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Global Agricultural Monitoring

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G-20 GEOGLAM: A GEO Initiative on Global Agricultural Monitoring through the use of earth observations

- Aim: Strengthen the international community's capacity to produce and disseminate relevant information on agricultural production at national, regional and global scales, through earth observations
- Building on existing monitoring systems
- Focus on producer countries and countries-at-risk

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Global Food Crisis
The new world of soaring food prices

months, the UN has warned, declaring a
famine in a new area.
The UN says tens of thousands of people have



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Bangladesh bans most rice exports

Bangladesh has banned exports of nearly all the rice it produces to prevent shortages and keep food costs down.

The government said the ban

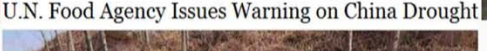
FOOD INSECURITY
Little Keeps Nigeria From Crisis



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The World's Growing Food
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GEO the Group on Earth Observations

**an Intergovernmental Organization with 90 Members
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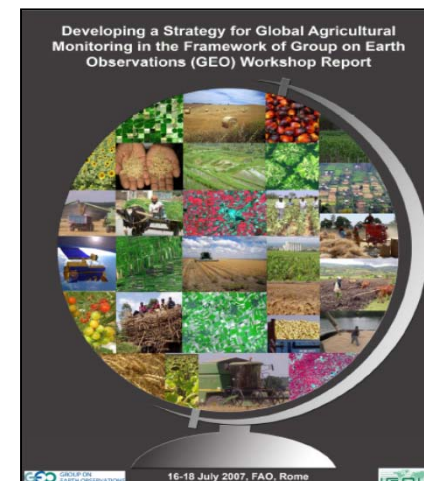


U.S. Department of State, Washington DC. July 31, 2003

**Led to the Establishment of a
Global Earth Observing System of Systems (GEOS)**

Initial GEO Agricultural Monitoring Workshop July 2007, UN-FAO

- IGOL*/GEO AgMon Workshop to develop a strategy for global agricultural monitoring in the framework of GEO
 - Attendance: 25 national and international organizations
 - Establishment of the '*GEO/IGOL Agricultural Monitoring Community of Practice*'



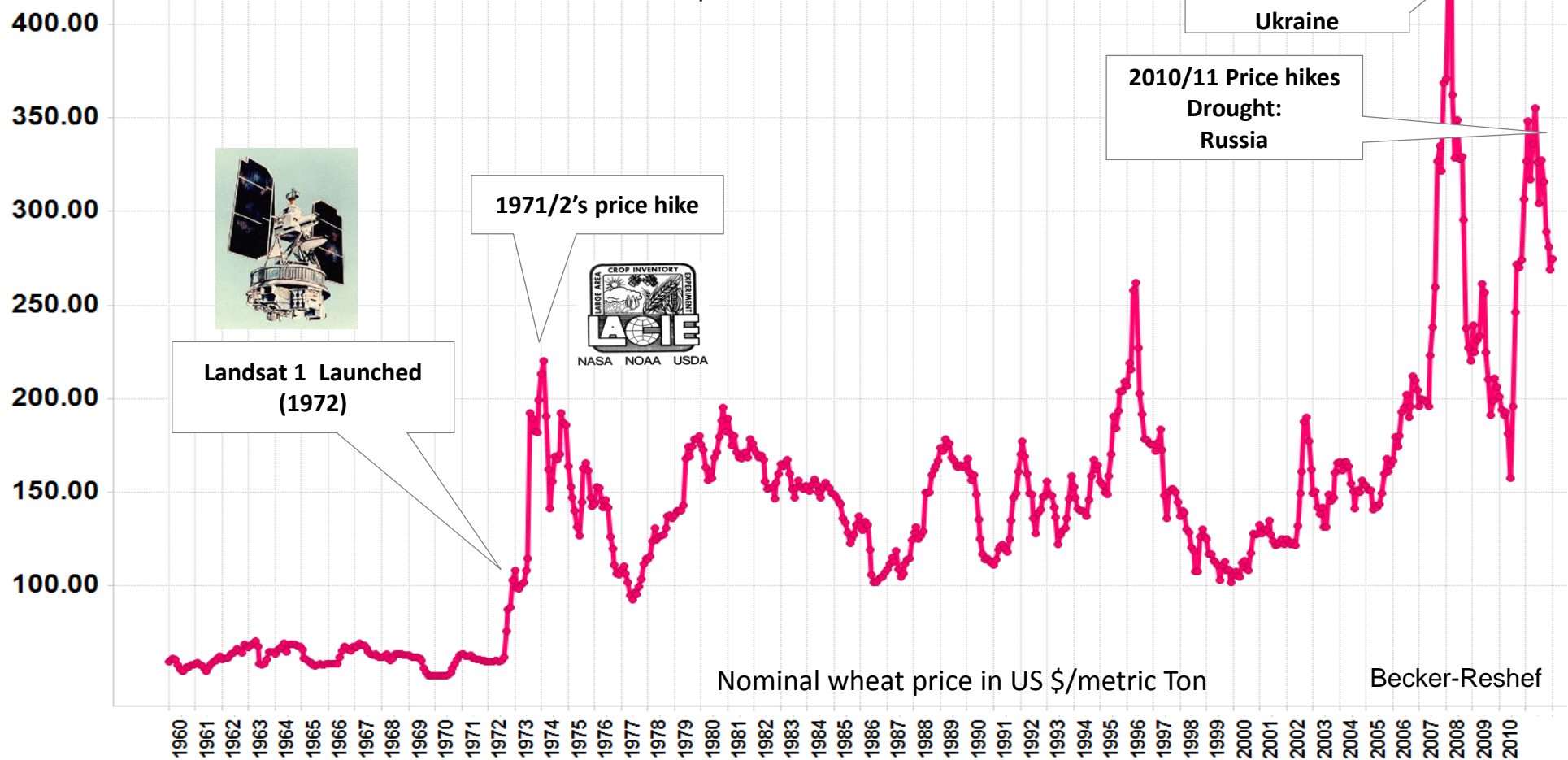
- **Agricultural Monitoring Community:** many common issues of data frequency, timeliness, policy, availability and continuity
- **Agricultural Monitoring Research Community:** little that could be adopted as 'operational'
 - Reviewed the current state of agricultural monitoring, identified gaps and developed a set of priorities and recommendations

Volatility of Agricultural Prices (1/2)

- International recognition of critical need for improved real time, reliable, open information on global agricultural production prospects

Monthly Wheat Prices 1960-2011 (\$/Metric Ton)

Source: World Bank, nominal prices

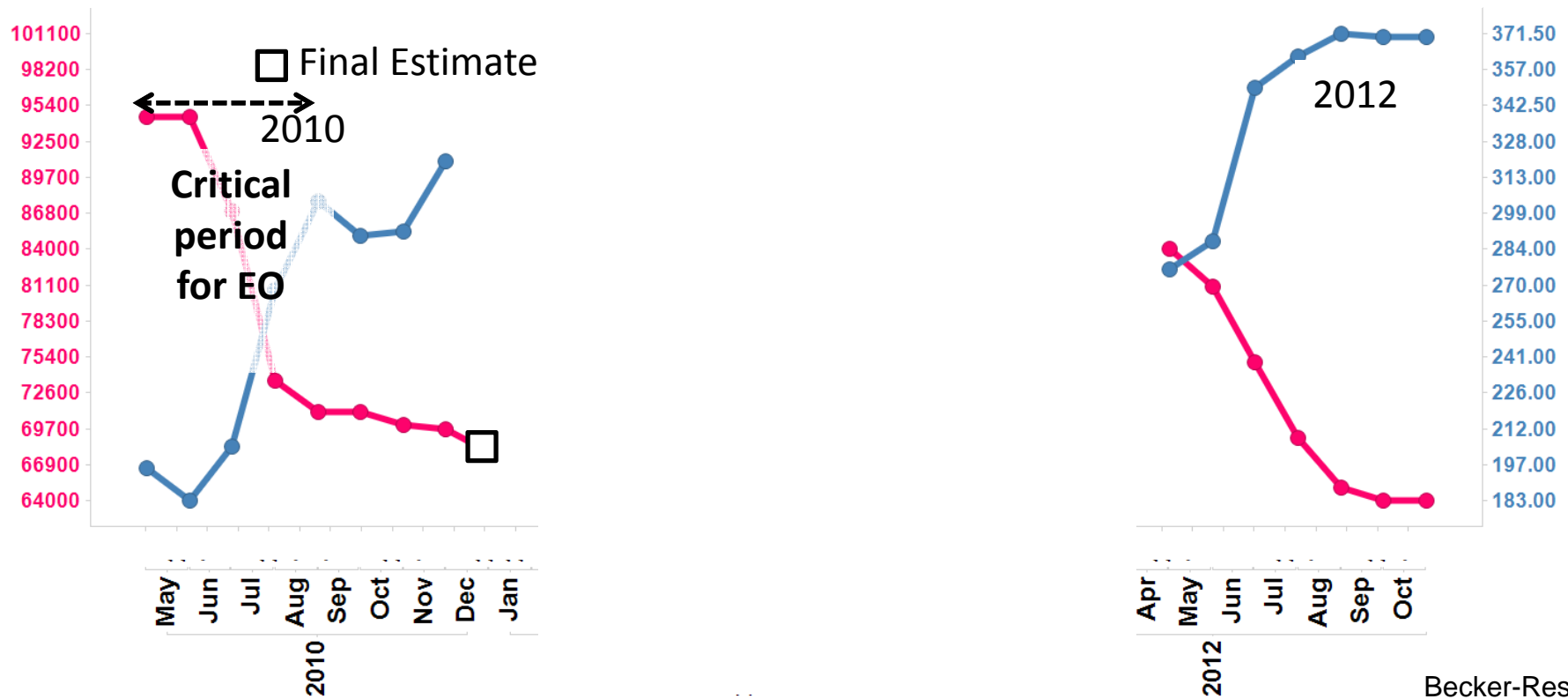


Volatility of Agricultural Prices (2/2)

Link with Production Forecasts

Aggregation of Wheat Production Forecasts from Main Wheat Export Countries vs. International Market Price: 2010, 2012

Price (\$/Ton) Production Forecasts 1,000 MT



The G20 Agriculture Mandate (2011)

G20 Final Declaration – Cannes, November 2011

44. We commit to **improve market information and transparency** in order to make international markets for agricultural commodities more effective. To that end, we launched:

- The "**Agricultural Market Information System**" (AMIS) in Rome on September 15, 2011, to improve information on markets ...;
- The "**Global Agricultural Geo-monitoring Initiative**" (GEOGLAM) in Geneva on September 22-23, 2011. This initiative will coordinate satellite monitoring observation systems in different regions of the world in order to enhance crop production projections...
 - Two initiatives to increase information availability, quality and transparency :

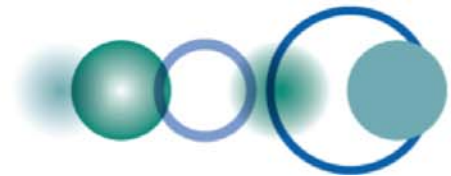
GEOGLAM : improve information on supply

AMIS : improve information on markets

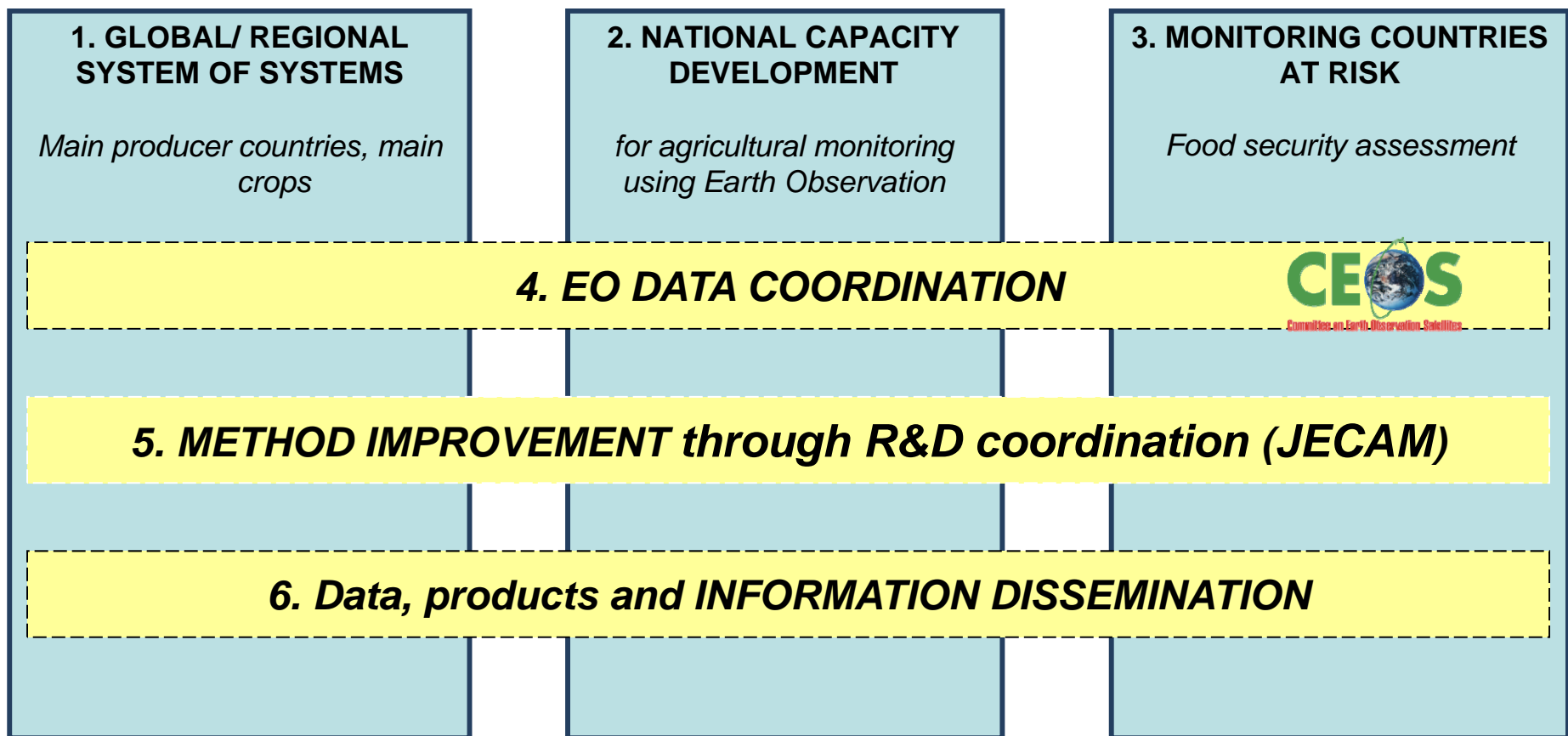
GEOGLAM Community of Practice

Open Community made up of international and national agencies concerned with agricultural monitoring including Ministries of Ag, space agencies, universities, & industry





The GEOGLAM Components



GEOGLAM - Phase 1 Support

- **EU FP 7**
 - SIGMA project
- **EU-ESA**
 - Sentinel-2 for Agriculture project
- **US-NASA**
 - Land Cover/Use Change
 - Crop Monitor
 - Global Soy Area Estimation
 - Wheat Yield Forecasting prototype
 - GEOGLAM operations
- **US-USDA**
 - Pakistan Capacity Building
 - GEOGLAM Operation w. NASA
- **Canada-Belgium (UCL)**
 - JECAM office
- **China**
 - CropWatch project
- **CEOS**
 - CEOS = Committee on Earth Observation Satellites
 - Provision of satellite imagery to GEOGLAM
- **CSIRO**
 - RAPP Office
- **Japan**
 - Asia-RICE Project (JAXA + ADB)
- **France**
 - Secondment of GEOGLAM project coordinator
- **Gates Foundation**
 - STARS Project (Africa & Asia)
- **Germany**
 - Indicated interest to support GEOGLAM
- **Argentina (Ministry of Ag)**
 - National capacity building initiative
- **Mexico (SIAP)**
 - National capacity building initiative

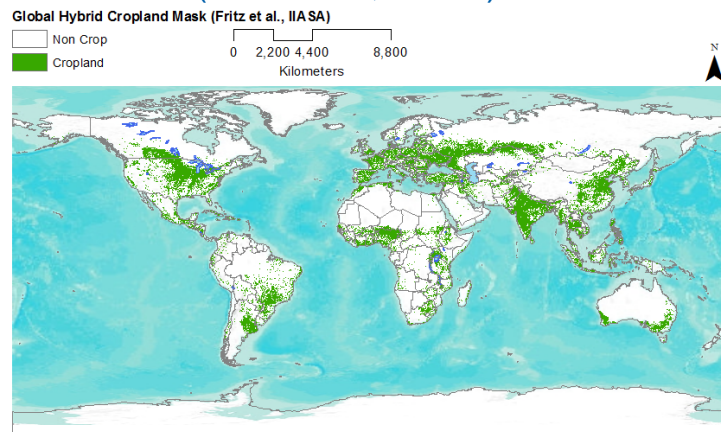
GEOGLAM Component #1 Global Agricultural Monitoring

Focus on major export and producer
countries

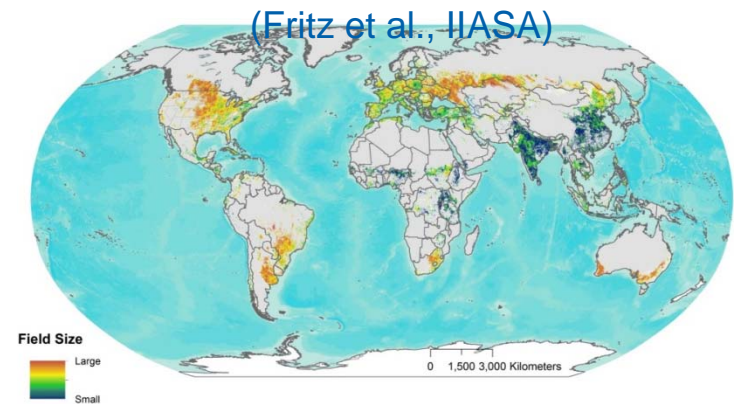


Development of Baseline Datasets as inputs to Agricultural Monitoring Strategy

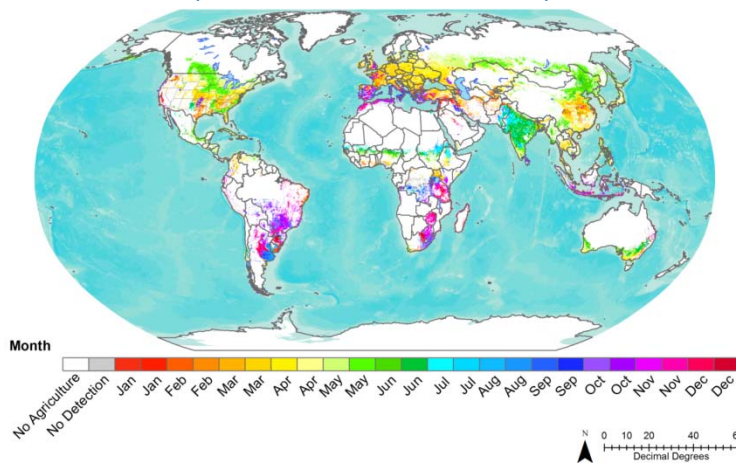
Where? Cropland Distribution (Fritz et al., IIASA)



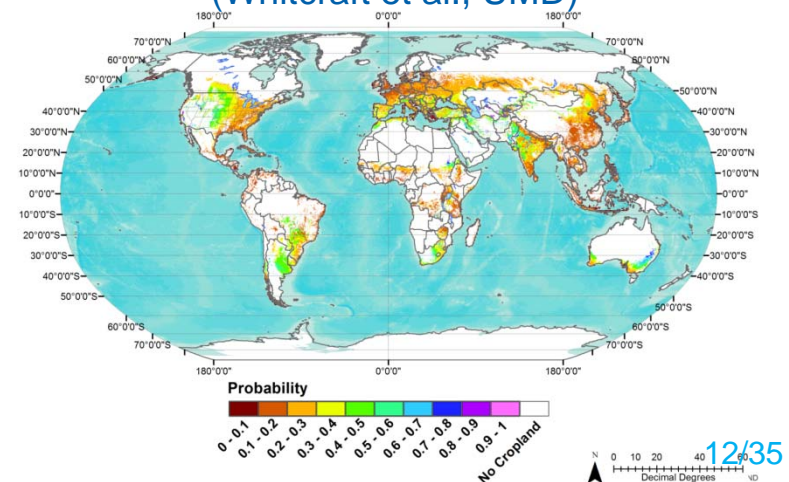
At what scale? Field Size Distribution (Fritz et al., IIASA)



When are the crops growing? (Whitcraft et al., UMD)



How do clouds impact clear views? (Whitcraft et al., UMD)



GEOGLAM Crop Monitor

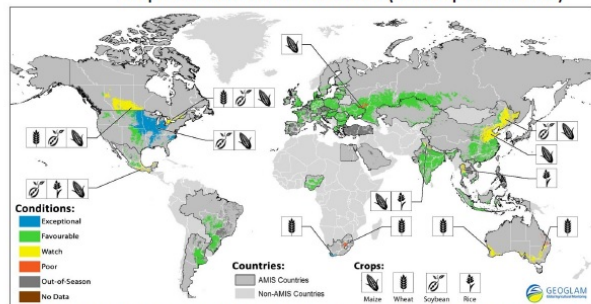
- **Objective: develop transparent, timely, crop condition assessments in primary agricultural production areas highlighting potential hotspots of stress/bumper crop**
- **Reflect international consensus of crop conditions**
- **Assessments published monthly in the AMIS Market Monitor**
- **<http://www.geoglam-crop-monitor.org>**

Coordinated by Center for Global Agricultural Monitoring Research, UMD

October 2014 Crop Monitor issue

Crop Monitor*

Crop Conditions in AMIS countries (as of September 28th)



Crop condition map synthesizing information for all four AMIS crops as of September 28th. Crop conditions over the main growing areas for wheat, maize, rice, and soybean are based on a combination of national and regional crop analyst inputs along with earth observation data. Crops that are in other than favourable conditions are displayed on the map with their crop symbol.

Highlights

Wheat conditions remain mostly favourable. In the northern hemisphere, the spring wheat season is coming to a close and winter wheat planting has begun. In Kazakhstan, Russia, US and China spring wheat conditions remain generally favourable. In Canada, spring wheat conditions have deteriorated due to ongoing excess of moisture, cool conditions and frost damage. In the southern hemisphere, wheat is mostly in vegetative to reproductive stages. In Australia, conditions remain mixed and overall yield prospects are reduced. Slightly warmer temperatures and below normal precipitation exacerbated crop deterioration in southern growing regions. In contrast, recent rainfall across Western Australia and central Queensland benefited late planted crops. Timely rainfall will be critical for sustaining crops through to harvest. In South Africa, Brazil, and Argentina conditions remain favourable though there is still some concern due to excess rainfall in parts of Argentina.

Maize overall conditions remain favourable. In the northern hemisphere, conditions remain very good in the US and good in the EU owing to favourable weather. In China, concern remains due to earlier dry and hot weather. In Russia concern remains over the central region and in Ukraine conditions have improved. In Mexico conditions remain generally favourable. In the southern hemisphere, planting has begun and conditions are favourable in Brazil and Argentina.

Rice conditions remain favourable. In India, conditions are mostly favourable and the crop is in vegetative to reproductive stages. In Indonesia and Thailand conditions are favourable, however, some concern remains over excess moisture in Thailand. In China, conditions are favourable. However, there is some concern over excess moisture due to Typhoon Kalmaegi. In Viet Nam, conditions are good however total planted area is down relative to last year.

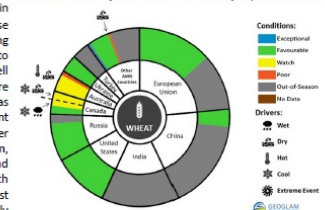
Soybeans overall conditions are very good primarily owing to the US crop. In the northern hemisphere a record crop is expected in the US owing to good weather and increased area. In China, conditions are generally favourable though concern remains due to earlier dry conditions in parts of the northeast growing region. In Canada, conditions remain mixed due to the ongoing cool and wet weather and recent frost events. In the southern hemisphere the planting season has begun in Brazil under favourable conditions.

El Niño situation update

Outlooks released in mid and late September by the Australian Bureau of Meteorology, the International Research Institute for Climate and Society, and the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration put the probability of an El Niño event during the 2014-2015 southern hemisphere growing season above 50%. Model projections suggest the event will not be a strong one. Potential impacts of El Niño should be considered nonetheless. These include below-normal rainfall in parts of Asia, Southern Africa, and Australia, potentially affecting rice, maize, and wheat. In major regions of South America, El Niño is often associated with above-average rainfall potentially benefiting maize, soy and wheat.

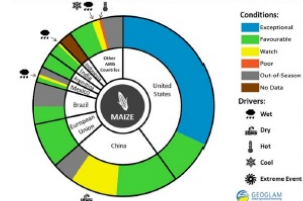
Wheat conditions in the northern hemisphere remain favourable. The spring wheat season is drawing to a close and winter wheat planting is in progress. In Russia, spring wheat prospects remain favourable as harvest is close to completion. Winter wheat planting is progressing well owing to favourable weather that boosted moisture conditions. In Ukraine, winter wheat planting has started under mostly favourable conditions. Recent precipitation helped to alleviate dry conditions, however yields continued in southern regions. In Kazakhstan, winter wheat conditions remain overall favourable and most in the main wheat zone is in progress with planted yield slightly below average. In the EU, harvest complete and overall yields remain favourable, slightly above the 5-year average. Winter wheat planting has started as normal. In the US, spring wheat conditions are overall favourable. Harvest is nearly complete after some delays in northern areas due to wet conditions. Planting of winter wheat is underway. In Canada, conditions have deteriorated. In the Prairies, dry conditions and frost in early ptember caused crop damage, though the full impact will not be known until harvest is complete. In addition the going excess moisture and cool conditions continue to delay harvest by a couple of weeks. In eastern regions conditions were good and harvest was progressing normally until a mid September frost event. Impacts are still to be determined. In Argentina, conditions remain generally good, and the crop is in vegetative to reproductive stages. Concern remains due to excess moisture in south-western Buenos Aires region. In Brazil, wheat conditions are favourable. Planted area increased relative to last year and an increase in production is likely. Sowing is concluded and a crop is mostly in reproductive to harvest stages. In Australia, conditions remain mixed and overall yield prospects are reduced. Slightly warmer temperatures and below normal precipitation exacerbated crop deterioration in northern growing regions where soil moisture deficits persisted since August. In contrast, recent rainfall across eastern Australia and central Queensland benefited late planted crops. Timely rainfall will be critical for sustaining crops through to harvest. In South Africa conditions remain favourable over the winter rainfall region (main area) owing to normal to above-normal rainfall in winter, and yields are expected to be similar to last year. Over the summer rainfall region, below-normal rain since April resulted in reduced planted area.

Wheat Conditions for AMIS countries as of September 28th.



For detailed description of the pie chart please see box on page 4.

Maize Conditions for AMIS countries as of September 28th.

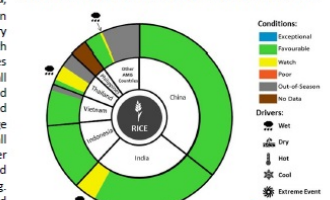


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Maize conditions in the northern hemisphere remain overall favourable. In the US, the crop will likely surpass both yield and production records in large part due to excellent and consistent summer conditions, particularly in the dominant Corn Belt region. In the EU, yield prospects of grain maize remain good despite limited local concerns due to excessive rainfall. In Russia, harvest is underway. Concern remains in the central region where yields are expected to be down relative to last year. In Ukraine, prospects improved for maize. Quality is expected to be average and harvest is progressing. In China, conditions remain mixed with concern across much of the North China Plain and Northeast growing regions, maize harvest is mostly complete. In south-western regions, maize harvest is complete. There is some concern over excess moisture in a few production areas in southern growing regions, but without considerable damage to production. In Canada, conditions remain mixed and harvest is underway. Wet weather remains a concern and is delaying harvest. In Argentina, there is some concern over the September frost events. In Nigeria, conditions improved and are favourable. In the southern hemisphere conditions are favourable. In Brazil weather conditions are favourable for sowing of the crop. In Argentina, planting is progressing in Buenos Aires, Cordoba and Santa Fe and conditions are overall favourable for the emerging crops.

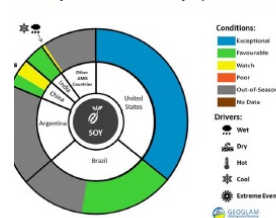
conditions are generally favourable. In India, rice is mostly favourable and the crop is in vegetative to reproductive stages. In Indonesia, the dry crop conditions remain favourable. Rice growth range between vegetative to maturity stages depend on planting date. In Viet Nam, overall conditions of the summer, the summer-autumn, and winter crops are good. However, total planted area lower relative to last year. Growth stages range from transplanting to harvest. In Thailand, overall conditions are favourable. Some concern remains over season rice in some provinces in the north and south due to heavy rainfall and some flooding. In planted area of wet season rice has decreased to last year in favour of other crops. In China, conditions remain generally favourable. However, there is some concern due to typhoon Kalmaegi, which brought heavy rainstorms to southern growing regions. Single dry rice is mostly in heading to harvest stages, while late season rice is in booting to flowering stages. In the EU, the crop is still progressing as normal. In the US, conditions are favourable and much of the crop has been planted. In Nigeria, conditions are favourable. In Brazil, the main producer state started the soil tillage in preparation for the next crop.

Rice Conditions for AMIS countries as of September 28th.



For detailed description of the pie chart please see box below.

Soybean Conditions for AMIS countries as of September 28th.



For detailed description of the pie chart please see box below.

as been on the rise. In Brazil, the planting season began in main producer states under mostly favourable conditions.

Soybeans prospects in the northern hemisphere are overall very good primarily owing to the US crop. In the US, there will be an exceptionally large soybean crop, well surpassing past production records. This is due to both very good growing conditions, which have occurred throughout the summer, and a big increase in planted area from previous years. In Canada, conditions remain mixed due to excess moisture and a cooler than normal summer and recent frost events. Development is generally a week behind normal, with frost becoming an increasing risk. In China, conditions remain generally favourable except in the western and southern parts of the northeast soybean producing area where persistent drought occurred earlier in the season. The crop is mainly in maturity stages. In Nigeria, conditions are favourable owing to good moisture conditions. In addition planted area in main producer states under mostly favourable conditions.

Chart description: Each slice represents a country's share of total AMIS production (5-year average). Main producing areas (representing 90 percent of production) are shown individually, with the remaining 10 percent grouped into the 'Other AMIS Countries' category. The area within each slice is divided between crops in-season (colour) and out-of-season (grey). The in-season portion is coloured according to the various crop conditions within that country. When conditions are 'poor' or 'watch', icons are added that provide information on the key climatic drivers affecting conditions. The red areas reflect conditions by area rather than overall national production.

and Disclaimers: The Crop Monitor assessment is conducted by GEOGLAM with inputs from the following partners (in alphabetical order): Argentina (IAIA), Australia (AFSA), ASEAN-3 (AFSA, ASEAN-3 & ASIA RICE), Australia (ABARES & CSIRO), Brazil (CONAB & INPE), Canada (AAFC), China (CAAS), EU (EC JRC MARS), India (ICAR), Japan (NRI), International (CIMMYT, FAO, IFPRI & IRI), Korea (KRIAS), Mexico (SIAP), Russia (RII), South Africa (ARC & GeoTerraImage & SANSI), Thailand (GISTDA & OAE), Ukraine (NASU-NSAU & UMMC), USA (NASS, USDA, USGS - FWS NET, USDA (FAS, NASS)), Viet Nam (VAST & VHMH-MARD). The findings in this joint multi-agency report are consensual statements from the GEOGLAM experts, and do not necessarily reflect those of the individual represented by these experts. Map data sources: Major crop type areas based on the IFPRI/IASA SPAM 2005 beta release (2013); USDA/NASS 2013 COT 1C Annual Crop Inventory Map; GLAM/UMD, GLAD/UMD, Australian Land Use and Management Classification (Version 7), SIAP, ARC, and JRC. Crop calendar based on GEOGLAM partner crop calendars and USDA crop calendars. Detailed information on the GEOGLAM crop assessments is available www.geoglam-crop-monitor.org. Information regarding on the new crop monitor and pie charts: <http://www.geoglam-crop-monitor.org/content/about-geoglam-crop-monitor>.

GEOGLAM Crop Monitor Partners

>30 partners & growing

Country	Organization/Agency	Country	Organization/Agency
Argentina	INTA	Japan	JAXA
Asian Rice Countries	AFSIS ASEAN +3	Mexico	SIAP
Asian Rice Countries	Asia RiCE	Russia	IKI
Australia	ABARES	South Africa	ARC
Australia	CSIRO	South Africa	GeoTerraImage
Brazil	CONAB	South Africa	SANSA
Brazil	INPE	Thailand	GISTDA
Canada	AAFC	Thailand	OAE
China	CAS	Ukraine	NASU-NSAU
EU	EC JRC MARS	Ukraine	UHMC
India	ISRO	Uruguay	MGAP
Indonesia	LAPAN	USA	NASA
Indonesia	MOA	USA	UMD
International	CIMMYT	USA	USDA (FAS, NASS)
International	FAO	USA	USGS - FEWS NET
International	IRRI	Vietnam	VAST
International	IFPRI	Vietnam	VIMHE-MARD

Refining the Communication Interface for Crop Condition Assessments

Overlay #1

NDVI Anomaly 18th (NASA/UMD)

Opacity: 100%

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Overlay #2

Temperature Sum Anomaly (NOAA/UMD)

Opacity: 100%

-150 degree days (°C) 150

Crop Mask

Wheat ON

Maize OFF

Soybean OFF

Rice OFF

Crop Calendar & Monitoring

Month: September

1st 15th

Season: Spring Wheat

Crop Calendar ON

Assessment ON

Overlay #2 Overlay #1

Imagery

Imagery with Labels

Streets

Topographic

Terrain with Labels

Light Gray

Crop Stage

- Planting-Early Vegetative
- Vegetative-Reproductive
- Ripening Through Harvest
- Out of Season or N/A

Assessment

- Exceptional
- Favorable
- Watch
- Poor

Condition & Trend

Condition: Exceptional ▼

Trend: Stable ▼

Provenances: International Sources ▼

Observed Date: 05/07/2014 📅

Drivers & Impacts

Wet Minor Positive ▼

Dry Select Impact ▼

Hot Select Impact ▼

Cold Select Impact ▼

Extreme Event Select Impact ▼

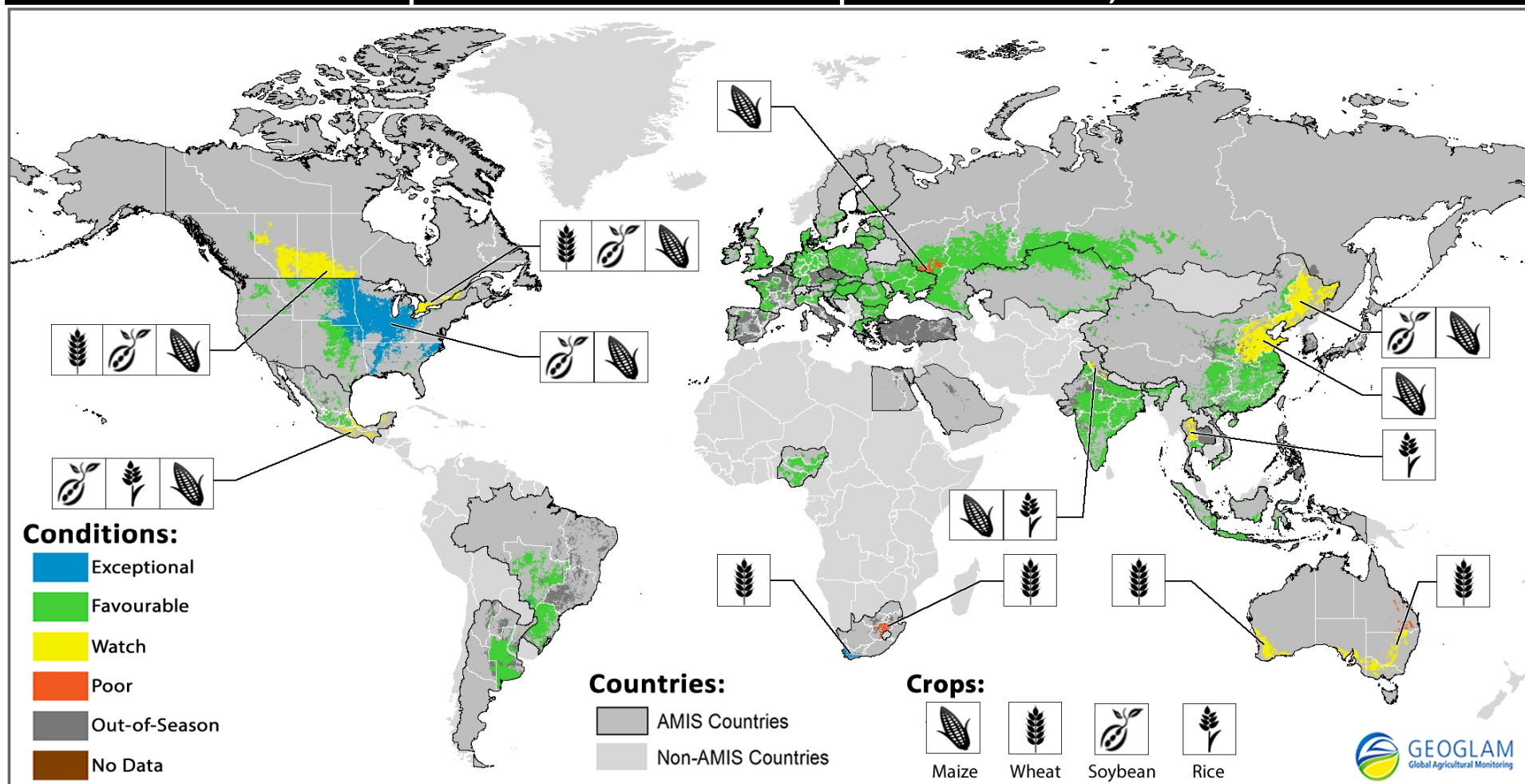
Comments

Slightly higher than average rainfall should result in increased crop yield.

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Current Crop Monitor Products for AMIS: Synthesis Condition Maps (other versions available online)

Crop Conditions as of September 28th, 2014



Crop condition map synthesizing information for all four AMIS crops

Crops that are in other than favorable conditions are displayed on the map with their crop symbol.

(Cropland area shown is an aggregation of all cropland areas)

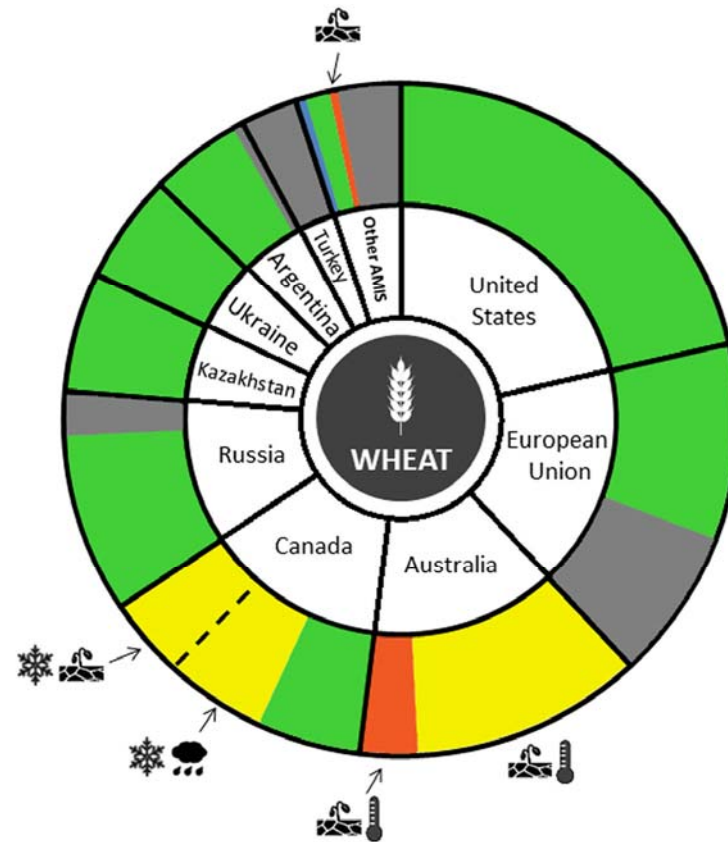
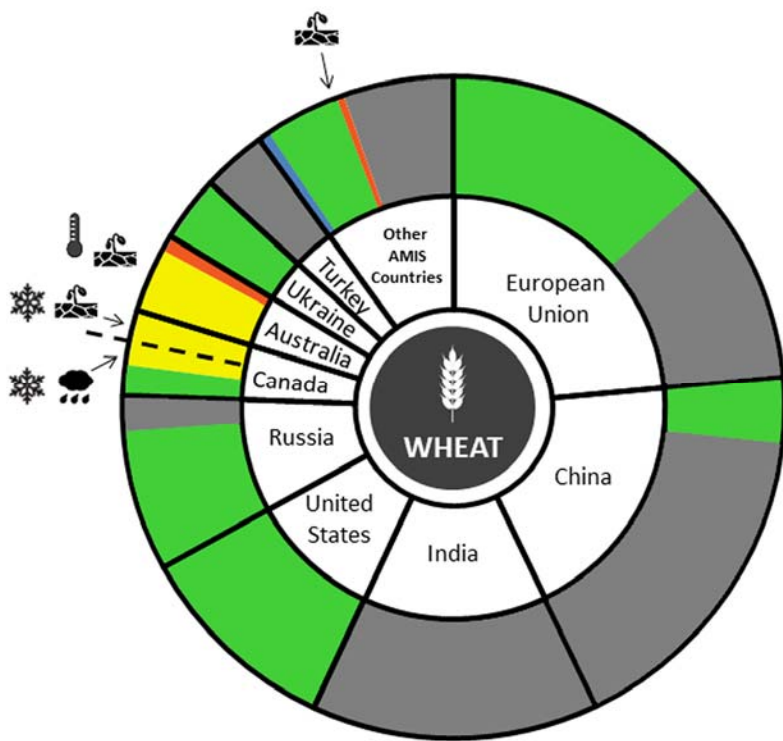
Pie Charts, with crop condition drivers

Crop Conditions as of September 28th, 2014

As share of:

Wheat Production

Wheat Exports (available online)



Conditions:

- Exceptional
- Favourable
- Watch
- Poor
- Out-of-Season
- No Data

Drivers:

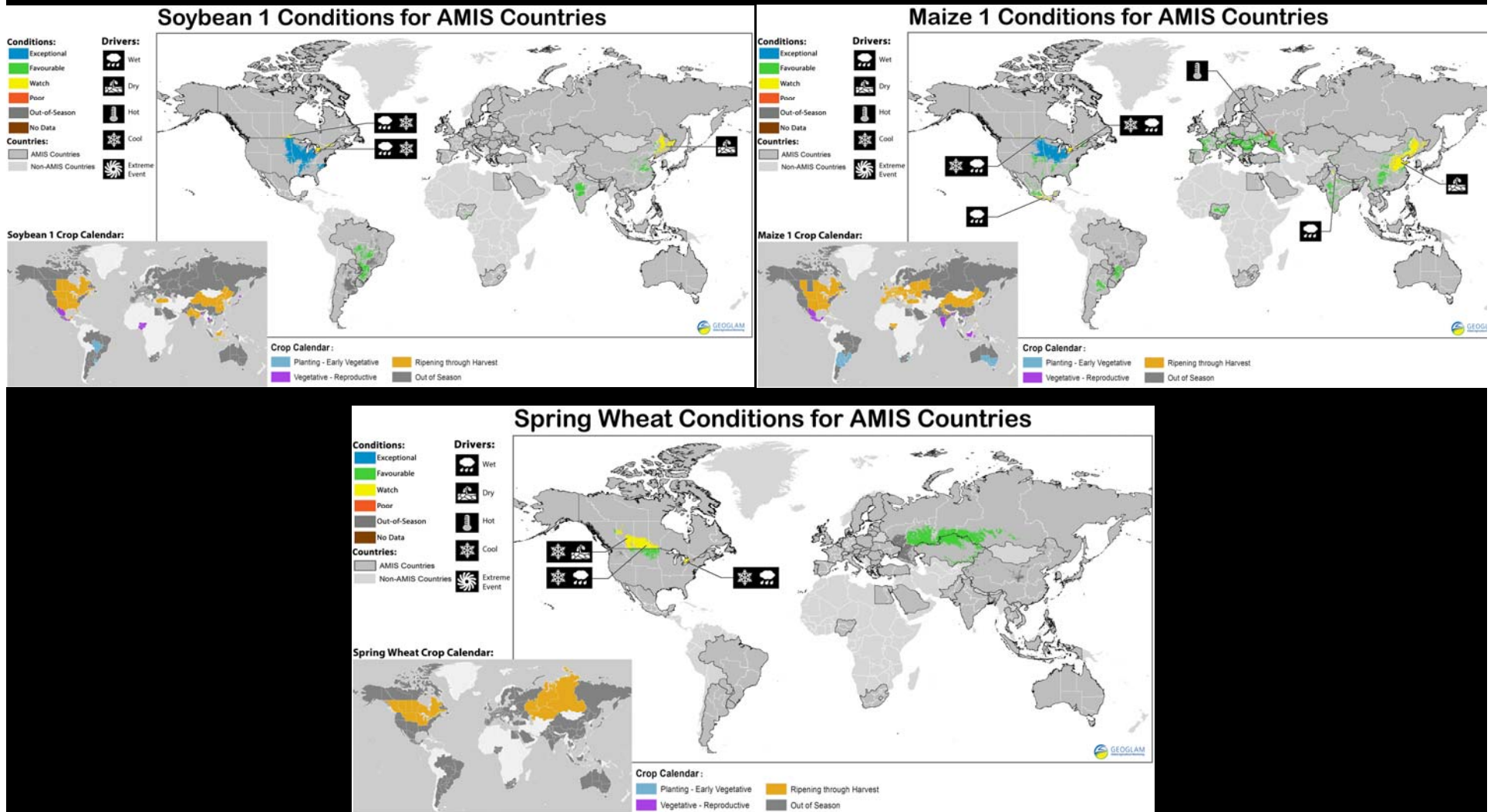
- Wet
- Dry
- Hot
- Cool
- Extreme Event



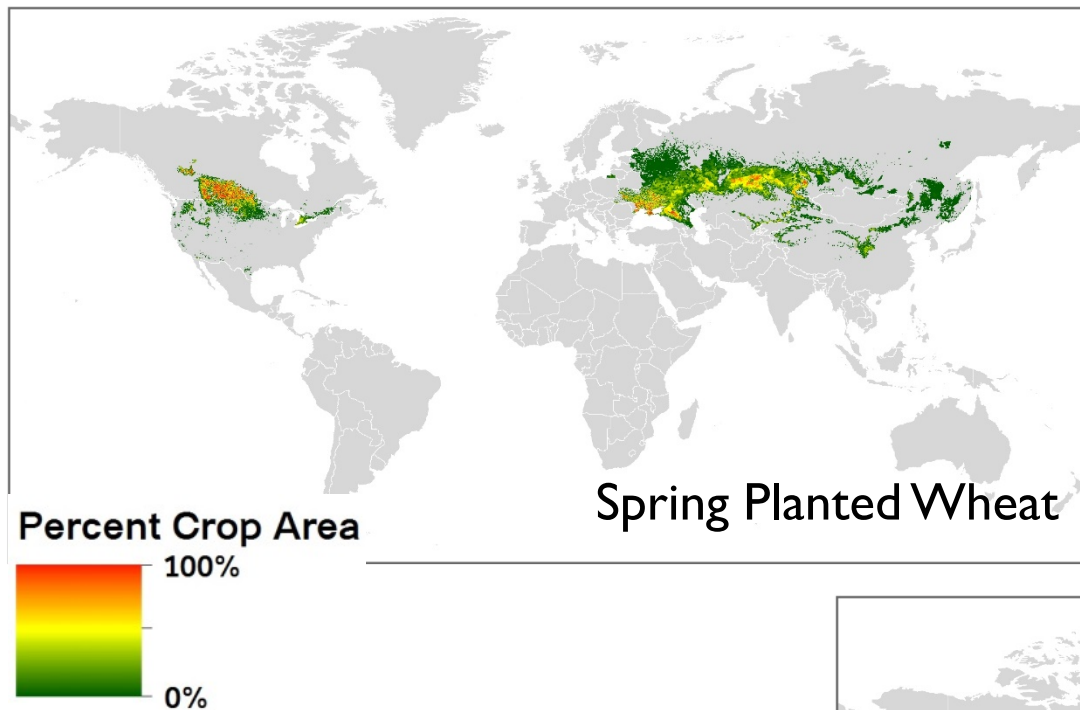
A country's slice represents its portion of the 5 year average of the total AMIS countries production

Crop Specific Crop Condition Maps with Crop Calendar inserts (available online)

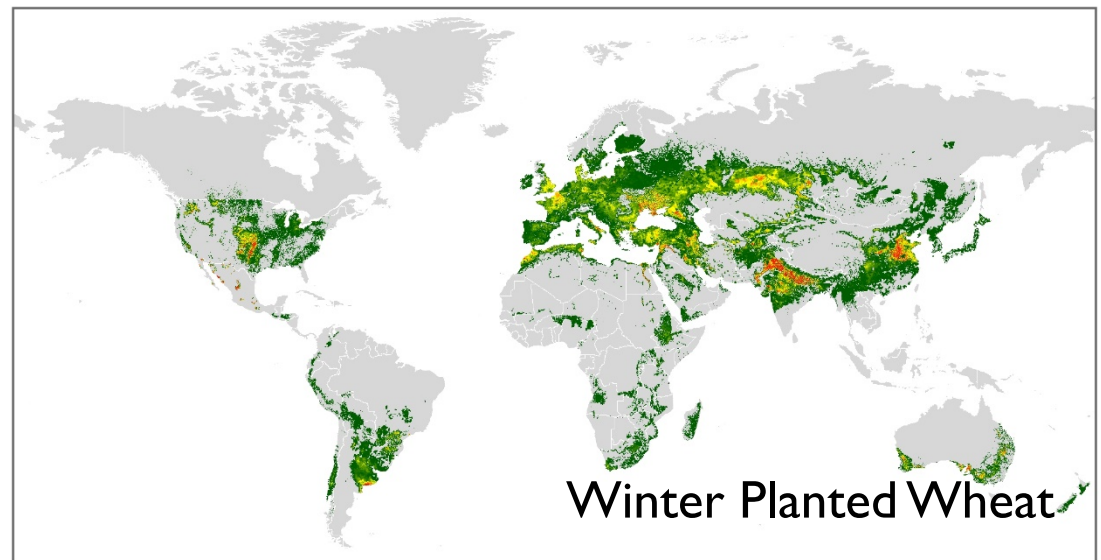
Crop Conditions as of September 28th, 2014



Crop Monitor Crop Masks and Calendars



New Crop Monitor products
Reflect best available crop type
distribution based on multiple
national & global products



Sources: IFPRI/IIASA SPAM 2005 [beta version; released 2013]), USDA/NASS CDL 2013, AAFC Annual Crop Inventory Map 2013, SIAP (Mexico) Crop Type Maps, GLAM/UMD wheat and soy masks, Australian Land Use and Management Classification (Version 7), ARC South Africa, Nigeria, and EC JRC MARS crop type masks. Asian Rice countries to be added in August.

Crop Monitor Website

www.geoglam-crop-monitor.org

Crop Monitor Assessments

The Crop Monitor provides AMIS with an international and transparent multi-source, consensus assessment of crop growing conditions, status, and agro-climatic conditions, likely to impact global production. This activity covers the four primary crop types (wheat, maize, rice, and soy) within the main agricultural producing regions of the AMIS countries. These assessments have been produced operationally since September 2013 and are published in the AMIS Market Monitor Bulletin. The Crop Monitor reports provide cartographic and textual summaries of crop conditions as of the 28th of each month, according to crop type.

Available Assessment Reports:

Month	Crop Monitor Reports	Maps and Charts
May 2014	May Crop Monitor Report	Maps and Charts
April 2014	April Crop Monitor Report	
March 2014	March Crop Monitor Report	
February 2014	February Crop Monitor Report	
December 2013	December Crop Monitor Report	

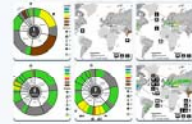
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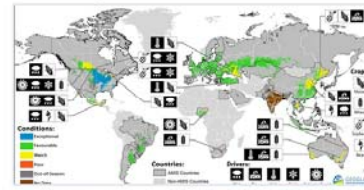
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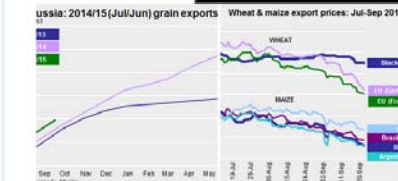
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	Asia RICE	http://asia-rice.org/index.html
	AFSIS	http://www.afsis.org
	ASEAN Food Security Information System	http://www.afsis.org
	ASEAN Plus Three cooperation	http://www.asean.org/
	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation	http://www.csiro.au/

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Map



Monthly Assessment



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 @GEOSEC2025 coordinates global agricultural monitoring via #Earth observations. CEOS helps out with #satellite #data. pic.twitter.com/ZULvSvbQB

Synthesis Maps

Wheat

Rice

Maize

Soybean

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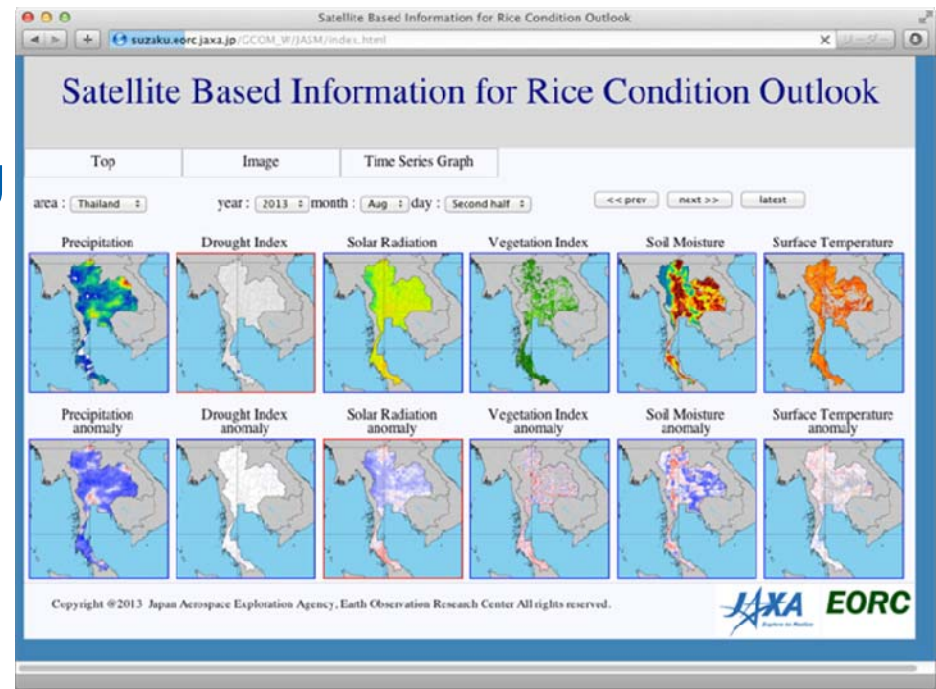
Crop Conditions for AMIS Countries (As of April 28th):



Asia-RiCE – Asian Rice Monitoring



- A multi-national project led by Japan (JAXA), with collaborations in ASEAN+3 countries and India
- A regional view using agro-meteorological data derived from low resolution optical satellite imagery (MODIS, GCOM-W, TRMM and others)
- A local view to estimate rice crop area and production using available radar and other satellite data with ground observation data and statistical information (test-sites in Indonesia, Thailand and Vietnam)

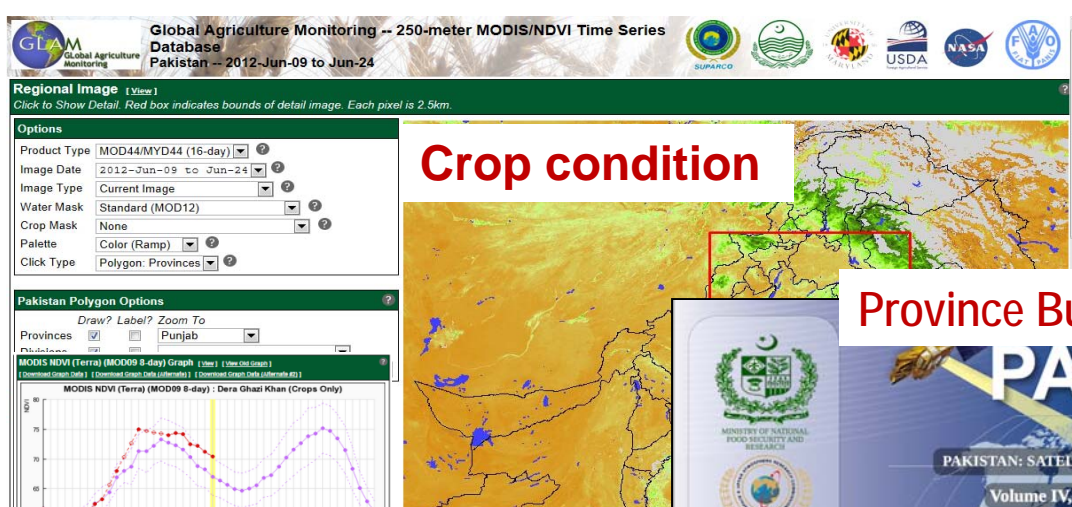


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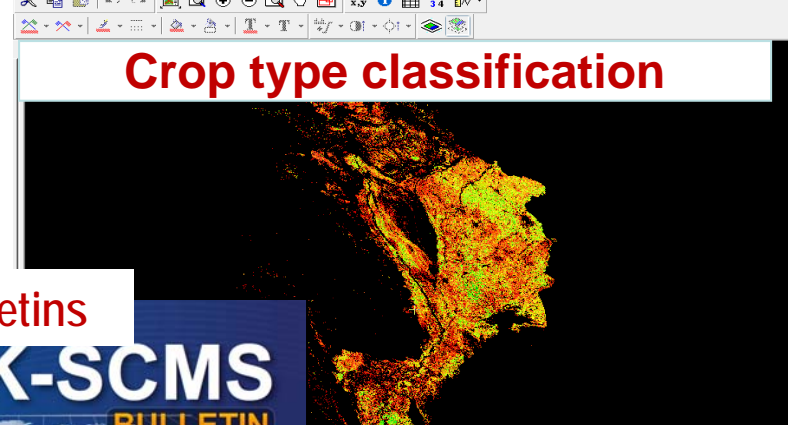
GEOGLAM Component #2 Capacity Building




Example : Pakistan Agricultural Information System (Collaboration among CRS, FAO, SUPARCO, UMD & USDA)



Crop condition

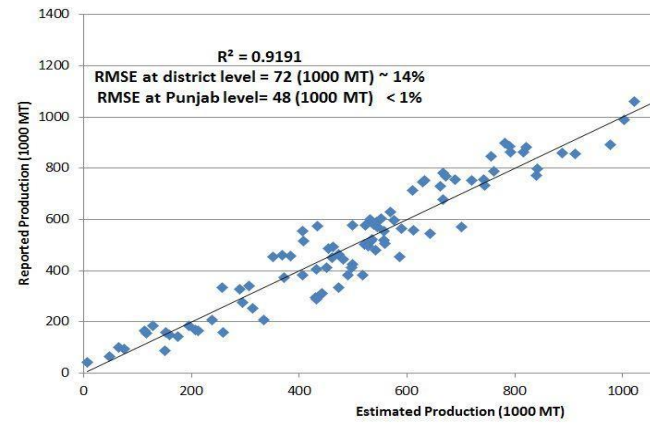



Crop type classification



Province Bulletins

EO Wheat Production Forecasting





Project information



SPURRING A
TRANSFORMATION FOR
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REMOTE SENSING

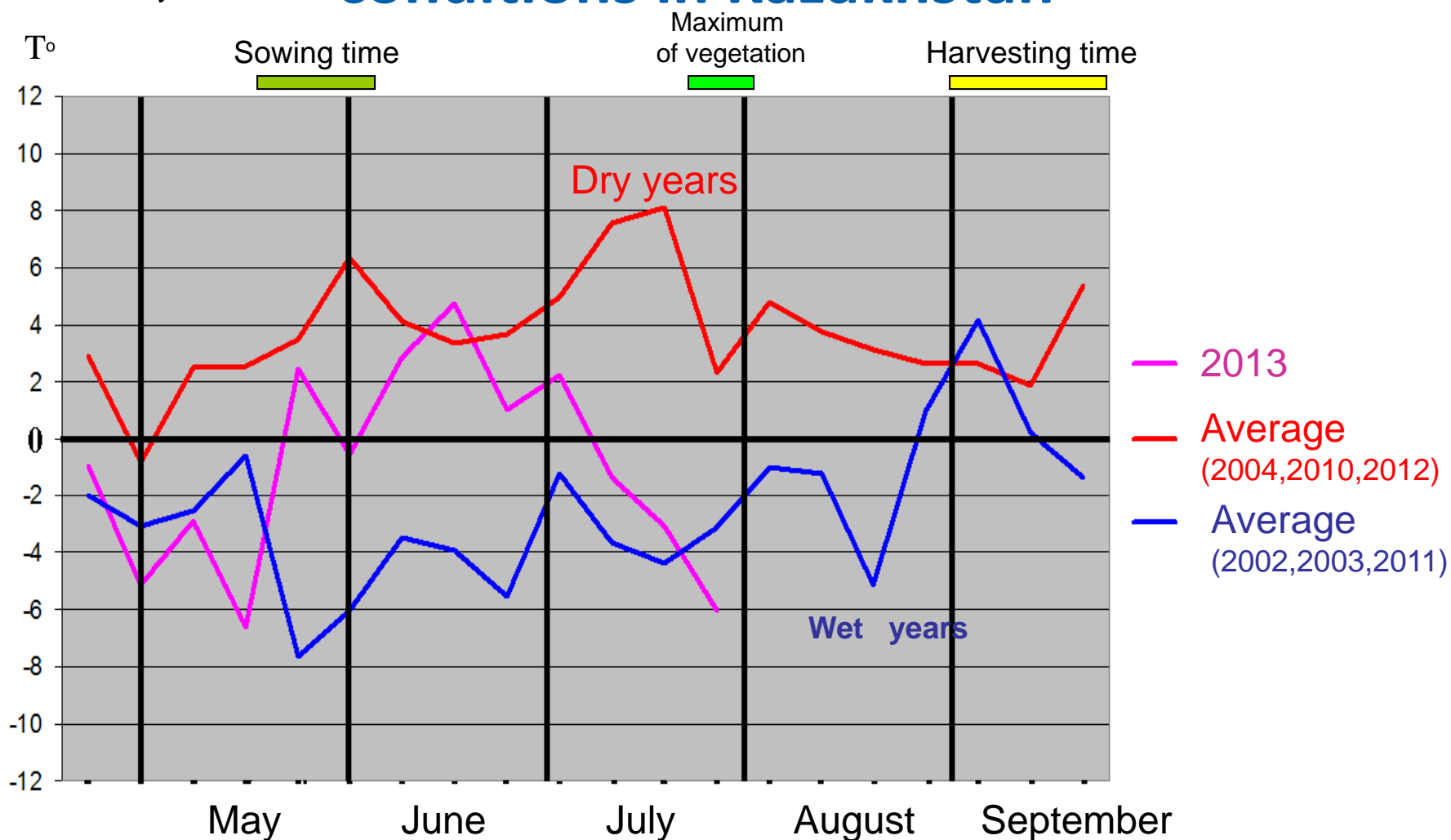
- BMGF Funded project, launched by University of Twente
- *A project on the application of satellite images in African and Asian agriculture*
- *Partners:*
 - *ITC*
 - *ICRISAT*
 - *CIMMYT*
 - *CSIRO*
 - *UMD*

Development of new monitoring products - UKRAINE

- ***Project and initiatives***
 - JECAM and GEOGLAM
 - MDA SOAR-JECAM project
 - SIGMA
 - ESA Sentinel-2 for Agriculture
- ***Applications***
 - Crop mapping
 - Biophysical parameters estimation
- ***Data***
 - Take5 – SPOT4 + RapidEye (5 days interval)
 - SOAR-JECAM – Radarsat-2 (~12 days interval)
- ***Ground observation campaigns***
 - 2013: 350 fields inspected (crop type), 30 ESU bio. params
 - 2012: 300 fields inspected

Use of MODIS LST data to monitor growing conditions in Kazakhstan

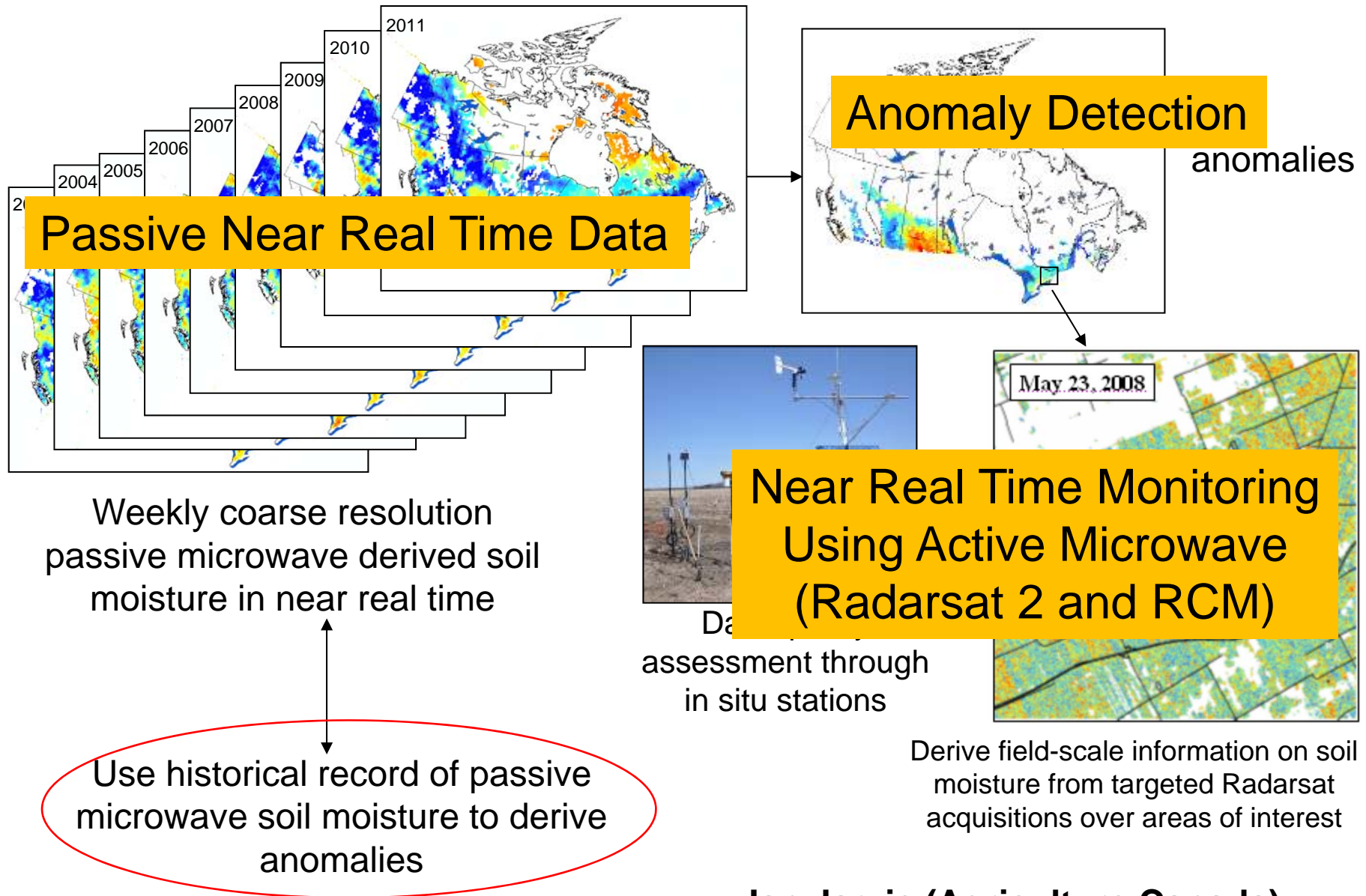
LST anomaly



NEO LST anomaly – regime of Northern Kazakhstan cropland (3 oblasts) during vegetation season of 2013 year

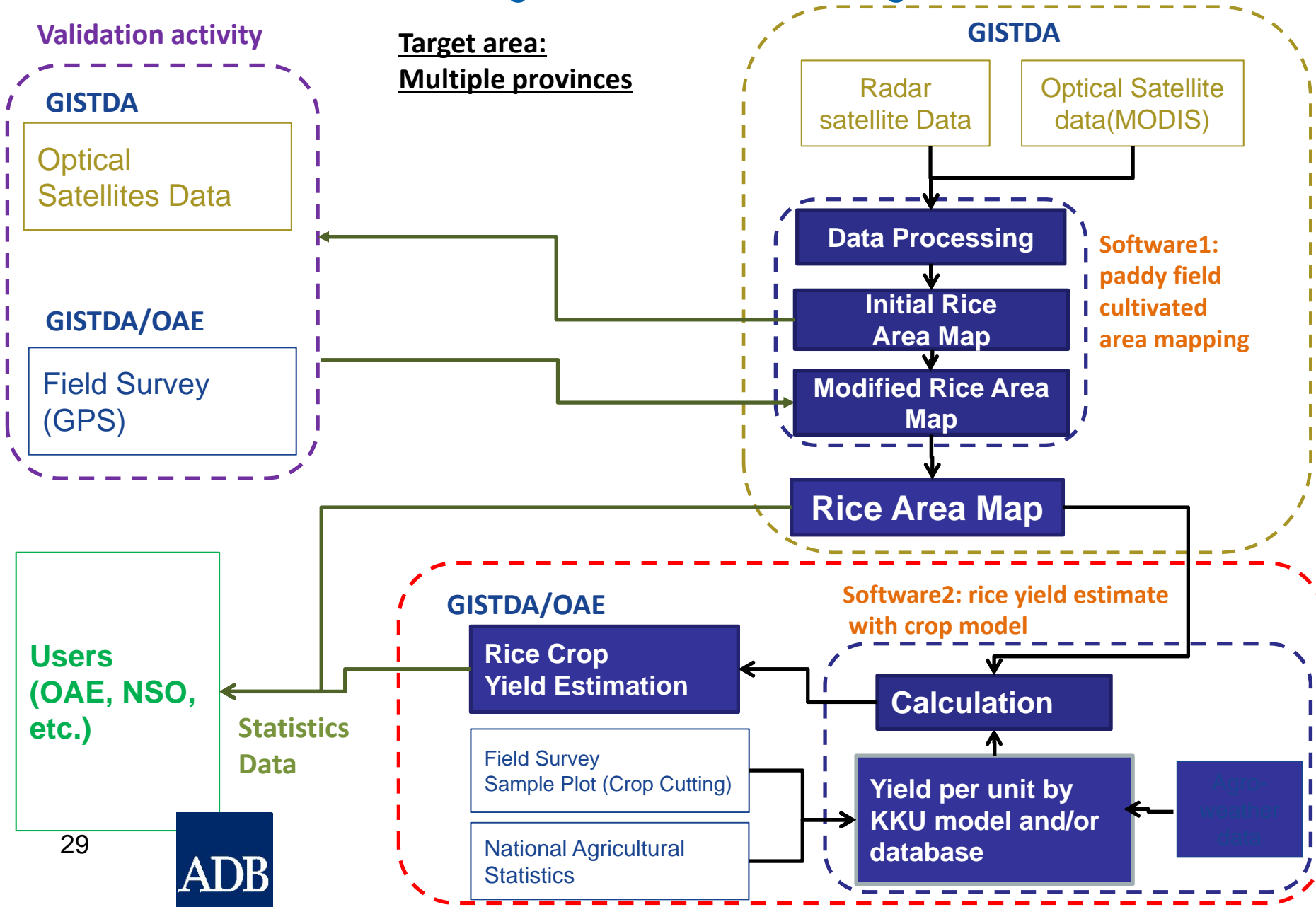
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Integrated Soil Moisture Monitoring System using Active and Passive Microwave in Canada



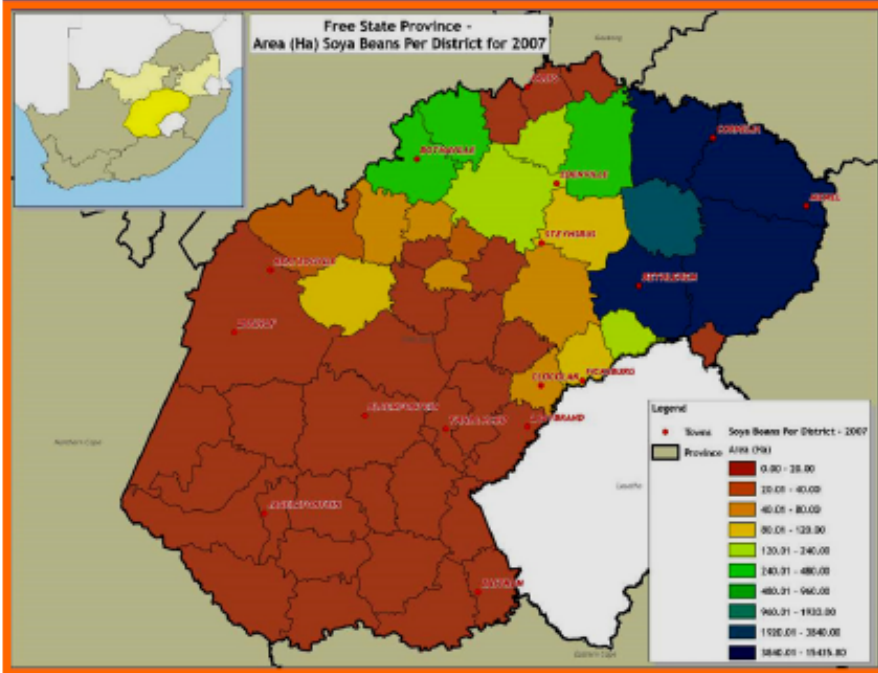
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SE Asia Regional Rice Monitoring: Thailand



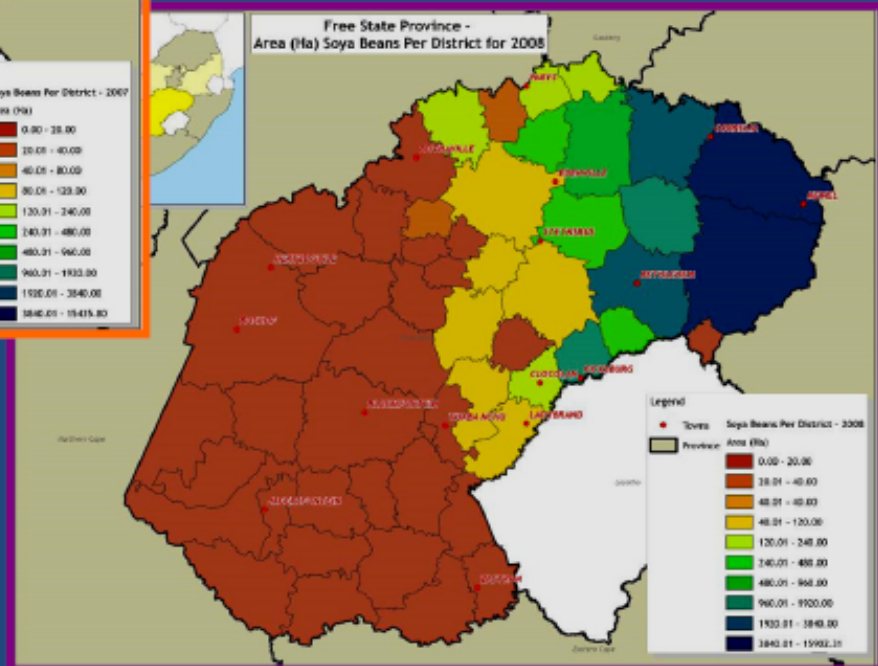
South Africa

SoyaBean Comparison: 2007 vs 2008



Spatial Distribution

- Cultivated area
- Crop type classification



District level comparison:

✓ Soya area / district

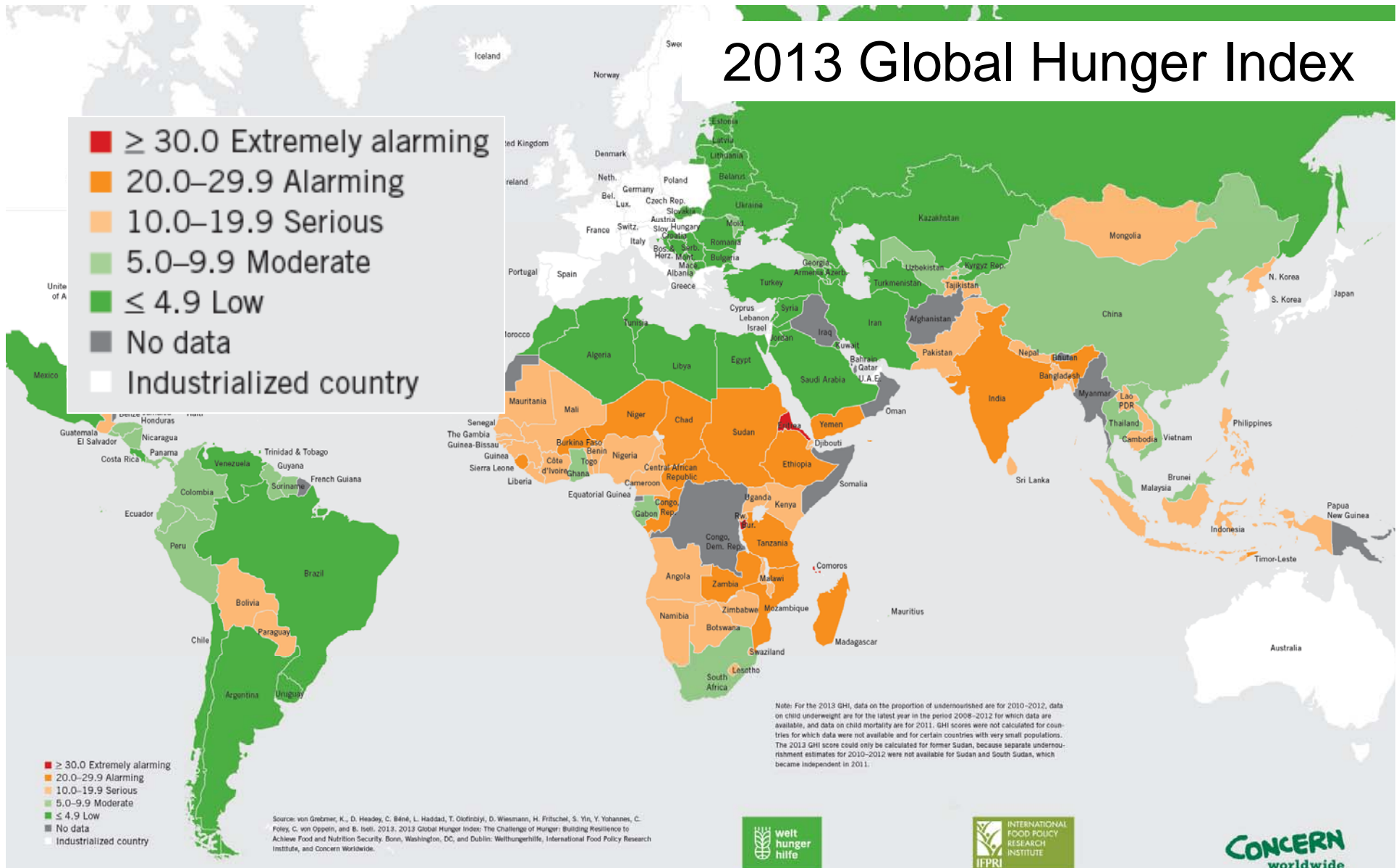
GEOGLAM Component #3 Countries at risk



Countries At Risk For Food Insecurity

Primary focus area for GEOGLAM

2013 Global Hunger Index

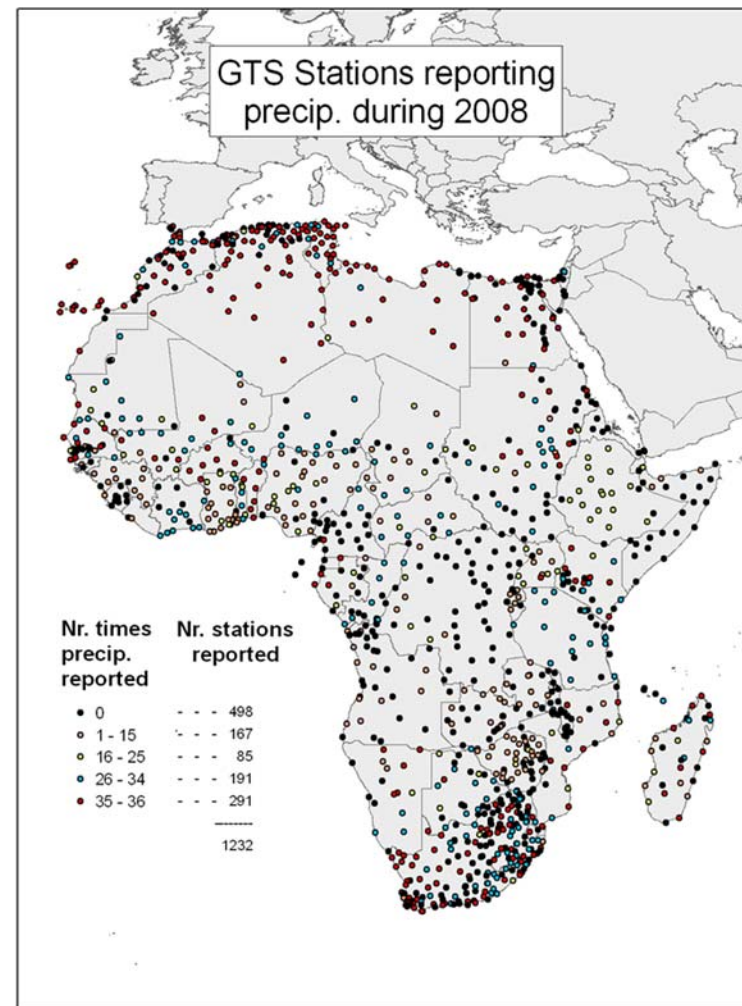


Countries at risk

- Subsistence Agriculture & Pastoralism
 - basis of livelihood systems in many countries
 - highly climate-sensitive
- Climate station networks not well working (sparse, bad or late reporting)
- Satellite remote sensing & models can fill the gap
 - and provide the basis for early detection of agricultural droughts
- *On all continents:*
 - *Africa* : Senegal, Mauritania, Mali, Burkina, Niger, Chad, Somalia, Sudan, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Djibouti, Somalia, Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda, Tanzania, Zambia, Mozambique, Zimbabwe, Botswana, South Africa, Lesotho, Swaziland...
 - *Central America*: Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador, Nicaragua
 - *Caribbean*: Haiti
 - *Central Asia*: Afghanistan

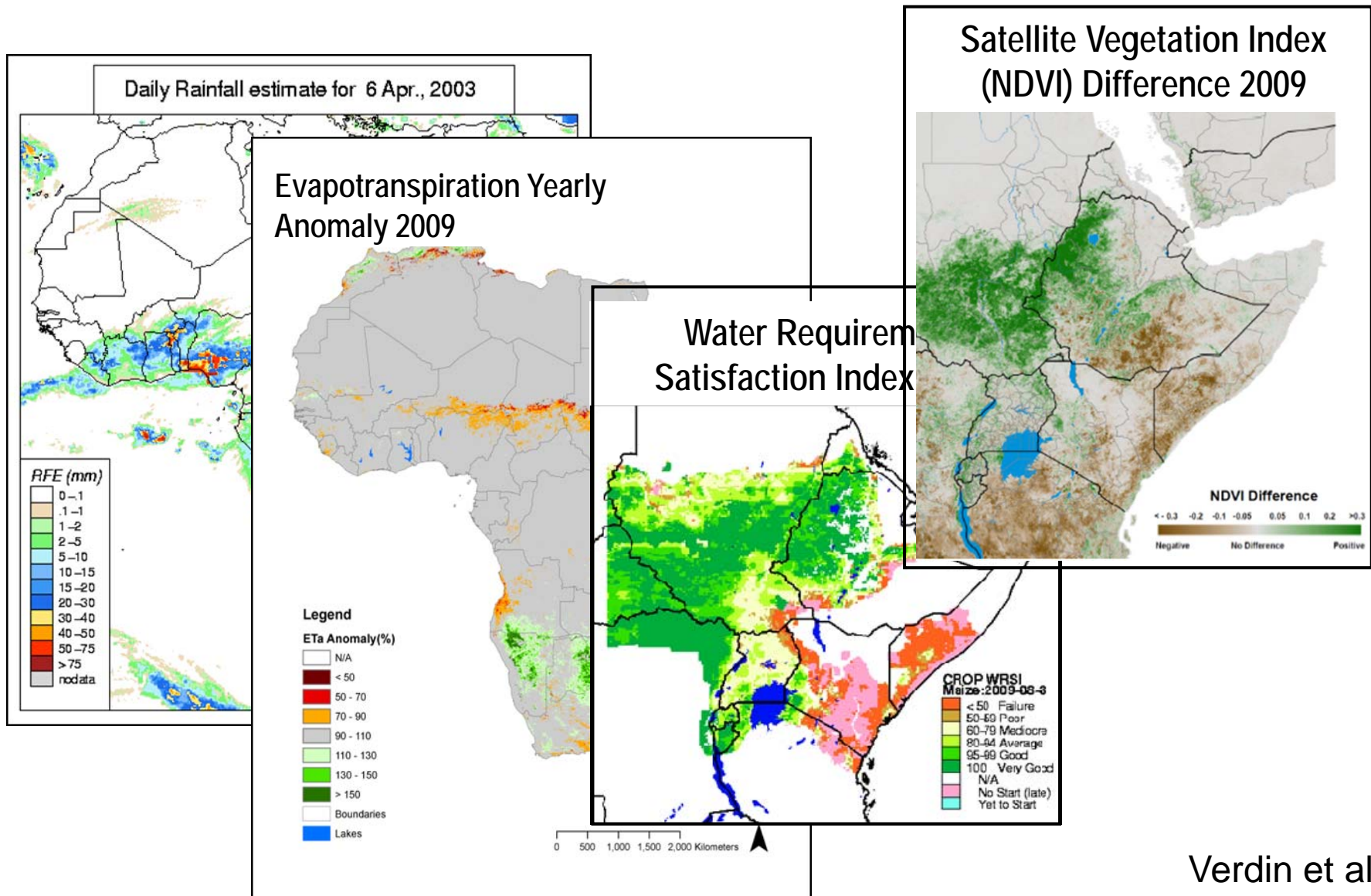
Gaps in Rainfall Station Reporting

- For one year, systematic sample on the 1st, 11th & 21st of month (3x12=36 samples)
- 1232 African GTS stations:
 - 40% did not report on any of the 36 days of the sample
 - only 25% sent all reports or missed only one



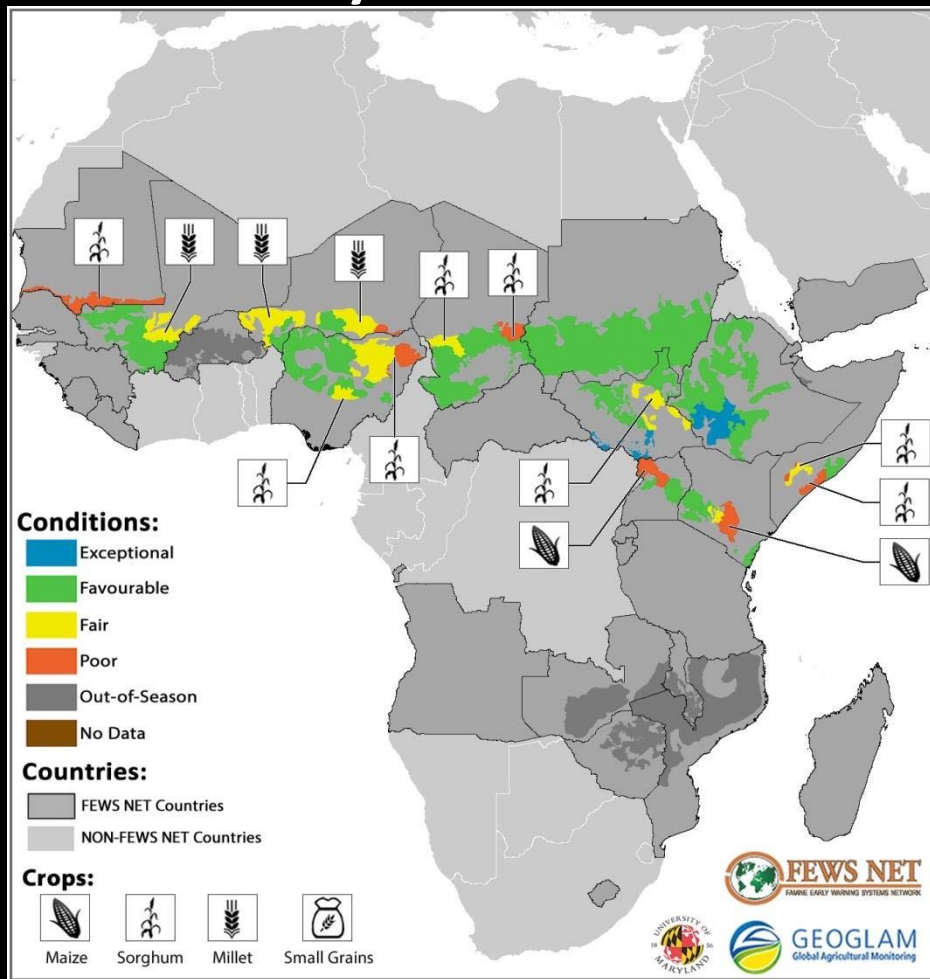
GTS = Global Telecommunication System

Satellite Information for Crop Monitoring

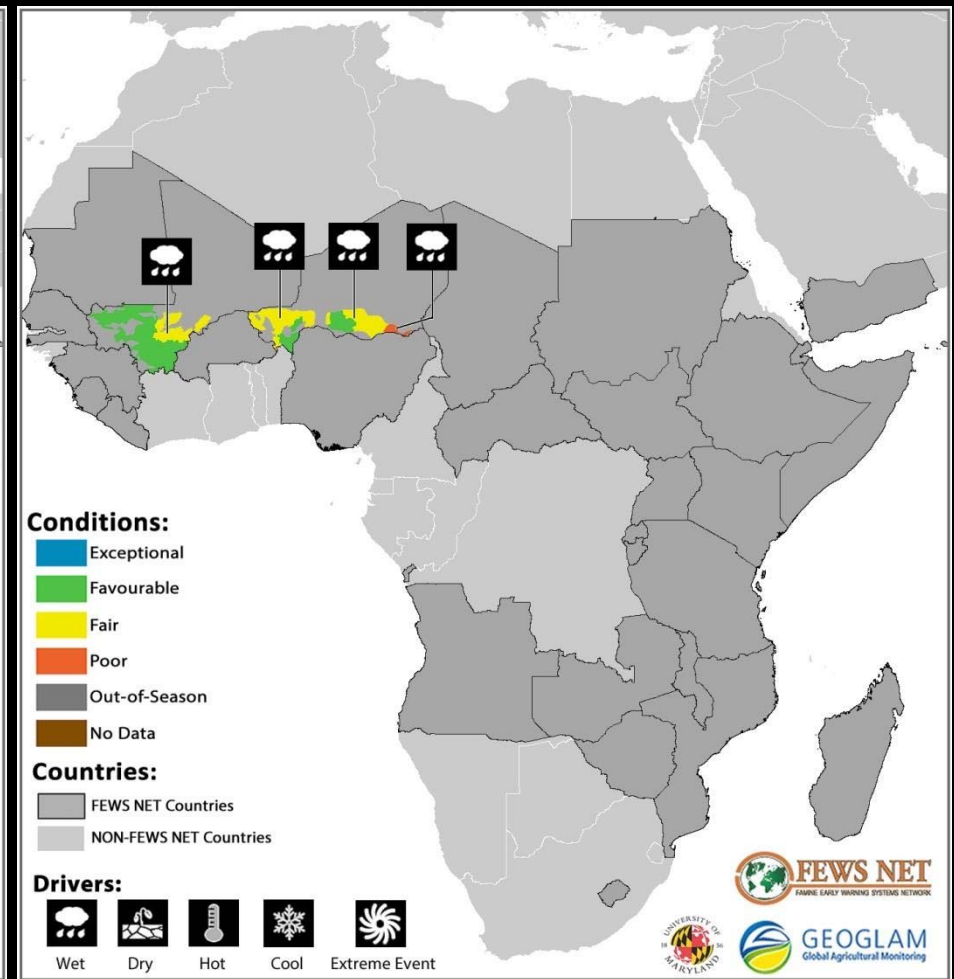


First Prototype FEWS NET Crop Condition Maps as of 30 September 2014

Synthesis:



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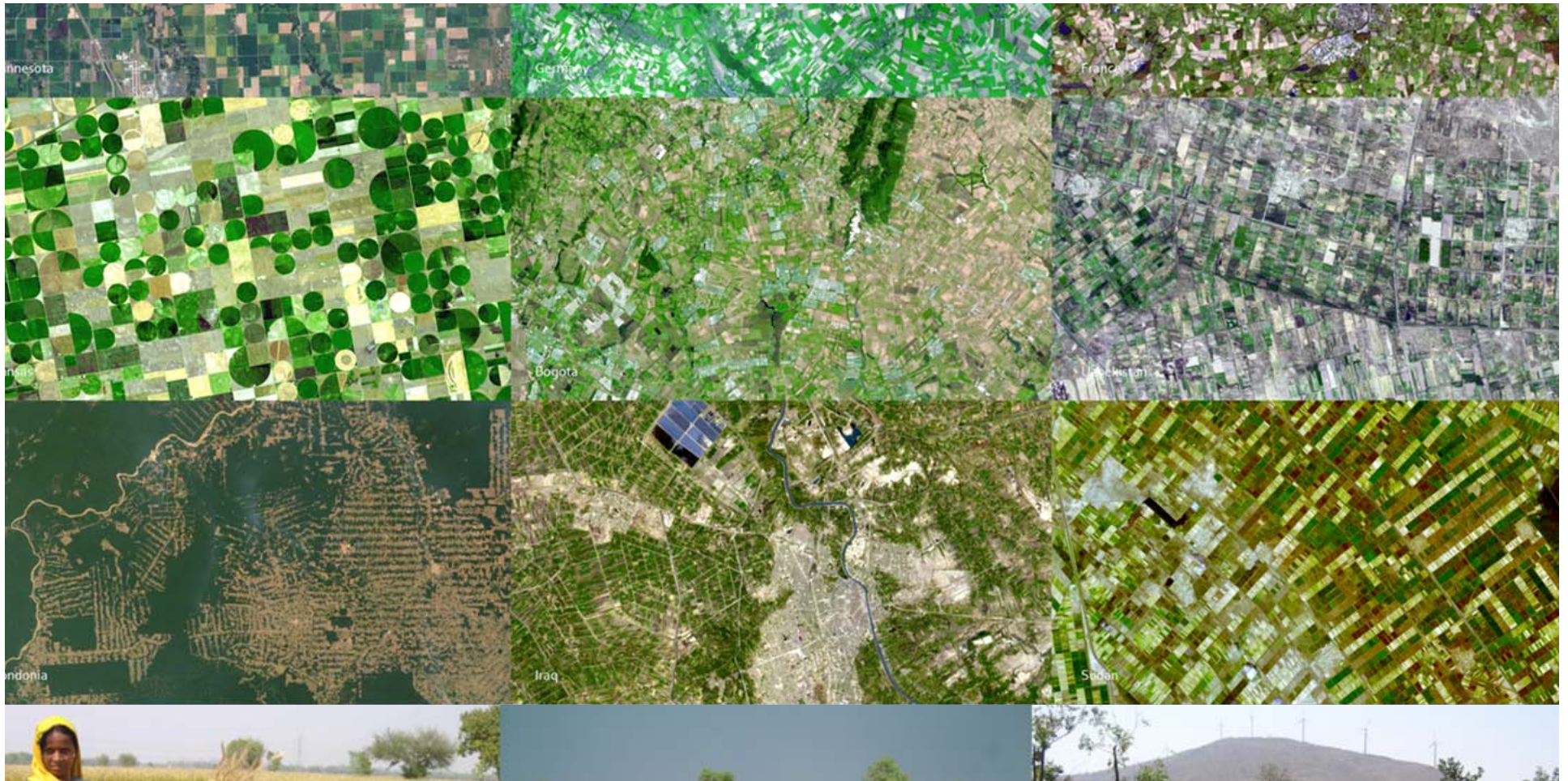


GEOGLAM Component #4 Cooperation with Space Agencies

CEOS – Committee on Earth Observation Satellites



Developing the EO Data Requirements for GEOGLAM: Through a CEOS GEOGLAM Technical Team



Recognition that cropping systems are inherently diverse which dictates the monitoring observations and methods

No one system can meet ag monitoring needs





Identifying Information and Product Types

Information Products

- Crop outlook / Early warning
- Area estimate
- Yield forecast
- Production estimate
- Food Sec/vulnerability report
- Statistics reports



EO Data Products

- Cropland mask /Pasturelands
- Ag practices
- Crop condition indicators
- Crop type
- Biophysical variables
- Environmental variables (soil moisture)
- In-situ Weather



GEOGLAM CEOS: EO Data Requirements Table

developed taking into consideration the observation needs, the derived products they will serve, and regional specificities; CEOS-GEOGLAM

Sensor Mission	OBSERVATION & SENSOR TYPE			REGIONAL CHARACTERISTICS & GEOGRAPHICAL EXTENT				DERIVED PRODUCTS & MONITORING APPLICATIONS								
	SPATIAL RES.	SPECTRAL RES.	TEMPORAL RES.	WHERE? (+ cropland mask & sampling scheme)			WHEN?		Use (Primary or Secondary Source)	Cropland s mask	Crop type area	Crop cond. indicators	Crop bioph. var.	Env. variables (reservoir, water, soil moisture)	Ag. Practices / Cropping systems	Crop yield
MODIS (aqua/Terra), VIIRS(NPP), Vegetation (SPOT-5)	2000 - 500 m	thermal IR + optical	few per day	global	w2w							x	x (L)			
MODIS (optical not SWIR), Sentinel 3P (future), CMA FY series?, Proba-V (future)	100-300m	optical + SWIR	2 to 5 per week	global	w2w	L/M/S		*				x	x		x (L)	x (L)
FUTURE	1-15km	passive microwave SAR dual pol. (X,C,L) ****	daily	global	w2w	L/M/S	rice area	entire growing season	high cloud cov.					x	x	x (L)
FUTURE	50-150 m		5 per season	main crops	s	L/M/S	rice area		high cloud cov.					x	x	x
FUTURE	5-20m	SAR dual pol. (X,C,L) ****	5 per season	main crops	s	L/M/S								x	x	x
FUTURE	Footprint	RADAR Altimetry	weekly	main crops	s	L/M/S								x		
ETM+ (Landsat-7), ASTER (Terra), TIRS(LDCM), IRMSS (CBERS-3)	50-100m	thermal	daily ?	main crops	s	L/M/S		entire growing season				x				
All Optical Mid-Resolution (Landsat, Terra, EO-1, ResourceSat-2, CBERS-3, Sentinel-2)	20-70m	optical + SWIR	1 per month (if possible same sensor) (min 2 out of season + 3 in season)	croplands	w2w	all M/S		year-round, focus on growing season								
All Optical Mid-Resolution (Landsat, Terra, EO-1, ResourceSat-2, CBERS-3, Sentinel-2)	20-70m	optical+SWIR	1 per week (min. 1 per 2 weeks)	main crops	s	country specific (see phasing) L/M/S		entire growing season				x	x	x	x	
HGR (SPOT-5), Rapid Eye (optical)	5-10 m	optical (+SWIR)***	1 per month (if possible same sensor) (min 2 out of season + 3 in season)	croplands	rs	L/M/S (focus on S)		year-round, focus on growing season								
HGR (SPOT-5), Rapid Eye (optical)	5-10 m	optical (+SWIR)***	1 per week (min. 1 per 2 weeks)	main crops	rs2	country specific (see phasing) S		entire growing season				x	x	x	x	
HIRI (Pleiades), IKONOS, GeoEye, WorldView2 (optical)	< 5 m	optical	1 to 2 per month	croplands	rs3	demo. case (2 - 5% of croplands L/M/S)		2 - 4 coverages per year							x	x

spatial & spectral

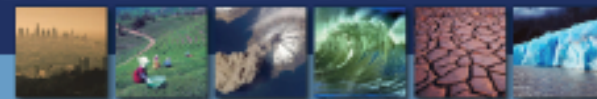
How often ?

Where?

When?

For What?

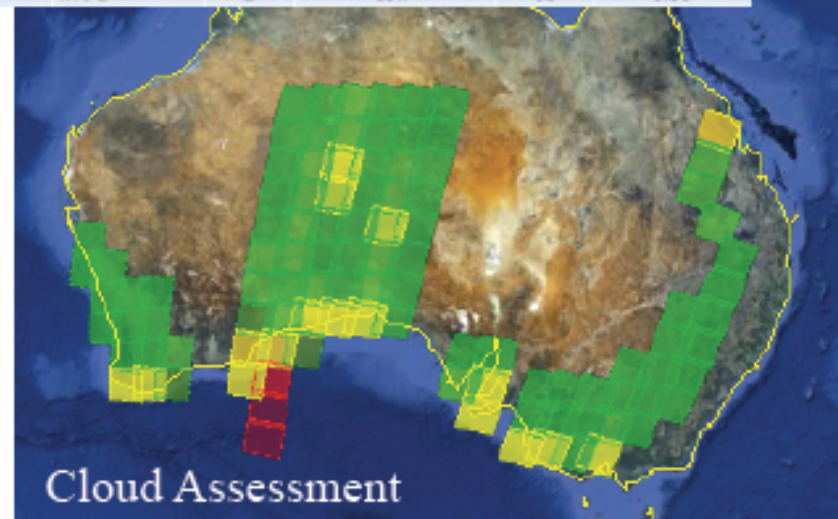
CEOS SEO Support to GEOGLAM



Data Acquisition Planning and Analysis

- Crop Masks, Crop Calendars
- Cloud Statistics (MODIS and ISCCP)
- Data Volume (# paths, duration, # scenes)

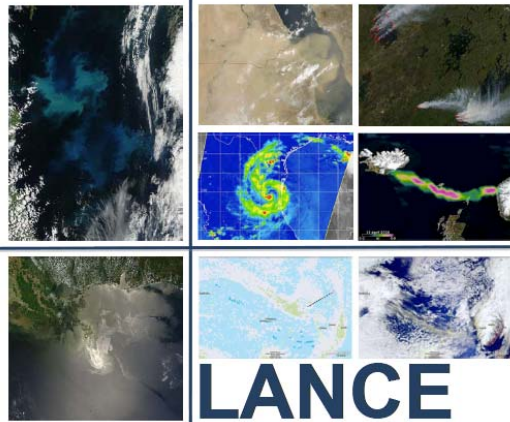
Mission	Instrument	Total Paths	Total Duration of Acquisitions (min)	Total Scenes	Total Data Volume (GB)
Terra	MODIS	1	3.9	176	0.30
Aqua	MODIS	1	3.9	176	0.30
SPOT-5	Vegetation	1	6.6	295	0.53
NPP	VIIRS	1	7.1	270	0.55
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Landsat 7	ETM+	9	20.4	54	22.41
LDCM	OLI + TIRS	9	20.4	54	22.41
Resourcesat-2	LISS -III	12	52.1	166	20.02
Resourcesat-2	AWIFS	2	9.1	11	3.51
CBERS-3	WFI-2	2	13.7	51	5.31





Requirement for Near Real Time Data for Agricultural Monitoring

National Aeronautics and Space Administration



Land Atmosphere Near-real-time Capability for EOS

AIRS AMSR-E MLS MODIS OMI

Near-real-time data for applications, disaster response and field campaigns

- ✓ Products within 3 hours of observation
- ✓ Highly available processing and distribution systems
- ✓ Products based on science algorithms

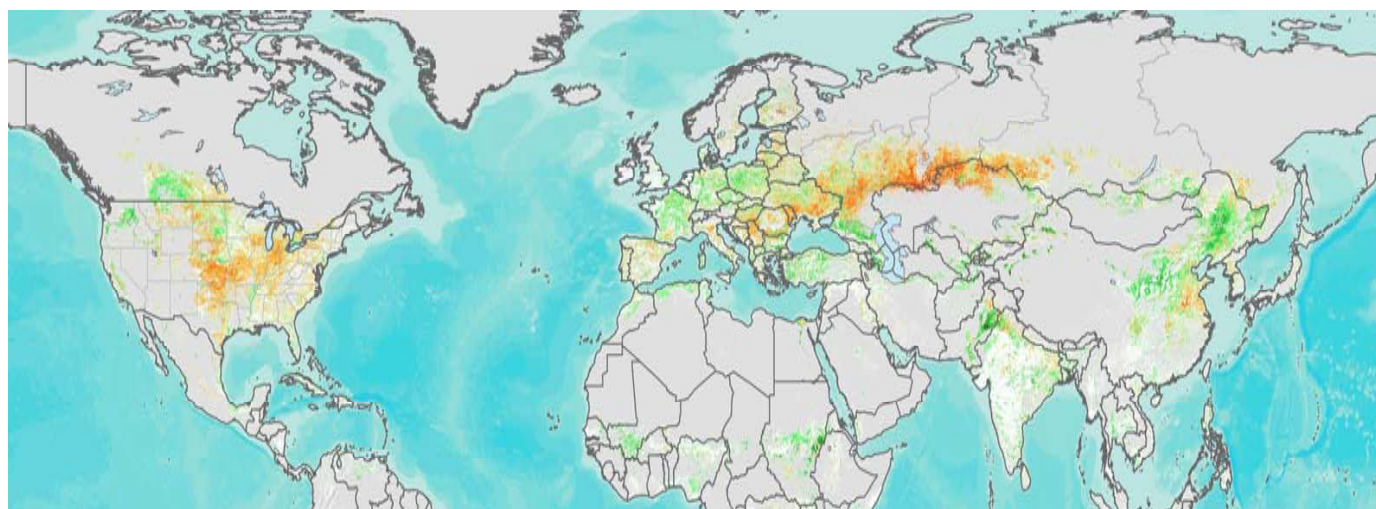
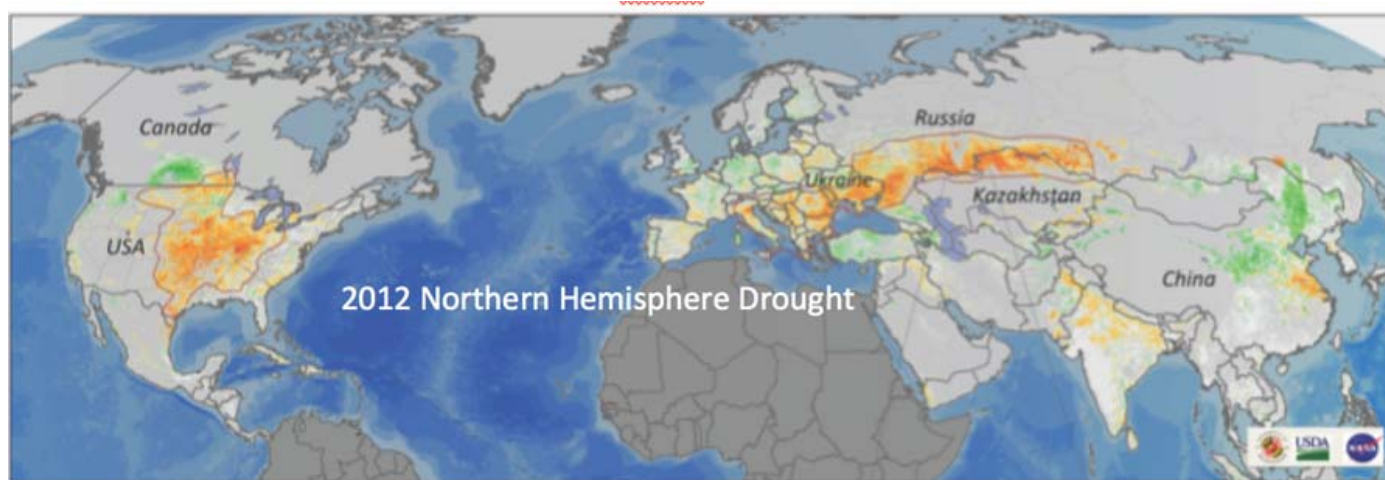
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Timely data is critical for crop monitoring!!

NASA EOS near-real-time daily observations are processed and integrated into USDA FAS system (< 3 hours from observation)



Anomaly Product Continuity/Consistency



July 30 2012

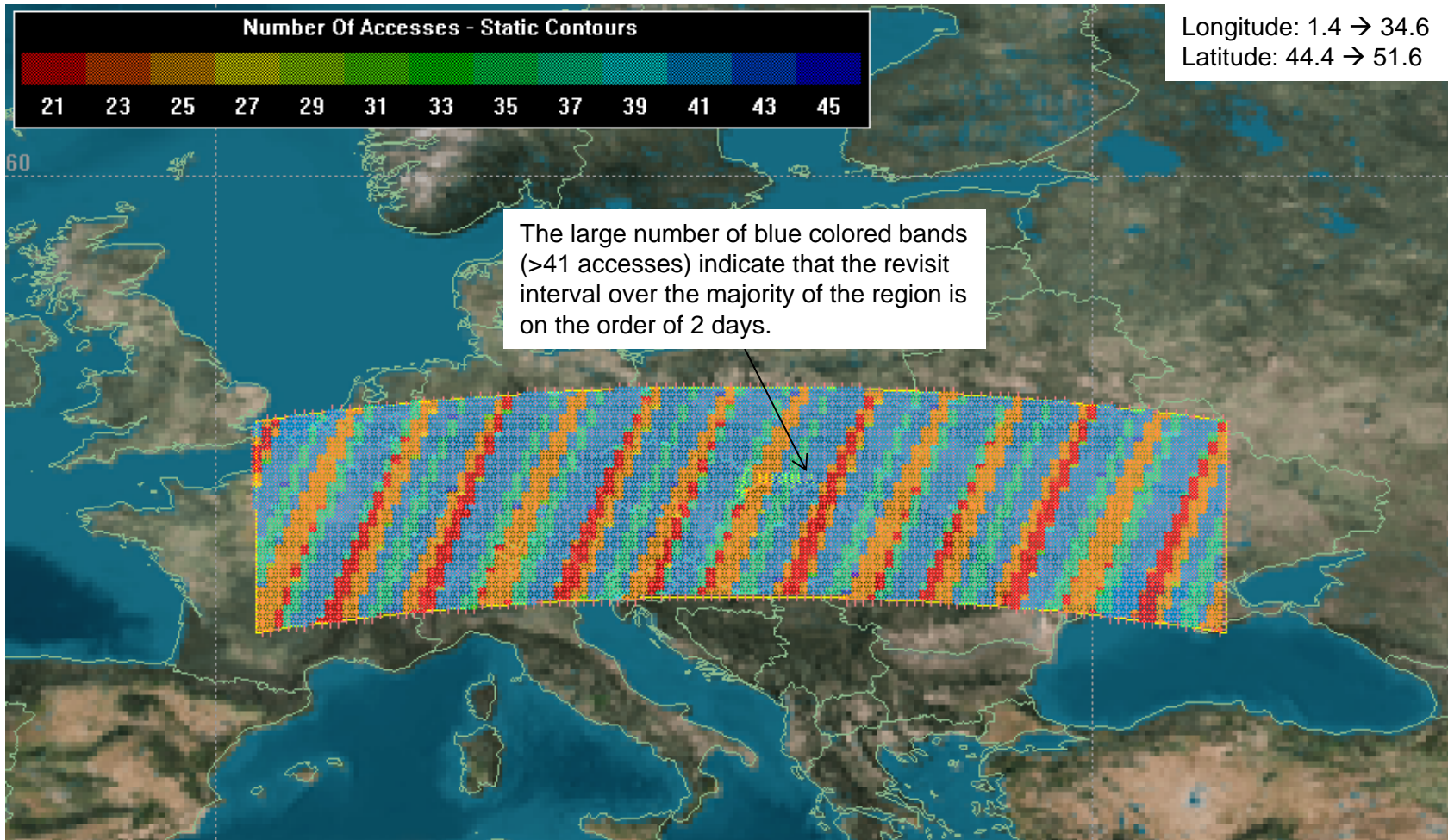
EOS MODIS



JPSS VIIRS

Vermote (GSFC)

Sentinel-2A and 2B - LDCM Europe



The picture shows the number of times LDCM and the Sentinel 2 satellites accessed areas on the ground over an 80 day period of time.

21 accesses indicates a maximum revisit interval of ~3 days 19 hours

46 accesses indicates a minimum revisit interval of ~1 day 18 hours

GEOGLAM Component #5 Research & Development



JECAM: Joint Experiment for Crop Assessment and Monitoring

- A network of sites representative of the world's cropping systems
- A focus for international satellite data acquisition by CEOS
- R&D to support enhancements for operational agricultural monitoring systems
- JECAM Program Office coordinated by AAFC-Canada and UCL-Belgium
- Developing linkages with AgMIP sites and modeling community



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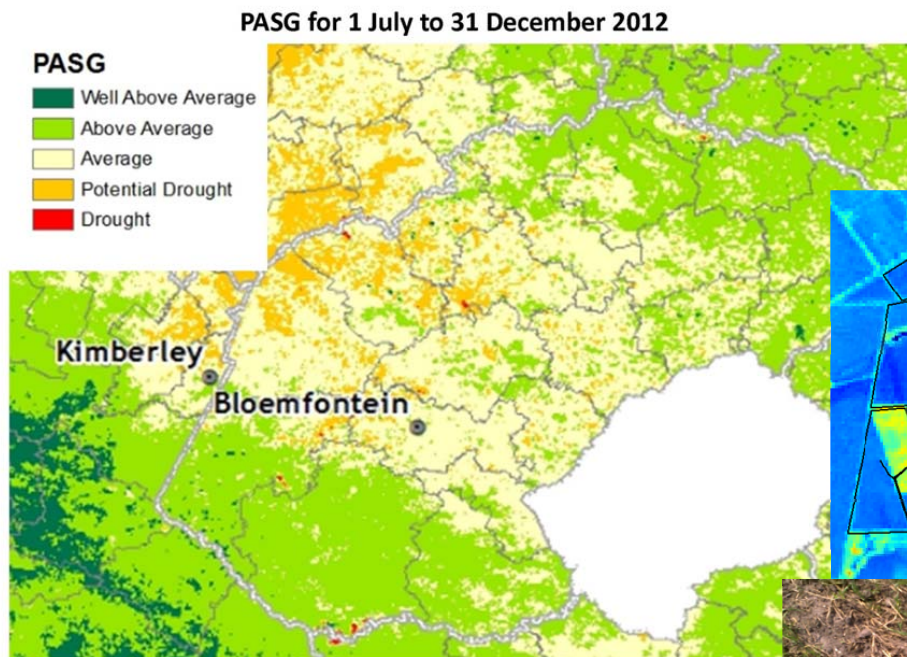
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Joint Experiment of Crop Assessment and Monitoring

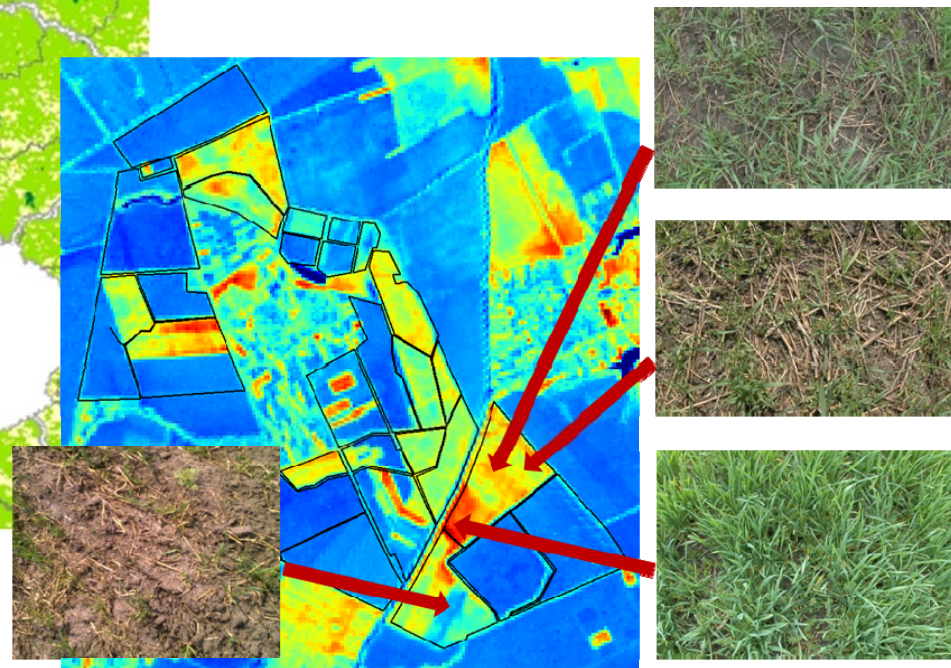
The overarching goal of JECAM is to reach a convergence of approaches, develop monitoring and reporting protocols and best practices for a variety of global agricultural systems. JECAM will enable the global agricultural monitoring community to compare results based on disparate sources of data, using various methods, over a variety of global cropping systems. It is intended that the JECAM experiments will facilitate international standards for data products and reporting, eventually supporting the development of a global system of systems for agricultural crop assessment and monitoring. The JECAM initiative is developed in the framework of GEO Global Agricultural Monitoring (GEOSS Task AG0703 a) and Agricultural Risk Management (GEOSS Task AG0703 b).

Current Status – Research Activities Crop Condition – Crop Growth Parameters

2012 PASG Map, South Africa Site



2012 Ukraine Site



Conclusion

- Interested in expanding GEOGLAM participation in Central and Eastern Europe e.g.
 - Routine involvement in Crop Monitor
 - Participation in JECAM – Field Site for method development and testing
 - Identifying priorities for National Capacity Building in the use of EO for Agriculture
 - Agricultural Land Use Change