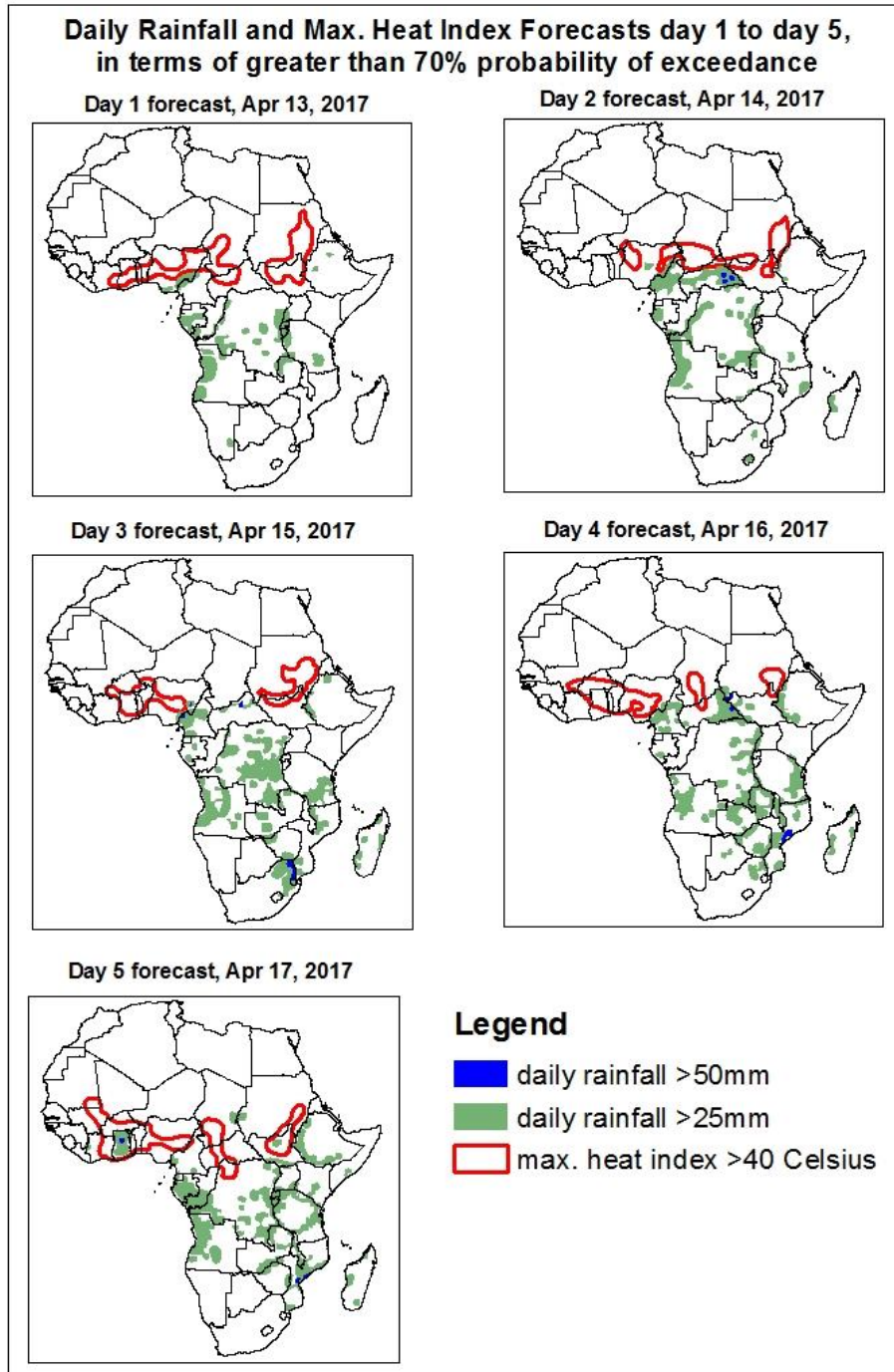


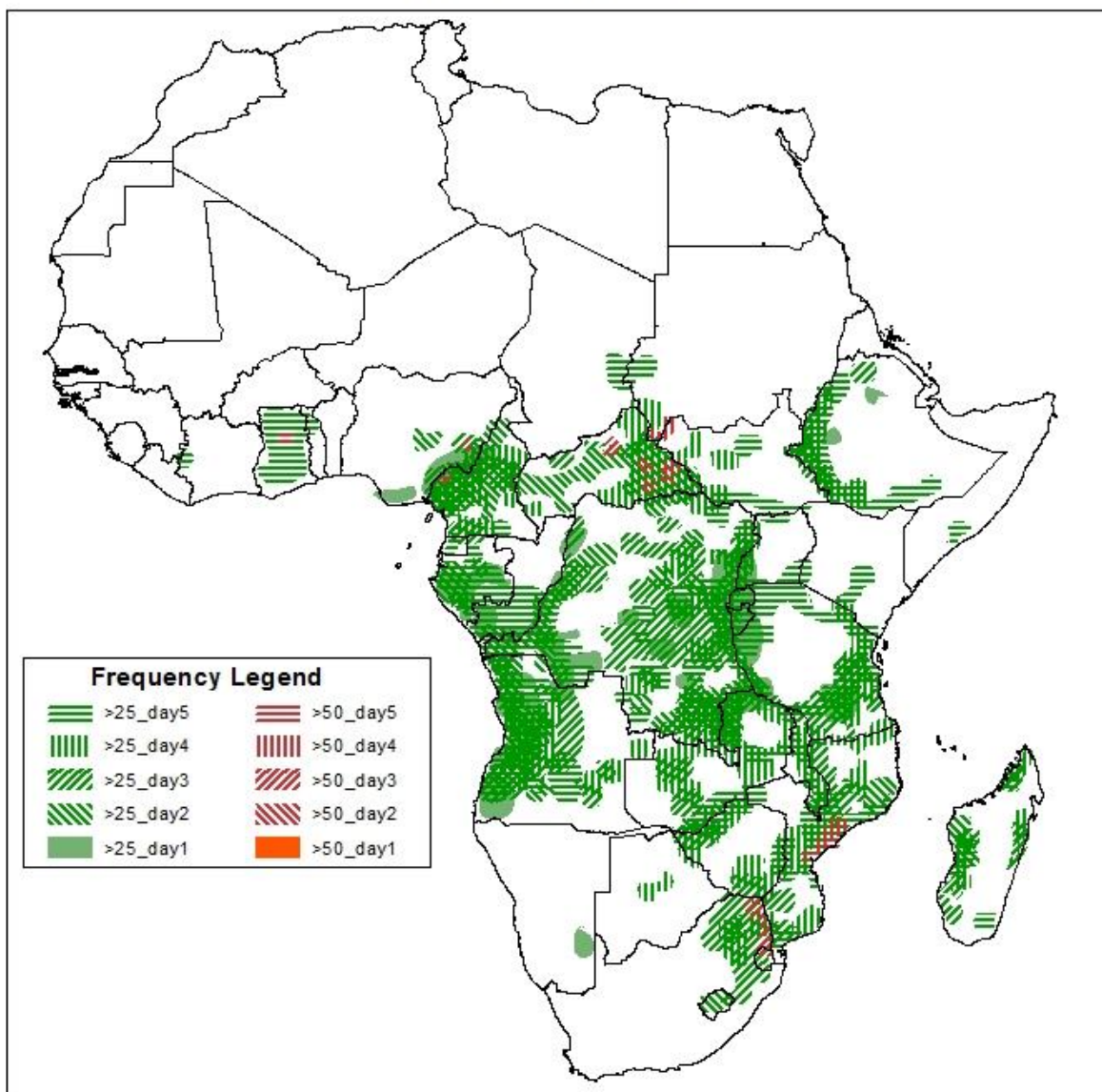
1. Rainfall, Heat Index and Dust Concentration Forecasts, (Issued on Apr 12, 2017)

1.1. Daily Rainfall and Maximum Heat Index Forecasts (valid: Apr 13 – 17, 2017)

The forecasts are expressed in terms of high probability of precipitation (POP) and high probability of maximum heat index, based on the NCEP/GFS, ECMWF and the NCEP Global Ensemble Forecasts System (GEFS) and expert assessment.



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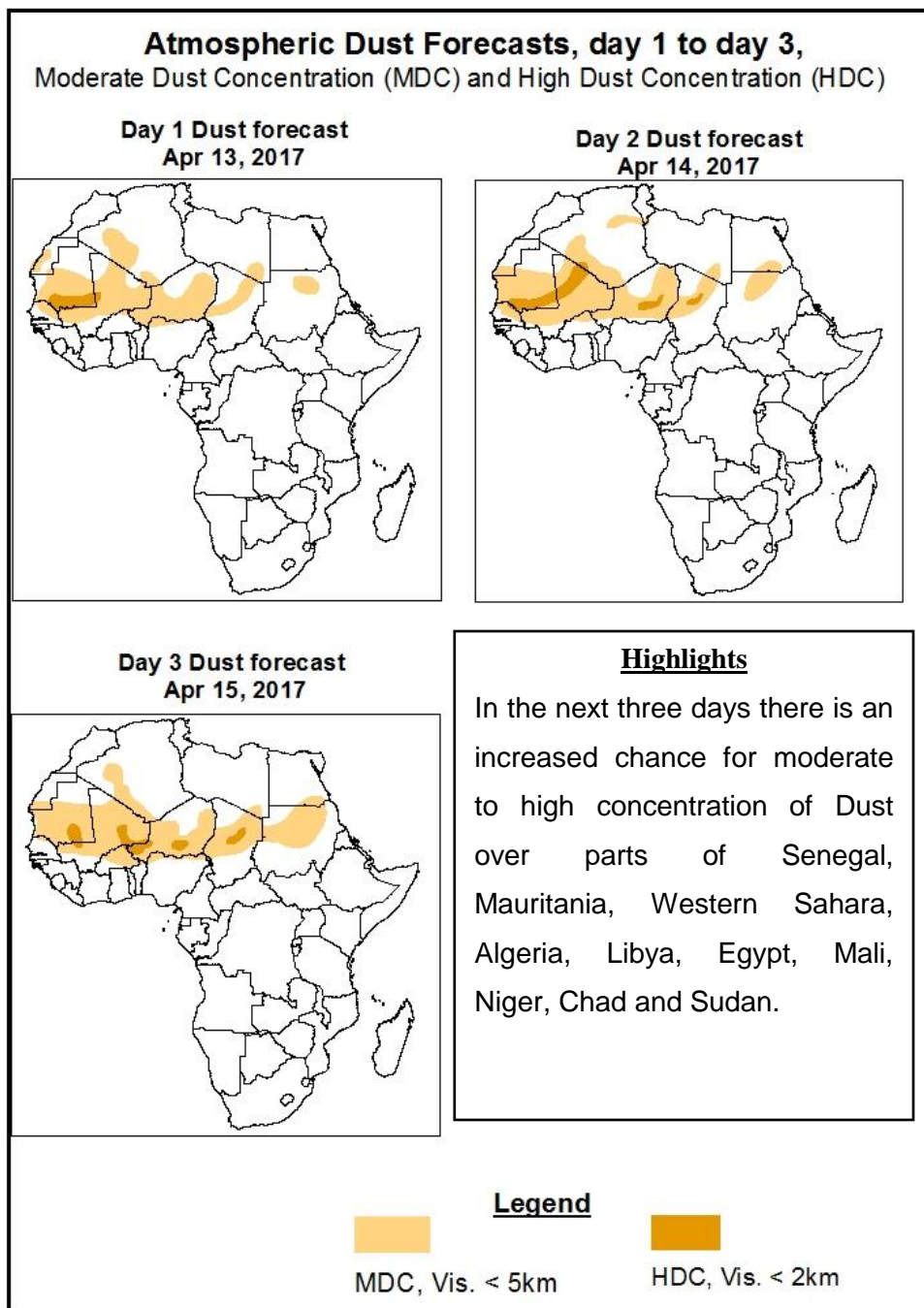


Highlights

In the next five days, lower level wind convergences across the Central and South African countries are expected to enhance rainfall in their respective regions. Therefore, there is an increased chance for two or more days of moderate to heavy rainfall over portions of Ghana, Cameroon, Gabon, Congo, Equatorial Guinea, CAR, DRC, Burundi, Rwanda, Tanzania, Angola, Zambia, Malawi, Zimbabwe, Mozambique, Lesotho, Swaziland and local areas of Nigeria, South Sudan, Uganda, Kenya, South Africa and Madagascar.

1.2. Atmospheric Dust Concentration Forecasts (valid: Apr 13 – 15, 2017)

The forecasts are expressed in terms of high probability of dust concentration, based on the Navy Aerosol Analysis and Prediction System, NCEP/GFS lower-level wind forecasts and expert assessment.



1.3. Model Discussion, Valid: Apr 13 – Apr 17, 2017

The Azores High Pressure system over the North Atlantic Ocean is expected to weaken with its value of the central pressure decreasing from 1024hPa to 1022hPa during the next 48 hours, intensify to 1027hPa during the next 96 hours and weaken to 1025hPa during the remaining forecast period.

The St. Helena High Pressure system over the Southeast of the Atlantic Ocean is expected to intensify with its value of the central pressure increasing from 1028hPa to 1035hPa during the next 972 hours and weaken to 1032hPa during the remaining forecast period.

The Mascarene High Pressure system over the Southwest Indian Ocean is expected to intensify with its value of the central pressure increasing from 1029hPa to 1033hPa during the next 48 hours and weaken to 1023hPa during the remaining forecast period.

At 925hPa, strong dry Northeasterly to Easterly winds may lead from light to moderate dust concentration over parts of Senegal, Mauritania, Western Sahara, Algeria, Libya, Egypt, Mali, Burkina Faso, Niger, Chad and Sudan.

At 850hPa level, lower level wind convergences are expected to prevail over Cameroon, Gabon, Congo, CAR, DRC, South Sudan, Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania, Angola, Zimbabwe, Namibia, Botswana, Mozambique, South Africa and Madagascar.

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2.0. Previous and Current Day Weather over Africa

2.1. Weather assessment for the previous day (Apr 11, 2017)

Light to moderate rainfall was observed over portions of Morocco, Libya, Egypt, North Sudan, Chad, Guinea, Liberia, Cote d'Ivoire, Nigeria, Cameroon, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Congo, CAR, DRC, Angola, Tanzania, Botswana, Malawi, Mozambique, South Africa and Madagascar.

2.2. Weather assessment for the current day (Apr 12, 2017)

Intense convective clouds are observed over portions of Cote d'Ivoire, Ghana, Togo, Benin, Nigeria, Cameroon, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Congo, CAR, DRC, South Sudan, Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda, Burundi, Rwanda, Tanzania, Angola, Zambia, Malawi, Namibia, Botswana, Mozambique, South Africa and Madagascar.

