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Members of the consortium available to answer your questions



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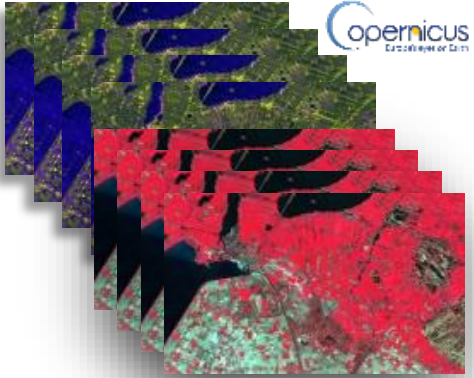
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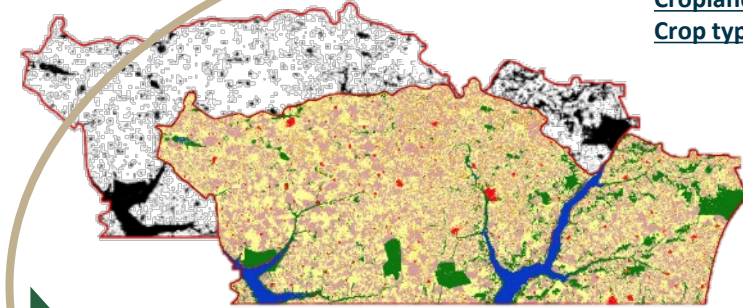


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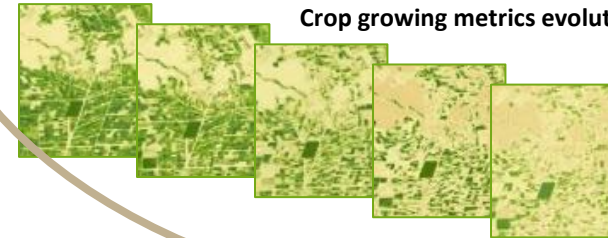
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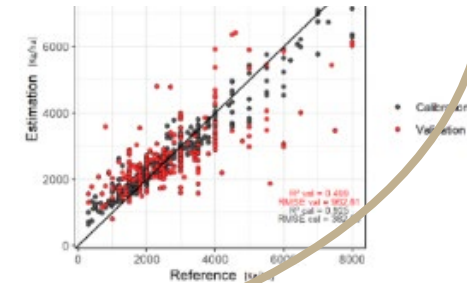
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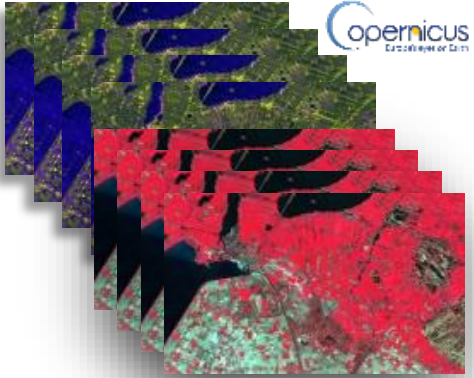
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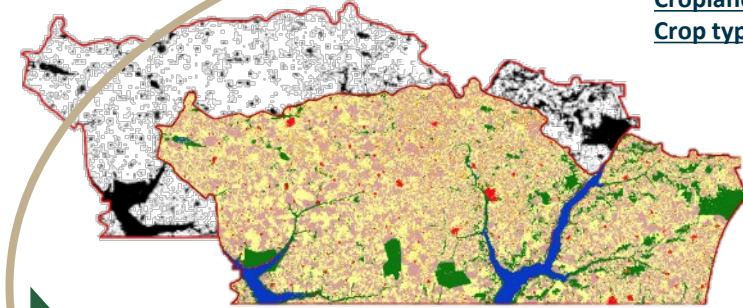
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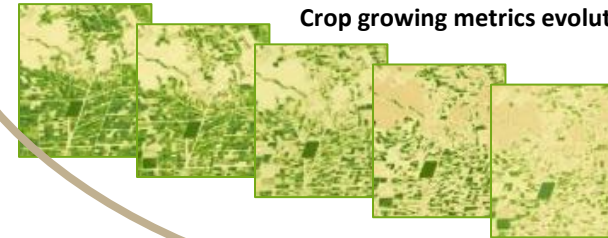
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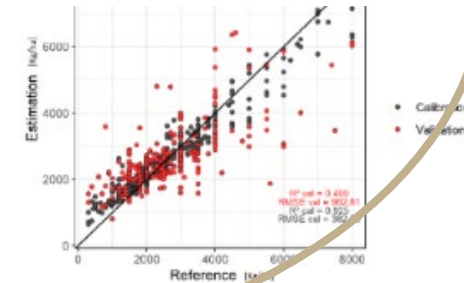
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**SURVEY &
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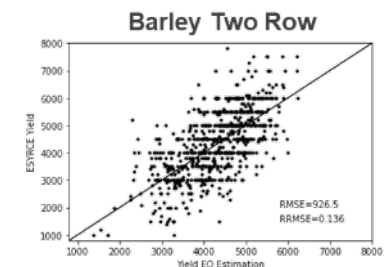
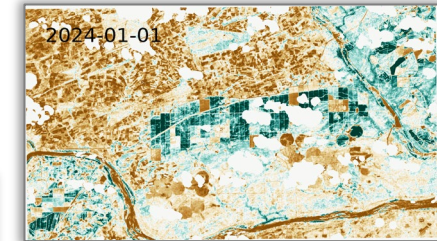
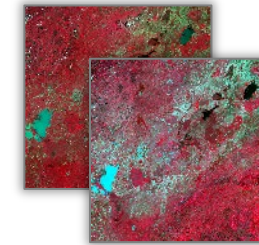


Sen4Stat: an ESA open-source **SAR and optical** toolbox for **operational** crop type mapping and monitoring at **national scale**



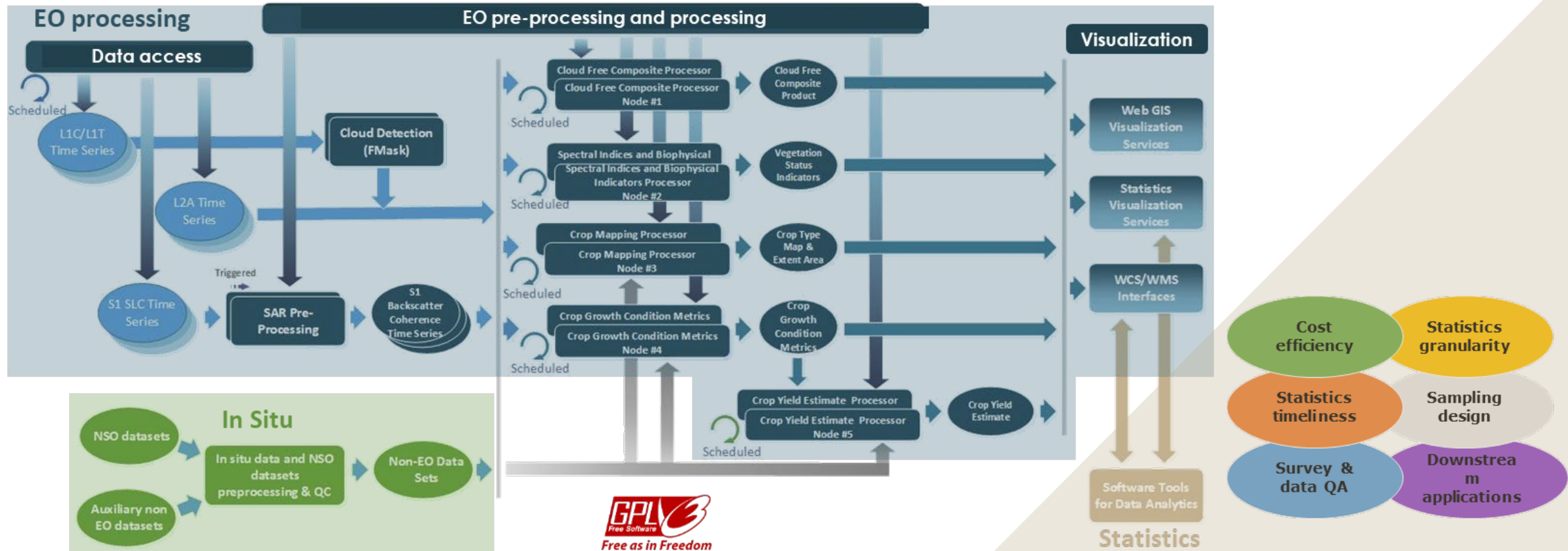
- Processing Sentinel-1, Sentinel-2 and Landsat-8&9 time series according to the state-of-the-art including advanced SAR products (coherence, gamma naught,...)
- Delivering automatically or on request **5 types of products** (*processors*) in near real time along the satellite data acquisition or off-line :

- 1. Optical 10m cloud free temporal synthesis and SAR temporal synthesis**
- 2. time series of spectral indices** (NDVI, coherence,...) and **biophysical variables** (LAI, fCover, fAPAR)
- 3. 10m crop type maps** along the season based on in situ dataset and stratification
- 4. a large set of crop growth conditions metrics** (including even meteorological data)
- 5. crop yield estimation** at various aggregation levels (national, regional, ...)





An open-source toolbox for operational crop monitoring for agricultural statistics at national scale



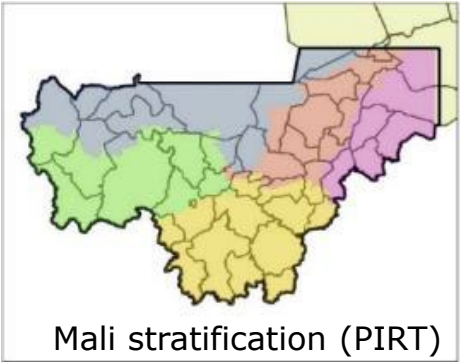
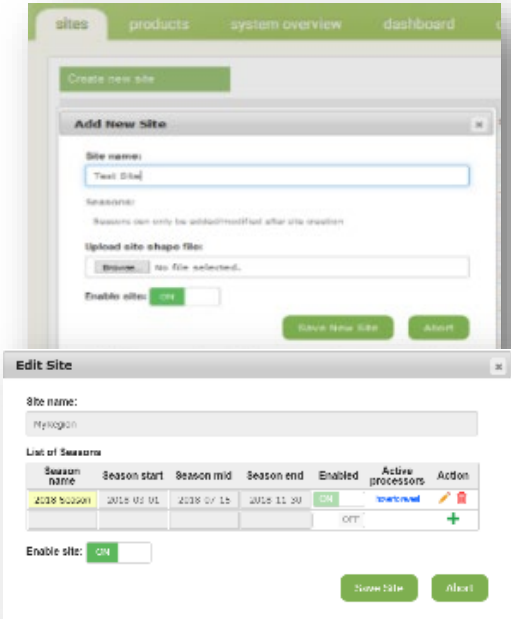
- 📊 Sentinel-1 & Sentinel-2
- 📊 For NRT & off-line production
- 📊 Running on the cloud or locally

- 📊 In situ data QA embedded
- 📊 Compatible with list and area frame surveys

System configuration



Sen4Stat : parameters settings	
Area of Interest	Shapefile to be uploaded
Monitoring period	Start and end dates to be defined
S1 - S2 - L8&9	To be selected
Data sources	ESA&USGS – AWS – DIAS – local storage...

Season name	Season start	Season mid	Season end	Enabled	Active processors	Action
2018 10/01	2018 10/01	2018 11/15	2018 11/30	ON	4/4	
				OFF		

Sen4Stat : field campaign	
Sampling design	Stratification and sampling
Field visit	In situ data collection – early survey
	In situ data collection – mid-season survey
Data upload	Field data quality control and formating

ID	Shape	ID	CROP	LC	CODE	IRRIGATION
0	Polygon	1	1	Spring Wheat	112	0
1	Polygon	2	1	Spring Wheat	112	0
2	Polygon	3	1	Spring Wheat	112	0
3	Polygon	4	1	Spring Wheat	112	0
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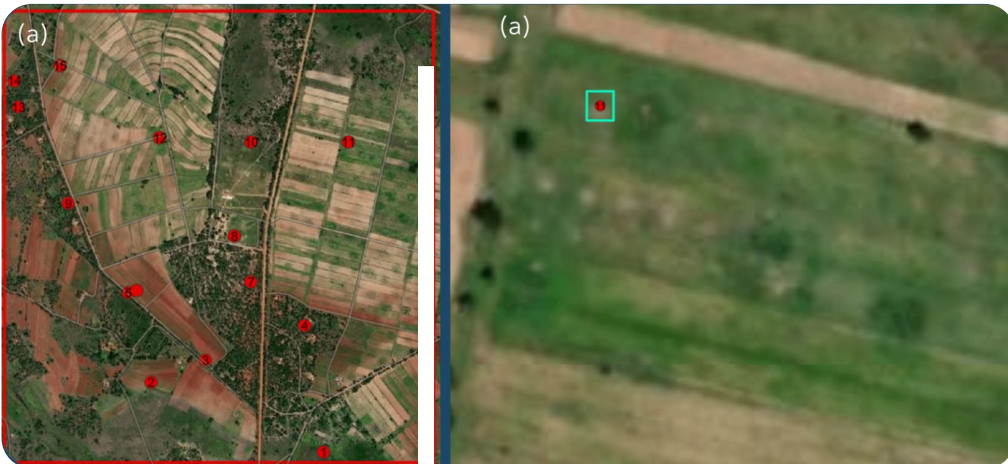


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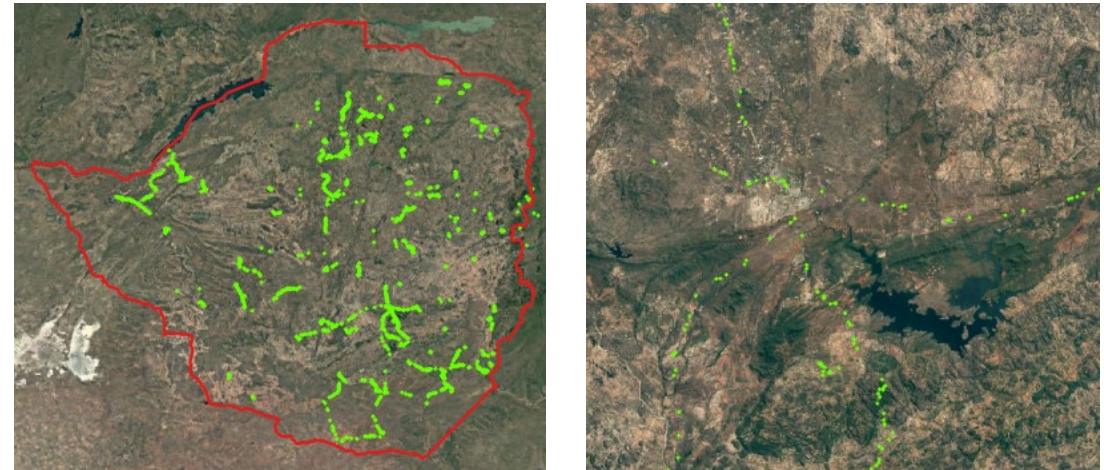


- In-situ data needed for
 - **calibration**: learning dataset to train the algorithm or model
 - **validation**: estimate the products accuracy (with a confidence interval) using a statistically-sound sampling to be objective and independent
 - **statistics estimation**: statistical survey designed to estimate crop acreage
- Integrated data formatting and quality control

Statistical survey data for acreage estimation



**Windshield survey (points taken along the road)
data for mapping purposes**



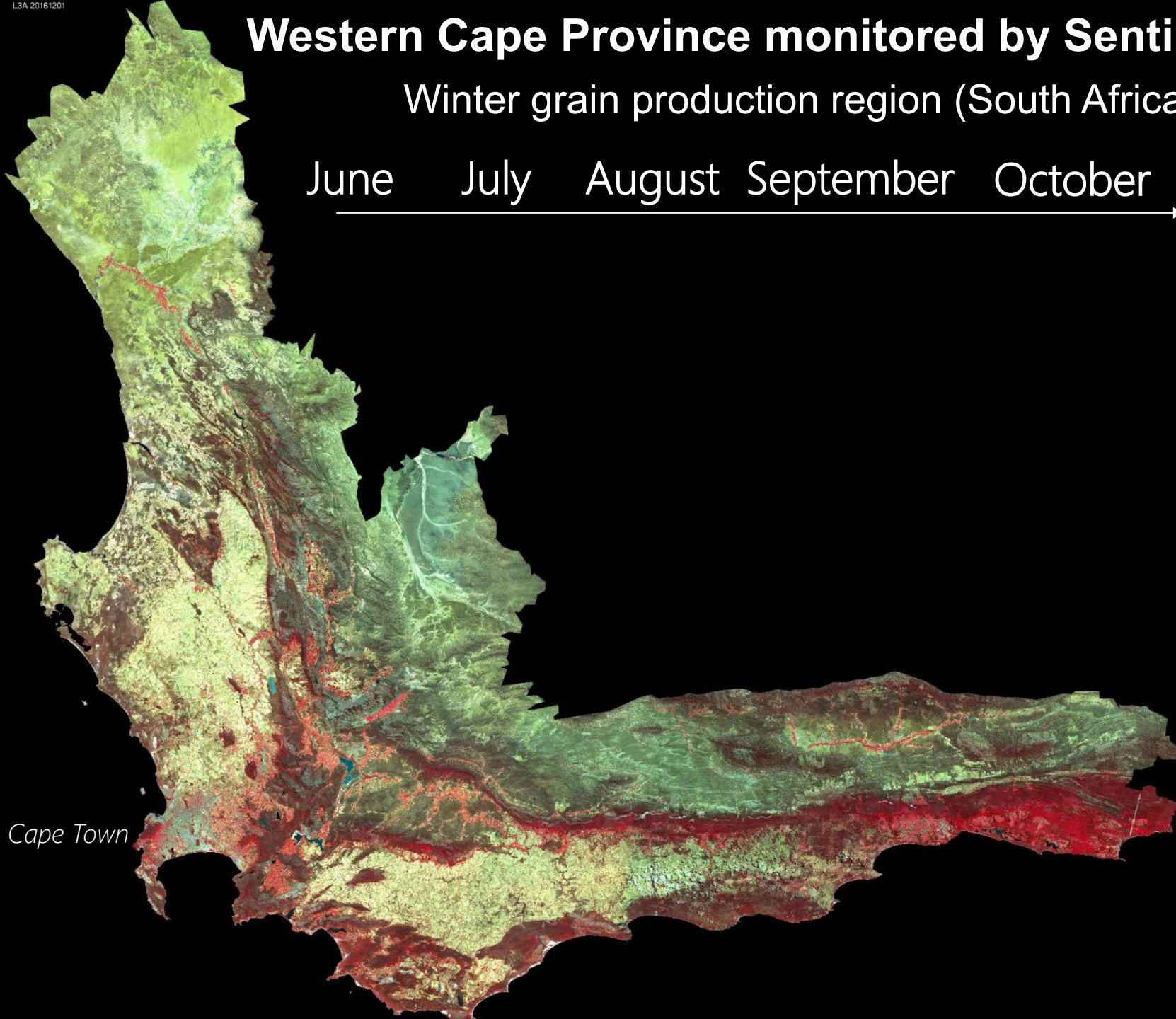
Western Cape Province monitored by Sentinel 2

Winter grain production region (South Africa)

June July August September October November

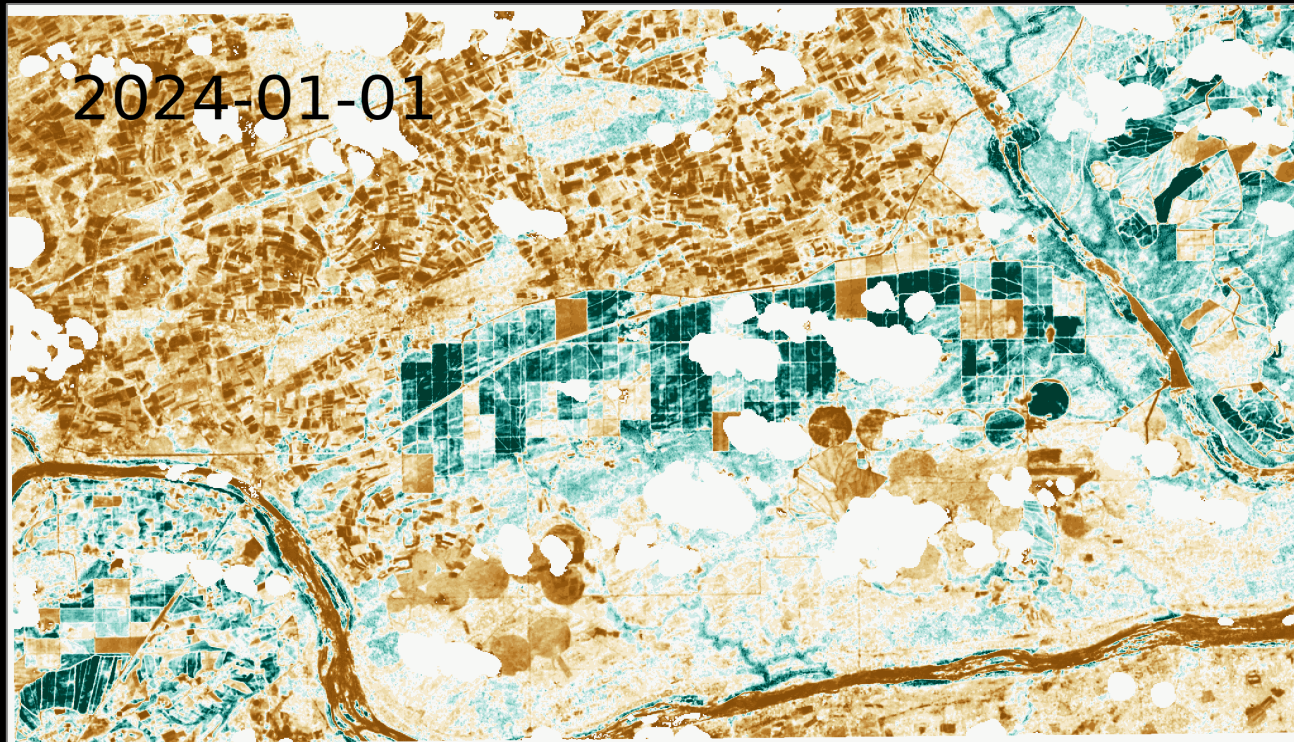


Cape Town

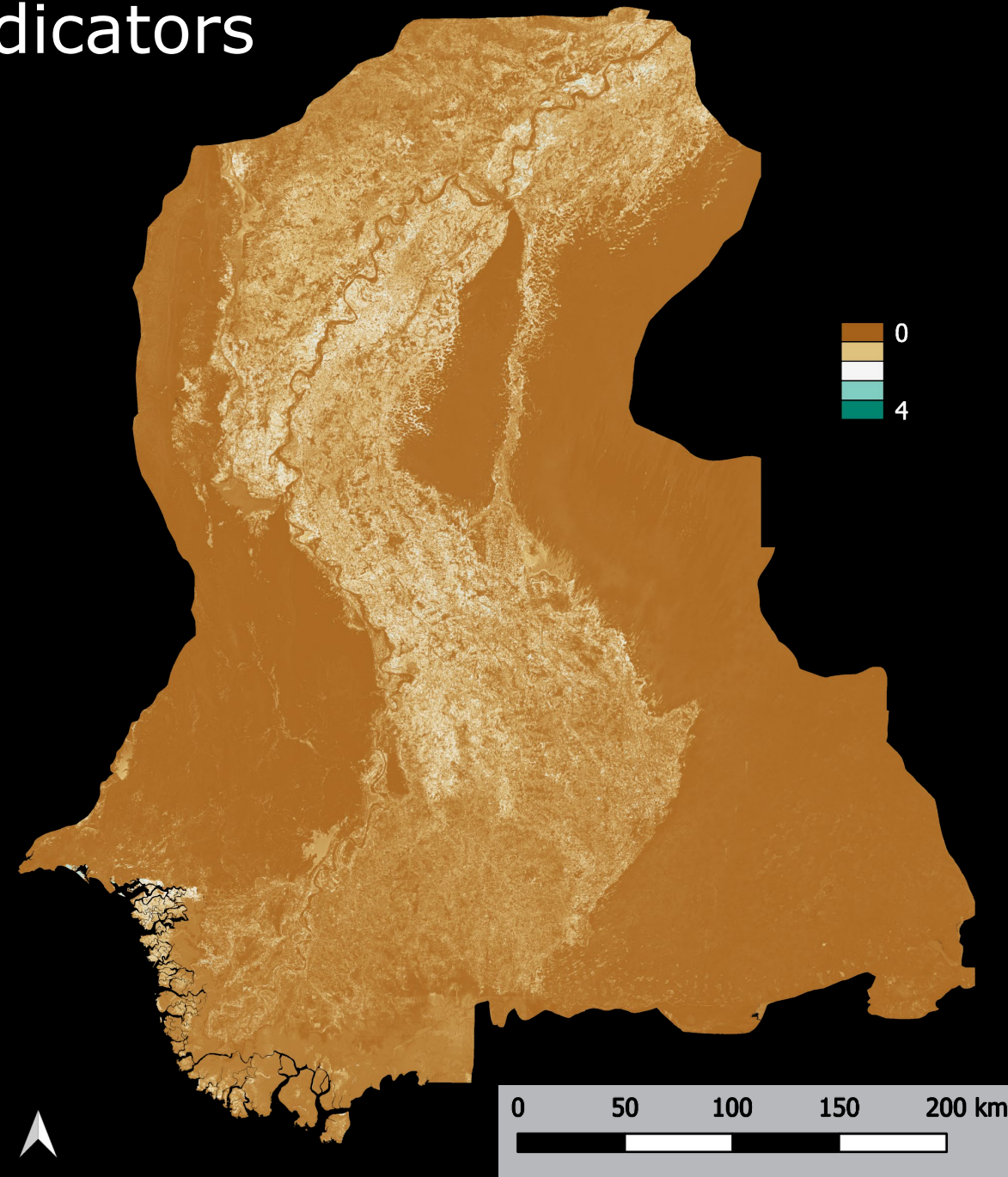


Spectral indices and biophysical indicators

*BV-Net approach
(Weiss et al.)*



LAI time series in Chiredzi district, Zimbabwe



Monthly LAI Composites in Sindh, Pakistan From November 2024, until May 2025

National scale crop type map, Spain, 2020



2020 Pixel based national crop type map of Spain

- **Stratified classification** based on agro-ecological criterias
- Spectral bands yearly time series
- NDVI, NDWI, Brightness time series
- Pixel-specific temporal metrics on spectral indices time series (min, max, sd, median)



Class			
Grassland	Leafy or stem vegetables	Barley two-row	Rapeseed
Shrubland	Fruit bearing vegetables	Barley six-row	Safflower
Tree cover	Spice crops	Rye	Sunflower
Olive groves	Hard wheat	Millet	Potatoes
Vineyard	Soft wheat	Quinoa	Sweet potatoes
Forest	Triticale	Carrots	Beans
Bare soil	Maize	Garlic	Broad beans
Built-up surfaces	Rice	Onions	
	Sorghum	Soya beans	



Improved acreage estimates by integrating survey and EO crop map



Combining unbiased information with spatially exhaustive information





System operations running according to different modes:

NRT with orchestrator (fully automated) or on request



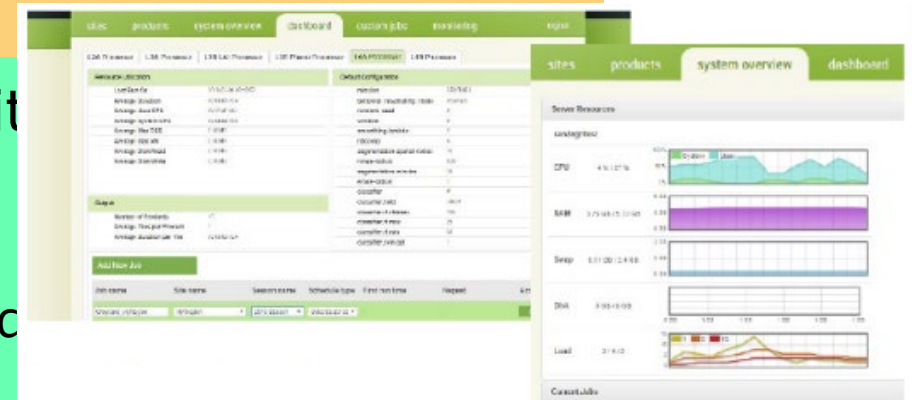
Automated mode through the web graphical user interface (GUI)

- a) based on the Orchestrator with by-default parameterization, automatic data download and processing until the end of the season, on-time delivery => **operational scenarios**
- b) Processor execution on user request, with by-default parameterization



Manual mode: to run processor independently, with custom parameters

- a) Through the GUI, with the *Custom job* approach
- b) Through SNAP software Only processor of Level 3 and not the atmospheric correction (L2A).
- c) In command line through a linux terminal





Sen4Stat is free and open source Based on existing open source software



Under GNU-GPL License



Based on **Orfeo ToolBox** framework



Cluster-ready architecture for distributed processing



Integration of **SNAP** tools and processing chains



Operational system required : **Alma or Rocky LINUX**



PostgreSQL and **PostGIS** implementation



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Reducing statistics uncertainty in Spain



**Cost
efficiency**

Improving design-based **acreage and yield** estimators by reducing the standard error while providing unbiased estimates => reducing the CoV without increasing the number of samples

ESYRCE : integrated list and area frame survey (49 ha ESU; systematic sampling; all crops within ESU)



	Data	Acreage (hectares)	Uncertainty		Sampling Error (CV%)	Relative efficiency
			95% Confidence Interval (hectares)			
			Limits	Amplitude		
Wheat (F-Score: 0,845)	Ground (ESYRCE)	1.652.141	Lw: 1.572.269	159.743	2,47	-----
			Up: 1.732.012			
	Ground+RS	1.500.143	Lw: 1.472.431	55.423	0,94	8,312
			Up: 1.527.854			
Maize (F-Score: 0,965)	Ground (ESYRCE)	401.563	Lw: 338.013	127.098	8,07	-----
			Up: 465.111			
	Ground+RS	365.367	Lw: 349.945	30.844	2,15	16,988
			Up: 380.789			
Sunflower (F-Score: 0,842)	Ground (ESYRCE)	579.599	Lw: 531.858	95.493	4,2	-----
			Up: 627.341			
	Ground+RS	526.876	Lw: 513.882	25.988	1,26	13,51
			Up: 539.870			

	ESYRCE			EO Yield Model		
	N	Mean	Sd	N	Mean	Sd
Àvila	107	4241.5	83.0	150	4232.4	34.9
Burgos	315	4826.8	64.9	446	4764.3	38.2
Leòn	37	3822.0	103.8	52	3817.5	57.0
Palencia	211	4602.1	32.3	302	4557.5	17.0
Salamanca	87	4155.8	63.1	122	4155.8	57.9
Segovia	206	4168.0	52.5	294	4134.1	35.4
Soria	192	3640.1	35.2	275	3542.6	26.8
Valladolid	320	4574.6	37.8	459	4531.1	26.5
Zamora	142	4586.8	65.0	204	4569.1	54.7
Castilla Y Leòn	1617	4426.5	16.5	2304	4391.9	14.0



Disaggregating estimates up to municipality level and supporting improved sampling design in Spain

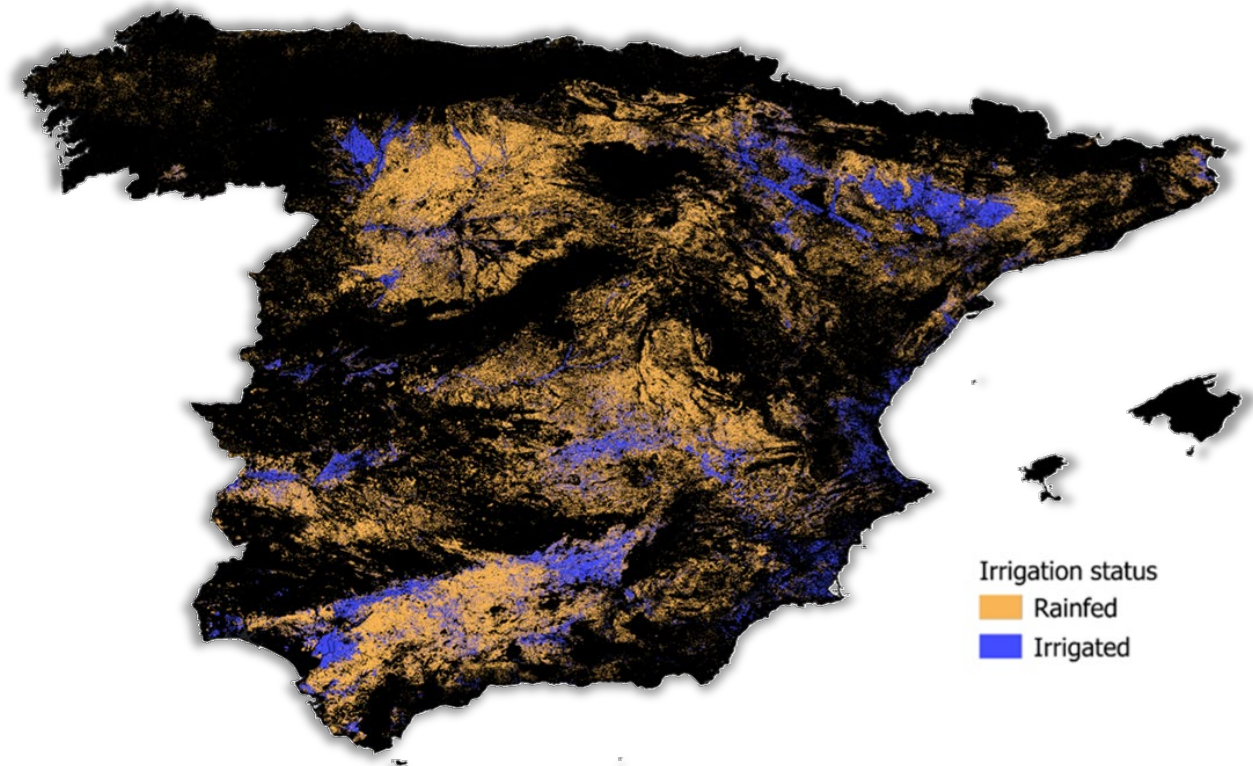


Statistics granularity

Barley acreage estimates at the municipality level in Zamora

Not available without EO (estimation error becomes acceptable, < 20%)

Municipality		Acreage	
		Has.	Error (CV%)
49020	Belver de los Montes	212.96	29.1
49043	Castroverde	2914.22	8.0
49156	Pinilla de Toro	963.30	10.0
49168	Quintanilla del Monte	466.65	20.3
49219	Toro	615.91	14.0
49235	Vezdemarbán	1358.22	12.6
49250	Villalpando	560.05	39.1
49252	Villamayor de Campos	1056.23	11.1
49260	Villanueva del Campo	784.03	13.2
49263	Villar de Fallaves	844.16	11.0
49267	Villardondiego	516.40	11.5
49270	Villavendimio	656.07	10.4
Total Zamora		10948.2	8.16

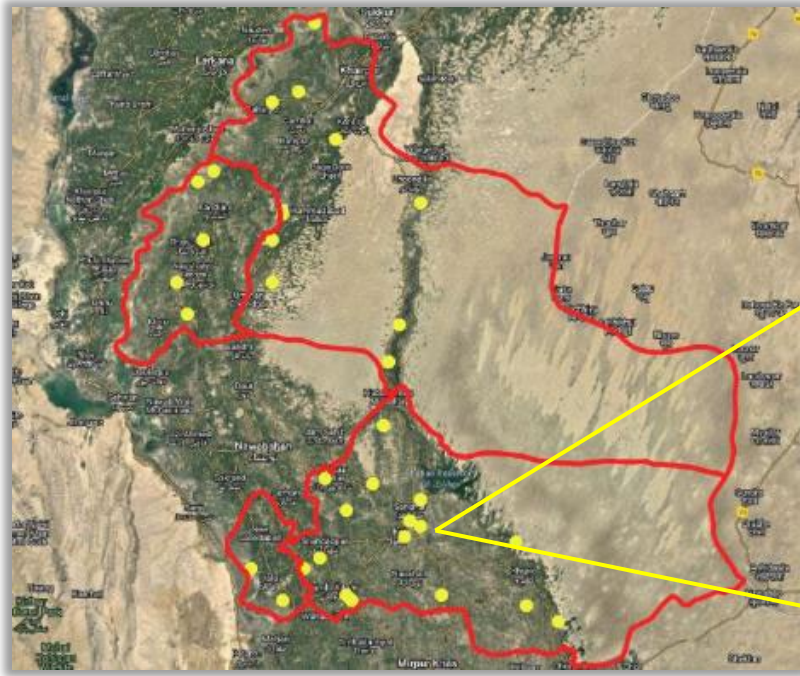


Sampling design

Mapping irrigation to support a better allocation of samples



Modernizing the crop statistics system to support more efficient subsidy allocation in Sindh, Pakistan



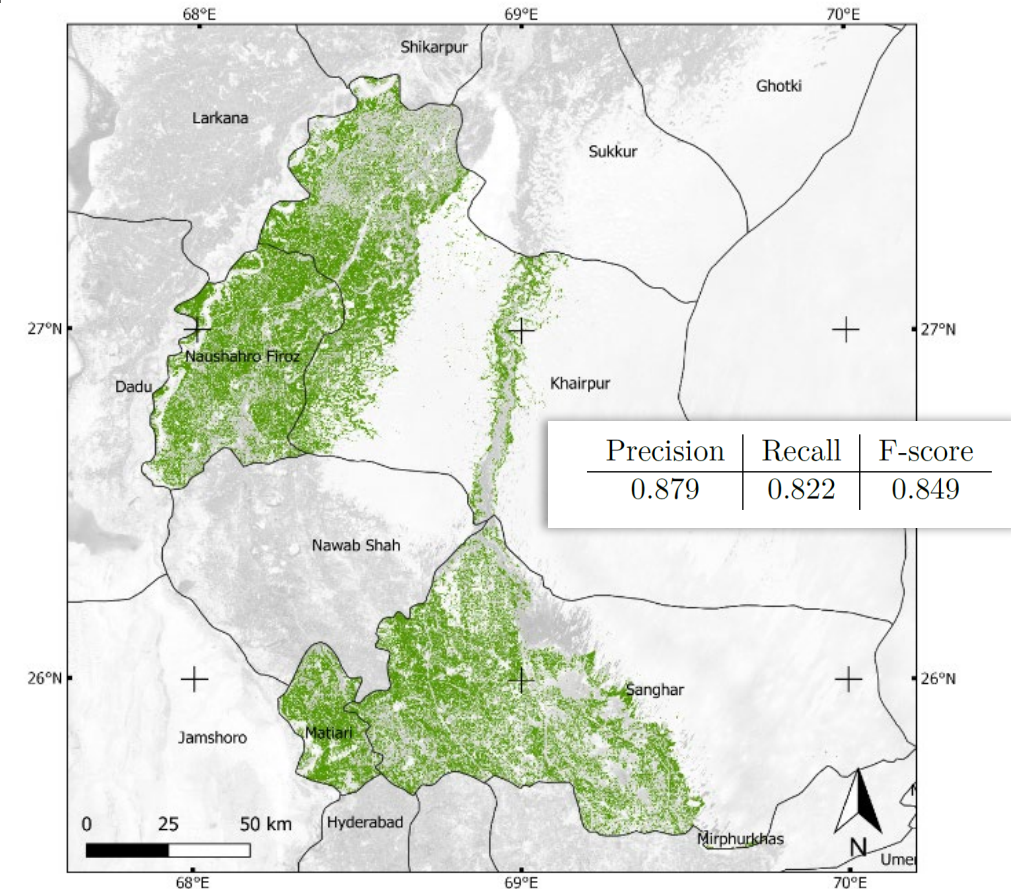
Example of area sampling frame specifically designed for the Rabi season 2024



	Statistical Survey	Windshield Survey
Irrigated Wheat	208	726
Other Crop	87	448
Non Crop	238	495
Total	533	1707

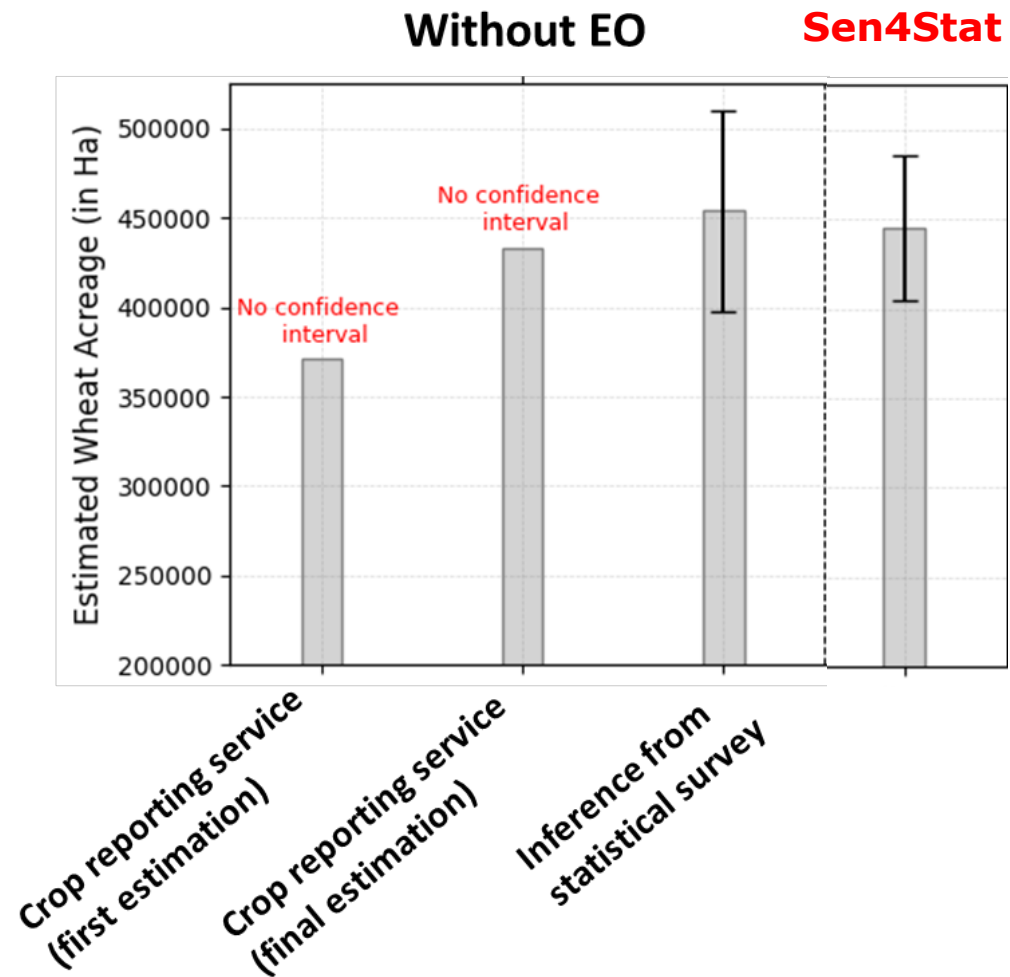
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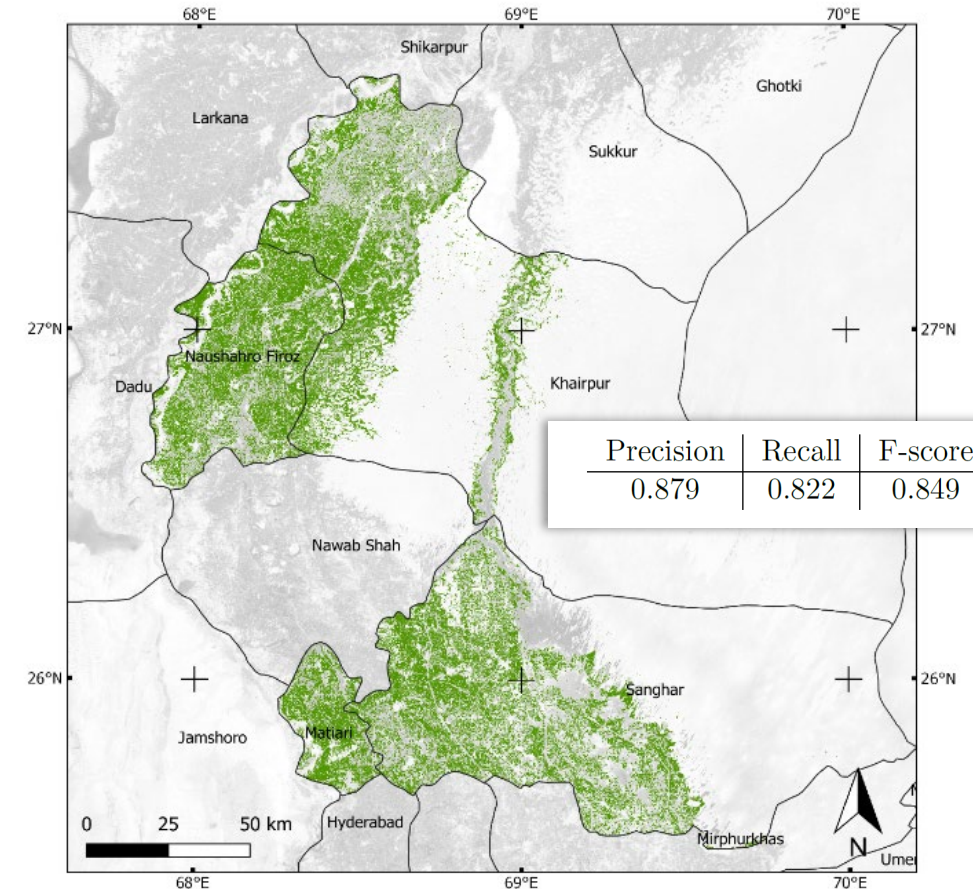
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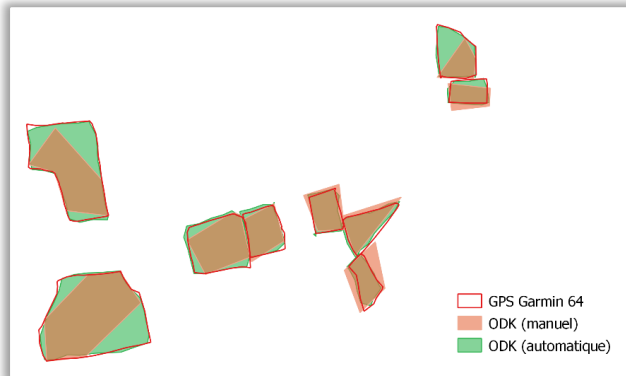


Adjusting Annual Agricultural Survey protocol for enabling the use of EO data in Senegal



Survey & data QA

- Systematic collection of parcels boundaries
- Comparing area measurements with tablet and with GPS
- Addressing the challenge of working with 2 devices (tablet and GPS)
- QA of data in near real time during the field campaign by us and by DAPSA





Reducing crop acreage uncertainty in Senegal (yield in progress)



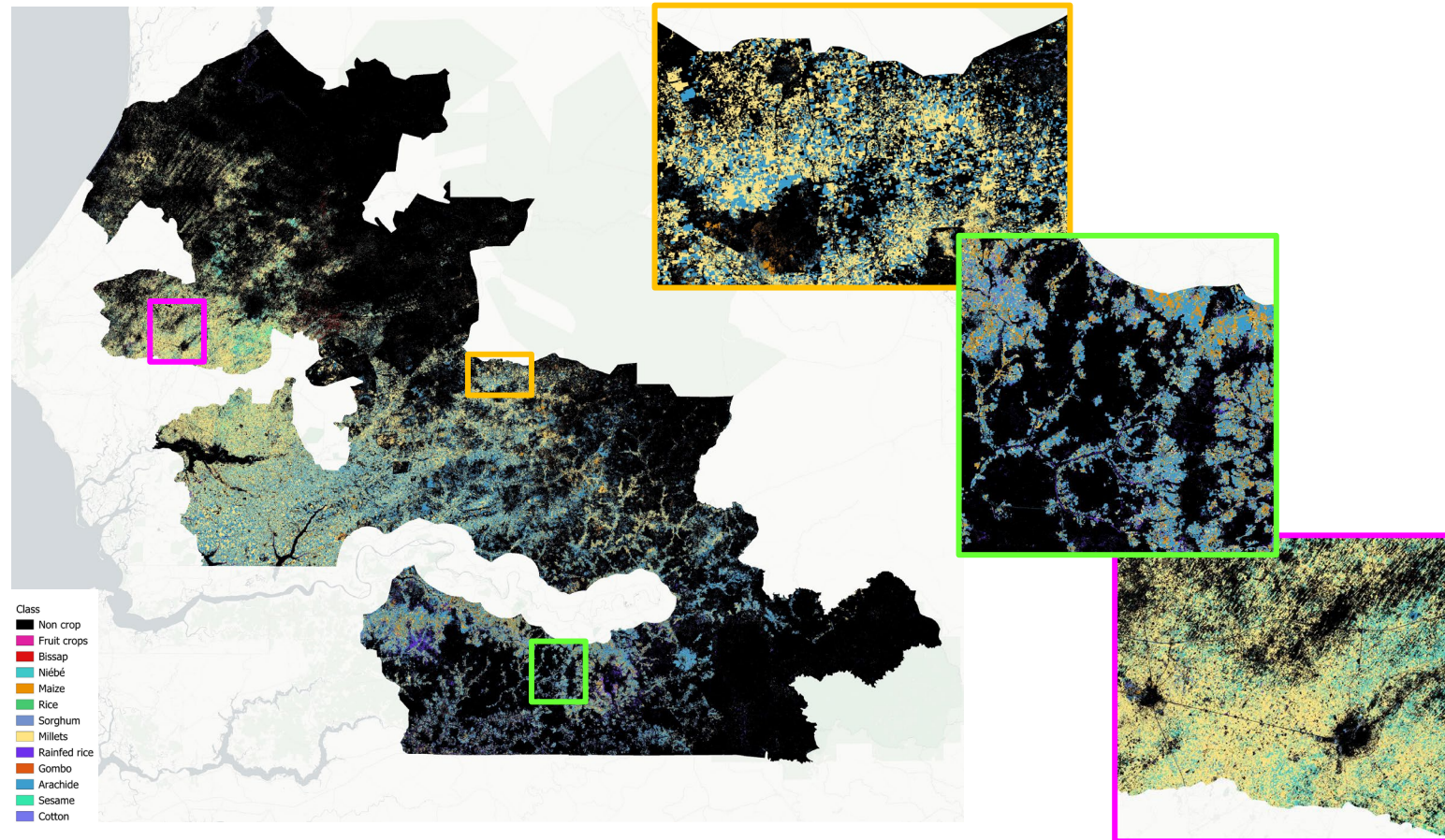
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Prototype in the department of Nioro

Extension to 6 departments + yield protocol adjustment

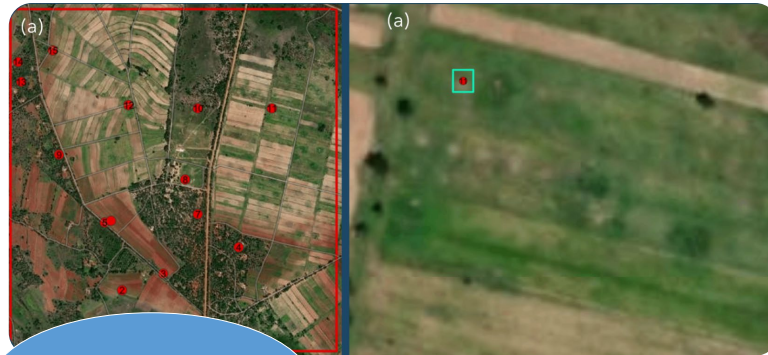




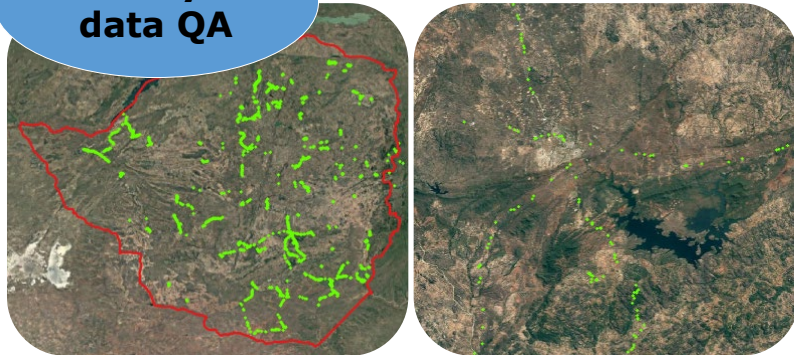
Partnering with MoA Zimbabwe to develop a national crop monitoring system with FAO EO-STAT



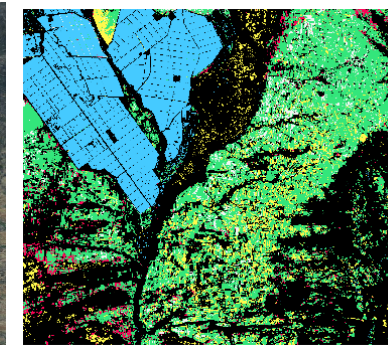
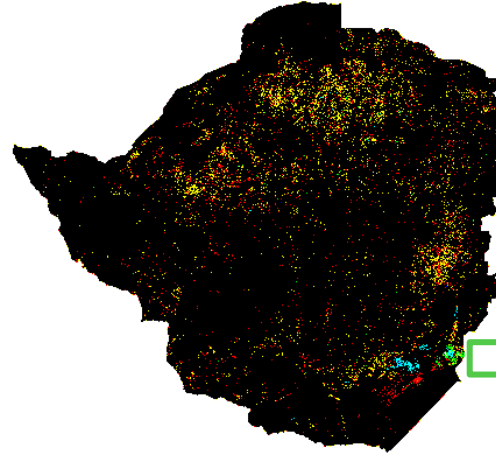
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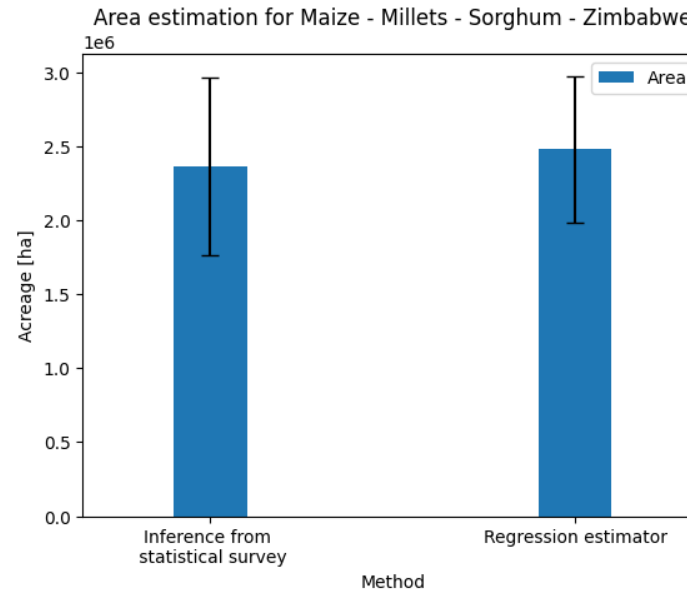
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Opportunistic survey for mapping purposes



- Class
- Non crop
 - Leguminous crops
 - Banana
 - Maize
 - Sorghum
 - Millet
 - Cabbage
 - Tomato
 - Soy bean
 - Round nut
 - Oilseed crops
 - Potato
 - Sugar cane
 - Cotton
 - Tobacco



Estimates aligned with figures from AGRITEX (Department of Agricultural, Technical and Extension Services, responsible for providing technical support and advice to farmers)

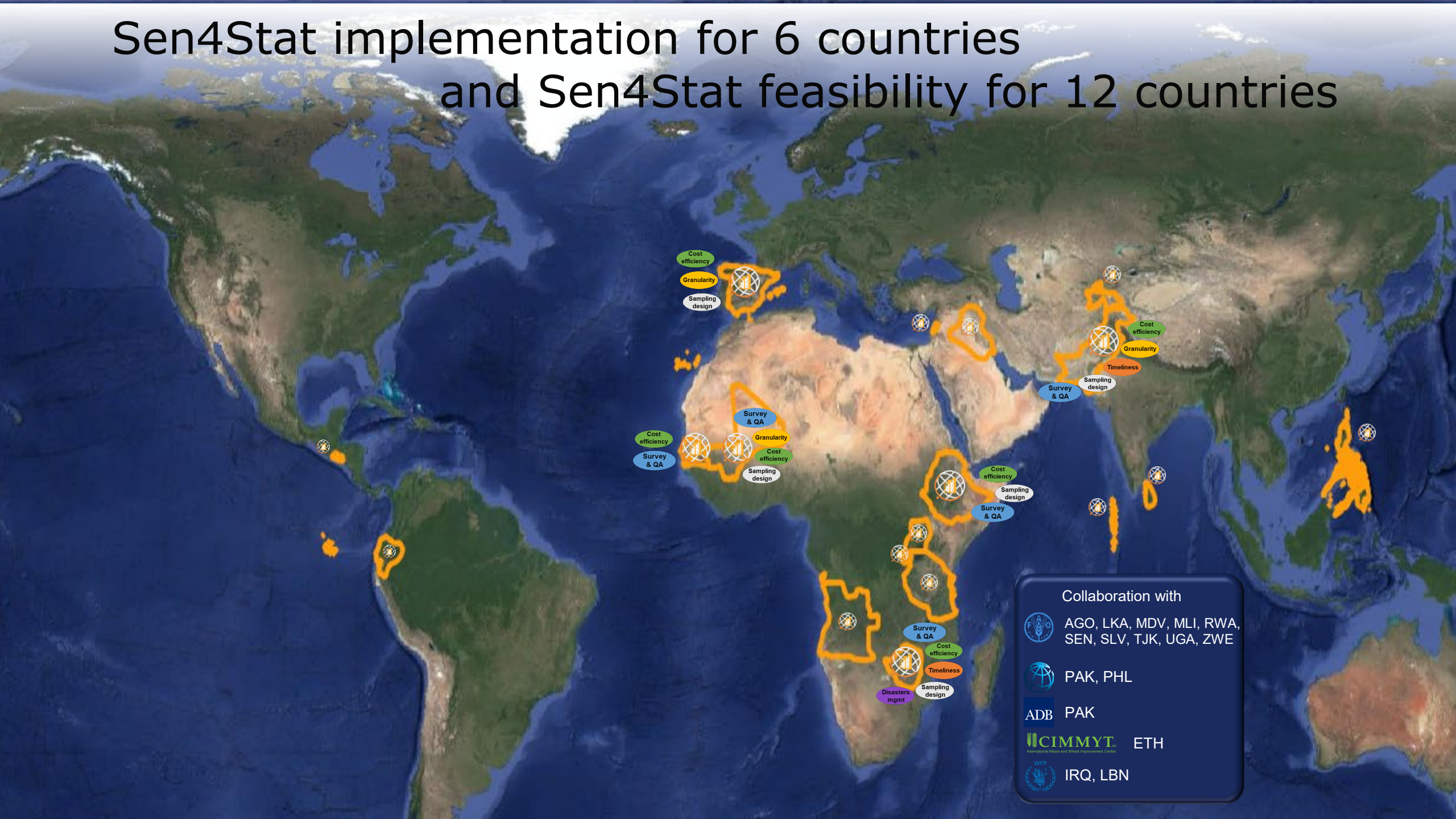
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Sen4Stat implementation for 6 countries
and Sen4Stat feasibility for 12 countries

Collaboration with

- AGO, LKA, MDV, MLI, RWA, SEN, SLV, TJK, UGA, ZWE
- PAK, PHL
- ADB PAK
- CIMMYT ETH
- IRQ, LBN





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Development and demonstration of agricultural Earth Observation (EO) products and workflows based on the Sentinel missions of the European Union (EU) Copernicus program which support the agricultural statistics and can be integrated in the National Statistical Offices (NSO) environment

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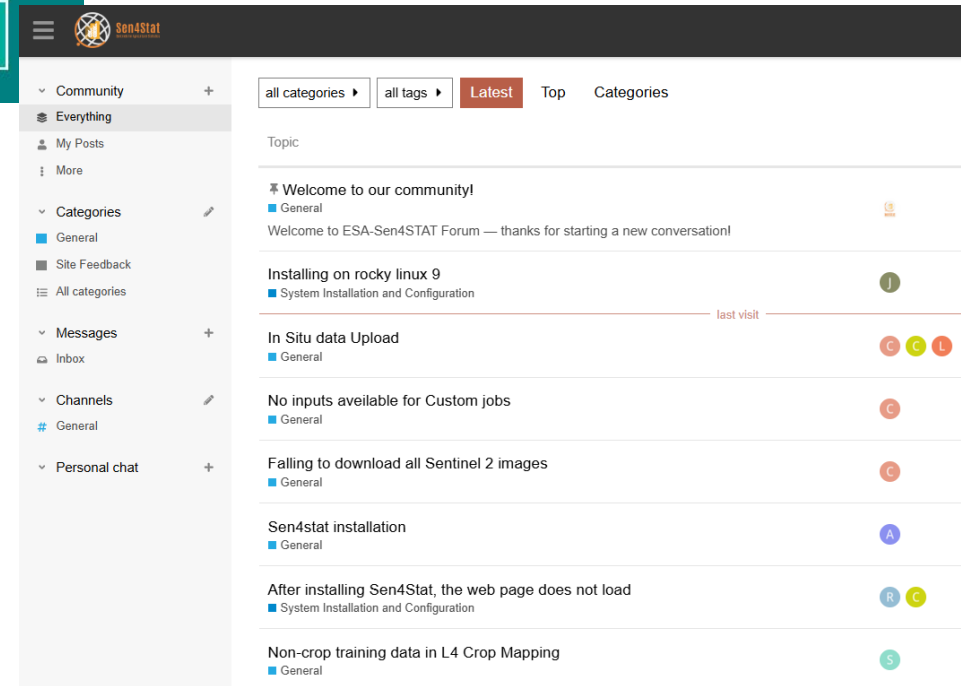
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Conferences and meetings



- Sen4Stat @Living Planet Symposium (Austria, June 2025)
- Sen4Stat stakeholder meeting in Brussels (Belgium) on 28-29 August
- Sen4Stat @AFCAS in Tunis (Tunisia) on 24-28 November 2025



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