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Dear Dr. Tamburis and Dr. D'Arco  
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Dear Dr. and Dr. Massaglia,  
as corresponding author and on behalf of all the authors, I am pleased to submit the paper entitled **"Intelligent monitoring and control systems: a case study research to evaluate the profitability of measuring optimization in precision agriculture"** by Giorgia Bucci, Deborah Bentivoglio, Matteo Belletti and Adele Finco for consideration for publication in the Special Issue of Acta IMEKO. This paper is an extension of work originally presented in the 2019 IEEE International Workshop on Metrology for Agriculture and Forestry (MetroAgrifor) in Portici, Italy. This new version contains first of all a new title and abstract. Compared to the original version, the introduction has been revised. The manuscript also includes two new sections concerning an overview of the precision farming tools and their adoption (Section 2) and a paragraph dedicated to political aspects (Section 3). The literature review section has been expanded to include new studies and researches relating the economic profitability of precision farming adoption. As regards the section relating to data and methodology, it was completely revised also in the light of the criticisms and suggestions received during the Conference. In details, the methodology was well detailed in order to bring out more clear results and also new evidence. Consequently, compared to the previous version, new food for thought and conclusions have been inserted.

We believe that this manuscript is appropriate for publication inside the Special Issue.

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Thank you for your consideration of this manuscript.

Kind regards.

On behalf of myself and my co-authors

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Deborah Bentivoglio". The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined.