

Operational status report: Slovenia

During the last 6 months the following changes to the operational ALADIN/SI suite have been done:

- the length of the integration was increased to 72 hours for both 00 and 12 runs on 11 April. This increase is not reflected in user products other than the operational weather forecasting
- after ARPEGE schedule has changed another 48-hours integration starting at 18 UTC was added on 9 June to provide some cover for the delay of the 00 UTC run in the morning
- the operational production schedule has been modified so that the graphics is produced the moment when an output file is available while the integration is ongoing. This way the wall time for the integration has increased by a few minutes but the first day graphics is available sooner.
- dynamic adaptation for the wind forecasting has been added to the 18 UTC suite.
- the namelist for low cloudiness was modified

Integration using the short cut-off ARPEGE is running in the double suite.

Nothing has changed regarding the LBC transfer. Internet was stable and there were 10 delays, 4 of which could be avoided if a backup solution was available.

In total, the availability of the last output file from the model integration was delayed by 70 minutes since the beginning of 2006. 25 minutes can be attributed to the extended integration range (48 to 72), maximum 10 minutes to the organization of graphical postprocessing, while the remaining 35 minutes were imposed by the MF. We noticed that when MF put the latest e-suite into operation the coupling files are available some 10 minutes later than before.