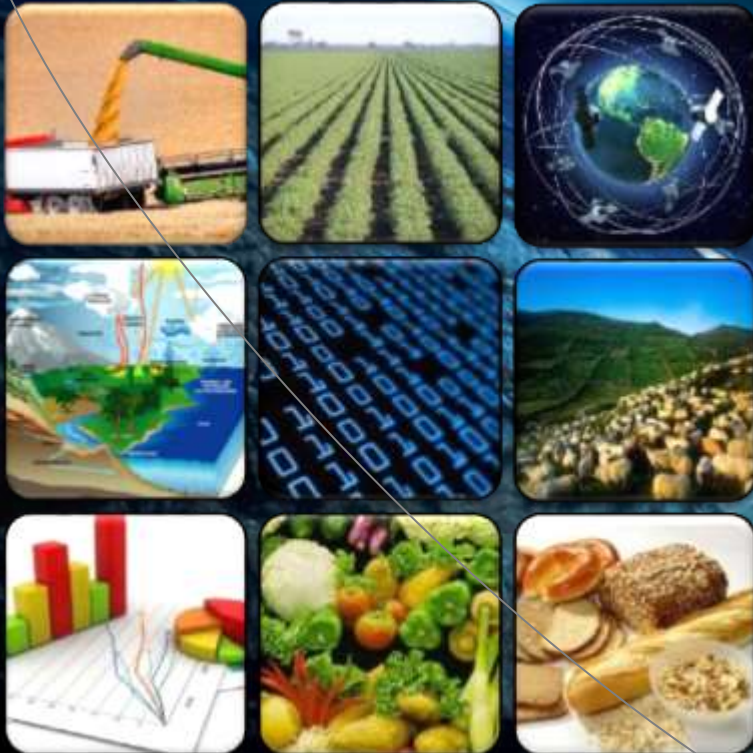


Earth observation and big-data analytics for building resilient agro-ecosystems

Innovation, Investment, Intervention and Impact



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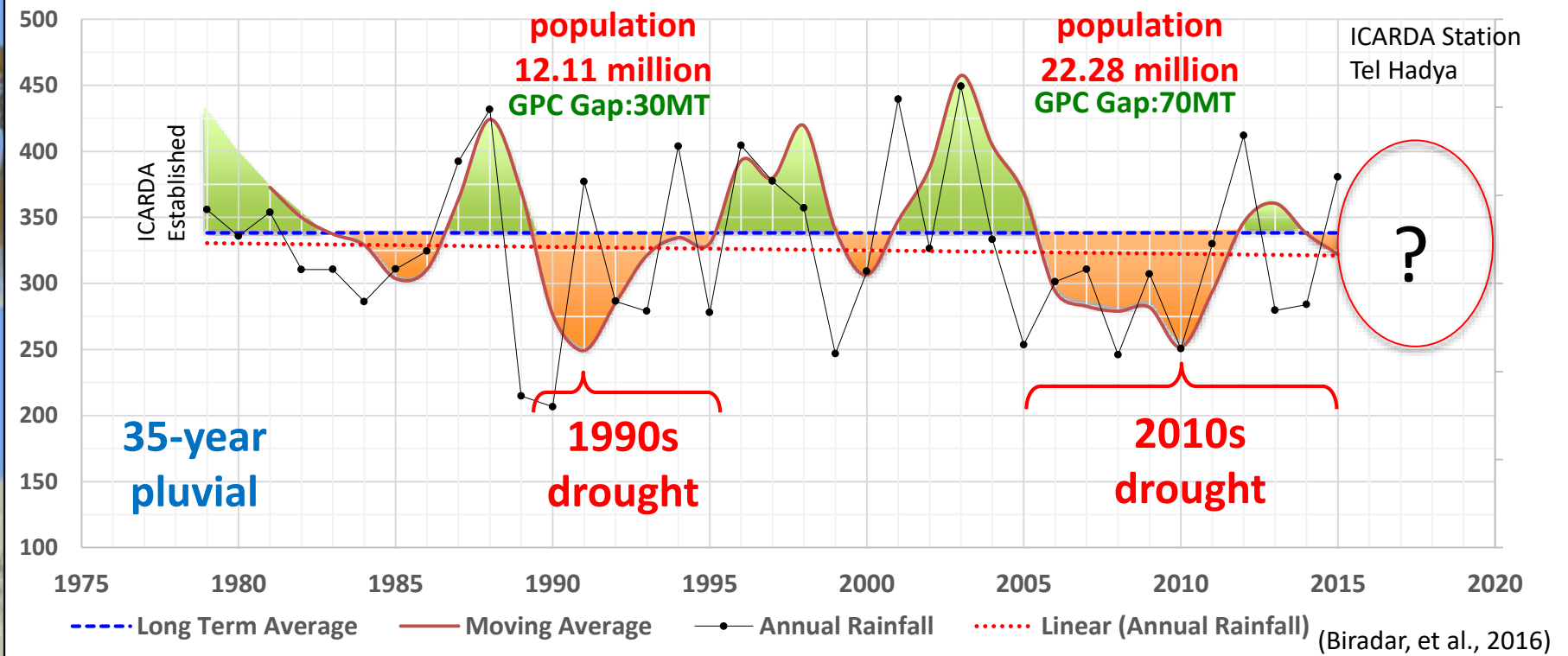
Droughts in Drylands

and the consequences and conflicts

Drought in middle east is worst of past 900 years

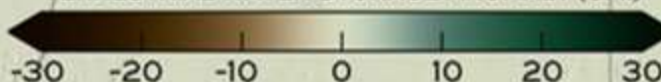
Conflicts and migration

Precipitation trend and history of droughts with 3-year tendencies



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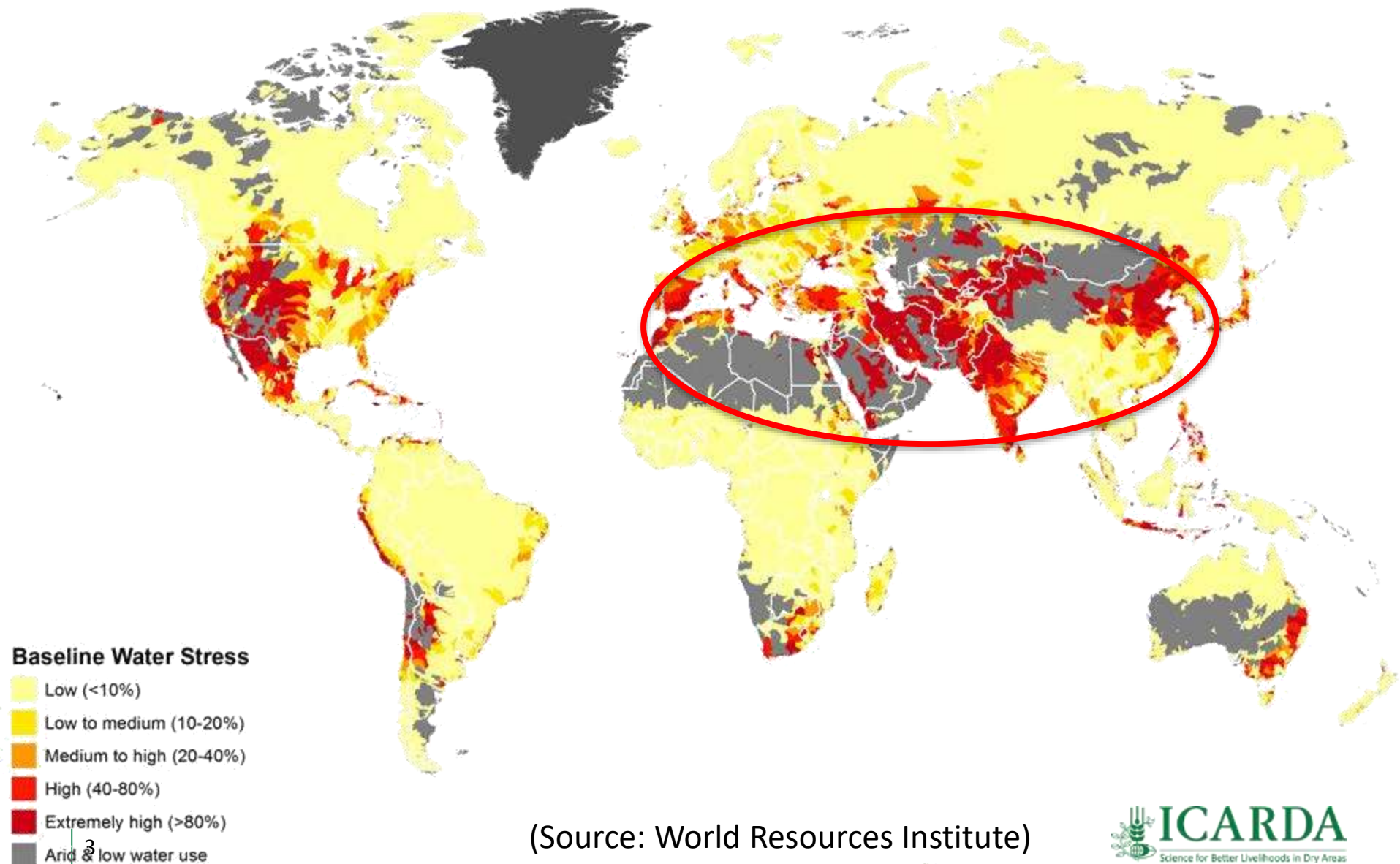
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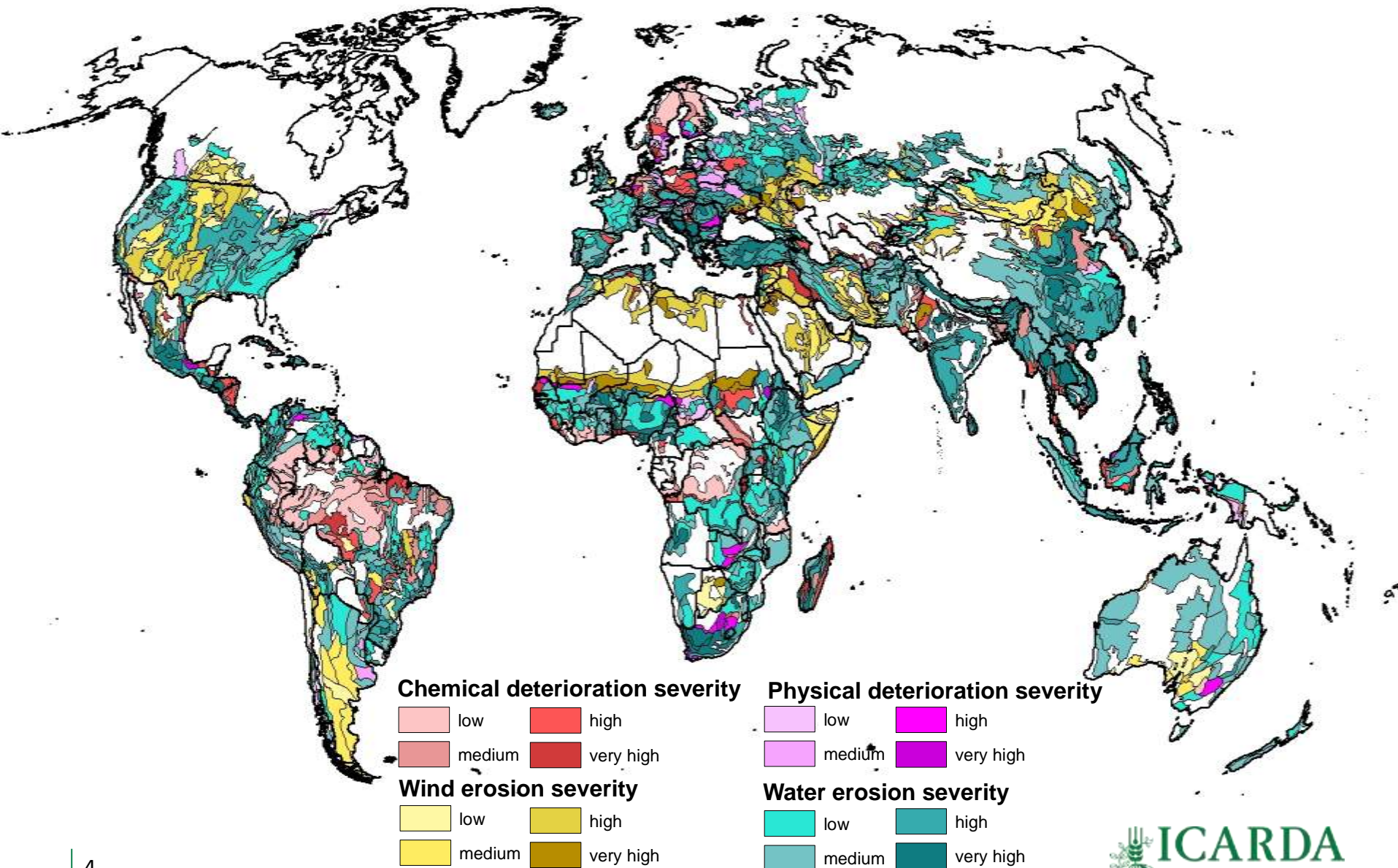
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Source: NASA, 2016

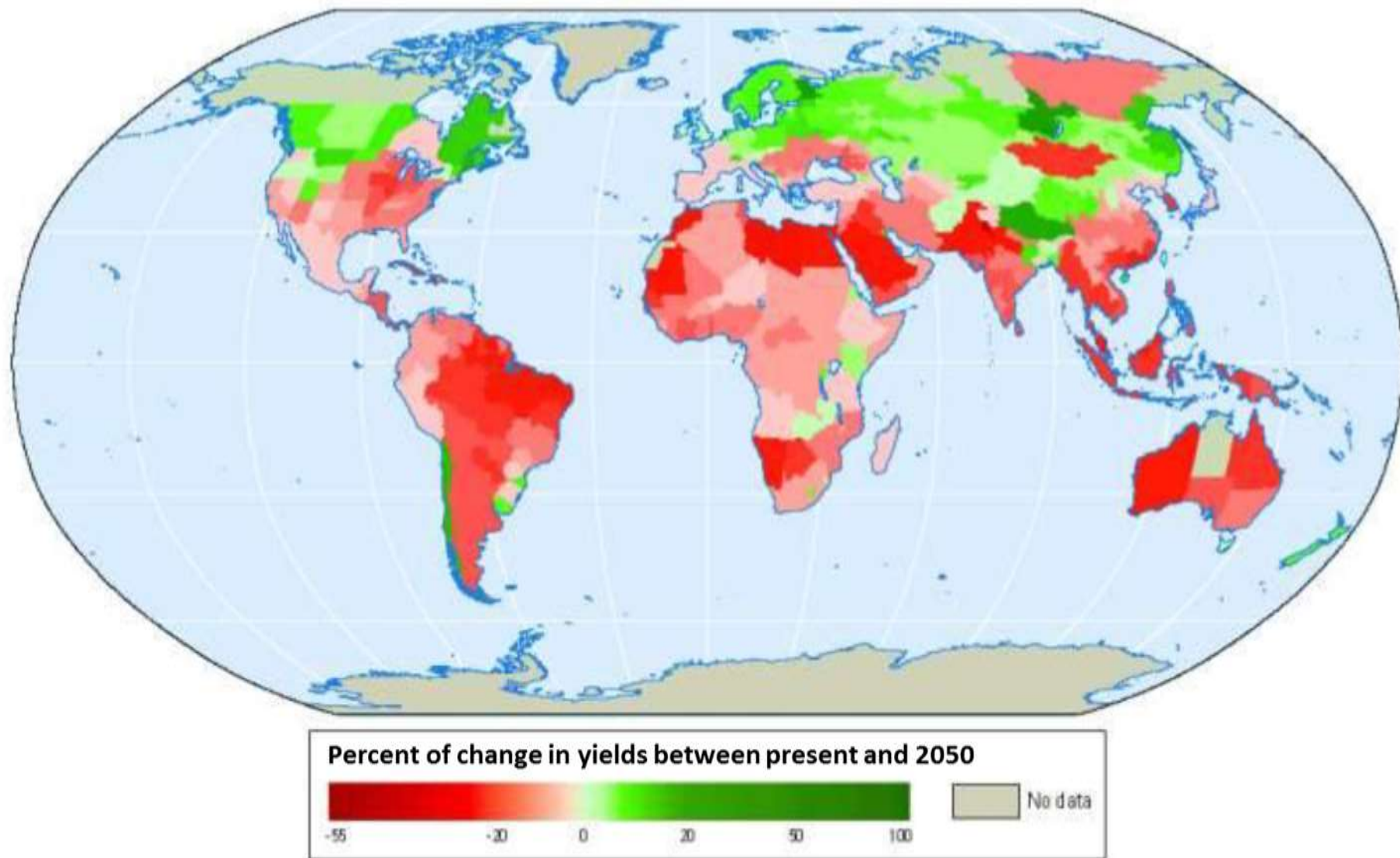
Water Stress Around the World



Land and Soil Degradation



Impact of on agriculture

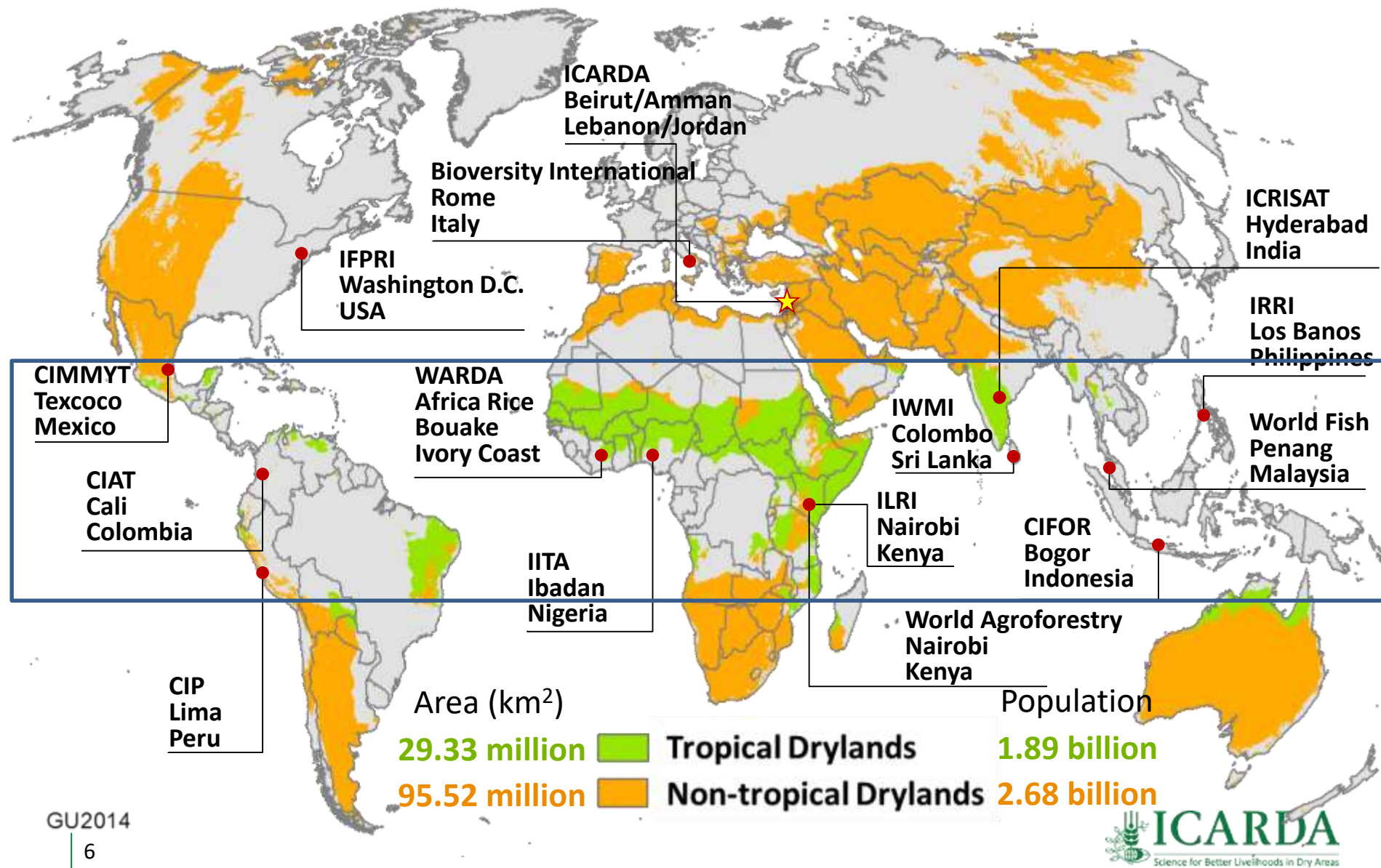


World bank Development report 2010
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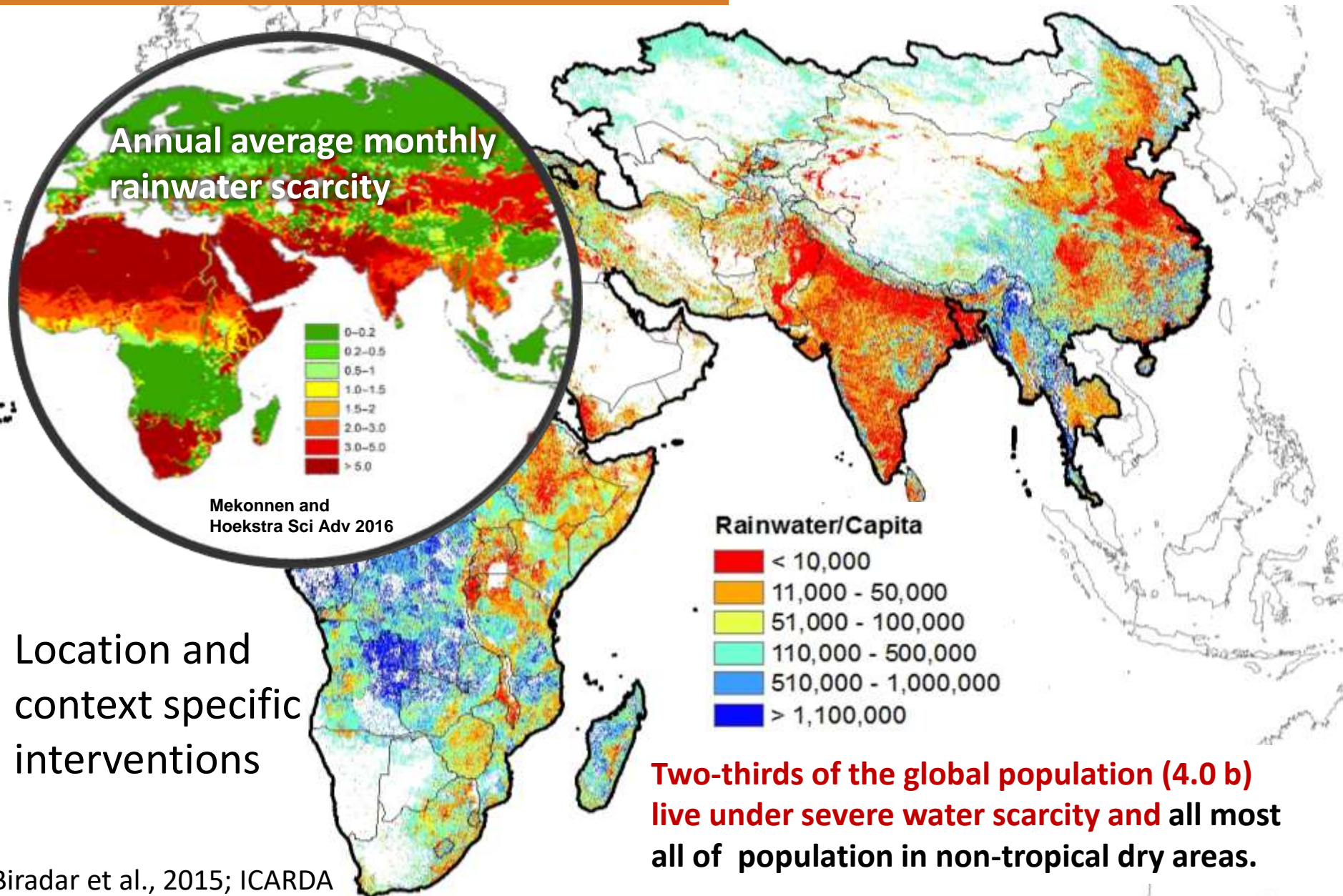
Global Drylands and CGIAR

tropical and non-tropical drylands



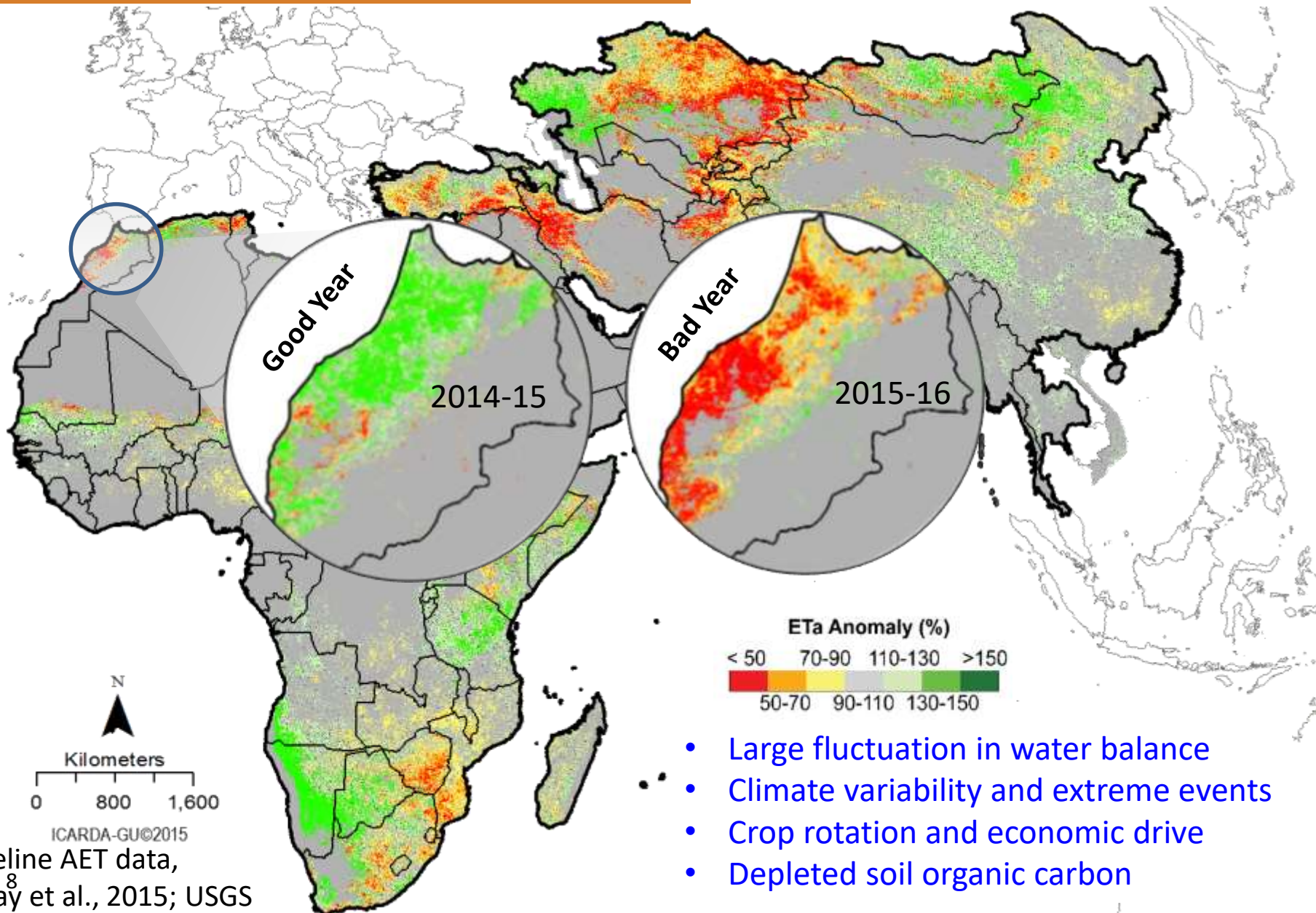
Green Water Resources

rainwater per capita
(m³/person/year)



Changing Water Balance

Increasing deviation
from long-term averages





Pastoral



Agropastoral



Rainfed



Tree-based



Irrigated

Increased land, water and system productivity while safe guarding the environmental flows and ecosystem services

- more crop per drop -water focus
- in a inch of land and a bunch of crop -multi dimensions
-integrated systems

Knowledge based prioritization (space & time) for better strategy for investment, intervention, implementation and impact

Genes and Gains

Eco-Crop Zoning

Input Use Efficiency

Bridging Yield Gaps

Conservation Practices

Carbon Sequestration

Land Degradation

Technology Scaling

- food and environmental security
- resilience and risk reduction
- adaption and mitigation
- citizen science and collective actions
- trade, social security and stability



Role of Geospatial Science, Technology and Applications (GeSTA) in Dryland Systems



Youth
Engaging and empowering young gen. by creating opportunities



156 Remote sensing missions in orbit°
>12 Sensors potential in CRPs/IRPs, etc.
>6 are free

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1) Ecological intensification, 2) Bridging yield gaps, 3) Input use efficiency, 4) Reduced land degradation, and 5) Location specific interventions.

Quantification of dryland agricultural production and livelihood systems

Characterization of vulnerable areas for increasing resilience and assist in identifying mitigation pathways with biophysical, socioeconomic and stakeholder feedback as well as specific needs & constraints

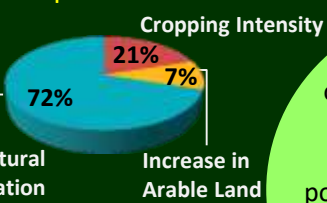
Current status, trends, extent, characteristics of crops, pattern, productivity, water use, livestock, biodiversity, soils, & climate



Biodiversity
Spatial enrichment and its role in food security, risk mitigation, & sustainability



Food production potential sources



Mapping the extent of existing & traditional practices, indigenous knowledge, diversity, potential areas for modern & improved, productive, profitable, and diversified dryland agriculture, & linkages to markets



Assessment of present, emerging & future droughts, floods, pests & diseases, extreme events, infrastructure, migration

2.5b People Live in Drylands

1.5b Livestock Depend on Drylands

Improved Livelihoods

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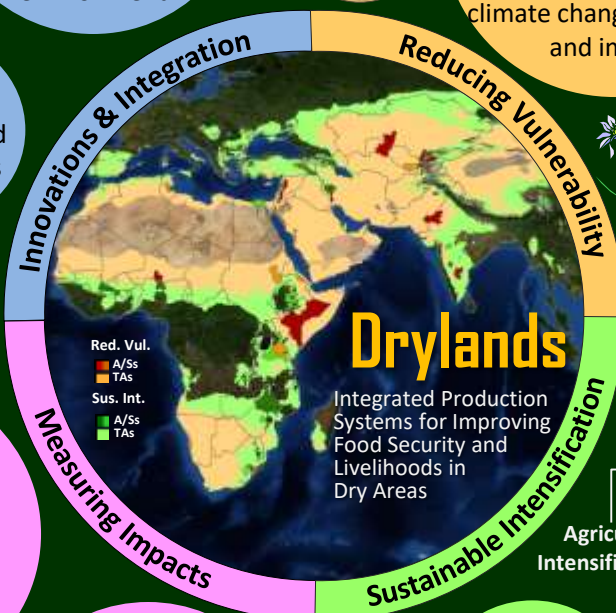
Mapping present, Emerging, future land use /land cover dynamics, land degradation and desertification, changing demographics, climate change adaptation and impacts

Integrated agro-ecosystems: innovative approaches and methods for sustainable agriculture, while safeguarding the environment

Cooperative Research and Partnerships

41% Earth's land area

Drylands



Innovations & Integration

Reducing Vulnerability

Measuring Impacts

Sustainable Intensification

Measuring the impact at spatial scales, rate, magnitude, synergy among the systems, CRPs, cross-regional synthesis

Assessing the impact of outcomes in Action Sites, post-project implementation, & M&E

Farmers, stakeholders, policymakers, mobilization, & marketing

Geospatial commons, KM sharing, stakeholder feedback

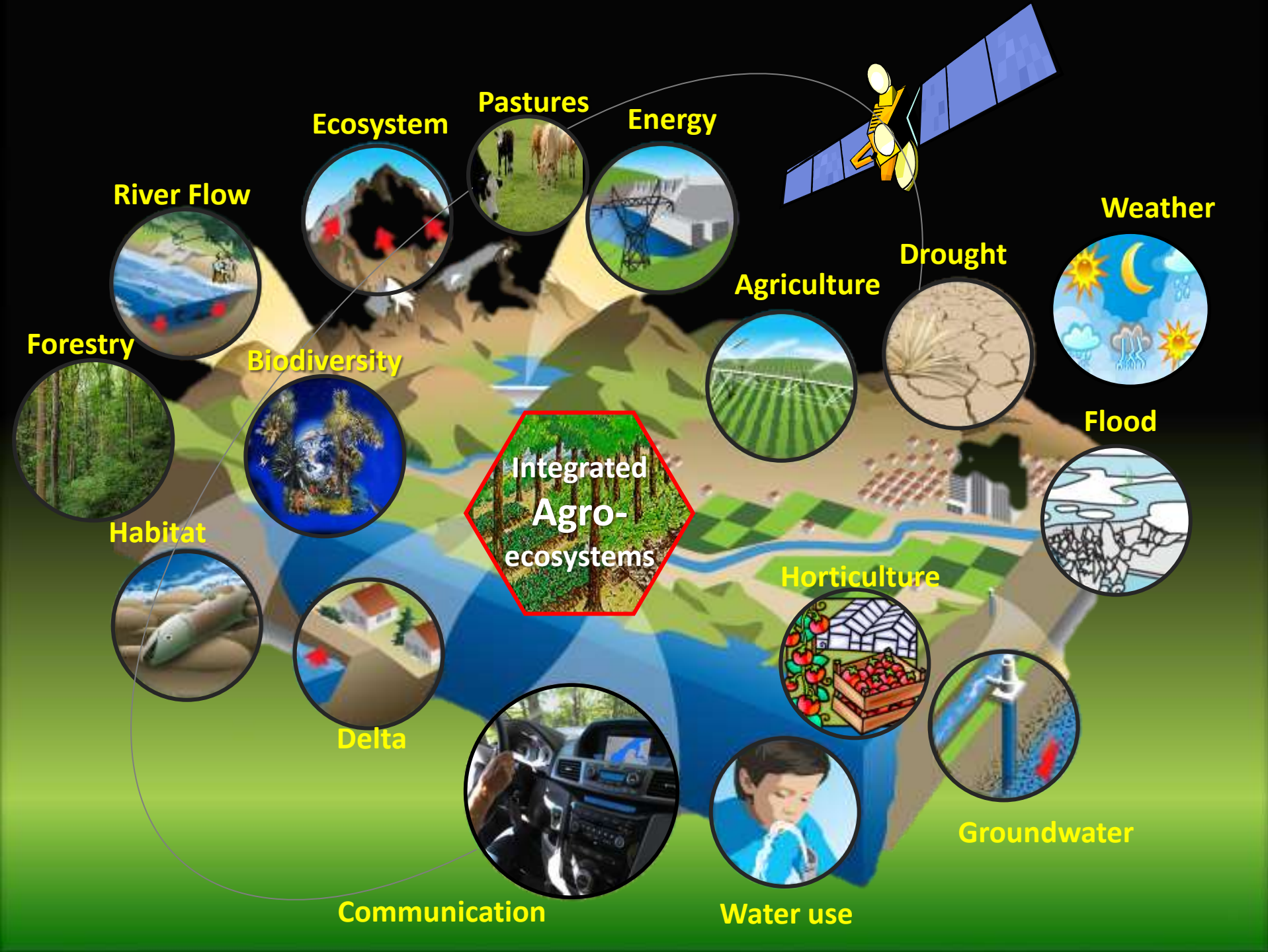


Nutrition
Changing diet patterns, nutrition and health



Gender
Address social inequities, greater roles and priorities





Earth Observation Systems for Agro-Ecosystem Research

Medium resolution (5 - 30 m)

ACTIVE SATELLITE SENSORS AND CHARACTERSTICS

Very High Resolution (Up to - 1 m)

Satellite Sensors	Resolution			Swath (km)
	Spatial (m)*	Temporal (days)	Spectral (Bands)	
GEOSAT-1	1.65 (0.41)	1	B, G, R, IR, P	15.2
IKONOS	3.2 (0.82)	14	B, G, R, IR, P	11.3
PLEIADES-1A	2 (0.5)	1	B, G, R, IR, P	20
PLEIADES-1B	3 (0.5)	1	B, G, R, IR, P	20
Quick Bird	2.4 (0.6)	3.5	B, G, R, IR, P	16.5
WorldView-1	(0.4)	1.2	P	17.6
WorldView-2	1.8 (0.4)	1.2	P, C, B, G, Y, R, RE, IR (2)	16.4
CARTOSAT-2	1	5	P	9.6
CARTOSAT-2a	<1	4	P	9.6
CARTOSAT-2B	<1	4	P	9.6
SKYSAT-1	2 (0.3)	<1 (hourly)	B, G, R, IR, P	8
KOMPSAT-3	2.8 (0.7)	14	B, G, R, IR, P	16.8
KOMPSAT-2	4 (1)	14	B, G, R, IR, P	15
OrbView-3	4 (1)	3	B, G, R, IR, P	14

High Resolution (1 to 5 m)

Satellite Sensors	Resolution			Swath (km)
	Spatial (m)*	Temporal (days)	Spectral (Bands)	
CARTOSAT-1	(2.5)	5	P	30
FORMOSAT-2	8 (2)	1	B, G, R, IR, P	24
SPOT-5	5, 30 (2.5, 5)	2-3	G, R, IR, SW, P	60 to 80
SPOT-6 (1.5)	6 (1.5)	2-3	B, G, R, IR, P	60
RapidEye	5	1	B, G, R, RE, IR	77
RESOURCESAT-1	5.8	5	G, R, IR	23, 70
GOKTURK-2	10, 20 (2.5)	2.5	B, G, R, IR, SW, P	20
TH-2	10 (2)		B, G, R, IR, P	60
EROS-A	(1.8)	2.1	P	14
Theos	15 (2)	3	B, G, R, IR	96
BEIJING-1	32 (4)	1	R, G, IR	600
PROBA/HRC	18, 34 (5)	7	18	15

Radar Satellites

Satellite	Bands	Band (Polarity)	Swath width (km)
Sentinel-1			
COSMO-SKYMED 4	1, 5, 15, 30, 100	X-B (HH, VV, HV, VH)	10, 40, 30, 100, 200
TanDEM-X	1, 3, 16	X-B (HH, VV, HV, VH)	1500
COSMO SKYMED 2	1, 5, 15, 30, 100	X-B (HH, VV, HV, VH)	10, 40, 30, 100, 200
RADARSAT 2	3, 8, 12, 18, 25, 30, 40, 50, 100	C-B (HH, HV, VH, VV)	5 - 500
COSMO-SKYMED 1	1, 5, 15, 30, 100	X-B (HH, VV, HV, VH)	10, 40, 30, 100, 200
Terra SAR-X	1, 3, 16	X-B (HH, VV, HV, VH)	1500
ALOS (PALSAR)	10, 20, 30, 100	VH)	70
ENVISAT (ASAR)	12.5	C-B (VV)	5 - 406
RADARSAT 1 (SAR)	8, 25, 30, 35, 50, 100	C-B (HH)	50 - 500
ERS 2 (AMI)	25	C-B (VV)	100
ERS 1 (AMI)	25	C-B (VV)	100

Low or Medium resolution

Satellite	Multispectral resolution (m)	B, s	Swath width (km)
Landsat 8	30 (14.8)	P, C, B, G, R, IR, SW (3)	185
VIIRS	375, 750	220, s	3000
ASAR	(12.5)	VV 1	5 - 406
MERIS	300	15 b, s	1150
Merisat MSG			
GERB	40000	7	-
SEVIRI	1000, 3000	12	-
SPOT5/VEGETATION 2	1000	B, R, IR, SW (4)	2250
MODIS	250, 500, 1000	36	2330
SPOT4/VEGETATION 1	1000	B, R, IR, SW (4)	60
IRS-1D/ WIFS	188	R, IR (2)	774
Orbview-2/ SeaWiFS	1130	B(2), G (3), IR (8)	2800
IRS-1C/ WIFS	188	R, IR (2)	810
RESURS-01-1/ MSU-S	240	G, R, IR (3)	600
RESURS-01-1/ MSU-SK	170, 600	R, G, IR(2), TIR	600
ResourceSat/AWIFS	56	R, G, IR, SW	740
Landsat 2/ MSS	80	G, R, IR, IR	183
Landsat 2/ RBV	80	G, R, IR	183
Landsat 1/ MSS	80	G, R, IR, IR	183
Landsat 1/ RBV	80	G, R, IR	183

*=Resolution in parenthesis is panchromatic
+=Bands: B-Blue, G-Green, R-Red, IR-Infra Red, C-Coastal blue, Y-Yellow, SW-Shortwave Infrared, M-Mid infrared, P-Panchromatic, H-Horizontal, V-vertical

EO Matrix at Farmscape to Landscape

Bioprospect Biophysical

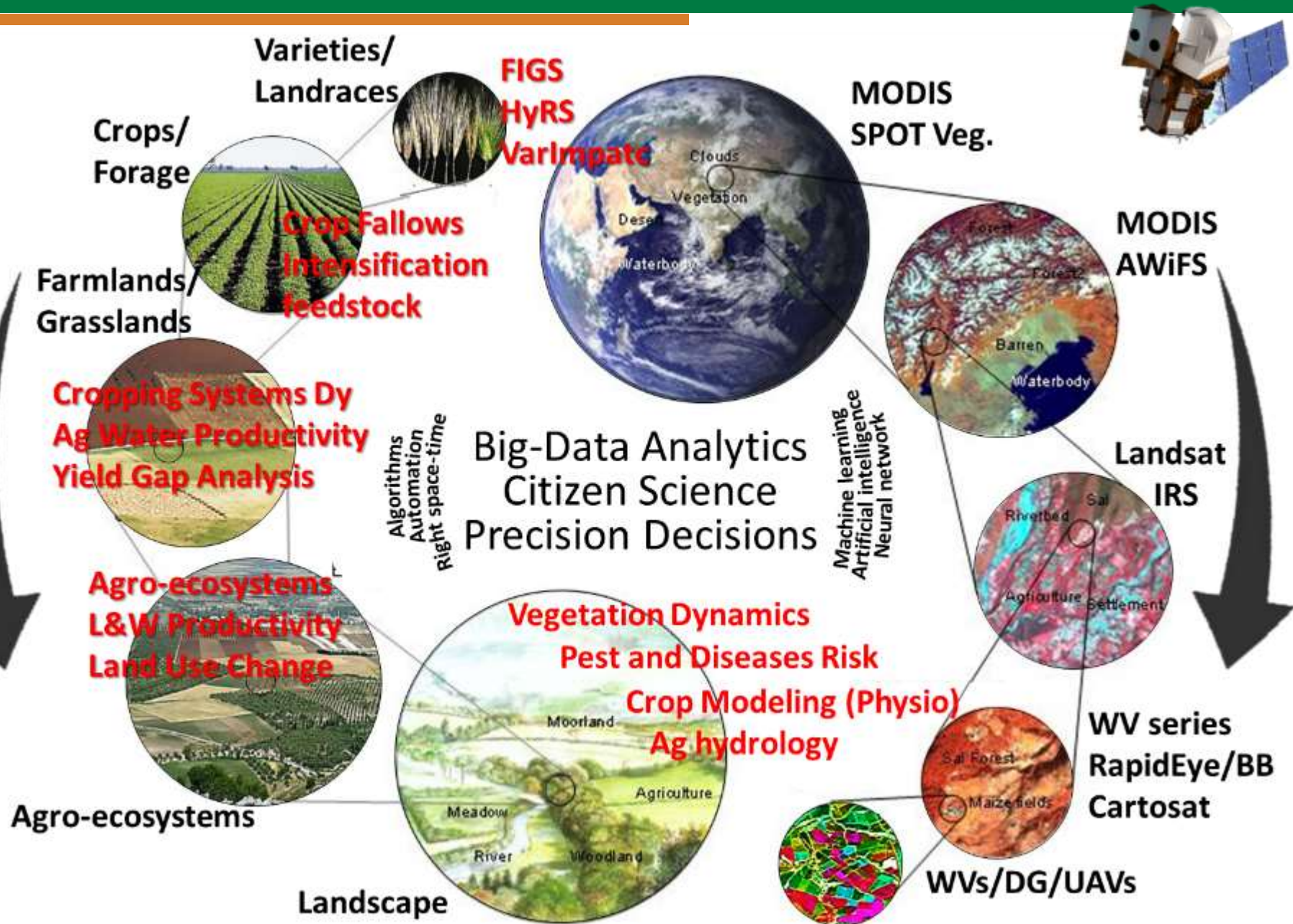
Example of One Sensor in each Platform/Scale

	Platforms	Ground/in-situ		Airborne		Spaceborne				
	Mode	Hyperspectral	Multispectral	Optical	LiDAR	Optical		LiDAR	SAR	
RS data characteristics	Sensor	ASD FieldSpec	Mx Camera	APs/UAVs	Lidar	WorldView-2	Landsat	MODIS	ICESat*	PALSAR
	Spectral	350-2500nm	4 bands	3-4 bands	1264nm	8 bands	7 bands	7/36 bands*	1264 & 532nm	L band
	Spatial resolution	0.1-1.5m	0.1-0.2m	1-m	20 - 80cm	0.46m Pan; 1.84m MS	15m Pan; 30m MS	250m, 500m, 1000m MS	70m	10m, 20m, 100m
	Swath	1-4m	2-10m	--	1-2km	16.4km	185km	2330km		35-250km
Biophysical	Revisit	--	--	3-year	--	1.1 days	16 days	1 day	91 days	46 days
	Plant biomass	x	x		x	x	x	x		x
	Plant height				x				x	x
	LAI, fPAR, LST	x	x			x	x	x		
	NDVI, EVI, LSWI	x	x	x		x	x	x		
Biochemical	Erosion, Salinity	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		
	Soil moisture	x	x	x		x	x			x
	Chlorophyll	x	x	x		x	x	x		
	Nitrogen	x	x	x		x	x			
	Phosphorous	x	x			x				
	Plant water	x	x			x		x		
Production	GPP	x	x	x		x		x		
	NPP	x				x	x	x		
LULC	land cover/use	x	x	x		x	x	x		x
	phenology	x	x				x	x		x
	Irrigation	x	x	x		x	x	x		x
Terrain	DEM		x	x	x	x			x	x
	Derivatives		x	x	x				x	x
Scale	Tier 1 AOIs	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
	Tier 2 action sites	x	x	x			x	x	x	x
	Tier 3 AEZs	x	x	x				x	x	x
	Tier 4 Target			x				x		x



Across the scales

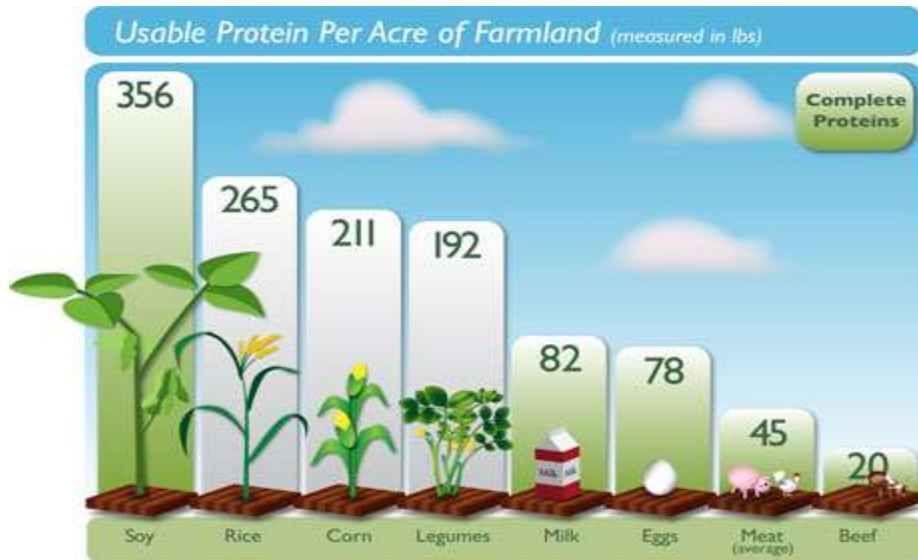
Scaling Trade-on/off
Farmscapes to Landscapes



Water, Nutrition, Ecology and Climate Change

Why dryland crops and crop diversification?

- Economically-Nutritious
- Ecological-Soil Health
- Improved Productivity
- More Climate Resilient
- Reduce Virtual Water Trade



<http://www.soyfoods.org/>

Reduce Loss and Produce More

Water-Efficient-Ecological Food Production



Daal/Falafel (1kg)
1,250 liters



Chicken (1kg)
4,325 liters



Mutton (1kg)
5,520 liters



Beef (1kg)
13,000 liters

Digital Agriculture Platform

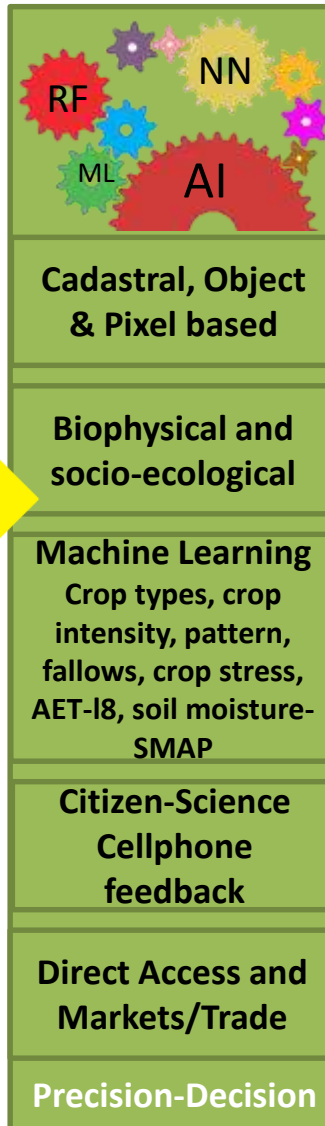
Image Based, Open Source
Precision Decision at Farm scales



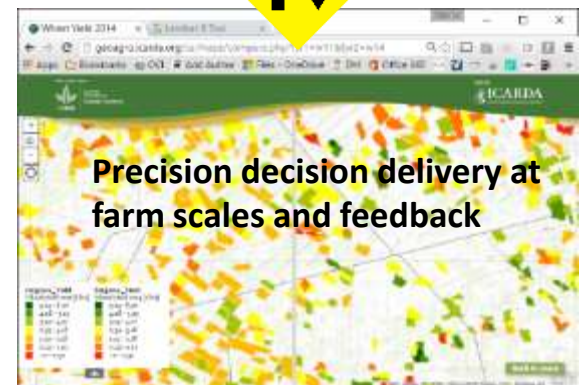
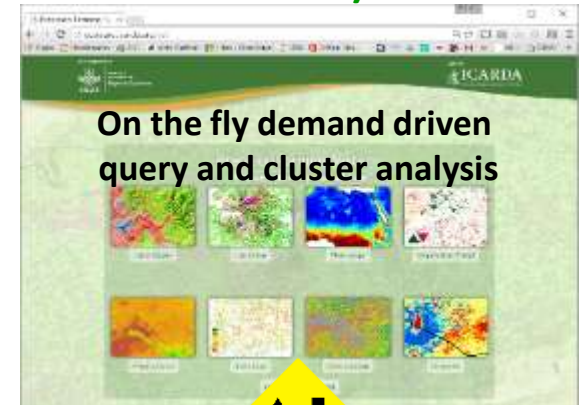
Landsat AWS



Citizen Science
Community of Practices

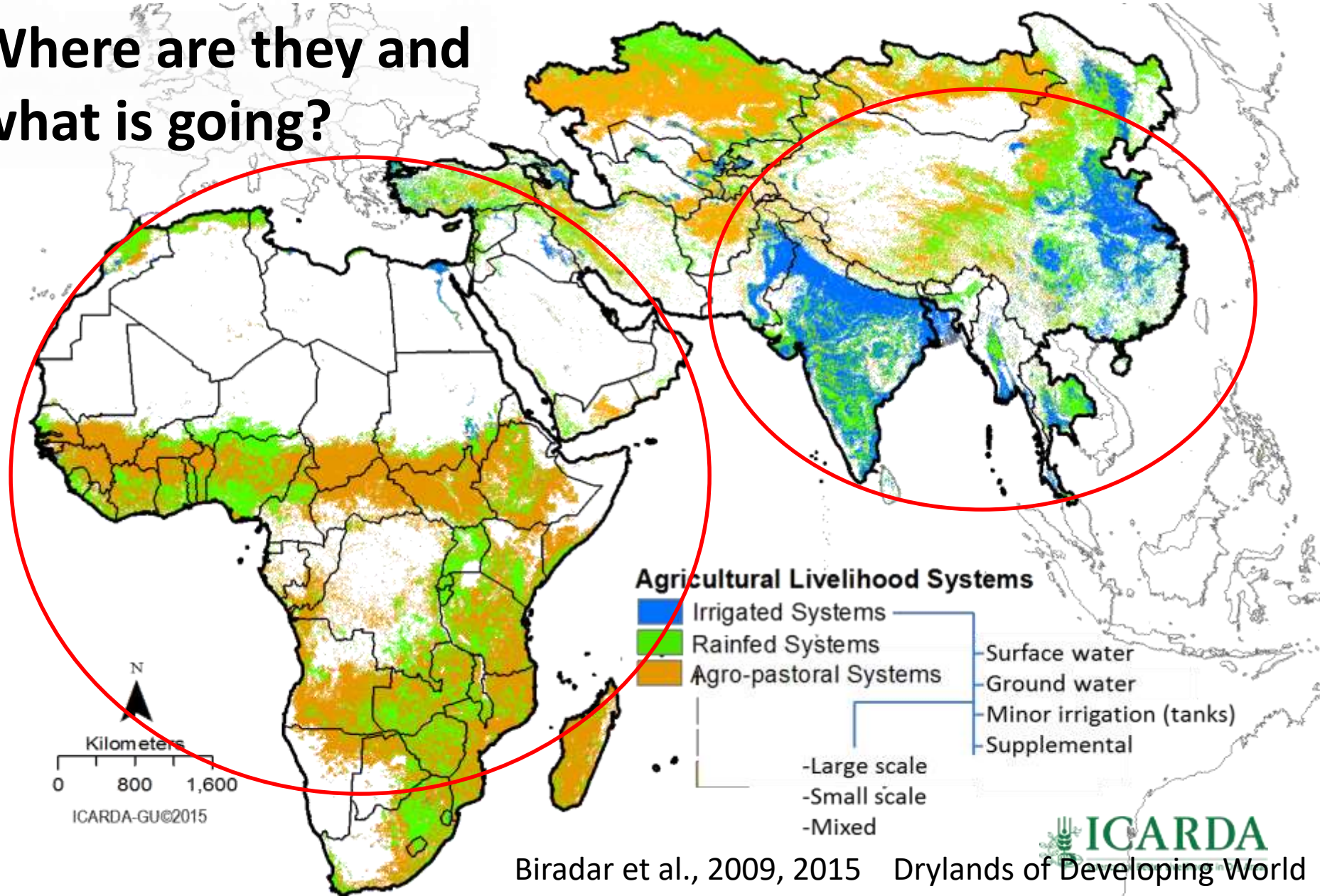


Timely-Access-Application-Trading (TAAT)



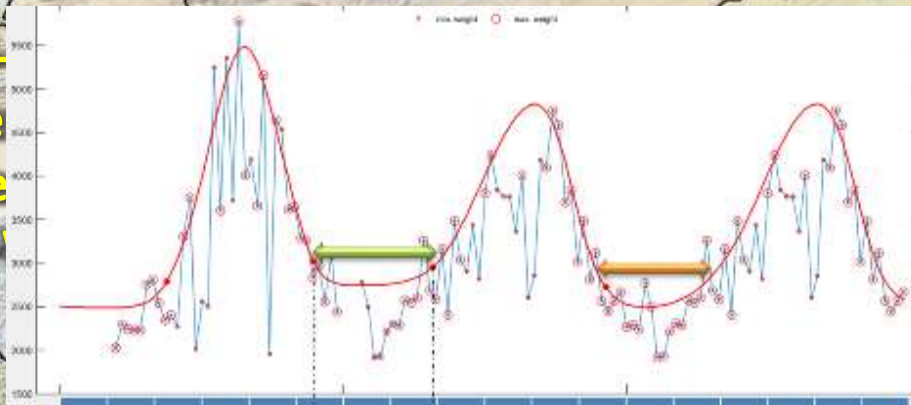
Existing Agricultural Production Systems

Where are they and what is going?

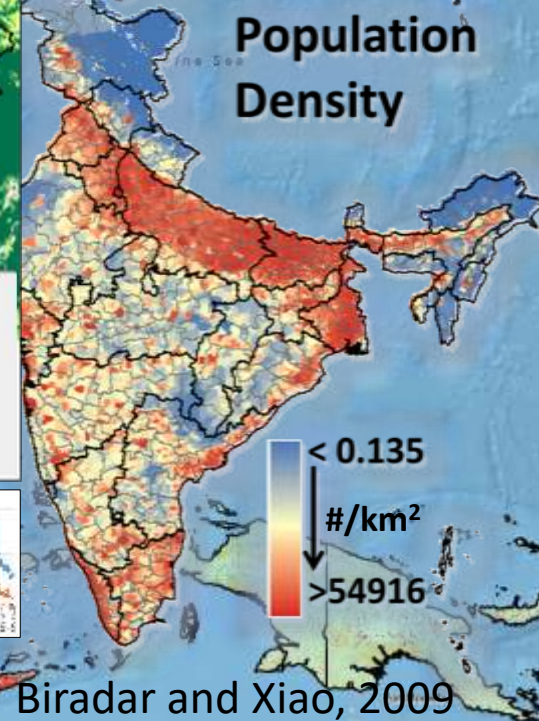
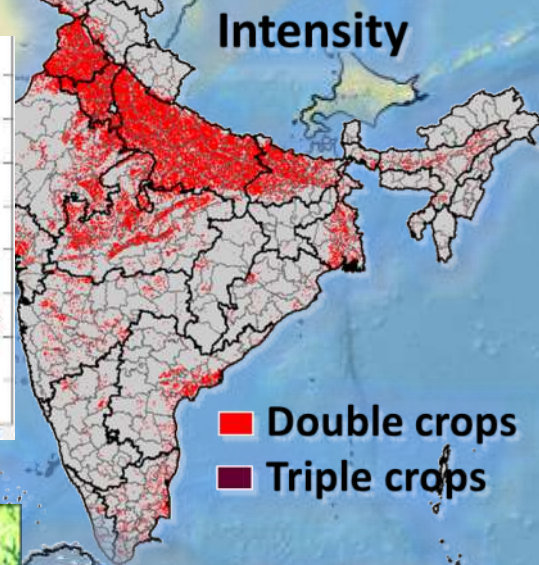


Dynamics of Cropping Intensity and Pattern

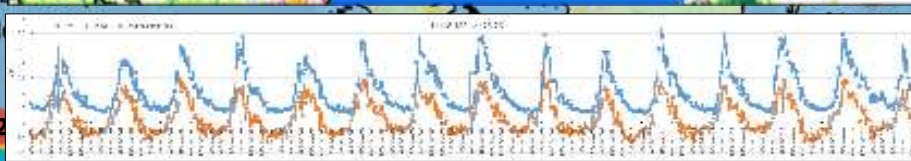
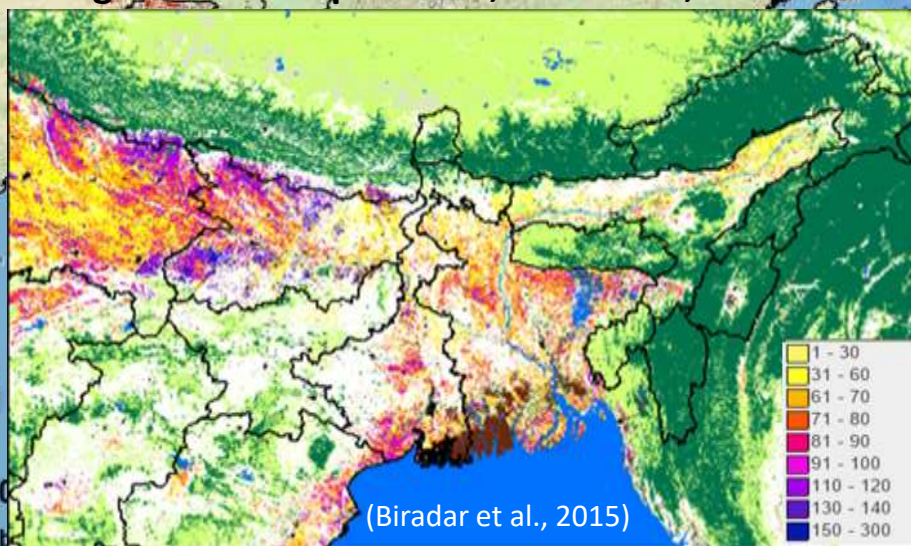
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- Sustainable Inte
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- Thematic Land-



Length of the crop fallows, start-date, end-date



How can we track and link?



Agricultural Intensification

72%

Increase in Arable Land

Biradar and Xiao, 2009

Quantification of its dynamics

Under changing Climate and Demography



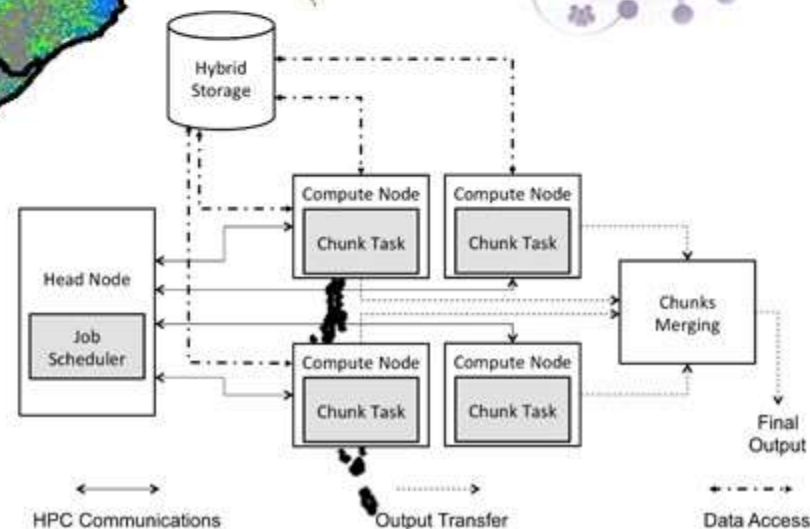
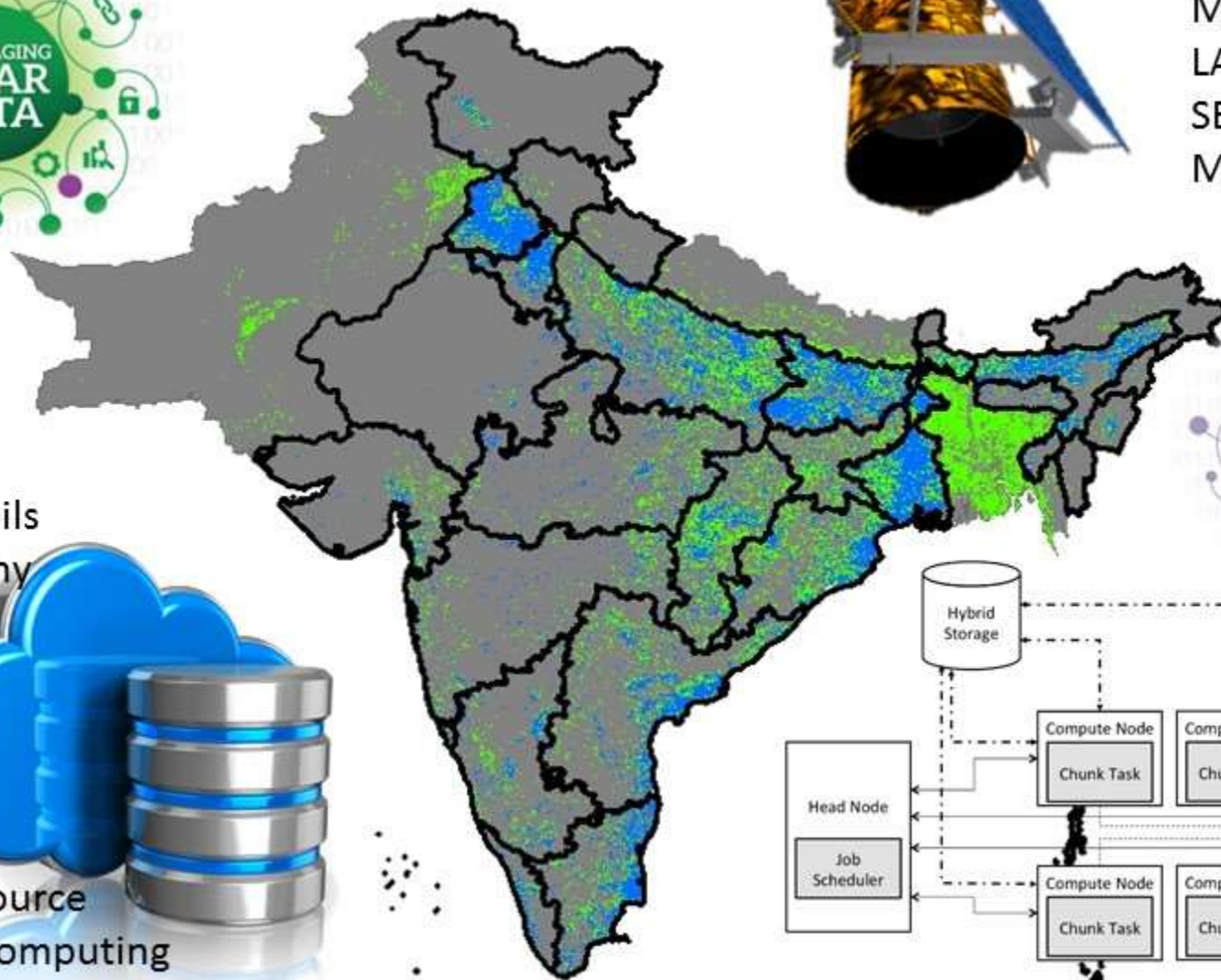
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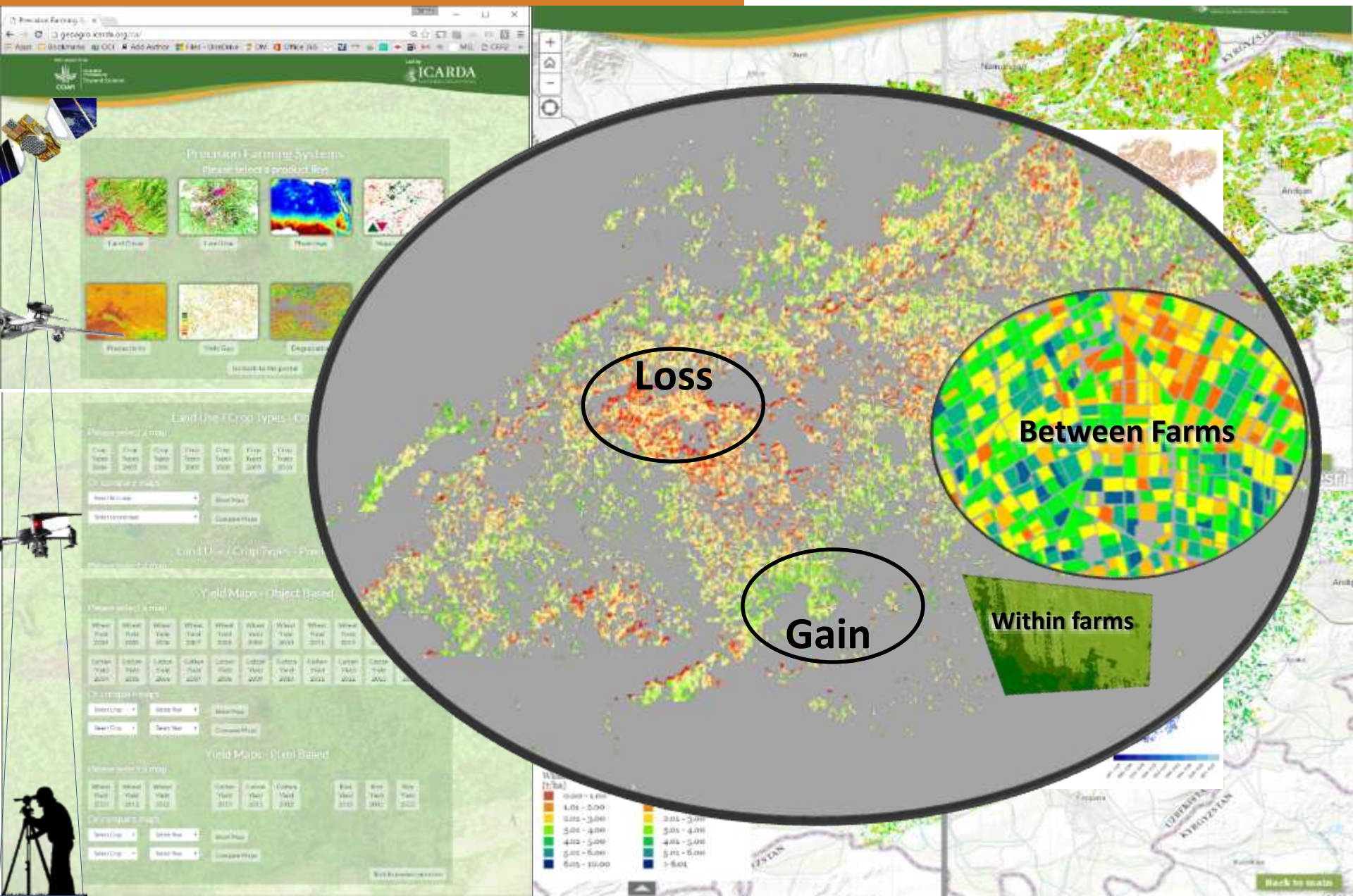
Open Source
Cloud Computing
Algorithms



Biradar, 2016*

EOS in Precision Decisions

Automated workflow for operational mapping, monitoring and rural advisory



Ag Intensification & Diversification

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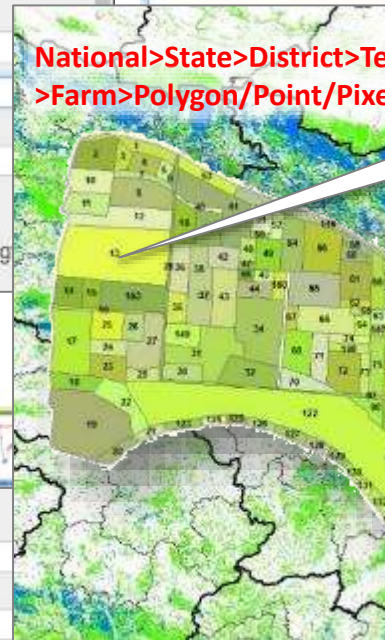
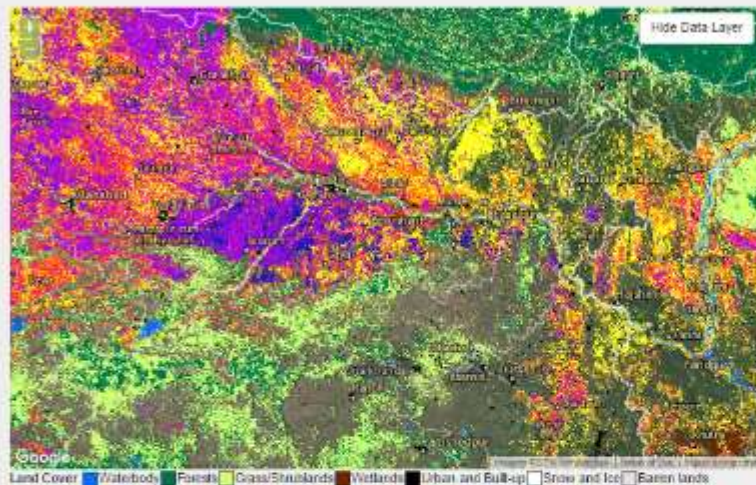
VS



Near real-time
pixel to land

Variable
Crop Fallows

National>State>District>Taluka
>Farm>Polygon/Point/Pixel



Lentil in Rice-b



Cropping System

Crop Intensity
Crop Calendar
Crop Rotation
Cropped Area

Fallow Dynamics

-Fallow area
-Duration
-Start date
-End date

Yield Potential

-Current
-Achievable

Suitable Crop/Variety

-Legumes
-Oil Seeds

Soils

Soil Health (SHC)
Soil Moisture (SMAP)

Water use

Evapotranspiration
Allocation/Irrig. Sch.

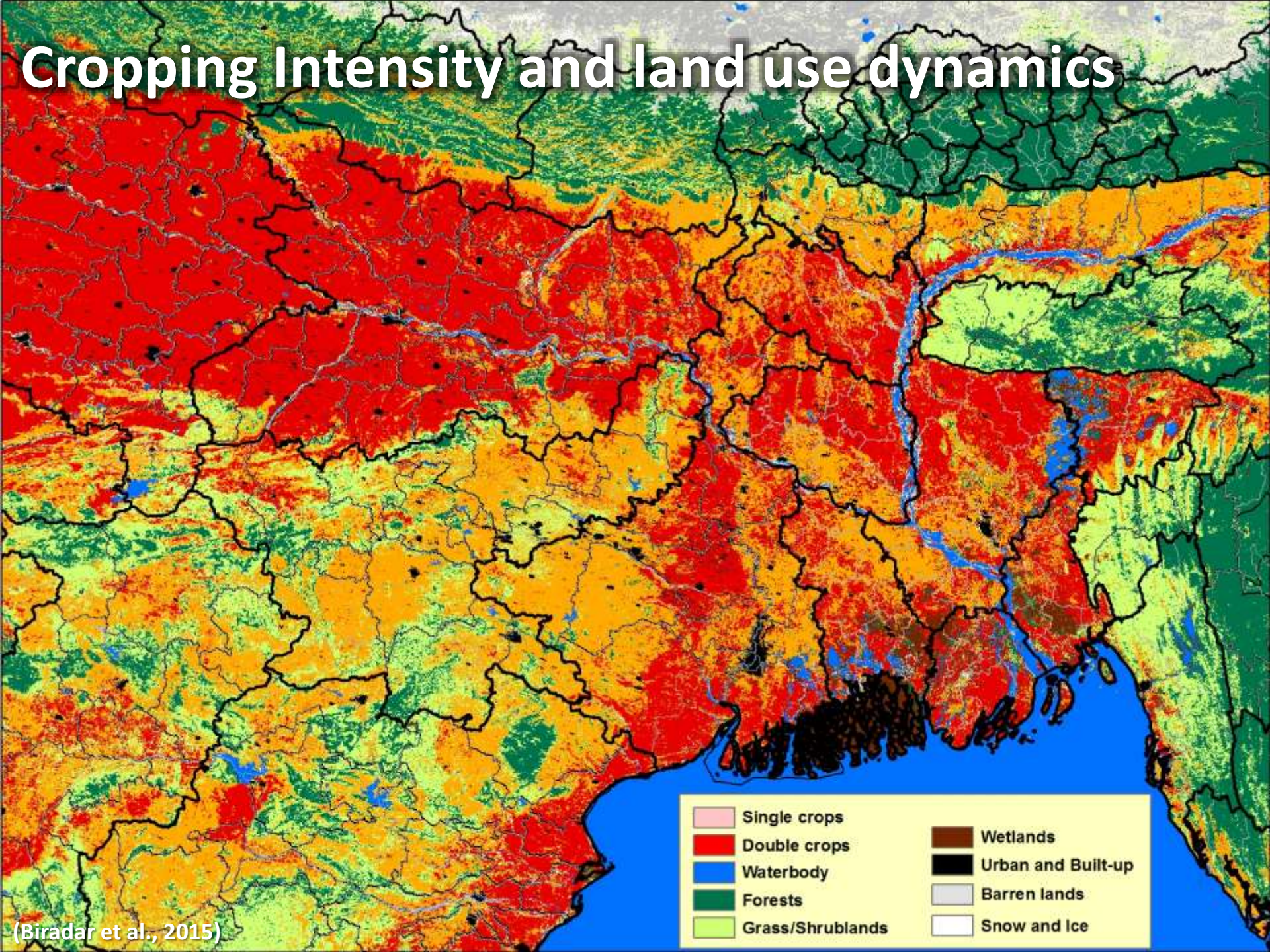
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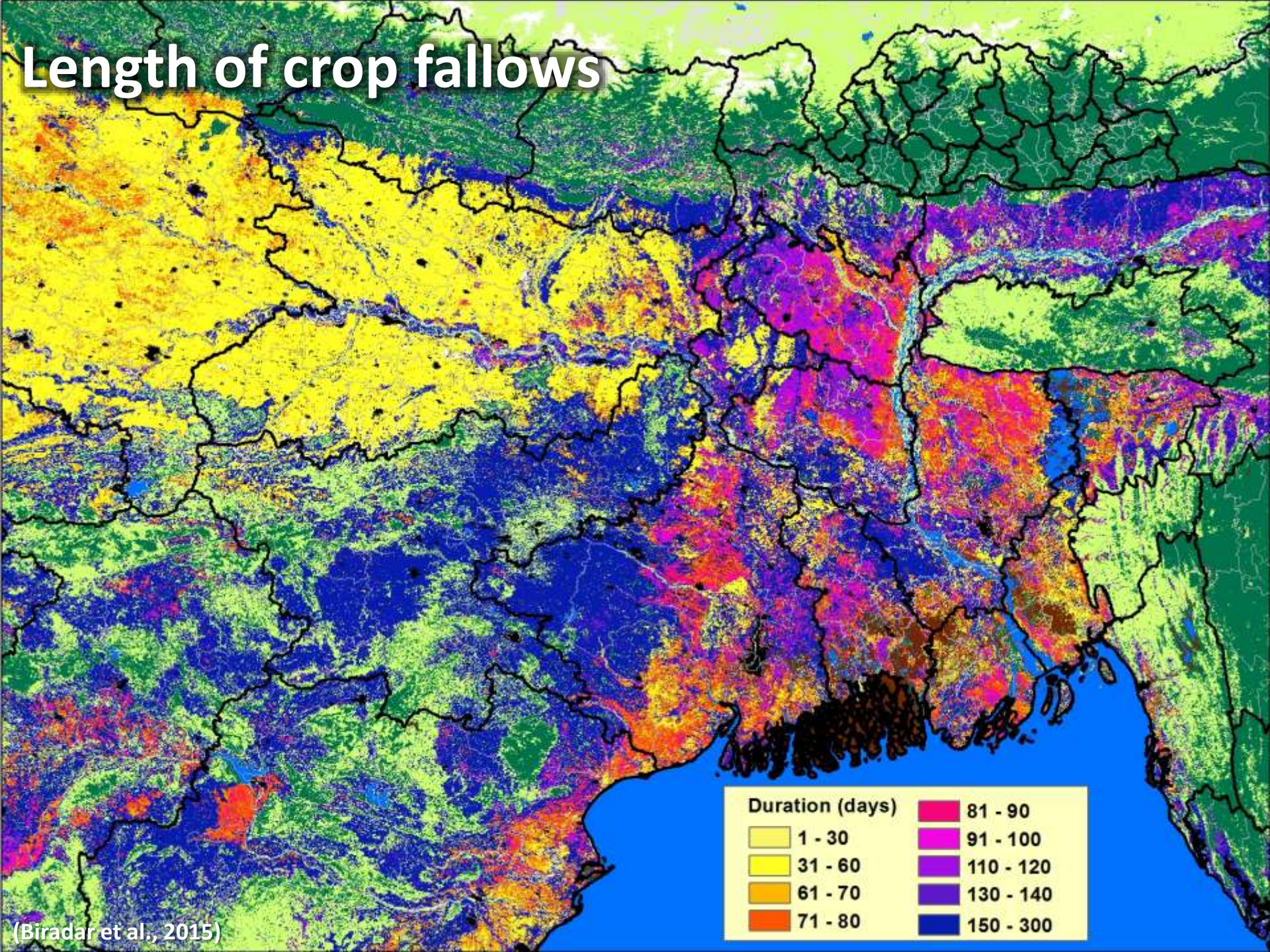
-ePlatform
-Ag Supply Chain
-Access (I/O)

Monitoring

-Pest/Diseases
-Crop Stress

Citizen Science



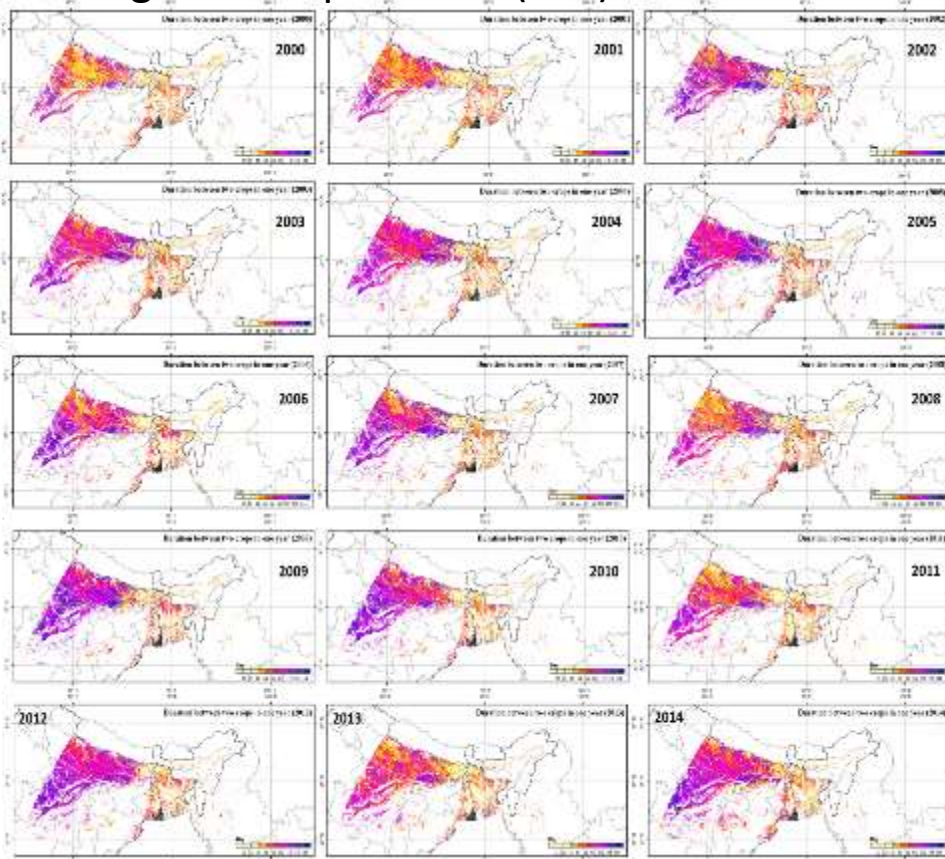


Length of crop fallows

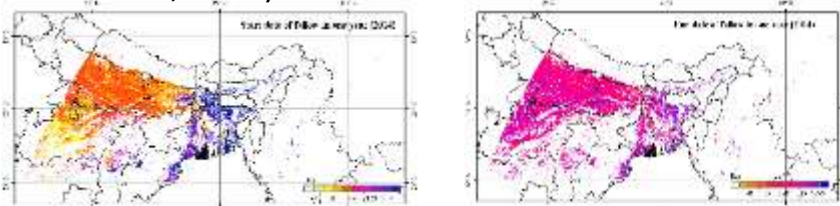
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Inter and Intra Annual Dynamics over Decades

Length of Crop Fallows (LCP): 2000-2015

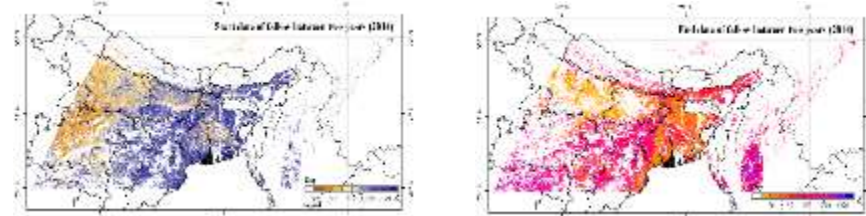
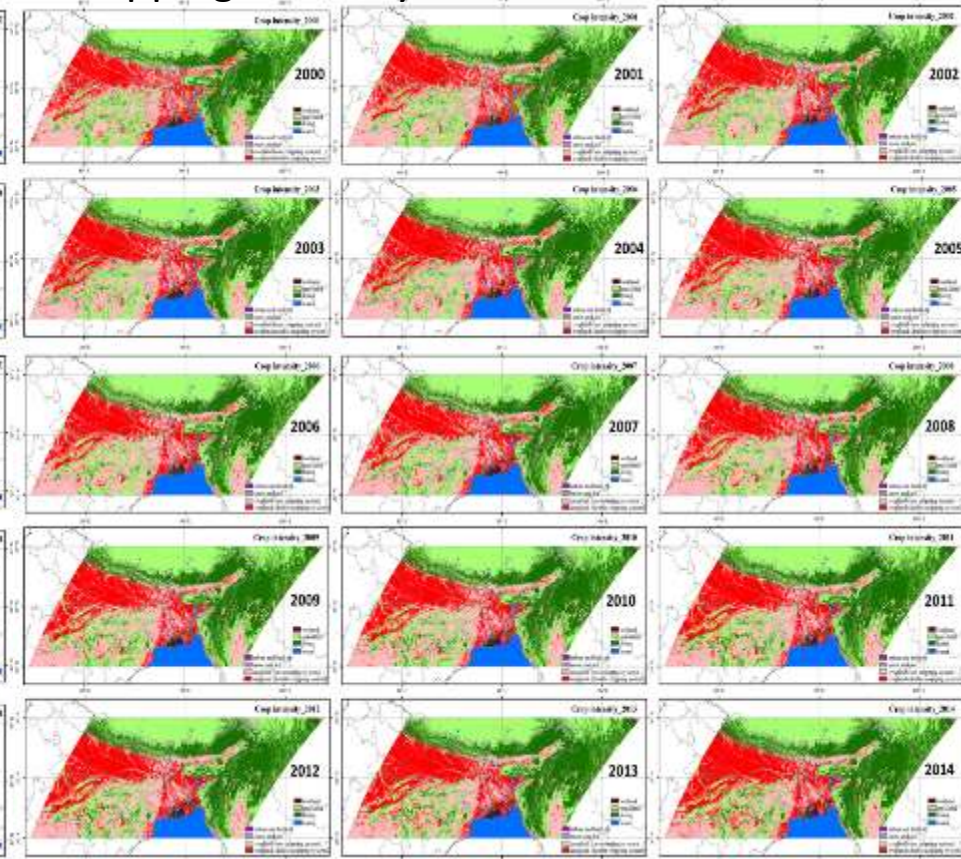


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Start and End Dates of Inter-annual Fallows

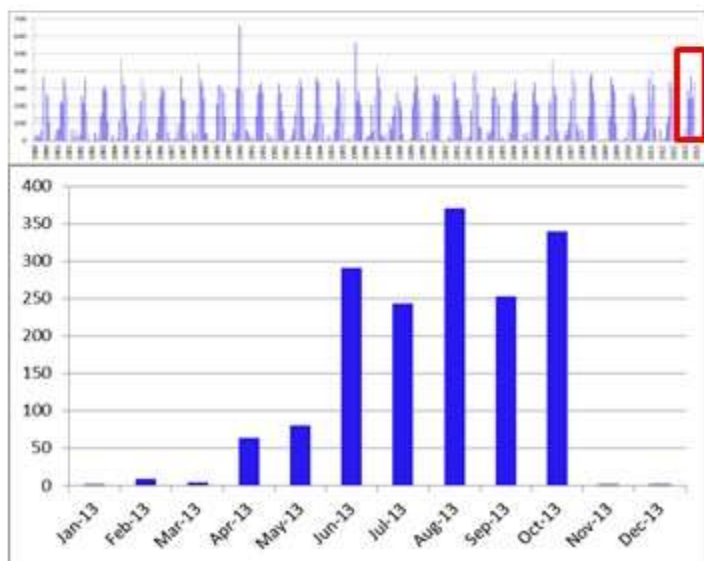
Cropping Intensity and land cover: 2000-2014



Start and End Dates of Intra-annual Fallows



 Fallow from July to January (7 months)



New Tab x Geoinformatics Spatial So x SARD-SC - Support to Agi x My new Kenya-based emi x

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Apps Bookmarks Chakravartin Ashok... Chakravartin Ashok... Live Feed CRP2 Livestock CRP - Home John J. Carty Award ...

Research Programs Projects Digital Agriculture IFAD-CC EU-IFAD-CS HSAD SARD-SC CANA Watershed Pest & Diseases

Support Development

Option 1: by crops and varieties

Low Medium High

Select by crop and variety

Select the biophysical parameters of your area of interest

Click on Plot selected

Click on Find suitable crops/var. suitable to your location

It will display recommended varieties as shown

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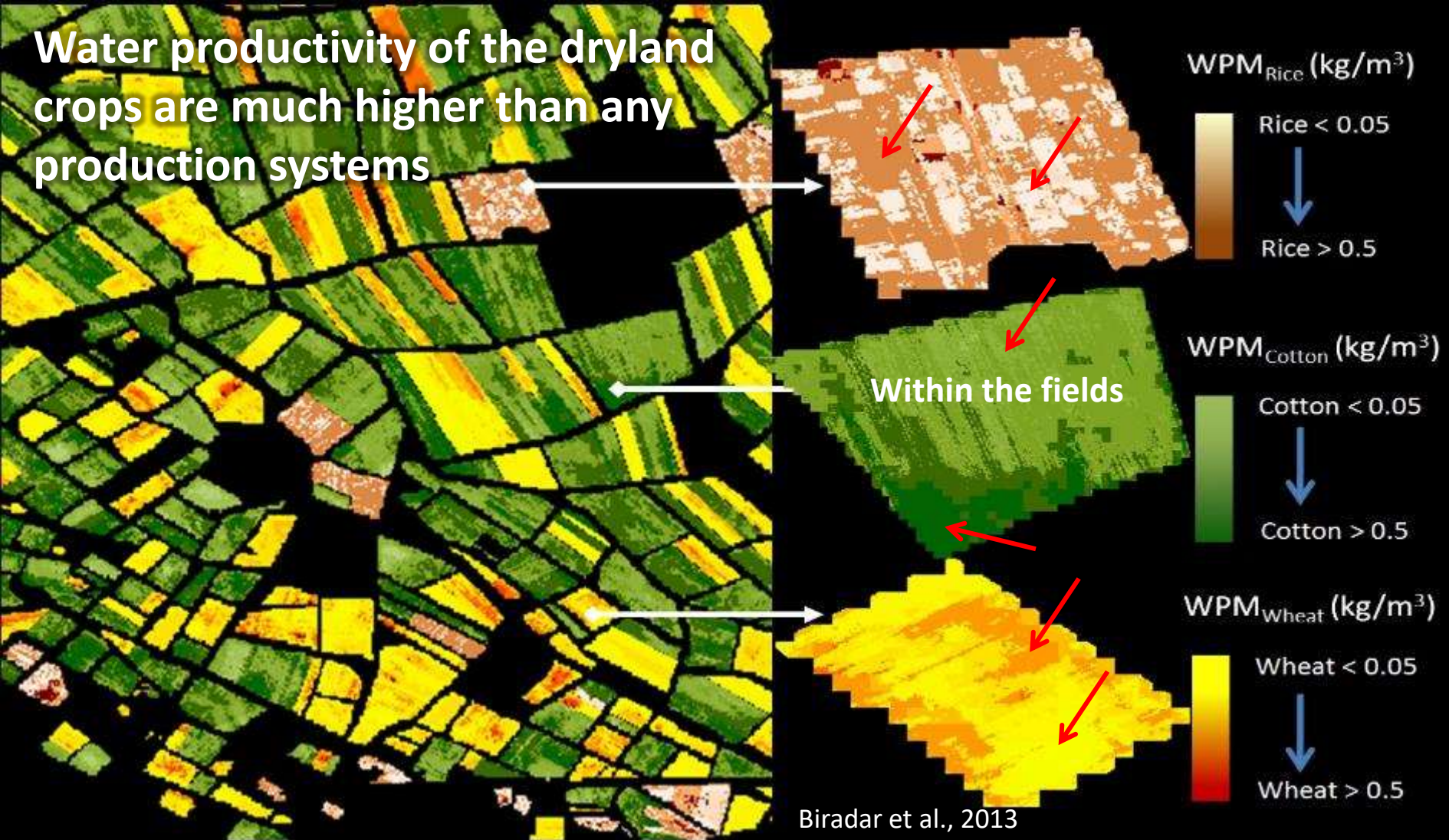
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Where are those Yield Gaps?

Inter and Intra Field Variability

Water productivity of the dryland crops are much higher than any production systems



Water productivity (WP) is defined as the kg of yield produced/m³ of water used or, alternatively, as value in \$ of yield produced/m³ of water used.

WP of Cotton	0.42 kg/m ³	0.50 USD/m ³
WP of Wheat	0.60 kg/m ³	0.33 USD/m ³
WP of Rice paddy	0.50 kg/m ³	0.10 USD/m ³

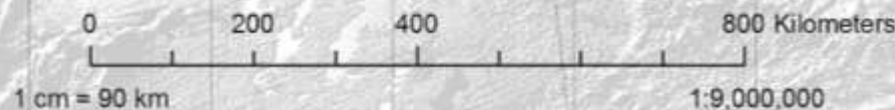
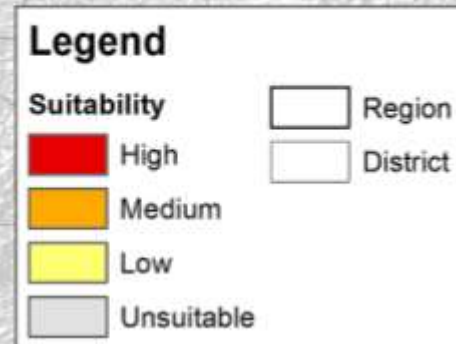
Adoption and out scaling of Innovative Technologies:

e.g., Conservation Agriculture

- productivity
- employment
- enterprise



Suitability class	Area (km2)	Population	Density
Highly suitable	40,956	10,021,600	243
Medium suitable	28,870	5,081,674	174
Low suitable	24,083	2,929,224	122
Not suitable	576,076	9,471,688	16



Measuring Impact of Successful interventions

Soil Salinity, Dujaila, Iraq

Salinity Maps

Pre-Reclamation Period

1958



MoA, Iraq

Post-Reclamation Period

2010



Satellite Images

April 1984

April 2013

Yield Increase
1.92 to 4.0 t/h



Measuring Impact of Successful interventions

Soil Salinity, Dujaila, Iraq

Dujaila, Iraq

Pre-salinity reclamation period

Landsat April 1984

-  Saline or Abandoned Croplands
-  Active or Healthy Farmlands

Average yield in saline lands for five major crops

1.92 t/h

which is about 52% less than non-saline lands

Measuring Impact of Successful interventions

Soil Salinity, Dujaila, Iraq

Dujaila, Iraq

Post-salinity reclamation period

Landsat April 2013

-  Saline or Abandoned Croplands
-  Active or Healthy Farmlands

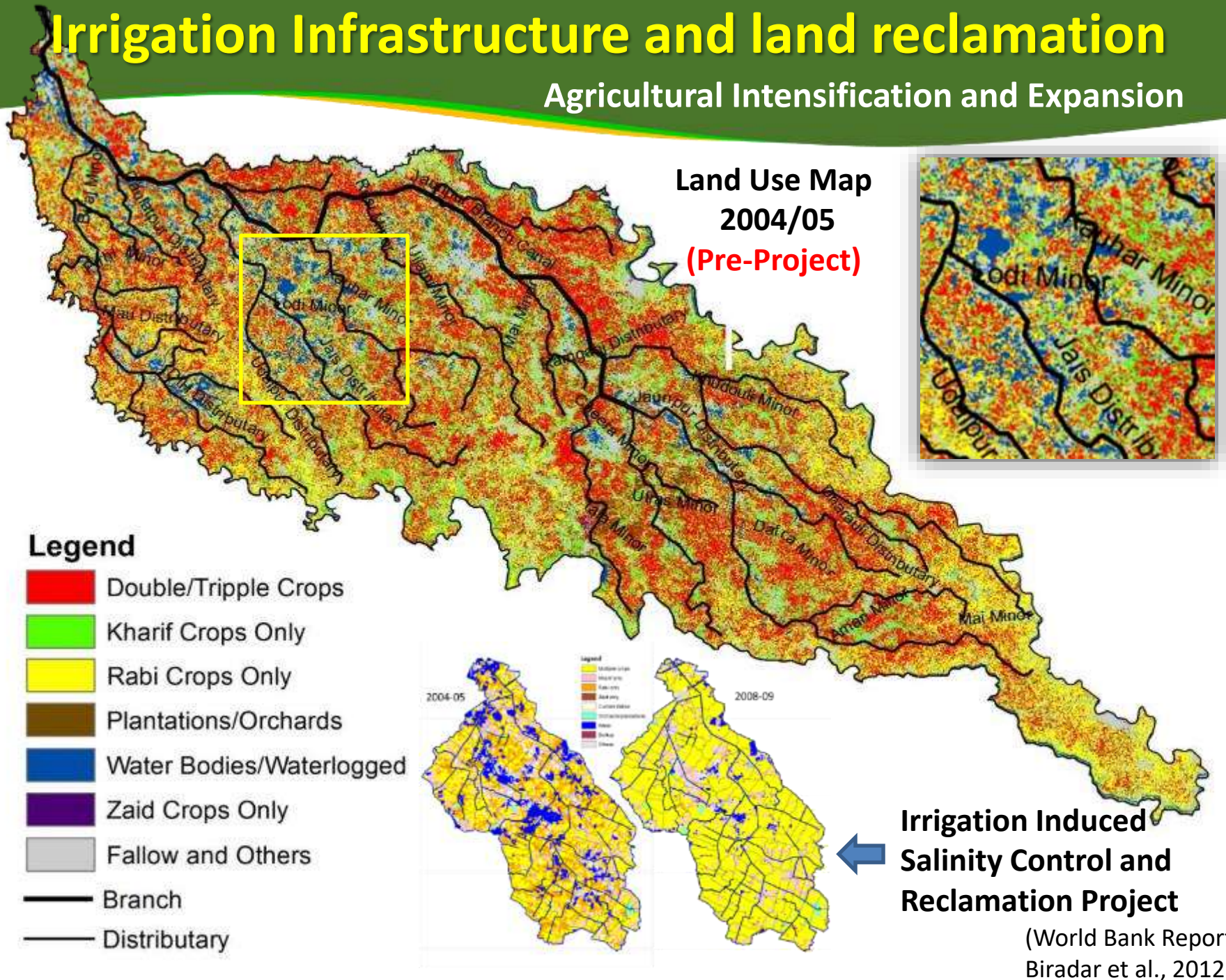
Average yield in non-saline lands for five major crops

4.0 t/h

which is about 52% more than saline lands

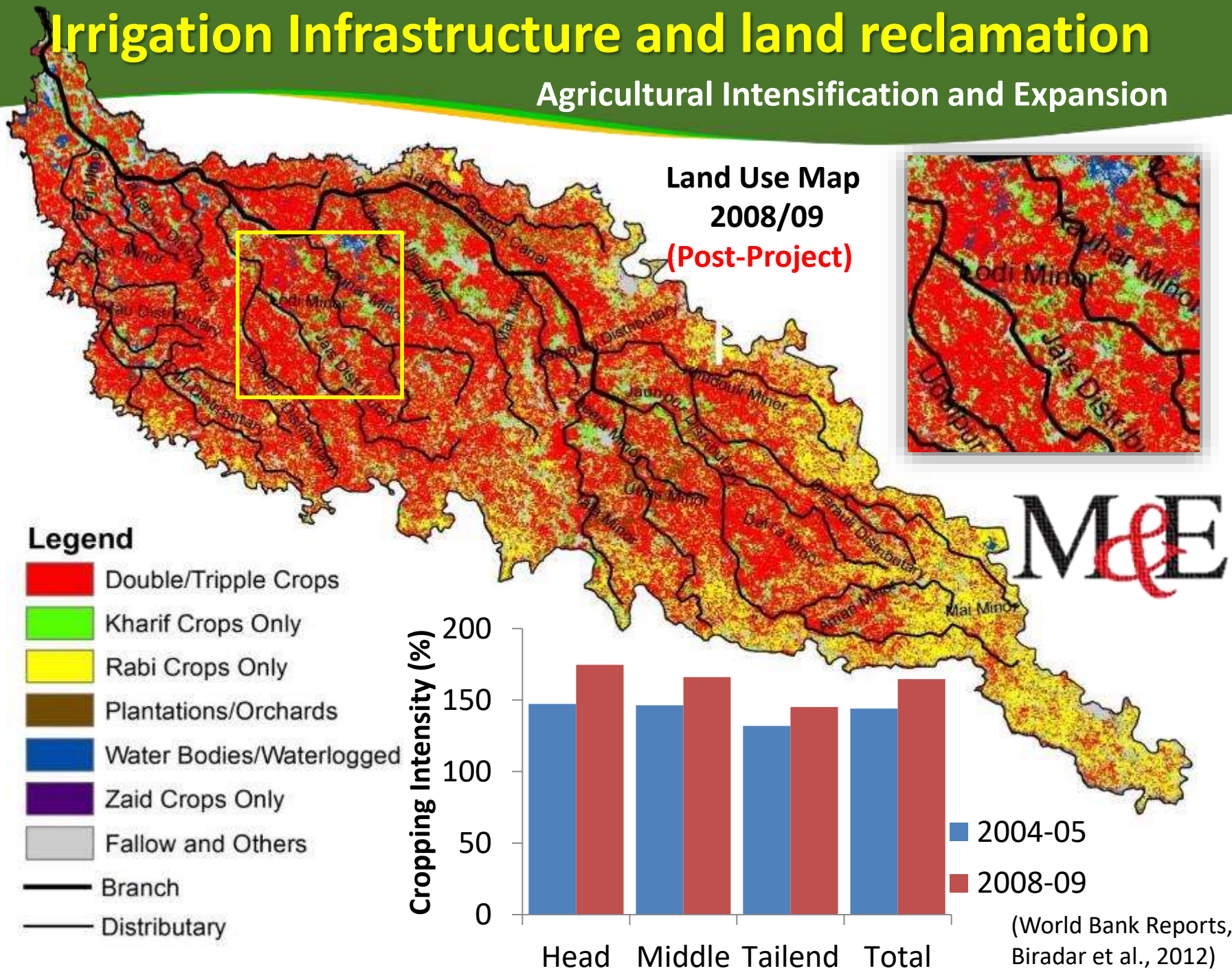
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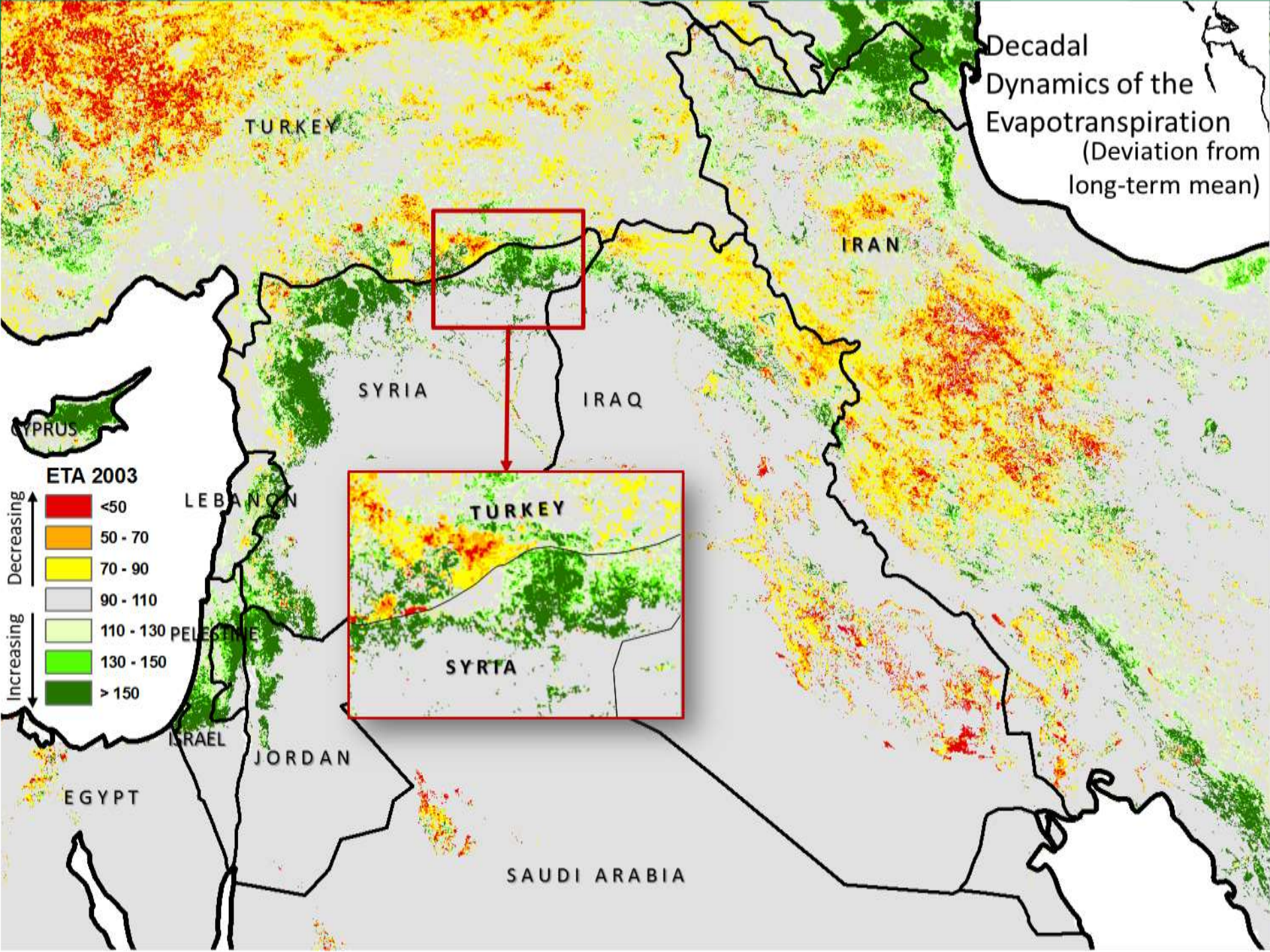


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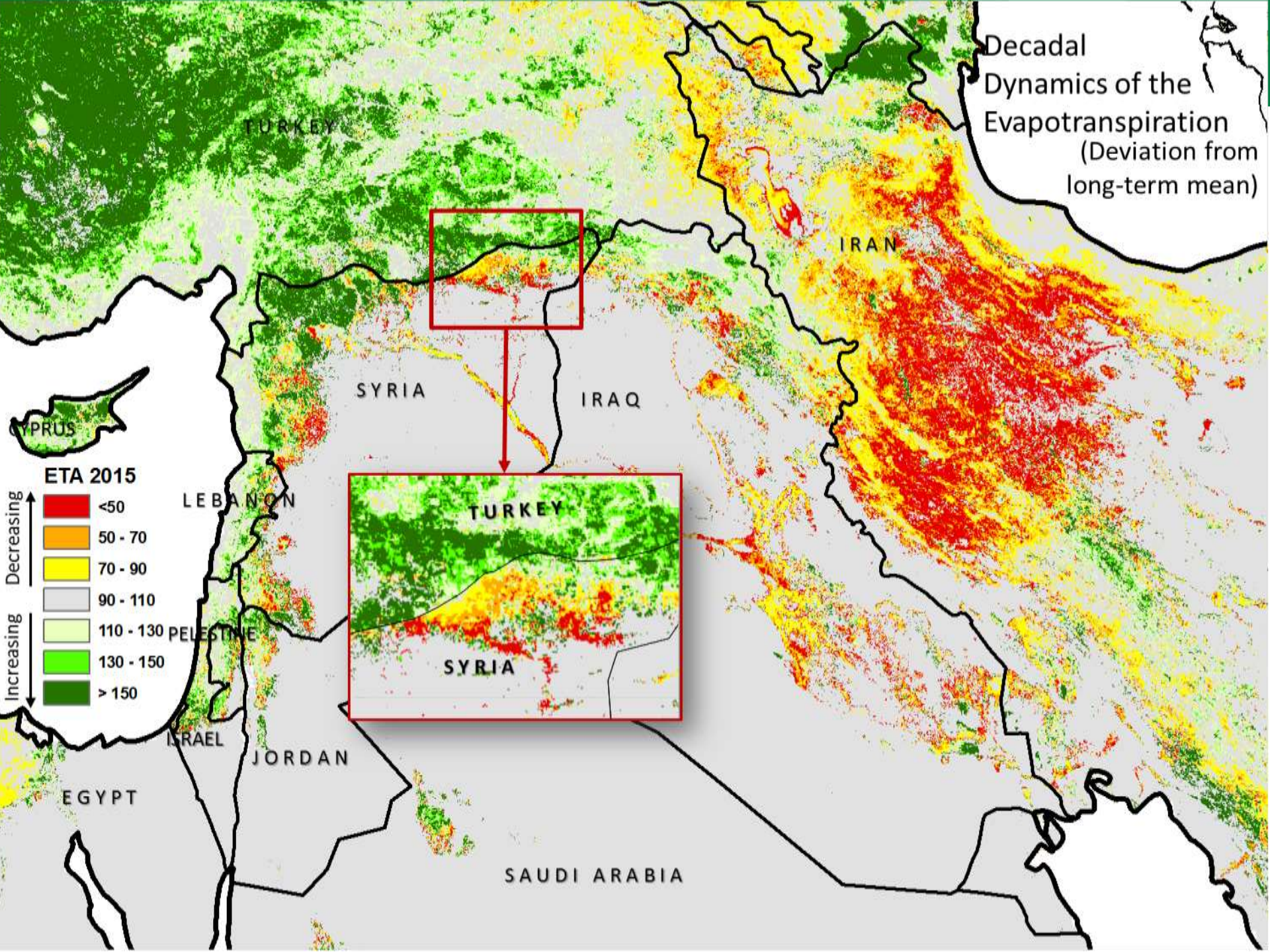
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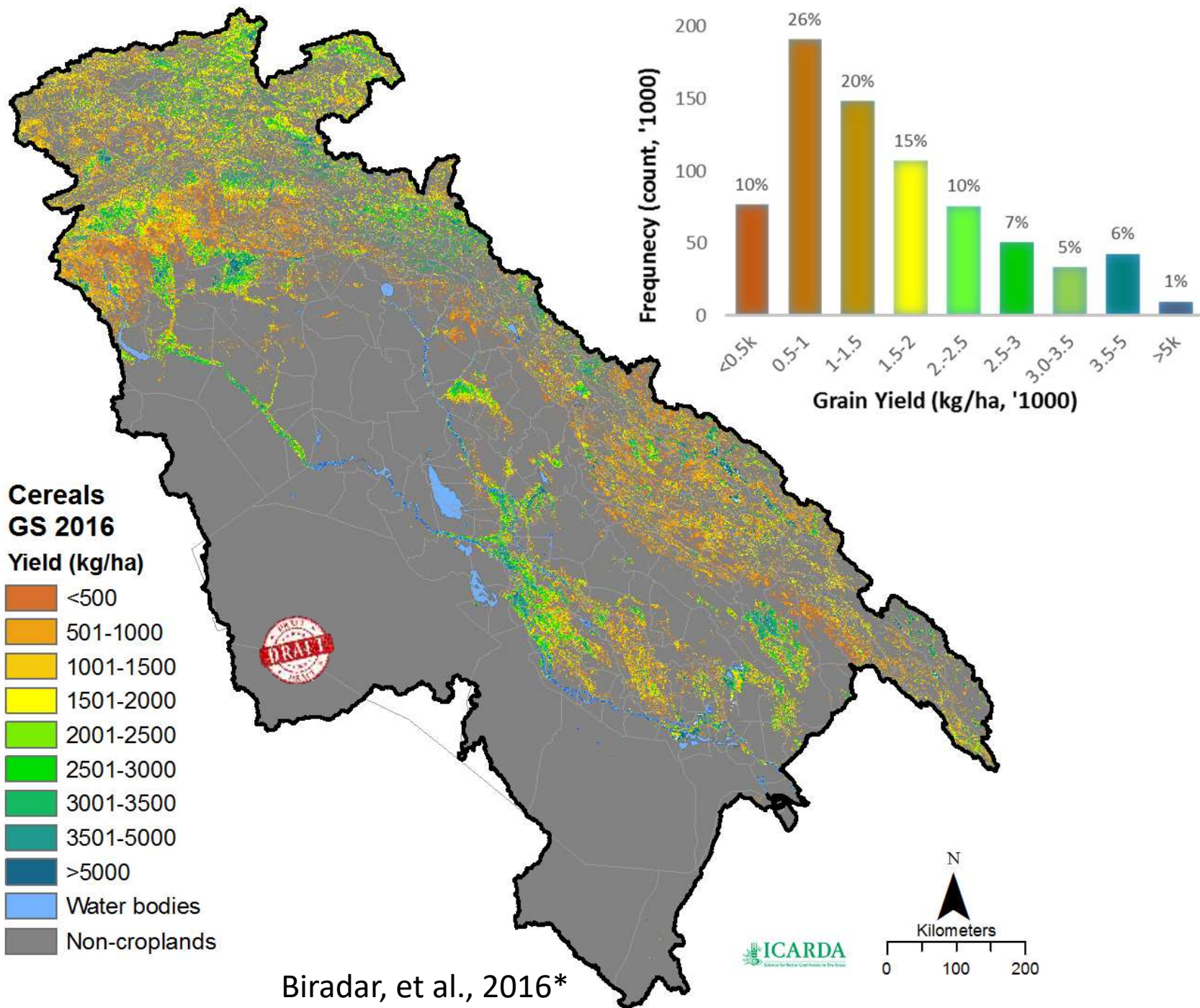
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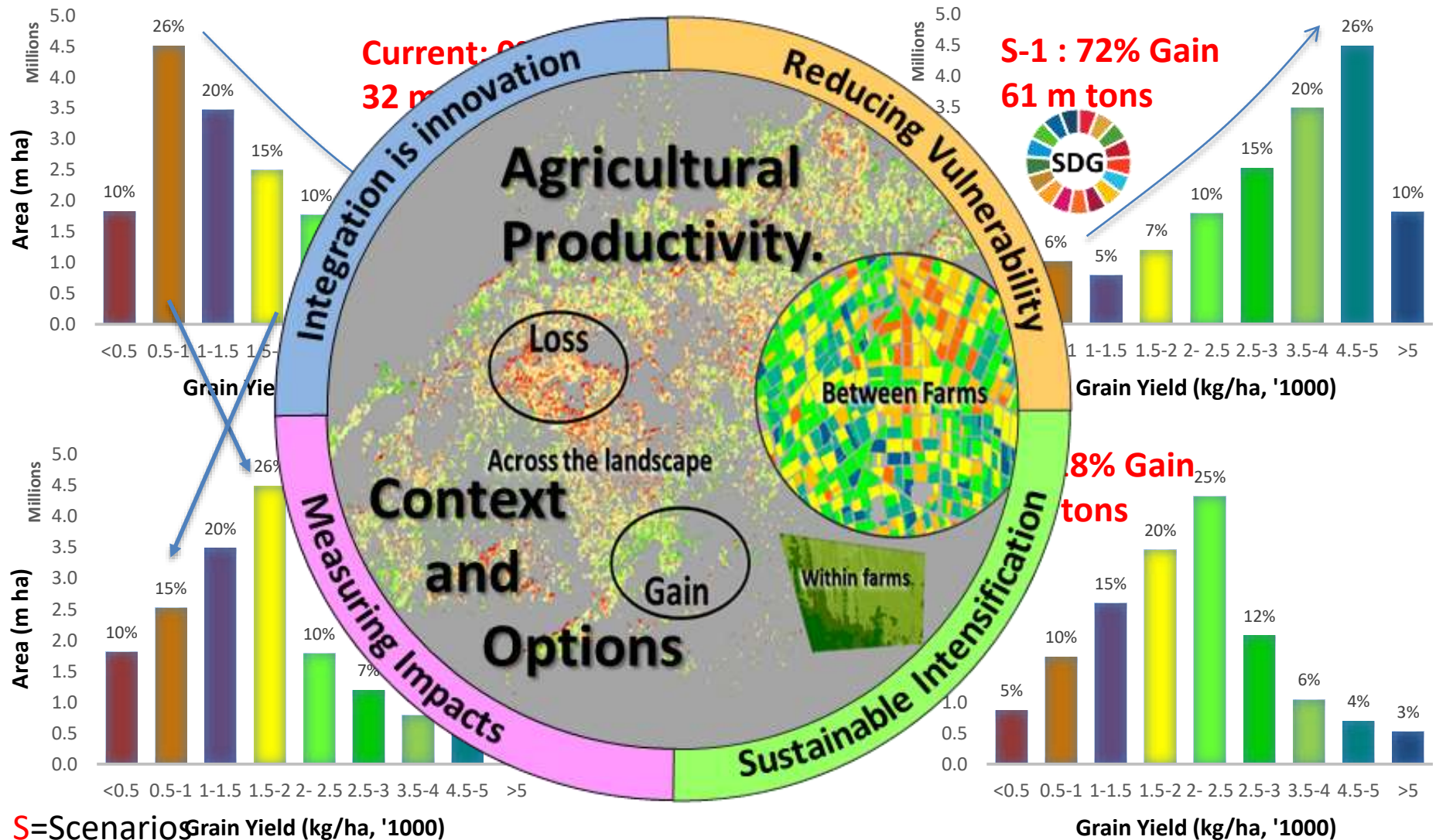
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Agricultural Productivity and Production



Location specific Investment, Interventions and Impacts



S=Scenarios **G**rain Yield (kg/ha, '1000)

Biradar, et al., 2016*

Connecting the dots of resilience

Agricultural production systems heavily compromised sustainable food production and health of the lives and planet earth by neglecting climate smart crops (dryland cereals and legumes)

Integrated farming systems with better soil, water, trees, and livestock management for nutritious food and agro-ecosystems for a sustainable future



in an **inch of land** and **bunch of crop**



Harvesting multiple gains

- genetic and breeding? 15-20
- management and agronomy? 50-60
- socio-economy and ecology? 20-35

Thank You

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avoid the unmanageable and
manage the unavoidable

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