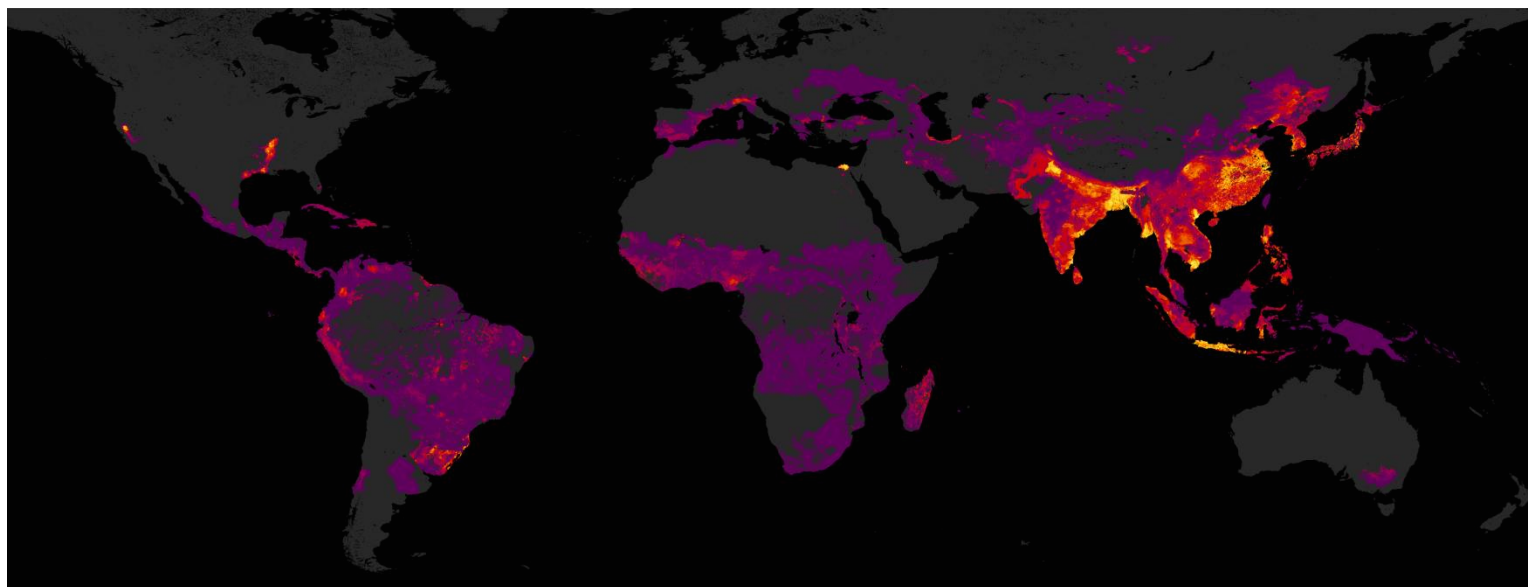




**New technologies:  
What are opportunities and challenges  
for private sector development?**



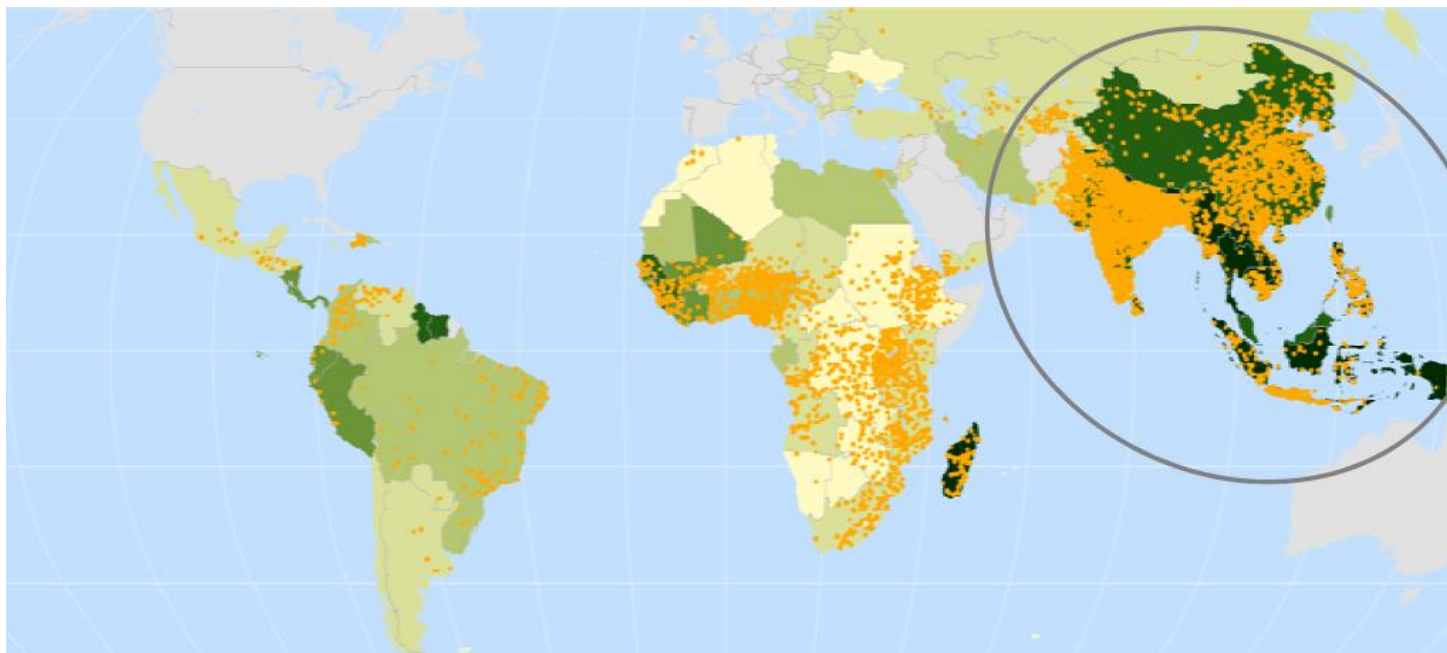
Rice in Asia: the **most important crop**.  
Rice alone accounts for over 30 % of the total crop value in Asia.



Value of rice production in USD per hectar



90% of **the world's rice** is produced and consumed in Asia.  
Over 70% (900 million) of the world's poor are in Asia.



## Rice Consumption

Annual consumption per capita



## Poverty

= 250,000 people living on less than \$ 1.25 a day (2005)

But only **few information available** on where it is grown and the yields it is delivering. Despite its economic weight.



**Better information on rice areas as well as actual and forecasted yields is the basis for effective food security policy and risk management measures.**

**Remote sensing technology can achieve that...**



## Sensing how rice is growing from space



*We've come a long way since the beginning of the 20th century: Julius Neubroner had the idea of stripping a 75-gram camera to a pigeon. This technique was not only used in the art context but also by the military.*

### What is remote sensing?

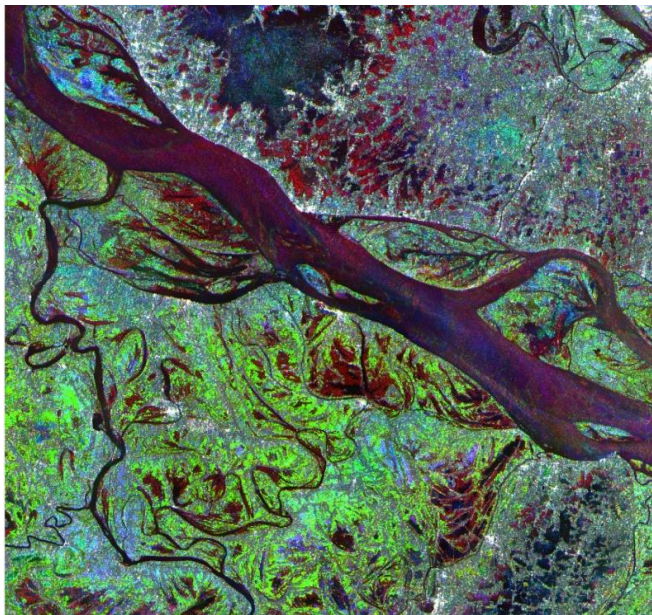
The ability to detect and interpret change on the earth's surface without direct observation various wavelengths across the visible and infrared parts of the spectrum – usually using satellite or airborne images.



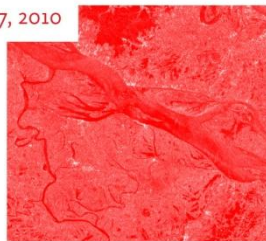
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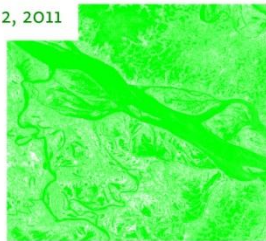
Regular observations with satellites provide valuable information used in policy planning



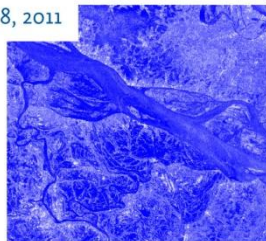
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Use for land planning.

Use of irrigation improvements or pest & disease control

Use for yield forecasts and assessments

## Can satellites help to mitigate government and farmer risks?

### Government' Needs

1 Fiscal security



2 Income provision to farmers



3 Protection to farmers



### Farmers' risks

1 flood



2 drought



3 lack of irrigation

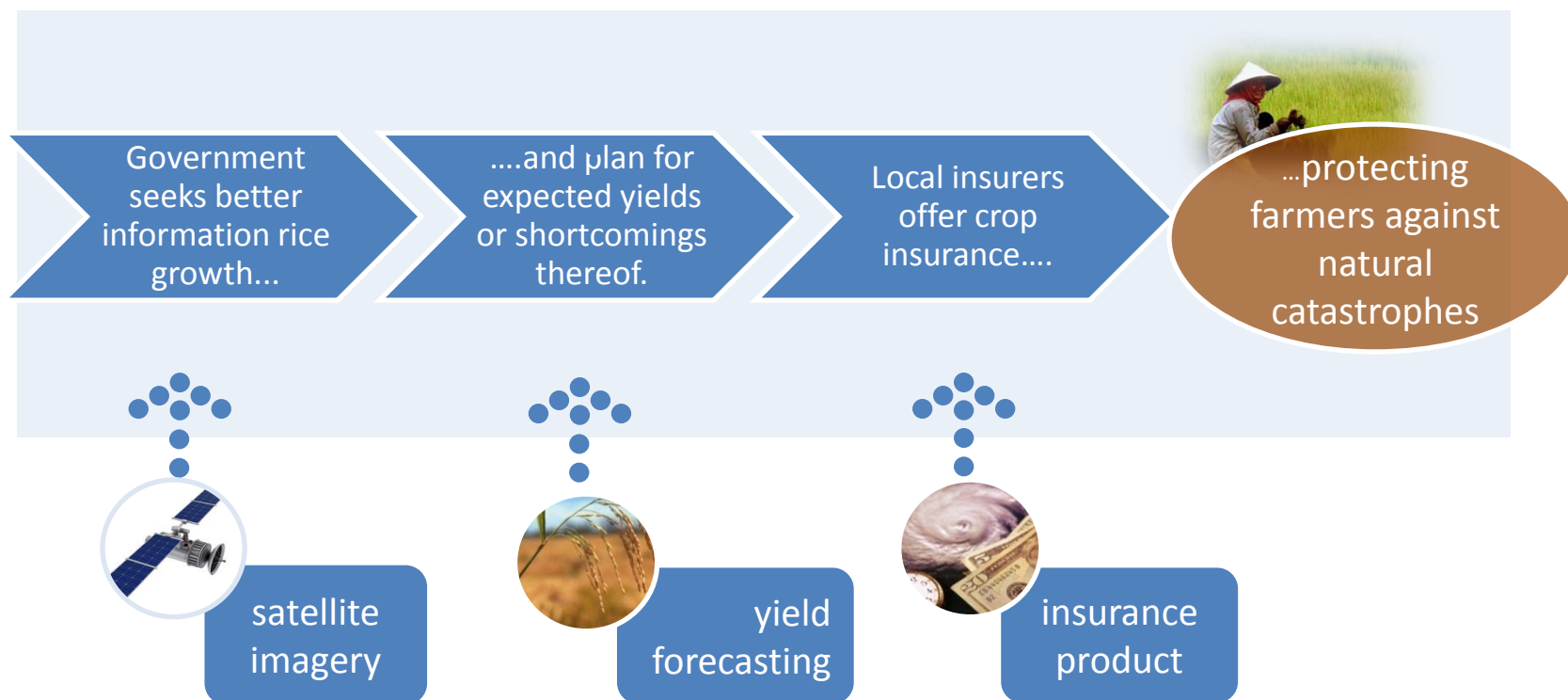


4 pest and diseases



\* Data provided by GIZ Philippines, 2010

## RIICE operational model for delivering **risk management** through technology





# Who is RIICE?

## Aims

- 1 **Help Governments and NGOs to better plan for food crises through better crop monitoring.**
- 2 **Increase efficiency and effectiveness of crop insurance solutions and turn it into a viable business also in emerging markets.**

## Partner



Satellite data procurement & processing



Funding and in-country support in two countries



Ground validation & yield modelling



In-country support in three countries; implementation, access to policy-makers,



Insurance product development

## Timeline

02/2012

05/2015

04/2018

Technical proof of concept; «dry-test» of satellite-supported insurance products

Nation-wide upscaling of yield monitoring in collaboration with governments. Selected implementation of insurance.



Multi-stakeholder projects work differently



Push & Pull: Partners need a solution, not a technology

Stakeholder engaged in risk mitigation strategies look for a solution.  
Pitching a particular project does not meet their needs.



Irrationality of client needs:  
The best solution can still lose out to politics

Governments decide for a solution for political reasons, not necessarily to address a particular scientific challenge. Politics is the gatekeeper.

News to use: Eventually **all will be public**

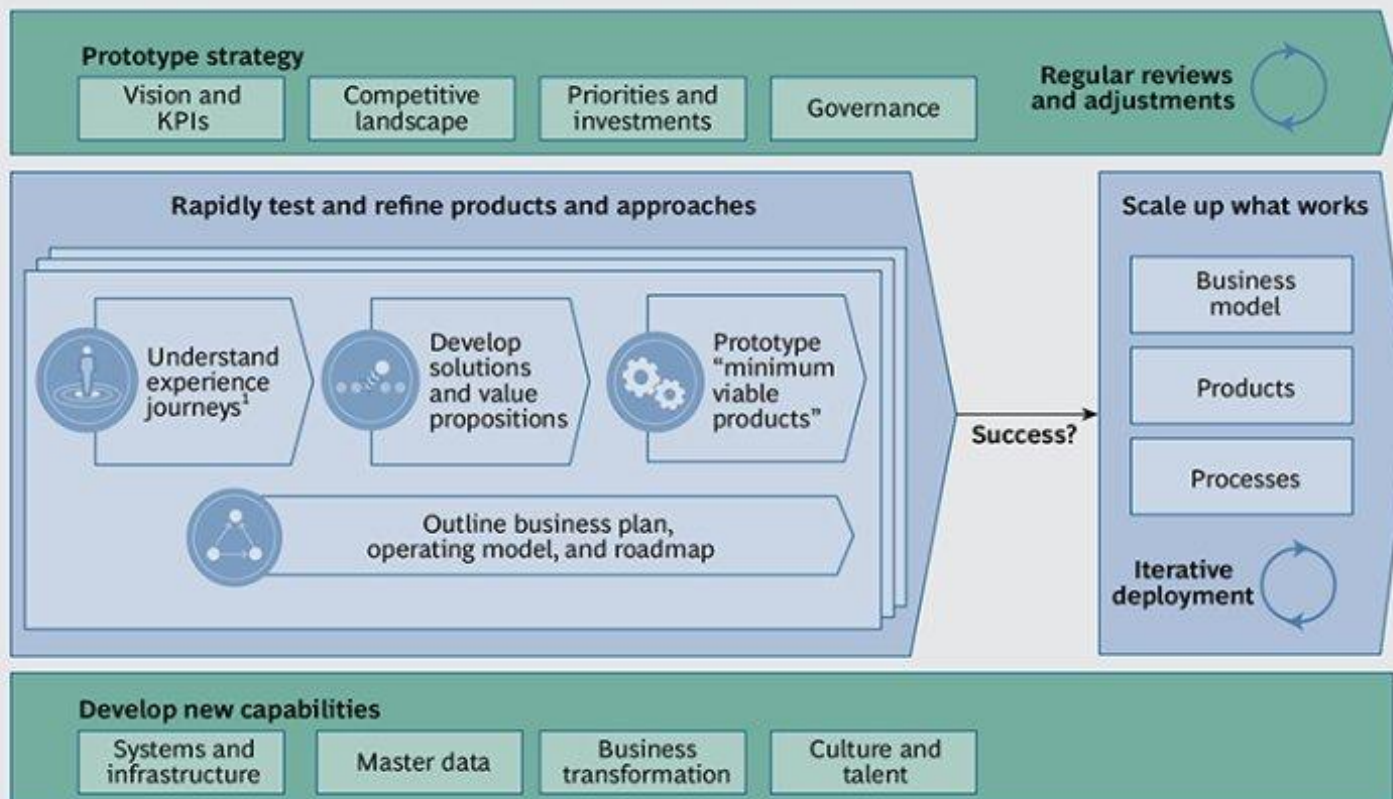


Open source will be the order of the day

- Private partners will find it more difficult to hold on to exclusivity
- Governments will have to make public the results of development work



# Technology-adaptation is **complex**



Source: BCG analysis.

<sup>1</sup>Experience journeys can include experiences with a company, product, or service by customers, suppliers, partners, employees, users on connected devices, and others.

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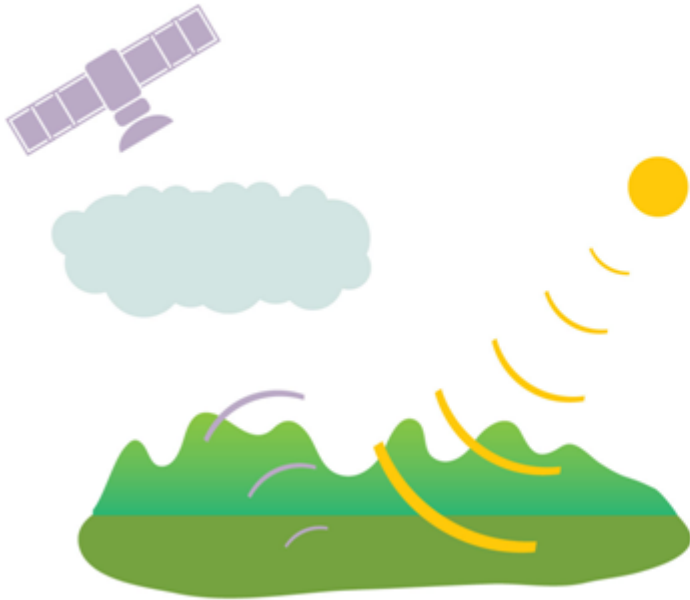


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What is the advantage of **remote sensing**?

optical remote sensing



synthetic aperture radar  
(SAR)



Making **crop insurance** part of an integrated RIICE risk management approach.

Government's and farmers options

- Disaster relief programmes
- More productive crops
- Better information on yield
- Insurance

FARMERS' BENEFITS

- Stabilized income and hence worthy for agricultural credits
- Less vulnerability and hence more money available for securer life
- Less likely to migrate to cities