Developments in international horticultural production systems

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Opportunities Turkey - Dutch Collaboration

- World-wide trends in horticulture / floriculture
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Horticulture trends world-wide



Food security and safety ...

Save environment: More with less ...

Local, regional and global markets

From open field towards protected horticulture

From small-scale towards large-scale

... towards a growing welfare













Wageningen University and Research

- Faculty and staff: > 6,000
- 10.000 students
- Turnover: € 670 m
- Research: No 1 in our domains
- 25 locations in NL + Chile, China, Africa, Middle East
- 458 European projects
- Active in 90 countries world-wide
- 3 pillars: science, education, value creation









Production chains (protected horticulture)



Breeding & Propagation

- Selection varieties
- Proper plant propagation

Greenhouse production

- Climate control
- IPM
- Crop management
- Fertigation

Post harvest

- Sorting
- Grading
- Storing

Logistics, marketing

- Branding
- Labelling
- Selling
- Distributing



Improved labour conditions and advanced technology / supply industry

Automation internal logistics, transport, packaging, sorting, grading







Almost 100% automation (sorting, packaging, internal logistics



Wageningen UR - Greenhouse Horticulture



Fundamental

Applied

Design 24/7 attention entrepreneurship

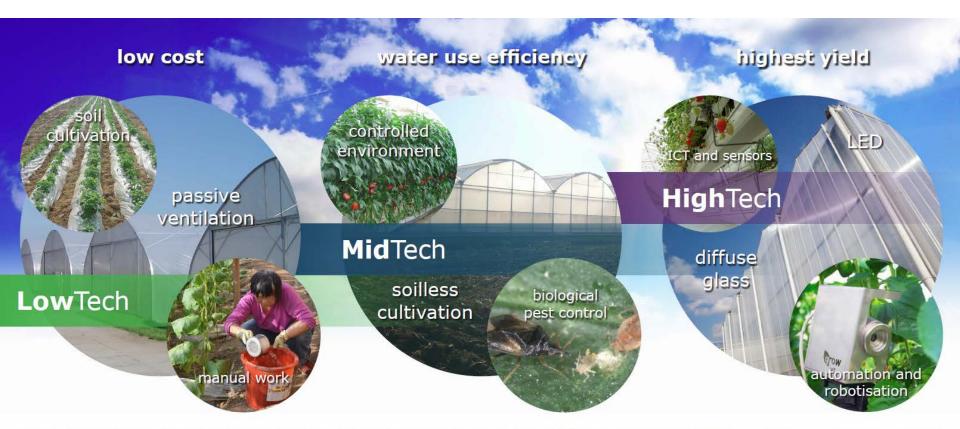
- Ventilation capacity
- Properties of the cover
- Heating/cooling
- Humidity
- CO2
- Water/nutrients

- Labour skills
- Fert-irrigation
- Crop management
- Climate management
- Crop protection
- Competence
- Accuracy





Sustainable greenhouse production

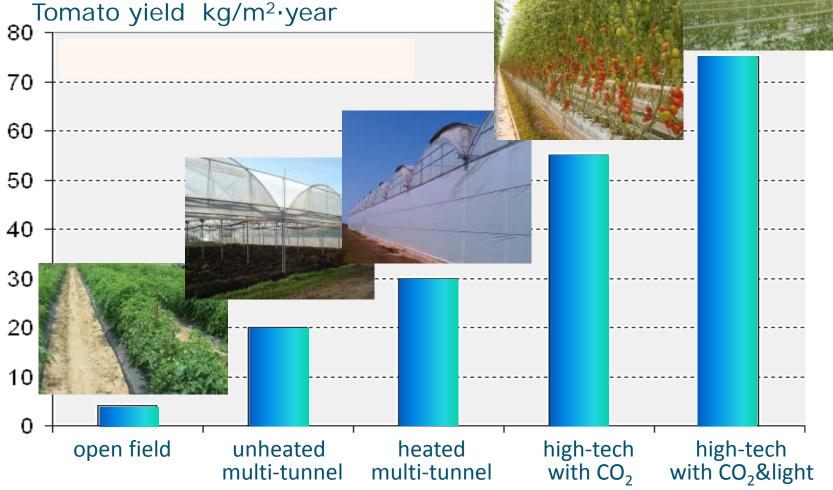


STEPWISE TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTION





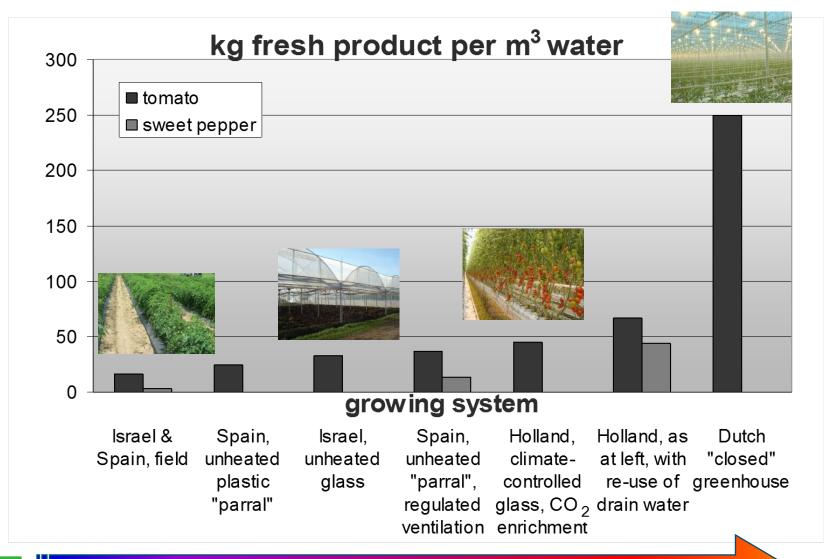
High Yield and Product Quality 80 Tomato yield kg/m²·year 70







High Resource Use Effciency



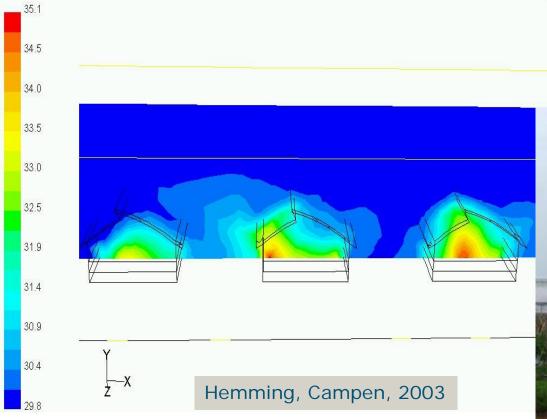




Greenhouses in tropical lowland

Goal: Introduce a passive, low-cost, passive, greenhouse concept suitable for lowland tropical climate condition



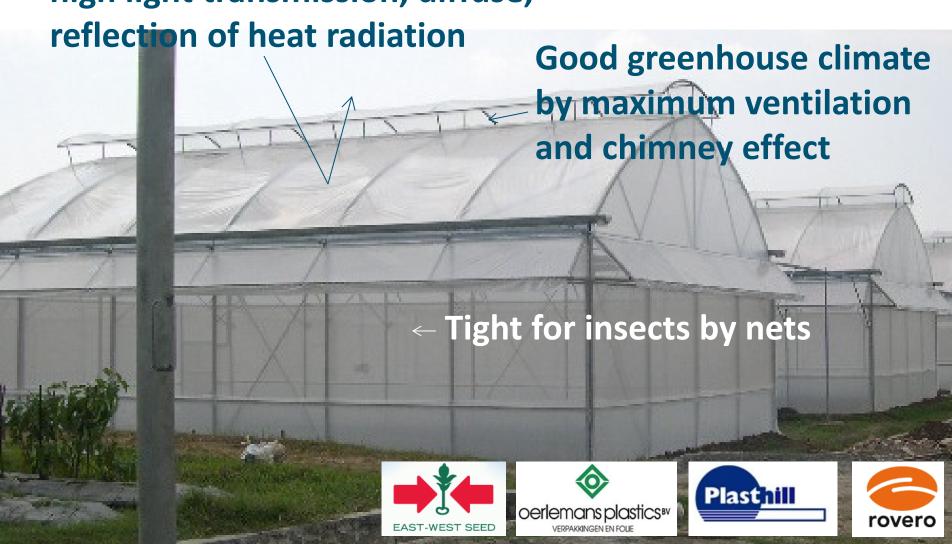




Plastic tunnels in tropical lowland

New plastic films:

high light transmission, diffuse,



Scaling-up in tropical lowland (Malaysia)

Goal: upscale production system to multi-span greenhouse









Horticultural research centres Middle East

Location: Abu Dhabi

Goal: Water saving, food security

Approach: Different compartments low-

tech, mid-tech, high-tech





Abu Dhabi: starting up...



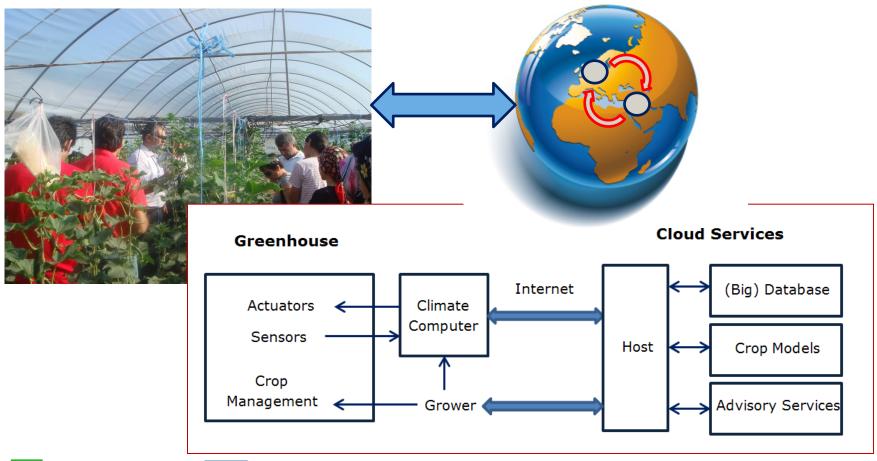
Research center in Riyadh: Design



High-Tech Artificial Intelligence for Low-Tech Growing Applications:



"Remote Horticulture"





Better pest and disease management

Optimal pest and disease management increases production level and product quality with less use of chemicals

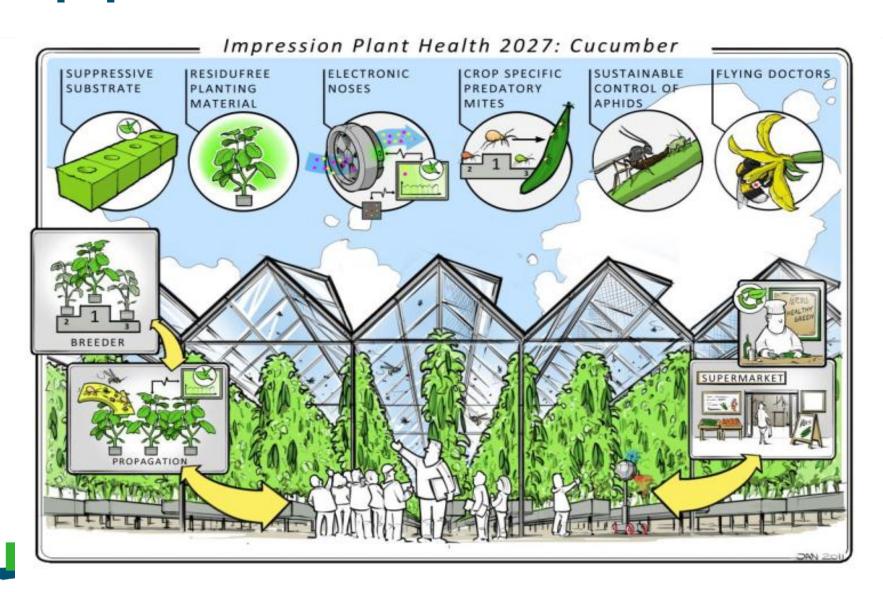




Chemical crop protection



Options for sustainable integrated crop protection



Integrated Pest Management (Ethiopia)

- Pesticide used must be minimized
- Identification of local predators
- Study on biology
- Implementation of technology
- Training









Improved Fertigation and irrigation

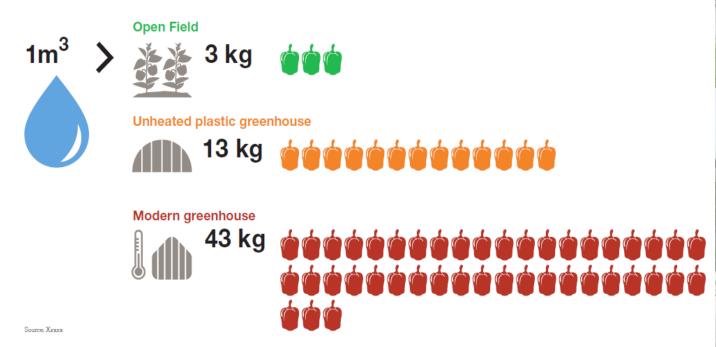
Increase productivity and quality



Substrates with automatic irrigation and fertigation and re-cycling



Protected Horticulture: resource efficiency up to 15 times better













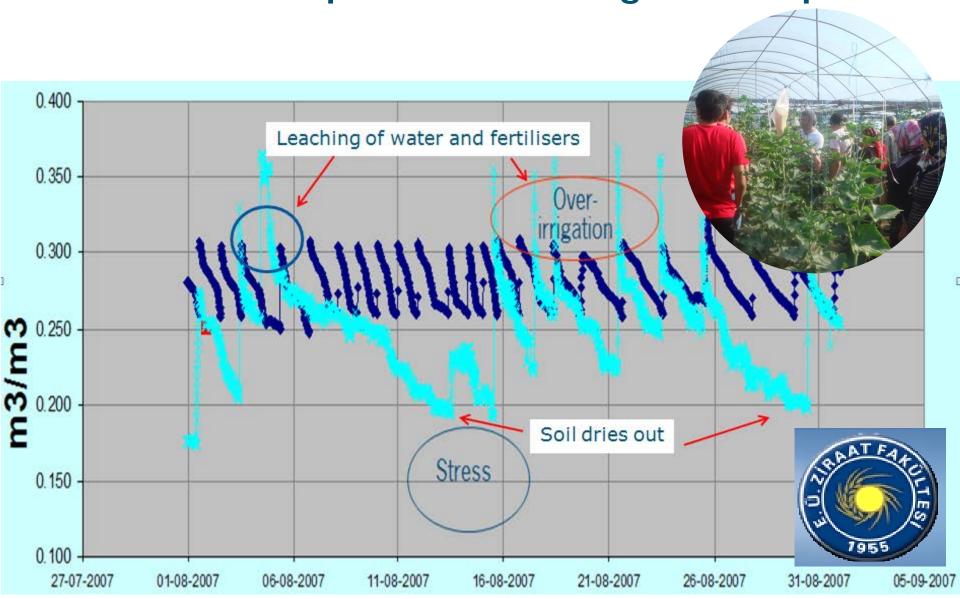
Soilless cultivation saves water (Jordan)



Soil moisture sensor controlled irrigation



Sensors can save water and prevent environmental pollution in soil-grown crops

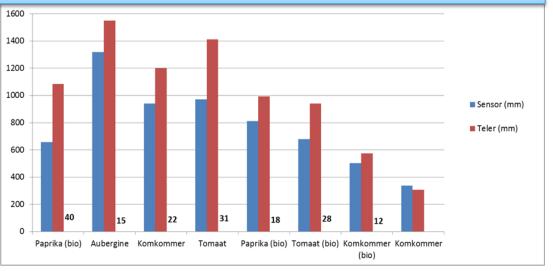


Saving water in small-scale farms

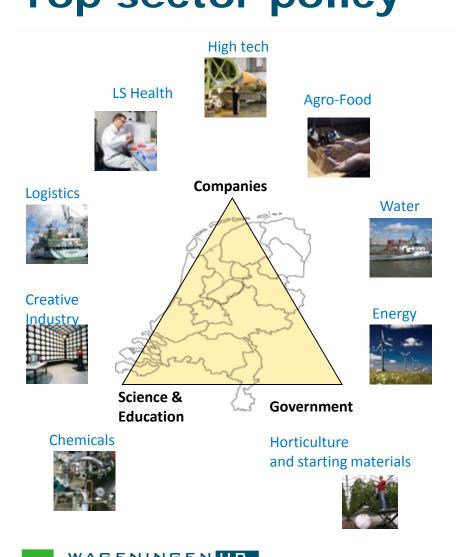


AquaTag – a low-cost moisture sensor: Saving up to 40% water





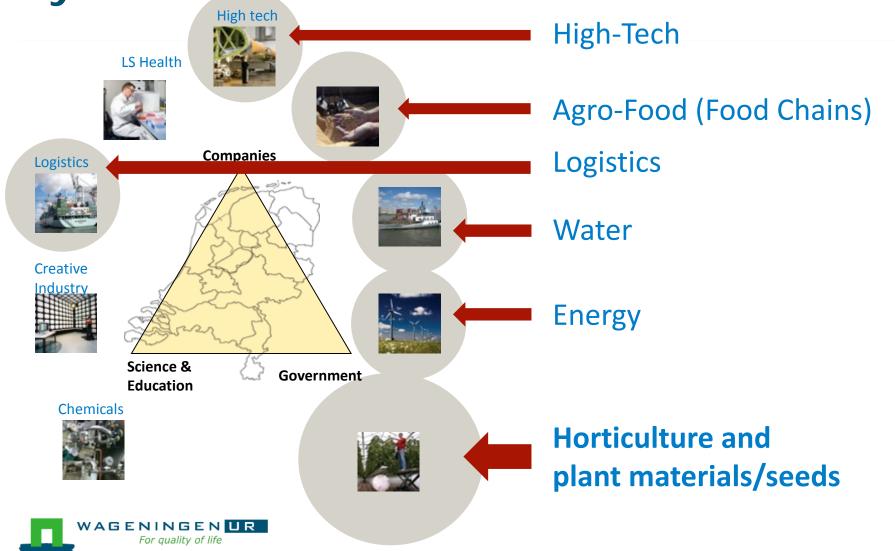
Innovation in the Netherlands: Top sector policy - 9 Top Sectors, im



For quality of life

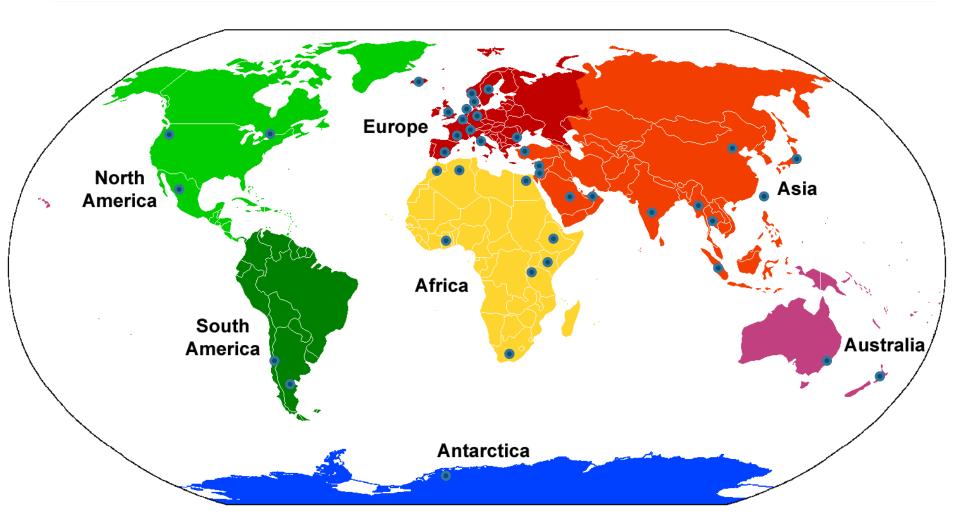
- 9 Top Sectors, important for the Dutch Economy
- Governmental policy and support
- More focus on public investment in research and innovation
- Open innovation and cooperation (knowledge exchange)
- Per sector action plan for internationalization, human capital and innovation
- Roadmap designed by government, industry and science: "Golden Triangle"

International Horticultural Production Systems: Innovations





WUR@International active in projects in all regions of the world





WUR@International different collaboration partners





Training program Protected Horticulture

Summer school

Summer School on Protected Horticulture

Wageningen University and Research centre is the "knowledge heart" of the Dutch Greenhouse Horticulture, which is the most advanced and productive in the world. After the huge success of the first "Summer School on Protected Horticulture", Wageningen UR scientists will share again their unique knowledge with international students and researchers during 2016 Summer School on Protected Horticulture that will be held in Wageningen, The Netherlands, from August, 22nd through September 2nd, 2016

Organised Wageningen Academy, Wageningen UR
by Greenhouse Horticulture, Leerstoelgroep

Tuinbouw en Product Fysiologie

Date Mon 22 August 2016 until Fri 2

September 2016

Venue Wageningen Campus



Sign up for this course

Practical Information

https://www.wageningenur.nl/en/activity/Summer-School-on-Protected-Horticulture-2.htm



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Innovations for the horticultural sector



Ministerie van Economische Zaken





Ministerie van Buitenlandse Zaken



