

# Climate action- Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts.

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# **PROJECTS**

#### 1. Greenhouse Gas emission Report

GHG Report of UTM of the year 2022 and Baseline year 2016

http://www.utm.rnu.tn/utm/fr/politiques--utm-ghg-emission-report

http://www.utm.rnu.tn/utm/fr/politiques--emmission-carbon



Carbon Emission at the University of Tunis El Manar 2016-2022 Towards a Net Zero Target

### 2. Med-EcoSuRe project from 2019 to 2023



#### **Partnership**

Role	Name of the organisation	Country
Lead beneficiary	Mediterranean Renewable Energy Centre	Tunisia
Partner 1	University of Tunis El Manar	Tunisia
Partner 2	University of Florence – Department of Architecture	Italy
Partner 3	University of Seville - Thermothecnics Group at Thermal Energy Engineering Department	Spain
Partner 4	An-Najah National University - Energy Research Centre	Palestine
Partner 5	Naples Agency for Energy and Environment	Italy
Partner 6	Spanish association for the internationalization and innovation of solar companies	Spain

The Med-EcoSuRe project offers an innovative approach to the definition and diffusion of cost-effective energy renovation within university buildings, with the perspective of extending results to the whole public buildings sector in the long term. A Mediterranean cross-border living lab - bringing together researchers, building managers, companies, public organisations, and students - will be established to develop energy efficiency and renewable energy solutions as well as retrofitting schemes to be implemented in 9 university buildings. The final aim behind the project is to turn university managers into active players contributing to the co-creation and experimentation of

emerging ideas, breakthrough scenarios and innovative concepts.

https://www.enicbcmed.eu/projects/med-ecosure

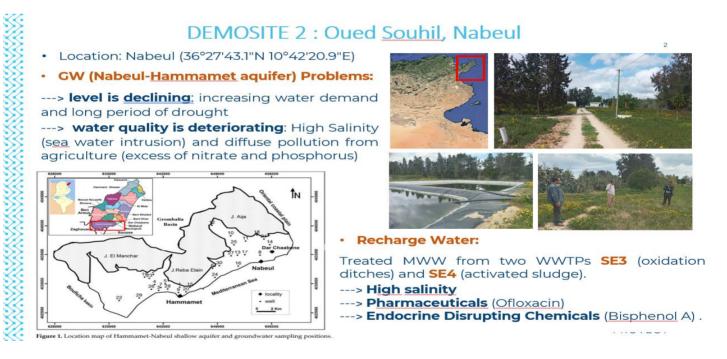
#### **MAR2PROTECT**

The project aims to provide a holistic approach to prevent groundwater contamination from the impacts of climate change and global change.

The core of the innovative Managed Aquifer Recharge is the Decision Support System which incorporate technological and societal engagement information using an Artificial Intelligence-based evaluation to improve groundwater quality and quantity.

The Tunisian partner, ISSBAT (UTM), defines the objective of the project as to implement an effective tertiary treatment to minimize the introduction of pollutants in the aquifer. The aquifers studied located in the Cap Bon Peninsula in Tunisia.





### 4. Implementation of photovoltaic panels at ENIT, September 2023





### 5. Tunisian-Bavarian Hub for Green Hydrogen

Implementation of Tunisian-Bavarian hub for green hydrogen in ENIT (UTM), as part of the project

# **RESEARCH ACTIVITIES**

#### H2Vert.TUN, May 2023

Green hydrogen is produced by electrolysis of water from renewable energy. Its main assets are zero greenhouse gas emissions, being a totally clean energy, which is an asset for the decarbonisation of industry in Tunisia, and its flexibility, as it can be stored and distributed on demand, which is an asset for the export market. <a href="https://www.giz.de/en/worldwide/109268.html">https://www.giz.de/en/worldwide/109268.html</a>

The hub, launched Wednesday, is a platform of exchange and training intended to promote research and develop top notch technologies in connection to green hydrogen. Scaled-up scientific and technological cooperation is an additional target along with the stepped-up exchange of experiences and partnerships. The hub also offers training and skill-building opportunities for professionals. <a href="https://www.tap.info.tn/en/Portal-Economy/16307007-first">https://www.tap.info.tn/en/Portal-Economy/16307007-first</a>

### 1. International Congress « Artificial Intelligence Role & Climate Change Impact »,

3<sup>rd</sup> edition of the international congress "ISEE Geomatics" held October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023, <a href="https://2023.isee-geomatics.com/">https://2023.isee-geomatics.com/</a>





2. Conference « New data for the management of our resources »

National conference held at ENIT in November 2023. The theme of the first session is the management of energy resources.



#### 3. PhD & Master Research

Climate Impact on Marine Intrusion



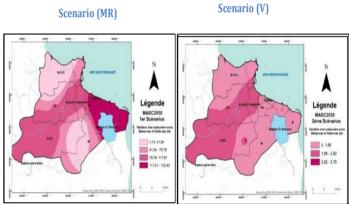
PREDICTING SEAWATER INTRUSION USING ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE -BASED MODELS FOR THE OPTIMAL AND SUSTAINABLE USE OF GROUNDWATER IN COASTAL AQUIFER: Case study of Monastir, Tunisia.

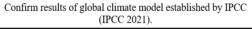
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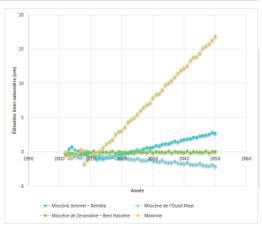




#### MAS 2050 Prediction Model:







### 4. Assessing the impact of climate change on Lake of Ichkel, a natural reserve



ISEE 23 International Conference on Artificial Intelligence role and Climate Change Impact Oct 30th-Nov 1st, 2023. HammametTunisia.

Paper ref: T1\_4\_0523

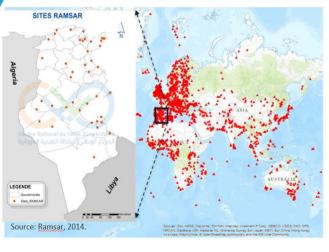
Assessing the Impact of Climate Change on Lake Ichkeul Functioning: A 1D hydrodynamic model-based quantitative analysis

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Topic: Geomatics and Al: MonitoringEnvironment& Climate change indicators

#### Ramsar sites

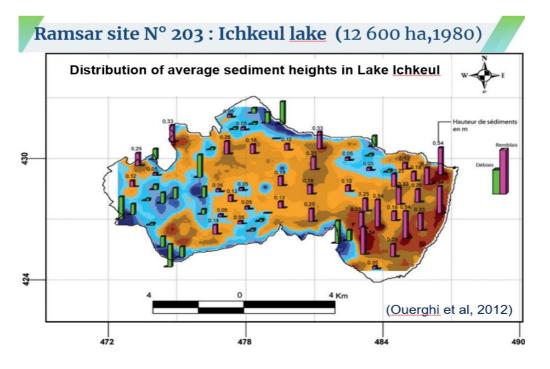


- •2185 sites around the world considered by the Ramsar Convention to be wetlands of international importance (208,597,750 hectares).
- Tunisia has 35 Ramsar sites covering an area of 821,009 hectares.

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The research focuses on quantitatively assessing the impact of climate change on the functioning of Lake Ichkeul, an 8500-hectare (85 km2) ecosystem in northern Tunisia. Utilizing the MOHYB hydrodynamic model, a 1D numerical approach, the study investigates the role of lagoon exchange through the Tinja river, including the influence of tides, in controlling salinity and preventing drought occurrences in the Ichkeul The model incorporates relevant lagoon. environmental parameters, such as water inflow, wind stress, evaporation rates, precipitation, river inputs, water temperature, air temperature, and tidal variations, to simulate the hydrodynamic behavior of the lagoon. The hydrodynamics of Lake Ichkeul are influenced by the inflow of fresh continental water during winter and saltwater inflow from the Bizerte Lake during summer. Additionally, the model considers the impact of tides on controlling the flow of salt into the lagoon. By incorporating these dynamics, the study accurately captures the complex behavior of the lagoon and its response to changing environmental conditions.





# **INNOVATION COMPETITION**

#### 1. Shell eco-Marathon



ENIT ECOCAR participation in the international competition "Shell eco-Marathon" on June 30th 2022, and ranked as 18th Worldwide with score of 222KM/L.

## 2. National Competition INJAZ Tunisia 14th edition «The Entrepreneurs of the Future».

The team Supclay won the Best Young Company Award for their product Clay-based cement an environmentally friendly alternative to Portland-cement. They will be representing Tunisia at the regional competition in November in Qatar.



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# **TRAINING**

### **Training IA, Climate change & Geomatics**

Training for application of IA in studying Climate change & Geomatics, held November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023, in the context of the international congress of the same thematic.



# **WORKSHOPS**

# 1. Workshop GREECON

"GREECON" workshop for ecological construction, organized in ENIT (UTM) by Civil engineering club, 3Zeros club, and IEEE ENIT branch, February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2023.

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# 2. Workshop IA, Climate Change & Geomatics

As part of the international congress "ISEE Geomatics" held October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Professionals and Researchers animated different workshops in the theme of Geomatics and Climate Change. <a href="https://2023.isee-geomatics.com/preprogram/">https://2023.isee-geomatics.com/preprogram/</a>

# Workshops: 30th October

Monday, 30 October workshops related to the themes of the Congress are organized on a half-day.

WS 1: Artificial Intelligence role in Geomatics

WS 2: Climate change between science and politic

WS 3: Local Climate Modelling (LCM)

WS 4: Geospatial data for Sustainable Development

WS 5: LiDAR 3D mapping and survey

WS 6: Copernicus and RS data

WS 7: Geomatic and Entrepreneurship: AI & OD for sustainable

development

# FIELD WORK

Field visits for students of Civil Engineering department of ENIT (UTM) to Korba, Nabeul.

Observation of "Ganivelle" situated in the beach of Korba, Nabeul.



Ganivelle: wooden fences set up to preserve the dunes.



The Ganivelles is a research project, which aims to prevent the dispersal of the beach sand.

The Ganivelles preserve the dune ridge by forming embryonic dunes that won't be dispersed by storms or other environmental phenomena due to climate change.

