Major Risks Management using Space Tools: The Algerian experience



Algeria: exposed to natural disasters

Locust Invasions, Forest Fires, Floods, Earthquakes, Landslides,....



Occurrence of disasters Threatens development efforts.

Strategic importance to master and use space technologies for disaster management.



<u>Disaster Management</u>: one of the prior actions for Algerian Space Agency

Desert locust invasion



LOCUST CONTROL

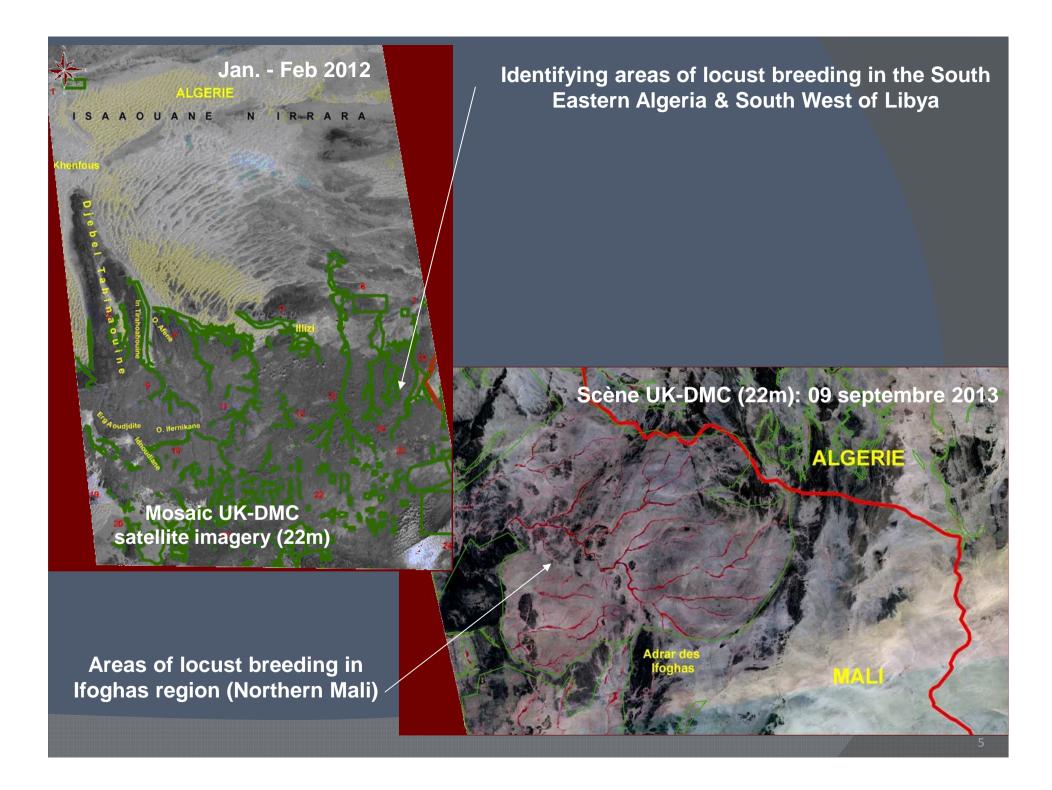


Since 2003, Collaboration ASAL - INPV

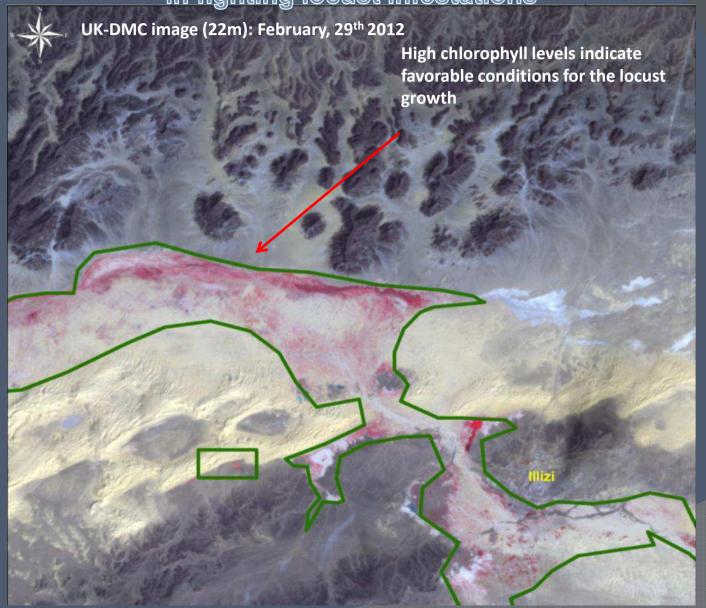
- * Providing medium resolution satellite imagery
 - * Providing expertise

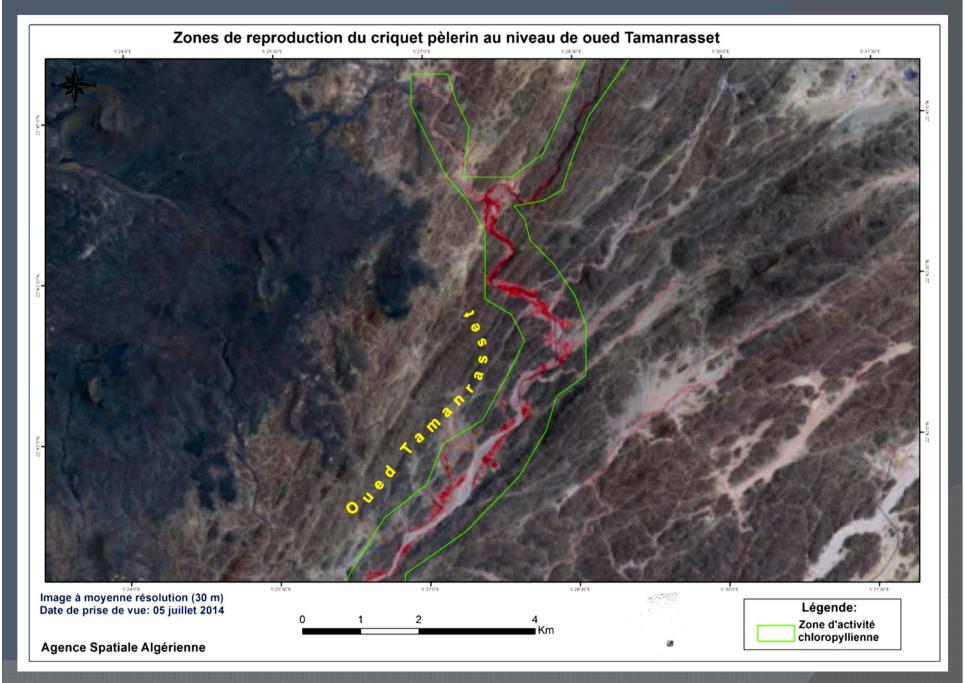
To identify locust breeding areas in Sahel & Saharan regions

Based on <u>ecological conditions analysis</u> by identifying zones on <u>space imagery</u>, with <u>high chlorophyll activities</u>, favorable to locust breeding and development



Contribution of the satellite images in fighting locust infestations





Forest fires

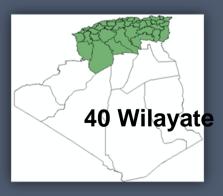


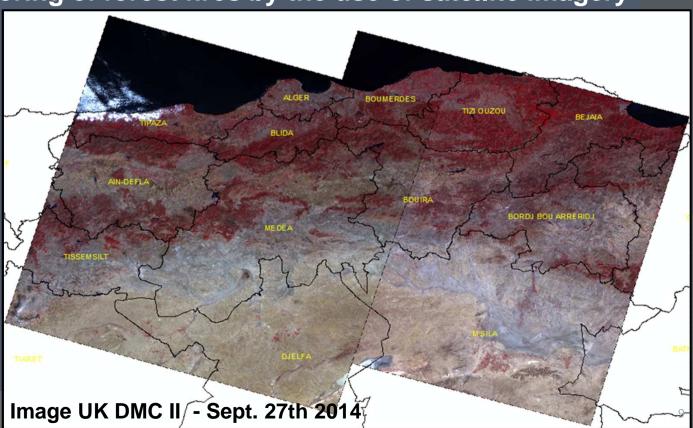
Forest Fires



Collaboration ASAL – General Directorate of Forests

Annual Monitoring of forest fires by the use of satellite imagery

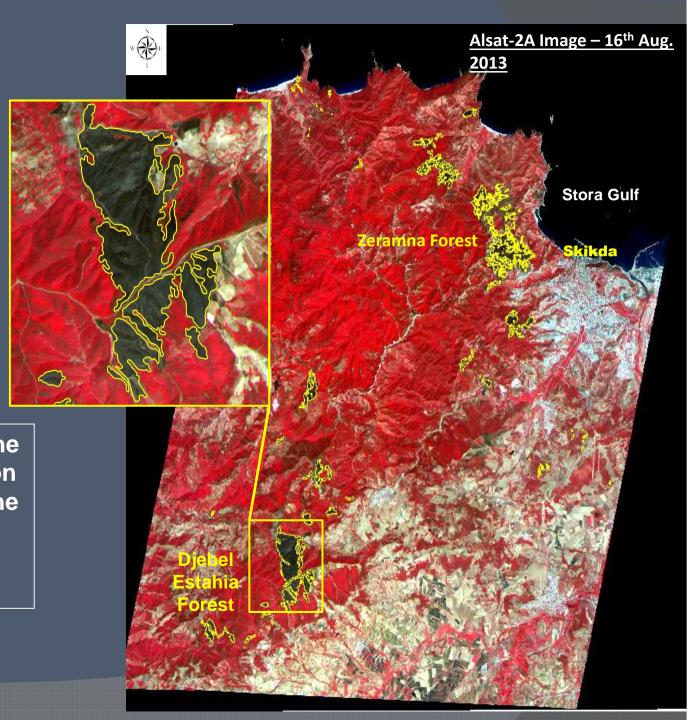




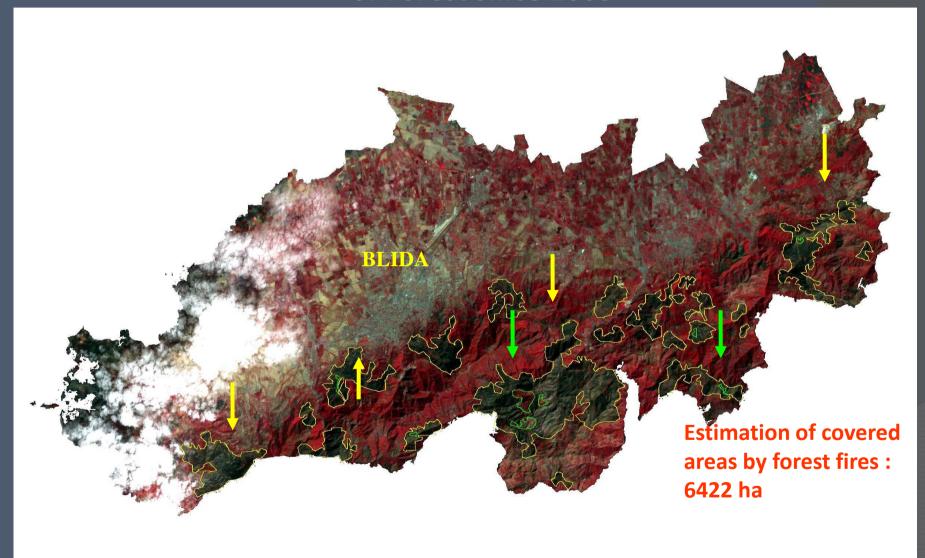
High spatial and spectral resolution of Alsat 2A images :

Refine delineation of forests affected by fire.

Statistical module of the Geographic Information System dedicated to the management and prevention of forest fires.

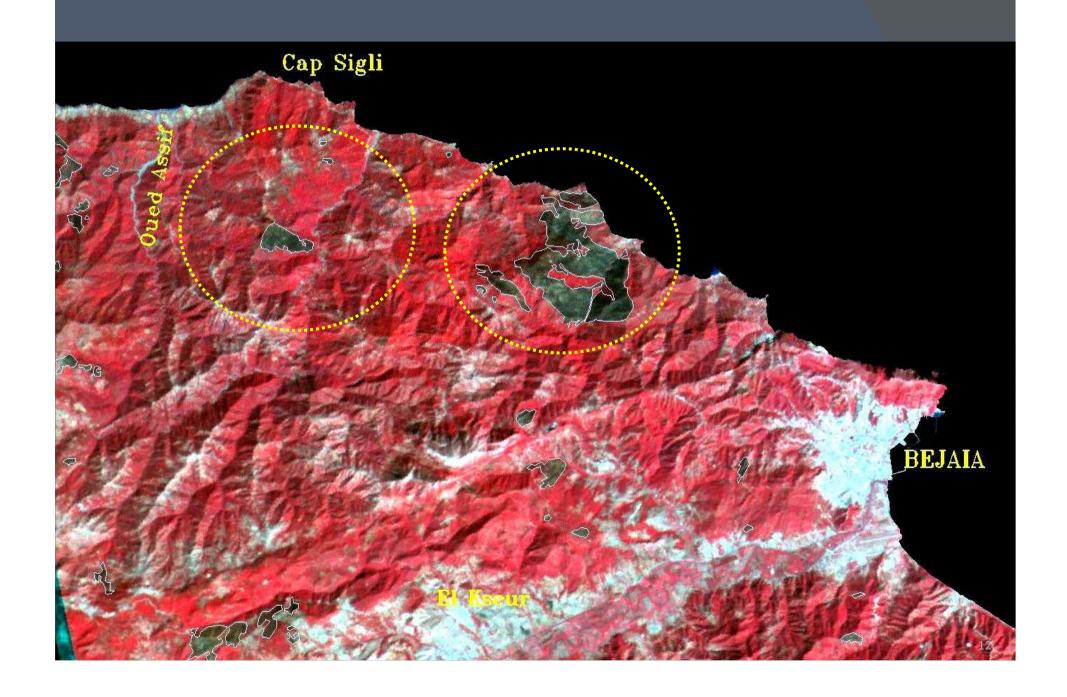


Monitoring of forest fires in collaboration with the Directorate General of Forest since 2003

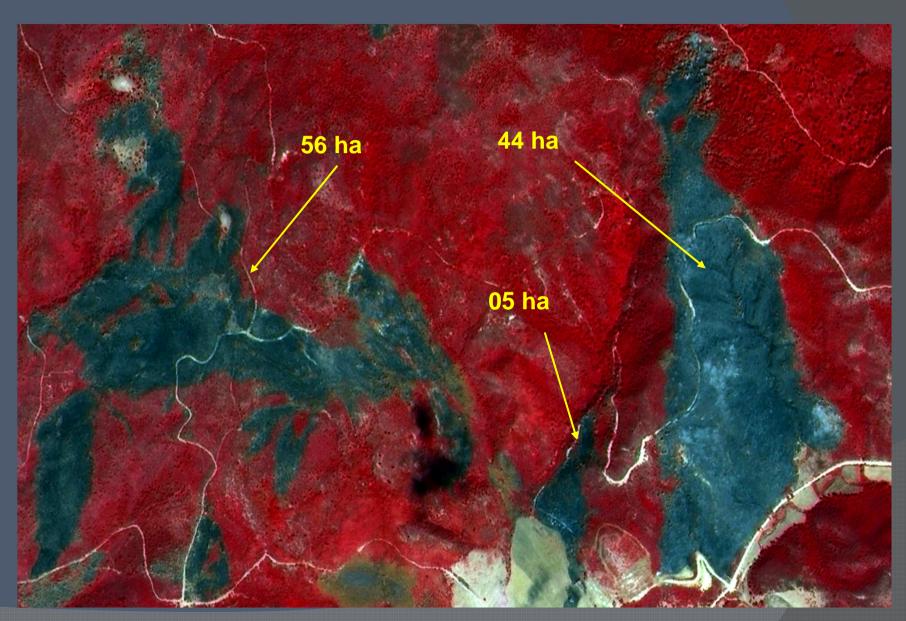


ALSAT-1 image of Blida province (wilaya) in 2007

Alsat-1 Image of Bejaia region, summer 2008



Identification and delimitation of burned zones (Alsat-2A -06 September 2014- Oued Soudane Forest (W.Skikda)



Estimation of burned area from May to September 2014
Region of Sidi Bel Abbes and Saida- Algeria

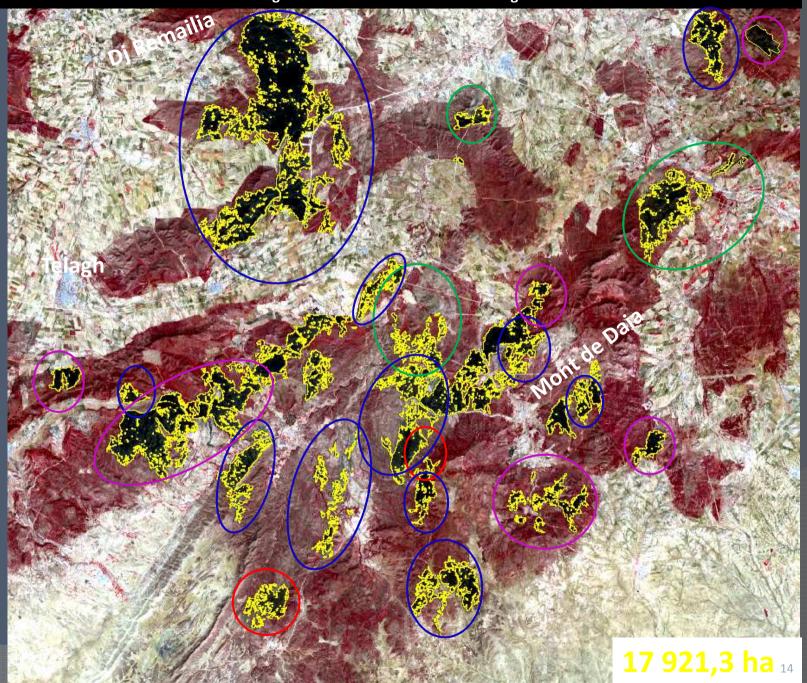
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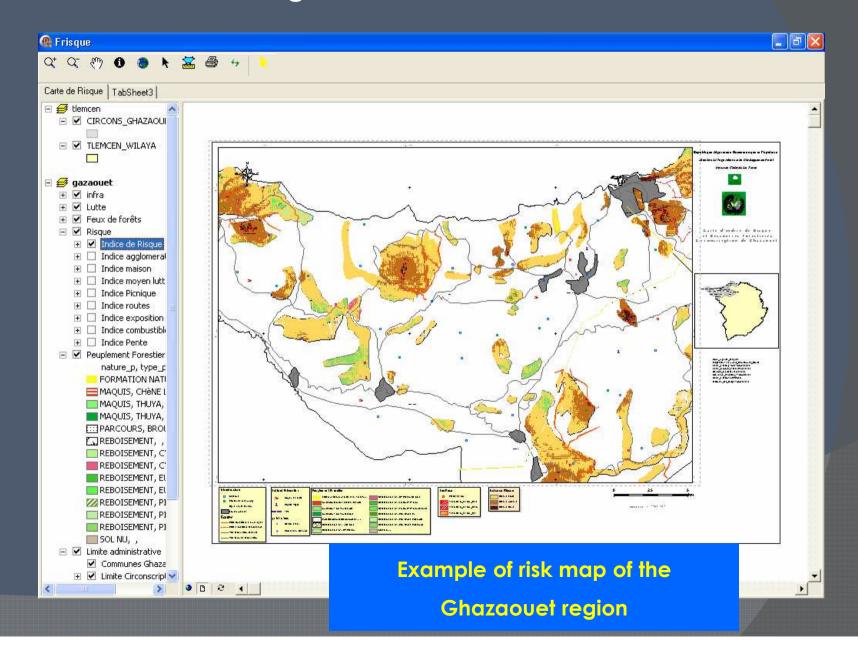
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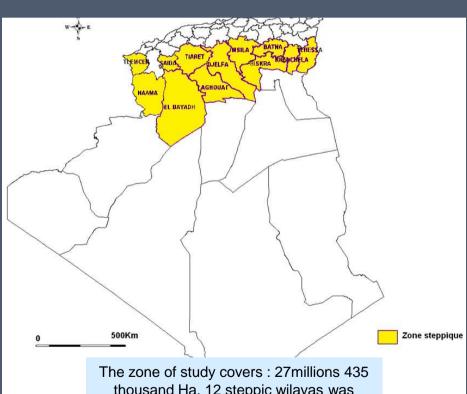
Prototype of the Geographical Information System for prevention and management of Forest Fires



Desertification

In Algeria, the most affected regions, are the ones of the steppic domain spreading out on more than 27 millions hectares and corresponding to isohyetes 400 mm / year in the North and 100 mm / year in the South, they constitute a privileged space of the extensive ovine breeding

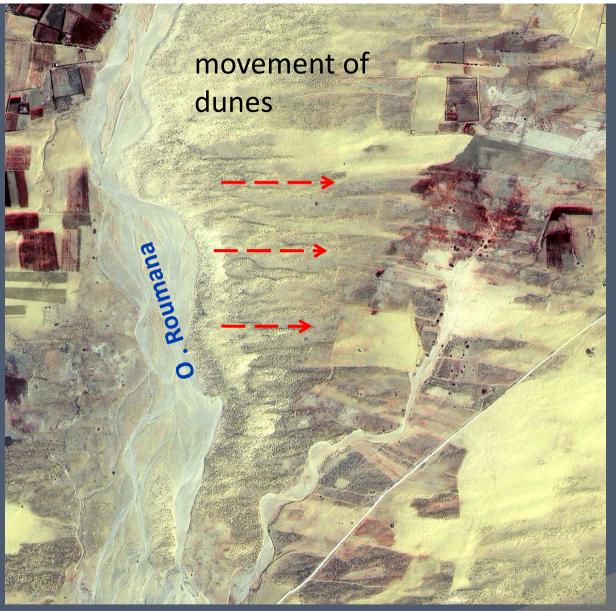
DESERTIFICATION





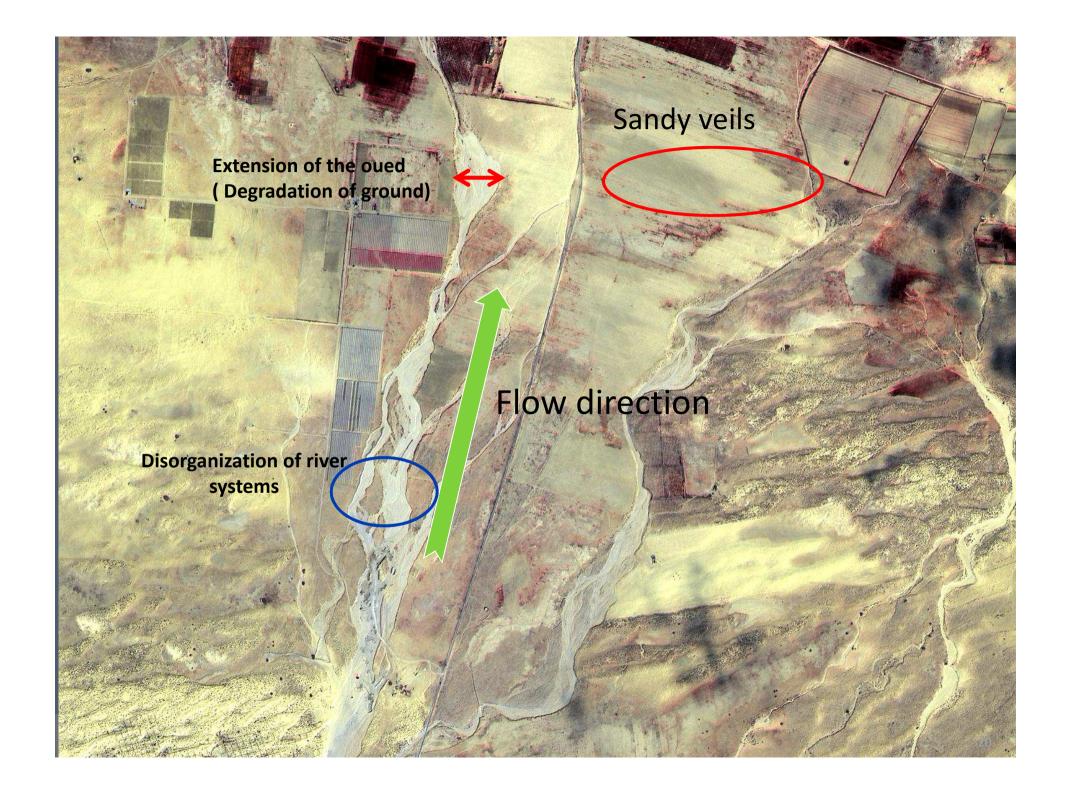


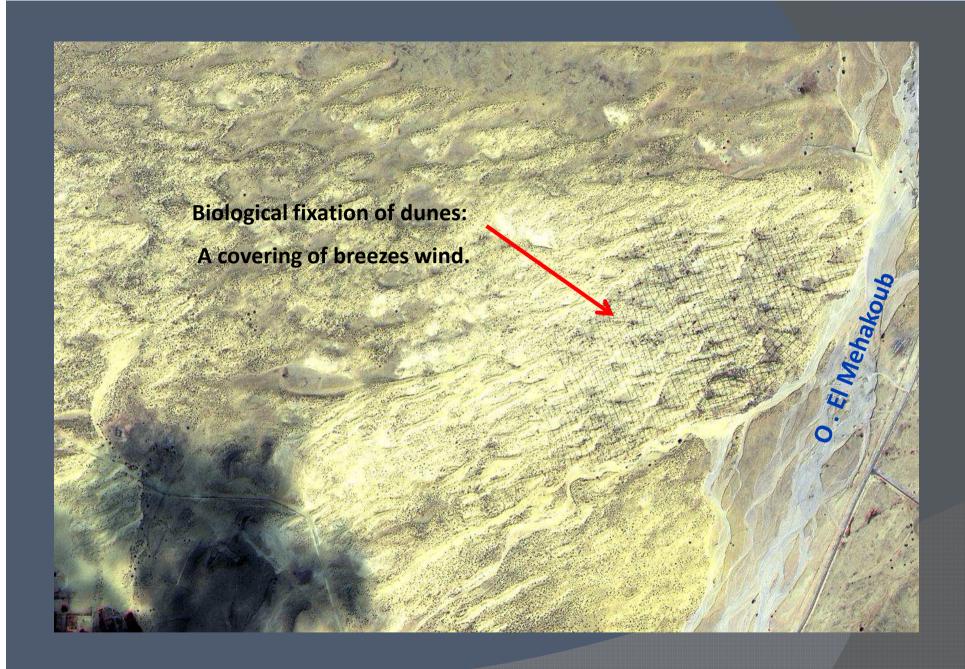
wind erosion phenomenon

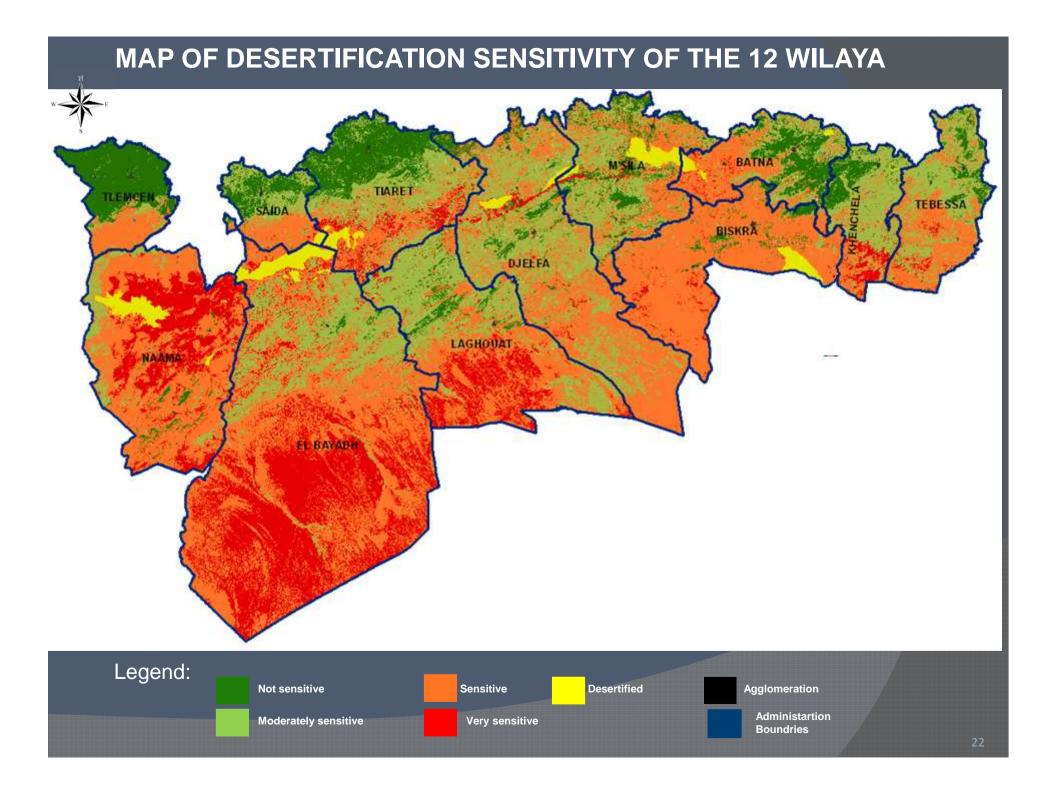


The phenomenon hydro_eolian erosion:

- Overflowing of "oued" on farmlands (loss in ground);
- Farms invaded by the sand.







Floods

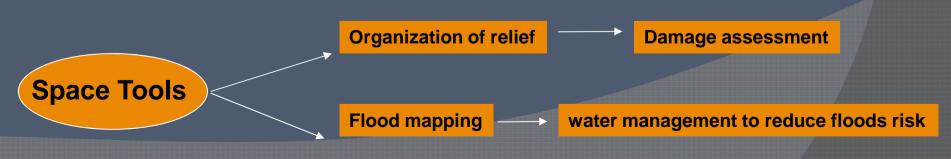
Floods



Floods frequently occurs in Algeria.

In the past, floods took place essentially along of major rivers, in agricultural plains. Since twenty years, they more affect urban centers where they caused many casualties and considerable property damage.

The predictable increase in frequency and in magnitude of extreme weather events makes it essential to mobilize all the technological resources to deal with this situation.





Flooded zones



El Tarf floods - Feb. 23th 2012



Collapse of dikes (dams)



El Bayadh floods - Oct. 1st, 2011

Intact footbridge Length: 38 m

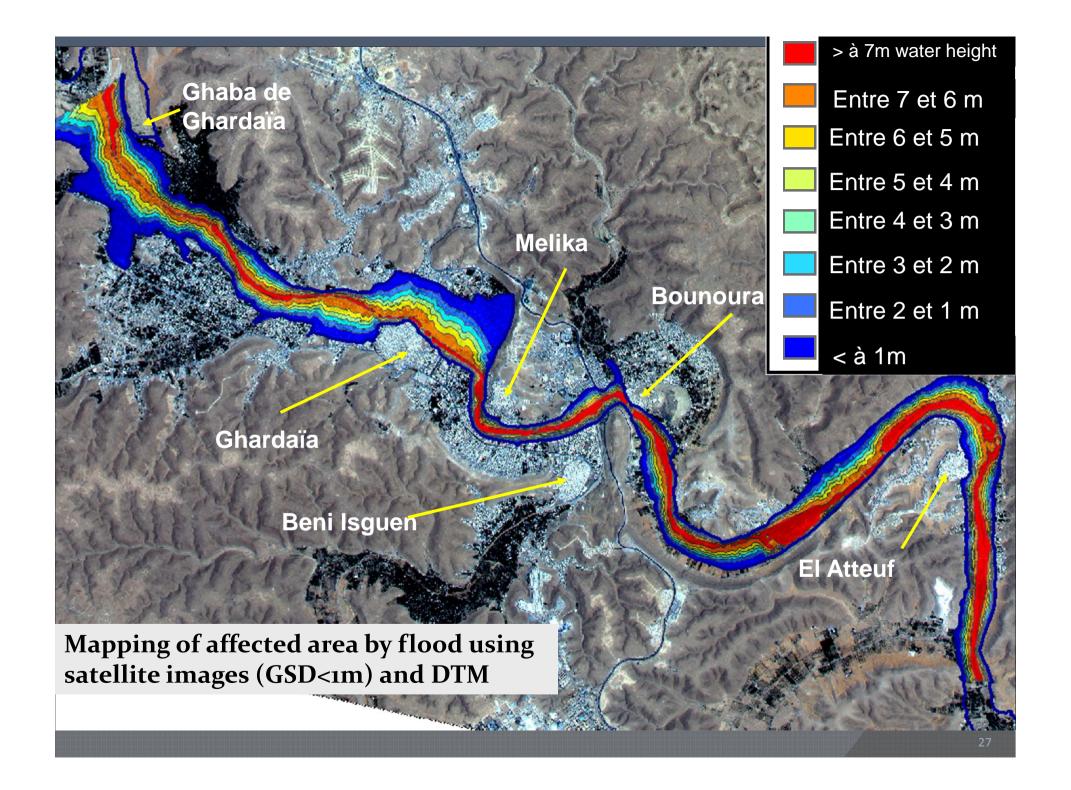
ALSAT-2A image – Jul. 21th , 2011

Fragment of footbridge

Destroyed footbridge

ALSAT-2A image – Oct. 12th , 2011



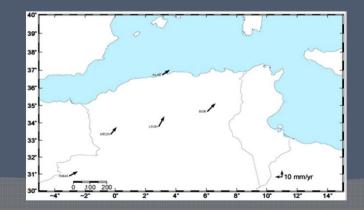


Earthquakes

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Seismicity in the Tellian Atlas

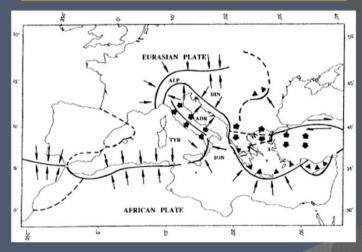
Use of precise satellite positioning (GPS)



Earthquakes

Algeria, a Mediterranean country with seismic risk

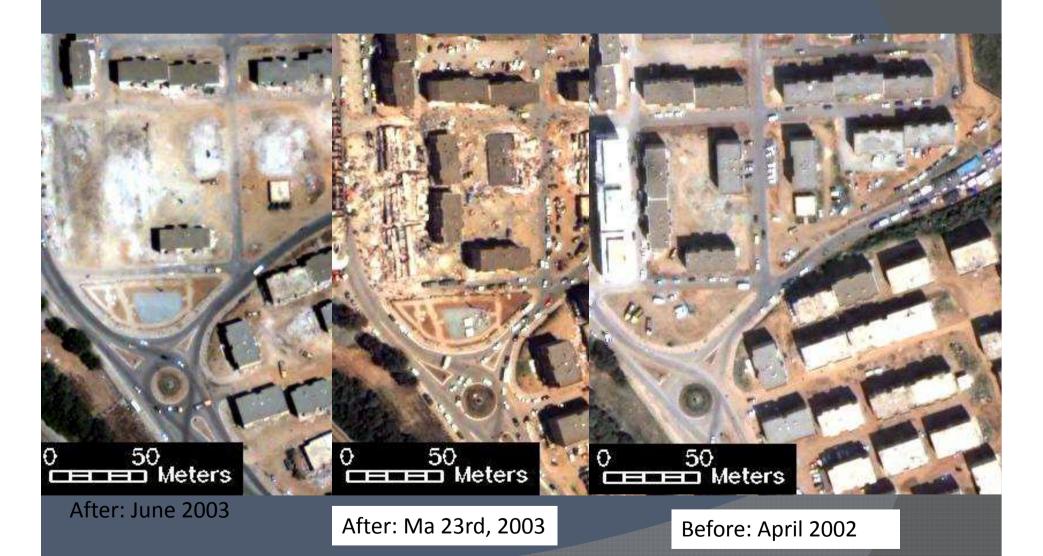
Deformation of Earth's crust (Geodynamics)



Boundaries of Eurasian and African plates

Velocities measured at the GPS stations between 2001 and 2005 (ALGEONET: Algerian network)

Contribution of the high resolution satellite images in the management of natural disasters: The case of Boumerdes earthquake on May 21st, 2003



International Cooperation

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Promoting and developing the use of space technologies for disaster management: not only at national level



Disaster Monitoring Constellation











ALSAT-1

Algeria, Nigeria, Turkey, United Kingdom, Spain, China

Providing emergency Earth imaging for disaster relief under the International Charter for Space and Major Disasters, which the DMC formally joined in November 2005



Algiers Regional Support Office for North Africa and Sahel region

UN Platform for Spacebased Information for Disaster Management and Emergency Response

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