



An experience from Germany

Lake water quality monitoring in Baden-Württemberg

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Institute for Lake Research (ISF) of the LUBW → Classic Lake Monitoring Tasks

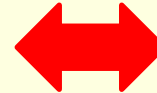
Lakes in federal state Baden-Württemberg

- 28 WFD-lakes > 50 hectar
- 260 lakes > 10 hectar
- 1300 lakes > 1 hectar



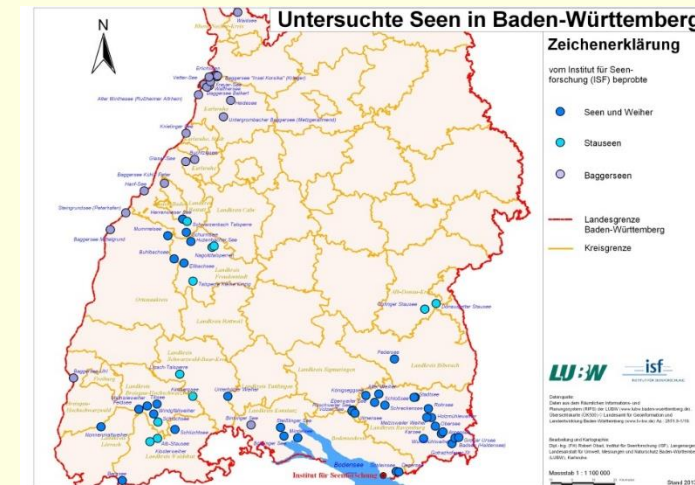
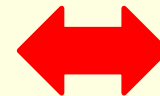
Using Classic lake monitoring methodology

→ approx. 10 lakes/year



Total during the last 20 years

- Lake Constance (area 536 km²)
- 50 Natural, small lakes
- 20 Gravel ponds



Satellite-based inland water monitoring

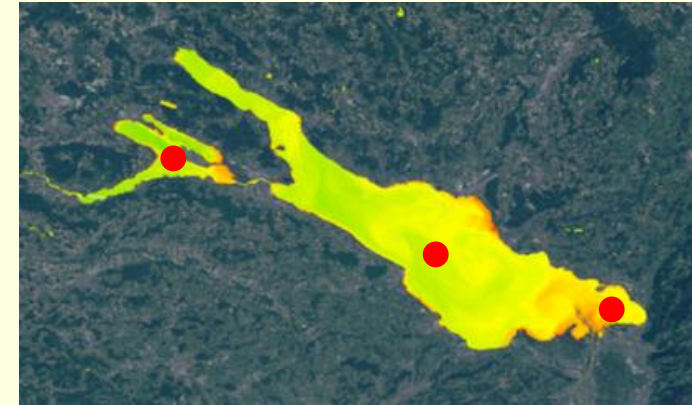
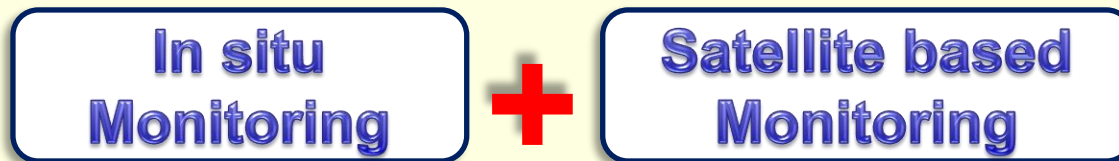
- Expanding the lake monitoring data base through satellite-based information
- Use at LUBW : External service provider **and** in house data processing

More frequent monitoring of **all lakes > 10ha**
→ **Higher temporal & spatial resolution**

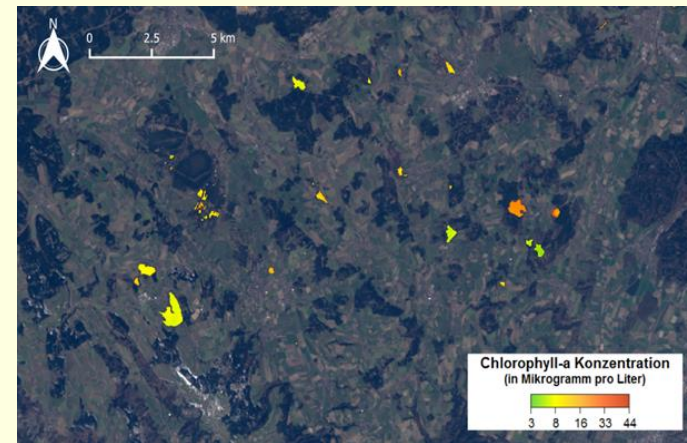
Detection of **spatial inhomogeneities**
→ **Patchiness**

Monitoring of a **large number of small lakes**
→ **Indicative water monitoring**

- **Trusted quality** → continued validation (BIGFE)
- **Regulations** → use of Copernicus for WFD ?



Lake Constance (processed by EOMAP)



Oberschwäbische Seen (processed by EOMAP)

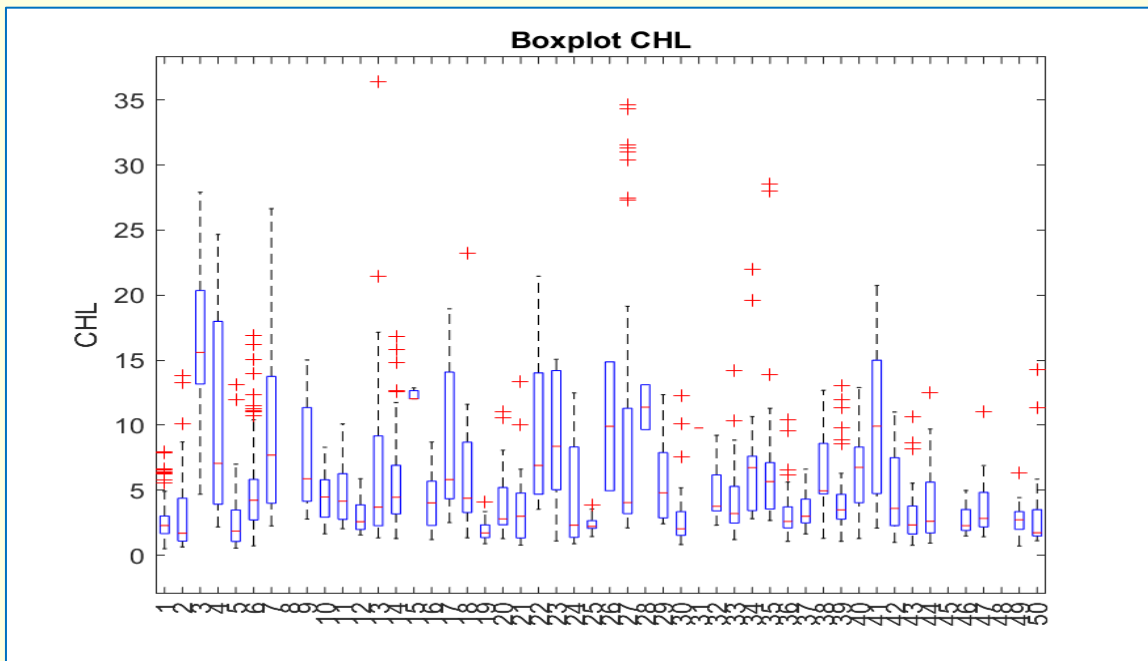
New quality of monitoring and information

- **Federal state synoptic lake monitoring → 50/200 Lakes in 2022 → 200 Lakes in 2023**
 - Water quality parameter CHL, CDM, SDD, TUR, TSC, TSM, HAB → **Assessment of WAQ in Lakes**

New possibilities for monitoring and water protection

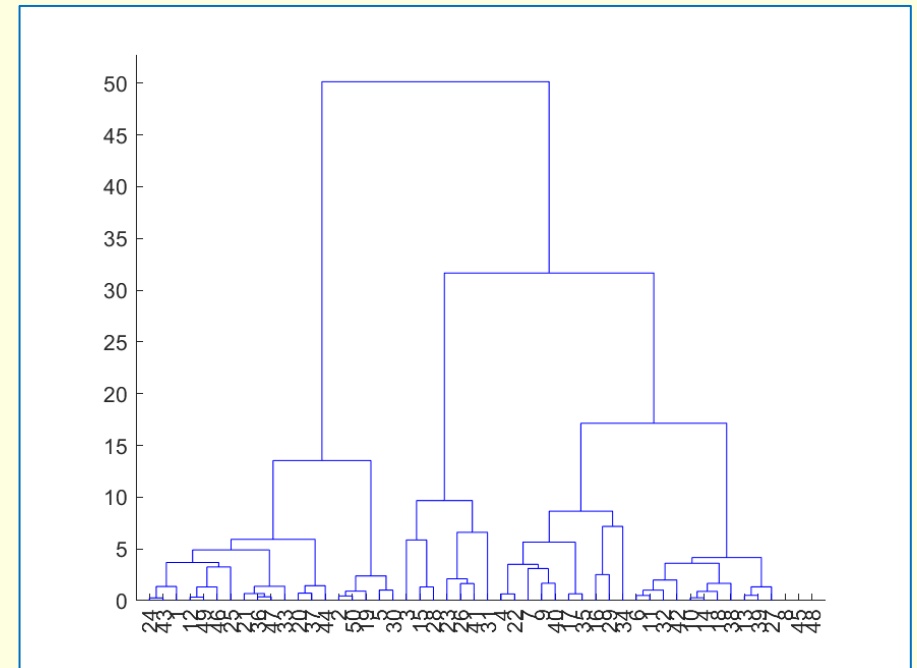
- federal state scale, methodologically uniform, synoptic recording of water quality in lakes
- → better systemic understanding of lakes and lake reactions / resilience ?

Ensemble of 50 lakes Boxplot Chlorophyll a Year 2022



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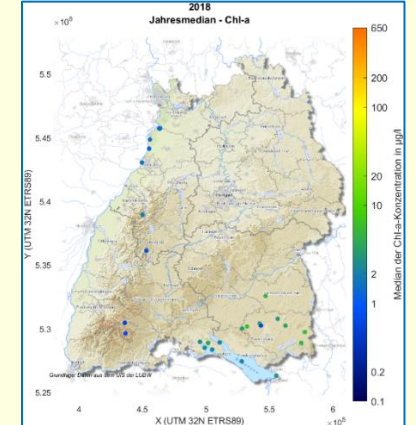
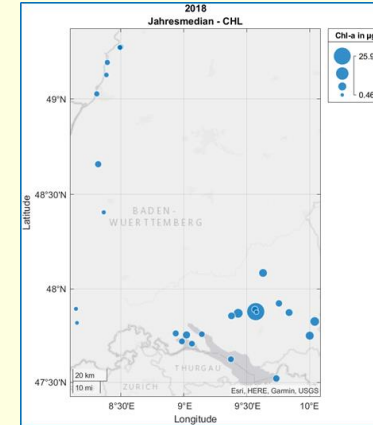
Ensemble of 50 lakes Grouping and similarity analysis



Activities on different levels - Rollout and Harmonization

State level: Implementing remote sensing for routine monitoring of water quality

- Federal State of Baden-Württemberg
- **Ensemble of 50/200 Lakes for 2022 and 2023**
- Quality assessment
- „last mile“ → easy to understand information
- **New** Near real time processing system eoApp AQUA in 2024



Federal Level Germany : Harmonization of remote sensing methodology for inland water monitoring

- BIGFE – remote sensing of inland water quality throughout Germany

International regional Collaboration (IGKB) → Austria & Switzerland & Germany

European regulatory frame work (Water Framework Directive WFD)

- → Copernicus services and data → **monitoring and reporting tools ???**