Advanced Fertigation Solutions for Climate Resilient Rural Areas Topsector-**Seed Money Project**

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Fertigation in agricultural

- System to provide water and nutrients to the plant
- Irrigation should be based on time and radiation and (status of) the crop
- Proper fertigation reduces the use of water and nutrients!







Irrigation and supply of nutrients





Open field as well





Simple systems



Simple systems





Pivot system





Medium technology





Advanced systems







Goal

- Water and nutrient supply essential for crop production
- Both should not be wasted in a (economic) sustainable production system
- Simple, cheap and effective system is needed







Meetings with Quantify

- Alinement of the control strategy
- Feedback on the user interface, which control parameters are needed (time of irrigation, radiation sum, interval, EC and pH)
- Step wise approach for software development
 - First automate irrigation strategy
 - Then control EC and pH
- Selection of components used (sensors, pumps, control). Cost evaluation
- Implementation of the software into the hardware
- Demo setup



Issues

- Delivery of some components take more time due to the shortage of chips globally
- Now the components have arrived, so a demo is built
- COVID did not allow for a travel to Marocco to assess the current situation
- A manual is to be written based on the actual system
- A follow up where the system is tested in Marocco needs to be formulated. Contacts with CHU Agadir have been made.

