

## AGRIBUSINESS DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION

Digitisation services for agri-food chains that want to start innovation projects



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Your guide in agricultural processing

# CHALLENGES FOR THE NEW DECADE

The agri-food industry has faced great changes during the beginning of the new millennium and is entering a new decade full of demands, obligations and goals. The expansion in the use of technology, the focus on sustainability and the instability of globalisation are leading to major evolutions. Consumers are increasingly attentive to the origin of raw materials, the level of environmental sustainability and production ethics. On the other hand, institutions are initiating restrictive processes in order to achieve environmental neutrality and promote the digital transformation of supply chains.



sustainability efforts

transparency and marketing purposes

batch analysis and traceability

# THE 5 OBJECTIVES OF PROJECTS 4.0

After years of work in the sector, we have identified five pillars for the digital transformation of agri-food supply chains. These are five critical areas that can be involved in different digitisation projects. Thanks to the modularity of our services, it is possible to carry out an analysis of the project goals, to choose which specific topics will have to be implemented in order to guarantee a concrete and successful project.









SUSTAINABILITY





**Technical Service** 

Stackers and Coop. Food companies

TRACEABILITY

Real-time production control to support farmers

MONITORING

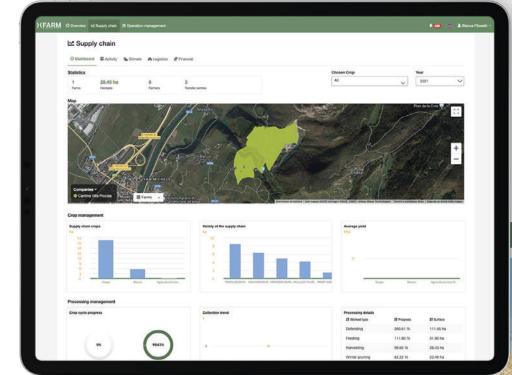


Aggregated visualisation of data and KPIs updated in real time

ANALYTICS

alisation Supply chain impact updated calculation and analysis e of improvement actions

Exposing the product story in a confident and engaging manner



All actors and supply chain operations in real time

# **OUR APPROACH**

Successful digital transformation involves two paradigms: man and machine.

The xFarm team, consisting of managers, agronomists and engineers, is prepared to design, implement and assist each project in the best possible way, taking full advantage of the Open Innovation and Agile paradigms.

In addition to this, since 2017 we have been developing technology specifically for the primary sector, in order to guarantee flexibility, speed and effectiveness to our customers and users, while retaining the know-how of technological products already validated by tens of thousands of agribusiness professionals.

#### In particular, we pay special attention to the following aspects:





# THE XFARM ROUTE

xFarm is in charge of designing, implementing and following Digital Transformation paths in the agri-food sector, providing stakeholders with services and solutions capable of achieving their objectives.

#### **1. ANALYSIS OF PROJECT OBJECTIVES**

- 2. IDENTIFICATION OF SUPPLY CHAIN ACTORS TO BE INVOLVED
- **3. IDENTIFICATION OF REQUIRED TECHNOLOGIES**
- 4. SETUP OF THE NECESSARY TECHNOLOGICAL TOOLS
- 5. DATA PRIVACY MANAGEMENT
- 6. TRAINING SESSIONS WITH FARMERS AND TECHNICIANS
- 7. SENSOR INSTALLATION AND ACCOUNT SETUP
- 8. CONTINUOUS SUPPORT AND MONITORING

### **Farmer-friendly**

In 2018, we launched the xFarm platform, a Farm Management Information System that supports farmers and technicians in managing their farms in a simple, intuitive and mobile way.

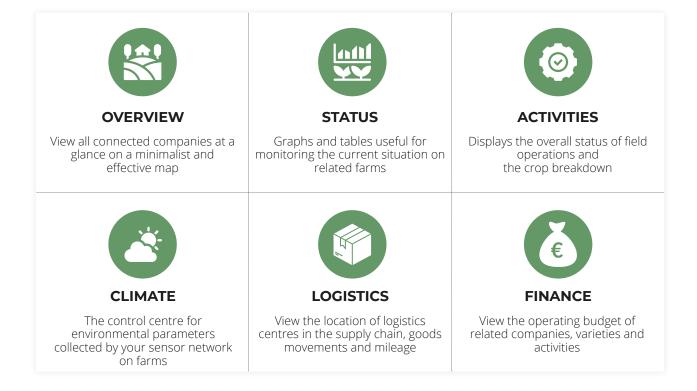
Our experience has enabled us to develop various functionalities, ranging from precision agriculture to agronomic support, via bureaucracy and administration.

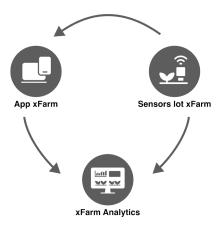
Today, the xFarm platform is used by tens of thousands of farmers in Italy, who work with us to constantly improve it.





## SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT





## How it works

The xFarm system is based on three pillars:

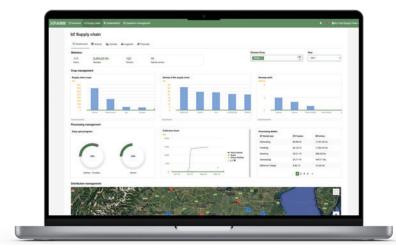
- The xFarm app, used by farms for crop management and data collection
- **xFarm sensors** monitor the environment and provide suggestions to technicians and farmers
- The xFarm Analytics platform, accessed by stakeholders and technical staff, which collects data from sensors and farmers to provide a comprehensive and detailed view in real time

#### **XFARM ANALYTICS**

The digital control centre of the agri-food chain

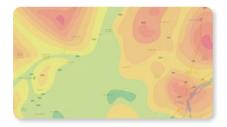
With xFarm Analytics, all workers in the food supply chain, from technician to stocker, have a digital tool to monitor farms and related sensors. The platform can be used both on PCs as a webapp and on smartphones and tablets as a mobile app.





## Dashboard

Monitor supply chain parameters easily and visually with real-time updated graphs and tables.



## **Climate monitoring**

It visualises the information collected by sensors in an aggregated way to understand environmental trends and better support farms.





## **Yield analysis**

It displays the positioning of different connected farms according to yields and input utilisation, so as to distinguish the most virtuous ones from those that need more support.

## **Analytical logistics**

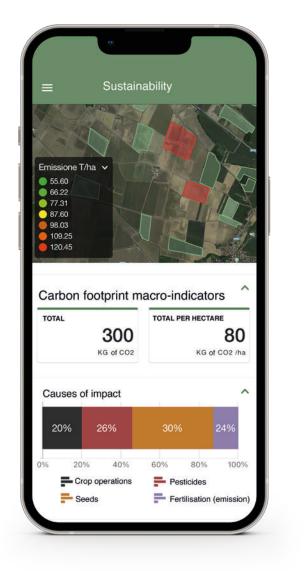
Check the location of storage centres, verify the route of raw materials from the field to the factory and make decisions to improve the impact of logistics.



# SUSTAINABILITY

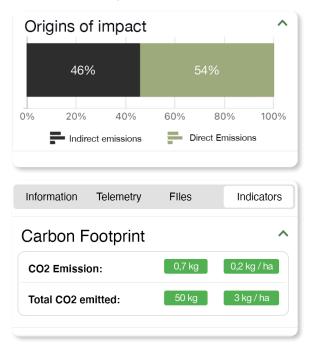
#### Monitor, Analyse and Improve Supply Chain Impact

Sustainability is the function that uses the information collected throughout the supply chain to calculate the global and specific impact of activities, providing important information for corrective programmes and marketing activities.



## How it works

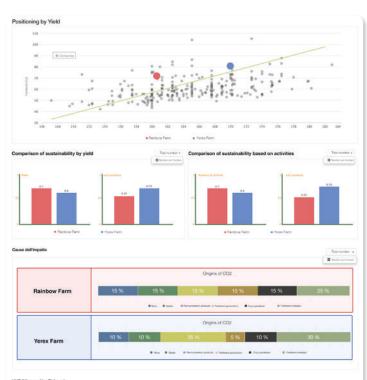
xFarm uses certified and ISO14040-compliant modelling and calculators to attribute the weight of each recorded activity, relating it to yields and agronomic strategies, in order to identify good agricultural practices, the most virtuous farms and share the data with the consumer to enhance environmental compliance.

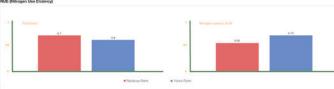




Main monitored indicators, further parameters are available on request







Sustainability calculations can not only be seen through an aggregated overview, but it is possible to go down to the detail of the individual farm, to analyse the situation in depth.

The system also provides useful functions for highlighting the most virtuous farms, so that they can be identified and compared with those where changes in cropping strategy are needed to improve impact.

In this regard, a specific window allows a visualisation at a glance of two specific companies and their differences.

# **OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT**

#### The control panel to go into the details of the supply chain

With the Operations Management function, it is possible to visualise ongoing activities on farms, either through a global overview, or by entering the details of individual activities. This tool is particularly suitable for field technicians, who assist and guide farms.

### Monitoring

View details of related companies, crop status and monitor activities. Through the calendar and resource management functions, it is possible to check both the operations already performed and historicised, and the activities planned for the near future.

### Planning

Through the planning function, it is possible to schedule activities to be done, supporting farmers and passing on advice in a simple and understandable way.

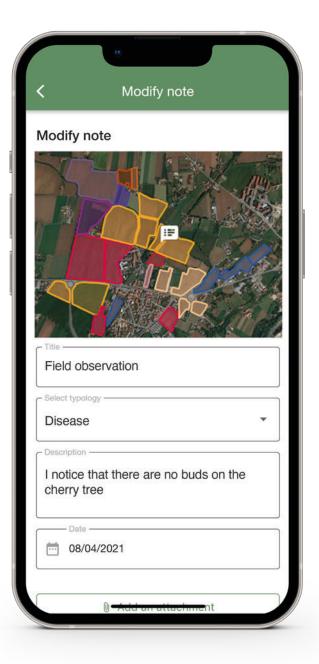
This function is particularly suitable for the most critical and coordinated operations, such as Defence and Harvest, where timing and product selection play a particularly important role.

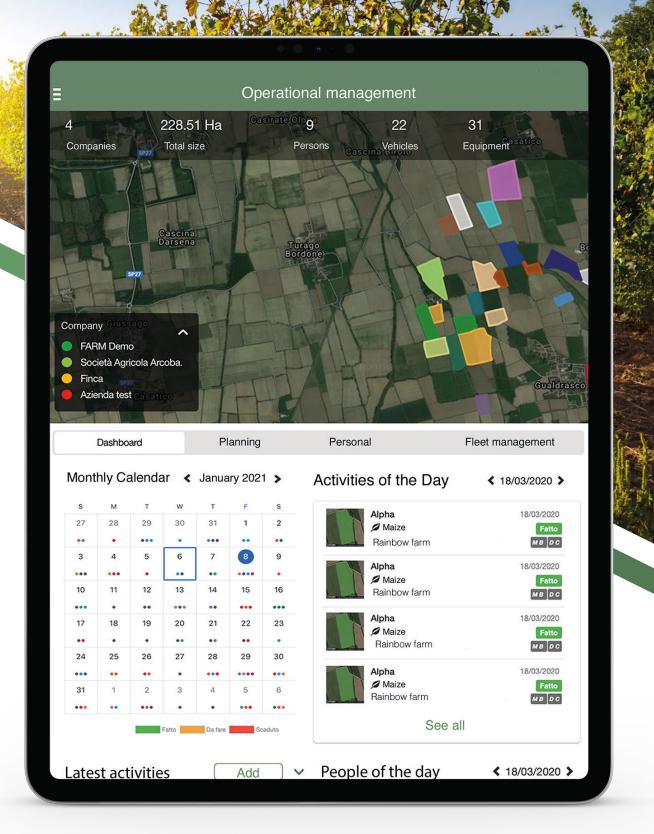
### Notes and warnings

In Operations Management it is possible to view all recorded Notes, i.e. reports entered by farm users or technical staff, to remind them of a certain situation. Each note may contain:

- The detection position
- The field of reference
- Title and description
- Attachments, such as photos and documents
- The user and the reporting company

Notes is the ideal tool for tracking pests, saving specific documents and communicating precisely with farms.





#### MULTI-COMPANY MANAGEMENT

Roles and hierarchies to control access to information

The xFarm digital ecosystem provides the possibility to assign and organise accounts and users in an orderly and flexible manner: - Using roles, it is possible to identify for each user which functions can be used, displayed or hidden

- Using multi-farm management, it is possible to create a visualisation hierarchy between different levels of the supply chain, limiting, for example, the farms seen by a technician or a storage centre

**XFARM** 

# CONTROLS

#### Quickly verify compliance with specifications

With Controls, it is possible to view a summary of the farms' activities, to verify that they have been carried out according to production specifications and regulations.



## **Overview and detail**

With Controls, you can monitor individual farms, viewing total and average values of the different categories, or you can go into detail on individual fields, verifying that each individual operation has been performed correctly. Registration No. 12482

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Active substances TERBUTILAZINA - TERBUTHYLAZINE MESOTRIONE S-METOLACLOR

Content TERBUTILAZINA - TERBUTHYLAZINE 16,94 % MESOTRIONE 3,39 %

### How it works

Controls summarises in maps and tables all the details of the activities carried out on the fields. Activities are recorded by farmers and agronomists directly in the xFarm app and are then shared with the supply chain's xFarm Analytics account.

They are available:

- Tracking sowing and seed dates

- Summaries on the use of plant protection products, dosages and number of applications per active ingredient

- Calculation of NPK units applied

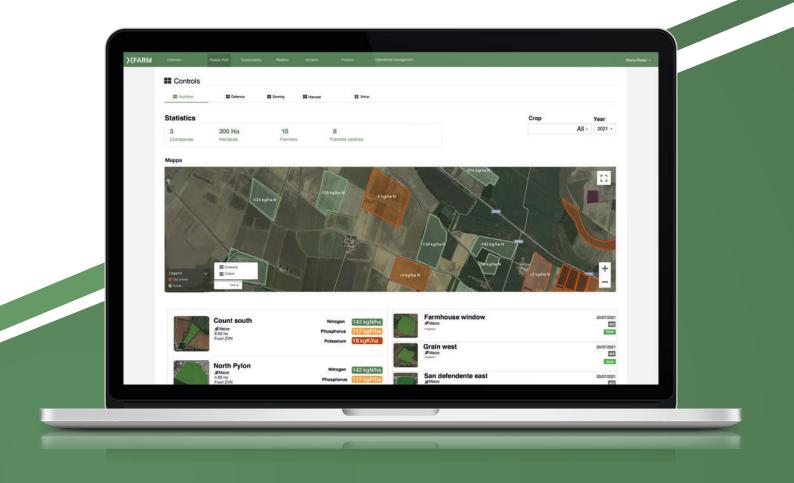
- Harvest quality parameters such as moisture, sugar content, pH and more

### **Maximum flexibility**

With the increasing quest for product differentiation, the agri-food industry is increasingly implementing specific specifications for its supply chain, in addition to EU, national, regional and local ones.

For this Controlli was developed as an information summary centre, so as to facilitate the analysis stages even in the case of customised specifications.

There are also a number of settings to vary the way the system performs calculations, customising the fertilisation efficiency coefficients, for example.



# TRACKABILITY

#### Tell and certify your products, right from the field

With xFarm's Traceability feature you can couple the management benefits of Smart Farming with the value of information, showing consumers and certifiers the production process of raw materials.

### **Much more than logistics**

With xFarm, all tracked information can be linked to specific batches, so that a digital product history can be recreated. From the producer's details, to the operations carried out in the field, the specific environmental impact, to the images taken by the webcams installed on the xFarm sensors. With all this information, xFarm traceability can be adapted to dozens of purposes, from certification to marketing.

### The xFarm value

The use of xFarm traceability provides access to three major benefits that are difficult to find with other platforms:

- The amount of data available is very important, thanks to the coupling of Farm Management functions with data collection functions

 The simple and intuitive user experience of xFarm allows farmers and agronomists to compile data directly, without the use of external, complex systems
Integration with farm machinery telemetry and IoT sensors enables the collection of objective information, without human intermediaries.

### Data export

All data are contained in the xFarm Digital Passport, which can be downloaded manually or sent automatically. Thanks to this last option, it is possible to integrate xFarm's Digital Passport into blockchain securitisation systems, thus ensuring the absence of human intervention and consequently its transparency.





**DIGITAL PASSPORT** The agricultural passport of raw materials The Digital Passport is a standardised package of information that analytically narrates the product. A single document encodes all the processes carried out, the origin, meteorology, logistics and processing involved in a product.

## Transformation

#### Add transformation information

With xFarm, you also have single-subject portals in which you can record processing activities, link production batches to processes and manage traceability with the typicality of the individual supply chain.





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