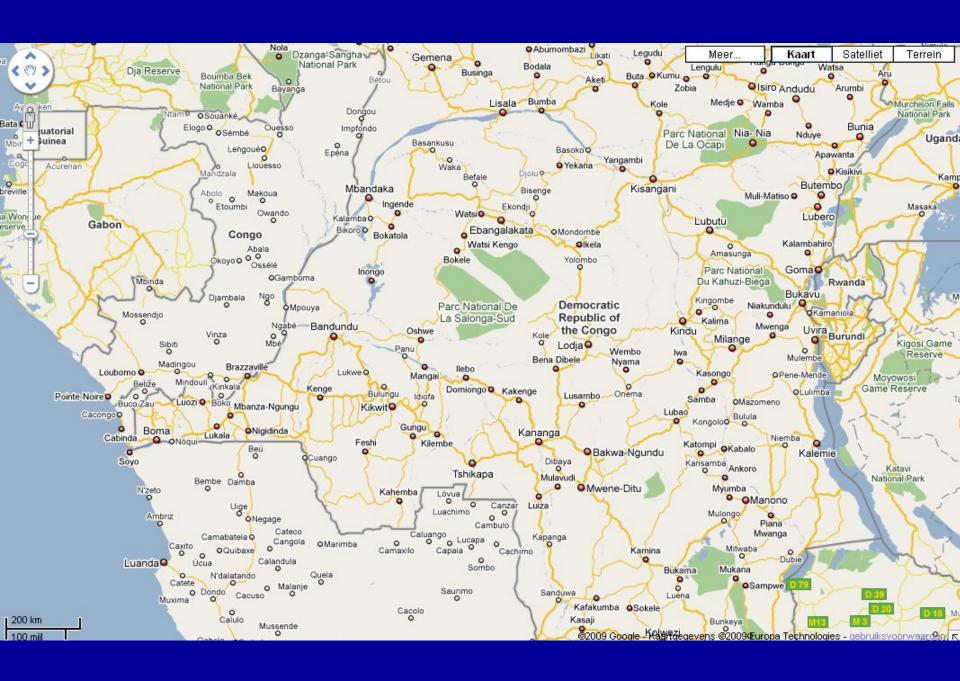
# Teaching Remote Sensing for lectors at University level. A project at the University of Kisangani in Congo

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# Micro-project

- -Sponsor: VLIR –Flemish Interuniversity Council
- -Maximum amount is 100000 Euro
- -Duration: 2 years
- -Aim: establishing relations between Flemish and Congolese Universities.

Topic: Installing a Remote Sensing Lab at the University of Kisangani and forming lectors in the field of Remote Sensing. Also on the longer term the project aims the start of a small Remote Sensing and carthographic laboratory at the university of Kisangani.





#### **Donated materials**

- 4 PC
- Fast internet connection
- Generator
- Stabilisator
- beamer
- Airconditioning
- Printer
- Camera
- 4 hand GPS
- Building materials for the renovation of the building

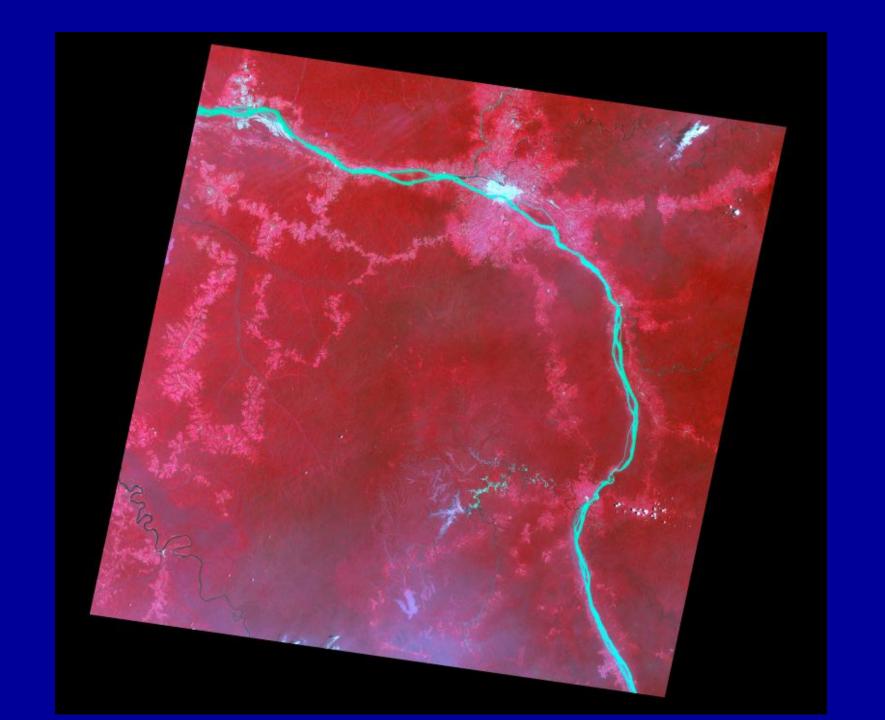


#### **Software**

- ILWIS ITC, The Netherlands
- Free-ware

# **Imagery**

- Low cost imagery: Landsat and Aster
- From the surroundigs of Kisangani
- But also MODIS, NOAA-AVHRR, SPOT-Veg.



# **Lecturing Time**

- 2 lecturing times:
  - January 2009 (2 weeks)
  - September 2009 (2 weeks)

#### "The Students"

- 12 young assistants were selected from the faculty of Agriculture and from the Yangambi Agricultural Research Station.
- In addition 12 other young assistants could participate coming from other faculties and administrations.
- The lectures were given in Frensh: English is a problem, especially scientific literature, but also text books.





#### Content

- Basics of Remote Sensing
- Sensors: Landsat, Aster, Spot, Ikonos, QB, NOAA, MODIS, Spot-Veg., Seawifs
- Image processing: RCC, FCC, NDVI, image classification, georeferencing, PCA, filtering.
- Radar: ERS and SRTM
- Field excursion: to collect data for the image classification and to collect GCP by GPS.
- Overview of the websites where satellite images can be downloaded

#### **Exercises**

 All the exercises where done on images of the surroundings of Kisangani and Yangambi

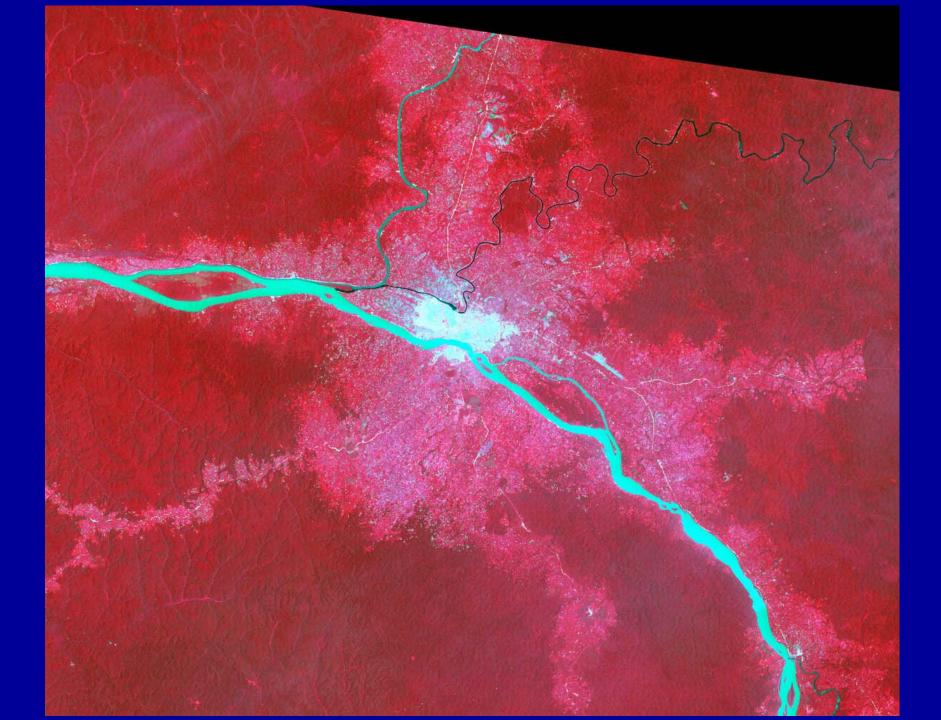
#### Topics:

- Land Cover mapping
- Mapping of agricultural areas (plantations)
- Deforestation of the Tropical forest.

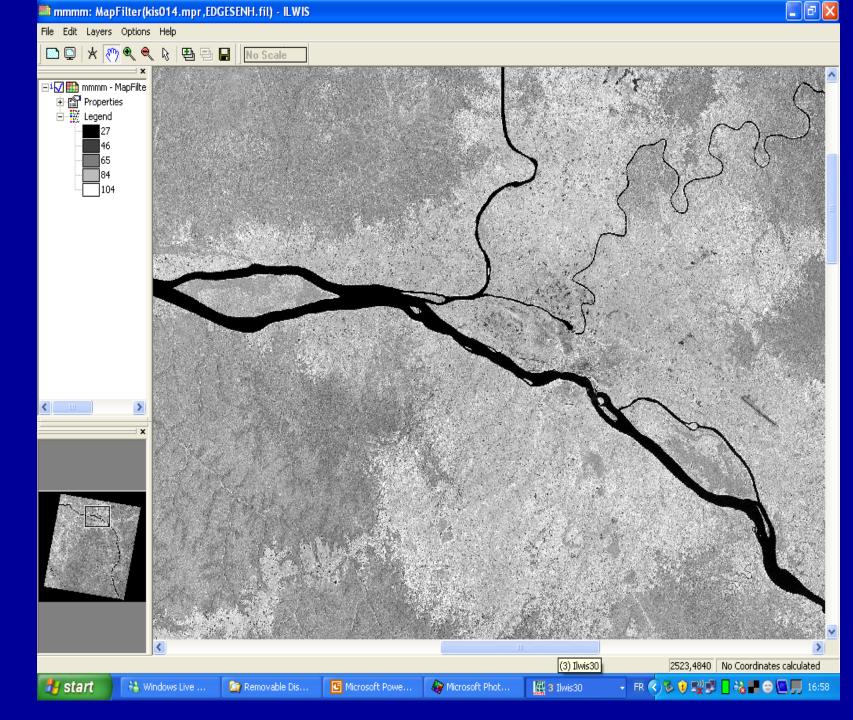
## Lecturing time in September

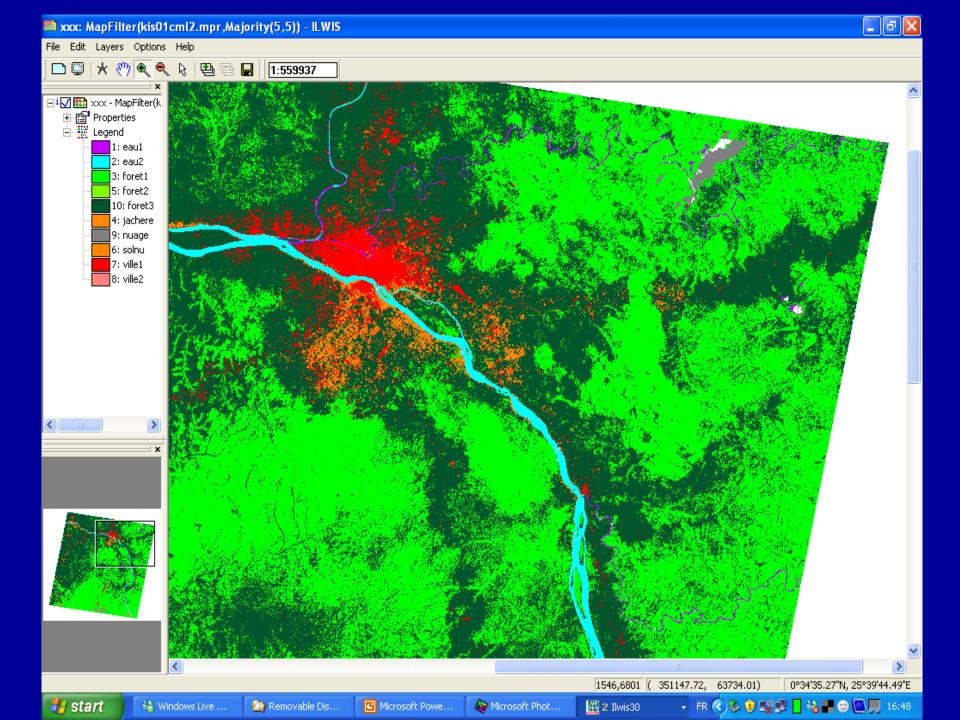
#### Topics:

- Elementary photogrammetry
- Integration of the obtained cartographic output (e.g. Image classification products)
- Elementary GIS
- Relation with remote sensing products and SRTM-DEM



NDVI





#### The excursion

- Field sampling
- Measuring GCP's







## **Conclusions & Perspectives**

- Training local staff in lecturing remote sensing
- To enable the local staff to start their own mapping unit
- To enable the local staff to perform independently remote sensing studies.
- To enable the University of Kisangani to act as an advisor for local environmental authorities.

Thank you for your attention....

# Questions?