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### Climate Change Impacts by IPCC AR4

- Africa: By 2020, between 75 and 250 million of people are projected to be exposed to increased water stress.
- Asia: By the 2050s, freshwater availability in Central, South, East and South-East Asia, particularly in large river basins, is projected to decrease.
- Australia and New Zealand: By 2030, water security problems are projected to intensify in southern and eastern Australia and, in New Zealand, in Northland and some eastern regions.
- **Europe:** Negative impacts will include increased risk of inland flash floods and more frequent coastal flooding and increased erosion.
- Latin America: Changes in precipitation patterns and the disappearance of glaciers are projected to significantly affect water availability for human consumption, agriculture and energy generation.
- **North America:** Warming in western mountains is projected to cause decreased snowpack, more winter flooding and reduced summer flows, exacerbating competition for over-allocated water resources.





### CEOS Leadership on Integrated Satellite Observation of Water Cycle in Coordinating with

Atmosphere, Ocean, Cryosphere, Ecosystem, Carbon, Agriculture & Forestry









## Data Integration and Analysis System (DIAS) Japan's Contribution to GEOSS



