



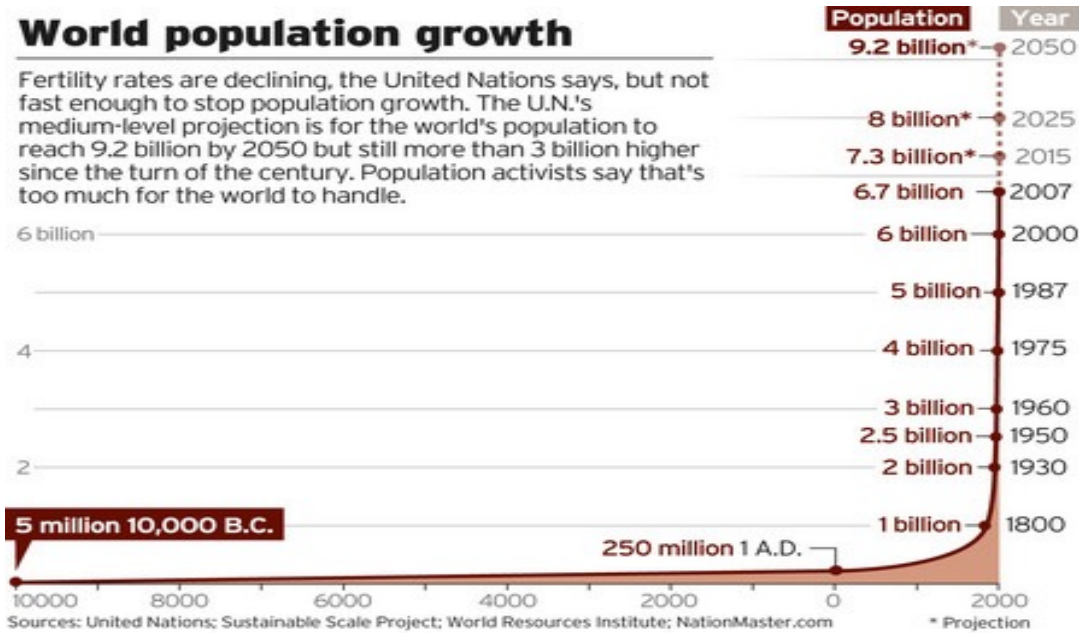
Agriculture Used Area and world population increase: present and future situation

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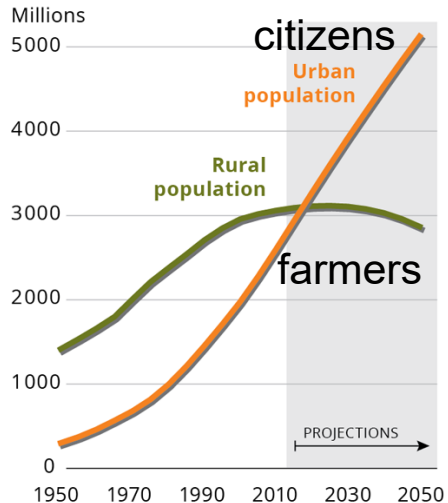
World population growth

Fertility rates are declining, the United Nations says, but not fast enough to stop population growth. The U.N.'s medium-level projection is for the world's population to reach 9.2 billion by 2050 but still more than 3 billion higher since the turn of the century. Population activists say that's too much for the world to handle.



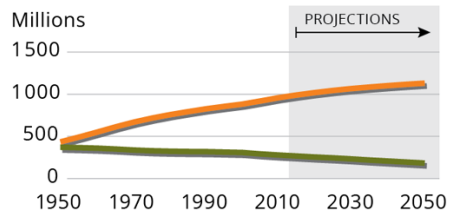
Less developed regions

Africa, Asia (excluding Japan), Latin America and the Caribbean, Melanesia, Micronesia and Polynesia.



More developed regions

Europe, Northern America, Australia, New Zealand and Japan.

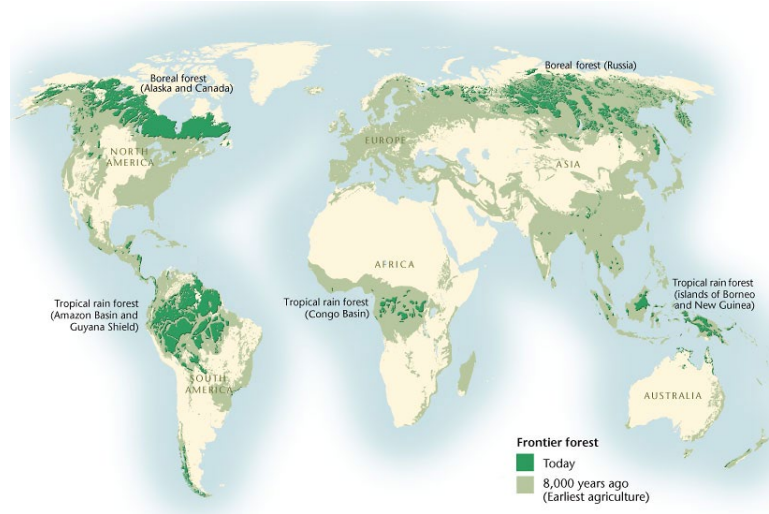


CIBO IN CITTA'
(Homo Urbanus)

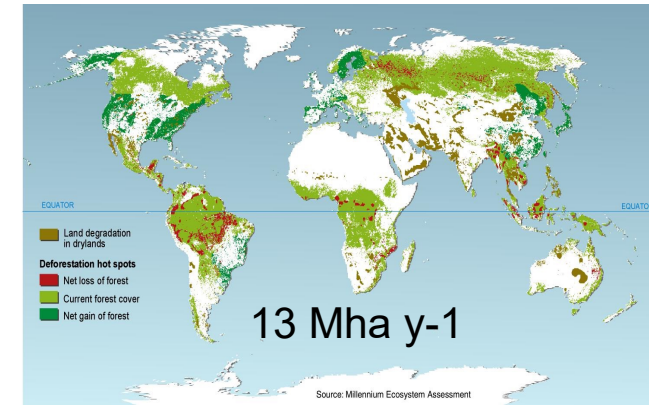
1. The need of higher production with less labour requirements
2. Food processing and transformation for feeding urban humans
3. Changes in cultural lifestyles and food consumption patterns
4. Food and packaging waste
5. Energy consumption
6. Volatility of prices
7. Climate change impacts on food production

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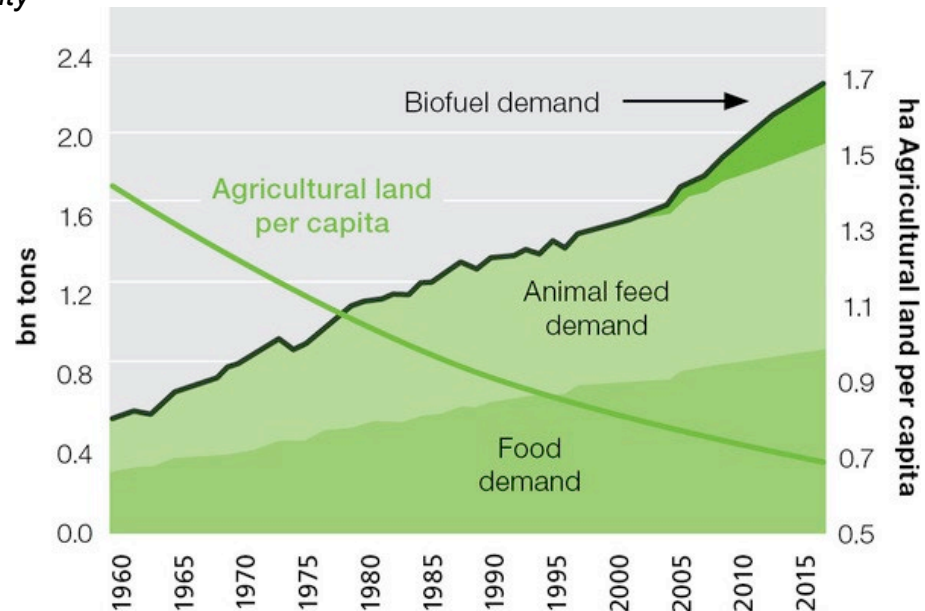
Natural Forests



Tropical Deforestation

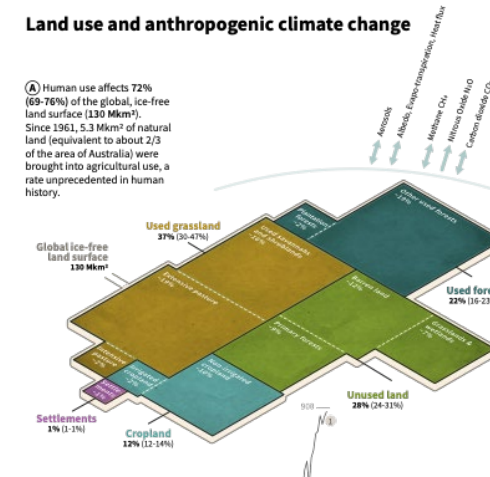


Land availability



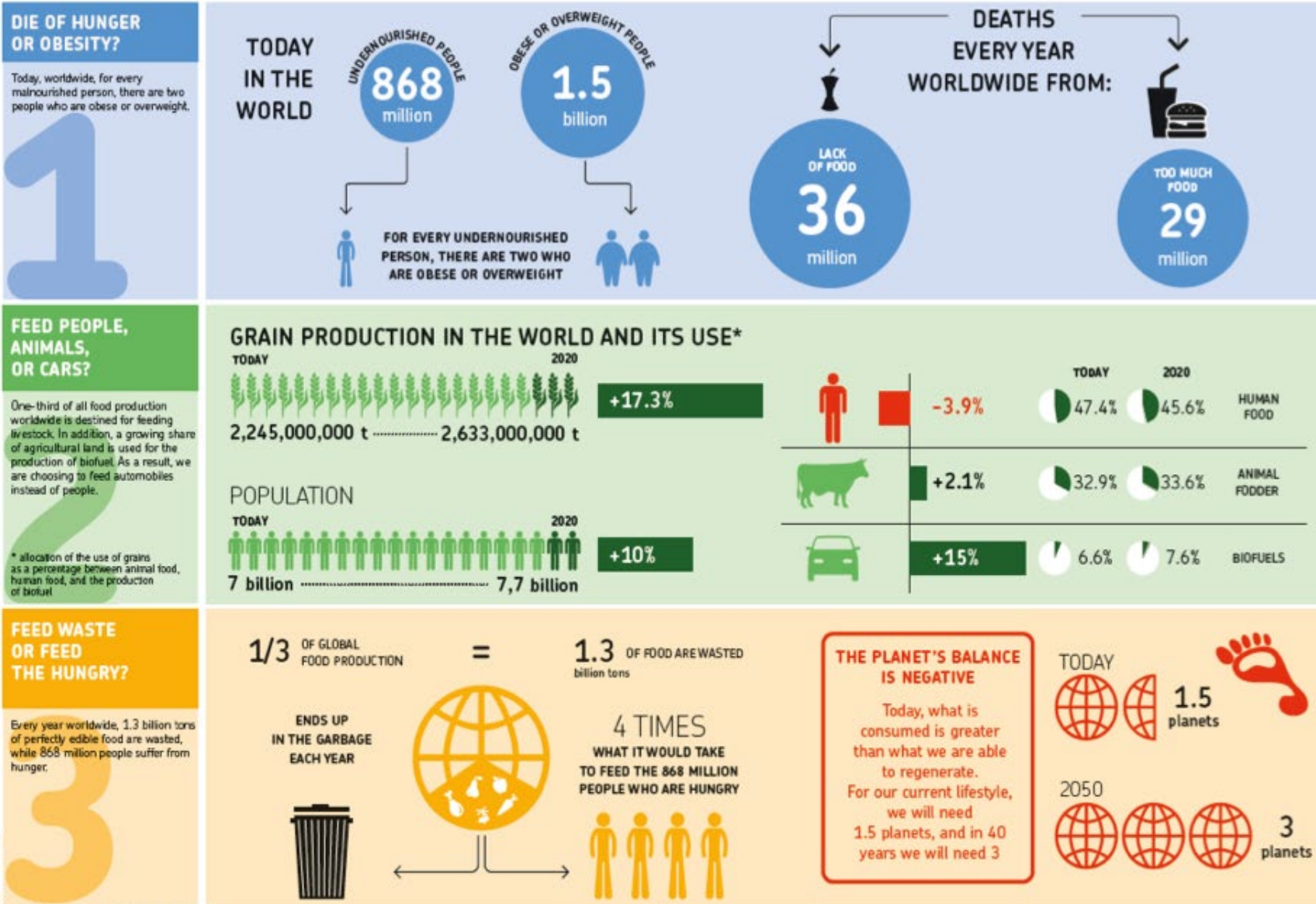
Land use and anthropogenic climate change

④ Human use affects 72% (69-76%) of the global, ice-free land surface (130 Mkm²). Since 1961, 5.3 Mkm² of natural land (equivalent to about 2/3 of the area of Australia) were brought into agricultural use, a rate unprecedented in human history.



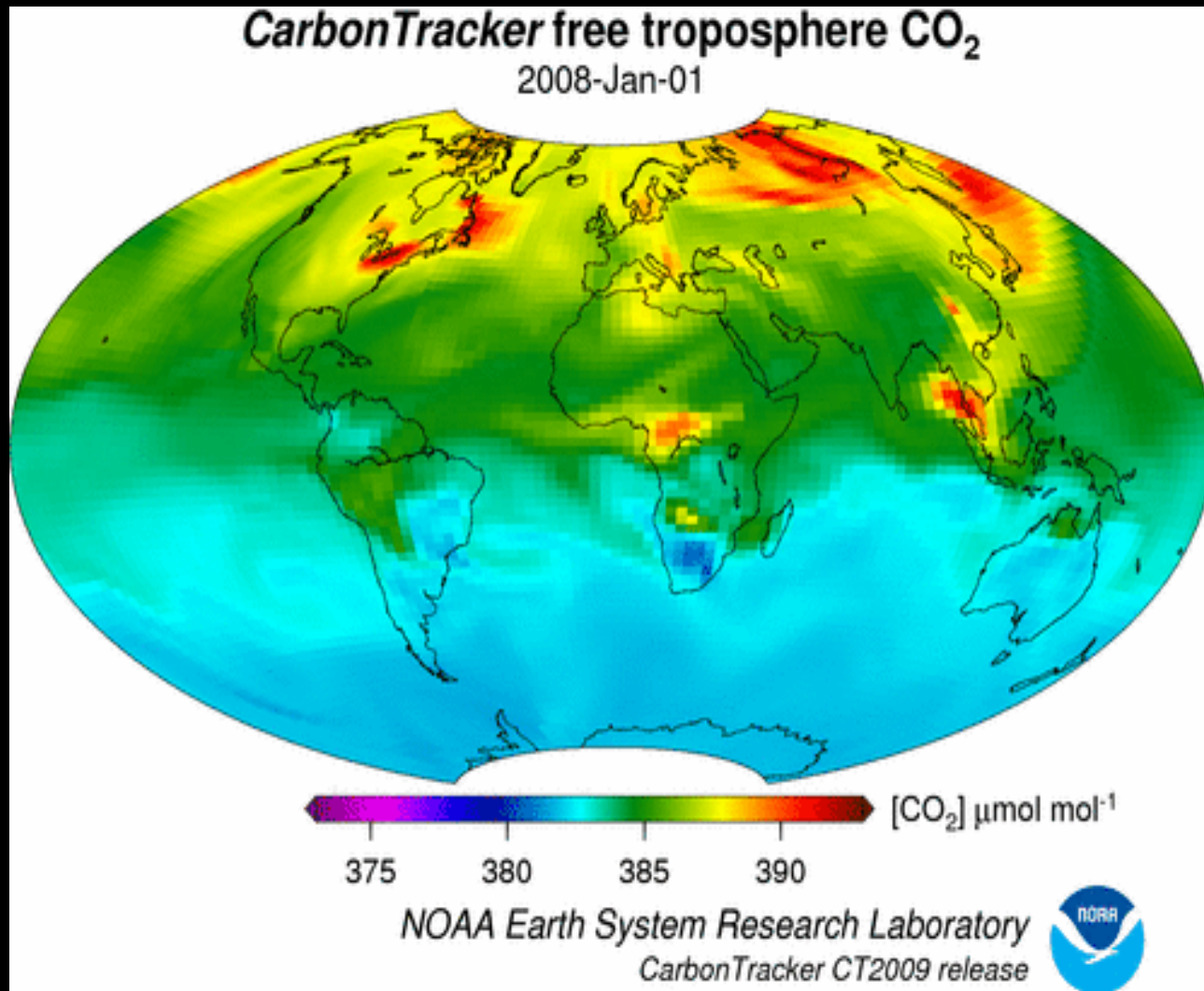
73% of Earth surface (excluding ice) is used by humans

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CO₂ is rising !

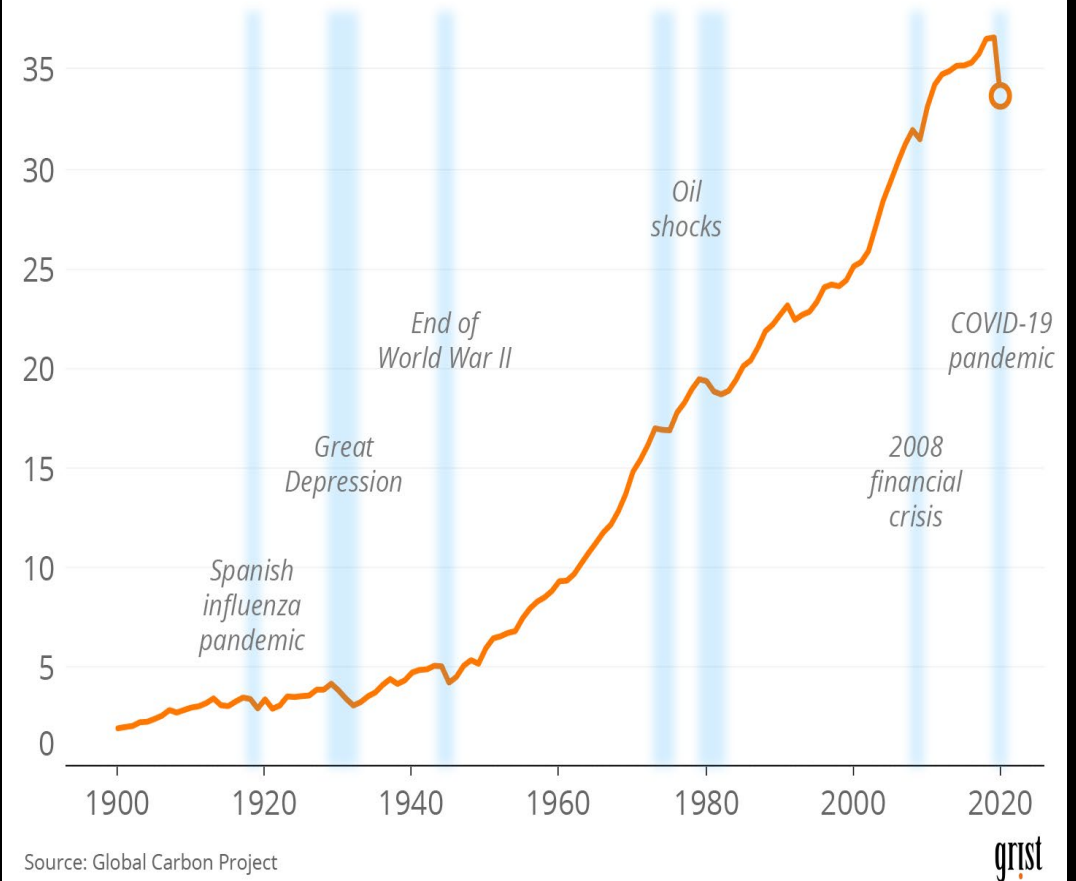
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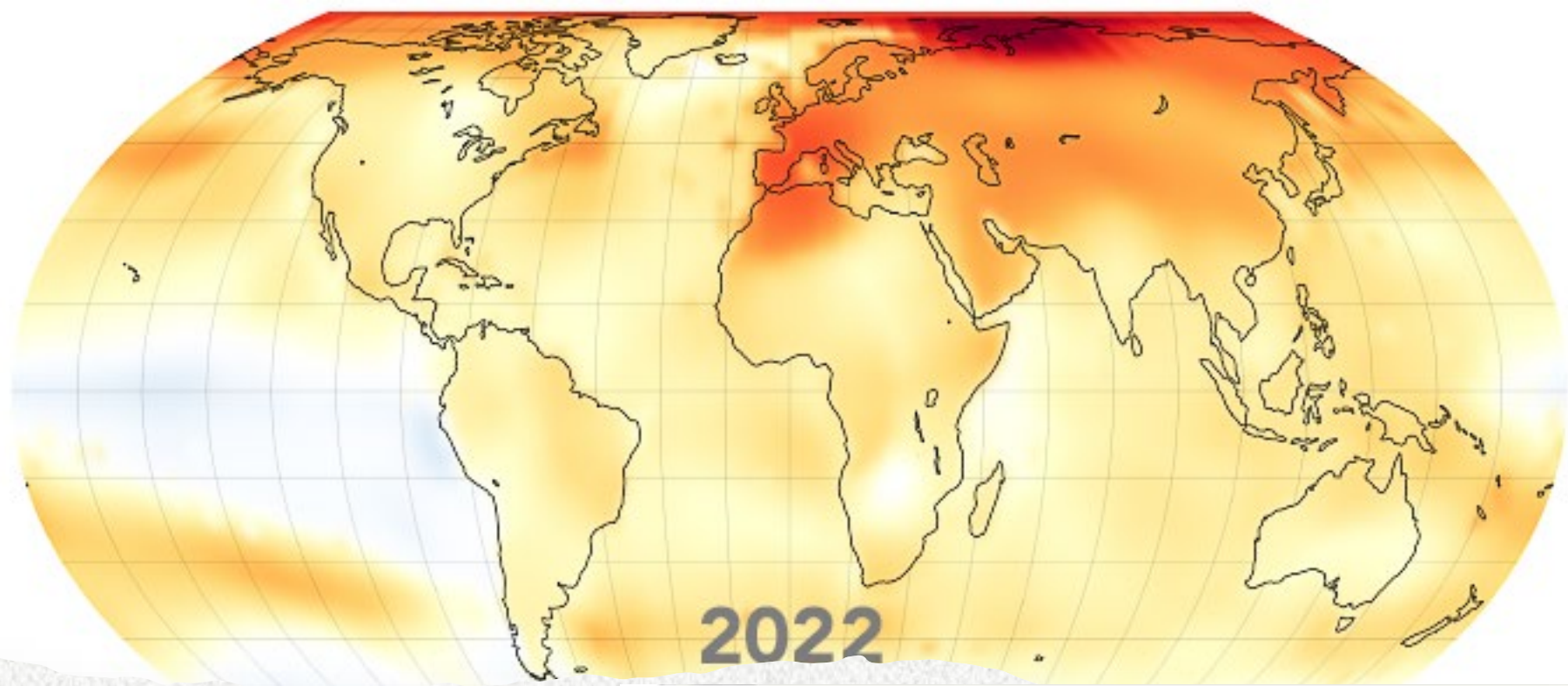


Nov 10, 2023 = 419.44 ppm
Nov 10, 2022 = 416.92 ppm

A familiar pattern

Annual global fossil emissions, billion metric tons of CO₂





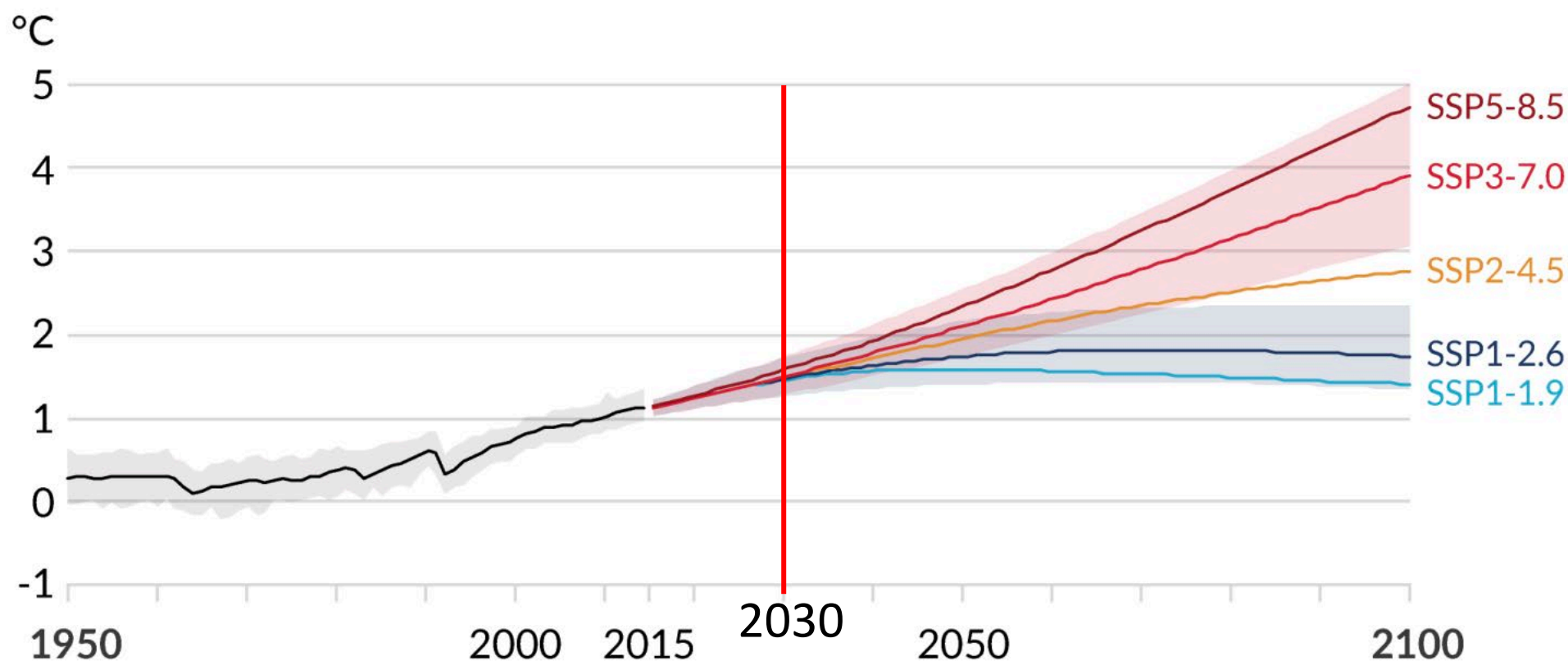
Temperature Anomaly (°C compared to the 1951-1980 average)

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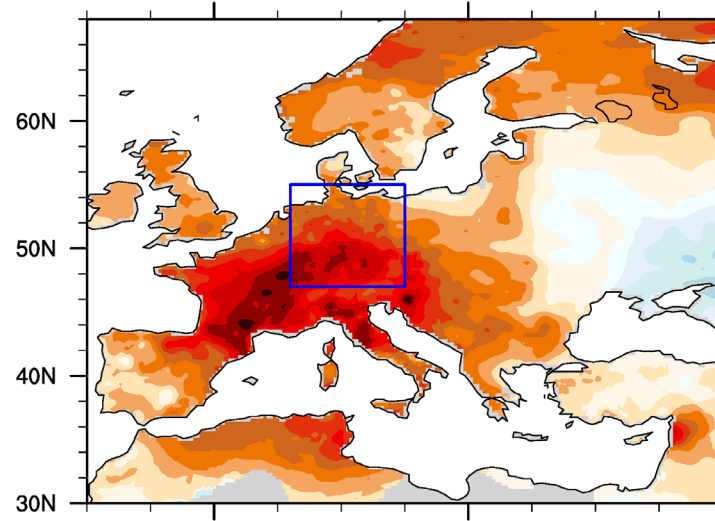
Warming is up !

Human activities affect all the major climate system components, *Figure SPM.8* with some responding over decades and others over centuries

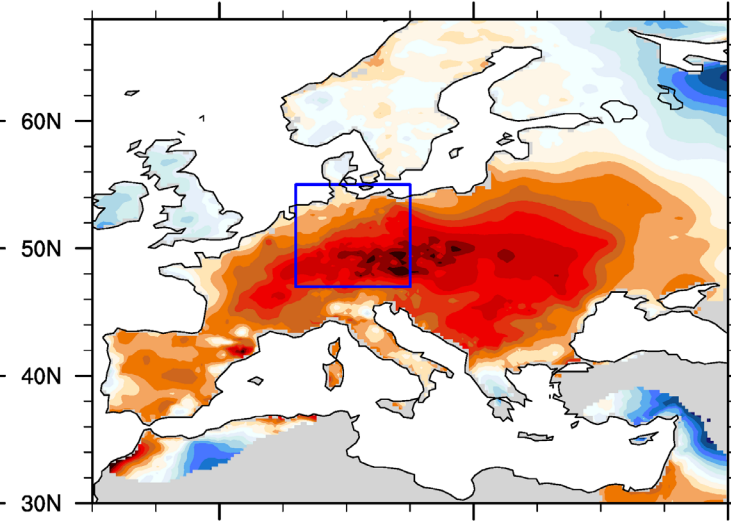
a) Global surface temperature change relative to 1850-1900



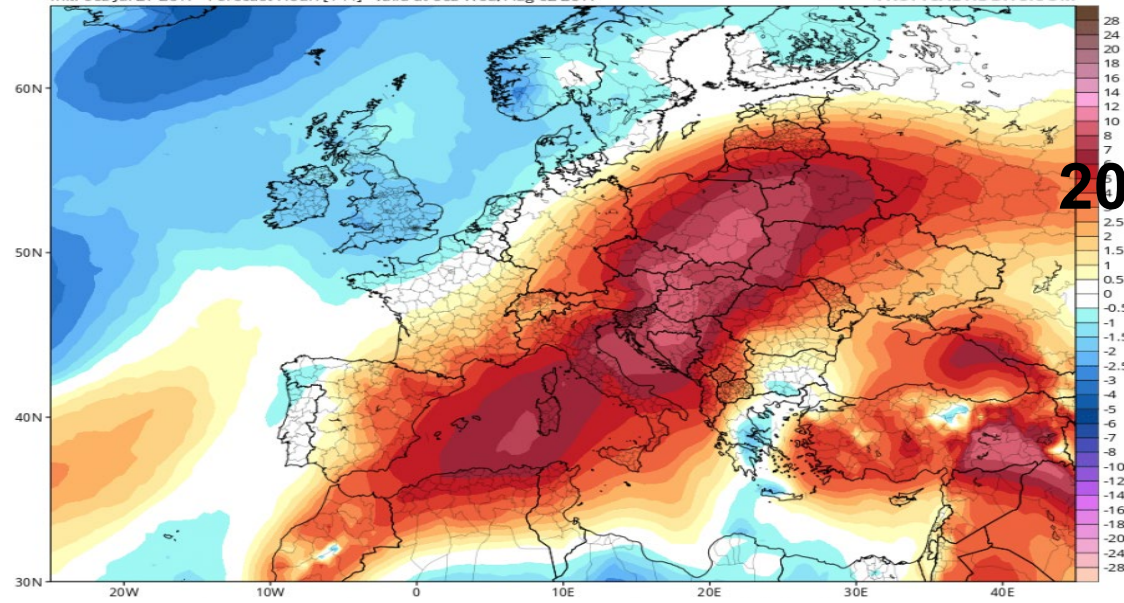
July-August 2003



July-August 2015



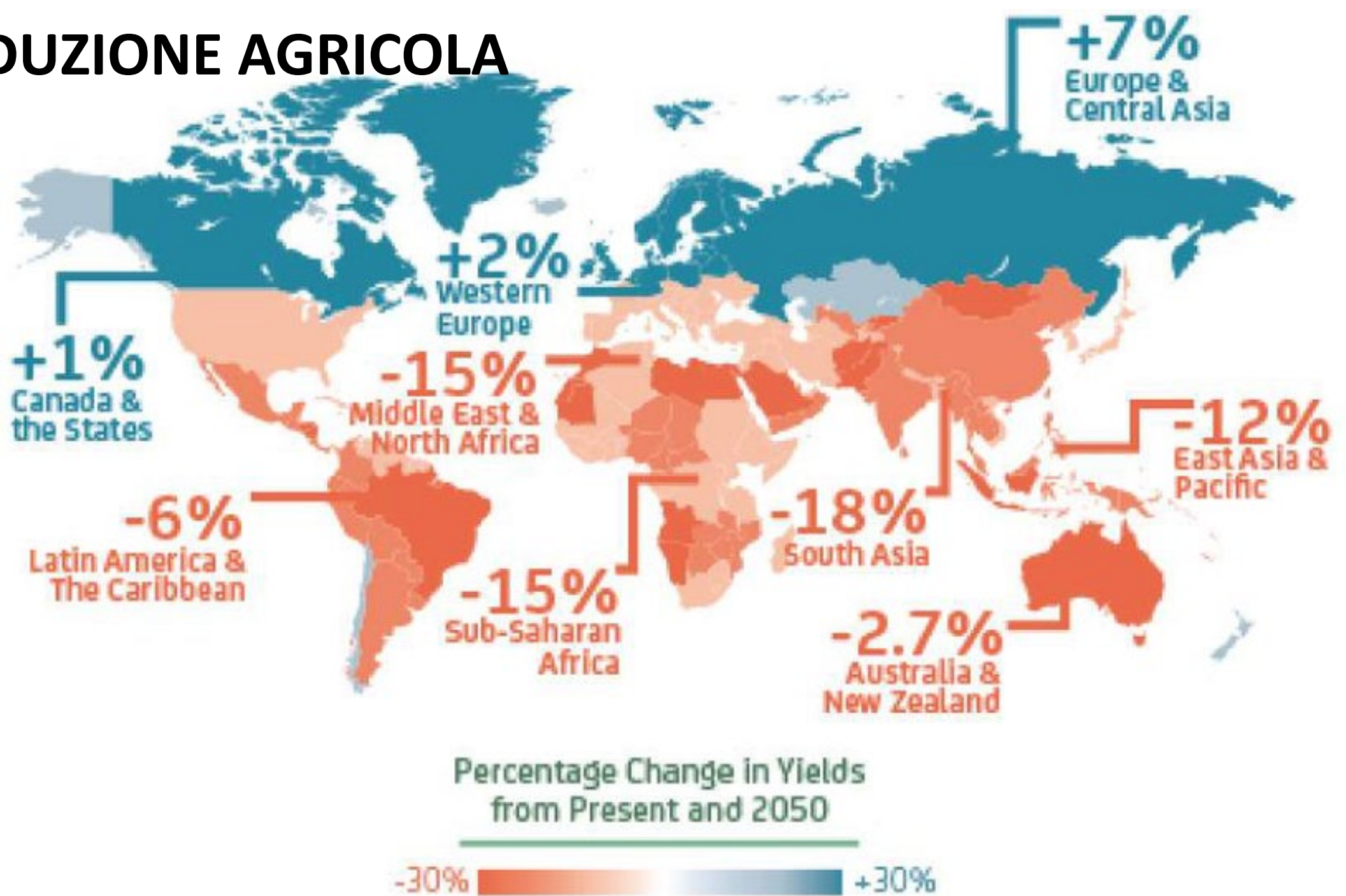
EPS 850 hPa Temperature Anomaly (°C) (based on CFSR 1981-2010 Climatology)
Init: 00z Jul 27 2017 Forecast Hour: [144] valid at 00z Wed, Aug 02 2017



2017 July -August

ONDATE DI CALORE

PRODUZIONE AGRICOLA



Water

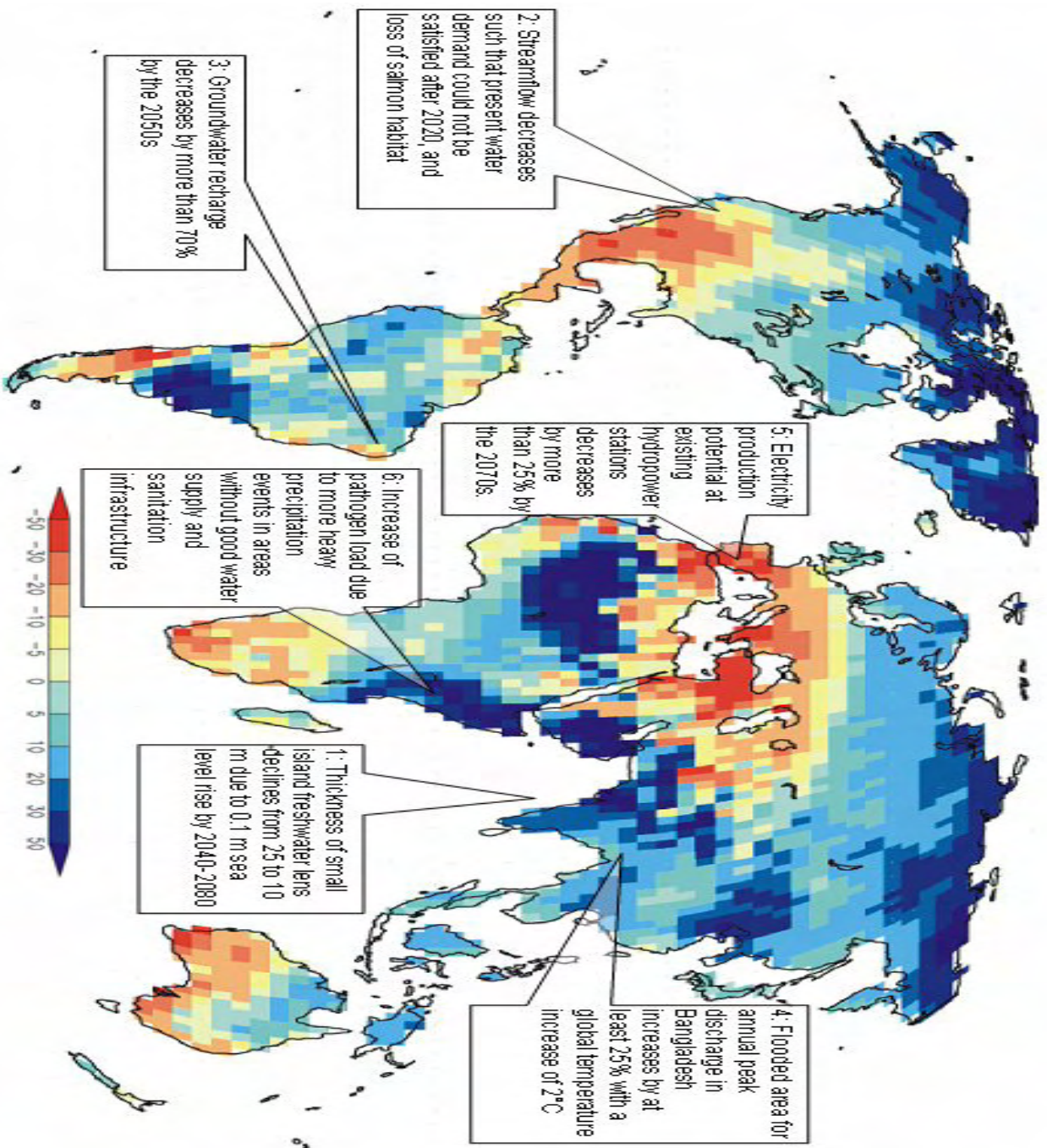
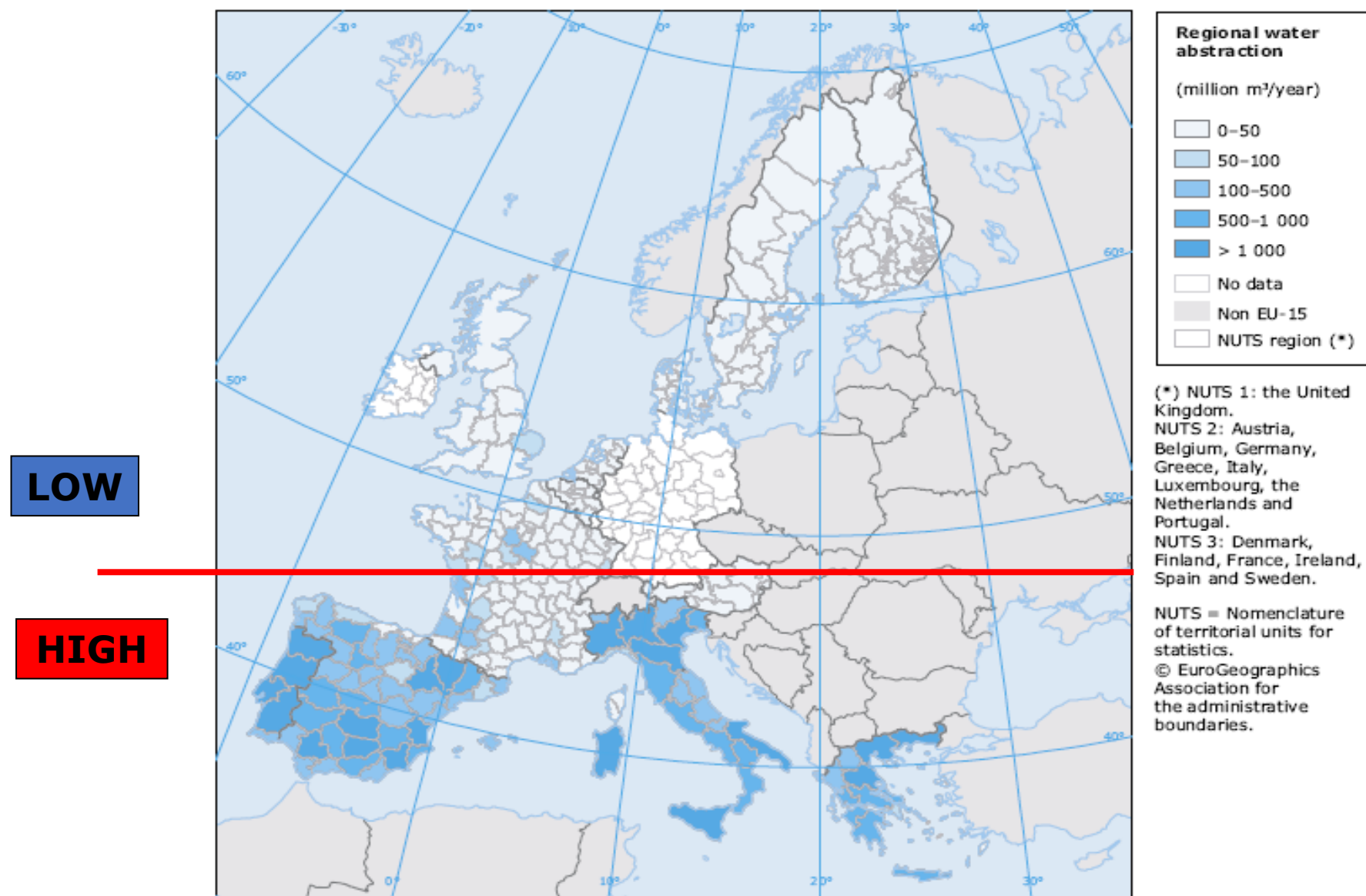


Figure 4.2 Regional water abstraction rates for agriculture (million m³/year) during 2000 ⁽³¹⁾



Source: Community survey on the structure of agricultural holdings (FSS), Eurostat combined with information from OECD/Eurostat questionnaire.

Global greenhouse gas emissions and warming scenarios

Our World
in Data

- Each pathway comes with uncertainty, marked by the shading from low to high emissions under each scenario.
- Warming refers to the expected global temperature rise by 2100, relative to pre-industrial temperatures.

Annual global greenhouse gas emissions
in gigatonnes of carbon dioxide-equivalents

150 Gt

100 Gt

50 Gt

Greenhouse gas emissions
up to the present

0

1990 2000 2010 2020 2030 2040 2050 2060 2070 2080 2090 2100

No climate policies

4.1 – 4.8 °C

→ expected emissions in a baseline scenario
if countries had not implemented climate
reduction policies.

Current policies

2.5 – 2.9 °C

→ emissions with current climate policies in
place result in warming of 2.5 to 2.9°C by 2100.

Pledges & targets (2.1 °C)

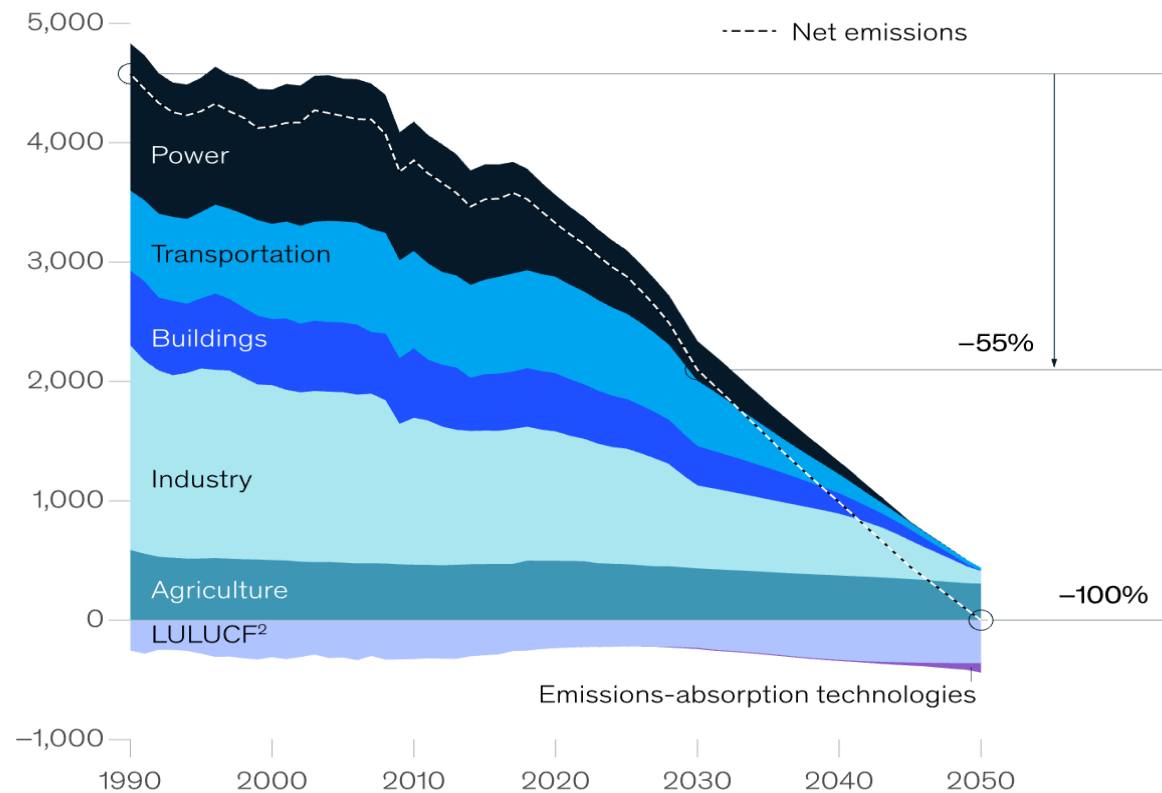
→ emissions if all countries delivered on reduction
pledges result in warming of 2.1°C by 2100.

2°C pathways
1.5°C pathways

The «resistent» Agricultural sector

The power sector would reach net-zero emissions before the others.

Total emissions per sector in cost-optimal pathway for EU-27,¹ megatons of carbon dioxide equivalent



¹Excluding international aviation and shipping.

²Land use, land-use change, and forestry entails all forms in which atmospheric CO₂ can be captured or released as carbon in vegetation and soils in terrestrial ecosystems.

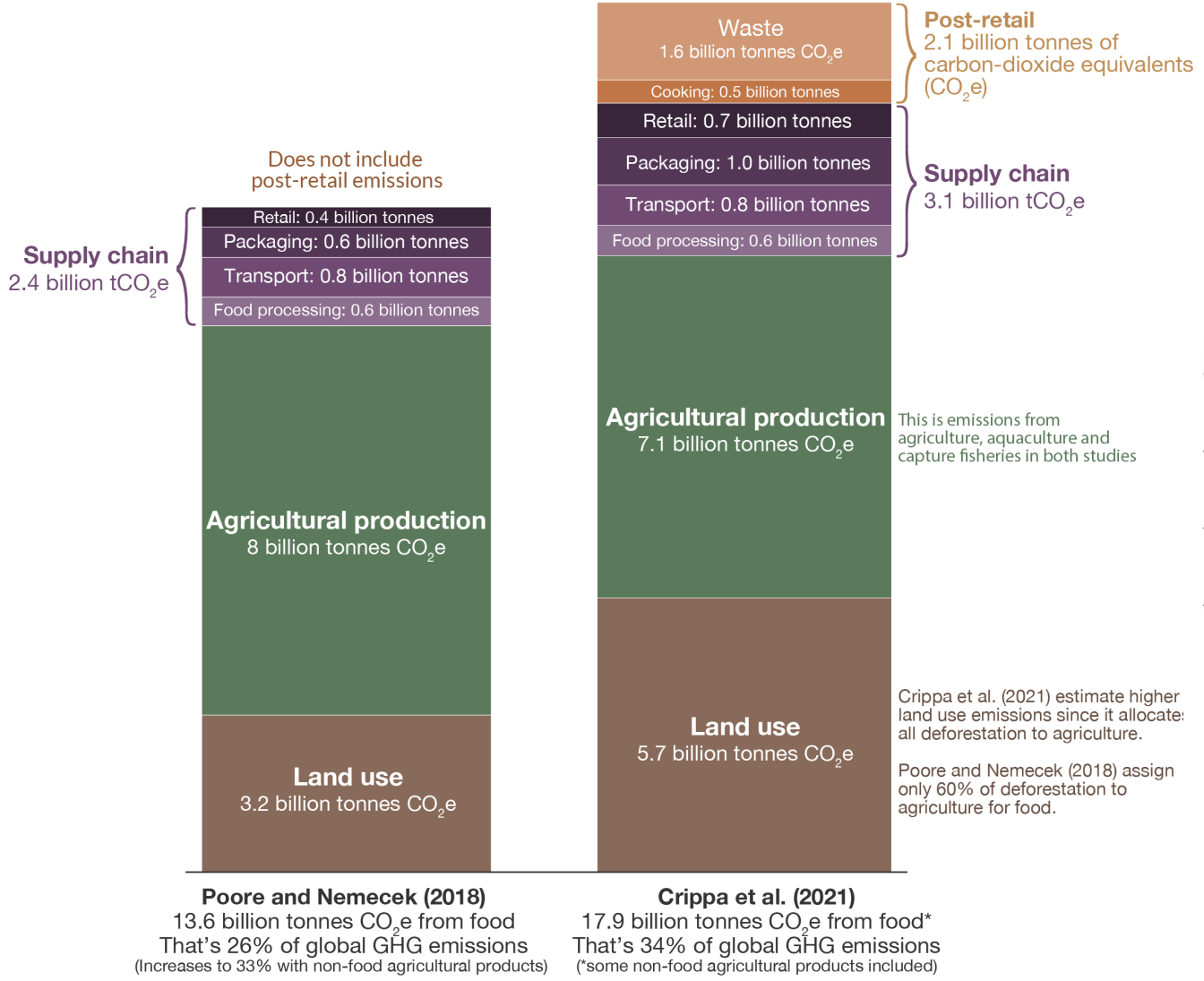
Source: UNFCCC; McKinsey analysis



Residual:
→ 65-85
MtCO₂eq

How much of global greenhouse gas emissions come from the food system?

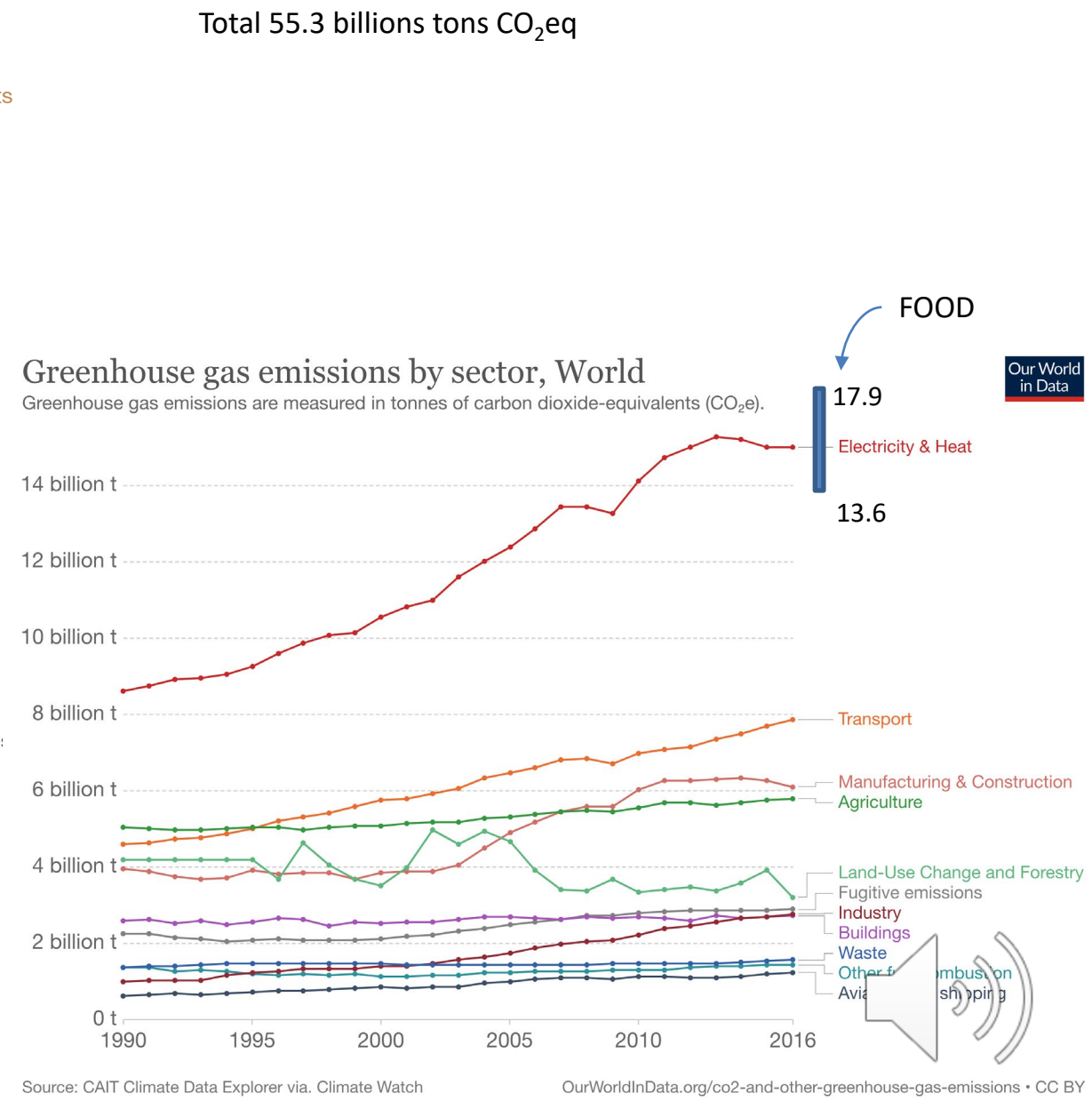
Shown is the comparison of two leading estimates of global greenhouse gas emissions from the food system. Most studies estimate that food and agriculture is responsible for 25% to 35% of global greenhouse gas emissions.



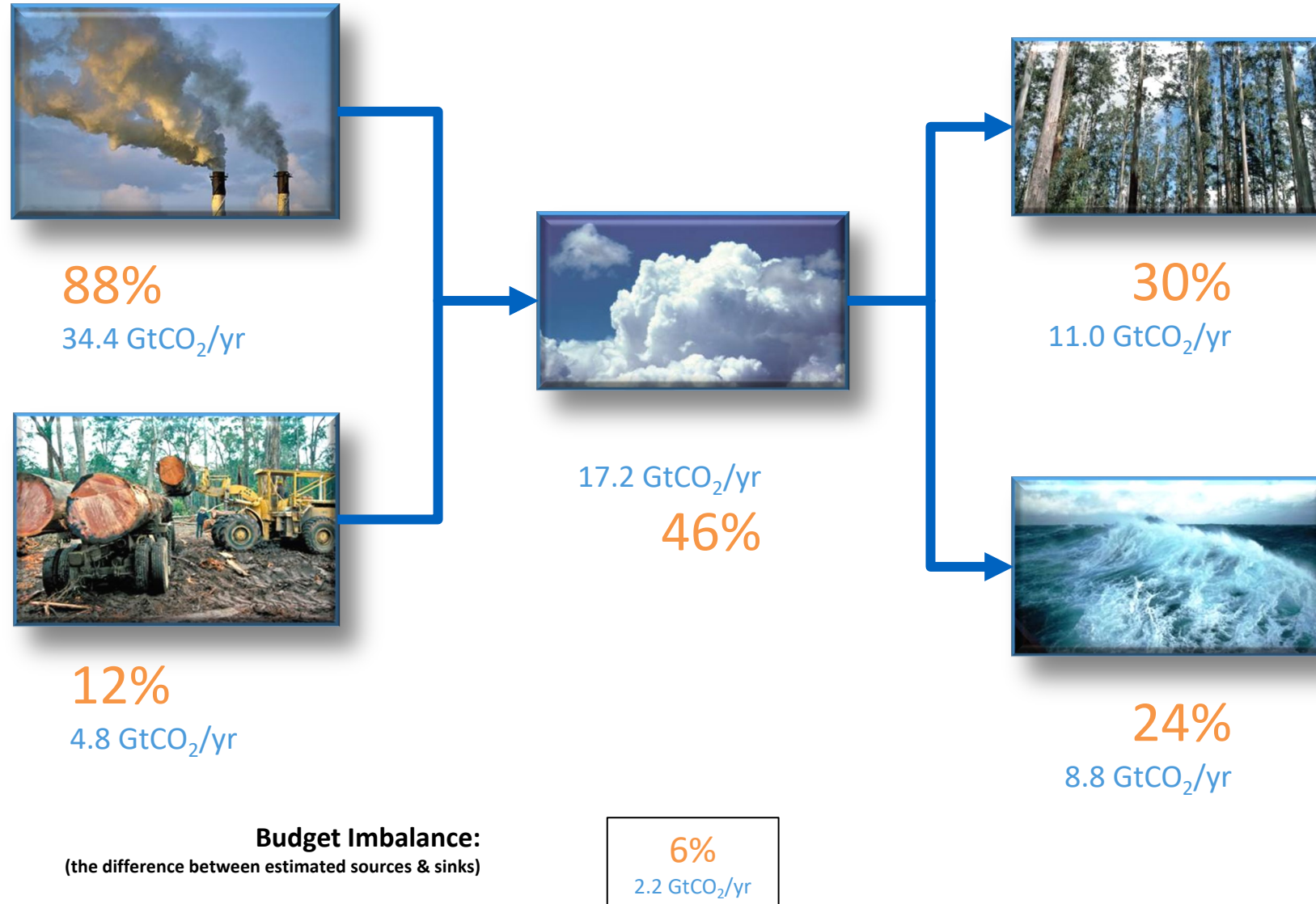
*Crippa et al. (2021) include emissions from a number of non-food agricultural products, including wool, leather, rubber, textiles and some biofuels. Poore and Nemecek (2018) do not include non-food products in their estimate of 13.6 billion tonnes CO₂e. This may explain some of the difference.

Data sources: Joseph Poore & Thomas Nemecek (2018). Reducing food's environmental impacts through producers and consumers. *Science*. Crippa, M., et al. (2021) Food systems are responsible for a third of global anthropogenic GHG emissions. *Nature Food*.

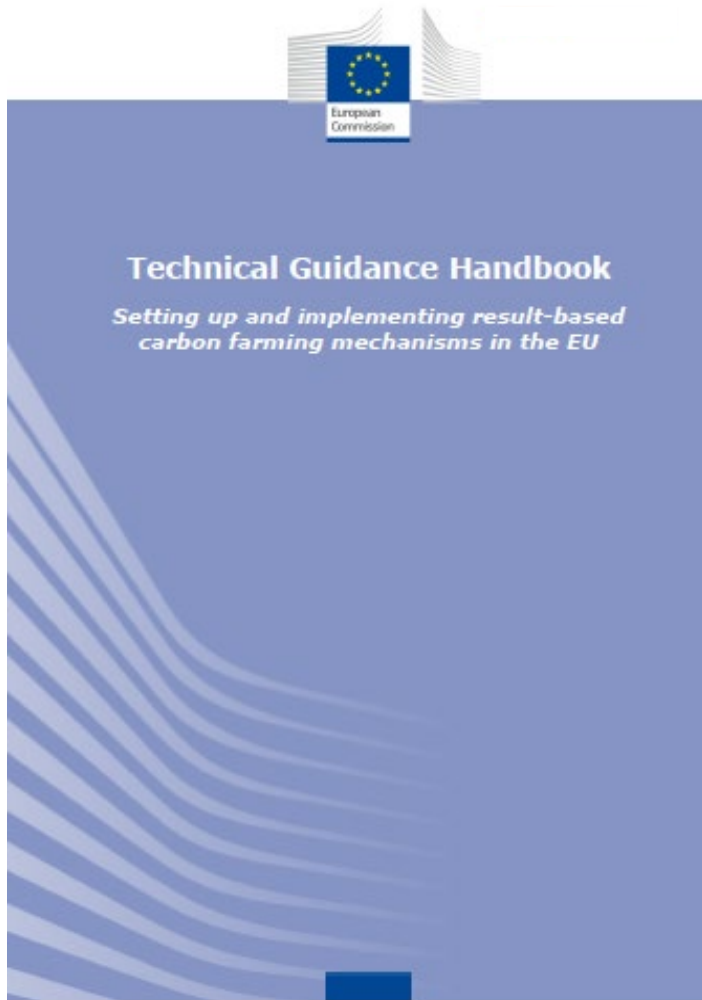
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Fate of anthropogenic CO₂ emissions (2007–2016)



The carbon farming handbook



- Considering only carbon sink or avoided emissions?
- Action-based or result-based incentives?
- Mitigation targets measured or estimated?
- Scale of application: local/regional/national/EU
- Cost efficiency ?
- Other co-benefits?

Double Payments are allowed in CAP..... !

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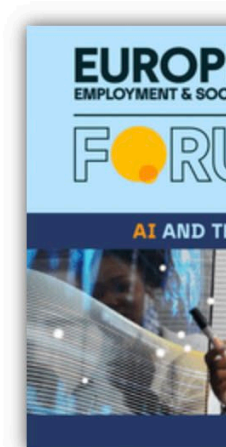
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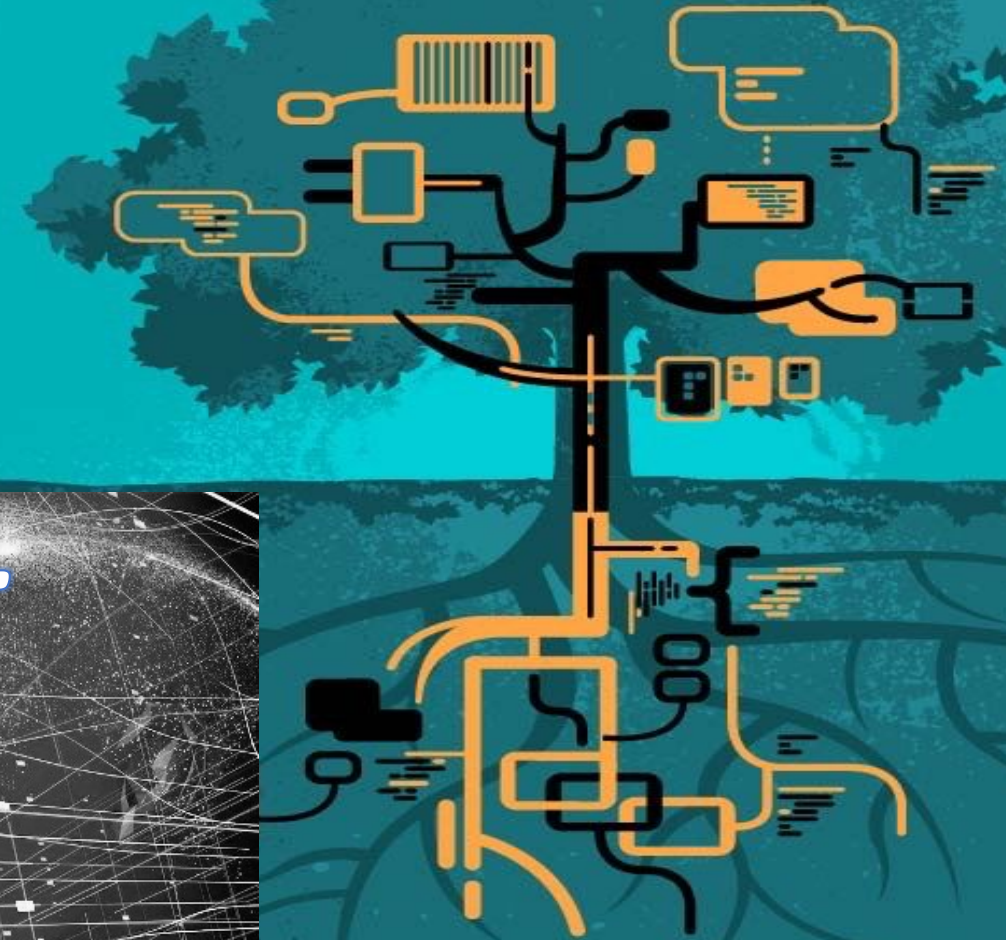
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PFP - Primary Food Pr

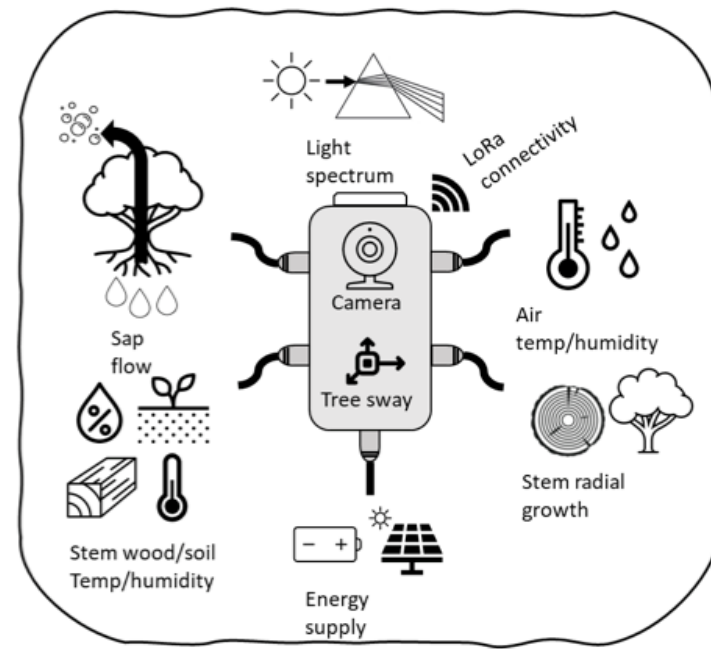
Digital Twinning of Trees and Crops



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SB SRL
Benefit Company

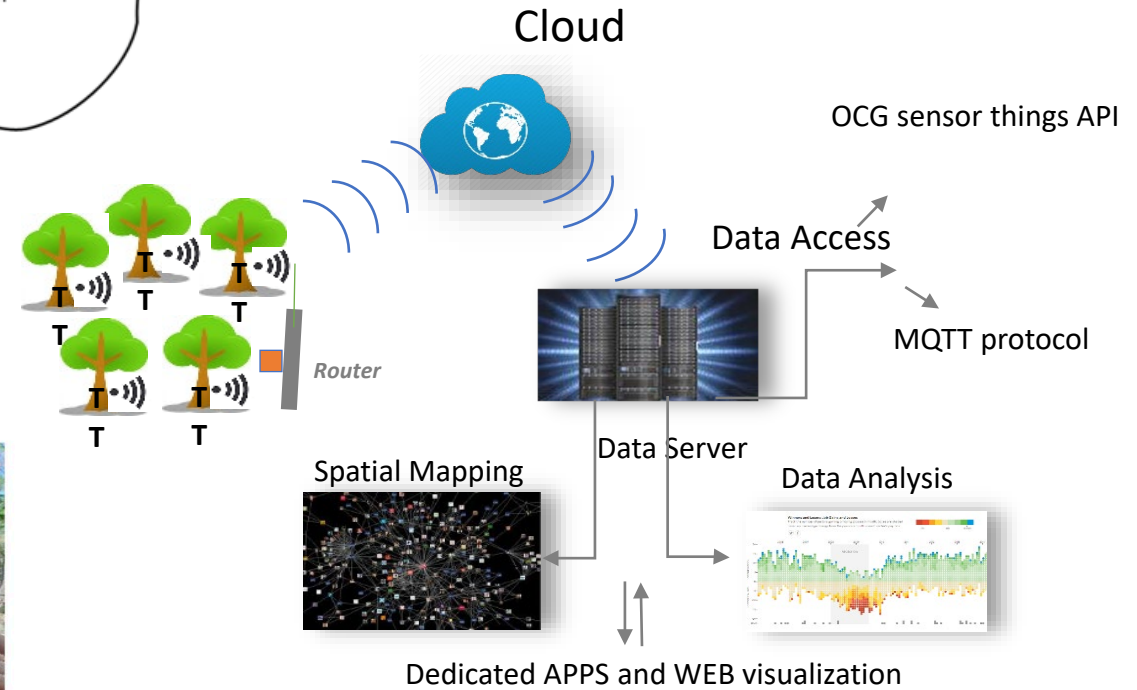


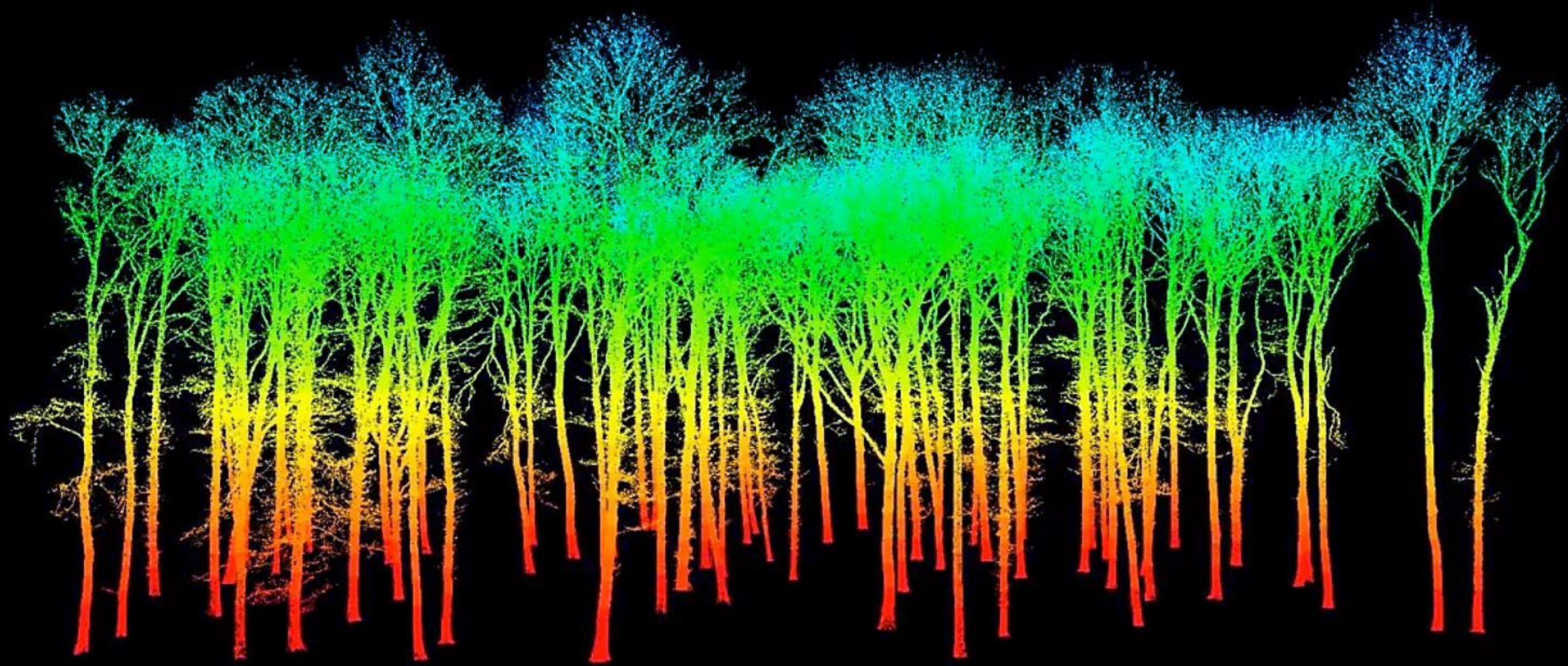


TreeTalker

(www.nature4.org)

1. Tree water consumption
2. Leaves development and health status
3. Diameter Growth
4. Tree stability





EDDY COVARIANCE TOWER

Wind



Measuring the flux of airflow

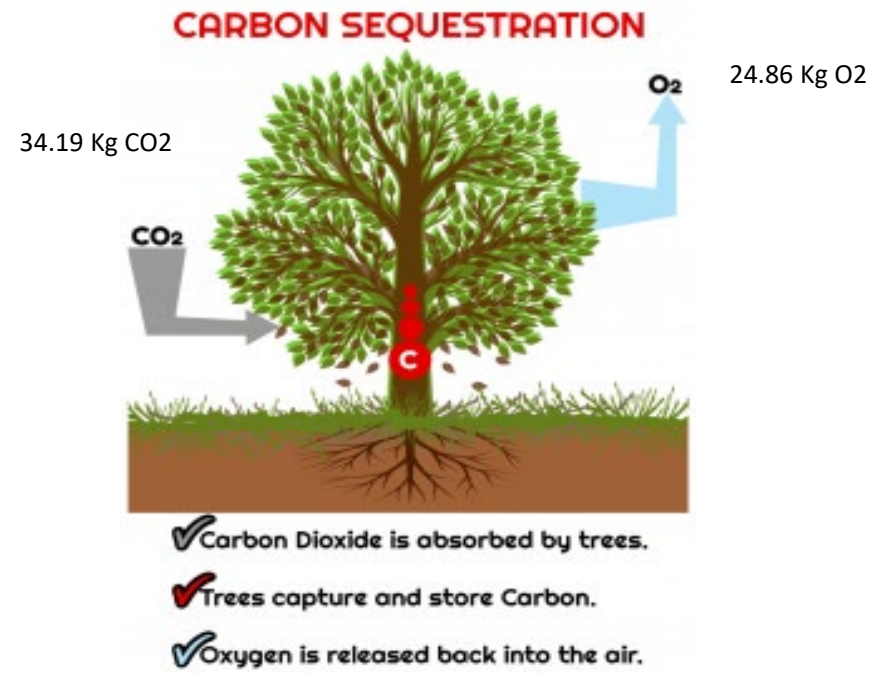
- Air flow can be imagined as a horizontal flow of numerous rotating eddies
- Each eddy has 3-D components, including a vertical wind component
- The diagram looks chaotic, but components can be measured from a tower

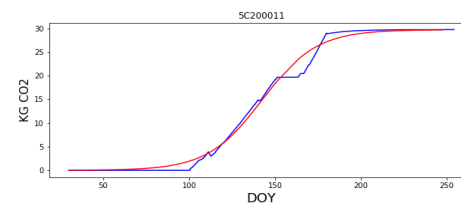
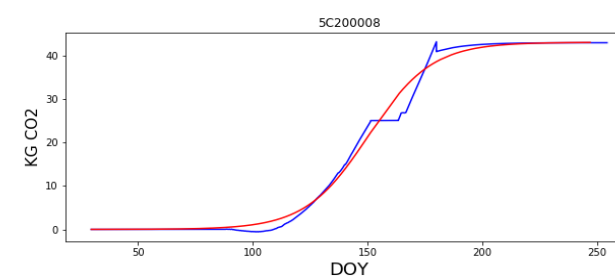
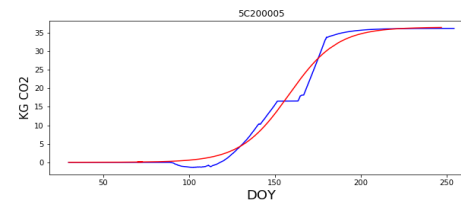
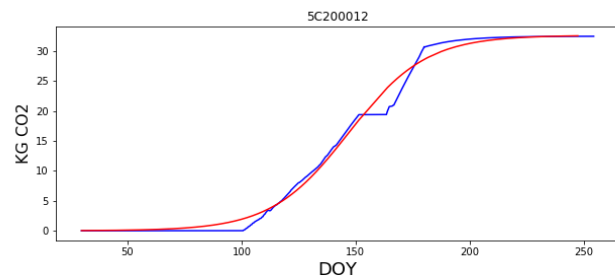
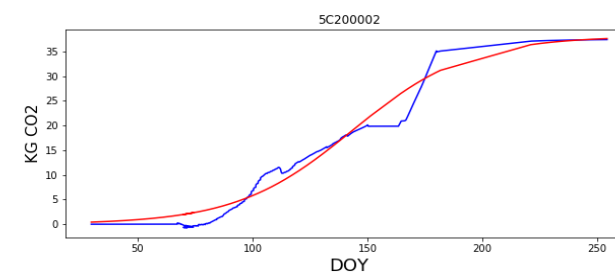
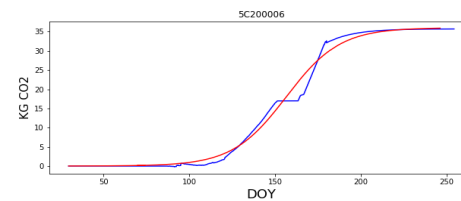
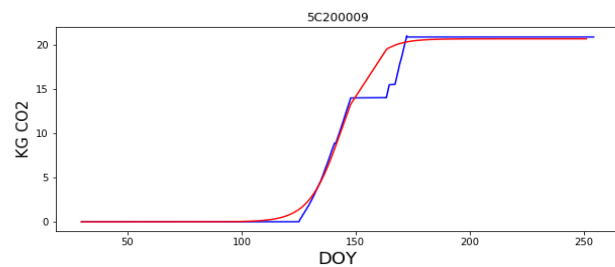
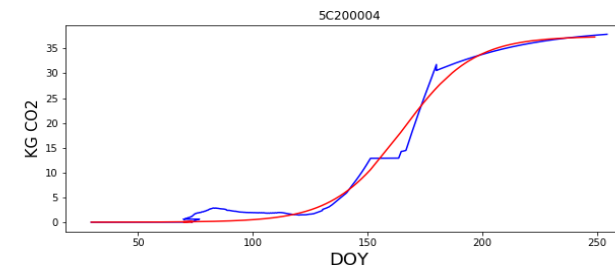
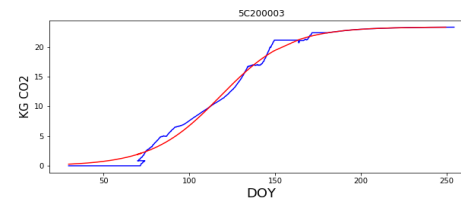
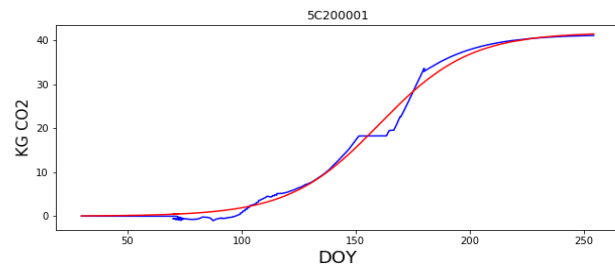
Eddy Flux Formulas

1	Instant Vertical Flux $F_i = \rho_i w_i s_i$	ρ - dry air density w - vertical wind speed s - gas mixing ratio (gas mass/dry air mass)
2	Initial Mean Flux $F = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i^n \rho_i w_i s_i = \overline{\rho w s}$	From Reynolds Decomposition: $\rho = \bar{\rho} + \rho'$ $w = \bar{w} + w'$ $s = \bar{s} + s'$
3	Flux Equation $F = \bar{\rho} \bar{w}' \bar{s}'$	



The MonteRe Plum Tree



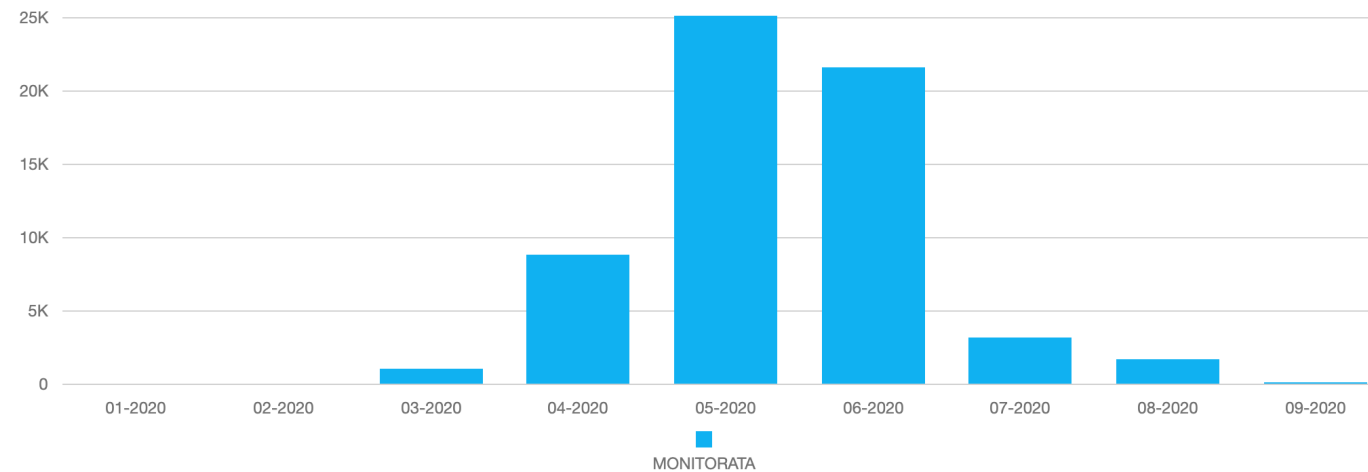


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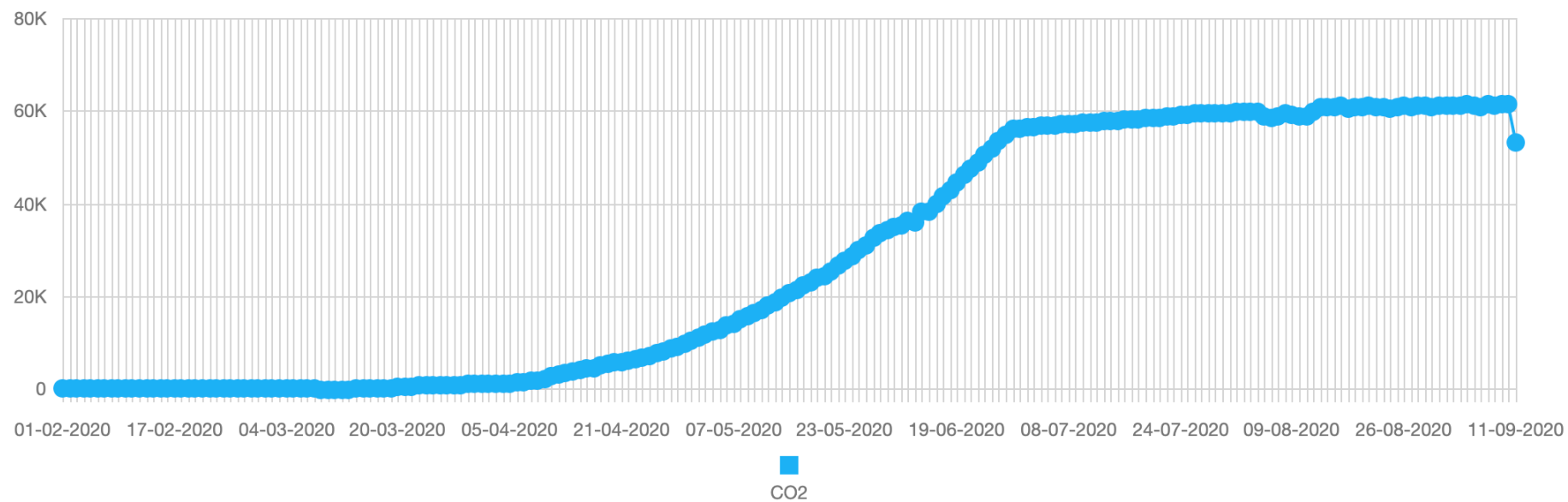
CO2 mensile (Kg)



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Data fine: 25/11/2020

Totale CO2 immagazzinata (Kg)



Carbon monitoring Technologies analysis

Technology	PROS	CONS	COST	CERTIFICATION COMPLIANCE
Eddy covariance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct estimation of carbon sequestration (biomass+soil) • High temporal frequency (1hr) • Integration on area of about 10 Ha 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not always applicable (complex terrain) • Uncertainty on night fluxes • Difficult to separate soil contribution • Energy consumption 	HIGH (30000-50000 US\$)	NO
TreeTalkers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very accurate measurement of biomass growth • High temporal frequency (1hr) • Other functional parameters measured • Soil and biomass are separated 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires many sensors for representativeness 	LOW (100-200 US\$ per sensor)	YES
Laser Scanner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accurate measurement of biomass (not necessary growth) • Integration on large areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soil is not considered • Manual and operator work 	HIGH (50000-100000 US\$)	YES

CONCLUSIONS