
The German In-flight Icing Warning System ADWICE

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current status, on-going research & development and future challenges

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Overview

- ADWICE system
 - Prognostic Icing Algorithm
 - Diagnostic Icing Algorithm
- Verification
- User Products
- On-Going Research & Development
- Single European Sky ATM Research Program (SESAR)
- Future Challenges

Prognostic Icing Algorithm (ADWICE PIA)

COSMO-EU (3D)

- Pressure
- Temperature
- Humidity
- Top and Bottom of Convection

Catalog for icing scenarios

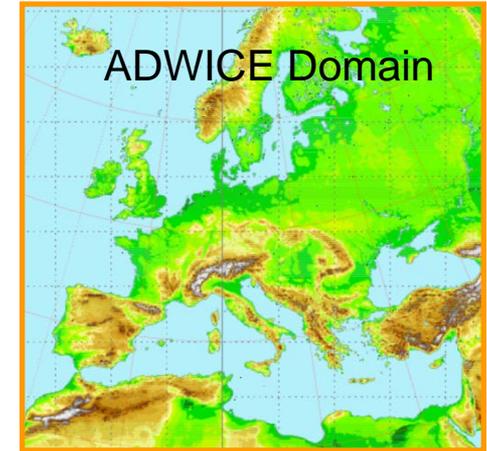
Prognostic Icing Product (PIP)

Icing scenario

Icing intensity (fuzzy logic)

Freezing	Stratiform
Convective	General

Severe	Moderate
Light	



- Updated 4 times a day
- Hourly forecasts up to 24h, 3-hourly until 78h

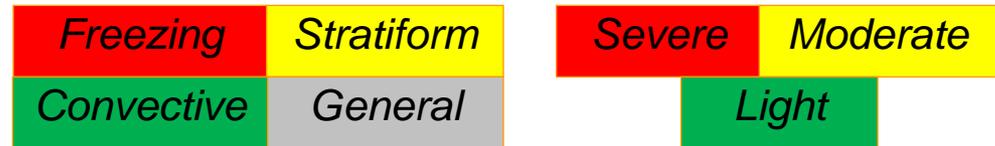
Diagnostic Icing Algorithm (ADWICE DIA)

PIP (3D) as „first guess“

Observational data (2D)
SYNOP/METAR & RADAR +
SATELLITE (www.nwcsaf.org)



Catalog for icing scenarios
(Confirm/reject PIP and identify
possible icing risk)



Icing scenario

Icing intensity
(fuzzy logic)

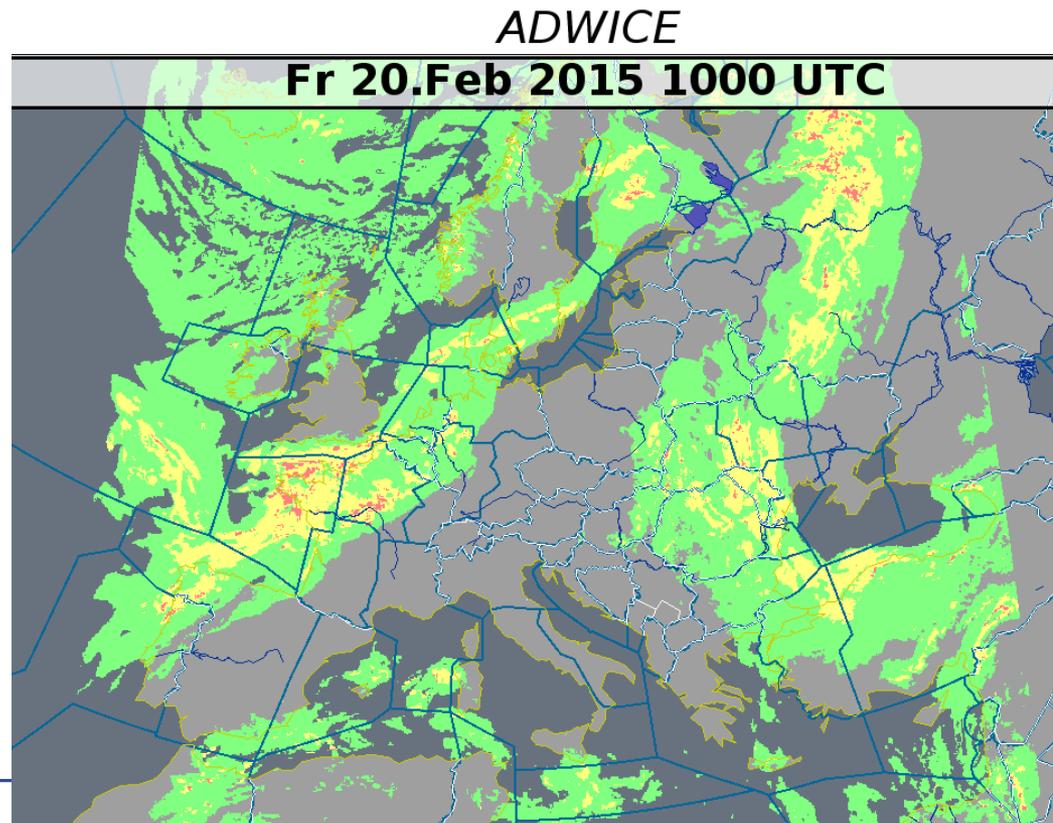
Diagnostic Icing Product (DIP)

- Updated hourly!

- Comparison: ADWICE vs. PIREPs (Oct.-Dec. 2013)
 - „cube“ of all model-grid-points within ~20km horizontal and 3 GP vertical around PIREP compared with PIREP
 - Neglect icing intensity (only: Icing or No Icing)
 - Problem: only few (472) PIREPS available over Europe, especially “no icing” information missing

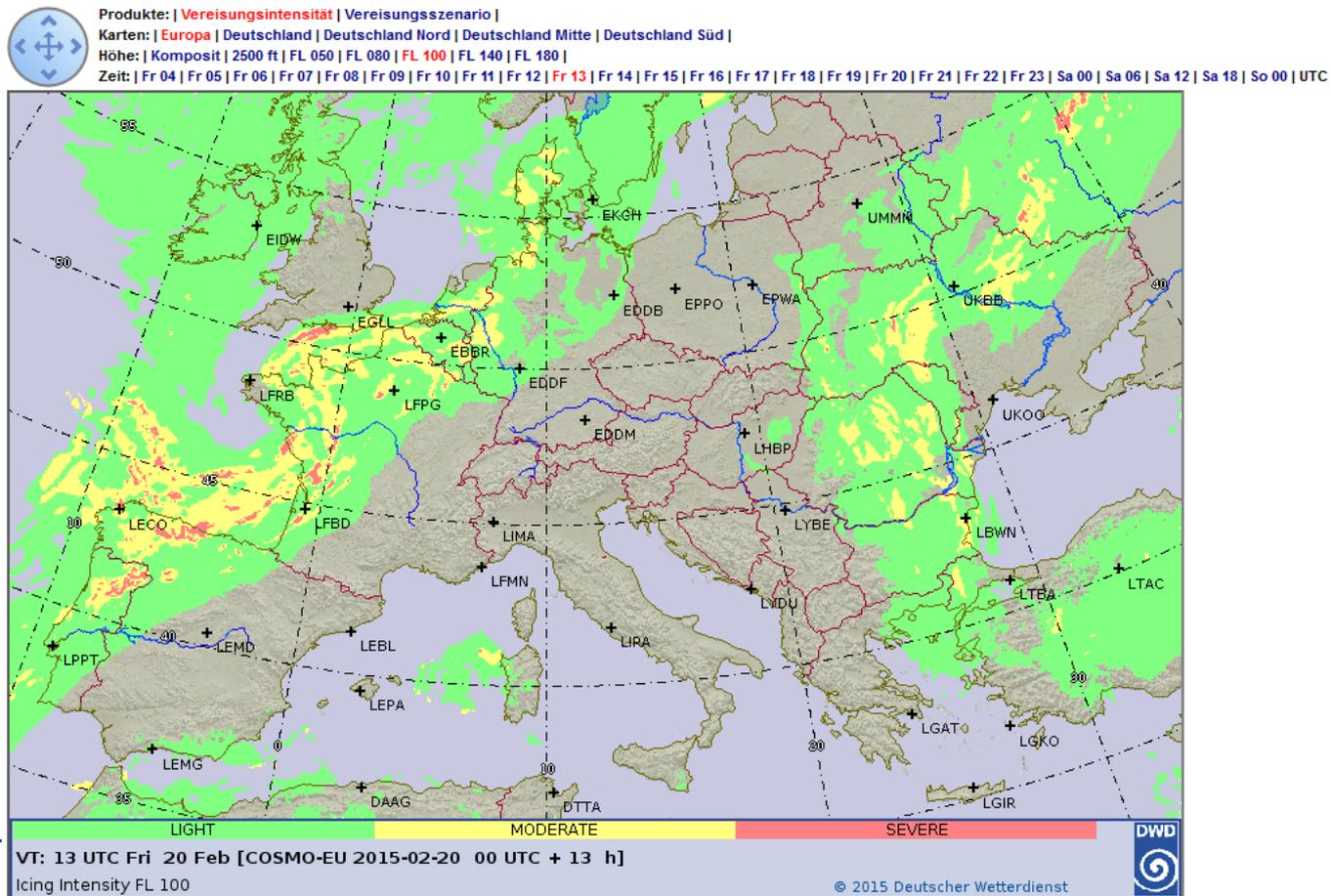
	Hit-Rate	1-False-Alarm-Rate	Area under curve
PIP	86,65	66,67	0,7666
DIP	83,23	71,43	0,7733

- Operational in use for aviation advisory centres in visualisation tool “NinJo” (Germany & Switzerland) on
 - Model layers (lowest 33)
 - Flight Levels (12 levels, up to FL 300)
 - As composite

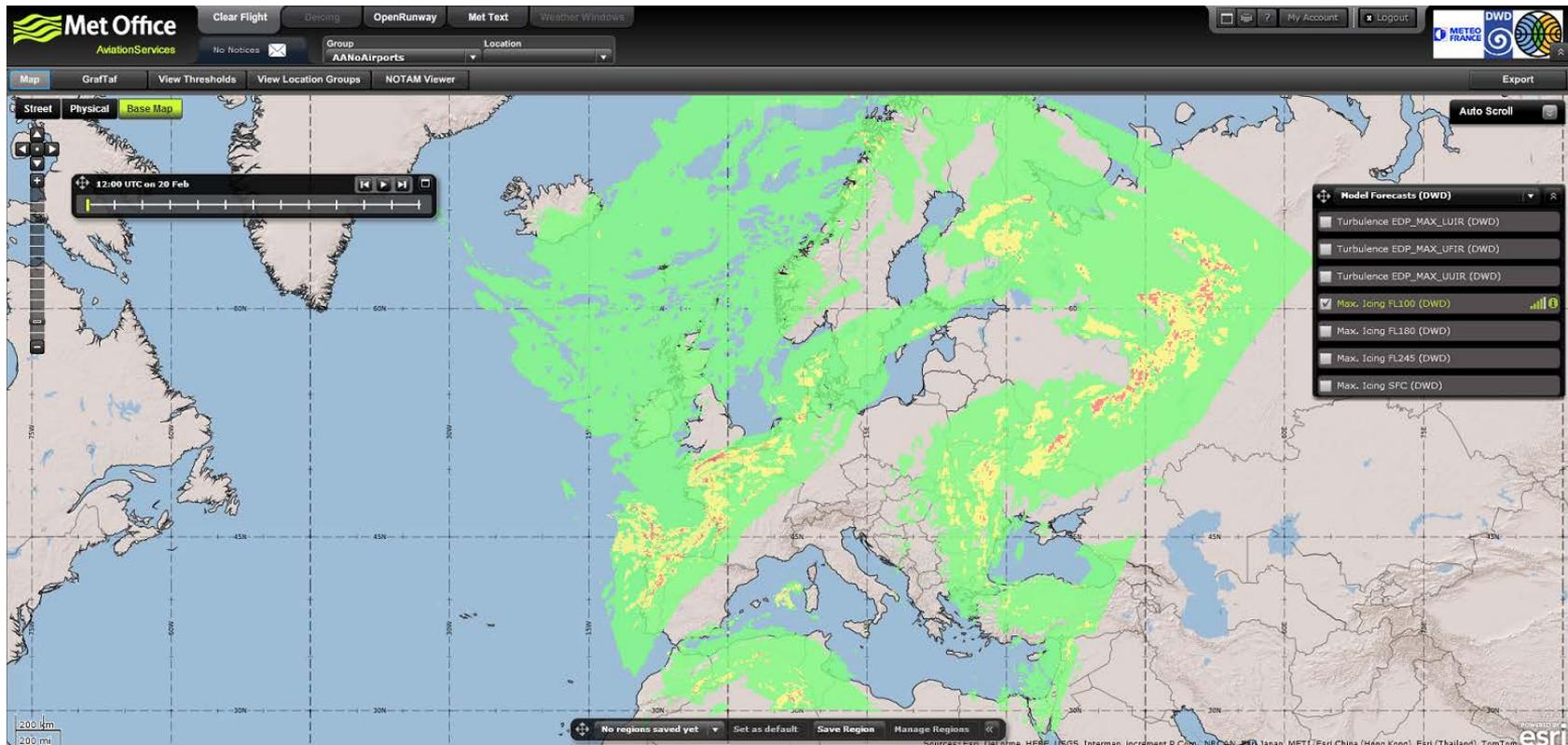


- ➔ Self-briefing System „pc-met“ for general aviation (license required):
<https://www.flugwetter.de>

Vereisungsintensität FL 100 gültig für Fr, 20.02.2015 13 UTC



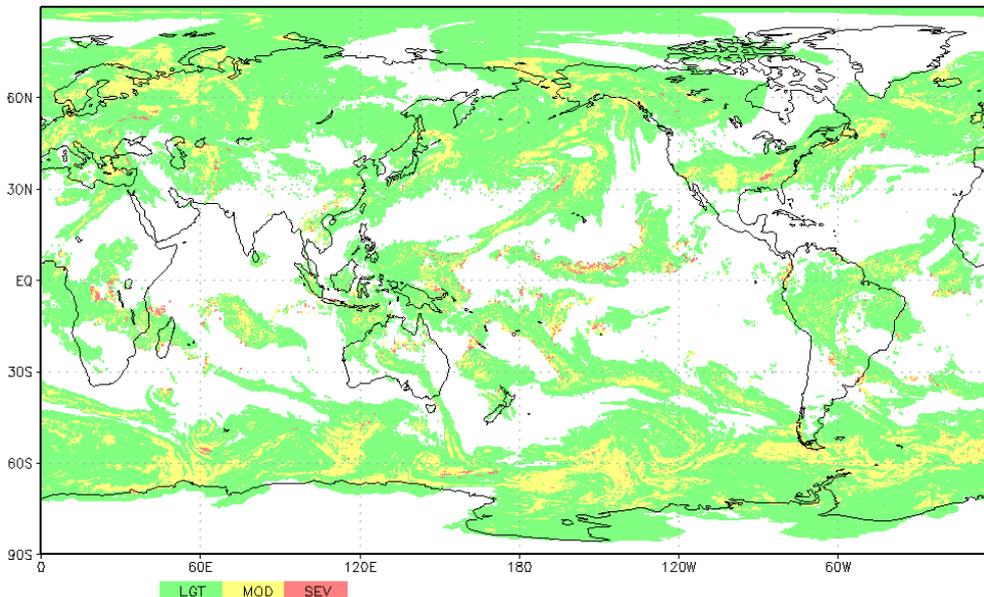
- ➔ EUROCONTROL: Clearflight-tool (UKMO)
<http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/premium/aviationservices>
- ➔ Decision support for Networkmanager (account required)



→ Global setup of ADWICE with ICON model data:

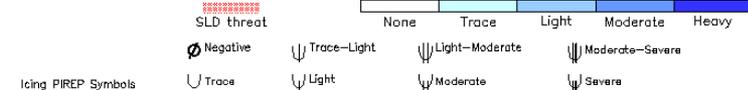
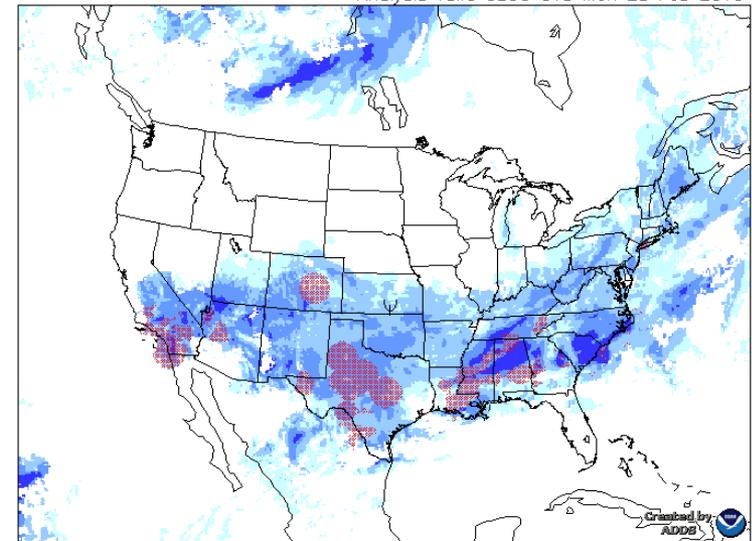
- on $\sim 0.25^\circ$ global horizontal grid (planned for 2016: $\sim 0.125^\circ$)
- Icing – Forecasts expected to be operational end of 2015 (verification missing yet → PIREPS?!)
- Icing – Diagnosis following afterwards

ADWICE Icing Intensity (max in column) – Forecast
[ADWICE-ICON 2015-02-23 00 UTC + 08h]



Maximum icing severity (1000 ft. MSL to FL300)

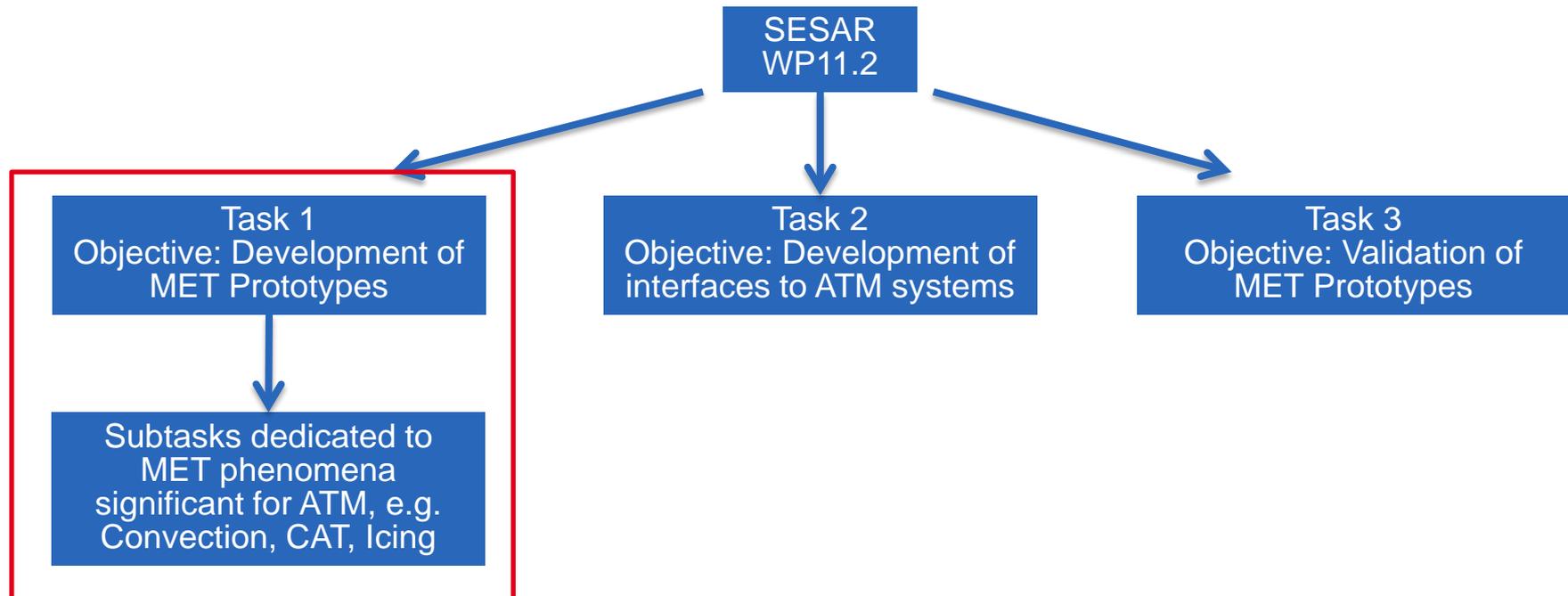
Analysis valid 0800 UTC Mon 23 Feb 2015



- **(T-)AMDAR study** ongoing with COSMO-EU over U.S.:
 - Additionally used (PANASONICS Tropospheric-) Atmospheric Meteorological Data Reporting system – data (T/AMDAR) as initial input data for COSMO-EU over U.S. (e.g. 50665 additional measurements on 10th of June 2013)
 - one result: reduction of Forecast error of humidity in the boundary layer
 - Question: how is the influence on results forecasting Aircraft Icing by using AMDAR/TAMDAR data in NWP?

Project Aim:

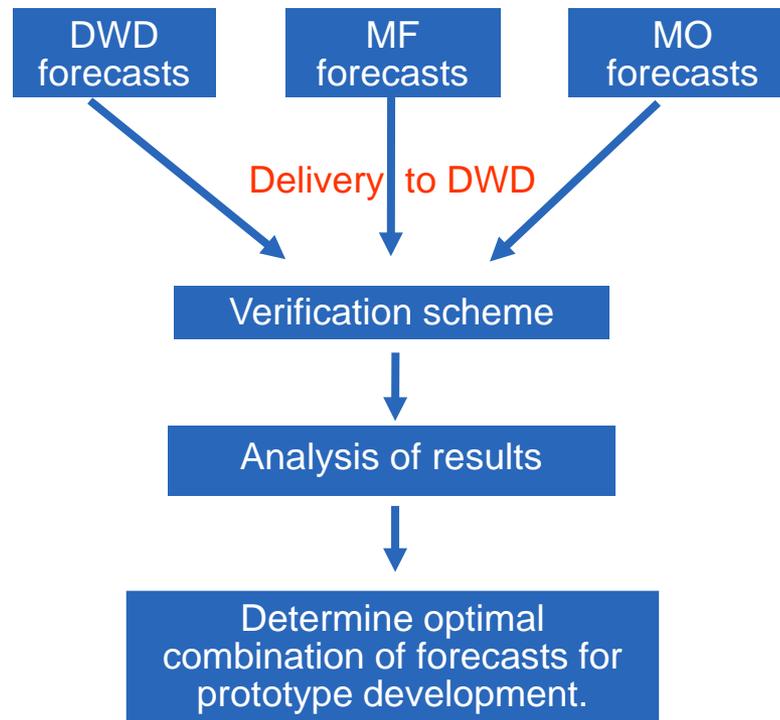
Develop consolidated harmonized forecast products over Europe to increase efficiency of processes related to Air Traffic Management (ATM).



X1.4 Icing Subtask

Objective:

Develop a unified forecast of icing conditions based on a composite of the most advanced existing techniques from DWD, MF and MO.



- Ice crystal icing?
- Icing forecasts for type of aircraft?
- Combining new remote sensing data / observations with icing-diagnosis
- Improve liquid water content (LWC) → direct usage of LWC for icing forecasts instead of Temperature & Humidity thresholds
- What do users really need?

Thank you for your attention!

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