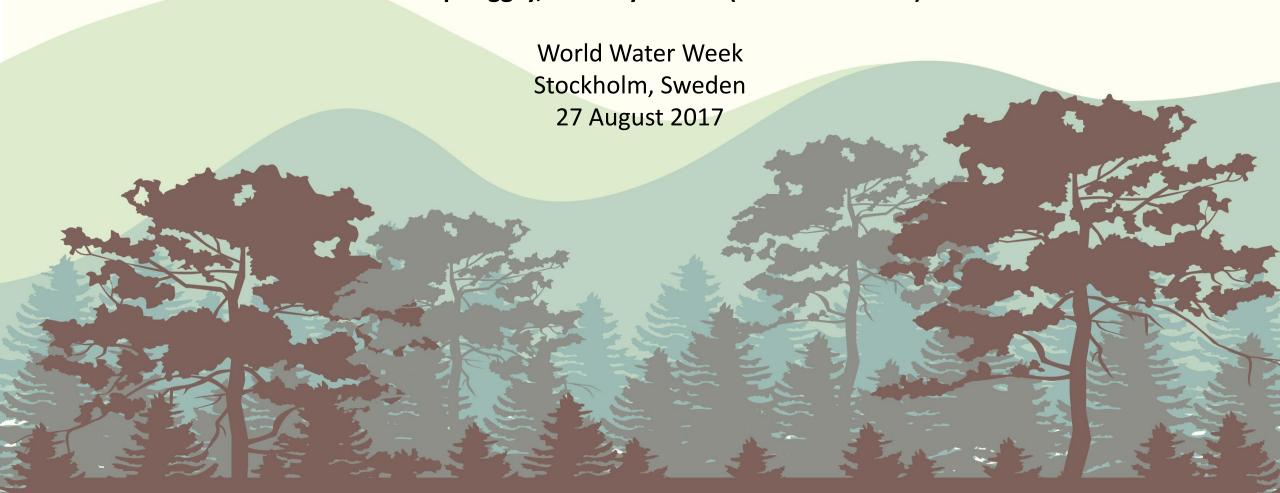
Greening the Desert Using Treated Wastewater in North Africa

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The Context



- Algeria
- Egypt
- Morocco
- Tunisia



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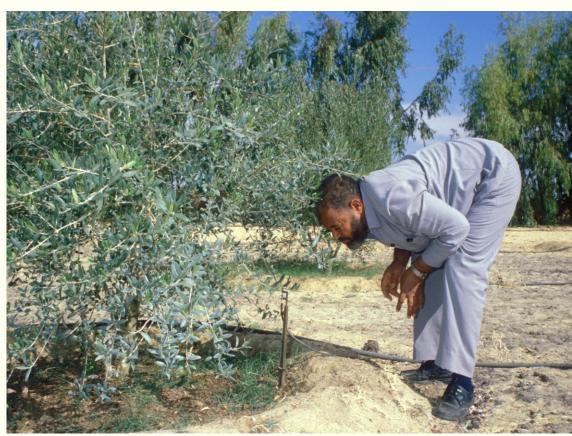






Approaches









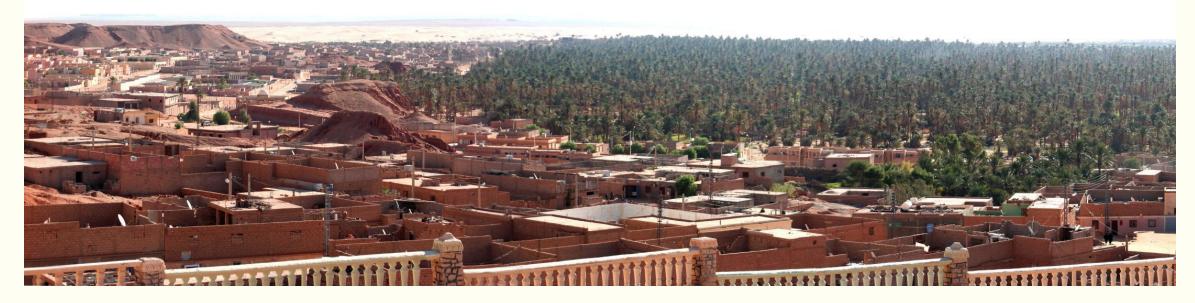
Outcomes

- Cost effective
- Reduced pollution
- Alternative water source –
 reduces burden on freshwater
- Increased soil organic matter, nutrients and water storage
- Reduced soil erosion / desertification
- Higher yields = higher income





Lessons Learned



Challenges

- Short term vs. long term benefits
- Competition for treated wastewater
- Infrastructure requirements
- Sustainability and vulnerability still needs to be assessed



Thank you

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