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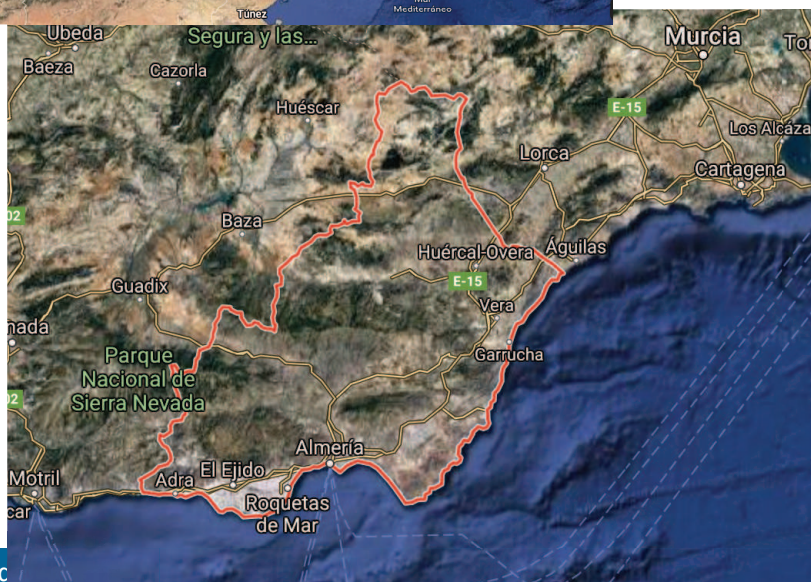
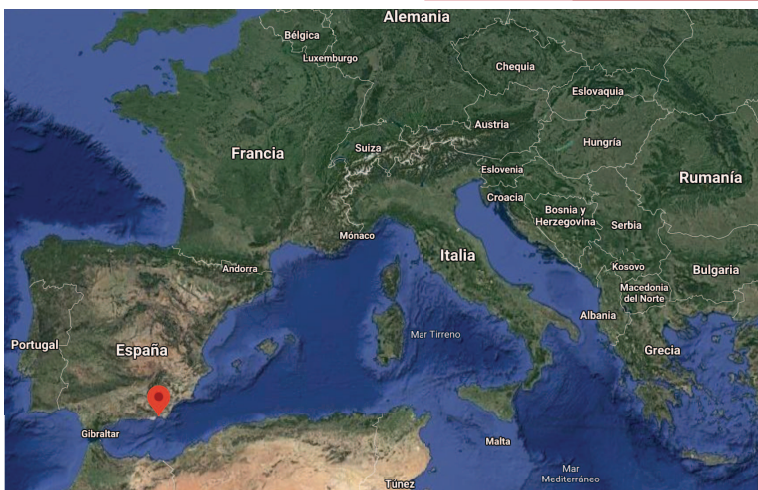
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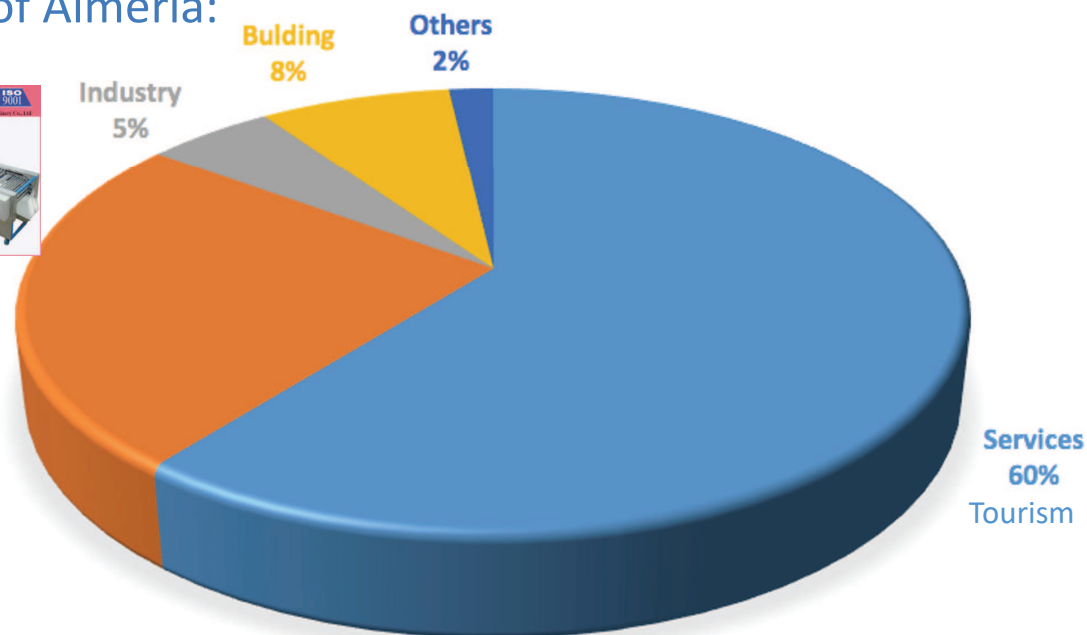


What and where is Almería?

- Almería is a province located in the Southeast of Spain (Region of Andalusia) on the shores of the Mediterranean sea
- It is a land of contrasts: sea, mountain and desert
- Almería has the highest hours of sunshine (annual average of 3,000 hours) and lowest rainfall in Europe
- The economy of Almería:



Agriculture
25%





Almeria's agriculture in numbers



The largest concentration of greenhouses in Europe is located in of Almería: 29.035 hectares





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- **Products:** Tomato, pepper, cucumber, watermelon, zucchini, melon, eggplant, lettuce,...
- **Production:**
3.375.970 tons
with 1.803 millions € (for growers)
- **Exports:** 2.408.345 tons (75,4%),
2.194 millions € (for exporter companies)
 - ✓ EU: Germany, France, Netherland, UK
 - ✓ Non-EU: Switzerland, Russia



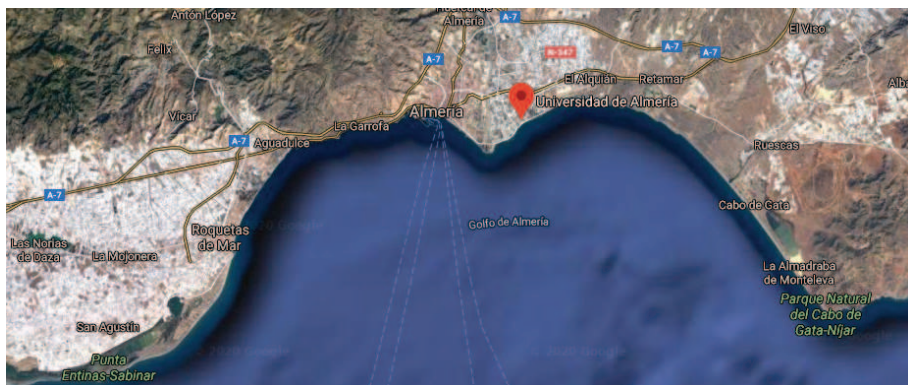


University of Almería

UAL was founded by the Andalusian Parliament in 1993 <https://www.ual.es/>



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Areas of knowledge

- Agriculture science
- Industrial and Information technology
- Natural resources and environment
- Physics and Mathematics
- Health science
- Social sciences, business and law
- Humanities and Education

UAL in numbers

- 7 Faculties and the Engineering School
- 32 degree courses
- 42 Official Master degrees
- 14 doctoral programs
- **14.500 Students** (700 in of mobilities)
- **900 teachers**
- 900 international agreements

Research

It is closely related to its financial environment focussing particularly with:

- Agriculture,
- Solar energy
- Water management



ARM Group



Automatic Control, Robotics and Mechatronics (ARM) group was founded in 2000

(TEP-197 of the Andalusian R&D plan)

<https://arm.ual.es/arm-group/>



ARM is **inscribed** into:

- Agrifood Campus of International Excellence (ceiA3).
- Solar Energy Research Centre (CIESOL)

Research work-lines

- **Modelling, control and robotics in agriculture**
- Modelling and control of photobioreactors
- Modelling and control of solar plants
- Energy efficiency and comfort control in buildings
- Autonomous vehicles and robots
- **Education in Engineering**



ARM is composed by more than 20 researchers from:

- University of Almería
- Plataforma Solar de Almería (CIEMAT)



Who is who in NEGHTRA?



Manuel Berenguel
Full Professor
Head of ARM



Francisco Rodríguez
Full Professor
**ARM Supervisor of
agriculture Work-line**



José Luis Guzmán
Full Professor
**ARM Supervisor of
Photobioreactors Work-line**



Jorge A. Sánchez
Assoc. Professor
**Expert in agriculture
in greenhouse**



José C. Moreno
Assoc. Professor
**Expert in agriculture
robotics**



Manuel Muñoz
PhD Student
**Expert in IoT and data
management in agriculture**

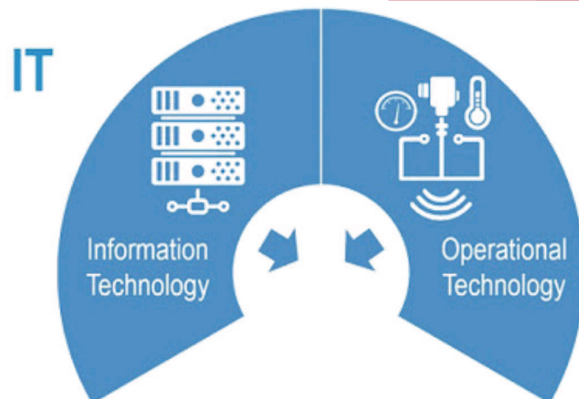


Francisco García
PhD Student
**Expert in modelling and
control in agriculture**

Ana Fe Rodríguez Fuldauer
Erasmus+ Projects

M^a Fernanda Rodríguez Heras
Gestora de Proyectos Europeos

UAL in NEGHTRA



WP1

Analysis the potential use of OT and IT in greenhouse crop growth control and the energy and other resources consumption

WP2 LEADER

UAL will define the protocol to design and development a web-based platform for data-sharing focused on training, incorporating all the information generated in the three experimental greenhouses



WP3

UAL will help to prepare the training modules on the E-learning platform

WP4

UAL will help o implement the different sessions to trainees.

WP6

UAL will participate in the validation activities of the different modules created in the learning platform.

WP7

UAL will assess the platform

WP8

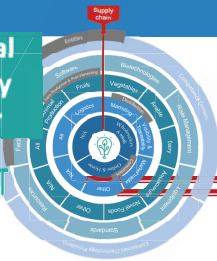
UAL will colaborate in the transfer of the results of the projects

WP9

UAL will work in the Project coordination as member of steering Committee



Agricultural
Technology
Navigator

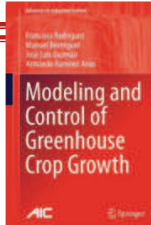


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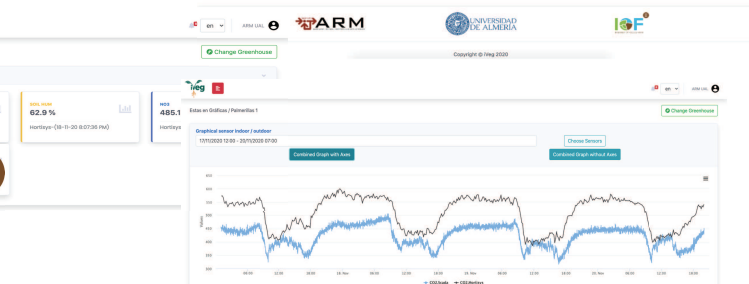
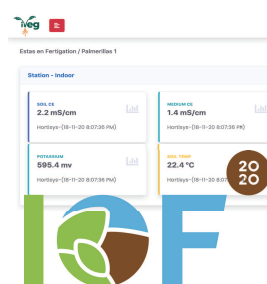
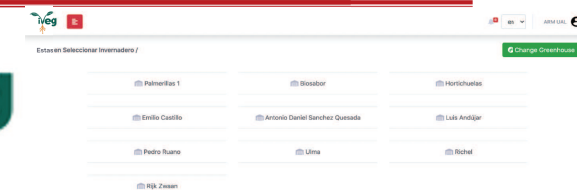
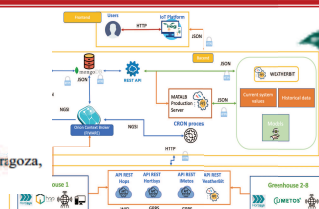
CHAPTER 8

Renewable energy technologies for greenhouses in semi-arid climates

Francisco Javier Cabrera, Jorge Antonio Sánchez-Molina, Guillermo Zaragoza, Manuel Pérez-García & Francisco Rodríguez-Díaz

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WP3

UAL will help to prepare the training modules on the E-learning platform

WP4

UAL will help o implement the different sessions to trainees:

- Interactive tools
- Interactive books
- Virtual Labs
- Remote Labs
- Take-Home Labs

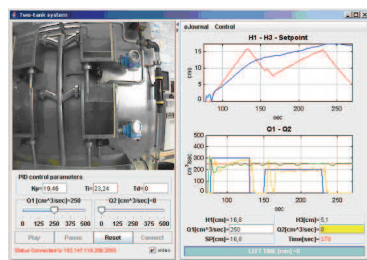
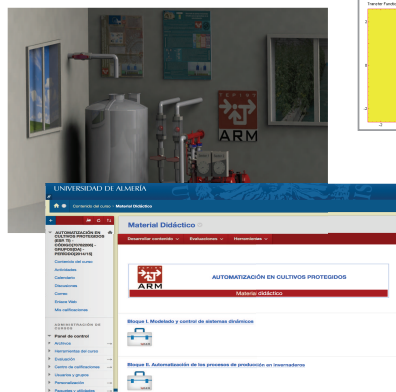
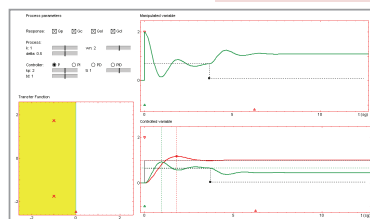
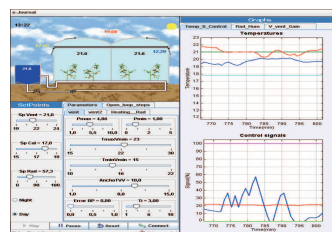
A Virtual Course on Automation of Agricultural Systems

Education Research in Engineering Studies: Interactivity, Virtual and Remote Labs

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