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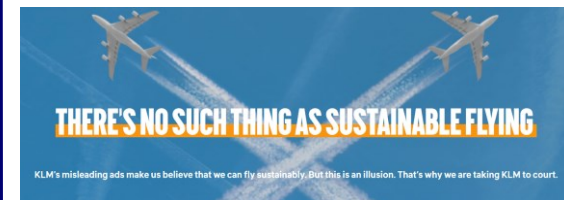
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Friday, 22 March 2024 (14:30 – 17:30)

AULA IA-4 Complesso di Agnano, Via Nuova Agnano, 30 - NAPOLI

(Per gli studenti di PhD il seminario vale 1 CFU)

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Dieter Scholz is a professor in Aircraft Design, Flight Mechanics, and Aircraft Systems at HAW Hamburg, where he is head of the Aircraft Design and Systems Group (AERO). He studied at the University of Hannover and at Purdue University (USA). He was a systems engineer at Airbus in Hamburg and a temporary lecturer at Queens University Belfast, UK. He obtained his PhD at the Hamburg University of Technology. His academic interests also include Flight Testing and questions related to Aviation & Society. (<http://cv.profscholz.de>)

Seminar Agenda

- **Welcome and Opening Speech**

- **Decoding Aviation's Climate Challenge**

In this section, Prof. Scholz will engage with ten pressing questions that shape the dialogue on aviation's environmental impact:

- Are aviation emissions relevant?
- *Fuel consumption or emissions?*
- What climate goals does aviation have?
- What climate goals does the EU have for aviation?
- How do we get from oil to new aviation energy sources?
- Can fuel consumption and emissions be reduced?
- What are the fuel consumption and emissions of passenger aircraft?
- Which is better for the environment – *plane or train?*
- What ideas and possible solutions are there?
- What can we actually do ourselves?

- **Calculating Aviation's Environmental Footprint**

In this section, Prof. Scholz will delve into the technical aspects with discussions on:

- Equivalent CO₂ mass calculation: how to measure the carbon footprint of flying.
- Contrail formation and management.
- The impact of *flying lower*.

- **Coffee Break**

- **EASA's Environmental Stewardship**

This final session will give a detailed look at the EASA's *Environmental Label Programme*.

- **Q&A Session**

- **Final Considerations**

For more information, please contact Prof. Fabrizio Nicolosi (E-mail: fabrizio.nicolosi@unina.it)

Opening Speech



Fly Responsibly

KLM advertisement from 2019 to 2022

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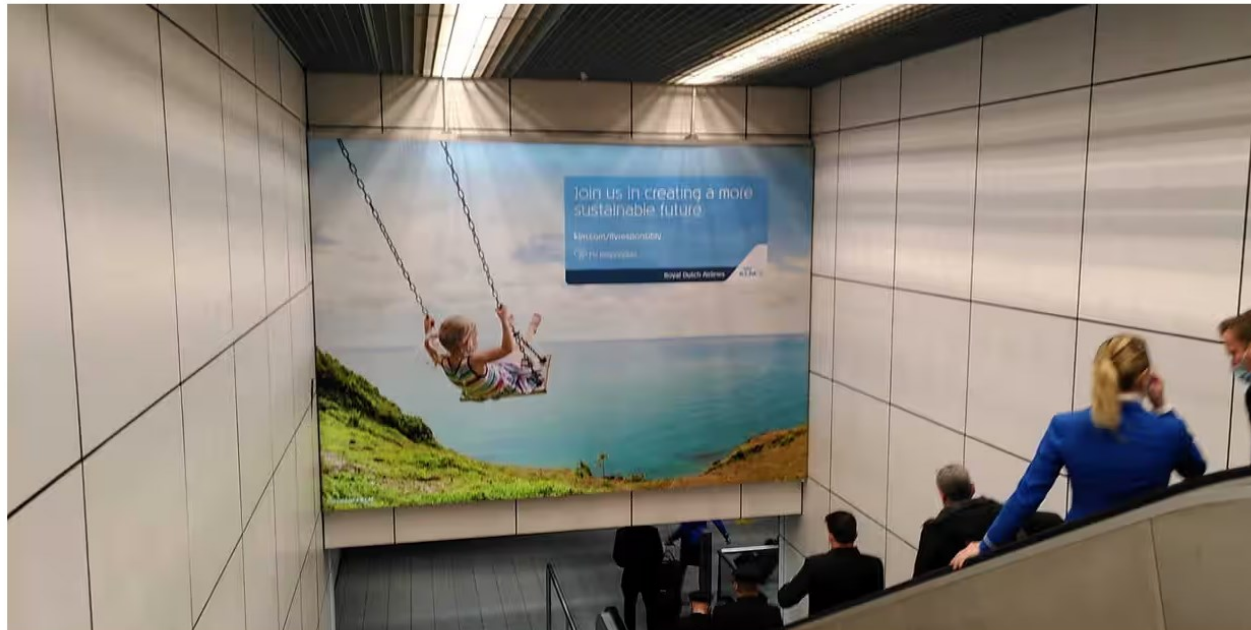
THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS SUSTAINABLE FLYING

KLM's misleading ads make us believe that we can fly sustainably. But this is an illusion. That's why we are taking KLM to court.

Dutch airline KLM misled customers with vague green claims, court rules



Operator also found by Amsterdam court to have painted 'overly rosy picture' of sustainable aviation fuel



<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2024/mar/20/dutch-airline-klm-misled-customers-green-claims-court-rules>

📹 Ad at Schiphol airport. The court ruled that its message did not explain how flying with KLM related to any environmental benefit. Photograph: c/o Client Earth



Reuters, 2024-03-21: Dutch court finds KLM ads were misleading in 'greenwashing' case. Article and **Video** available from: <https://www.reuters.com/business/aerospace-defense/dutch-court-rule-klm-greenwashing-case-2024-03-20>.
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KLM and TU Delft present successful first flight Flying-V

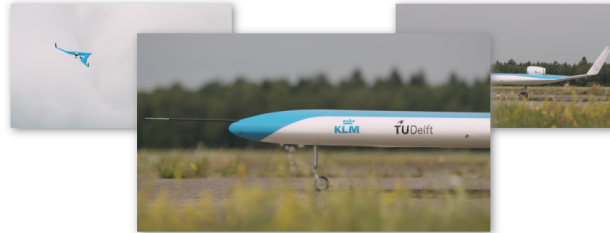


KLM's News Channels



Amstelveen, 01 September 2020

KLM and TU Delft present successful first flight Flying-V



The scale model of the Flying-V – the energy-efficient aircraft of the future – has flown for the first time. A year and a half ago TU Delft and KLM announced the start of the design of the Flying-V during IATA 2019 and after extensive wind tunnel tests and ground tests it was finally ready. The first successful test flight is a fact.

Last month a team of researchers, engineers and a drone pilot from TU Delft travelled to an airbase in Germany for the first test flight. "We were very curious about the flight characteristics of the Flying-V. The design fits within our Fly Responsibly initiative, which stands for everything we are doing and will do to improve our sustainability. We want a sustainable future for aviation and innovation is part of that. KLM has been among the top three most sustainable airlines worldwide in the Dow Jones Sustainability Index for many years. We want to continue to do so in the future. We are therefore very proud that we have been able to achieve this together in such a short period of time," says Pieter Elbers, President and CEO of KLM.

Click [here](#) for the footage of the flight.

The Flying-V is a design for a very energy-efficient long-haul aircraft. The design of the aircraft integrates the passenger cabin, cargo hold and fuel tanks in the wings, creating a spectacular V-shape. Computer calculations have predicted that the improved aerodynamic shape and reduced weight of the aircraft will reduce fuel consumption by 20% compared to today's most advanced aircraft.

Collaboration and Innovation

KLM presented the scale model for the first time during KLM's 100th anniversary in October 2019. Several partners are now involved in the project, including manufacturer Airbus. Elbers: "You can't make the aviation sector more sustainable on your own, but you have to do it together," says Elbers. Collaborating with partners and sharing knowledge takes us all further. That's why we will further develop the Flying-V concept with all partners. The next step will be to fly the Flying V on sustainable fuel".

For more information about the test flight:

Today, Dr. Roelof Vos and Prof. Henri Werij of TU Delft showed how the test flight went via a webcast. Pieter Elbers, CEO KLM and Daniel Reckzeh, Senior Manager R&T in Airbus commented. The recording of the webcast can be viewed [here](#).

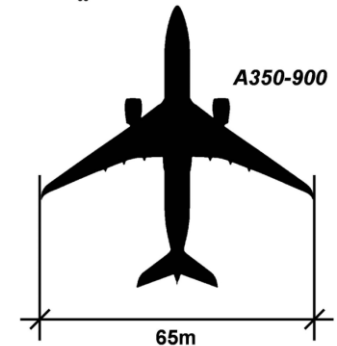
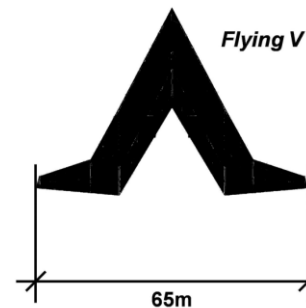
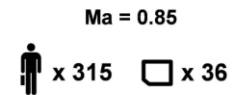
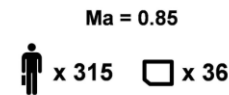
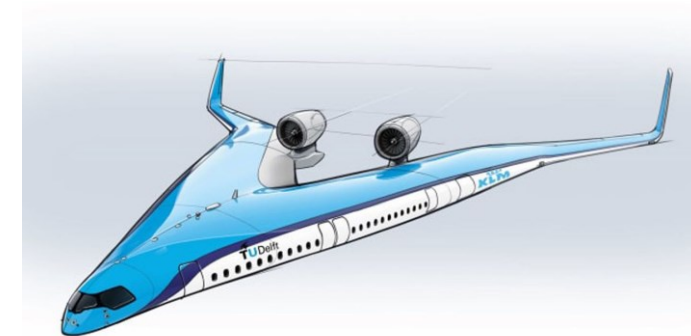


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KLM President & CEO Pieter Elbers



 Post

Flying V





<https://perma.cc/6E7Q-2F22>



There is a nice scientific presentation by the inventor **Justus Benad**. In 2015, students took part in the German Aerospace Congress (<https://doi.org/10.25967/370094>). Due to the lower ratio of wetted area to wing area, Benad assumes a **10% higher glide ratio**, without giving any further calculation or argument. The operating empty mass remains about the same size. Through the **snowball effect** the fuel savings at the end of the iteration be greater than 10%. Of course, **this still does not make a climate-neutral aircraft**, but this was not required back in 2015. Consideration is given by TU Delft to use sustainable aviation fuels (**SAF**). Surely, SAF can also be used with other configurations.



"This report assessed every public climate target which the international aviation industry set itself since 2000.

We found that all but one of over 50 separate climate targets has either been missed, abandoned or simply forgotten about.

Overall, the industry's attempts to regulate its emissions and set its own targets suffered from a combination of unclear definitions, shifting goalposts, inconsistent reporting, a complete lack of public accountability and, in some cases, [goals] being quietly dropped altogether."

URL: <https://www.werepossible.org/our-reports-1/missed-target-a-brief-history-of-aviation-climate-targets>

Archived: <https://perma.cc/4SYC-UL93>

Question:

The EU is calling for 70% **Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF)** by 2050 (a blend of 70% SAF and 30% kerosene). Let's assume SAFs "produce around 80 percent less CO₂" (Airbus).

- a) To what percentage are CO₂ emissions left?
- b) It is estimated that **aviation will have grown by a factor of 2.9 by 2050**.
Based on this: How much more CO₂ will be emitted in 2050 compared to today?

Answer:

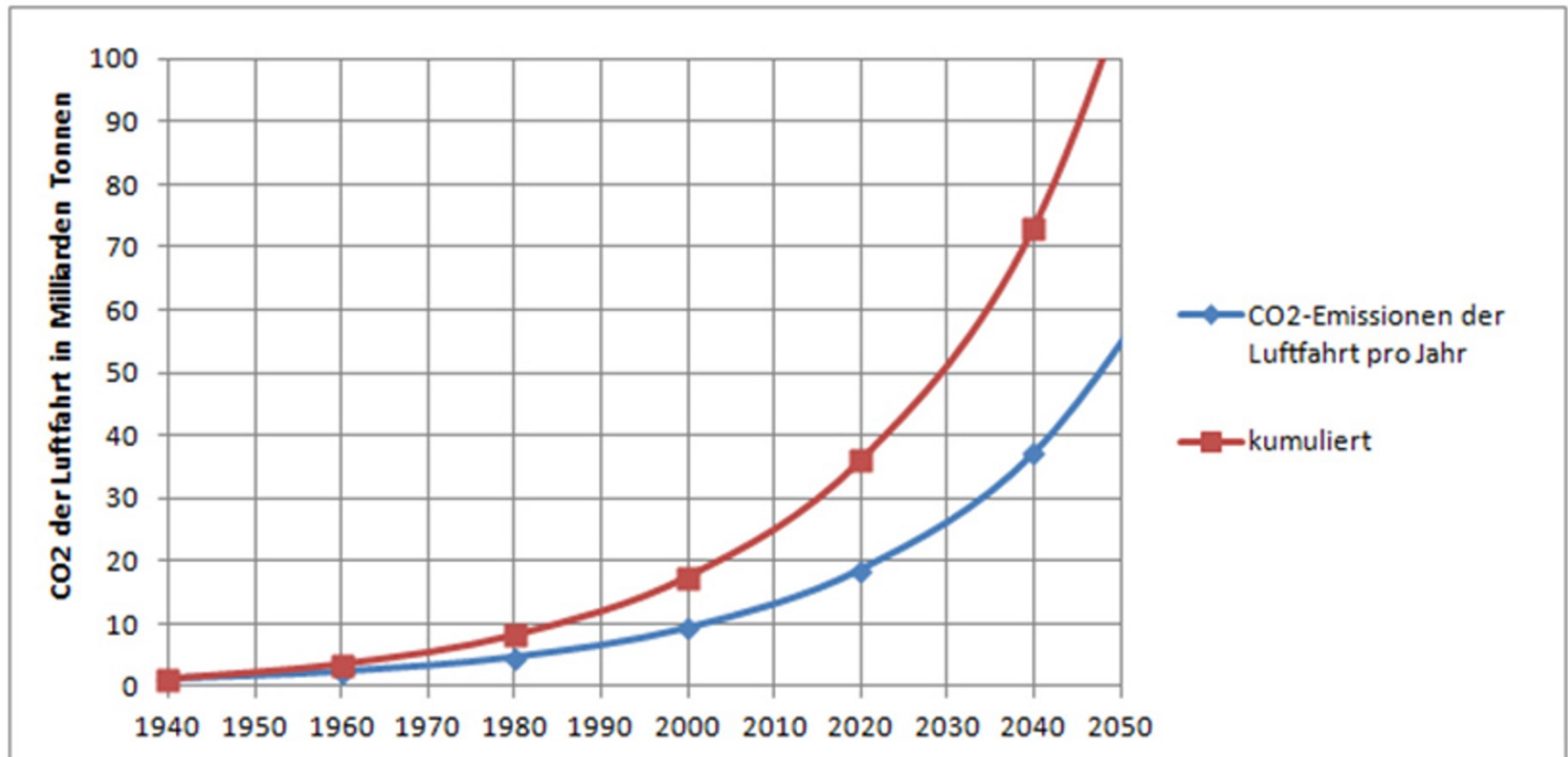
a) The 70% SAF are 35% from biofuel (CO₂-efficiency 80%) hence as good as $0.8 \cdot 35\% = 28\%$. The other 35% are from e-fuel, which may be considered to have a CO₂-efficiency of 100%. Together SAF is as good as 63%. The fuel in the tank is producing CO₂ as 37% of the kerosene before.

b) Due to traffic growth, the 37% become $37\% \cdot 2.9 = 107\%$. This means **CO₂ emission in 2050 are increased(!) by about 7% compared to today** (despite the ambitious introduction of SAF).



https://www.fzt.haw-hamburg.de/pers/Scholz/Aero/AERO_PR_Cessna525_at_Sylt/AERO_PR_Cessna525_at_Sylt_23-06-07.html

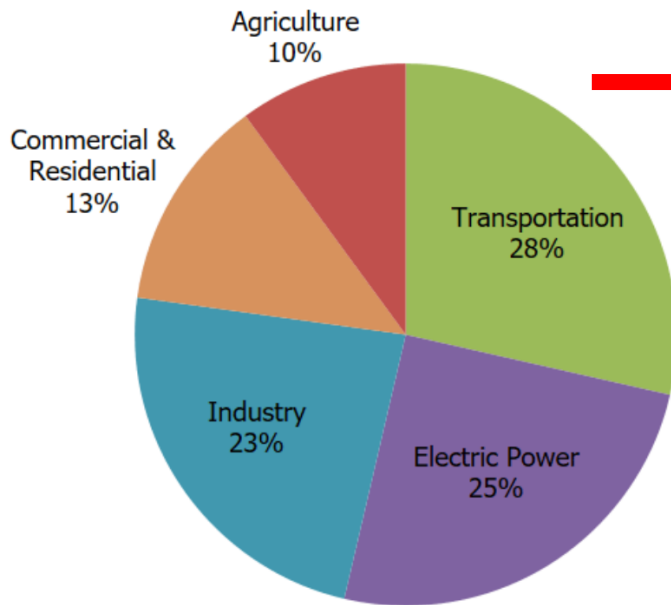
Decoding Aviation's Climate Challenge



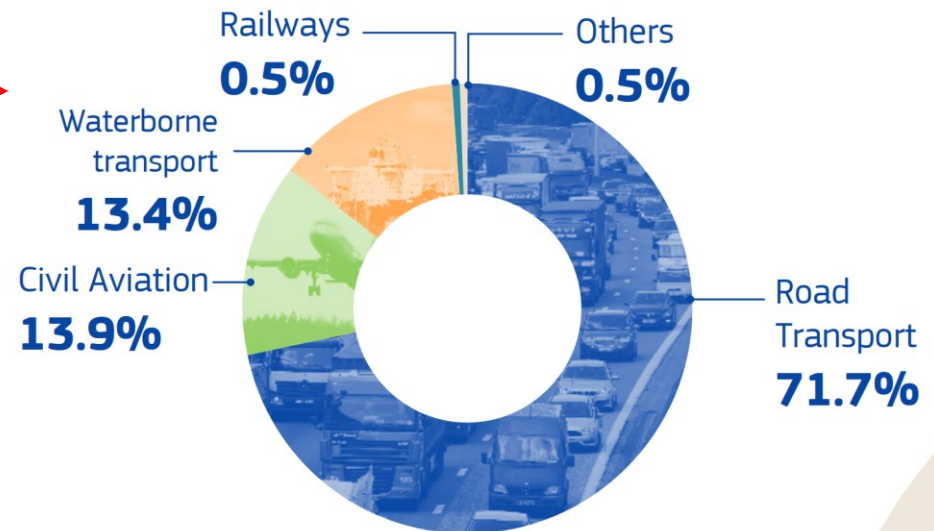
5% aviation growth per year. This is exponential growth.
 1.5% energy reduction per seat: 0.5% due to technology,
 1% due to higher load factor and more seats in a plane.

Aviation is "only" responsible for 2.4% of man-made CO2 emissions!

Based on what ?
What is 100% ?



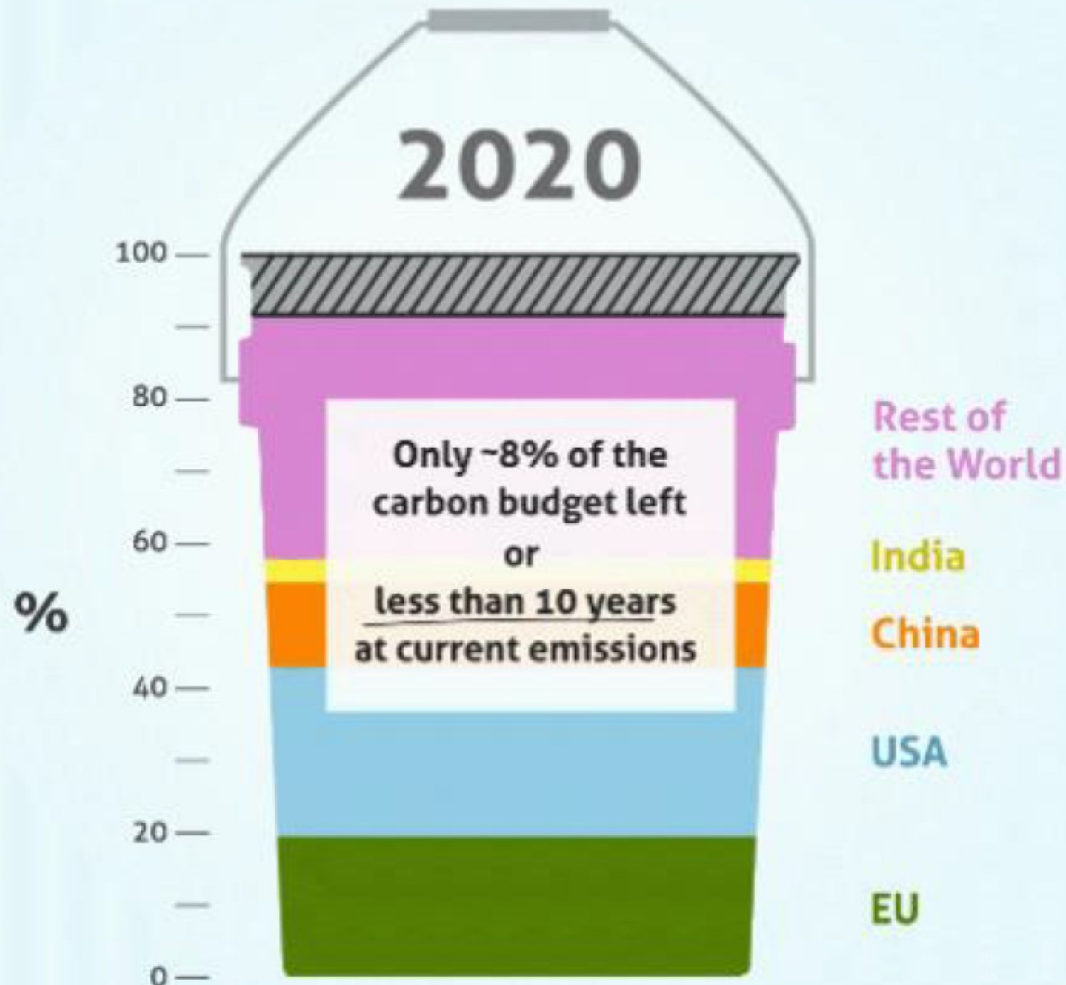
Share of Greenhouse Gas Emissions by Mode of Transport (2017)

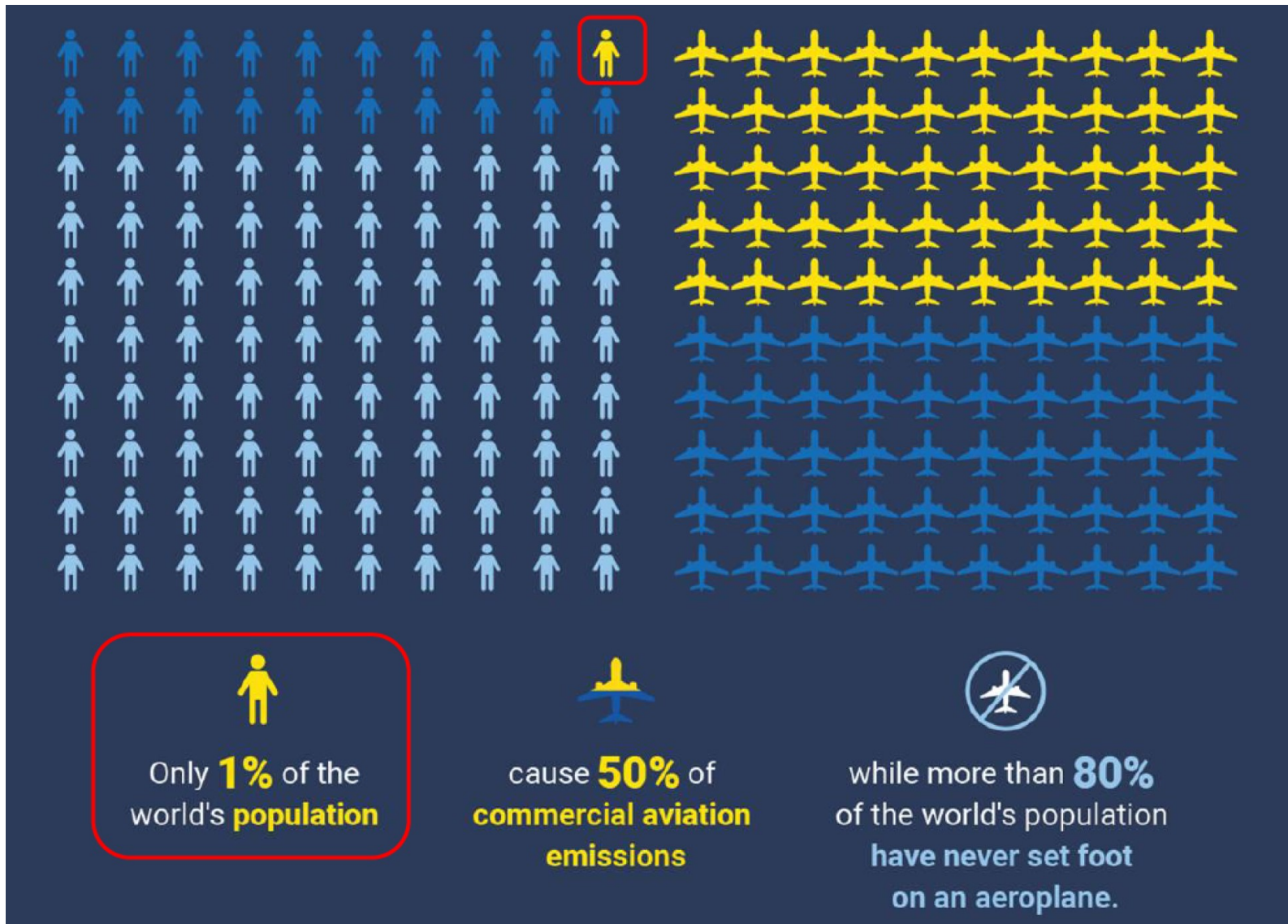


Source: Statistical pocketbook 2019
<https://doi.org/10.2775/395792>

<https://www.epa.gov/ghgemissions/sources-greenhouse-gas-emissions>

The carbon budget for 1.5 degrees





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switch to report

Environmental Protection in Aviation

Background and Arguments for the Current Discussion

We hope to slowly emerge from the corona pandemic. This means that air traffic could continue where it came to an abrupt end in 2020. But wasn't there something to do with climate change? Flight shame? Can we really fly again like we used to with a clear conscience in times of proven global warming? In any case, after Corona we have gained one new insight. The unthinkable is possible. Planes can actually sit on the ground in rows. Organizations like Stay Grounded (<https://stay-grounded.org>) had already propagated this before Corona, but their demands were hardly taken seriously. After Corona, the basis for discussion has shifted. The EU has fleshed out the "Green Deal" with the "Fit for 55" package of measures. In Germany, policies with an environmental focus are given a chance of gaining a majority. Heavy rain events show that climate change has reached us. Aviation questions have become part of the news. Should short-haul flights be replaced by train journeys? Many citizens have the feeling that their own lifestyle also needs to be questioned. Spaceship Earth is finite in its dimensions. At some point the atmosphere will be full of CO₂ and other greenhouse gases. One climate-relevant process then triggers the next and the climate tips over like a row of dominoes.

Calculating Aviation's Environmental Footprint

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Aviation and the Climate – An Overview

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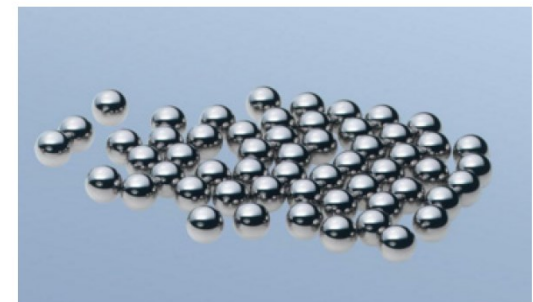
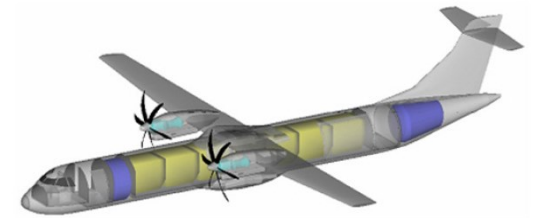
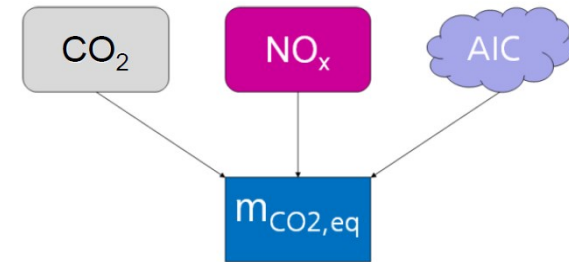
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Warming Contrails and Their Avoidance







FR2375/RYR2375
Ryanair
Betrieben von Buzz

GDN (GDANSK, CET UTC+1:00) → **STN** (LONDON, GMT UTC+0:00)

PLANMÄSSIG	07:00	PLANMÄSSIG	08:25
TATSÄCHLICH	07:17	ERWARTET	08:12

318 NM, vor 00:50 | **357 NM, in 01:04**

Mehr FR2375-Informationen

- TYP (B738): Boeing 737-8AS
- KENNZEICHEN: SP-RSB
- SERIENNUMMER (MSN): **Entsperren**
- REGISTERLAND:
- ALTER: **Entsperren**

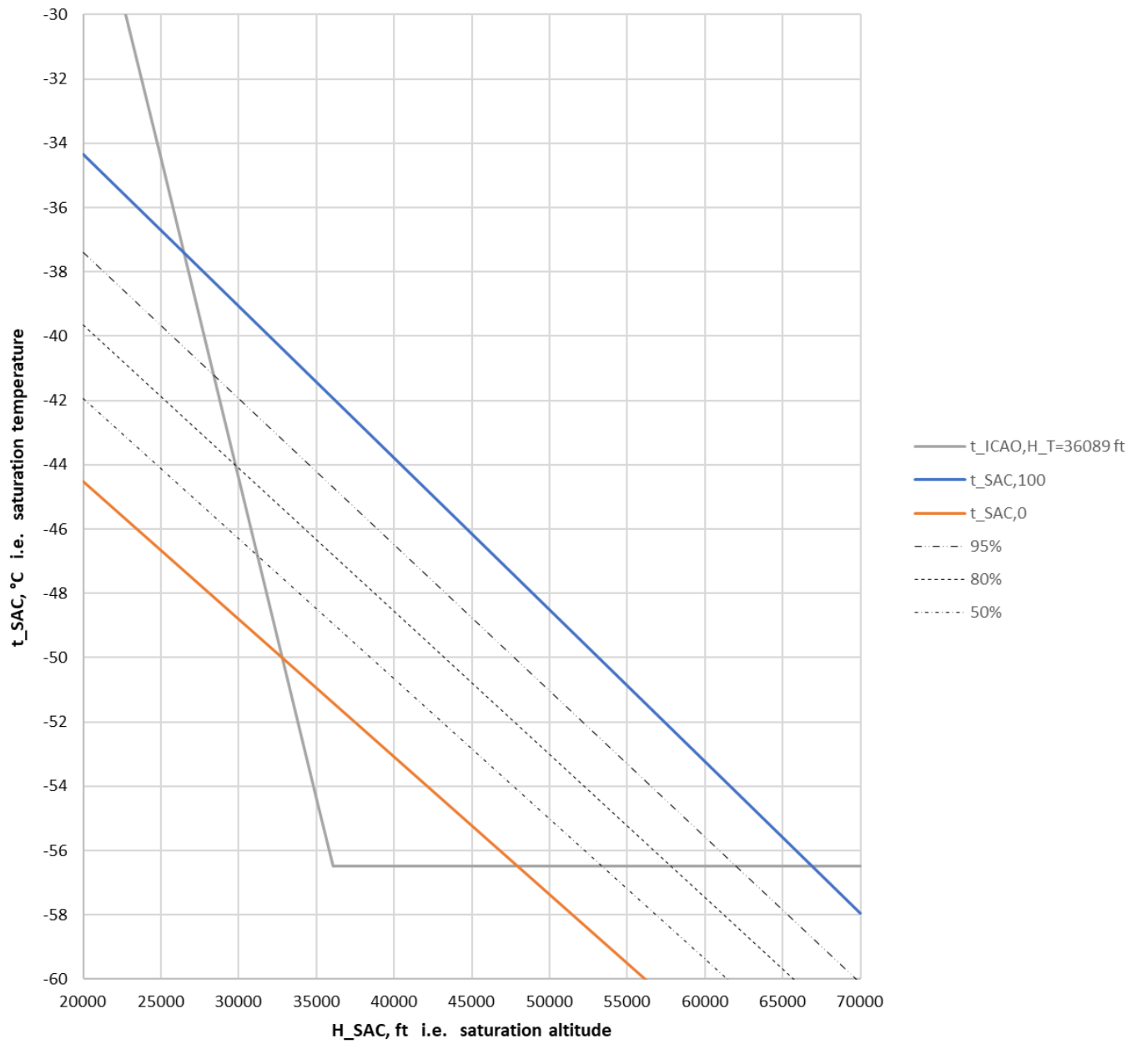
Kürzliche SP-RSB-Flüge

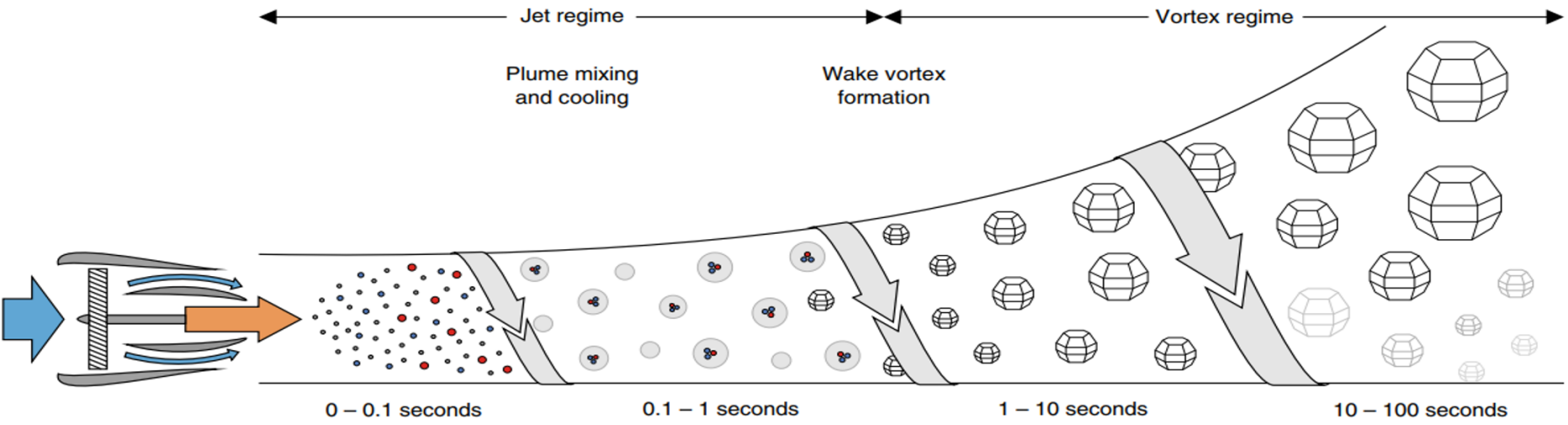
- KALIBRIERTE HÖHE: 38,000 ft
- VERTIKALE GESCHWINDIGKEIT: **Entsperren**
- GPS HÖHE: **Entsperren**
- KURS: 255°

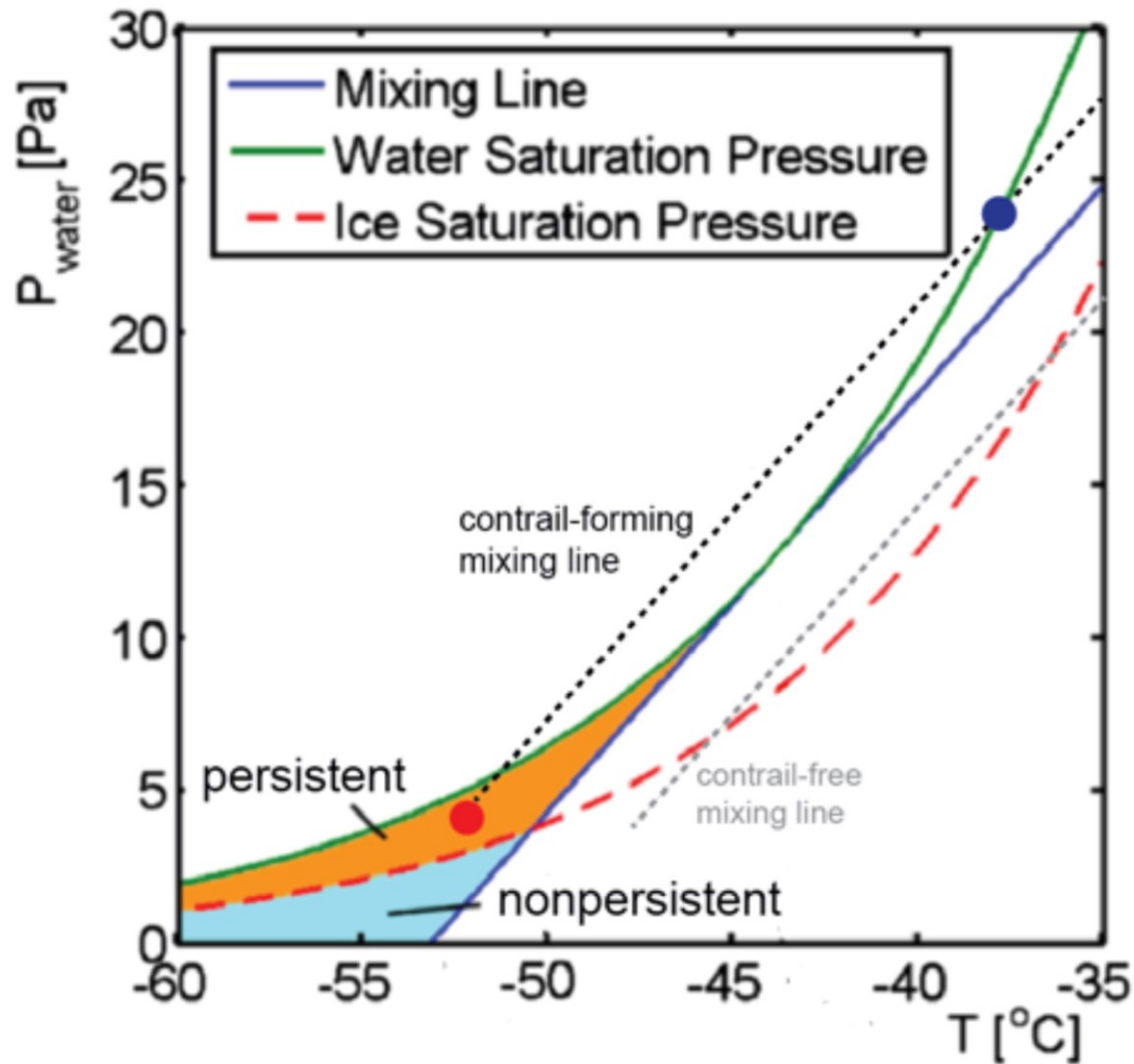
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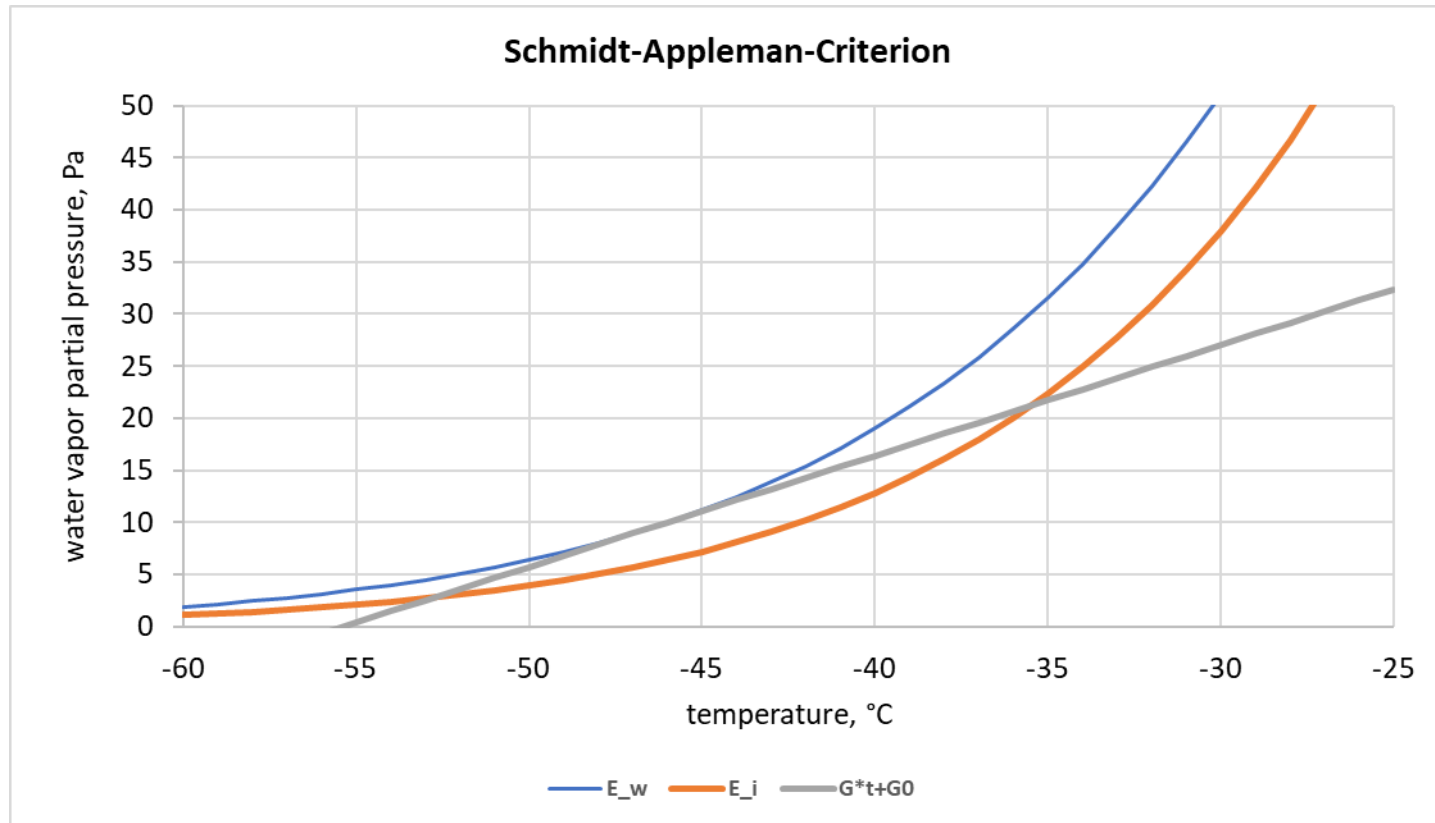
- GROUND SPEED: 384 kts
- WAHRE FLUGGESCHWINDIGKEIT: **Entsperren**
- ANGEZEIGTE FLUGGESCHWINDIGKEIT: N/A
- MACH: N/A

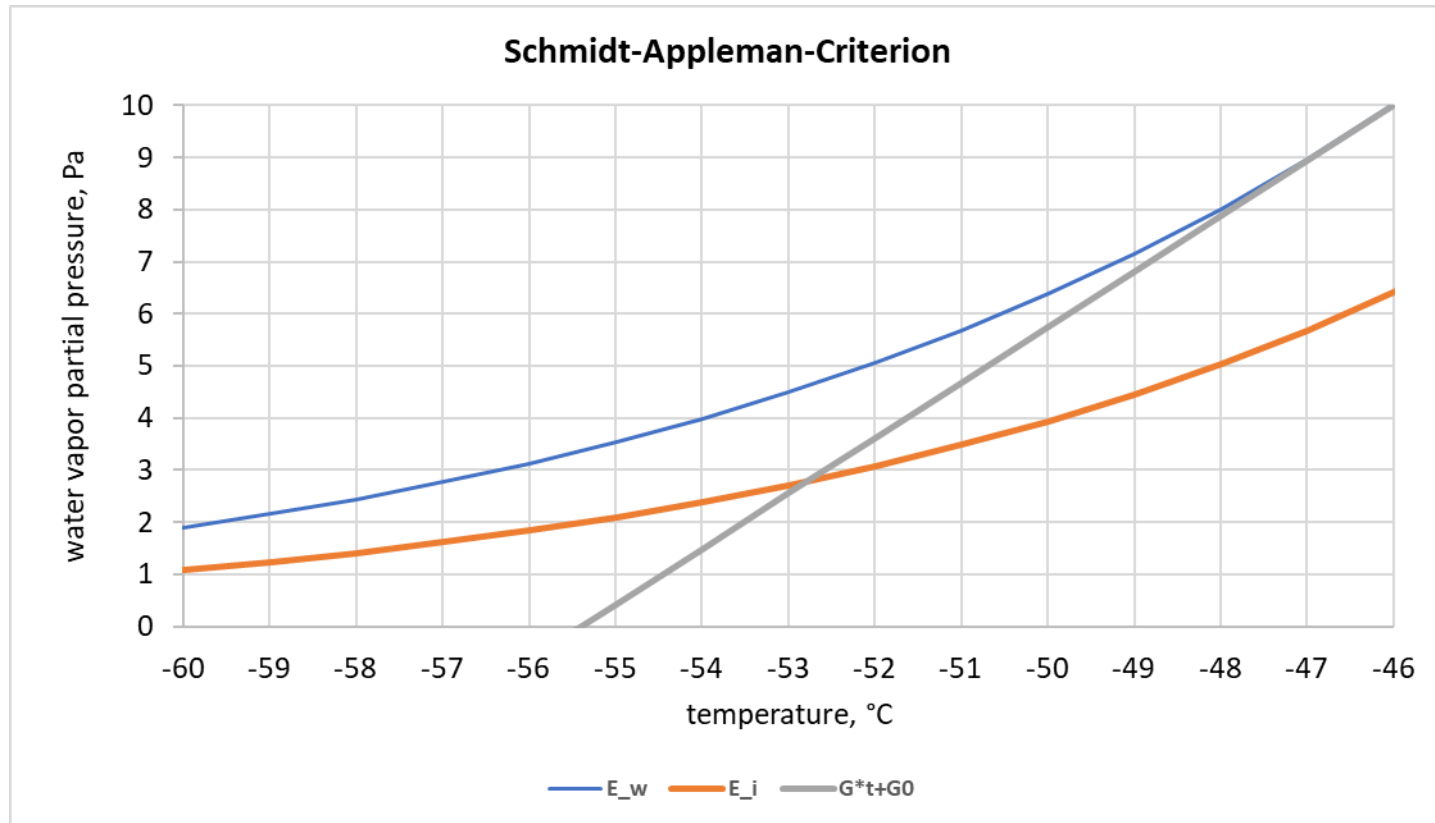
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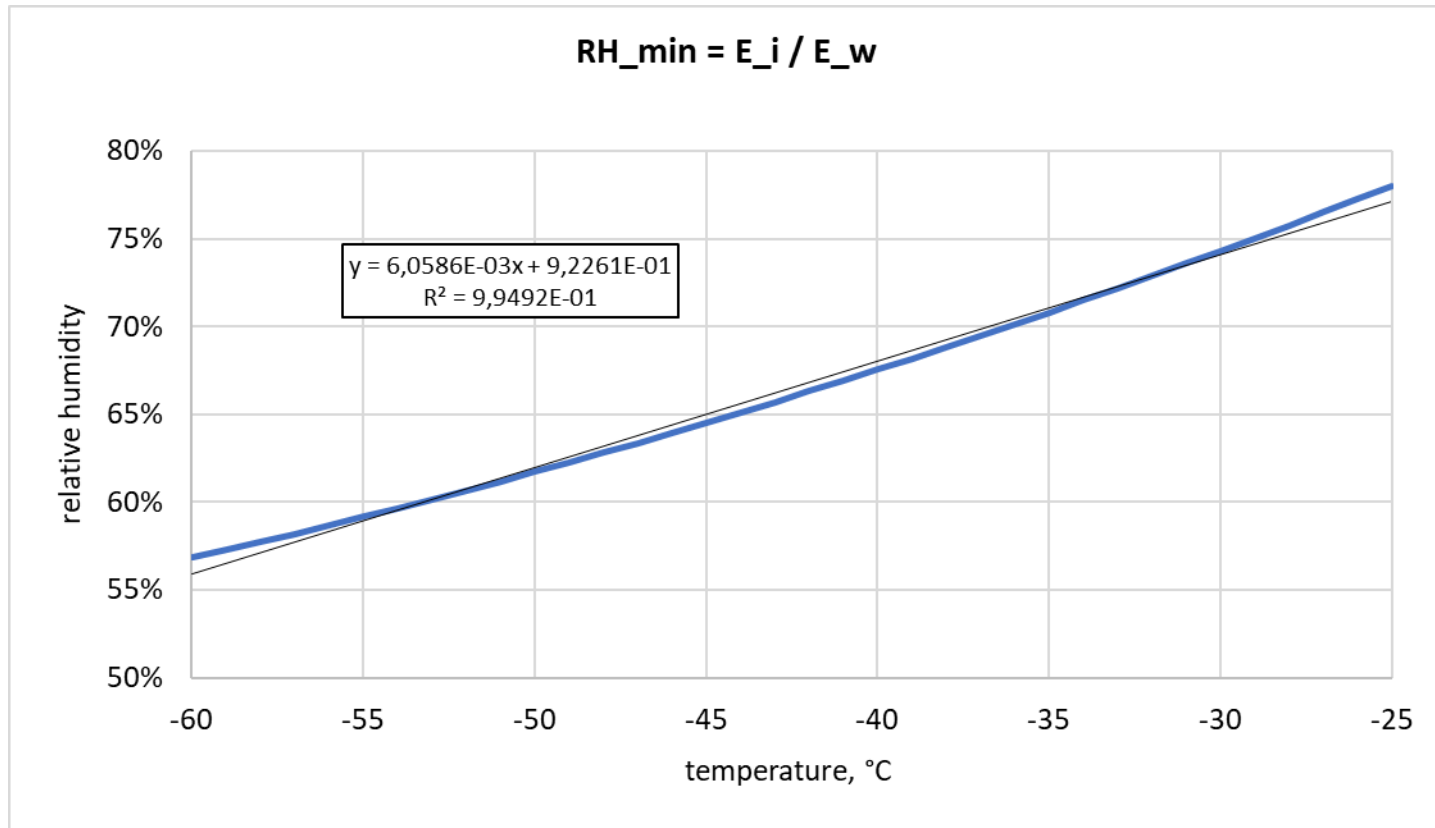






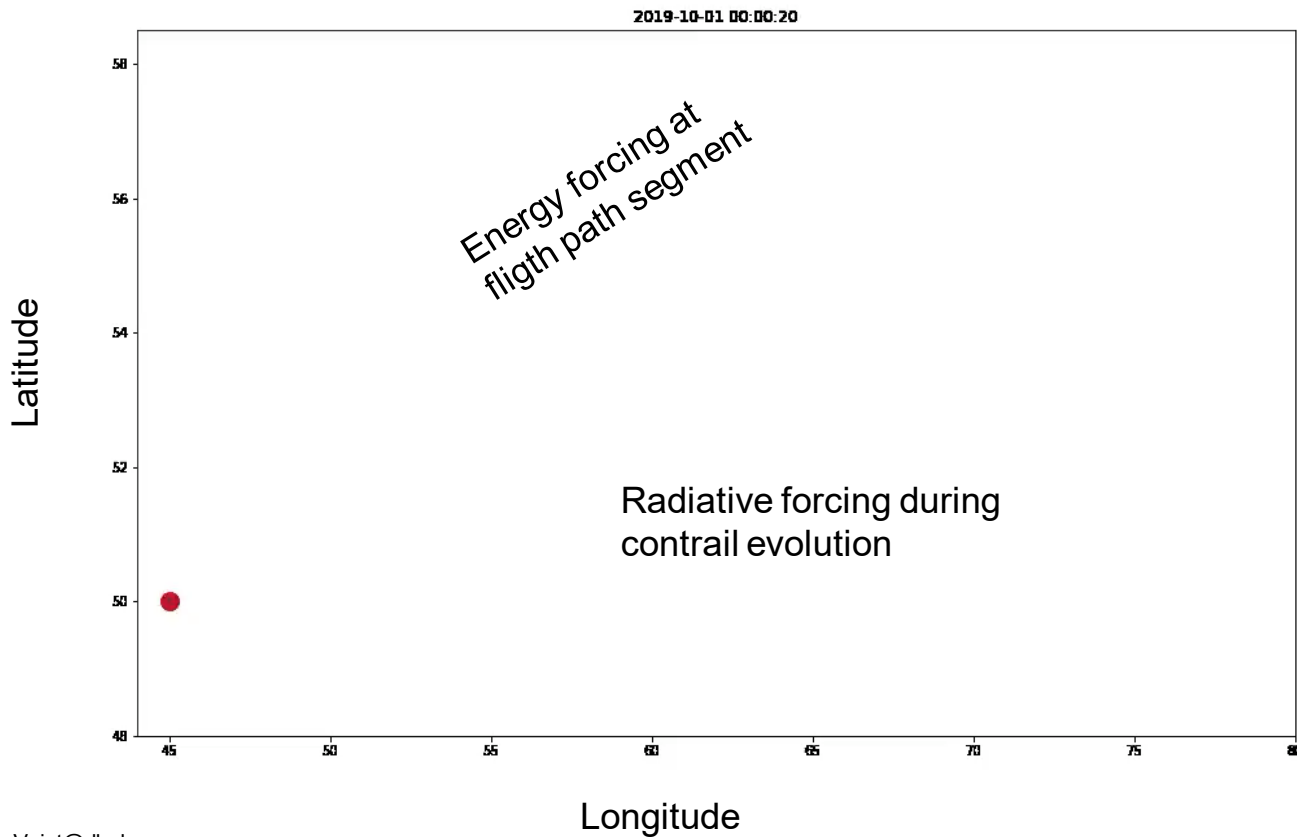






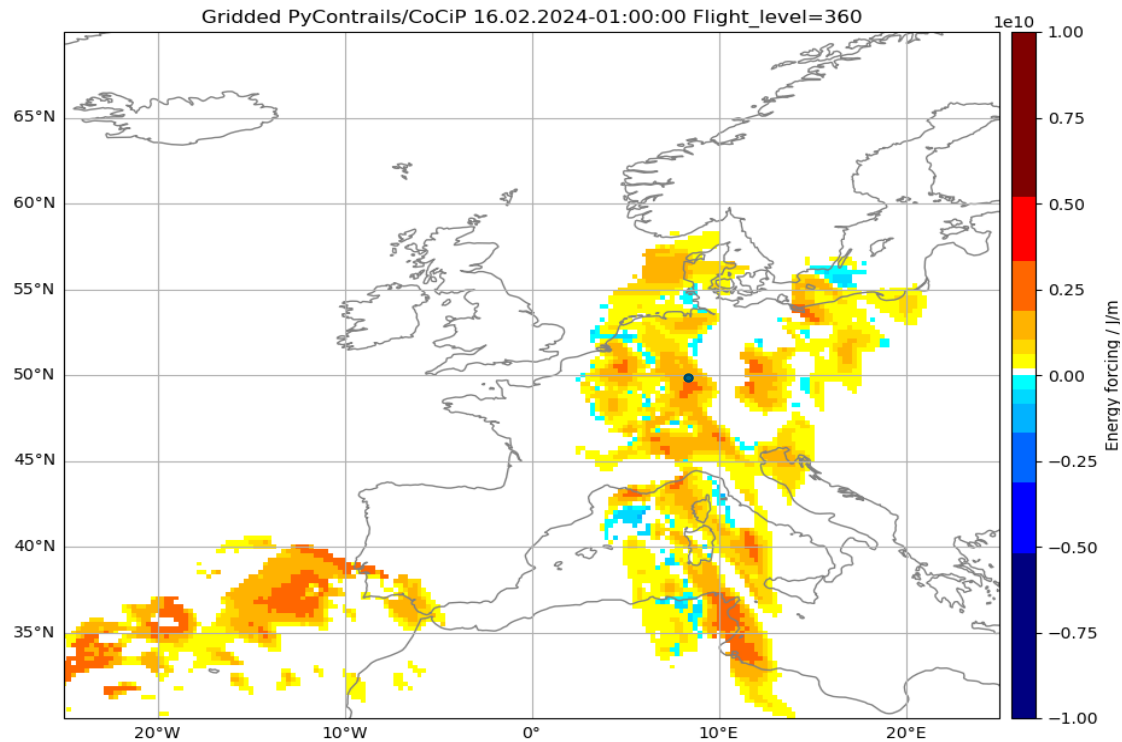
Contrail-Cirrus Prediction Tool (CoCiP) – Flight segment contrail climate forcing

Flight on 10 Jan 2019
0:00 to 6:00 h



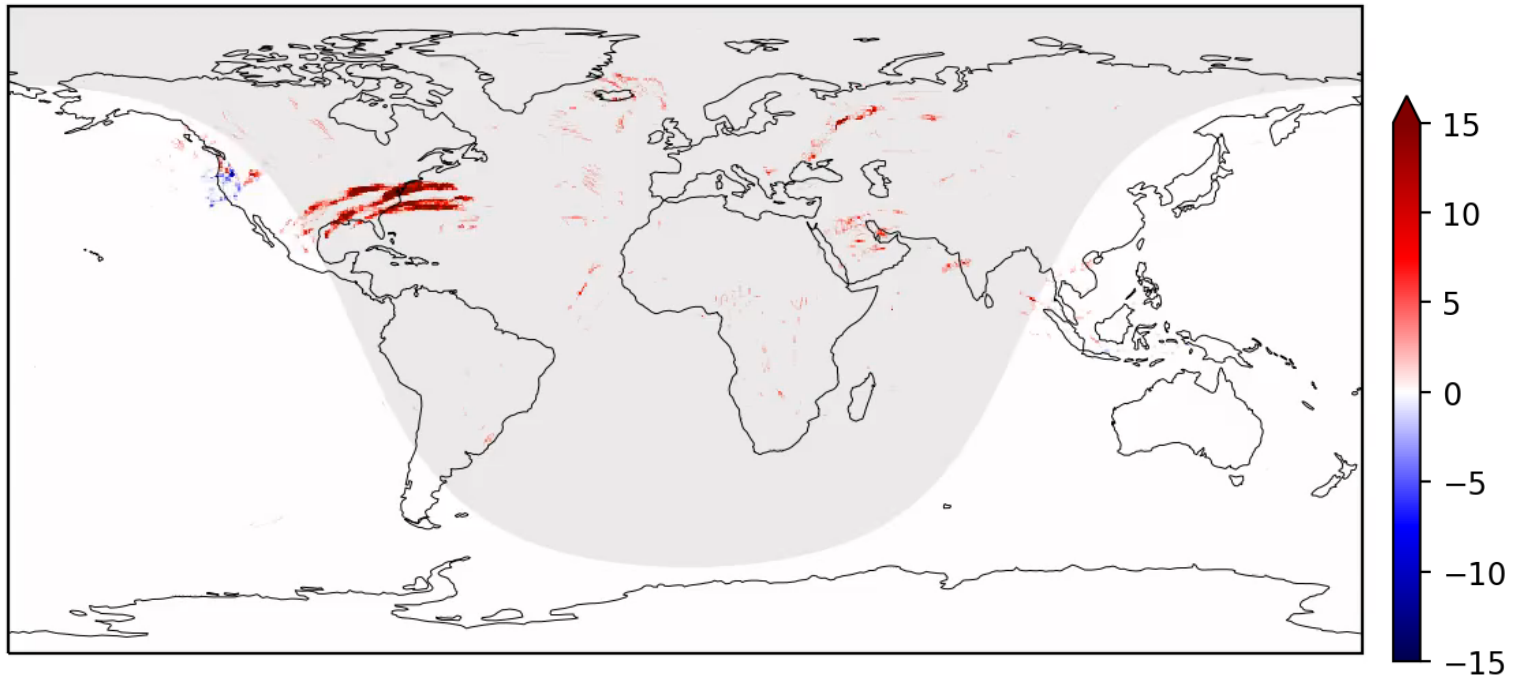
Vorhersage von Regionen mit Kondensstreifen

16.2.2024, Flugfläche 360, stündliche Vorhersage



Contrail avoidance by flight routing

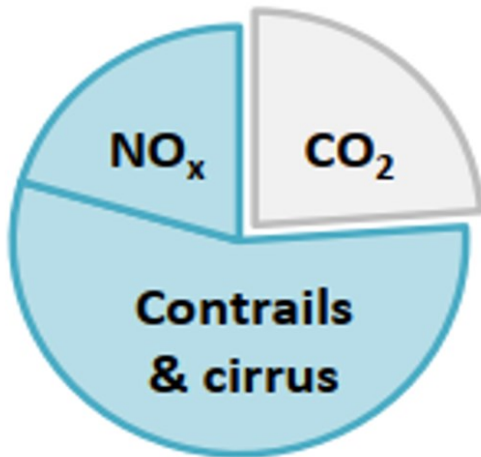
Contrail cirrus net RF (W m^{-2}): 2019-01-02 00:00:00 (UTC)



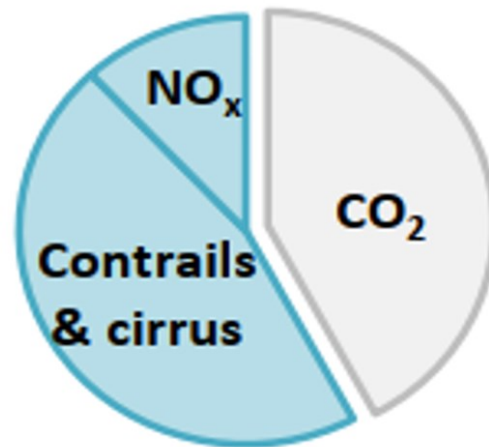
open source <https://py.contrails.org>

Teoh, Stettler, Imperial College, Shapiro, Breakthrough Energies, Schumann, Voigt, DLR

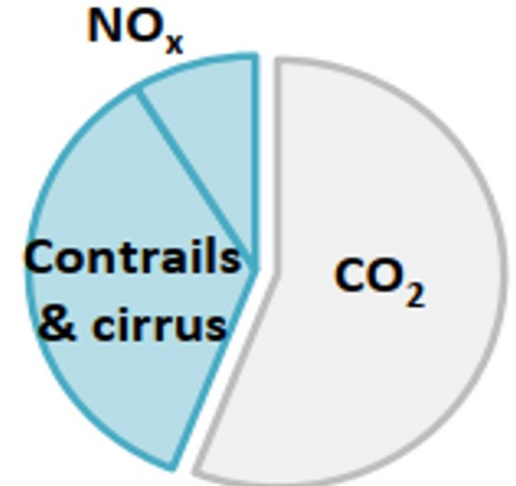
GWP_{20 years}

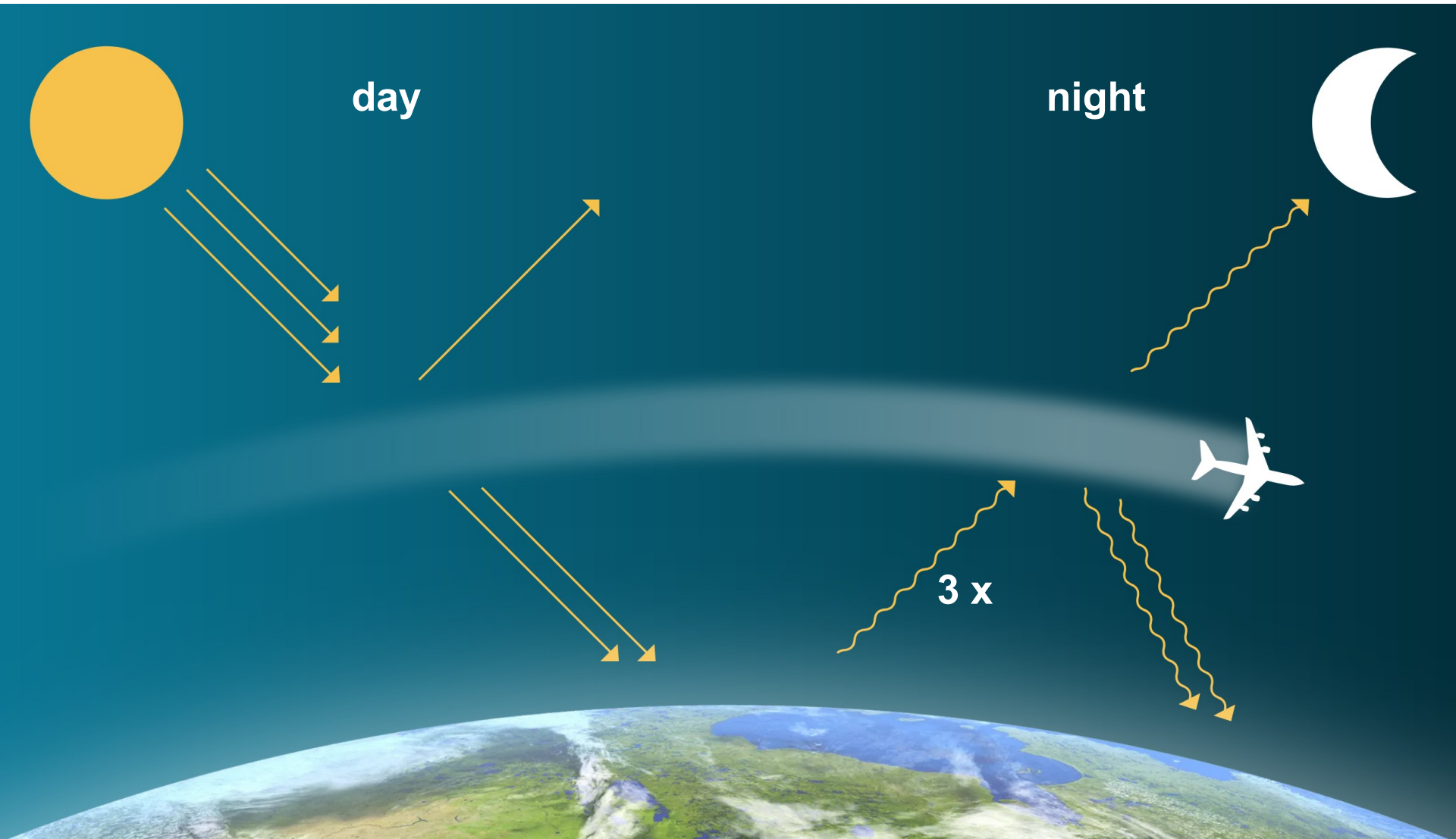


GWP_{50 years}



GWP_{100 years}





	C/SKC	D/N	R/NR	⇒ W/C/I	
1.	C	D	R	I	C: cloud (OVC)
2.	C	D	NR	I	SKC: sky clear
3.	C	N	R	I	D: day
4.	C	N	NR	I	N: night
5.	SKC	D	R	I	R: reflective
6.	SKC	D	NR	C	NR: non-reflective
7.	SKC	N	R	W	W: warming
8.	SKC	N	NR	W	C: cooling
					I: indifferent
					OVC: overcast

Reasons:

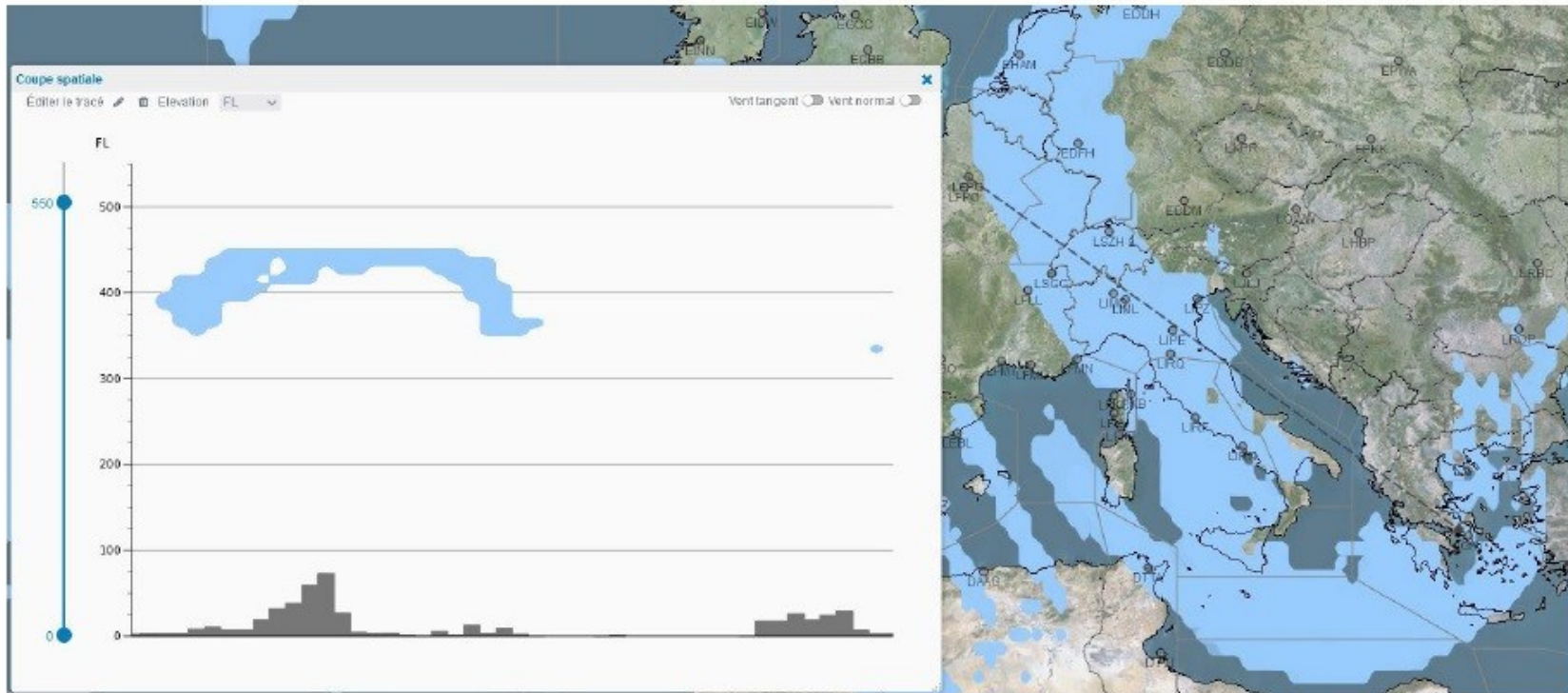
1. to 4. : Clouds are present, contrail does not make difference

5. : Surface is reflective, (reflective contrail — " — — —)

6. : NR e.g. ocean "swallows" sun's radiation, contrail precludes this

7. to 8. : No radiation from the sun. Reflection back to earth of long wavelength radiation due to contrail is important.

WIMCOT - Demonstration

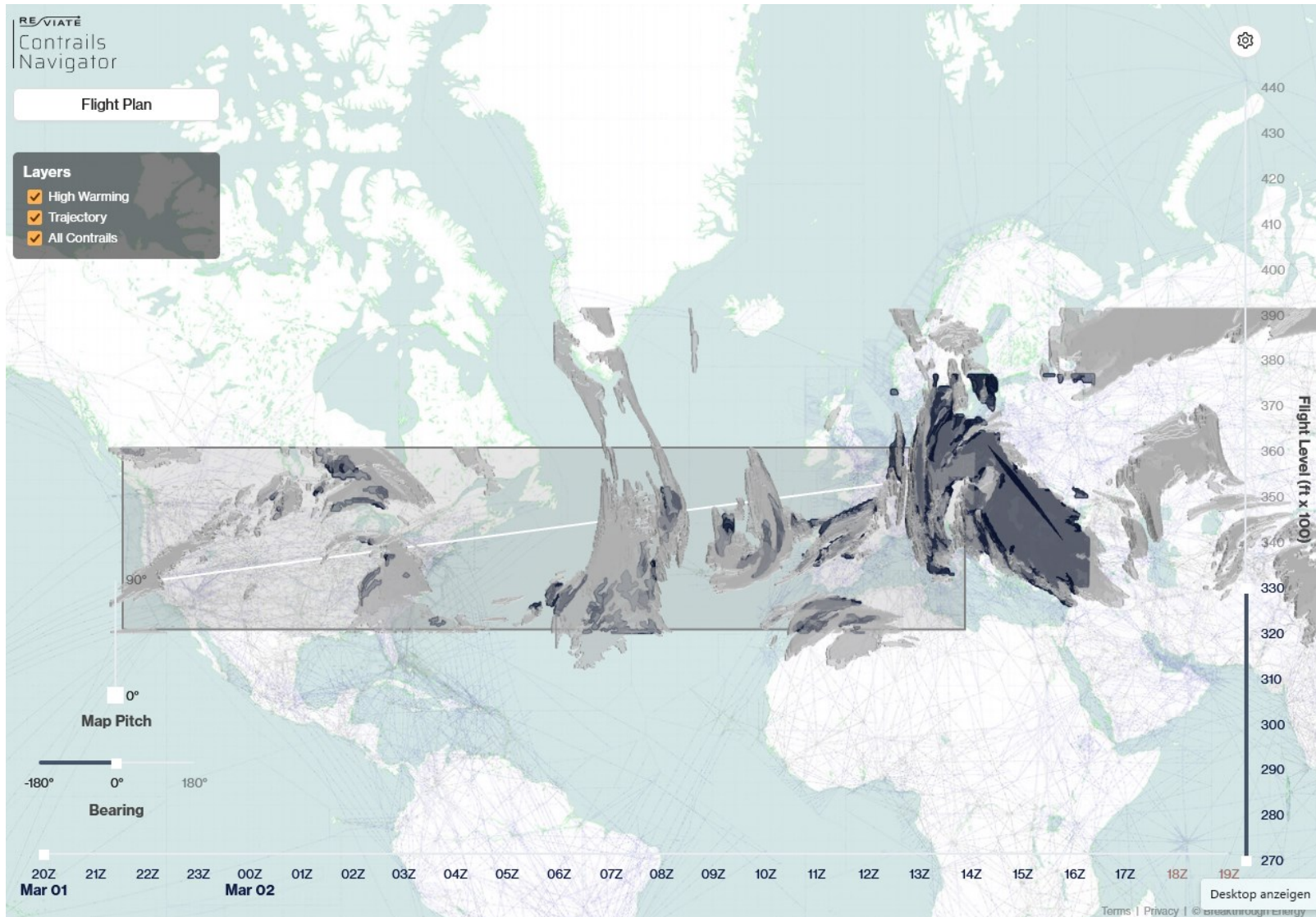


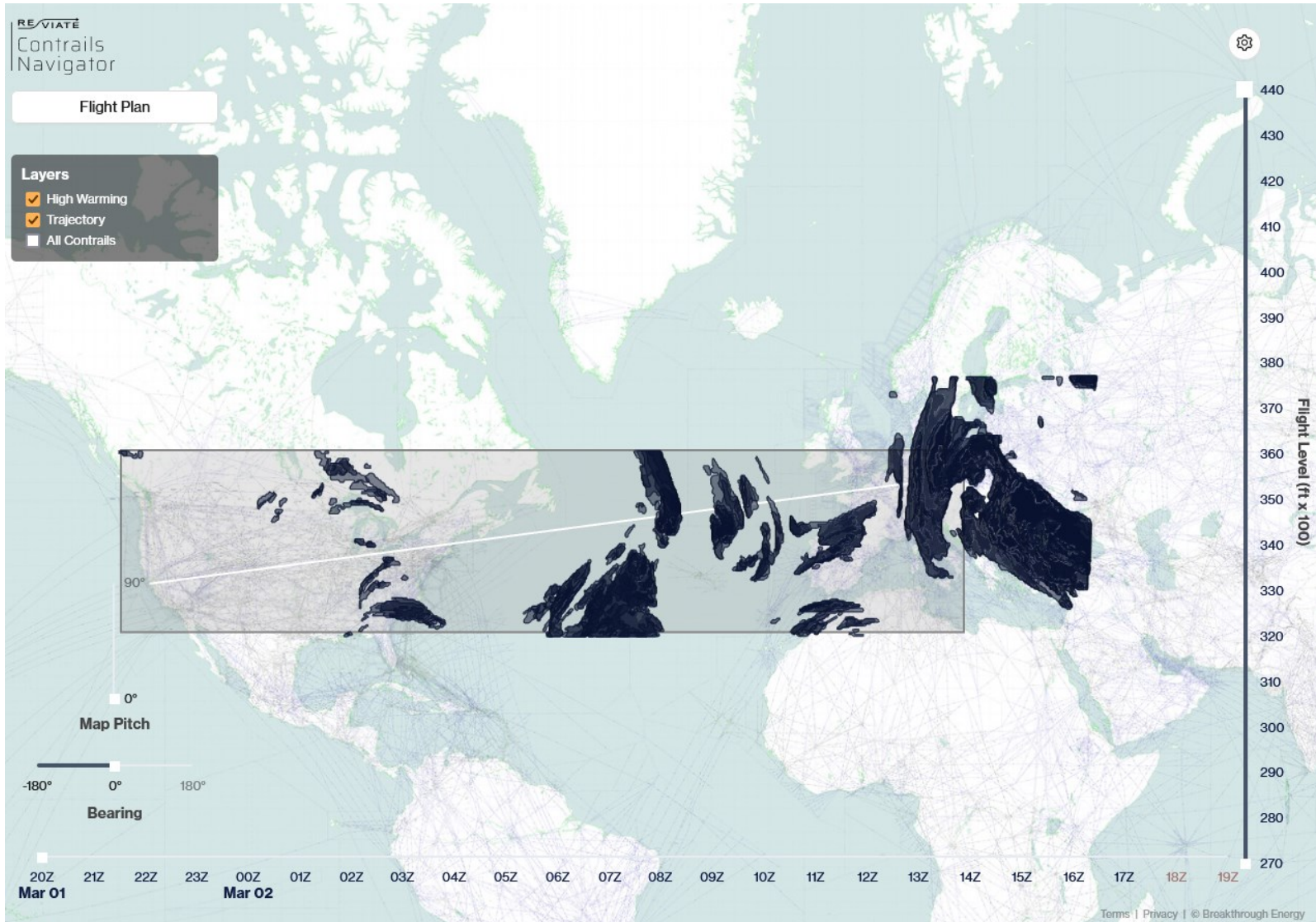
Forecast for 04/09/2023 at 10UTC
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Cross section from Paris to Athens

Risk area

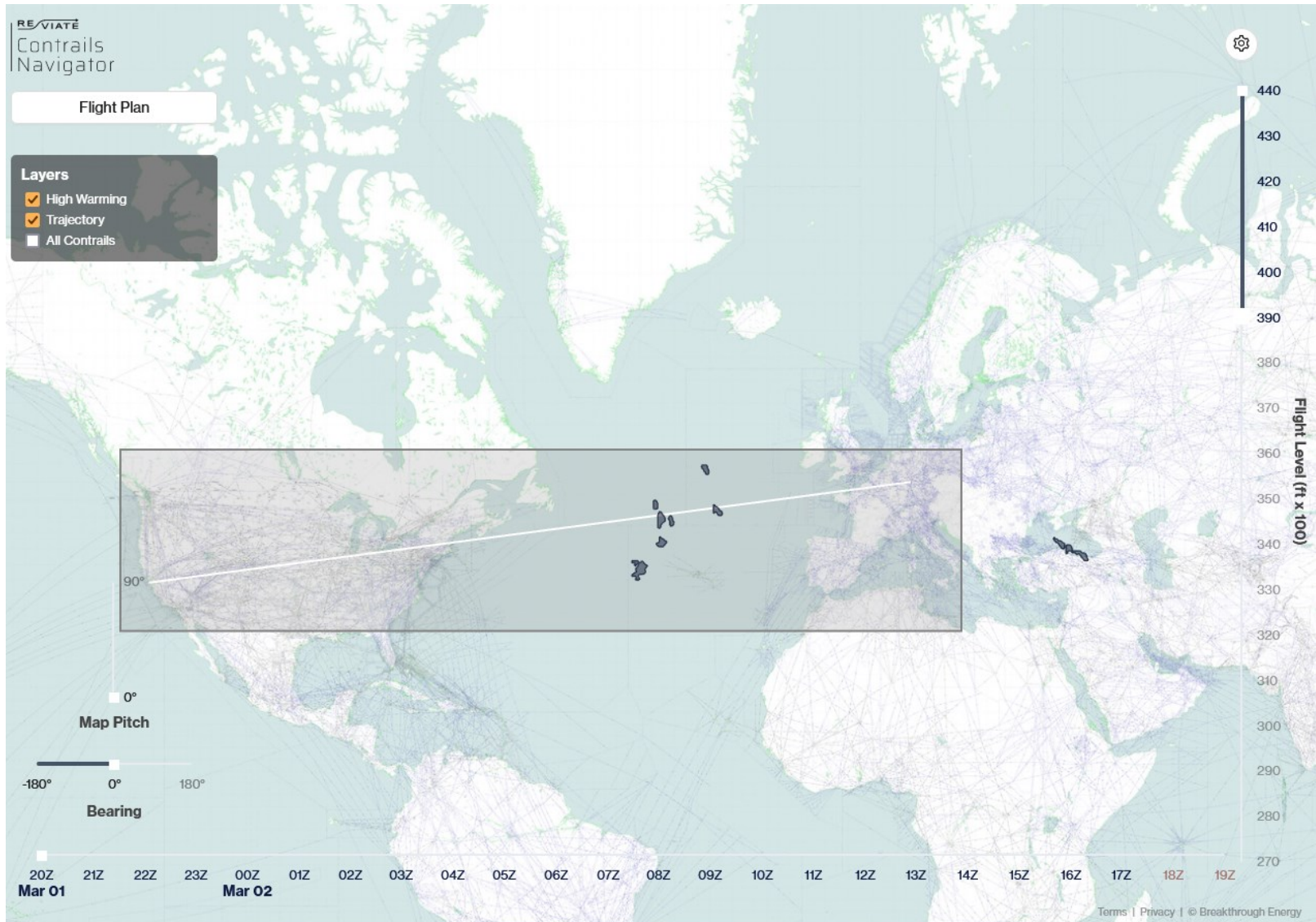
SHARE CONTRAILS RISK AREAS WITH PILOTS

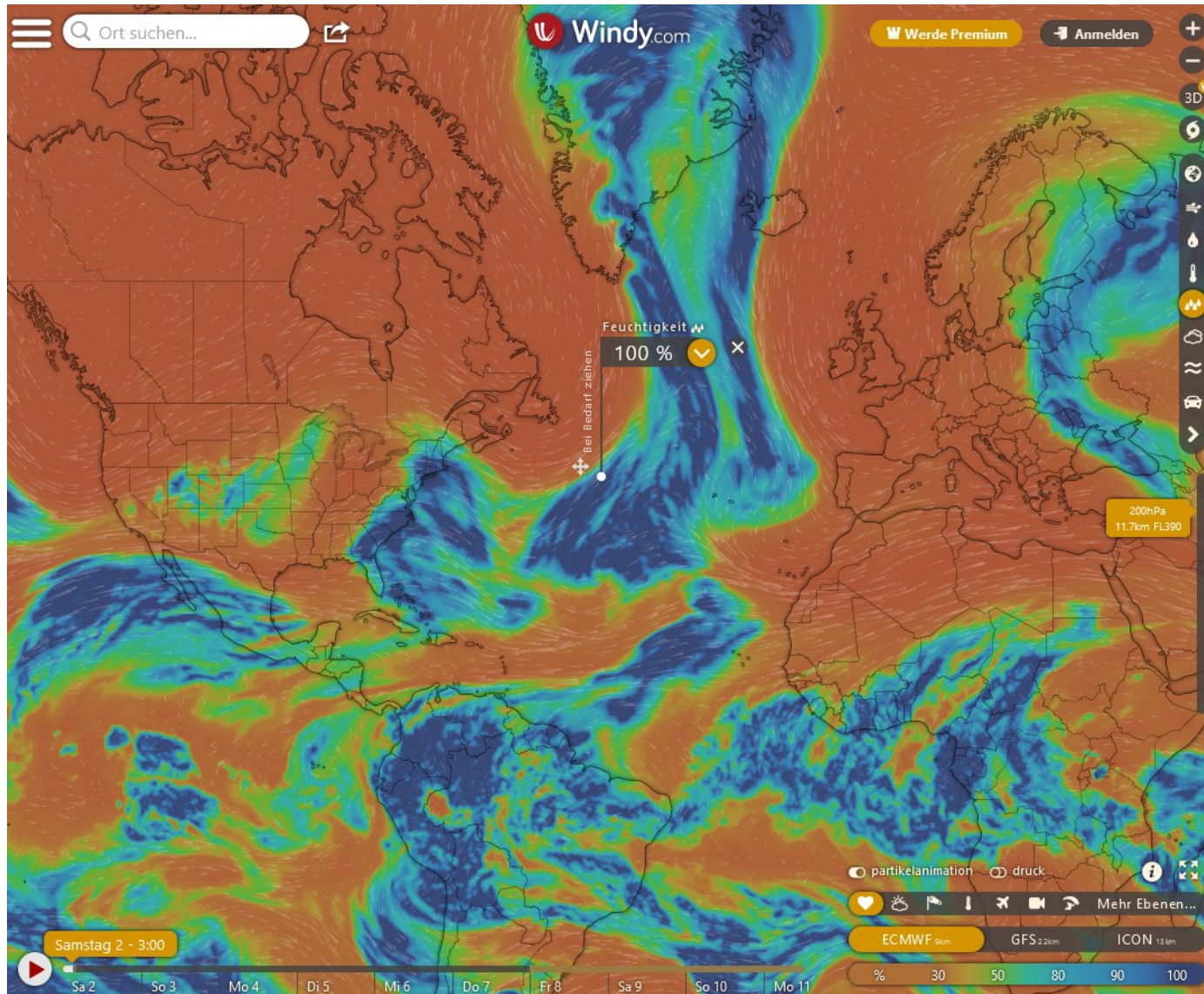


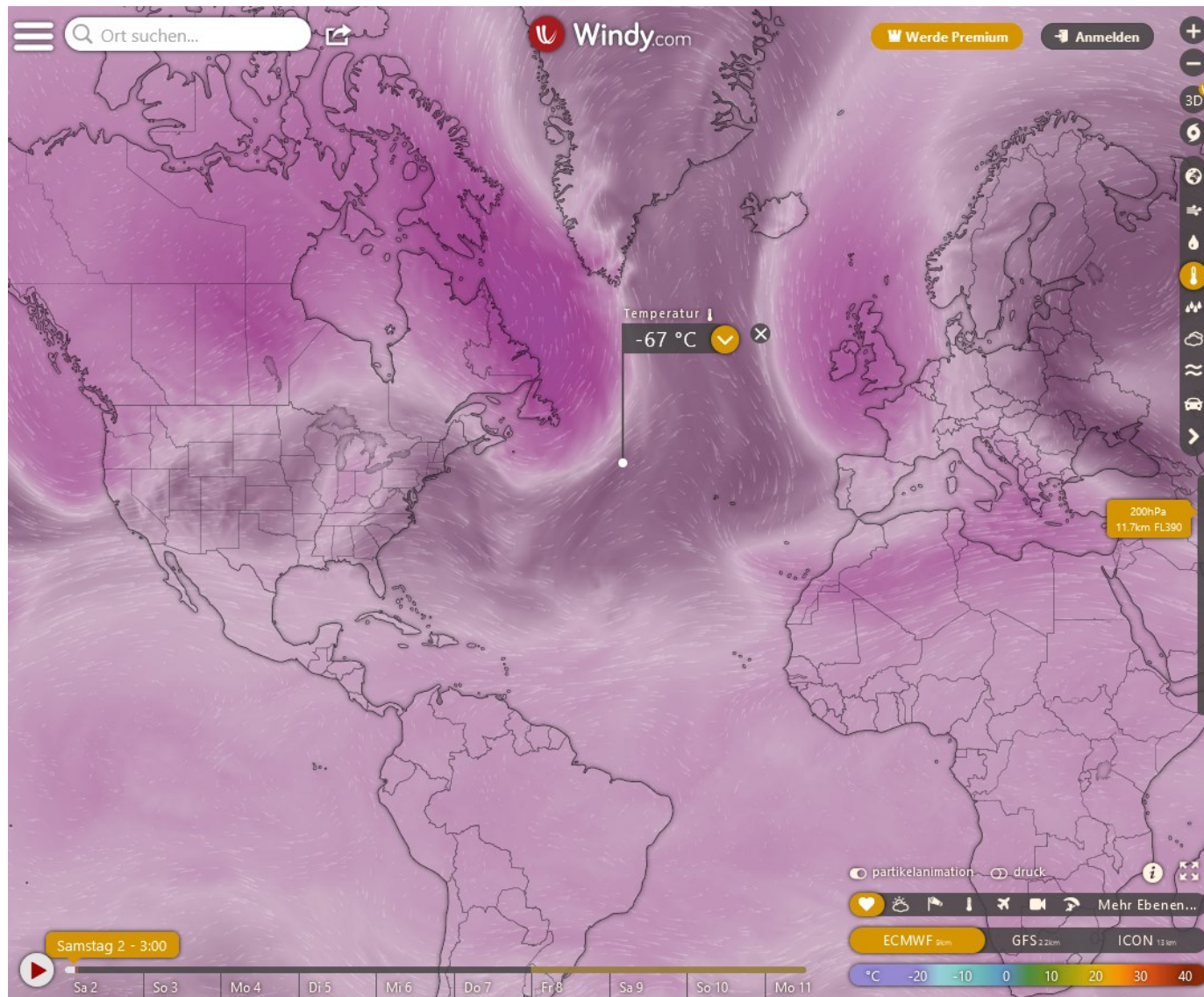


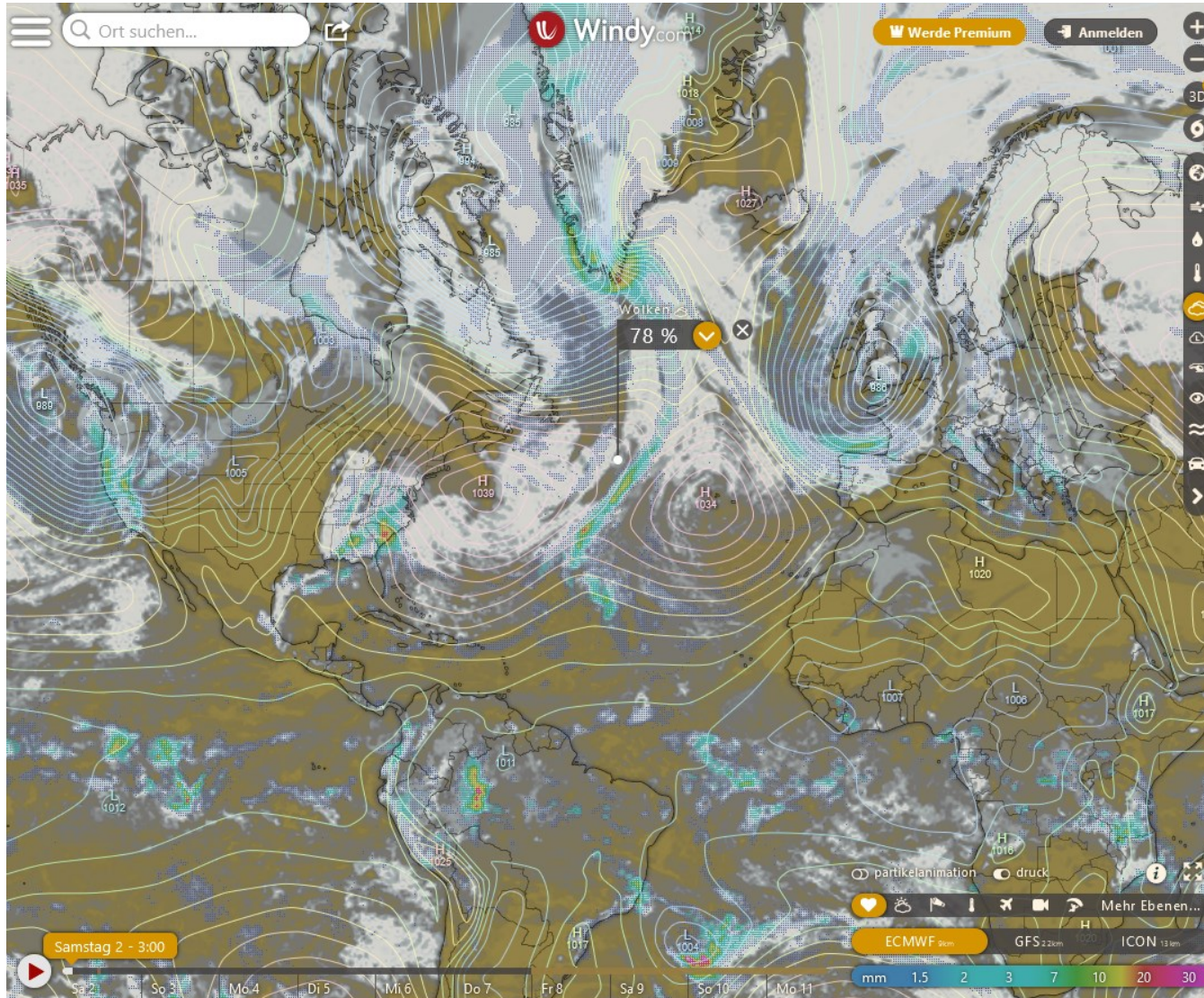












Tactical avoidance

Adjust flight trajectory en-route to avoid contrails as they are observed

Based on contrail “nowcast”

- Issue real-time guidance
- Restrict avoidance to maneuvers within fuel burn limits
- ATC responsiveness



Long-term vision:

Convergence of concepts:

- Strategic elements to support fuel burn planning
- Tactical elements to maximize precision of guidance

Strategic avoidance

Flight trajectories are planned to avoid expected contrails along the route

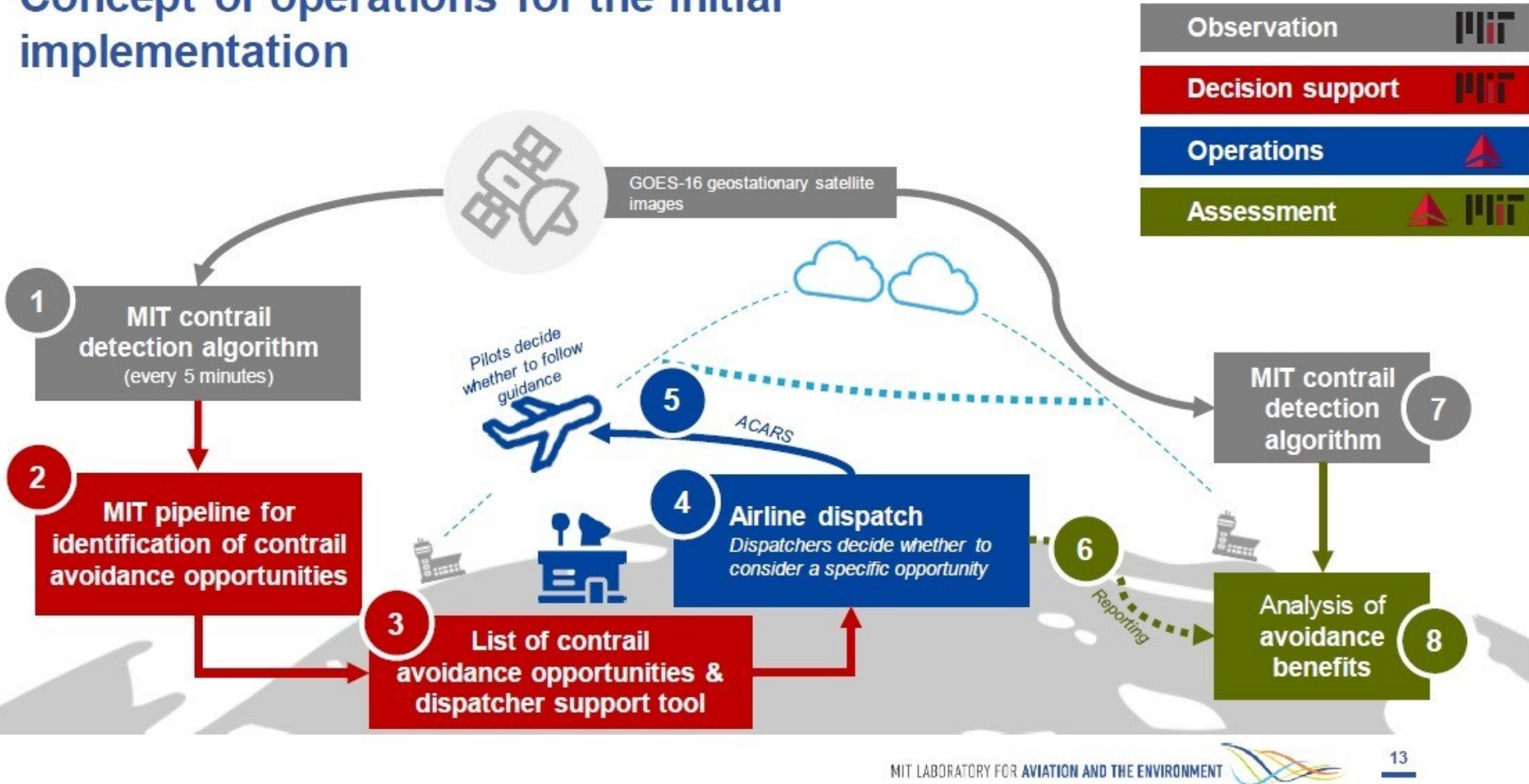
Based on contrail forecast

- Reliable forecast of PCC regions
- Minimal deviation flightplan vs. flown trajectory
- ATC clearance

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Concept of operations for the initial implementation



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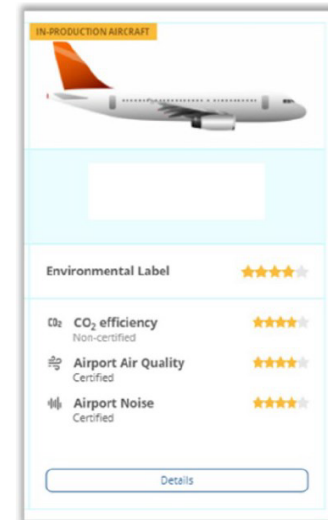
EASA's Proposed Environmental Label Programme – Benefits and Shortcomings

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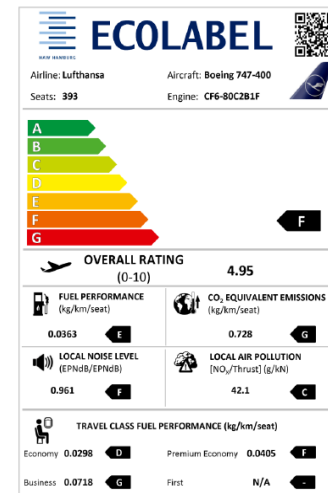
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EASA
(idea)



HAW
(ready)





2022: 1/3rd OF
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UNDERWATER

MODAL SHIFTS



A vibrant underwater scene of a coral reef. Sunlight rays penetrate the clear blue water from the top right, illuminating a diverse array of colorful coral and numerous small, brightly colored fish swimming around. The scene is rich in detail, showing various types of coral and a variety of fish species.

**TOURISM:
PROVIDING SOME RELIEF...
TO THE GREAT BARRIER REEF...**

**REAL SUSTAINABLE AVIATION MEANS:
THERE WILL BE A REEF TO VISIT IN THE FUTURE**

Q & A

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Abstract

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