### HELMHOLTZ Earth and Environment

## EE meets EP

Helmholtz Earth and Environment meets the European Parliament and Stakeholders in Brussels

Representatives of all seven Helmholtz Earth and Environment Centres Key messages and contact info

# SynCom

Seven Helmholtz Centres are collaborating in the Helmholtz Research Field "Earth and Environment" to gather deep insights into the complex processes that take place on our planet. The researchers at Helmholtz are enthusiastic about participating in discussions regarding Earth and environmental research and are prepared to play a significant role in dialogues that connect scientific understanding with policy making.

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"Earth observations and models are key for understanding changes in weather and climate extremes, and the lack of this knowledge jeopardize the success of adaptation and mitigation measures."

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"Already now, it is no longer enough to simply react to droughts caused by climate change. Instead, we need to forecast the regional drought risk and integrate it into operational water resource management practices."

#### Dr. Martina Klose

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"Mineral dust, a key type of natural aerosol, will likely increase in importance for future air pollution and solar energy output in Europe due to climate change. Understanding mineral dust processes and impacts is therefore crucial to assess and mitigate environmental health and economic risks in Europe."







#### Dr. Hanna Joerss

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"The controversial European proposal to restrict several thousand PFAS 'forever chemicals' in one go is essential to avoid regrettable substitution of individually regulated chemicals. An advanced analytical toolbox covering a broad range of PFAS will be key for tracking PFAS-related environmental and human health impacts."

#### Dr. Alison Beamish

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"FERN.Lab is a geoinformation technology and innovation hub. We combine scientific expertise in the field of remote sensing with the social, ecological and economic needs of our time. FERN.Lab bundles extensive competencies along the entire process chain to develop tailor-made remote sensing solutions."

#### Dr. Séverine Furst

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"The pressing threat posed by hundreds of active marine and submarine volcanoes in vulnerable coastal regions requires investigation of the submarine part, as it holds the key to addressing and mitigating the significant risks to populations, coastal and offshore infrastructures, maritime routes, and ecosystems."

#### Dr. Marylou Athanase

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"We now have novel ways to show how climate change affects weather and environmental extremes and to make it tangible for all. Its contribution is already strong, and will amplify without drastic mitigation."

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