

NAWDEX 2016 - Planning summary

Today:

- HALO took off at 12:00 UTC to sample the WCB ascent region and tropopause structure in the cyclone "Sanchez". Plans had to be changed as the planned flight track was too long
- SAFIRE took off to measure the WCB branch east of Iceland
- There will be a weather discussion at 16:00 UTC.

Responsibilities:

- Scientific Manager: Andreas Schäfler
- Chief Forecaster: Matthias
- Instrument Manager: Manuel Gutleben
- Coordinator Ground-Based Observations: Lucas Höppler

Weather evolution:

- **Today**, cot-off Sanchez is moving approximately in eastward direction towards the English Channel.
- In the following days, Ex-TC Matthew is moving northward and the outflow is building up a ridge downstream of the cyclone. A second ridge forming further downstream may lead to WCB ascent above Iceland on Thursday.

Possible flights during the next days:

Tuesday, 11. Oct.:

- Option A:
 - Radiometre intercomparison between HALO and British FAAM BAE146
 - Meeting (at 14:00 UTC) between Iceland and Scotland to measure ice clouds in a coordinated flight leg
 - Take off at 13:00 UTC
- Option B:
 - jet crossing SW of Iceland with DLR Falcon
 - this is a region of enhanced sensitivity concerning precipitation over Iceland on the following day
 - T/O: 10:30 UTC



Wednesday, 12. Oct:

- WCB is expected to be located between Iceland and Greenland.
- HALO:
 - $^\circ$ $\,$ several crossings of PV gradient of the evolving ridge with HALO $\,$
 - coordination with SAFIRE and Satellite at 14:45 UTC
 - $^{\circ}$ coordinated flight leg with Falcon on the way back to KEF while crossing the jet
 - possible: LIDAR calibration in cloudless region