



# Expansion of flux tower capacity in the tropical and mediterranean regions (RiFT projet)

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~60 scientists, 10 countries



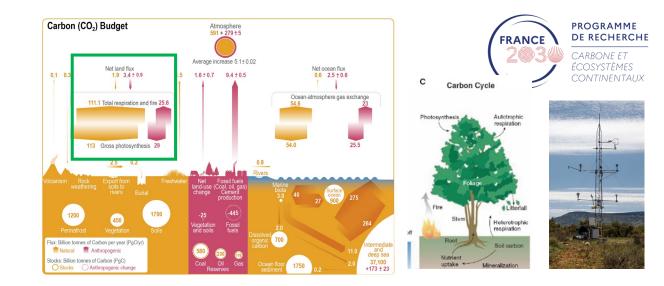
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# **Motivations**

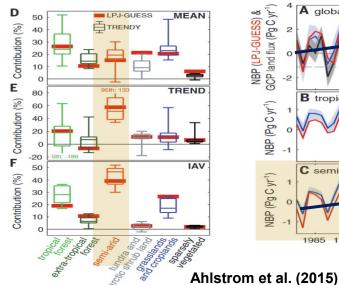
- Key role played by land ecosystems in C balance
- Remaining uncertainties in fluxes

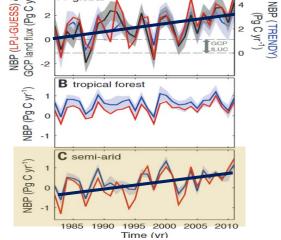
## **RIFT project**

- Reducing uncertainties in CO2 fluxes
- Lack of observations in semi-arid regions



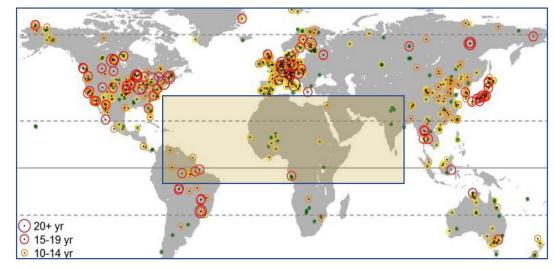
### Role of drylands in the global interannual variability of NPP ....





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#### ... compared to their **actual** documentation



Chu et al. (2017)

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# Support to experimental infrastructure (flux towers) Objectives

- Improve knowledge of these specific ecosystems, combining measurements of surface fluxes, related observations and land surface models, to better study processes that drive surface fluxes
- Increase the autonomy of local partners working in semi-arid regions, to establish long-term observational networks

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#### Bring together 13 flux sites in a network

- West Africa (7), Mediterranean (3), Asia (1), South America (2)
- Agricultural, forestry, agroforestry, grassing
- 9 sites already operational + 4 new sites (operational in 2025)

### Organization

- WP1: Data acquisition, post processing and data dissemination
- WP2: Characterization/quantification of the various processes, for each site and in cross-site analysis
- WP3: Land Surface modeling (evaluation, improvement, generation of time series of key observed or intermediate variables, ...)
- WP4 : Remote sensing observables (evaluation, spatial variability and scale transfer, ...)



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Highlights of emergent intra-site and inter sites synergies The flux tower as a focal point for collaborative studies, across scales and in a multidisciplinary way, including links to new large-scale networks and new space missions

Agronomy, Proxy & Remote sensing...



## New remote sensing field campaigns

Deep root turnover...





Litter

decomposition...



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Soil + plant GHG balance...

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Hydrology, piezometry...

New geophysical surveys



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# Highlights in Sahelian context



#### **Poster of the "Faidherbia flux site" (O. Roupsard)**



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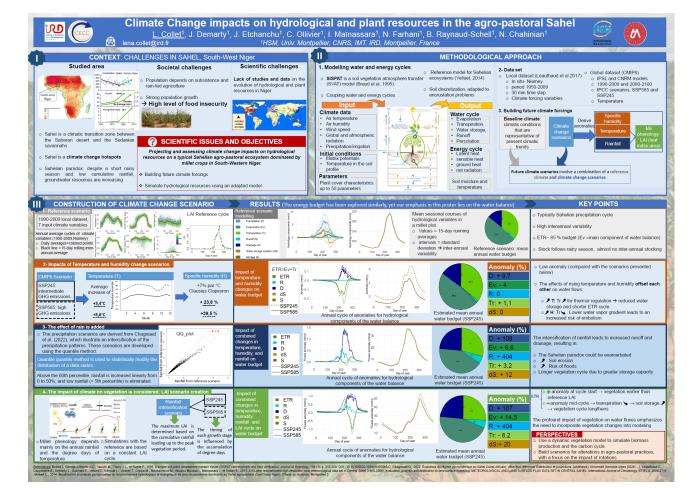
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#### Poster on "GCs in the agro-pastoralSahel" (Léna Collet)



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manure, SOM and soil fertility.

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