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Fostering and Enabling AI, Data and ROboticS Technologies for Supporting Human Workers in Harvesting Wild Food

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Objectives

- ***Improve wild-berry picking yields*** & ***working conditions*** through AI, data, and drones
- ***Optimize operations*** and help workers to more easily locate and predict ripe berry harvests
- Demonstrate how we can ***improve*** *the* ***wild berry business***

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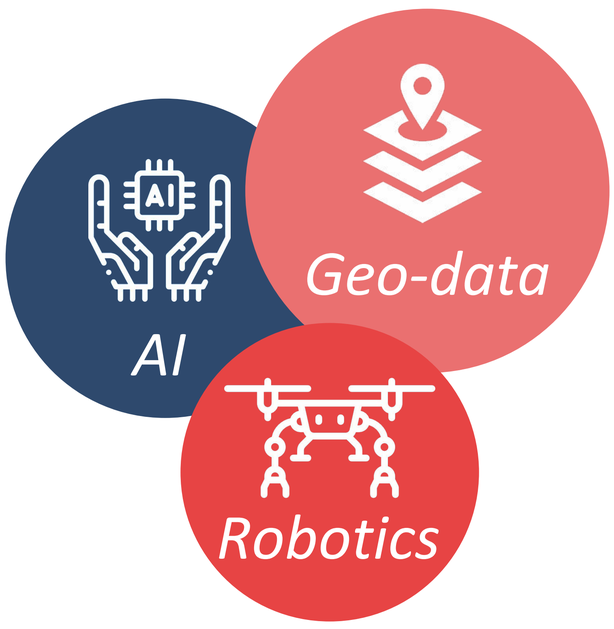

Approach

- Generate detailed ***3D models*** of forests
- Produce ***navigational advice*** for pickers
- Provide ***air-transportation*** of harvests
- Create new ***health support services*** for remote locations

Challenges

- **Multi-sensor** system design and integration
- **Flying** and **coordinating** fleets of **drones** both **above** and **below** the **tree canopy**
- **Vegetation type** detection, classification and mapping
- **Berry localisation** with ripeness/yield estimates

Impact

- ***Scientific:*** Explore benefits and impact of AI technologies and drones for robot-human wilderness applications
- ***Societal:*** Improve the trust and acceptance of using AI, data-driven solutions and drones with an aim of encouraging locals to take up commercial berry harvesting activities
- ***Economy:*** Create new business opportunities for SMEs and citizens, increasing the utilization of wild berries; extending the EU's lead in the production of wild berries

Partners

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