

Dear Giovanni,

You must by now have seen the reports of the two referees. Both of them consider the material presented in your paper is worth publication, but also consider that clarification of what you have exactly done and of the results you have obtained is necessary before your paper can be accepted.

You have until October 23 next to submit your final response to the referees. I already encourage you at this stage to prepare a revised version of your paper. Please take into account all of both referees' comments and suggestions when preparing this new version. And, when you submit it, please give a point-by-point response to all of these comments and suggestions. Should you disagree with one comment or decide not to follow one particular suggestion, please state precisely your reasons for that.

I am not fully familiar yet with the new Open Discussion format of NPG. You certainly do not have to submit your revised version by October 23, but I understand you have to submit a final response, however succinct.

I thank you for having submitted your paper to *Nonlinear Processes in Geophysics*, and look forward to the revised version.