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Evapotranspiration forecast using SWAT model and weather forecast model

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Aquapath-soil Service to support agriculture production



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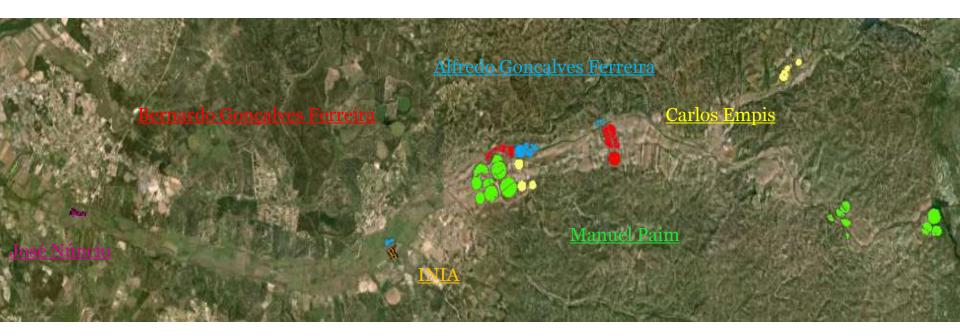


Objective

- Create a service with a daily prediction of irrigation needs based on
 - Weather forecasts
 - Hydrologic models
 - Vegetation models
 - LAI measurements made by satellite

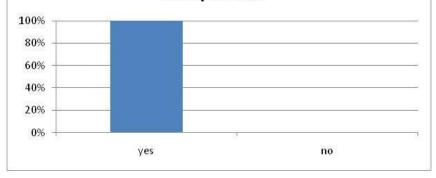
Study area presentation

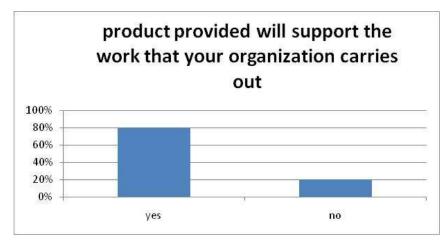
- Six users were considered
- Each user can have more than one corn field



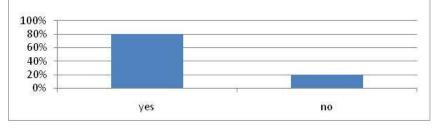
Users feedback

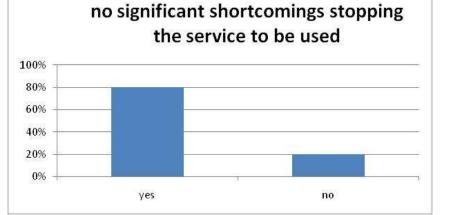
methodology / product more competitive



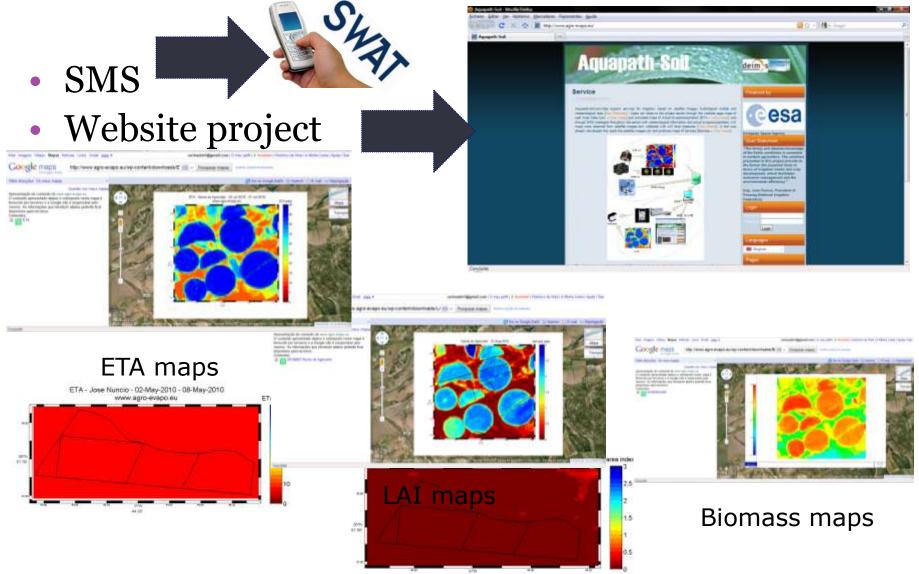


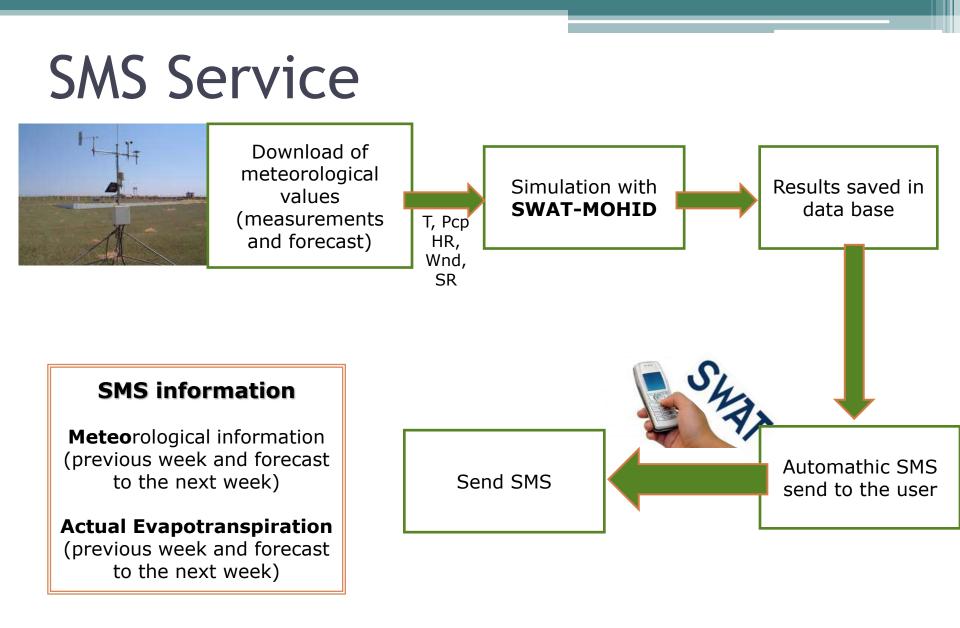
information sets appropriate and compatible with the rest of the tasks ongoing and planned in the organizations



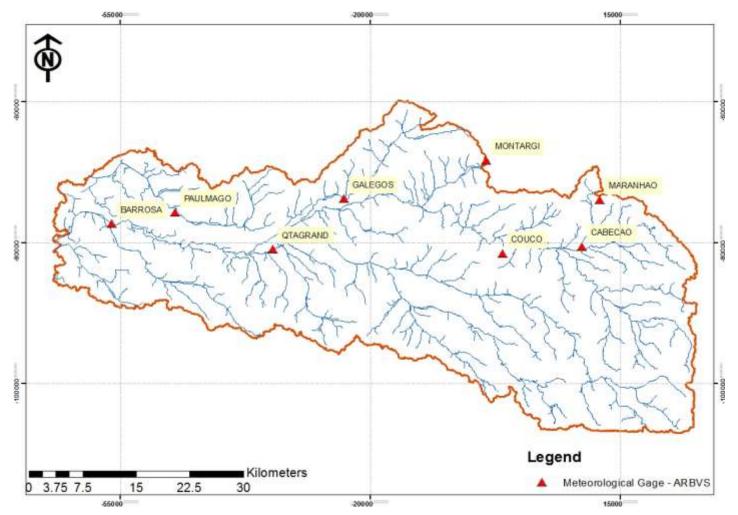


Products/Service delivery

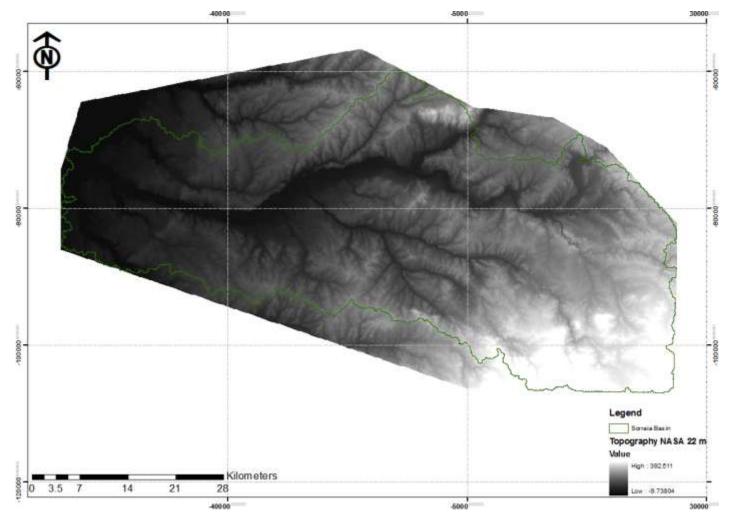




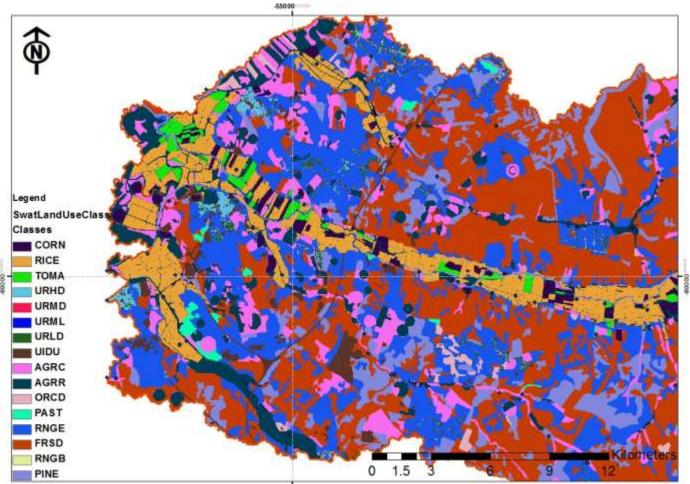
•Meteorology local daily values of pcp, temp, HR, wind, radiation.



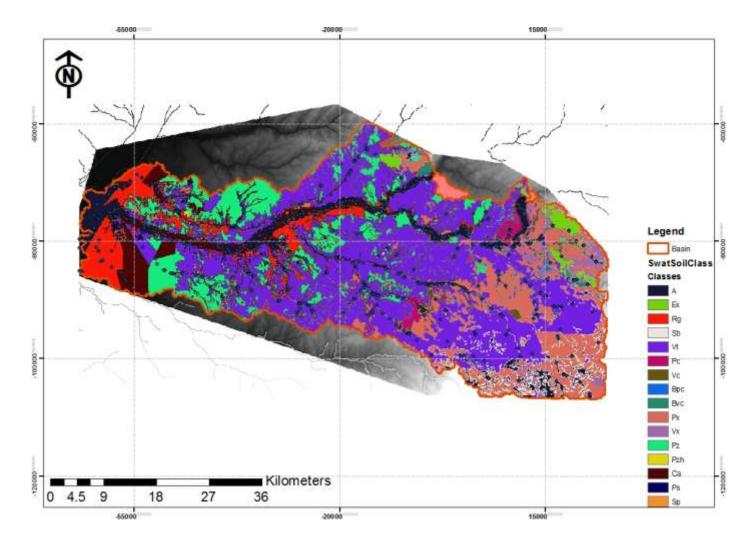
•Topography – SRTM – 22 m



•Land use: data from land use of 2006 with detailed farmers map

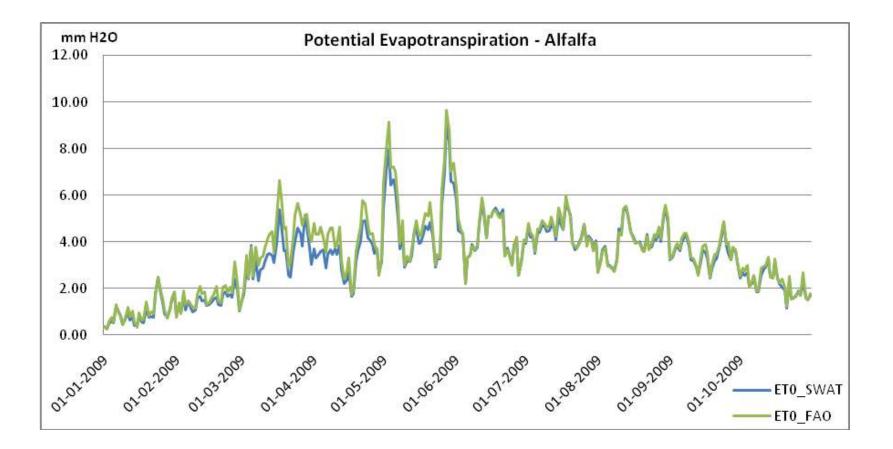


•Portuguese soil map (1 : 25 000)



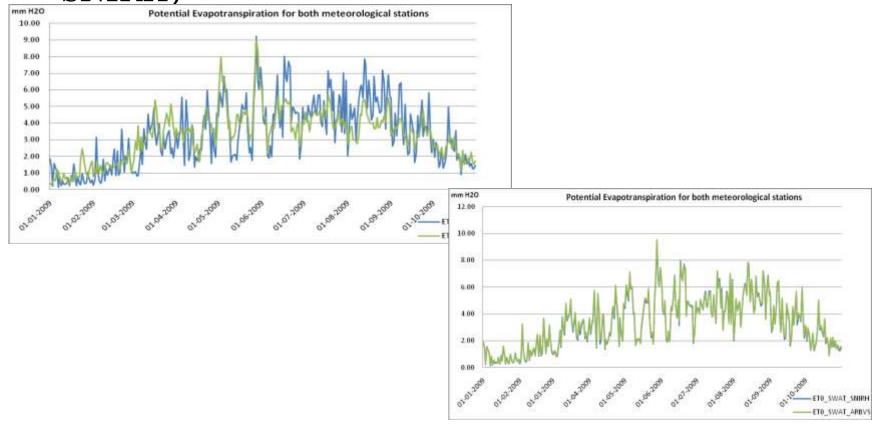
Evaluation of ETO (Alfalfa)

• SWAT ETo results compared with standard FAO56



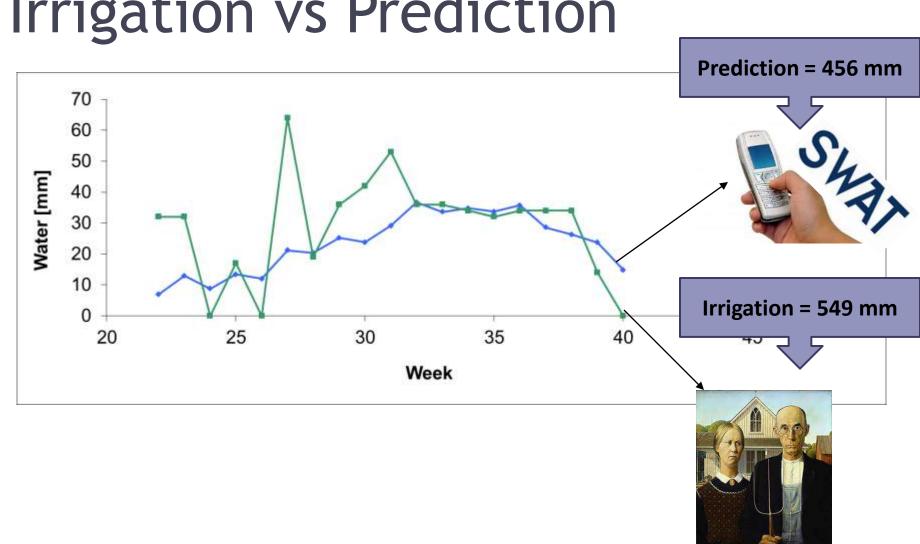
Different metereological stations

 Impact of using different metereological stations on ETO (Paul de Magos – ARBVS and Baragem de Magos – SNIRH)



Evaluation of forecast

| Week | Initial Date | Next Week (model forecasts) | Previous Week (user estimations) | Difference | % of Difference |
|------|--------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|-----------------|
| 1 | 19-07-2010 | 30 | 38 | -3 | -8% |
| 2 | 26-07-2010 | 41 | 60 | 13 | 22% |
| 3 | 02-08-2010 | 47 | 50 | -2 | -4% |
| 4 | 09-08-2010 | 52 | 51 | 8 | 16% |
| 5 | 16-08-2010 | 43 | 32 | -1 | -3% |
| 6 | 23-08-2010 | 33 | 31 | 1 | 3% |
| 7 | 30-08-2010 | 30 | 36 | -2 | -6% |
| 8 | 06-09-2010 | 38 | 24 | -5 | -21% |
| 9 | 13-09-2010 | 29 | 25 | -1 | -4% |
| 10 | 20-09-2010 | 26 | 15 | -6 | -40% |
| 11 | 27-09-2010 | 21 | 14 | -4 | -29% |
| 12 | 04-10-2010 | 18 | 8 | 3 | 38% |
| 13 | 11-10-2010 | 5 | 6 | - | - |



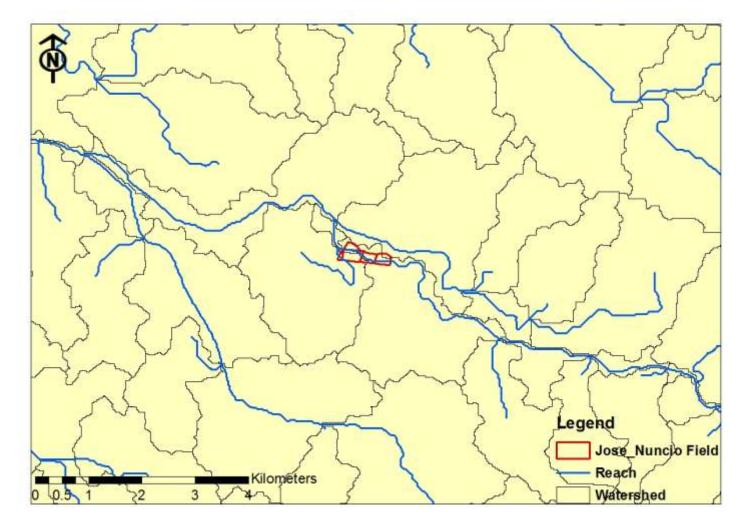
Irrigation vs Prediction

Conclusions

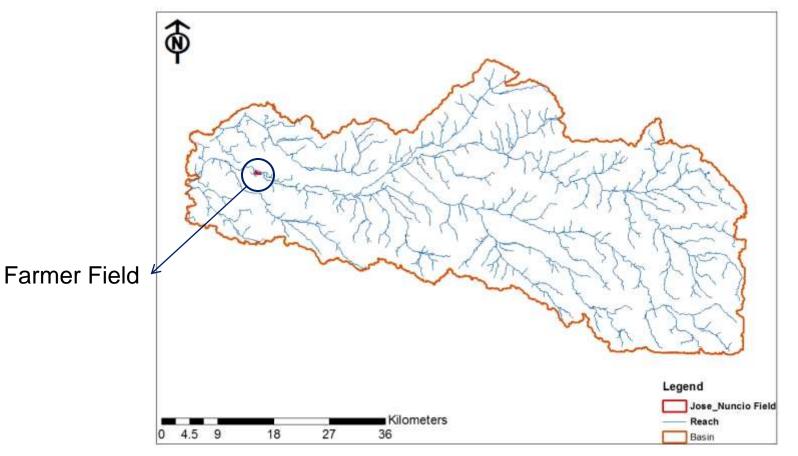


- Service to send SMS withe SWAT results was implemented and we got good eed back fom users
- Estimations of actual evaptranspiration alow a reduction of 20% in irrigatio water
- ETo from SWAT shows small diference from FAO56 equation

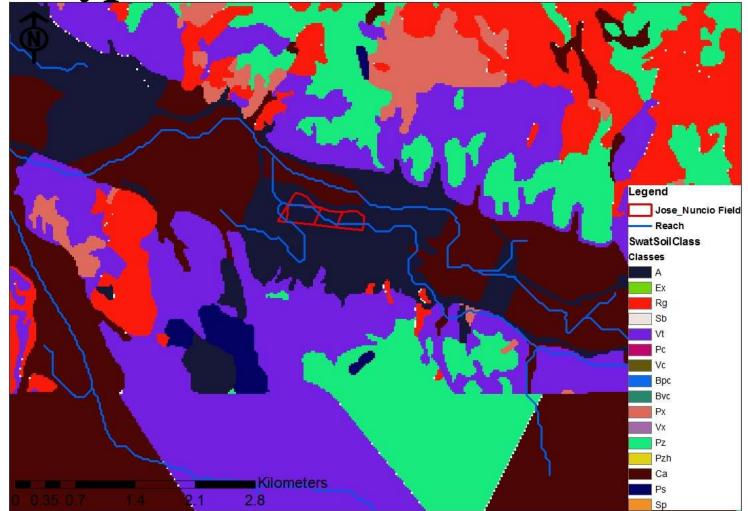
•José Núncio Farmer field – test user



 Location of José Núncio field – farmer in Sorraia Valley



• Soil Type : A – Aluviosoils with median texture



• Land use: Corn

