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Smart Climate Hydropower Tool:

An artificial intelligence based service for
hydropower production seasonal forecast

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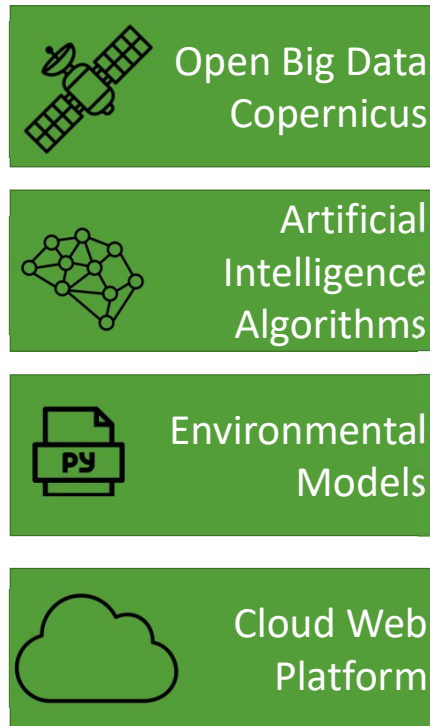
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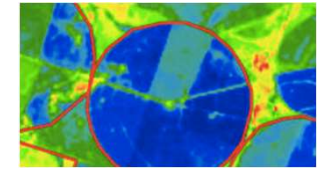
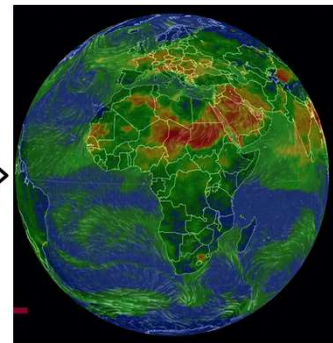
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GECO sistema



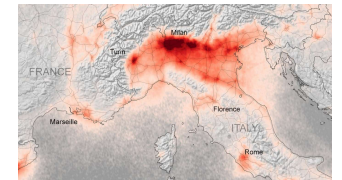
CLIMATE SERVICES



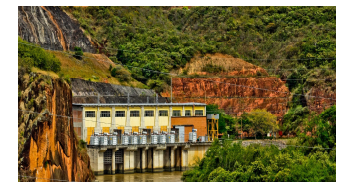
Agriculture



Natural Hazard



Air Quality



Renewable Energy

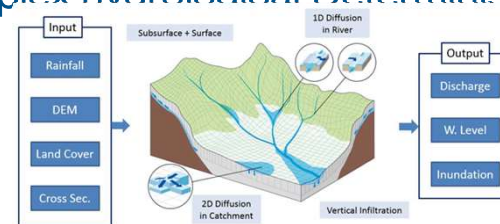


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SCHT: AI-based Climate Services (CS)

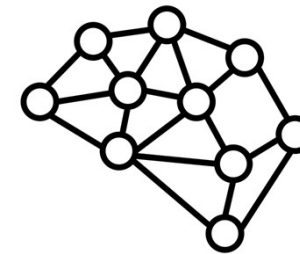
- **THE NEEDS:** Energy and Water Management requires climate service to cope with climate challenges
- **PURPOSE:** Evaluate how much Copernicus Seasonal Forecasts and AI algorithms may contribute to reduce uncertainty of hydropower production due to natural inflows variability
- **STANDARD CS:** Feed Seasonal ECV Forecast into complex hydrological Deterministic Models (EHYPE):

- Time and data consuming (topo, landuse, soil)
- requires the involvement of hydrological modeling expert
- Multiple sites = Multiple Models



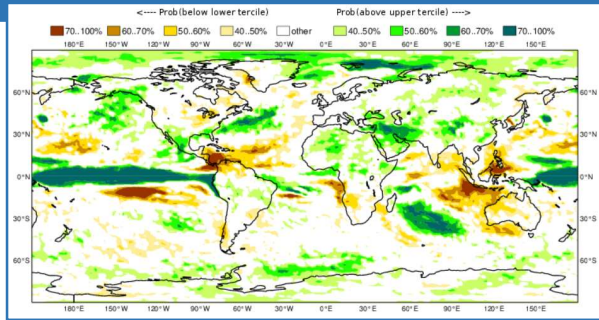
- **INNOVATIVE AI-based :** Combination of Copernicus Seasonal Forecast with Data Science (AI and ML) Time Series algorithms.

- Democratize the practical use of seasonal-forecast-based climate services
- Less time and data requirements – No background in hydraulics requested
- Suitable for multiple site applications
- Web App



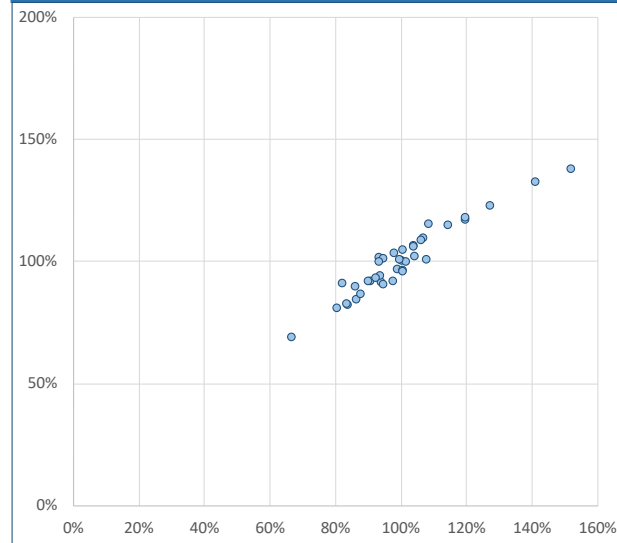
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Climate Services

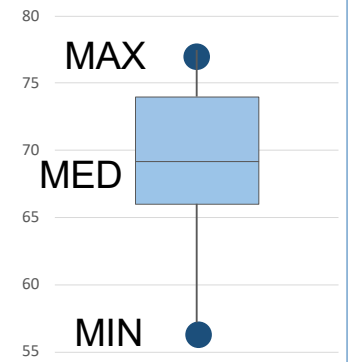


BUSINESS solutions

Precipitation vs Capability



Annual Capability variability GWh



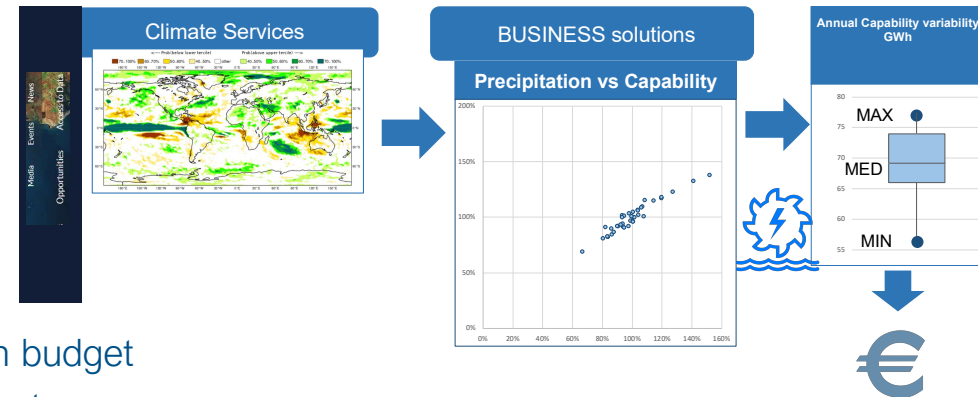
Where is the value in forecasting for HP ?

Problems

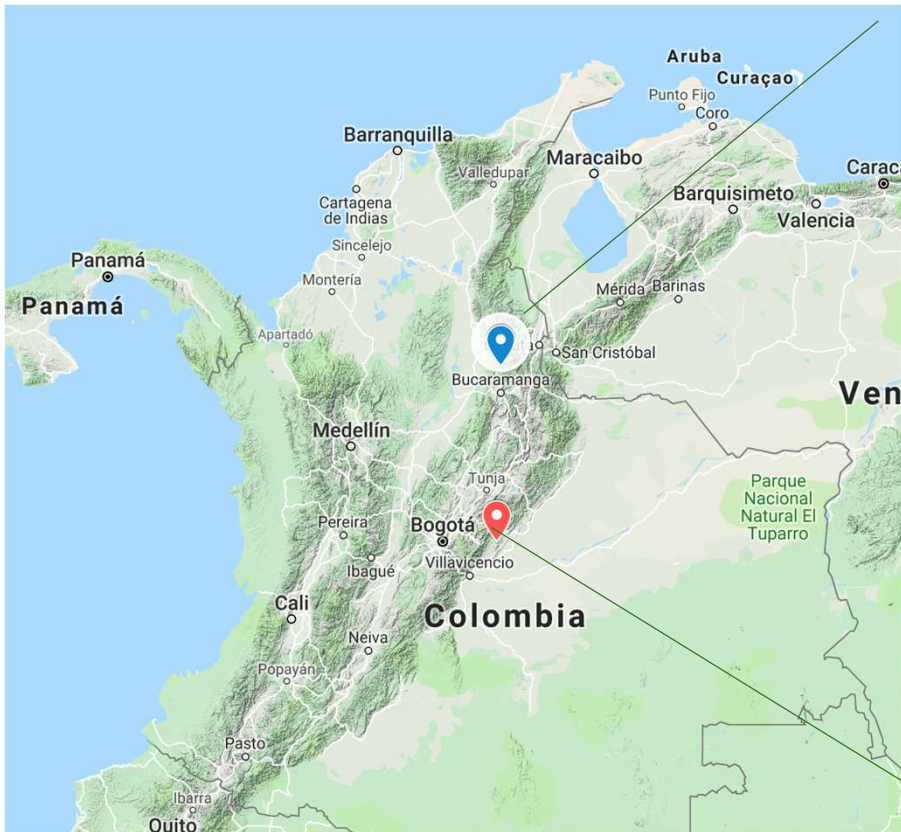
- The Technical point of view: Knowing in advance means planning management of the reservoir to boost production
- The Financial one = Deviation between the scheduled annual production and actually achievable production requires:
 - Corrective sales / purchase of energy
 - If you buy increasing unit costs during the year
 - If you sell redundancies have decreasing benefits in the year round.

Objective

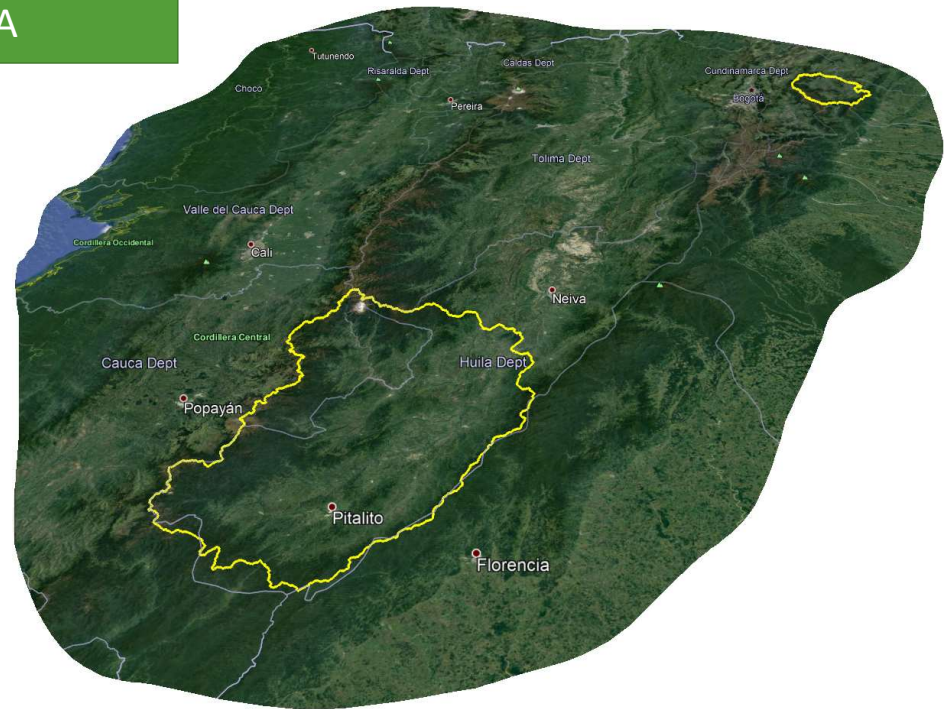
- Knowing as early as possible deviation at the year end between budget producibility and final production to be able to undertake the most advantageous corrective actions.



Case Studies



BETANIA



GUAVIO

Case studies in Colombia: Betania

Central Hidroeléctrica Betania

Production 2000 GWh/year, Rio Magdalena

Catchment area $\approx 13'000$ km²



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Case studies in Colombia: Guavio

Central Hidroeléctrica El Guavio

production 5500 GWh/year , Rio Guavio,

Catchment area $\approx 1'500 \text{ km}^2$



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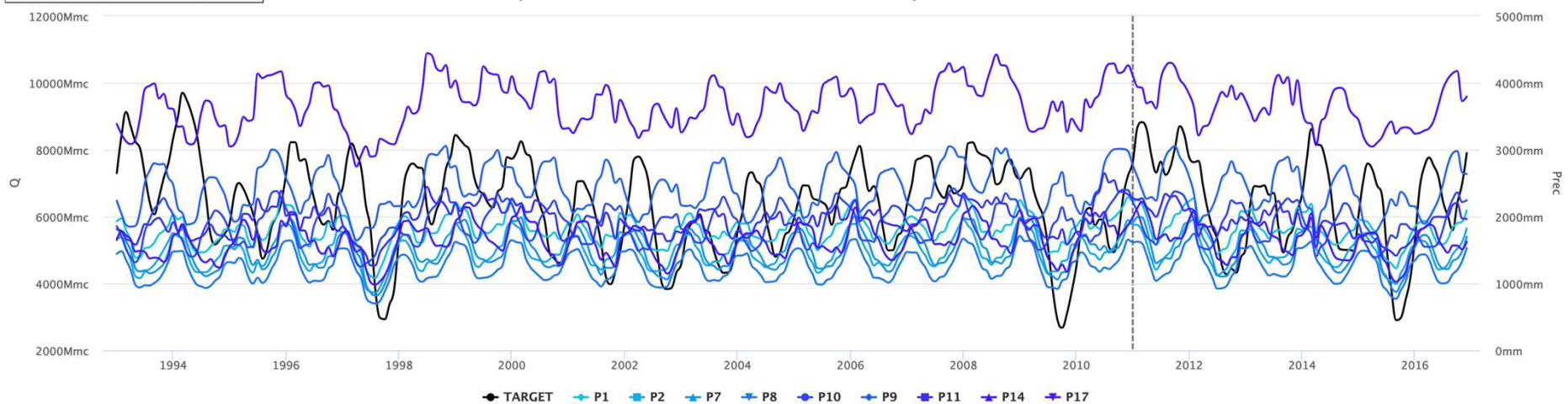


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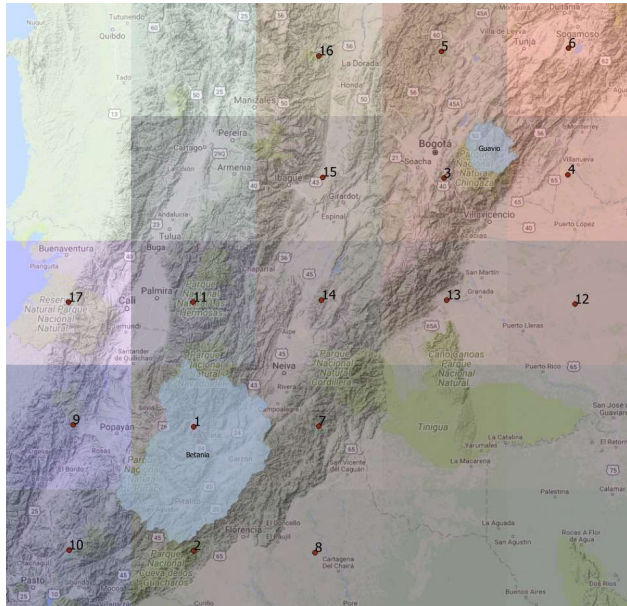
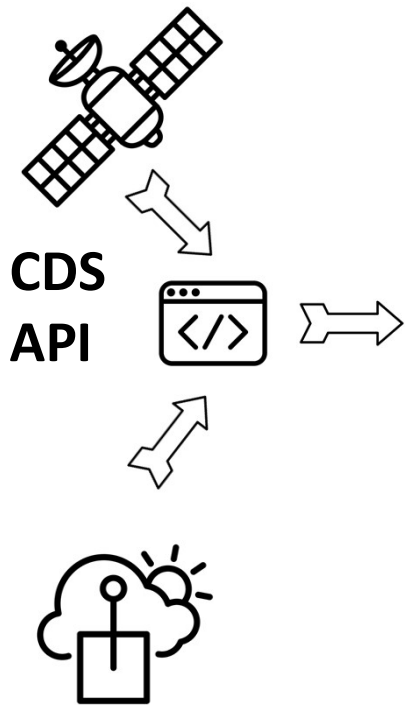
Target and Features

from 1993-01-01 to 2016-12-01			
Machine	RMSE	Nash-Sutcliffe	# sample
TARGET	0	1	288

Ensemble (mean 40/50 members) Forecasted Prec/Temp



Preprocessing – Pixels Selection



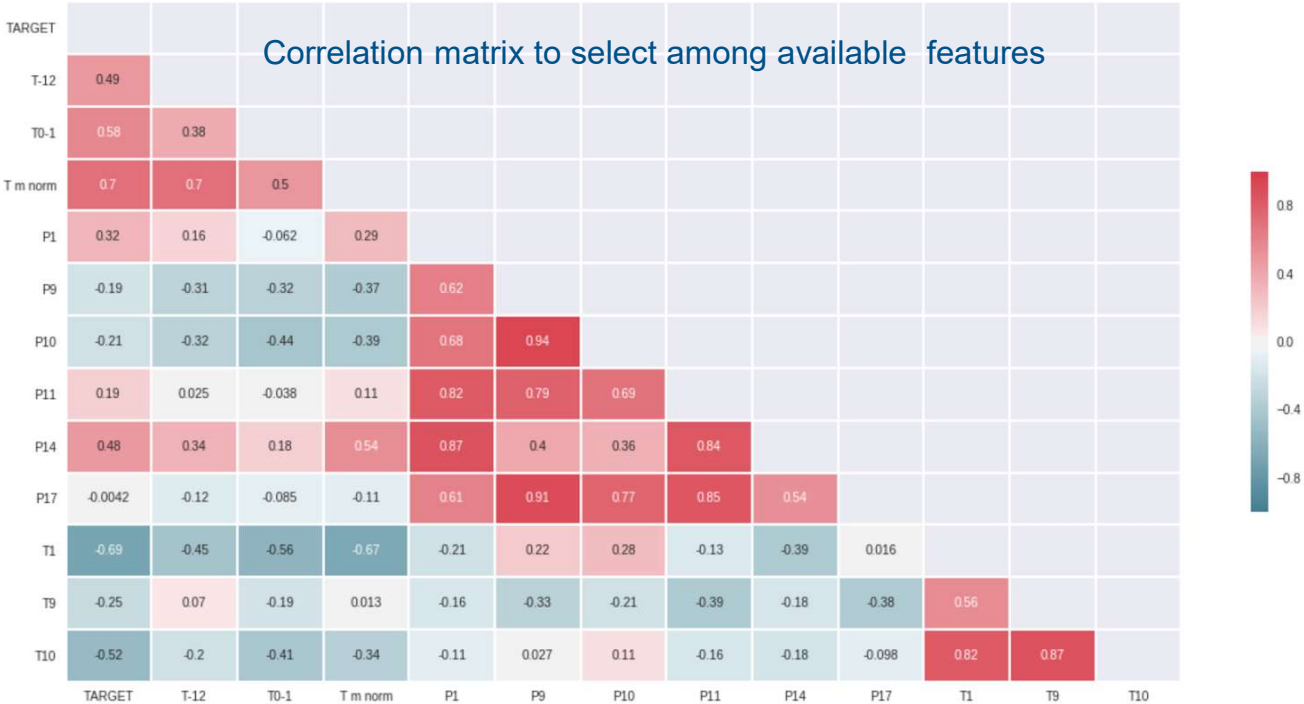
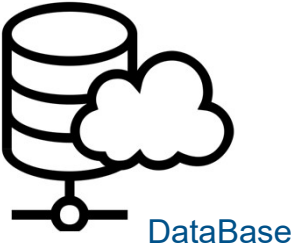
Correlation between cumulated volumes and hindcasted rainfall (anomalies from average climatology)

- (monthly) Copernicus Seasonal Hindcast (P,T)
 - @100 km resolution
- Are these signals (cor)related to target volumes ?

Skill Guavio Cumulative values						Skill Betania Cumulative values					
	Lead	Lead	Lead	Lead	Lead		Lead	Lead	Lead	Lead	Lead
	0_1	0_2	0_3	0_4	0_5		0_1	0_2	0_3	0_4	0_5
P1	0.18	0.23	0.25	0.25	0.24	P1	0.38	0.44	0.48	0.49	0.51
P2	0.23	0.30	0.33	0.33	0.32	P2	0.39	0.46	0.50	0.51	0.53
P3	0.21	0.21	0.19	0.16	0.15	P3	0.23	0.25	0.27	0.28	0.30
P4	0.32	0.34	0.33	0.28	0.25	P4	0.20	0.23	0.26	0.27	0.29
P5	0.16	0.13	0.11	0.07	0.07	P5	0.16	0.15	0.16	0.18	0.20
P6	0.33	0.34	0.33	0.27	0.25	P6	0.19	0.19	0.19	0.19	0.20
P7	0.24	0.28	0.30	0.28	0.27	P7	0.38	0.45	0.48	0.49	0.51
P8	0.25	0.31	0.34	0.33	0.32	P8	0.38	0.45	0.50	0.51	0.52
P9	0.02	0.04	0.07	0.09	0.09	P9	0.27	0.36	0.43	0.48	0.53
P10	0.08	0.11	0.15	0.18	0.18	P10	0.31	0.39	0.46	0.50	0.53
P11	0.06	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.07	P11	0.31	0.36	0.40	0.43	0.46
P12	0.29	0.33	0.32	0.28	0.24	P12	0.20	0.26	0.30	0.31	0.34
P13	0.26	0.29	0.29	0.25	0.24	P13	0.31	0.36	0.39	0.40	0.42
P14	0.15	0.17	0.17	0.15	0.14	P14	0.32	0.37	0.41	0.42	0.45
P15	0.05	0.07	0.09	0.07	0.05	P15	0.23	0.26	0.30	0.32	0.34
P16	0.07	0.05	0.04	0.03	0.03	P16	0.19	0.20	0.22	0.24	0.27
P17	0.01	0.05	0.08	0.11	0.11	P17	0.24	0.33	0.41	0.47	0.51
T1	0.01	-0.02	0.02	0.06	0.08	T1	-0.09	-0.12	-0.13	-0.14	-0.15
T2	0.01	-0.02	0.02	0.06	0.08	T2	-0.08	-0.12	-0.13	-0.14	-0.15
T3	0.00	-0.03	0.01	0.05	0.07	T3	-0.08	-0.12	-0.13	-0.15	-0.15

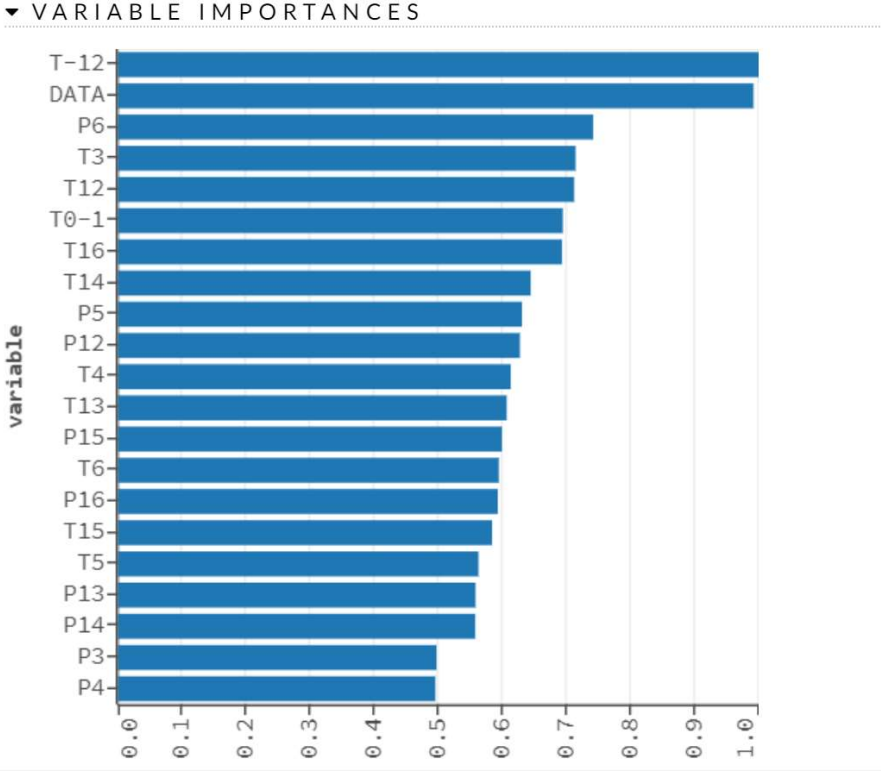
Feature Selection

- Selecting among available features to get most informative ones available operationally



Feature Importance

- Selecting among available features to get most informative ones available operationally



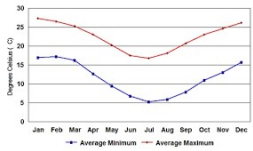
Tree based relative variable importance

AUTO ML example - Betania

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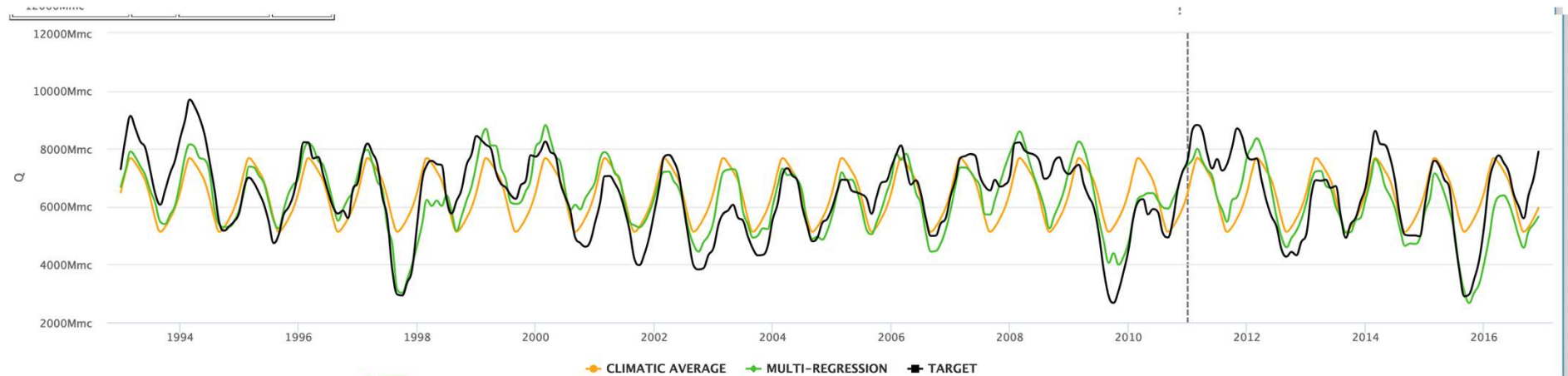
Baseline and Benchmark



BASELINE : What you have for free : trivial bench - climatic average



BENCHMARK: What you can setup with an excel spreadsheet - multiregression with same input features - EGP



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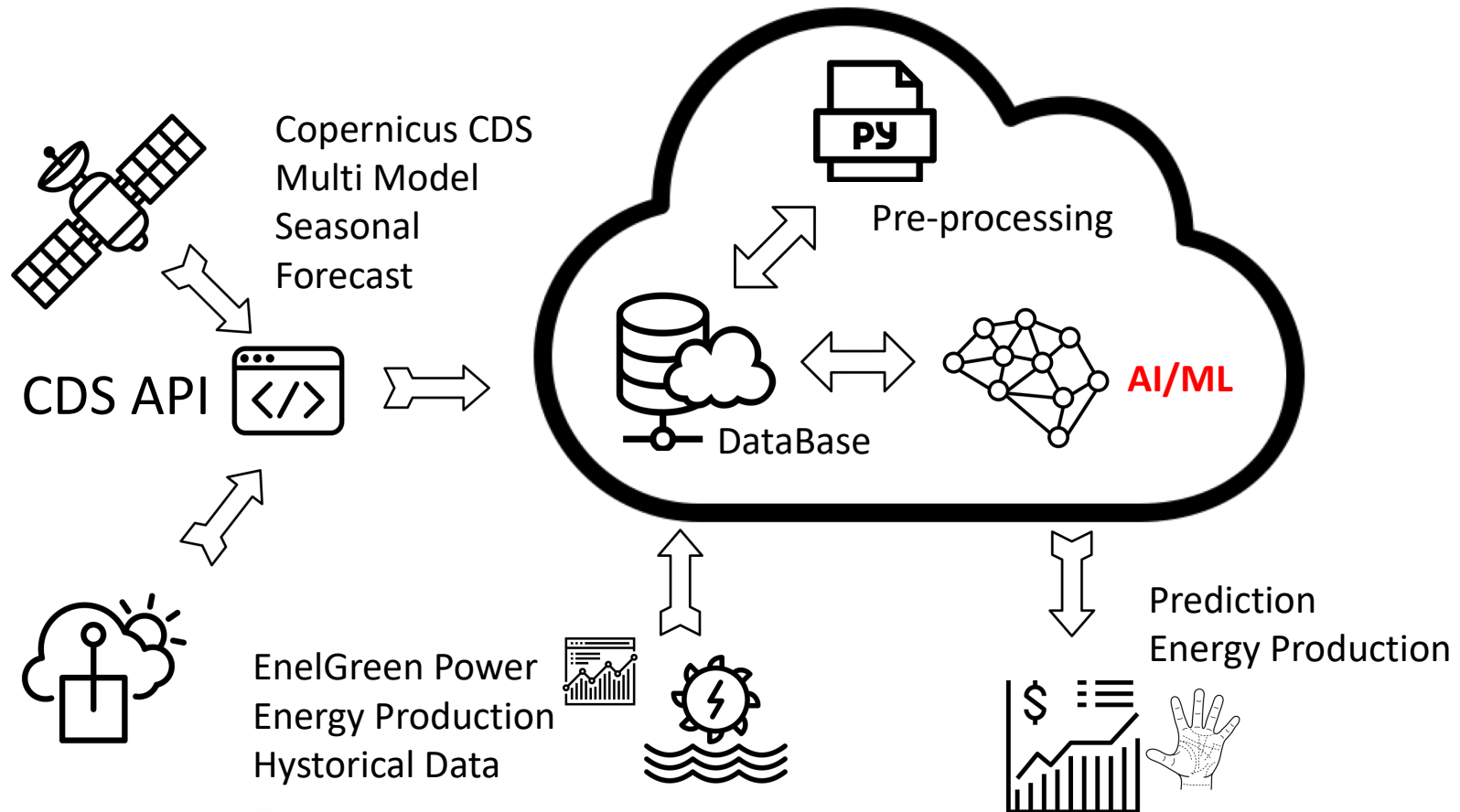


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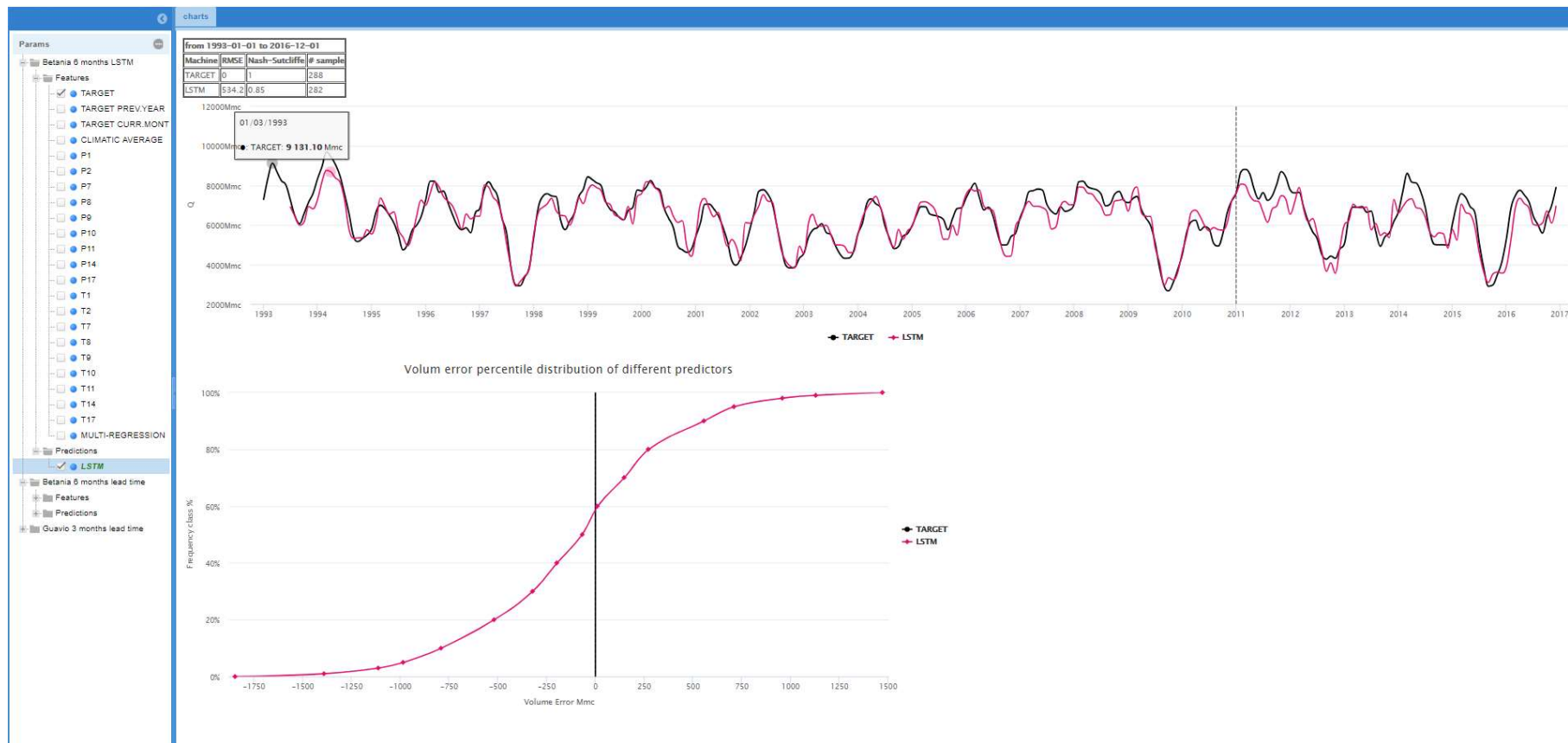
Best Model Results Vs Baselines- RMSE

	BETANIA 6 Months RMSE (1E6 mc) Cum. Vol 6 Months	GUAVIO 3 Months RMSE (1E6 mc) Cum. Vol 3 Months
Deep Learning	697	116
SVR	819	116
Multi-regression	960	135
Climatic Average	1000	136

SCHT Operational Cloud-Web CS



SCHT Web Demo



Params

Features

- TARGET
- TARGET PREV.YEA
- TARGET CURR.MO
- CLIMATIC AVERAGI
- P1
- P2
- P7
- P8
- P9
- P10
- P11
- P14
- P17
- T1
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- T7
- T8
- T9
- T10
- T11
- T14
- T17
- MULTI-REGRESSIO

Predictions

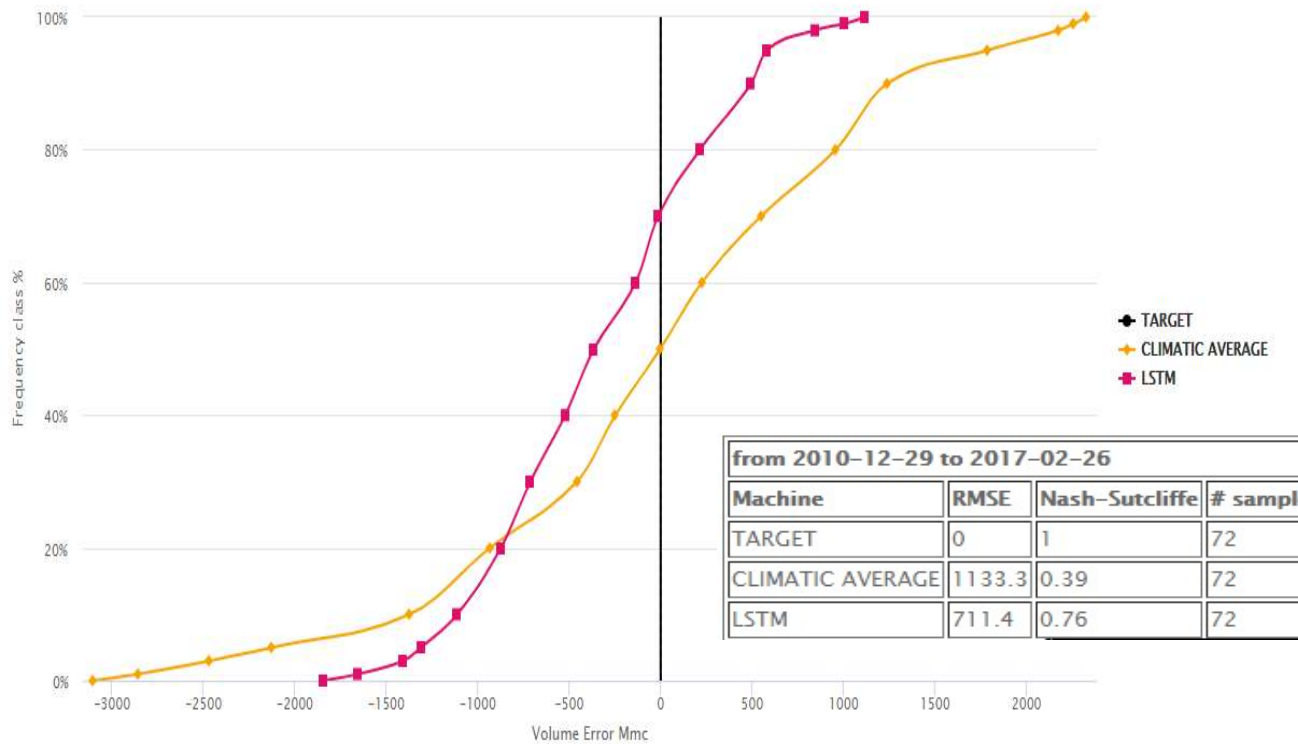
- LSTM

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Volum error percentile distribution of different predictors



Conclusion- an added value example

- AI-based SCHAT CS can boost and improve seasonal forecast energy production
 - [+1,7%-+0,6%] on 2000GWh/year \approx 0.5M\$/year (*)
 - Better than multi-regression or Climatic Average
- SCHAT SC is low time consuming and can be replicated in multiple sites
 - No needs of complex hydrological models
 - Purely “data” driven
- AI and CDS data can boost and democratize Climate Service development

	NO SEASONAL FORECAST	SCHAT AI-based CS	PERFECT FORECAST
Years 2000-2016	100.0%	101.7%	103.1%
Years 2011-2016	106.0%	106.6%	108.3%

Simulation of expected benefits on annual producibility for budget adjustment twice a year, considering actual and perfect forecast , using hindcast data

(*) with low energy price of 4 \$c/kwh

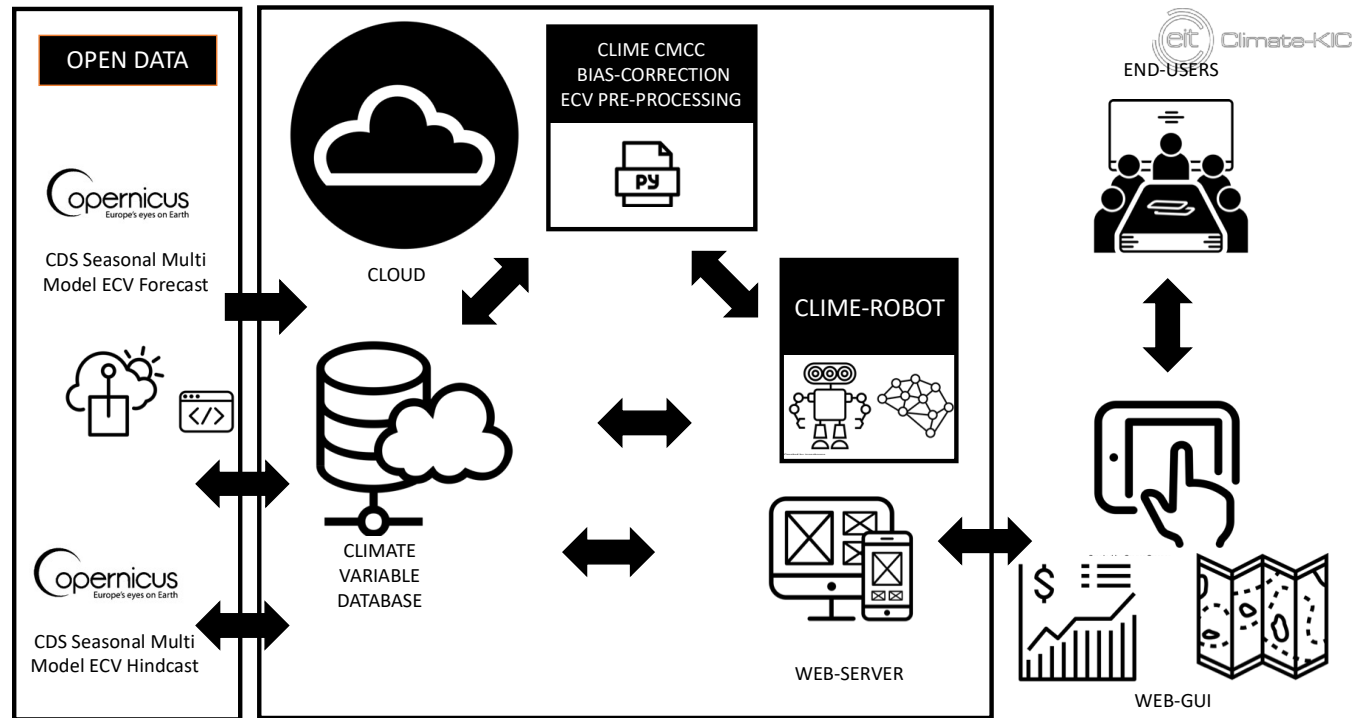


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Next Step: AI-based Climate Platform – ClimeROBOT

Clime-ROBOT: Develop a general platform embedding **AUTO Machine Learning** and the **others cds forecast providers** for improving seasonal time series forecast of a generic climate dependent target variable:

- Water availability
- Energy production
- Irrigation demand
- Tourism
- Industrial production



Thank you for your attention



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