

Desenvolvimento Tecnológico e Sensoriamento Remoto: Perspectivas e Desafios

Previsão de Safras e Segurança Alimentar

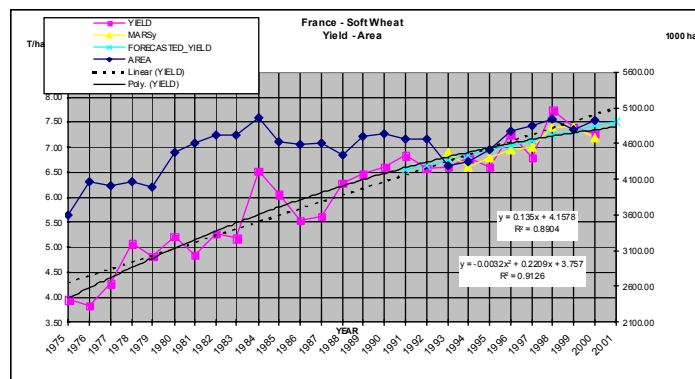
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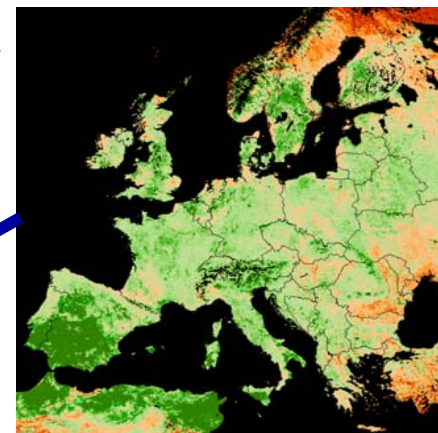
MARS-STAT & MARS-FOOD

Mars Crop Yield Forecasting System : Input data overview



Statistical analyses:
time series,
tendency analyses,
etc.

**Indicators from low
resolution satellite
data (since 1981)**

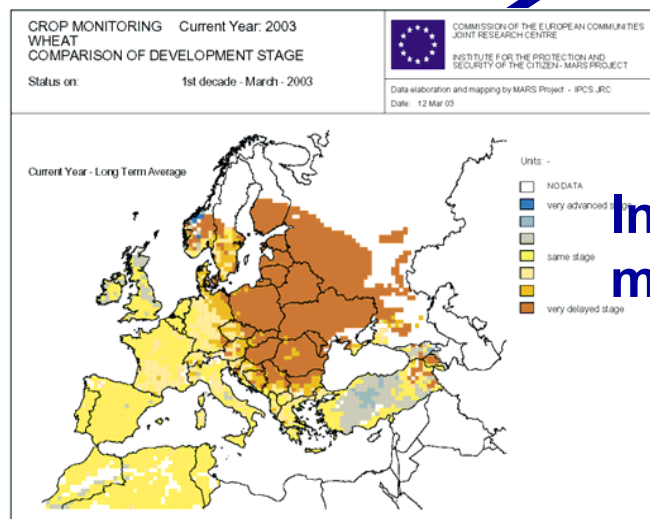


MARS Yield Forecasts at national level - End of August 2001

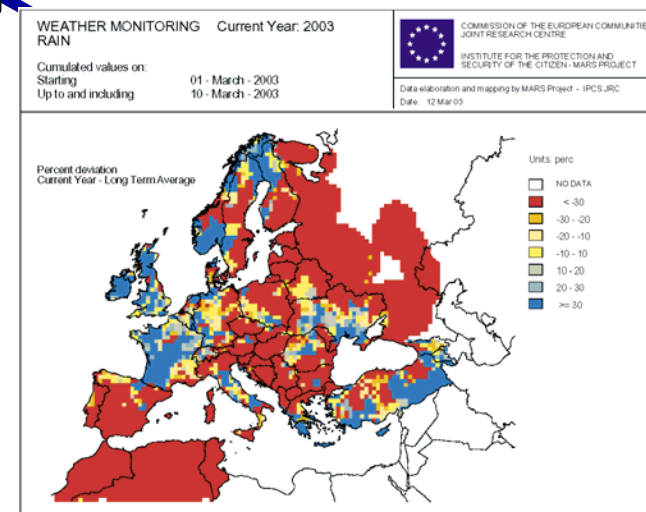
	CEREALS YIELD t/ha											
	SOFT WHEAT			DURUM WHEAT			BARLEY			GRAIN MAIZE		
	yield-00	yield-01	%01/00	yield-00	yield-01	%01/00	yield-00	yield-01	%01/00	yield-00	yield-01	%01/00
EURO	5.7	6.0	-0.5	2.0	2.5	-22.5	4.0	4.0	-0.0	5.0	5.0	-0.0
FR	5.0	5.1	-0.1	1.0	1.0	0.0	3.0	3.0	0.0	10.0	10.0	0.0
IT	2.0	2.1	-0.1	0.5	0.5	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	2.0	2.0	0.0
ES	1.0	1.1	-0.1	0.5	0.5	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	2.0	2.0	0.0
GR	1.0	1.1	-0.1	0.5	0.5	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	2.0	2.0	0.0
PT	1.0	1.1	-0.1	0.5	0.5	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	2.0	2.0	0.0
UK	1.0	1.1	-0.1	0.5	0.5	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	2.0	2.0	0.0
EU	5.7	6.0	-0.5	2.0	2.5	-22.5	4.0	4.0	-0.0	5.0	5.0	-0.0
FR	4.8	4.8	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	3.0	3.0	0.0	10.0	10.0	0.0
IT	1.8	1.2	-32.0	1.6	1.2	-24.8	1.4	1.0	-34.0	5.2	5.5	6.2
ES	3.6	3.5	-2.8	-	-	-	3.6	3.2	-9.9	-	-	-
GR	6.0	5.9	-1.8	-	-	-	4.0	3.8	-4.4	-	-	-
UK	6.0	6.1	1.2	6.0	6.0	0.0	5.8	5.7	-1.3	-	-	-

Note: The national yield forecasts are based on agro-meteorological model outputs and AVHRR indicators at NUTS-3 level in combination with time trend analysis. Rape and sunflower yields calculation do not include the areas planted for industrial uses. Yield figures are rounded to 100 kg

**Indicators from
meteo data sets
(since 1975)**

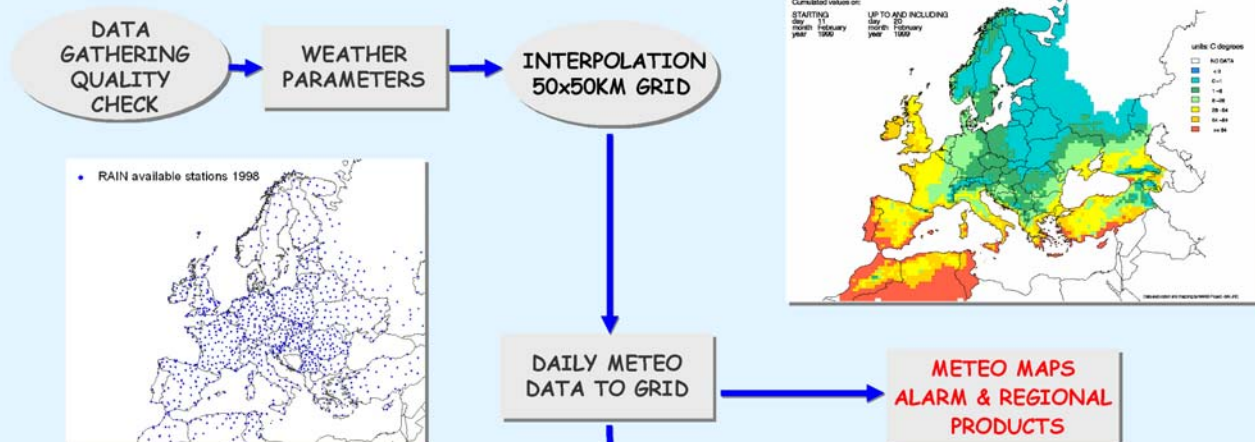


**Indicators from agro-
meteo parameters**

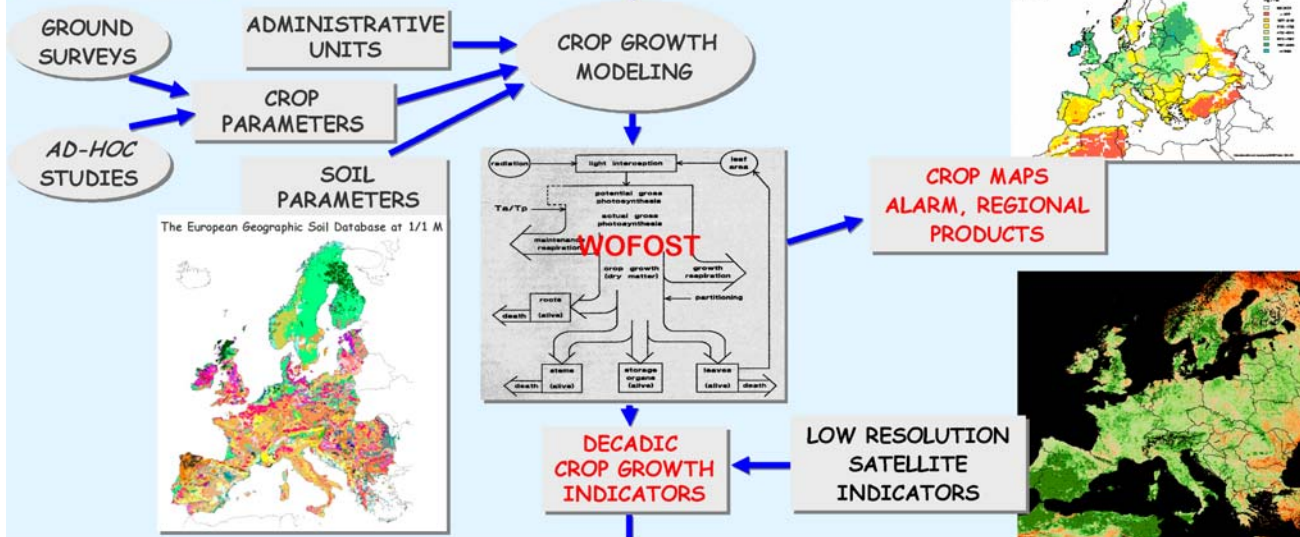


MCYFS: Methodological approach

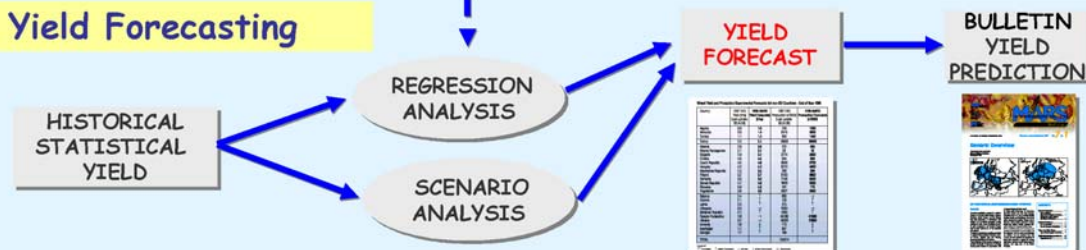
Level1: Weather Monitoring



Level2: Crop Simulation



Level3: Yield Forecasting

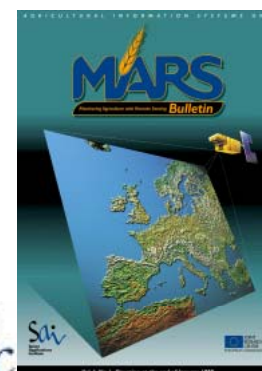
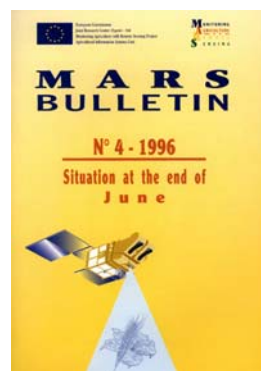
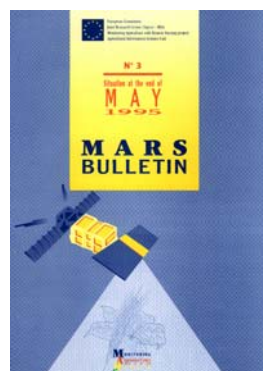
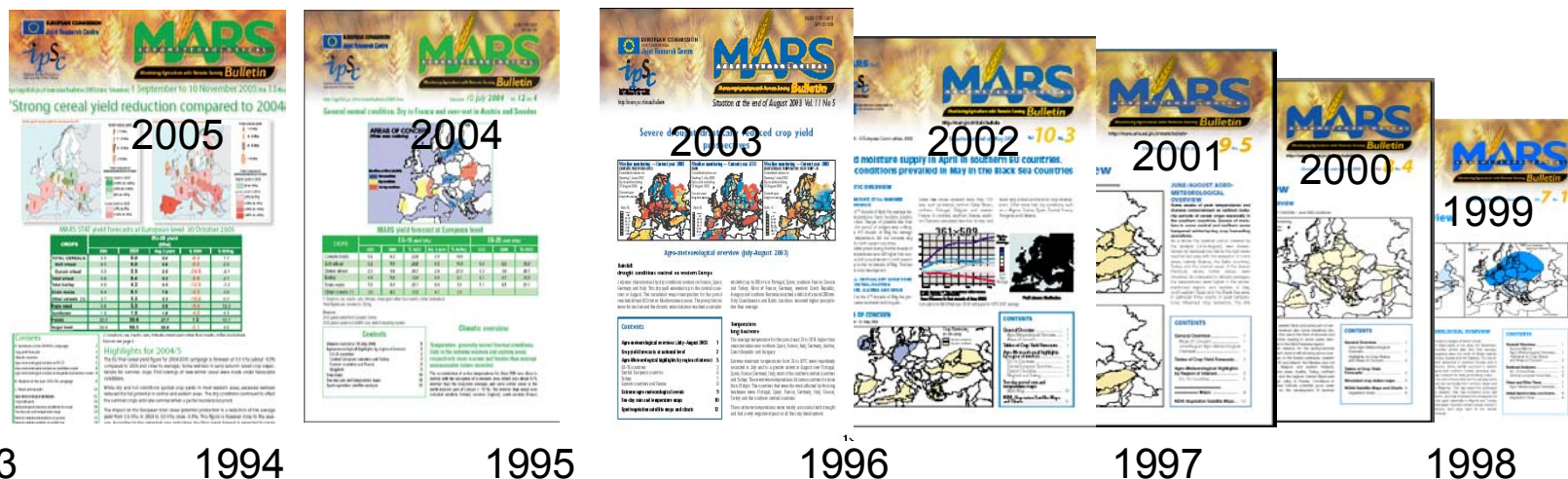


MARS-STAT Bulletins

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- Printed issues
- By E-mail and on the Web

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Climatic updates and forecasts updates



Other important EU rice producers

Y-axis: Year of ha³ (0 to 12)
X-axis: Year (1975 to 2005)

Legend:

- Ireland (Red line with diamonds)
- Portugal (Blue line with squares)
- France (Purple line with triangles)
- Latvia (EU) (Green line with circles)
- Latvia (Pre) (Light blue line with squares)
- Lithuania (Pre) (Pink line with triangles)

Annotations:

- Ireland: $R^2 = 0.7722$
- Portugal: $R^2 = 0.5628$
- France: $R^2 = 0.7571$



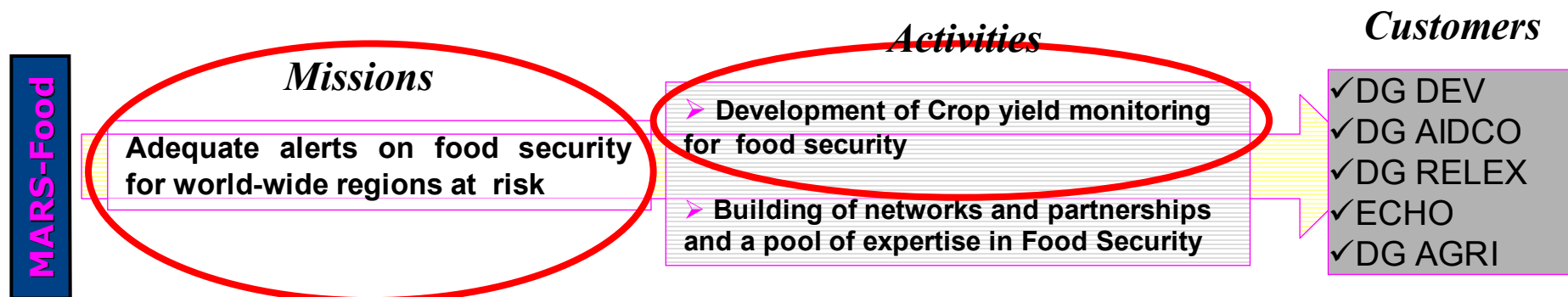
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Yield (t/ha)			Production (x 1000 t)			
	Anglo	Wolaito	2003	2004	Anglo	Wolaito
30.0	5.5	-2.0	187.13	208.62	72.07	243.0
30.0	5.5	4.18	52.45	54.64	21.0	6.03
25.0	5.0	-2.0	9.80	10.20	3.9	1.24
2.0	4.0	-1.0	44.72	45.46	4.1	18.6
10.0	5.0	-1.0	13.73	20.20	26.0	10.0
0.0	5.0	-1.0	17.41	16.89	6.7	11.0

Special issues

MARS FOOD ACTIVITIES



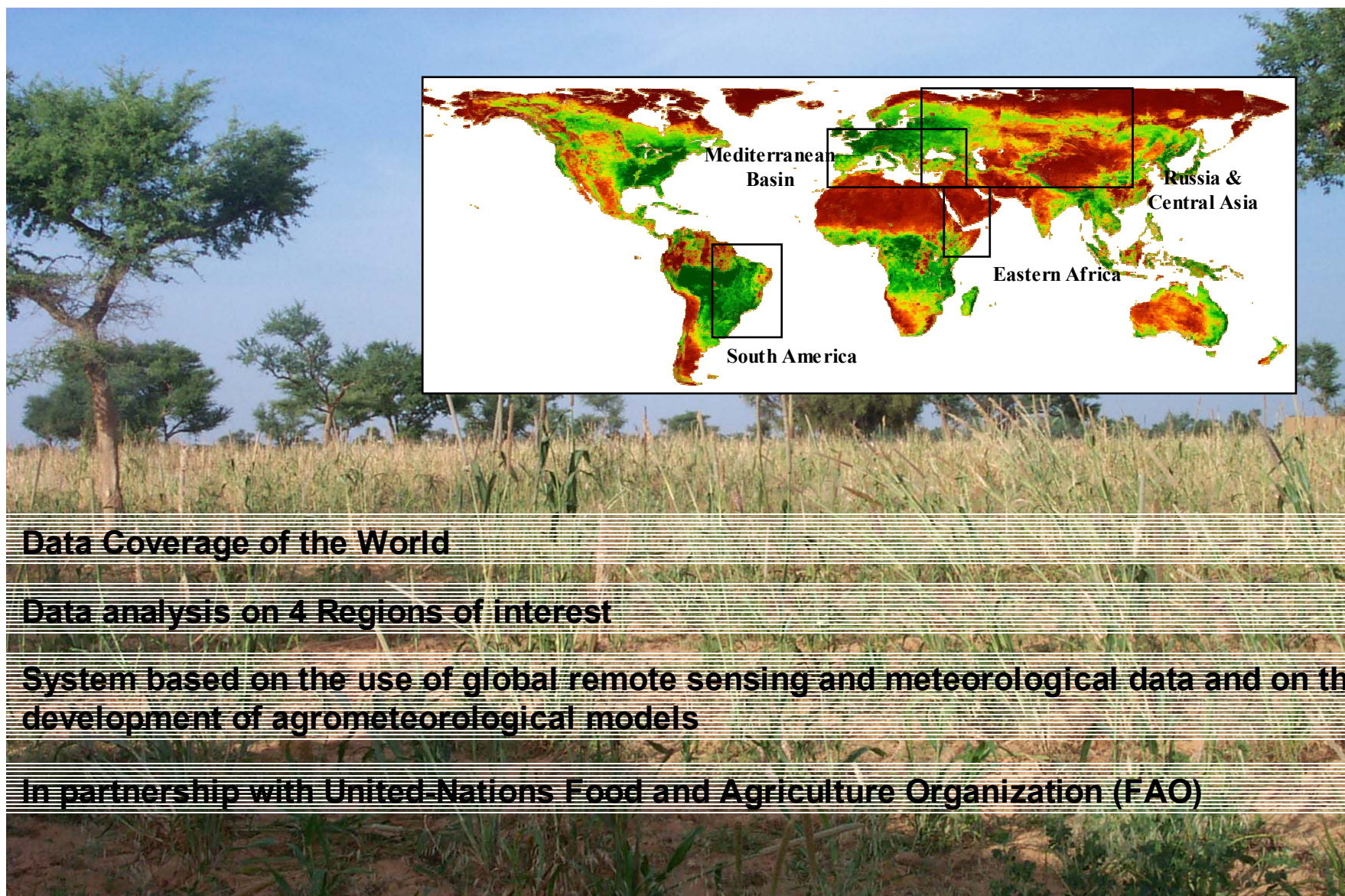
Objective : Contribute to the EU external aid and development policy, in particular to the EU Food Aid and Food Security policy,

How : by the improvement of the information on crop yield and production in regions of the world affected by food shortages

- Avoid food shortage or market disruption
- Better calibrate and direct European Food Aid

Could also contribute indirectly to the Agriculture and Trade policies by providing crop prospects information on Russia, Mercosur, etc, ...

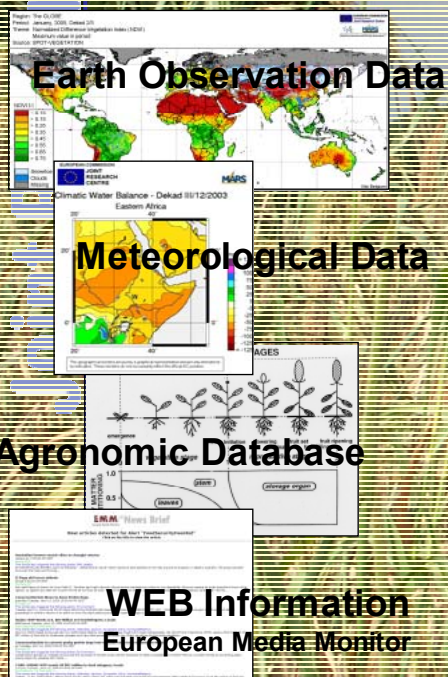
A general view of the MARS-FOOD Crop Monitoring system



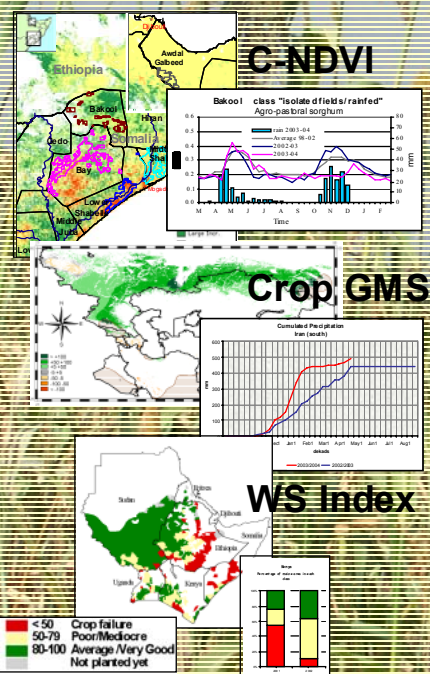


MARS-FOOD Crop Monitoring System

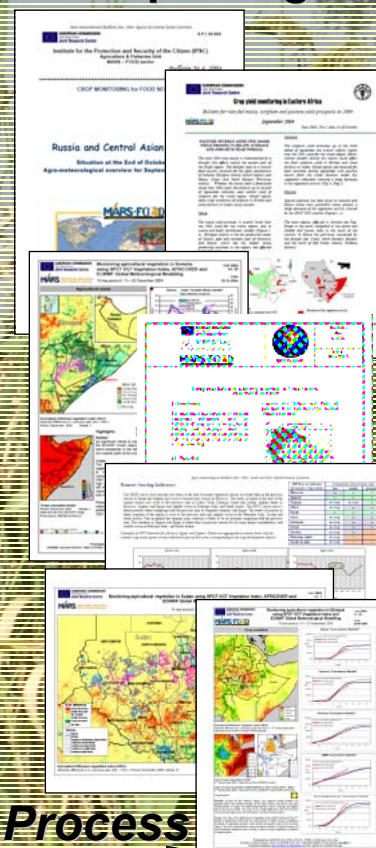
Data collection & retrieval



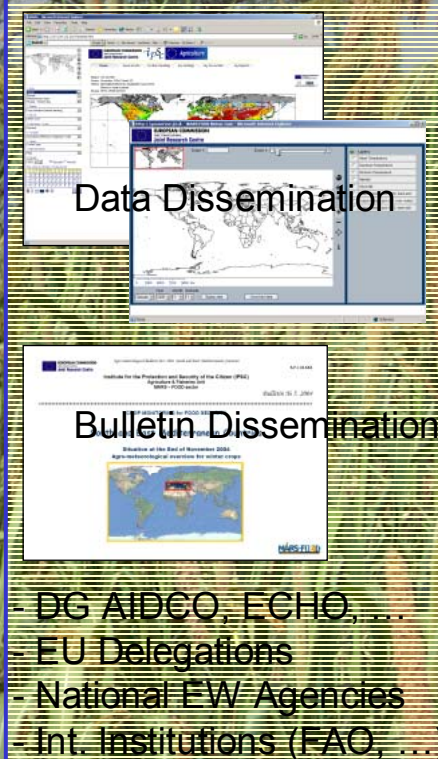
Processing & Analysis



Reporting

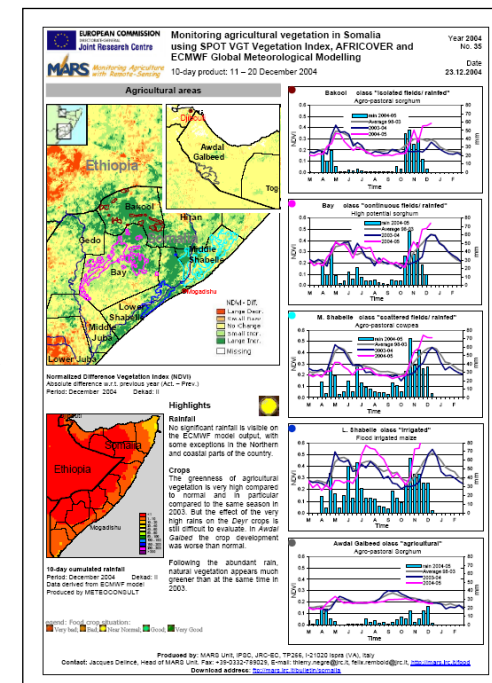
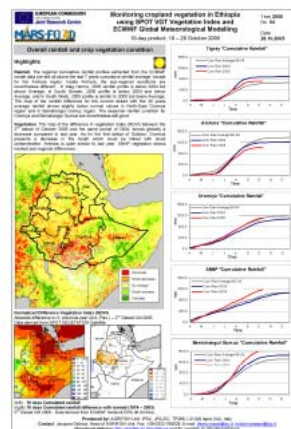
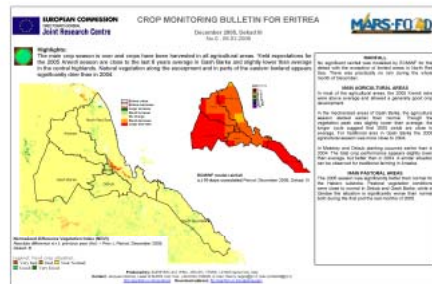
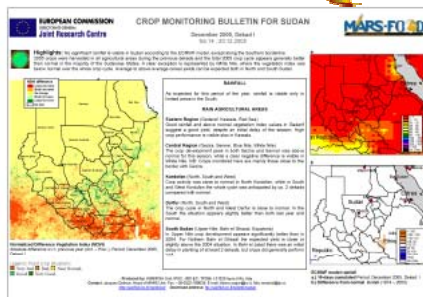
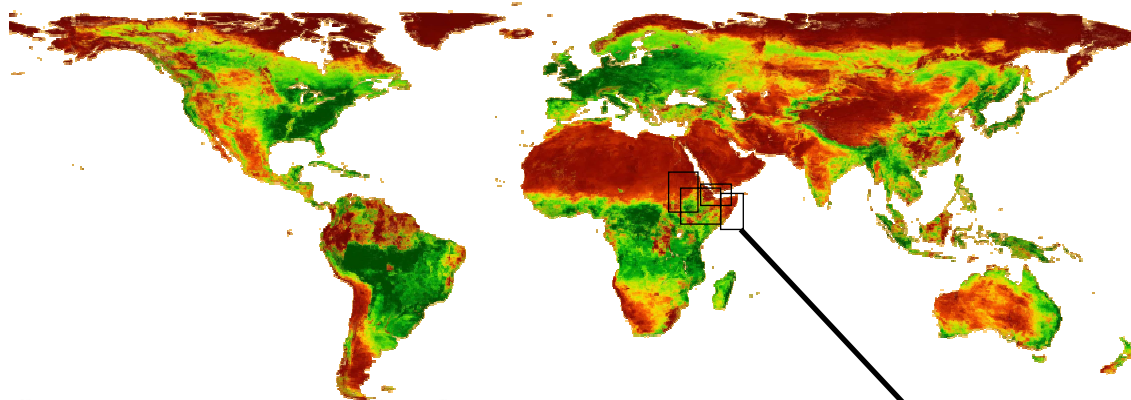


Dissemination



Crop Assessment Process

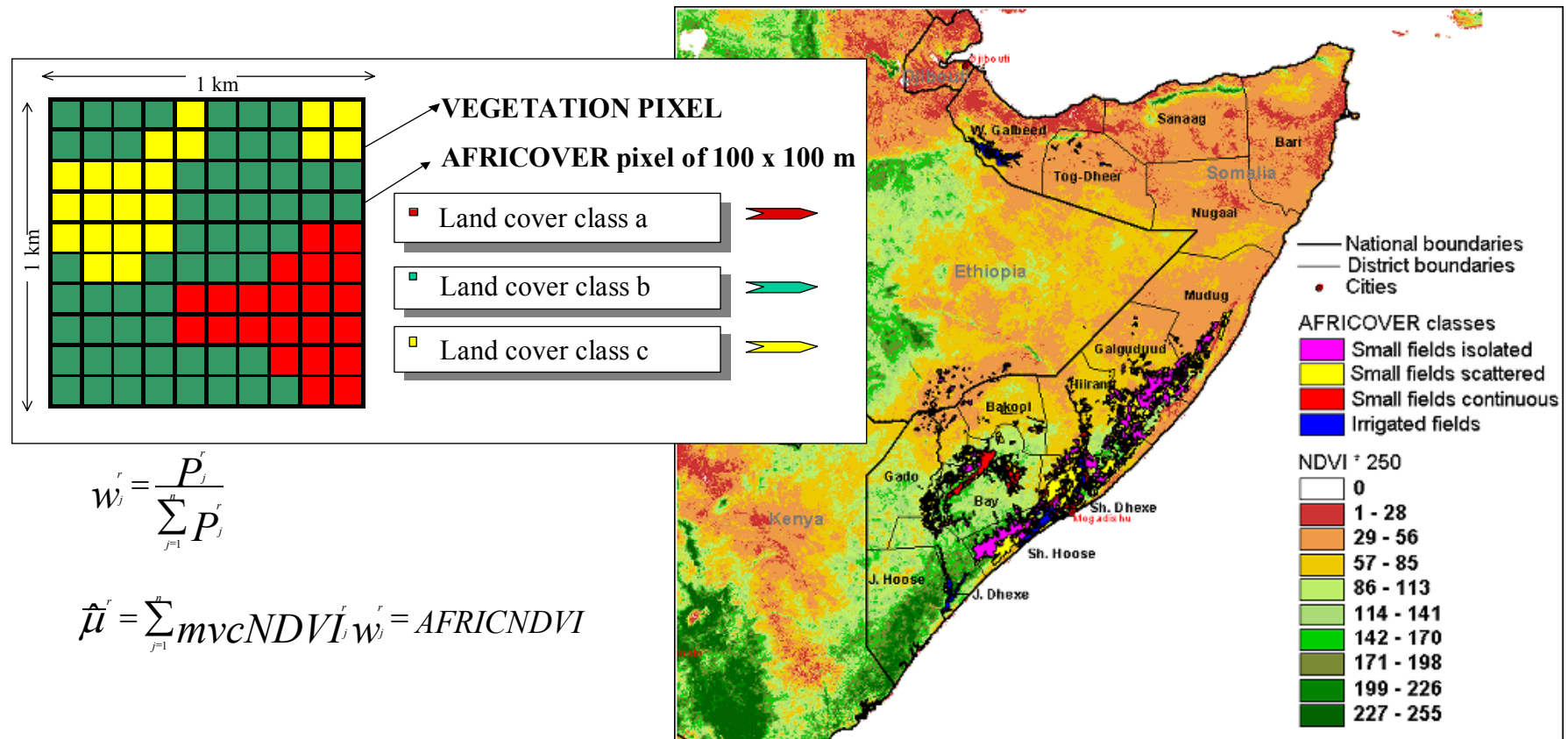
Ten-daily Bulletins, Somalia example



Approach based on C-NDVI profiles and rainfall

C-NDVI : Weighted NDVI “Unmixing NDVI”

CNDVI with CORINE Land cover + NOAA/AVHRR
 AFRICNDVI with AFRICOVER + VEGETATION



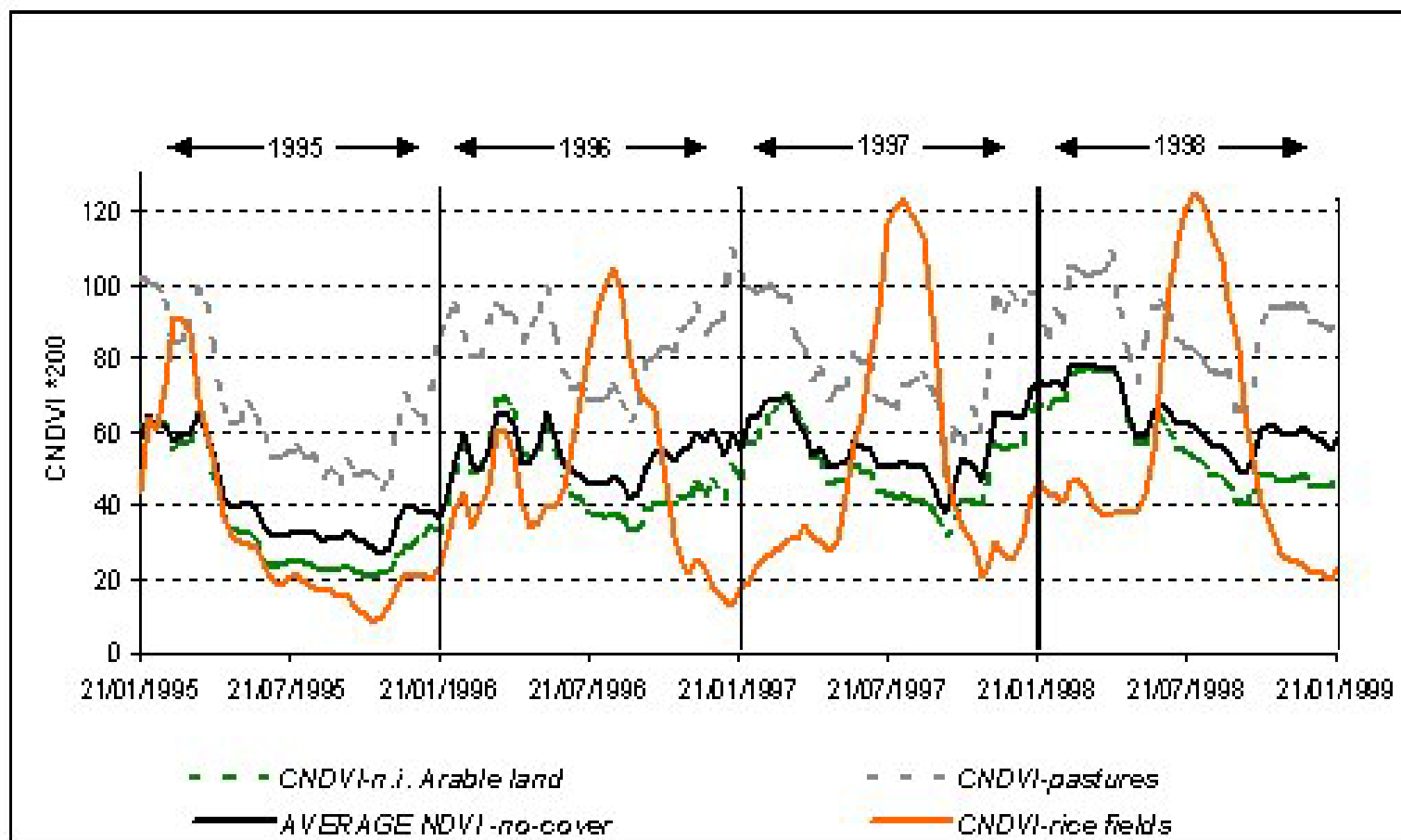
$$w_j^r = \frac{P_j^r}{\sum_{j=1}^n P_j^r}$$

$$\hat{\mu}^r = \sum_{j=1}^n mvcNDVI_j^r w_j^r = AFRICNDVI$$

Goal : Extract the crop component of 1 km VGT NDVI product



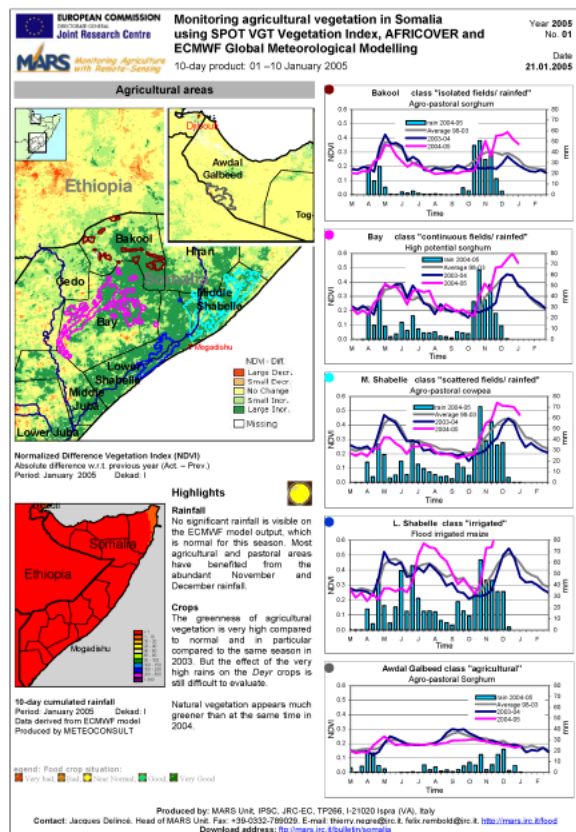
MARS project experience in Europe with CNDVI





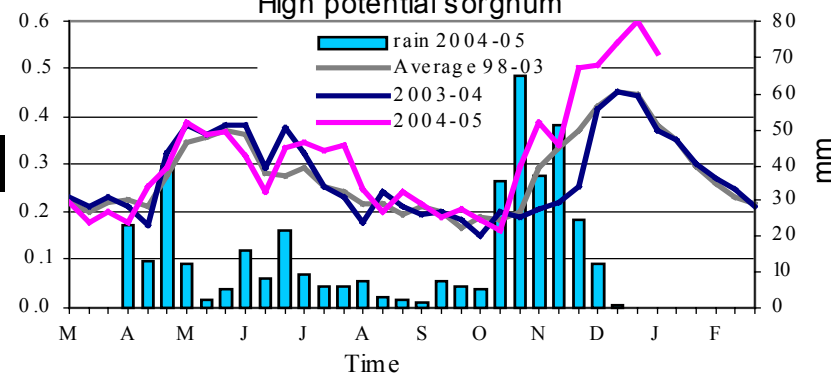
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10-daily country reports
Somalia status 10/01/2005



Forecast for Sorghum Deyr 2005 :
expected yield is better than
average and previous season.

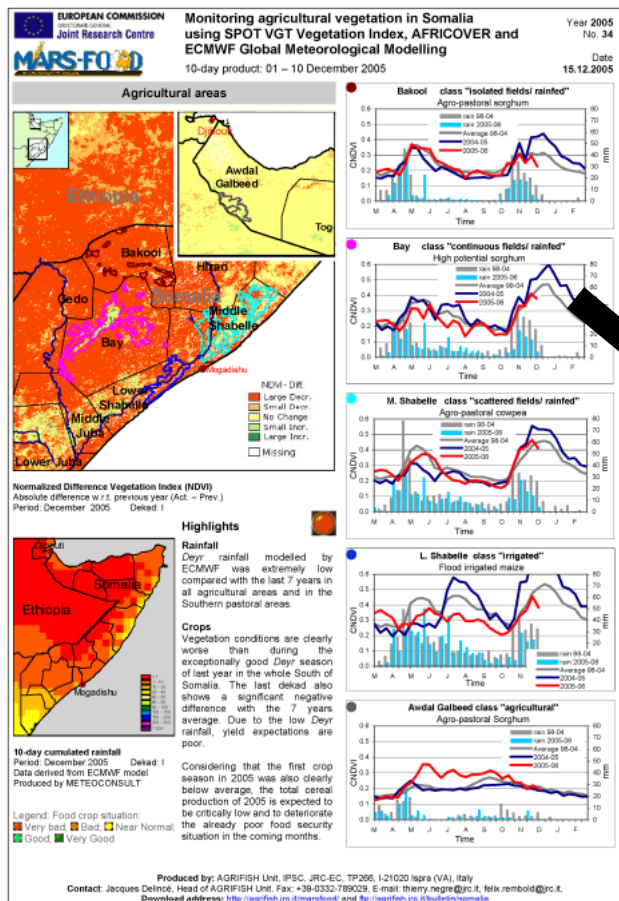
Bay class "continuous fields/ rainfed"
High potential sorghum





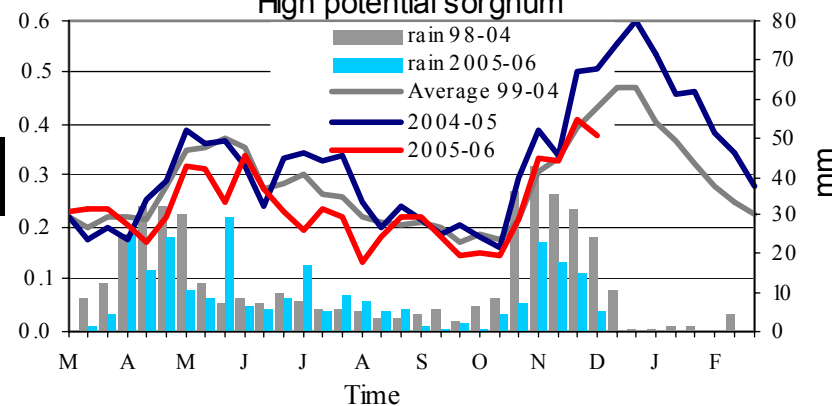
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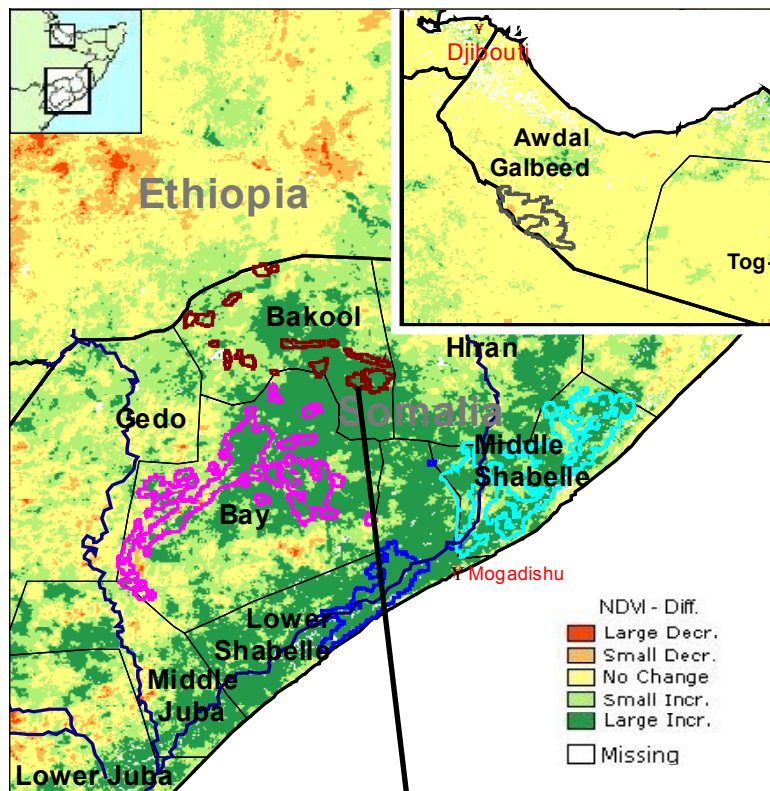


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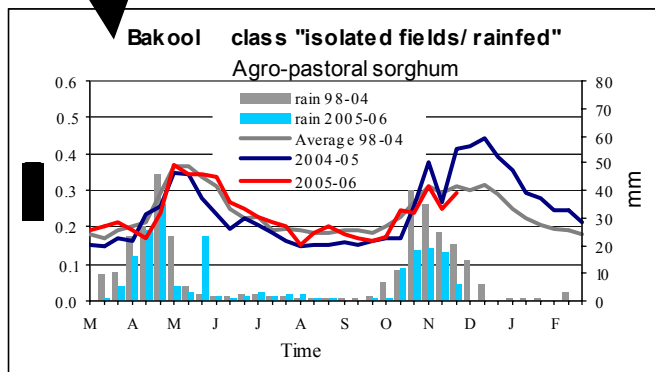
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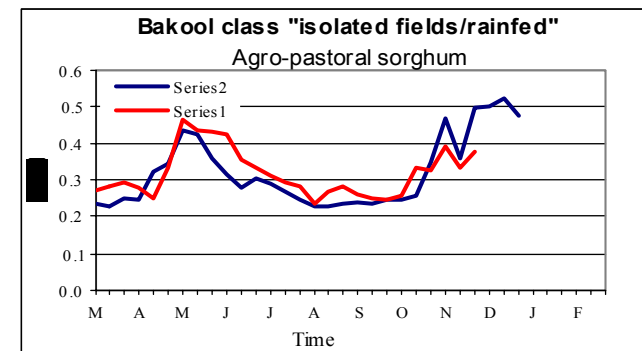
C-NDVI performance - Bakool



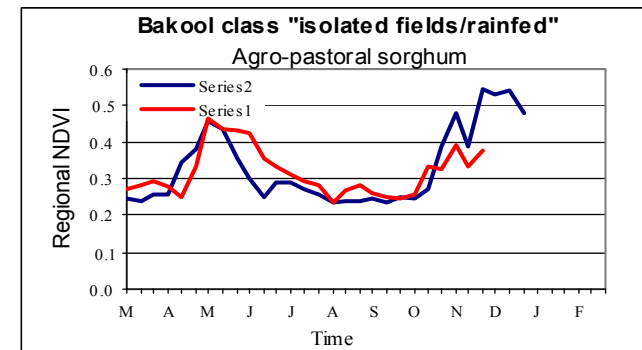
AFRICOVER C-NDVI



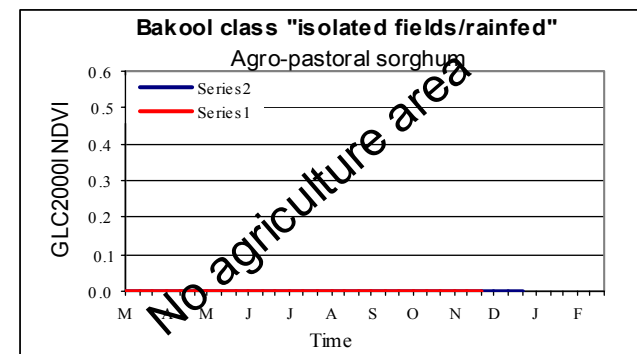
AFRICOVER 1 km NDVI



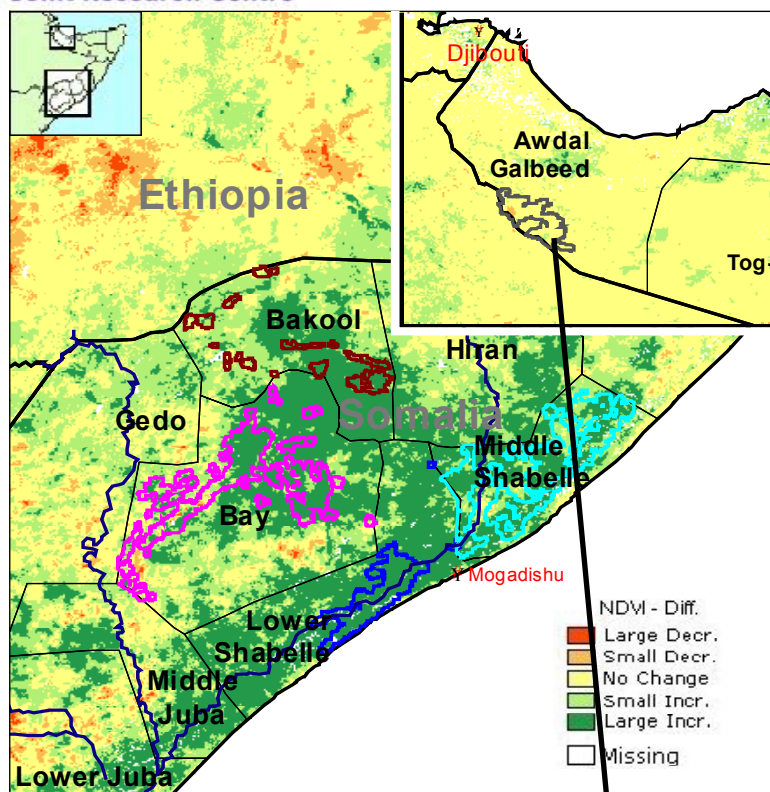
Regional NDVI



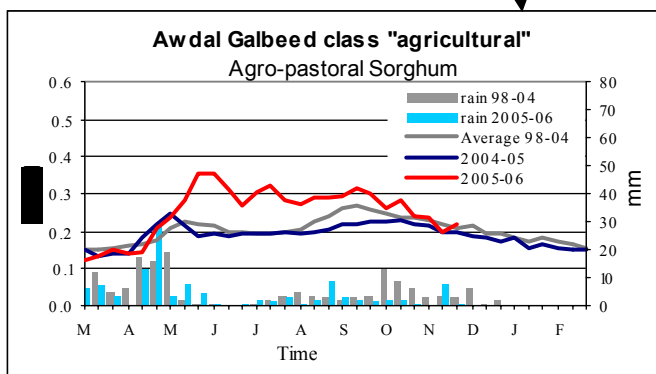
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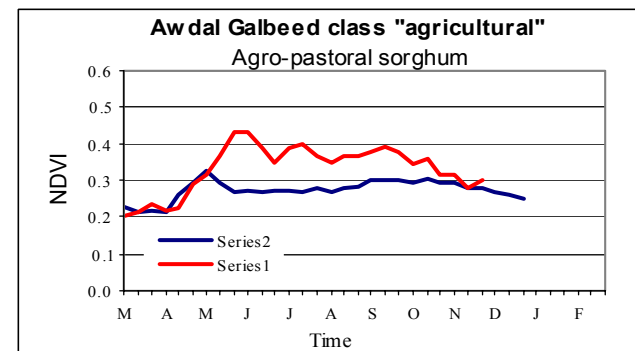
C-NDVI performance – Awdal Galbeed



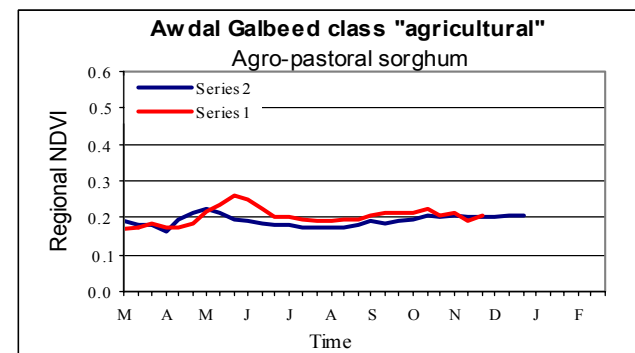
AFRICOVER C-NDVI



AFRICOVER 1 km NDVI



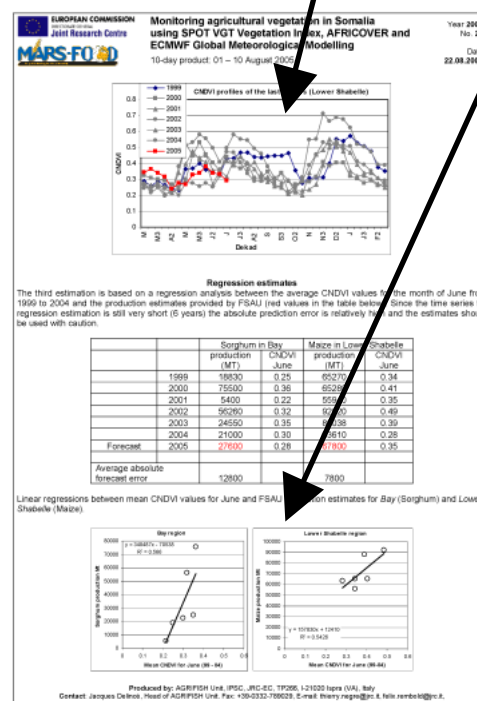
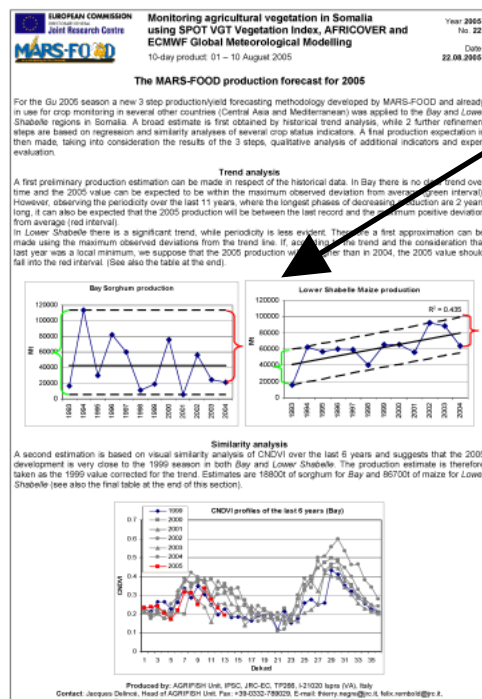
Regional NDVI



Conclusion : no need for high resolution agriculture map but resolution similar to NDVI profile resolution recommended

Quantitative approach

Three steps : Trend, Similarity, Regression



Final expert assessment

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Monitoring agricultural vegetation in Somalia
using SPOT VGT Vegetation Index, AFRICOVER and
ECMWF Global Meteorological Modelling

Year 2005
No. 22
Date 22.08.2005
10-day product: 01 – 10 August 2005

The table below resumes the production estimates in metric tons obtained for 2005 by following the three phases of estimation (trend analysis, similarity analysis, regression estimation) described above. The final estimate retained by MARS-FOOD is also based on expert evaluation of the climatic conditions of this Gu season and the temporal NDVI profiles visible on page 1 and 2 of this bulletin.

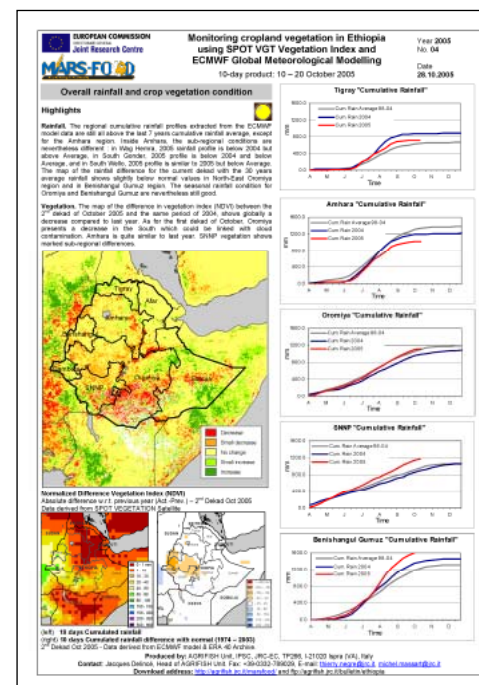
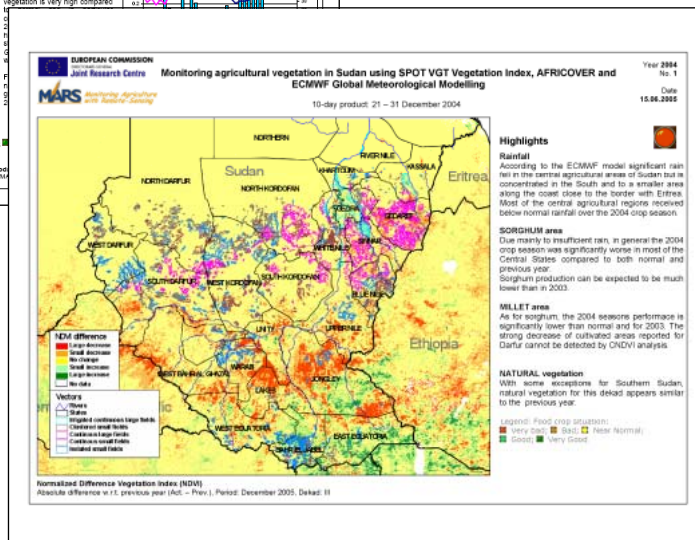
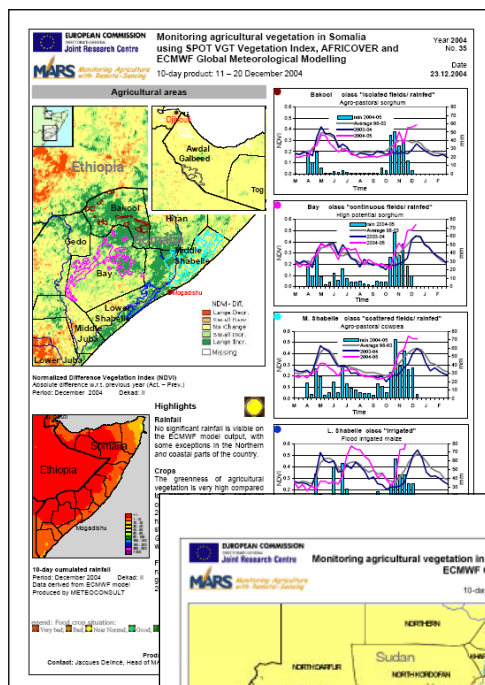
	Trend analysis first approximation first step	Similarity analysis second approximation second step	Regression estimates third approximation third step	MARS-FOOD final estimate
Bay Sorghum	0-82500	21000-82500	18800	27600
Lower Shabelle Maize	64700-102700	67800-102700	86700	87900

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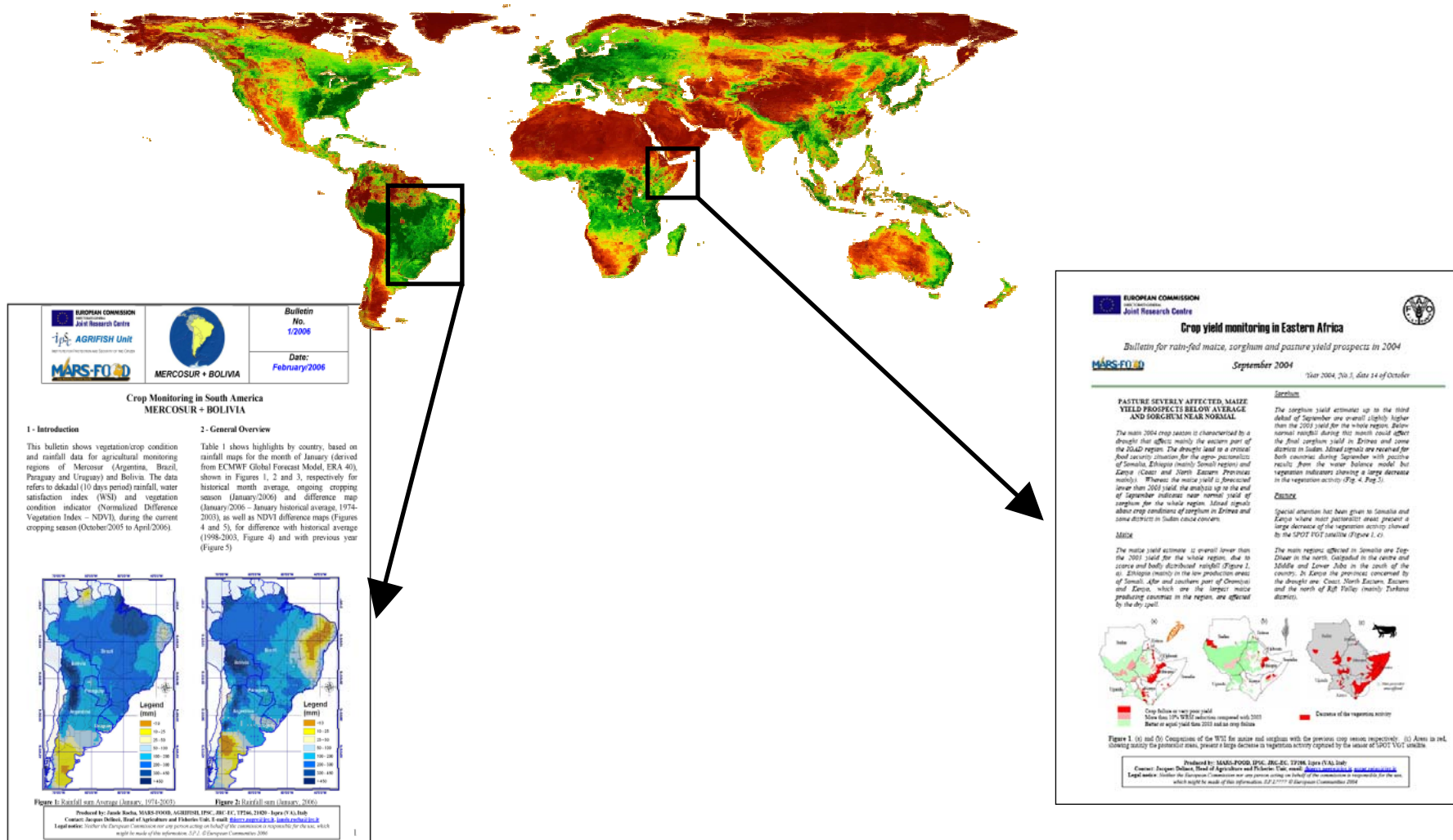
Key information

4 Ten-daily Bulletins : Somalia, Sudan, Ethiopia and Eritrea

Link with local statistics (must be reliable) for the calibration of NDVI / Rainfall information – Support
FAO-AGROMAPS & SALB-GAUL initiatives



Monthly and Bi-monthly Bulletins, East Africa example





MARS-FOOD Bulletin (East Africa 2005)

Monthly regional reports East Africa status 10/2005

Outputs directly usable by food security administrators

Crop yield monitoring in Eastern Africa

Bulletin for rain-fed maize and sorghum yield prospects in 2005

MARS-FOOD

October 2005

Year 2005, No. 8, data 22 November

GOOD MAIZE AND SORGHUM YIELD PROSPECTS FOR 2005 CROP SEASON

In general the climatic conditions were favorable to maize and sorghum during the main crop season 2005 for most of the countries in Eastern Africa, with the exception of Somalia and the eastern part of Kenya (Fig. 1).

The temporal analysis of the vegetation index showed a positive overall picture for maize and sorghum production in the region, when compared with the last 6 years. Exceptions are Somalia, where a below maize and sorghum yield is forecasted and Kenya where mainly the sorghum areas were severely affected.

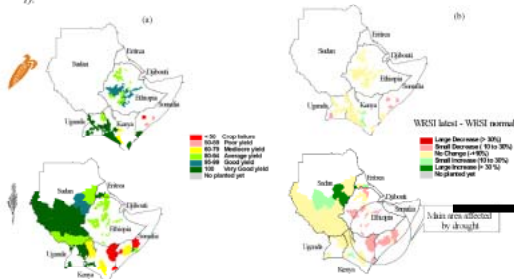


Figure 1. (a) Maize and Sorghum Water Requirement Satisfaction Index (WRSI) up to the end of October 2005. (b) Difference between the Maize and Sorghum WRSI latest with the Normal maize and sorghum WRSI.

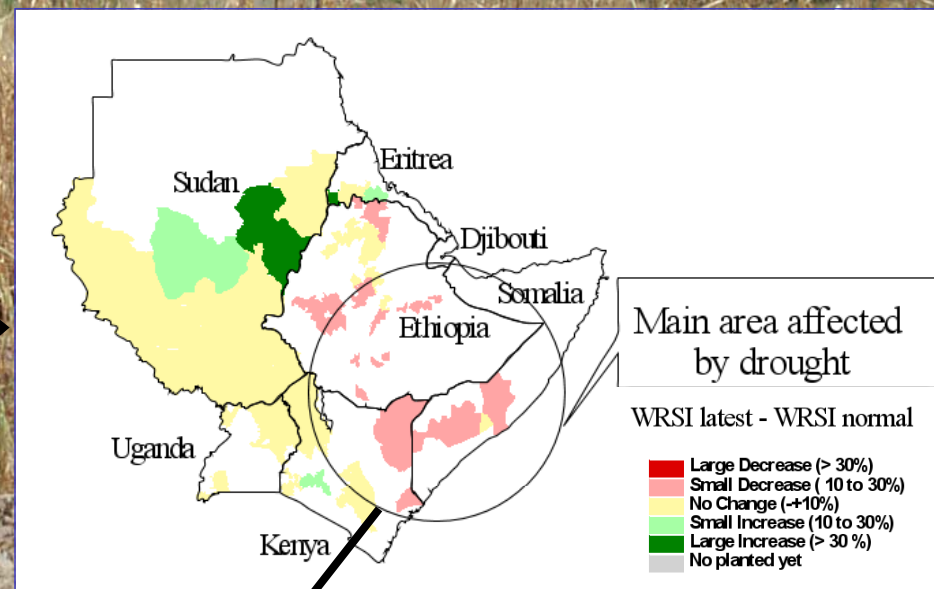
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Very bad, Bad, Near Normal, Good, Very Good

Input data Process and tools Intermediate and final outputs

Water Satisfaction Index for the Sorghum crop (October 2005)

Difference with Normal WSI of Sorghum (Average of the last 6 years)



2005 : Drop in Sorghum production as compared to normal condition (11 Million people affected)

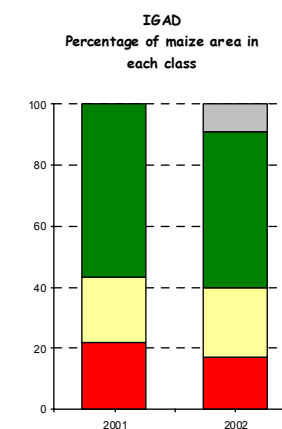
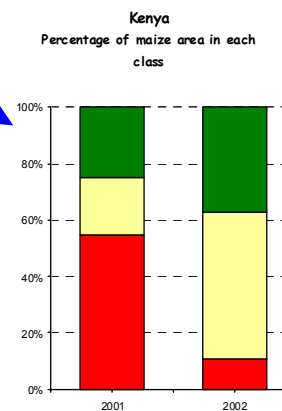
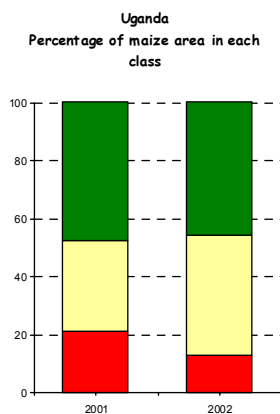
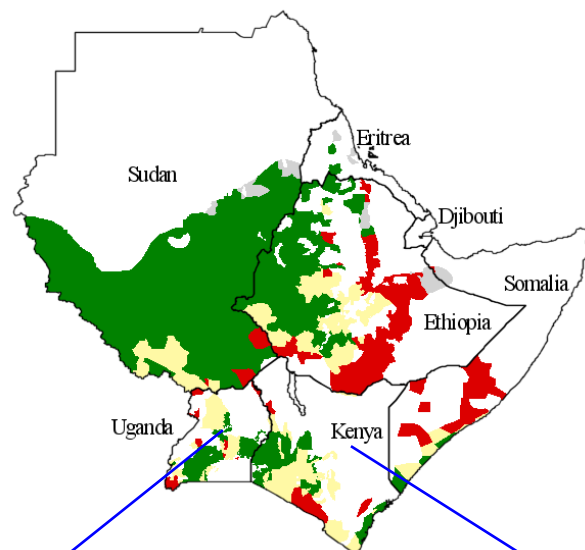
Key information needed to run the FAO Water Balance Model

- **Planting decade** – Under improvement : AGHRYMET rainfall rules, NDVI Phenology product of GEOLAND-VGT4AFRICA, ...
- **Current rainfall by decade** – ECMWF model, Must be improved, thru Crop Rangeland Monitoring Network, Rainfall data assessment WG (?) : ECMWF, RFE, ...
- Current PET – ECMWF model
- Length of the Crop cycle
- Soil water holding capacity (soil data)

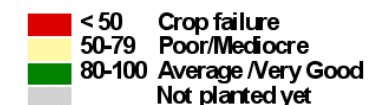
Qualitative crop yield assessment using the WSI



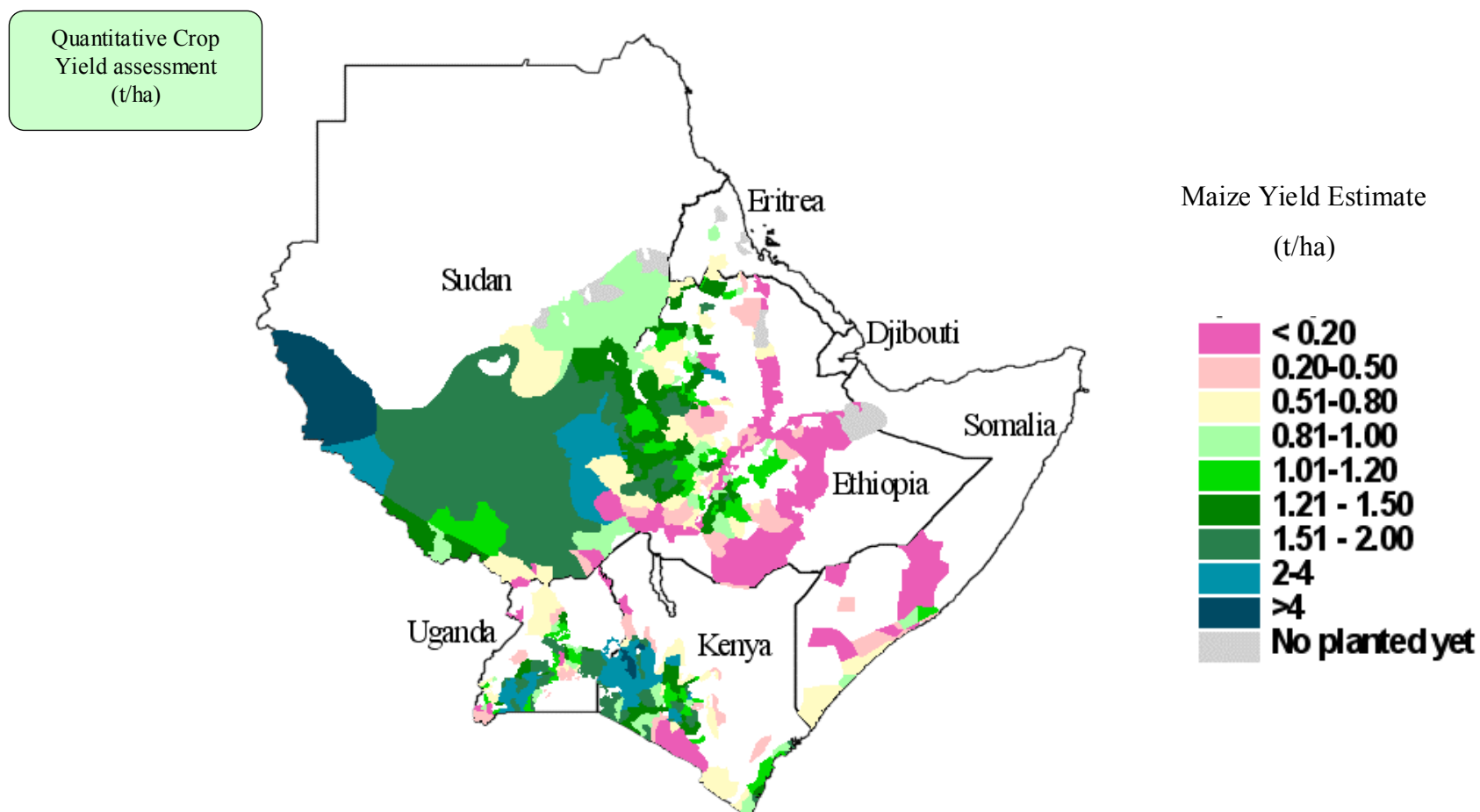
Qualitative crop yield assessment using the Water Satisfaction Index (WSI)



WSI for Maize

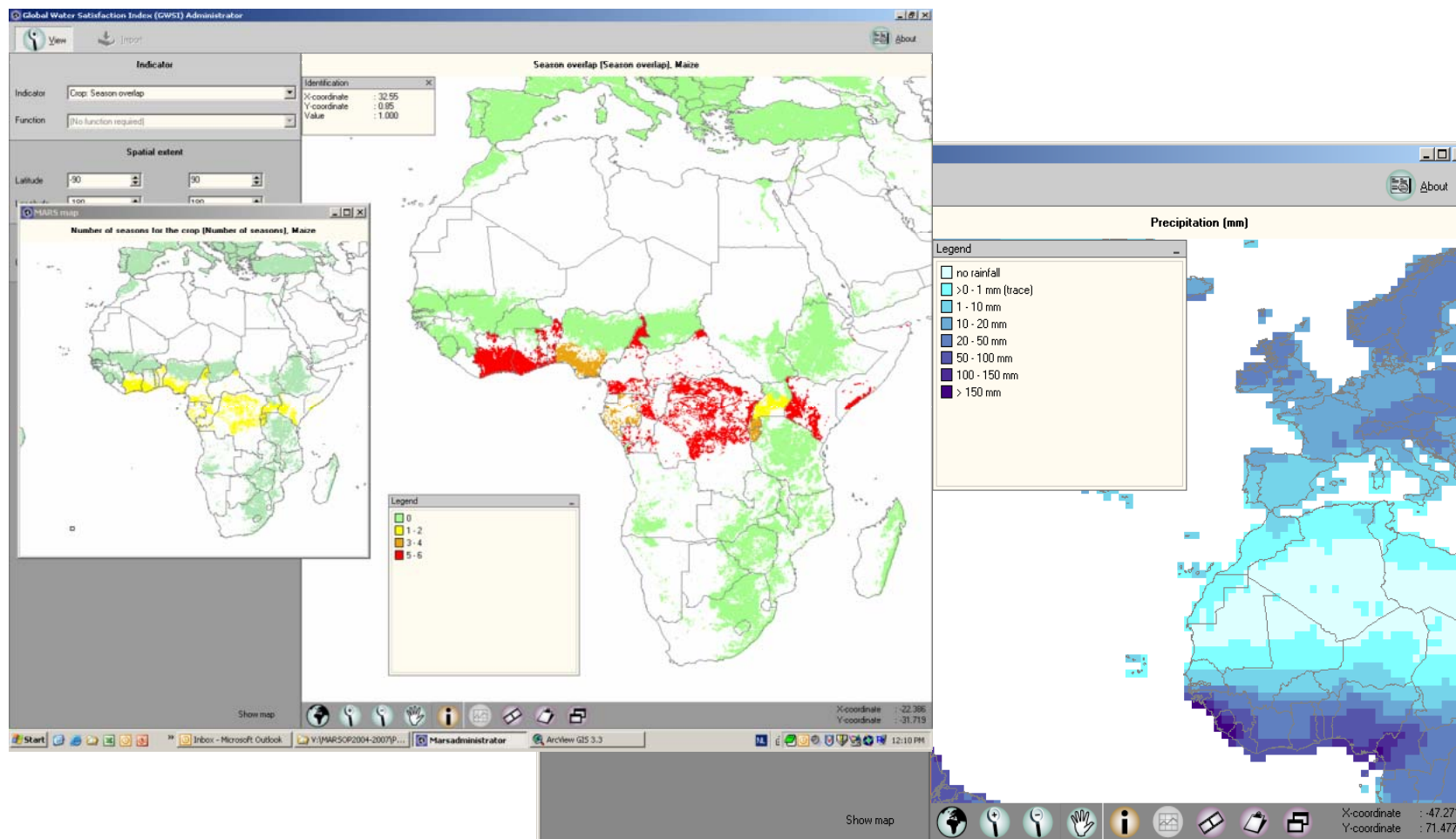


Quantitative crop yield assessment (t/ha)



Based on years of reference and potential yield, Under Calibration

Global Crop Specific Water Balance Model (GCSWB) under implementation / “automatic” version

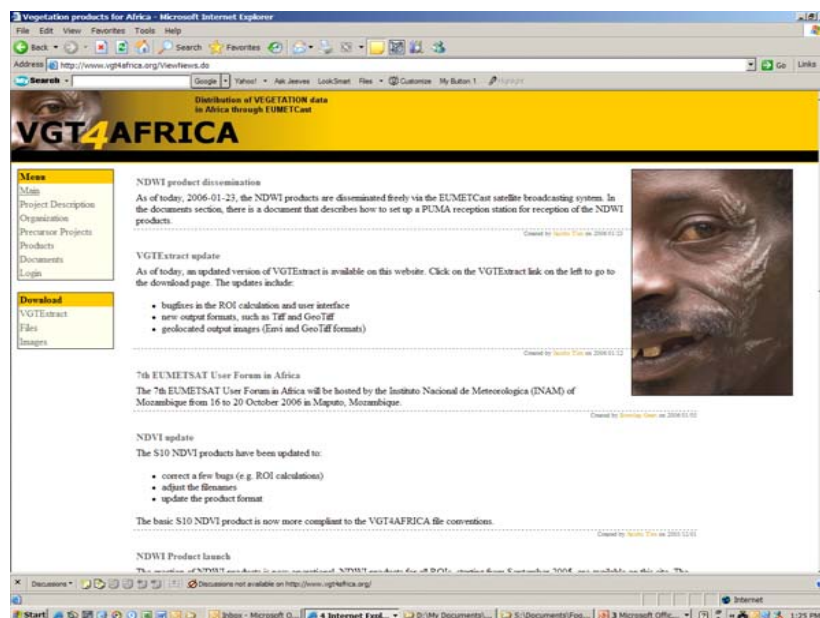


Under development in collaboration with FAO

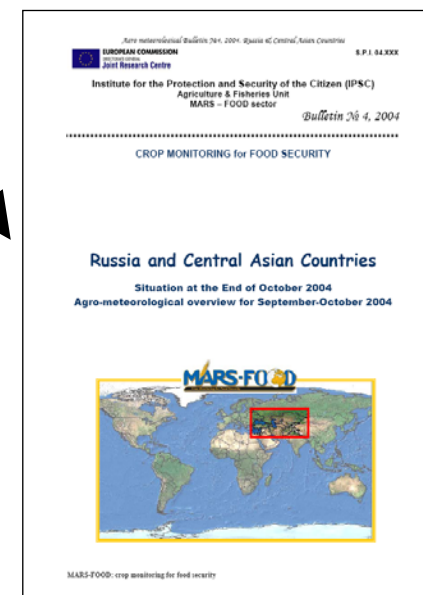
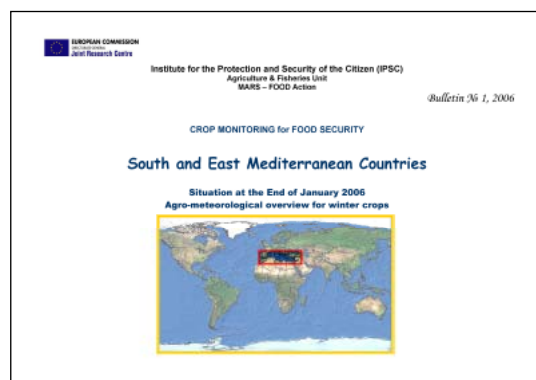
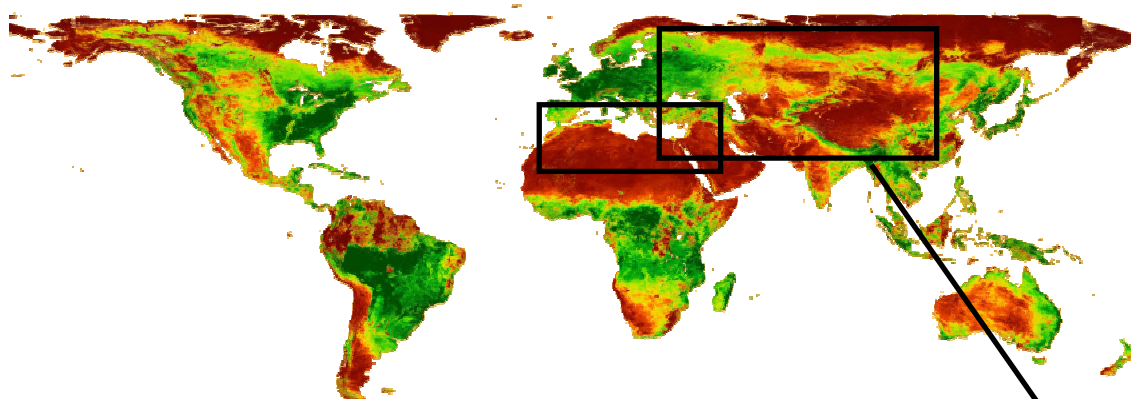
2 Bulletins based on WSI and/or C-NDVI : East Africa and South America

Data dissemination : thru EUMETCAST – VGT4AFRICA and in collaboration with GMFS

Data exchange policy : VGT and ECMWF requests, under discussion

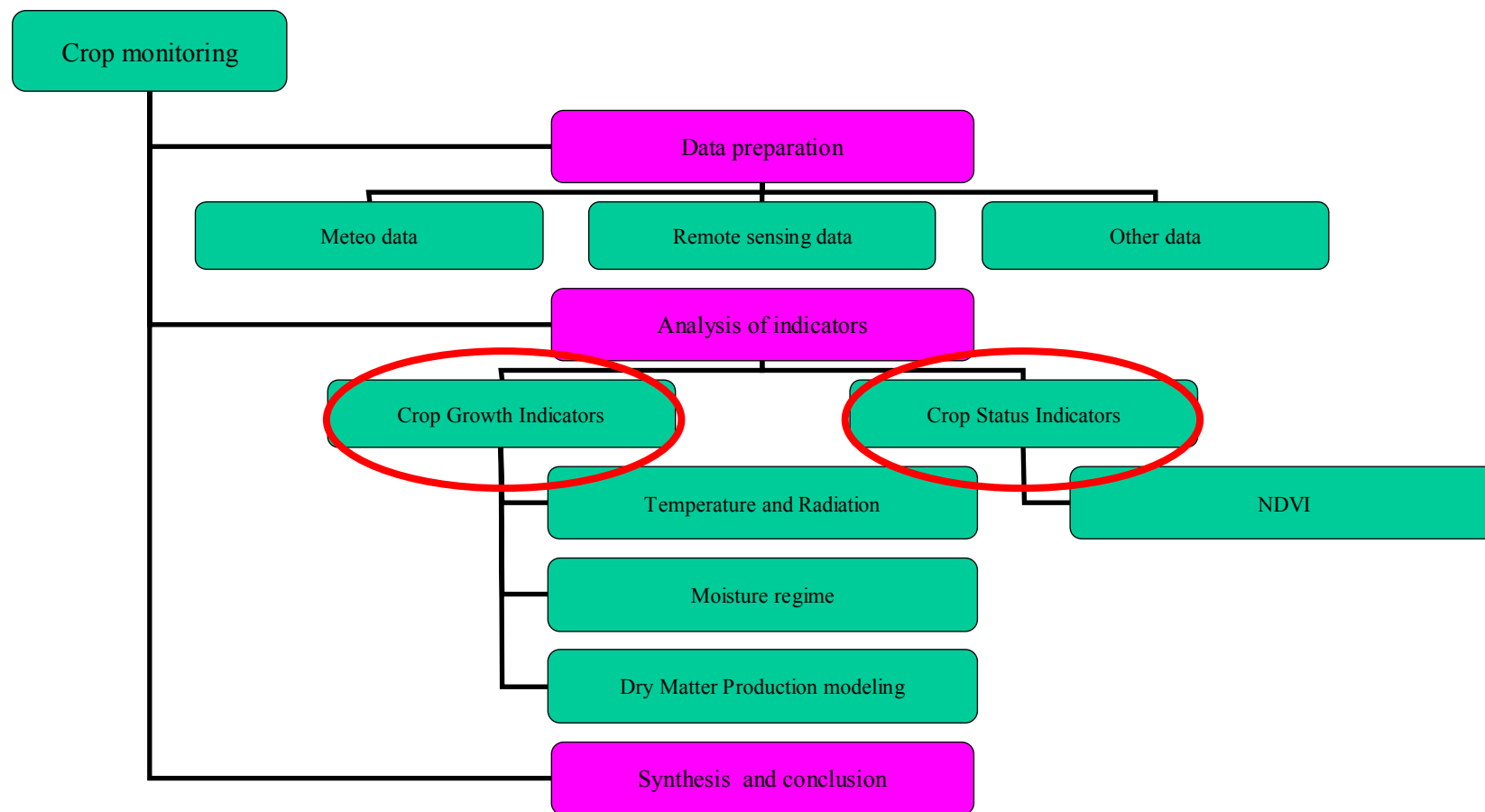


Monthly & Bi-monthly Bulletins, Russia and Central Asia example



Approach based on CGMS* and C-NDVI

Current Russia and Central Asia Bulletin structure



Qualitative approach based on indicators before an operational CGMS under calibration

Two families of indicators (Crop Growth – Meteo and Crop Status – NDVI-DMP)

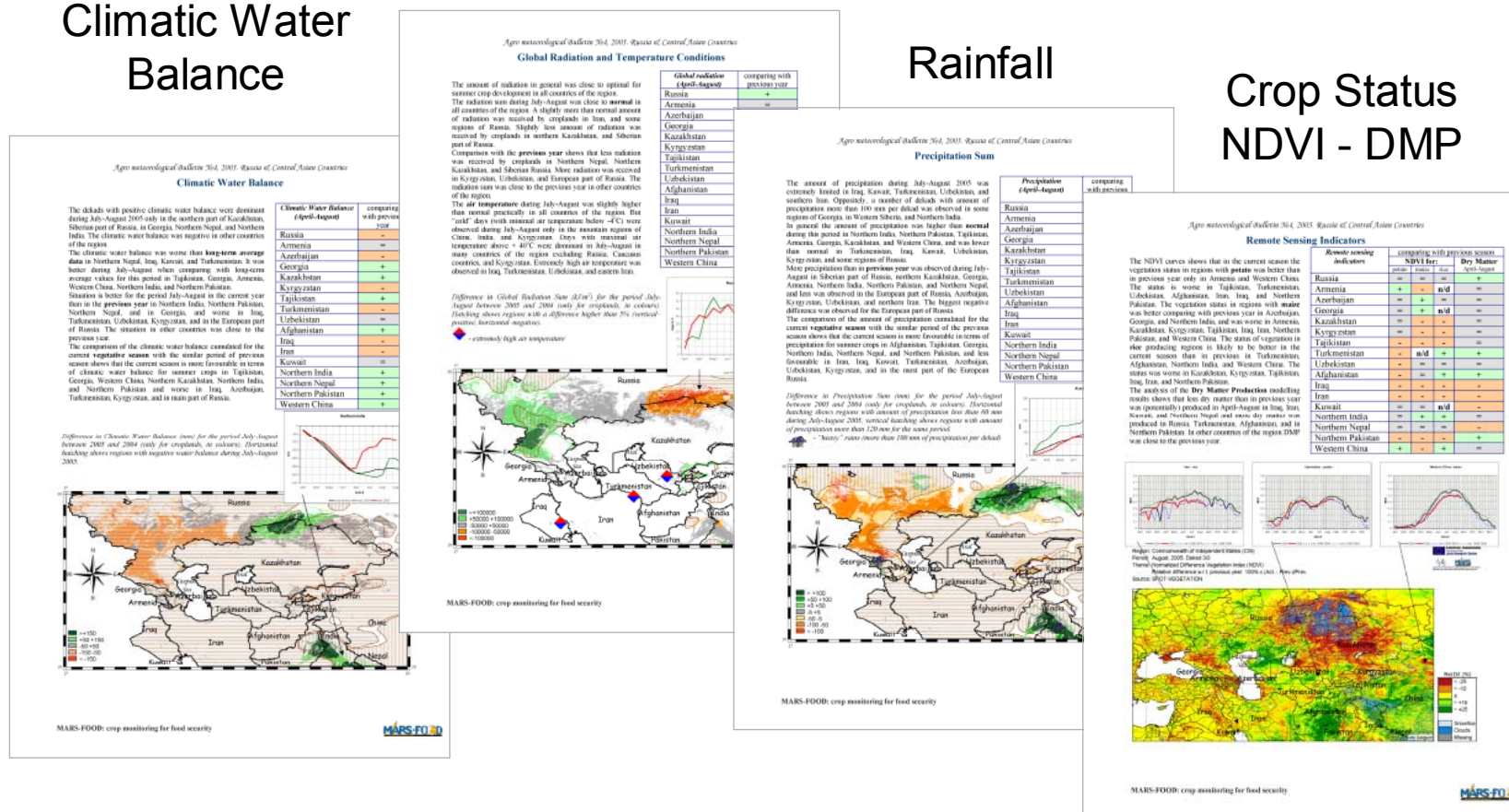
Indicators (extract from main bulletin pages)

Radiation and Temperature

Climatic Water Balance

Rainfall

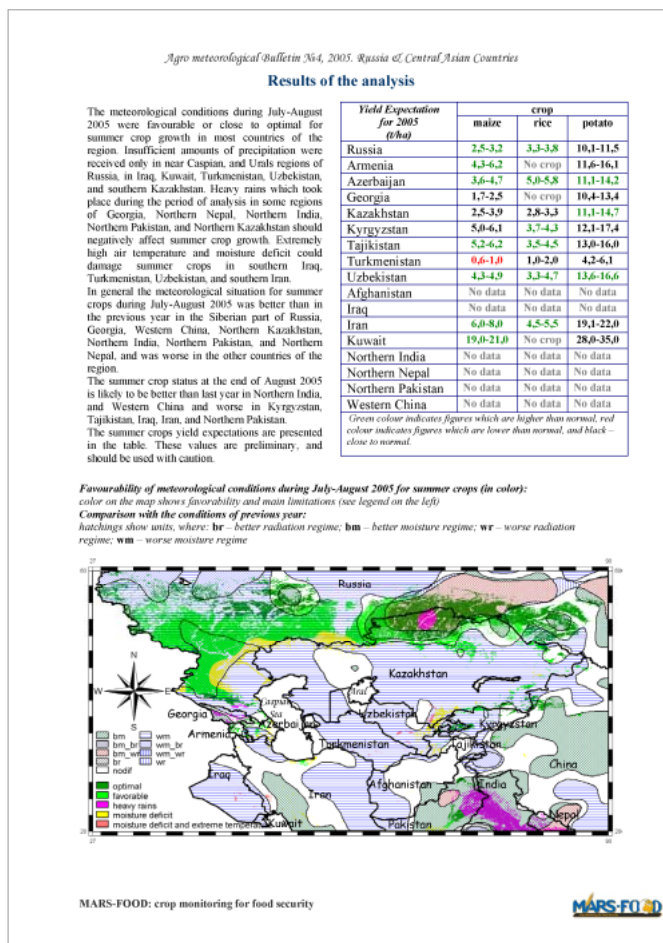
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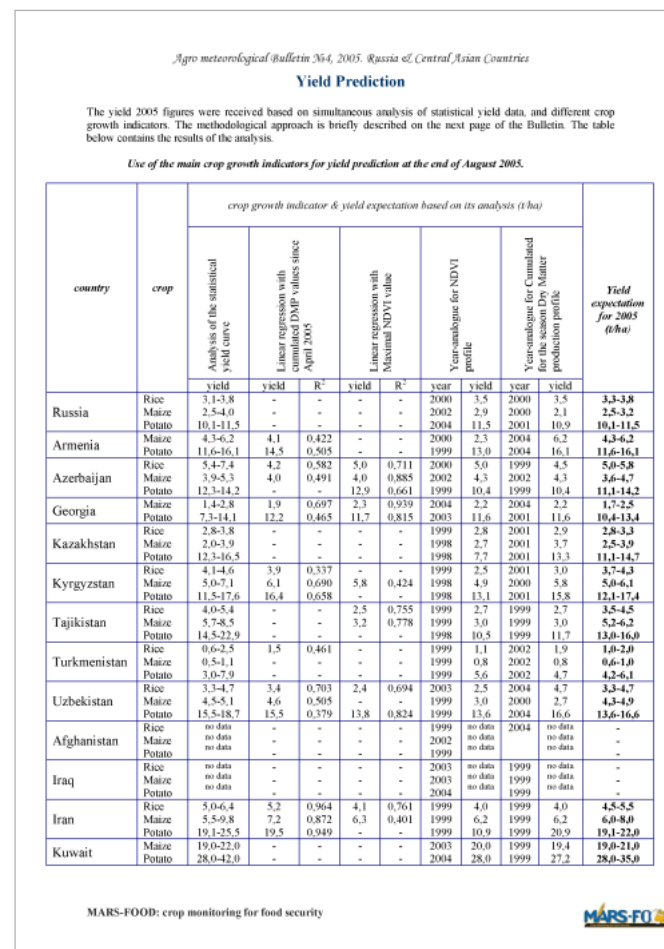
Current indicators compared with last year and 15 years average

Yield forecast (extract from bulletin pages)

Expert GIS based mapping analysis

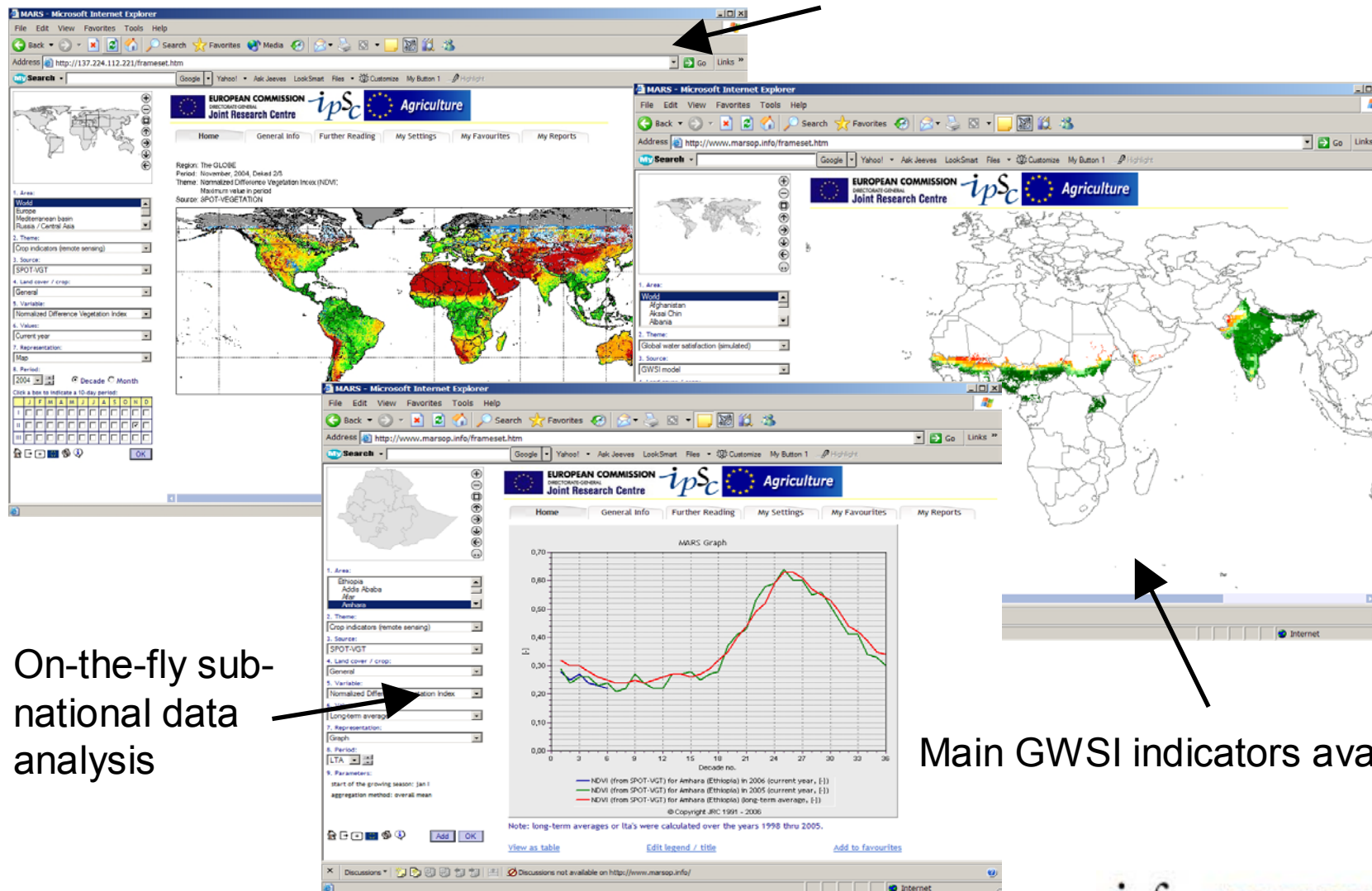


Quantitative / Regression approach



MARSOP Site for information dissemination

Main METEO and satellite base indicators



MARS-FOOD Pool of Expertise



- Support to national / regional institutions capacity building (training, information exchange, ...)
- **FAO Collaboration Agreement**
- Participation in United-Nations FAO - WFP Crop and Food Supply Assessment Missions
- Coordination role for the EU : European Space Agency (GMFS), World Food Program (Emergency Needs Assessment) , ...
- Scientific Networks (CRAM, South America) and Regional conferences
- Technical support to EU Delegation under the newly signed Administrative Arrangement with DG AIDCO
- Support to Vulnerability and need assessment



Crop Monitoring in South America



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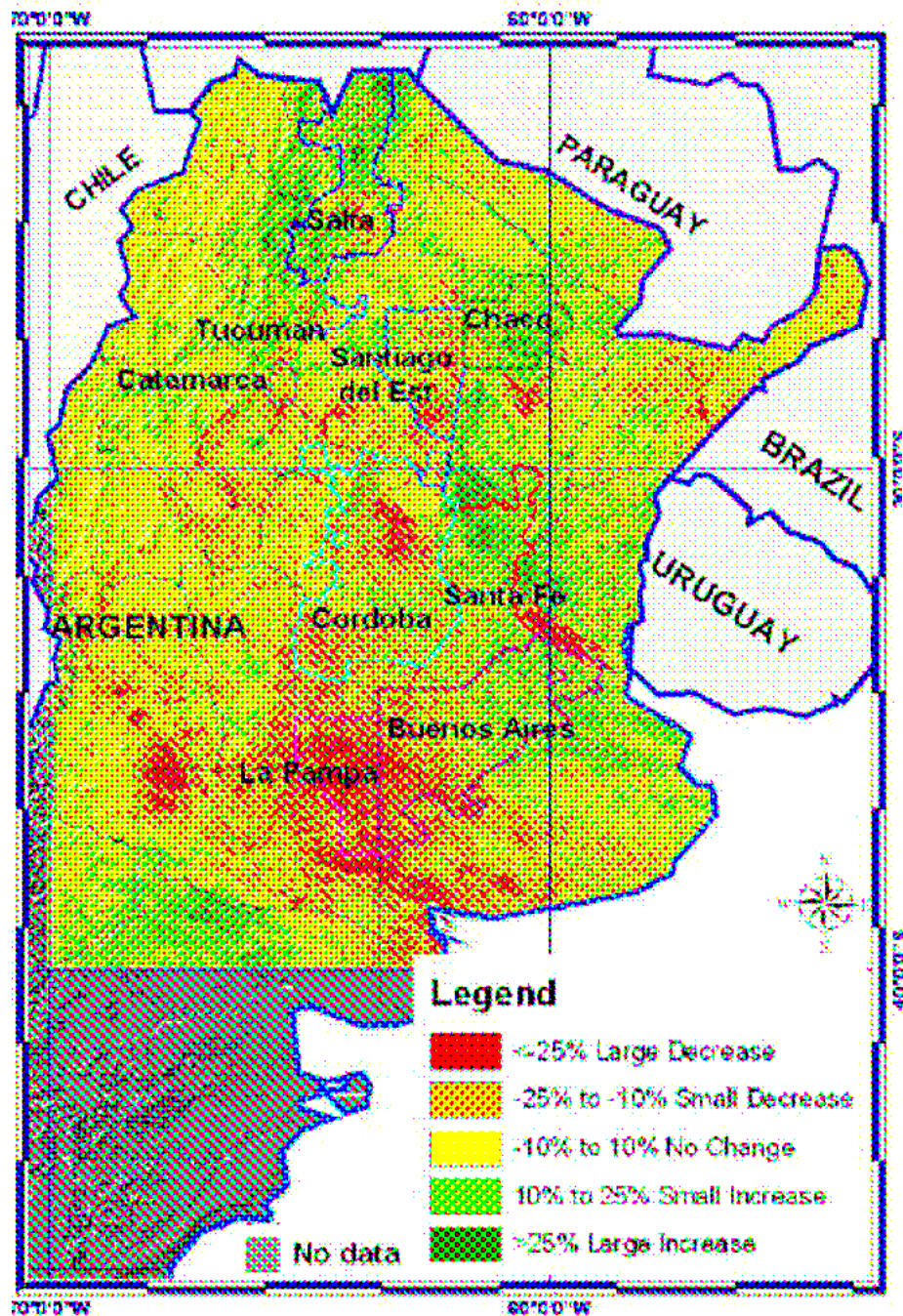
Objectives

- generate frequent bulletins
- to establish a Scientific Network with local institutions for data, technology and knowledge exchange
- to develop methodologies on crop monitoring for the region
 - data integration
 - modelling

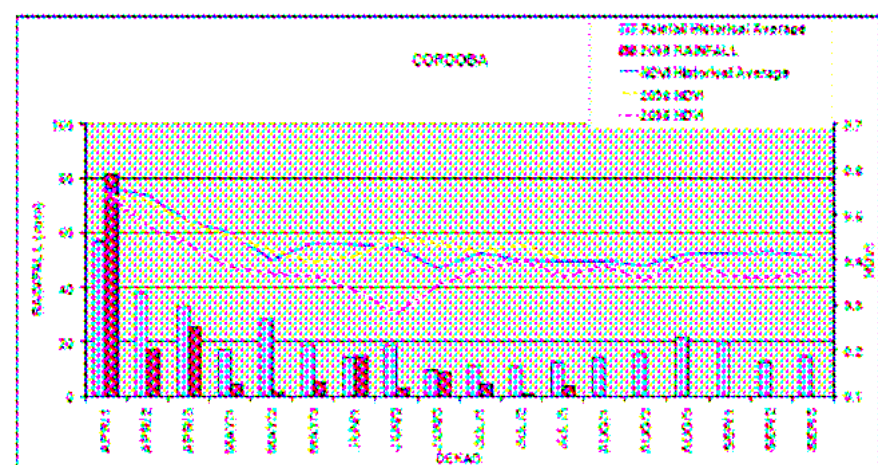
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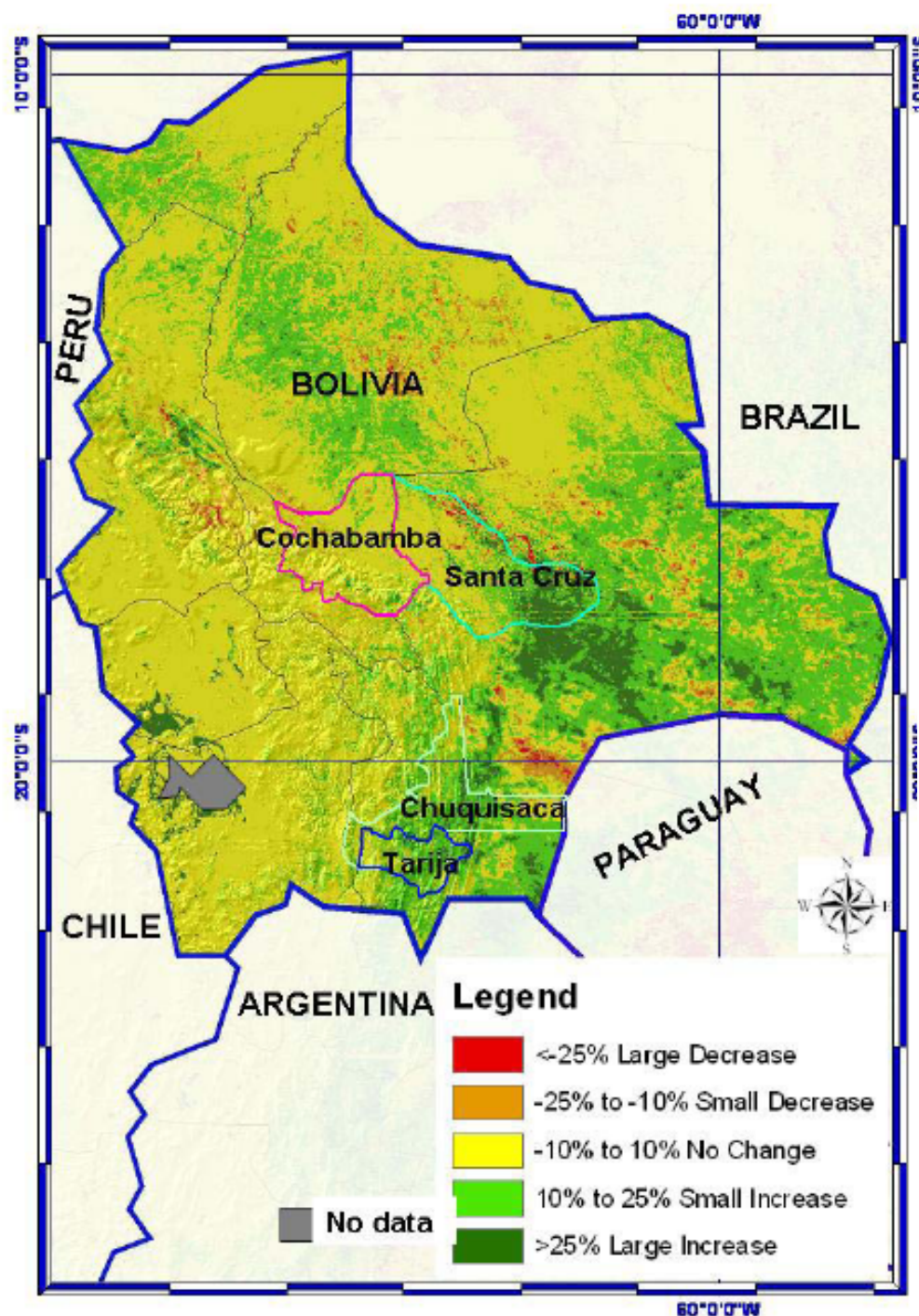
(<http://agrifish.jrc.it/marsfood/Bulletins/southamerica>)

- NDVI and Rain (actual, differences and profiles)
- + WSI difference for wheat, maize and soybean
- + cumulated rainfall (from oct/1 or apr/1) + WSI difference for soybean and maize (summer crops) and wheat and maize (winter crops)
- + Mask for Annual Crops (summer) + planting dates (?)

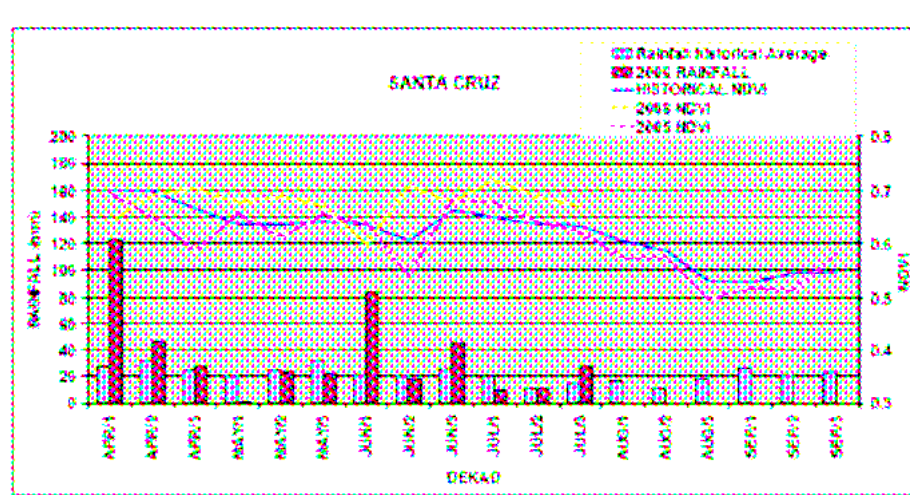


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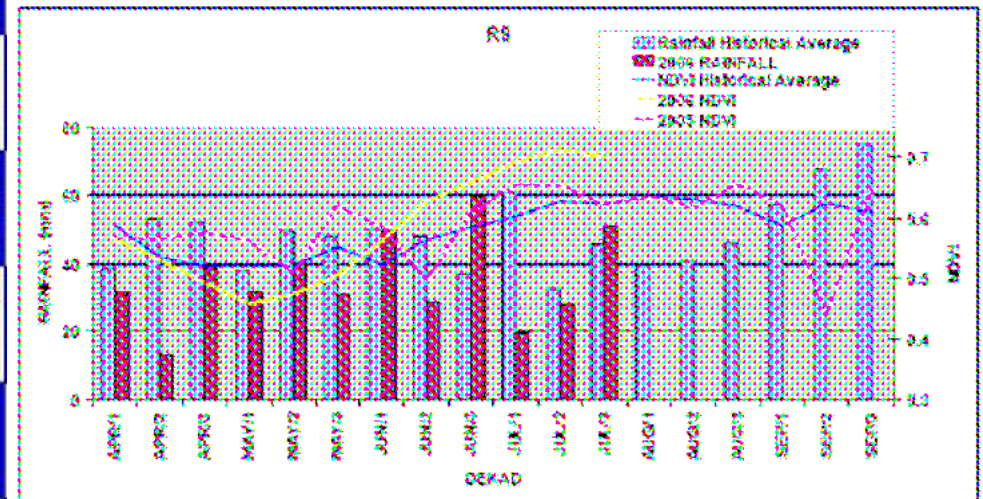
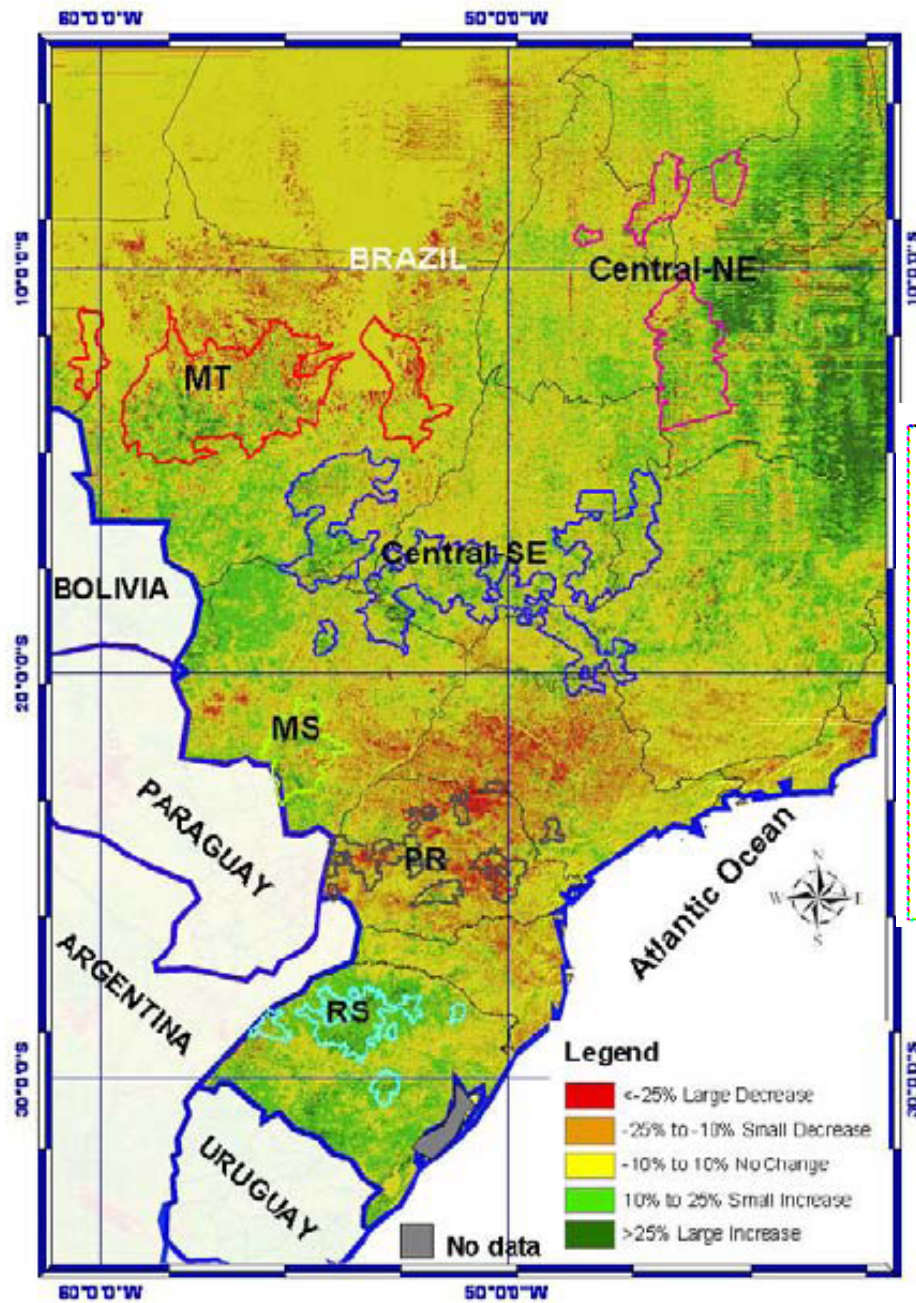




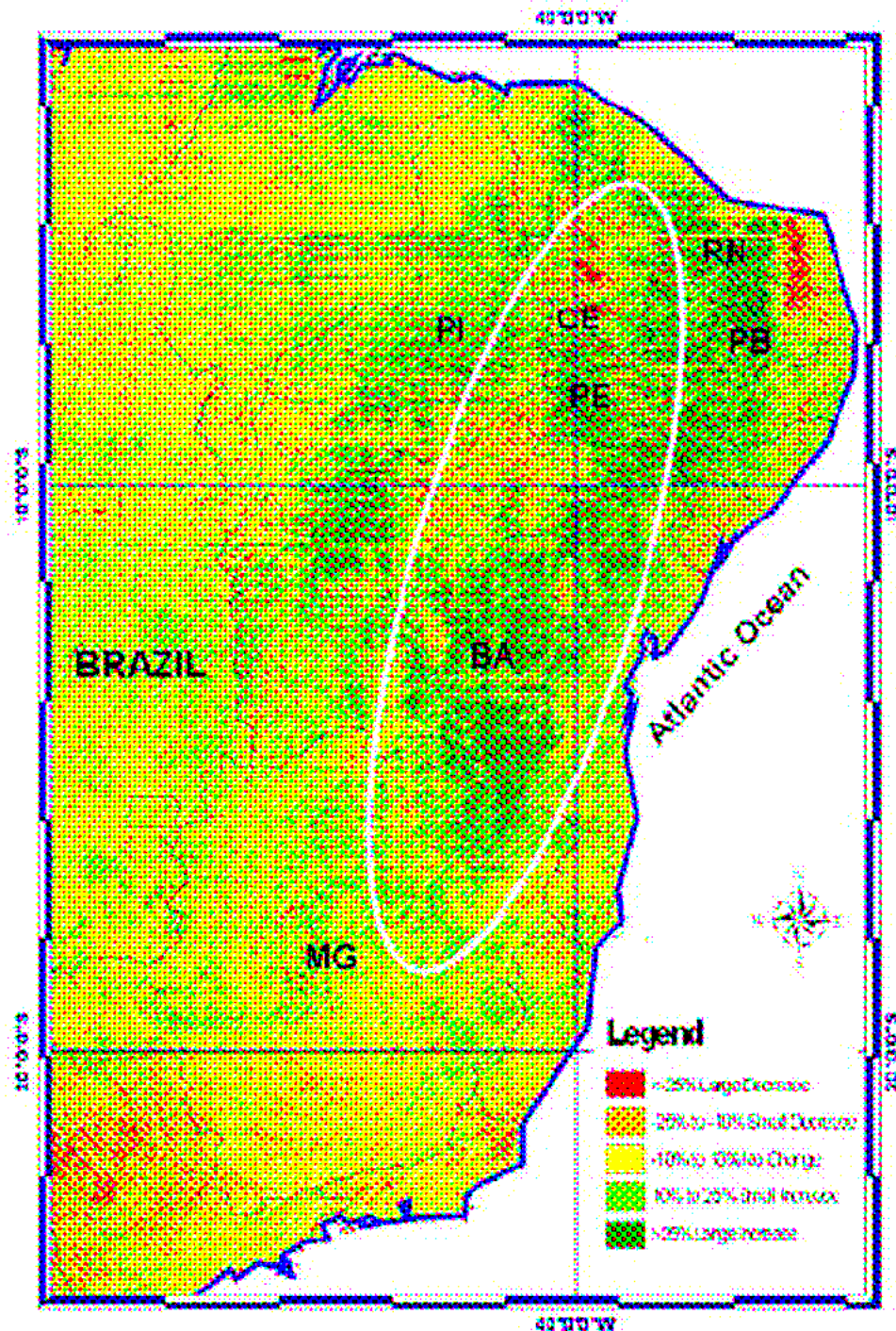
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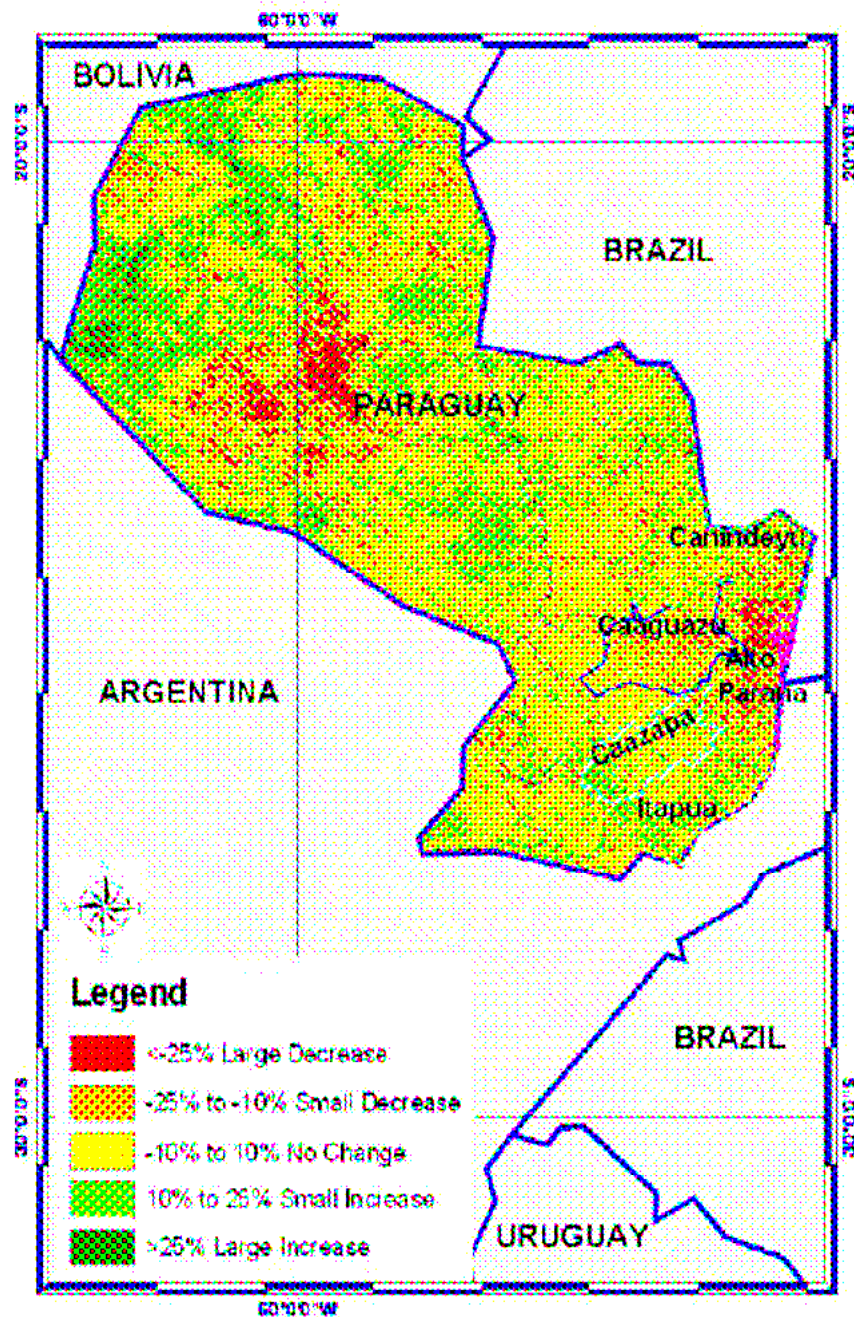


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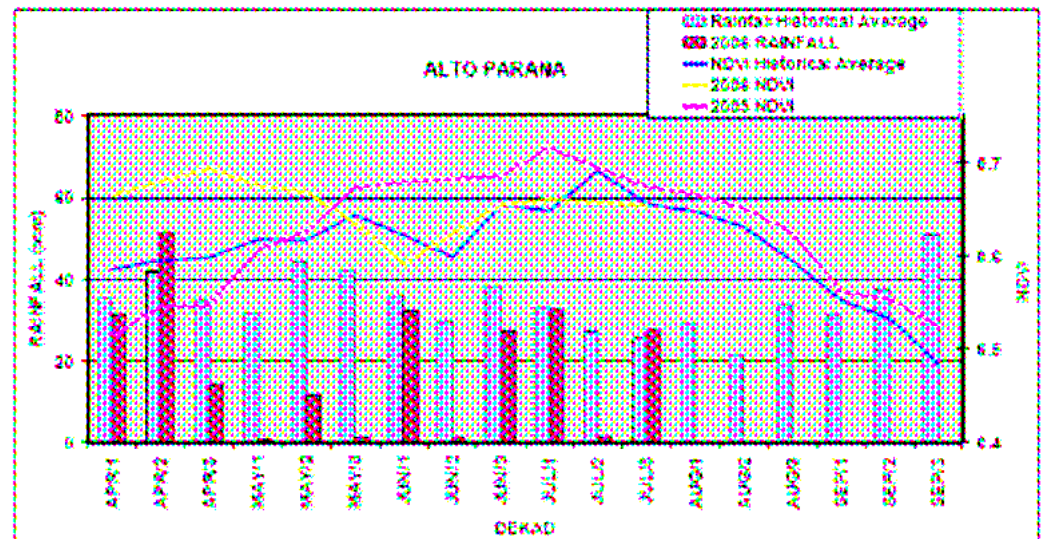


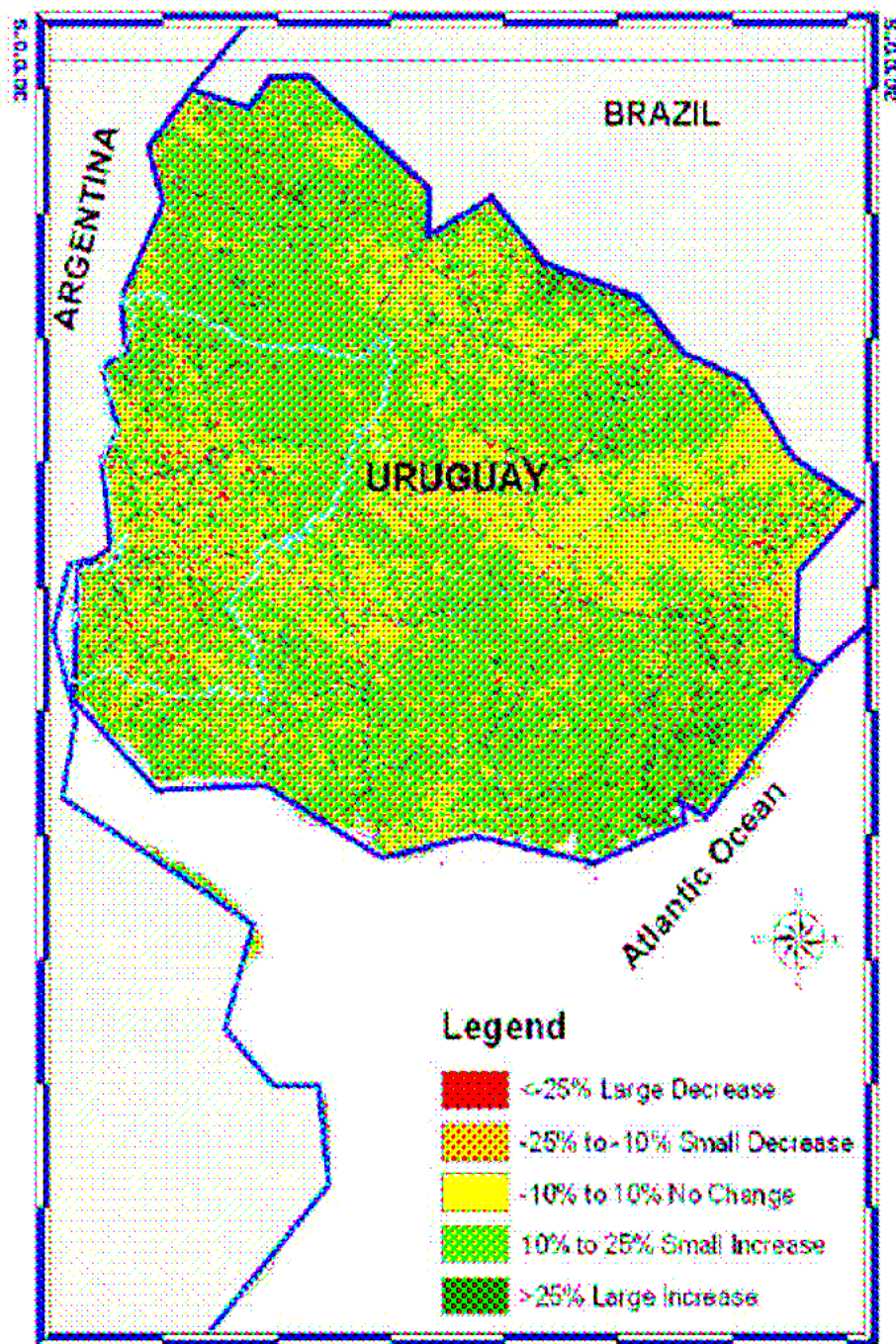
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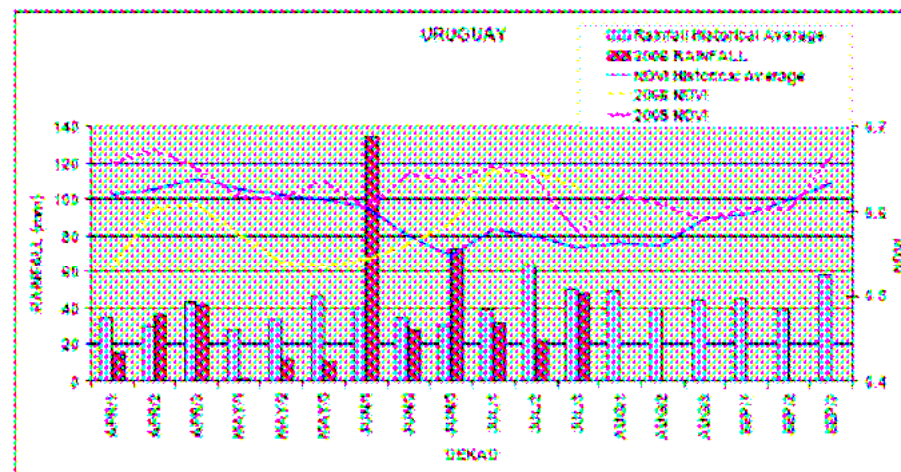


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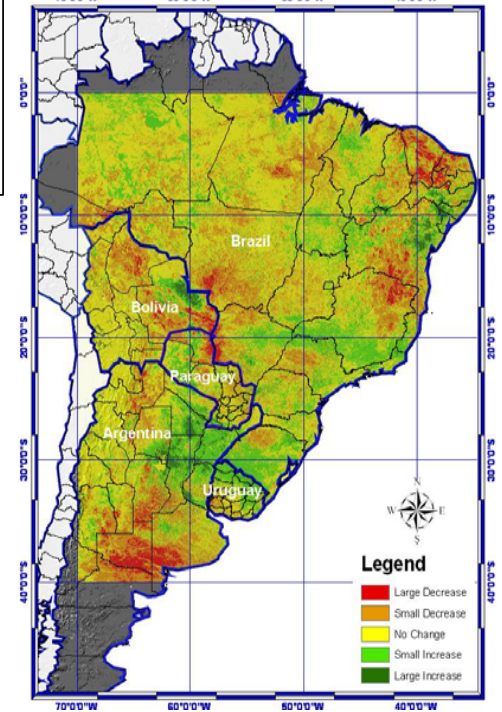
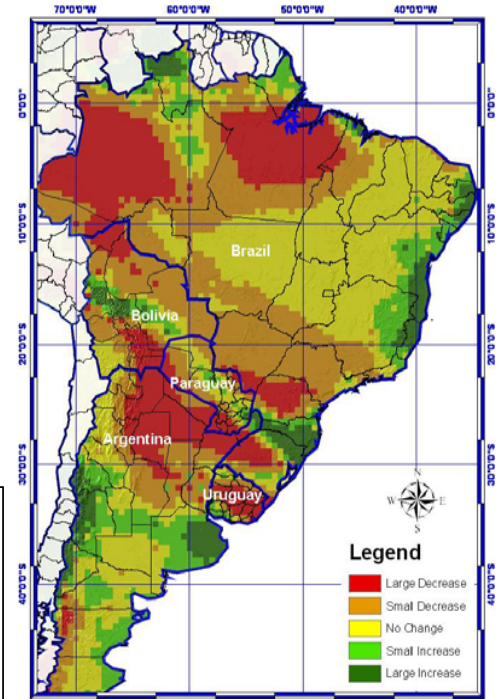
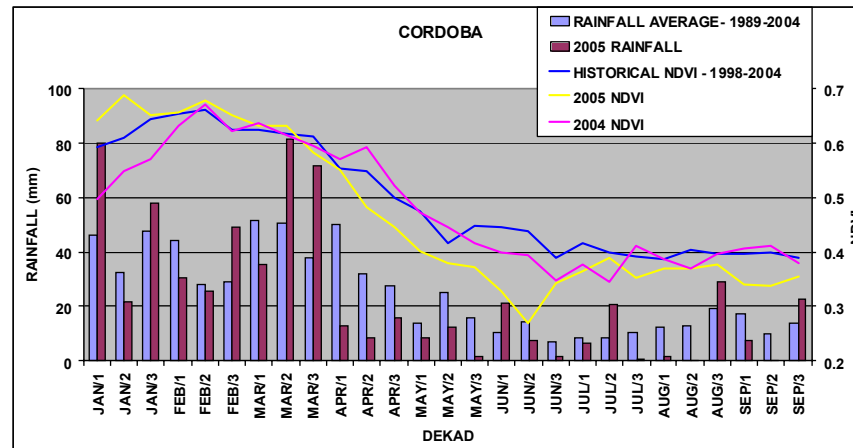
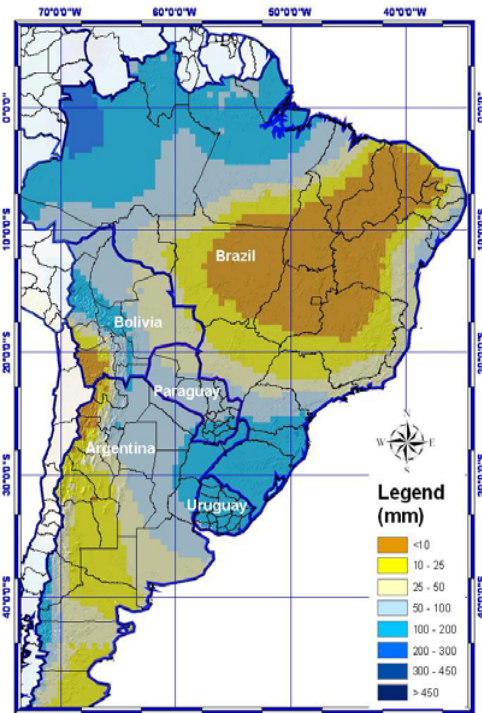




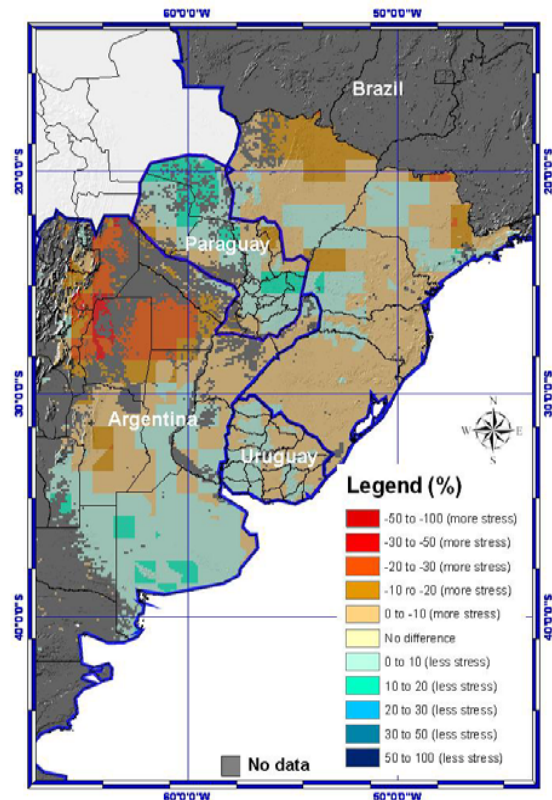
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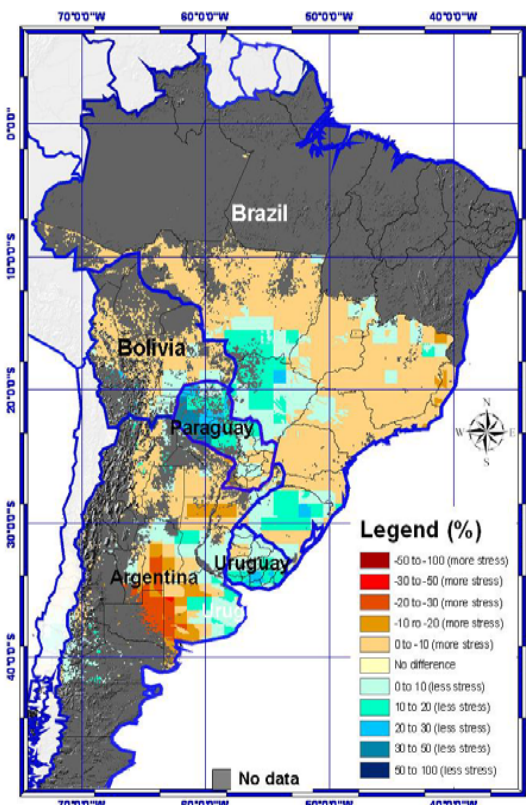
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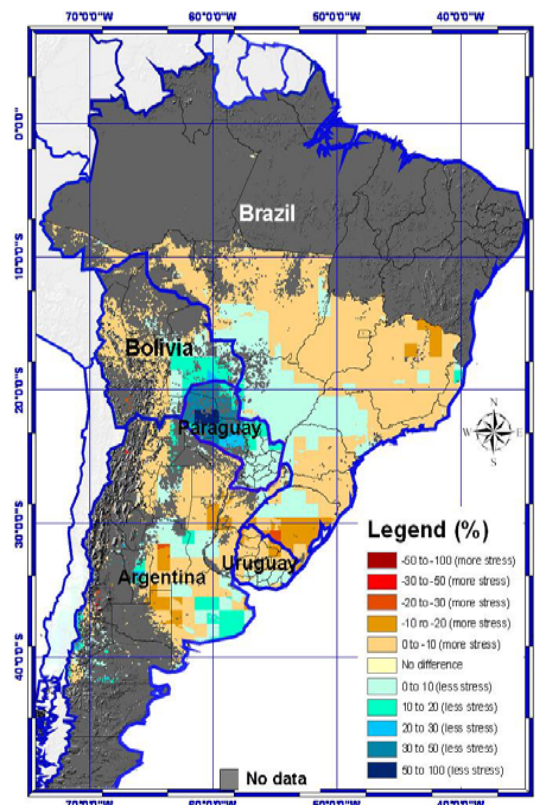
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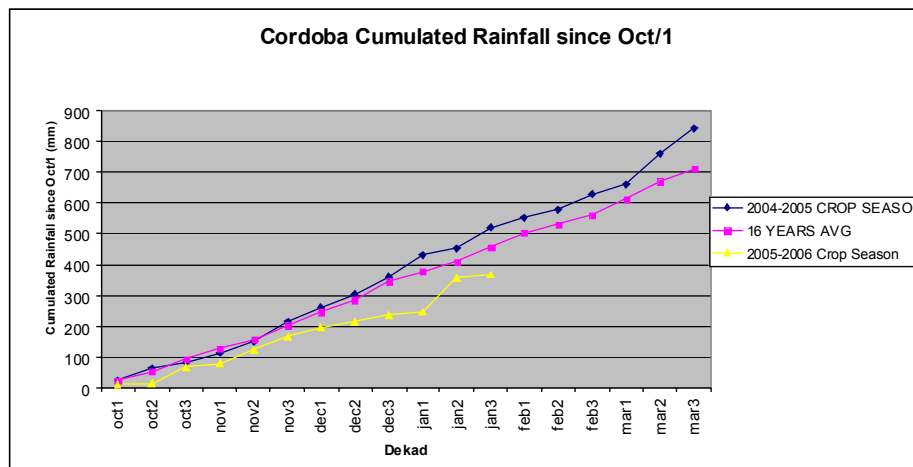
WSI difference (wheat)



**WSI difference (maize)
jan2006 – jan2005**



**WSI difference (maize)
jan2006 – jan_avg**



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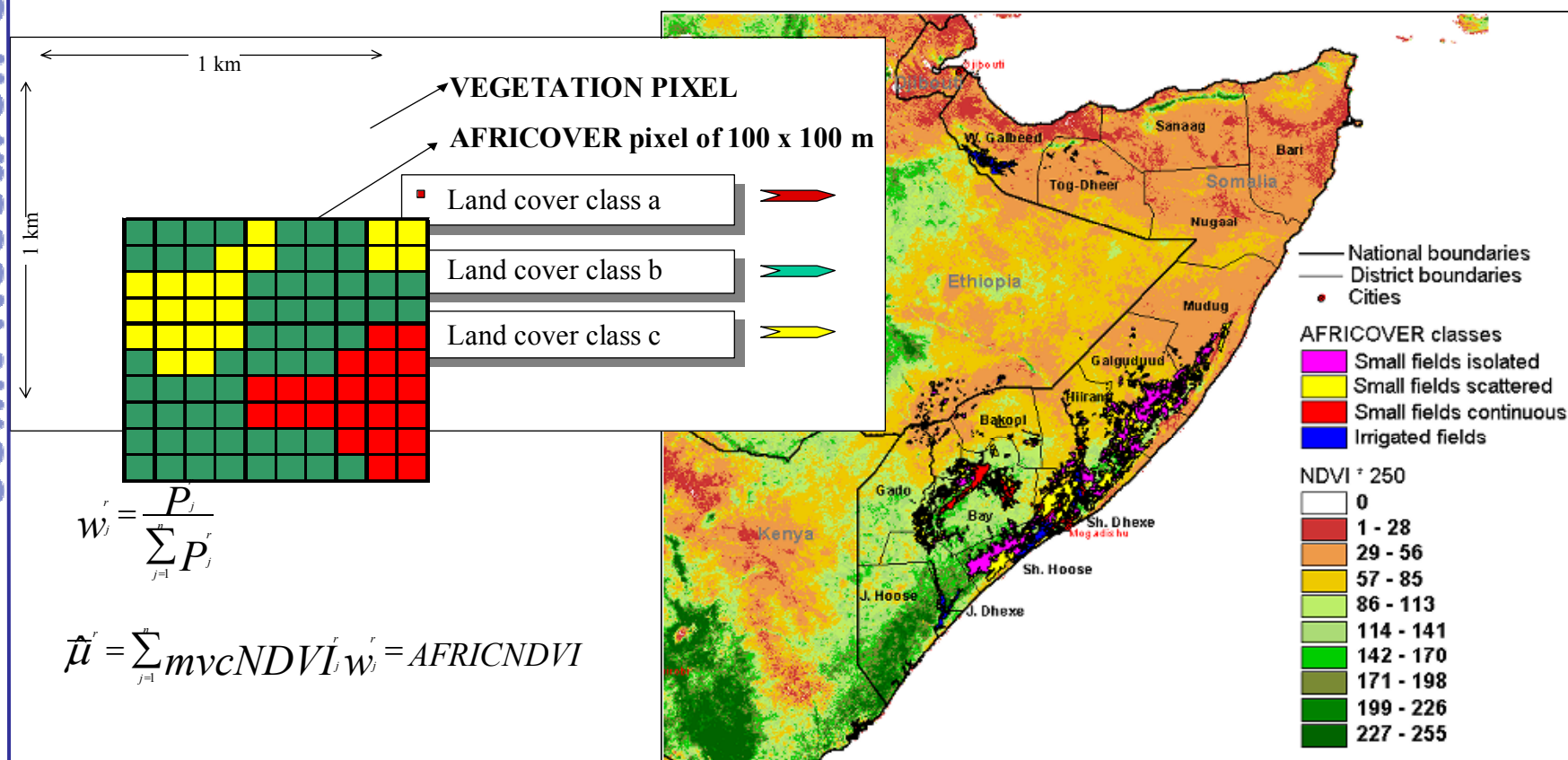
CNDVI – a possibility

- The CNDVI technique
 - CNDVI is a method to extract crop specific NDVI profiles for mixed pixels
 - Developed by MARS for the use of NOAA AVHRR images with CORINE land cover
- Advantages
 - More information than average NDVI profiles for physical units
 - Easy to use with different images and land cover maps

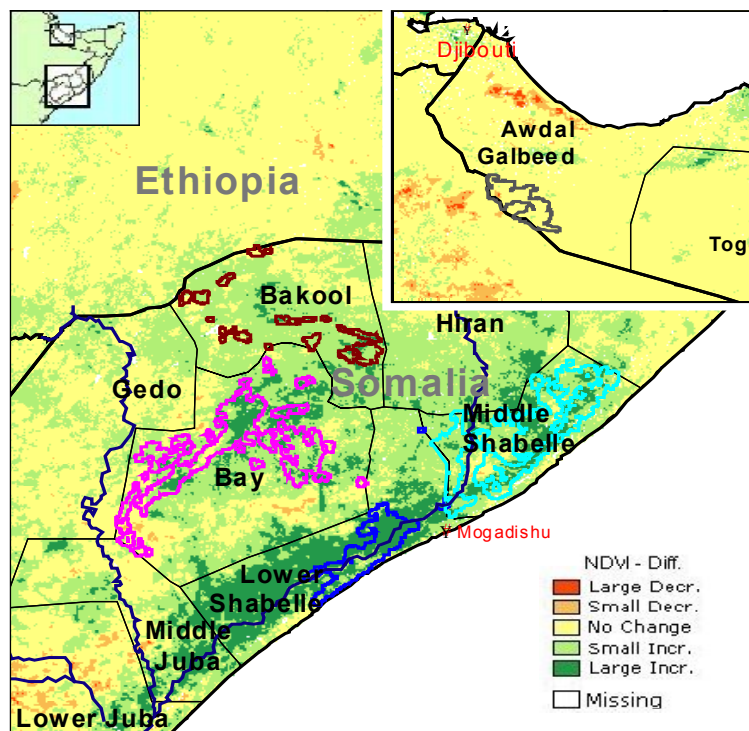


CNDVI with CORINE Land cover + NOAA/AVHRR

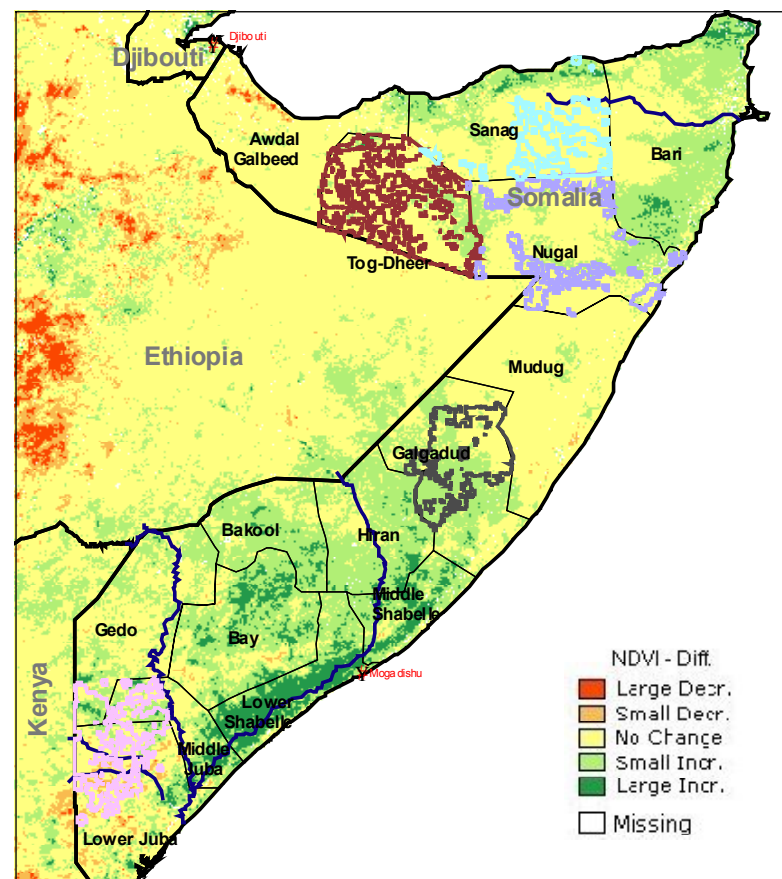
AFRICNDVI with AFRICOVER + VEGETATION



Agricultural areas

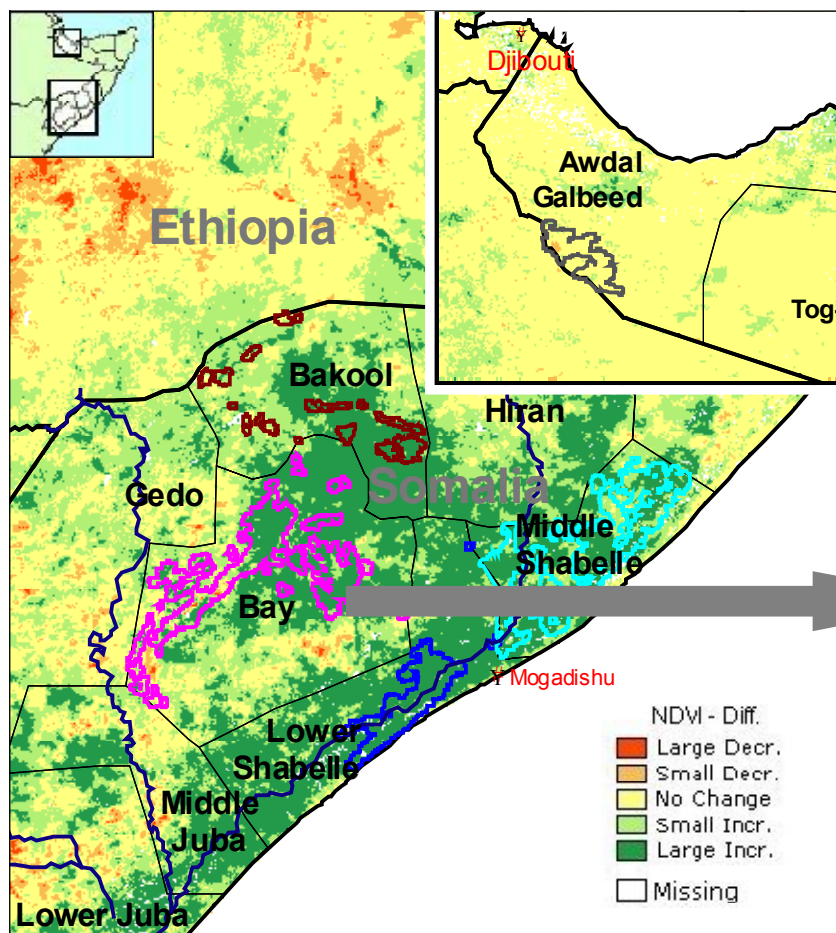


Pastoral areas

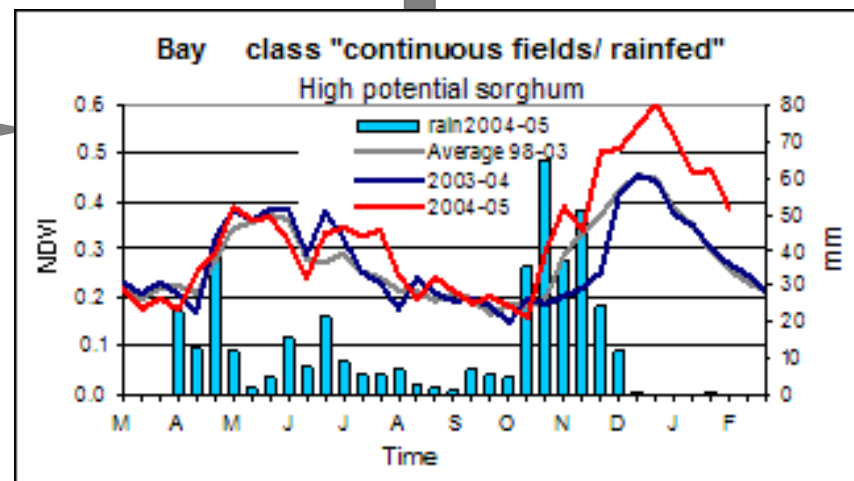


• Crop monitoring outputs: 10-daily country reports

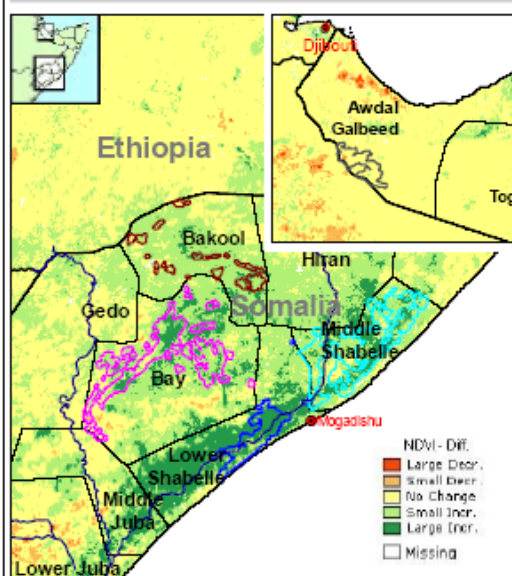
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 Forecast for Sorghum
 2004/2005: expected yield is
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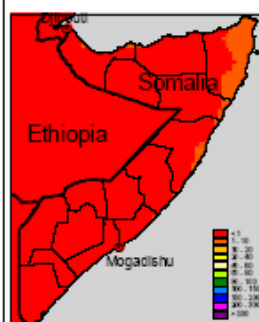


Agricultural areas



Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI)
Absolute difference w.r.t. previous year (Act. - Prev.)
Period: February 2005 Dekad: 1

Highlights



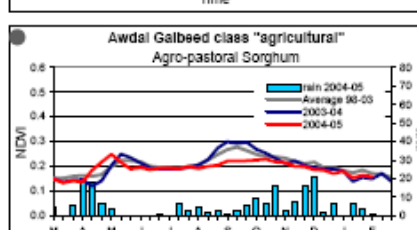
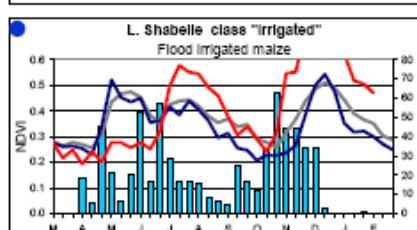
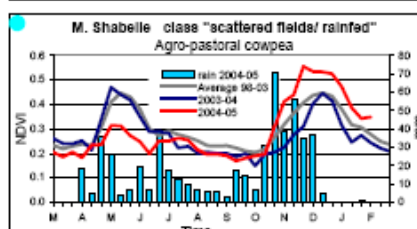
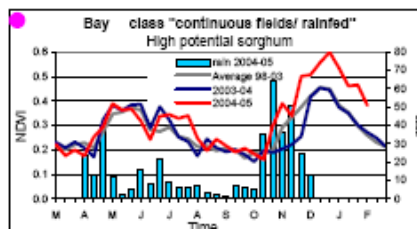
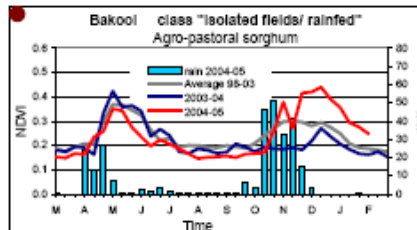
10-day cumulated rainfall
Period: February 2005 Dekad: 1
Data derived from ECMWF model
Produced by METEOCONSULT

Legend: Food crop situation:
Very bad, Bad, Near Normal, Good, Very Good

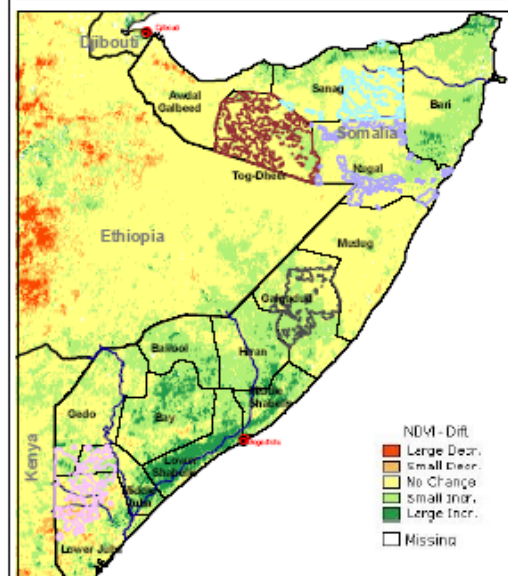
Rainfall
No significant rainfall is visible on the ECMWF model output as expected for this season.

Crops
The Deyr crop development looks definitely more vigorous compared to normal and in particular compared to the same season in 2003. Crop yield is expected to be better than in 2003. However, irrigated maize is reported to have suffered from floodings.

Natural vegetation appears much greener than at the same time in 2004.



Pastoral areas



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Highlights

Pastures

In general the high rainfall of late 2004 helps natural vegetation to recover from the long drought in the central pastoral areas. The situation is improving also in the North of the country, but it will take time for pastoral livelihoods to recover from the long drought of the last 3 years.

N.B.: Please note that to improve visualization, the scale of NDVI for the 3 dry pastoral regions of the North is bigger than in the other graphs.

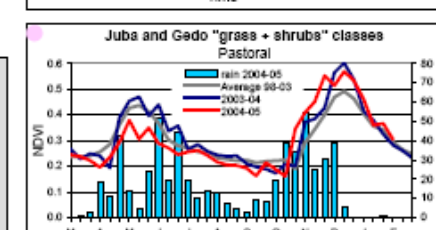
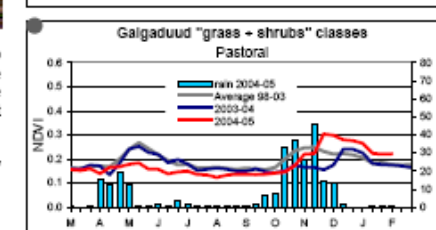
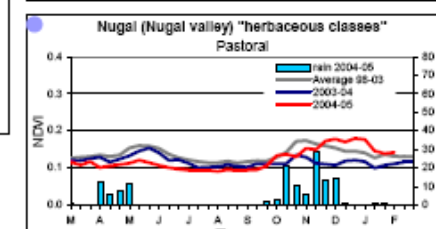
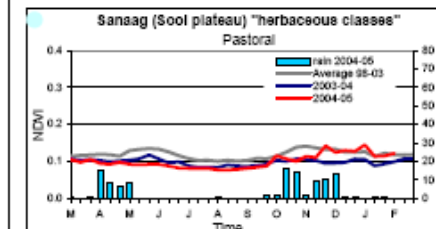
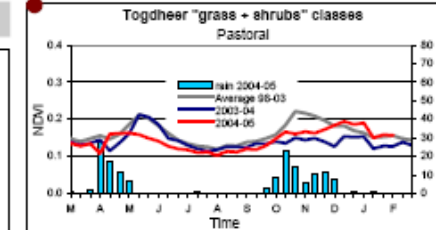
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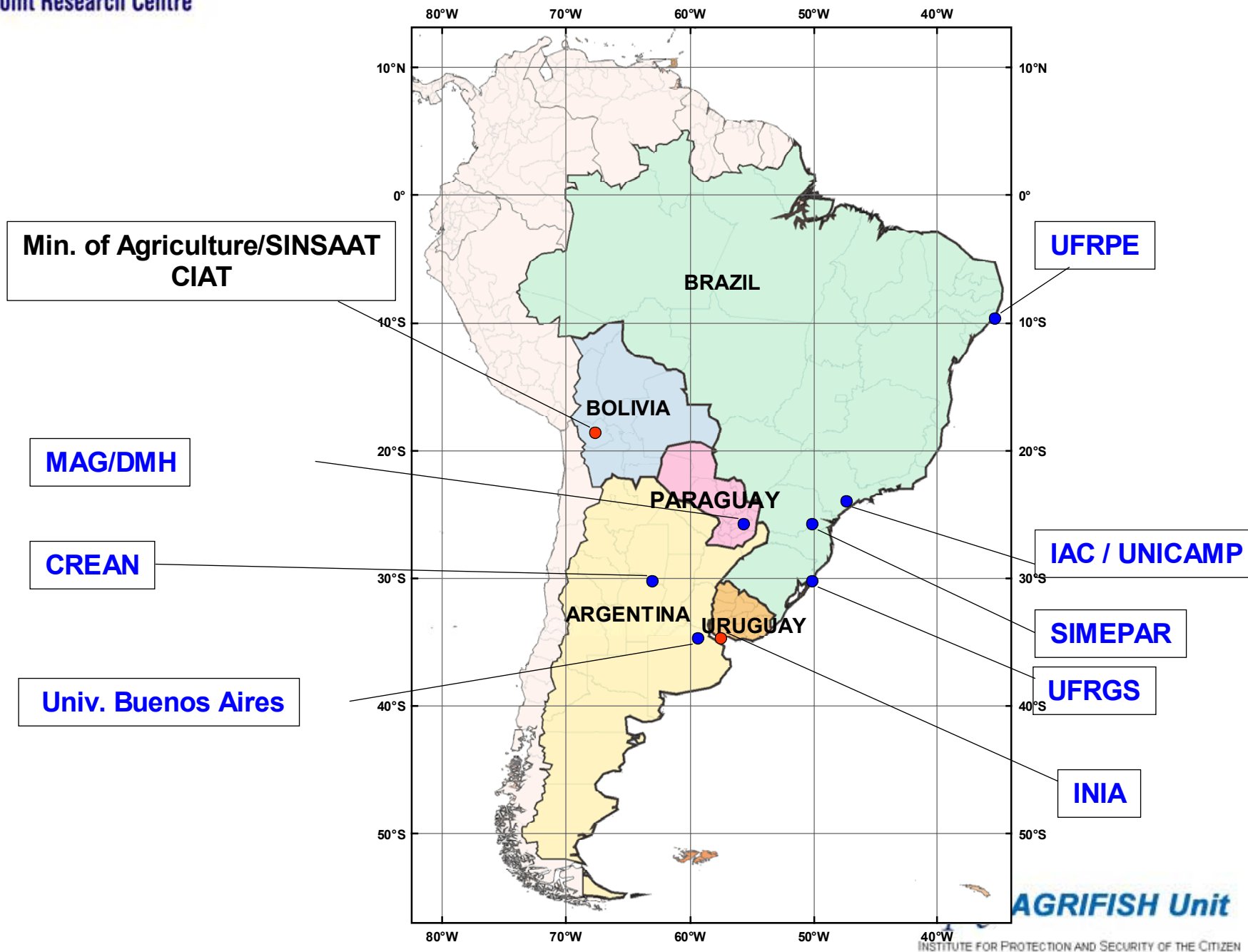
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Objectives

- data comparison/calibration
- methodology development
- crop mask
- crop monitoring information system for the region