

# ESF workshop on 'Econometric time-series analysis applied to climate research'

Frascati, Italy, 6-7 September 2007.

## Main objectives of the workshop

We want to bring top experts in theoretical and applied time-series econometrics together with top experts in climate science, with the specific goal of interdisciplinary knowledge transfer. The idea of the meeting is to explore the possibilities for applying some highly advanced statistical methods, which have already proven fruitful in macroeconomics and finance, in the field of climate science. This will be done by presenting and discussing selected statistical problems in climate research with the aim of stimulating further collaboration between econometricians and climate scientists.

## Preliminary programme

**September 5, 2007**

**Arrival**

**September 6, 2007**

9:00-9:15

**Welcome**

### Session 1: Introduction to statistical analysis of climate data

09:15-10:15

**Douglas Nychka:** NCAR's Geophysical Statistics Project

10.15-10.30

**Coffee break**

### Session 2: Current issues in climate research

10:30-11:15

**Anders Moberg:** Reconstruction methods of past climate from proxies

11:15-12:00

**Eduardo Zorita:** Statistical downscaling methods

12.00-12:45

General discussion

12:45-14.:00

**Lunch break**

### Session 3: Regressions, dynamic models and causality

14:00-14:45

**Richard Reichel:** Spurious regression

14:45-15:30

**Søren Johansen:** Statistical analysis of multivariate nonstationary time series

15:30-15:45

**Coffee break**

15:45-16:45

**Katarina Juselius:** Applying the cointegrated VAR approach to climate data

16:45-17:15

**Robert Kaufmann:** Cointegration analysis of hemispheric temperature relations

17:15-18:00 General discussion of correlations versus causality  
19:00- **Dinner**

## **September 7, 2007**

### **Session 3: Applications to climate data**

09:00-09:45 **Dave Stainforth:** Sensitivity of Earth's climate to external forcings  
09:45-10:30 **Gabriele Hegerl:** Detection of climate change and attribution of causes  
10:30-11:15 Discussion/coffee

### **Session 4: Fractional integration and climate data**

11:15-11:45 **Luis Albérico Gil-Alana:** Fractional integration and long range memory  
11:45-12:30 **Armin Bunde:** On fractional integration detected in observed climate series  
12:30-13:00 General Discussion  
13:00-14:00 **Lunch**  
14.00-14.30 ESF representative

### **Session 4: Plans for the future**

14:30-17.00 Discussion of future plans for collaboration or proposals. Summer schools, ERC and ESF possibilities discussed. Series of 5-minutes presentations of current projects/ideas by workshop participants  
A few solicited presentations of 'what next' scenarios.

## **September 8, 2007**

**Departure**

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Speakers are asked to leave a few minutes for clarifying questions in connection with each lecture