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- Total land area of the country is 17 million ha
- About 85% is suitable for agricultural production and 77% is pasture and grassland suitable for livestock.

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- Family farmers are 63% of the country's total producers

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- The main threat is the increase in **variability** of rainfall, including extreme events.

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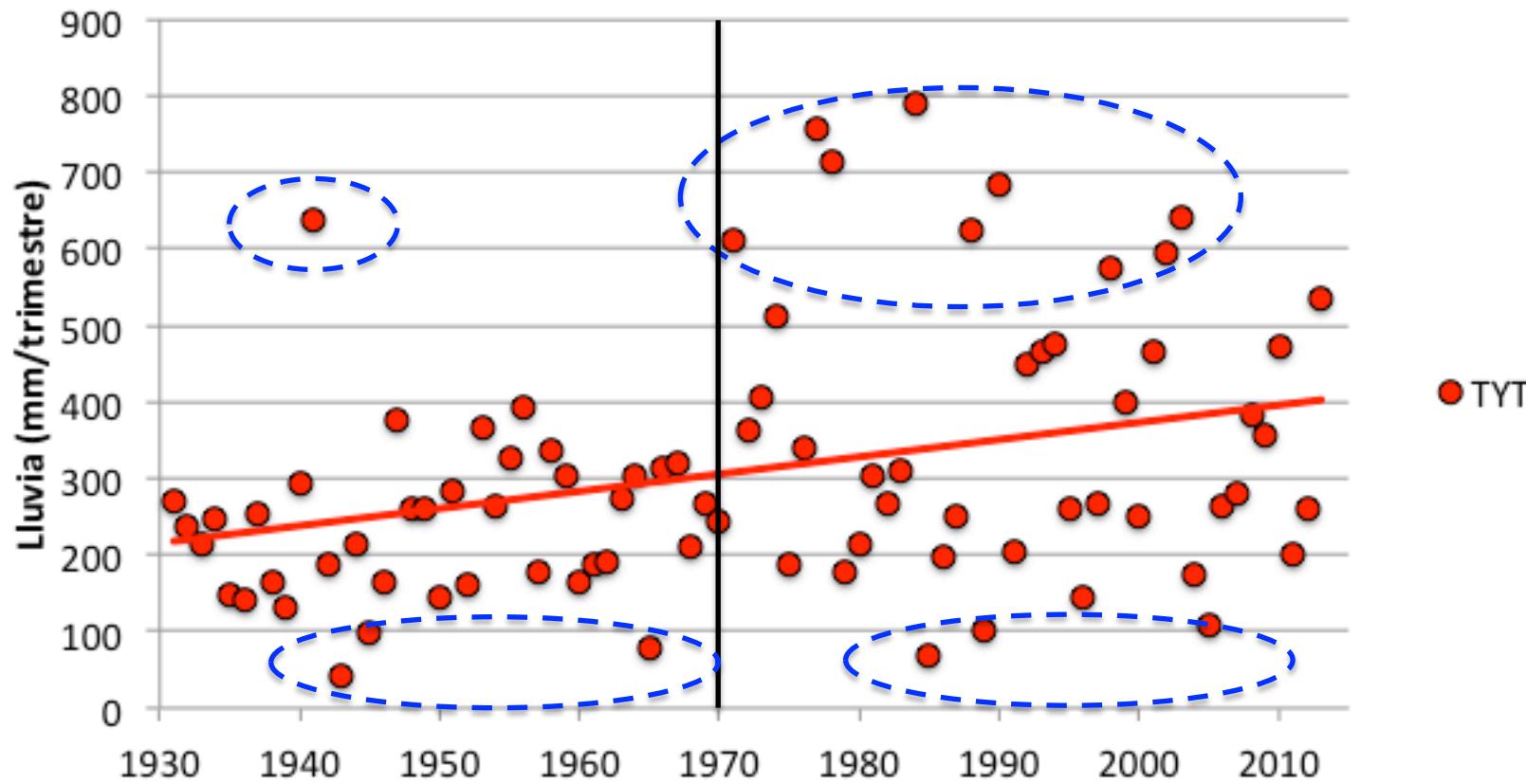


- There is evidence that the already high variability of uruguayan rainfall pattern has increased in the last years, resulting in more

uncertainty.

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Increased rainfall in Uruguay? Climate change?





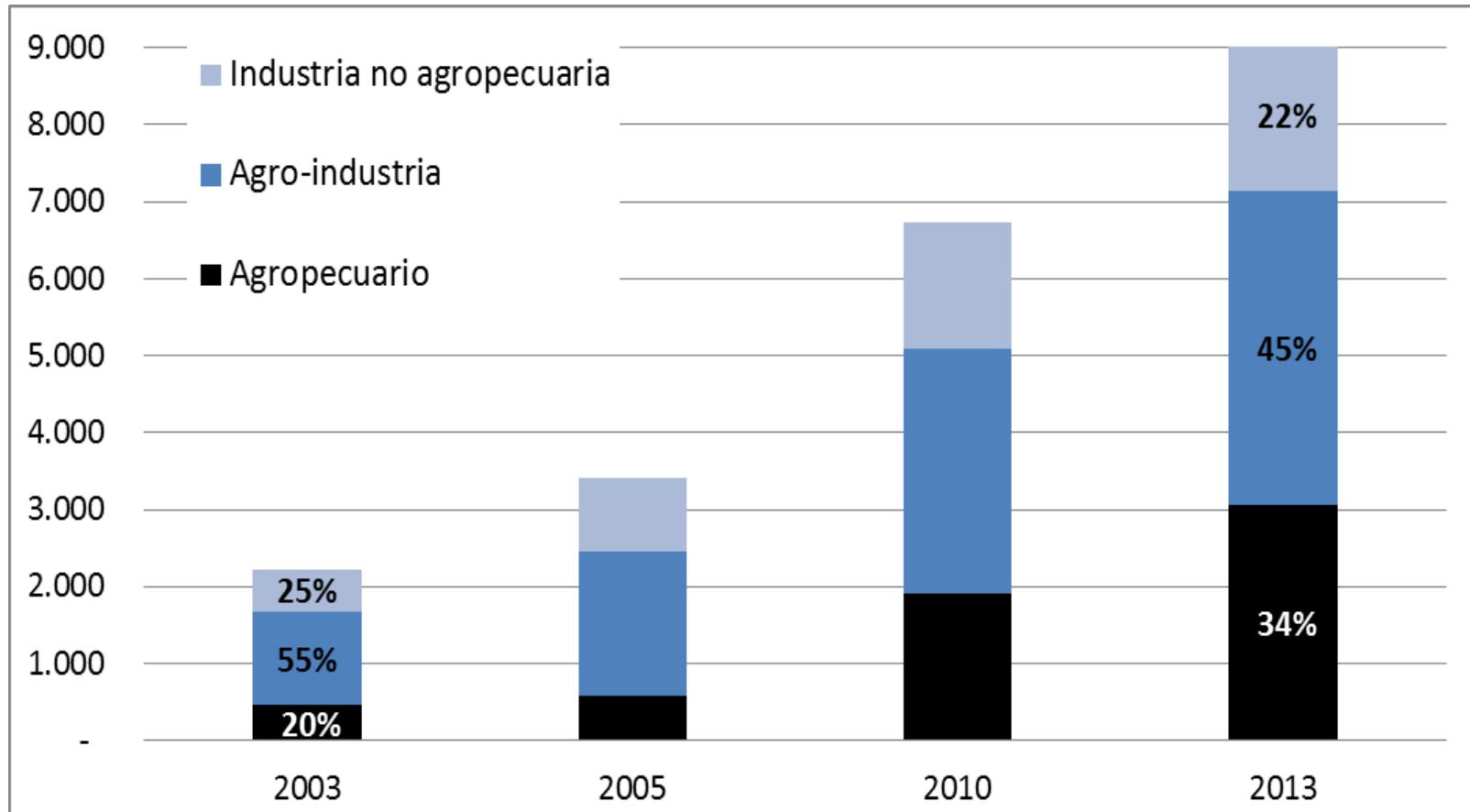
If we add the agricultural, agro-industrial activities, and services demanded the agricultural sector generates

25% of GDP

Agricultural multiplier effect: 6.22

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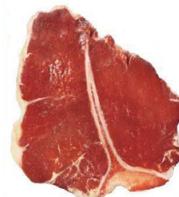
Increase in Uruguayan exports (in Million Dollars)



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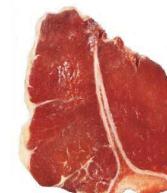
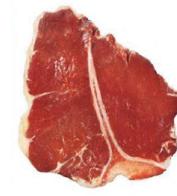
Exports in 2005

Food for 9 million people



Exports in 2013

Food for 28 million people



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- How to produce food for 50 million people from sustainable intensification and care of the environment?



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Promotion of the competitiveness and international integration



Sustainable intensification



Adaptation of production systems to climate change



Rural Development: competitive inclusion of the family agriculture in value chains



Strengthening and institutional integration



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Water for development



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Natural grassland
is
65%

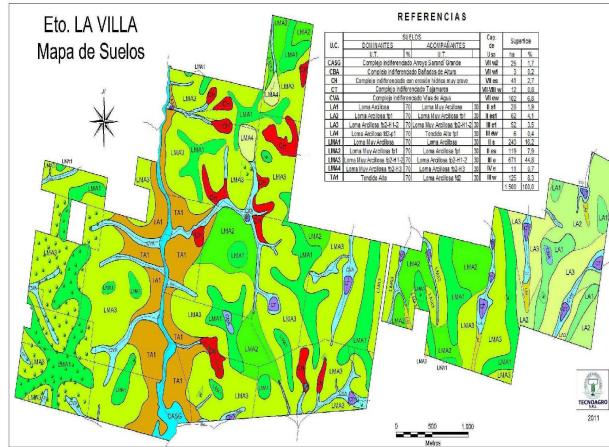


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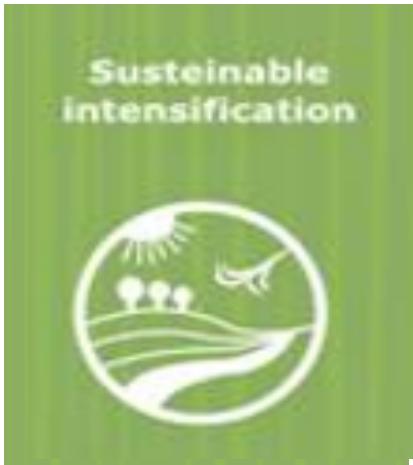
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Soil protection plans in 95% of the area



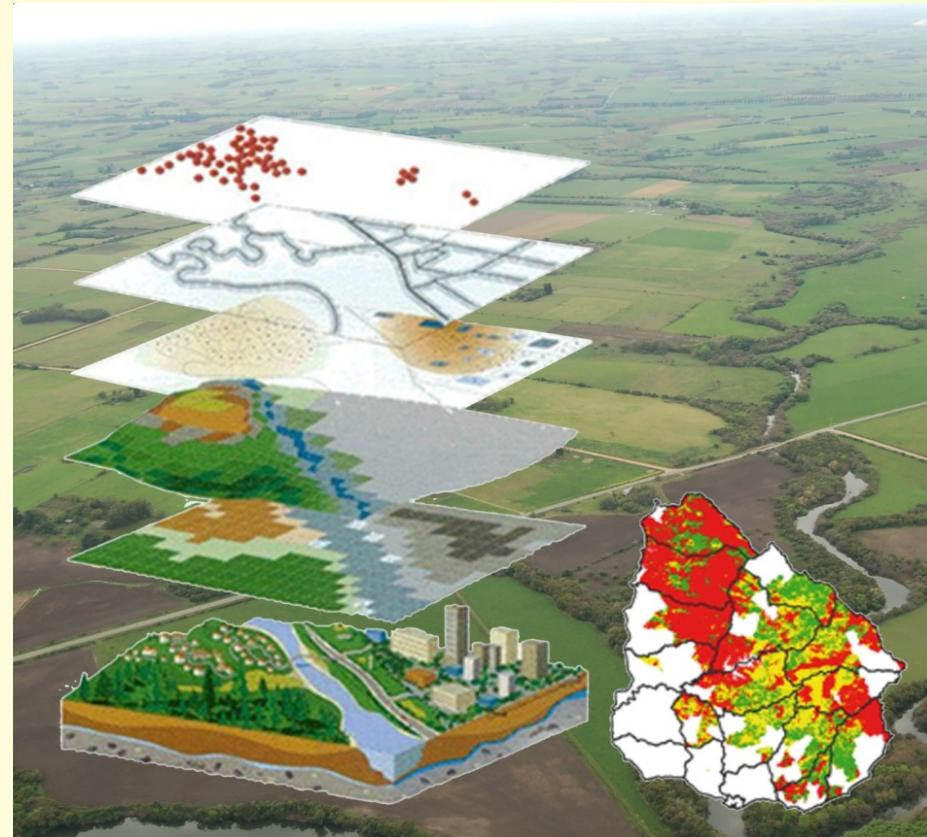
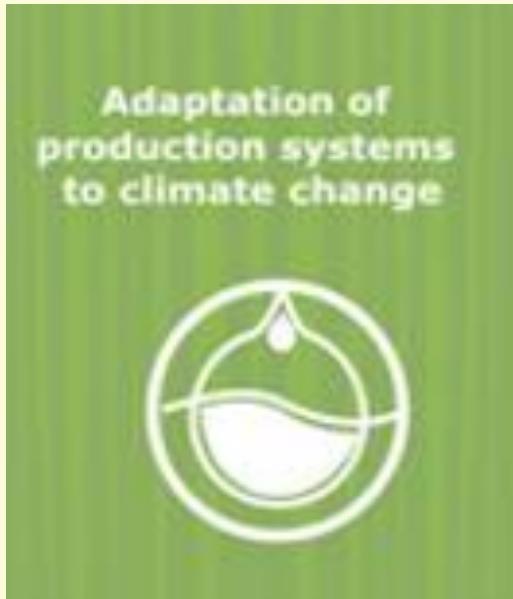
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**Native forest area
Increase**



*Construction of an information
platform as a public good*



Construction of an information platform as a public good



Facilitating the integration of dispersed agriculture, natural resource management and new climate-related information...





... in an online state-of-the-art platform
tailored to the needs of different users



Construction of an information platform as a public good

This system would include:

- improving and integrating existing climate and natural resources databases
- developing improved seasonal forecasts
- establishing Early Warning Systems
- improving real time monitoring of climate and vegetation
- developing simulation models to assess the impact of adopting different adaptation technologies.

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Tracking system

Eartages and chips placed in each animal allows to identified:

- number
- owner
- birth season/year
- sex, breed and cross.



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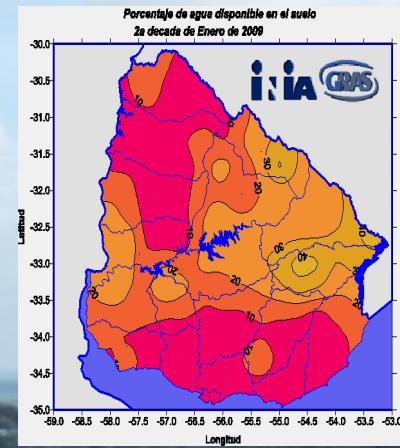


Databases that includes
Analysis of land use and soil conditions
Models that simulate soil erosion
CONEAT scale simulation model

Web Map Service

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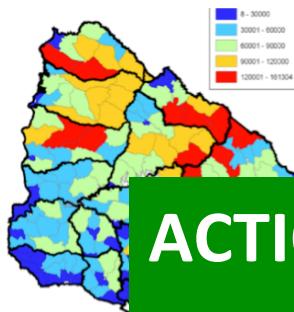
Agroclimatic information



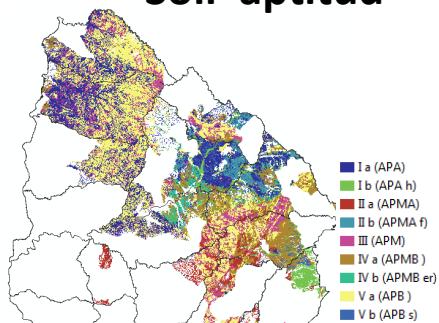
Soil Water Balance model, Meteorological forecasts, Quarterly outlooks, Present weather condition, Satellite's information. Weather statistical values, Meteorological frosts, Information and Remote Systems

Decision support platform for farmers and policies

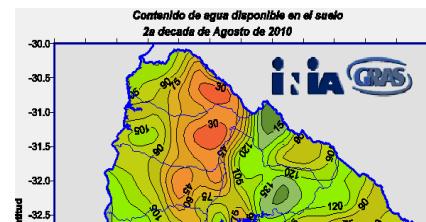
Animal stocks
(SNIG)



Soil aptitud

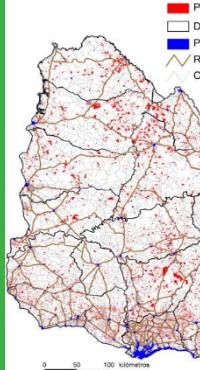


Soil water balance
monitoring and projects

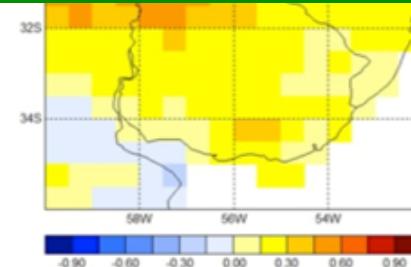
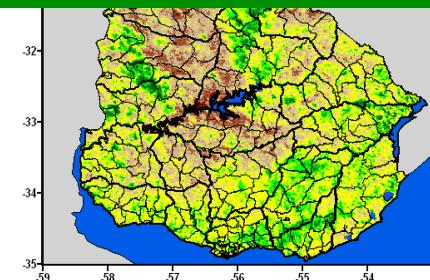
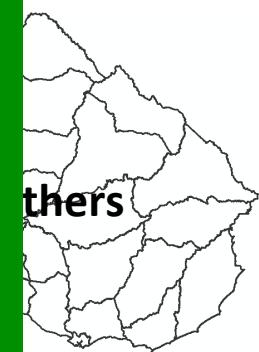


ACTIONS

Family farms



- ✓ Emergency declarations
- ✓ Planification and development
- ✓ Better insurances
- ✓ Early warnings





Challenges

NOW: We need to promote the intensification with environmental sustainability



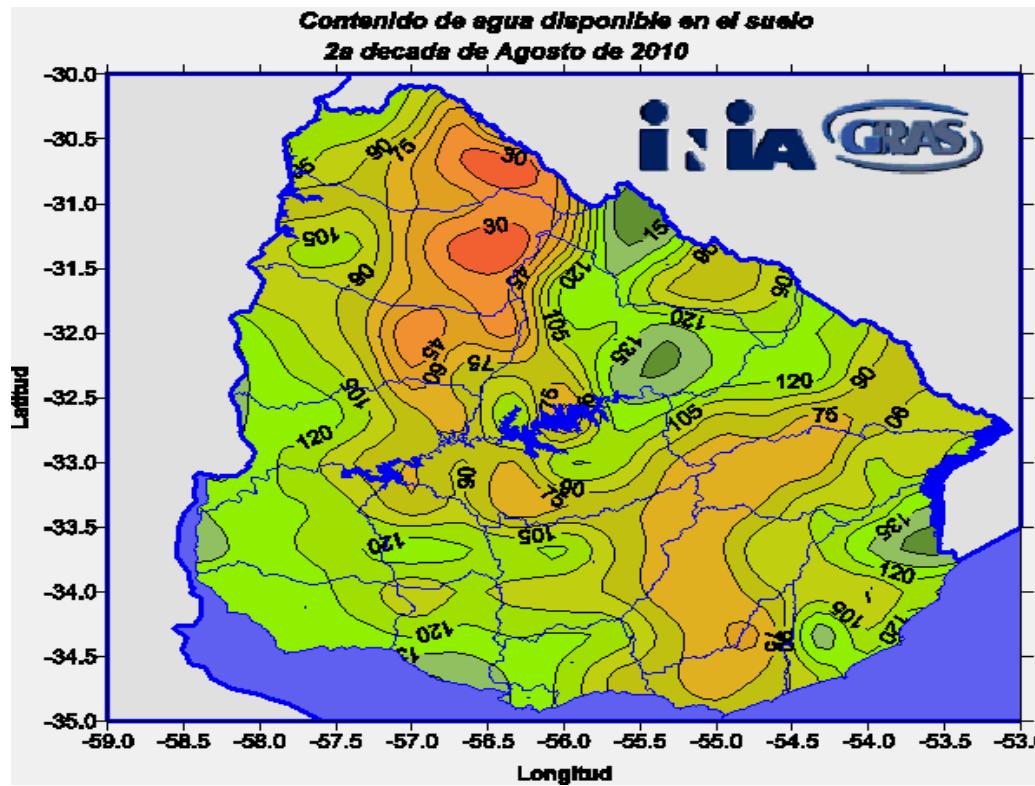
Challenges

BESIDES: We need to adapt ourselves to the climate change, manage risks



Challenges

BESIDES: We need to manage information in real time



Challenges

BESIDES: We must bet for quality and safety products



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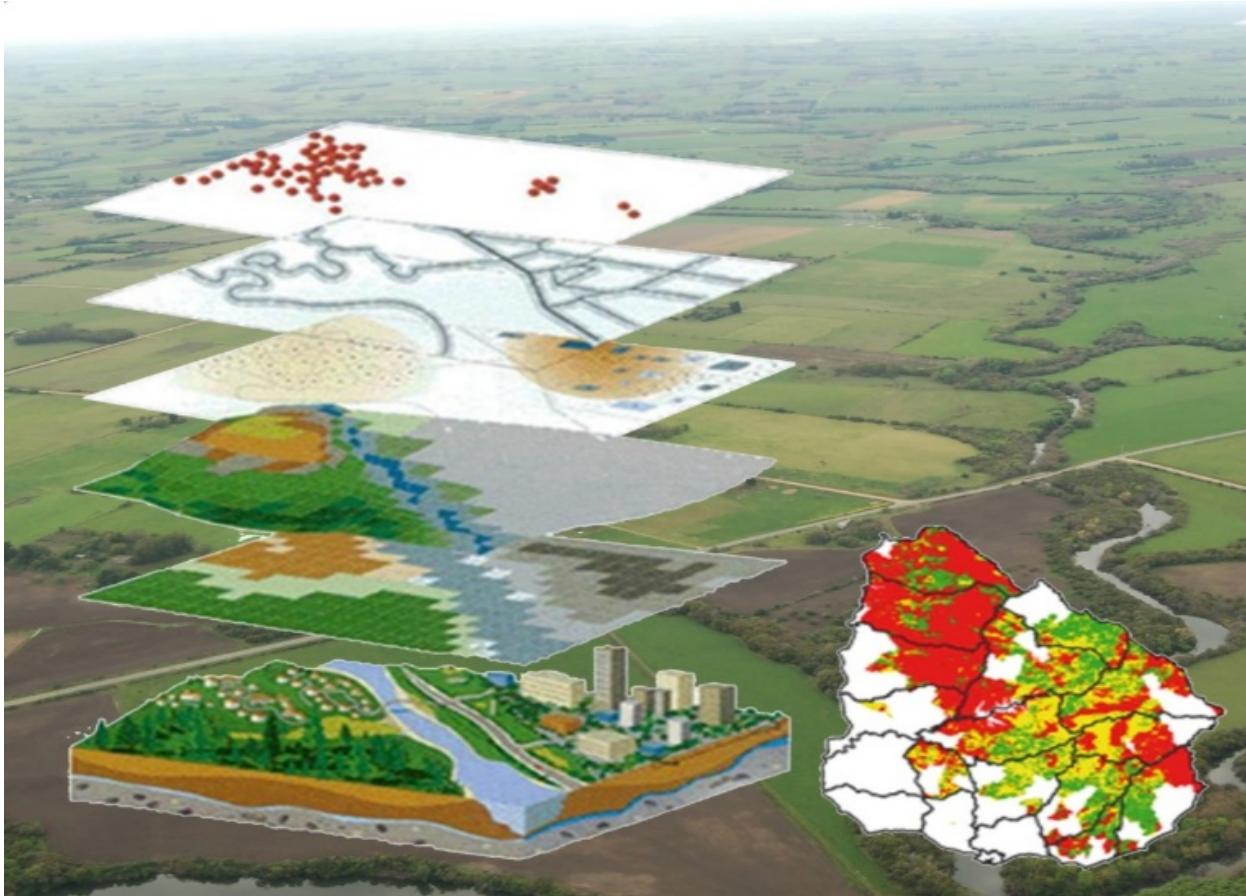
Challenges

BESIDES: We must take the opportunity that gives us the world

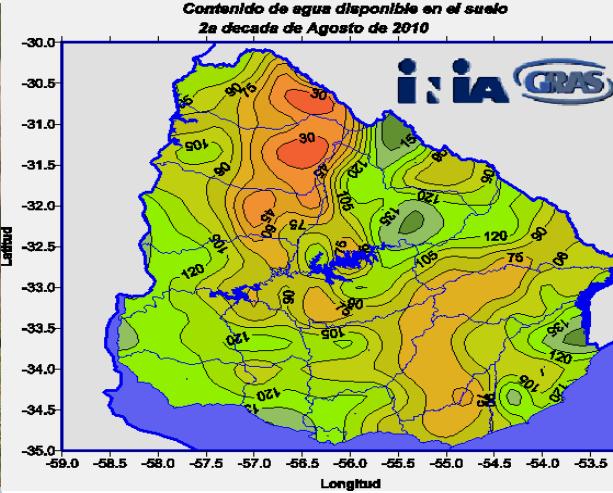


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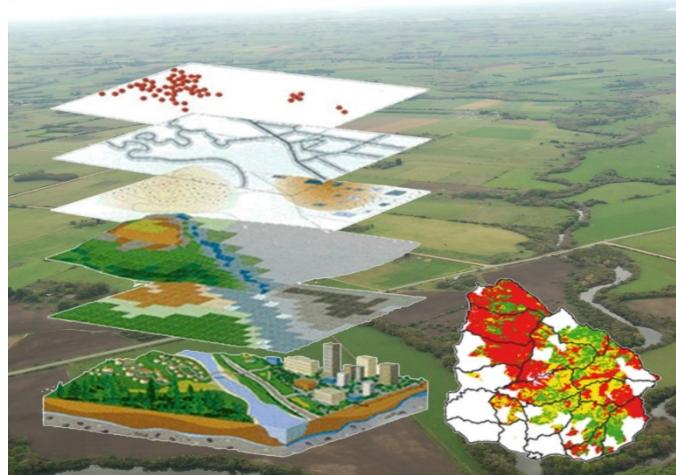
BESIDES: We must promote de construction of useful climate services



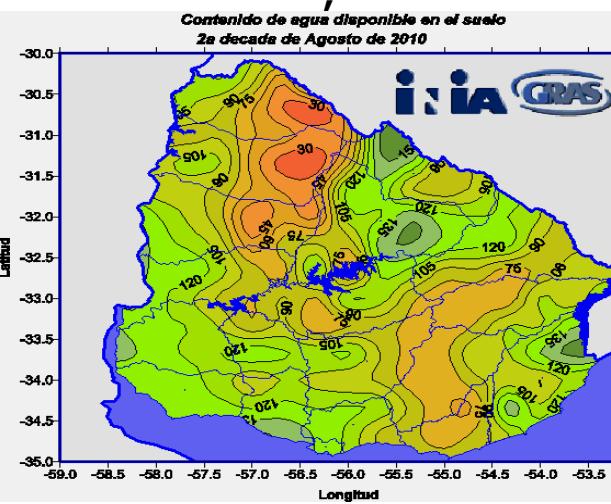
Making different **interoperable** databases



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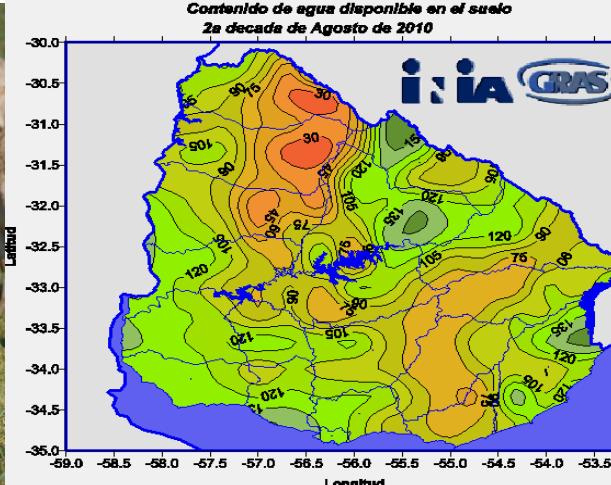
Generating **knowledge** through gathering, processing and analyzing data



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Developing products **translated** in agricultural information useful for all the society



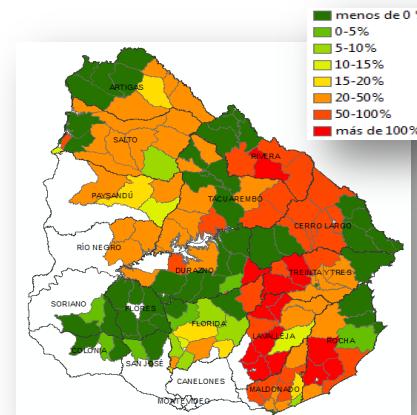
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Further Refining the Agricultural Information System

Recommended future data uses/products:

- Vulnerability Mapping and Policy Evaluation
- Early warning system for livestock
- Agrochemical Monitoring
- Effluent Monitoring and Control
- Risk Assessment for Grain and Livestock
- Producer Registries
- Crop Trial Data Analysis
- Watershed analysis for irrigation development



**Actual Land Use
relative to
Sustainable Carrying
Capacity [%]**

Source: FAO, 2013

The 5 elements of our smart integrated approach in agriculture

- Knowledge (R+D+i) and Information
- Infrastructure (public and private)
- Ecosystem services
- Institutions
- International cooperation under the UNFCCC principles (means of implementation).

Thank you!



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