

1. Introduction

This tutorial contains instructions on how to convert LSA SAF (LandSAF) data from Hdf5 to geotiff format, open the converted files in QGIS software, and extract information on given (lat, lon) locations.

2. On windows explorer create a new folder tree:

C:/Data

 /scripts

 /H5_Data_PROD (where PROD is LST, FVC, FAPAR,...)

 /Out_Data_PROD (where PROD is LST, FVC, FAPAR,...)

Ex:

C:/Data/H5_Data_LST

C:/Data/H5_Data_FVC

C:/Data/H5_Data_FAPAR

...

And

C:\Data\Out_Data_LST

C:\Data\Out_Data_FVC

C:\Data\Out_Data_FAPAR

...

Copy the files `import_data_reproj_*.py` and paste it to C:/Data/scripts

Copy the LSA SAF HDF5 files you have (for instance through download from the LSA SAF website) to folder C:/Data/H5_Data_PROD (where PROD can LST, FVC, FAPAR,... according to the product you are working with).

3. On QGIS select the keys `ctl+Alt+P` to open the python console

4. Convert the LSA SAF hdf5 files to geotiff format

Go to folder C:/Data/scripts, click on the script `import_data_reproj_PROD.py` (where PROD is one of the following: LST, FVC, FAPAR) and drag it to QGIS python console.

This will make the script to run, converting all LSA SAF hdf5 files within the Data folder to geotiff format, and reprojecting.

5. Open the LSASAF files converted to geotiff in Qgis

Go to the folder containing the converted geotiff files (C:/Data/Out_Data_Prod), click on the files you want to open in Qgis, which filenames with “_rep” (can be one or any number) and drag it to Qgis.