



Copernicus Global Land Mapping, from private to public cloud

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Outline

- Who are we
- VITO's mandate in Copernicus
- Global Land Cover mapping in private cloud
- Scaling Up to public cloud
- Conclusions

SEE
THE
BIGGER
PICTURE

VITO Remote Sensing

Energy



Materials



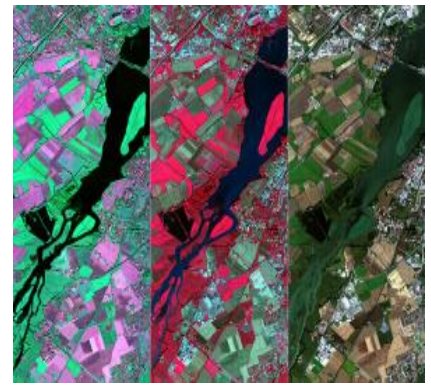
Chemistry



Health



Land use



Our MISSION

We make you **see the bigger picture**.
We take you **high-tech with low risk**.
We leverage your **impact on sustainability**.

Our VISION

We go **end-to-end to give you the insights you need**. Without the hassle.
We do your **science & research** to stripe off complexity and risk.
We deliver top-notch **operational services and customer oriented solutions**.



VITO remote sensing

~90 FTE
~16 M€/yr

Platforms



UAV



AIRBORN

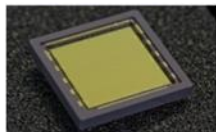


HALE UAV



SATELLITE

Sensors



Value Added Services & Information Products



Markets



Agriculture



Landuse & Biodiversity



Climate



Water & Coast



Infrastructure



Security



VITO Remote Sensing Data Center

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Tiered storage capacity:

- ~7 PB Disk storage
- ~5 PB Tape archive

Server capacity:

- ~650 physical servers (2600 core cluster)
- ~300 virtual servers

Networking capacity:

- Géant connection of 10 GiB

Technologies used



Customers



VITO MANDATE IN COPERNICUS



VITO in Copernicus

- Lead Global Land Service Operations (since 2013) (<http://land.copernicus.eu/global>)
- Lead Climate (C3S) Land Biosphere ECV (since 2017)
- Member of Copernicus Academy
- Member of Copernicus Relays network
- Collaborative Ground Segment for Sentinels (<http://www.terrascope.be>)





CGLOPS Product Portfolio



VEGETATION



- Leaf Area Index (LAI)
- Fraction of Absorbed Photosynthetically Active Radiation (FAPAR)
- Fraction of vegetation cover (FCOVER)
- Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI)
- Vegetation Condition Index
- Vegetation Productivity Index
- Dry Matter Productivity
- Burnt Area
- Greenness Evolution Index
- Phenology metrics
- Moderate Yearly Land Cover

ENERGY



- Top-of-Canopy reflectance
- Surface Albedo
- Land Surface Temperature
- Radiation Fluxes
- Evapotranspiration
- Active Fires
- Surface soil moisture
- Soil Water Index

WATER



- Water Bodies
- Coastal Erosion
- Lake surface water temperature
- Lake and river water level*
- Lake surface reflectance
- Lake turbidity
- Lake trophic state

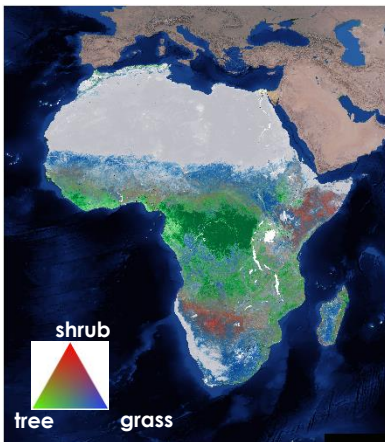
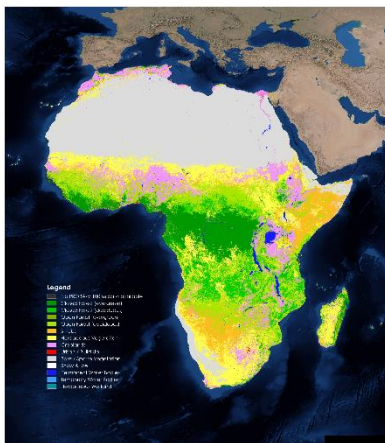
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- Lake Ice Extent
- Snow cover extent
- Snow water equivalent

Copernicus Dynamic Global Land Cover Map

Continuous Covers (0-100%) Discrete Map (18 class)



»  **Dynamic Global Land Cover Map**

A systematic SERVICE providing a **DYNAMIC**, **YEARLY**, **USER- ORIENTED** at GLOBAL scale
@ 100m resolution from 2015 onwards

Complementary to Pan-European, with less thematic details

» **Available collections**

Algorithm version	Spatial	Temporal	Sensor
1	Africa	2015	PROBA-V
2*	Global	2015 - present	PROBA-V, Sentinel-2

(*) under preparation, expected release 2019

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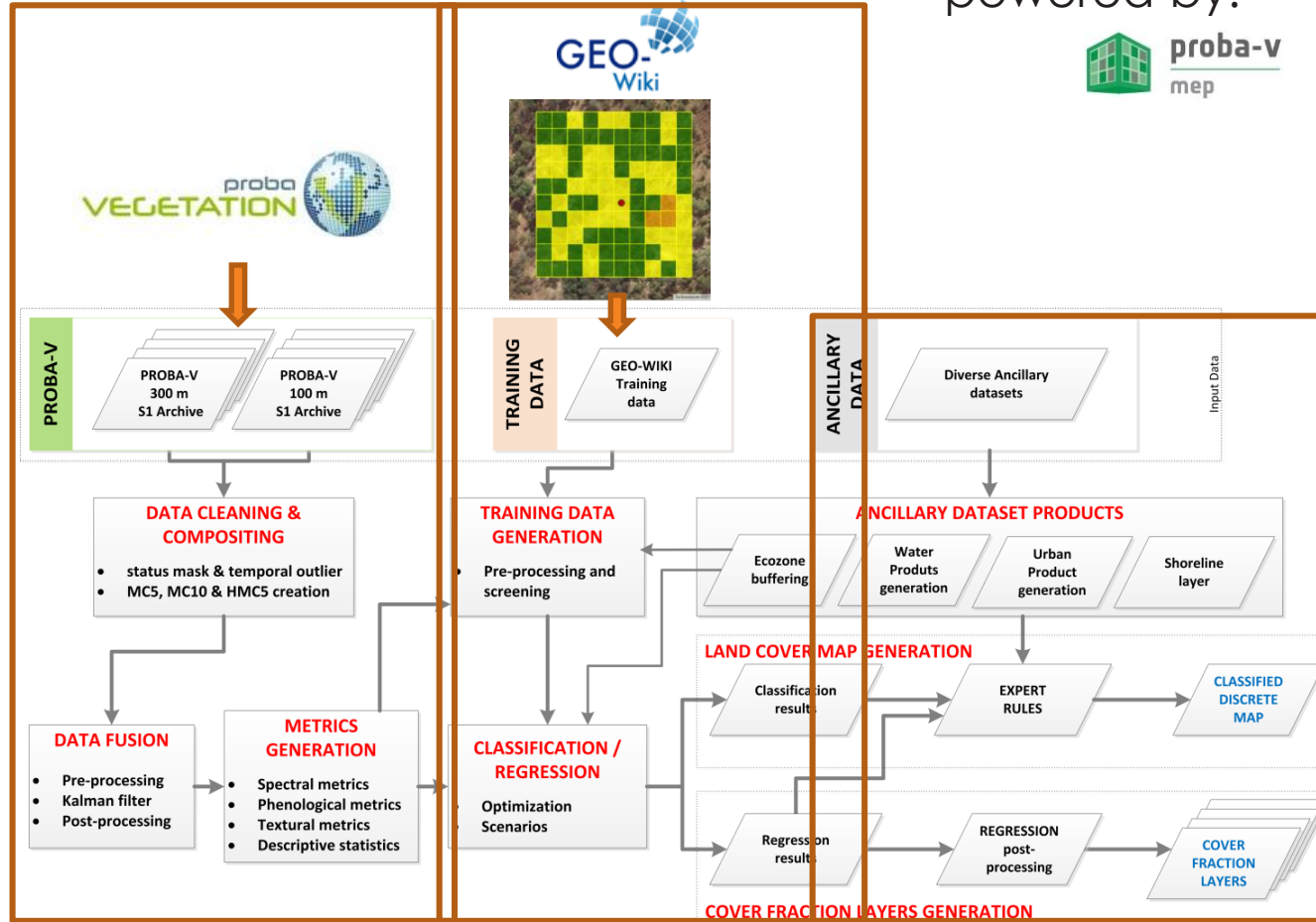


Copernicus LC100 v1

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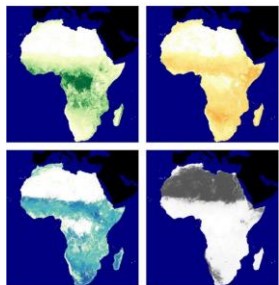


- » Pre-processing
 - » Data cleaning & fusion
 - » Generation of TS metrics
- » Classifier/Regressor
 - » RF optimized, 5 folded CV
 - » 400 metrics, best band selection per 'eco'-zone
 - » 25K training points
 - » 5 results + 4 fraction maps
- » Expert Rules
 - » Decision tree
 - » Incorporate areas of agreement from GLC maps
 - » Imprint JRC GSW/GHSL, DLR GSL (GUF+)

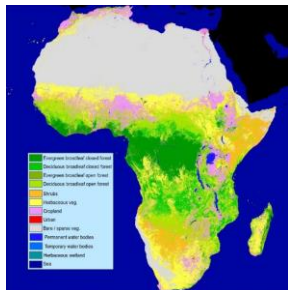


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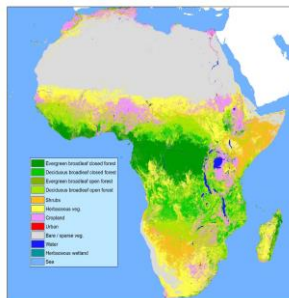
Fraction covers:
trees, shrubs, grass and bare



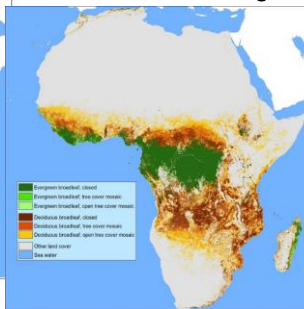
Discrete map



Biodiversity



Forest Monitoring



Crop monitoring



» Flexible map - tailored to your application need
<https://blog.vito.be/remotesensing/lcm-tailored-to-your-needs>

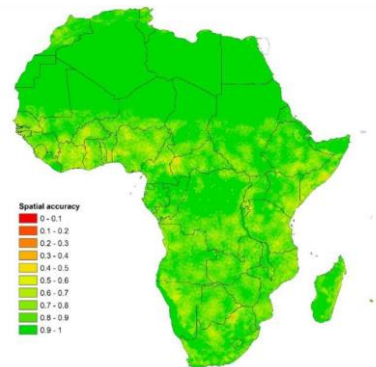
» No 'fixed' mixed classes

» Continuous cover fractions

» CEOS-LPV 'independent' validated, incl. spatial distributions

» Overall accuracy: 72.3% +/- 1.8% to 80.4% +/- 1.1%

» MAE and RMSE: 6% to 14% on cover fractions

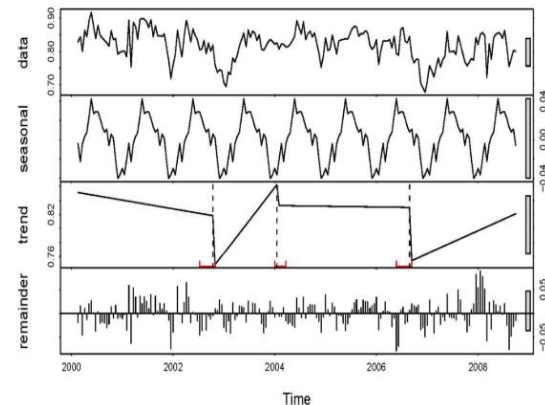


COPERNICUS LAND COVER MAPPING IN PRIVATE CLOUD



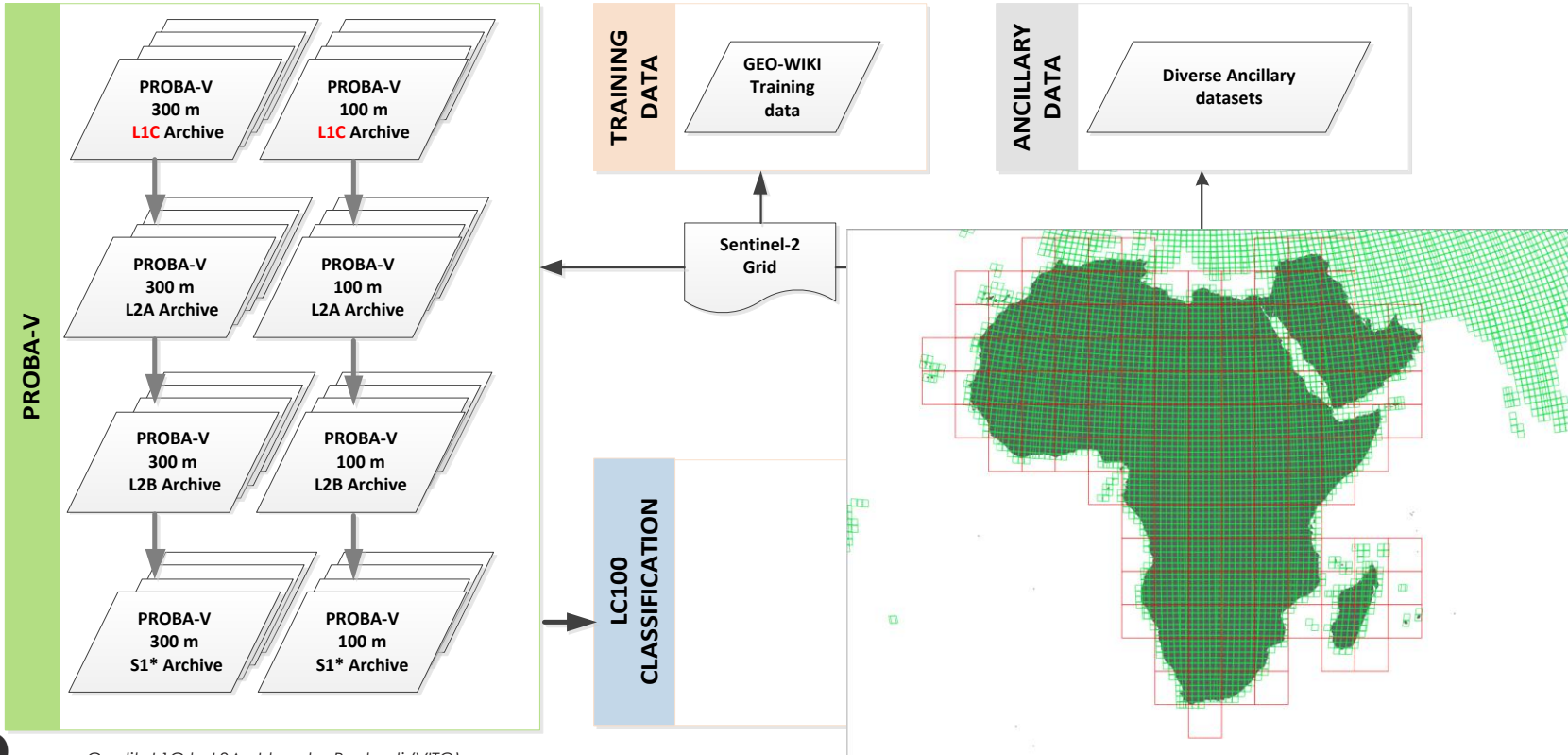
Copernicus LC100

- For V1 of the *Africa* product
 - Fully automated workflow, with ~20K training points over Africa continent
- For V2 of the *Global* product -> less geometric distortion & better interoperability – Landsat and Sentinel-2
 - Generation of PROBA-V UTM 100m ARD
 - Training data and validation data was also switched to UTM (120K human qualitative training points with 10x10 box of 10m resolution)
- For V2 we integrate *change detection*
 - BFAST
method for detecting and characterizing change within time series
 - NAUC
indicator on stability of pixels





PROBA-V UTM ARD for LC100 V2



Credits L1C to L2A : Iskander Benhadj (VITO)



PROBA-V to UTM

- geometric correction including pixel alignment to the Sentinel-2 grid
- cloud and cloud shadow detection PLUS snow/ice detection (using additional ancillary data) – NEW: **temporal cloud detection**
- Improved atmospheric correction using CAMS NRT data for AOD550, O3, and TCWV
- image compositing to generate time series stacks plus **image clipping** to the Sentinel-2 tiling grid (resolving issues in overlapping areas)
- generation of final status masks – improved to usable data mask
- **gap-filling** in the time series of a pixel via a Kalman-filter approach which uses the PROBA-V 300m corresponding side cameras information, compositing to 5-daily observations



proba-v
mep

A node in a federation of platforms



On-demand
processing
services



Platform for
application
developers

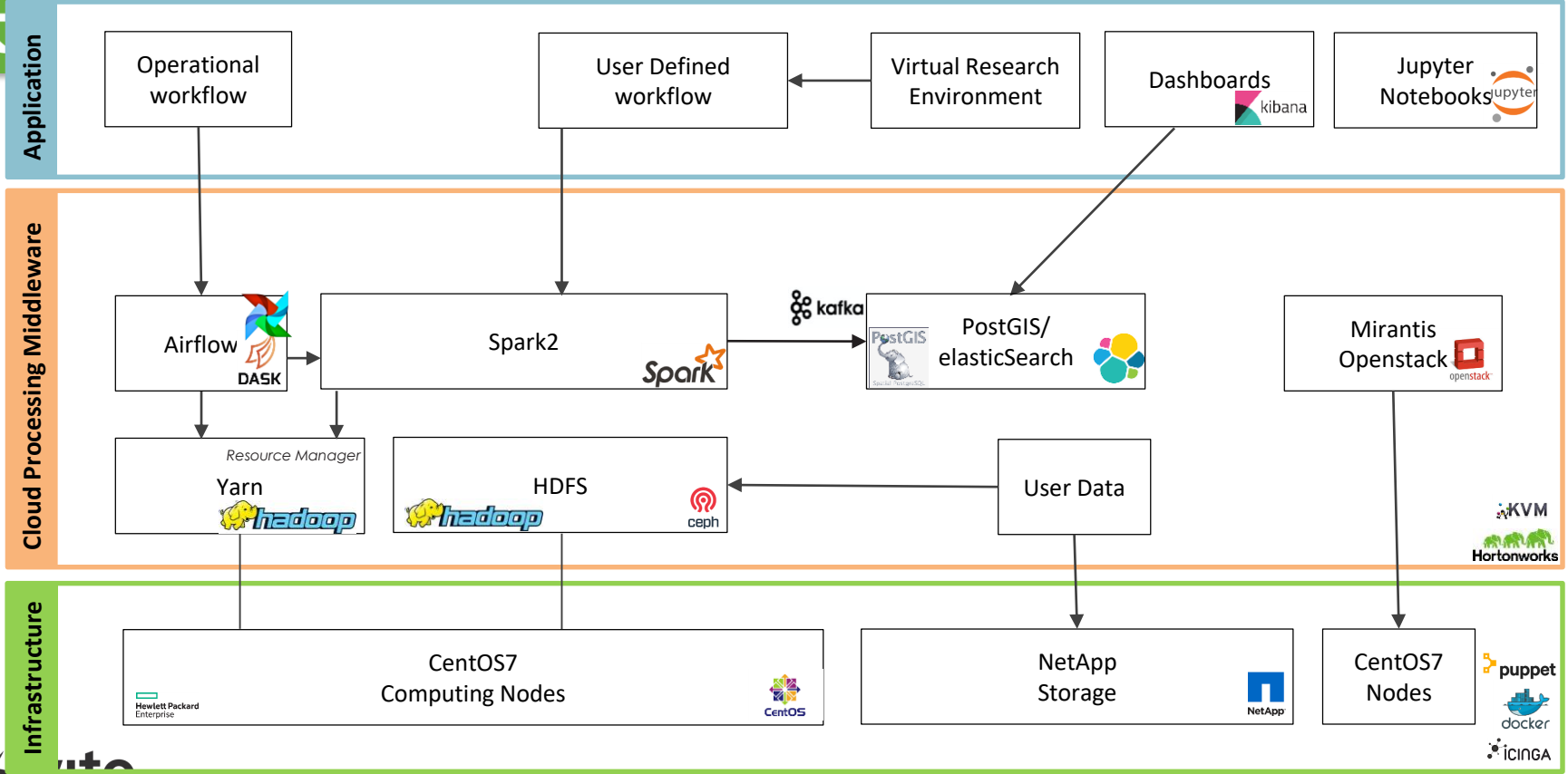


Time series exploration





MEP Software Stack





PROBA-V to UTM

- Over **50 million** single acquisitions were processed to generate a global PROBA-V ARD at 100m resolution spanning over 5 years ... in 2 weeks using less 30% of resources
- Fully **aligned** to the **Sentinel-2** tiling grid and naming
- Additional metadata are injected to enable a SpatioTemporal Asset Catalog (STAC), based on an ElasticSearch database to allow easy search through json
- Geotrellis based backend, allowing on the fly extraction of time-series cubes for specified areas or whole tiles – used in OpenEO



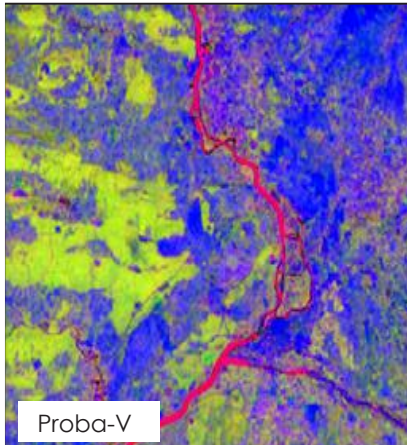
LC100 Classification

- Implemented in **15 python** modules
- 3 years data in 'base' mode
- **270 metrics** per tile
- 18962 tiles:
 - 5 folded CV
 - 6 classifiers + 7 regressors (+urban, water, crop)
- Up till now **31 continental** runs performed
- Using 500 executors, within 1 GB memory
 - Data preparation takes 2-3 days
 - Classification < 1 day

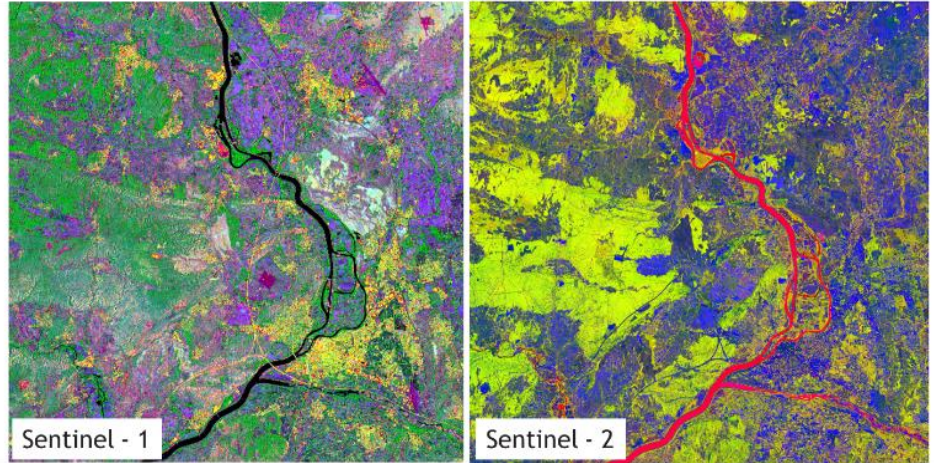
SCALING UP TO PUBLIC CLOUD



Continuity & Higher spatial resolution



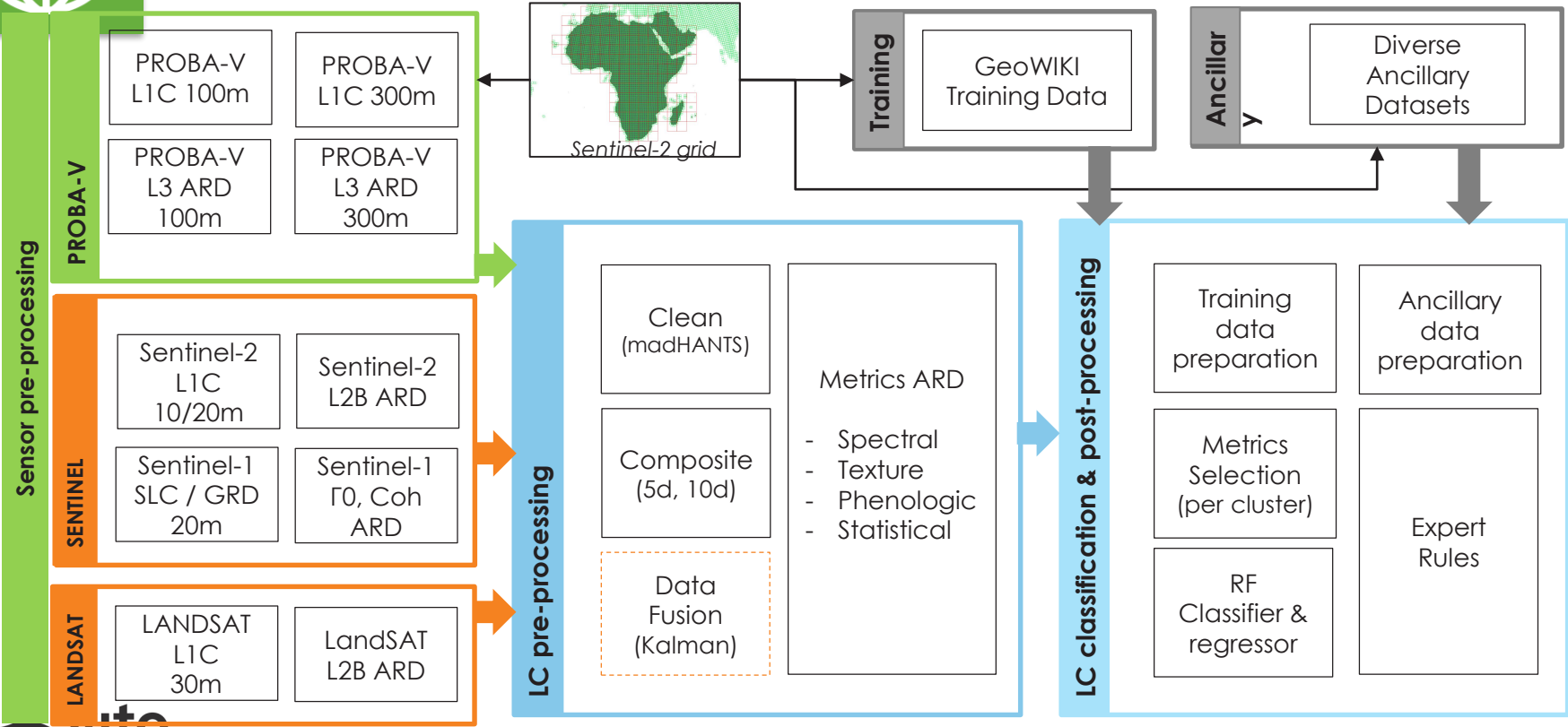
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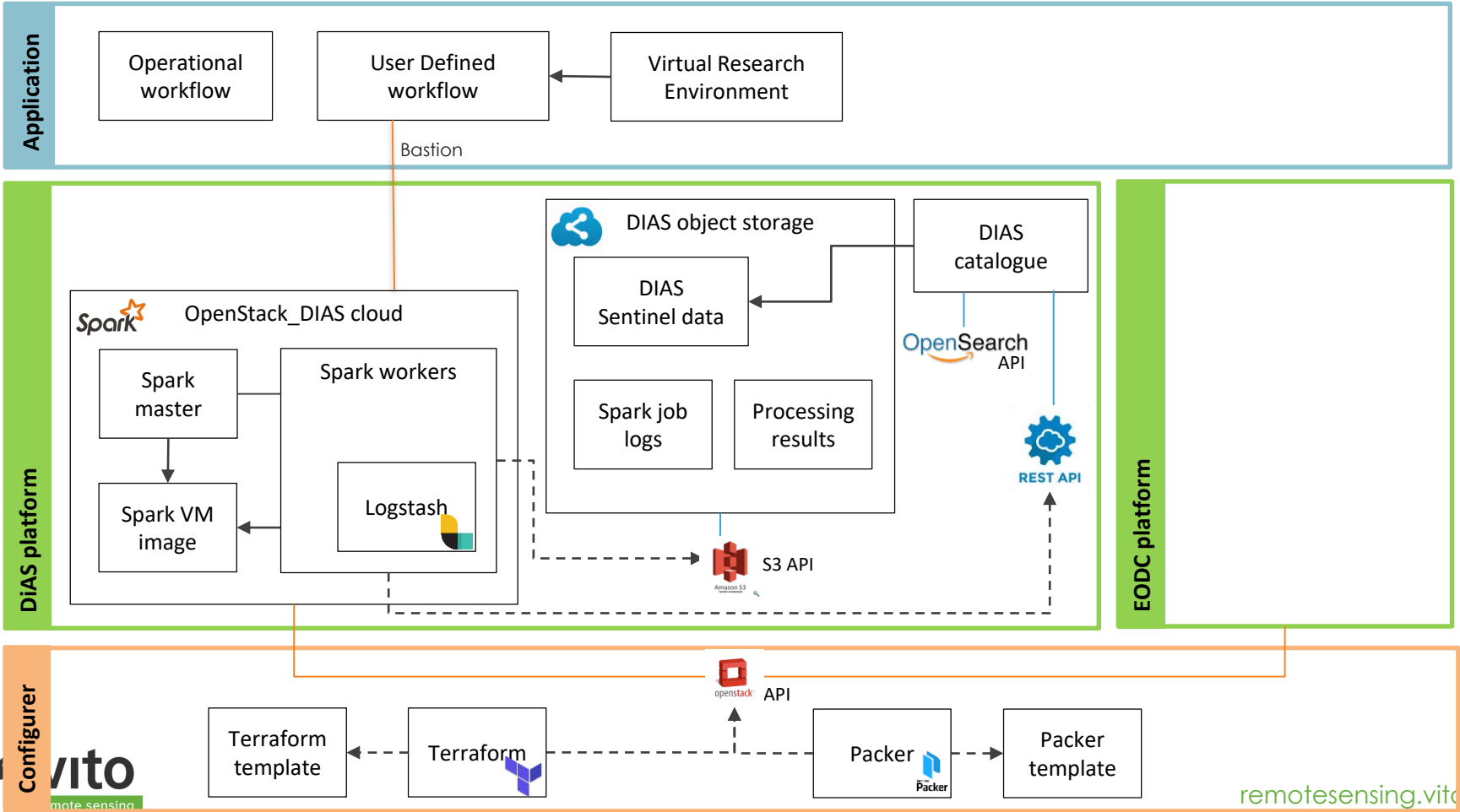


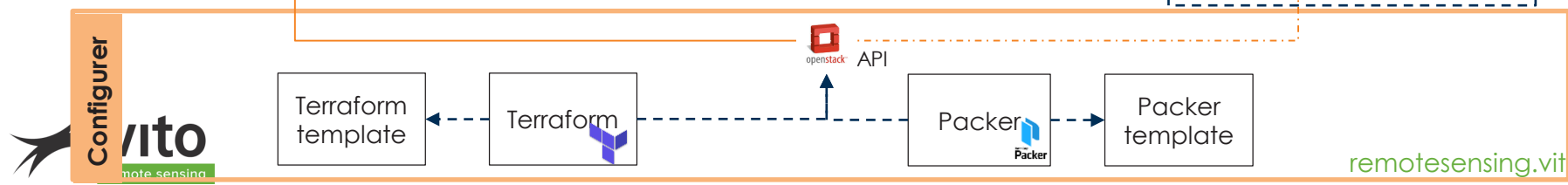
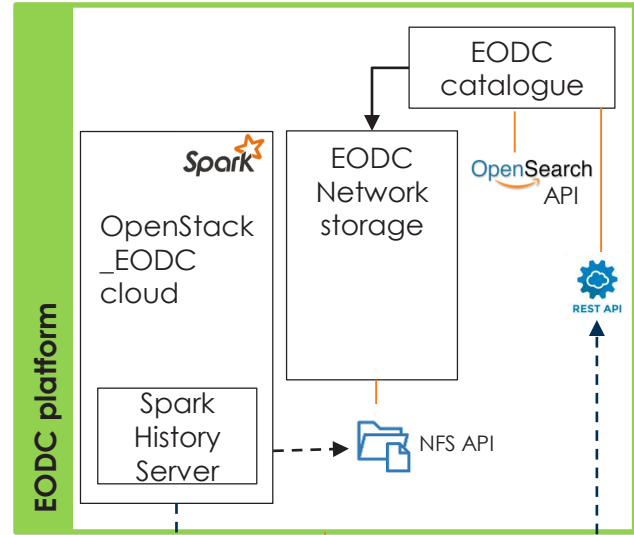
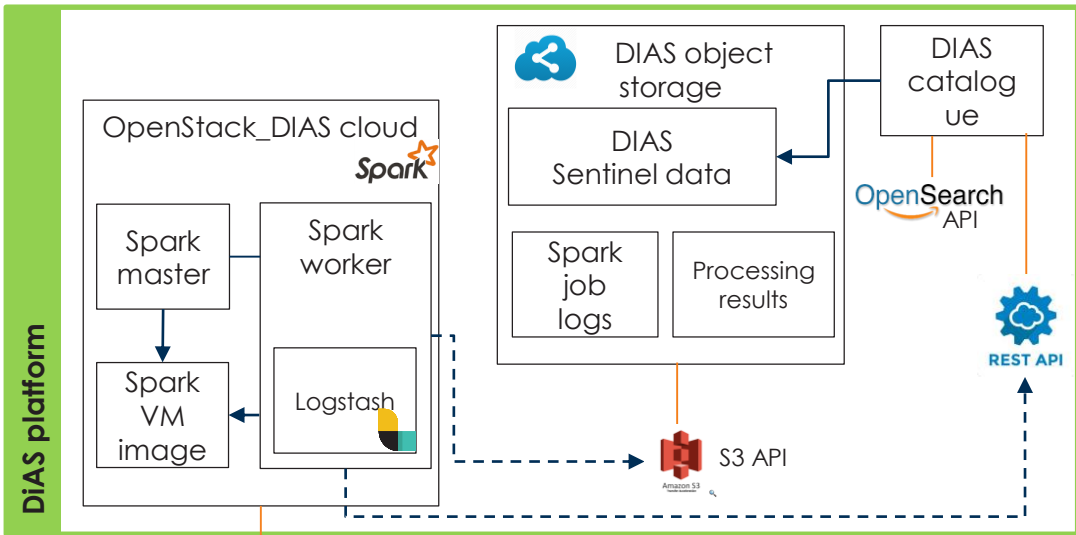
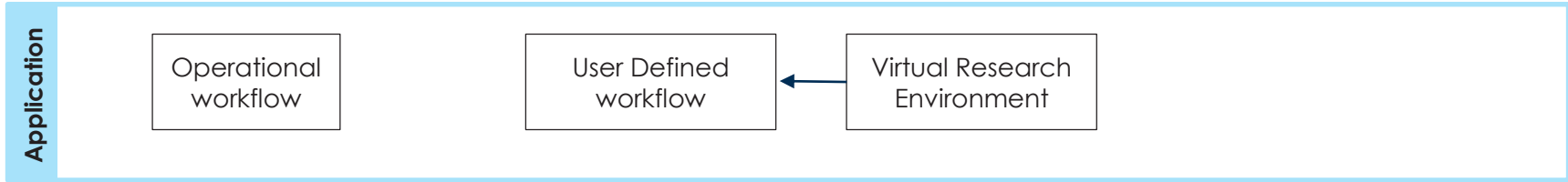
10m



Sensor agnostic (fusion), re-use LC workflow







CLOSING



Where are we ?

- Full automated Land Cover workflow
 - User-customization in classes possible through 4->7 covers
 - Include Spatial accuracy maps (& Change maps)
 - Large 10m database of high quality training (&validation) points
 - Sensor agnostic
 - Global on PROBA-V UTM
 - AOI on Sentinel & Landsat
- Highly optimized workflow in Spark
 - Stable in private cloud environment
 - Infrastructure agnostic (Spark standalone)
 - Tests in public cloud environment ongoing



Next steps

- LC100 v2 (Global 2015 + Africa change)
 - Release at Living Planet Symposium



- + 7 Cover Fractions
- + Data Density Indicator
- + Spatial Accuracy Map

- LC100 v3
 - Global Sentinel (1+2)
 - Explore/integrate new AI/ML techniques (reCNN)



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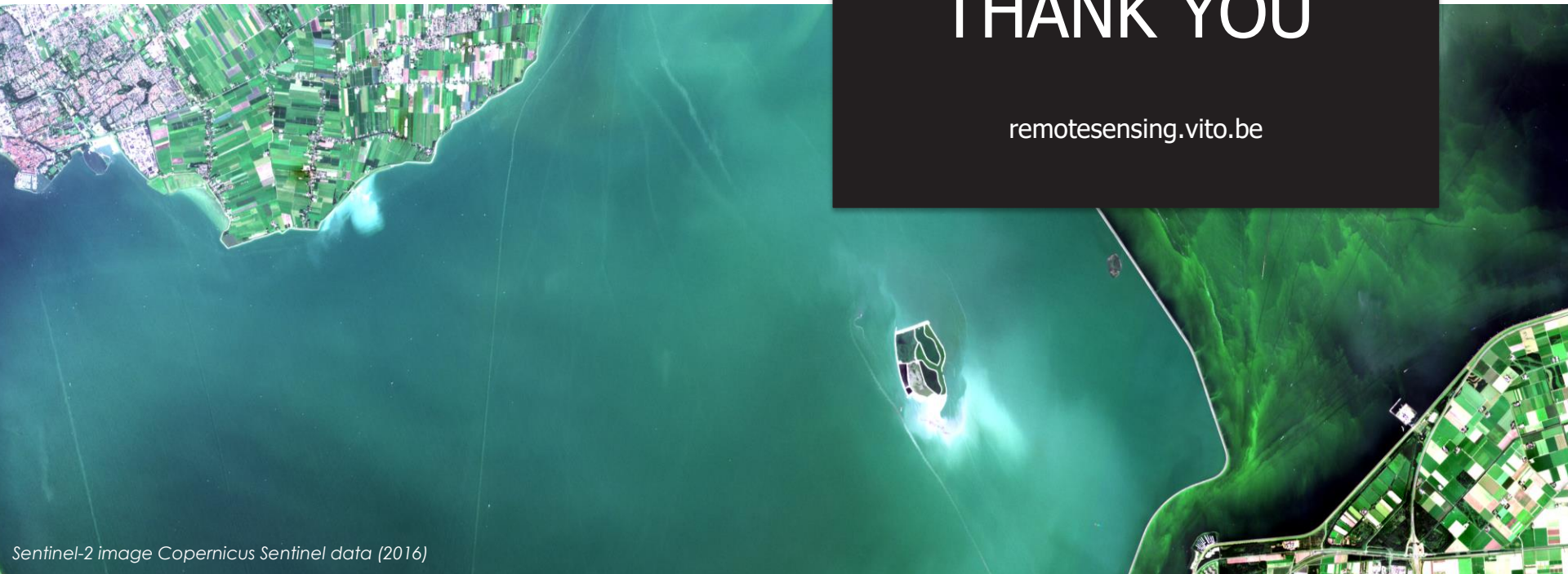
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