

# Could free trade alleviate effects of climate change: A worldwide analysis with emphasis on Morocco and Turkey

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# Outline

- Motivation and research questions
- Methodology
- Results and discussion
- Conclusion

# Agriculture, Climate change & Free trade

- Who are the 'Winners' vs. 'Losers'? (1)
  - Distribution of climate-induced productivity shocks?
  - Uncertainty in magnitudes?
- Who are the 'Winners' vs. 'Losers'? (2)
  - Producers? Consumers? Society?
- Mitigation vs. Adaptation?
  - Mitigation: Causes? (*ex-ante*) or Impacts? (*ex-post*)
  - Adaptation: Planned? vs. Autonomous?
- 'Global' free trade vs. 'Regional' free trade?
  - Trade creation vs. Trade diversion?
  - Beggar-Thy-Neighbors effects?
  - Trade warfare?

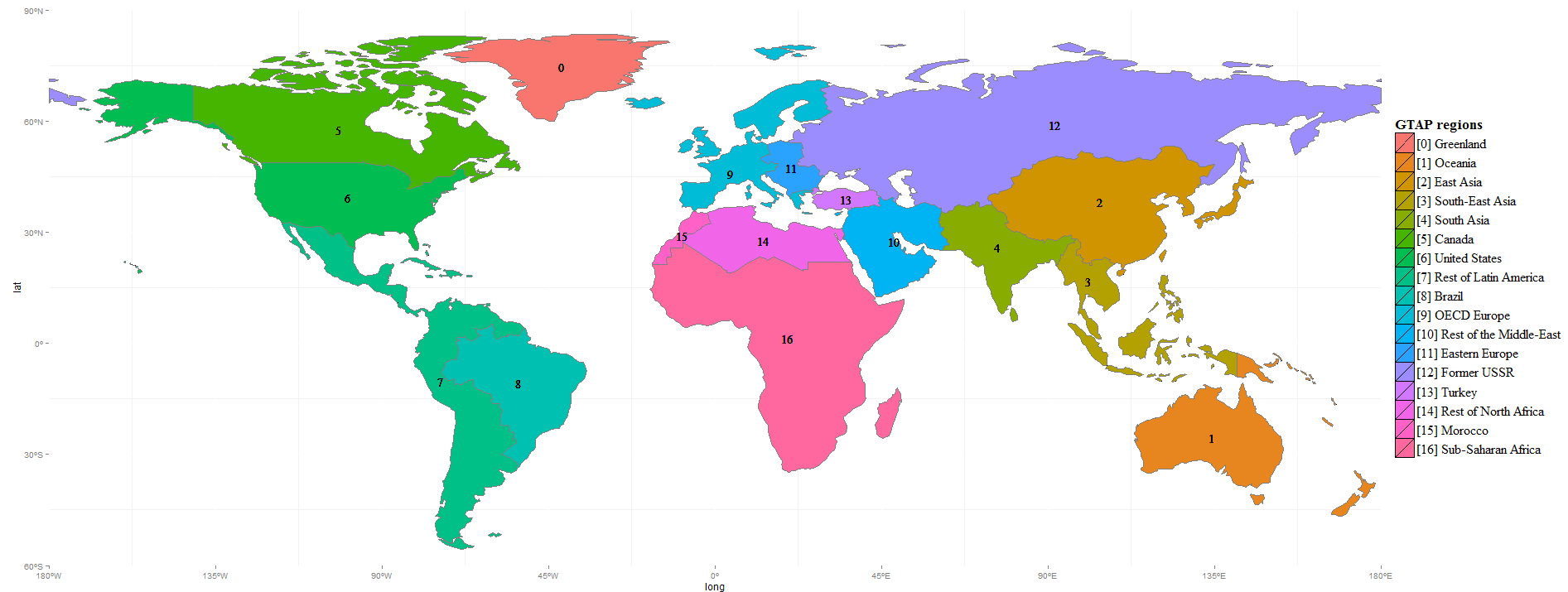
# Motivation & Research Questions

- Are there gains to be had from liberalizing trade in the face of climate change?
  - If yes, under what conditions?
    - Global free trade vs. Regional free trade?
    - All sectors vs. Agricultural sectors?
- What is the extent of potential gains, if any?
  - Robustness of gains vs. Uncertainty of climate impacts
- A special focus on Morocco and Turkey

# Methodology

- Standard GTAP model, database version 7
  - Reference year corresponds to the global economy in 2004
  - Regional and Sector disaggregation: 113 regions x 57 sectors x 5 factor endowments
- New Regional and Sector aggregation: 16 regions x 15 sectors x 5 factor endowments
  - (7x) Agricultural sector include: Rice, Wheat, Cereal grains nec, Vegetables, fruits & nuts, Oilseeds, Sugar crops, and Other crops nested
- Model analysis in a comparative static mode

# Methodology – Regional aggregation



# Scenarios Analysis

Table 1: Definition of simulation scenarios

| Scenario  | Description                                                                                                                                           |
|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| COnly     | Climate change only                                                                                                                                   |
| CCMULTI   | COnly + Global 100% tariff cut on all commodities                                                                                                     |
| CCAGMULTI | COnly + Global 100% tariff cut on all agricultural commodities                                                                                        |
| CCTRLIBEU | COnly + 100% tariff cut on all commodities between OECD Europe + Eastern Europe and Morocco, and OECD Europe + Eastern Europe and Turkey              |
| CCAGLIBEU | COnly + 100% tariff cut on all agricultural commodities between OECD Europe + Eastern Europe and Morocco, and OECD Europe + Eastern Europe and Turkey |
| CCMENA    | COnly + 100% tariff cut on all commodities among all MENA regions                                                                                     |
| CCAGMENA  | COnly + 100% tariff cut on all agricultural commodities among all MENA regions                                                                        |

Source: Authors' adaptation

# Structure of analysis

## Step 1:

### Climate change only

- Yield impacts introduced as productivity shocks
- We capture equilibrium conditions via welfare, macroeconomic impacts

## Step 2:

### Climate change & Trade liberalization

- Yield impacts + 100% tariff elimination
- We capture new equilibrium conditions for welfare, macroeconomic

## Step 3:

### Net impacts

- We infer the net effects of trade liberalization by computing the differential between the two equilibrium conditions from Step 1 and Step 2.

# Yield impacts

## Source 1: IFPRI Database

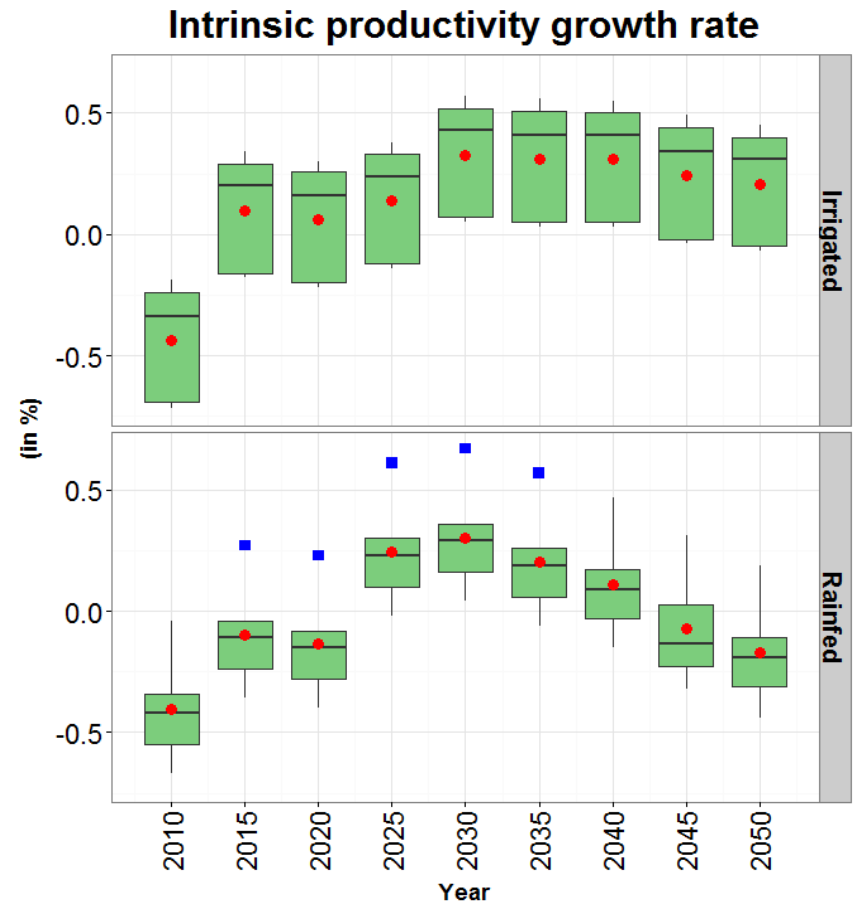
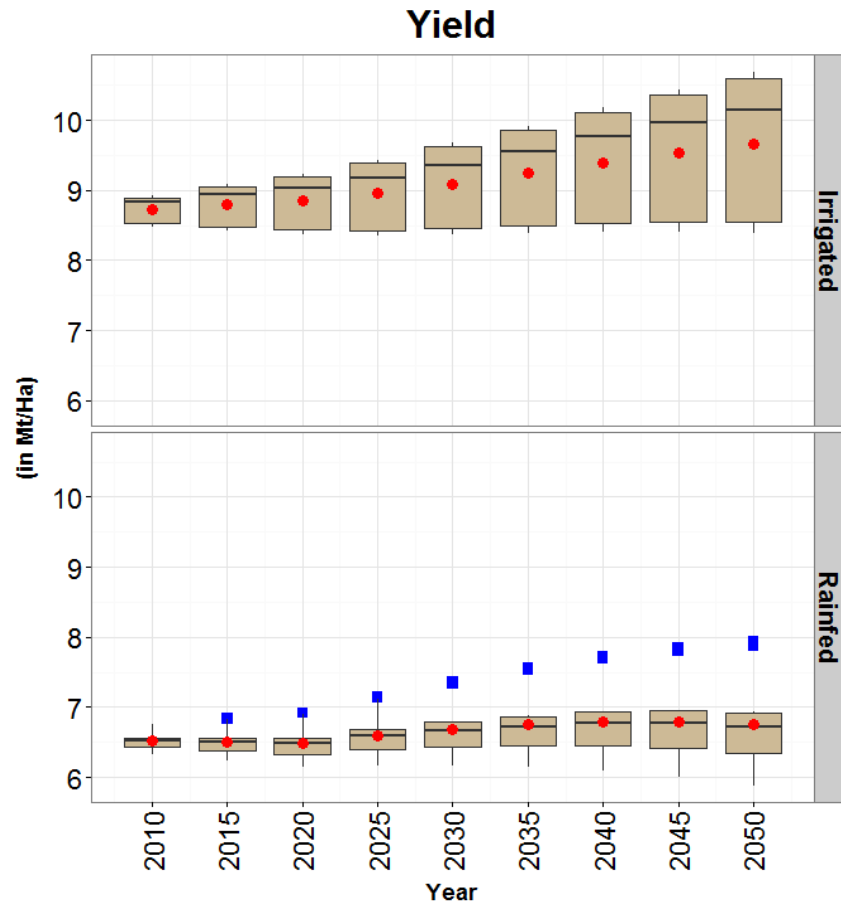
- Regions/countries (x114)
- Crops (x6): rice, wheat, maize, cassava, groundnut, and soybean
- Macro growth scenarios (x3): Pessimistic, Optimistic and Baseline
- SRES (x2): A1B and B1
- GCM (x2): CSIRO and MIROC

## Source 2: IMAGE Database

- Regions/countries (x26)
- Crops (x11): maize\_f, maize\_b, oilcrops, pulses, rice, roots & tubers, temperate cereals, tropical cereals, non-woody biofuels, woody biofuels, sugar cane
- SRES (x10): A1B, A1F, A1F\_High, A1F\_Low, A1T, A2, B1, B1\_High, B1\_Low, B2

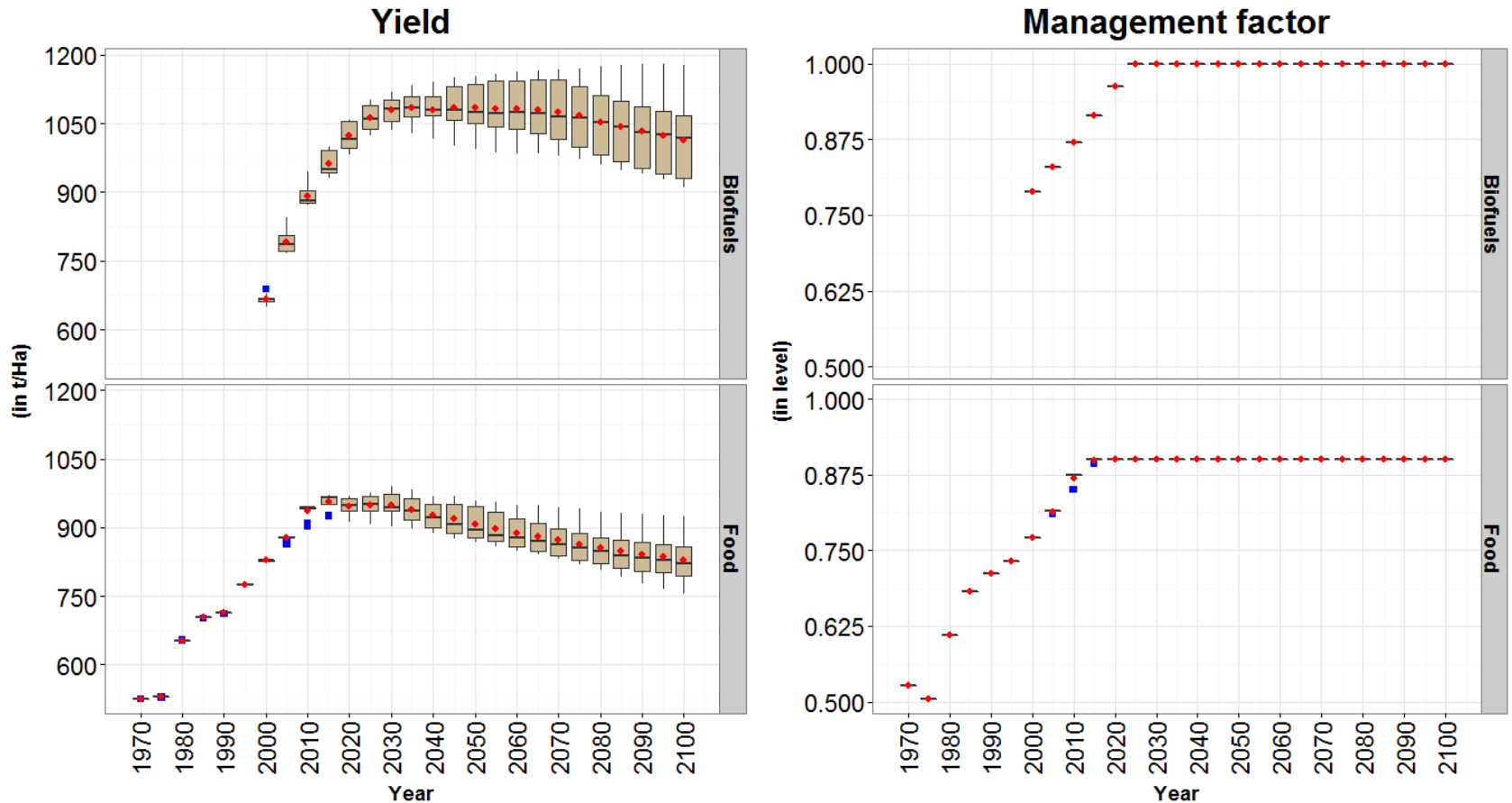
# Yield impacts – IFPRI Database

Sample data: Wheat, France



# Yield impacts – IMAGE Database

## Sample data: Maize, United States



# Yield Impacts – Final Database

- **Irrigated-Rainfed aggregation**

- IFPRI:  $\Delta Y_{tot}^r = \sum_{i \in \{irr, rf\}} \omega_i^r Y_i^r$ , where  $\omega_i^r$  denotes production share
- IMAGE: no action needed

- **Regional aggregation**

- Production-weighted averages are used to estimate total impacts for each region in the GTAP aggregation

- **Crop aggregation**

- Simple average across crops categories to match the GTAP crops aggregation

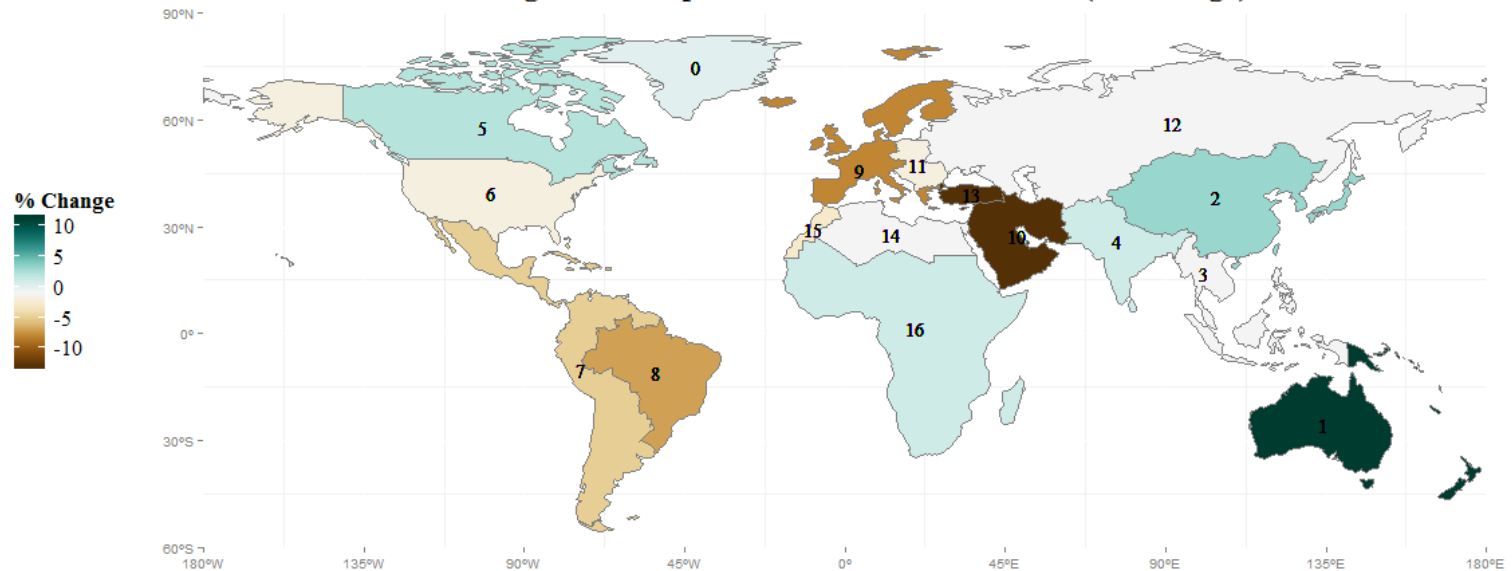
# Yield Impacts – Final Database

Table 8: Summary of crop matching between GTAP, IFRPI and IMAGE crops

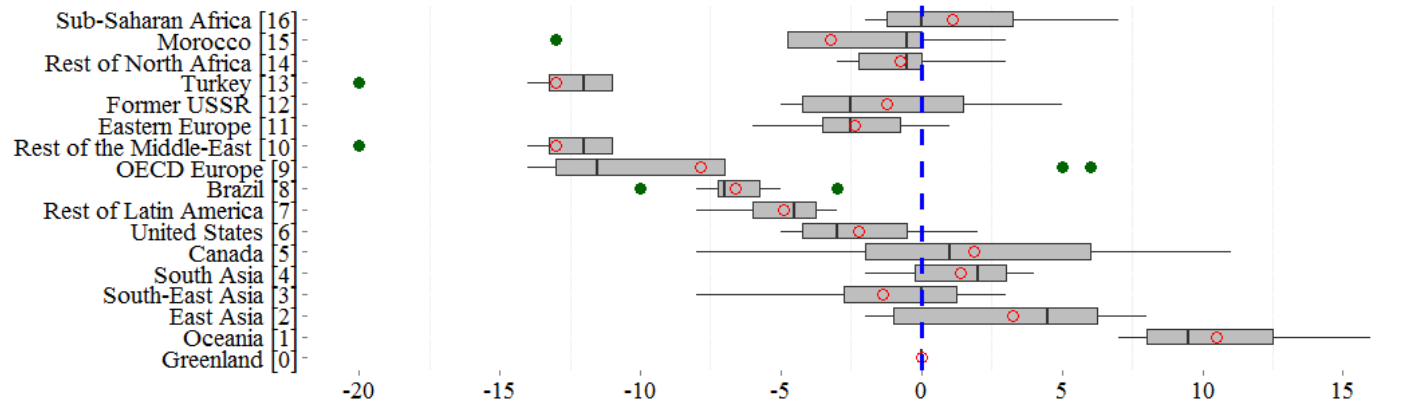
| GTAP crops              | Matching crops in:                                |                                                                                     |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                         | IFPRI                                             | IMAGE                                                                               |
| Paddy rice              | Rice                                              | Rice                                                                                |
| Wheat                   | Wheat                                             | Temperate cereals, Tropical cereals                                                 |
| Cereal grains nec       | Wheat, Maize                                      | Temperate cereals, Tropical cereals, Maize                                          |
| Vegetables, fruit, nuts | Rice, Groundnuts                                  | Roots & Tubers, Pulses                                                              |
| Oil seeds               | Soybeans                                          | Oil crops                                                                           |
| Sugar cane, sugar beet  | Maize                                             | Maize                                                                               |
| Other crops             | Rice, Wheat, Cassava, Soybeans, Groundnuts, Maize | Rice, Temperate cereals, Tropical cereals, Maize, Oil crops, Roots & Tubers, Pulses |

# Yield Impacts – Results (1)

Average Yield Impacts across SRES Scenarios (% Change)



Distribution of yield impacts across SRES scenarios by GTAP region (% Change)



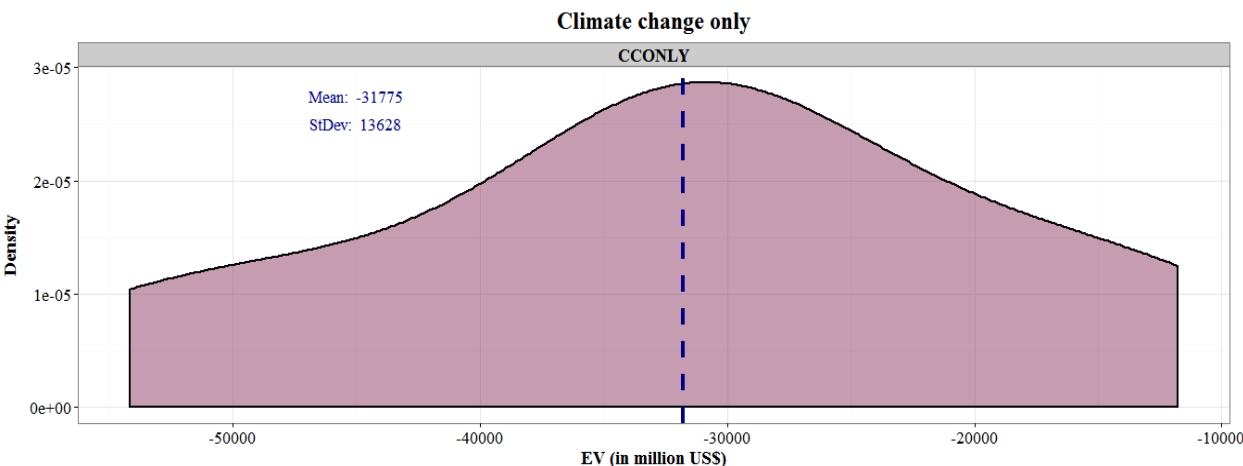
# Yield Impacts – Results by crop (2)

- **Rice (+4.1%)**
  - Positive for most regions (incl. majors producers and exporters) (12 out of 16 regions)
  - (-) Regions averaged -5%; (+) Regions averaged +8.1%
- **Wheat (-4%)**
  - Negative for most regions (incl. majors producers and exporters) (14 out of 16 regions)
  - (-) Regions averaged -5.5%; (+) Regions averaged +6%
- **Coarse grains (-4.9%)**
  - Negative for most regions (incl. majors producers and exporters) (14 out of 16 regions)
  - (-) Regions averaged -6.5%; (+) Regions averaged +5.9%
- **Oilseeds (-1%)**
  - Evenly split in terms of +/- projected impacts
  - (-) Regions averaged -9.7%; (+) Regions averaged +7.5%

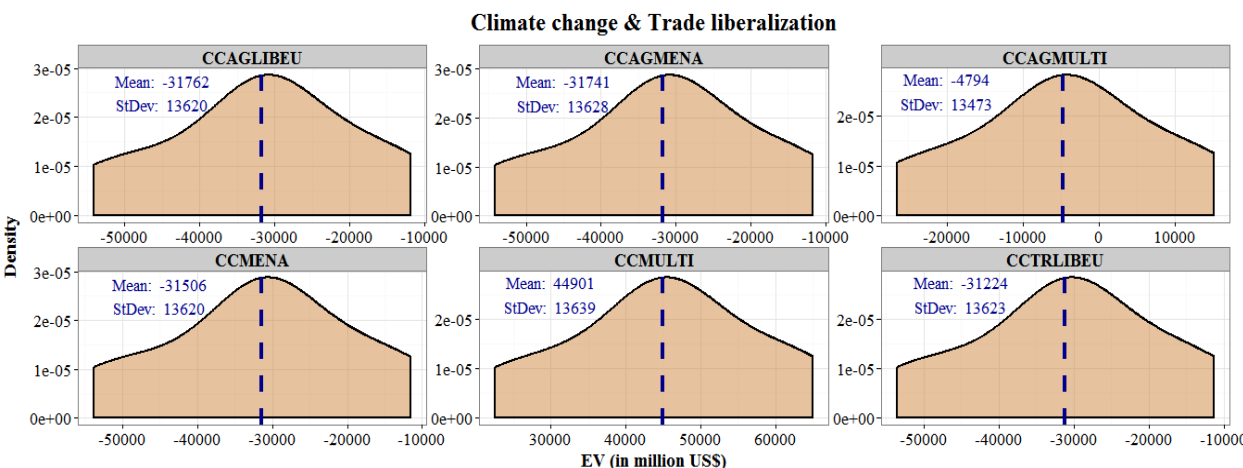
# Yield Impacts – Results by crop (2)

- **Vegetables & Fruits (-2.1%)**
  - Negative for most regions (11 out of 16 regions)
  - (-) Regions averaged -5.4%; (+) Regions averaged +5.1%
- **Sugar crops (-6.6%)**
  - Negative for most regions (13 out of 16 regions)
  - (-) Regions averaged -10%; (+) Regions averaged +5%
- **Other crops (-1.8%)**
  - Negative for most regions (11 out of 16 regions)
  - (-) Regions averaged -4%; (+) Regions averaged +2%

# Global welfare



- Climate change only: Welfare impacts range from US\$ -11,784 million (A1F) to US\$ -54,138 million (A2)



- Including trade liberalization: minor gains under most scenarios
- Trade liberalization effective only under 'CCMULTI' and partially under 'CCAGMULTI'

# Global welfare decomposition

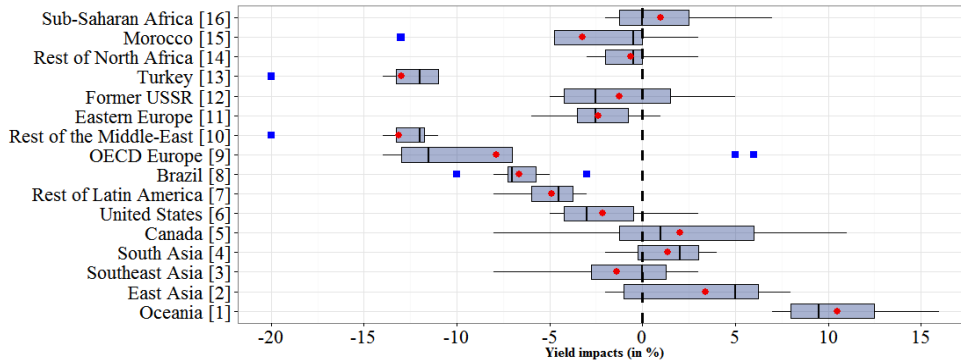
Table 14: Decomposition of average welfare impacts for the world by effects (in million US\$)

| Scenario                                         | Allocative efficiency | Technical efficiency | Terms of trade | Investment-Savings |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| <b>Climate change only</b>                       |                       |                      |                |                    |
| CCONLY                                           | -4,075.59             | -27,699.19           | -0.55          | 0.27               |
| <b>Climate change &amp; Trade liberalization</b> |                       |                      |                |                    |
| CCAGLIBEU                                        | -4,076.47             | -27,684.05           | -1.61          | 0.19               |
| CCAGMENA                                         | -4,030.87             | -27,709.61           | -0.43          | 0.27               |
| CCAGMULTI                                        | 22,334.47             | -27,111.75           | -16.23         | -0.2               |
| CCMENA                                           | -3,718.04             | -27,740.84           | -42.65         | -4.3               |
| CCTRLIBEU                                        | -3,524.84             | -27,693.09           | -5.48          | -0.63              |
| CCMULTI                                          | 72,854.81             | -27,332.46           | -671.4         | 50.42              |
| <b>Trade liberalization net</b>                  |                       |                      |                |                    |
| AGLIBEU                                          | -0.88                 | 15.14                | -1.06          | -0.08              |
| AGMENA                                           | 44.72                 | -10.42               | 0.12           | 0                  |
| AGMULTI                                          | 26,410.06             | 587.44               | -15.68         | -0.47              |
| MENA                                             | 357.55                | -41.65               | -42.1          | -4.58              |
| TRLIBEU                                          | 550.75                | 6.1                  | -4.93          | -0.9               |
| MULTI                                            | 76,930.39             | 366.73               | -670.85        | 50.14              |

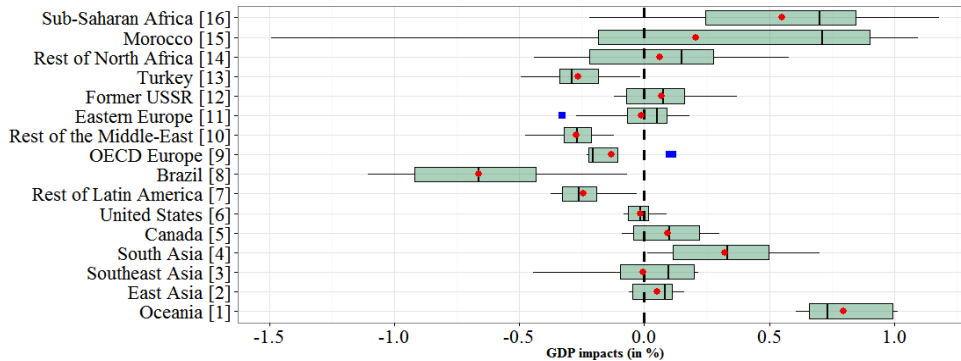
Source: Simulation results

# Regional Yields, Welfare and GDP

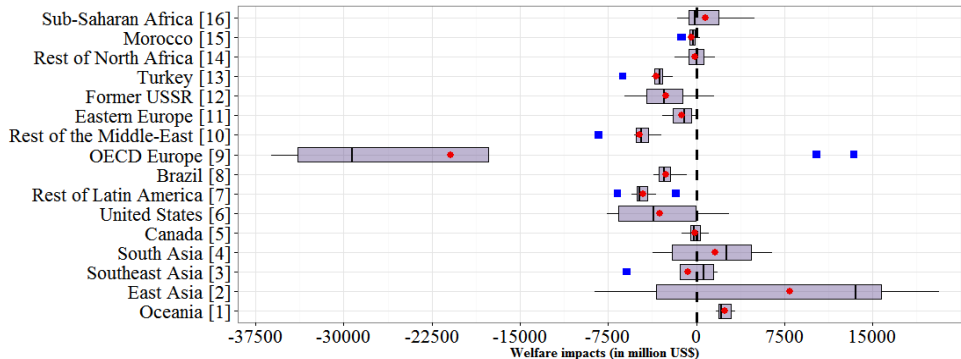
Distribution of yield impacts



Distribution of GDP impacts



Distribution of welfare impacts



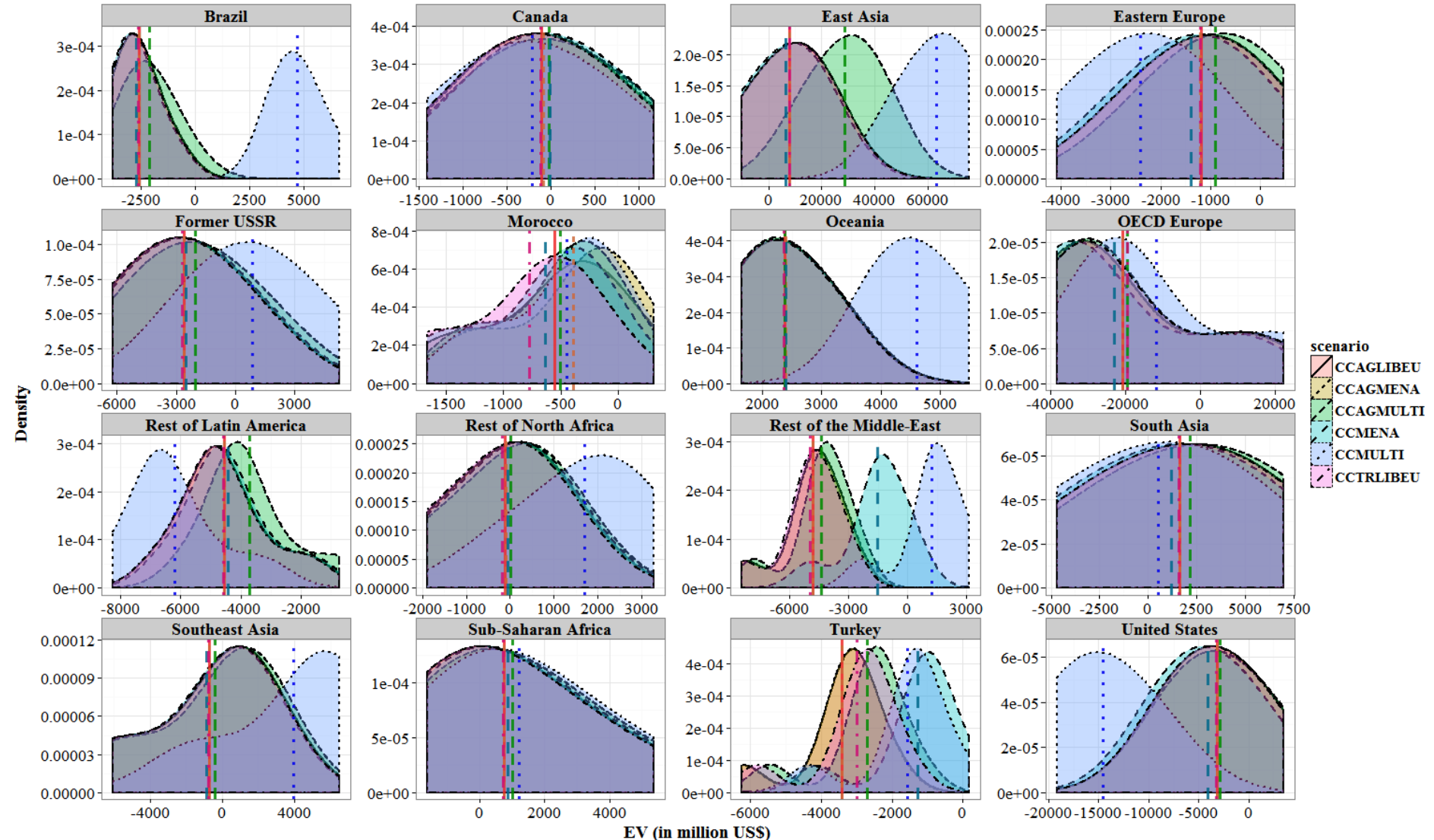
- (-) yield impacts correlated with (-) welfare and GDP impacts; and vice-versa for the (+) cases
- Direction and magnitude of change depend on
  - Share of agriculture in the economy (i.e. production, trade)
  - Which crops are most affected
  - Irrigated vs. Rainfed
  - Traditional vs. Industrial agriculture

# Regional welfare

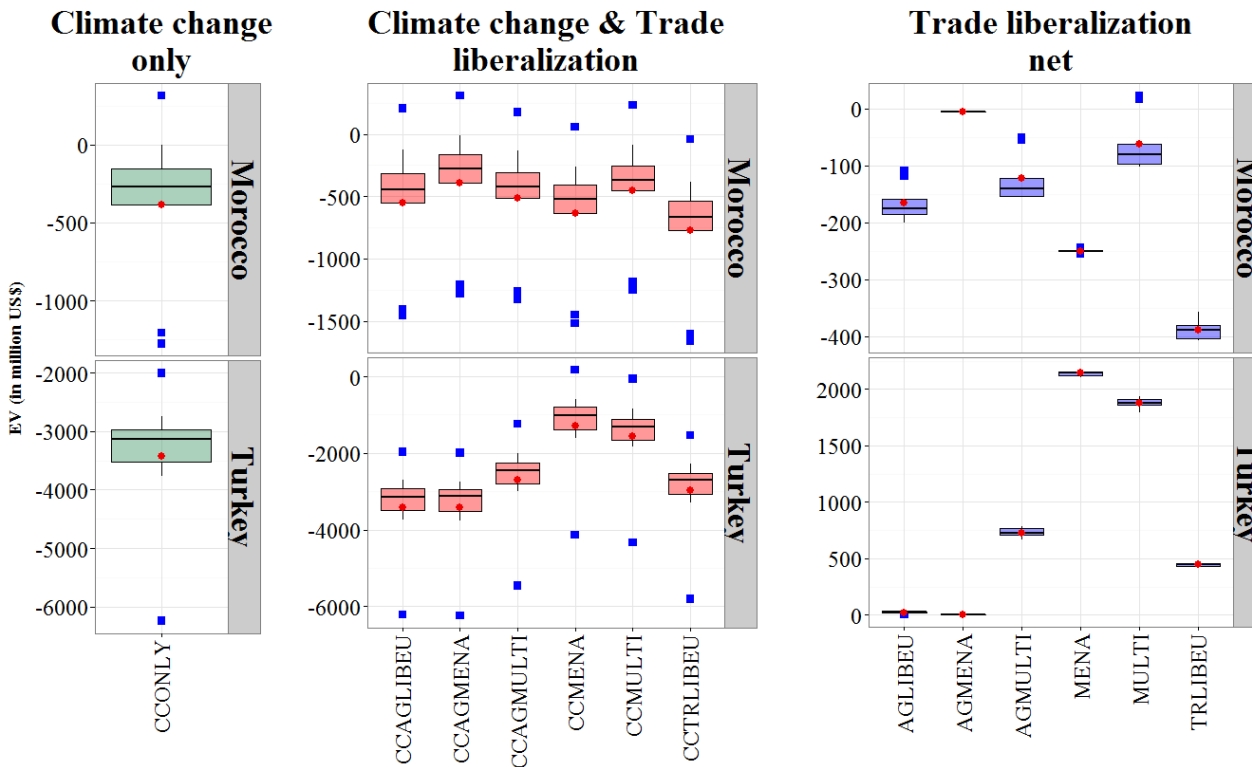
- Group 1: countries/regions that benefit under climate change and gain under trade liberalization scenarios, but not all;
  - Oceania, East Asia, South Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa
- Group 2: countries/regions that lose under climate change and benefit under trade liberalization scenarios, but not all;
  - Southeast Asia, Canada, United States, Brazil, Rest of Latin America, OECD Europe, Eastern Europe, Former USSR, Turkey, Rest of MENA, Rest of North Africa
- Group 3: countries/regions that lose under climate change and further loose under all trade liberalization scenarios.
  - Morocco

# Regional welfare

## Climate change & Trade liberalization

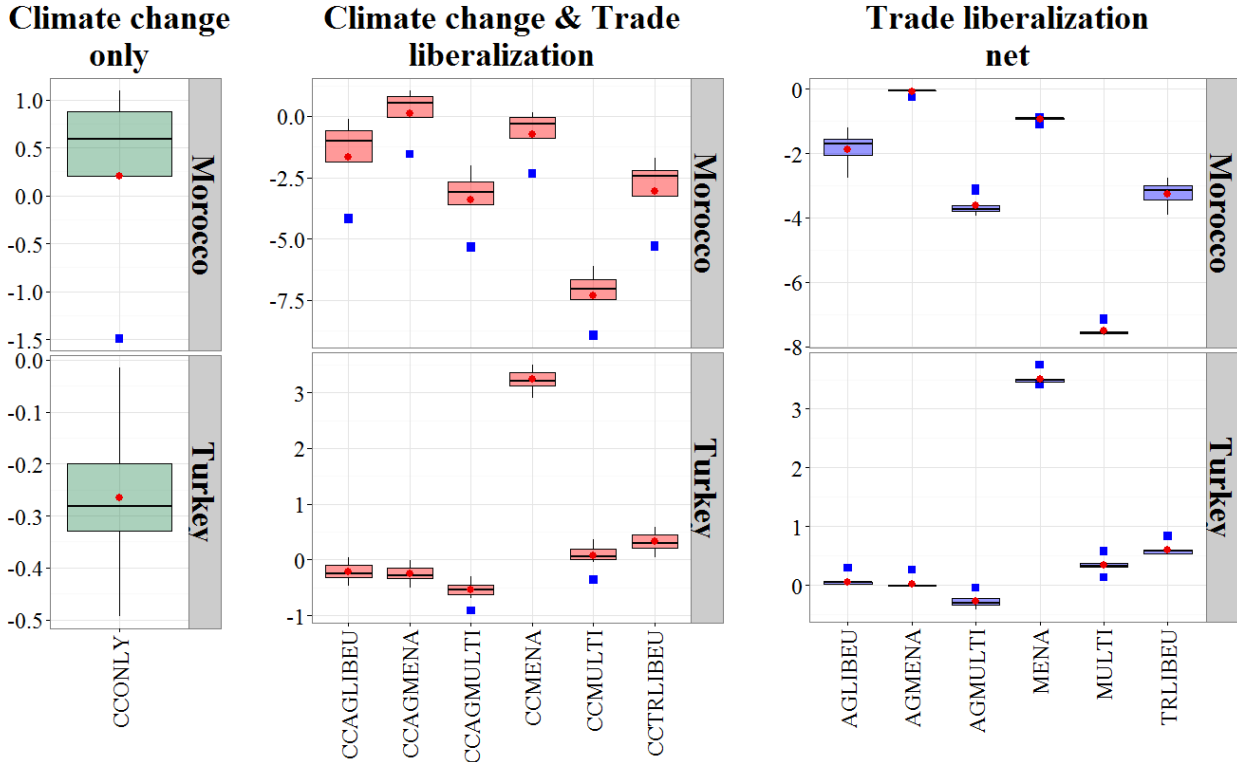


# Welfare impacts – Morocco & Turkey



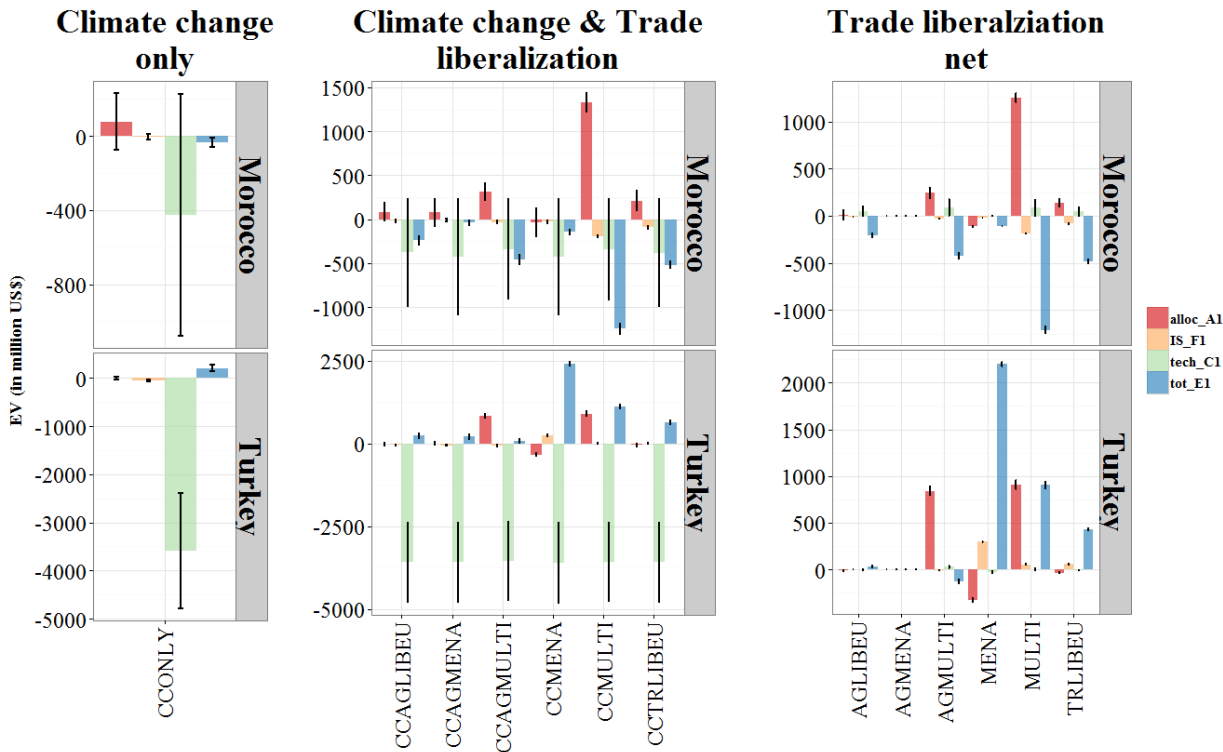
- Morocco experiences (-) net welfare effects ex-post trade liberalization
  - Highest loss under 'CCTRLIBEU'
- Turkey benefits from tariff elimination
  - Highest net welfare gain under 'CCMENA'

## GDP impacts – Morocco & Turkey



- Magnitude of CC effect on GDP higher in Morocco than in Turkey
- Very contrasting results of trade liberalization effects on GDP
  - Negative for Morocco;
  - Positive for Turkey

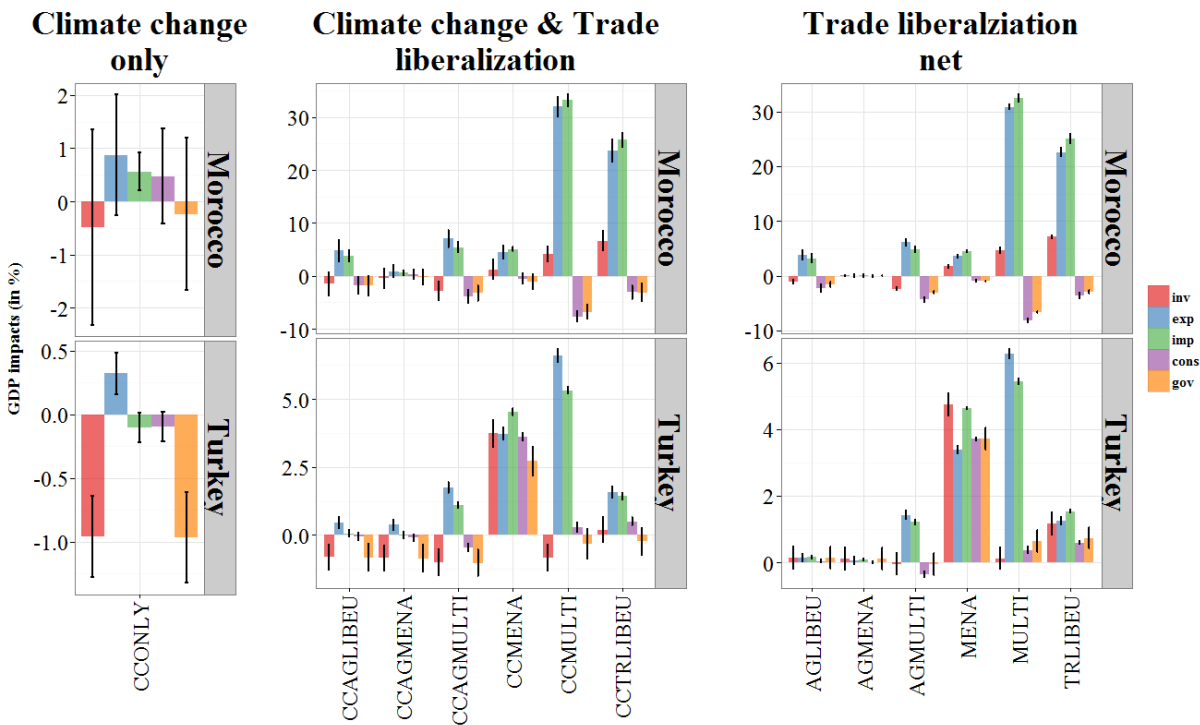
# Welfare impacts decomposition – Morocco & Turkey



**Investment-Savings can tilt the balance for the final effect**

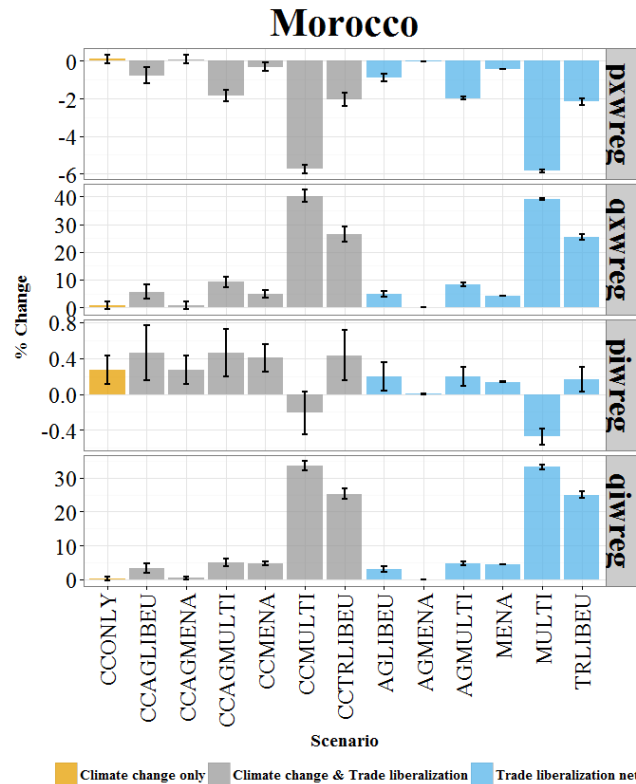
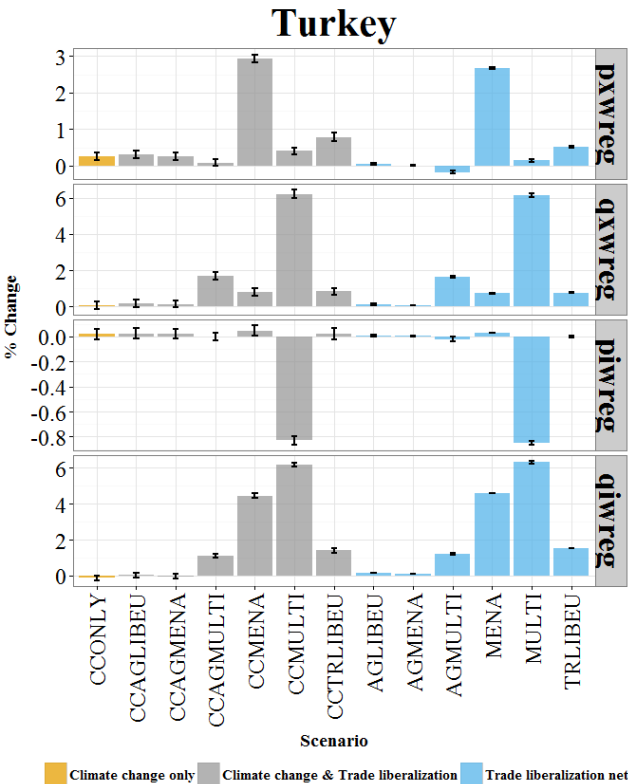
- Trade liberalization main channels of impact: Terms of Trade and Allocative efficiency
- Under most scenarios, Investment-Savings and technical efficiency are negligible

# GDP impacts decomposition – Morocco & Turkey



- Large impacts on exports and imports in both countries
  - Magnitudes larger for Morocco
- Effects on consumption and government spending dominates final effect on GDP
  - Negative in Morocco
  - Positive in Turkey

# Imports & Exports – Morocco & Turkey



- Morocco
  - ↑ Qty of Exports & Imports
  - ↓ Prices of Export, ↑ Prices of Import
- Turkey
  - ↑ Qty of Exports & Imports
  - ↑ Prices of Export, ↓ Prices of Import

# Conclusions

- Globally, the main conclusions of the analysis suggest that:
  - Trade liberalization induces partial offset of welfare loss;
  - Total offset occurs under ‘unrealistic’ tariff elimination scenarios (e.g. CCMULTI)
- At the regional level, and depending on the scope of the trade liberalization, we notice that:
  - Region with (+) projected yields benefit the most
  - Regions with (-) projected yields benefit marginally, but not under all scenarios

# Conclusions

- Morocco

- Net welfare losses
- (+) net allocative efficiency contribution, but overshadowed by (-) contribution of the terms of trade and investment-savings effects
- ↑exports, but ↓prices
- ↑imports, with ↑prices, especially for crop and food commodities

- Turkey

- Net welfare gains, but not big enough to offset initial loss
- (+) net allocative efficiency and terms of trade effects drive most of the results;
- ↑exports qty, ↑exports prices
- ↑imports, driven primarily by intermediate demand and low import prices

# Comments & Remarks

# Domestic markets

- For both countries
  - (-) climate shocks  $\Rightarrow$   $\downarrow$  Domestic supply  $\Rightarrow$   $\uparrow$  Domestic prices  $\Rightarrow$   $\downarrow$  Private & Intermediate domestic demand, which shifts to increased demand for imports (despite  $\uparrow$  import prices)
  - Magnitudes larger for Morocco compared to Turkey
- For Morocco
  - (-) climate shocks + tariff elimination ('CCMULTI')
  - $\Rightarrow$   $\downarrow$  Import prices  $\Rightarrow$   $\uparrow$  Imports, displacing domestic output on domestic markets  $\Rightarrow$   $\uparrow$  Exports, but with falling export prices (due to deflationary impacts of relatively cheap inflows of imports)
- For Turkey
  - (-) climate shocks + tariff elimination ('CCMULTI')
  - $\Rightarrow$   $\downarrow$  Import prices  $\Rightarrow$   $\uparrow$  Imports for **intermediate consumption**, displacing domestic output on domestic markets  $\Rightarrow$   $\uparrow$  Exports, but with increasing export prices

# Yield impacts – IFPRI Database

- IFPRI yield data assumed to incorporate both climate change effects (CC) and technology improvements (IPR) defined as follow:

$$(Eq. 3) \quad Y_{p+1} = Y_p (1 + CC_p + IPR_p)^5$$

- Thus, we can isolate the CC effects as:

$$(Eq. 4) \quad CC_p = \left\{ \left[ \left( \frac{Y_{p+1}}{Y_p} \right)^{1/5} - IPR_p \right] - 1 \right\} \times 100$$

# Yield impacts – IMAGE Database

- IMAGE yield data capture the effects of climate change and management factor
- The management factor (MF) the exogenous assumptions about potential technology-driven yield enhancement
- We isolate the CC effects as follows:

$$(Eq. 6) \quad Y_t^{CC} = \frac{Y_t^{reported}}{MF_t}$$

# Yield Impacts – Final Database

## IFPRI Database

- Regions (x114)
- Crops (x6)
- Macro scenarios (x3)
- SRES (x2) x GCMs (x2)



## IMAGE Database

- Regions (x26)
- Crops (x11)
- SRES (x10)

## Final Database

- Regions (x16)
- Crops (x7)
- SRES (x8)