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CLIMATE SERVICES FOR URBAN RESILIENCE IN AFRICA: CASE OF NIAMEY CITY AT THE HEART OF SAHEL IN WEST AFRICA

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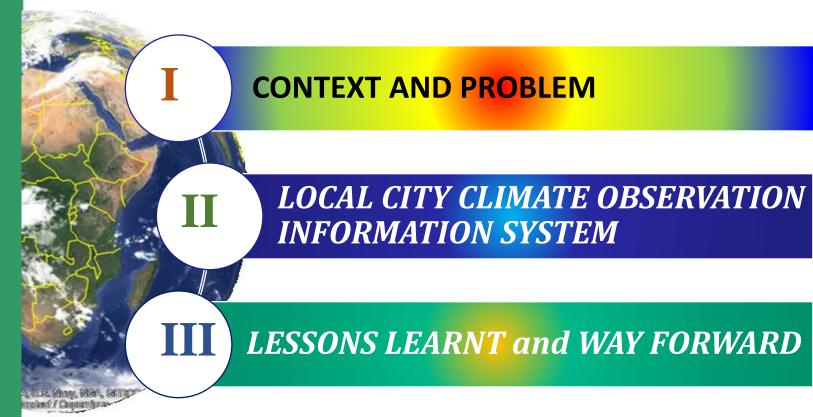








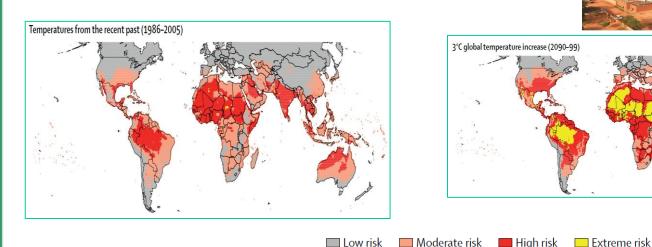
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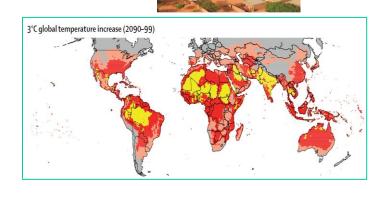




BACKGROUND

Much of Niger including the capital City of Niamey is currently under high risk of high temperatures and heat wave. This risk is expected to become extreme by the end of the 21st century. Early warning and Early Action and adaptation for heat wave is therefore a priority for the city council





Rohat et al., 2019. Projections of human exposure to dangerous heat in African cities under multiple socioeconomic and climate



In 2010, a severe heat wave builds and, days later, people die in the City most of which were vulnerable elderly section of the population. Recent analysis of the state of climate for Africa highlighted high temperatures more frequent in summer over North Africa,

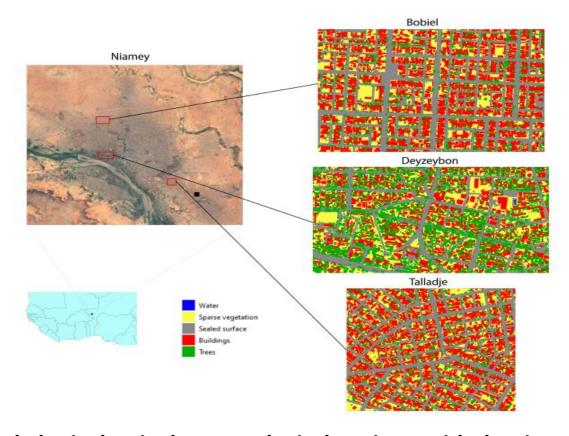
Now, Climate negotiators, legislators, scientists and think tanks on Multi Hazards early warning in Africa are to convene to strengthen resilience and better adapt to one of the most lethal weather phenomenon for children and elderly people in cities near desserts and north of Africa.

— Better categorization based on impacts and naming of the phenomenon in African cities is our pririty to improve heat early warning

THE PROBLEM



- Early warning and adaptation to high temperatures at city scale is a challenge requiring high resolution observations and modeling systems
- Meter scale observations and Models



Black dot is the single meteorlogical station. With the city council measurements across quarters of the city were organized



NIAMEY CITY HIGH RESOLUTION OBSERVATION SYSTEM

 Under the leadership of the city community and technical support of ACMAD and VITO, a high resolution observing field campaign was organized in May 2022 for 3 city districts.



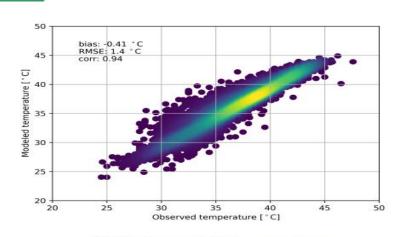
(a) Sun

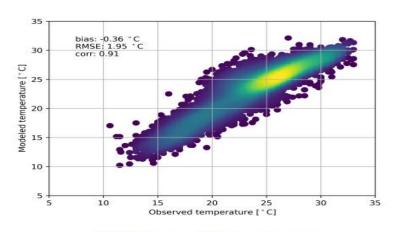


(b) Shade

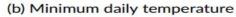


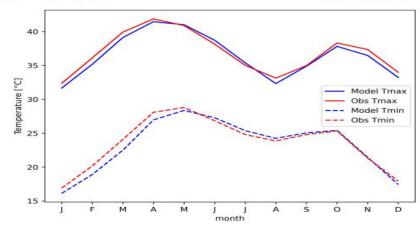
EVALUATION OF OBSERVED AND Urban CLIMATE MODEL PROJECTION OF Max and Min Temperature in Niamey from 2001-2020





(a) Maximum daily temperature

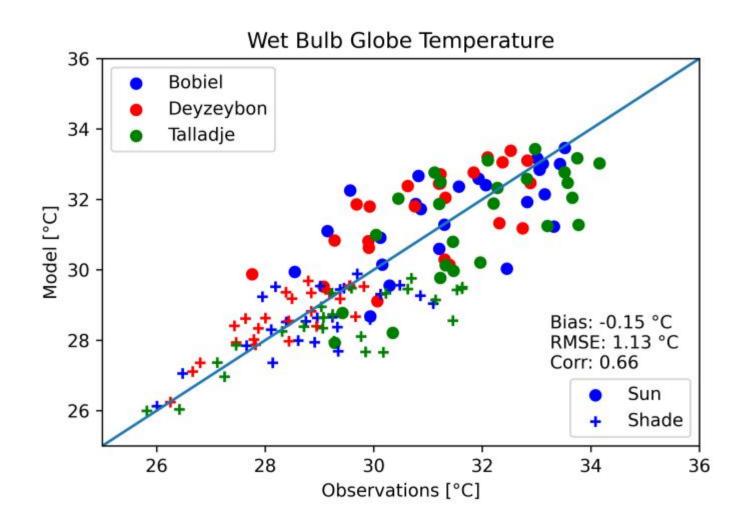




(c) Average monthly temperature



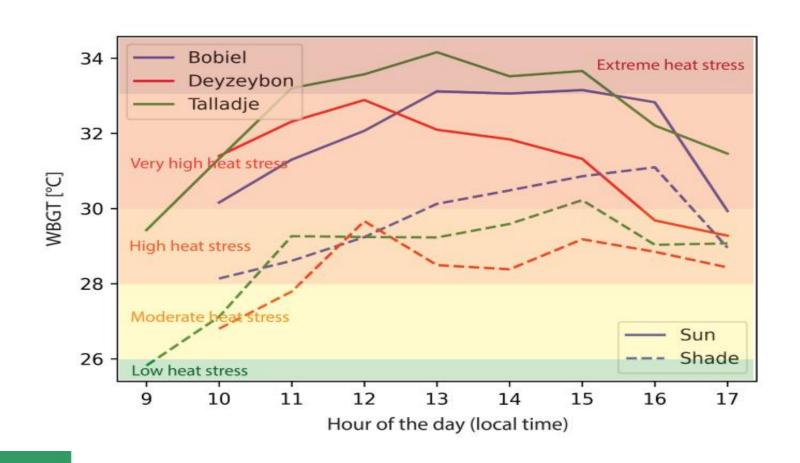
COMPARISON OF MODELLED AND OBSERVED HEAT INDEX IN 3 DISTRICTS





OBSERVED HEAT STRESS INDEX IN THE SUN AND UNDER THE SHADE WITH TREES ON MAY 19 2022. TALLADJE HAS A HIGH NUMBER OF HOURS DURING THE DAY WITH EXTREME HEAT STRESS ON THE SUN.

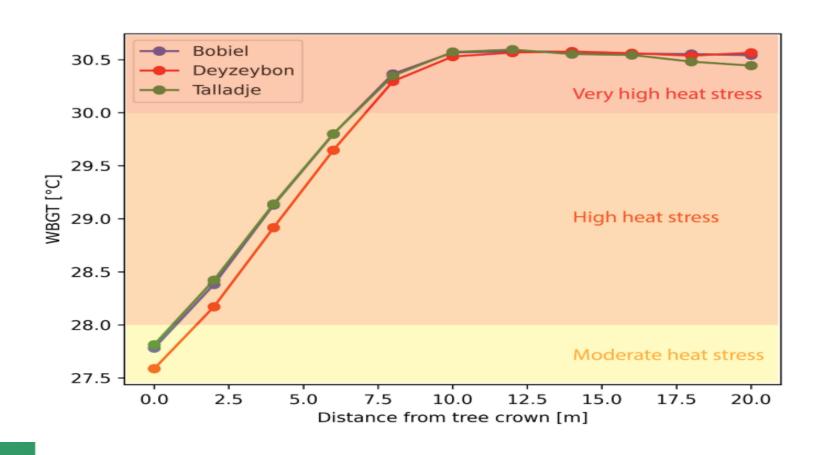
IT NEEDS MORE TREE PLANTING PROJECTS





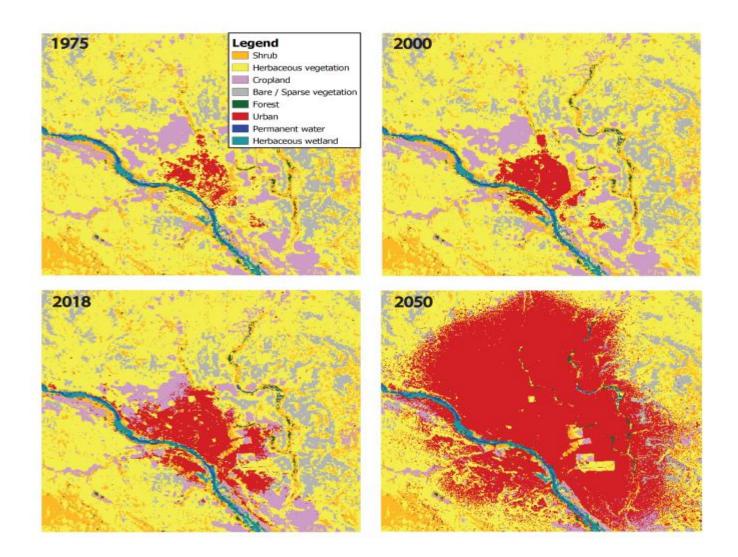
Cooling effect of trees visualised w.r.t. distance of the tree crown during March-April-May for three city districts in Niamey.

Planting trees every 3 m substantially reduce heat stress





Historical evolution of the city and projection for 2050. Significant increase in urban area extent. The city council to adjust land management to reduce vulnerability of population to heat stress

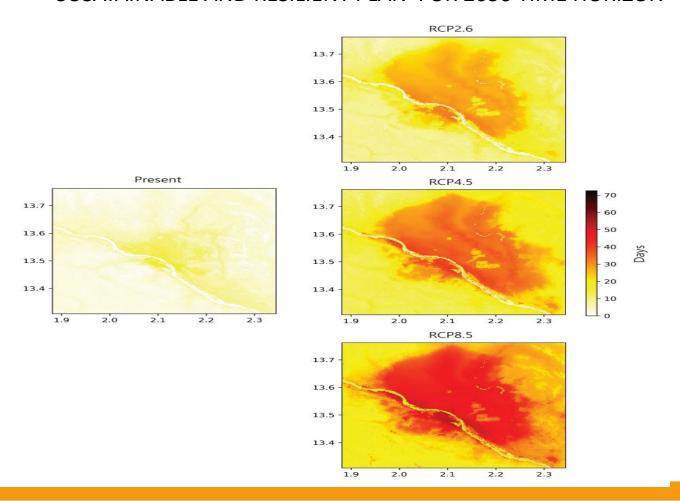




Number of heatwave days per year over Niamey in a present (2001-2020) and future scenarios (2041-2060)

ELECTRICITY DEMAND FOR THE CITY DUE TO HIGH TEMPERATURE EXPECTED TO DOUBLE OR QUADRUPLE DEPENDING ON THE SCENARIO.

CITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR ENERGY TO MAINSTREAM THIS FACT IN THE SUSATAINABLE AND RESILIENT PLAN FOR 2050 TIME HORIZON



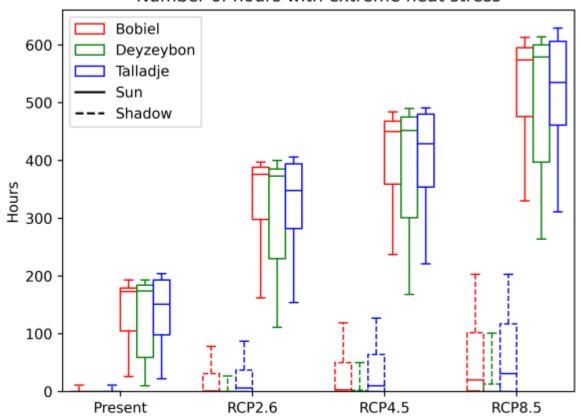


Number of hours per year with extreme heat stress for present (2001-2020) and future scenarios (2041-2060)

UNDER TREES NUMBER OF HOURS WITH EXTREME HEAT STRESS IS LIMITED REDUCING UNPRODUCTIVE WORKING HOURS SCENARIO.

CITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN TO INCREASE TREE PLANTING GIVEN THE IMPACT
ON GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT



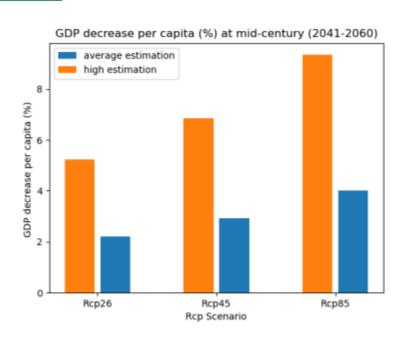




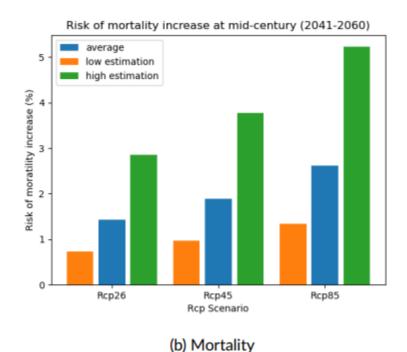
Socio-economic impacts of climate change in the city of Niamey in future scenarios (2041-2060)

DECREASE OF AT LESS 2% OF GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT OF THE CITY.

CITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN TO PRIORITISE TREE PLANTING GIVEN THE IMPACT ON GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

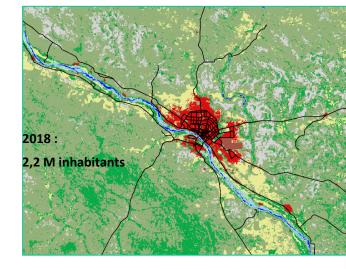






Urban population increase







Souverijns et al., 2023. High resolution heat stress and impacts in data scarce conditions over a Sahelian city. Int. J. Climatology, published.

Hoornweg, D. and K. Pope, 2017. Population predictions for the world's largest cities in the 21st century. Environment and Urbanization, 29, 195–216.

https://www.visualcapitalist.com/animated-map-worlds-populous-cities-2100/





SUMMARY-CONCLUSION-WAY FORWARD

- 1. TALLADJE DISTRICT IS A PRIRITY FOR TREE PLANTING BY THE CITY COUNCIL
- 2. 3 m is an optimal distance between tree in the city

3. Trends on urban and crop lands as well as projections are available to support sustainable urban planning by the city council

4. CITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN TO INCREASE TREE PLANTING GIVEN THE IMPACT ON GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT



HEAT RISK MANAGEMENT AND ADAPTATION OPTIONS TO BE MAINSTREAM IN NIAMEY CITY SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PLANNING



- Tree planting and greening the city districts
- Awareness raising on heat and health
- Community gardens



Protection of workers with heat warning systems

- protection of infrastructure to exposure to high temperature

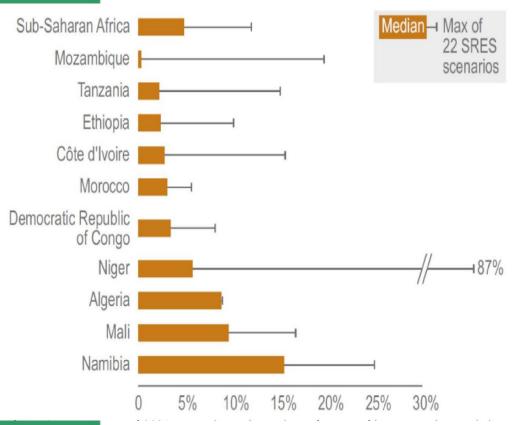
Promote youth associations for protection of city environment

Develop climate information systems for climate adaptation planning in the city





A significant percentage of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is expected to be required to maintain and repair road infrastructure due to future climate change impacts.



Rising waters in coastal cities, stronger storms, droughts and floods projected combined with population growth in cities or low-lying settlements are putting high pressure on infrastructure initially not prepared to withstand such pressure.

Percentage of 2021 Gross Domestic product of some African countries needed to repair and maintain road infrastructure in future changing climate (Source IPCC, Trisos et al., 2022)



