

# Workshop on coupled ocean-atmosphere-land processes in the tropical Atlantic



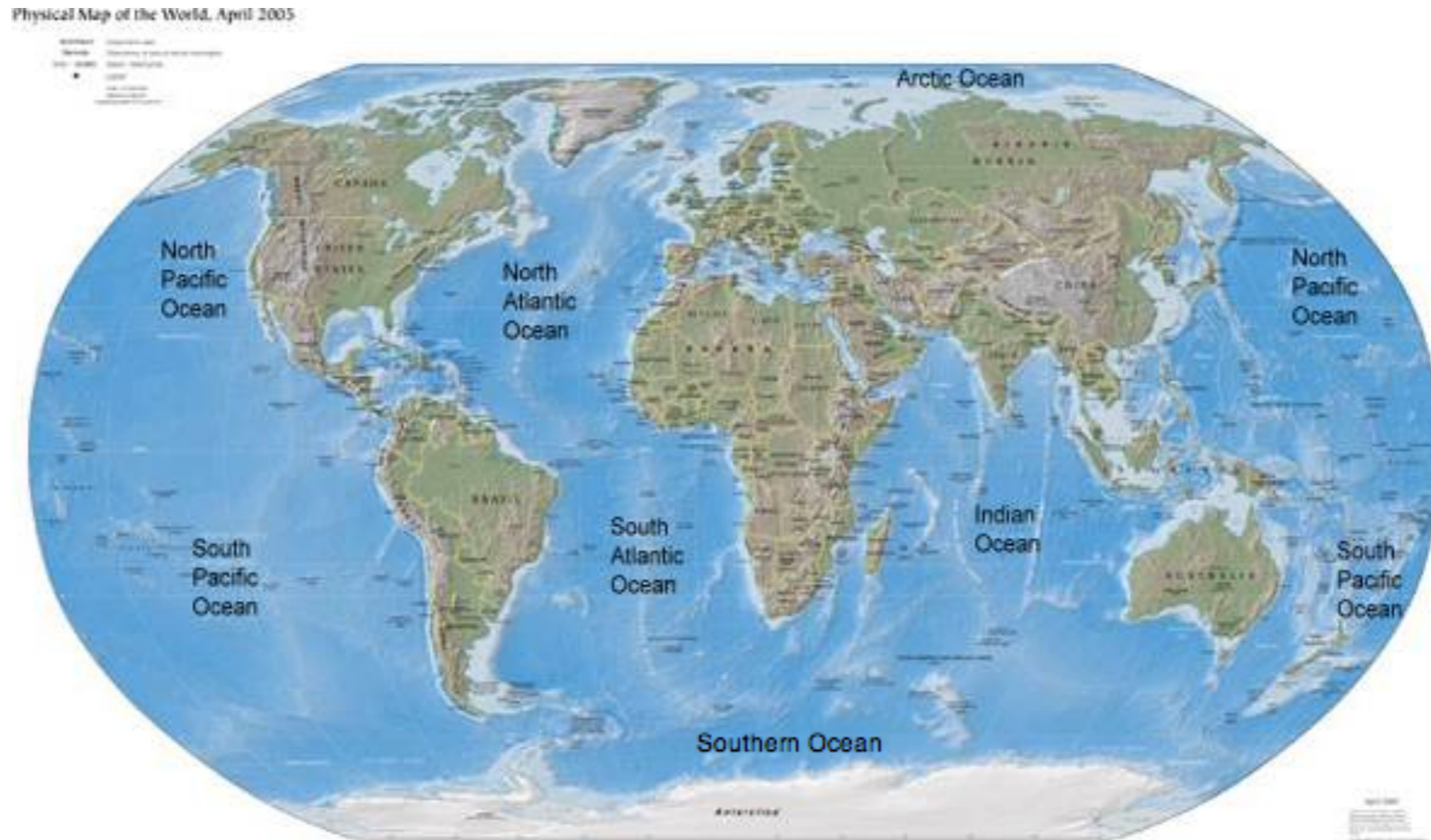
workshop goals and organization:

VOCALS motivating hypothesis:

*Improvement of CGCMs performance in the eastern tropical Pacific is key to successful simulation of ITCZ/SPCZ, which will also benefit simulation of other regions*

substantial ongoing effort to better understand relevant atm/ocean processes at a variety of scales for the southeast Pacific

Atlantic basin “similar but different”;  
the education from VOCALS should be a plus



# workshop organization:

~ 1 day model, physical processes review

Wednesday afternoon: Coupled modeling and large-scale physical processes status review

Wednesday evening reception, posters

Thursday morning atmosphere then ocean

Thursday afternoon: breakout sessions (large- and small-scale) designed to foster discussion, better definition of useful research questions

# concrete workshop goals

synthesize state-of-the-art knowledge  
(what's the best format?)

identify network of active interested researchers  
(you are now on a list-serv list)

what's the best way forward?