



# Precision Agriculture / Smart Farming What's in it for me?

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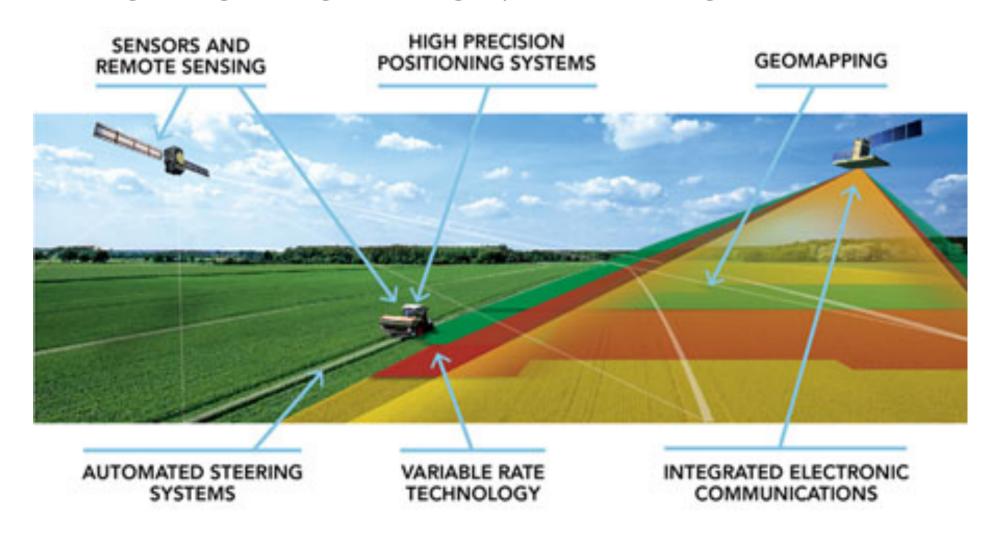
Precision Agriculture for Food Security and smallholder farms





## Precision Agriculture

Doing the right thing, at the right place and the right moment







## What is precision agriculture?

#### **Technology**

- Machine guidance implement guidance;
- Time- and location specific activities / VRA;
- Integration of data, systems, knowledge.

#### Management style

- Total Quality Management: Plan-Do-Check-Act;
- Make smarter decisions;
- Systems thinking.

#### **Transition instrument**

- Stimulate co-innovation involving (all) stakeholders;
- Strengthen competitiveness + export opportunity for solution providers;
- "Greening" agriculture!











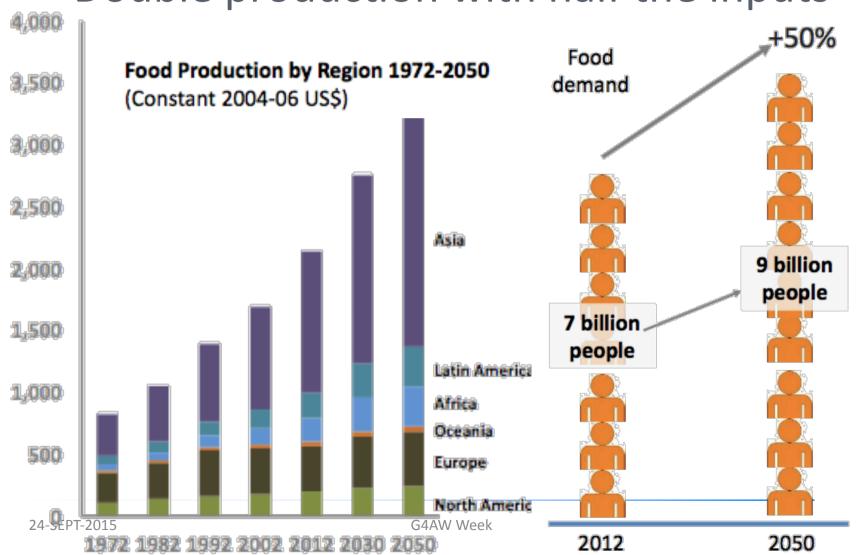
## Precision Agriculture as Transition Tool

- Stimulate the uptake of technology ...
- ... in order to benefit from the benefits of the technology
- What are the targets that Precision Agriculture can address?
  - Increased productivity (4 times more productive)
  - Managing risks (cope with climate change)
  - Responsible farming (adhere societal demands)





## "Double production with half the inputs"







#### COPE WITH CLIMATE CHANGE

- Low-Carbon economy (less energy consuming; less GHG emission)
- Dealing with droughts and floods (higher risks)





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# GREEN, CLEAN, LEAN (societal demand)

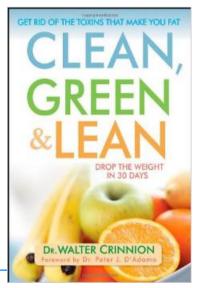


- Green: Maximise use of renewables
- Clean: zero emissions, minimised CP
- Lean: optimised to need (no spill)







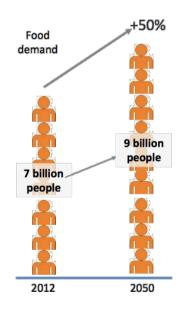






## **Targets**

- Productivity (4x more efficient)
- Risk Management (measures to protect investments)
- License-to-Operate (green, clean & lean)

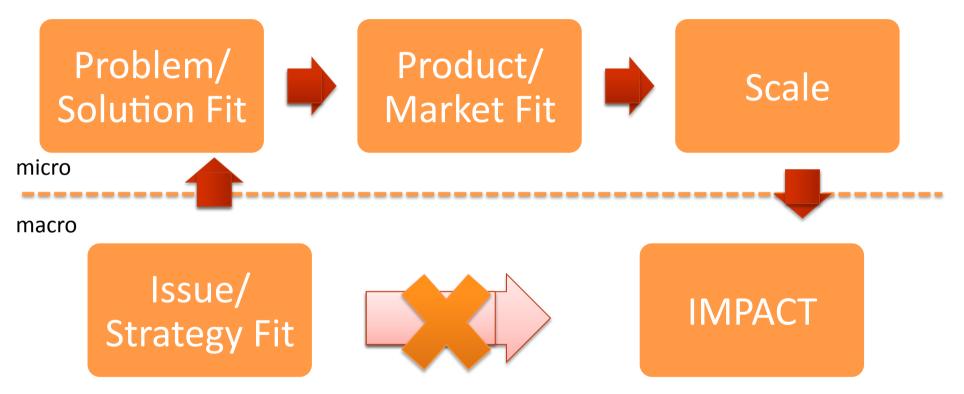












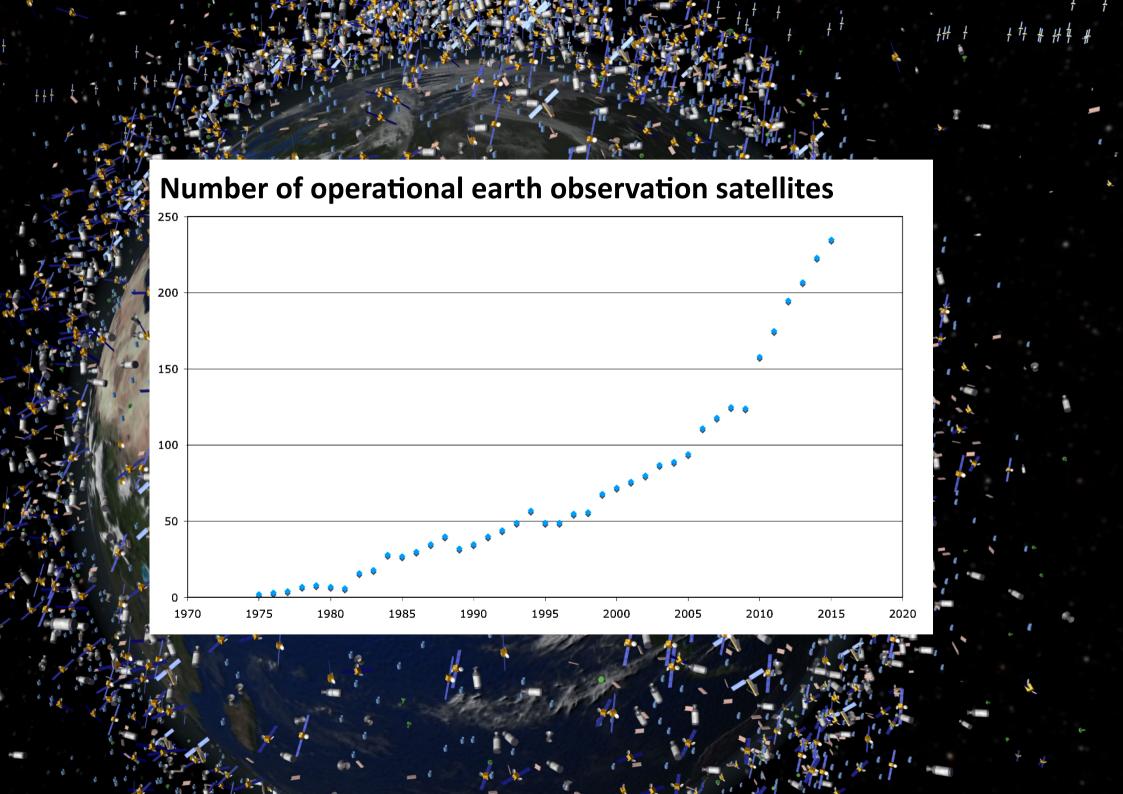




## Technology demands

- What do farmers need to meet those demands:
- Awareness
- Availability
- Accessibility
- Affordability
- Applicability
- Acceptability

















## Technology uptake to create a transition

- Satellites as part of the technology portfolio
  - Don't forget ground measurements and drones;
- Focus on conditions for uptake:
  - Awareness
  - (Access to) Knowledge and Investment potential
  - Connectivity (broadband internet)
  - Experimental and Demonstration areas
  - Evidence based! Create proof-of-concept
  - Interactive / co-innovation: let users participate
- Impact is created by markets, not by subsidies.





# Thank you for your attention

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