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EDUCATION

STEP fellow

The Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP)
ESP - Earth System Physics Group

Sep. 2022 – Jun. 2023
Trieste, Italy

Master of Science Water Resources Engineering

Universidad Nacional de Colombia

Jul. 2015 – Apr 2018
Medellín, Colombia

Thesis: Characterization of terrestrial water storage variability in Northern South America using satellite retrievals, hydrological models and climate change projections

Civil Engineer

Universidad Industrial de Santander

Apr. 2008 – Dec. 2012
Bucaramanga, Colombia

WORK EXPERIENCE

Junior Researcher

CMCC Foundation - Institute for Climate Resilience (ICR)
Regional Models and geo-Hydrological Impacts (REMHI) Division

Jan. 2024 – ongoing
Caserta, Italy

- Use of data-driven approaches to investigate the potential impacts of climate change on IDF curves.
- Use of CORDEX outputs to analyze potential impacts of climate change on infrastructure design parameters mainly related with extreme temperature, precipitation, and wind speed.

Master's student / Scientific Coordinator

Universidad Nacional de Colombia

Oct. 2015 – Dec. 2023
Medellín, Colombia

Study of the water resource variability and sediment management in the basins of interest to ISAGEN

- Assessing the influence of climate change in ENSO features and its impacts on water availability for hydroelectricity generation, using CMIP6 outputs.
- Implementing statistical techniques for downscaling and bias correction of CMIP and CORDEX information for variability and climate change analysis.
- Performing the study of climate change impacts on hydro-climatic variables in Colombia using regional climate models, machine learning algorithms, and hydrological simulations.
- Carrying out the characterization of hydro-climatic variability at inter-annual, seasonal, and intra-seasonal timescales, using satellite and reanalysis data.
- Development and improvement of seasonal and sub-seasonal streamflow forecasts using rainfall-runoff models, machine learning techniques, and bias correction methodologies. As inputs in-situ and satellite data were considered, as well as CFS and ECMWF forecasts.

Scientific Coordinator

Universidad Nacional de Colombia

Oct. 2017 – Jul. 2019
Medellín, Colombia

Methodological strategy for the analysis of climate variability and change scenarios in EPM's areas of interest at different spatial and temporal scales.
Phase II of the climate change study

- Implementing a strategy for the study of climate change impacts using global climate models and dynamical downscaling with WRF.
- Data analysis of climate change projection focused on hydrological and atmospheric variables.
- Analysis of hydro-climate variables under future land-cover and climate change scenarios.

Climate change projections analyst

SIATA, Universidad EAFIT

Sep. 2019 – Nov. 2019

Medellín, Colombia

Inter-administrative agreement to join efforts for the monitoring and modeling of hydrometeorological, geotechnical and seismic variables, and the development of an information system for the DAGRD

- Performing the analysis of potential climate change impacts on atmospheric variables in Medellín city to assess physical risks and natural hazards in the 21st century.
- Carrying out the analysis of biophysical vulnerability for the Aburrá Valley and Antioquia based on climate change scenarios.

PUBLICATIONS

- Padulano, R., Gomez-Mogollon, L. A., Napolitano, L., & Rianna, G. (2025). *Quantile-based bias-correction of extreme rainfall: Pros & cons of popular methods for climate signal preservation*. Journal of Hydrology, 132814.

SELECTED CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

Updating IDF curves in the context of climate change: approaches, limitations, and uncertainty assessment

July 2024

6th International Conference on Advances in Extreme Value Analysis and Application to Natural Hazards, EVAN Conference 2024

Venice, Italy

Streamflow forecasting using an integrated methodology based on rainfall-runoff modeling, precipitation ensemble predictions and machine learning techniques

September 2022

12th International Workshop on Statistical Hydrology, 2022

Chia, Sardinia (Italy)

Extreme Precipitation in the Present and Future Climate over a Topographically Complex Region in a Tropical Environment

January 2020

AMS 100th Annual Meeting, 2020

Boston, MA

Assessment of climate change in terrestrial water storage over the Magdalena-Cauca basin

AGU Fall Meeting 2018,

December 2018

Washington DC

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct faculty

Jul. 2019 – Jun. 2020

Hydrology and climatology

Medellín, Colombia

Universidad de Medellín, Faculty of Engineering

SKILLS

Languages: Spanish (Native), English (C1)

Programming: Python - NumPy, pandas, Scikit-learn, cartopy, netCDF4, xarray, scipy, ...

Document Creation: Microsoft Office, LaTeX

Experience of working on Linux, OS, and Windows operating systems.

Geographic information systems: ArcGIS, QGIS