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# Geoinformation in the CAP – locating farmer's fields

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## Outline

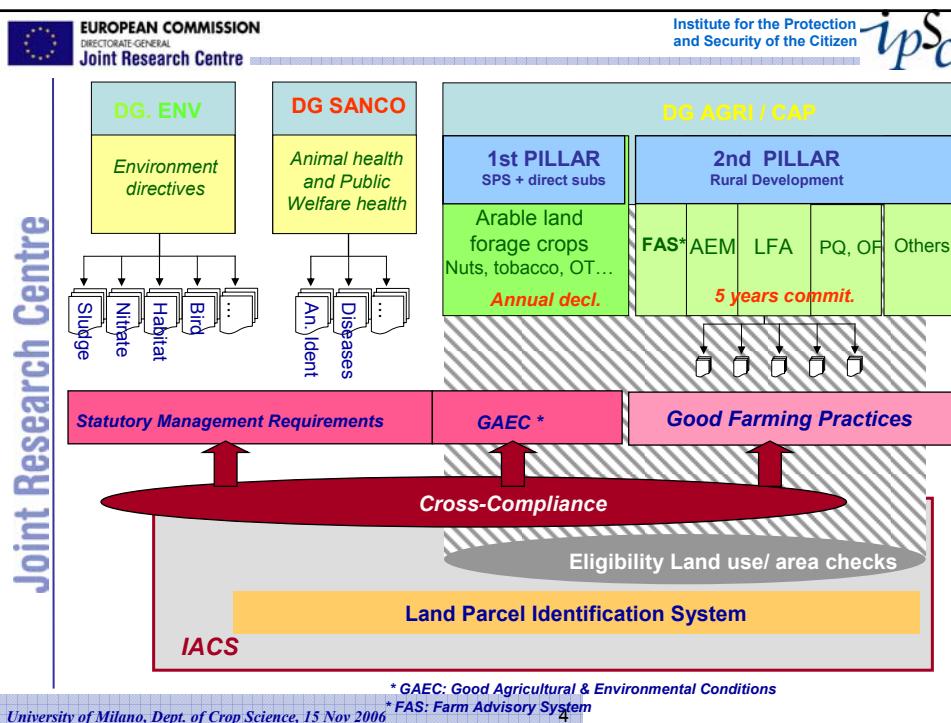
- GIS technology – scope, EU policy
- IACS-GIS, farmer interaction
- On the spot checks, GNSS (GPS, Galileo)
- Control with Remote Sensing

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## State of the art: geo-information technology in EU Policy today

- Regulations for Agricultural subsidy management including GIS, RS technology
  - General agriculture (Reg 1782/03, originally 1593/00)
  - Olive oil (Reg 2366/98)
- Links to Environment:
  - Statutory management requirements
- Land Registry
  - Funding, not (direct) policy
- INSPIRE – future...



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## Creating the LPIS - The weight of history

Frontier Czech/ Austria: Same environment, different parcels...

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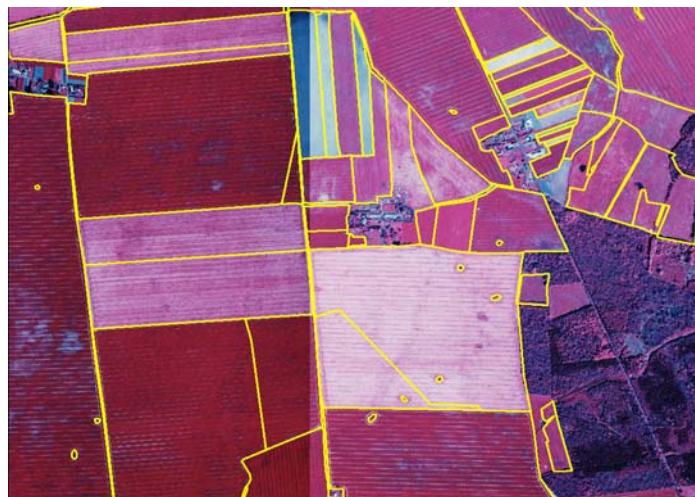
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## Locating your field...

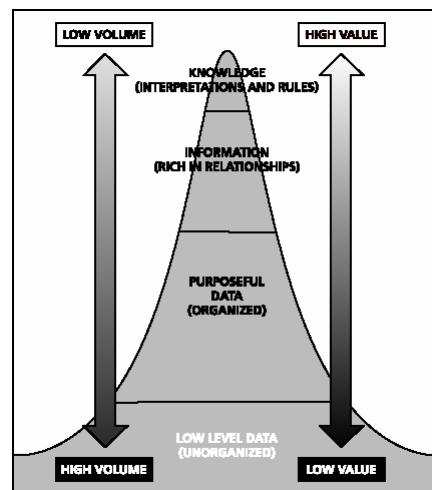
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## Dealing with legacy systems



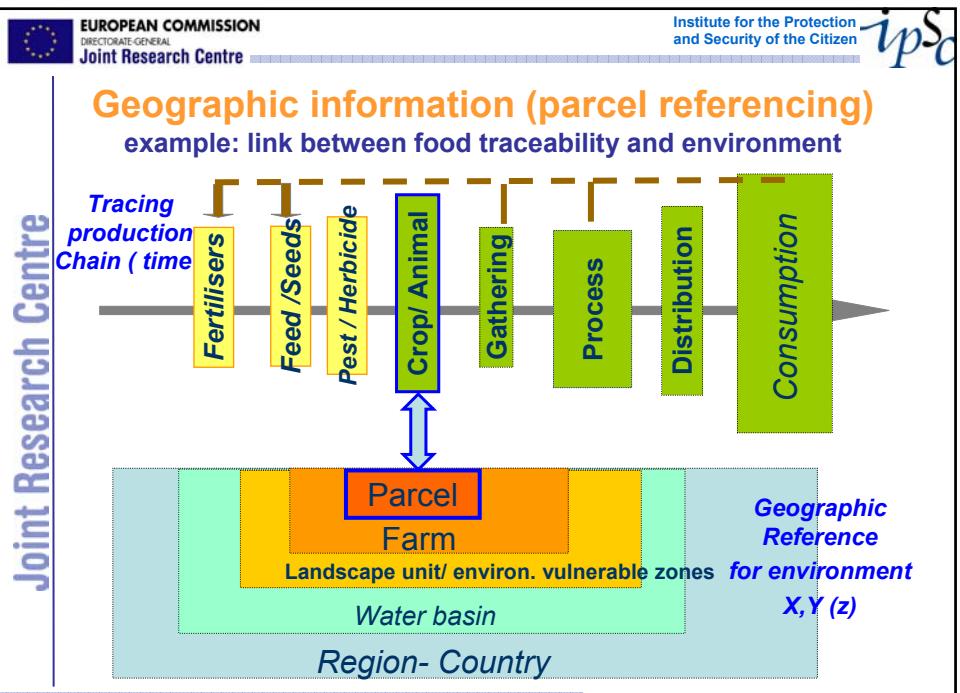
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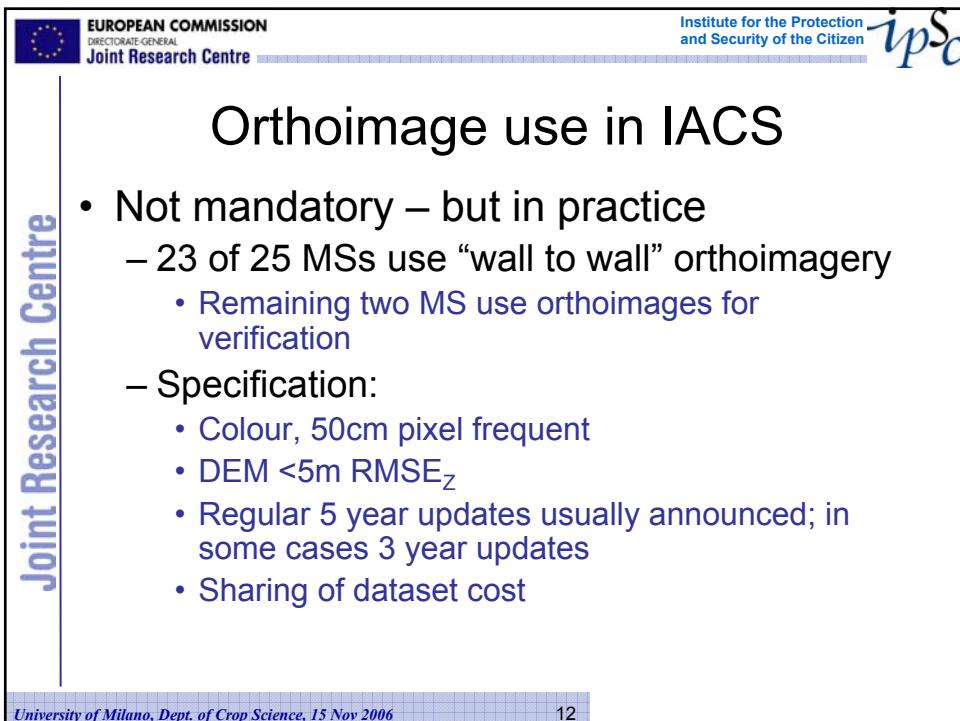
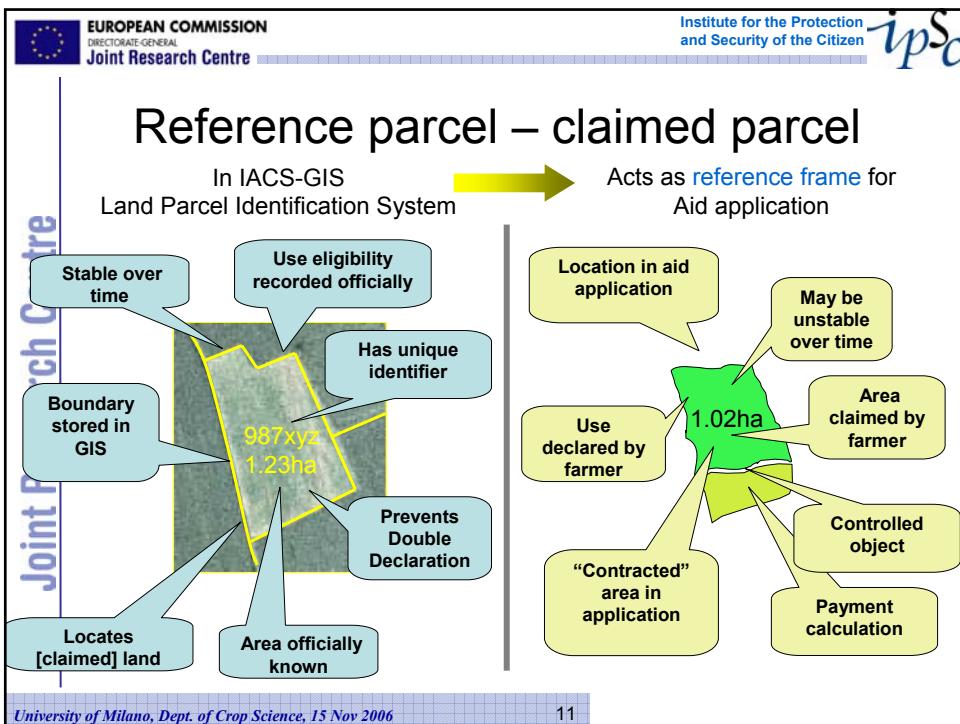


Transition from data to information, Jens Pohl

## From data to information

- Geo-Information technology as an **enabler**
  - Focuses the data exchanged
  - Increases relevance
- Manage source data, improve access to information





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## Orthoimage use in IACS

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## Implementation of IACS-GIS in EU

### Summary of choices: system and main reference

- Agricultural parcels / Ortho-photos **BE, MT, Part DE, IE (arable)**
- Farm Blocks ilots / Ortho-photos **FR, CZ, SK, DE (BY), UK (Wales)**
- Blocks / Topo-maps **UK (except Wales), SE**
- Blocks / Ortho-photos **DK, IE, NL, FI, EE, LI, LT, HU Part DE**
- Blocks + Parcels / Ortho-photos **PT, GR**
- Cadastre / Ortho-photos **AT, IT, LU, ES, PL, SI, CY Part DE**

*But in fact:*

- LU, CY and SI will migrate to agricultural parcels or ilots...
- ES established on cadastre, but parallel system (convergence planned)
- Only 3 MS and 2 German Länder will continue to rely directly on Cadastre

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Eller Rediger Vis Foretrygning Funktioner Hjælp

Tilbage Frem Stop Opdater Startside Søg Foretrygning Oversigt Post Udkriv Rediger Diskuter

Adresse: http://markkort.gr-chr.dk/map.asp?func=list

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Zoom ind i kortet

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**Tegne faciliteter**

- Oprett mark
- Rediger mark
- Sammensæt marker
- Afbryd tegning
- Kopier markblok->mark
- Kopier sidste års marker
- Slet udyrkede arealer
- Slet om mark
- Slet alle marker
- Mål afstand
- Afbryd måling
- List alle marker
- Søgnings på...

**Bruger information**

- Udkriv kort
- Kortstørrelse
- Skift ørstål
- Markblok ændringer
- Hjælp
- Afslut

**Externe ressourcer**

**Drawing tools**

**Sketch field**

- delete / add / move points
- merge fields
- split field
- change field number

**Copy fields from last year**

**Copy block border -> field**

**Delete one / all field(s)**

**Measure distance**

Zoom ind i kortet

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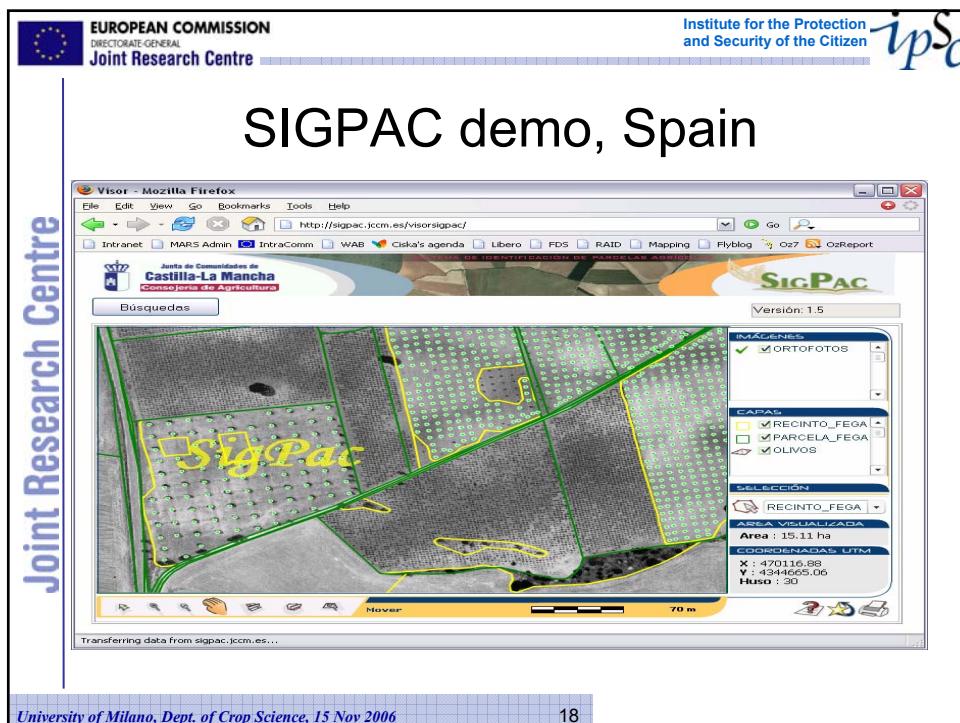
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	No. of applications	Internet applications	Internet %	Full electr. Including GIS
2000	56,389	8,988	16%	n/a
2001	53,922	10,865	20%	n/a
2002	51,490	12,117	27%	n/a
2003	48,546	14,760	30%	843
<b>2004</b>	<b>47,454</b>	<b>16,941</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>996</b>

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## Slovenia/CosyLab demo

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## A short tour of European IACS GIS

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## IACS-GIS – Czech Republic

- Multipurpose mapping for agricultural areas: orthophoto + GIS

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## IACS-GIS in HUNGARY

- Ortho-photos
  - 100%, colour 50cm, 2000
  - flooded areas (5,4%) new images taken in 2003.
- Block Creation:
  - 100 % in September 2003.
  - 302 000 blocks, 32 ha average size.
- Cadastre - ancillary info
  - visible on the pre-printed maps for 2004 claims
- Link with farmers
  - consultation Oct-Nov 2003
  - 19 regional + 135 local MARD offices

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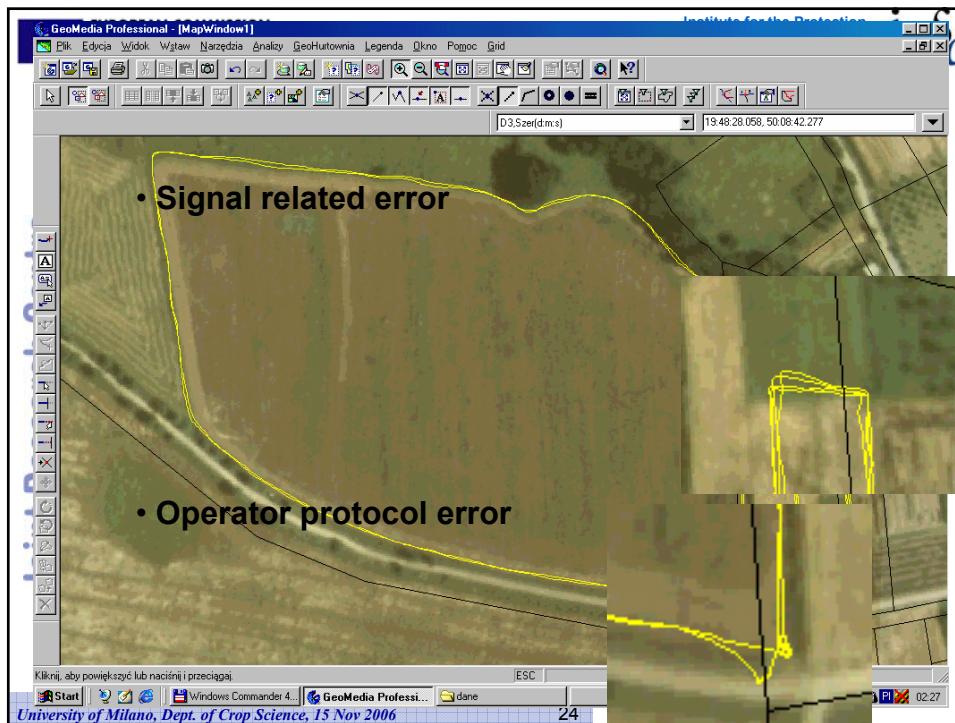
## Measuring a field: the CAP way

- GNSS (GPS, Galileo)
- Area measurement
  - Not boundary survey
- Trace of absolute position
- Integration with other data
  - Orthoimage, existing boundaries
- Real time
  - Decision in the field



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## Measuring a field, simulation using Galileo EGNOS signal

$$\sigma_S^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_\epsilon^2 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{r}_i^2 - \hat{r}_i \hat{r}_{i+2} \cos(\hat{\alpha}_{i+2} - \hat{\alpha}_i)) \right)$$

- Variance of measurement can be modelled as function of vertices
- Hypothesis – observed empirically – that under certain conditions, variance of area estimate is weakly influenced by perimeter length

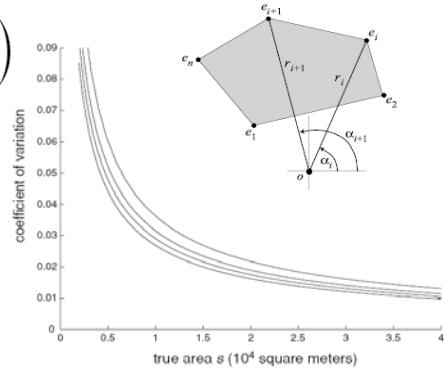
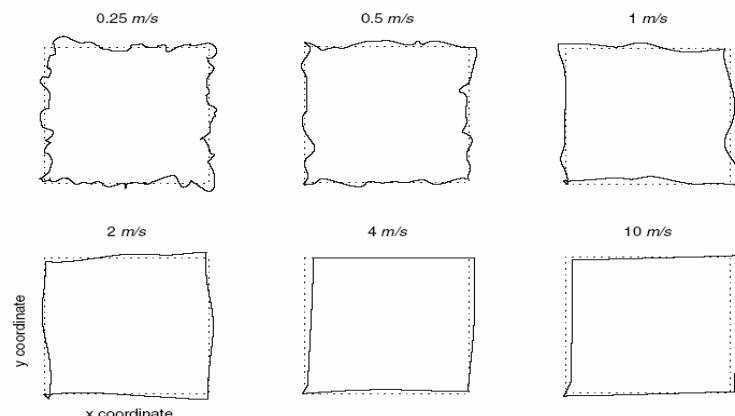


Figure 8. Evolution of the coefficient of variation  $CV_S$  for the area estimation of a rectangular parcel as a function of the parcel area and side length ratios  $r$ , with  $r$  equal to 1:1 (square parcel, bottom curve), 1:3, 1:5 and 1:10 (top curve).

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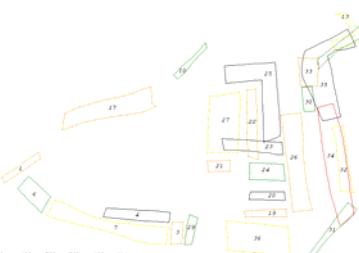
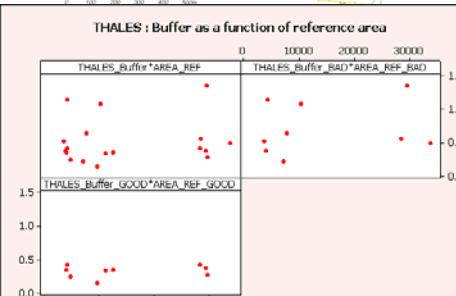
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## Validating area measurement methods

- Study objectives:
  - Review and evaluate the existing JRC validation approach;
  - Review the statistical basis for such assessment, with reference to industry standard approaches (e.g. ISO 5725);
  - Demonstrate by conducting the necessary field experiments
  - Provide the interpretation of these results

**Study contract partners:**

- AGH University of Science and Technology (Kraków, PL): Dept of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing
- University of Warmia and Mazury (Olsztyn, PL): Dept of Satellite Geodesy and Navigation
- Faculté Universitaire des Sciences Agronomiques (Gembloux, BE): Dept of Statistics and Computer Science

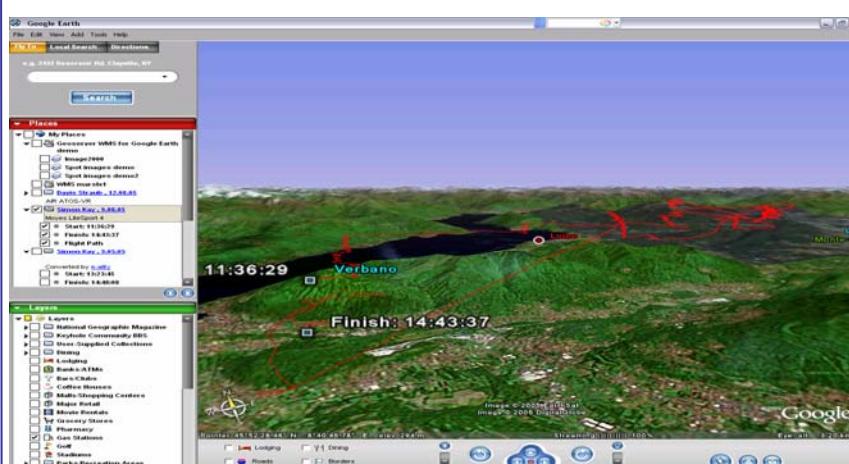
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## Google Earth GPS track Demo



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## EU Control with Remote Sensing, 2004

- 22 MS involved in the program (AT,EE,FI out)
  - 25 contractors
  - More than 164 000 farms checked
  - ~800 images
  - VHR, >50,000km<sup>2</sup>
- 2005:
  - Budget >€5M
  - VHR acquisition planned ~150,000km<sup>2</sup>

Member State	% Farms Checked
IT	100
CY	~95
NL	~90
ES	~90
MT	~85
DK	~80
HU	~75
LU	~70
UK	~65
CZ	~60
IE	~55
DE	~50
BE	~45
ES	~40
BE-FL	~35
LT	~30
EL	~25
PL	~20
LV	~10
SK	~5
SI	~5
WA	~5

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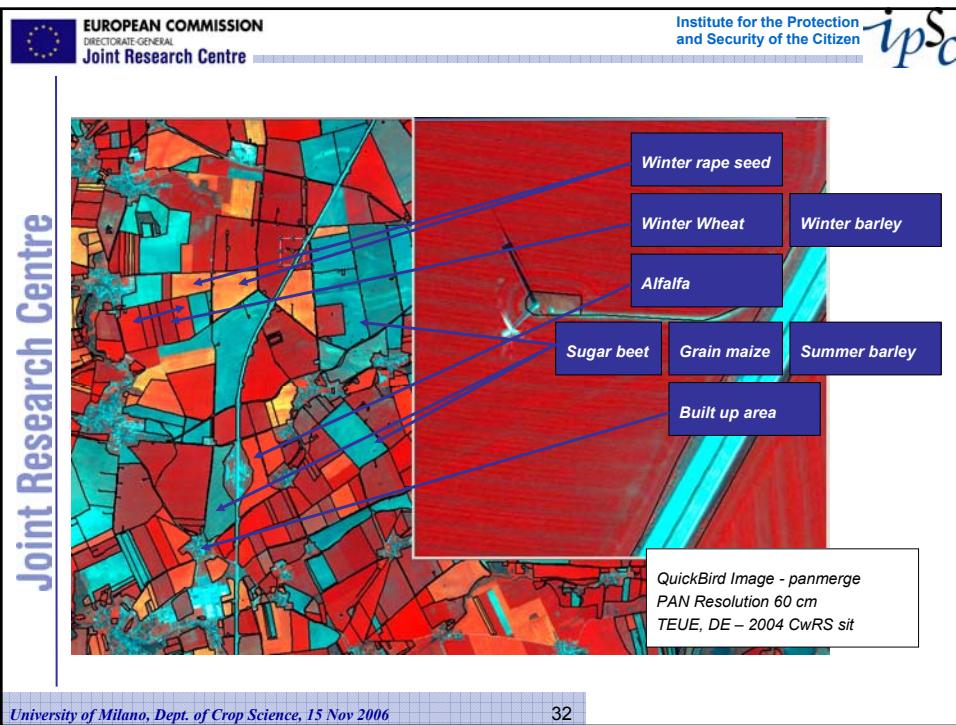
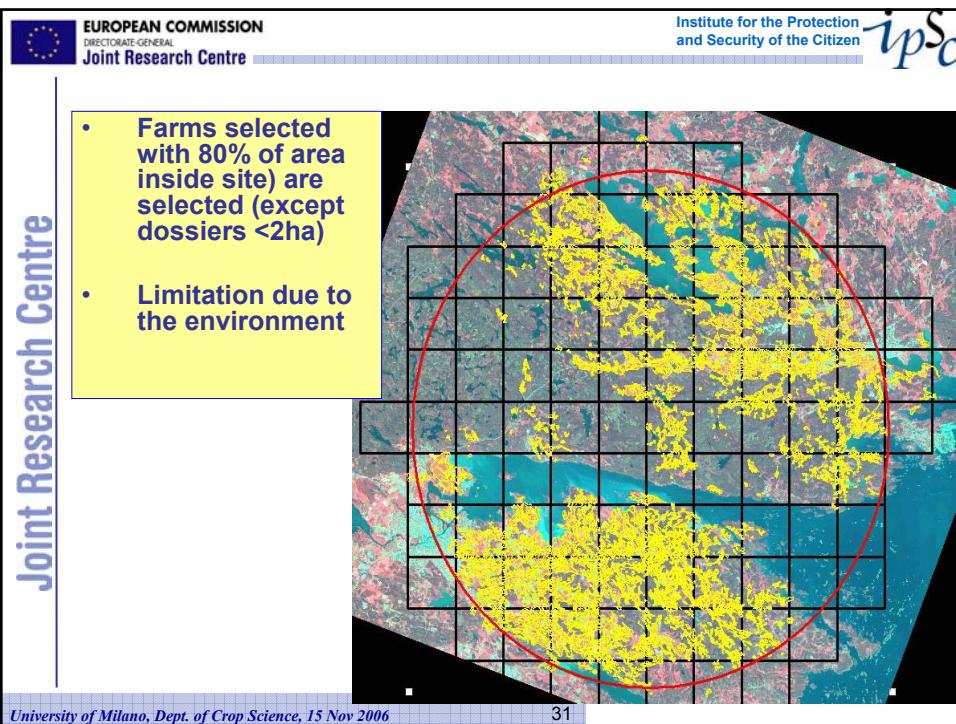
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## EU control image acquisition 2005, sites

- 182 HR
- 163 VHR

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### Example QB site (3,200 km<sup>2</sup>) acquired over 2 months

SITE VIEW - MARS VHR Browser - Microsoft Internet Explorer

VHR SITE: CAMP (country: IT, satellite: QB)

Switch Site: IT - CAMP

Scale 1: [591272]

IT-CAMP

0 6 12 18 km

X: 54° 49' Y: 42° 03'

Medium Search Map window size

- IR circle on SPOT multispectral image: Camp...
- Validated Quickbird 21May Picc Edgig Camp...
- IK validated backup 23Apr: Po\_2779.rgb\_00500
- IK validated backup 23Apr: Po\_2779.rgb\_00500
- OB 1st come, 1st served 13Jun Picc 22deg C
- OB 1st come, 1st served 13Jun Picc 22deg C
- OB 1st come, 1st served 13Jun Picc 22deg C
- Validated IR partial backup 23Apr: Po\_2779.rgb
- Validated IR partial backup 23Apr: Po\_2779.rgb
- VHR Background
- Countries

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### MARS ImageServer demo

http://139.191.1.73 - MARS ImageBrowser - Microsoft Internet Explorer Fornito da Libero

THE MARS IMAGE BROWSER The MARS PAC Image Archive

Scale 1: [21722916]

Legend: Images, Countries, Communities, Settlements, Rivers, Lakes, Custom Landcover, DEM (SRTM)

No.	Image	Resolution	Date	Dem	Geometry	Date	DEM
1	Mars	SPOT	2003-04-01	Panchromatic	Cir FB	SPOT	-
2	Mars	SPOT	2003-04-01	Multispectral	Cir FB	SPOT	-
3	Mars	SPOT	2003-07-14	Multispectral	Cir FB	SPOT	-
4	Mars	SPOT	2003-07-14	Multispectral	Cir FB	SPOT	-

Acquisition Date: 2003-04-01  
Instrument: SPOT  
Sensor: Multispectral  
Upper Left: 5.76000° E 40.26000° N  
Lower Left: 5.71222° E 40.56111° N  
Lower Right: 5.71222° E 40.56111° N  
Upper Right: 5.76000° E 40.26000° N  
Projection: EPSG:3095

Copy Path Download

Large Search Map window size

Search for

Done

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## Google Earth WMS Demo

The screenshot shows a Google Earth interface. On the left, the 'Places' panel lists several WMS layers, including 'Geoserver WMS for Google Earth' and 'WMS demo'. The main view displays a coastal town with a large white polygon overlay, likely representing a WMS dataset. A legend at the bottom indicates layers for Logging, Roads, Borders, Terrain, and Buildings.

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## Summary

- Geo-information technology is well embedded in EU policy
  - Agriculture is the leading example
- EU wide datasets are developed, operational
  - Some already widely used
- Access policy is member state responsibility –
  - But INSPIRE is supposed to change this
- Orienting applications and services for users is critical
  - Information, not data