



Martian analogue at the door of the Sahara desert

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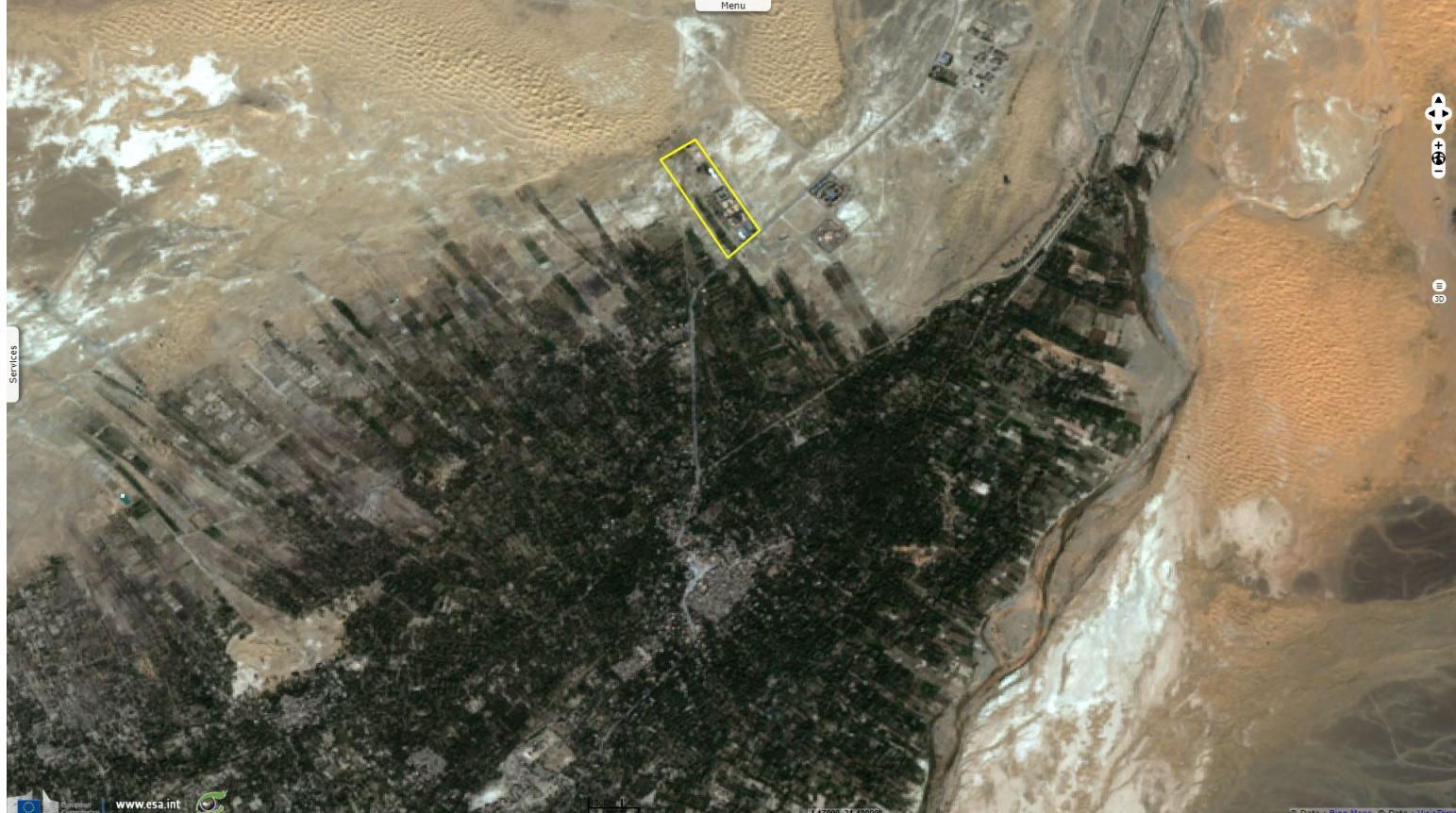
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Fig. 1 - 15.12.2018 - 4,3,2 natural colour - At the door of Sahara, Ibn Battuta Centre is located in Kasbah Xaluca, Erfoud, Morocco.

[2D view](#)



Ibn Battuta Centre is a field facility of the Europlanet Research Infrastructure. Its Mars-like sceneries hosted Europe's largest rover field test.

Fig. 2 - 8,4,3 colour composite - Erfoud agglomeration & the vegetation around it mostly lies in a saline depression, a sebkha.

[2D view](#)



Fig. 3 - 12 & 15.12.2018 - 11,8,2 colour composite - Erfoud is located beyond the Atlas range, east of the Anti Atlas.

[3D view](#) [2D view](#)

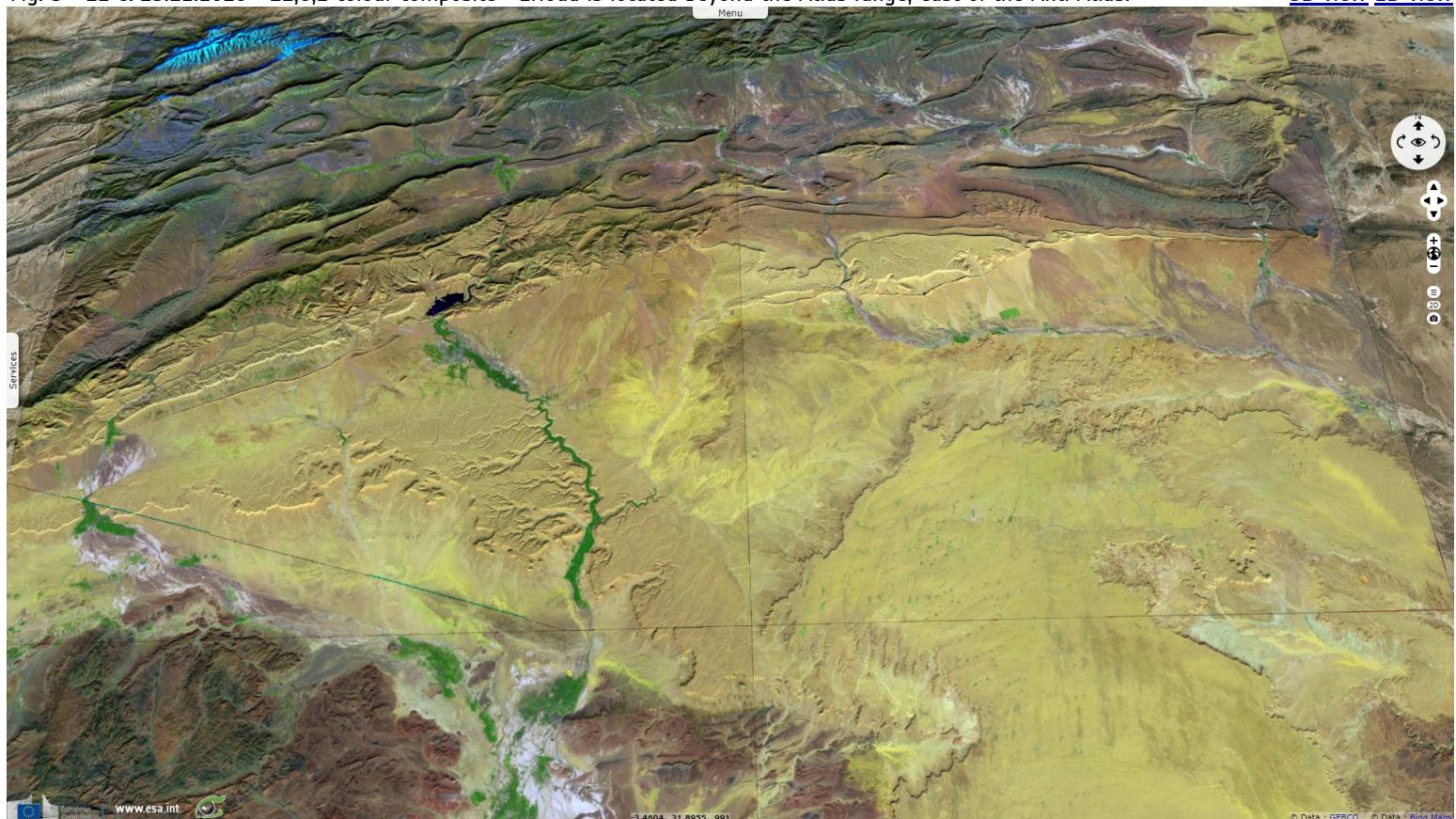
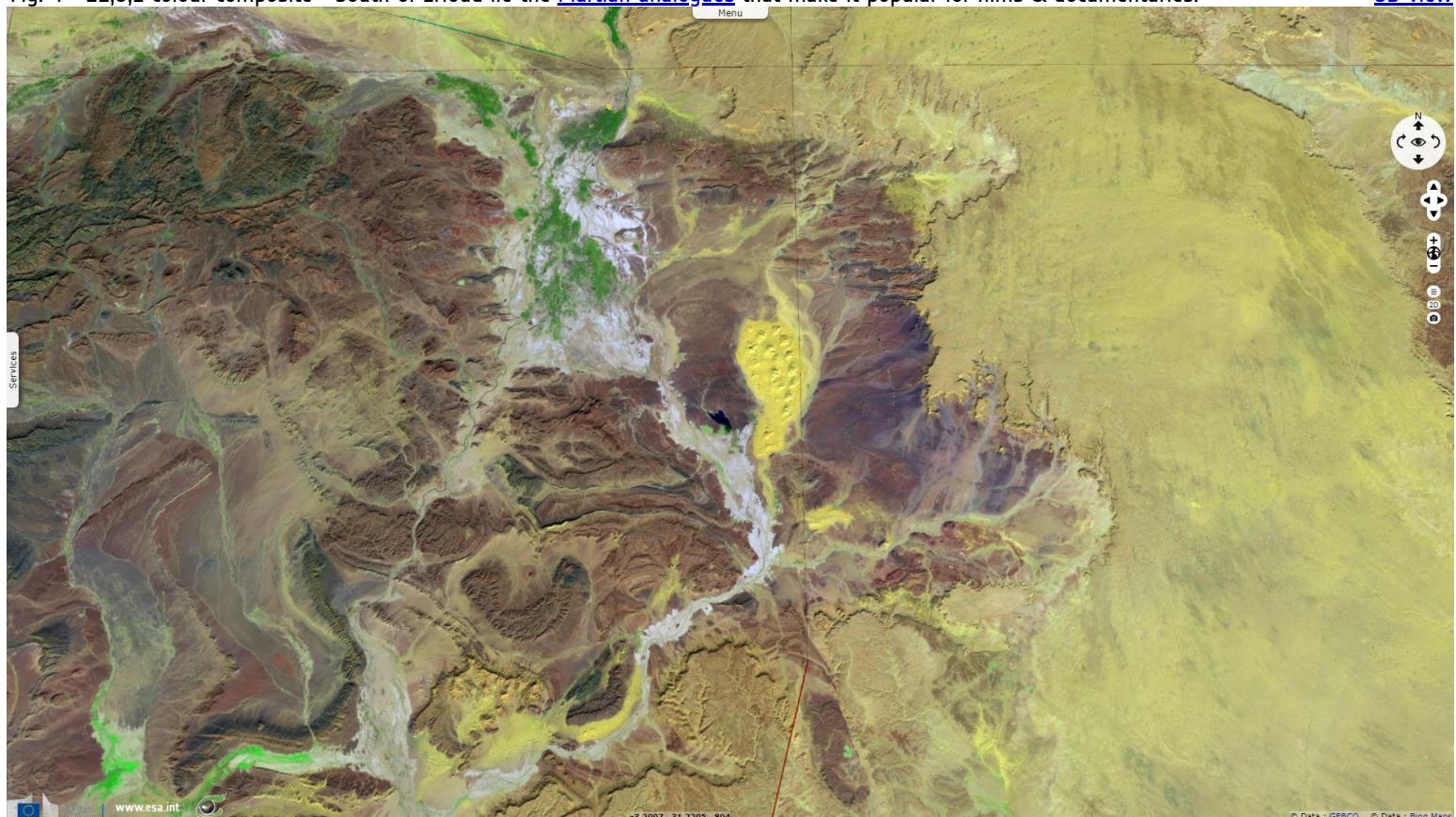


Fig. 4 - 11,8,2 colour composite - South of Erfoud lie the [Martian analogues](#) that make it popular for films & documentaries.

[3D view](#)



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