



## Project: GEO-CRADLE

### Pilot: Access to Energy (SENSE)

Partners: PMOD/WRC (Leader), NOA



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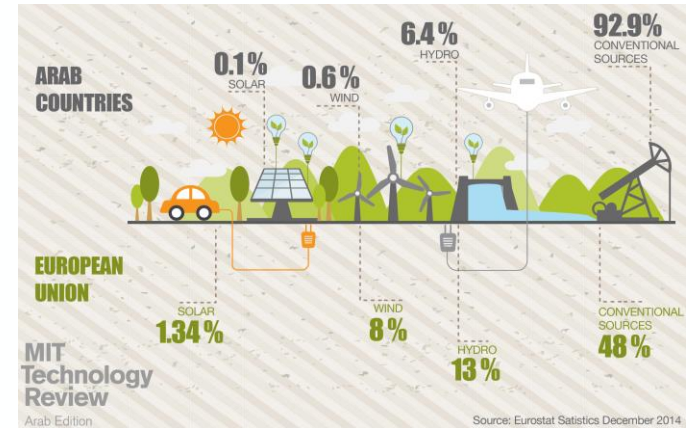


## T4.4 Sense Pilot

**Sense: a solar energy now-casting and forecasting system + solar energy long term analysis**

### **Purpose:**

- **Demonstrate ways to maximize value and benefits at the RoI**
- **Create synergies with public and private sector (solar plants, energy distributors, solar energy related end-users).**



### **Provision of (tailored to end-user):**

- **Now-casting of solar radiation and solar energy**
- **Long term solar energy atlases for various areas with high temporal and spatial detail**
- **Solar radiation related products (real time and forecasts) related with: health (UV Index (melanoma), DNA damage, cataract, Vitamin D efficiency), agriculture (photosynthesis), scientific.**



# T4.4 Sense Pilot

Coordination of regional EO capacities & research activities (incl. Copernicus Space & Service Segment initiatives) for an operational, satellite-driven, real-time system for solar energy now-cast.

## Sense Inputs

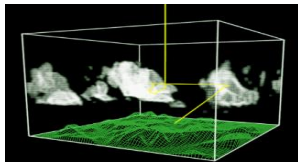
Satellite Data



Copernicus Atmospheric Monitoring Service



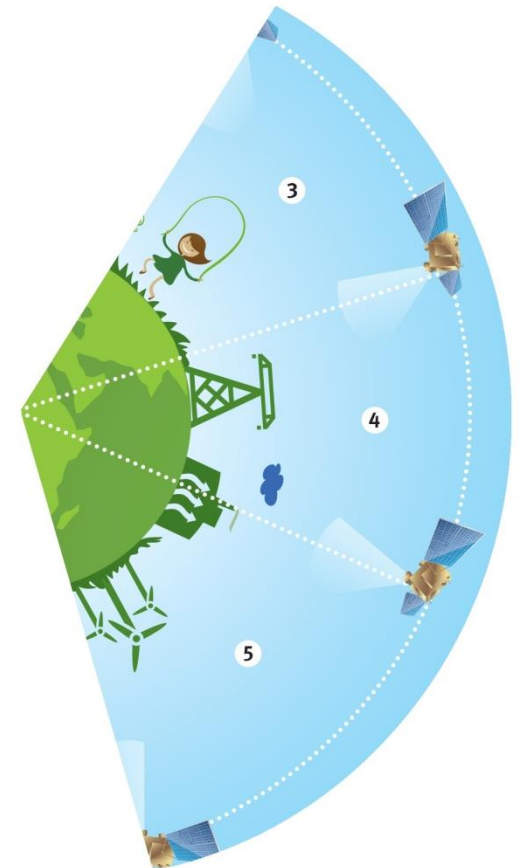
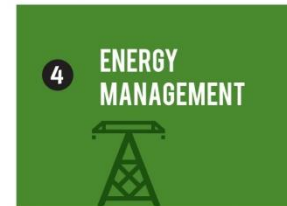
Radiative Transfer models



Neural networks, Multilinear functions, machine learning



## Sense products use





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## What is SENSE?

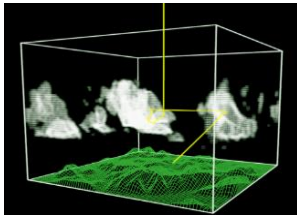
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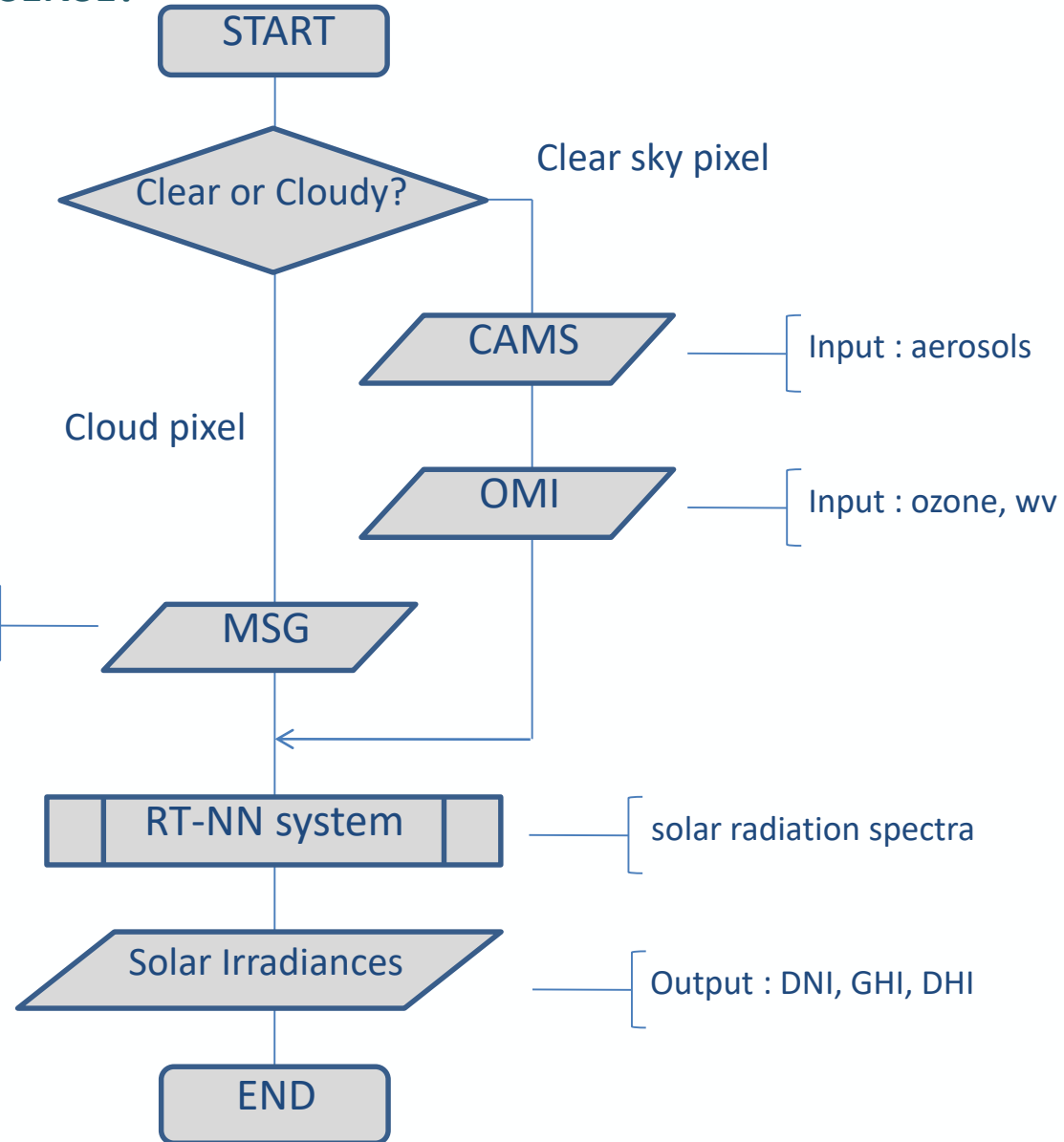
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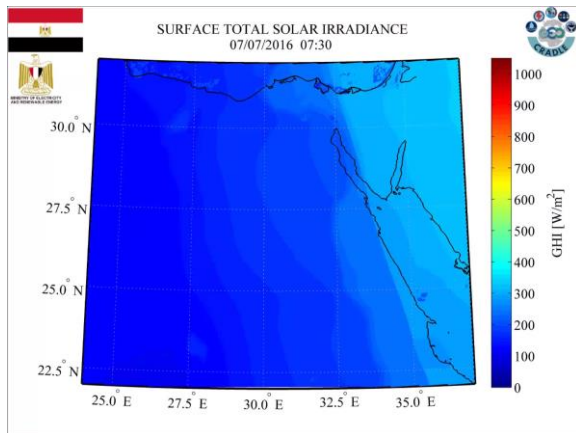
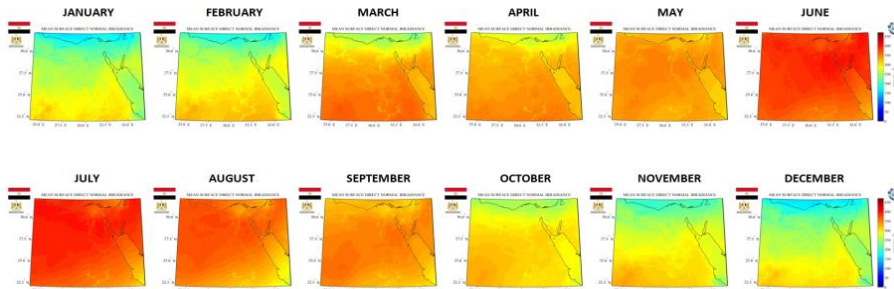


Neural networks



Collaboration and extensive cooperation with the following end-users:

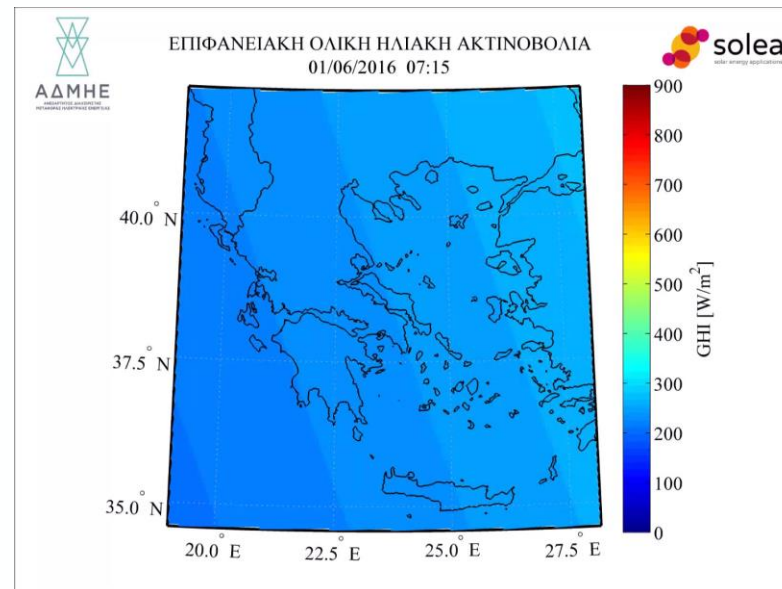
- Egyptian Ministry of Electricity and Renewable Energy:** a common website was developed in which the real-time and climatological solar energy products of SENSE are disseminated. An analytical Egyptian solar atlas was presented in the regional workshop in Cairo (May 2017).





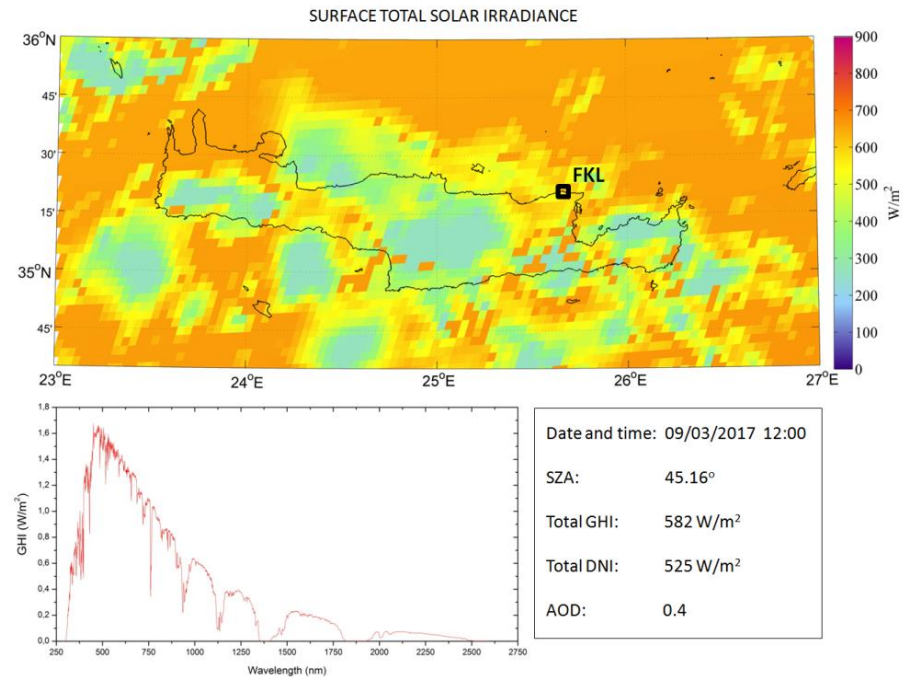
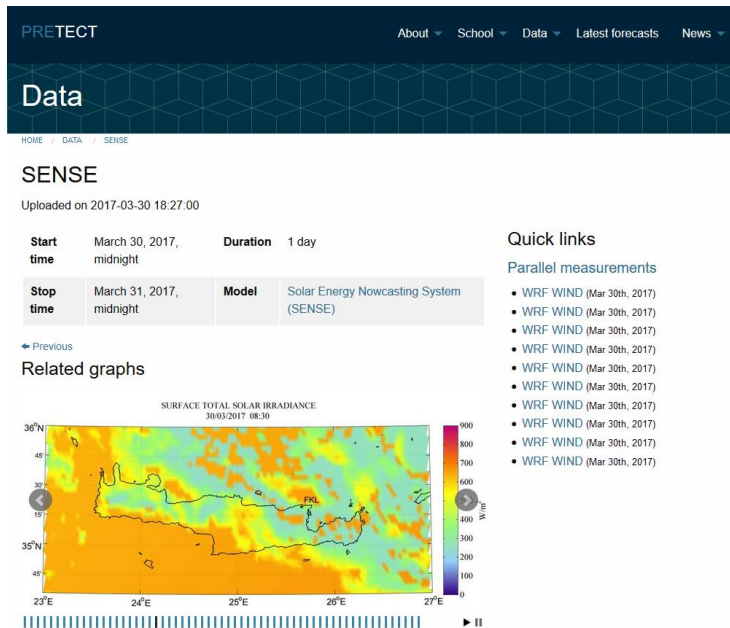
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- Greek Independent Power Transmission Operator:** a close collaboration in order to update their nowcasting and forecasting power systems with the SENSE's state-of-the-art methods. They exploit the real-time solar energy maps and data (60K pixels/integrated energy values every 15-minutes) by comparing them with real solar farms and controlling the local energy demands.



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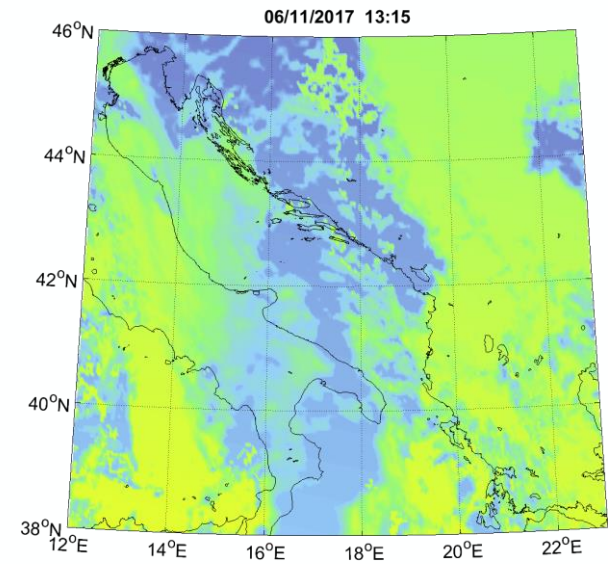
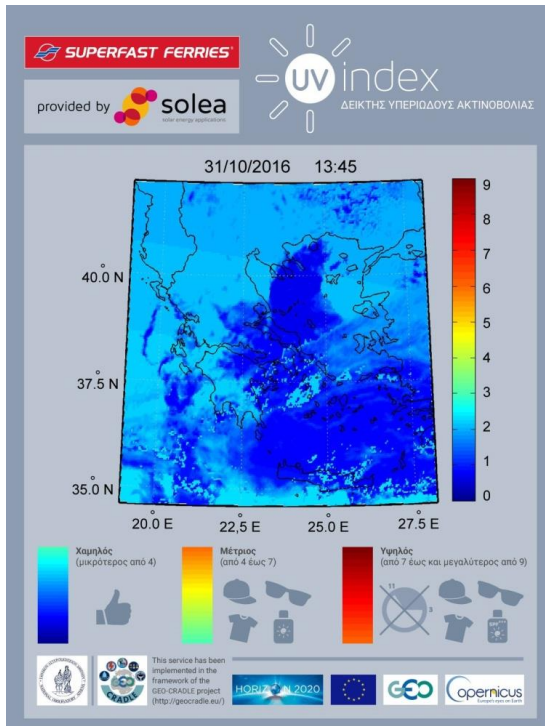
- **Pre-TECT international campaign:** the solar energy maps of Crete were provided in real-time for the purposes of the campaign (April 2017) and spectral comparisons with a high precision solar spectroradiometer (PSR) will be made to further validate the SENSE under high-aerosol loads.



Graph 1.21: Surface total solar irradiance - 2017-03-30 08:30

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- **Attica group with Blue Star and Superfast ferries:** for the pilot period they are going to attract relevant ads in order to efficiently advertise the real-time UV-index service from SENSE through the monitors of their ships with routes to the Aegean and the Adriatic seas.



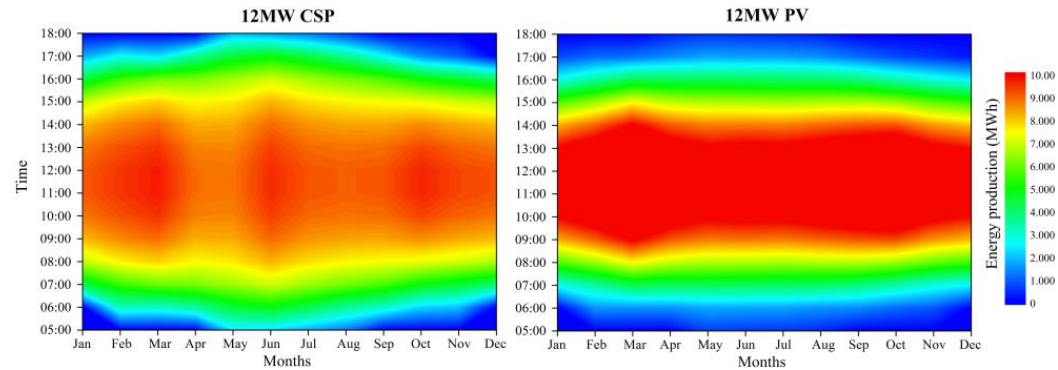


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- **Magdy Yacoub Medical center in Aswan: Solar energy model and plan.**

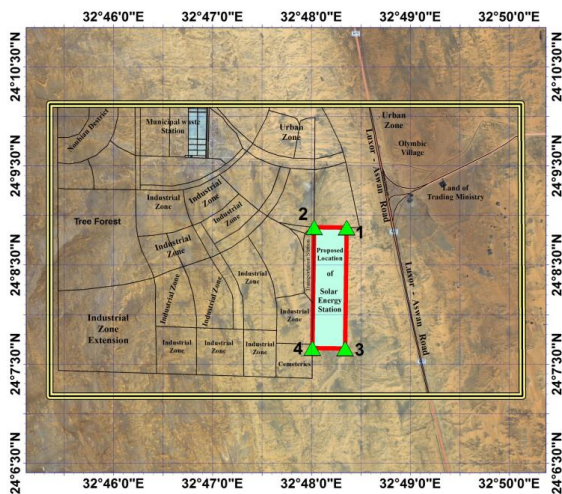


## Aswan yearly solar variability



## Medical center proposed location

Proposed Location of Solar Station of Dr. Magdy Yacoub Medical Center in Aswan

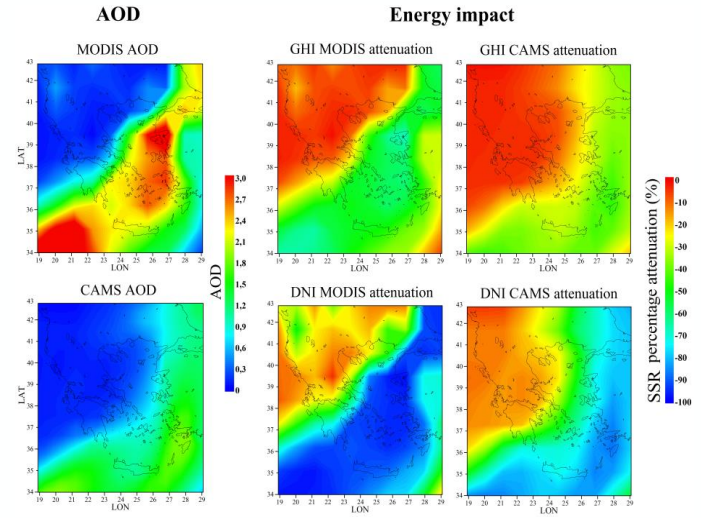


Area = 1260000 m2 (300 Feddan)

1	N 24° 00' 52.27"	E 32° 48' 01.55"
3	N 24° 09' 59.07"	E 32° 48' 20.70"
4	N 24° 09' 39.18"	E 32° 48' 00.97"



Dust events  
Aerosol and solar  
energy validation



Long term validation using surface solar radiation measurements

