

Greek participation in MedRIN

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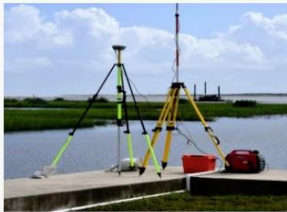


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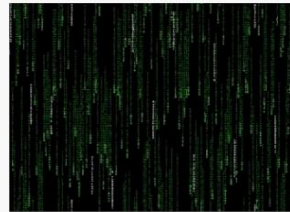
- **Case A (information, repositories, capacity building):** background information about land, marine, and air environmental variables, and the ways these may be estimated by EO products, including existing repositories, may be provided online to the users with examples from the Eastern Mediterranean, as done in the site greece.livingearth.online.



ENVIRONMENTAL VARIABLES



GROUND MEASUREMENTS



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The Leaf Area Index (LAI) is defined as the total area of one-sided leaves per ground surface area.

It is a fundamental property of the plant canopy as it plays a key role in the absorption of solar radiation, through photosynthesis, and thus on the vegetation growth.

LAI can be estimated by ground measurements (see [here](#)) or through satellite/airborne sensors. Typically, the LAI goes from 0 to up to 10, where 0 represents non-vegetated areas and 10 very dense vegetated areas.

Unit: m^2/m^2

Available products over Greece:

- [COPERNICUS BioPAR GEOv1](#)
- [COPERNICUS BioPAR GEOv2](#)
- [COPERNICUS PROBA-V GEOv3](#)
- [NASA MODIS \(MCD15A3H v6\)](#)
- [NCDC AVHRR](#)
- [LSASAF MSG SEVIRI \(MDLAI\)](#)
- [GLASS](#)
- [UCL Globalbedo - derived \(Please contact Mathias Disney: \[mathias.disney@ucl.ac.uk\]\(mailto:mathias.disney@ucl.ac.uk\)\)](#)
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Online services

- **Case B (online service examples):** online free offer of raw images and processed thematic layers for selected hot spot subset areas across the Mediterranean, as examples of our colleagues' capacity to offer EO services, like in the example of the site of eoservices.tech of ITI.gr

eoservices.tech *imaging life, planning the future*

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Vegetation Indices for Thessaloniki-Giannitsa Plain (subset area)

Select Index: Natural image Select Date: 2018-12-30 [timelapse all dates](#)

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Natural image of Thessaloniki-Giannitsa Plain (subset area)

True colour composite of Sentinel-2 bands (clouds in white).

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Cloud Coverage: 21.26%

Areas appearing as dark features/ shadows/ clouds are presented as retrieved by the Scene classification map (SCL) at the Open Hub of ESA; sometimes generating erroneous results on the automatic algorithms applied. Issues like these may be waived upon request.



Location of the area as shown in Copernicus Open Access Hub

Inundation Maps for Plain of Axios Delta

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Water Mask of Plain of Axios Delta

Color denotes the Water Mask value (clouds in white).

Inundated Non-inundated Dark features / shadows

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Biomass index 2 of Thessaloniki-Giannitsa Plain (subset area)

Color denotes the Biomass index 2 value (clouds in white).

-1 -0.75 -0.5 -0.25 0 0.25 0.5 0.75 1

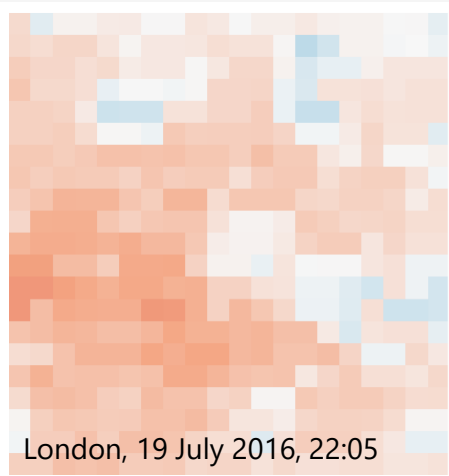
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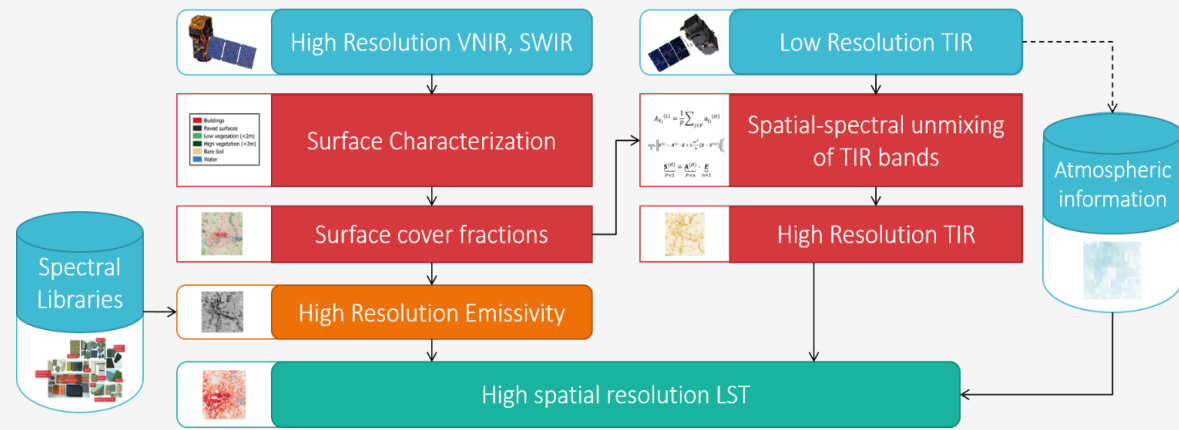
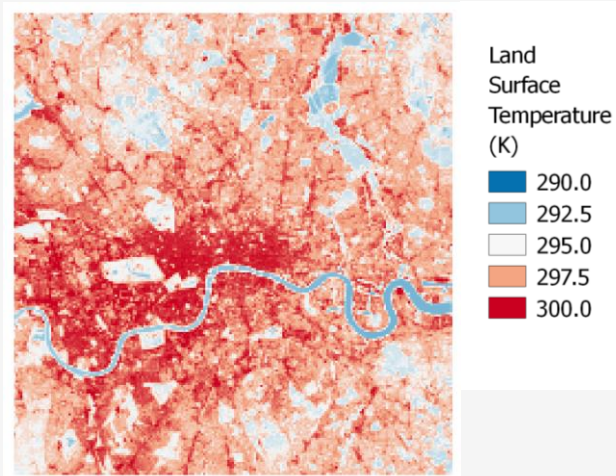
Surface temperature monitoring

Downscaling Methodology

MODIS: 1 km

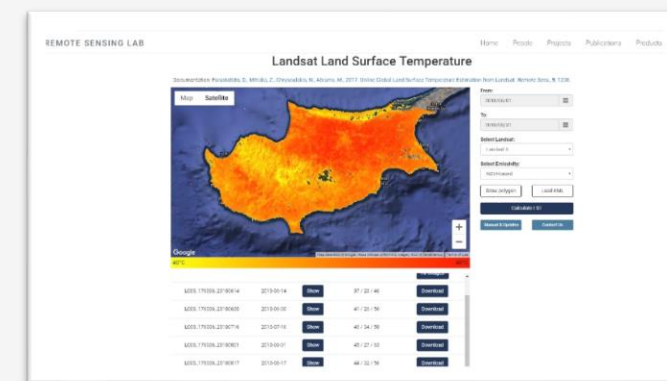
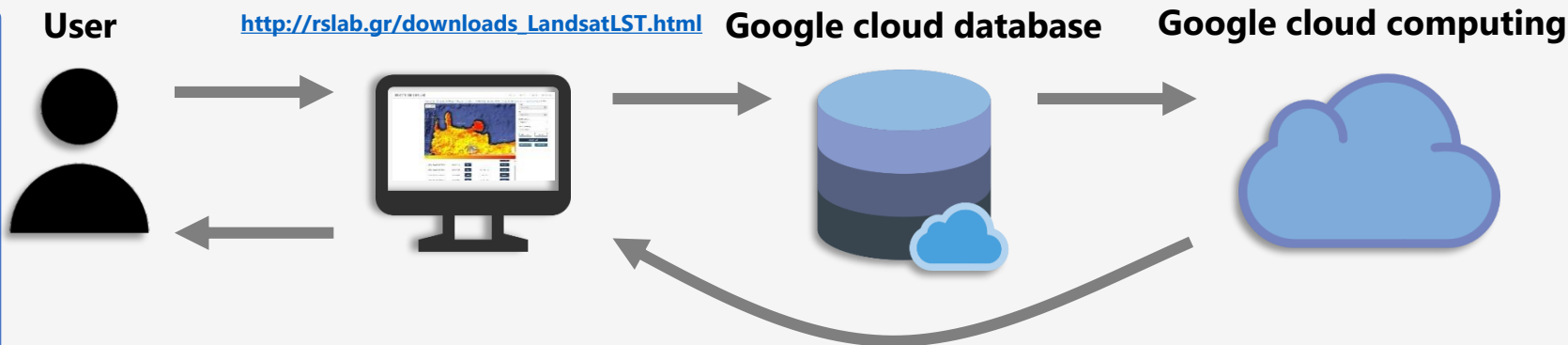


Downscaled: 100 m



Mitraka, et al. 2015

Global LST tool

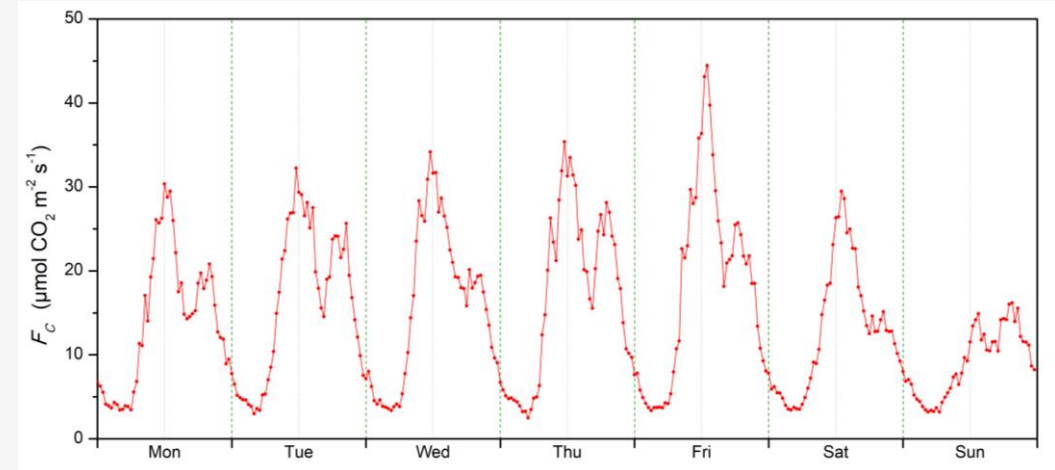
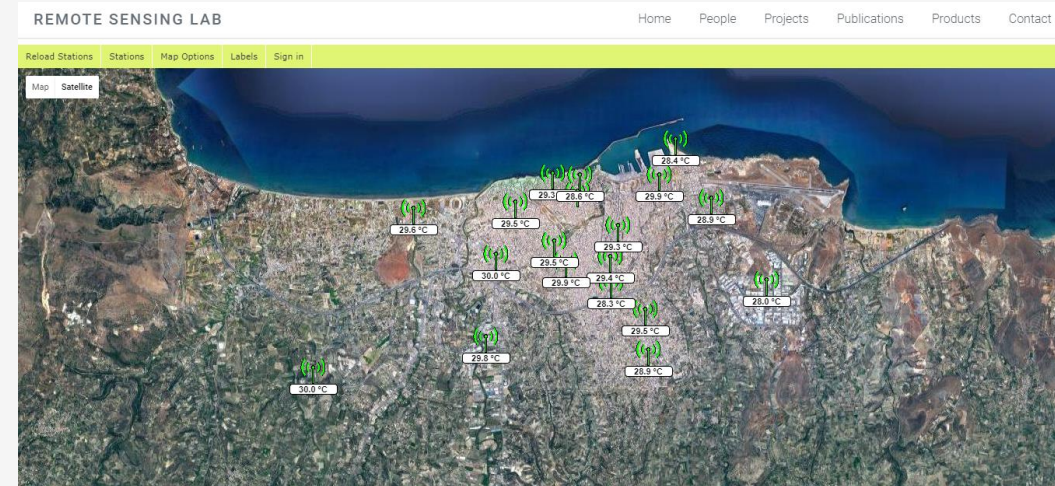
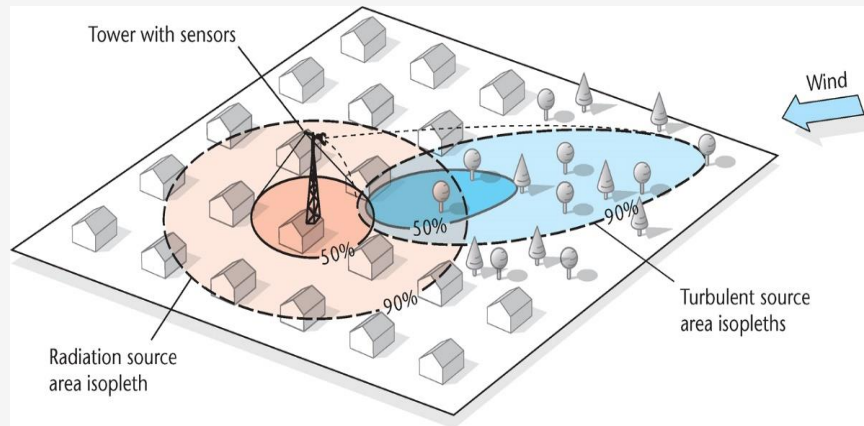


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Parastatidis, et al. 2017. Online Global Land Surface Temperature Estimation from Landsat.

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- ✓ **Eddy Covariance** (2016 – today)
 - Sensible heat flux (Q_H)
 - Latent heat flux (Q_E)
 - Net all-wave radiation (Q^*)
 - Carbon dioxide flux (F_{CO_2})
- ✓ **Wireless Sensors Network** (2015 – today)
 - 15 on-line real-time intra-urban meteorological measurements

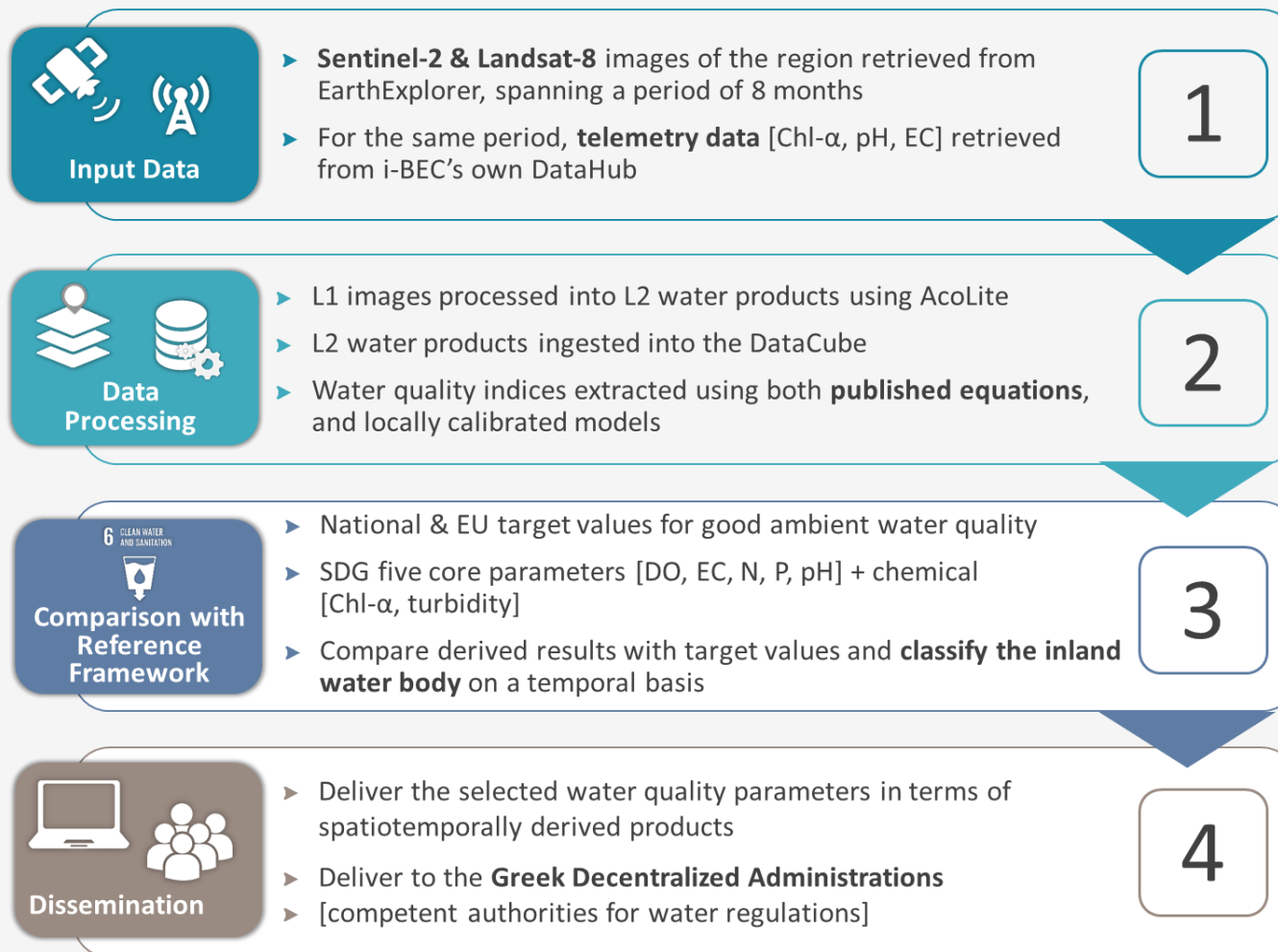


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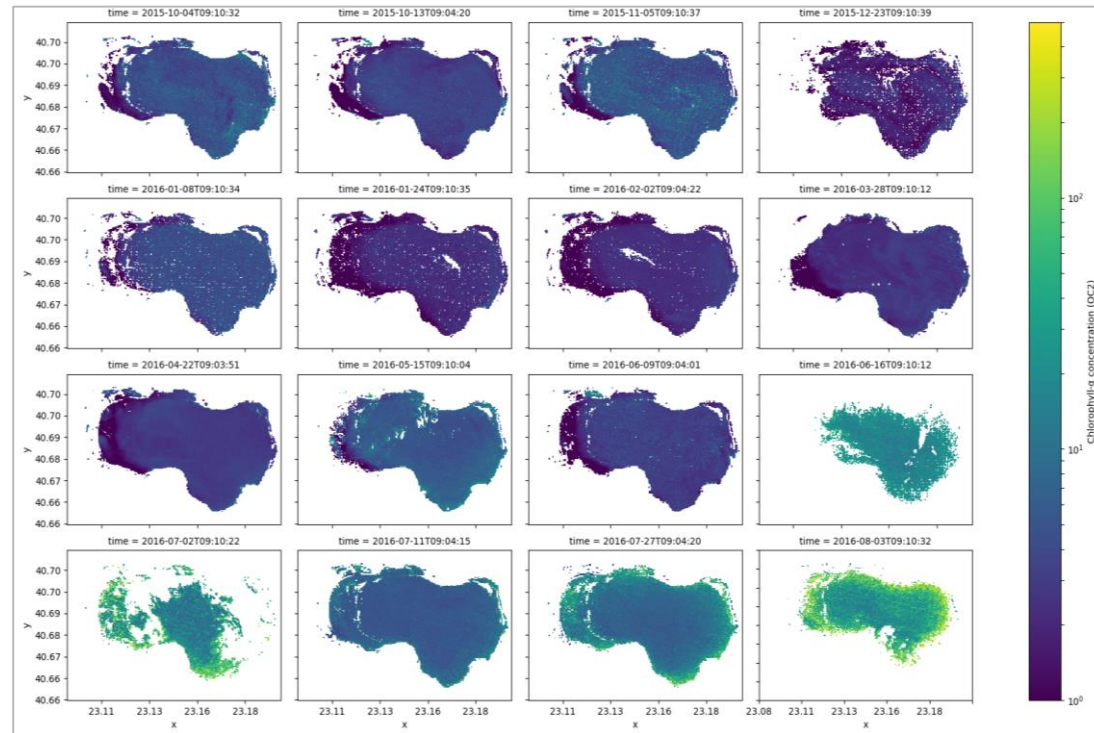
Stagakis, et al. 2019. Eddy Covariance measurements and source partitioning of CO₂ emissions in an urban environment: Application for Heraklion, Greece.

Inland water quality monitoring



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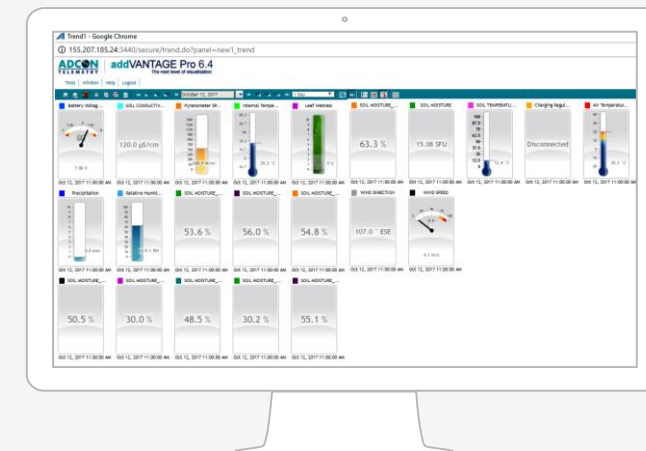
Inland water quality monitoring



Time-series of chl- α in lake Koronia [Oct 2015 – August 2016] showcasing the development of an algal bloom; result obtained from DataCube and Landsat-8 imagery

Date	DO	pH	EC [μ S/cm]	Temperature [$^{\circ}$ C]	chl- α
10/04/2015	7.54	8.3	2053.6	20.3	440,711
10/13/2015	6.44	8.3	2248	19.5	324,890
12/23/2015	6.3	8.3	3349.6	6.7	175,378
01/08/2016	7.37	8.3	3378.8	6.3	401,866
01/24/2016	8.69	8.4	3383.6	3.6	206,539
02/02/2016	7.41	8.2	3355.3	7.1	224,979
03/28/2016	8.751	8.8	3158.5	12.4	244,421
04/22/2016	7.49	8.5	3256.8	19.8	287,496

Telemetry data can be used to backtrack in time and view the recorded values from the sensors for a given time period



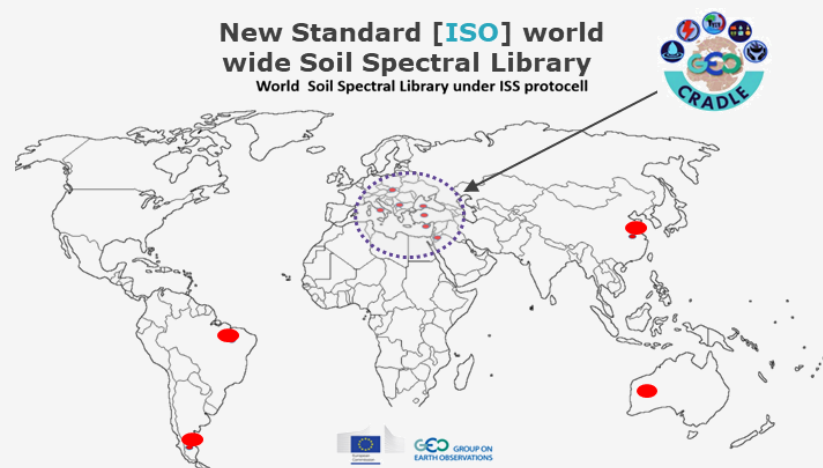
Source: Monitoring Inland Water Quality based on Earth Observation Data towards reporting of the SDG Indicator 6.3.2 Ambient Water Quality, i-BEC 2017

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GEO-CRADLE SSL

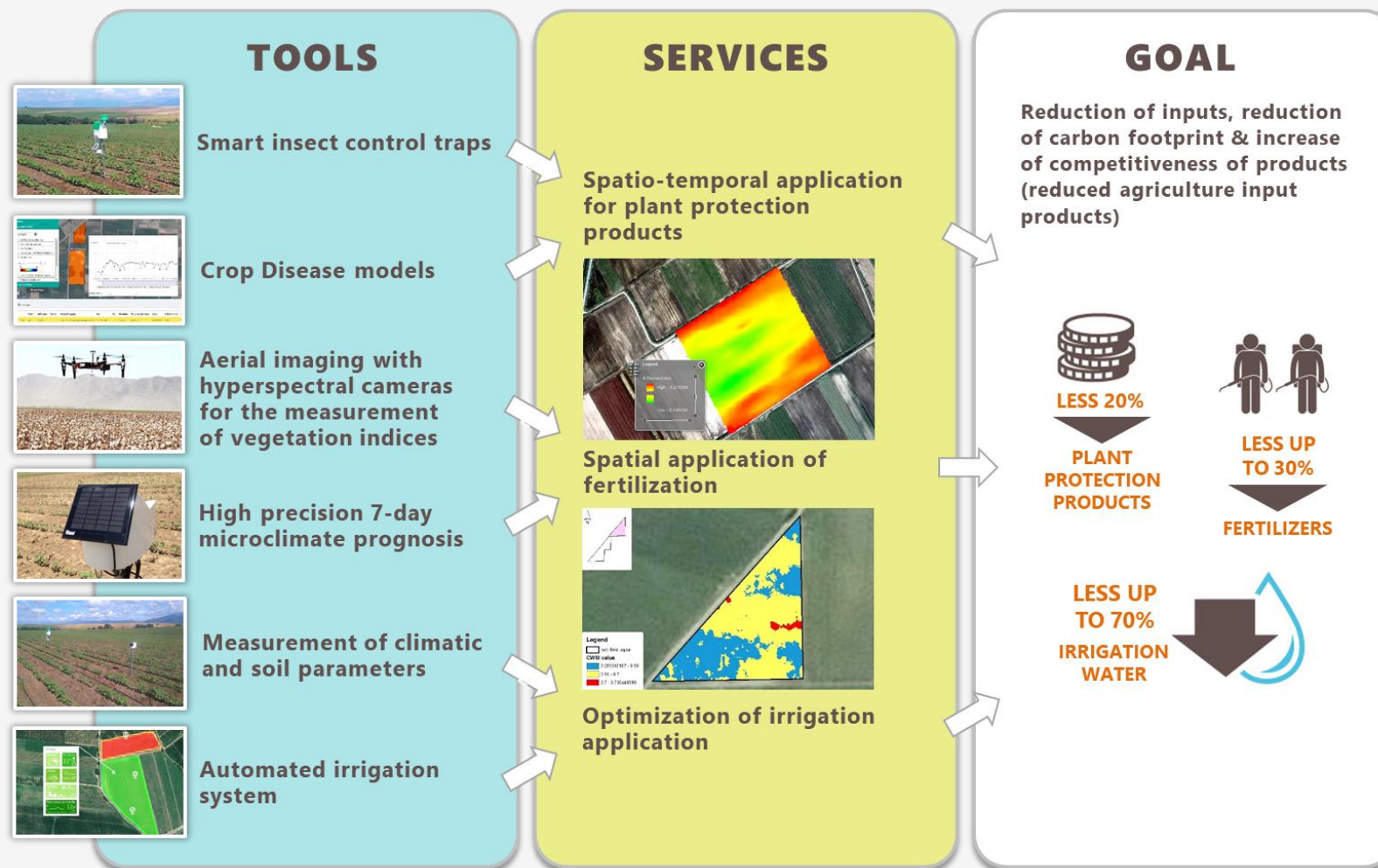
The Vehicle of Soil Data Interoperability

- Establish a SSL [~2000] for the **North Africa, Middle East and Balkans** [well recognized infrastructure gaps]
- GEO-CRADLE has established the **first ISO - SSL data base** for the Mediterranean to be a "lighthouse" for the World SSL
- Standard Protocol facilitates the **integration of untapped national in situ soil data** [Brazil, China, Australia etc.]
- The first **soil data base within the GEOSS sharing regulation** and having the capability to be expanded in all over the world



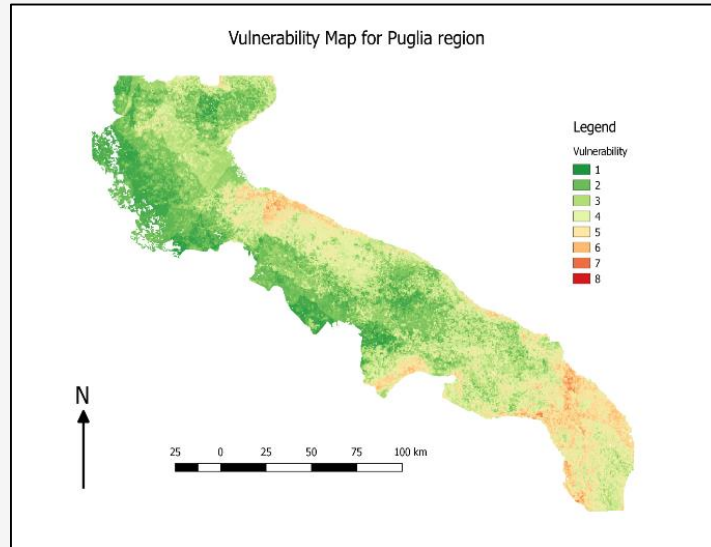
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Agricultural technologies



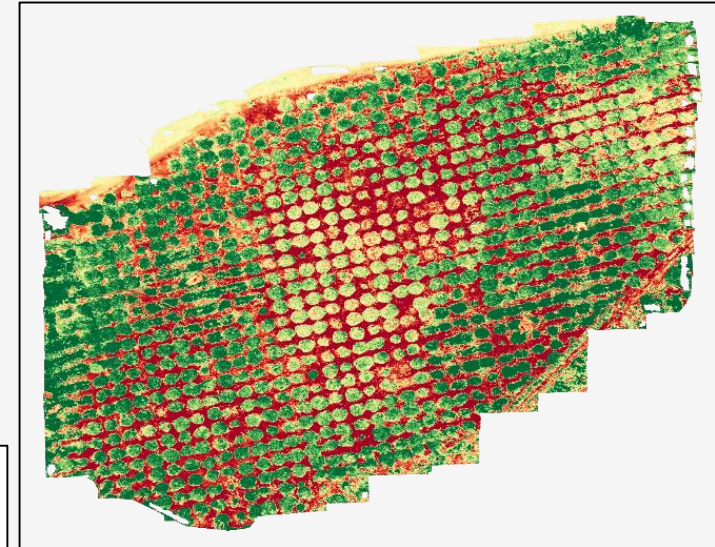
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Monitoring of agricultural crops

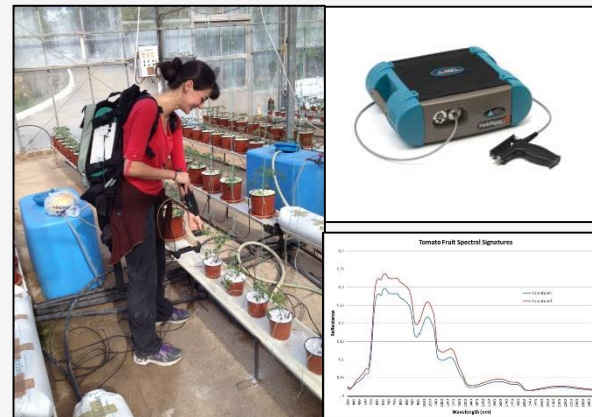


Xylella fastidiosa olive tree infection threat, Puglia, Italy

Agriculture



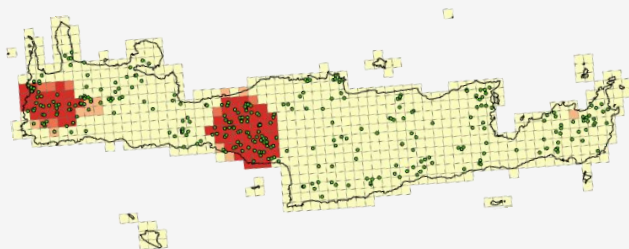
Assessing orange grove health



Monitoring stress effects on plants through spectroscopy

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Forest Fire Processes and Mapping



Forest fires hotspots in Crete
1984-2017



Fire progression simulation in wind
tunnel

MSc Geoinformation in Environmental Management

- Main applicants from the South and East Mediterranean and the Balkan region.
- Training in a range of Remote Sensing topics and methods, as well as modules on Mediterranean environmental issues.
- Course delivery by specialized invited lecturers from European universities and institutes.

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Establishment and pilot operation of the National Observatory of Forests (NOF)

❖ Main activities of NOF:

- Creation of a digital repository of all forest management plans of Greece searchable through the internet.
- Development of an internet-based service that ensures accessibility to the developed forest information geodatabase.
- Set up a demonstration case to be used as the base for the Greek contribution to international initiatives such as GEOSS, FISE, etc.

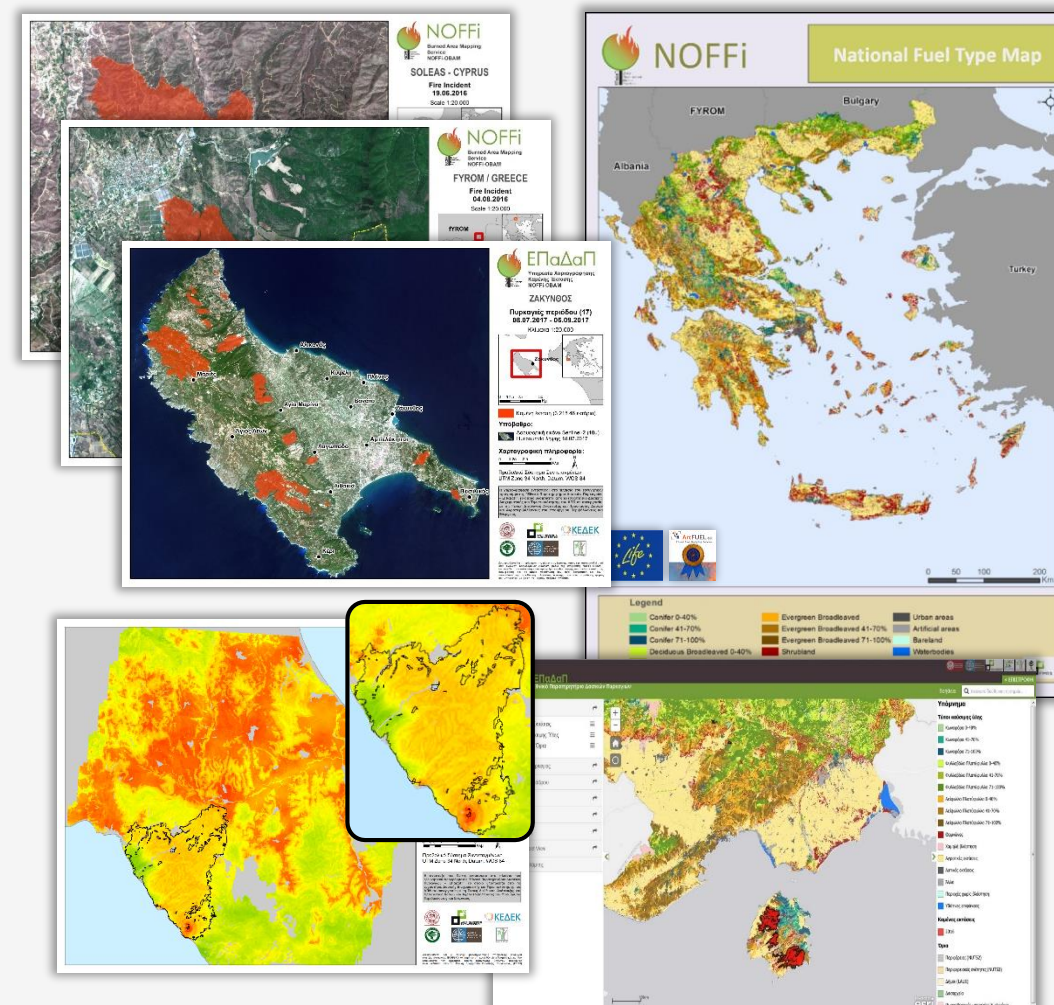




Establishment of an observatory of forest fires in Greece to support the National Forest Service

❖ Services that were developed under NOFFi:

- A fuel type mapping service
- A burned area mapping service
- A midterm forest fire danger index
- A Web-based GIS platform and a burned area viewing service in collaboration with iBEC
- A network of partners at the local Forest Service departments as well in Cyprus and the Balkan countries



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