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### InDust Cost Action – Impacts on Solar Energy





## The inDust Cost action

International Network to Encourage the Use of Monitoring and Forecasting Dust Products

Dust

Organic Carbon + Elemental carbon

Dust



Period: Nov 2017 – Nov 2021

Our goal dust user-oriented services

# The inDust Cost action

## Who

Researchers on:

- Satellite products
- Ground observations
- Dust forecasting models
- Climate
- Socio-economic impacts

### Users:

- Solar energy
- Aviation
- Air Quality
- Health
- International bodies (WMO, UNCCD, ...)



# The problem: Dust effect on solar radiation

- Attenuation of solar radiation reaching the PVs or CSP mirrors
- Horizontal attenuation (mirrors to central point)









#### CSP

# The problem: Dust effect on solar radiation

• Soiling

panels efficiency and water management



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# **Dust effect on PV and CSP input**

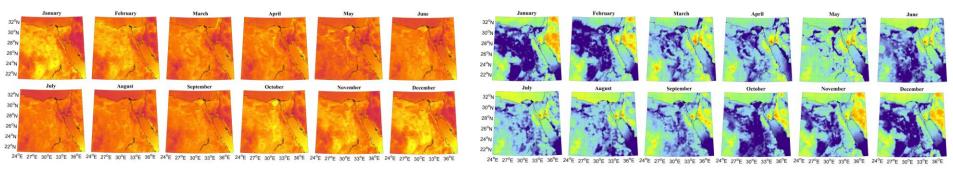


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AOD = 0.034 - 0.966

GHI attenuation = 0.7 – 12.9 %

DNI attenuation = 2.9 – 41.0 %



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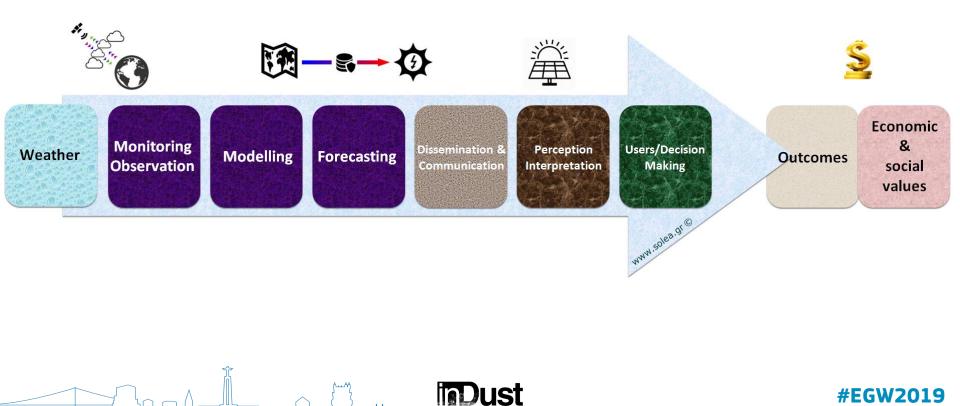
percentage attenuation (%)

Monthly averages of solar energy percentage attenuation relative to the aerosol-free simulations under MODIS-based AODs.

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Kosmopoulos et al. 2018 @ Remote Sensing ©

# Addressing the problem



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# Addressing the problem

### Use dust forecasting services

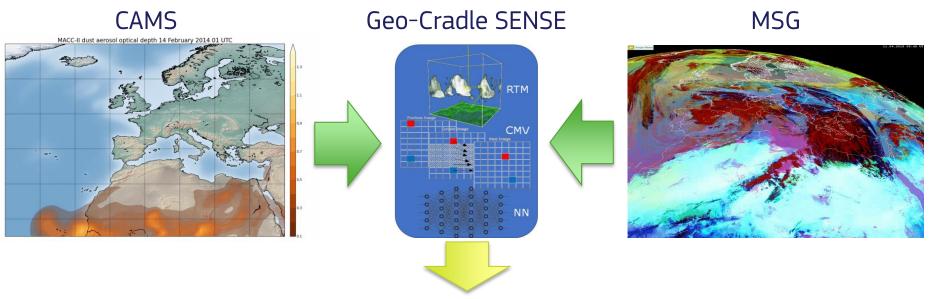
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# Addressing the problem

Calculate attenuation / optimum and existing infrastructures ... Inclination



Translate solar radiation parameters to solar energy and economic effects

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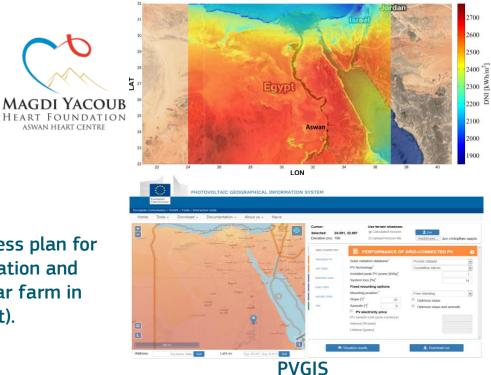
# End user involvement: the Aswan heart hospital



Area = 1260000 m2 (300 Feddan)



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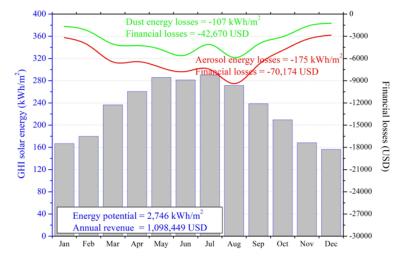
Development of business plan for establishment, operation and exploitation of a solar farm in Aswan (Egypt).

**GEOSS funded project** 

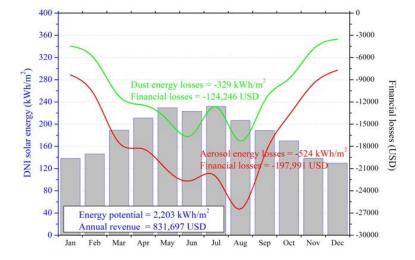


## **Economic management plans**

### Photovoltaic (PV) installations



### **Concentrated Solar Power (CSP) plants**



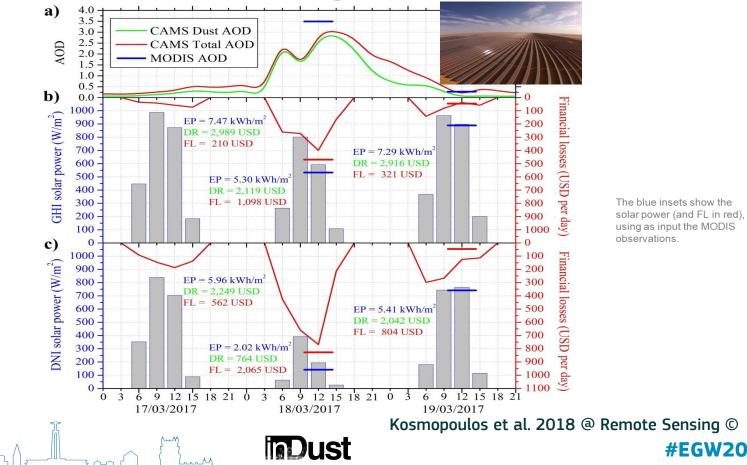
Simulated scenario: 10 MW (produces annually almost 25,687 kWh or 976,000 USD)

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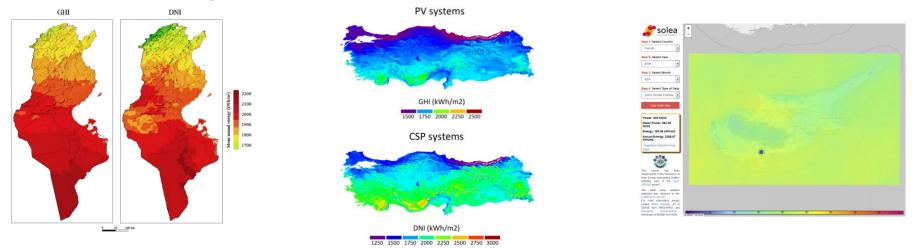
## **Economic management plans**



EP = Energy production DR = Daily revenue FL = Financial losses

# **Upscaling opportunities**

Such energy data and techniques can be used at any area covered by EO. For that purpose 8 nationals bodies (institutes, TSOs, DSOs, ministries) from Egypt (MERE, CEDARE), Turkey (TUBITAK UZAY), Greece (PPCR, IPTO), Cyprus (CUT), Morocco (CRTS) and Tunisia (CERT) have declared their interest in the participation of the further development and use of the described dust and solar energy solutions.



Towards this direction, the inDust will contribute to the scientific and energy market knowledge by providing an holistic approach on desert dust and solar energy management and planning.

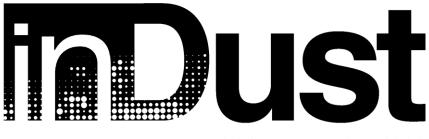
# **Contribution to EuroGEOSS vision**

- Response to solar energy demand in high solar potential areas where dust plays the most impartant role as attenuator
- Use of CAMS, EO
- Direct user uptake and use



- Possibilities for using this platform for other areas in N. Africa
- InDust searches to build a community of researches and users that can start designing the strategy to develop dust services

# Thanks for your attention!



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