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Date of birth 19/10/1985 | Nationality Italian

Current Position Researcher (III Level) at National Research Council (CNR) – Research Institute for Geo-Hydrological Protection (IRPI), Italy

**RESEARCH INTERESTS****Summary**

My main research interests include: (i) land surface modelling and hydrological modelling; (ii) data assimilation of high resolution remote sensing observations in land surface and hydrological models to improve the water cycle description and track the effects of the human impacts on it (i.e., detection and quantification of irrigation); (iii) drought monitoring through the use of land surface/hydrological models and remote sensing observations; (iv) validation and application of innovative satellite products to improve hydrological/land surface modelling. I have been involved in numerous national and international projects aiming at developing and producing tools for monitoring drought events, quantifying irrigation and improving the water cycle description. I have published 20+ scientific papers in peer reviewed international journals and one manuscript is currently under review in an international journal. Finally, I produced 40+ conference contributions.

**Bibliometric Indicators**

SCOPUS (25/06/2024): h-index 10, citations 590 by 474 documents

Web of Science (25/06/2024): h-index 10, citations 500 by 409 documents

Scholar (25/06/2024): h-index 9, citations 722

**WORK EXPERIENCE****Apr. 2023 – to date****Researcher (Ricercatore III Livello)**

Non-permanent position as Researcher (III level) at Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche (CNR) - Istituto di Ricerca per la Protezione Idrogeologica (IRPI)

- Scientific research activities in the development of hydrological applications (floods, droughts) at regional and global scales using satellite observations and advanced modelling, as part of the project called Open Earth Monitor Cyberinfrastructure, OEMC code DTA.AD004.459.

**May 2019 – Apr. 2023****Research Fellowship at CNR – IRPI**

Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche (CNR) - Istituto di Ricerca per la Protezione Idrogeologica (IRPI)

- Analysis and use of hydrometeorological data from ground stations and satellite sensors, hydrological modelling, flooding, hazard and hydraulic risk analysis.
- Development of codes for applications in the field of hydrology and hydraulics.
- Monitoring (forecasting) drought events and irrigation water uses through advanced

modelling and data assimilation of ground and satellite observations into land surface/hydrological models.

Tutor: Dr. Christian Massari

May 2018 – May 2019

**Scholarship at CNR – IRPI**

Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche (CNR) - Istituto di Ricerca per la Protezione Idrogeologica (IRPI)

- Use and validation of satellite soil moisture and rainfall data to improve hydrological modelling and drought monitoring.
- Developments of codes for applications in drought monitoring.

Tutor: Dr. Stefania Camici

Oct. 2017 – Mar. 2018

**Internships at CNR-IRPI**

Work experience within the project "Torno Subito 2017", programme of interventions aimed at students/graduates Axis III- Education and Training - Investment Priority 10.ii- Specific Objective 10.5 - POR FSE Lazio 2014-2020. Determinazione Dirigenziale Laziodisu 1234 del 19/04/2017 carried out at CNR-IRPI on the topic:

- New technologies for monitoring hydrogeological instability

**EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

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Oct. 2018 – Jun. 2022

PhD degree Civil and Environmental Engineering

PhD degree in Bioscience Engineering

Joint PhD Title

University of Perugia (UNIPG) – Dipartimento di Ingegneria Civile e Ambientale (DICA)  
University of Florence (UNIFI) – Dipartimento di Ingegneria Civile e Ambientale (DICEA)  
Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (KU Leuven) – Faculty of Bioscience Engineering

- Thesis: Innovative Use of Earth Observation and Land Surface Modeling for Tracking the Effects of Irrigation on the Terrestrial Water Cycle
- Tutors: Prof. Dr. Eng. Renato Morbidelli  
Prof. Dr. Eng. Gabrielle De Lannoy  
Dr. Eng. Christian Massari  
Dr. Michel Bechtold

Feb. 2015 – Jul. 2016

Master's degree in Analysis and Mitigation of Hydro-Geological Risks

Sapienza University of Rome - CERI

Thesis: Susceptibility to blocks' detachment from rock walls assessed through stability analysis and kinematic compatibility verification methods based on geo-structural surveys with direct and remote techniques applied to an experimental site (Suscettibilità al distacco di blocchi da pareti in roccia valutata attraverso analisi di stabilità e metodi di verifica della compatibilità cinematica basata su rilievi geostrutturali con tecniche dirette e da remoto applicata ad un sito sperimentale).

Tutors: Prof. Dr. Salvatore Martino

Dr. Andrea Fantini

Mark: 110/110 cum laude

Nov. 2013

State Examination – Profession of Geologist

Sapienza University of Rome

	Successfully passed examination
Jan. 2010 – Jun. 2010	<b>ERASMUS Project</b> University of Birmingham (UK) Modules: Sedimentary petrology and diagenesis; Earth History; Neotectonic and Sedimentation.
Oct. 2008 – Mar. 2012	<b>MSc Degree in Geologia Applicata all'Ingegneria e alla Pianificazione Territoriale (DM 509/99 - 86/S)</b> Sapienza University of Rome – Faculty of Mathematical, Physical and Natural Sciences <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Thesis: Reactivation scenarios of earthquake-induced landslides in the coastal area of the southern-tyrrhenian Calabria (Scenari di riattivazione sismoindotta di frane nell'area costiera della Calabria sud-tirrenica )</li><li>▪ Tutors: Prof. Dr. Salvatore Martino Dr. Carlo Esposito Dr. Guido Martini</li><li>▪ Mark: 110/110 cum laude</li></ul>
Sep. 2004 – Oct. 2008	<b>BSc Degree in Geology – Scienze Geologiche</b> University of Perugia – Faculty of Mathematical, Physical and Natural Sciences Thesis: The Stones of Perugia: an Example of Urban Geology (Le Pietre di Perugia: un Esempio di Geologia Urbana) Tutors: Prof. Dr. Lucilia Gregori <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Mark 110/110 cum laude</li></ul>

## HIGHER EDUCATION COURSES

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January 2021	<b>GEOframe Winter School</b> University of Trento (Italy) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Language: English</li><li>▪ Duration: 64 hours</li><li>▪ Course objectives: The Winter School aims at the installation of the GEOframe-OMS system tools and to provide theoretical and practical lectures on: catchment and Hydrologic Response Unit (HRU) delineation; meteorological variables interpolation; simple evapotranspiration methods; snow modules; radiation and rainfall-runoff modeling.</li></ul>
2020	<b>PGR Catchment Summer School</b> University of Birmingham <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Language: English</li><li>▪ Duration: 40 hours</li><li>▪ Course objectives: The Catchment Science Summer School is a 5-day short course that is intended for post-graduate students and post-docs interested in a hands-on catchment science curriculum, focusing on northern catchments, runoff processes and combined hydrometric, isotope/chemical tracer and modeling techniques in catchment hydrology.</li></ul>
2020	<b>Use of Python for calculation and application development in science</b> University of Perugia - DICA <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Language: Italian</li><li>▪ Duration: 30 hours</li></ul>

- Course objectives: Understanding fundamental programming concepts and python syntax; use of third-party libraries (i.e., Numpy, Scipy, SPandas, Matplotlib); work with common file formats (ASCII, Binary, Excel, GeoTIFF, NetCDF).

2020	<a href="#">LINUX for HPC</a> KU Leuven (Belgium) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Language: English</li><li>▪ Duration: 4 hours</li></ul> <p>▪ Course objectives: Getting familiar with shells (mainly bash); working with i/o files; customizing the shell for particular needs; being able to get the necessary account/job information; getting familiar with NX GUI software; writing sample PBS scripts; installing applications as a user.</p>
2020	<a href="#">HPC-Introduction</a> KU Leuven (Belgium) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Language: English</li><li>▪ Duration: 4 hours</li></ul> <p>▪ Course objectives: Understanding basic HPC terms; using software; install applications on the cluster; submitting jobs, deleting unwanted jobs; understanding output files; perform parameter studies on the cluster.</p>
2019	<a href="#">Python as a second language</a> KU Leuven (Belgium) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Language: English</li><li>▪ Duration: 4 hours</li></ul> <p>▪ Course objectives: The course introduces the programming language to participants who have programming experience with other programming languages such as R, MATLAB, C/C++ or Fortran. Subjects are control flow statements, functions, data types and file I/O</p>
2019	<a href="#">Earth Observations</a> KU Leuven (Belgium) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Language: English</li><li>▪ Duration: 52 hours</li></ul> <p>▪ Course objectives: After completion of the course, students are able to understand the various types of Earth observation techniques and how they are used in different applications. Additionally, students gain insight in: which sensors can be used for various types of remotely sensed Earth observations; which platforms carry Earth observing sensors; basic image characteristics required for various Earth applications; principles and operational missions in the field of optical, thermal, microwave remote sensing; processing and distribution of Earth observation data.</p>

**PERSONAL SKILLS**

Mother tongue(s) Italian

Other language(s)	OVERALL BAND			
	Listening	Reading	Writing	Speaking
English	6.0	7.0	6.0	7.0
				6.5

IELTS TEST (09/02/2019)

B2

Level: A1 and A2: Base user - B1 and B2: Autonomous user - C1 and C2: Advanced User  
Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Technical skills  
and competences

	SELF EVALUATION				
	Information processing	Communication	Creation of Contents	Security	Problem Solving
	Advanced User	Advanced User	Advanced user	Advanced User	Advanced user

Digital skills - self-evaluation

- Excellent knowledge of Windows operating systems.
- Excellent knowledge of the LINUX operating systems.
- Excellent knowledge of the MATLAB environment.
- Excellent knowledge of FORTRAN programming.
- Excellent knowledge of Python environment.
- Good command of Google Earth Engine (GEE) environment.
- Excellent knowledge of basic Office programs (Word, Excel, Power Point), Adobe Acrobat, WinZip, WinRaR
- Basic knowledge of softwares for 3D modelling: Agisoft Photoscan, Meshlab and CloudCompare

Driving Licenses

Car license category B

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL  
PROJECT PARTECIPATION  
2023-2025

(participation) **CCI-AWU**

Funded by European Space Agency

Total budget: 500,000€ (CNR-IRPI: 160,000 €)

link: <https://climate.esa.int/en/projects/anthropogenic-water-use/>

N partner: 5

Protocol: ESA Contract No. 4000142449/23/I-NB.

Role in the project: Responsible of WP340 Data Assimilation and co-point of contact for technical matters.

2024

(participation) **"Mazdi Ndi Moyo" L'Acqua è Vita**

Protocollo Intesa con ITTS A. Volta Perugia Progetto "L'Acqua è Vita" Programma #iosonoAmbiente"

Total budget: not applicable

N partner: 4

Protocol: 119643/2024

Role in the project: Reference person for IRPI-CNR.

2022-2024

(participation) **ACQUACENTRO**

Funded by Autorità di Bacino Distrettuale dell'Appennino Centrale

Total budget: € 150,000 (CNR-IRPI: 70,000€)

link: /

N partner: 2

Protocol: Ordini di servizio 0003415/2022, 0016154/2023 and 201832/2024

Role in the project: Estimation of water needs in relation to climate change, with particular focus on irrigation needs.

**2022-2023**

(participation) **DTE Alps**

Funded by European Space Agency

Total CNR-IRPI budget: €80,000

link: <https://devext.sinergise.com/sentinel/dta/>

N partner: 5

Protocol: Subcontract between Sentinel Hub and IRPI-CNR within the ESA contract 4000139281/22/I-DT

Role in the project: Implementation of tools and algorithm for drought monitoring

**2022-2025**

(participation) **WATERSTEM**

Funded by "Progetti di Ricerca di Rilevante Interesse Nazionale - Bando 2020 MUR Prot. 20202WF53Z

Total budget: 477,304€ (CNR-IRPI: 190,113.0 €)

N partner: 5

Protocol: Ordine di servizio 0002702/2022

Role in the project: Modelling and data assimilation

**2022-2027**

(participation) **EUMETSAT Satellite Application Facility on Support to Operational Hydrology and Water Management, H SAF**

Funded by European Organization for the Exploitation of Meteorological Satellites—EUMETSAT

Total budget: 7,325,000.00 € (CNR-IRPI: 178,749.00 €)

Link: <http://hydrology.irpi.cnr.it/projects/h-saf/>

N partner: 19

Protocol: Ordine di servizio 0002665/2022 and Ordine di servizio 202073/2024

Role in the project: takes part in WP 8300 (application tools) and WP 8400 (training program).

**2022-2023**

(participation) **DTE-Hydrology evolution**

Funded by European Space Agency – ESA

Total budget: 399,967.00 € (CNR-IRPI: 135,000.00 €)

Link: <http://hydrology.irpi.cnr.it/projects/dte-hydrology/>

N partner: 6

Protocol: Ordine di servizio 0002664/2022

Role in the project: takes part in WP 150 (Irrigation) and WP 700 (User Community engagement and roadmap).

**2021-2023**

(participation) **4DMED-Hydrology**

Funded by European Space Agency – ESA

Total budget: 999,956.00 € (CNR-IRPI: 220,000.00 €)

Link: <https://www.4dmed-hydrology.org/>

N partner: 10

Protocol: Ordine di servizio 0000362/2022

Role in the project: takes part in WP 110 (scientific requirements consolidation) and WP 340 (Irrigation)

**2020-2022**

(participation) **IRRIGATION+**

Funded by European Space Agency – ESA

Total budget: 449,936.00 € (CNR-IRPI: 114,444.00 €)

Link: <http://hydrology.irpi.cnr.it/projects/irrigation+/>

N partner: 7

	Protocol: IRPI 0012611/2020 Role in the project: Data Collection. WP400: Irrigation products development; WP600: Impact Assessment.
<b>2020</b>	<b>(PI) Assimilation of innovative Earth observations into a land surface model for tracking human-induced changes to the terrestrial water cycle, Short Term Mobility, STM</b> Short term mobility funded by Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche – CNR Link: <a href="https://www.cnr.it/en/short-term-mobility">https://www.cnr.it/en/short-term-mobility</a> N partner: 2 Protocol: CNR 0054417/2020 Role in the project: To test the joint use of a Land Surface Model (LSM) and remote sensing backscatter observations, integrated via data assimilation (DA), for improving the water cycle description and track the effects of the human impacts on it, over a study area within the Po river Valley (Italy).
<b>2019-2021</b>	<b>(participation) Resolving the Daily Water Cycle over Land with Radar Satellites, DWC Radar</b> Funded by FFG Cooperative R&D project (Austria) Total budget: 299,964.00 € (CNR-IRPI: 22,808.00 €) Link: <a href="http://hydrology.irpi.cnr.it/projects/dwc-radar/">http://hydrology.irpi.cnr.it/projects/dwc-radar/</a> N partner: 3 Protocol: IRPI 0002621/2019 Role in the project: Collection of modelled soil moisture and remote sensing soil moisture time series for quantifying the water resource used for irrigation.
<b>2018-2019</b>	<b>(participation) Rapporto di collaborazione e partnership, nell'ambito delle rispettive finalità istituzionali, per la realizzazione di studi e ricerche finalizzati a supportare le attività della rete dei Centri Funzionali, seguendo i principi di maggiore efficacia, efficienza e funzionalità della Pubblica Amministrazione</b> Funded by: Accordo tra la Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri -Dipartimento di Protezione Civile e l'Istituto di Ricerca per la Protezione Idrogeologica del Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche Total budget: 257,070.00 € (CNR-IRPI: 257,070.00 €) N partner: 1 Protocol: DPC n. 0067693/2018 Role in the project: Satellite soil moisture products validation and satellite applications for hydrology.
<b>2017</b>	<b>(participation) Innovative Risk Management Solutions for Floods and Droughts to support national strategies for Disaster Risk Reduction in South Asia</b> Funded by International Water Management Institute – IWMI Total budget: 11,000.00 € (CNR-IRPI: 11,000.00 €) N partner: 1 Protocol: 0002163/2017 Role in the project: Collection of satellite soil moisture, precipitation products and modelled soil moisture estimates. Implementation and validation of algorithms and tools for agricultural drought monitoring.

**TEACHING-SCIENTIFIC DISSEMINATION****2023****Monitoring soil moisture from space, a key variable for hydrological and agricultural applications: background and real-world practical exercises**

Role: Teacher

International Advanced School in Agricultural Meteorology – 3rd Edition

Period: 11-15/12/2023

Link: [https://climateservices.it/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/brochure\\_2023\\_04\\_07.pdf](https://climateservices.it/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/brochure_2023_04_07.pdf)**2022****Modellazione Idraulica & GIS: “Utilizzo di dati satellitari per il monitoraggio di siccità e pratiche irrigue.**

- Role: Presenter  
 Professional course  
 Period: 25/02/2022  
 Link: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o\\_eSDYZfbmI&t=345s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o_eSDYZfbmI&t=345s)
- 2021 LOGYTalks – Irrigation estimates from remote sensing and land surface modeling.**  
 Role: Presenter  
 Dissemination  
 Period: 15/12/2021  
 Link:  
<https://www.linkedin.com/events/irrigationestimatesfromremotese686122399134495948/>
- 2020 Sharper Night 2020: “Observing the Earth”.**  
 Role: Presenter  
 Dissemination  
 Period: November 2020  
 Link: <https://ing1.unipg.it/home/notizie-ed-eventi/archivio-notizie/1249-il-dipartimento-ingegneria-civile-e-ambientale-partecipa-a-sharper-2020>
- 2019 EUMeTrain: Event week on Soil Moisture products of H-SAF 4 - 8 Novembre 2019.**  
 Role: Teacher  
 Course within the framework of the HSAF-Cdop3 (DTA.AD004.155)  
 Period: 4-8/11/2019

#### FURTHER INFORMATION

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##### Memberships

- Società Idrologica Italiana (SII) since 2019
- European Geoscience Union (EGU) from 2019 to 2023
- Gruppo Italiano di Idraulica (GII) from 2020 to 2021

##### Evaluation of research results

- Reviewer for several peer-reviewed international journals including Hydrology of Earth Systems Sciences (HESS), Remote sensing (MDPI), International Journal of Remote Sensing (IJRS), Agricultural Water Management (Elsevier)  
<https://www.webofscience.com/wos/author/record/AFX-9576-2022>

##### Personal data

According to law 679/2016 of the Regulation of the European Parliament of 27th April 2016, I hereby express my consent to process and use my data provided in this CV

Date: Perugia, 25/06/2024

Signature: Sara Modanesi



##### Editorial Board

###### 1. Article collection

- Journal: **Frontiers in Water**  
 Role: Topic Editors  
 Research Topic: Monitoring Irrigation Dynamics from Satellite Data

link: <https://www.frontiersin.org/research-topics/51699/monitoring-irrigation-dynamics-from-satellite-data>

Publication year: December 2022 – June 2023

Description: novel studies on: (i) Irrigation detection (timing and/or mapping) through remote sensing observations; (ii) irrigation estimates on satellite data; (iii) monitoring irrigation dynamics across scales; (iv) coupling remotely-sensed observations with hydrological or land surface modeling for irrigation management purposes; (v) assessing the impacts of irrigation practices on the hydrological cycle and climate; (vi) innovative data assimilation systems to merge EO and land surface models to improve irrigation; (vii) assessing irrigation efficiency through satellite data; (viii) assessing irrigation water needs under future climate scenarios.

## 2. Special Issue

Journal: **Remote Sensing (MDPI)**

Role: Guest Editor

Title: “Irrigation Estimates and Management from EO data”

link: [https://www.mdpi.com/journal/remotesensing/special\\_issues/Irrigation\\_EO](https://www.mdpi.com/journal/remotesensing/special_issues/Irrigation_EO)

Period: January 2022 – December 2022

Description: novel studies aimed at monitoring irrigation dynamics at different spatial scales through Earth Observation (EO) data, as well as works proposing managing strategies based on remote sensing observations. Review papers are also welcome.

## List of ISI publications

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3. Girotto, M., Formetta, G., Azimi, S., Bachand, C., Cowherd, M., De Lannoy, G., Lievens, H., **Modanesi, S.**, Raleigh, M.S., Rigon, R., Massari, C. Identifying snowfall elevation patterns by assimilating satellite-based snow depth retrievals, *Science of The Total Environment*, Volume 906, 167312, ISSN 0048-9697, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.scitotenv.2023.167312>, 2024.
4. Azimi, S., Massari, C., Formetta, G., Barbetta, S., Tazioli, A., Fronzi, D., **Modanesi, S.**, Tarpanelli, A., and Rigon, R.: On understanding mountainous carbonate basins of the Mediterranean using parsimonious modeling solutions, *Hydrol. Earth Syst. Sci.*, 27, 4485–4503, <https://doi.org/10.5194/hess-27-4485-2023>, 2023.
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6. Natali, M., **Modanesi, S.**, Massari, C., Brocca, L., De Lannoy, G., J. M. Maino, A., Mantovan, F. A simple framework to calibrate a soil water balance model with Sentinel-1 and Sentinel-2 observations over irrigated fields. *IEEE International Workshop on Metrology for Agriculture and Forestry*, 2023.
7. Massari, C., Pellet, V., Tramblay, Y., Crow, W. T., Gründemann, G. J., Hascoeft, T., Penna, D., **Modanesi, S.**, Brocca, L., Camici, S., & Marra, F. On the relation between antecedent basin conditions and runoff coefficient for European floods. *Journal of Hydrology*, 625, 130012. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jhydrol.2023.130012>, 2024
8. Kragh, S. J., Dari, J., **Modanesi, S.**, Massari, C., Brocca, L., Fensholt, R., Stisen, S., and Koch, J. An inter-comparison of approaches and frameworks to quantify irrigation from satellite data, *Hydrol. Earth Syst. Sci.*, 28, 441–457, <https://doi.org/10.5194/hess-28-441-2024>, 2024.
9. Dari, J., Brocca, L., **Modanesi, S.**, Massari, C., Tarpanelli, A., Barbetta, S., Quast, R., Vreugdenhil, M., Freeman, V., Barella-Ortiz, A., Quintana-Seguí, P., Bretreger, D., and Volden, E.: Regional data sets of high-resolution (1 and 6 km) irrigation estimates from space, *Earth Syst. Sci. Data*, 15, 1555–1575, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-15-1555-2023>, 2023.
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13. Elwan, E., Le Page, M., Jarlan L., Baghdadi, N., Brocca, L., Modanesi, S., Dari, J., Quintana-Seguí, P., Zribi, M. Irrigation Mapping on Two Contrasted Climatic Contexts Using Sentinel-1 and Sentinel-2 Data. *Water*, 14(5), 804. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.3390/w14050804>, 2022.
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#### List of Technical Reports

1. **CCI AWU – Report Explaining the Criteria for Selecting Test Regions Deliverable 2**

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Description: The document aims at describing the efforts of the Consortium in order to create a strong network and connection with climate research and climate service user communities. In this context, a questionnaire was spread within climate scientists and climate communities to gather their needs and feedback regarding a CCI AWU ECV (Essential Climate variable). In the report (version 1 - V.1) results based on the first set of answers provided by scientists are reported.

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**6. 4DMED Hydrology – Impact Assessment Report: Science. Deliverable 5.1**

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Description: The main objective of the “Human impact on the water cycle” is to quantify and account for human water use in a reconstruction of the water budget for the Po river basin. More specifically, Sentinel-1 snow depth retrievals (Alps, Apennines), Sentinel-1 backscatter observations (Po valley), and irrigation modelling (Po valley) are used to improve the skill of high-resolution estimates of water cycle state variables (snow, soil moisture, vegetation) and fluxes (streamflow, evapotranspiration, irrigation) over the entire Po river basin.

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Authors: Tarpanelli, A., Massari, C., **Modanesi, S.**, Aires, F., Alfieri, L., Avanzi, F., Barbetta, S., Bartkowiak, P., Bechtold, M., Brocca, L., Camici, S., Castelli, M., Ciabatta, L., Claus, M., Dari, J., De Jeu, R., De Lannoy, G., Delogu, F., Dorigo, W., Filippucci, P., Mosaffa, H., Gabellani, S., Hulsman, P., Jacob, A., Koppa, A., Lievens, H., Miralles, D., Barella Ortiz, A., Pellet, V., Petrova, I., Greimeister-Pfeil, I., Quast, R., Quintana Seguí, P., Rains, D., Schellekens, J., Schlaffer, S., Tramblay, Y., van der Schalie, R., Vreugdenhil, M., Wagner, W., Zappa, L.

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Description: The report prepared within the 4DMED project intends to describe in detail all the algorithms, methods and models implemented in the project. The report also includes all related input data and its sources, processing steps and output data. In addition, the document reports a scientific analysis of the drivers of specific development choices and trade-offs for all the algorithms implemented to generate the whole suite of target products. Technical considerations justifying the selected methodologies is also provided.

Publication year: 2023

Additional Information: Report prepared within the 4DMED project, ESA Contract No. 4000136272/21/I-EF.

**9. 4DMED Hydrology– Requirement baseline report**

Authors: Camici, S., Massari, C., **Modanesi, S.**, Tarpanelli, A., Aires, F., Alfieri, L., Avanzi, F., Barbetta, S., Bechtold, M., Brocca, L., Castelli, M., Ciabatta, L., Claus, M., Dari, J., De Jeu, R., De Lannoy, G., Delogu, F., Dorigo, W., Filippucci, P., Gabellani, S., Hulsman, P., Jacob, A., Koppa, A., Lievens, H., Miralles , D., Barella Ortiz, A., Pellet, V., Petrova, I., Greimeister-Pfeil, I., Quast, R., Quintana

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Role: Coauthor

Description: The report provides: 1) a review of the state-of-the-art research on the Mediterranean water cycle; 2) the identification of the main European and international projects and initiatives that are relevant for 4DMED activities, and of the potential areas for collaboration; 3) consolidation of the technical specifications of the target products and methods to be included in the Experimental Dataset to be generated during the project; 4) a consolidated risk analysis conducted assessing which risk areas could affect the final success of the project and the relative possible solutions.

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Additional Information: Report prepared within the 4DMED project, ESA Contract No. 4000136272/21/I-EF.

**10. Irrigation+ – Scientific Roadmap D6.1**

Authors: Brocca, L., Massari, C., Barbetta, S., Quintana Seguí, P., Brombacher, J., Dari, J., Dorigo, W., Freeman, V., Le Page, M., **Modanesi, S.**, De Lannoy, G., Bechtold, M., Busschaert, L., Tarpanelli, A., Zappa, L., Zribi, M.

Role: Coauthor

Description: This document summarizes the main achievements obtained during the Irrigation+ project and outlines the future steps that should be carried out in this activity

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Additional Information: Report prepared within the Irrigation+ project, ESA Contract 4000129870/20/I-NB

**11. Irrigation+ - Collection of Papers Report D5.2**

Authors: Brocca, L., Massari, C., Barbetta, S., Quintana Seguí, P., Brombacher, J., Dari, J., Dorigo, W., Freeman, V., Le Page, M., **Modanesi, S.**, De Lannoy, G., Bechtold, M., Busschaert, L., Tarpanelli, A., Zappa, L., Zribi, M.

Role: Coauthor

Description This document describes the list of publications of Irrigation+ projects and the outreach (media and conferences).

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Additional Information: Report prepared within the Irrigation+ project, ESA Contract 4000129870/20/I-NB

**12. Irrigation+ – Impact Assessment Report Report D5.1**

Authors: Brocca, L., Massari, C., Barbetta, S., Quintana Seguí, P., Brombacher, J., Dari, J., Dorigo, W., Freeman, V., Le Page, M., **Modanesi, S.**, De Lannoy, G., Bechtold, M., Busschaert, L., Tarpanelli, A., Zappa, L., Zribi, M.

Role: Coauthor

Description: This document describes the validation of the datasets generated during the Phase 1 of the project, addressing: i) irrigation water amounts, ii) irrigation mapping, and iii) irrigation timing. For each dataset we provide a short description of how it has been derived and the results of the validation over the IRRIGATION+ pilot areas. Additionally, a cross validation between the irrigation quantification datasets was obtained, when possible, based on the spatial and temporal extent of each product.

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Additional Information: Report prepared within the Irrigation+ project, ESA Contract 4000129870/20/I-NB

**13. Irrigation+ – Experimental Dataset Validation Report D4.3**

Authors: **Modanesi, S.**, Dari, J., Brocca, L., Barbetta, S., Bechtold, M.; Brombacher, J., De Lannoy, G., Dorigo, W., Le Page, M., Massari, C., Tarpanelli, A., Zappa, L., Zribi, M.

Role: Coauthor

Description: This document describes the evaluation of the irrigation datasets generated during Phase 1 of the project. It performs the evaluation of each product singularly (i.e., irrigation water amounts through different methodology; irrigation mapping and timing products) as well as a cross comparison between the irrigation quantification products.

Publication year: 2022

Additional Information: Report prepared within the Irrigation+ project, ESA Contract 4000129870/20/I-NB

**14. Irrigation+ – Experimental Dataset Description D4.2**

Authors: Zappa, L., Brocca, L., Brombacher, J., De Lannoy, G., Dari, J., Dorigo, W., Massari, C., M., **Modanesi, S.**, Zribi, M.

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Description: This document describes the experimental datasets generated during Phase 1 of the project, addressing i) irrigation water amounts, ii) irrigation mapping, and iii) irrigation timing.

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**15. Irrigation+ – Updated Proposal for Phase 2 Deliverable D3.4**

Authors: Brocca, L., Massari, C., Barbetta, S., Quintana Seguí, P., Brombacher, J., Dari, J., Dorigo, W., Freeman, V., Le Page, M., **Modanesi, S.**, De Lannoy, G., Bechtold, M., Lievens, H., Jaquot, P., Tarpanelli, A., Zappa, L., Zribi, M.

Role: Coauthor

Description: This document provides the updated proposal for the Phase 2 of the project that considers the shift of the activities due to COVID-19 and the remodulation of the activities based on the scientific results obtained in Phase 1.  
Publication year: 2021

Additional Information: Report prepared within the Irrigation+ project, ESA Contract 4000129870/20/I-NB

**16. Irrigation+ – Algorithm Theoretical Basis Document (ATBD) Deliverable D3.2**

Authors: Brocca, L., Massari, C., Barbetta, S., Quintana Seguí, P., Brombacher, J., Dari, J., Dorigo, W., Freeman, V., Le Page, M., **Modanesi, S.**, De Lannoy, G., Bechtold, M., Lievens, H., Jaquot, P., Tarpanelli, A., Zappa, L., Zribi, M.

Role: Coauthor

Description: This document provides the Algorithm Theoretical Basis Document (ATBD) description of the methods developed within the Irrigation+ project for irrigation quantification (SM-based inversion, SM-based delta, ET-based, data assimilation) and mapping.

Publication year: 2021

Additional Information: Report prepared within the Irrigation+ project, ESA Contract 4000129870/20/I-NB

**17. DWC Radar – Use Cases**

Authors: Vreugdenhil, M., Quast, R., Filippucci, P., Zappa, L., Reuss, F., Bauer-Marschallinger, B., Brocca, L., Massari, C., **Modanesi, S.**, Ciabatta, L., Chatzikyriakou, C., Reimond, S., Hoyal, S., Wagner, W., Dorigo, W.

Role: Coauthor

Description: The report prepared within the DWC Radar project describes the results of the use cases applications tested in the framework of the project. Specifically, the selected use cases are irrigation monitoring, flood forecasting and landslide monitoring.

Publication year: 2021

Additional Information: Report prepared within the DWC Radar project, CNR-IRPI Contract Directory 24840/2019.

**18. Irrigation+ – Mid-Term Technical Note Deliverable D3.1**

Authors: Brocca, L., Massari, C., Barbetta, S., Quintana Seguí, P., Brombacher, J., Dari, J., Dorigo, W., Freeman, V., Le Page, M., **Modanesi, S.**, De Lannoy, G., Jaquot, P., Tarpanelli, A., Zappa, L., Zribi, M.

Role: Coauthor

Description: The document provides a detailed description of the experimental development carried out and the results obtained in Task 3 (WP400) 'Irrigation products development.'

Publication year: 2020

Additional Information: Report prepared within the Irrigation+ project, ESA Contract 4000129870/20/I-NB

**19. Irrigation+ – Dataset description Deliverable D2.2**

Quintana Seguí, P., Massari, C., Barbetta, S., Brocca, L., Brombacher, J., Dari, J., Dorigo, W., Freeman, V., Le Page, M., **Modanesi, S.**, Jaquot, P., Tarpanelli, A., Zappa, L., Zribi, M.

Role: Coauthor

Description: The document describes the data collected in the IRRIGATION+ project, including in situ and satellite data, and describes the specification of the common file format used for the database.

Publication year: 2020

Additional Information: Report prepared within the Irrigation+ project, ESA Contract 4000129870/20/I-NB

**20. Irrigation+ – Requirement Baseline Report Deliverable D1.1**

Massari, C., Dari, J., **Modanesi, S.**, Brocca, L., Tarpanelli, A., Quintana Seguí, P.

Role: Coauthor

Description: The document provides an update of the state of research on irrigation and identifies the requirements and competencies acquired through a survey/interview of different stakeholders and organizations working in the field of agriculture.

Publication year: 2020

Additional Information: Report prepared within the Irrigation+ project, ESA Contract 4000129870/20/I-NB

**21. STM - Assimilation of innovative Earth observations into a land surface model for tracking human-induced changes to the terrestrial water cycle report**

Authors: **Modanesi, S.**

Role: Author

Description: The report described the results obtained during the short-term mobility project.

Publication year: 2020

Additional Information: Report prepared within the Short Term Mobility CNR project, CNR-IRPI protocol 0054991/2020.

**22. DPC Agreement - Satellite Applications for Hydrology**

Authors: **Modanesi, S.**, Massari, C., Camici, S., Ciabatta, L., Filippucci, P., Brocca, L.

Role: Coauthor

Description: The report was prepared for the Department of National Civil Protection. It contains material to demonstrate the potential of satellite soil moisture data for hydrological applications. Experiments in data assimilation of soil moisture observations within hydrological models are shown for some basins in central Italy.

Publication year: 2019

Additional Information: Report prepared within the project "Rapporto di collaborazione e partnership, nell'ambito delle rispettive finalità istituzionali, per la realizzazione di studi e ricerche finalizzati a supportare le attività della rete dei Centri Funzionali, seguendo i principi di maggiore efficacia, efficienza e funzionalità della Pubblica Amministrazione". Prot. U. of the Department of Civil Protection No. 67693 of November 23, 2018.

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