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- SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL -

Supplementary Figures:

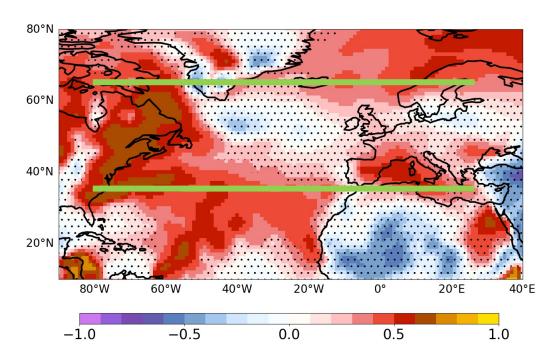


Fig S1: MSLP ACC for lead years 1-9. Stippling denotes points where 95% statistical significance is not reached, according to a one-tailed t test. The actual number of degrees of freedom has been computed following Bretherton et al., 1999. Green lines represent the longitudinal domain considered for the NAO index computation.

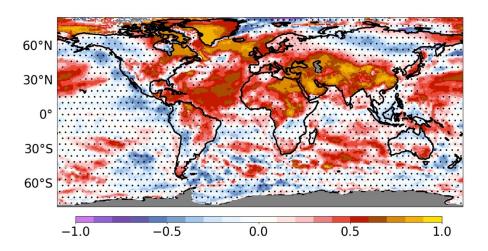


Fig S2: Detrended near-surface temperature ACC for lead year 4-10. Stippling denotes points where 95% statistical significance is not reached, according to a one-tailed t test. The actual number of degrees of freedom has been computed following Bretherton et al., 1999.