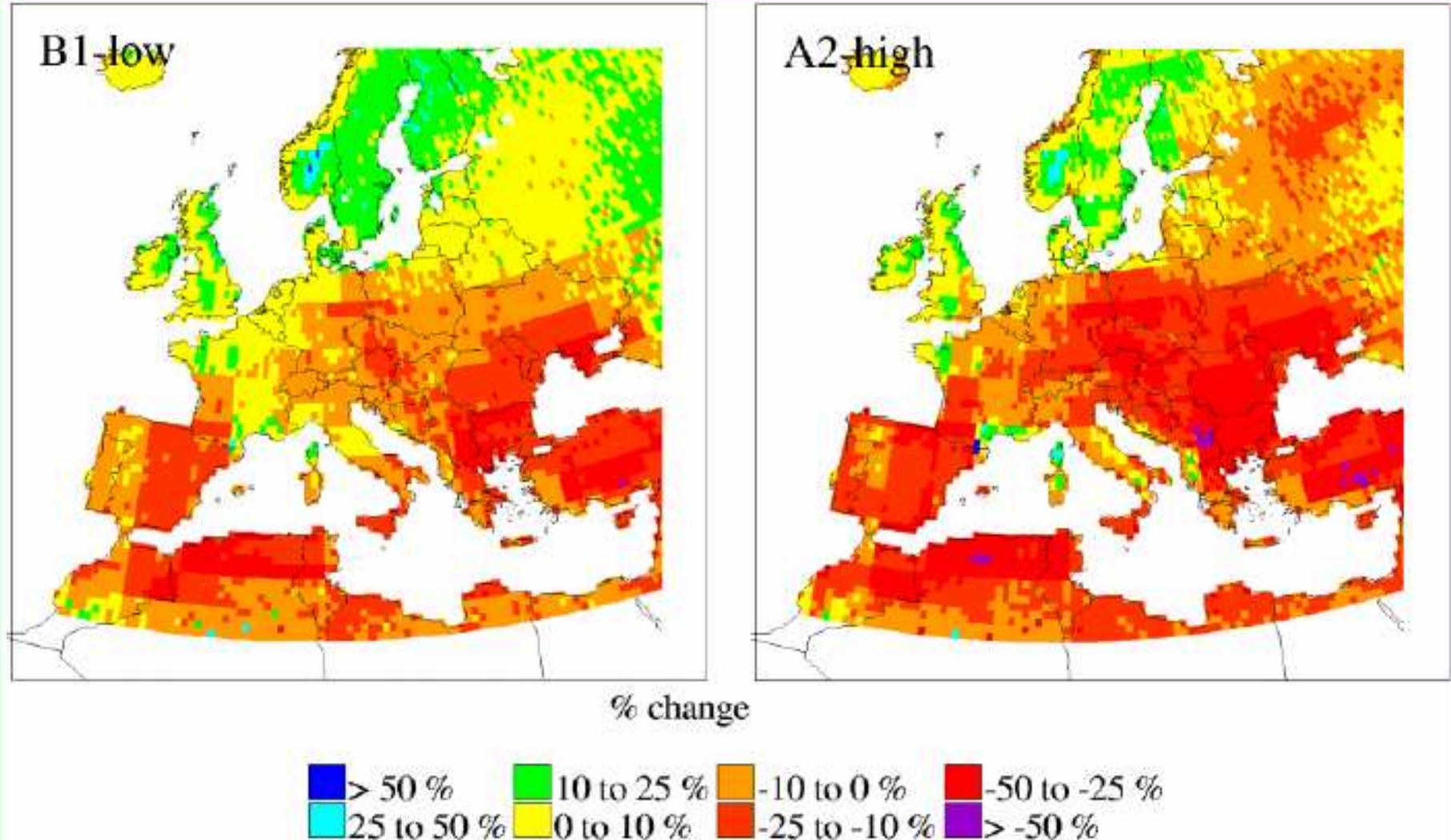
5.12. Probability of Hot Summers (M. Parry, IPCC, London, 2005)

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5.13. Water Availability 2050

(M. Parry, IPCC, London, 2005)

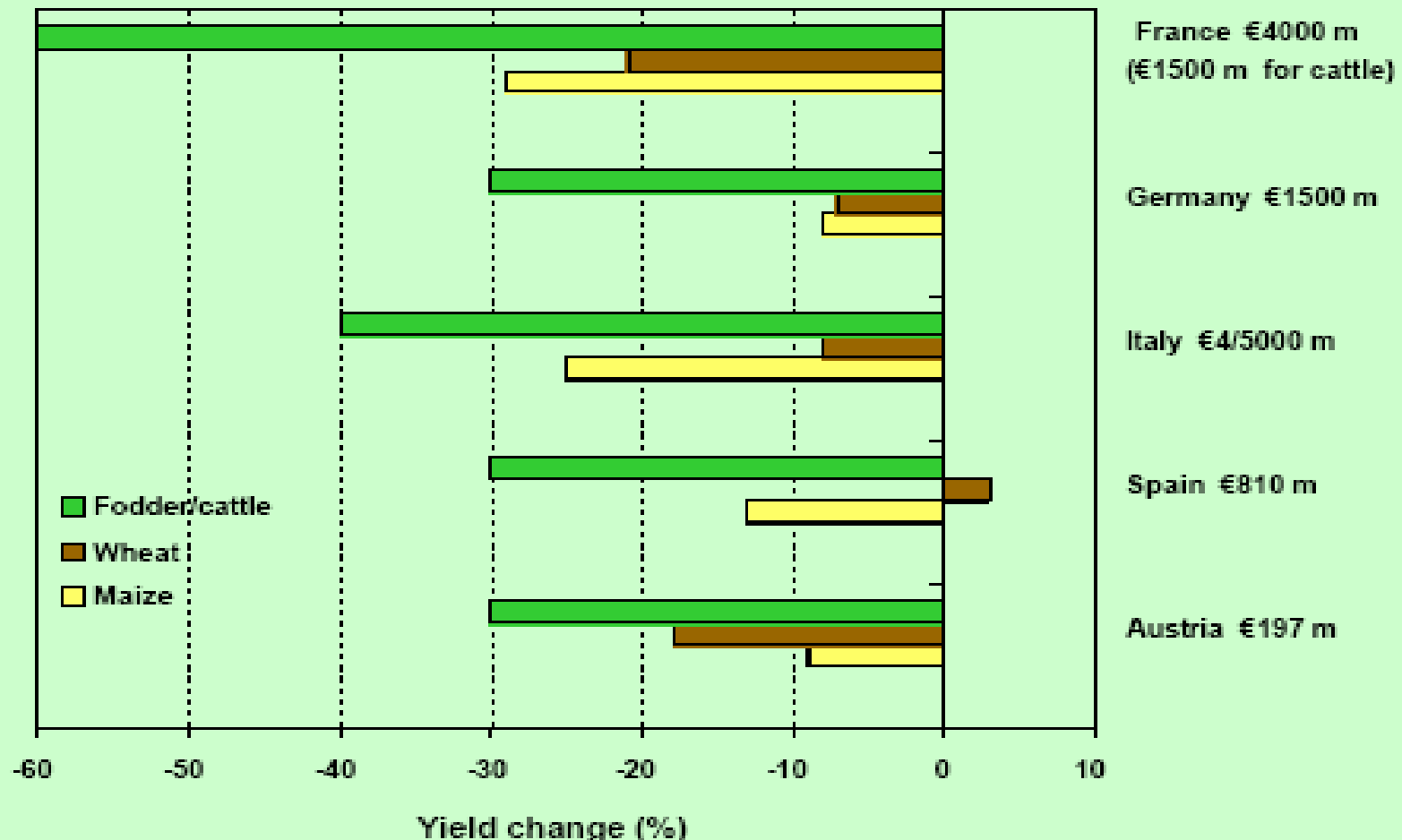


5.14. Effects of 2003 summer heat wave on agricultural yield in five EU countries

© M. Parry, Meeting of EU Agriculture/ Environment Ministers, 11.9.2005, London

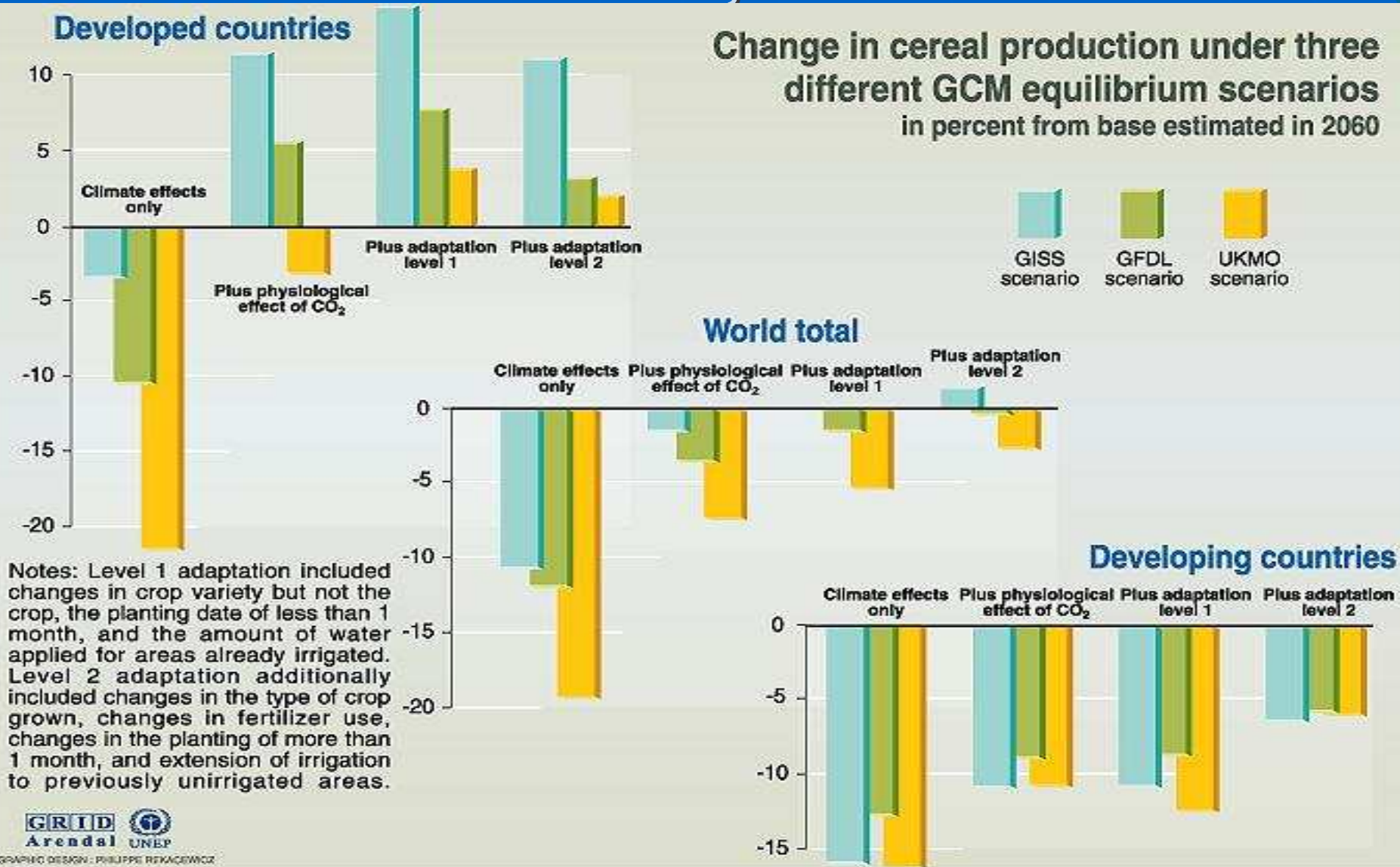
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Effects of 2003 summer heat wave on EU agriculture



5.15. Climate Change Impacts on Agriculture

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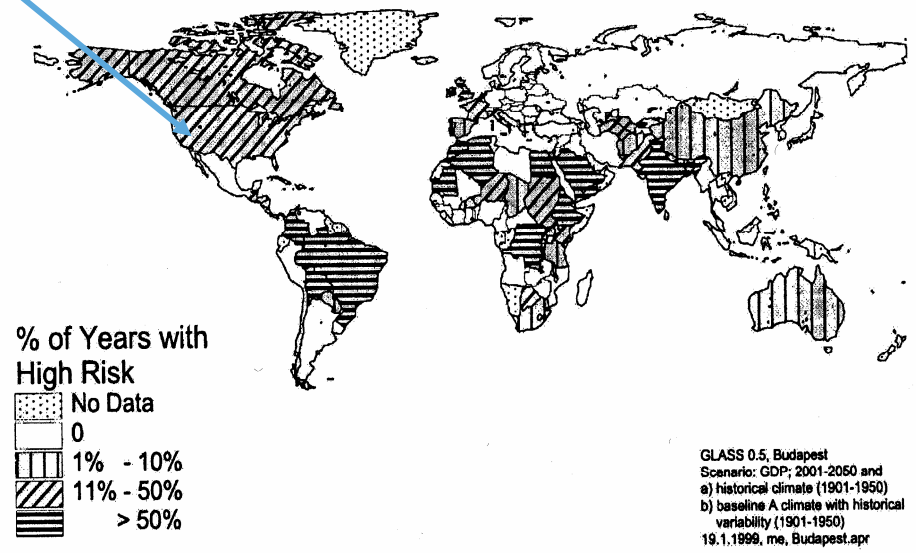
**← High Potential
for Food Crisis
(1901-1995)**

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Figure 4. High Potential for Food Crisis 1901-1995.

5.16. Food Crises High Potential for Food Crisis (2001- 2050) with GDP and Climate Change →

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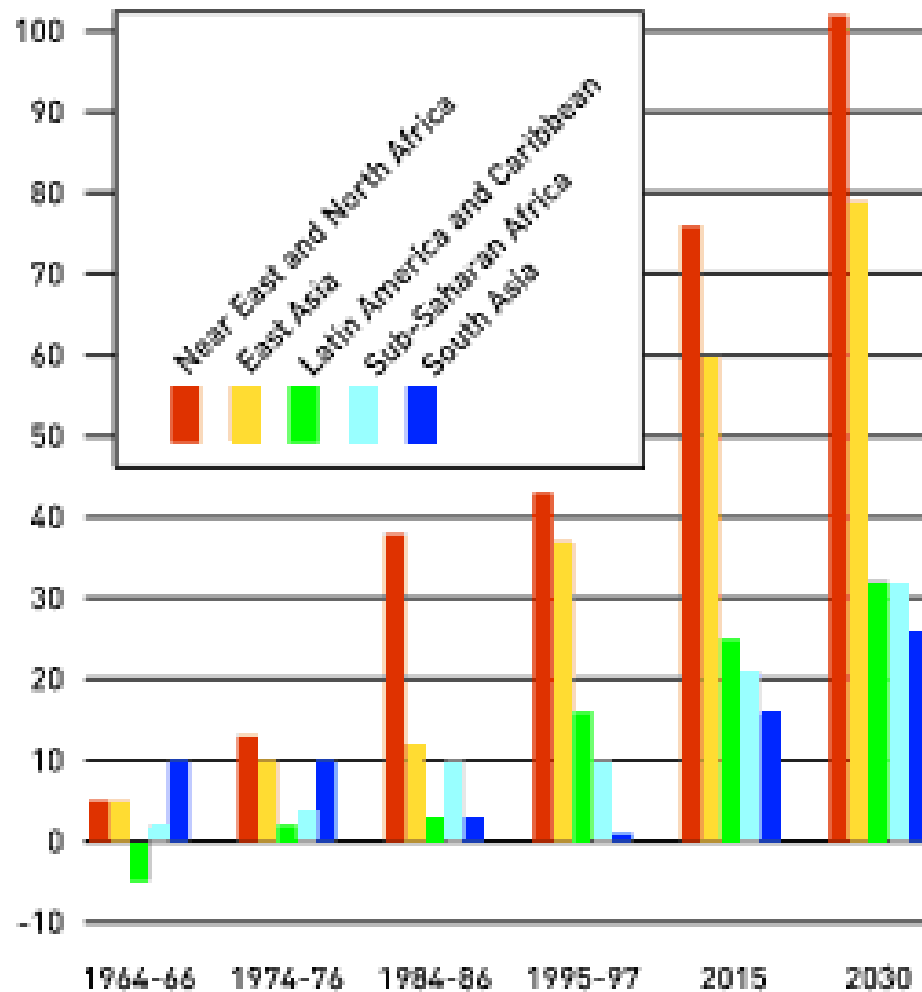


*Figure 6. High Potential for Food Crisis 2001-2050
– with GDP Increase and Climate Change.*

5.17. FAO (2000) Increase in Cereal Imports

Net cereal imports in developing countries

millions of tonnes



- **FAO: 4 March 2003, Rome** World's population will be better fed by 2030, **but hundreds of millions of people in developing countries will remain chronically hungry.**
- Number of hungry people will decline from 800 million today to 440 million in 2030.
- **The target of the World Food Summit (1996) to reduce the number of hungry by half by 2015, will not be met by 2030.**

6. Climate Change as an Issue of International Politics and Security

Objective: climate change has influenced human history for more than 10.000 years

Subjective: perception of climate change as an issue of security and survival is recent.

1896: Arrhenius hypothesis: energy & climate change

Climate Change became an issue of IR since 1988

1988: Reagan Admin. put CC on agenda of G-7

1990: IPCC set up by UN General Assembly

1992: Rio Earth Summit: UNFCCC signed

1997: Kyoto protocol approved (-5.1% by ,08)

- Problem of environmental security (BMU/Brauch 2002)
- Problem of national security (UK, USA, 2004)
- Problem of human security (GECHS,2005)
- Problem of international security: UNSC-Debate on 17.4.2007

6.1. **Climate Change** Poses

Threats, Challenges, Vulnerabilities & Risks for **Human**, National, Food & Health **Security**

- **Globally: past trends & future projections**
 - Temperature increase and change in precipitation
 - Increase in both flash floods & droughts
 - **Hazard impacts depend also on social vulnerability and resilience**
 - Response requires both protection & empowerment of the people
- **Climate Change Impacts on Human Security**
 - Increase in temperature (flash floods & droughts) & sea level rise poses a
 - „survival dilemma“ for affected poor people in the South:
 - a) to stay at home and to protect property (women, children, old p.)
 - b) to leave their home and to move to mega cities (metro poles)
 - c) to fight for the access to water (nomads in Sahel countries)
- **Conceptual Response is HUGE (U. Oswald Spring, Mexico)**
 - **Human, Gender and Environmental Security (HUGE)**
 - a) to cope with survival dilemma of the victims of Global Environm. Change
 - b) to develop survival strategies by enhancing resilience

6.2. Linking Human & Environmental Security

- **Two separate schools of thought:**
 - **Environmental security:** primarily state-centred (U.S. focus)
 - **Human security:** so far no focus of the Human Security Network (14 states) on environment & on natural hazards
 - **HSN 8th Min. meeting in Bangkok (1-2 June 2006):** reference to the need to consider GEC and natural hazards
- **'People-centred' environmental security:**
 - **Jon Barnett (Au/NZ, 2001):** reduce environmental degradation for the vulnerable people. He draws on ecology and hazard theory with the key notions of risk, vulnerability and resilience.
- **Environmental dimension of human security:**
 - **UNDP (1994):** 'environmental security' one of 7 components of an all-encompassing human security concept.
 - **GECHS (1999):** focuses on the pressures and effects of GEC
 - **UNU-EHS (2005):** focuses on the impacts, the societal outcomes but also on policy response, primarily in the UN system.

6.3. Climate Change as a Problem of Environmental Security: BMU-Study (2002)

- **Grotian Diagnosis:** H.G. Brauch: *Climate Change, Environmental Stress and Conflicts*, Fed. German Min. of Environment (Nov. 2002)
- **Focus:** Interaction between Global Environmental Change and Fatal Outcomes, case studies: Mexico, Bangladesh, Egypt, Mediterranean
- **Distress migration:** from Nile Basin, across the Mediterranean, major human disasters, increase in hydro-meteorological hazards in the Mediterranean: storms, droughts, flash floods.
- **Assumption:** IPCC hypothesis
- **Worldview:** Grotian
- **Concept:** environmental and human security
- **Referent:** GEC, individual
- **Method:** socio-economic, qualitative, hermeneutic, projection of trends by IGOs
- **Plausibility:** higher
- **Research Needs:** strategies of environmental conflict avoidance

6.4. Climate Change as a Security Problem: Agenda Setting by UK

- Science Adviser **Sir David King** of PM: Blair: Climate Change is a bigger threat than terrorism
- **February 2006: British Defence Minister John Reid:**
 - „Climate change may spark conflict between nations and British armed forces must be ready to tackle violence.
 - „We see uncertainty growing ... about the geopolitical and human consequences of climate change. .. Impacts such as flooding, melting permafrost & desertification could lead to loss of agricultural land, poisoning of water supplies & destruction of economic infrastructure.“
 - "More than 300 million people in Africa currently lack access to safe water; climate change will worsen this dire situation.
- Report of the Economic Adviser **Sir Nicholas Stern** (30.10. 06): Costs of Climate Change higher than those of two world wars
- **John Ashton, UK Foreign special Representative for Climate Change said at a conference on "Climate Change: The Global Security Impact", on 24.1.2007:** "There is every reason to believe that as the 21st century unfolds, the security story will be bound together with climate change."
- **17.4.2007: Foreign Secretary Beckett: First meeting on Climate Change as a Security issue**

6.5. Climate Change as a Problem of National Security

- Peter Schwartz/Doug Randall: Contract Study for DoD, Net Assessment, Oct. 2003
 - *Zweck: "to imagine the unthinkable – to push the boundaries of current research on climate change so we may better understand the potential implications on United States nat. security."*
- Nils Gilman, Doug Randall, Peter Schwartz:
 - Impacts of Climate Change: A system Vulnerability Approach to Consider the Potential Impacts to 2050 of a Mid-Upper Greenhouse Gas Emissions scenario (January 2007);
- CNA Corp: *National Security and the Threat of Climate Change* (April 2007)
 - Climate change can act as a threat multiplier for instability in some of the most volatile regions... presents national security challenge for U.S.

6.6. Climate Change as a Problem of International Security

■ UK Foreign Minister Margaret Beckett (17.4.2007)

- Climate change is a security issue but it is **not a matter of narrow national security** - it has a new dimension," she said. "This is about our **collective security** in a fragile and increasingly interdependent world."

■ 52 States participated (instead 15 UNSC)

- **For the Debate:** UN-SG, Ban Ki-moon, UK, all EU-states, Alliance of small Island States
- **Skeptical:** Russia, USA
- **Opposed:** China, Group of 77 (Pakistan)

6.7. Climate Change as a Problem of Human Security

- **GECHS** Science Strategy (1999): Global Environmental Change as a Problem of Human Security
- **GECHS** - Cicero Conference in June 2005: Climate Change and Human Security
- **UNU-EHS**: Floods and drought as a Problem of Human Security
- **UNU-EHS/MunichRe Foundation: Chairs on Social Vulnerability**: impact on natural hazards
- **Policy Memorandum**: Climate Change and Human Security (15 April 2007) at:
<http://www.afes-press.de/html/texte_presse.html>

6.8. Climate Change as a Problem of the Human Security Network (2007-08)

Greek Presidency: Climate Change as a Security Challenge

- Deputy Greek FM Evripidis Stylianidis outlined Athens' priorities: climate change and their effect on sensitive population groups, such as children.
- Among problems that could ensue from climate change are drought, infectious diseases, illegal migration, poverty, human trafficking, particularly children. Greek presidency will address these aspects, contribute to intern. dialogue.
- We shall promote specific proposals at international organisations, the UN, the EU and UNICEF and we shall try to give the issue the weight it deserves,"
- Main issues being examined by the ministerial "watch" is removal of mines, combatting the trafficking of light arms, the strengthening of multi-partite di-plomacy and of international humanitarian law, support and protection for sen-sitive groups, refugees, women and children and the prevention of conflicts.
- Greek presidency hopes to provide a new impetus for the Network, promoting as a priority a leading issue on the agenda of international organisations and inviting to the annual ministerial conference new countries, personalities and organisations and creating an international meeting.

6.9. World in Transition – Climate Change as a Security Risk

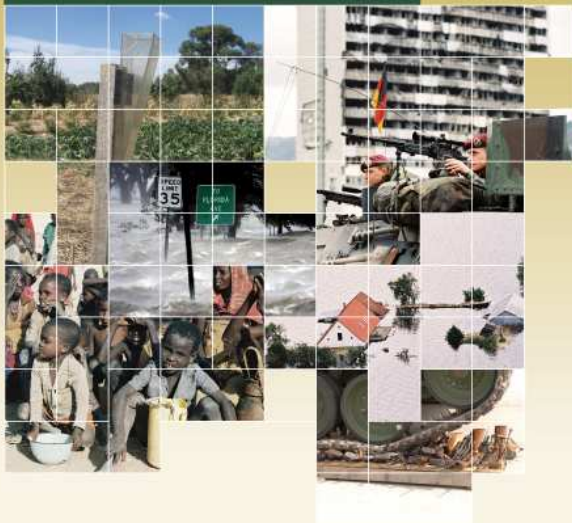
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**World
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Without resolute counteraction, climate change will overstretch many societies' adaptive capacities within the coming decades. This could result in destabilization and violence, jeopardizing national and international security to a new degree. However, climate change could also unite the international community, provided that it recognizes climate change as a threat to humankind and soon sets the course for the avoidance of dangerous anthropogenic climate change by adopting a dynamic and globally coordinated climate policy. If it fails to do so, climate change will draw ever-deeper lines of division and conflict in international relations, triggering numerous conflicts between and within countries over the distribution of resources, especially water and land, over the management of migration, or over compensation payments between the countries mainly responsible for climate change and those countries most affected by its destructive effects.

Source: <http://www.wbgu.de/wbgu_jg2007_engl.html>

6.10. Studies for WBGU-Report

- Brauch: Regionalexpertise: Destabilisierungs- und Konfliktpotential prognostizierter Umweltveränderungen in der Region Südeuropa und Nordafrika bis 2020/2050 (4,8 MB, 72)
- Carius, Tänzler, Winterstein: Weltkarte von Umweltkonflikten: Ansätze zur Typologisierung. (5,9 MB, 115 S.)
- Cassel-Gintz: Karten zur Bodendegradation und Versalzung. GIS-II. (8,9 MB, 17 S.)
- Clark: Environmentally Induced Migration and Conflict. (1,6 MB, 24 S.)
- Giese, Sehring: Regionalexpertise: Destabilisierungs- und Konfliktpotential prognostizierter Umweltveränderungen in der Region Zentralasien bis 2020/2050. (1,7 MB, 46 S.)
- Heberer: Regionalexpertise: Destabilisierungs- und Konfliktpotential prognostizierter Umweltveränderungen in China bis 2020/2050 (824 KB, 39 S.)
- Swatuk: Regionalexpertise: Southern Africa, Environmental Change and Regional Security: An Assessment (440 KB, 24)
- Wolf: A Long Term View of Water and Security: International Waters, National Issues, and Regional Tensions (544 KB, 22 S.)

6.11. From Research to Action: Enhancing Environmental & Human Security

Towards Environmental Conflict Avoidance

- **Primary Goal:** address fatal outcomes of GEC: hazards and disasters, migration, crises & conflicts that may have been caused, triggered, induced, influenced by: a) environmental stress and b) extreme weather events,
- **Enhance Environmental Security:** Address human behaviour that contributes to GEC via climate change, soil degradation, water pollution & scarcity: sustainable strategies
- **Enhance Human Security:** address factors of GEC that challenge survival of individuals, families, villages, ethnic groups
- **Avoid Environmentally-induced Conflicts:** address structural or causal factors (of Survival Hexagon), e.g. climate policy, combat desertification, cope with water stress.

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