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# Supporto alla progettazione delle misure di adattamento nelle città: la piattaforma Saferplaces e la sua applicazione a Faenza e Rimini,

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# SaferPlaces Global Platform

AI-based Digital Twin Solution for  
Flood Risk Intelligence in Urban Areas



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# Are we ready to face the next flood event?

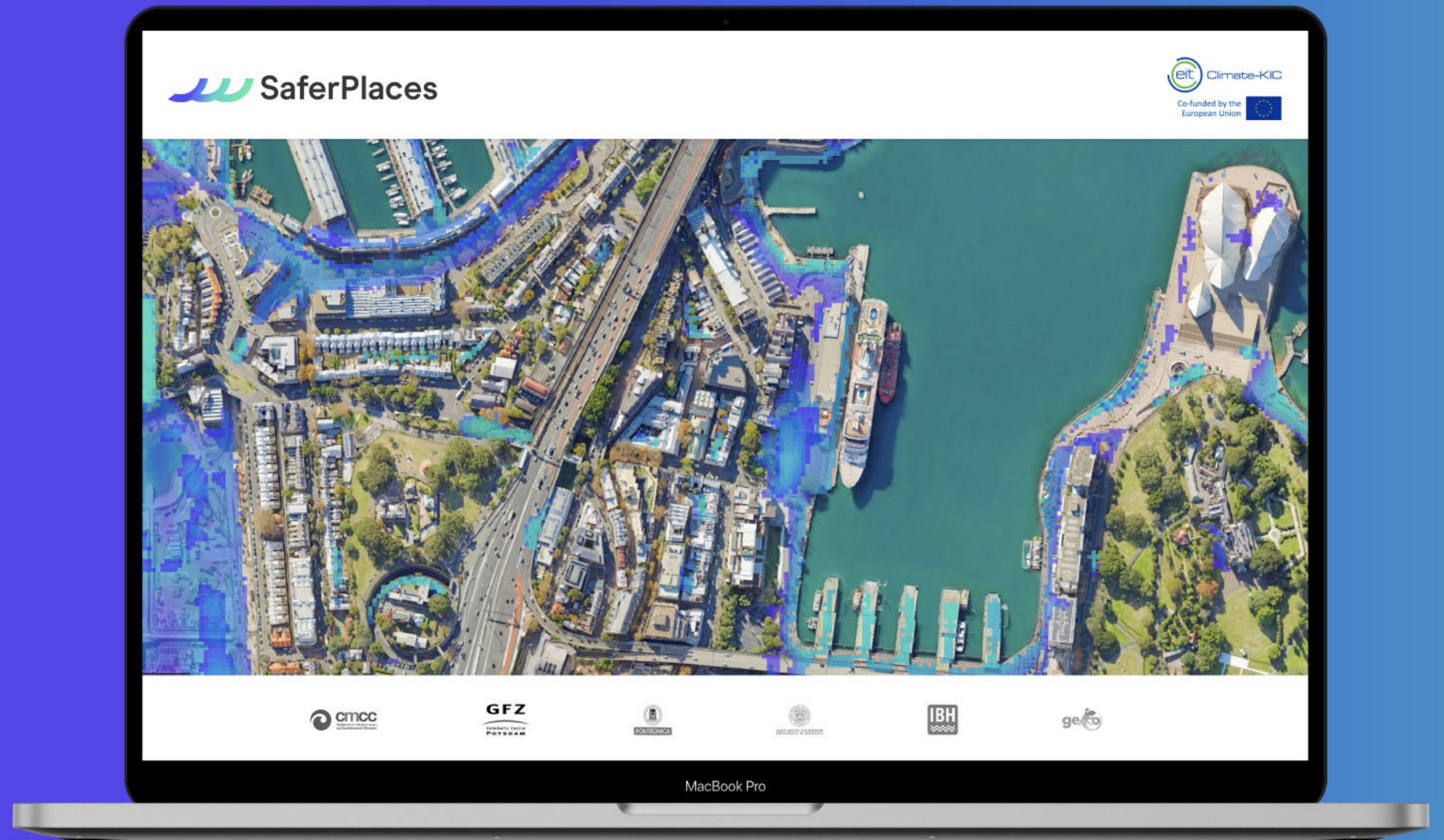
**\$651 B**

Global economic losses  
(UNDDDR)





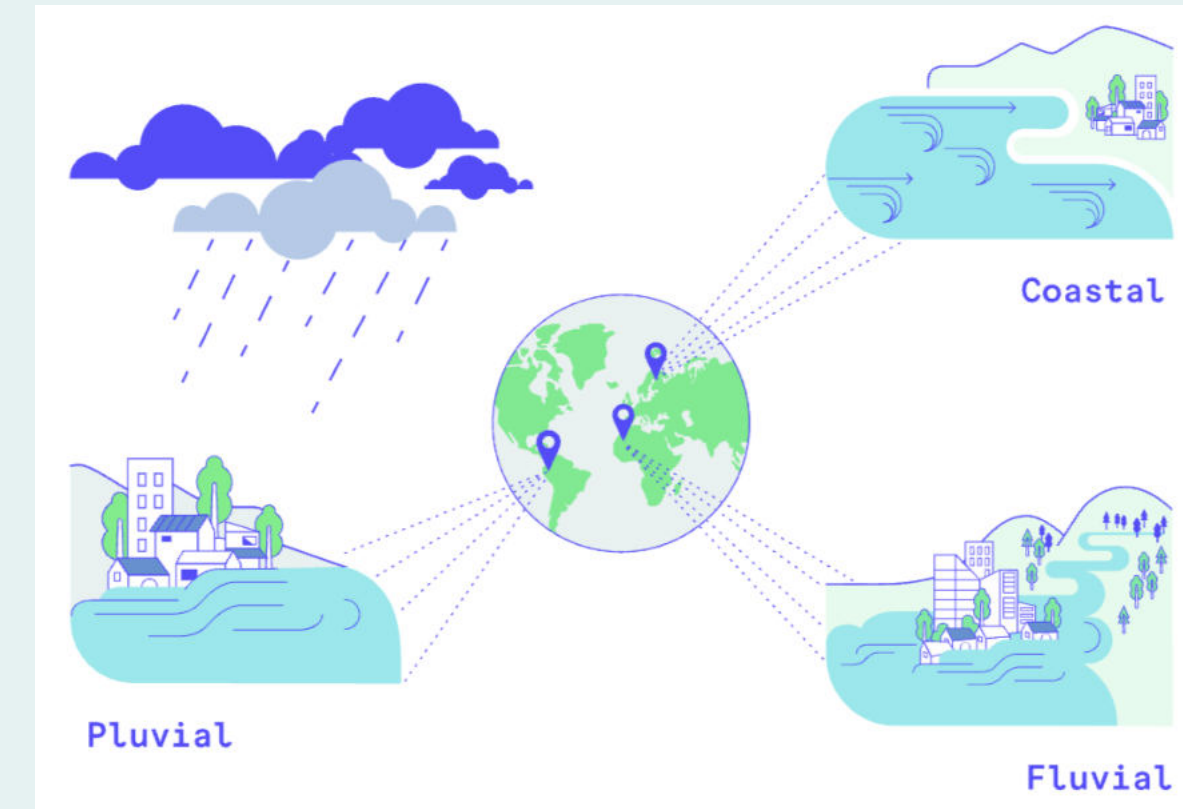
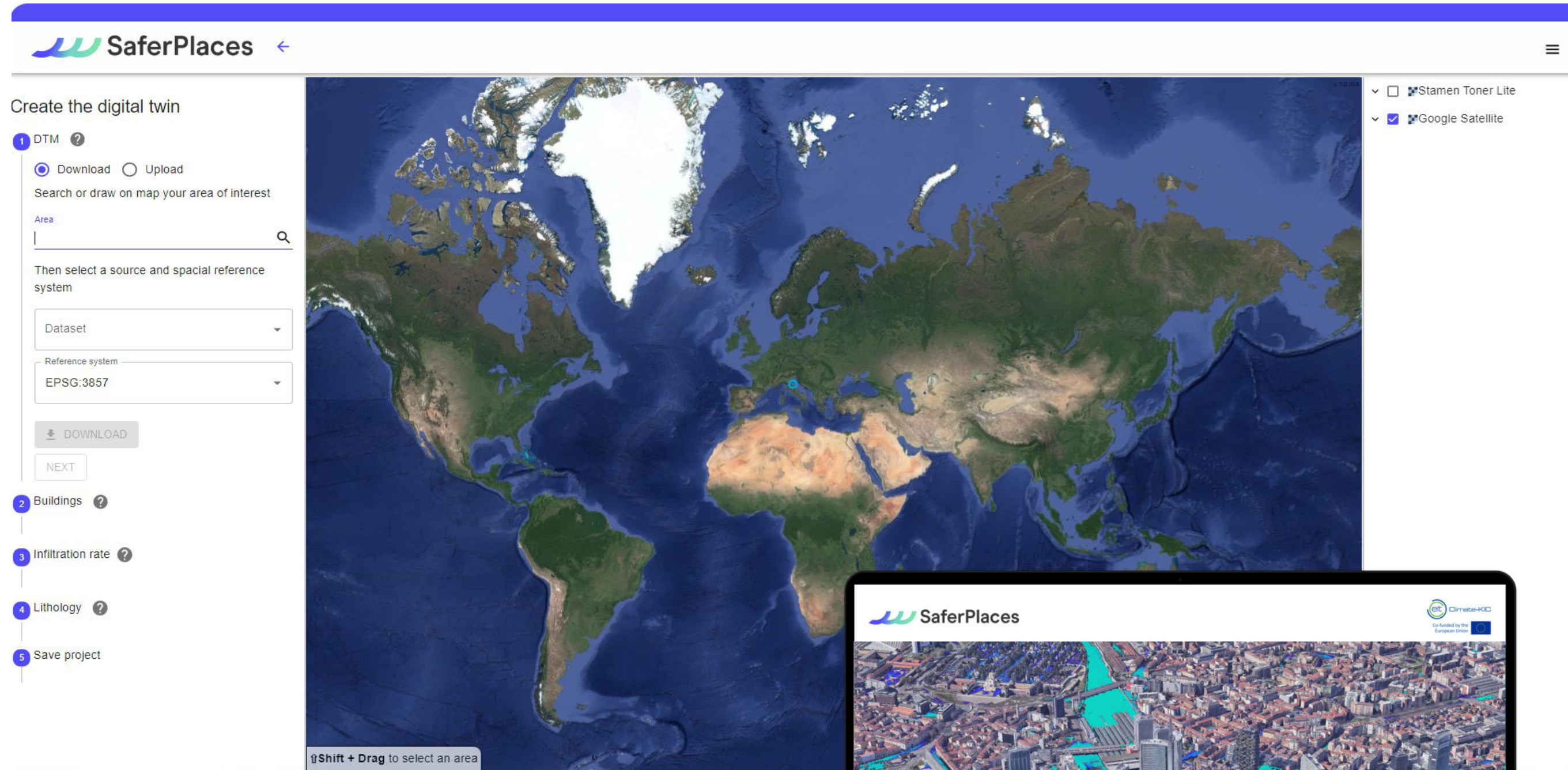
# The Solution



Digital Twin Solution



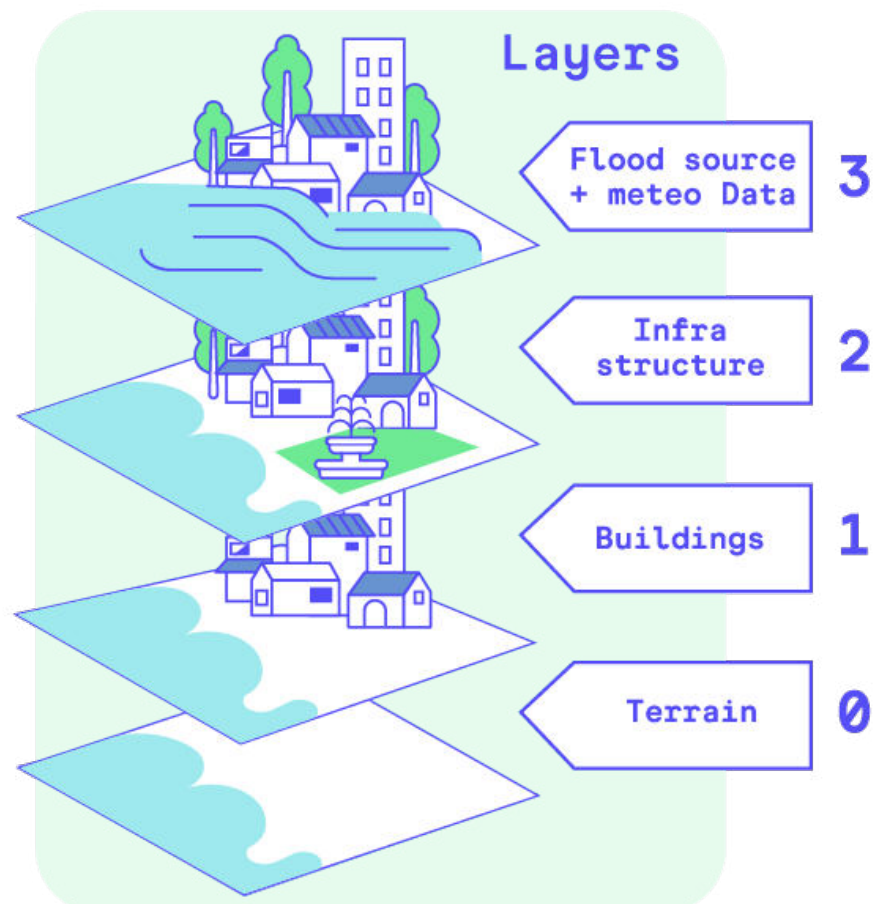
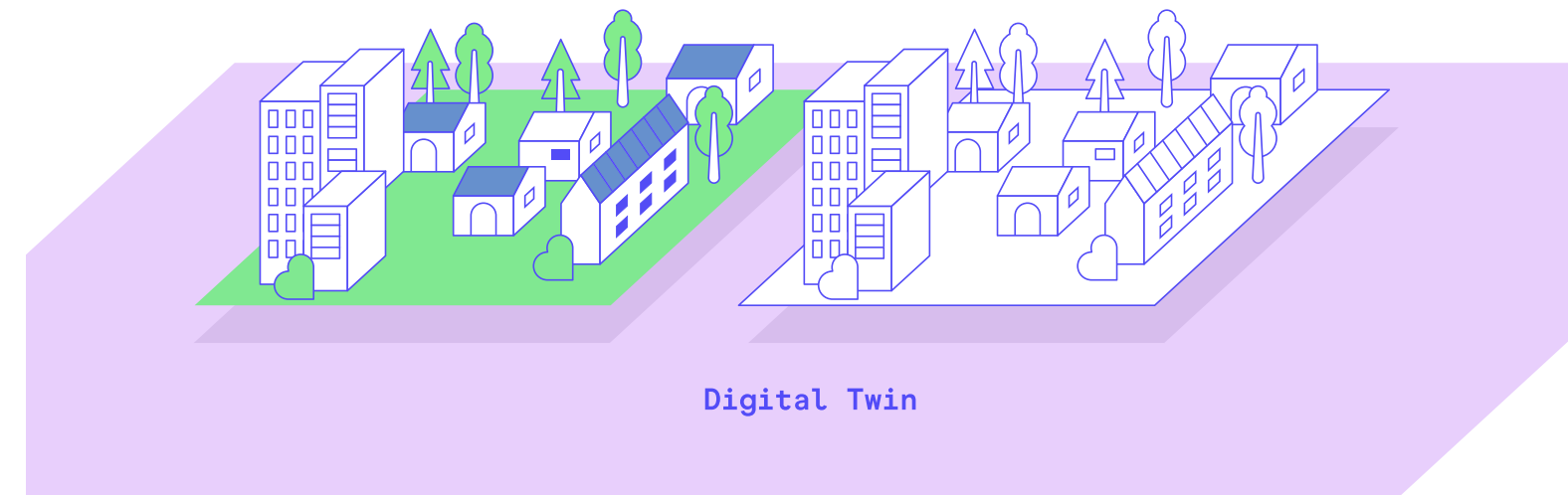
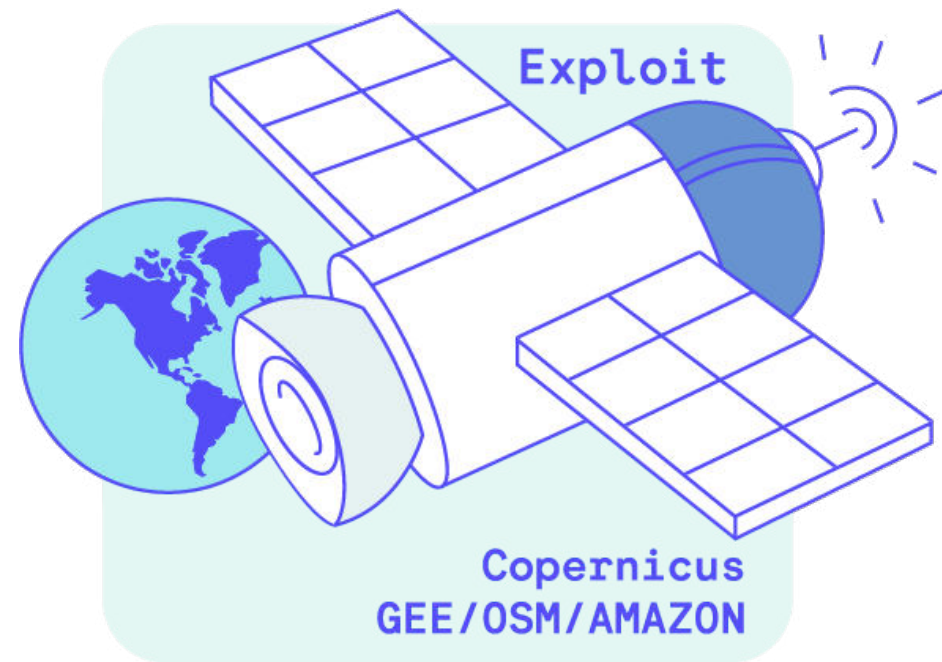
# Global Flood Risk Intelligence at your fingertips



— YOU can activate the platform for every city worldwide in 5 easy steps and in less than 5 minutes



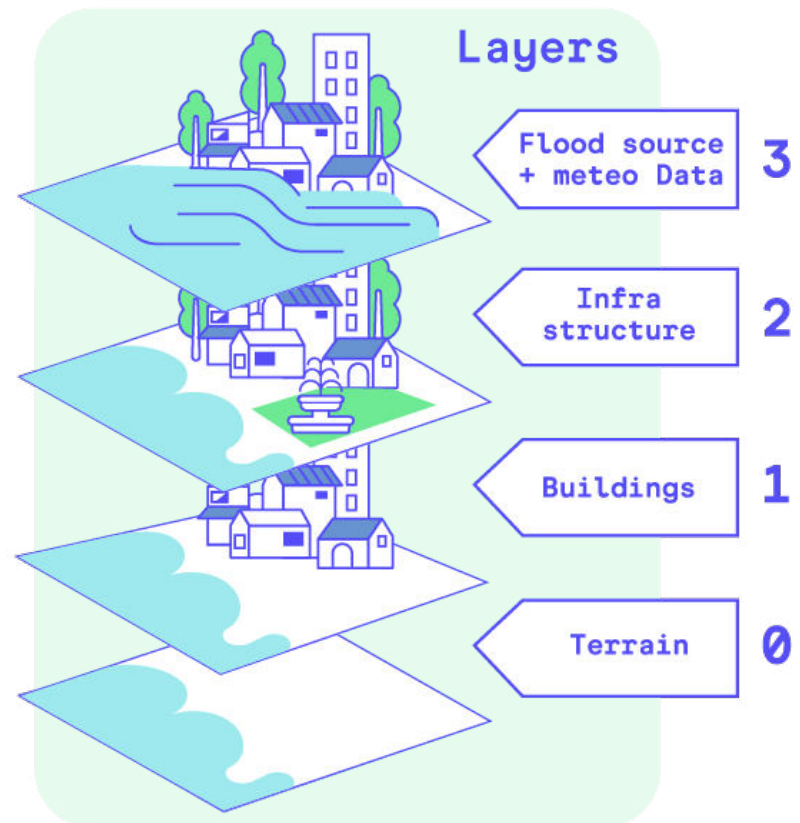
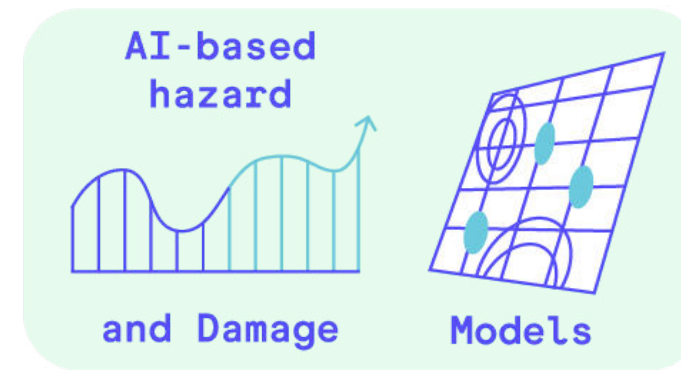
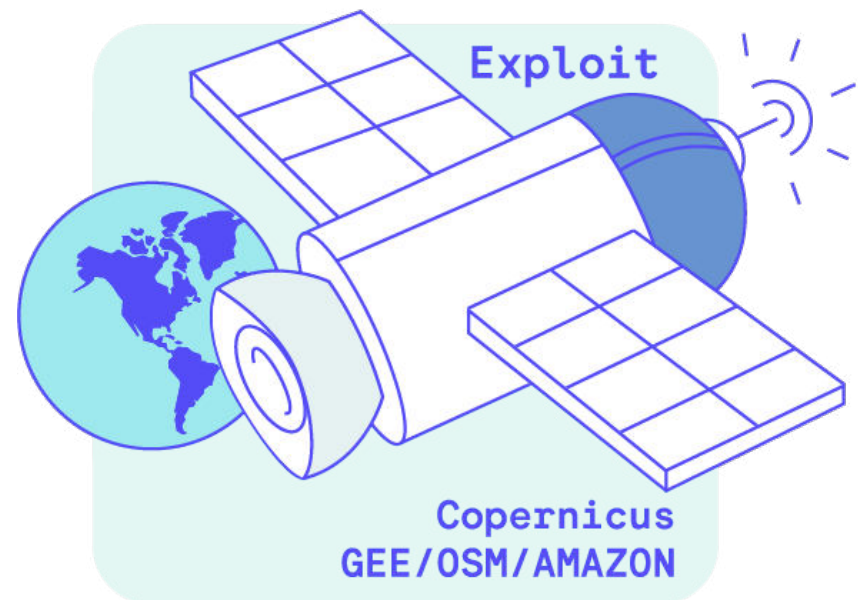
# High Resolution Digital Twin of the City



- High resolution geospatial, satellite and climate open data
  - Copernicus CDS
  - Sentinel
  - ESA
  - GEE,
  - OSM,
  - AMAZON,
  - Capella Space
- Both commercial and public satellite constellations
- Worldwide coverage
  - 90% US at 1 m
  - 100% US at 10m

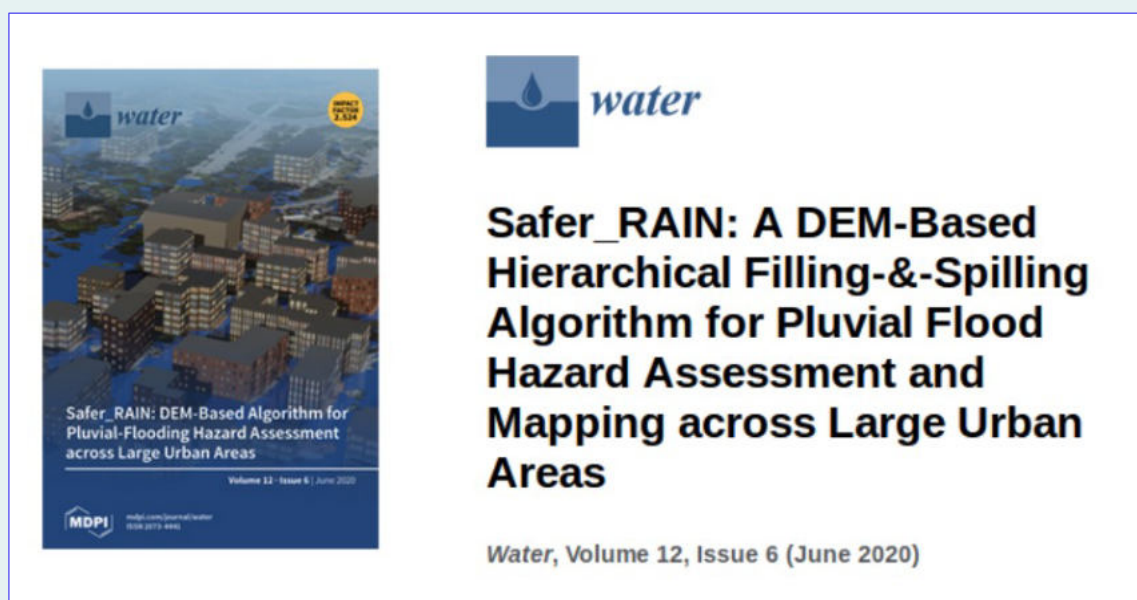


# AI-based Flood hazard and damage Models



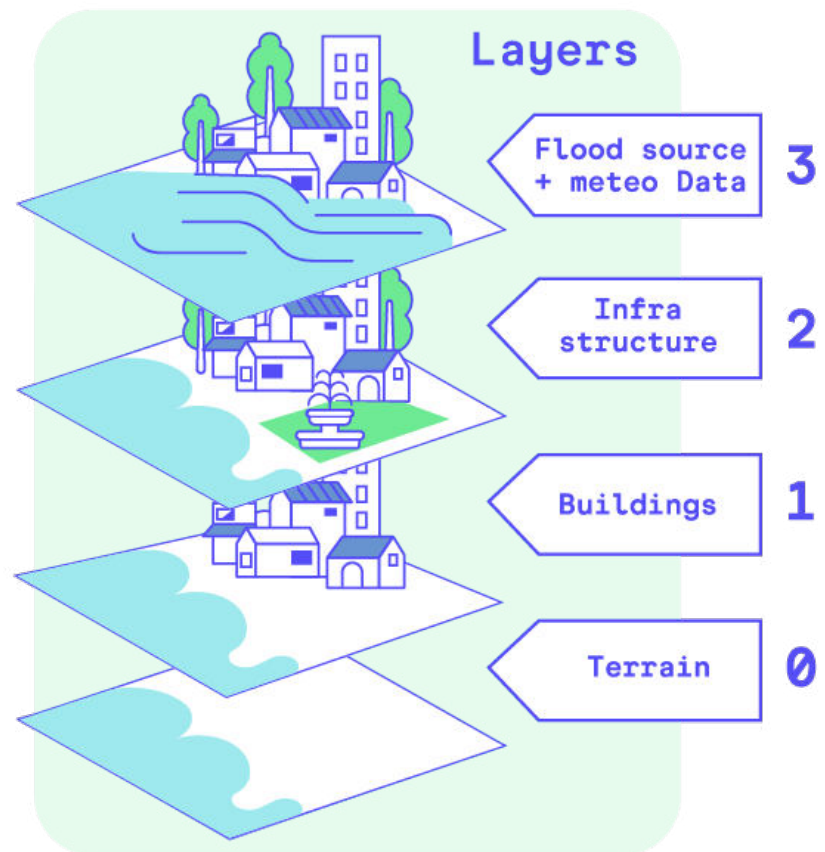
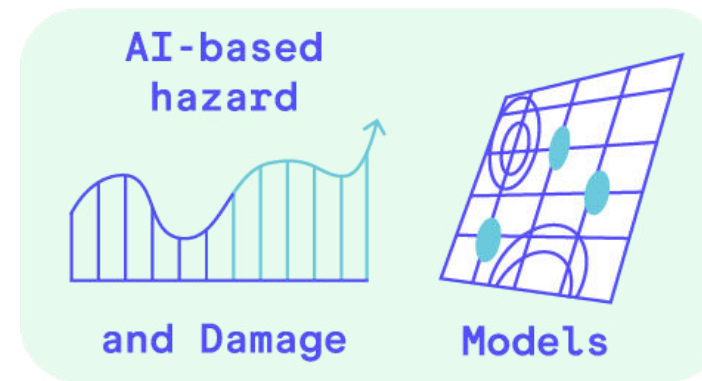
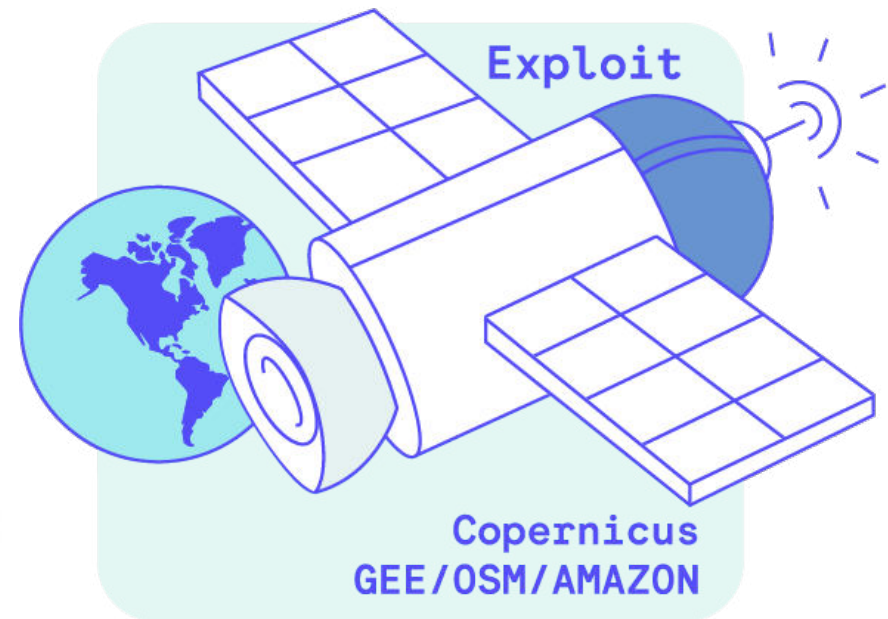
- Proprietary Innovative AI and physical-based flood hazard and damage models tailored for urban areas

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# Scalable Powerful Cloud Computing



- **Cloud Based Digital Twin for flood risk intelligence**



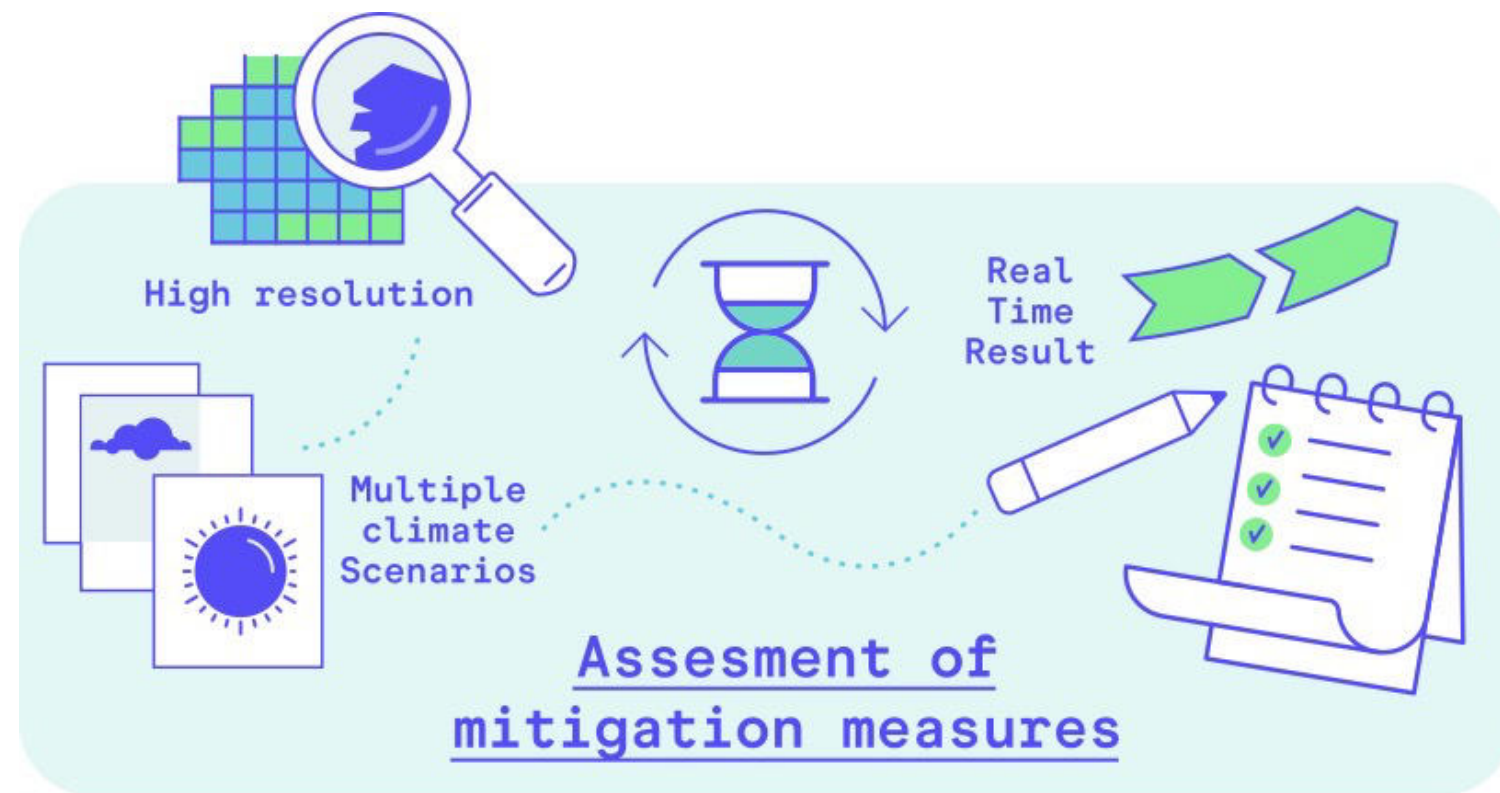
# Multiple flood and climate scenarios



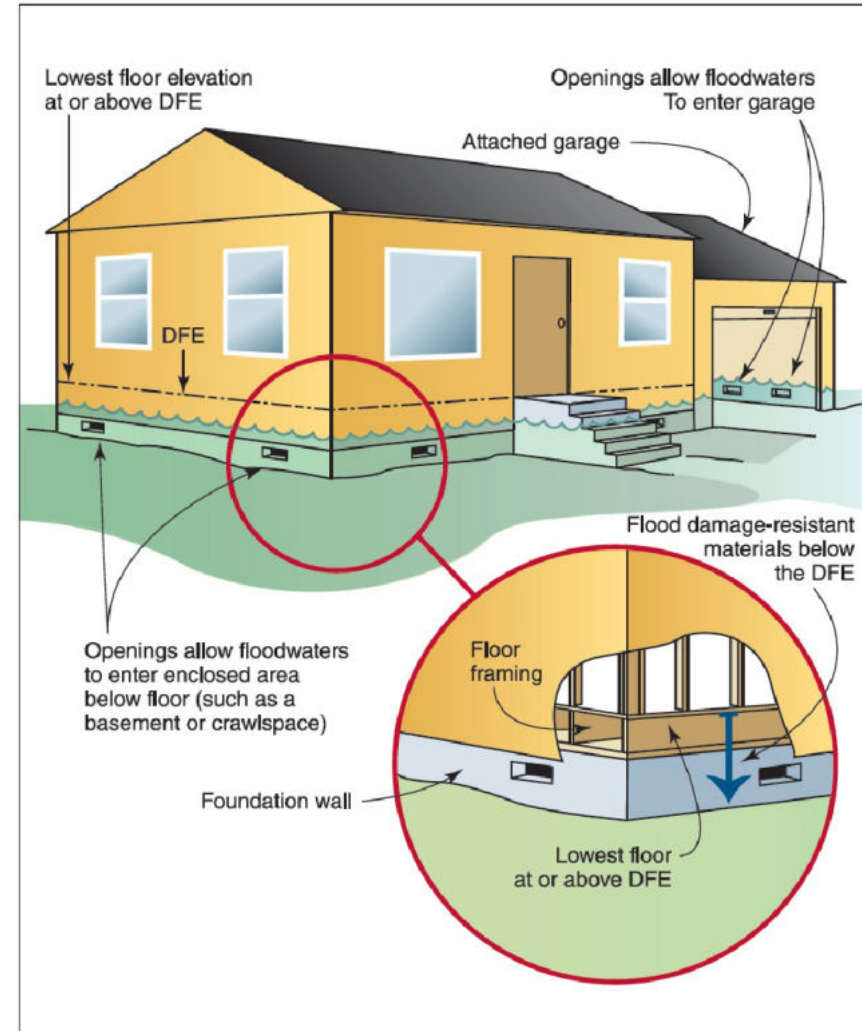
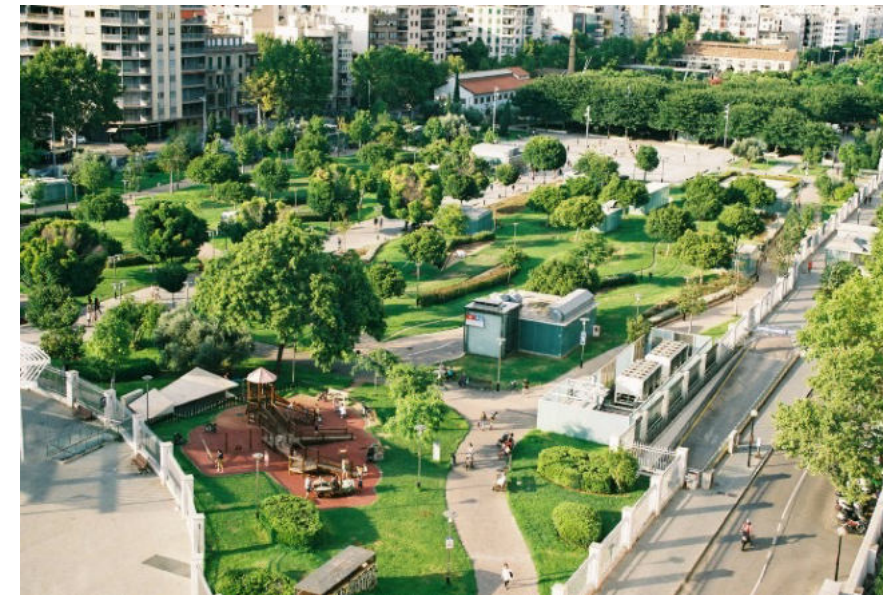
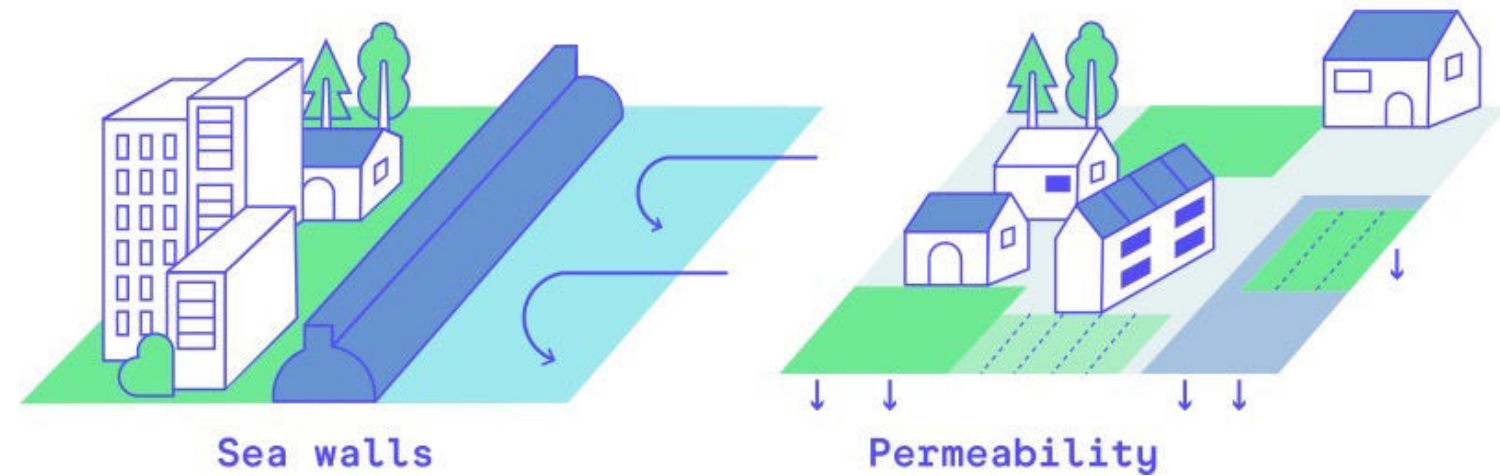
- What can SaferPlaces do?
- Deploy cost-effective flood risk data **at parcel level with global coverage**
- Support Design of **adaptation and mitigation strategies** for a resilient city (add water barriers and tanks, change soil permeability)
- Support flood risk **early warning**



# Flood Adaption Models - SaferADAPT



## and Resilient City



## — SaferADAPT

### Flood Hazard Protection

- Barriers (artificial dunes, levee)
- Sustainable (urban) drainage systems (SuDS)
- Infiltration ponds, green areas, permeable paving
- Green roof

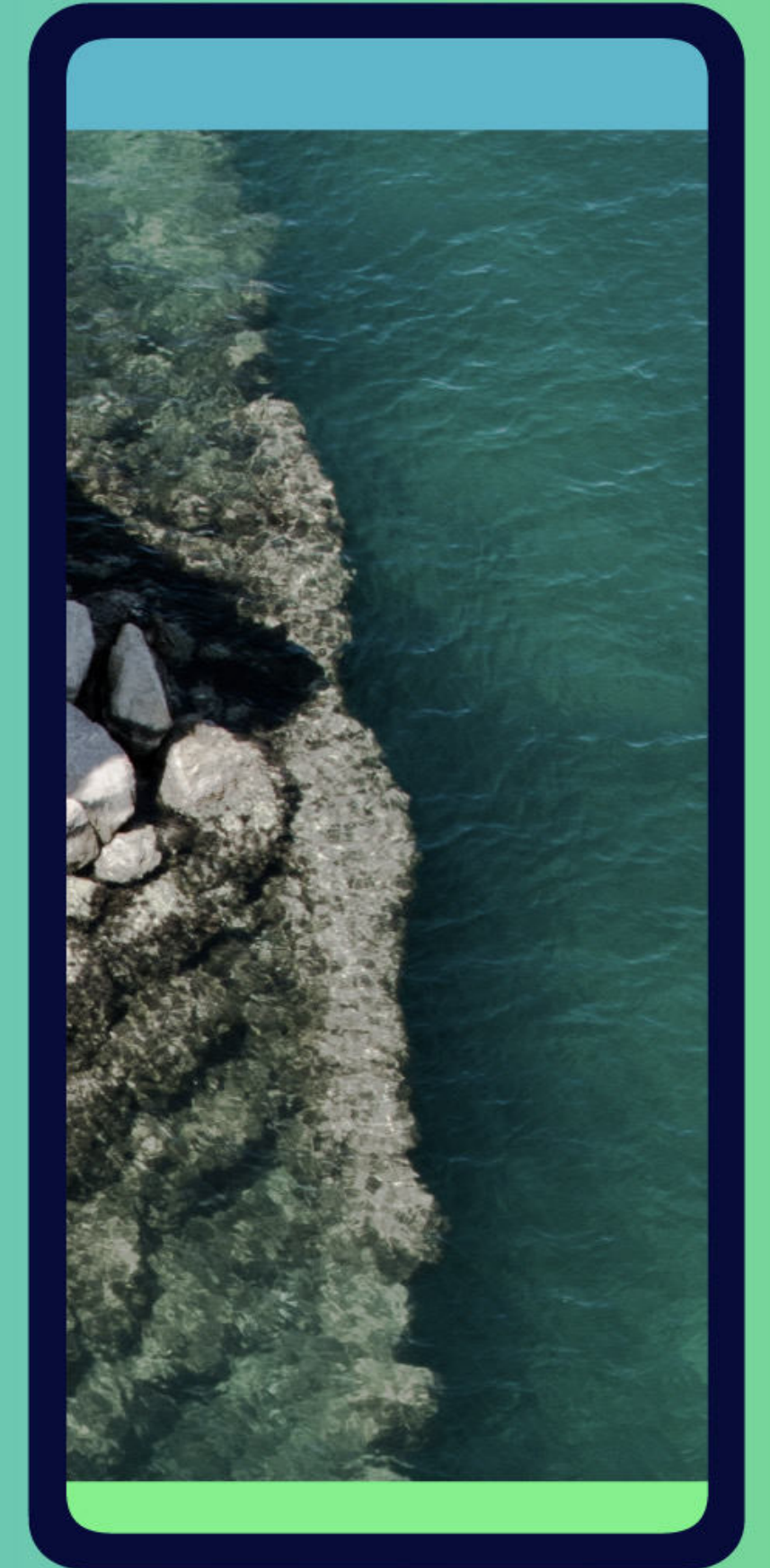
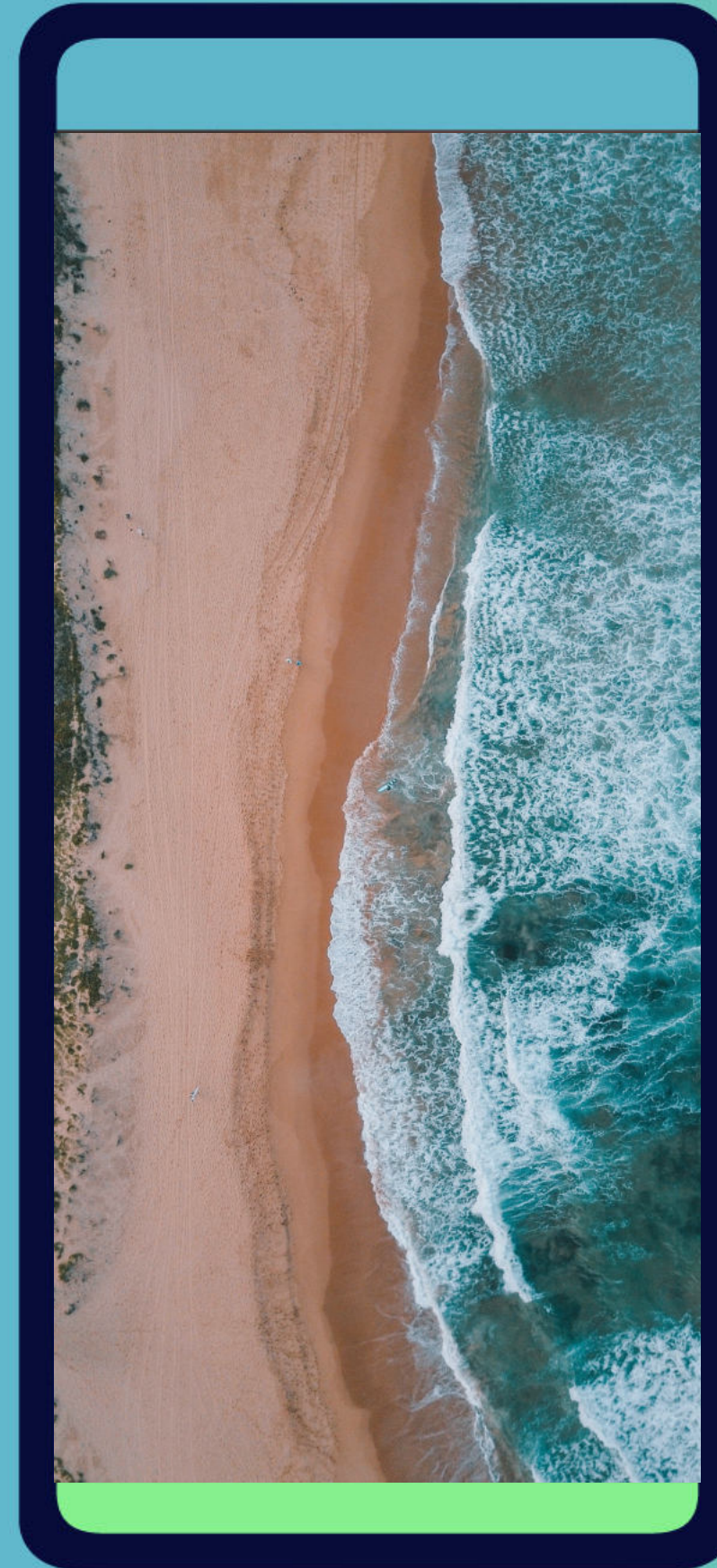
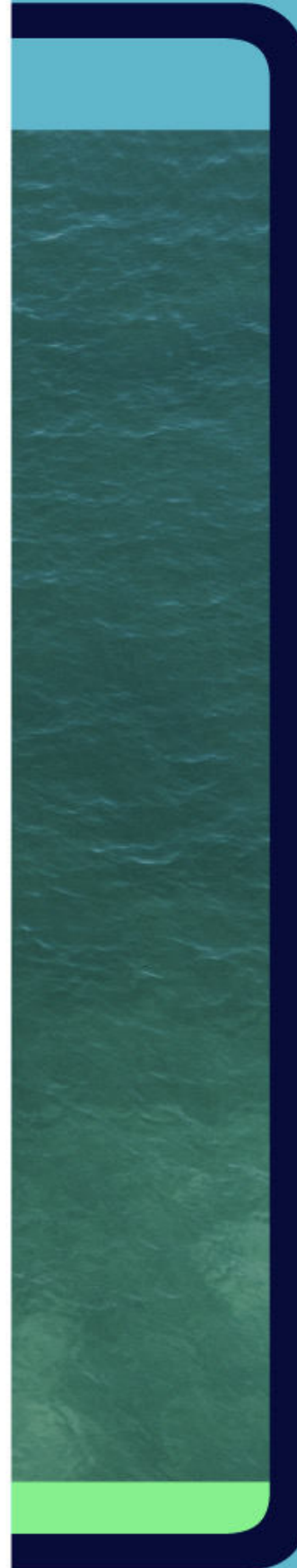
### Building Flood Damage Protection

- Building dry/wet-proofing
- Building Flood barrier
- Adapted use of ground floor
- Vertical evacuation of assets
- Elevating the building



# Case Studies

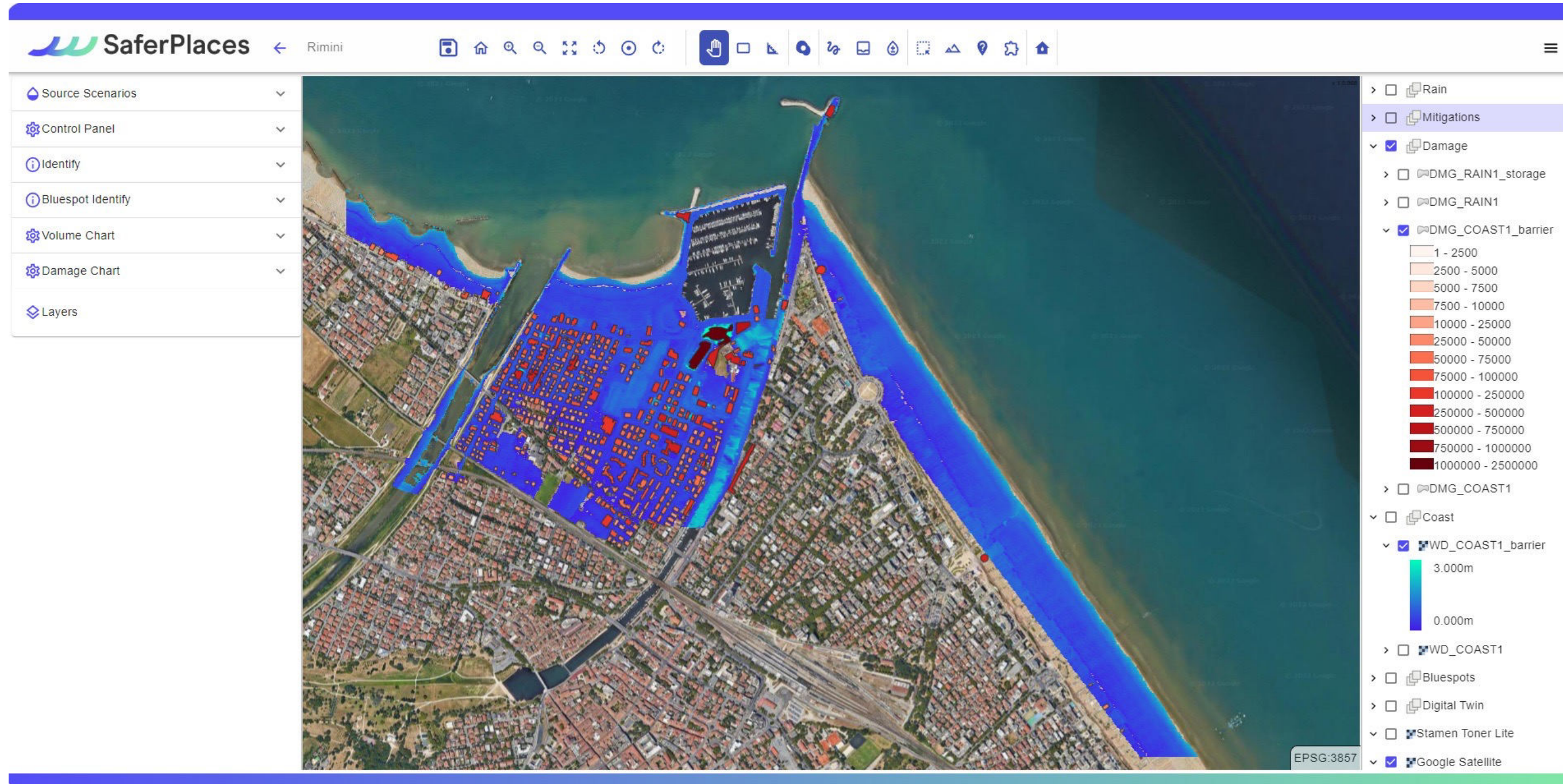
## Rimini



Parco del Mare (Rimini)



# Case Study: Parco del Mare Rimini (Italy)





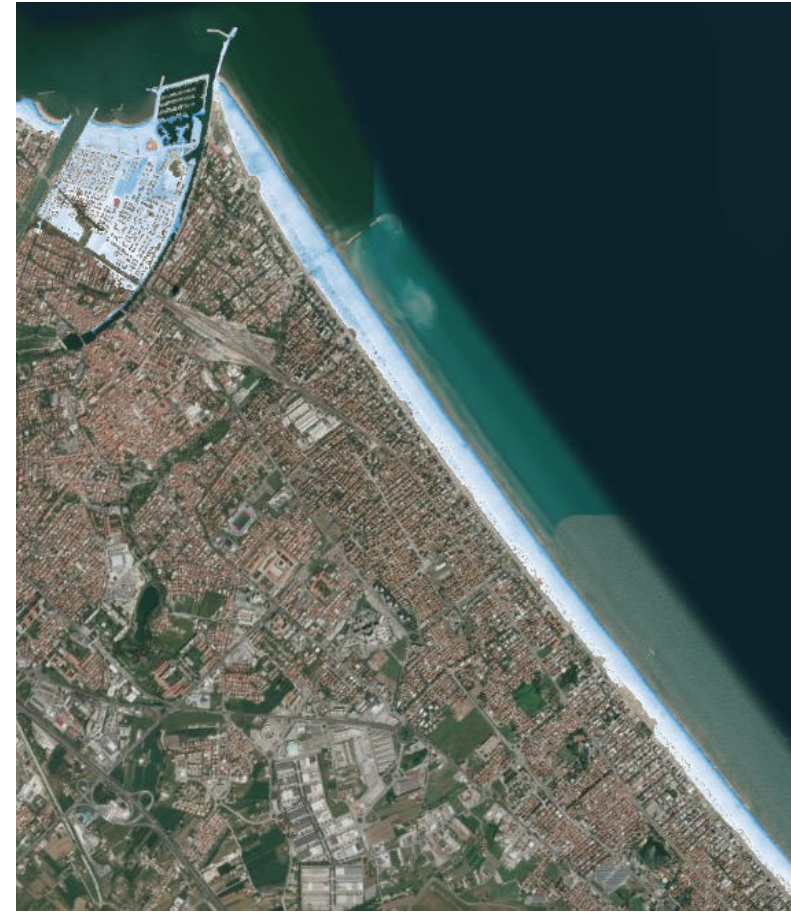
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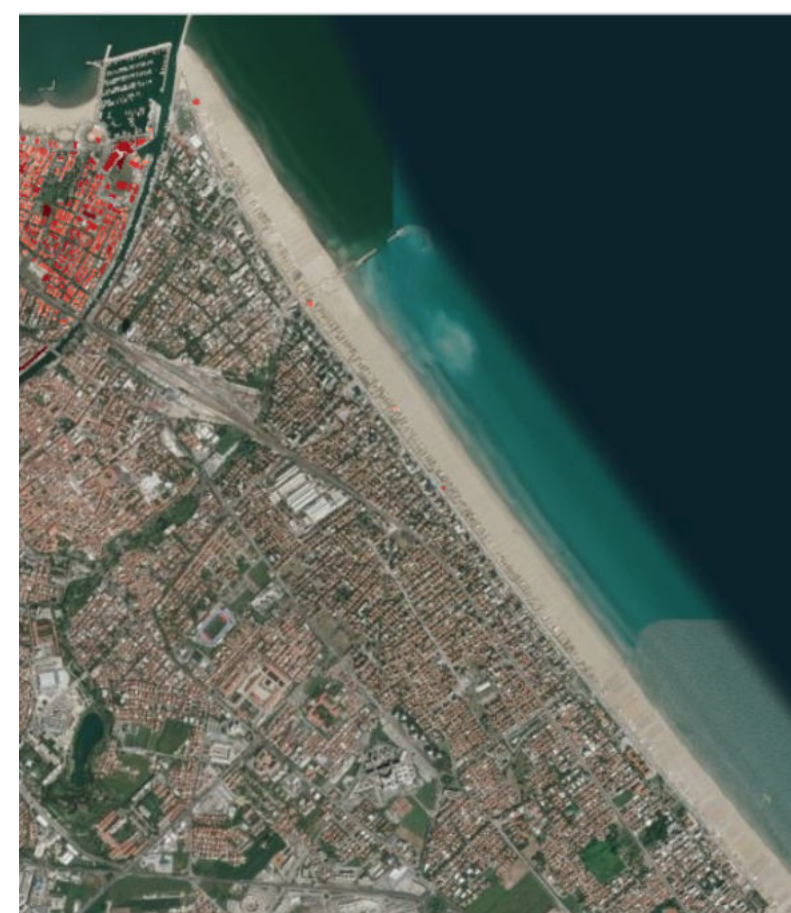




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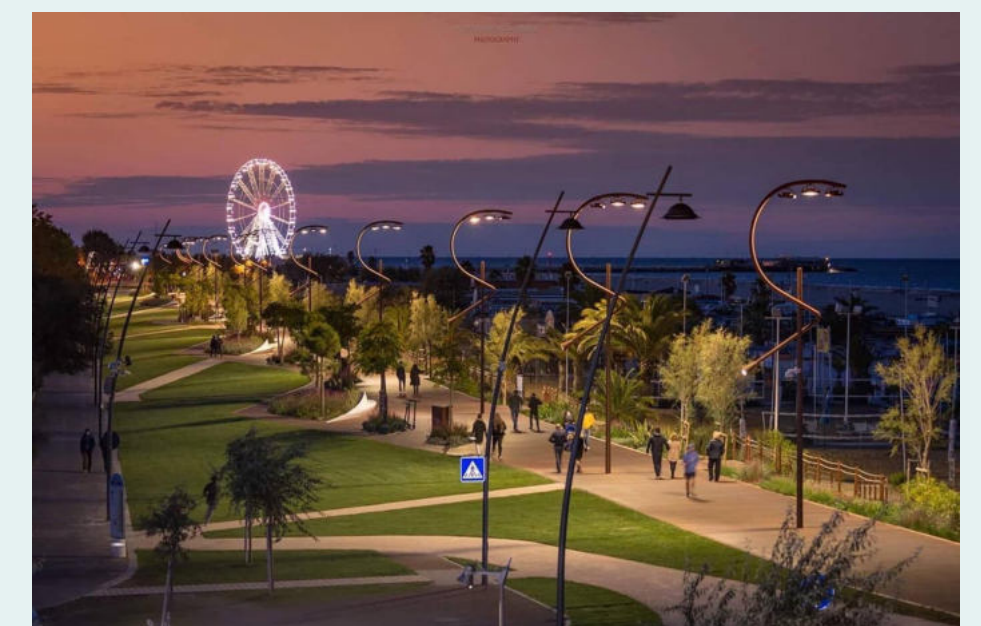
Year 2050  
Coastal Flooding  
Extension &  
Associated Damages



Without Parco del  
Mare (left) and with  
“Parco del Mare”  
(right)

“Thanks to the SaferPlaces platform the urban planning unit of Rimini Municipality can now easily assess climate hazards and identify the best adaptation and mitigation strategies.”

— Giada Vignali,  
**Municipality of Rimini**





# without Parco del Mare

# with Parco del Mare





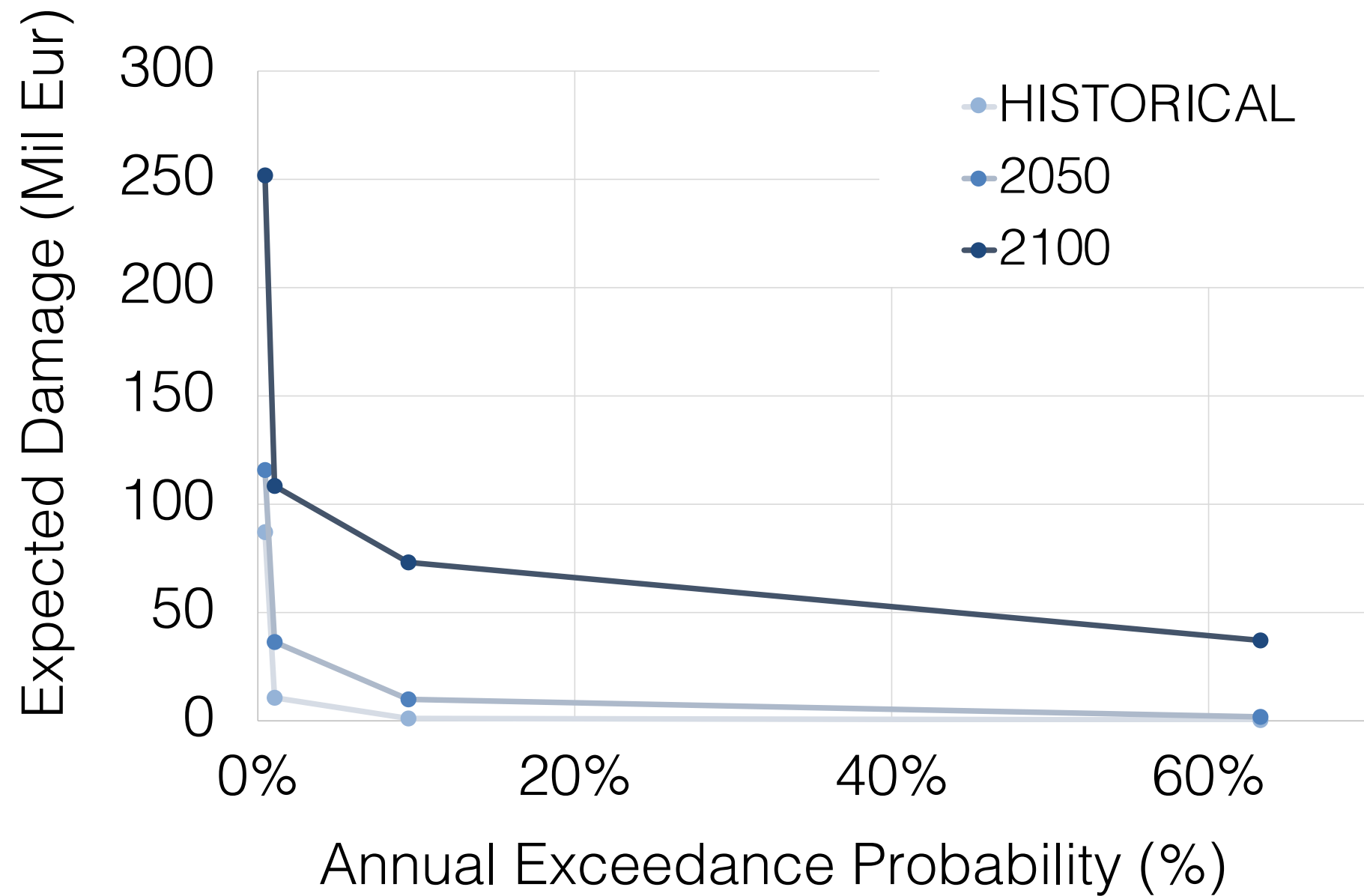
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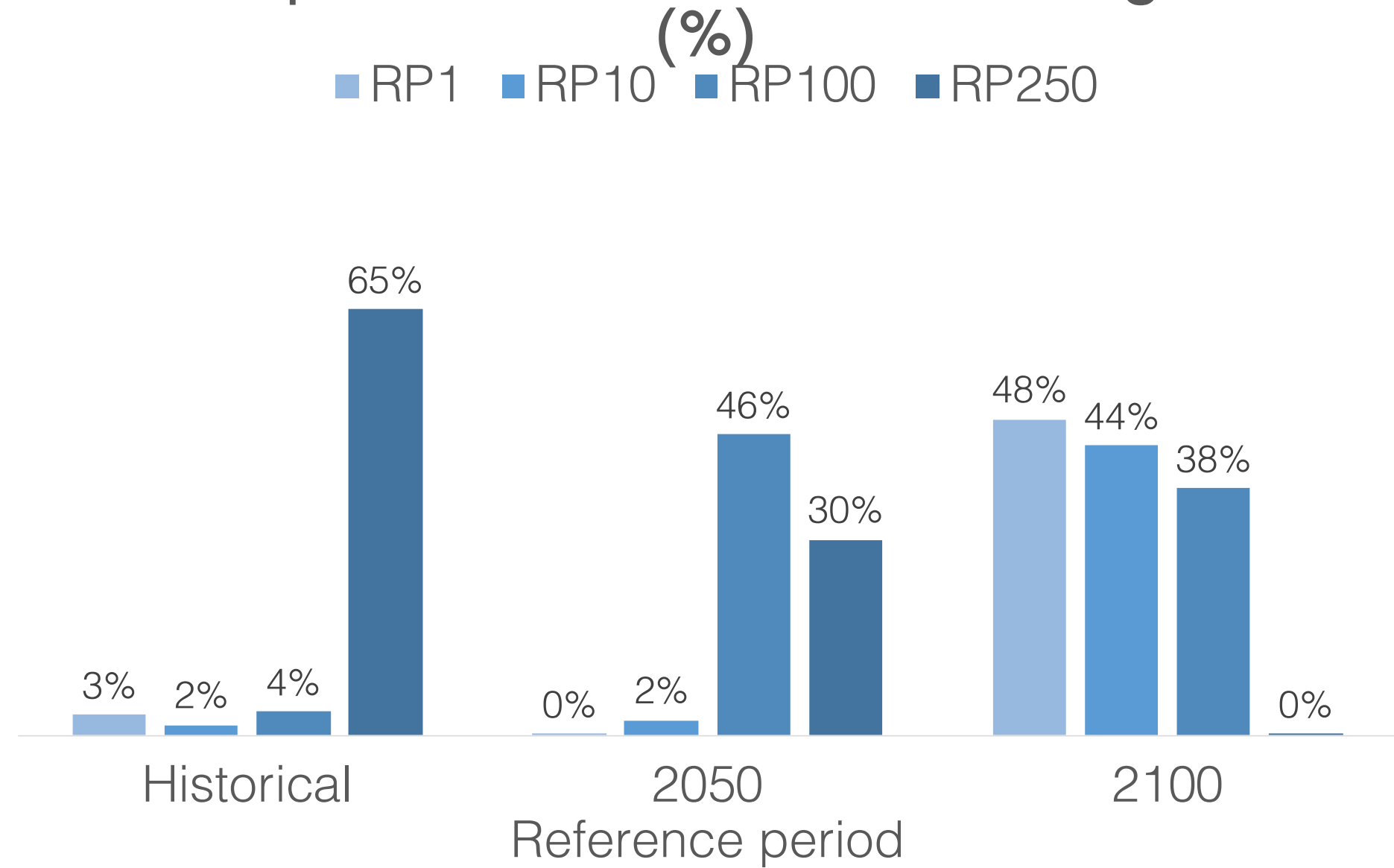


# Rimini with Parco del Mare

Expected annual damage (baseline)



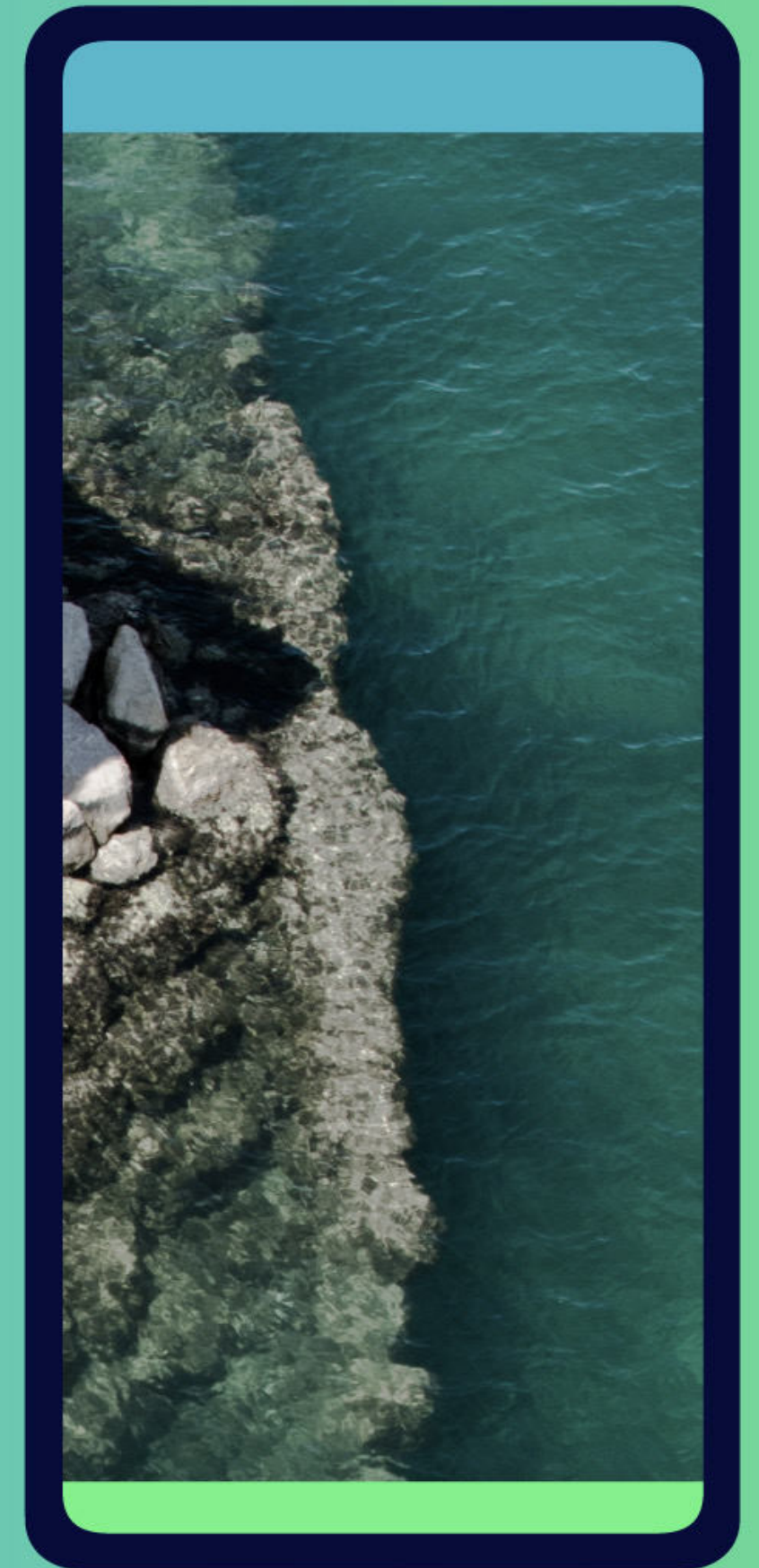
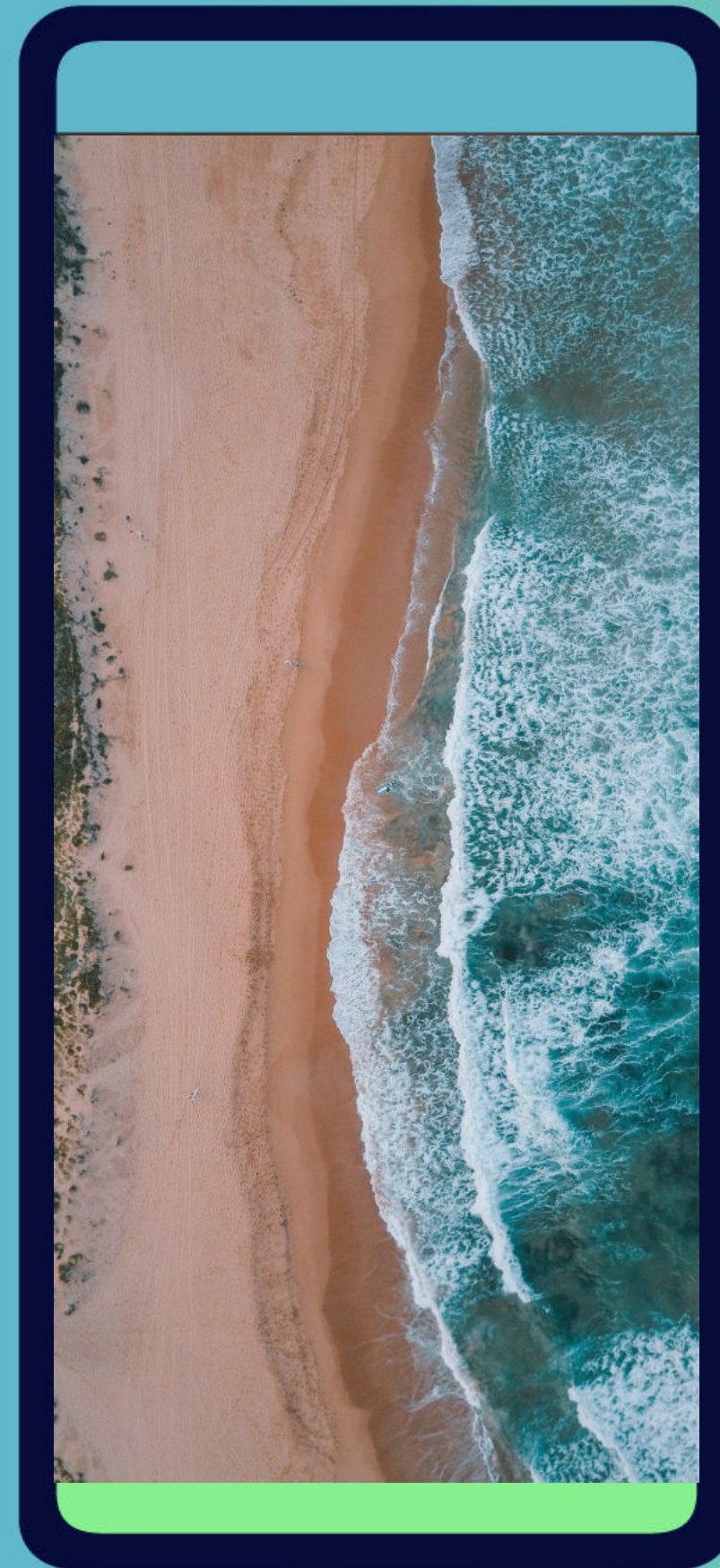
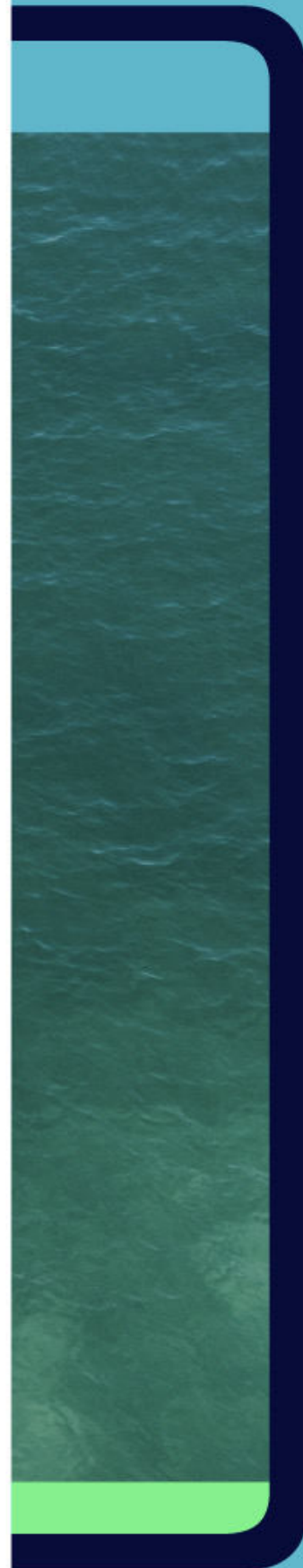
Expected avoided annual damage (%)





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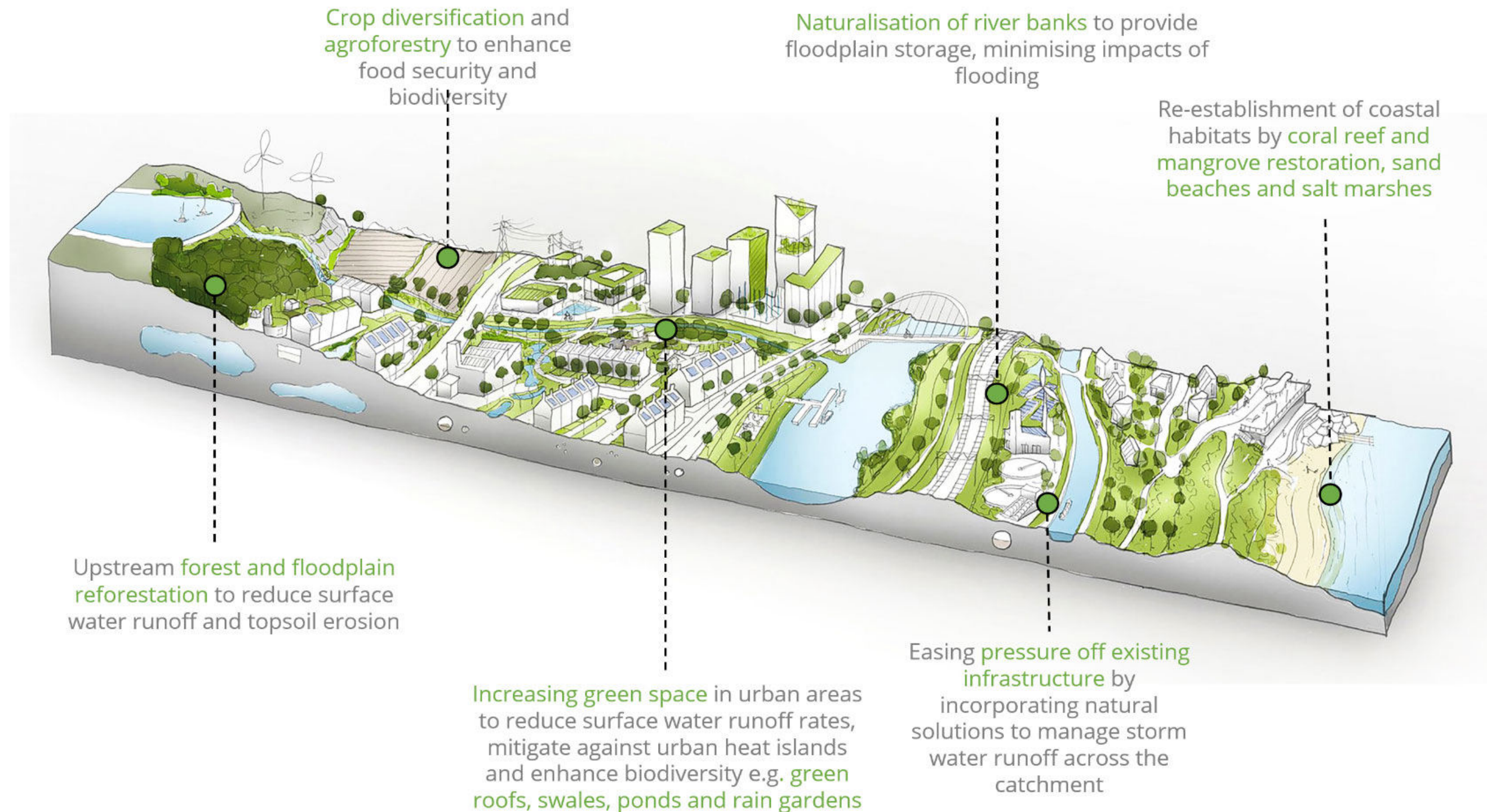
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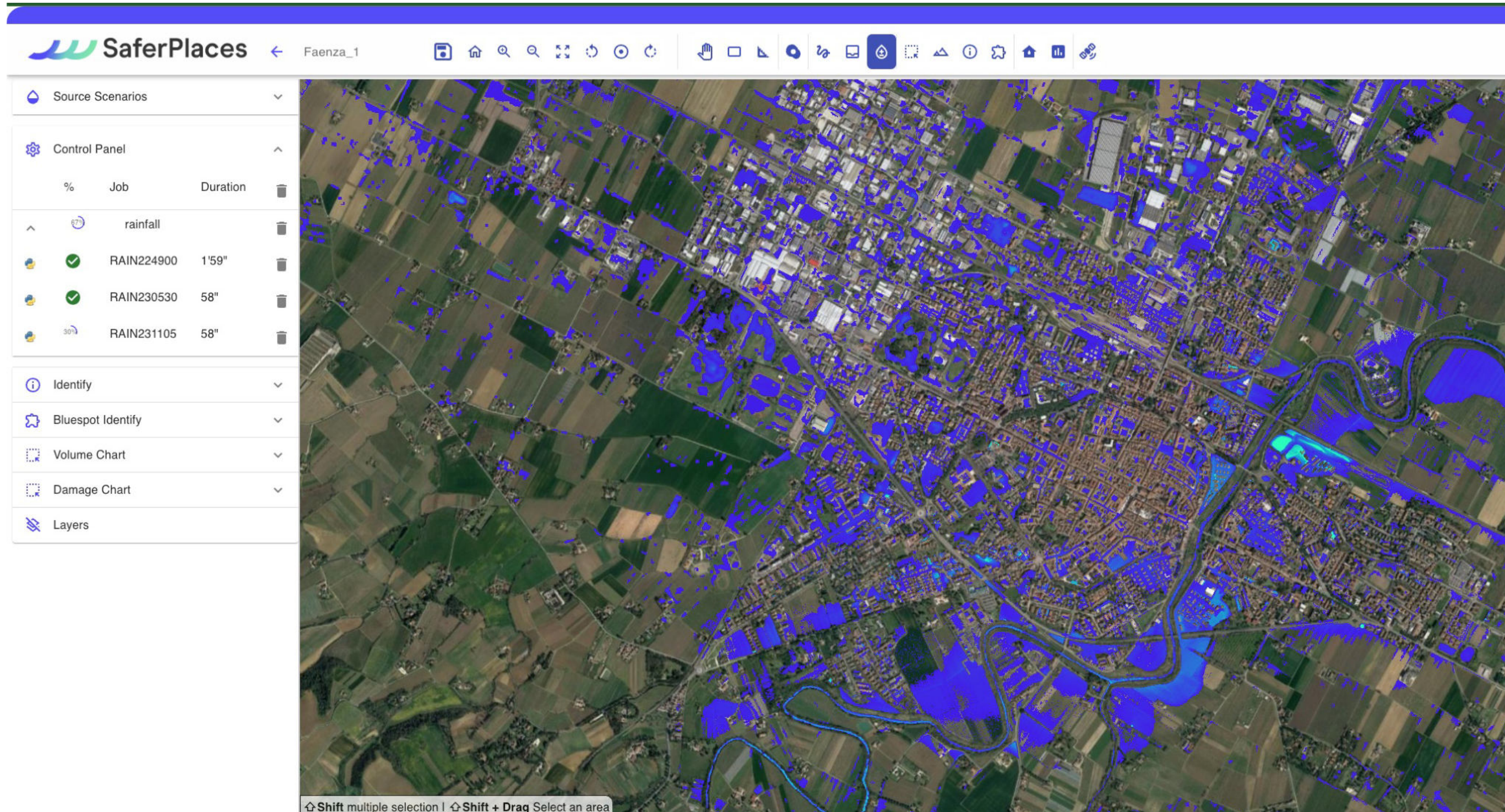
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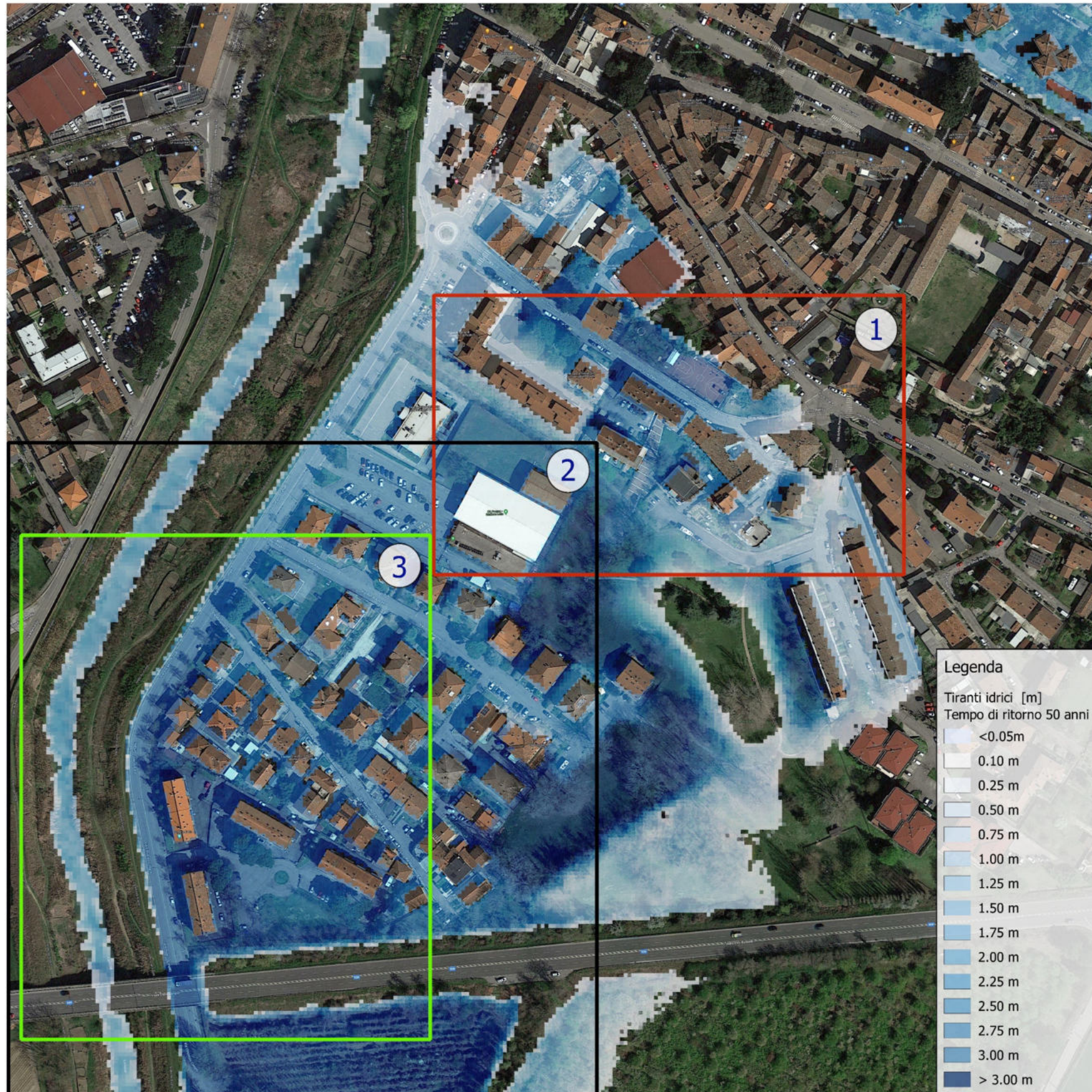
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- Pluvial Flooding Faenza Municipality.
- Rainfall Event 100 mm in 3 h



# Supporting Early-Warning for Emilia-Romagna Civil Protection



Alluvione del 3 maggio 2023 a Faenza  
località Borgo Durbecco

Confronto tra aree allagate da ripresa aerea e  
mappe dei tiranti idrici (tempo di ritorno 50 anni)  
prodotte dalla piattaforma SaferPlaces



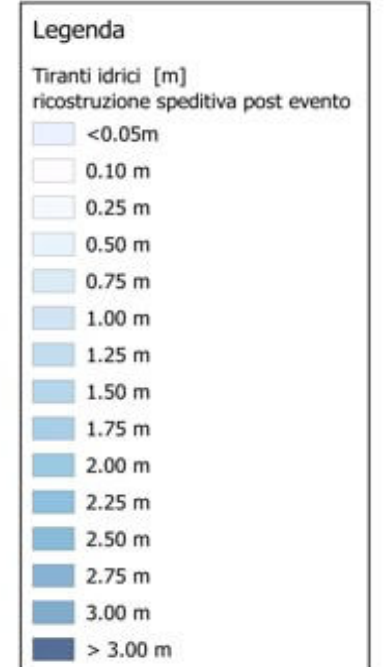
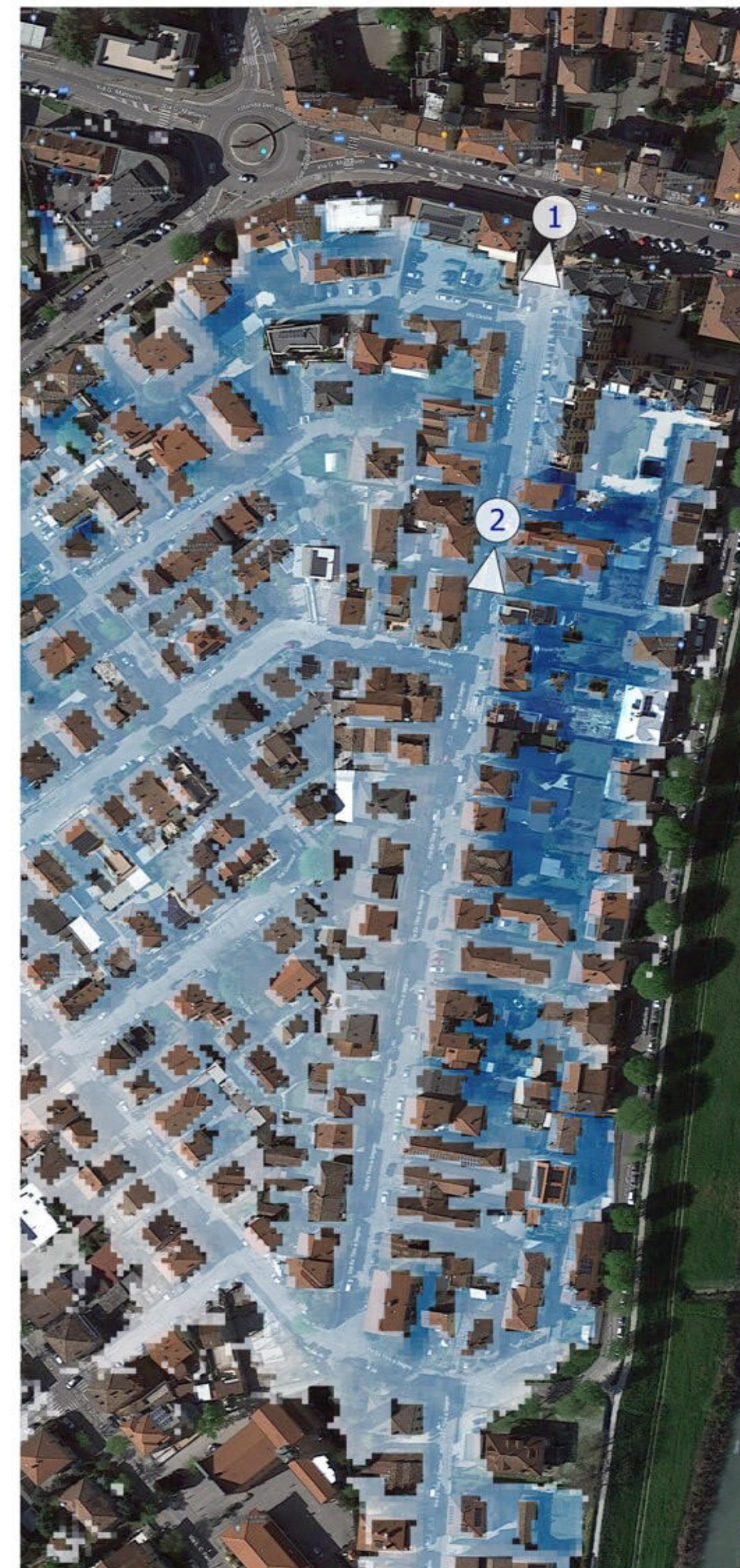
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- Comparison between the high probability flooding areas predicted by SaferPlaces and the actual flooded areas in Cesena Municipality.
- During May 2023, in just under 20 days, as much rain as is usually seen in a year has fallen in Emilia-Romagna, originating floodings of unprecedented magnitude, within two weeks from each other.





# Supporting Post-Event Analysis for Emilia-Romagna Civil Protection

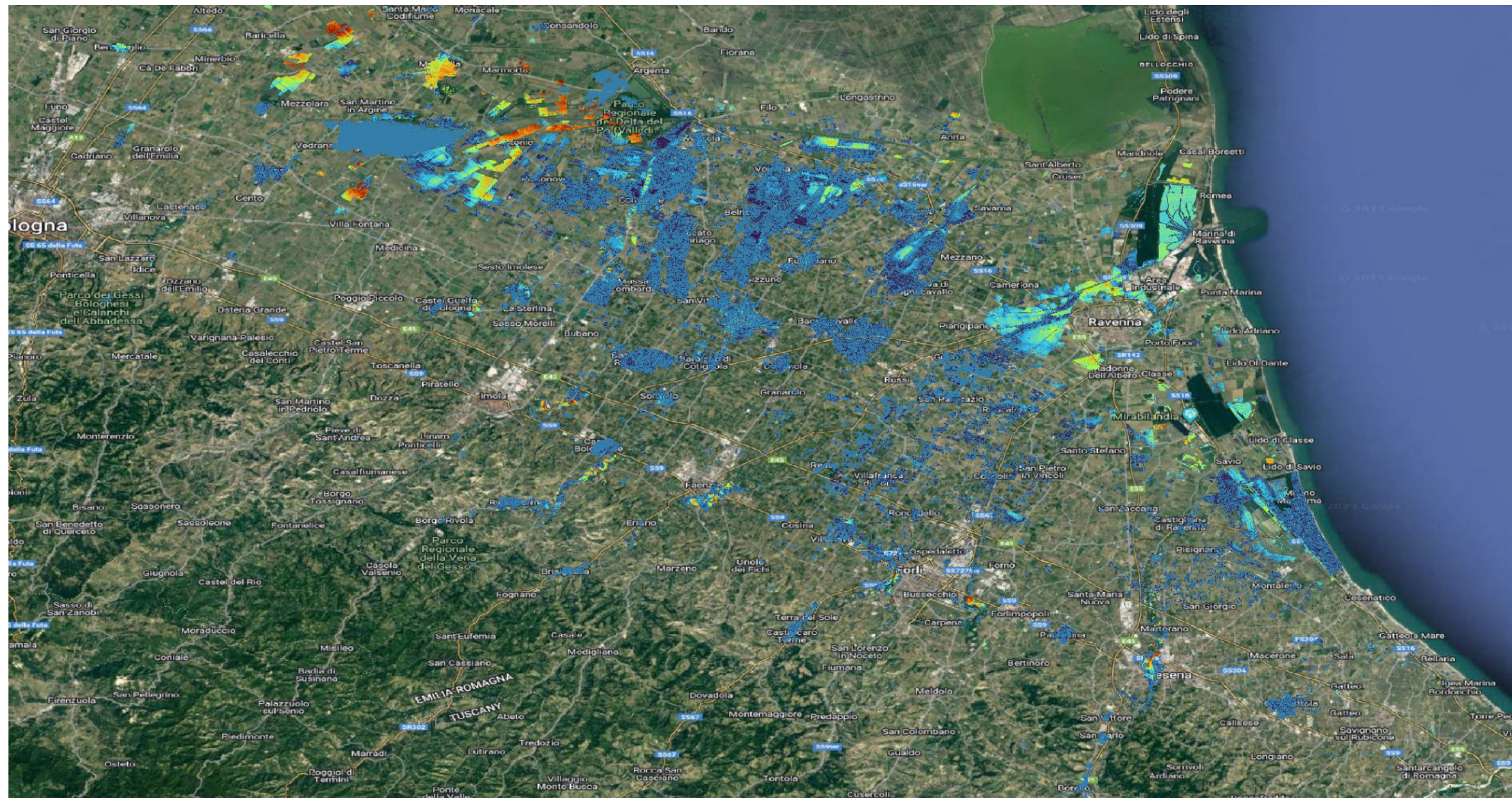
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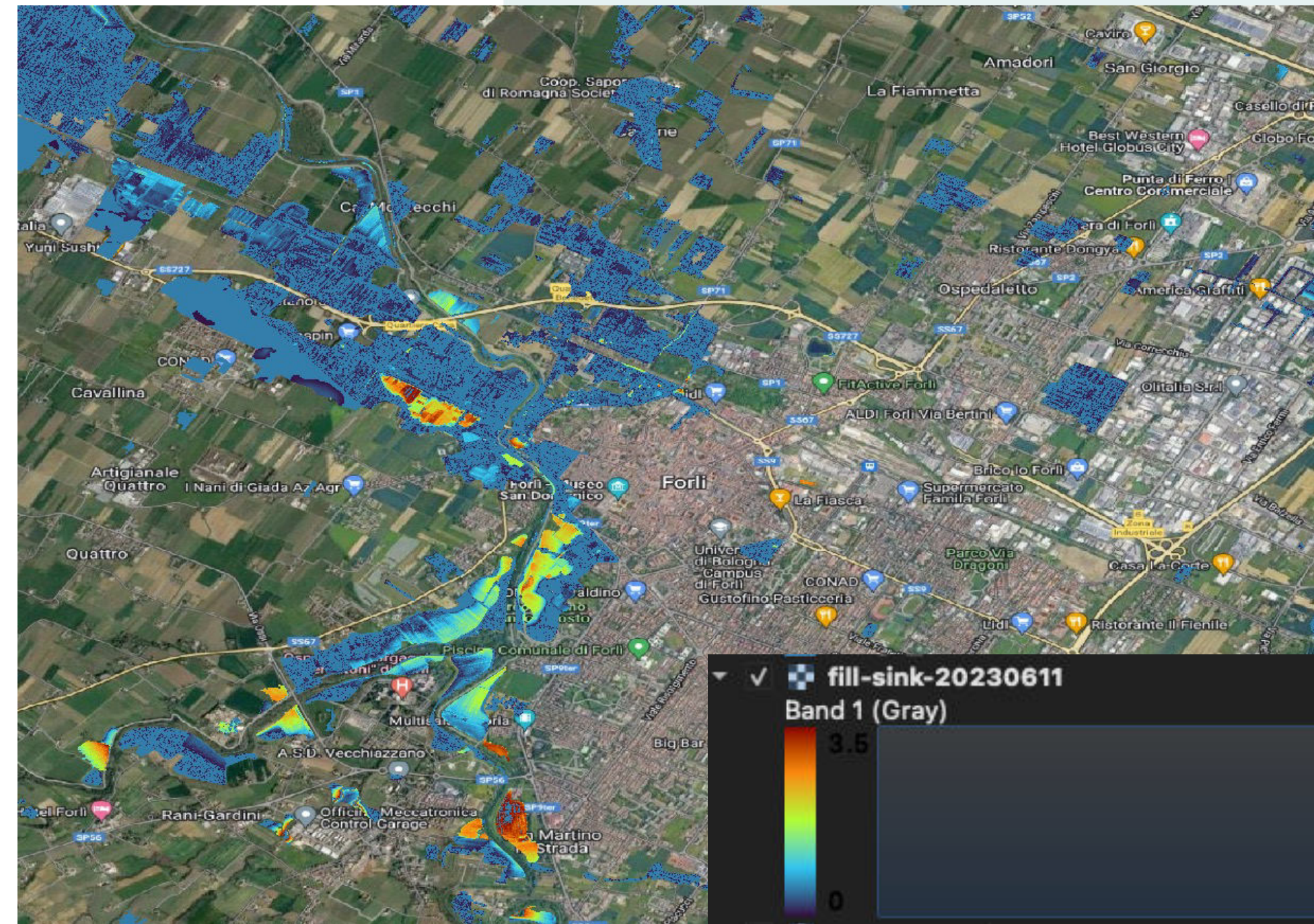
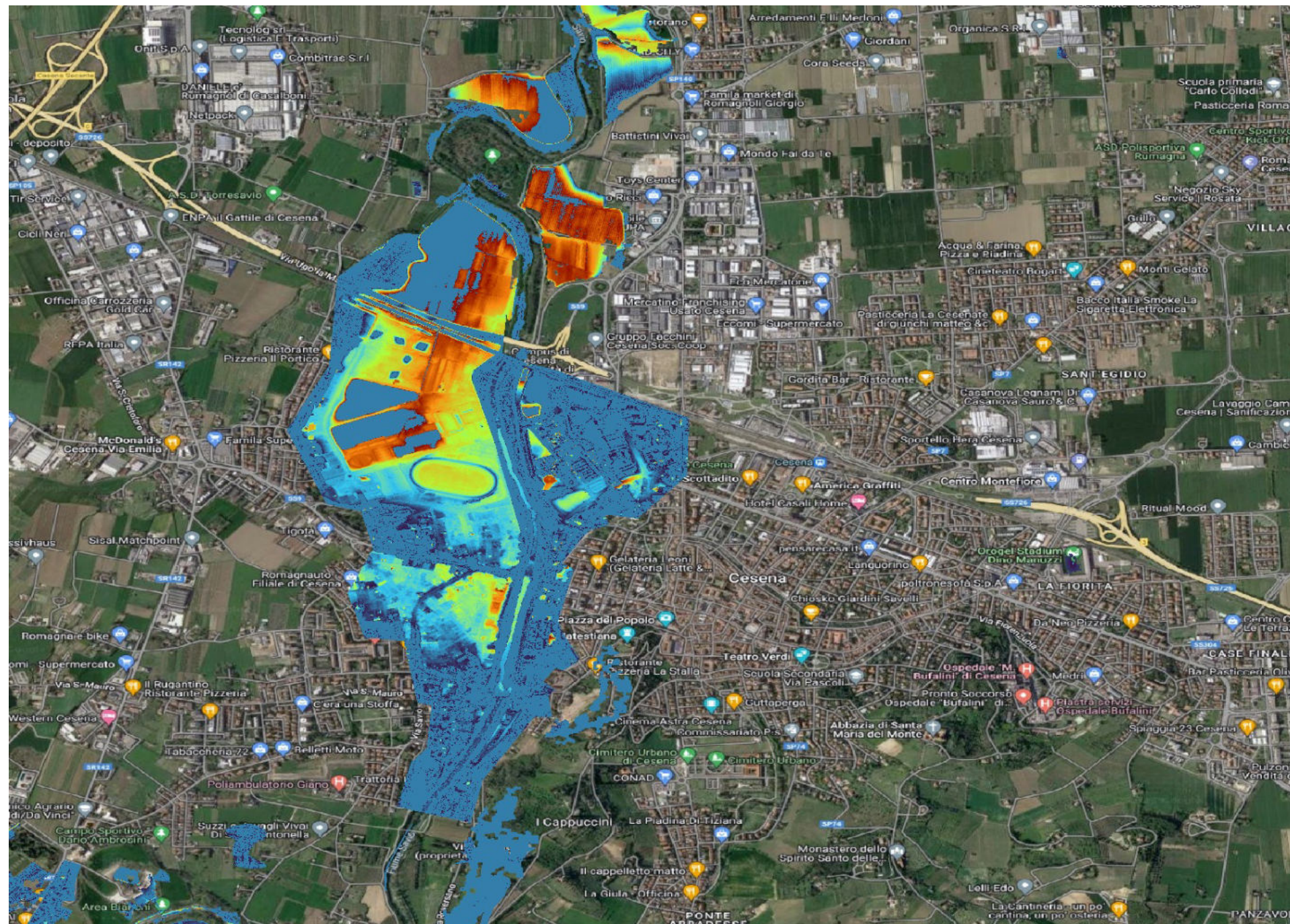
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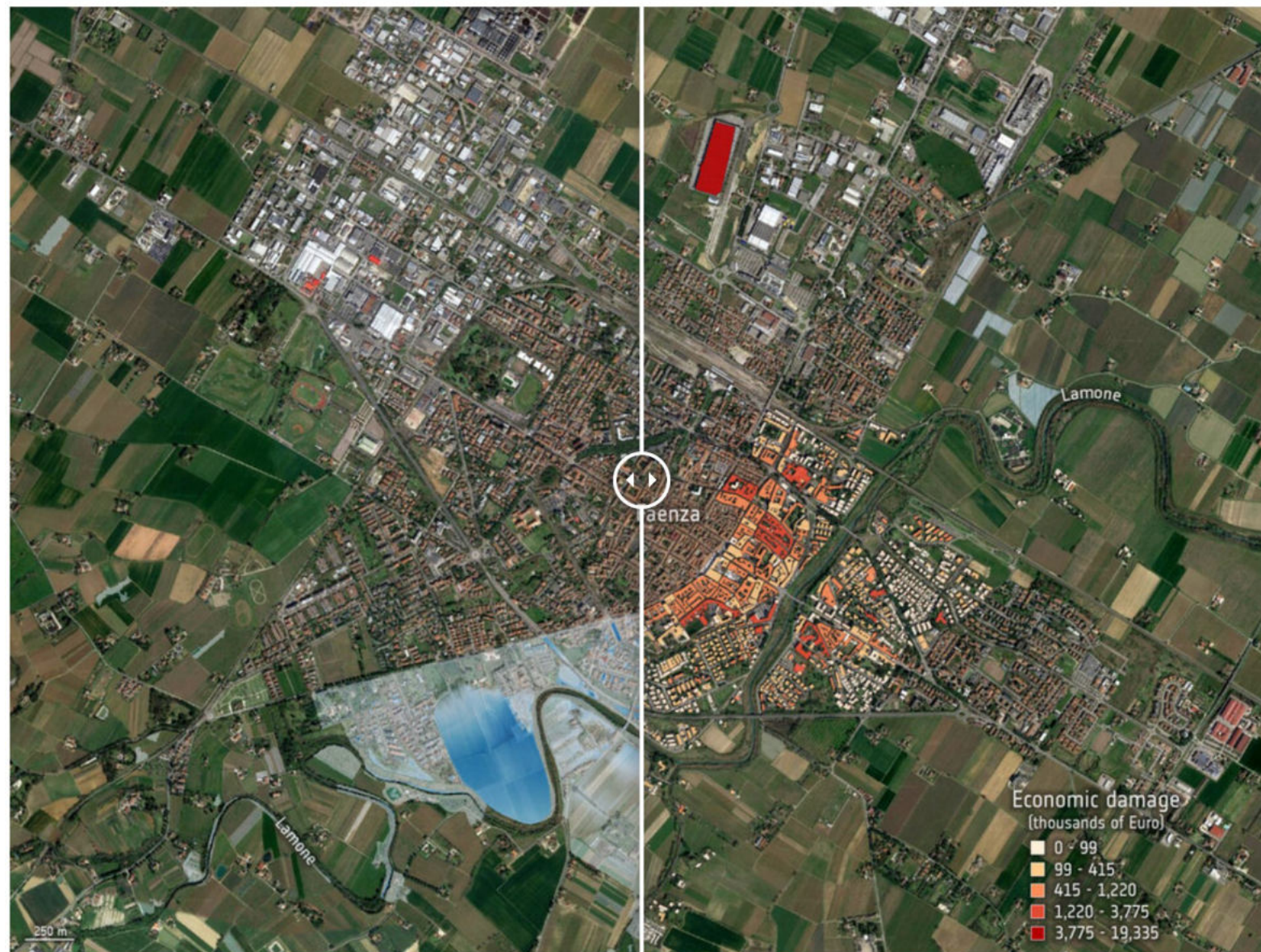


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# SaferPlaces is one of ESA's Applications for Observing the Earth in the aftermath of the Emilia-Romagna floods



[https://www.esa.int/Applications/Observing\\_the\\_Earth/Satellites\\_map\\_aftermath\\_of\\_Emilia-Romagna\\_floods](https://www.esa.int/Applications/Observing_the_Earth/Satellites_map_aftermath_of_Emilia-Romagna_floods)



# SaferPlaces as Digital Twin Application for ESA Space and Civil Security Program





# Grazie

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