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# Innovative Approach for a Reliable Mapping of the Morocco's Solar Resource

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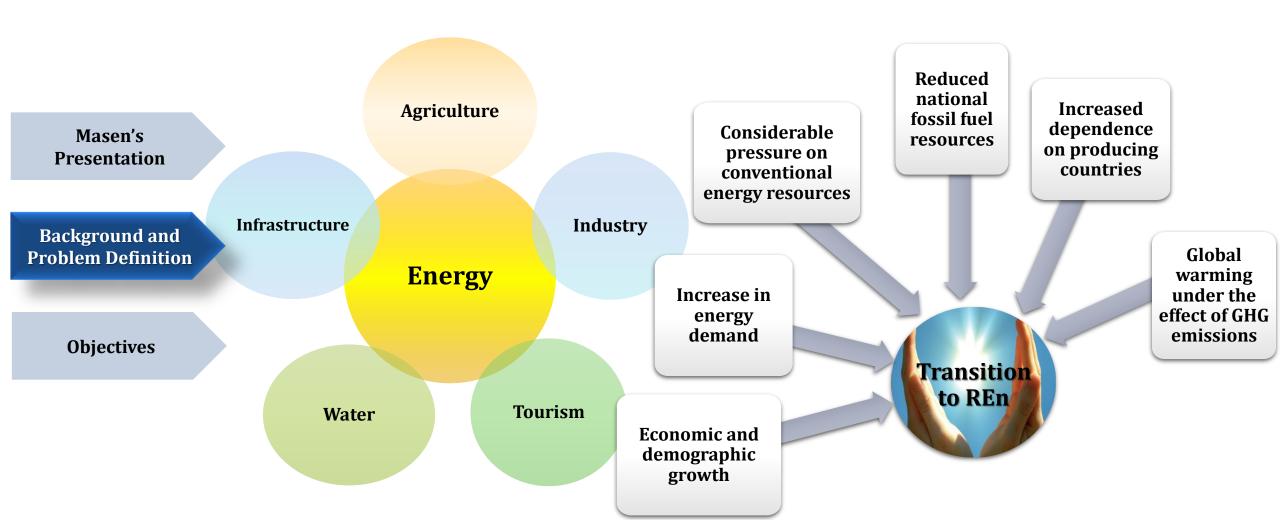
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Masen's **Presentation** 

**Background and Problem Definition** 

**Objectives** 

2009

2010

2013

2015

2016

National energy strategy





• 42% of RE in 2020

Masen creation

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2 000 MW of solar in **2020** 

NOORo I construction launch

**New scope for** reinforced synergies



52% of RE in 2030

NOORo I inauguration

NOORo II & III construction launch

#### 4 OPERATIONAL PROJECTS AND SEVERAL UNDER DEVELOPMENT



**NOORo I construction launch** 



**NOORo I inauguration** 



**NOORo II** 



**NOORo III** 





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# Solar Energy

The most abundant on Earth and could satisfy all the energy needs of the planet

Inexhaustible (at least during the 4.6 billion years to come ...) Most abundant source of renewable energy in Morocco

High solar radiation of 3000 hours of sunshine / year equivalent to more than 6.5 KWh / m<sup>2</sup> / day of irradiation

# Solar Energy Project Chain of Value

#### **Sites Prospection:**

- Resource Assessment
- Site Selection & Qualification
- Land Mobilization

# Technical Conception:

- Optimal Technological design
- Appropriate configuration

Financial & Legal Project Structuring & Procurement

**Construction** 

Operation and Maintenance





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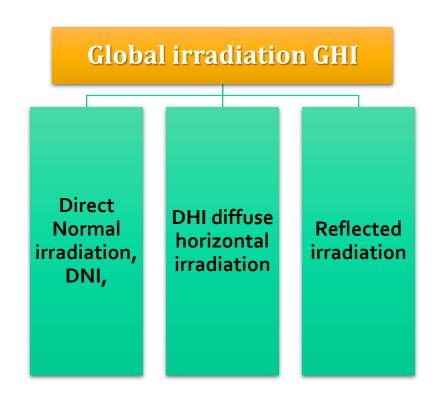
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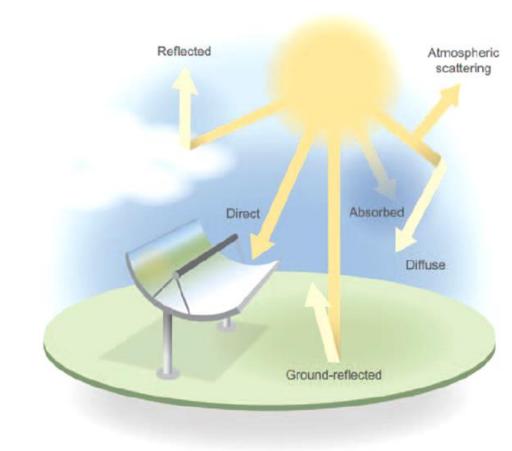
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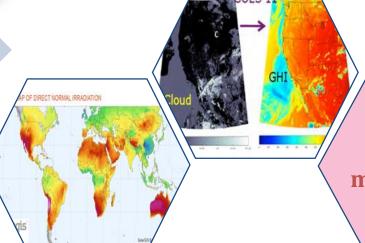
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Background and Problem Definition Photovoltaic (PV):
Diffuse + Direct
(= global)
Concentrated
photovoltaic
(CPV):
Direct



Concentrated Solar Power Plants (CSP): Direct **CSP Technology** 

**Objectives** 



**PV Technology** 

in-situ measurements

Satellite measurements



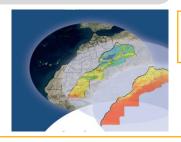




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**Solar Atlas** 





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A series of average annual and monthly GHI and DNI solar irradiation maps of high spatial resolution (250 m for Morocco)

Background and Problem Definition



**Objectives** 

Interactive decision support tool for national energy strategies:



- **Determine**, in a rational and quantitative way, the suitable sites for the implementation of solar energy production systems
- Size and evaluate the profitability of a project reliably
- Serve as a basis for energy policy planning





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Tendency for underestimation and overestimation of solar irradiance values actually received at ground level, by modeled solar irradiance data



Need to calibrate these data and adapt them to ground values based on in-situ measurements more accurate than satellite models.

















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- Presentation of the different methods used in the solar energy industry to calibrate modelled data at the ground level
- Application of selected approaches based on the state of art of existing calibration methods
- Implementation of an innovative protocol for the generalization of calibration to cover the entire Moroccan territory



Purpose: Quantify the solar resource in the most accurate and reliable way across the Kingdom based on a solar atlas calibrated to in situ measurements





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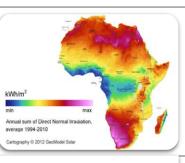
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#### **Used Datasets**

Methodology

Results & Discussion



# MSA

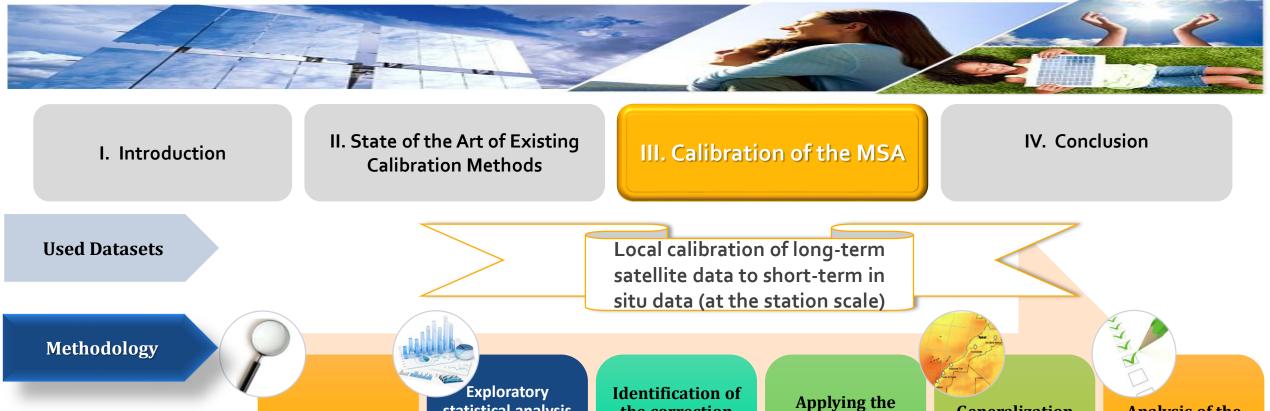
- Raster data
- Resolution: 1km<sup>2</sup>
- Annual and monthly means of DNI and GHI over 19 years

#### Long-term time series of irradiation

- 19-year data from the satellite DB SolarGIS®
- Pace: 10 min, 15 min and monthly
- Punctual values taken from 7 locations near meteo stations







Results & Discussion

Collection of meteo data and quality control

Exploratory statistical analysis and identification of differences between measure and model

Identification of the correction parameters for the common period between the 2 datasets

Applying the same correction to the complete series of modeled data

Generalization of calibration at the scale of a territory Analysis of the results and validation of the approach



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**Used Datasets** 

 The satellite database produces highly correlated GHI and DNI estimates with insitu measurements but is usually systematically overvalued

Methodology

•The overall discrepancies hide a great variability of satellite estimation performance, both spatial and temporal

Results & Discussion

Although overall concordance is good, seasonal variations exist and require a seasonal approach of calibration





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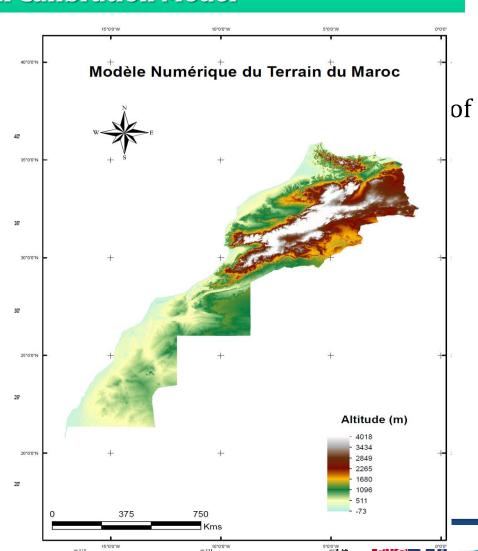
#### **Development of a Global Calibration Model**

**Used Datasets** 

Methodology

Results & Discussion Introduction of the parameters having a state the irradiation:

- **✓** Humidity
- ✓ Latitude (location)
- **✓** Altitude





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#### **Local Calibration of Satellite Data to Ground Measurement**

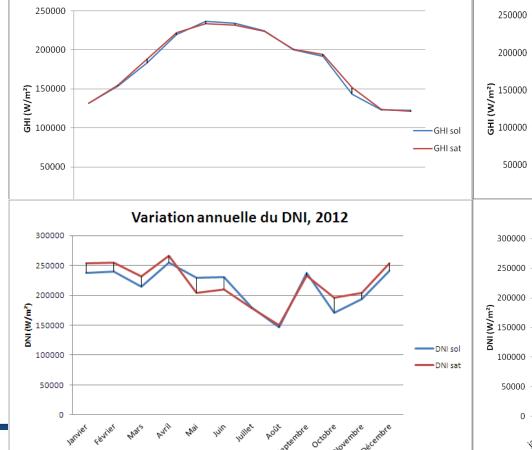
i. Results of Adaptation for the Common Period

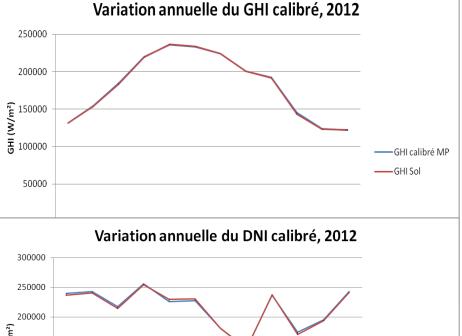
Variation annuelle du GHI sol/sat, 2012

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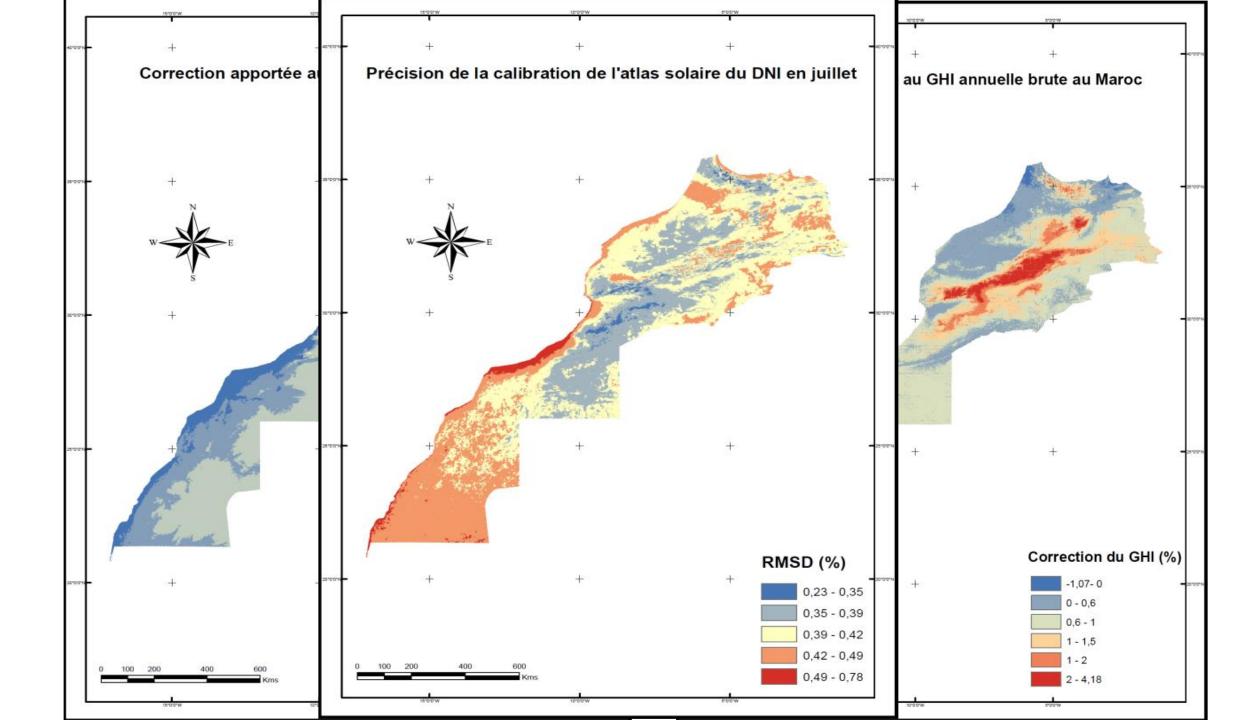
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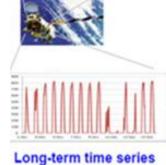


DNI calibré MP





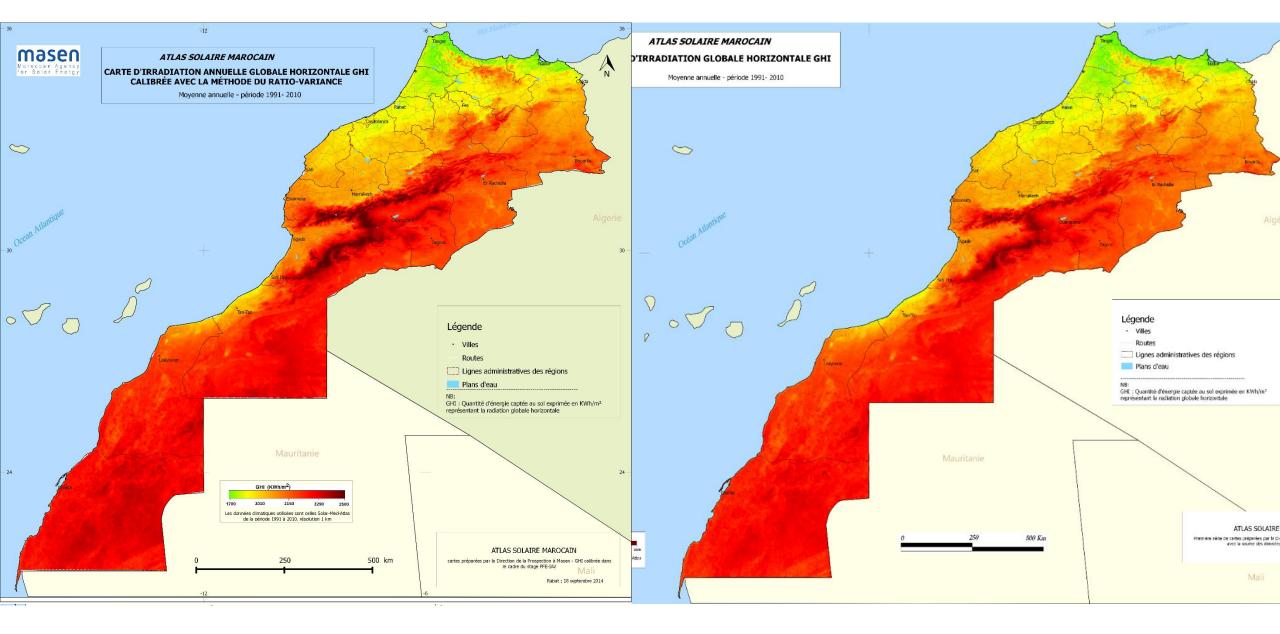
- The evaluation of the solar resource is a safe investment.
- In order to obtain solar maps that correspond to the local conditions in Morocco, we have chosen to calibrate the satellite estimates to the in situ data available for the area.
- Our study comes to highlight the problems with the assessment of the solar resource and to stress the concept of the calibration of satellite data (Meteosat) to ground measurements (site-specific adaptation).
- The existence of a solid and reliable database is essential both for the design, development and for the evaluation of the performance of solar energy systems
- The accuracies provided by the two calibration methods applied are very satisfactory and quite equivalent with higher performances for the hot and sunny months of the year It is around 0.6% for the GHI and 0.5% for the DNI
- The MSA has undergone a correction of 0.9% for the GHI and -6.6% for the DNI



(>10 years)













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