



Value in EO Workshop

Round Table IV: Measuring impacts on
innovation & entrepreneurship

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Focusing on innovation & entrepreneurship

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	ECONOMIC	ENVIRONMENTAL	REGULATORY	INNOVATION & ENTREPRENEURSHIP	SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY
Farming in Denmark	☆☆☆	☆☆☆	☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆	☆
Flood management in Ireland	☆☆☆	☆	☆	☆	☆
Ice navigation off Greenland	☆☆☆☆	☆☆	☆	☆	☆☆☆
Farming in Poland	☆☆☆	☆☆☆	☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆	☆
Winter navigation in the Baltic	☆☆☆☆☆	☆	☆	☆	☆
Forestry management in Sweden	☆☆☆	☆	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆	☆☆
Infrastructure management in the Netherlands	☆☆☆☆	☆	☆	☆☆☆	☆
Growing potatoes in Belgium	☆☆☆	☆☆☆	☆☆	☆☆☆	☆☆☆

Advancing the understanding and measurement of the societal benefits of Earth Observations, Rome, July 2019



Impacts on innovation & entrepreneurship

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- **Innovation (product focus)**
 - Adding new innovative products to existing portfolios
 - Making possible new creative business models
 - Improving, extending or enriching existing products in a new fashion
- **Entrepreneurship (business focus)**
 - *Ex novo* commercialisation: Seeding the creation of start-ups
 - Expansion to new markets or territories
 - Introduction of new – or improvement of existing - business models

Measurements of innovation and entrepreneurship

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Category	What it can mean	Specific Examples of Indicators	How we measured it
Innovative products	The availability of Sentinels data allowed the creation of new products	New products created thanks to the availability of Sentinel data Number of patents based on use of Sentinels data	Interview with stakeholders Analysis of patents was not performed
New business model	New ways of generating income/value, new interaction/transaction pattern	Estimated impact of EO/Sentinel data on new business model	Counterfactual (cost of providing an equivalent service without Sentinel data (e.g. Poland, Ireland))
Diversification of business model	Sales-based to subscription-based business model enabled by geo-information service (e.g. Poland)	Estimated loss reduction based on higher selling price of fertiliser	Stakeholders interview
Market expansion/internationalisation	Ability to serve clients globally	International markets reached thanks to the global coverage of Sentinel data (e.g. see Irish case, Maldives...)	Service provider accounts; before/after picture
<i>Ex novo</i> commercialisation	Free and open EO data allowed the creation of start-ups	% of start-ups that were created thanks to the availability of Sentinel data	Survey

Measurements of innovation and entrepreneurship

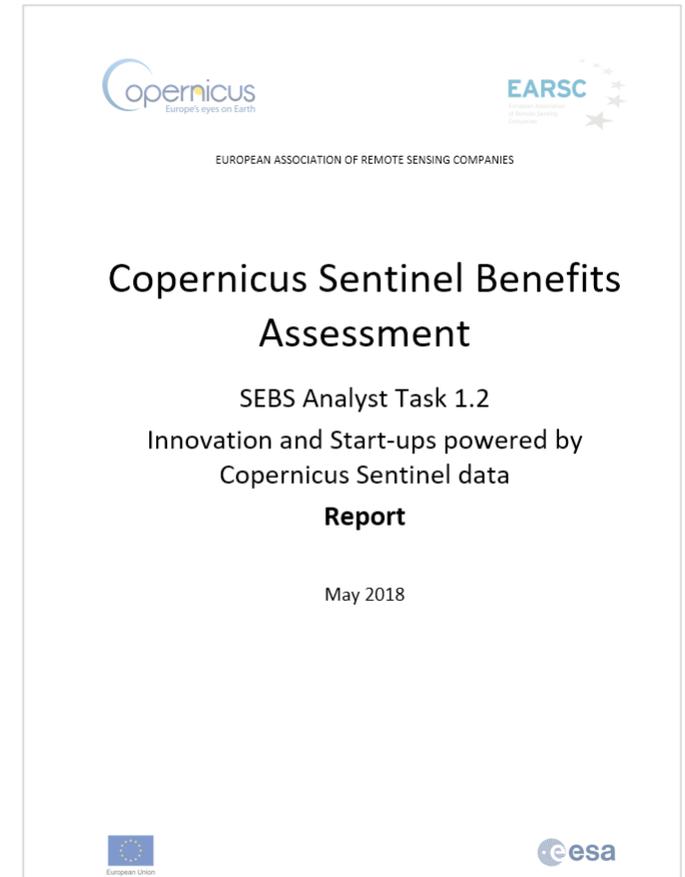
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- The core cases provide rich narratives of entrepreneurship in action.
- Examination of the concept at scale requires a different approach

Study on Copernicus Sentinel-powered Innovation and Start-ups

Preliminary report available at:

<http://earsc.org/Sebs/>



What have we done? Study overview

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Study on Copernicus Sentinel-powered Innovation and Start-ups

- Approach: Exploratory survey focused on Copernicus ecosystem
- Aims: **Characterise** the landscape of Sentinel-based entrepreneurship and innovation, **identify obstacles to commercialisation**
- Key dimensions: business models, entrepreneurial and technological maturity, data exploitation, incentives and challenges

~2500
recipients

~100
respondents

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interviews

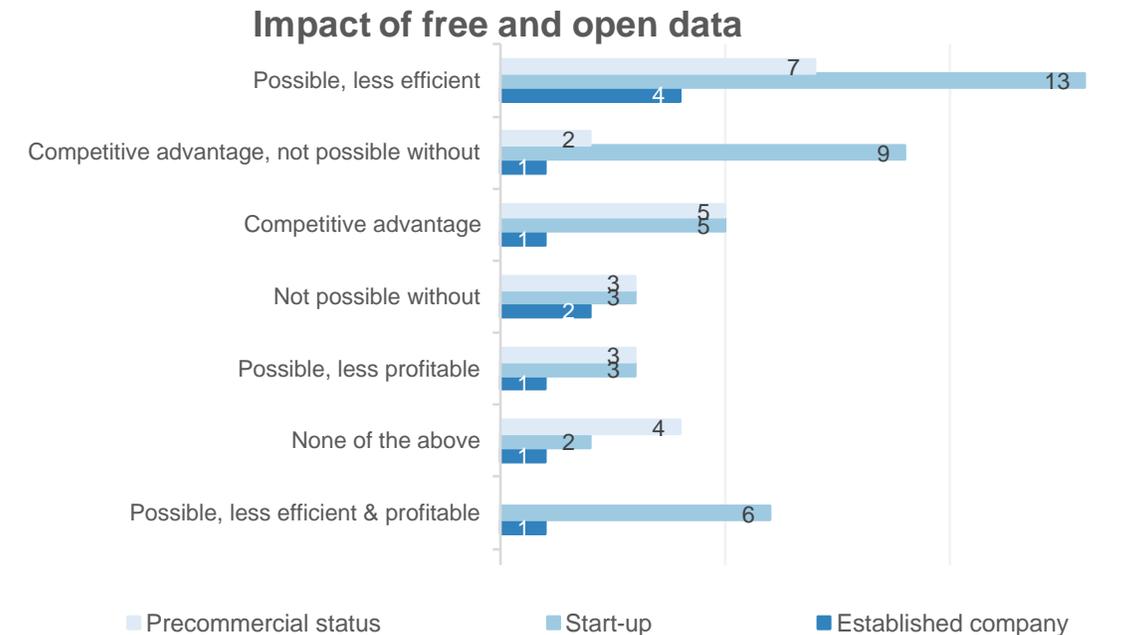
What have we learned?

Impact of Sentinel free and open data

- Most respondents' business models **could continue BUT less efficiently**, without Sentinel data.

30 start-ups (62%) stated that:

- Sentinel data provided the basis for their competitive advantage or that
- Their business models would not be possible without Sentinel data.





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- Vegetation
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- Landsat
- Planet
- RapidEye
- Sentinel2

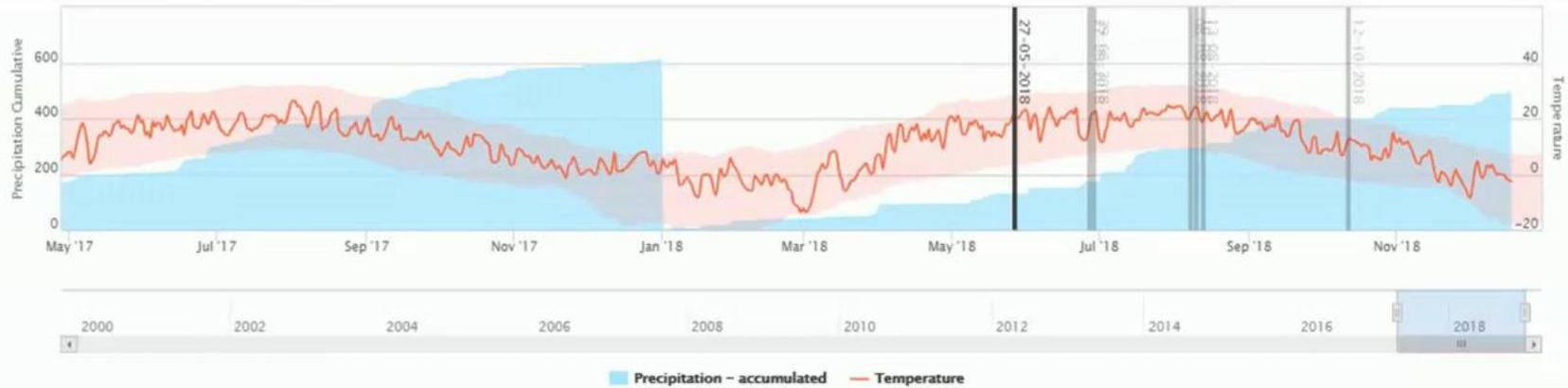
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SHOW ON CHART

ADDITIONAL DATA Crop types Snow Alarms Events

Zoom 1m 3m 6m YTD 1y 2y All





2008

**Landsat archive made public
Przemek pursues his D. Phil.**

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2013

**Landsat 8
Idea for SatAgro takes shape**

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2015

**Sentinel-2a
SatAgro launches**



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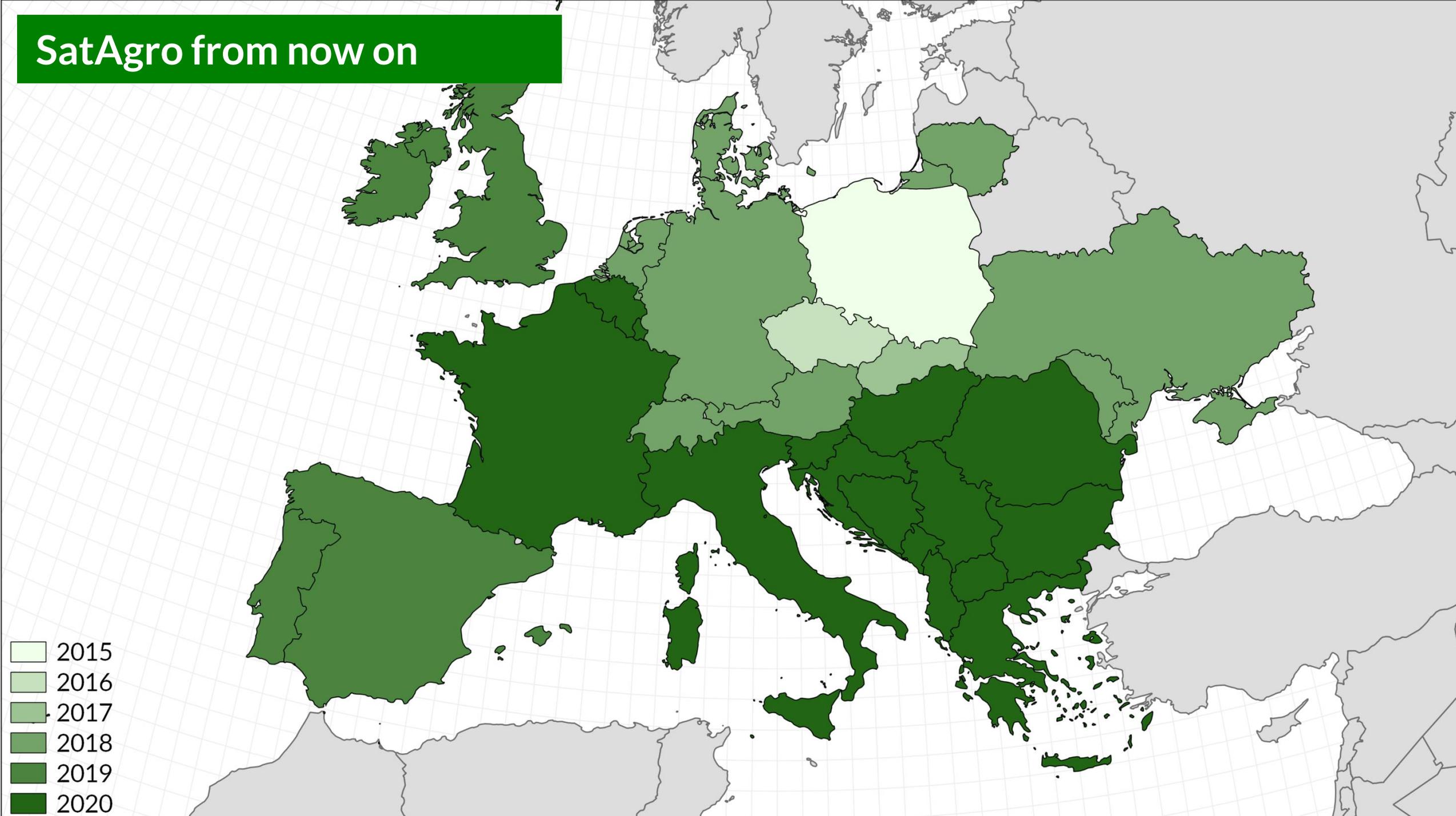


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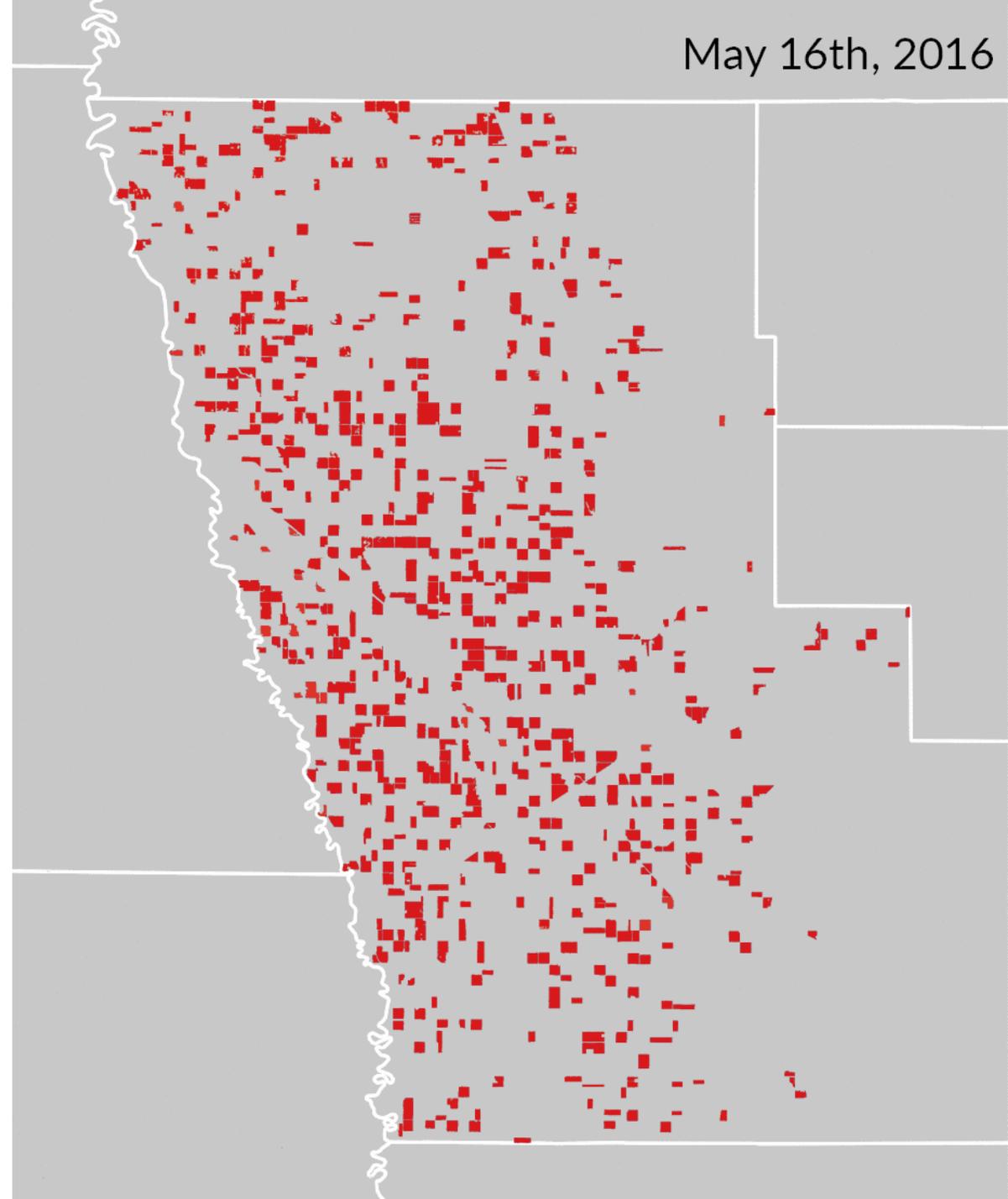
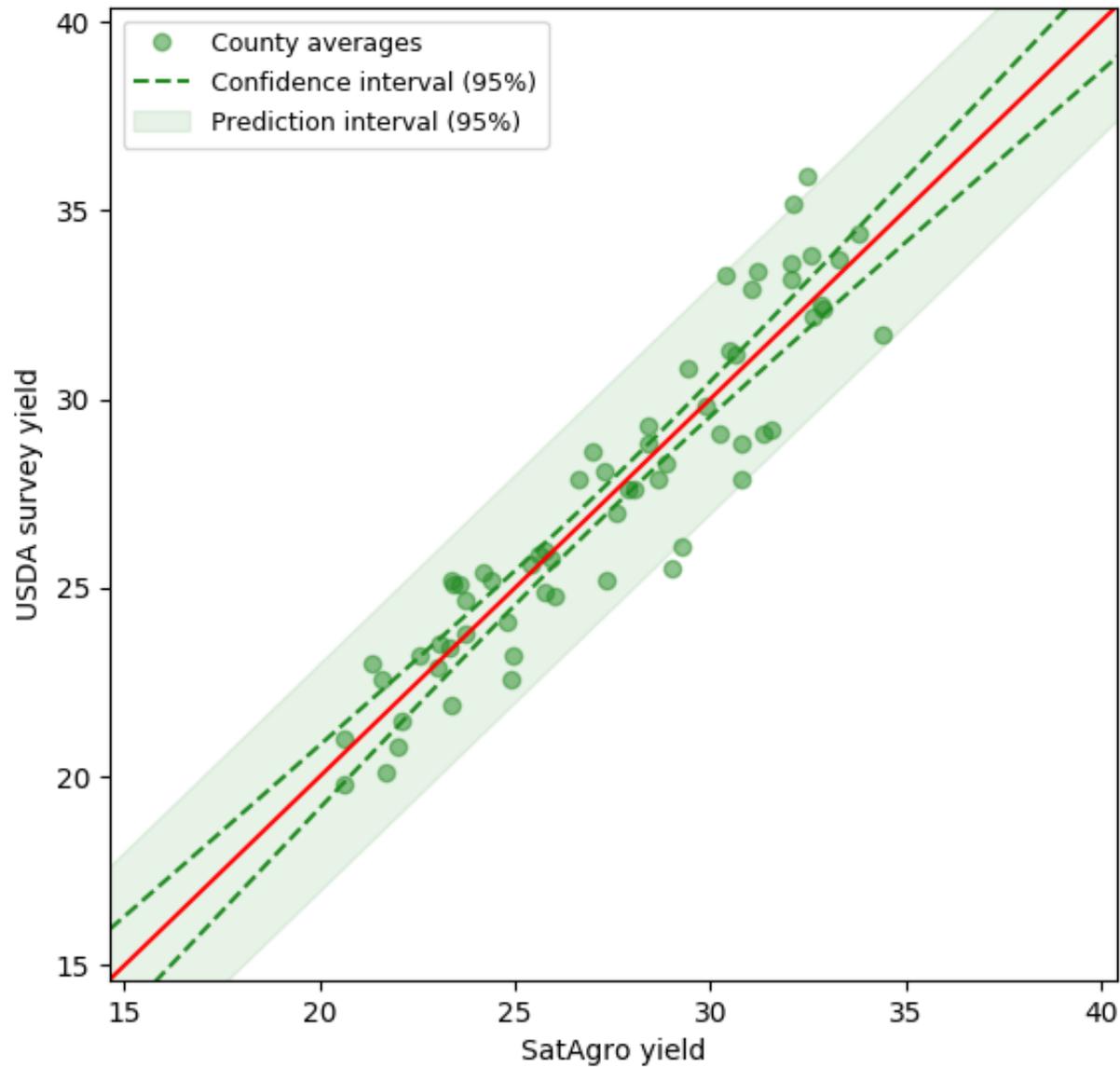
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Yield prediction, institutional productivity monitoring



Limitations and areas for improvement

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- Definitions of “innovative” vs simply “new” products and/or business models
- Patents identification and classification is challenging and not exhaustively applicable to data products
- Attributing entrepreneurship to Sentinel data is not necessarily straightforward (esp. outside the known community)

Proposals for further research

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- Extension of survey scope outside “known suspects”
- Explore ways of “systematising” data inputs through collaborative arrangements (e.g. with BICs / Copernicus start-up programme)
- Identification (from core cases) of specific value chain to test extensibility
 - E.g. agricultural services



Thank you!

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