



FREEWAT
Free and Open-Source Software Tools for Water Resource Management
The Water2100 Water Project



 **ict4water.eu**

Open Workshop **ICT tools for innovating Groundwater Management in a** **changing world**

September 22nd 2017

IDAEA. CID - CSIC

16 Jordi Girona. 08034 Barcelona

ICT tools for sustainable agriculture

Anna Osann
(Universidad de Castilla-La Mancha
& AgriSat Iberia s.l.)

EIP Water Online Market Place
Matchmaking for water Innovation
MAR Solutions - Managed Aquifer
Recharge Strategies and Actions
(AG128)

idæa

50
any
CID CELEBRAR
INNOVAR
DEBATRE
CON EL TERRITORIO

The background of the image is a photograph of a forest. A path covered in fallen orange and red leaves leads from the bottom center towards the background. Tall, thin trees line the path. In the upper right corner, a large, vibrant red maple leaf with some green and yellow spots is prominently displayed. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

¡LLEGÓ EL
EQUINOCCIO
DE **OTOÑO!**



Balance...

... of water DIANA

... of nutrients FATIMA

Groundwater management...
... in a changing world

La Mancha Oriental, Júcar River Basin, SouthEast of Spain,



ICT tools for innovating...
...groundwater management...
... in a changing world

ERMOT since 1996

Information

Communication

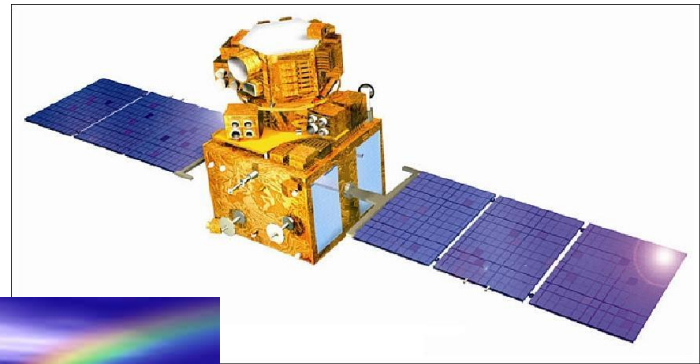
Transparency



Junta Central de Regantes Mancha Oriental

ICT tools for innovating... ...groundwater management... ... in a changing world

“connecting Heaven....



....and Earth”



Detection and Integrated Assessment of Non-authorized water Abstractions using EO

H2020-SPACE

01/2017-12/2019

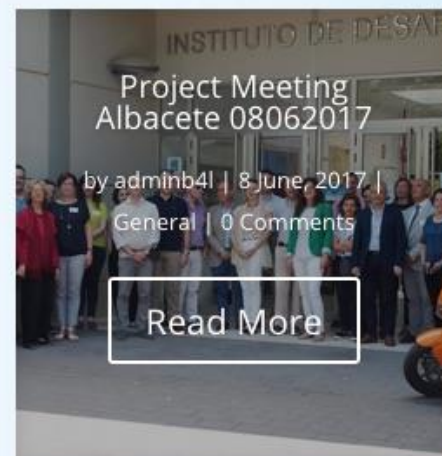




SERVICES

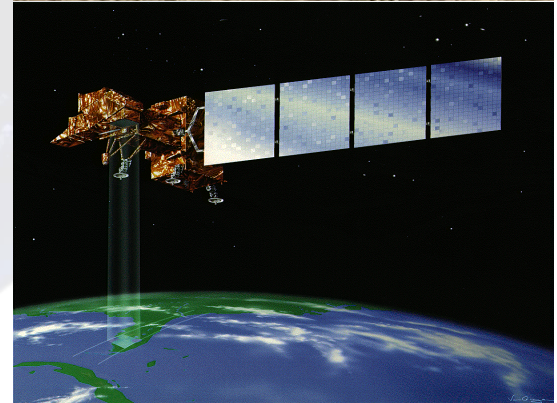


DIANA is aimed at co-designing and openly demonstrating a commercial service platform that will empower water managers and authorities to optimise the identification and inspection of non authorised water abstractions for irrigation as well as improve their water management policies and practices, especially in extreme conditions such as drought. DIANA will leverage EO data provided by Copernicus and other data sources as well as state-of-the-art models for the identification of (illegally) irrigated areas and the estimation of abstracted water volumes in order to offer a value added suite of data products and services, that will be affordable and cost-effective.



Applying Earth observation to support the detection of non-authorized water abstractions

Presentation of the project funded by the
European Commission – DG ENV.
(contract no.
070307/2013/SFRA/660810/ENV.C1)



Context

Policy context

- ❑ Increasing awareness of the need for a more sustainable water management and the issue of overabstractions
- ❑ WFD: Member States must control water abstraction through the maintenance of registers and a requirement of prior authorisation for abstraction from users
- ❑ In 2011, Roadmap for a Resource Efficient Europe: water abstraction should stay below 20% of available renewable water resources
- ❑ In 2012, the Blueprint to Safeguard Europe's Water Resources (Communication COM/2012/673):
 - reinforces the EU's commitment for better water management
 - stresses the importance of the issue of non-authorised abstractions
 - identifies GMES as a promising approach to complement field data and address water quantitative issues.

Technical context

- ❑ Successful practical implementation of EO for the detection of water abstraction through research projects like SIRIUS
- ❑ Copernicus program:
 - European Programme for the establishment of a European capacity for Earth Observation (EO), launched in 1998
 - land monitoring service including global, European and local components.
 - in 2014, new development stage of the Copernicus program, which will feature new operational services by 2020.
 - potential for an extension to additional areas of interest and further thematic services



Definition

In the field of irrigation, non-authorised abstractions are considered as of two types:

- ❑ Type 1: abstractions for irrigation of areas without official water rights;
- ❑ Type 2: abstractions of water beyond the authorised amounts.

Both types can be either permanent or occurring during periods of special restrictions (e.g. in case of drought).

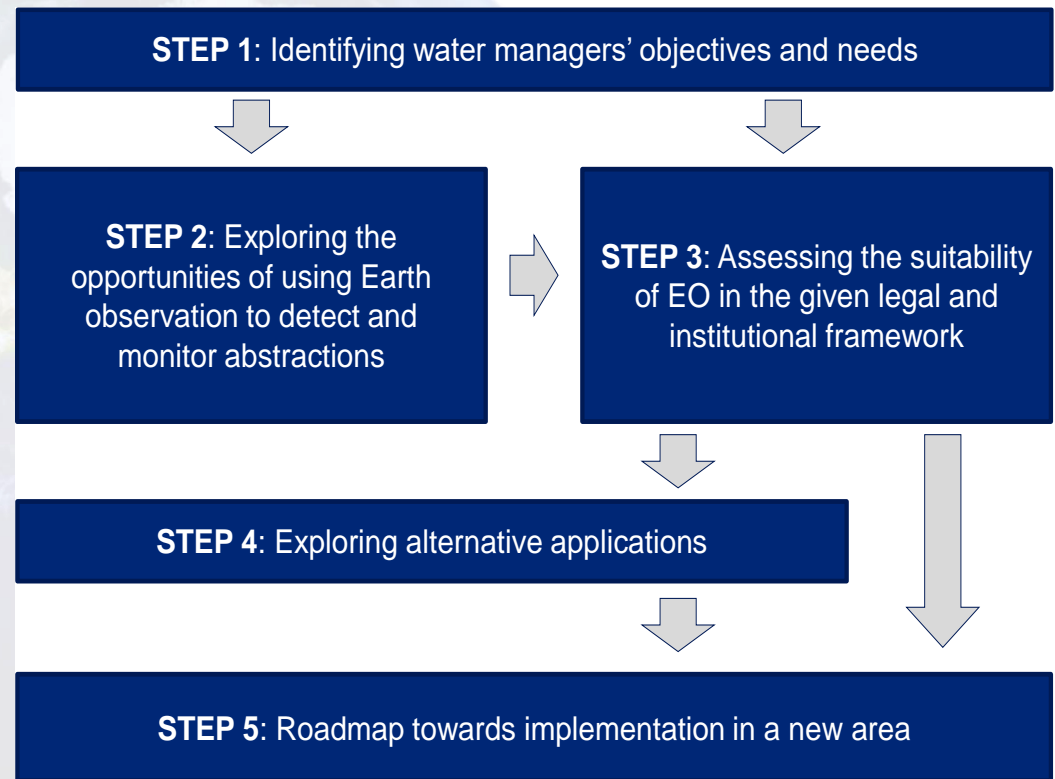


Deliverable 1: Guidance document for stakeholders

Guidance document

for stakeholders in charge of water management and inspections

- ❑ Informs on the EO potential for supporting the detection and monitoring of water abstraction for irrigation, including the detection of non-authorised abstractions;
- ❑ Reviews the currently available EO tools and services and share the lessons learnt from their practical implementation in different countries;
- ❑ Provides guidance on whether and how these tools and services can be used to complement conventional approaches in different local contexts



Deliverable 2: Discussion paper for the EC services

Discussion paper

for the services of the European Commission

- ❑ Assesses the opportunities to develop a Copernicus service dedicated to the management of abstractions for irrigation
- ❑ Provides a basis for the discussion on its key technical specifications.

Table of contents:

1. Introduction
2. Opportunities from the use of EO for the detection of non-authorised water abstractions and complementary applications
3. Requirements for the detection and monitoring of non-authorised water abstractions
4. Current challenges at Member State level
5. Options for tools and services to be developed at EU level
6. Further research needs



D · I · A · N · A

Service:

Non-authorized water abstraction
detection and monitoring for control
optimization

Products:

Maps of Irrigated Areas
Maps of Irrigation Water Requirements

**Implementation start in the Spanish pilot
area**



Maps of Irrigation Water Requirements,

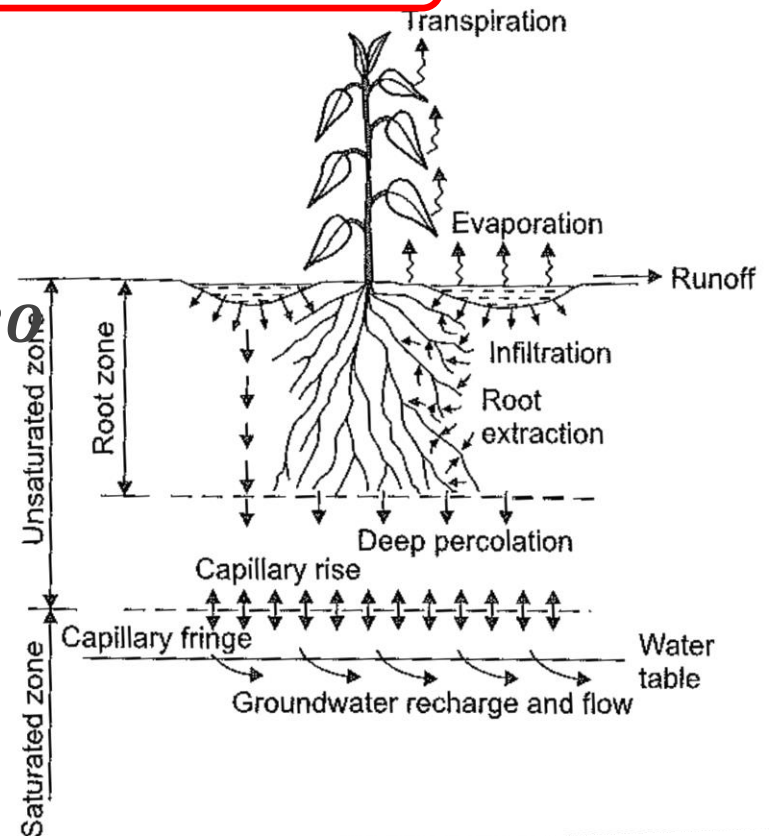
Water accounting based on Soil Water Balance

$$\Delta S = P + I + CR - ET - DP - RO$$

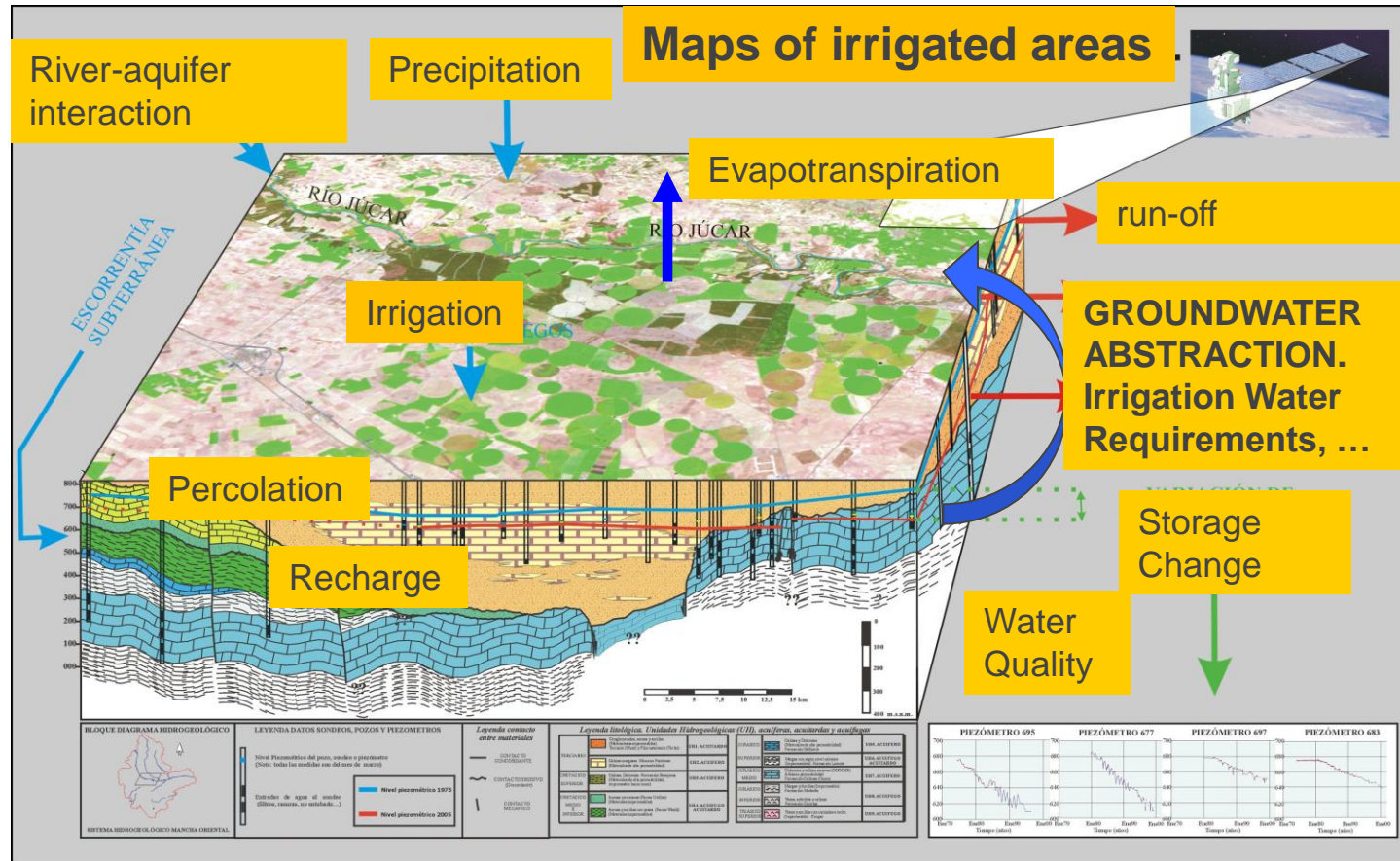
ET, Remote Sensing-based


I, Net Irrigation Water Requirements:

The amount of water that must be supplied by irrigation to satisfy evapotranspiration, leaching..., that is not provided by the water and precipitation that enters the soil





Spatially Distributed Soil Water Balance based on remote sensing



 DIANA

Accessing to the DIANA_SPIDERwebGIS platform

 DIANA
Romania

 DIANA
Spain

Login

User

Password

☐ Administrator Interface

Log in

Contact

If you want to access the system,
please contact with [Alfonso Calera](#)
SPIDERwebGIS @ User Coordinator

DIANA, Detection and Integrated Assessment of Non-authorised Water Abstractions using EO

This project has received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under grant agreement No --.

www.diana-h2020.eu



European
Commission

Horizon 2020
European Union funding
for Research & Innovation





FATIMA

THE CHALLENGE

GROWING FOOD DEMAND

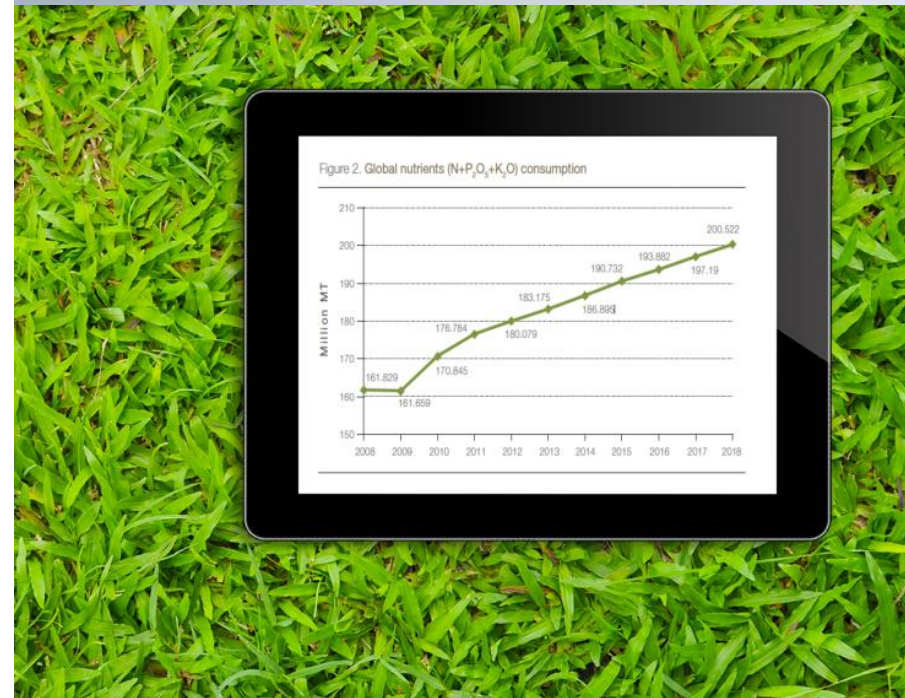
- Growing population (10 billion in 2050)
- Changing consumer habits (water footprint skyrockets)
- Climate change

INTENSIVE AGRICULTURE

- Increasing **use of water & inputs**
- Increasing pollution (soil, water)

IMBALANCE

- 80% small & family farms
– 20% industrial farms
- More...



FOOD SYSTEMS



FAO calling for

“Fundamental change in
productive & agricultural systems”

FATIMA to show a way

for transition into new paradigms
of agriculture & food production

Agroecology = umbrella framework

Agroecology is...

....the study of...

.....ecological processes...

...applied to...

... .agricultural production systems.



Agroecology >>> 5 levels <<< **FATIMA**

1- make current/intensive ag more efficient **PA / VRT**

2- transform to -> more soil conservation
-> less resource-intensive

**long-term
PA/VRT helps**

3- explore opportunities of multi-functionality

4- redesign → local

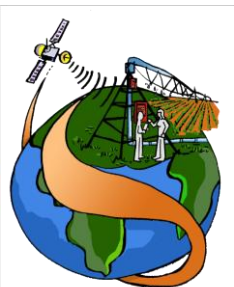
permaculture

5- redesign entire food system → global



System of Participatory Information, Decision-Support, and Expert knowledge for River-basin management

SPIDER





FATIMA

Farming Tools for external nutrient Inputs and water MAnagement

MAKE
INTENSIVE
AGRICULTURE
SUSTAINABLE



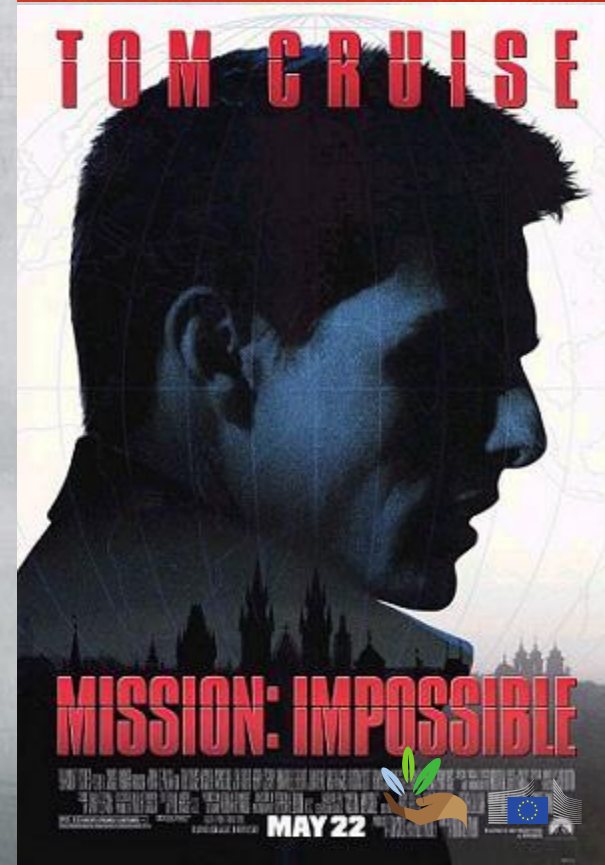
European
Commission

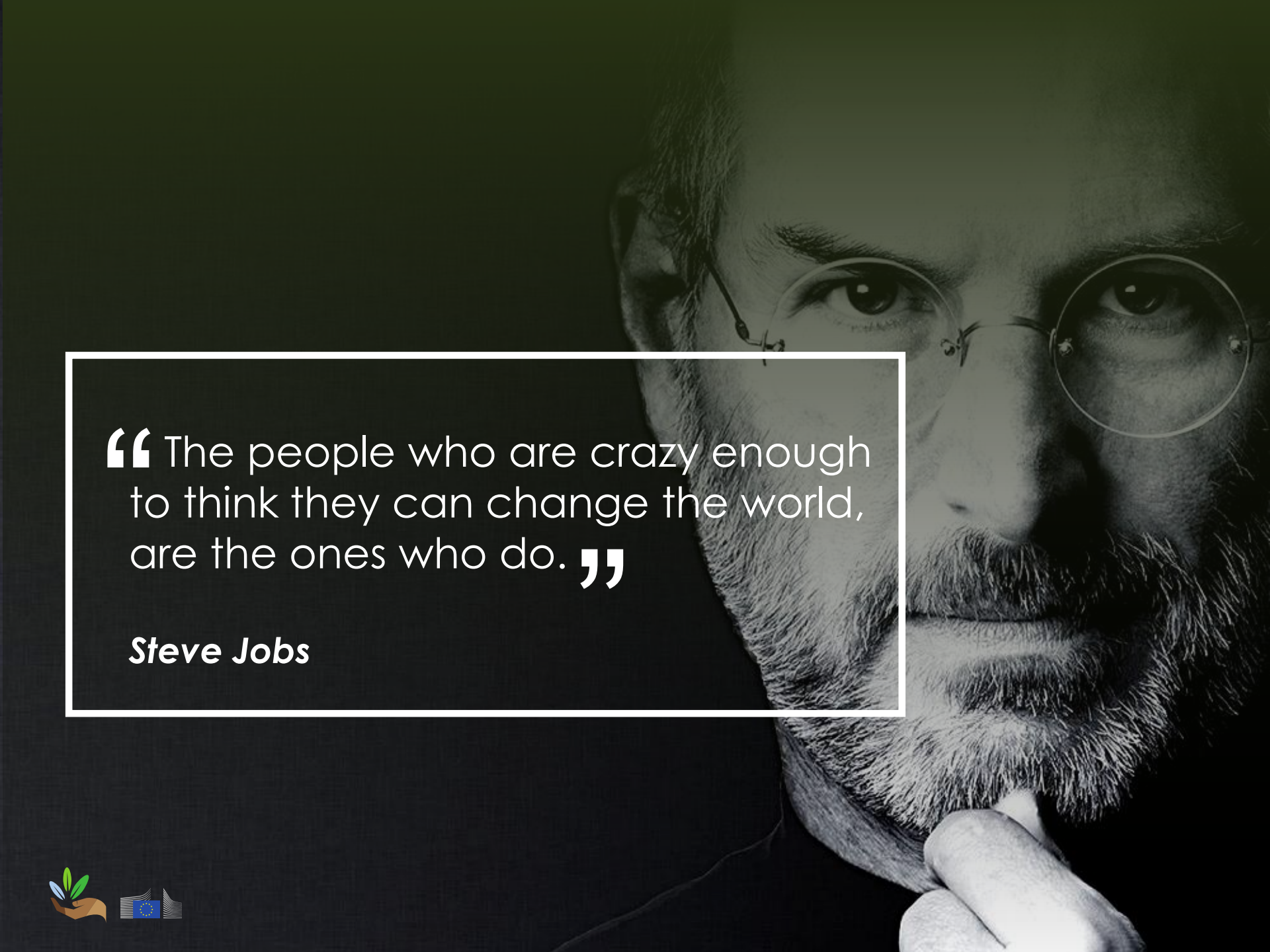
Horizon 2020
European Union funding
for Research & Innovation

MAKE
INTENSIVE
AGRICULTURE
SUSTAINABLE

SUSTAINABLE
INTENSIFICATION

¿?





“The people who are crazy enough
to think they can change the world,
are the ones who do.”

Steve Jobs





Thanks
Teşekkürler

Grazie

Merci

Ευχαριστώ

Obrigado@s

Благодаря

Děkuji

Paldies

Danke

Dank u



¡GRACIAS!



FARMING TOOLS FOR EXTERNAL NUTRIENTS INPUTS AND WATER MANAGEMENT

FATIMA

ONLY
1 OF 58

8MEUR

PURPOSE AND VISION

To establish new farm tools and service capacities
that help the EU intensive farm sector
optimize its external input management (nutrients and water)
and its productivity

Bridging sustainable crop production
with fair economic competitiveness

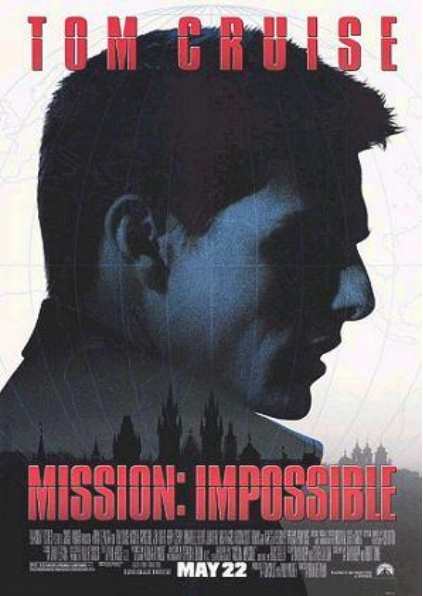
3 years – now M30



Universidad de Castilla-La Mancha coordinator
(Anna Osann & Alfonso Calera)



Research and Innovation Action 2015-2018 co-funded by EU H2020 (8 MEUR, grant 633945)





FATIMA **MULTI-ACTOR** community



Co-creation with all stakeholders

Transdisciplinary

Local champions/tipping point

Impact-driven



FATIMA MULTI-ACTOR LOCAL CHAMPIONS



FATIMA, MULTI-ACTOR LOCAL CHAMPIONS **NEED:**

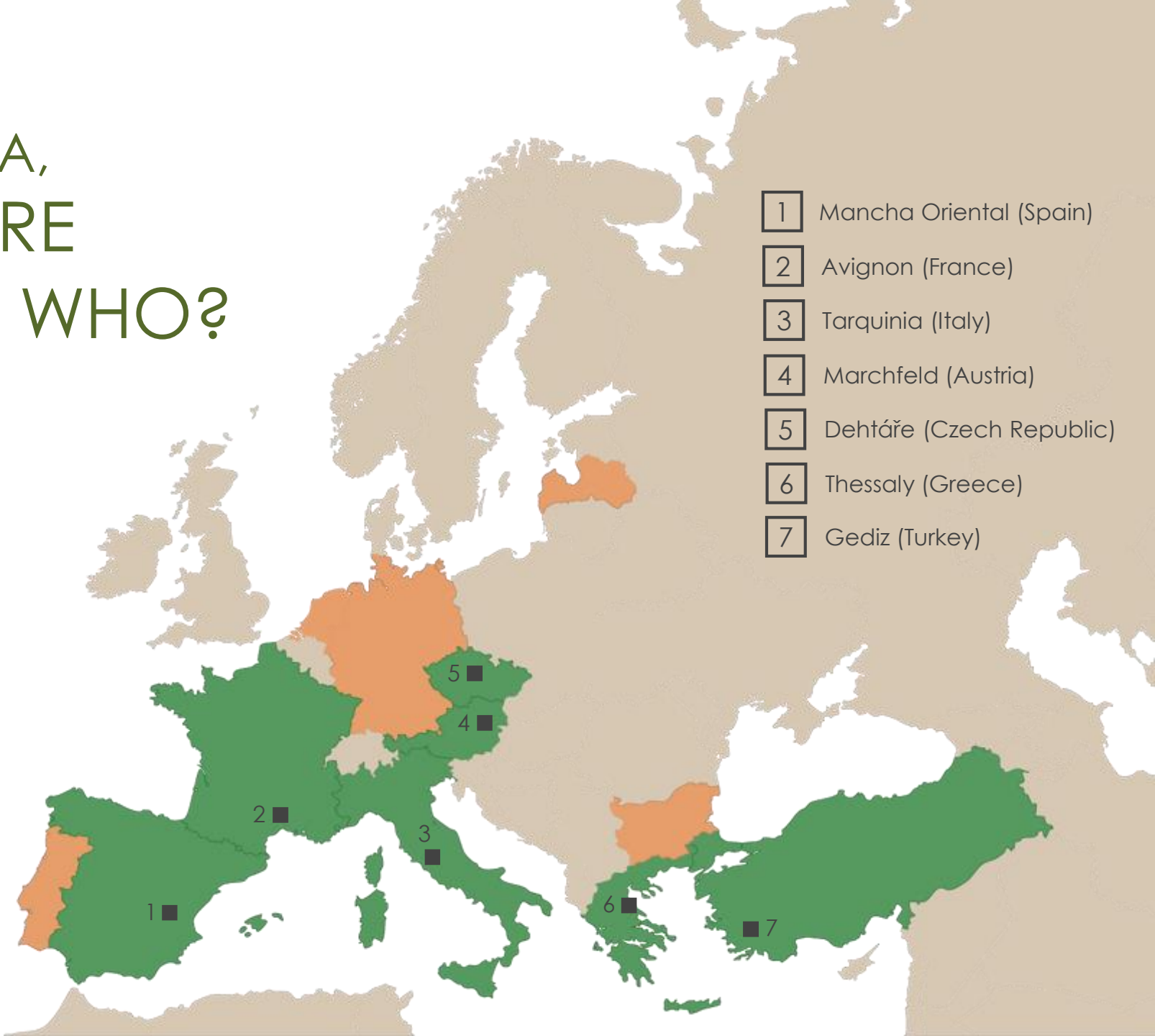
OPERATIONAL TOOLS & SERVICES:

- 1 **Maps** of crop status;
- 2 **Maps** of CWR next week
(forecast + nowcast);
- 3 **Maps** of required fertilizer
pre-&during season



FATIMA, WHERE AND WHO?

- 1 Mancha Oriental (Spain)
- 2 Avignon (France)
- 3 Tarquinia (Italy)
- 4 Marchfeld (Austria)
- 5 Dehtáře (Czech Republic)
- 6 Thessaly (Greece)
- 7 Gediz (Turkey)



FATIMA HOW?

COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGY

1

PLANT-CENTERED
& PEOPLE-CENTERED



2

Technology: modular system
(webGIS, EO, models, sensors)

3

Field: wide range of scales
(precision farming..... organic)

4

People: multi-actor community
in participative process

5

Economy: individual farm
& societal scale

Policy: synergies, feedback loops,
WEF (water-energy-food) nexus



A photograph of Richard Branson standing on a beach, looking out at the ocean. He is wearing a white button-down shirt. To his left is a palm tree. The background shows a sunset or sunrise over the water with a dark island in the distance. The sky is filled with colorful clouds.

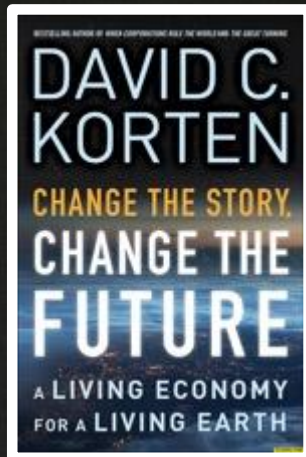
*"The art of
storytelling
can be used to
drive change."*

- Richard Branson



“ When we get our story wrong,
we get our future wrong.”

David Korten





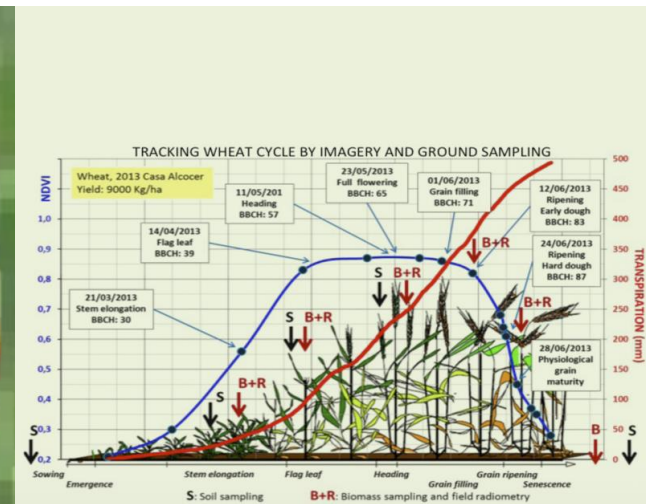
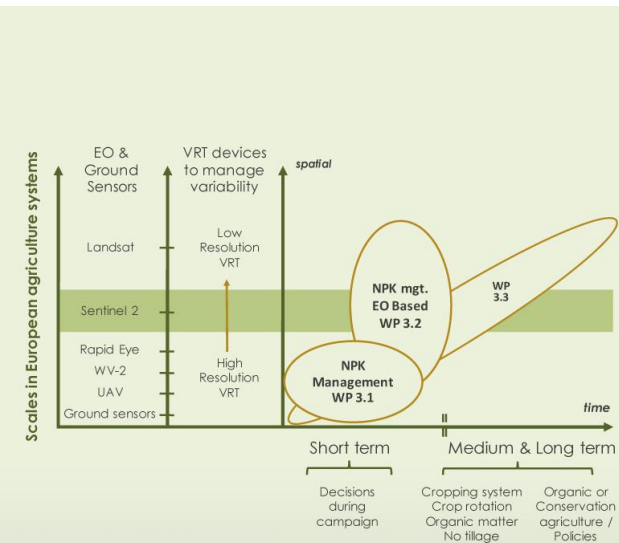
People-centered
multi-actor community;
economy; policy

FATIMA

COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGY

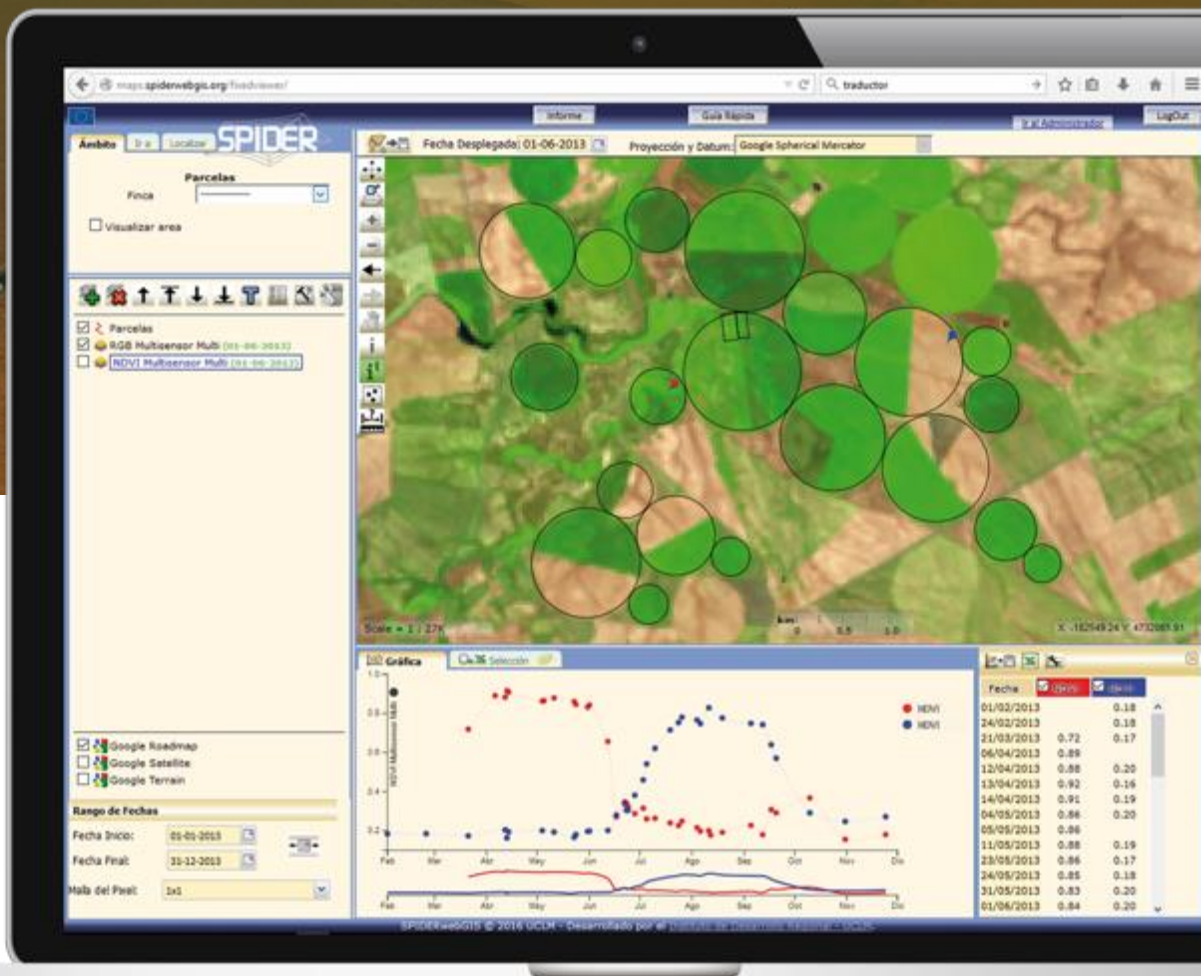
**PLANT-CENTERED
& PEOPLE-CENTERED**

Plant/soil-centered
all about variability
(space, time)



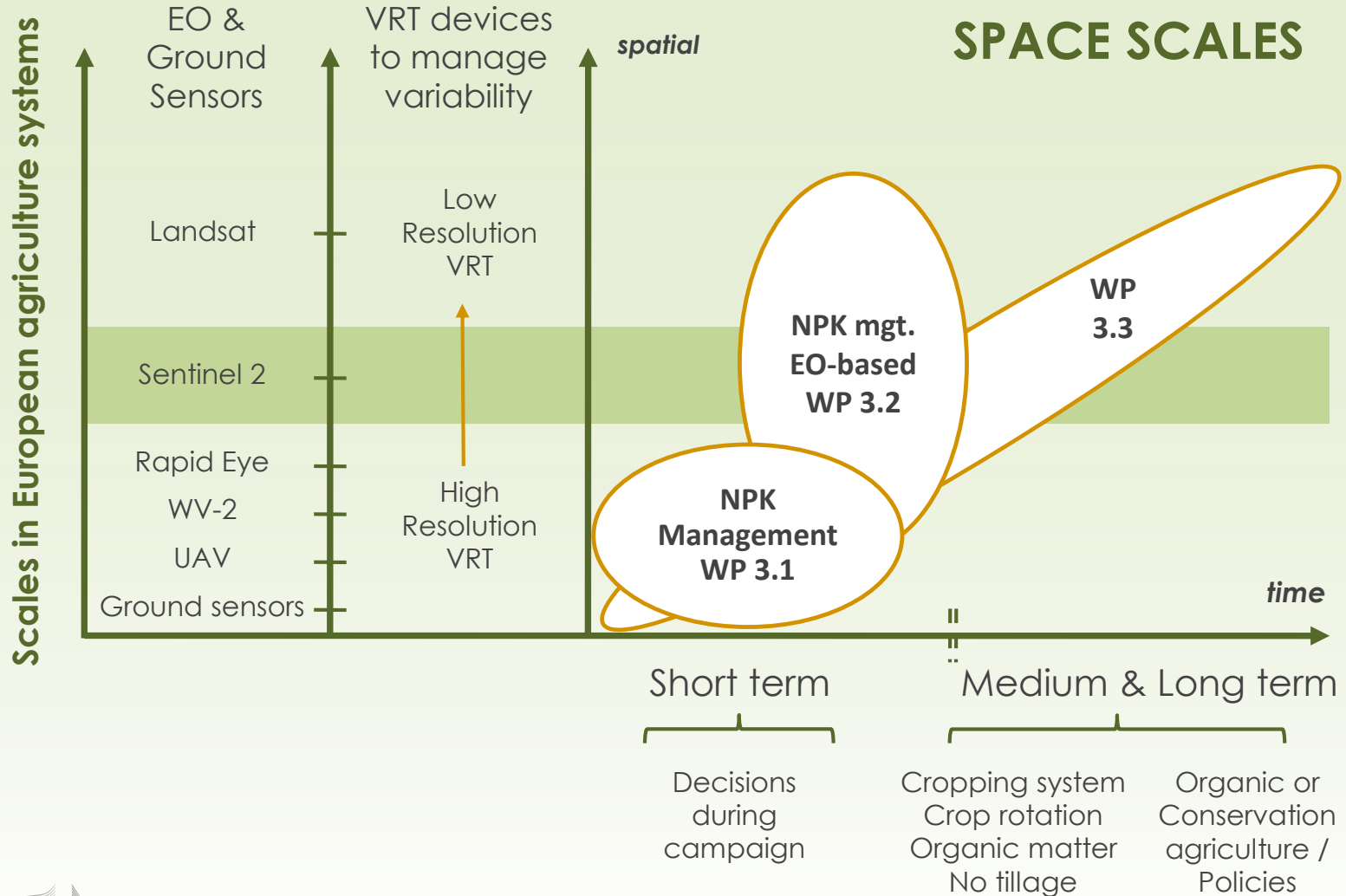
FATIMA HOW?

CORE TOOL SPIDER webGIS



FATIMA HOW?

TIME AND SPACE SCALES



WP recap:

WP5 = Pilot-implementation of FATIMA services & evaluation with users, plus integration

WP2 = Technology to measure crop status

WP2.1 webGIS

WP2.2 EO+models

WP2.3 Sensor networks

WP3 = Strategies to improve crop management & sustainability

WP3.1 In-field VRT for precision farming

WP3.2 Remote VRT for precision farming

WP3.3 Field trials/cropping systems

WP1 = Local context

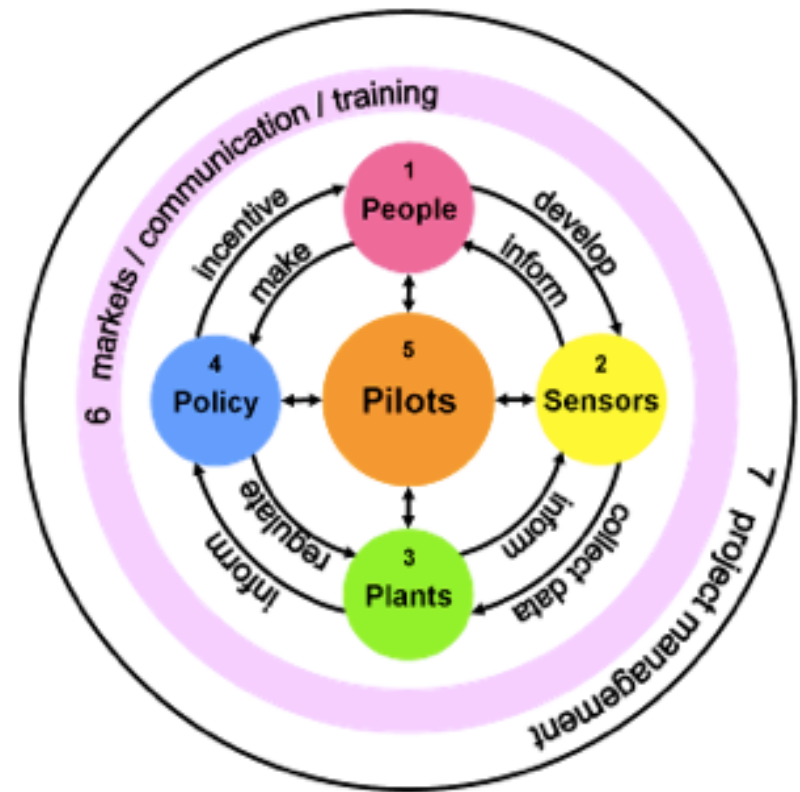
WP1.1 Stakeholder community

WP1.2 Socio-economic analysis

WP4 = Global context

WP4.1 Water-energy-food nexus

WP4.2 Policies

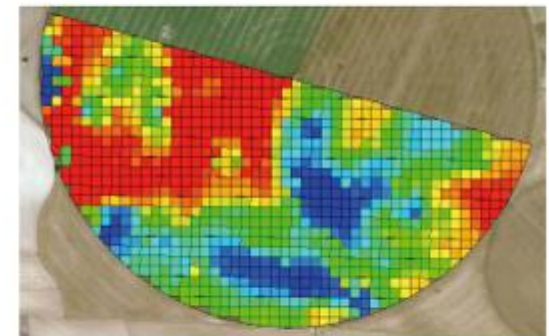
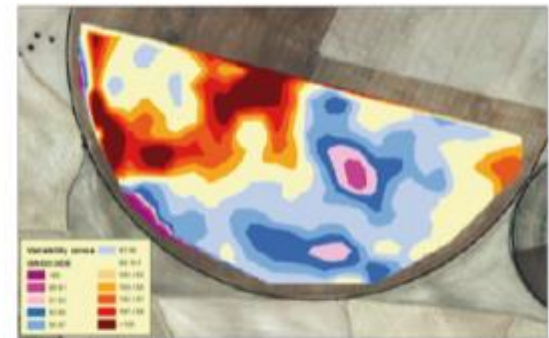


MAP OF "BULK" N
REQUIREMENTS READY
TO BE USED AS
GUIDANCE FOR VR
MACHINERY

SCHEDULING
N APPLICATION

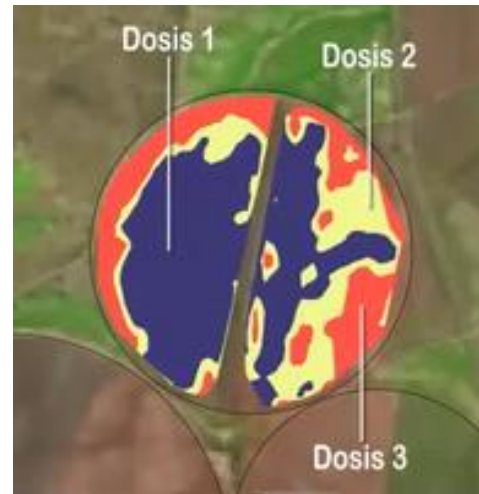
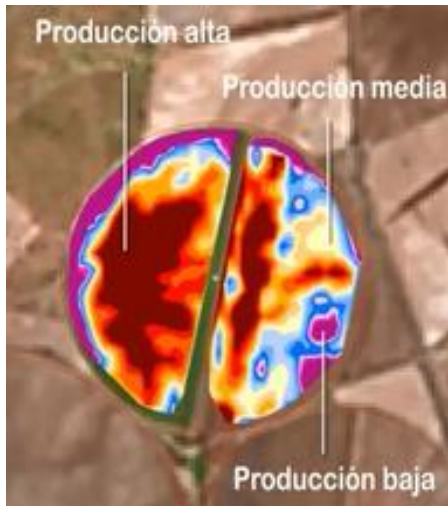
POTENTIAL PRODUCTIVITY MAP

Variability Zones Casa del Monte (P4V)



EO-generated map of potential productivity

transformed (using models) into map of fertilization requirements



Introduced into variable-rate spreader intelligence

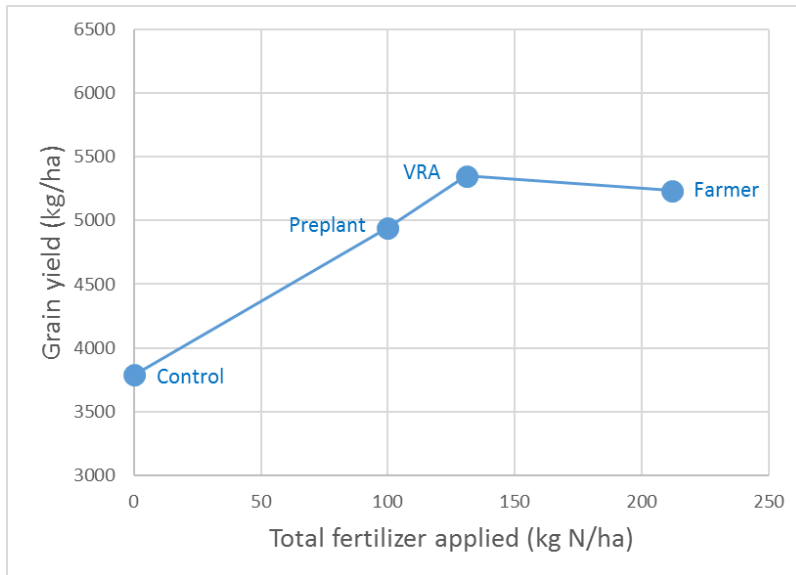


Tractor in field spreading differential N rate

Integration of different technologies into a practical variable-rate delivery system of high resolution

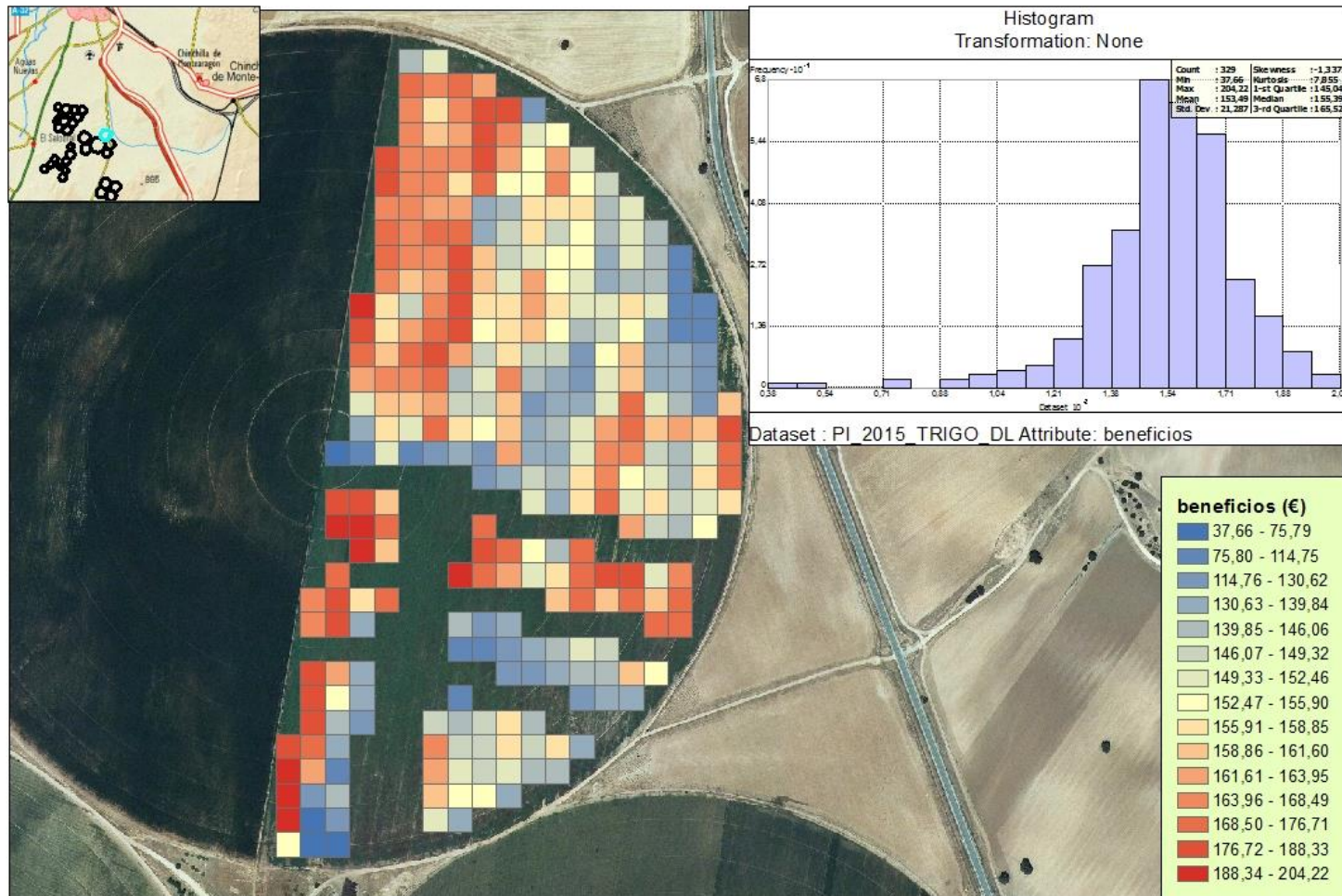


VRA decreased N inputs by 38% without any losses of grain yield in replicated wheat strips.



Winter wheat (February 2016)

Beneficios (€). Ingresos - gastos Unidades Fertilizante. Dehesa de Los Llanos



FATIMA TRANSITION PATHWAYS...

A SEQUENCE OF
4 STRATEGIC STEPS

1

Short term techniques
to optimize inputs & yields

2

Long-term strategy to
transform to no-till/organic

3

Assessment/modeling
of results & impacts

4

Change the story
One farm at a time... Fibonacci

Technology = incentive, tool,
policy instrument



FATIMA long-term strategy

NEW paradigms

1

Crop rotation

2

Compost / cover crops

3

Conservation agriculture

4

Organic / biodynamic

→ **permaculture**

→ **local production/
consumption**





FATIMA

ROUTE TO SUCCESS

Pragmatic/operational
approach

Rigorous/excellent science
by brilliant teams

Out-of-the-box
thinking & acting



HOLISTIC | “ALTERNATIVE” | NONLINEAR | CIRCLES
PERMACULTURE | SACRED DIMENSION | WEAVING/Q’IPU



ICT tools for innovating...

...groundwater management in a changing world

Conclusions & Outlook

- * Hybrid system (satellite+sensors+models+ICT) for aquifer management operational at large scale
- * Same for nutrient management
- * **P**ICT People+Innovation+Communication+Transparency
- * Legal issues are being resolved
- * Digital Farming / Internet of Food...



Thanks
Teşekkürler

Grazie

Merci

Ευχαριστώ

Obrigado@s

Благодаря

Děkuji

Paldies

Danke

Dank u



¡GRACIAS!

