

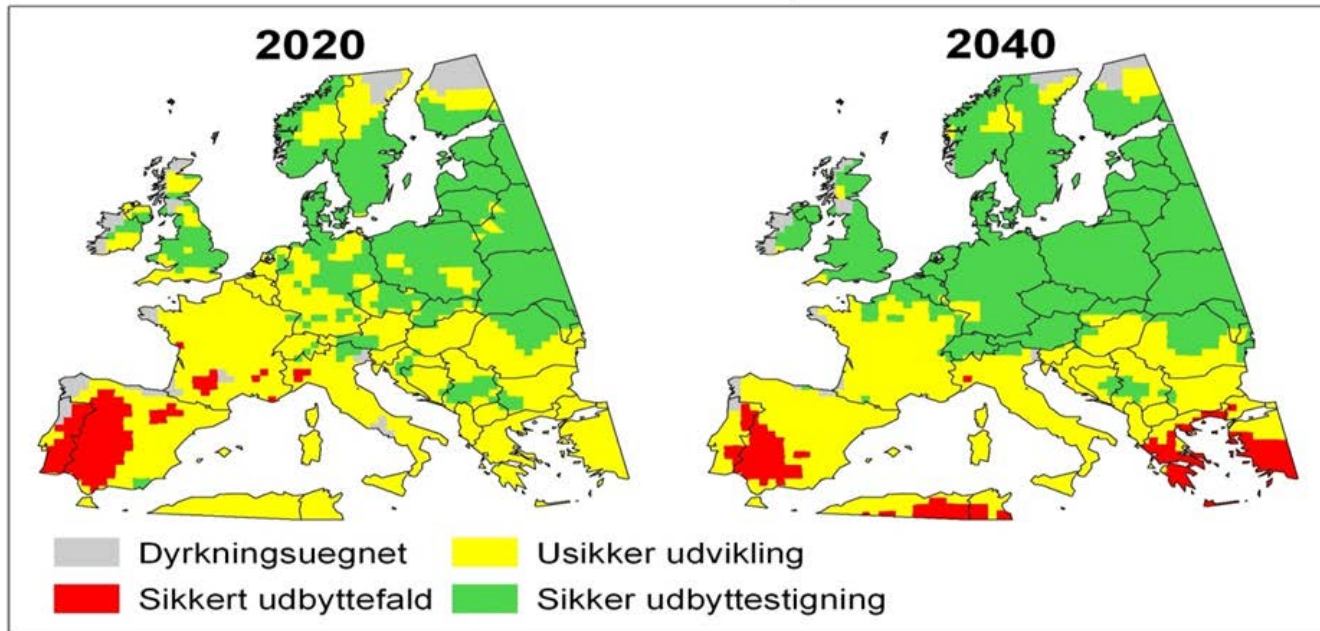
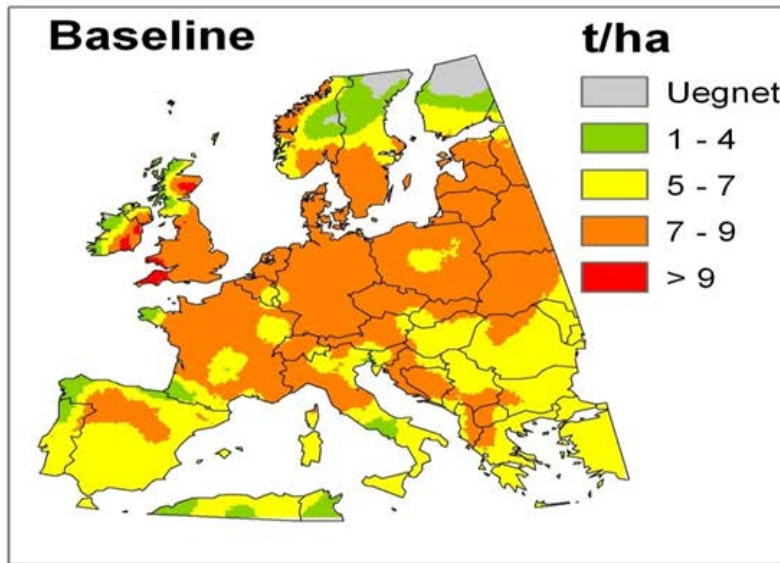
What messages to spread – messages from Aquarius to the EU and national systems

The farmer as water manager



Changed climate -

New possibilities for farming? EU thoughts?



A changed climate creates challenges for farming and for water environment



What message relevant to the EU system?
DGAgri, DGEEnv,

A large center pivot irrigation system is shown in a field of white flowers. The system consists of a long metal wheel line supported by a series of truss-like structures, with multiple smaller wheels along its length. The system is positioned over a field of green plants with white flowers. The sky is overcast with grey clouds.

Water quantity – droughts other parts of the year

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Recommendations for the EU system?

- **Water management plans / adaptation on local scale**
 - **Plans must be flexible**, and not general. Plans should have a firm connection to local issues.
 - EU and national legislation allow for flexible approaches for measures.

- **Knowledge based communication**
 - Respond to farmers initiatives
 - Justification of different measures must be **well documented**
 - **Demonstration sites** and other means of visualisation of concepts/goals are very important for mutual understanding.



How to find the win-win solutions?

