"Harnessing Earth Observation for Sustainable Agriculture" Challenges, Opportunities, and the Path Forward"

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Session Objectives

- Assess the long-term impact of the EO agri-projects.
- Highlight successes, challenges, and lessons learned.
- Explore innovative funding mechanisms and partnership models.
- Next steps for the Agriculture Action Group





Engaging End-Users

- The gap between the digital transformation and the agricultural sector.
- Importance of co-designing with end-users for accurate data.
- Calibration and validation are crucial for application development.



The Need for Collaboration

- The sooner we collaborate, the more resilient our projects become.
- Sharing results and experiences with experts enhances project outcomes.



Data Challenges

- Importance of effective data management.
- Challenges in data sustainability and accuracy.
- The balance between big data and useful data.



Session Layout

• From Space to Field: Using EO Data to Combat Climate Crisis in Agriculture

Dr Dimitrios Kateris (STARGATE H2020 project) (IBO-CERTH)

• EO-Based Water Management in Agriculture: From Innovation to Practice

Dr Anna Osann (DIANA, COALA and REXUS projects) (AgriSat Iberia SL)

- Navigating Food Security Challenges in the Global South: The Essential Role of Earth Observation Dr Juan Suarez Beltran (*AfriCRS project*) (GMV)
- Agricultural Insurance in the Era of EO: Innovations and Insights

Mr Gregory Mygdakos (BEACON H2020 project) (Karavias Underwriting Agency)

- **APOLLO: Charting the Path from H2020 Project to Commercial Farm Management Solution** Ms Dimitra Perperidou (APOLLO H2020 project) (DRAXIS Environmental S.A.)
- Earth Observation for Soil Health and Sustainable Land Use Management

Dr Irini-Xanthoula Pantazi (SIEUSOIL H2020 project) (AUTH)

• Operationalizing EO for CAP Monitoring: Insights from a Paying Agency's Experience

Mr Aušrius Kučinska (NMA-Lithuanian PA)



Let's Begin!

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