

Improving water productivity: from data to action



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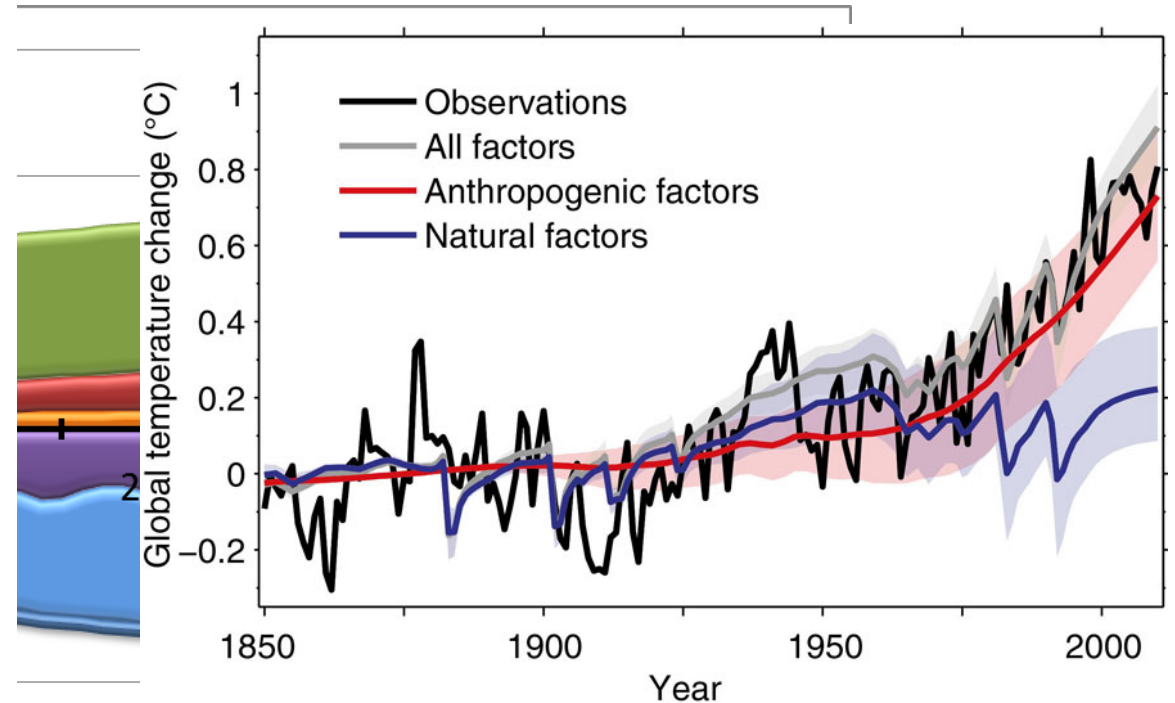
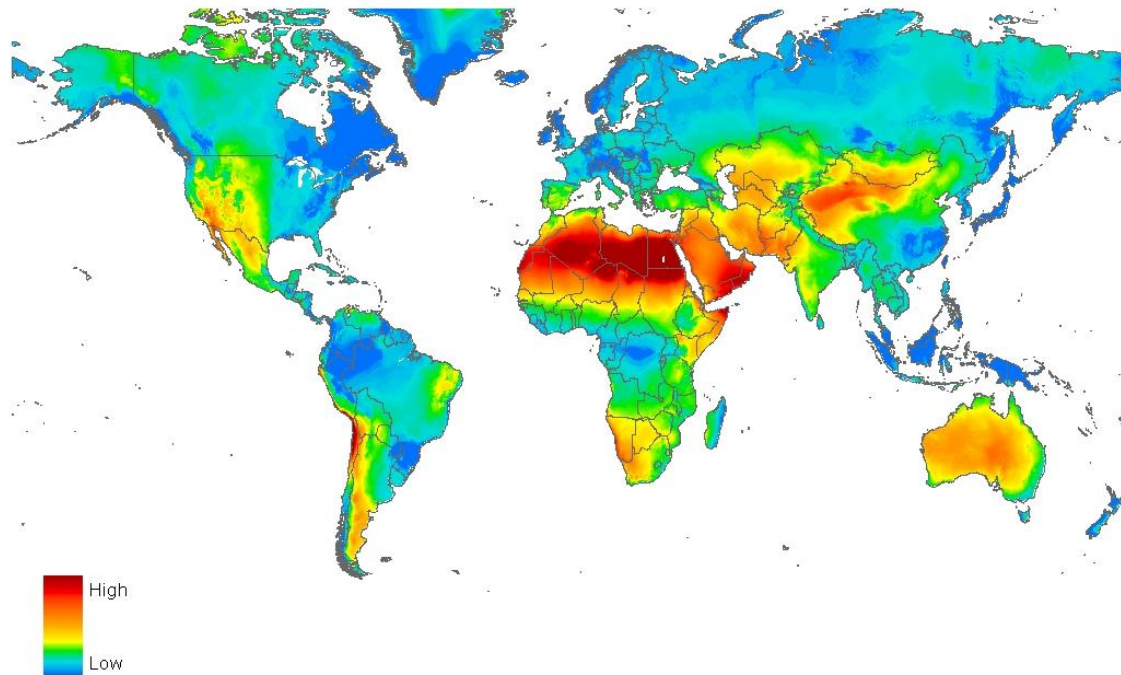
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Challenges

- > Water scarcity and a changing climate
- > Increasing water demand
- > Scope for improvement

Natural Water Scarcity

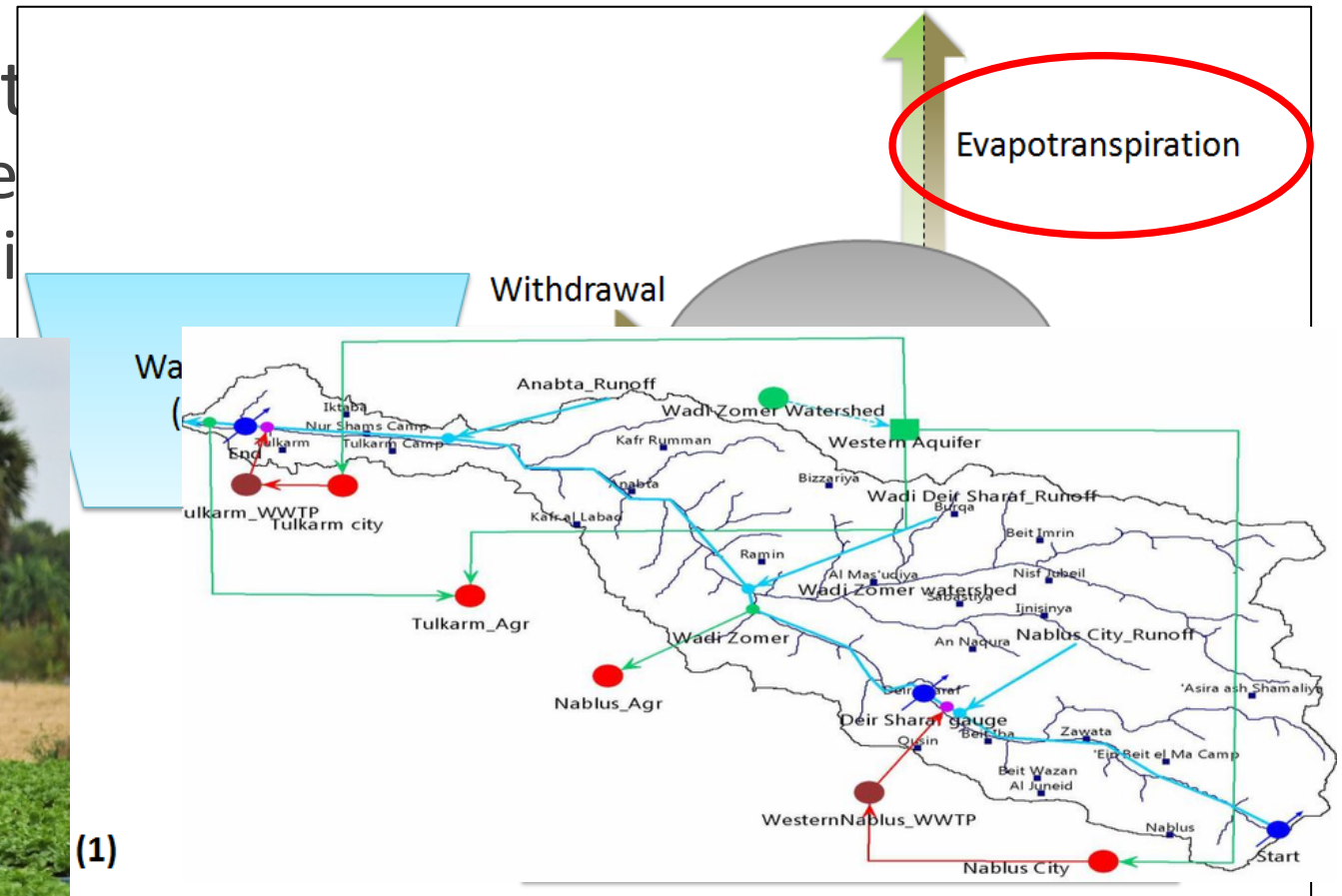


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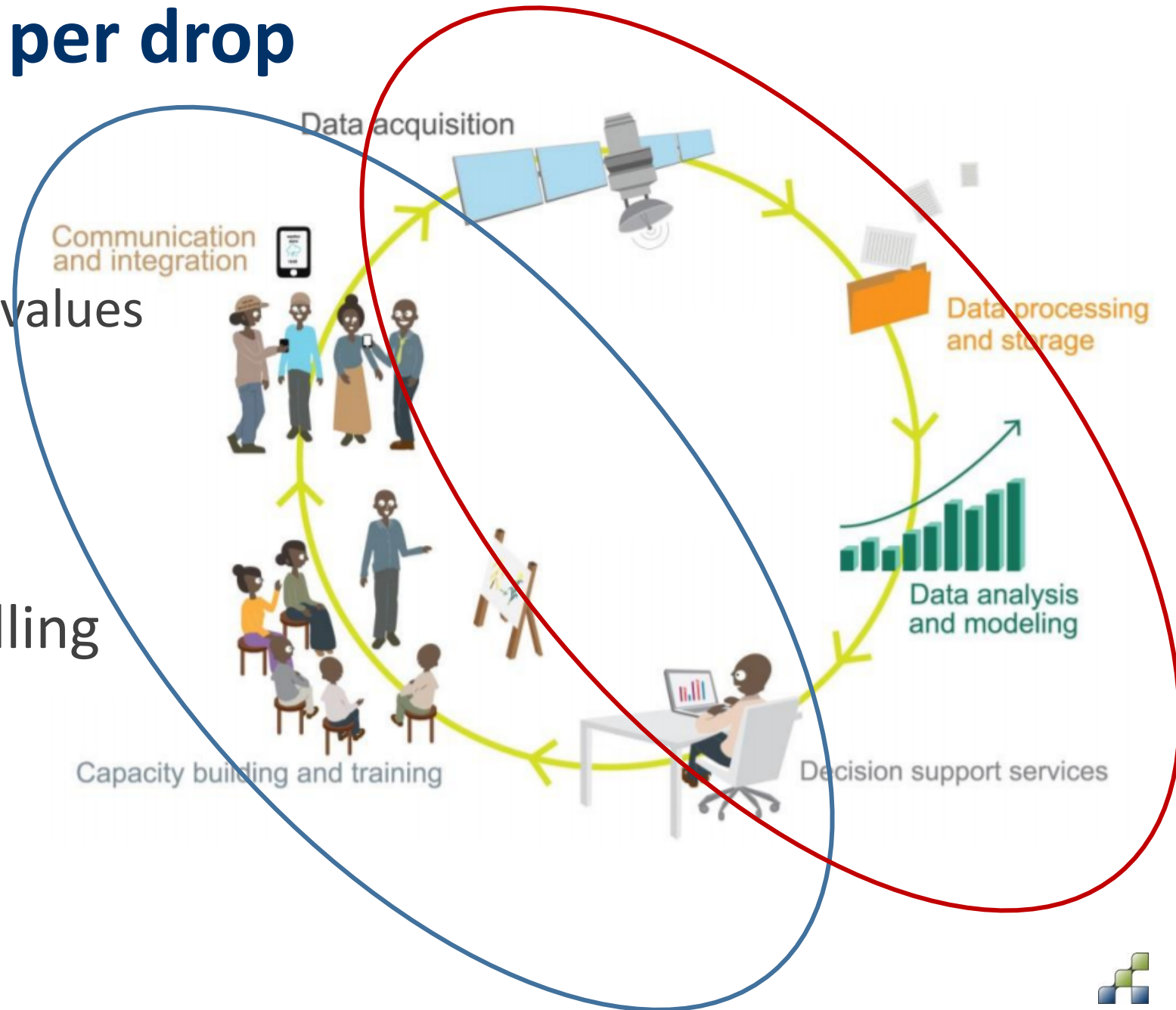
Water productivity

- > **Crop (kg) per drop (m³)**
 - Crop: harvested yield, or biomass production
 - Drop: water consumption
- > Solutions from farm level to policy level
 - Farmer: timely irrigation, fertilization
 - Policy maker: water allocation



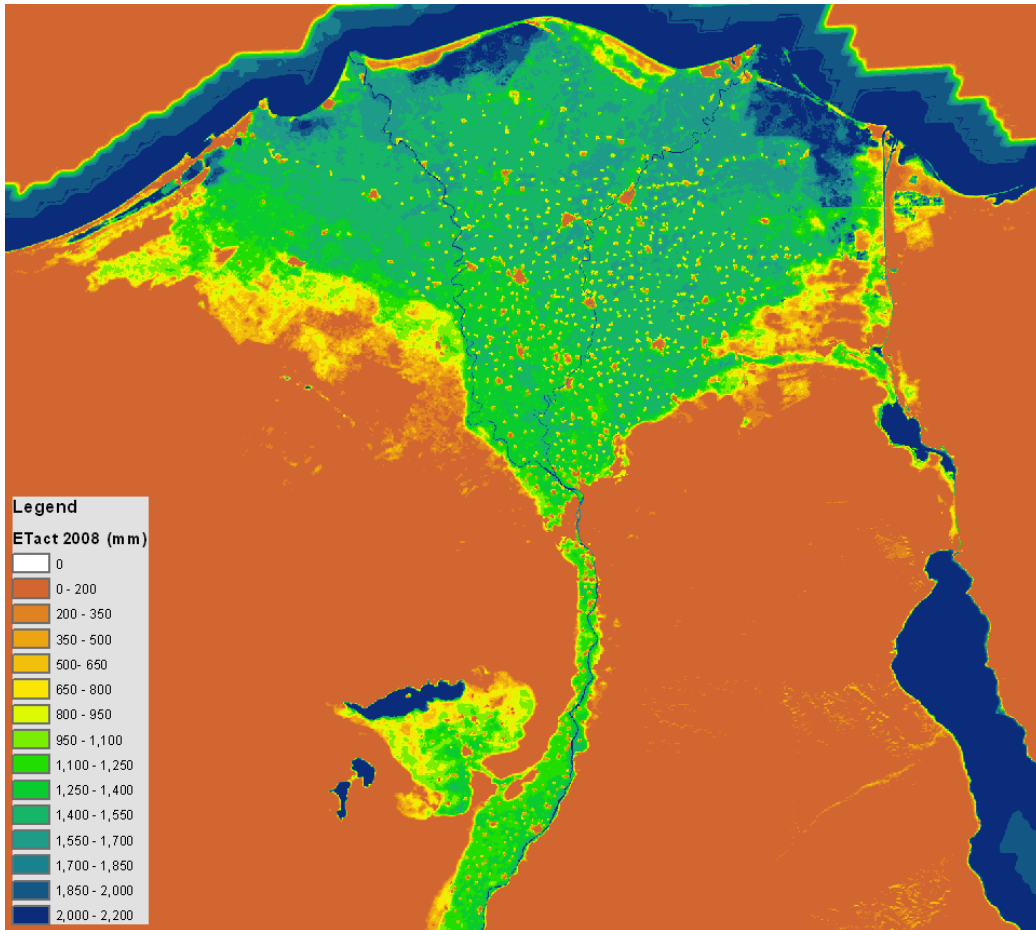
Getting more crop per drop

- > From data to action:
- > Important data:
 - Benchmarking current values and trends
 - Identification of best practices
 - Future developments
- > Monitoring and modelling

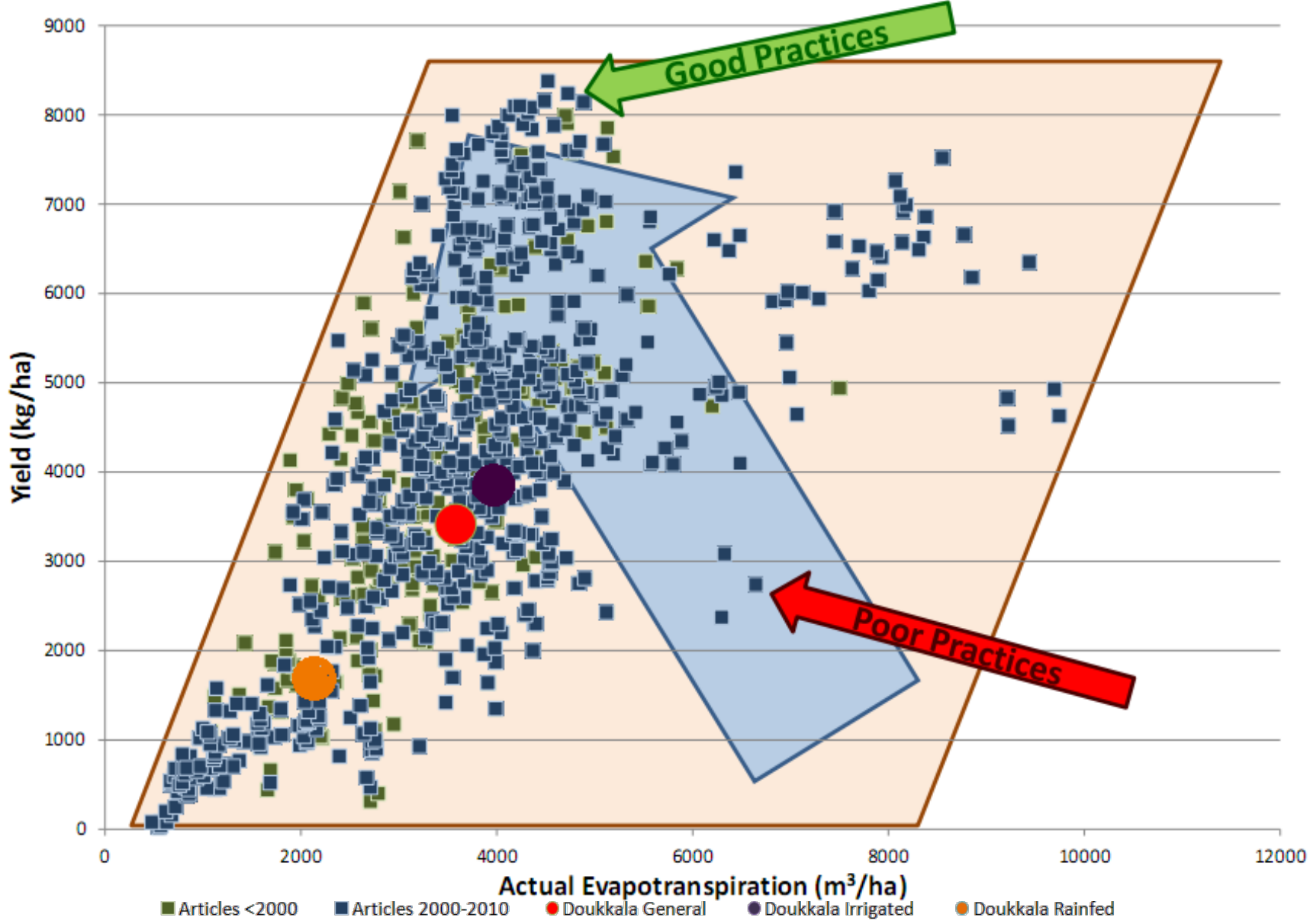


Monitoring

- > Identifying temporal and spatial trends
- > Different spatial scales

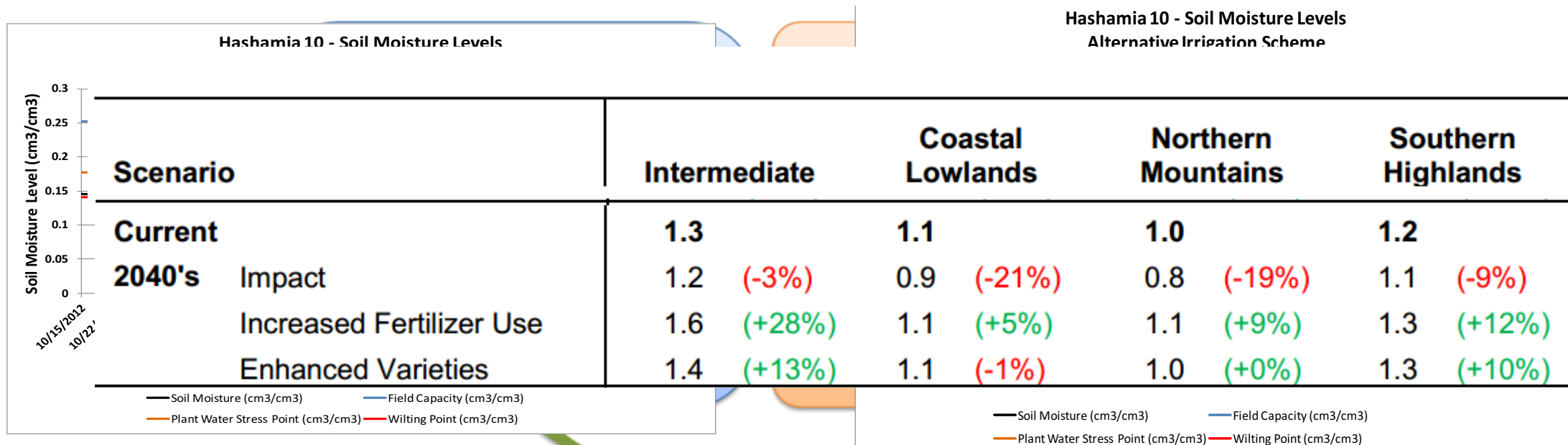


Crop Water Productivity Wheat



Modelling

- > Scenario analysis:
- > Short and long time scales



Olive yield (ton/ha), Albania



Tools to support decision making



Concluding remarks

- > A higher Water Productivity can help to alleviate pressure on water resources, enhance food security, and improve farmer livelihoods
- > Using state-of-the-art technology, water productivity can be measured, monitored and even projected
- > Data are available on different spatial and temporal scales, each suitable for different types of applications



Now is the time to develop practical tools to enable farmers and policy makers to improve Water Productivity in water-scarce regions!



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