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# Institut für Intelligente Systeme und Smart Farming

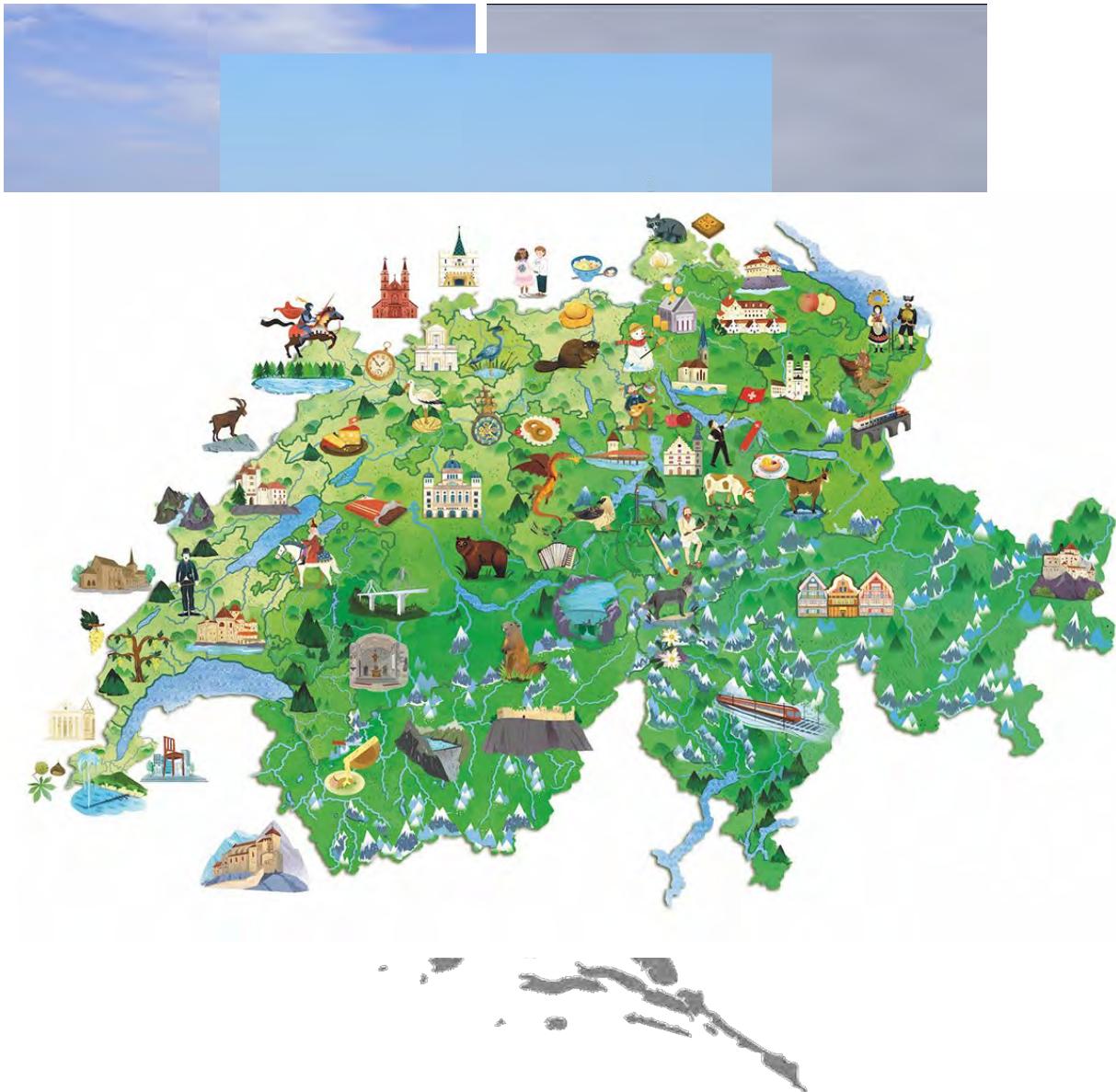
Institutsvorstellung

**ISF**

Institut für Intelligente Systeme  
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## Kurze Vorstellung

- Promoviert in **Hannover**, an der Leibnitz Universität: Pflanzenerkennung aus 3D Punktwolken
- Berufliche Entwicklung:
  - **Leica Geosystems AG** (Heerbrugg)
  - **ZHAW**, Zürcher Hochschule für Angewandte Wissenschaften
  - **HKA**, Hochschule Karlsruhe
  - **HSR**, Hochschule Rapperswil
  - **OST** – Ostschweizer Fachhochschule



Quelle: <https://www.behance.net/gallery/75068381/My-big-Atlas-of-the-Switzerland-Auzou-6-years-old?moduleId=436419105&action=moodboard>

## Die Präsentation

- Das ISF – Team
- Entstehung vom ISF
- Intelligente Systeme in der Landwirtschaft: Ideen aus Vergangenheit...
- Woran arbeiten wir jetzt?
- Was bringt die Zukunft?

# Das Team



# Das ISF – Team



# Vorstellung Team ISF

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ANYmal



ANYbotics Robot

## Entstehung vom ISF

# Die Chronologie des ISF

Projektskizze  
Innovationsforum ➔ 2020/01 - 2020/11

Ideenentwicklung OST Tänikon ➔ 2020/12 - 2022/02

Living Lab Phase I ➔ 2022/12 - 2023/05

Living Lab Phase II ➔ 2023/09 - 2024/12

Idee

Jan 17, 2019



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Jan 1, 2025

2019

2020

2021

2022

2023

2024

2025

2025

Heute



## Rumex Detection

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Sunrise

HUAWEI



Schweizerische Eidgenossenschaft  
Confédération suisse  
Confederazione Svizzera  
Confederaziun svizra

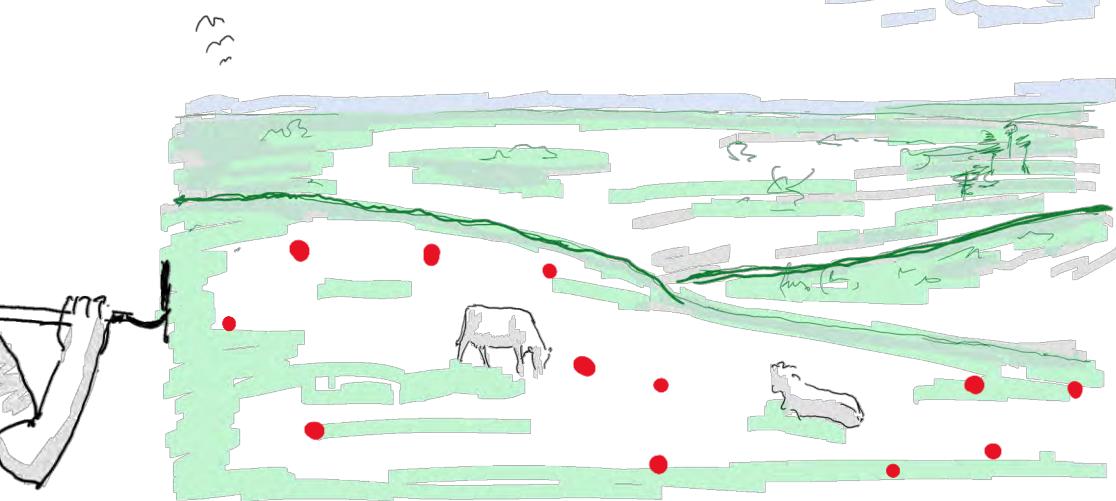
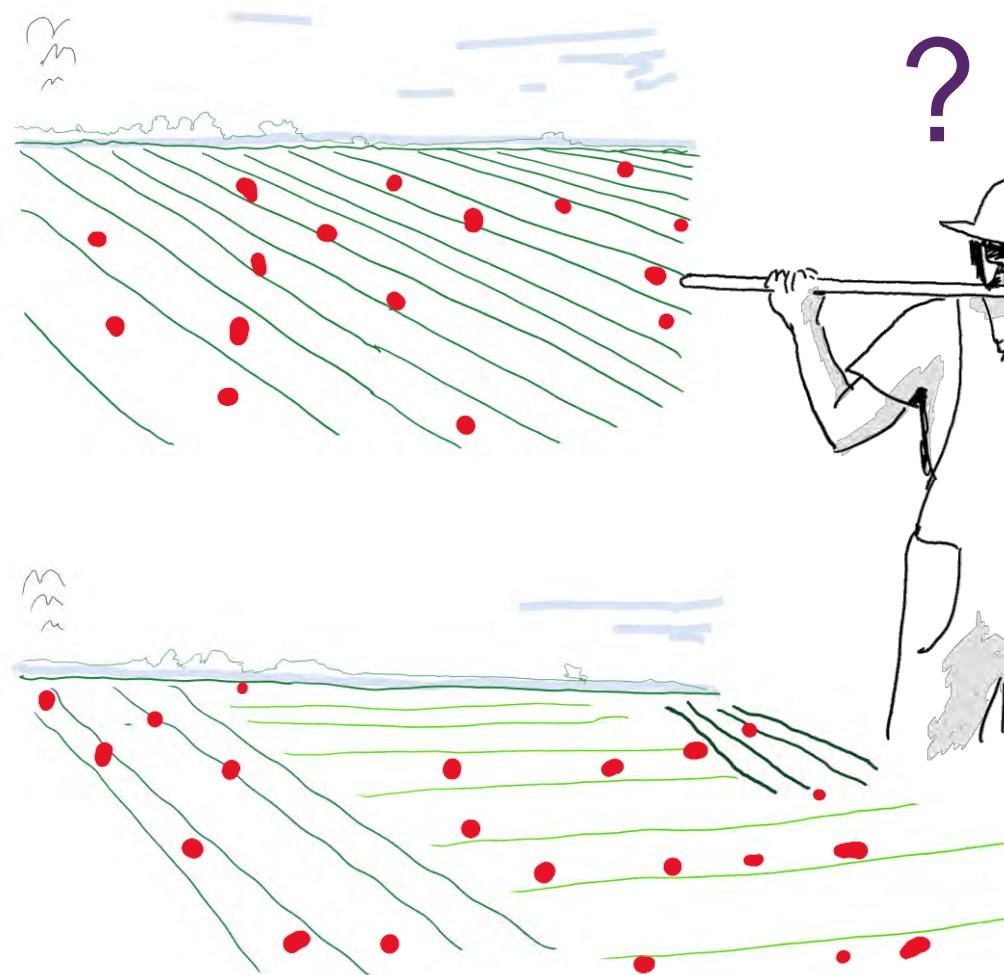


# Towards Autonomous Field Systems and Smart Farming

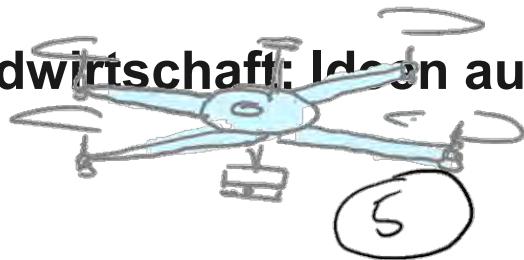
Weed detection and treatment



# The Farmer Dilemma: Herbicide or No Herbicide

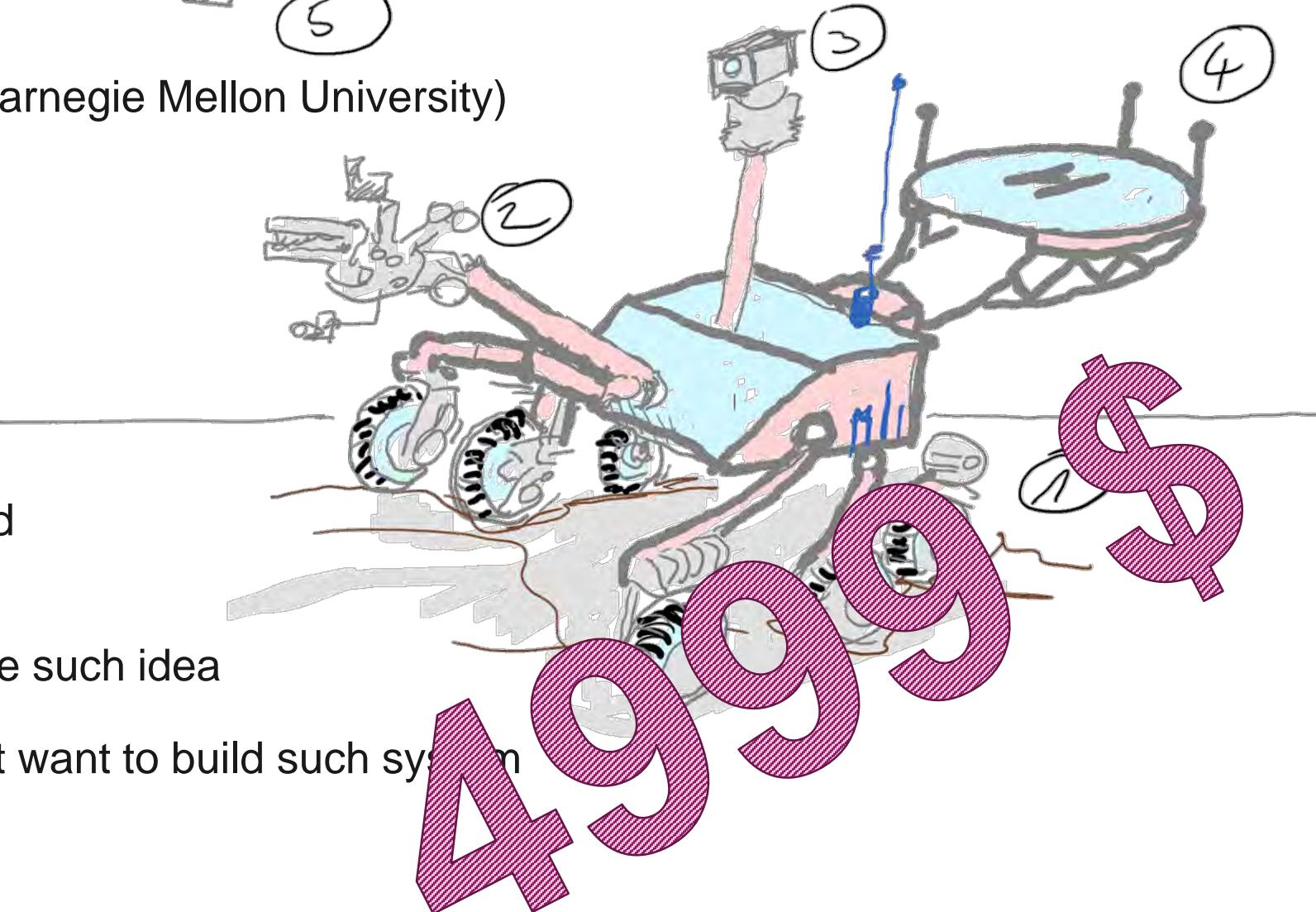


- Weed control is crucial at any cultivation art.
- It is as important as fertilization of a field, especially if weed is very competitive
- Weed control in grasslands is very challenging

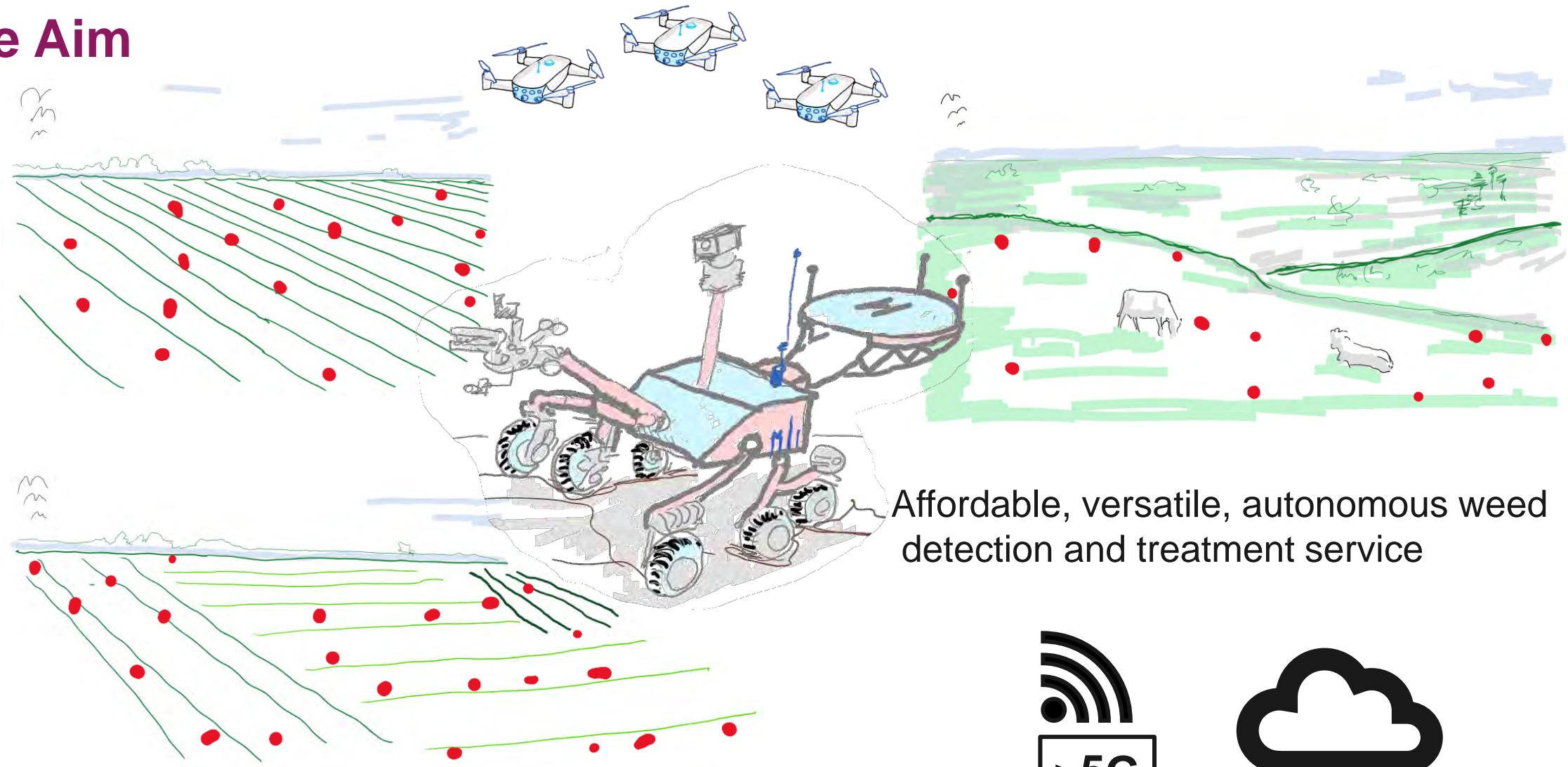


## The Idea

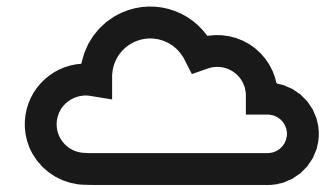
1. UGV – A carrier (Design by Carnegie Mellon University)  
a UGV inspiration
  2. Manipulator
  3. Ground sensing systems
  4. A UAV – Landing platform
  5. A UAV for remote sensing and reconnaissance
- We are certainly not first to have such idea
  - We are probably first group that want to build such system  
for 5000 \$US



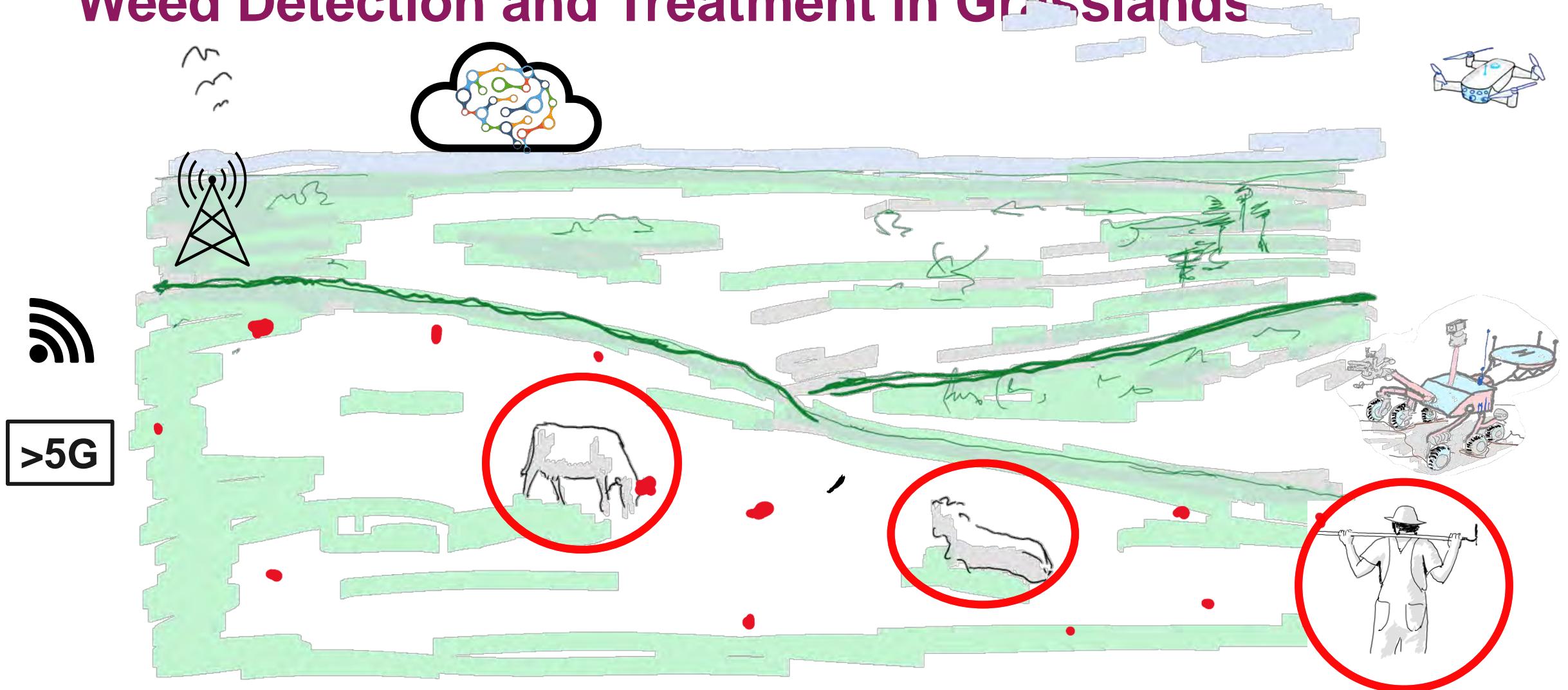
## The Aim



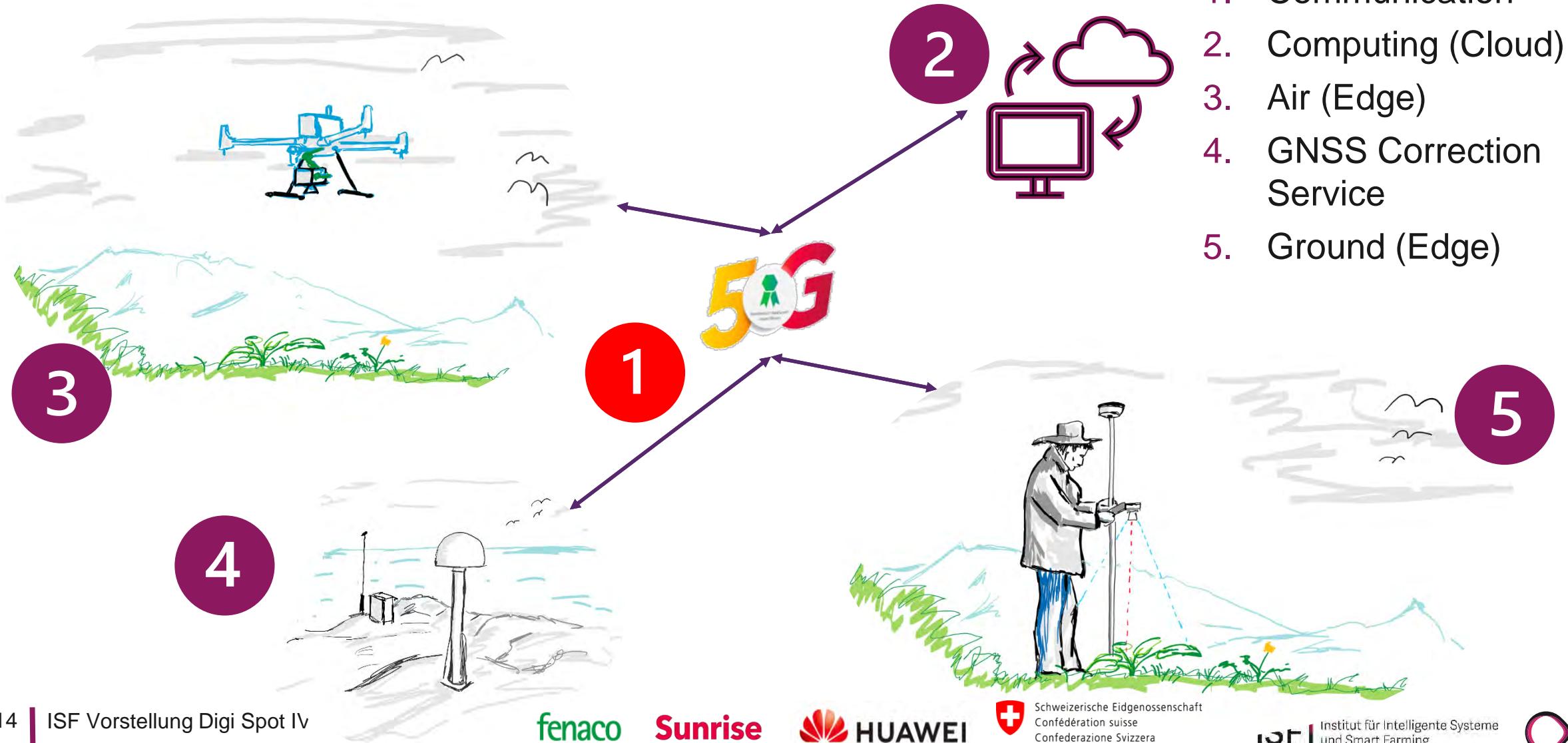
Affordable, versatile, autonomous weed detection and treatment service



# Weed Detection and Treatment in Grasslands



## Broad Leaved Control: 120.476 IP-EE



# Komponenten einer Vision

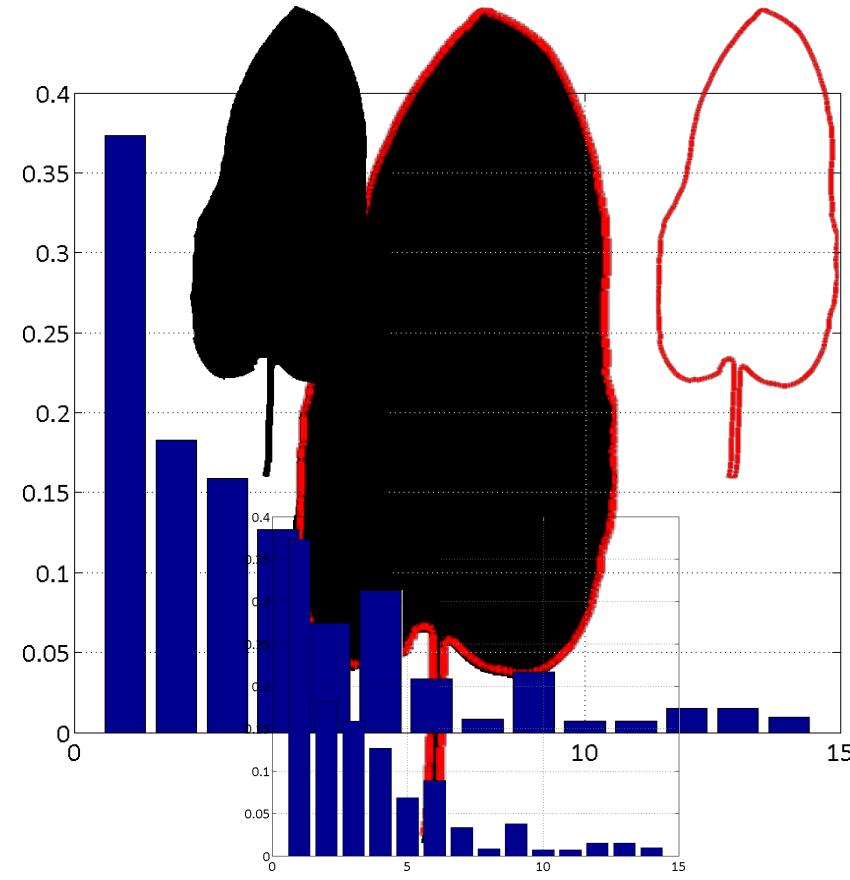


# Weed Detection

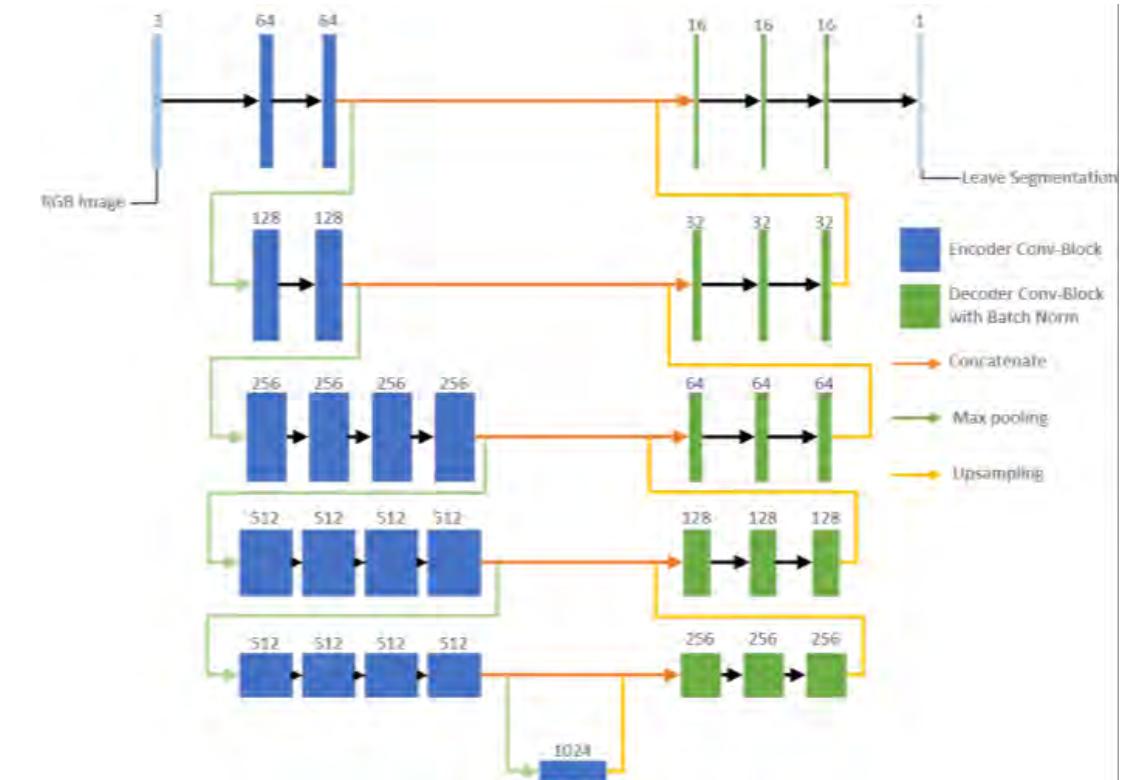
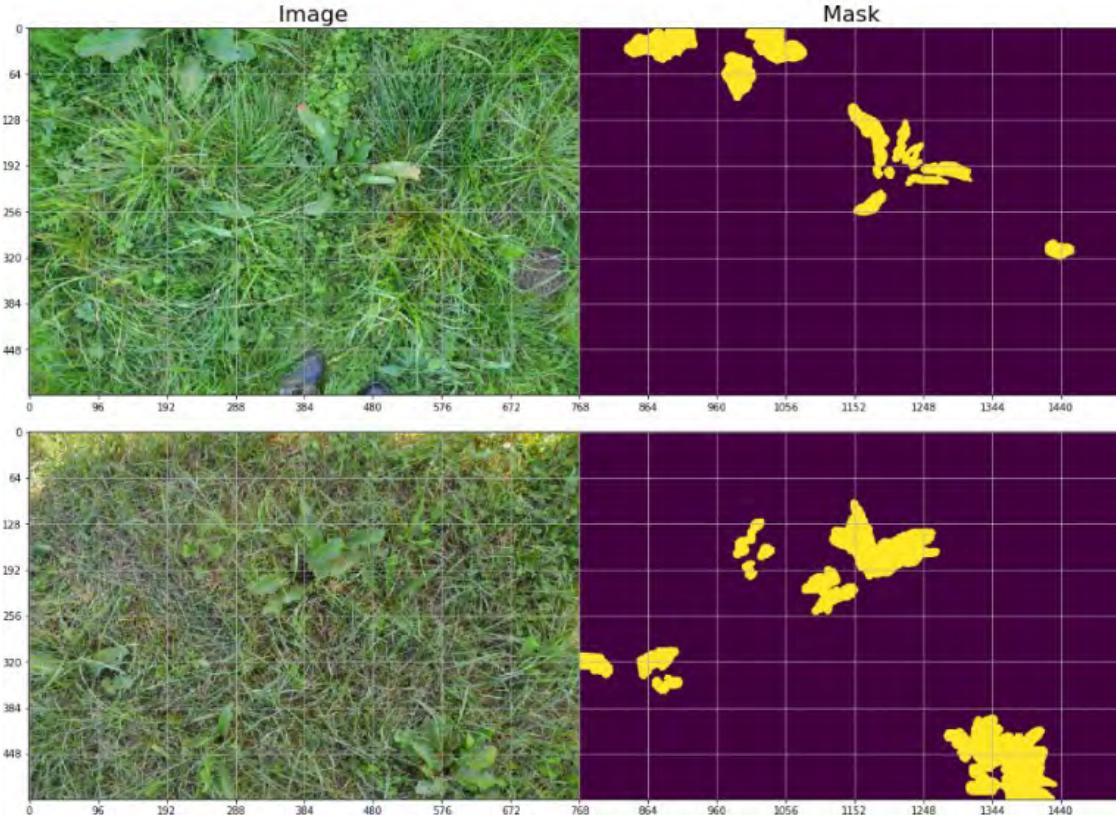
The Machine View of Weed Control



## Maschinenvision, die Herausforderung.



# U-Net Based Segmentation Algorithm Detects 95% of Plants



## Weed detection

- A real time plant root detection has been developed
- In non-optimized state, the system processes 4 frames per second
- A deep-stream solution will increase the processing rate to 20 frames per second
- Plant roots are not visible in any images
- The root location is 3 cm accurate



## Root Detection: Detect Unseen Features

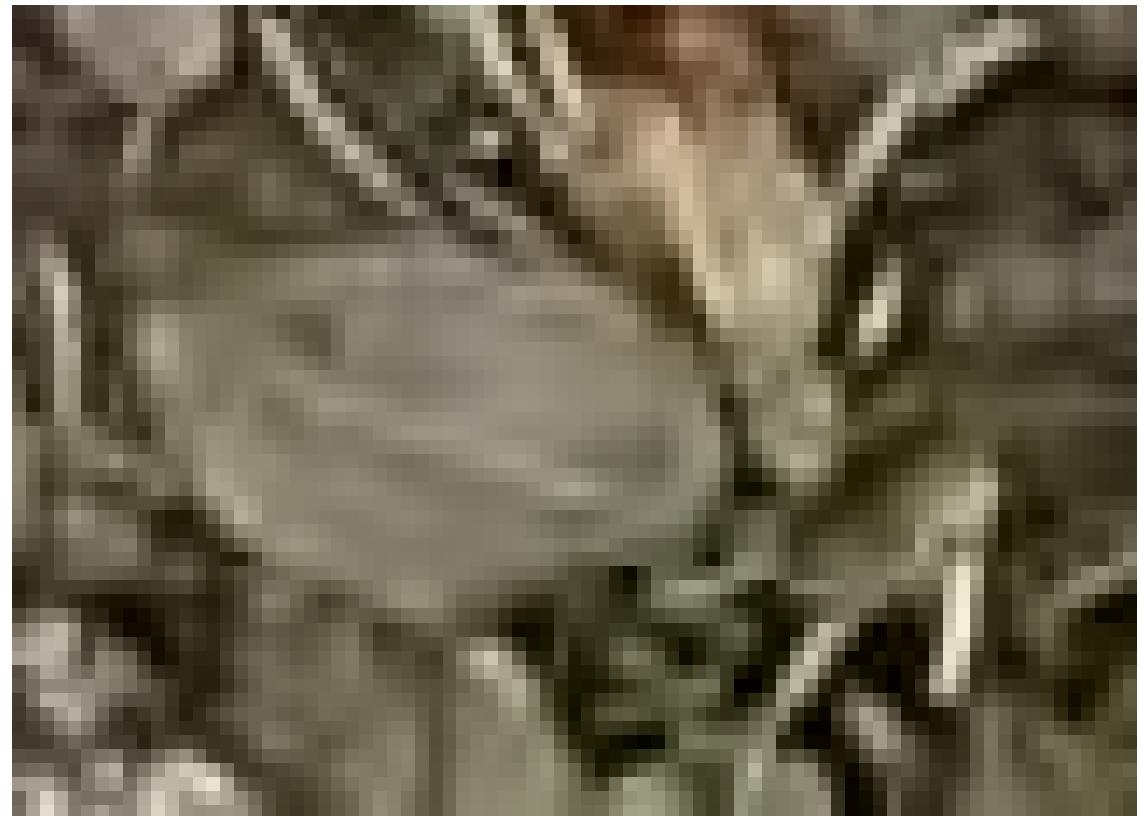


## DJI-Zenmuse P1

Orthomosaic



Detail



# Sony Alpha 6000

One Shot



Detail



# Mavic Mini iso 100, 1/500 exp, 0.5 m/s

Detail

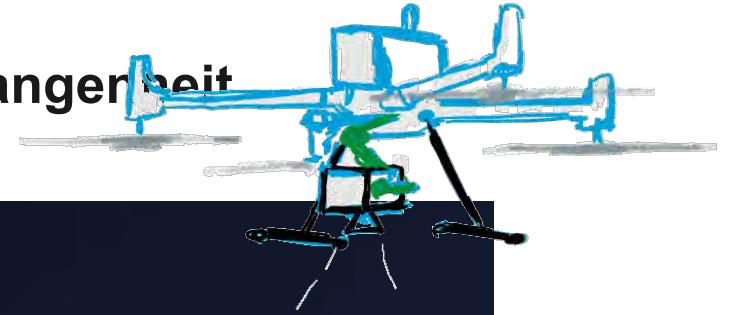


Detail



# The Challenge: Balance the Economy and Data Quality

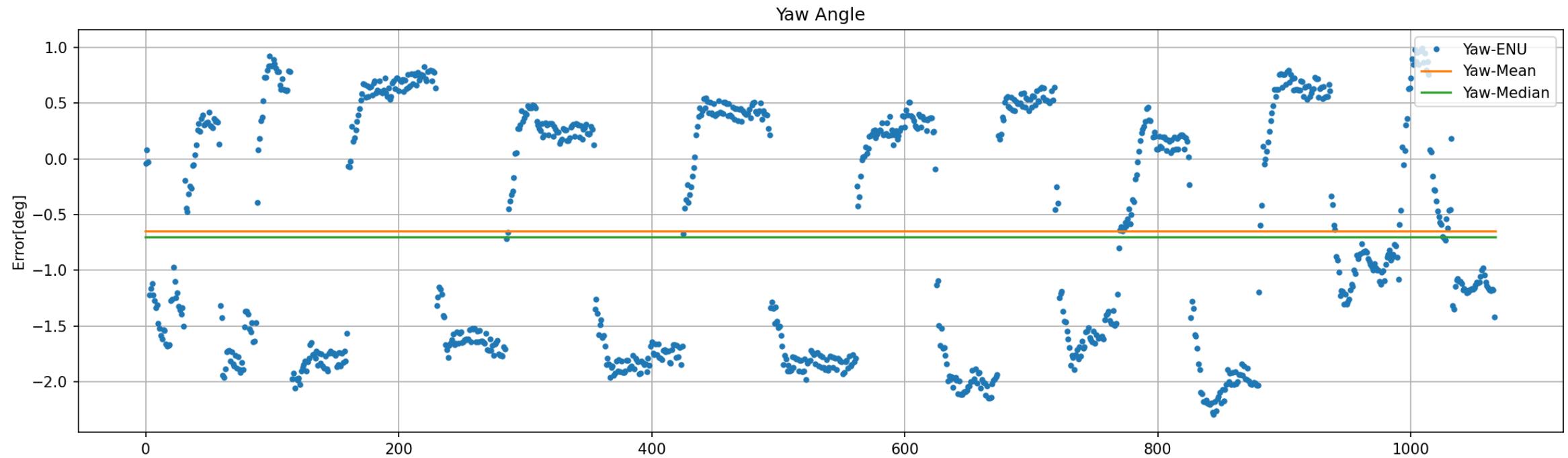




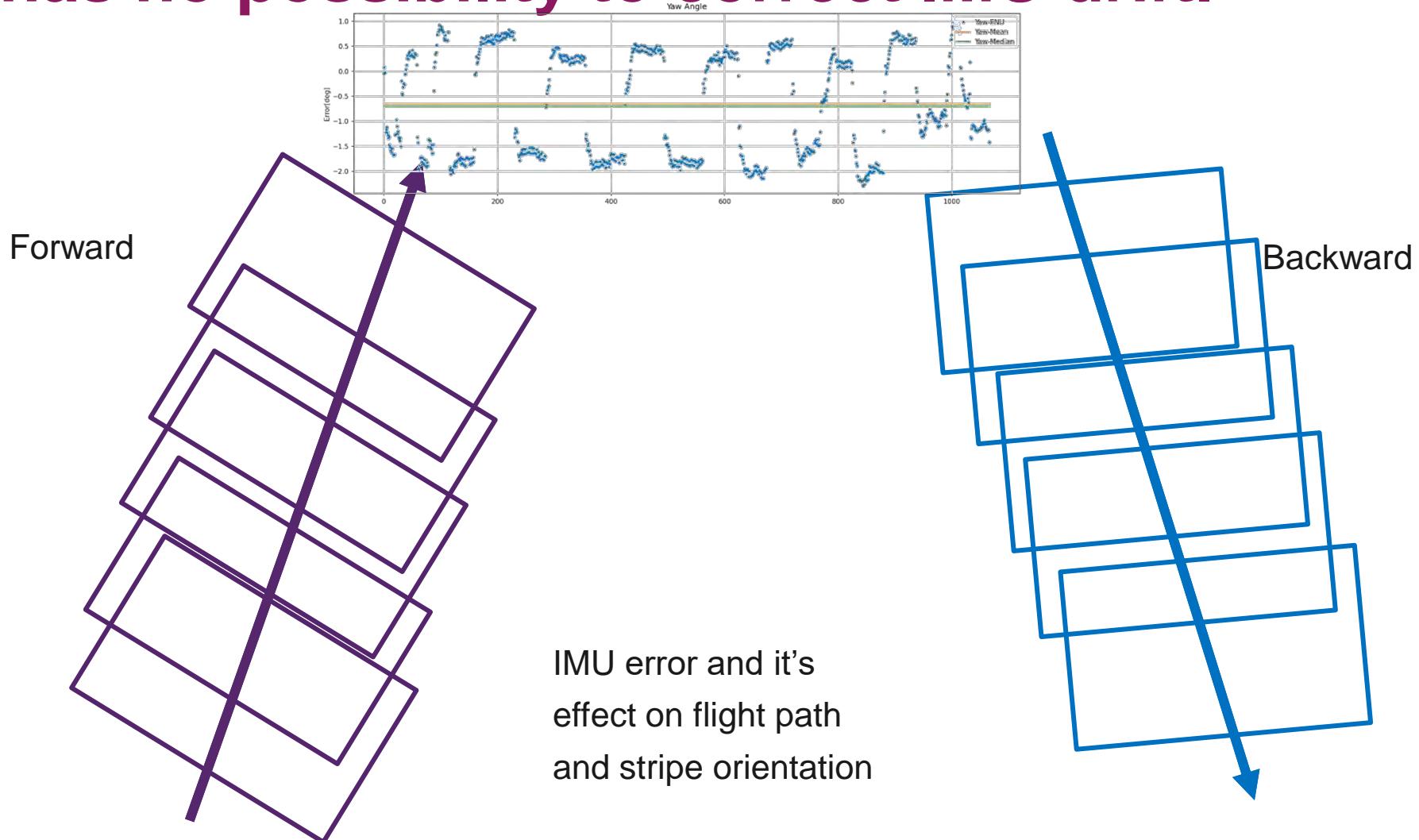
5G



# Orientation Analysis Using Commercial Software



## UAV has no possibility to correct IMU drift.



## Example Session “Härepünt“

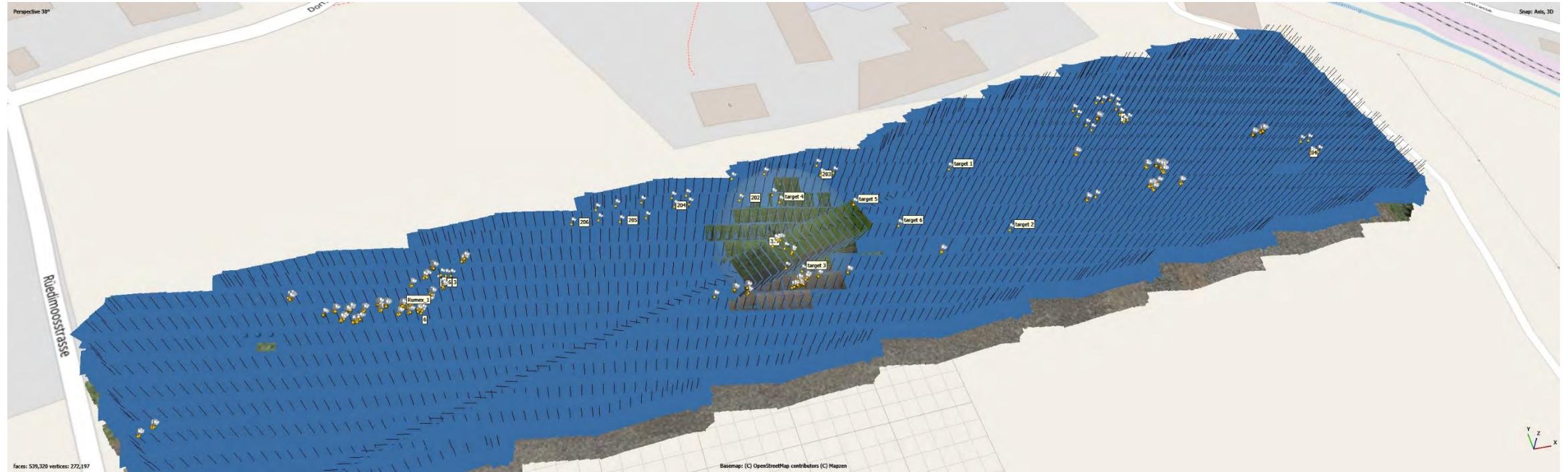
### Flight facts:

- Images: 2048
- Single image resolution: 48 Mpx
- Data volume for the session: ~51 GiB
- Flight time: ~40 minutes
- Approximate area: 22 000 m<sup>2</sup>

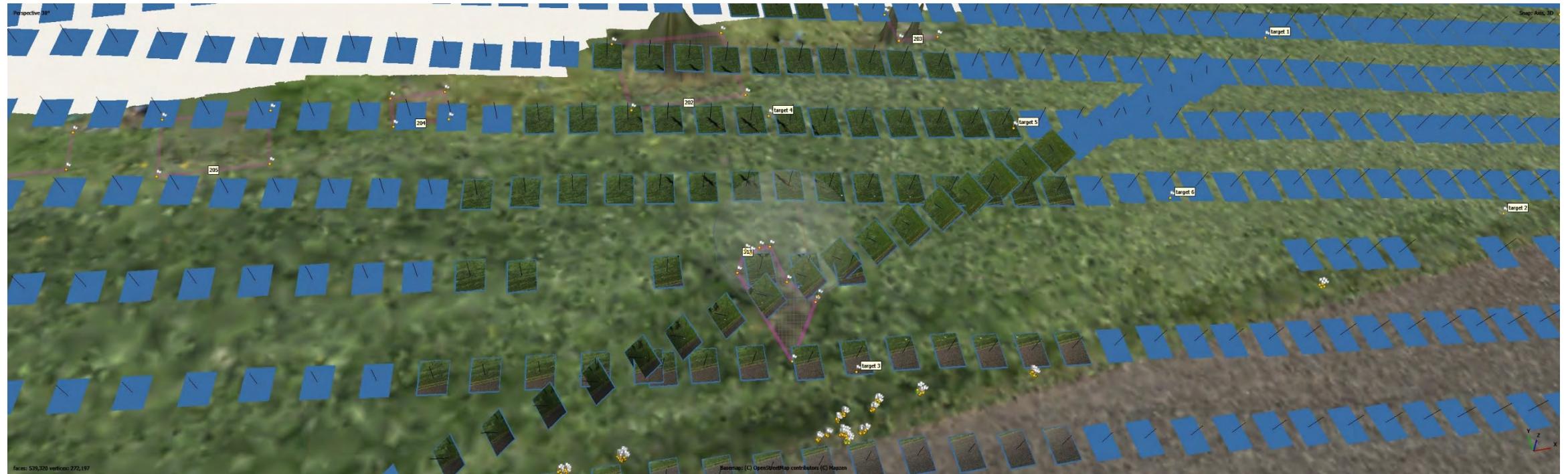
### Processing facts:

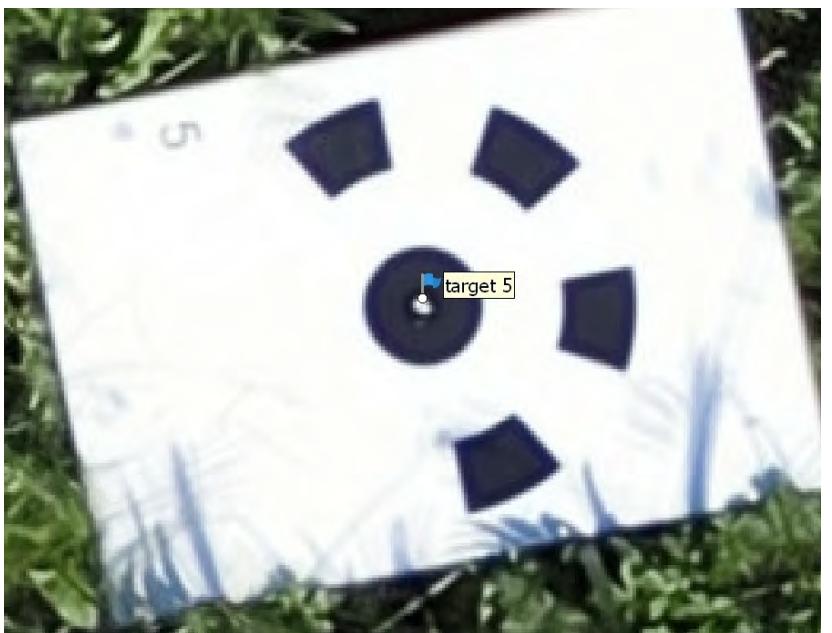
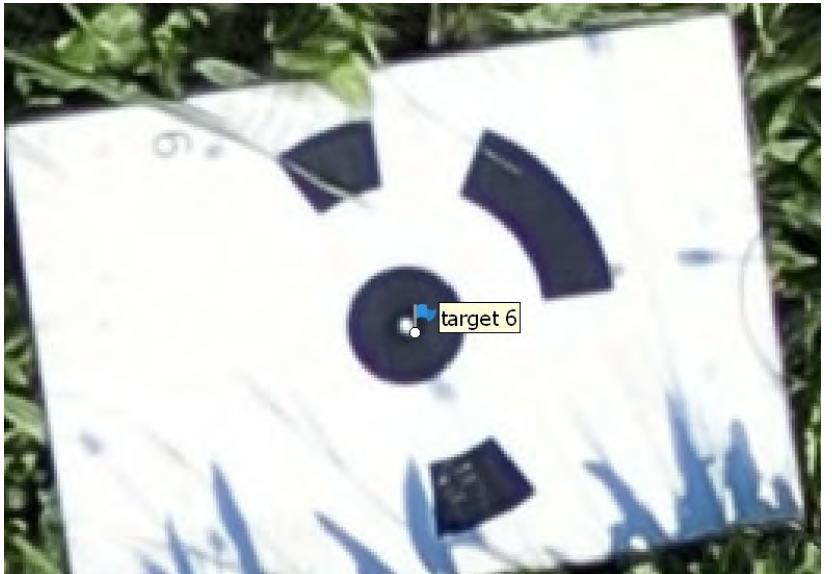
- Image matching time: 20' 23"
- Image alignment time: 20' 45"
- **Complete processing time: 1h 23' 17"**
- **Covered area: 21 960 m<sup>2</sup>**
- **Average camera location error: ~3 cm**
- **Average object location error on the ground: ~3 cm**

## Image Alignment Result



# Image Alignment Result (Zoom)





## Detection results



## Plants are detected in all oriented images...



## Look at the image seamline!



## “Perfect” meadow map is created and provided to an user

Image “stitching” is almost perfect  
Seamlines are almost invisible in orthomosaic



# Woran arbeiten wir jetzt?



Woran arbeiten wir jetzt?

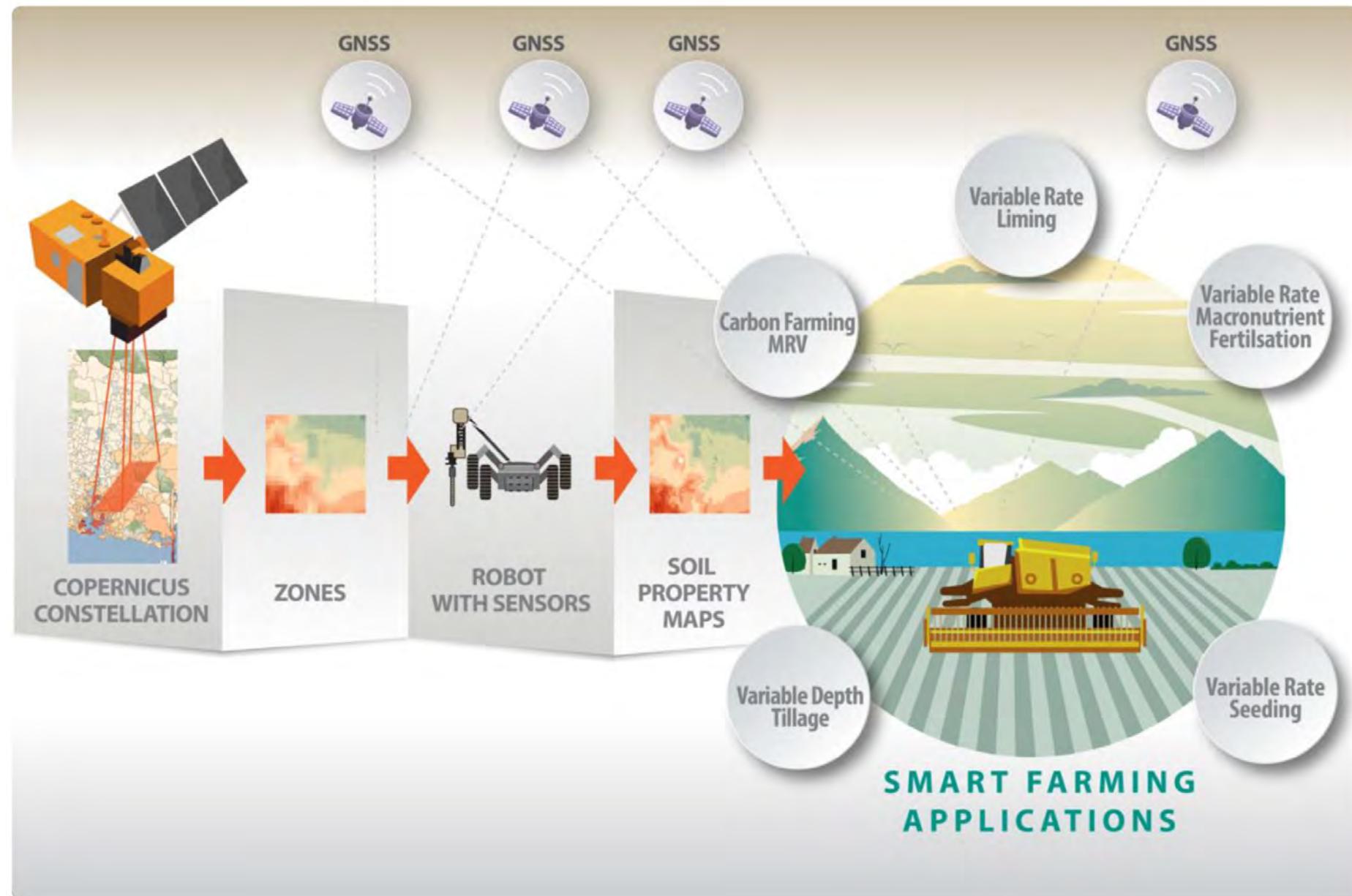
## OFA – Erweiterbare Trägerplatform





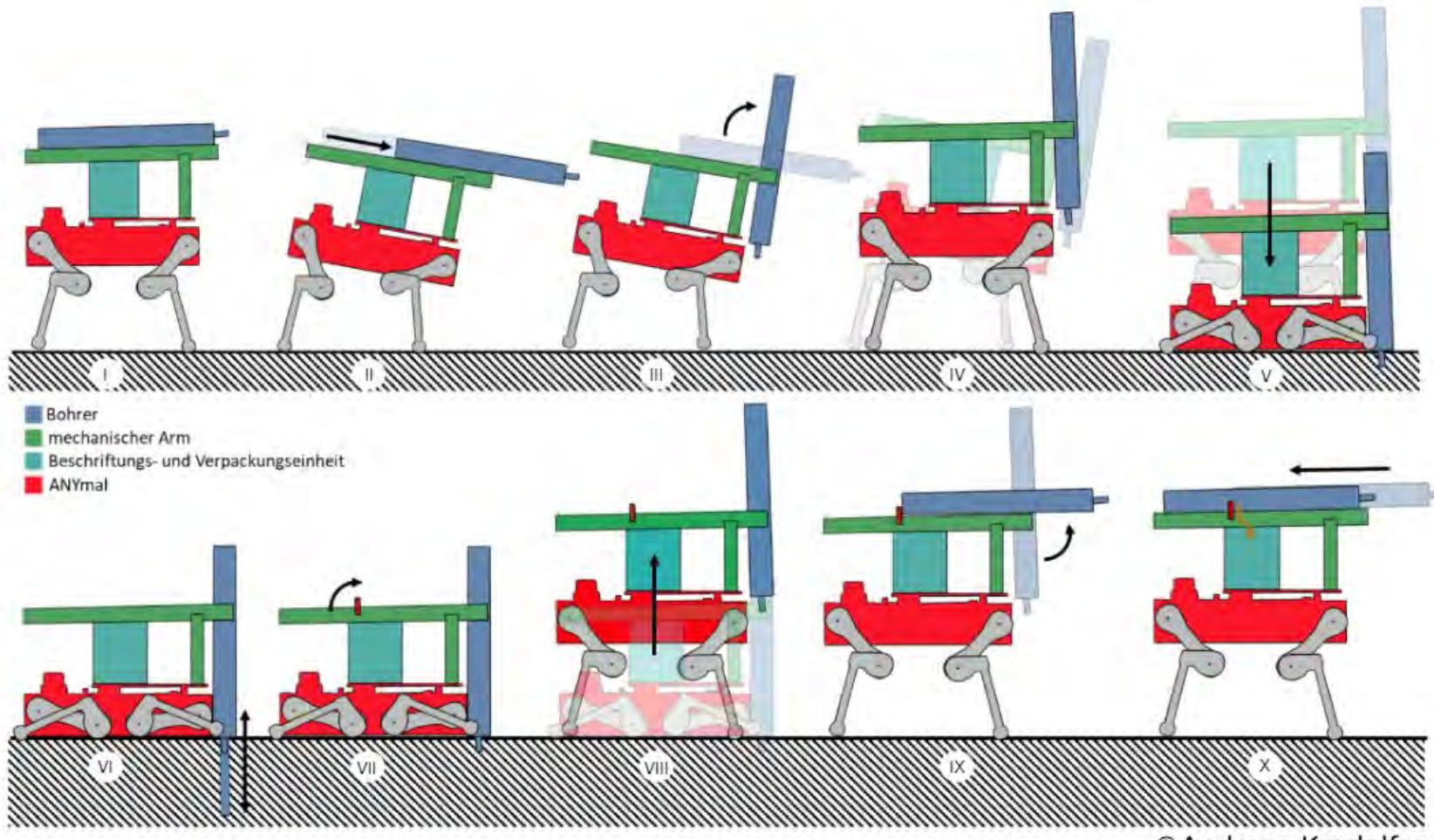
**SQAT**  
Coordinator ABE





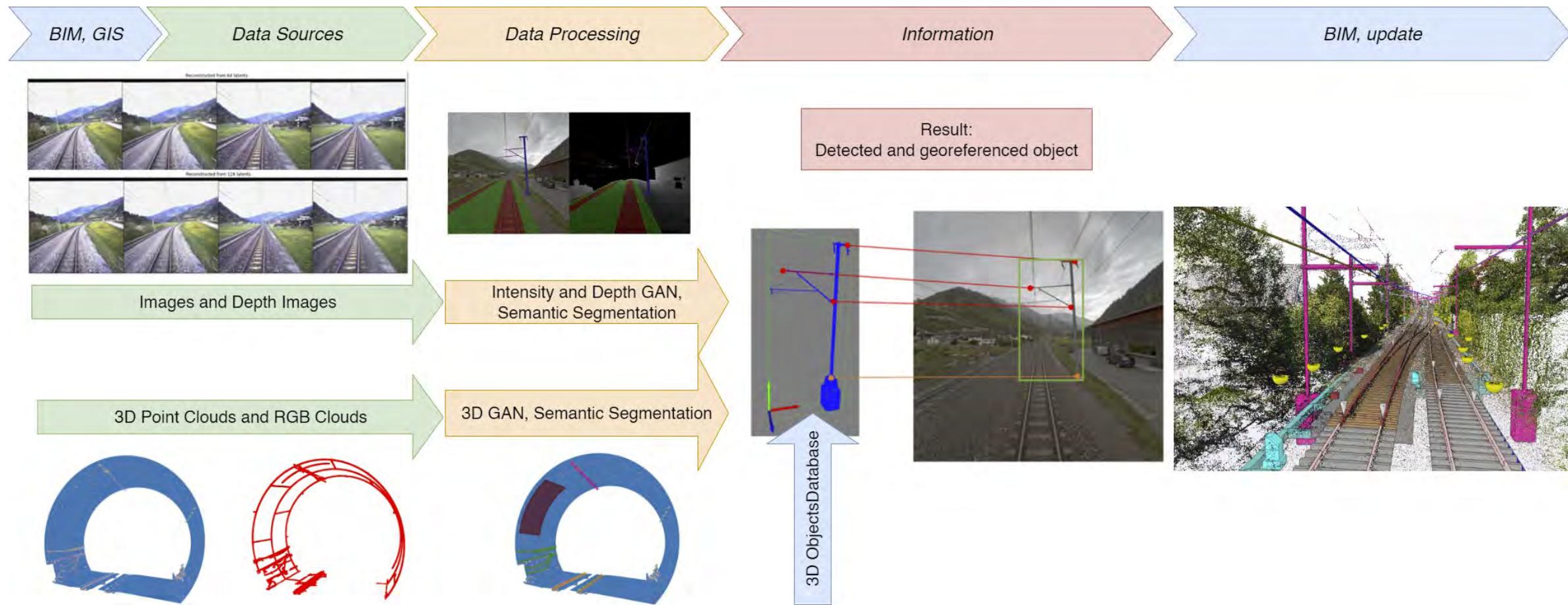
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## SQAT



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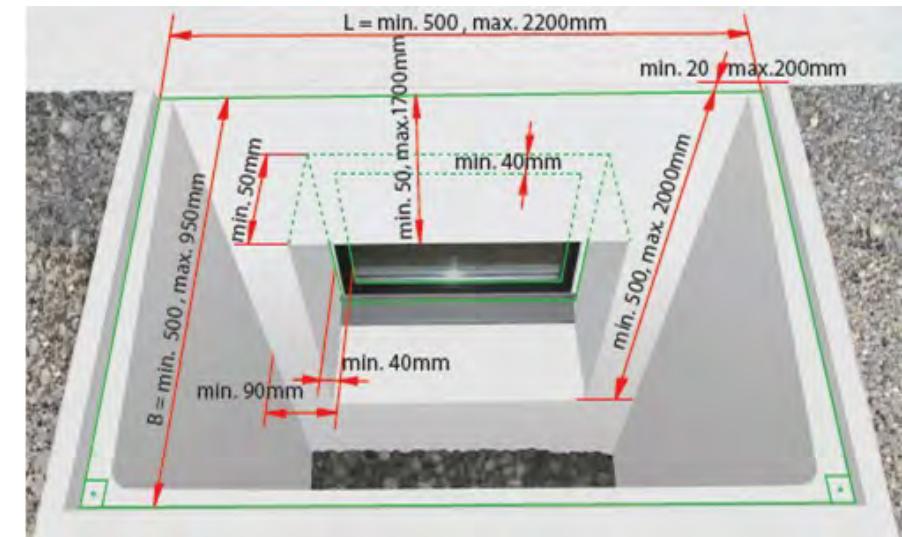
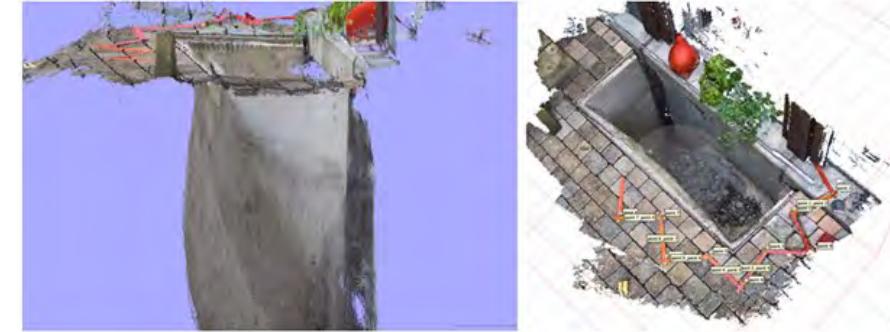
# ARTEMIS



Woran arbeiten wir jetzt?

## Enlightening

- Automatische Generierung von Konstruktionsplänen für Lichtführungen
- Selbstständige Erfassung der Lichtschachtdaten durch Kunden



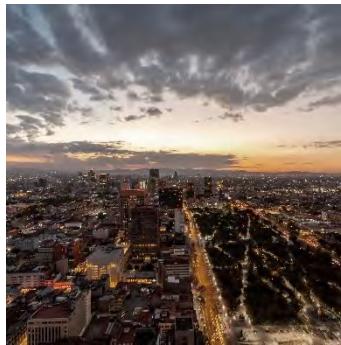


Wo geht die Reise hin?

## Es gibt zahlreiche Herausforderungen in der Landwirtschaft



26% der globalen  
**Gesamttreibhausgas** Emissionen  
entsteht durch Nahrungproduktion



50% der global bewohnbaren  
**Wohnfläche** wird für  
Nahrungsproduktion beansprucht



70% des global verwendeten  
**Trinkwassers** wird für  
Pflanzenanbau genutzt

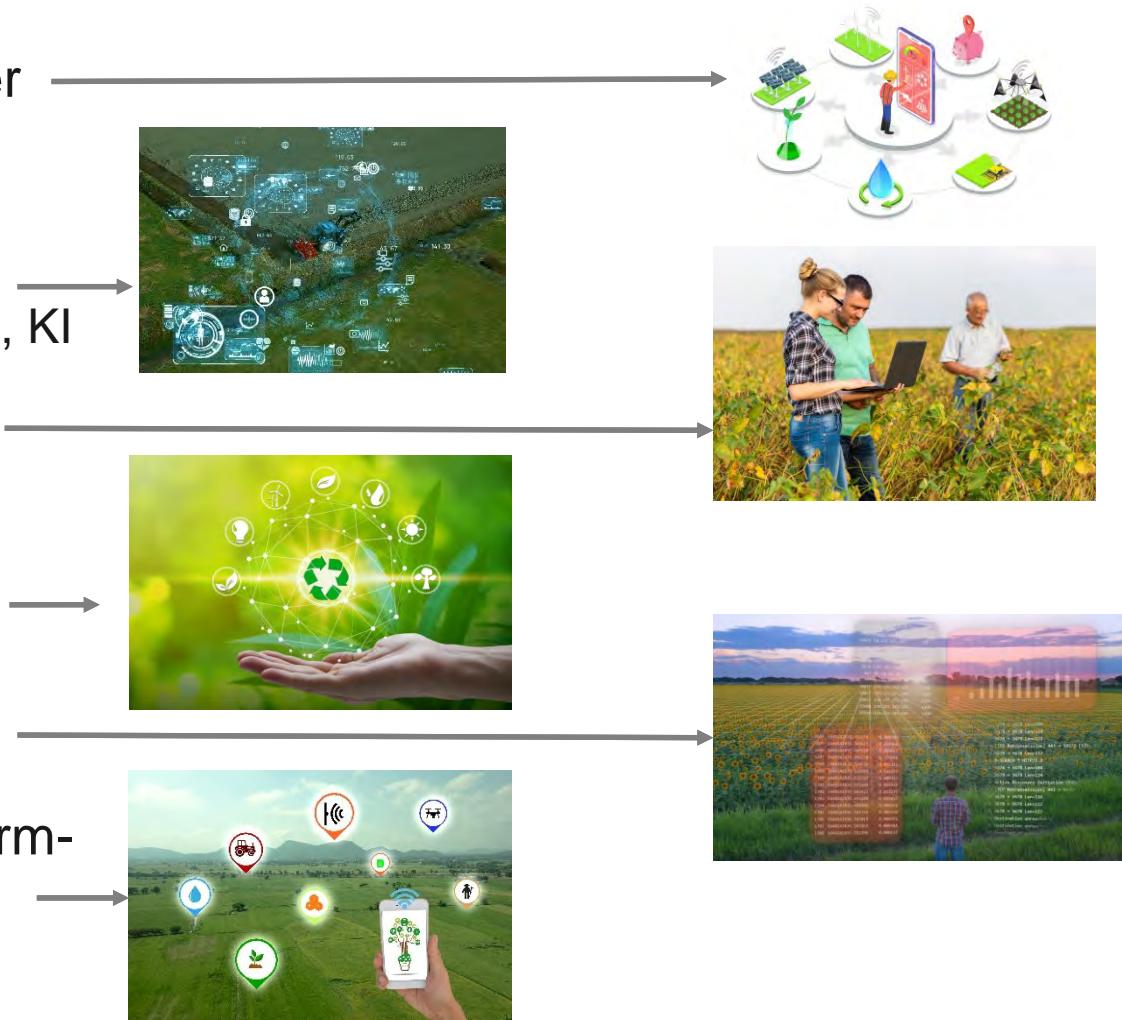
Es müssen **neun Milliarden Menschen**  
nachhaltig **ernährt** werden

Dafür werden **Lösungen**  
auch für den  
Bodenseeraum **benötigt**

Quelle: <https://ourworldindata.org/environmental-impacts-of-food>

# Klarheit über Langzeitexperimente und Vergleiche!

- Praxistaugliche Live-Experimente in der gesamten Farm-To-Food Kette
  - Langzeiteinsatz und Evaluation kommerzieller Geräte, Software und Methoden, Datenerfassung und Deutung, KI
  - Unabhängige, gründliche Analyse der Nahrungsproduktion, -verpackung und -distribution, Best-Practices
  - Förderung nachhaltiger Prozesse in der gesamten Versorgungskette
  - Daten in hoher Zeit- und Ortsauflösung
  - Förderung der Digitalisierung in der Farm-To-Food Kette durch ausgewiesene Praxisbeispiele



Was bringt die Zukunft?

## Digital Farmer: The Number 5



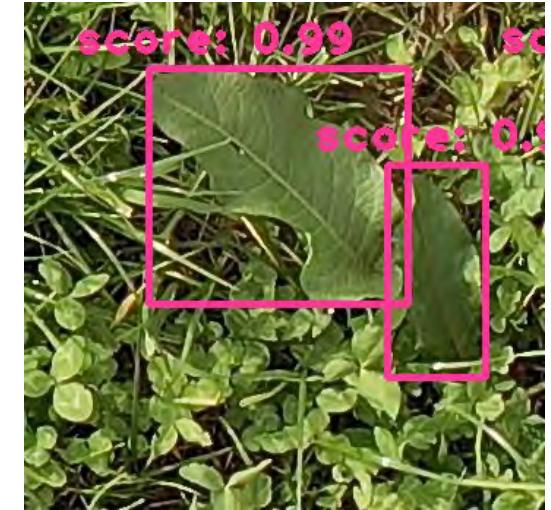
# Q & A

## Die Vorstellung ISF

## The ISF Presentation



# Training the AI for detection task



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∞ Meta AI