## ESD-2016-39R: EDITOR DECISION

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Dear Authors,

Thank you very much for all your efforts and diligence in carefully preparing a thoroughly improved manuscript, taking into account the concerns raised in the peer-review process, and providing comprehensive responses to the evaluation reports.

The referees that kindly re-evaluated the manuscript acknowledged the vast improvements and were supportive of publication subject to minor revisions.

Having analysed the revised version, the author responses and referee reports, I will welcome the manuscript for publication at Earth System Dynamics subject to addressing the recommendations raised in the evaluation reports.

With very best wishes,

Rui Perdigão (ESD Editor)