

# PHYSICS OF SOILS AND TERRESTRIAL ECOSYSTEMS

Providing insight into sustaining plant growth during drought.



# Research Areas

- Soil-plant interactions;
- Agriculture in water-limited regions;
- Crop physiology and phenotyping;
- Drought.

# Regions

Switzerland; Germany; USA (California); Senegal; India; Australia.

### **Partners**

Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH (FJZ); Helmholtz-Zentrum für Umweltforschung – UFZ – Leipzig-Halle; OpenGeoHub Foundation – Wageningen; Université catholique de Louvain (UCLouvain) – Louvain-la-Neuve; Hebrew University of Jerusalem (Ha'Universita Ha'Ivrit Bi'Yerushalayim); Università degli studi di Trieste; Technical University of Munich; Desert Research Institute, Reno, USA; University of Minnesota.

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## **Contribution to the WFSC**

The Physics of Soils and Terrestial Ecosystems group studies the mechanisms that confer drought tolerance to crops and tress and allow them to grow under water-limited conditions. Their research is at the interfaces between the soil and plants and plants and the atmosphere and provides fundamental insight into sustaining plant growth during drought.



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