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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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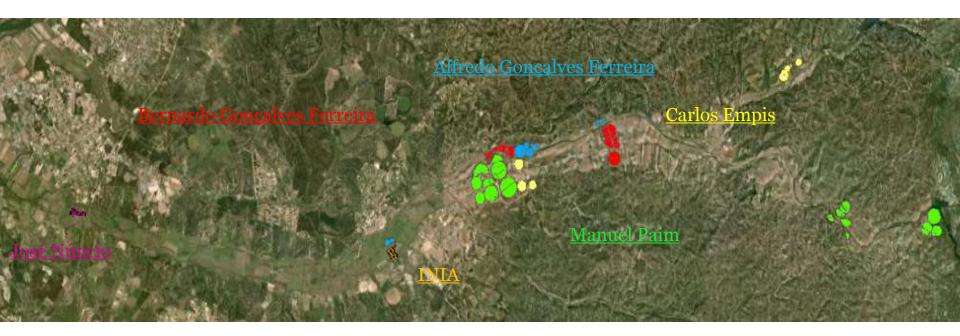


Objective

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

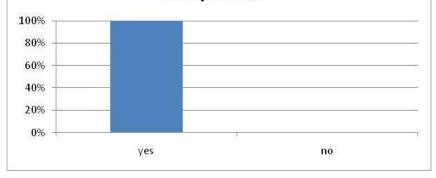
Study area presentation

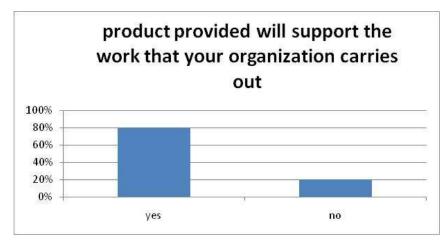
- Six users were considered
- Each user can have more than one corn field



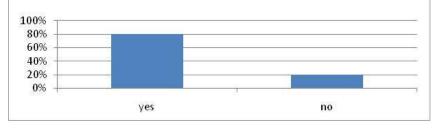
Users feedback

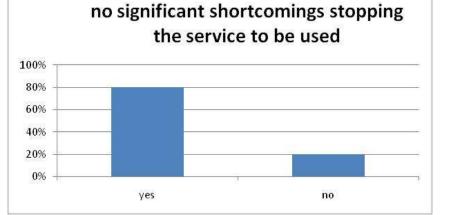
methodology / product more competitive



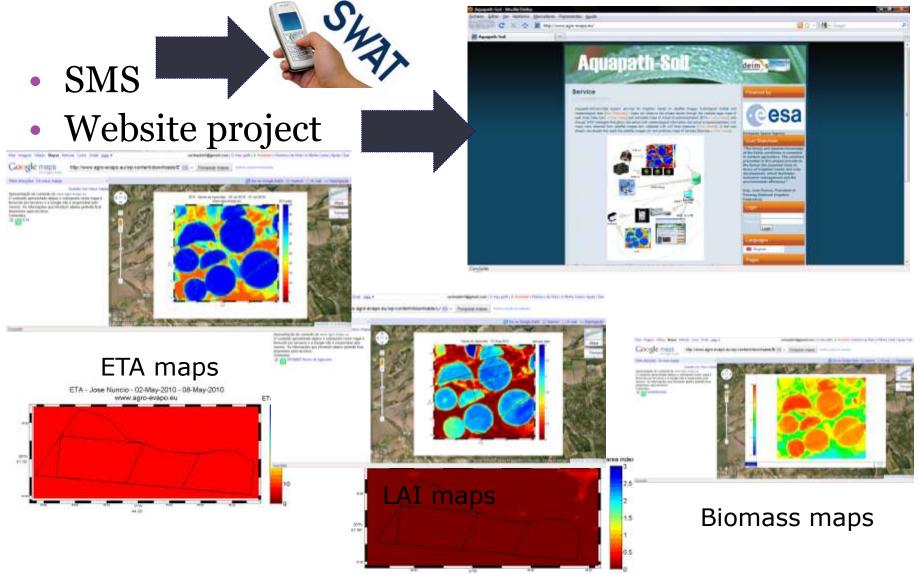


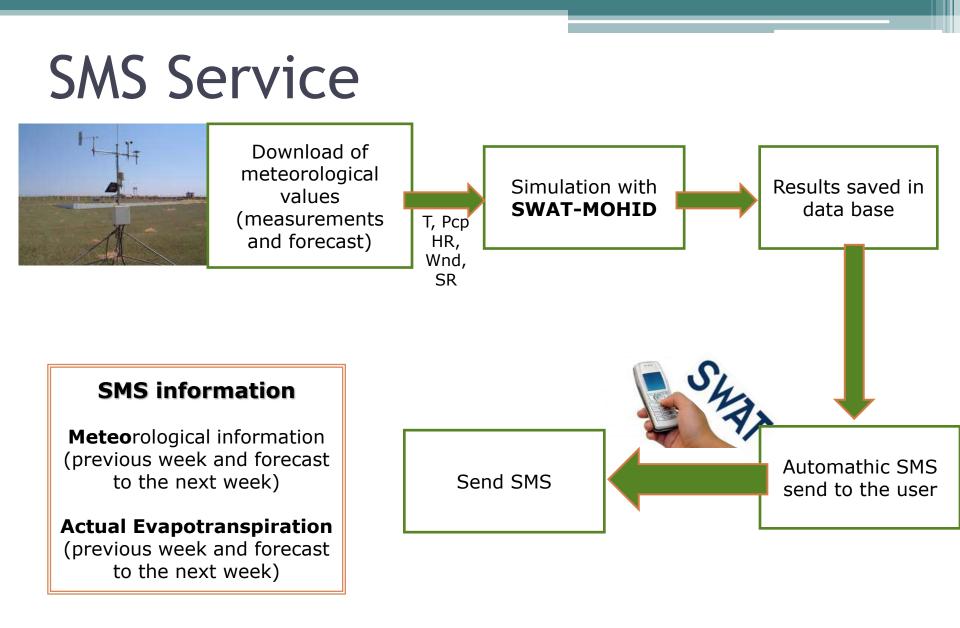
information sets appropriate and compatible with the rest of the tasks ongoing and planned in the organizations



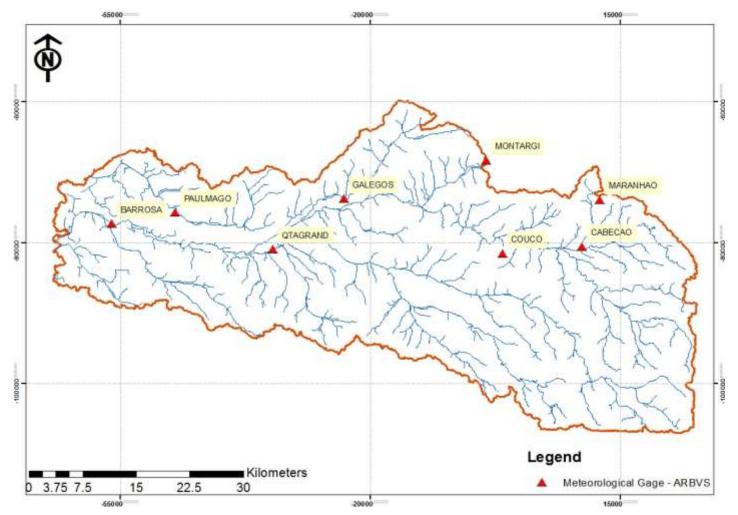


Products/Service delivery

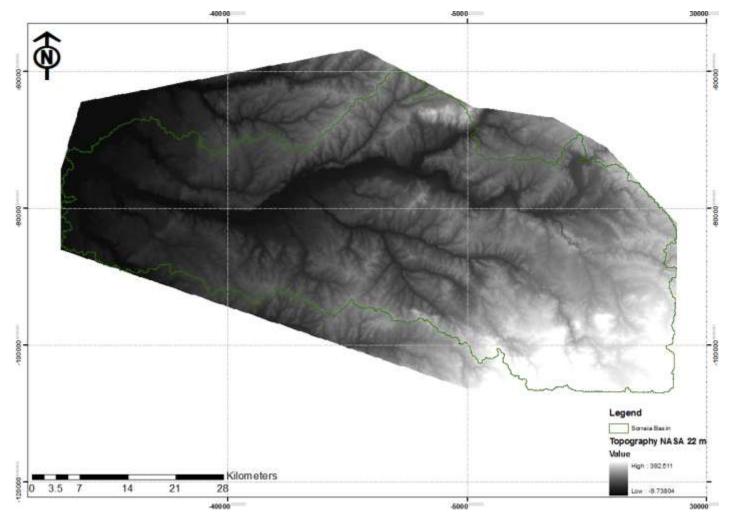




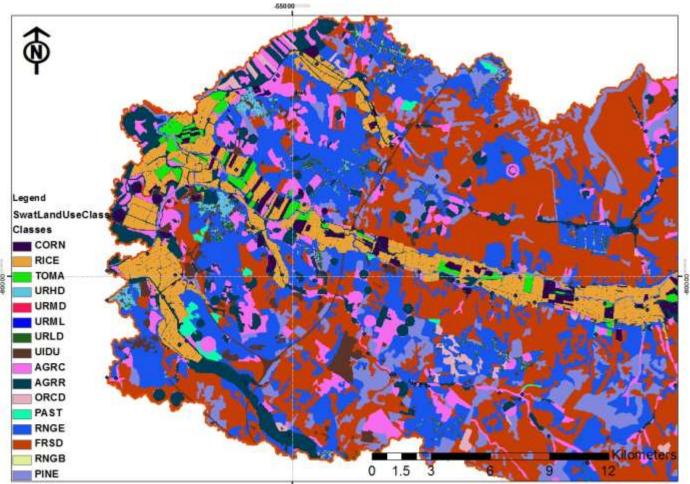
•Meteorology local daily values of pcp, temp, HR, wind, radiation.



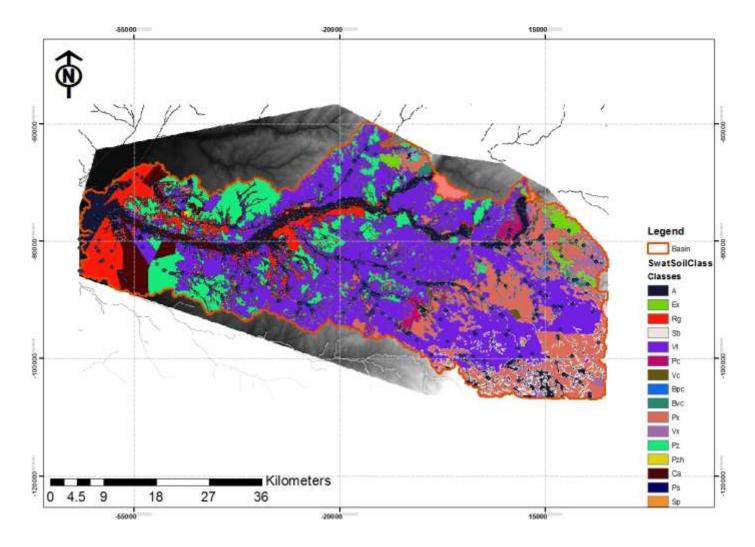
•Topography – SRTM – 22 m



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

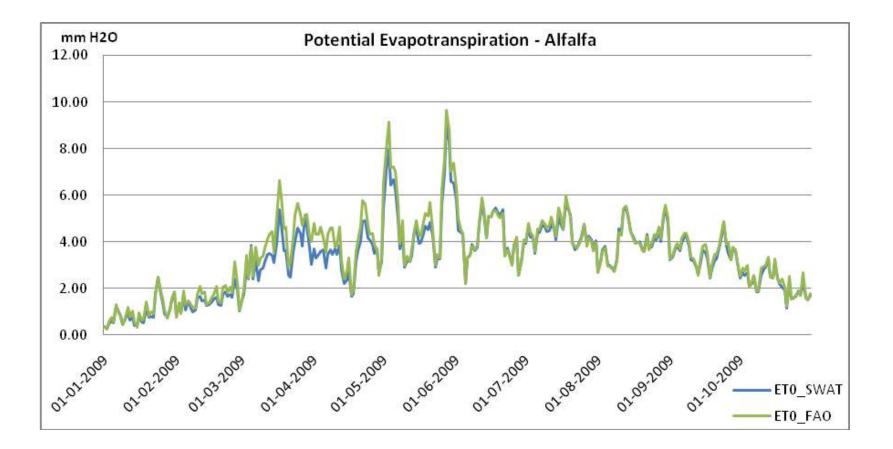


•Portuguese soil map (1 : 25 000)



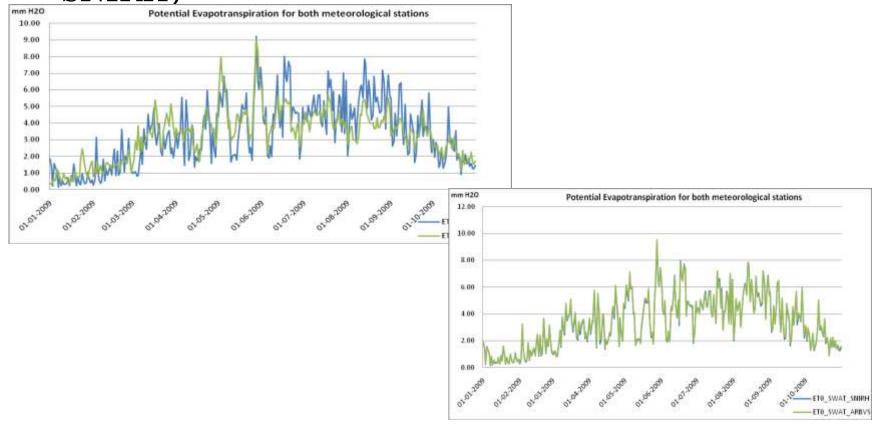
Evaluation of ETO (Alfalfa)

• SWAT ETo results compared with standard FAO56



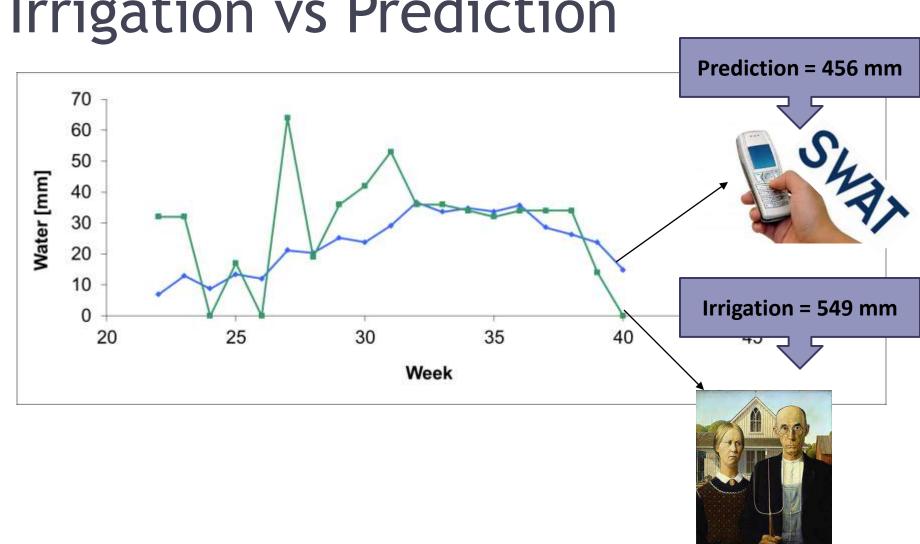
Different metereological stations

 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	-	-



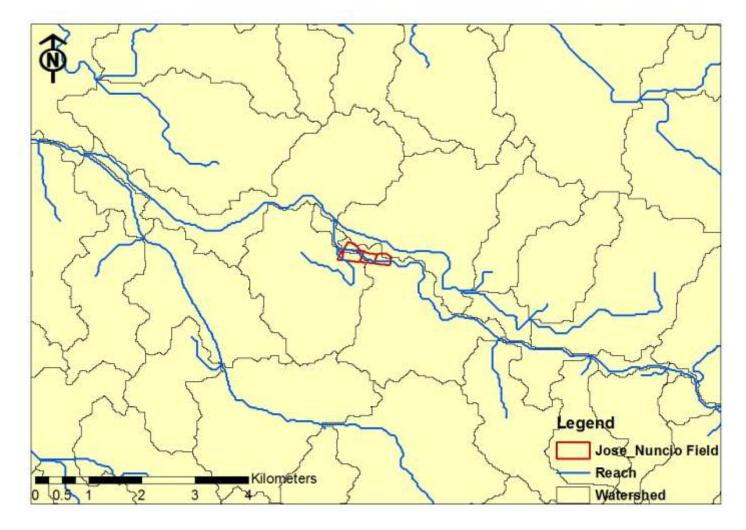
Irrigation vs Prediction

Conclusions

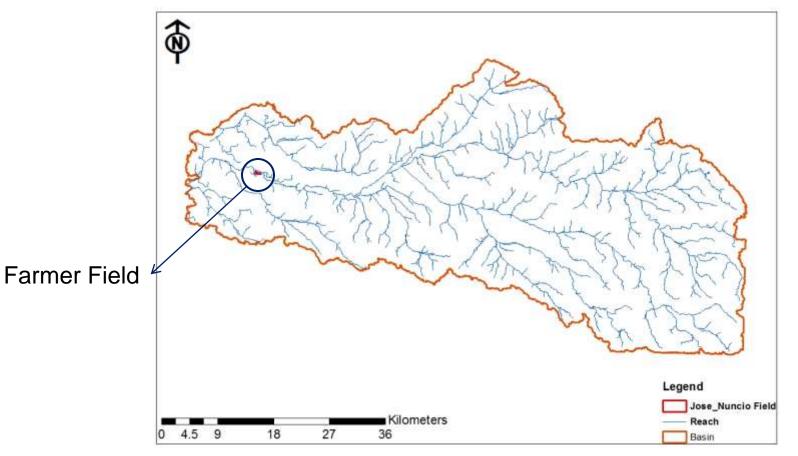


- Service to send SMS withe SWAT results was implemented and we got good eed back fom users
- Estimations of actual evaptranspiration alow a reduction of 20% in irrigatio water
- ETo from SWAT shows small diference from FAO56 equation

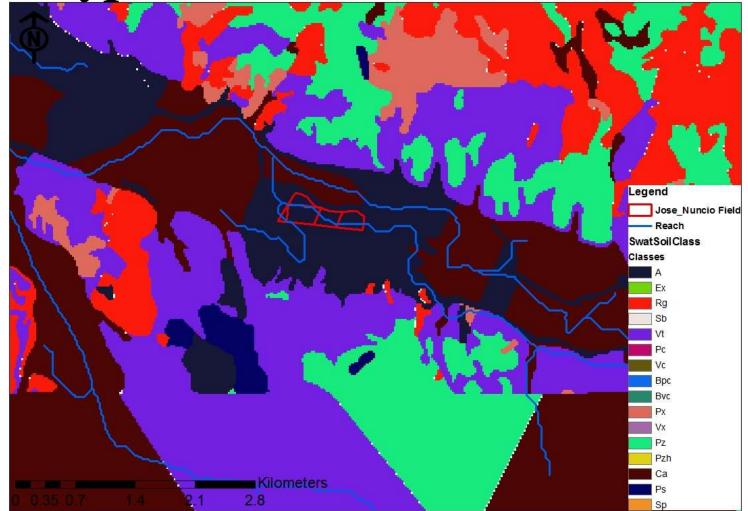
•José Núncio Farmer field – test user



 Location of José Núncio field – farmer in Sorraia Valley



• Soil Type : A – Aluviosoils with median texture



• Land use: Corn

