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#### Methodology for a coastal flooding risk assessment in Pacific Atolls

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#### Research Development Motivation

Including the **multimodality of wave systems** in the development of **hybrid** local and highresolution hindcasts



### Research Development Research Lines





Hybrid downscaling of multimodal wave conditions from offshore to intermediante waters Local Scale (100 m)



Hybrid downscaling of multimodal wave conditions and water levels along coral reef profiles High-resolution Scale (1 m)



#### Hybrid Spectral Hindcast

Historical spectral reconstruction of wave climate using HyWaves

## **Research Developement**

#### 1.HyWaves

Hybrid downscaling of multimodal wave conditions from offshore to intermediante Waters



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- 1. Clustering Methods for selecting representative offshore wave conditions
- 2. Library of pre-run simulations



- 3. Interpolation Techniques for reconstructing historical wave climate
- 4. Validated in Majuro, Roi-Namur, Kwajalein, Samoa and American Samoa

# Research Developement

#### 2. HySwash

Hybrid downscaling of multimodal wave conditions and water levels along coral reef profiles Goal: Establishing a direct relationship between external hydrodynamics, reef morphology, and inundation



## **Research Developement**

#### 3. Hybrid Spectral Hindcast

Historical reconstruction of wave climate using HyWaves Analysis of interanual and intranual variability



### Training and Competences International Mobility

Laboratoire d'Océanographie Physique et Spatiale (LOPS) IFREMER, Brest, France 15 May – 15 August 2021 (3 months)

CFOSAT Based Forecast System applied to Samoa Island









CFOSAT-COAST project P.I Guillaume Dodet

### Training and Competences Conferences

- GeoPython & PyML 2020 Martin Christen September 21-22, 2020, Online Hybrid Dowscaling of Swells in Small Islands
- Sea State User consultation meeting 2021 Plymouth Marine Laboratory 26/03/2021, Online HyWaves: A Hybrid method to downscale swells in small Pacific Islands

Coastal Dynamics 8th edition, Online
 Hybrid methods to downscale swells to coral reef-lined costas

 XV1 Jornadas Españolas de Ingieneria de Costas y Puertos, Vigo, Spain

HySwash: Un metamodelo para la estimación de niveles de inundación y caudales de rebase en costas de arrecife

#### $\circ$ 28th WISE Meeting, Brest France

CFOSAT-Based Swells Forecast System





#### Training and Competences Transversal





### Training and Competences Specific

- Challenger Society of Marine Science Surface Waves Special Interest Group, UK National Oceanography Centre (8 Hours)
- Managing climate risks by leveraging Nature in engineering (Borga Reguero) (2 Hours)
- Towards predicting coastal hazards and impacts: from extreme storms to water quality (Maitane Olabarrieta) (2 Hours)
- Artificial Intelligence (AI) for earth monitoring (18 Hours)
- Teledetección como herramienta global, UIMP (30 Hours)
- Workshop "Oxy-jeunes" in Air-Sea Fluxes interactions (40 Hours)



École de Physique des Houches, Alps, France

## Training and Competences Teaching

#### • Master's Degree in civil Engineering, Canal and Port Engineering (UC)

- Computing in Civil Engineering (M2090)
- Coastal Engineering Ampliation (M2161)

#### • Master's Degree in Coasts and Ports (UC)

- Waves, swells and sea level (M1851)
- Hydrometeorological Risk Analysis: Coastal and River Flooding, Climate Change (M1861)
- Process and activities in transition waters M(M1855)
- Risk Analysis of Contamination of Surface Waters (M2066)
- Master's degree in integrated management of water systems (UC)
  - Analysis of hydrometeorological risk Coastal and river flooding (M2056)

#### From 2020 to 2024

### Training and Competences Projects involvement

- Advancing Best Practices for the Analysis of the Vulnerability of Military Installations in the Pacific
  Basin to Coastal Flooding under a Changing Climate RC-2644
  Funded by U.S. Department of Defense Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program
- Impact Forecasting Consultancy in Samoa and Tonga
  Funded by World Bank



## Timeline



International Mobility

Conferences (Oral Presentation)

Journal Publications



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