

The New Severe Weather Information Centre Website

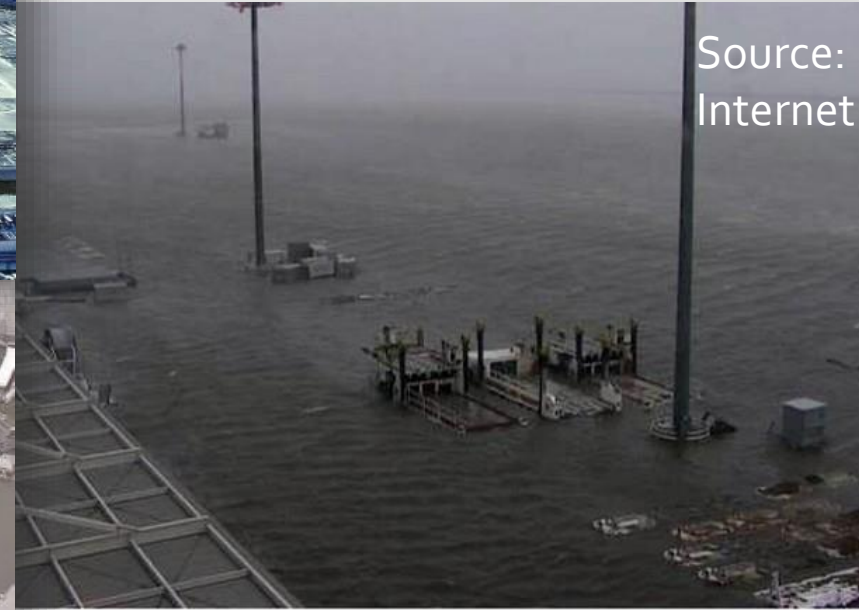
CAP Implementation Workshop 2018

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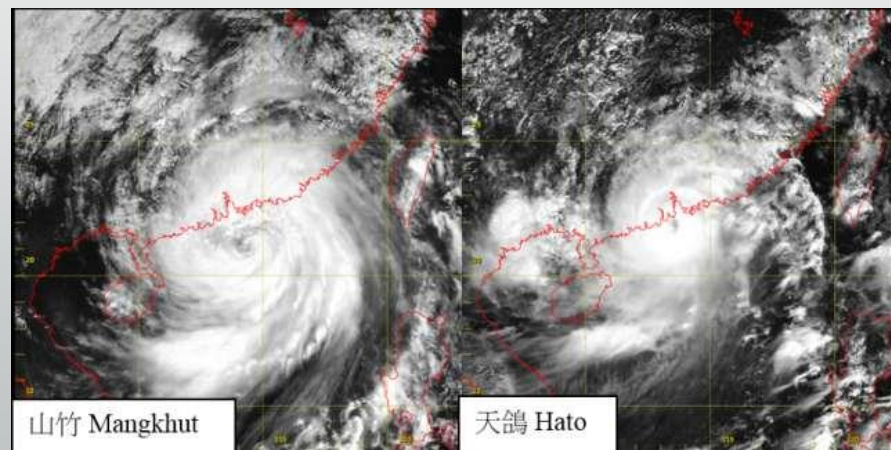
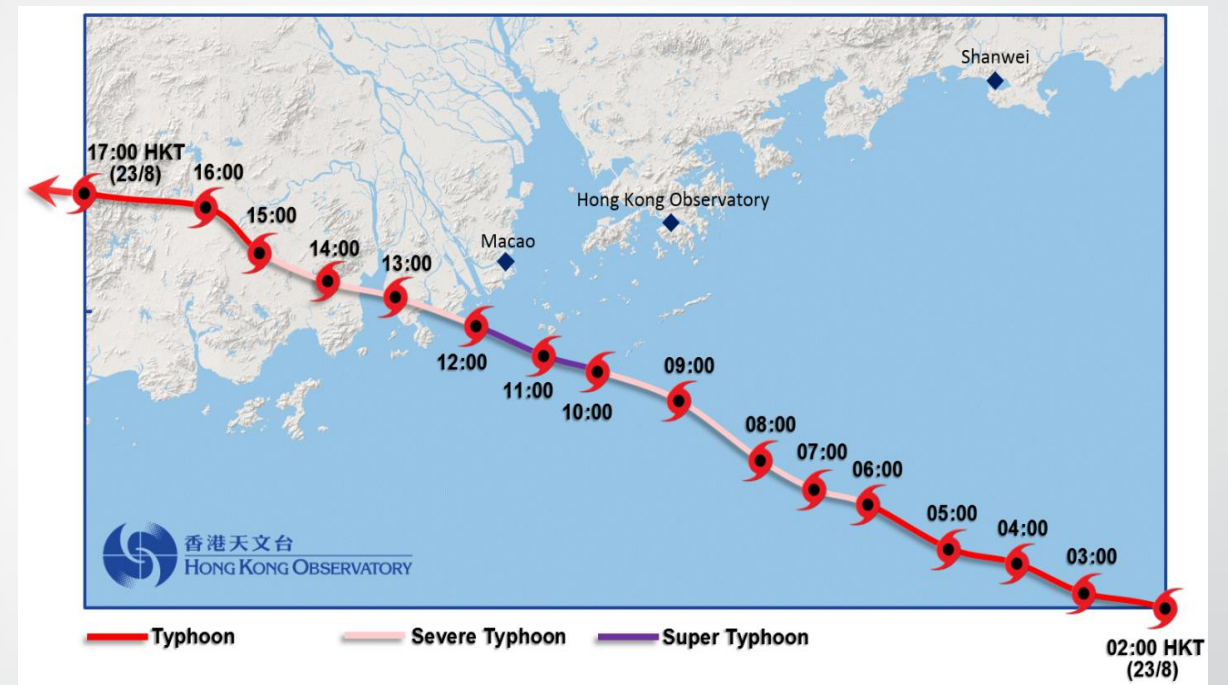
An abstract geometric design featuring a solid blue background. On the left side, there are several overlapping, angular shapes in shades of brown and dark blue, creating a layered, architectural effect. The main text is centered in the upper half of the image.

Natural Hazards

Super Typhoon Jebi brought storm surge, flooding the Osaka Kansai International Airport



Mangkhut (20180916) & Hato (20170823)



Flooding and coastal damage in different parts of Hong Kong during the approach of Hato

Siu Sai Wan
(Photo courtesy:
Charmaine Mok)



Tai O
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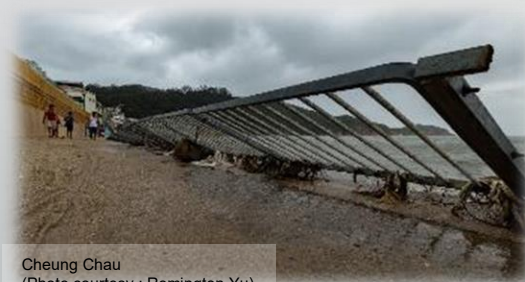
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Damage of Hato in Macao



May tragedy be avoided if people, especially tourists, have been warned in advanced?

Thai tour boat tragedy: 37 bodies found amid desperate search for dozens of Chinese tourists missing in sea off Phuket

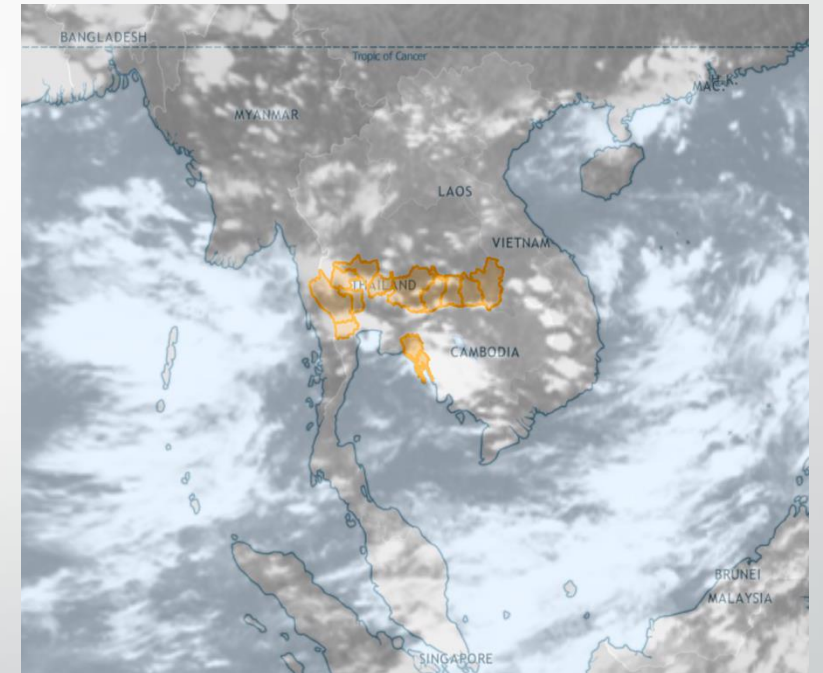
Chinese tourists make up the biggest number of foreign visitors to Thailand, their numbers surging in recent years, drawn by the growing popularity of the southeast Asian nation's islands

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The need

Need to achieve a **common language** for **warnings** and **alerts** on **global / WMO / UN level** what is in line with **Sendai Framework for DRR**

- **impact based** forecasting
new role of forecasters as intermediators between model output and Civil Protection/Decision Makers



- exchange of **best practise between** countries
different structures of warnings, relationship with Civil Protection/Decision Makers
- Information for **travellers** and **media**
NGO's in emergency situations, tourists, foreign investors and workers etc.



- **Technical standardisation**
CAP standard - could profit from experience of applications like Meteoalarm



SWIC 1.0 (since 2005)



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Severe Weather Information Centre

Official Observations. Official Warnings.

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Tropical Cyclones

Heavy Rain/Snow

Thunderstorms

Gale

Fog

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Cloudiness & Rain

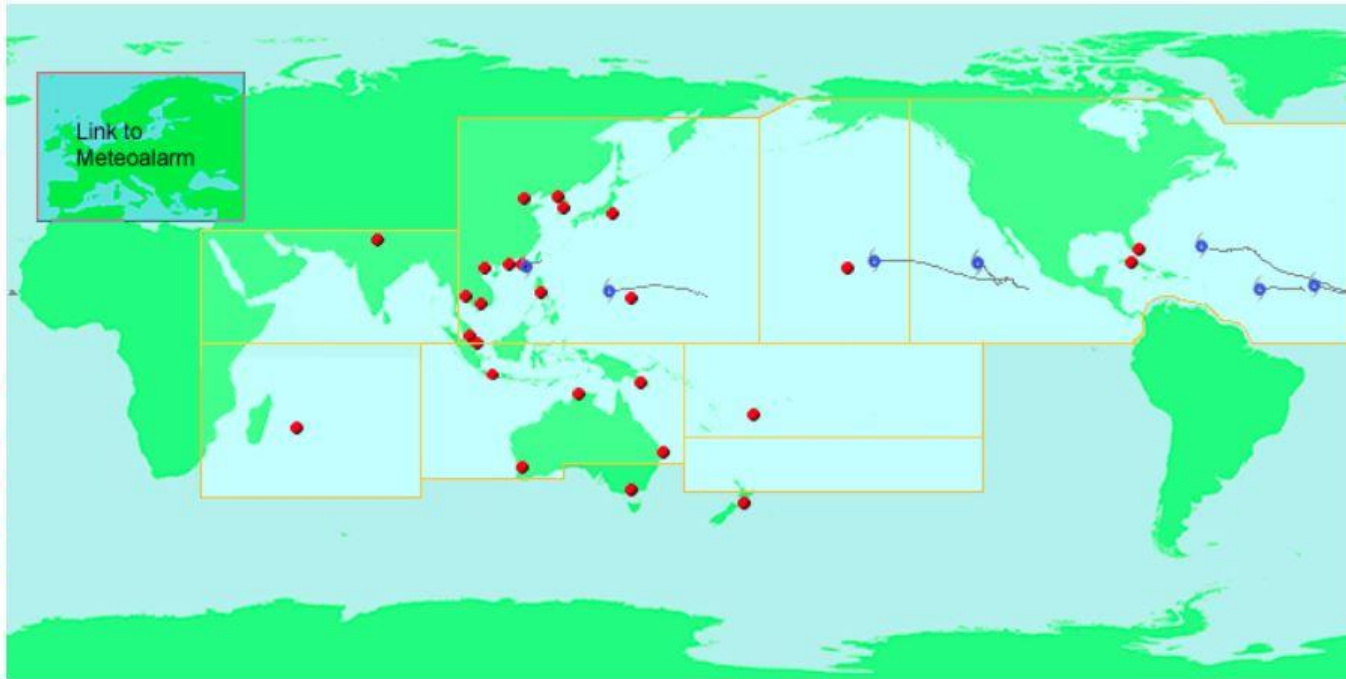
What's New

SWidget 2.1 **NEW**

Fog **NEW**

Gale

Introductory Pamphlet



Last Updated at 2018-09-11 08:06 UTC

Past Positions

Challenges

- There is still a **gap** of **common homogeneity platform**
- **Inconsistent** content/format
- **Gap** of numerous hazardous weather warnings coverage on the **WMO / Sendai Framework DRR level**
- **Gap** of more information for **broader hazardous variables**
e.g. storm surge, droughts, hydrological-relevant events, heat/cold waves, strong UV

<https://severe.worldweather.wmo.int>

WMO Global Multi-hazard Alert System (GMAS)

- Background

- Decision 3.2(1)/1 (EC-69) on GMAS
- Vision
 - Recognized globally by decision makers as **authoritative warnings and information** related to high-impact weather, water, ocean and climate events
- Objectives
 - Provide authoritative information and advice into UN agencies and humanitarian community in both their operational and longer term decision
 - Aggregate authoritative source of information from Members

WMO Global Multi-hazard Alert System (GMAS) – Objectives

- Objectives (Cont'd)
 - Strengthen partnerships with stakeholders to deliver warnings to the general public in the most efficacious manner;
 - Raise the **visibility** of NMHSs at the national, regional and global scales;
 - Raise the **visibility** of WMO at the UN level;
 - Enhance the **authoritative voice** of Members;
 - Strengthen Members' capability and capacity to provide better service

WMO Global Multi-hazard Alert System (GMAS) - Benefits

- Benefits
 - Help to **save** lives, livelihoods and property
 - Increased **recognition** of NMHSs products and services
 - Increased **standardization** of hydrometeorological warning information among WMO Members (through utilization of **CAP**)
 - Increased **sharing** and **harmonization** of hydrometeorological warnings and hazard products among Members
 - Increased focus on NMHS **capacity development** to provide reliable, actionable, and timely warnings
 - Improved user **decision-making** for humanitarian agencies
 - Quick **access to authoritative alerts** to better inform public, media, tourism sectors, other weather sensitive sectors



Key Considerations in System Design

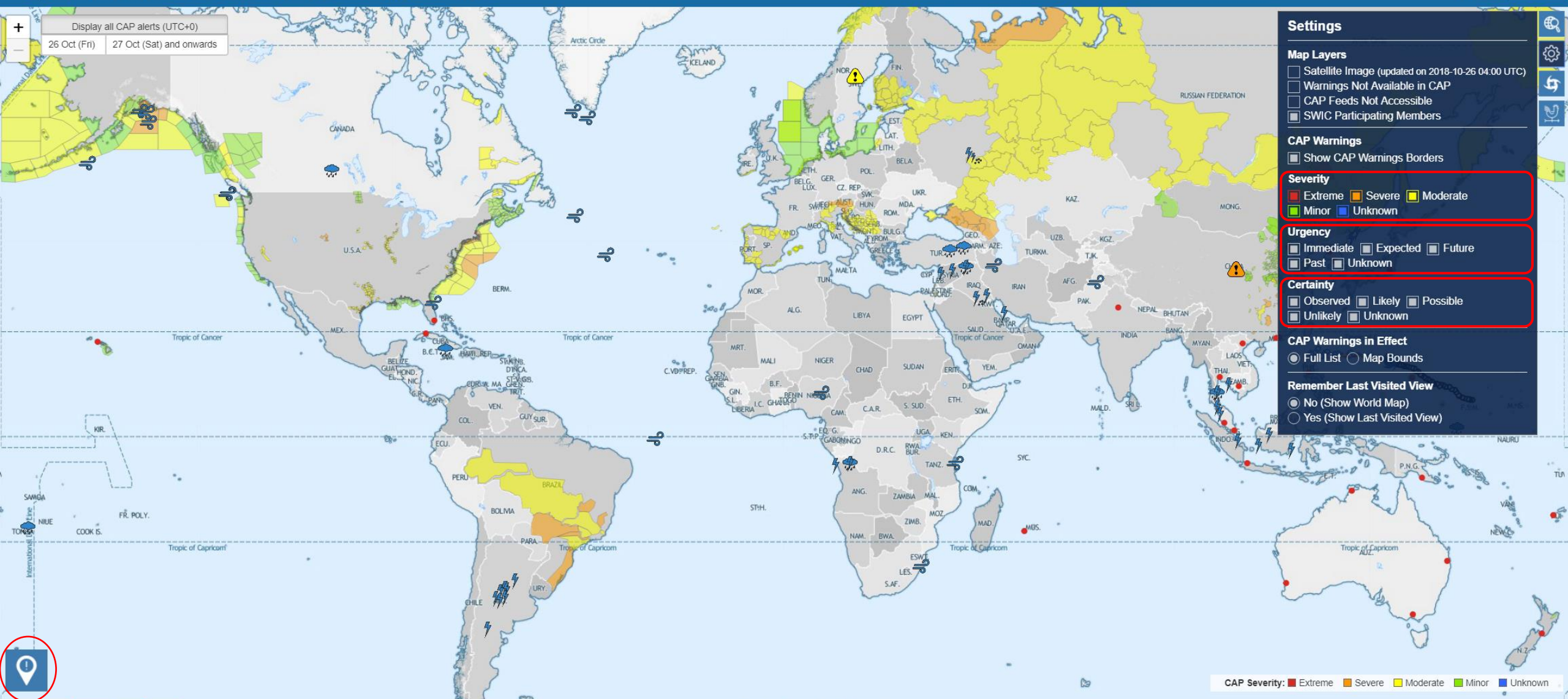
- Use a common “language” for warnings and alerts
- Use a standard to facilitate effective communication of impact-based forecast and warnings
- Use a standard for effective delivery to users including general public, media, decision makers
- Adopt a standard for easy understanding of warnings and alerts



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Timezone UTC+0





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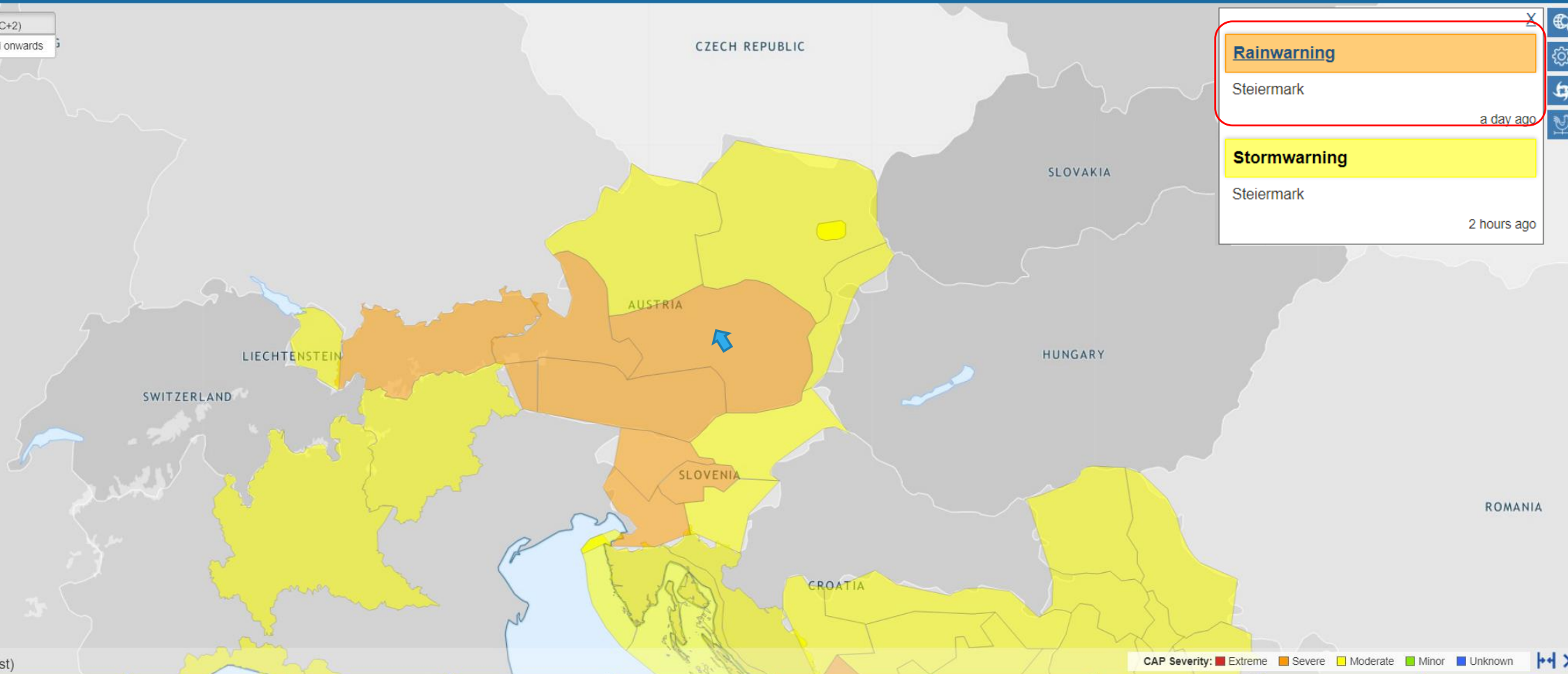
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Timezone UTC+2

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Display all CAP alerts (UTC+2)

26 Oct (Fri) 27 Oct (Sat) and onwards



Rainwarning

Steiermark

a day ago

Stormwarning

Steiermark

2 hours ago

CAP Warnings in Effect (Full List)

United States of America National Weather Service	Canada Meteorological Service of Canada	Russian Federation Russian Federal Service For Hydrometeorology and Environmental Monitoring	China China Meteorological Administration	Bosnia and Herzegovina Meteorological Institute of Bosnia and Herzegovina	Norway Norwegian Meteorological Institute	Montenegro Hydrological and Meteorological Service of Montenegro	Austria Central Institute for Meteorology and Geodynamics	Croatia Meteorological and Hydrological Service	New Zealand Meteorological Service of New Zealand Ltd. (MetService)	Slovenia Environmental Agency of the Republic of Slovenia
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Yellow Coastal phenomenon Warning issued from for Spain - Costa Almería

for **Spain**

Language : Spanish; Castilian


Issued time : 2018-10-25
22:49:58 (UTC + 00)

Event : Yellow Coast Phenomenon Warning

Effective time : 2018-10-27 07:00:00 (UTC + 00)

Onset time : 2018-10-27 07:00:00 (UTC + 00)

Expire time : 2018-10-27 21:59:59 (UTC + 00)

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Urgency : Immediate

Severity : Moderate

Certainty : Likely



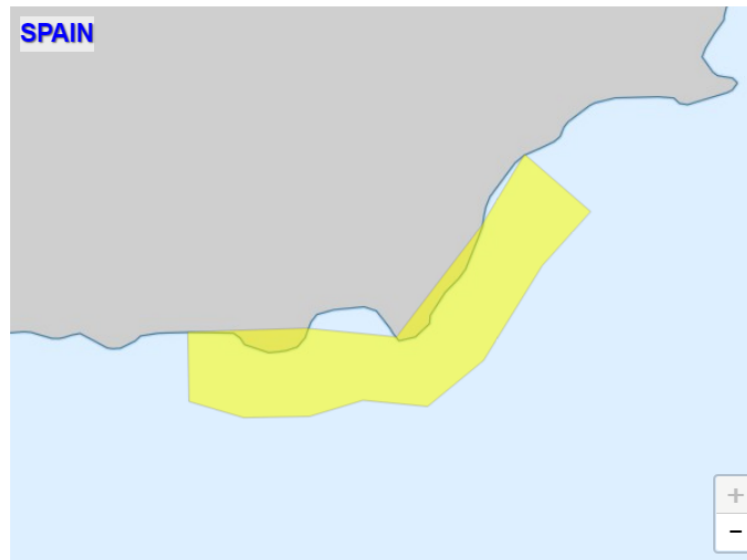
Meteorology Statal Agency

Description

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Instructions

BE AWARE that strong winds combined with high tides and large waves can cause local coastal flooding. Citizens are warned to be cautious when driving or walking in coastal areas.



Affected area

Costa Almería

ISO 22324 Standard for colour-coded alerts

- Red, yellow and green (and the spectrum in between in terms of hue) should be used to express status of hazard
- **Red** is associated with **danger** and should be used to notify people at risk to prepare to take appropriate safety actions **immediately**
- **Yellow** is associated with **caution** and should be used to notify people at risk to **prepare** to take appropriate safety actions
- **Green** is associated with a **safe** status and should be used to notify people at risk that **no action** is required
- **Blue** should not be used to indicate a safe condition or any other level of hazard. Blue should be used for purely **informational purposes** that does not indicate levels of hazard

ISO 22324

Guideline for use of basic colours

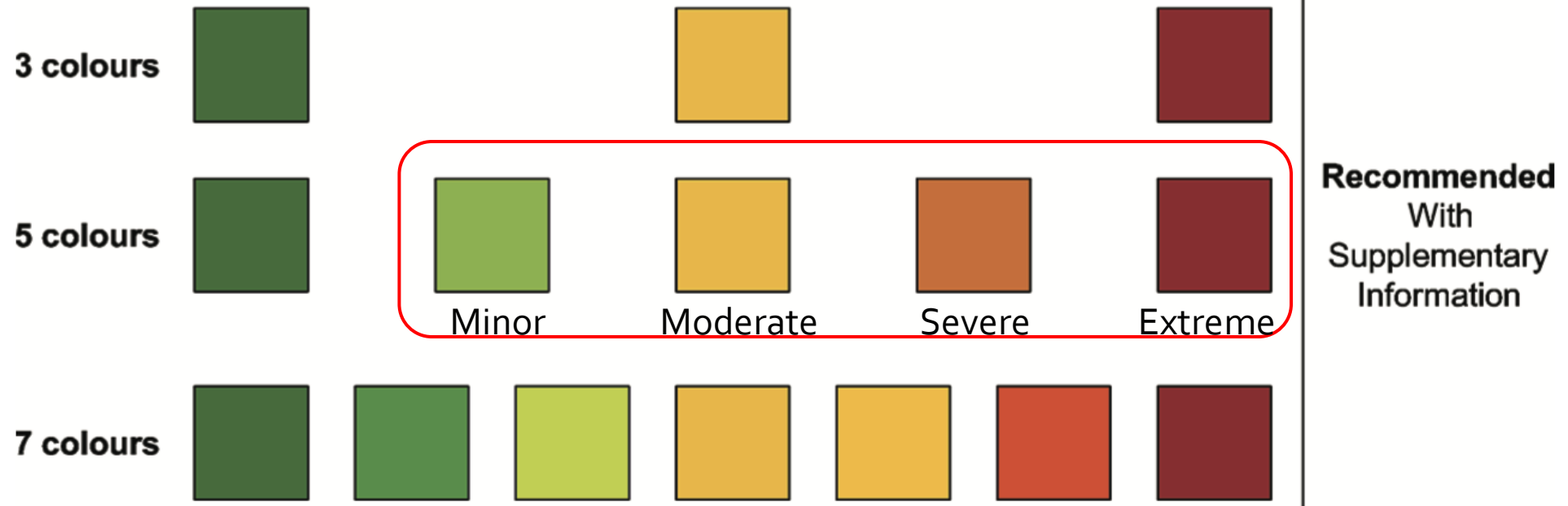
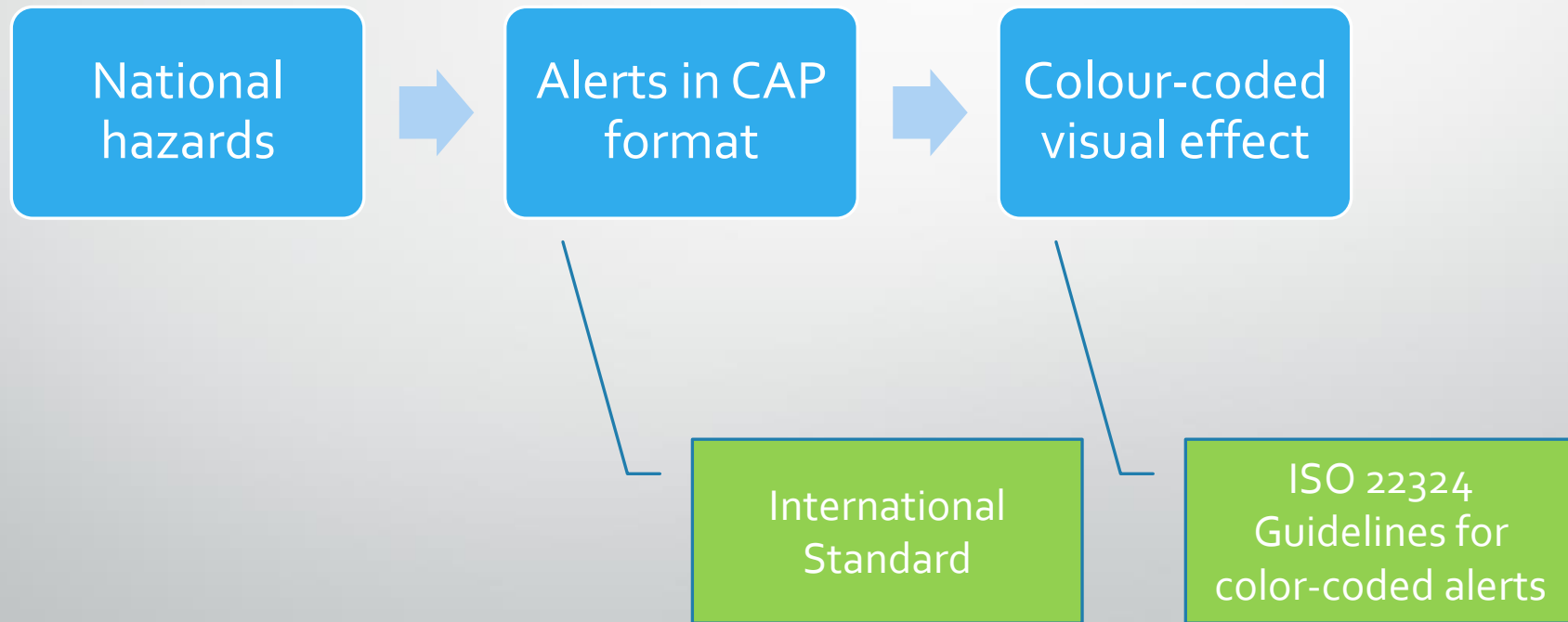


Figure 1 — Guideline for use of basic colours

CAP – Potential candidate for Standardizing Warning Presentation

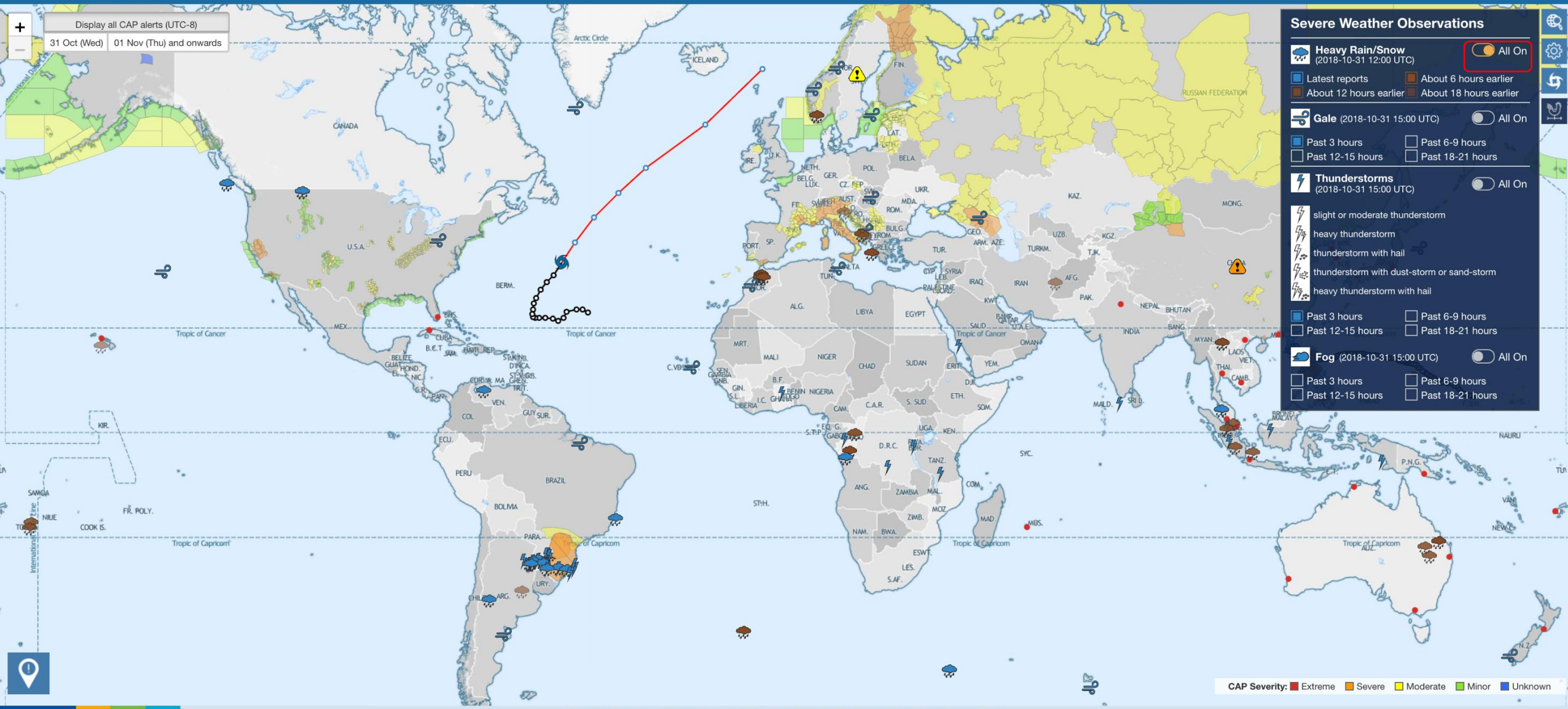




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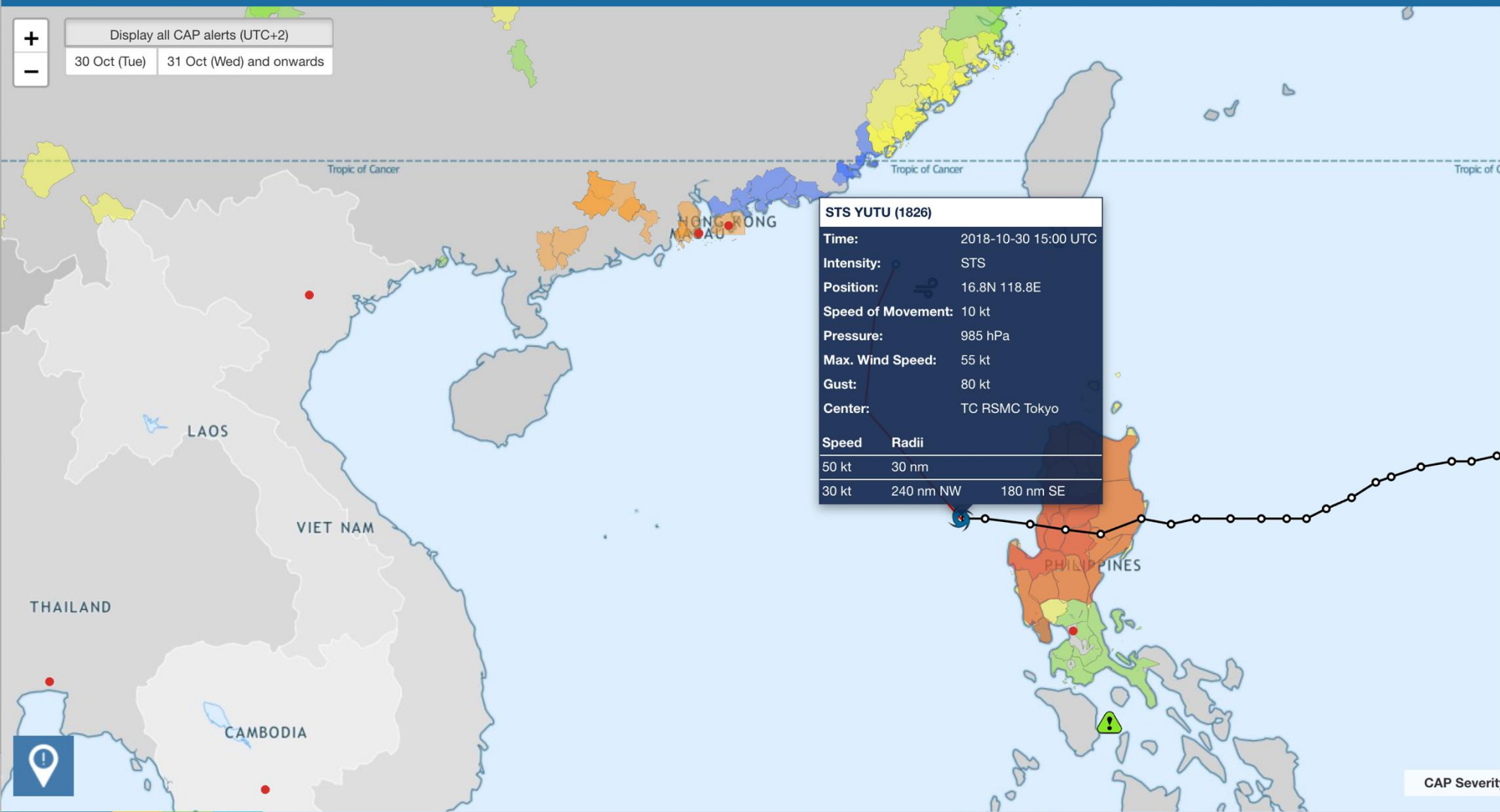
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Display all CAP alerts (UTC+2)

30 Oct (Tue)31 Oct (Wed) and onwards



Tropical Cyclones

Forecast TrackAdditional Info

STS YUTU (1826)

TC RSMC TokyoBeijingHong Kong

TC TrackCentral P & Max Wind SpeedMore Info

Date Time (UTC)	Intensity	Speed (kt)	Direction
2018-10-30 15:00	STS	10	W
2018-10-30 12:00	STS	13	W
2018-10-30 09:00	STS	15	W
2018-10-30 06:00	STS	12	W
2018-10-30 03:00	TY	12	W
2018-10-30 00:00	TY	12	W
2018-10-29 21:00	TY	11	W
2018-10-29 18:00	TY	11	W
2018-10-29 15:00	TY	10	W
2018-10-29 12:00	TY	9	W
2018-10-29 09:00	TY	9	W
2018-10-29 06:00	TY	8	W
2018-10-29 03:00	TY	9	WSW
2018-10-29	TY	10	WSW

Alert Hub CAP Feeds (Demo)

ISSUING ORGANISATION	FEED URL	NO. OF CAPs IN PAST 24 HOURS	NO. OF CAPs IN PAST 7 DAYS	NO. OF CAPs IN PAST 30 DAYS
Anguilla: Disaster Management Anguilla	ai-dma-en	0	0	0
Antigua and Barbuda: Meteorological Services	ag-ms-en	0	0	0
Argentina: Servicio Meteorologico Nacional	ar-smn-es	5	2	27
Austria: Zentralanstalt für Meteorologie und Geodynamik	at-zamg-en	120	95	130
Barbados: Department of Emergency Management	bb-dem-xx	0	0	0
Belgium: Royal Meteorological Institute	be-irm-en	308	89	185
Bosnia and Herzegovina: Federalni hidrometeorološki zavod BiH	ba-fhmzbih-bs	2	25	75
Brazil: Instituto Nacional de Meteorologia - INMET	br-inmet-pt	3	52	215
Bulgaria: НАЦИОНАЛЕН ИНСТИТУТ ПО МЕТЕОРОЛОГИЯ И ХИДРОЛОГИЯ - ФИЛИАЛ ПЛОВДИВ	bg-meteo-bg	0	89	191
Canada: Alberta Emergency Management Agency (Government of Alberta, Ministry of Municipal Affairs)	ca-aema-xx	0	0	0
Canada: Meteorological Service of Canada	ca-msc-xx	37	623	2031
China: China Meteorological Administration	cn-cma-xx	320	3145	8757
Colombia: UNGRD (National Unit for Disaster Risk Management)	co-ungrd-es	0	0	9
Croatia: Državni hidrometeorološki zavod (DHMZ)	hr-meteo-hr	26	161	380
Cyprus: Meteorological Service	cy-dom-en	0	0	0
Czech Republic: Český hydrometeorologický ústav	cz-chmi-cs	0	25	48
Denmark: Danmarks Meteorologiske Instituts	dk-dmi-dk	0	0	46
Estonia: Riigi Ilmateenistus	ee-emhi-et	113	172	405
Finland: Finnish Meteorological Institute	fi-fmi-xx	97	177	604

Concluding Remarks & Possible Future's Development

- SWIC 2.0 provides meteorological and hydrological warnings and alerts for common situation awareness
- Presentation of warnings and alerts are standardized through CAP and ISO22324
- Customize CAP feeds for the cities in the World Weather Information Services (WWIS) and MyWorldWeather app
- Pushing CAP warnings to users in target cities/areas



Thank you

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