Land cover change in West Nile subregion

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Objective

- Satellite mapping of land cover and land use changes in three refugee camps and surroundings in the West Nile subregion in Uganda.
- Cooperation between university and market-oriented research institutes
- Refugee camps:
 - Omugo
 - Impevi
 - Rhino



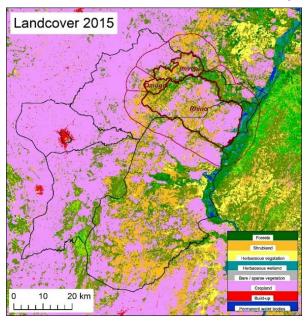
Satellite images

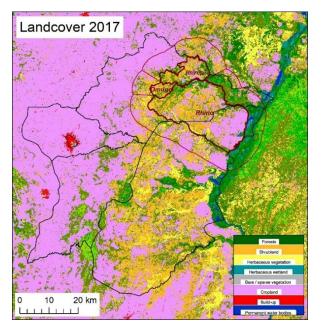
Satellite imagery	Characteristics
PROBA-V LC100	
- Resolution	100 m
- Indicator	Annual Land Cover Map
- Period	2015-2019
- Source	https://lcviewer.vito.be/2015
PROBA-V Vegetation	
- Resolution	300 m
- Indicator	NDVI
- Period	10-days- NDVI-composites 2015-2020
- Source	http://www.vito-
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Sentinel-2	
- Resolution	10 m
- Indicator	RGB images and NDVI
- Period	13-Feb-2016 and 12-Feb-2020
- Source	https://scihub.copernicus.eu/dhus/#/home

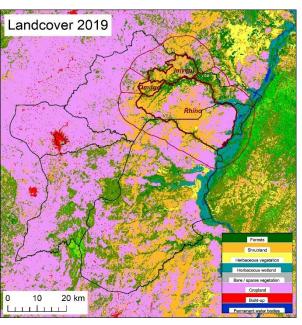


Landcover

PROBA-V LC100 maps

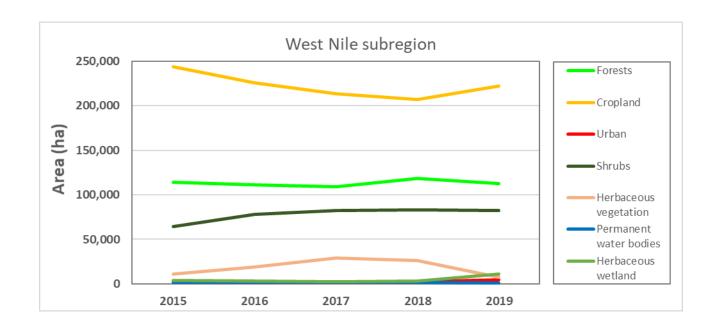






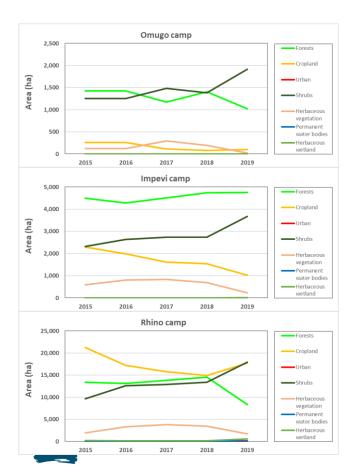


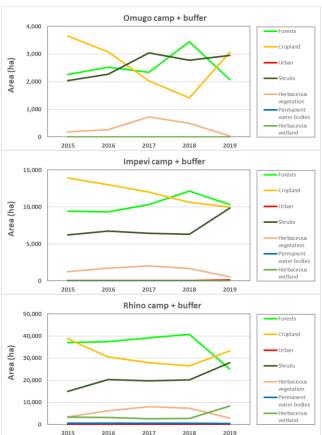
Land cover change 2015-2019



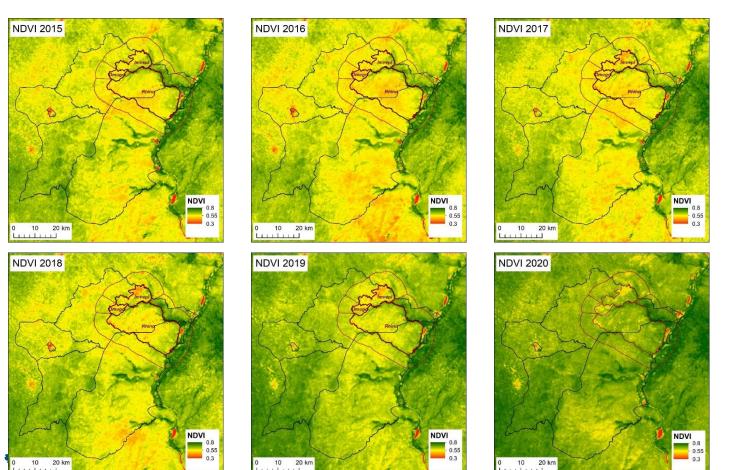


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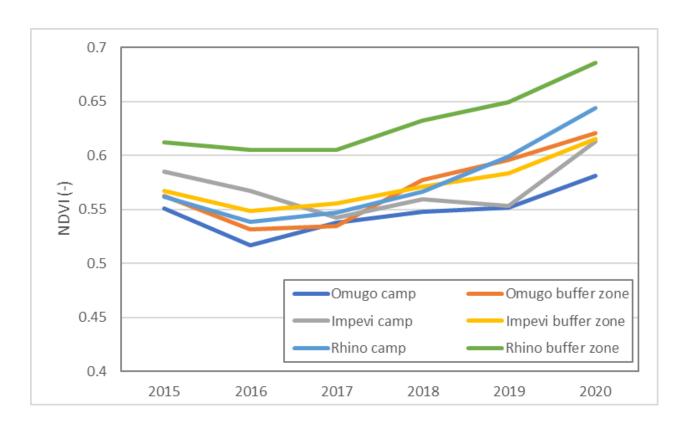


NDVI vegetation index



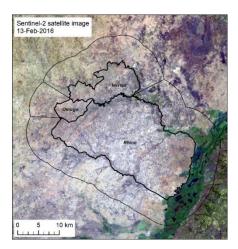
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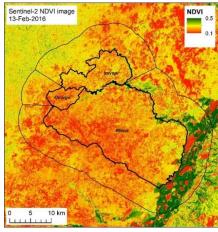
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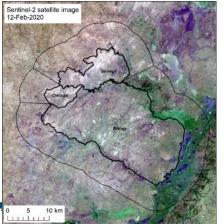


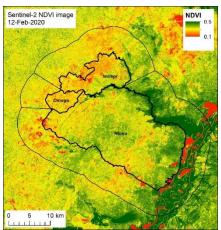
High resolution satellite images



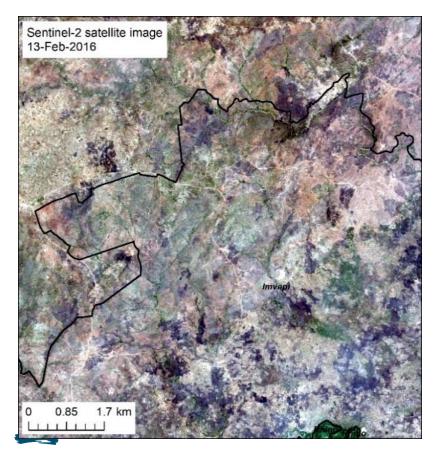


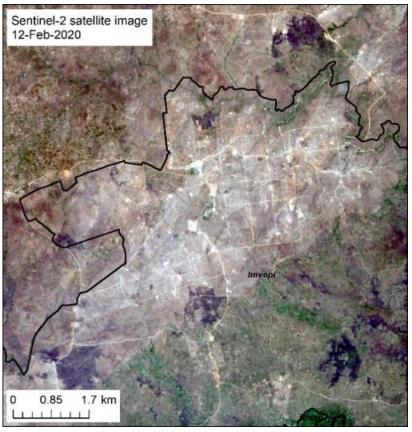
Sentinel-2 (10 m resolution)



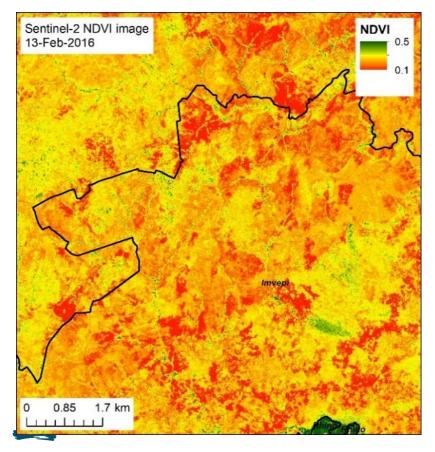


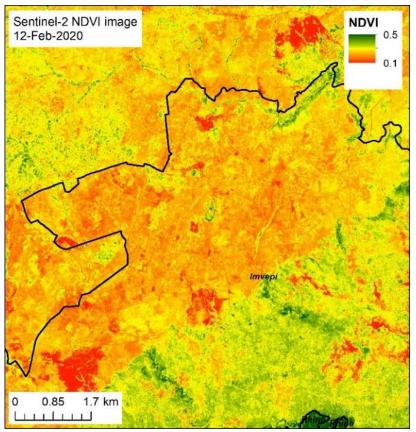
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Conclusions

- Land cover: crop land and forest decreases, shrubs increases
- Strange outliers: how accurate are the land cover maps?
- NDVI vegetation index: slight dip during 2015-2017, hereafter NDVI increases
- Might be result of better weather conditions
- High resolution maps: provide information on road and camp area appearance
- Remarkable border appears in Impevi camp area in 2020
- Lack of ground truth and local expertise



Follow-up

- Ground truth collection
- GIS & remote sensing training course in Uganda



Thank you for your attention!



