

Space weather activities in Tunisia

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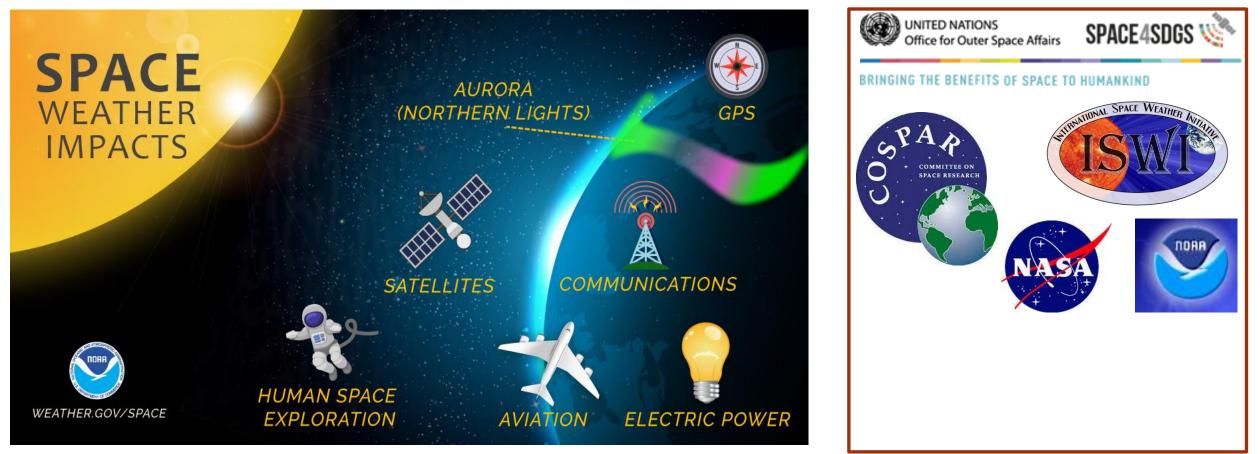
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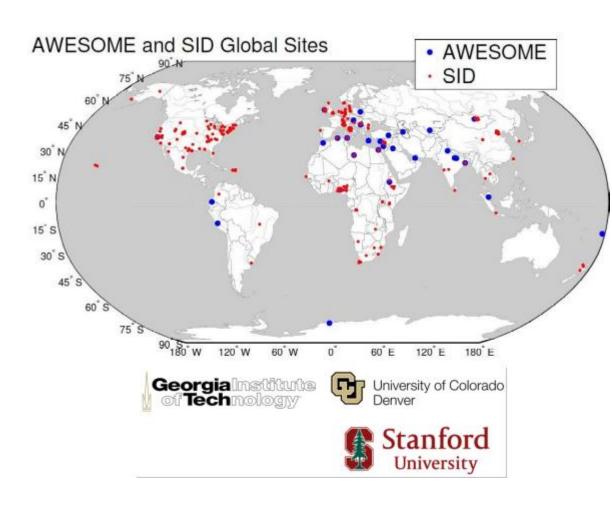


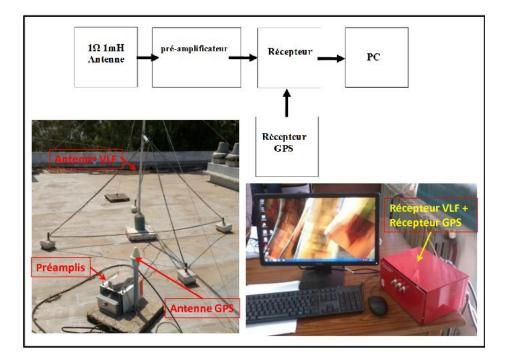
I. VLF-LSAMA: Context of the research

Space weather



II. ELF/VLF/LF receiving stations (3Hz-50 kHz)





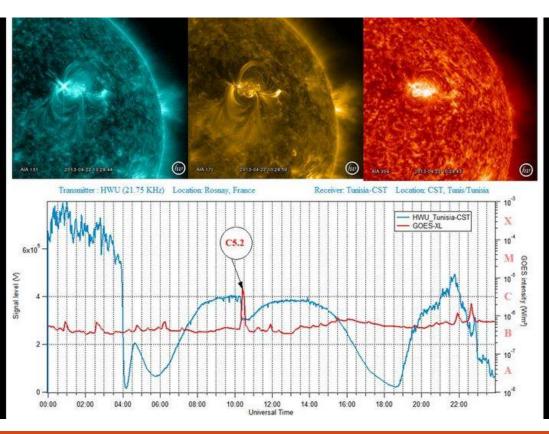
AWESOME (Atmospheric Weather Electromagnetic System for Observation Modeling and Education)

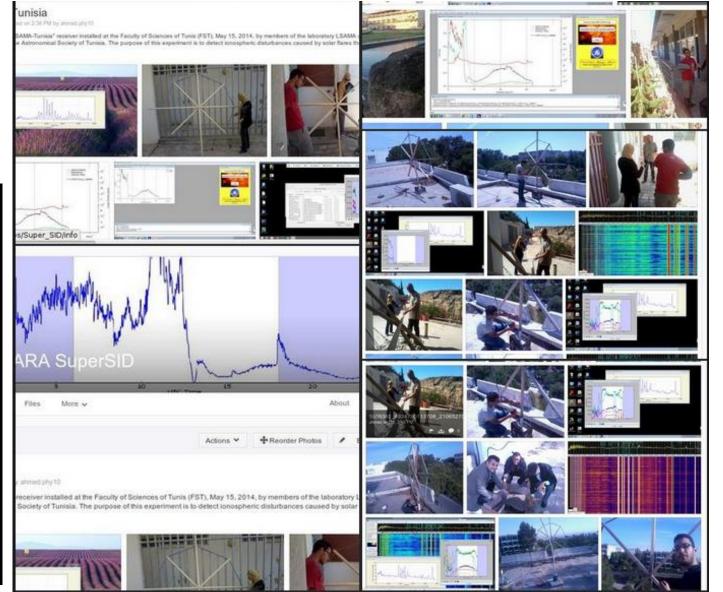
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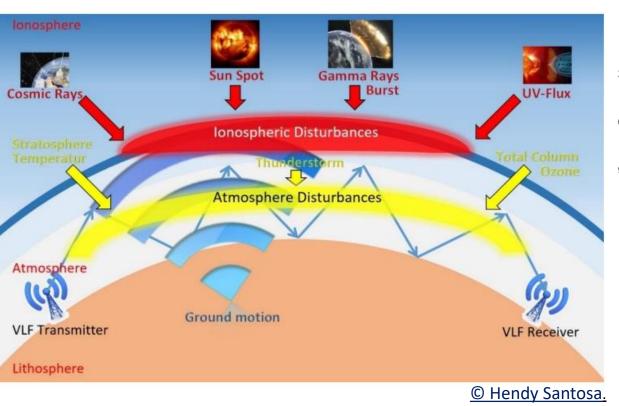
SuperSID instruments

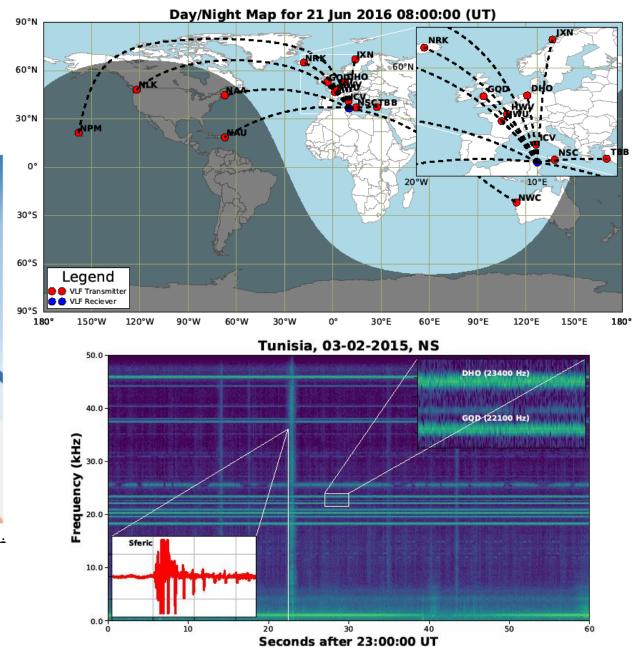
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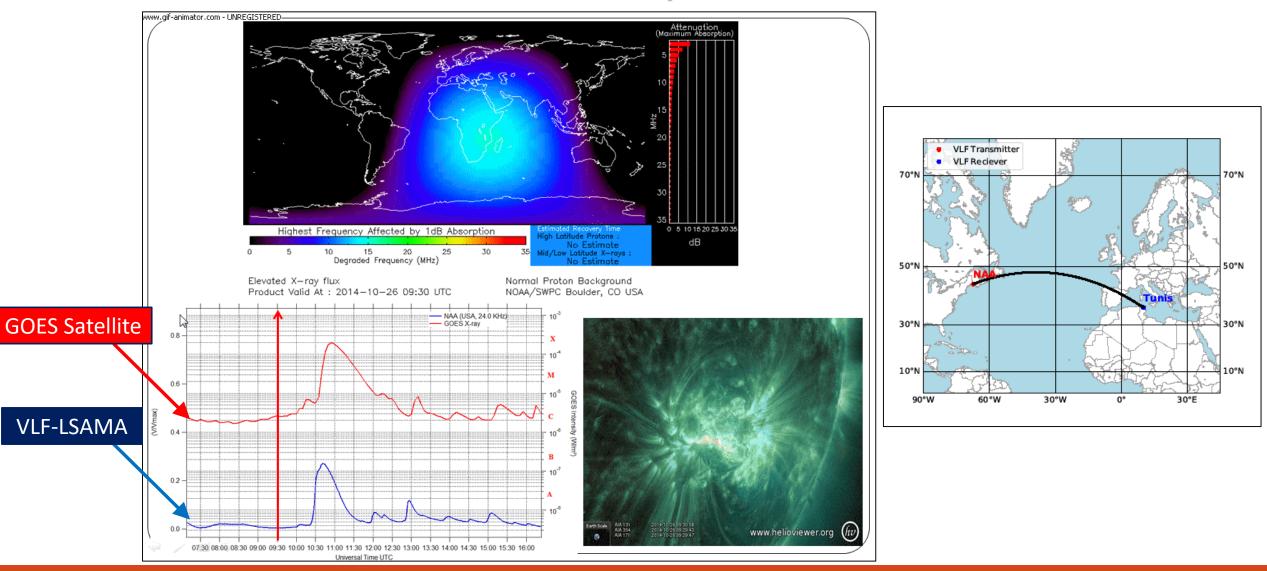
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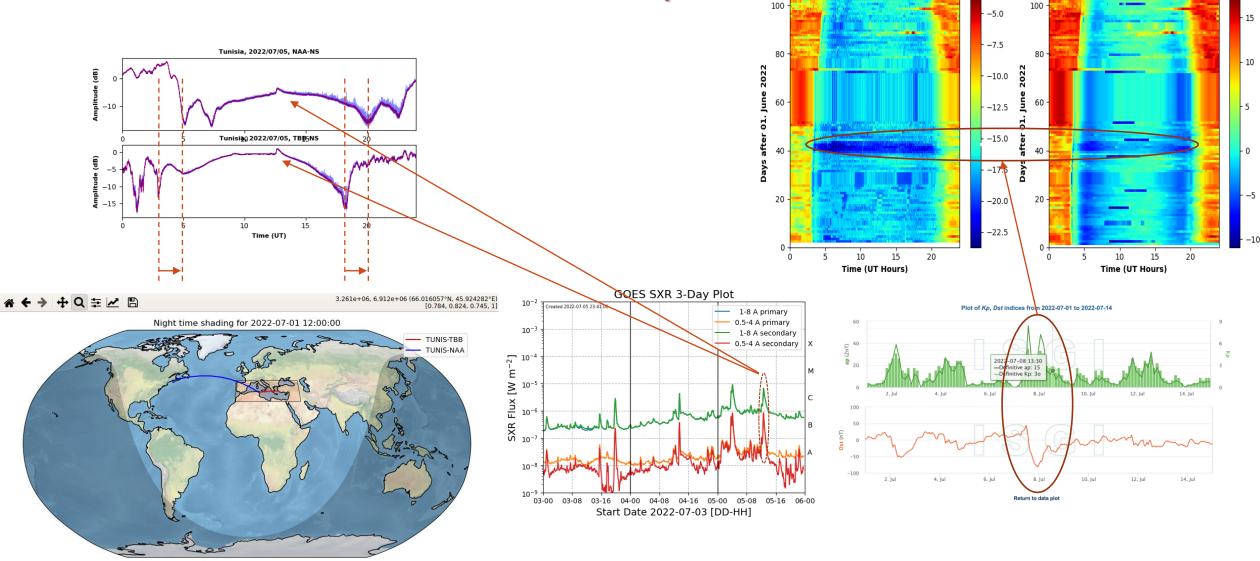
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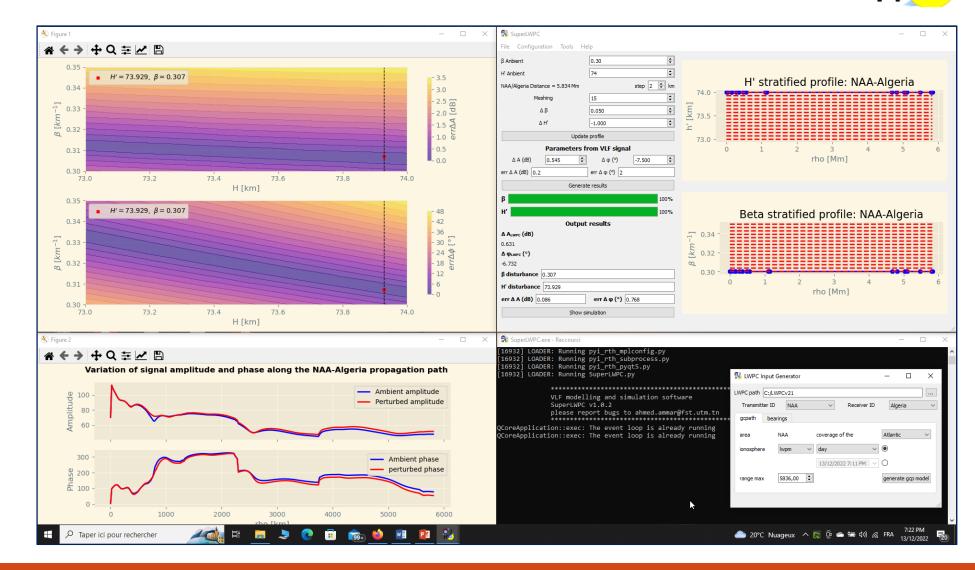
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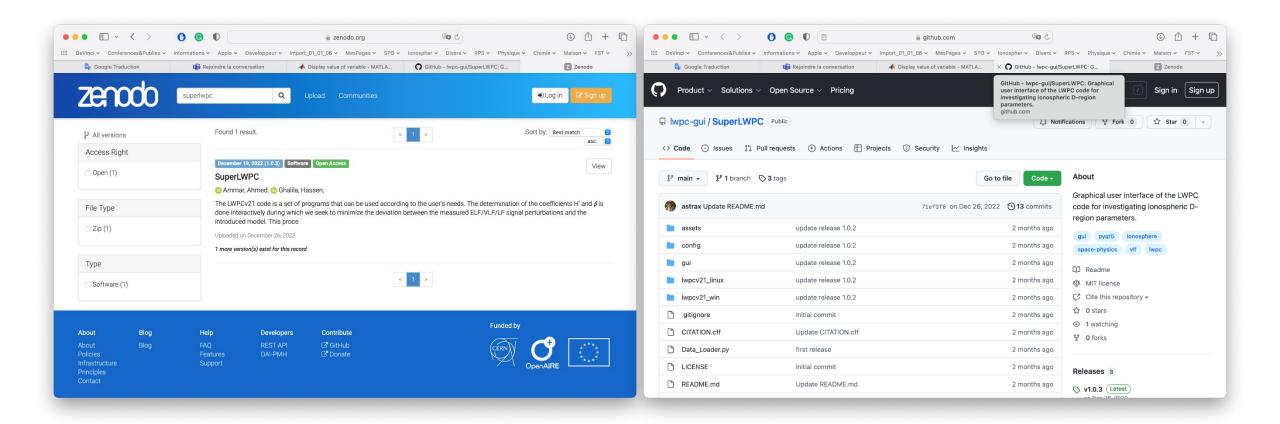
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The determination of the coefficients *H*' and *β* is done **interactively** during which we seek **to minimize the deviation** between the measured ELF/VLF/LF signal perturbations and the **introduced model**.



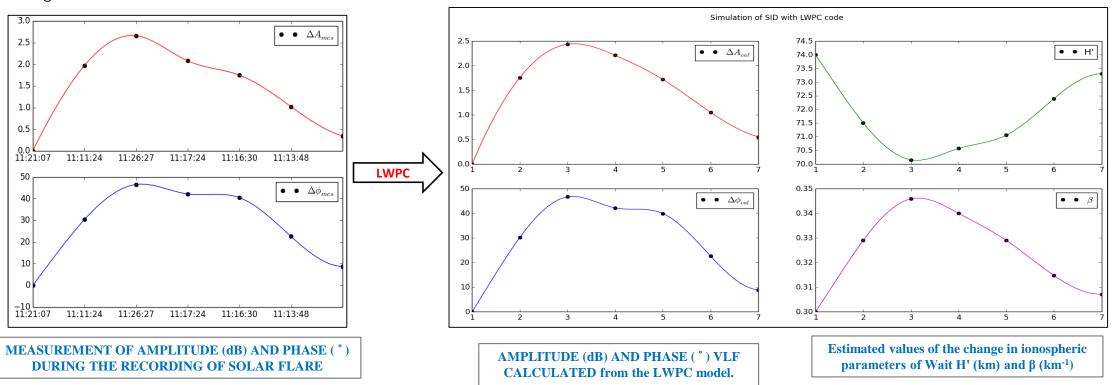
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In our study, the Long Wave Propagation Capability (**SuperLWPC**) software was used to model the D region ionosphere during solar flares.



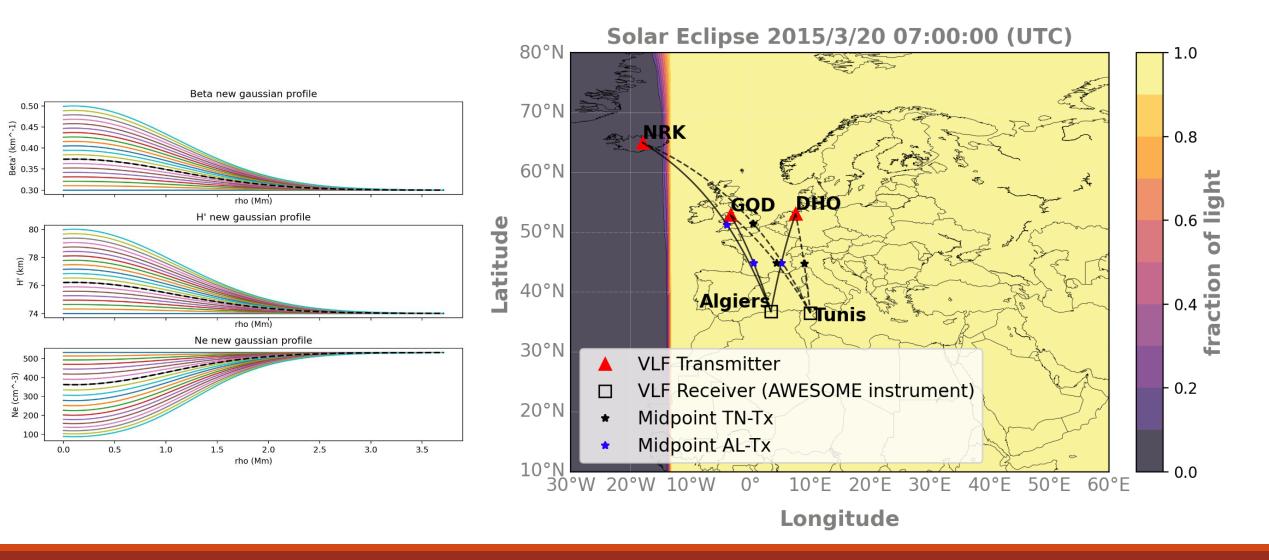
In the LWPC, we use the empirical model of Wait (Wait and Spies, 1964) for the electron density profile valid up to 100 Km altitude.

$$N_{\rm e}(h,t) = 1.43 \cdot 10^{13} e^{0.15h'(t)} e^{(\beta(t) - 0.15) \cdot (h - h'(t))} \quad (cm^{-1})$$

h'(km): The effective reflection height
β (km⁻¹): The sharpness

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