#### Service ID

S00317

Location

Spain



# Testing and validation of an Al-based NDVI detection algorithm in a pivot

# **Provider service**

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#### Link to content

https://agrifoodtef.eu/services/testing-and-validation-ai-based-ndvi-detection-algorithm-pivot-irrigation-system

#### Type of Sector

Arable farming, Horticulture, Tree Crops

## Accepted type of products

Data, Physical system, Software or Al model

## Type of service

Collection of test data, Data analysis, Test design, Test execution, Test setup

#### **Description**

The evaluation process will encompass a comprehensive analysis of the entire parcel, concentrating on areas where the irrigation system distributes water. Zones with an NDVI below a specific threshold, identified via satellite imagery, will be highlighted. To obtain more granular data, drone flights equipped with LiDAR technology will be conducted, revealing areas of vegetation stress that may not be adequately detected by satellite imagery. The results from both systems will then be cross-referenced to assess irrigation efficiency accurately

#### How can the service help you

The validation of the system, developed by the customer, addresses the critical needs for optimized water distribution and improved agricultural efficiency. Before using this service, companies may struggle with inconsistent Al-based identification algorithms leading to the identification of potential errors in NDVI levels, which can negatively impact crop health and yield. By the capture and analysis of real-time data collected by drone flights, the service provides means to improve the accuracy of NDV/Lidentification. After implementing the service companies henefit from improved system accuracy and enhanced

#### How the service will be delivered

The service is conducted at the Rabanales Experimental Farm and includes two drone flights equipped with LiDAR sensors. The first flight takes place during the crop's peak growth stage in its phenological development, while the second occurs after harvest, when the soil is bare. This method measures the crop's maximum height on a specific day, which is then cross-referenced with NDVI values from the model to evaluate potential differences in crop vigour.

## Service customisation

The service will be customised according to customer needs (model, pivot, crop, season...).