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## **DISASTERS, POVERTY AND DEVELOPMENT: A COMPREHENSIVE VIEW FROM INDIVIDUAL LEVEL TO SOCIETY**

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- 3. Risk perception at individual level*
- 4. Resilience in case of disasters*
- 5. Case study presentation*
- 6. Research within disaster risk management field*





Turkey, 17 August 1999, magnitude 7.6

*Collapse during Turkey earthquake, 1999*



A house slides into the Atlantic Ocean in the aftermath of Hurricane Irma, 2017



Forest fires in Portugal, 2017



*Search and rescue operations by the Japan Disaster Relief Rescue Team in 2003 after Algeria Earthquake*



*People evacuate using boats in the middle of the city Shkodra flooding, Albania, 2010*



*Image from Barbados, Caribbean Islands*





# Global challenges

Human growth  
20/80 dilemma

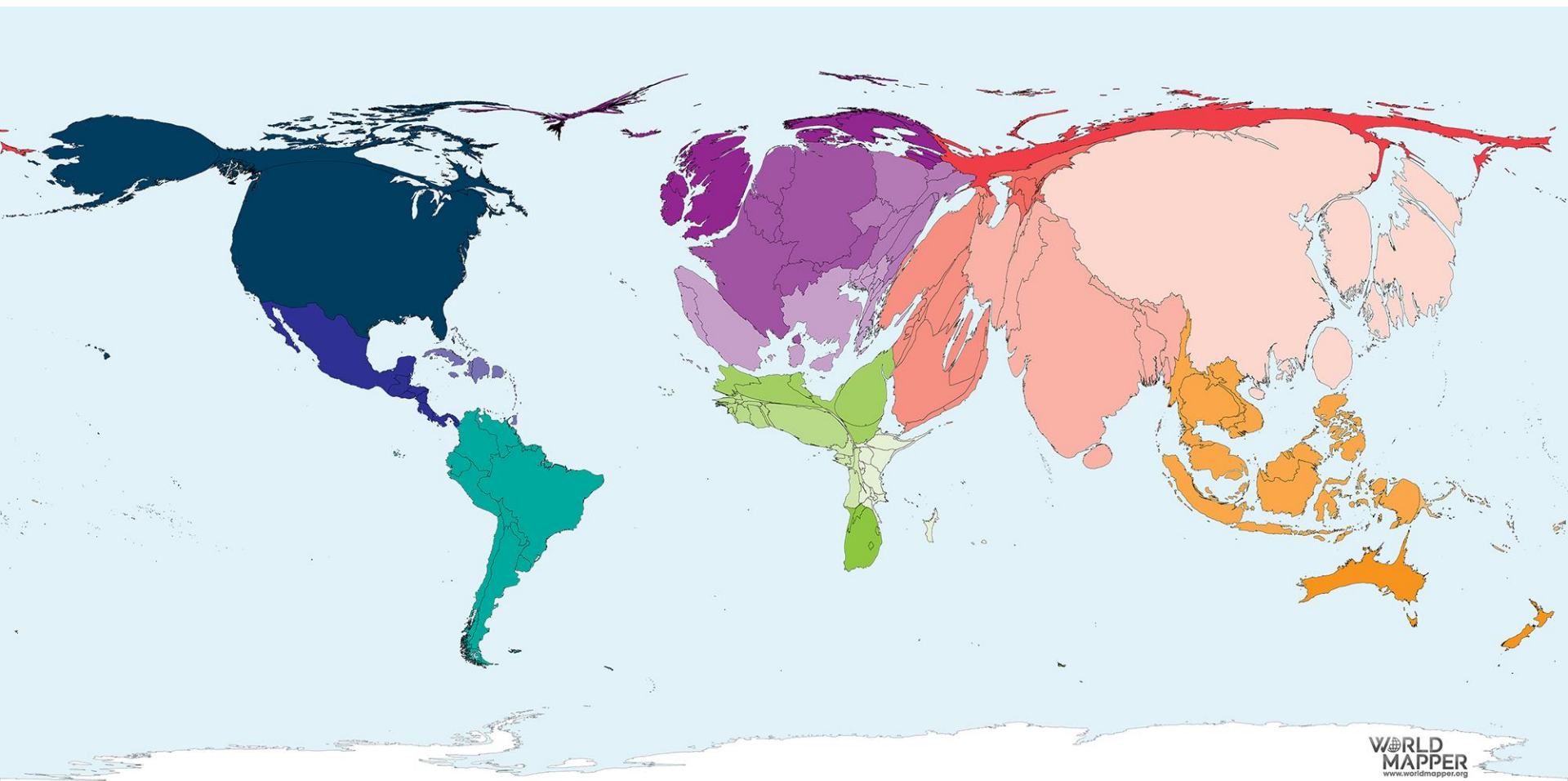
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550/450/350  
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Ecosystems  
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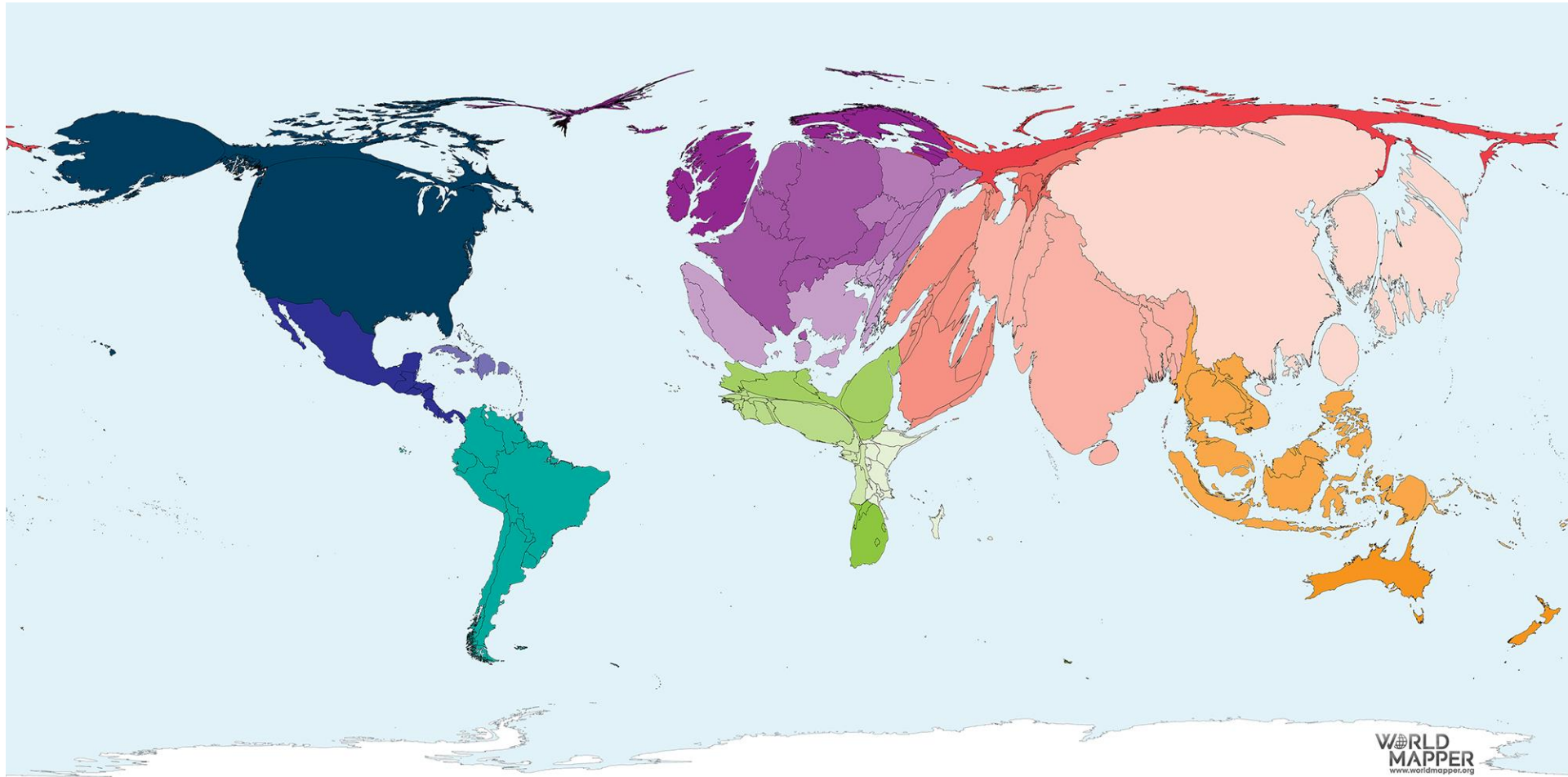
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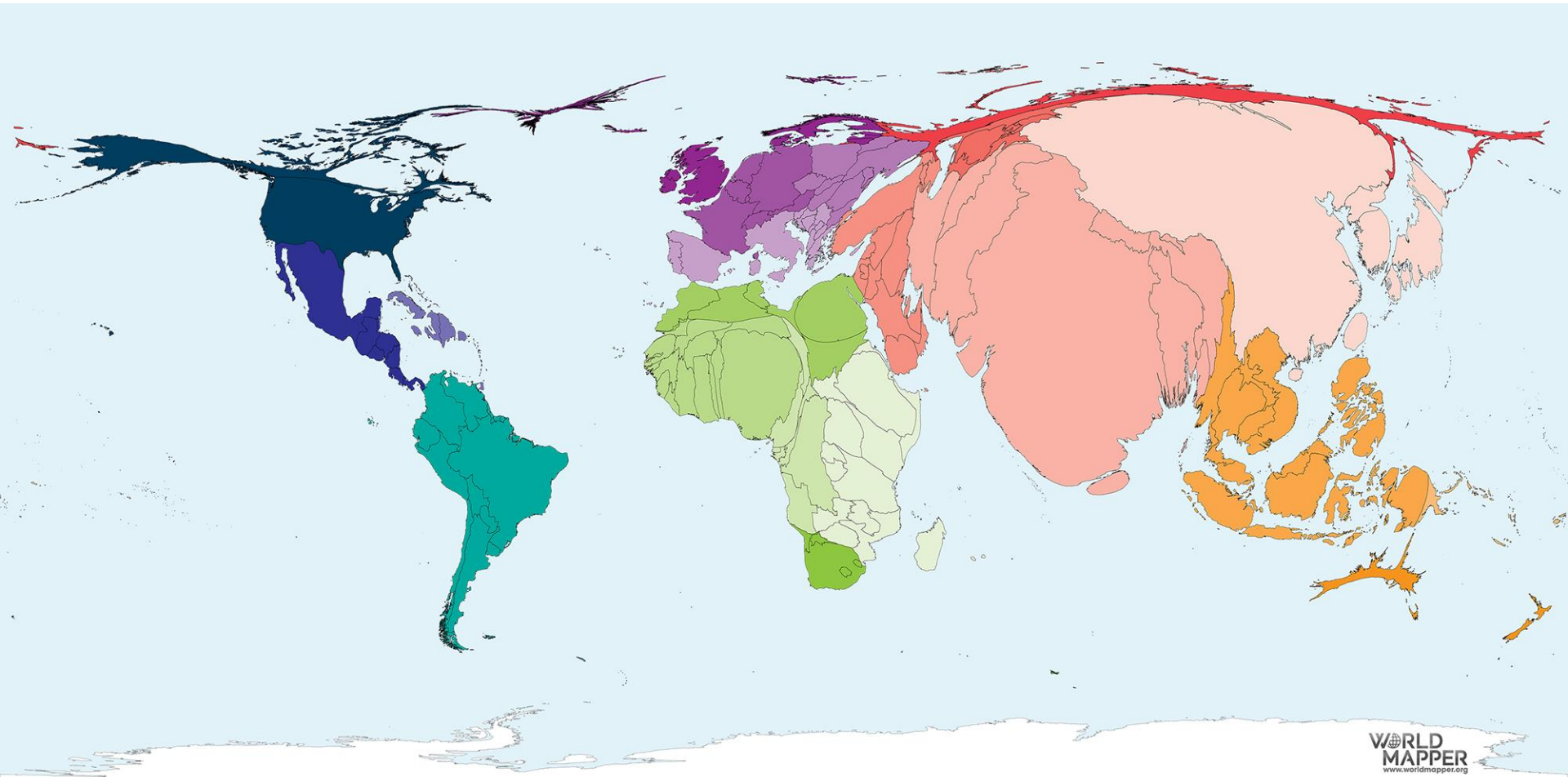




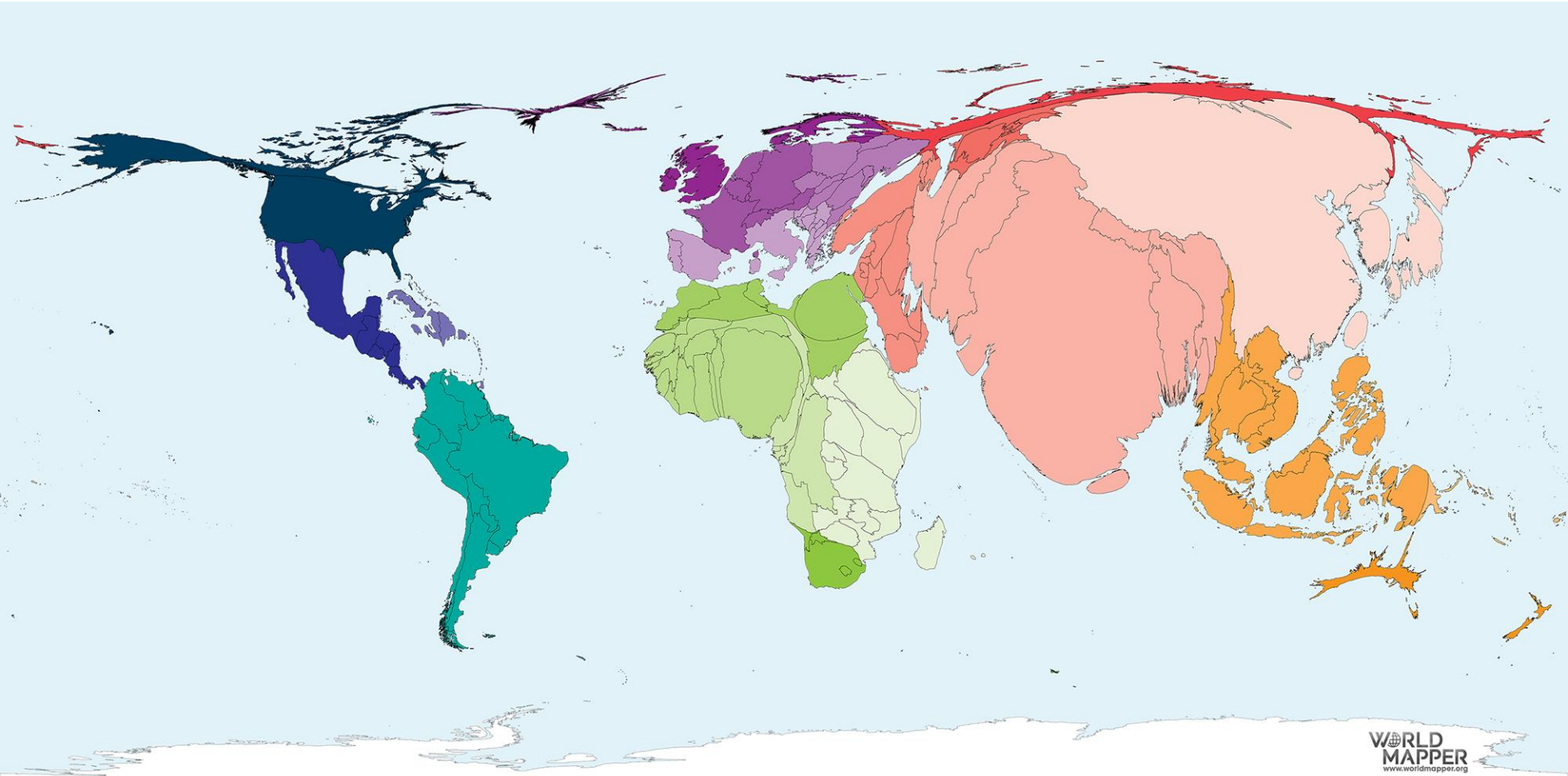


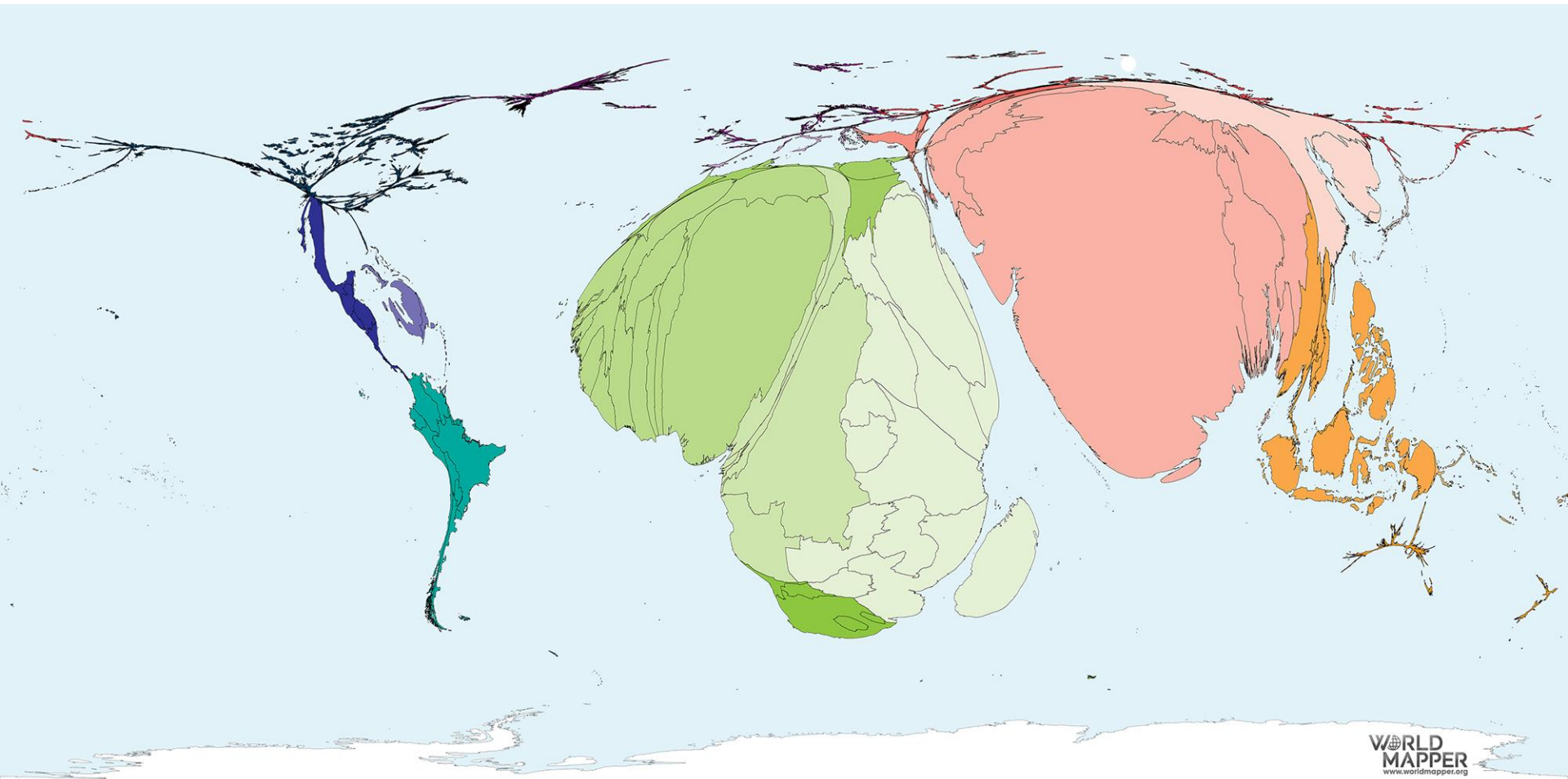
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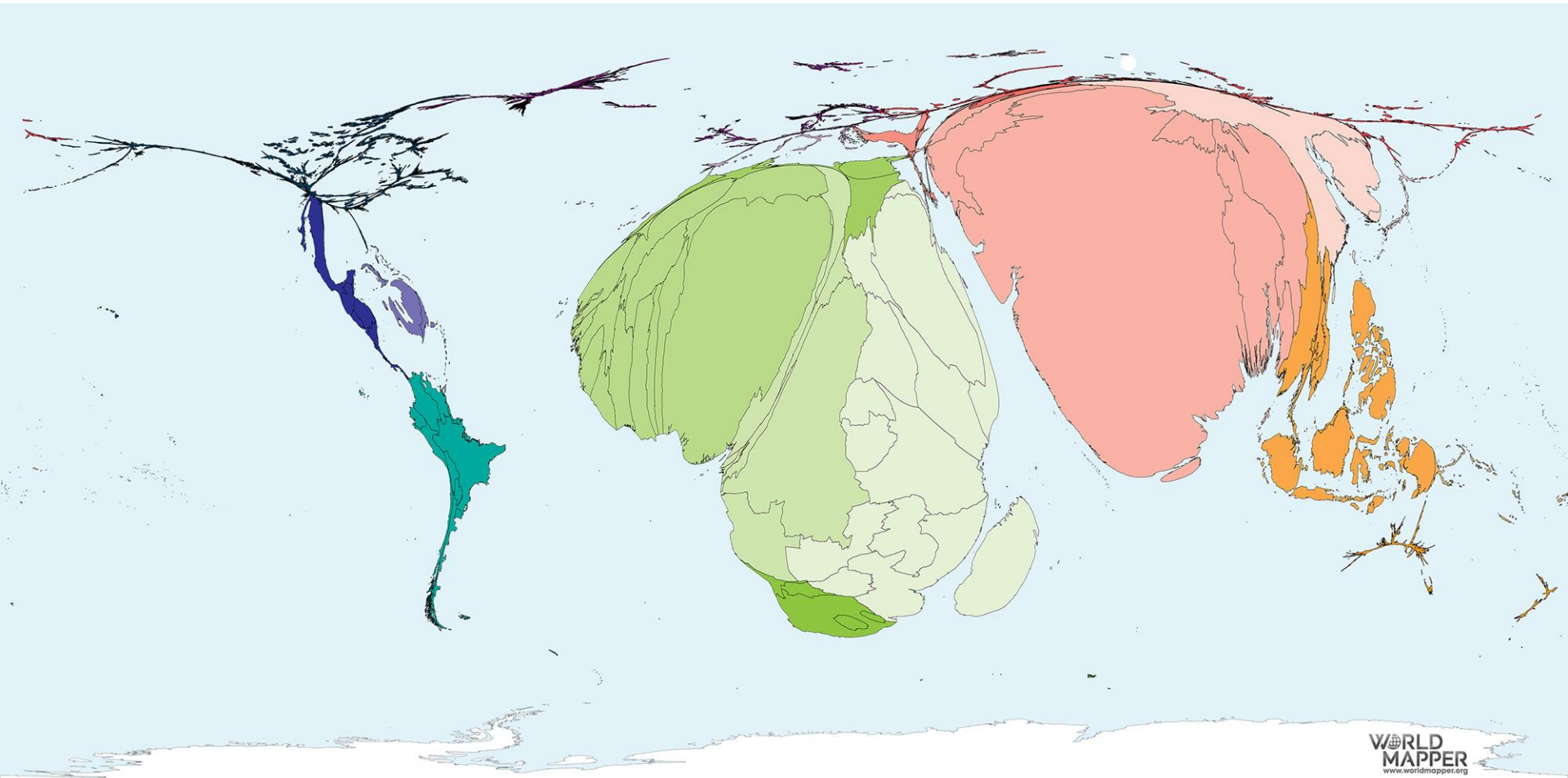
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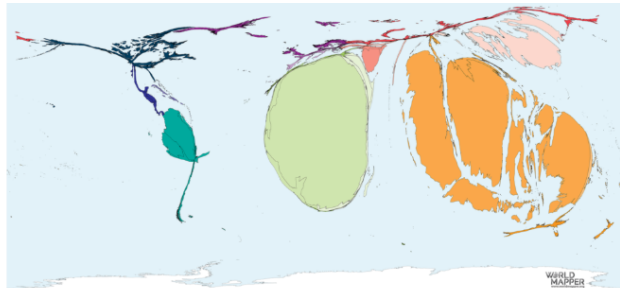




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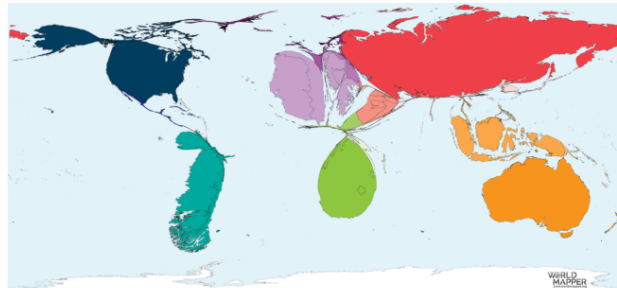


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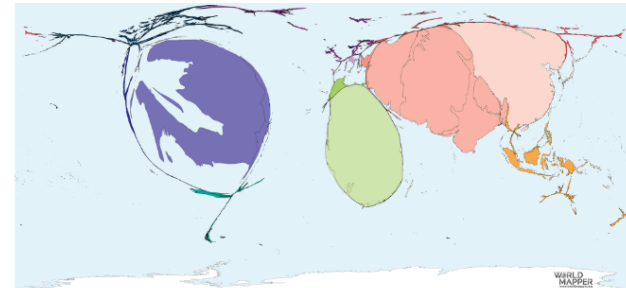
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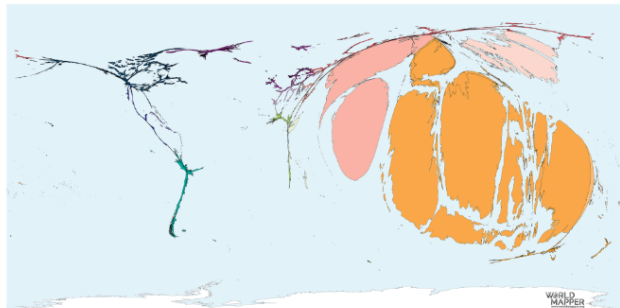
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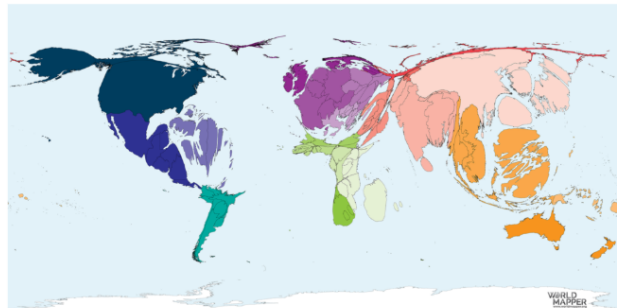
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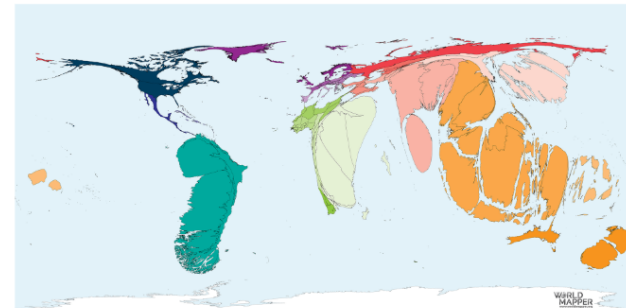
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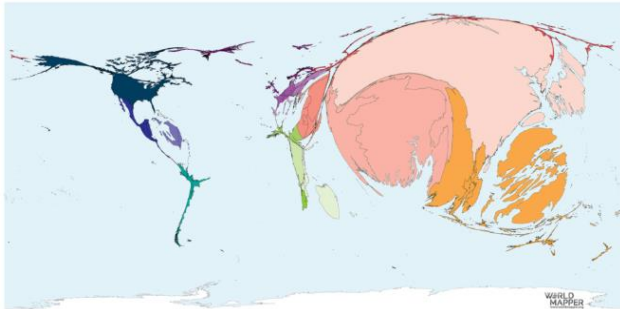
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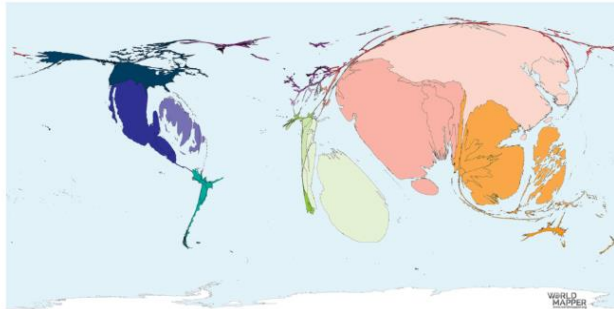
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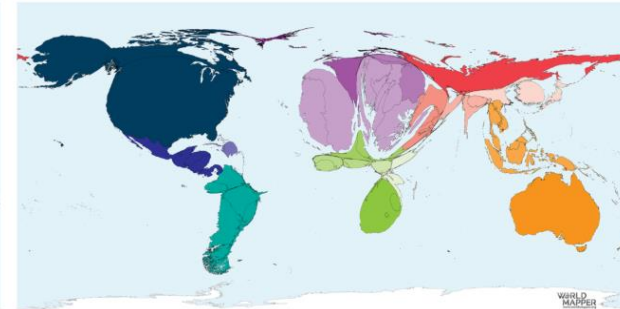
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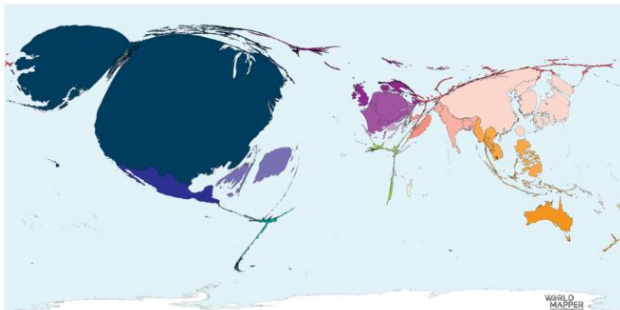
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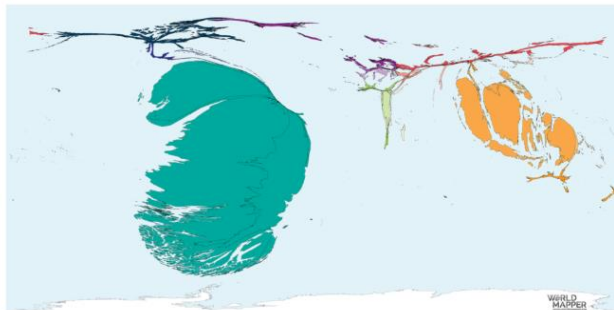
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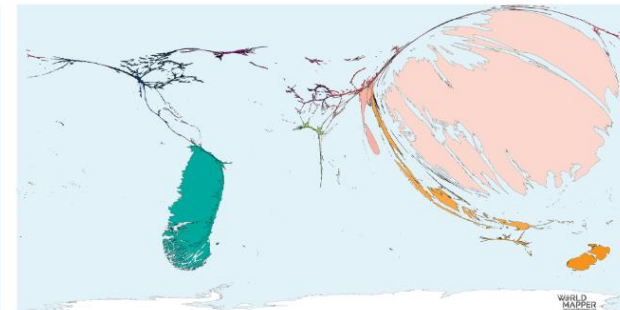
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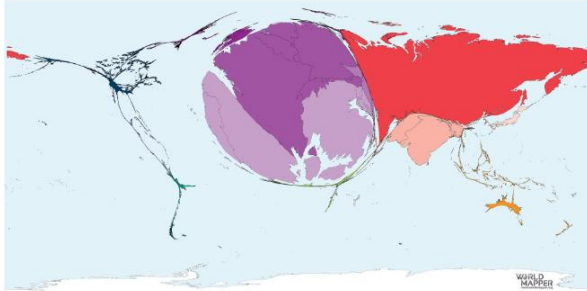
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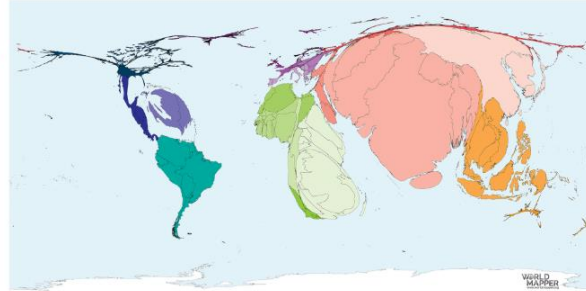
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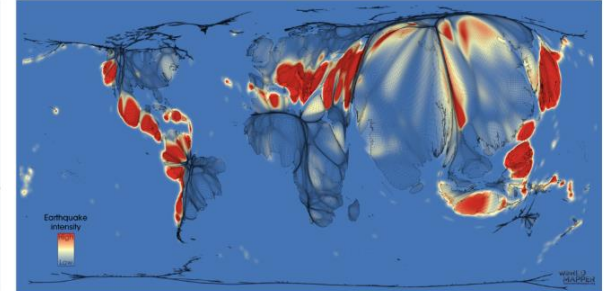
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- Health



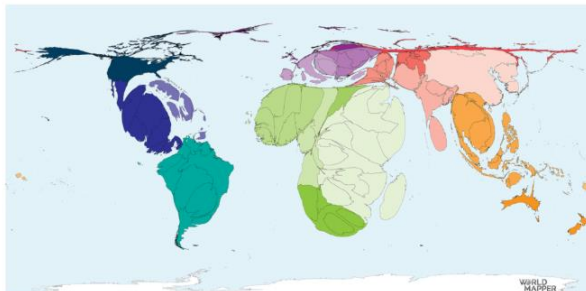
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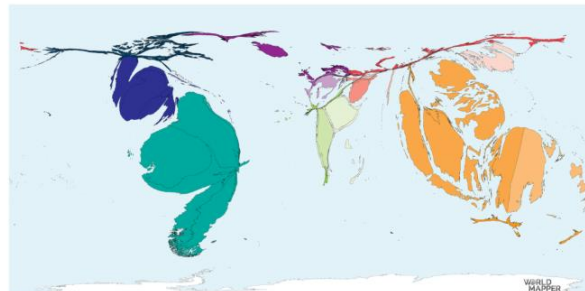
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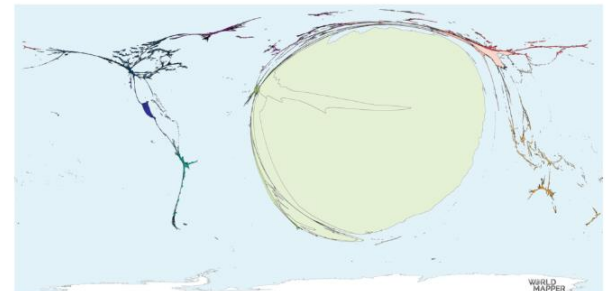
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**| First Part**  
**Disasters and development**



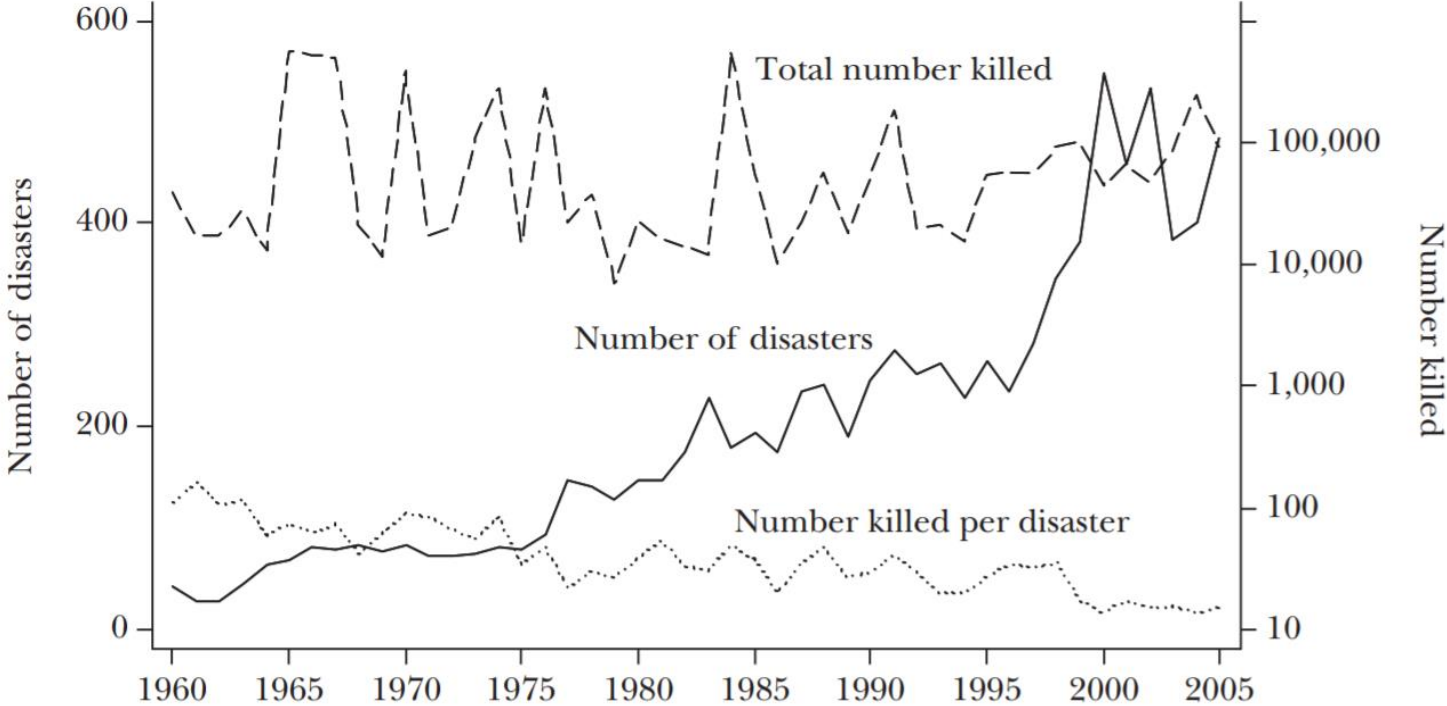
# Disaster and poverty

- Exposure to disasters do not depend on economic development
- Disaster consequences are much higher in developing countries
  - Impact to GDP (relative weight)
  - Number of people killed
  - Damage to infrastructure
  - Resilience
- The level of inequality is even greater because of under-reporting





# Disasters in numbers



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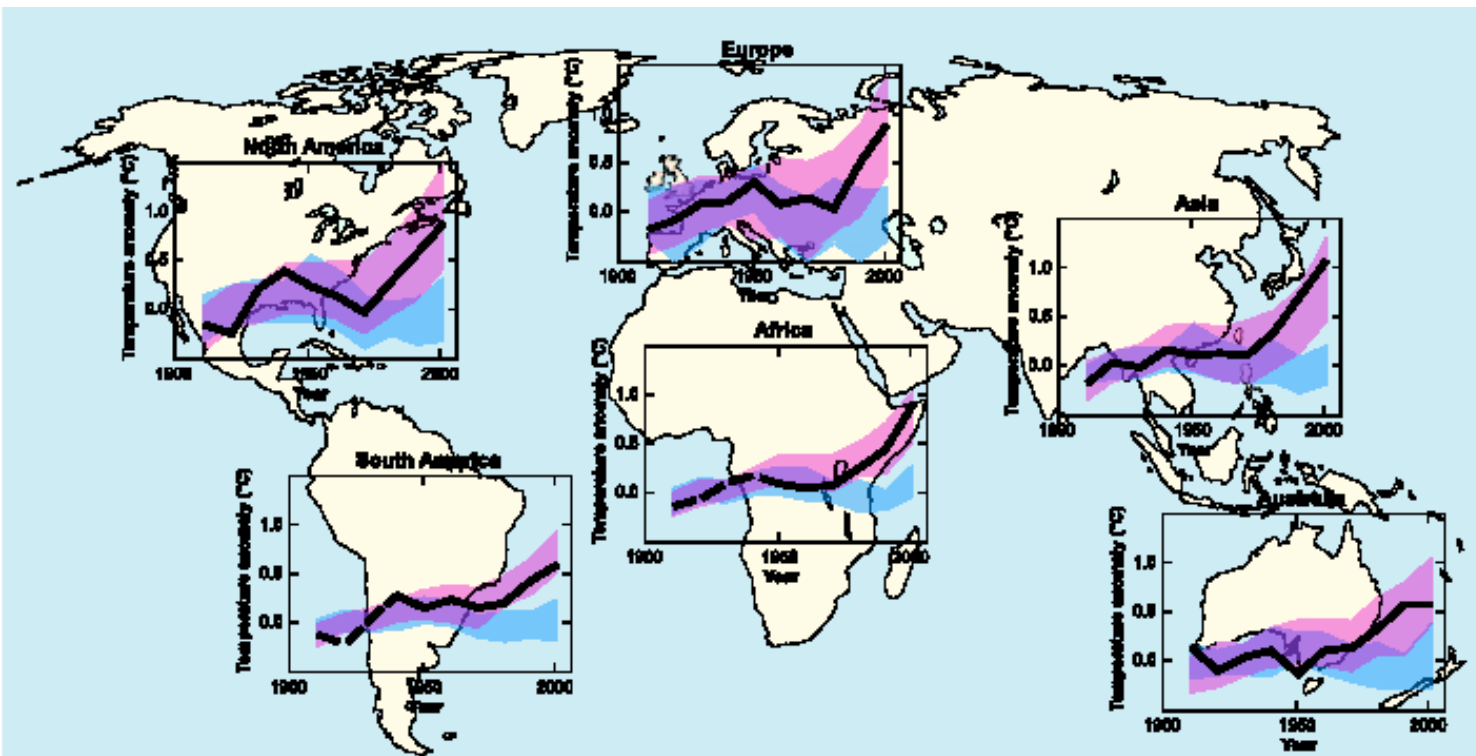
# Disasters and climate change

- Climate change affects disaster risk and development in two ways:
  - short-term climate variability and its extremes
  - longer-term variability
- *Climate change action and disaster risk management practices not in the same agenda*
- *Climate change action*
  - *Mitigation*
  - *Adaptation*





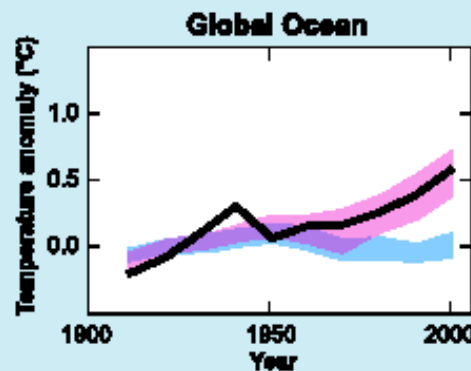
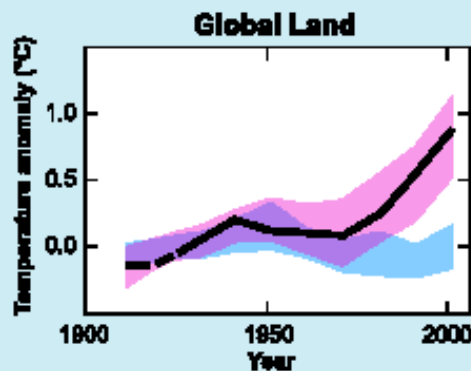
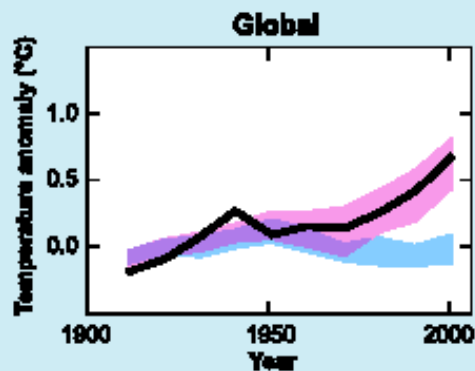
# Evidence on climate change



Change from Natural factors

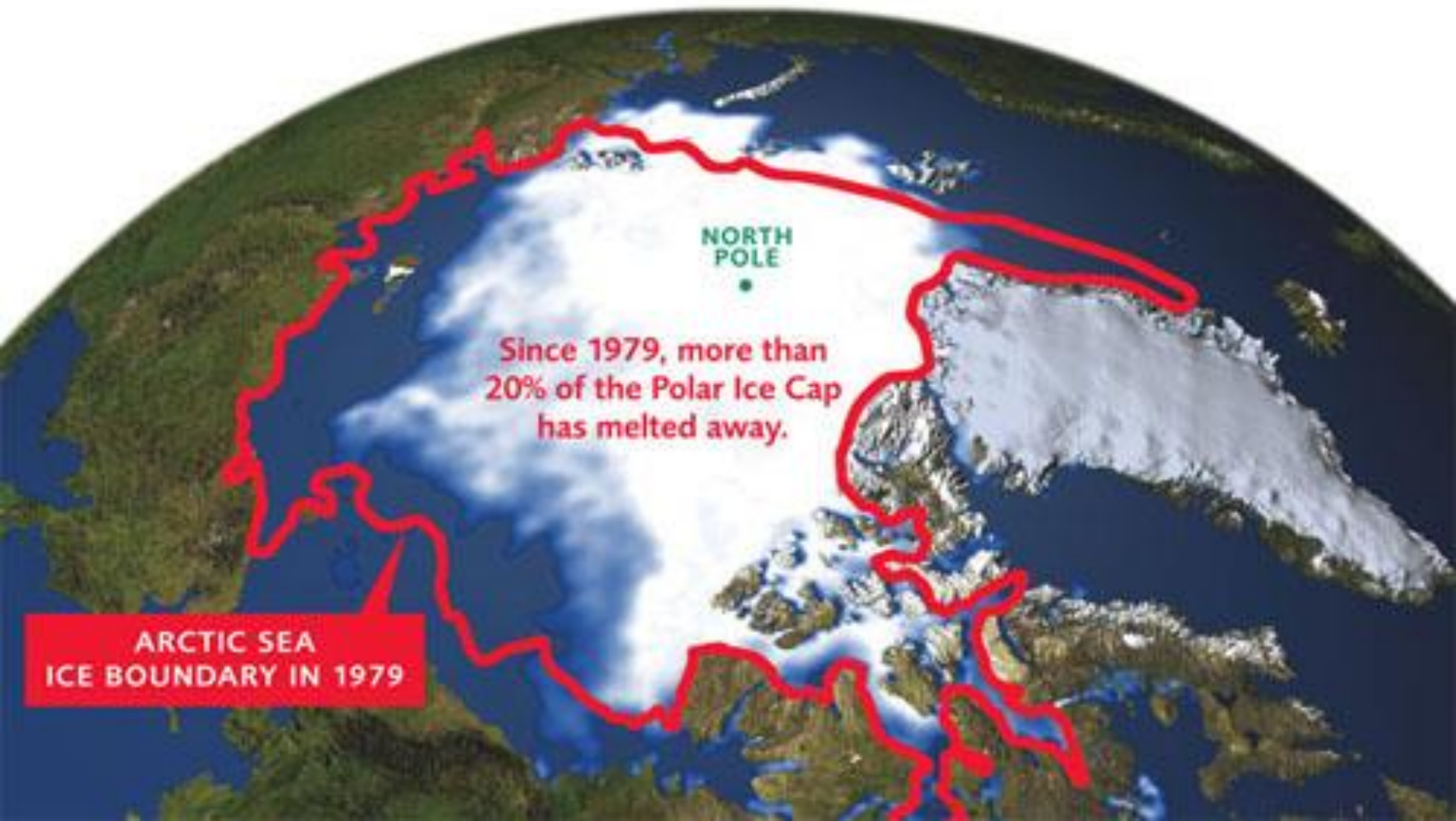


Change from Anthropogenic + Natural factors



(IPCC, 2007)

# Evidence on climate change



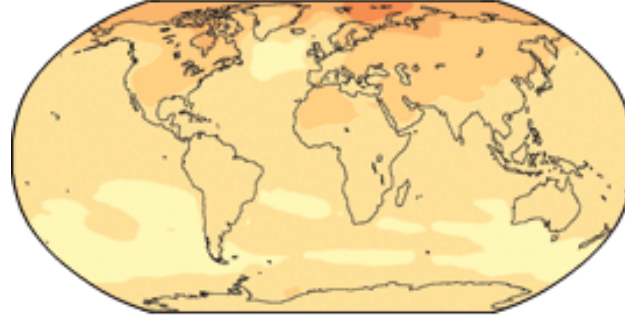
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POLE

Since 1979, more than  
20% of the Polar Ice Cap  
has melted away.

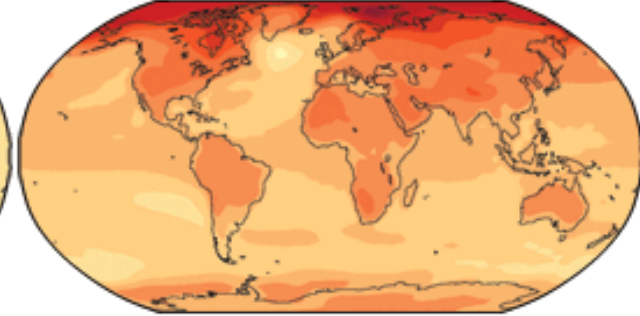
ARCTIC SEA  
ICE BOUNDARY IN 1979

# Projections of future changes in climate

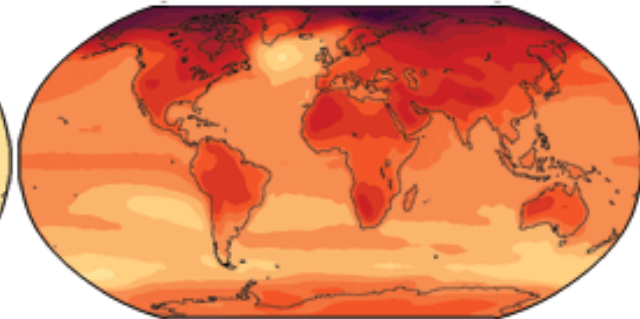
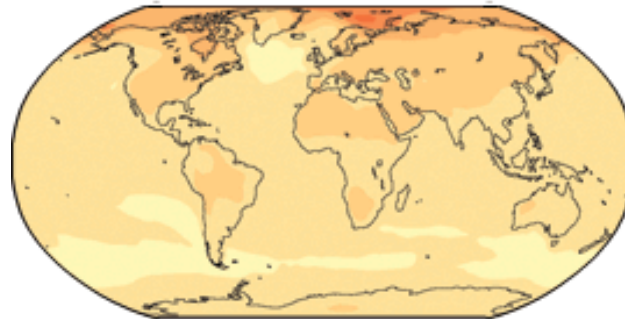
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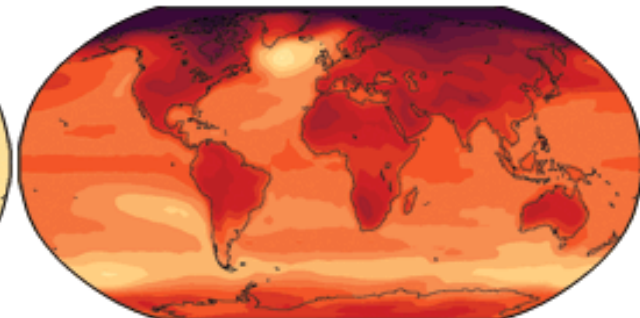
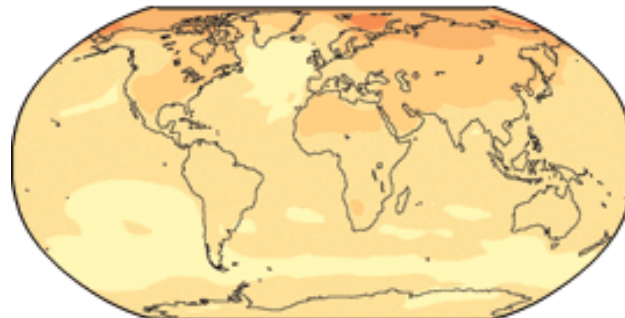
2090-2099



low growth (B1)



moderate growth (A1B)



high growth (A2)

Surface Temperature Change (°C)



Projected warming in 21<sup>st</sup> century expected to be

greatest over land and at most high northern latitudes

and least over the Southern ocean and parts of the North Atlantic Ocean



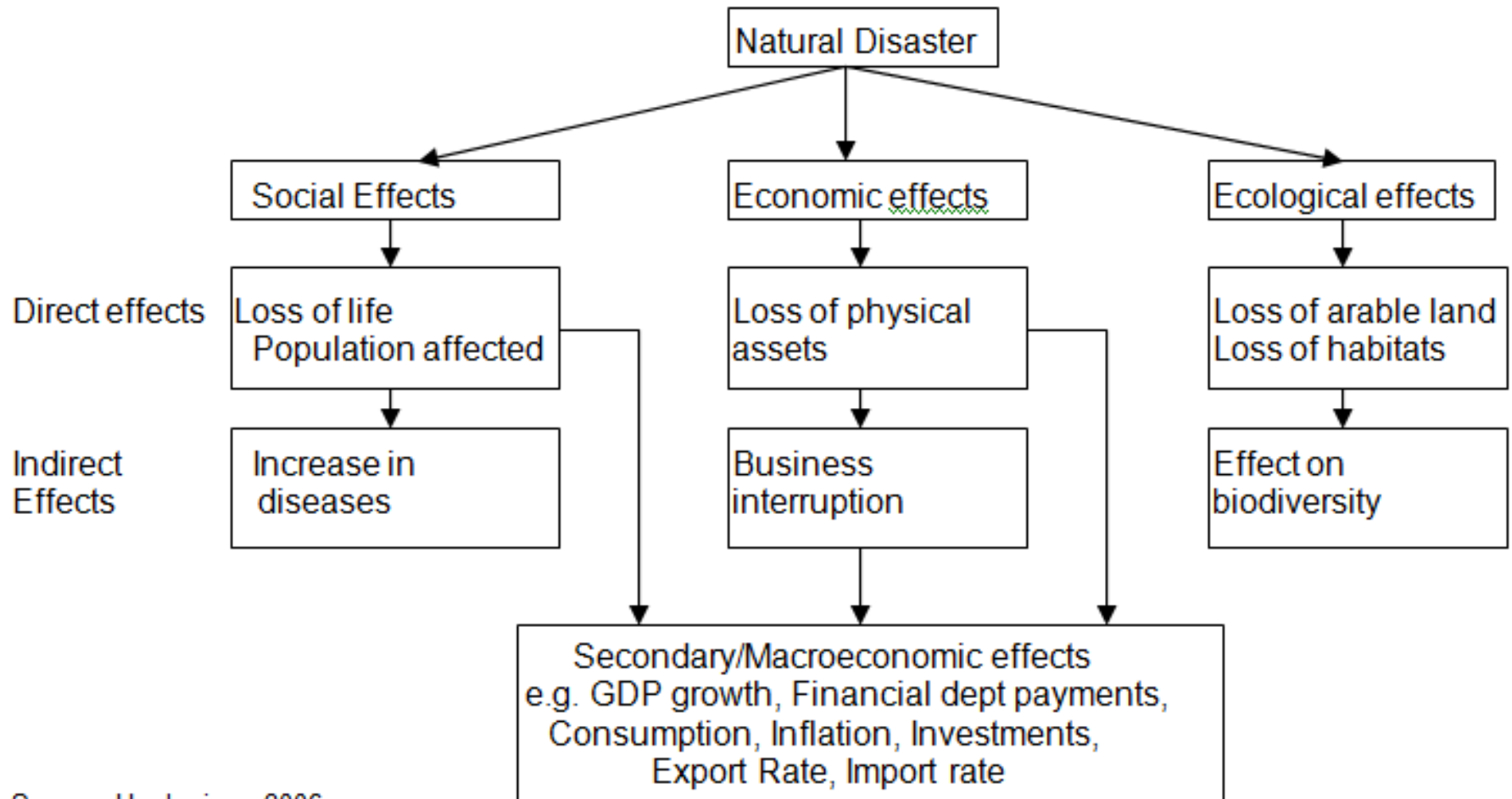
# *Climate change impacts*

- Increase of weather disasters
- Public water supply and drinking water
- Biodiversity loss
- Agricultural production
- Forestry yield
- Energy for heating and cooling
- Tourism and recreation
- Health



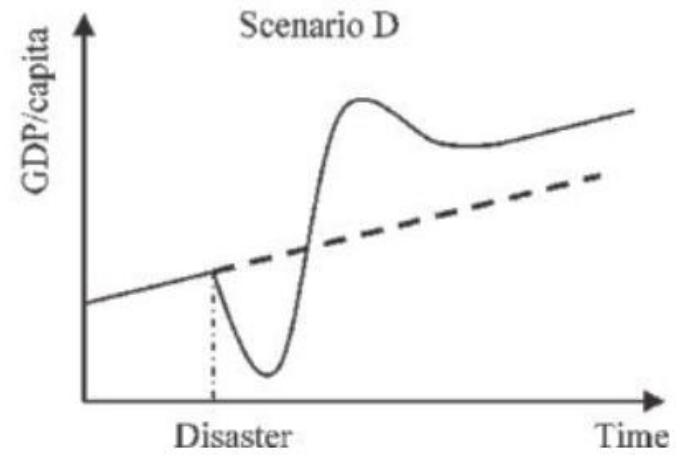
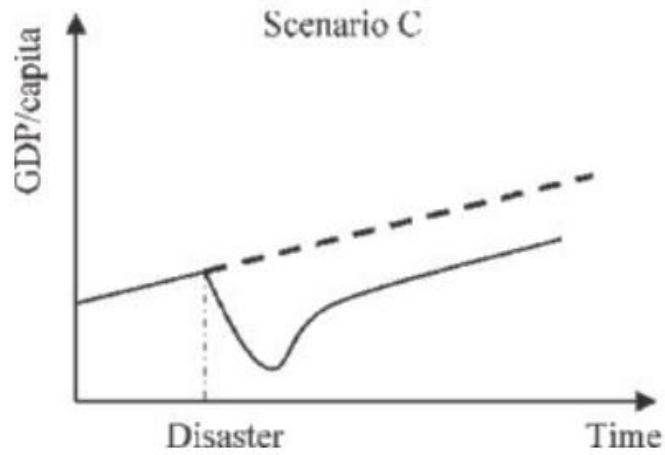
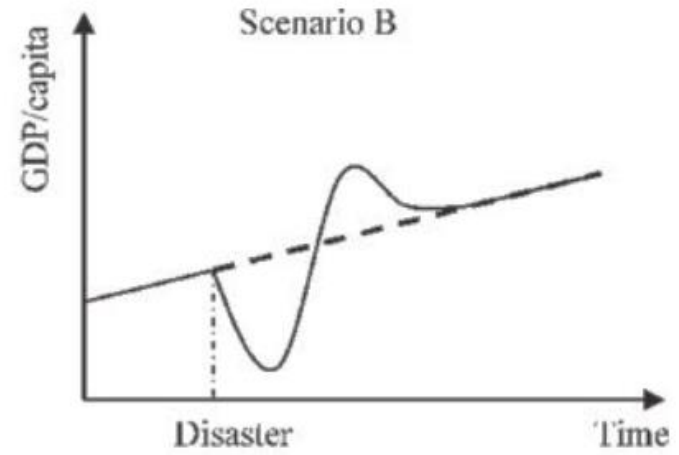
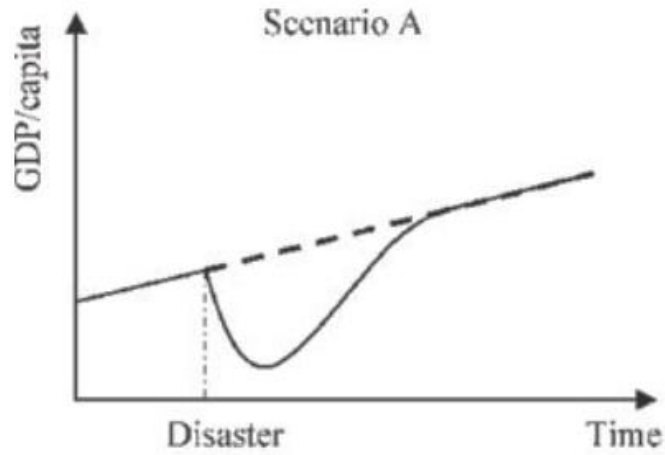
**| Second Part**  
**Disasters and macroeconomic risk**

# Macroeconomic risk of natural disasters



Macroeconomic Indicator	Expected change
<b>GDP</b>	Immediately drop in GDP growth in the year of the event Rise in GDP growth in the year after the event Slowdown in second and/or third year
<b>Agricultural sector</b>	Significant fall in production
<b>Manufacture Sector</b>	Decrease in activity due to disruption of transportation, reduced production capacities
<b>Service Sector</b>	Decrease in activity due to disruption of transportation and payment system
<b>Exports of goods</b>	Reduction in the rate of growth in the year of the event In the year after return to the previous levels In subsequent years continuation of the year after
<b>Imports of Goods</b>	Considerable increase in the rate of growth in the event year A return to pre-disaster level a year after In subsequent years a further drop, possibly caused by reducing incomes
<b>Gross Formation of Fixed Capital</b>	Sharp increase in the year following the disaster
<b>Inflation rate</b>	Short increase caused by the disruption of production and distribution and increasing transportation costs
<b>Public financing</b>	Worsening of deficit due to a shortfall in tax revenues and increase of public expenditures
<b>Trade balance</b>	Deficit due to decrease in exports and an increase in imports, associated with the decline in production capacities and strong public and private investments for reconstruction

# *GDP Scenarios in case of disasters*





# **|Third Part Disasters and risk perception**

# Overview

**Risk communication** is a social process by which people are informed of the dangers, their behavior is influenced by information and they are given the opportunity to participate in decision-making about risk issues in an informed manner

*Morgan, M., Fischhoff, B., Bostrom, A., & Atman, C. (2001)*

**Risk perception** can be considered as an interpretation or understanding that the individual gives to particular threats that could potentially cause loss of life or property

*UNISDR. ( May 2009)*



# *Risk perception and factors related to it*

- Risk factors
  - Related to experience with past disaster events
- Information factors
  - Related to public trust and risk communication
- Personal factors
  - Related to demographic factors in line with risk theory
- Context factors
  - Related to household and income conditions



# *Risk communication*

- Any population exposed to natural dangers wish and should be optimally informed about the risk characteristics, preventive measures and appropriate behaviors during emergencies.
- Authorities should devise appropriate planning, prepare coping strategies, and effectively communicate information to residents, people in the workplace, and communities as a whole.
- Better response to natural disasters requires active involvement of residents, which should have been informed and taught about the dangers they are facing
- Public discussion, stakeholder participation and perhaps joint resolution of conflicts are needed
- Risk communication is perceived as a necessary link between perception of risk and its management.
- Communication programs should be based on a sound understanding of individuals' sociopsychology



# **| Fourth Part**

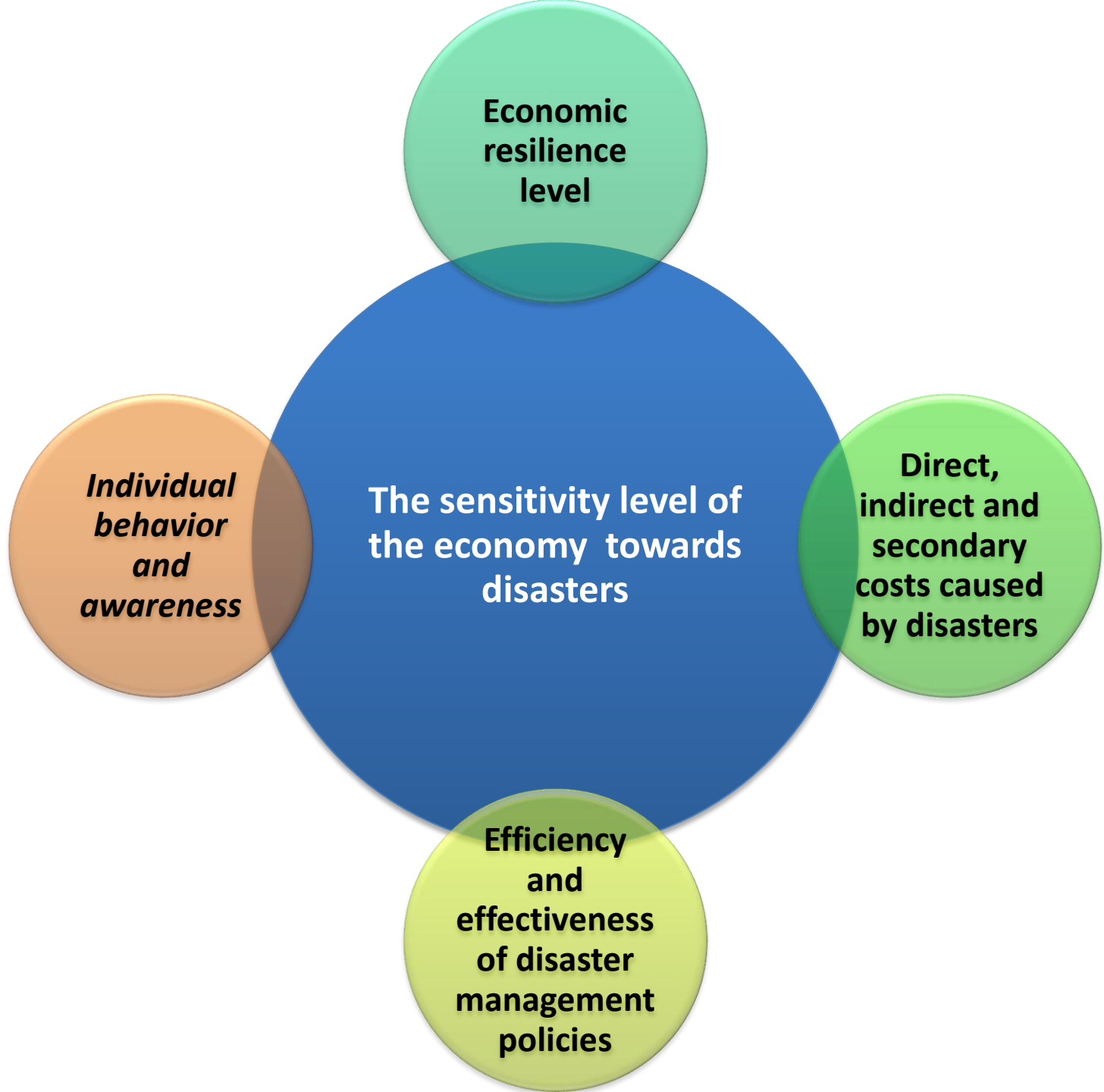
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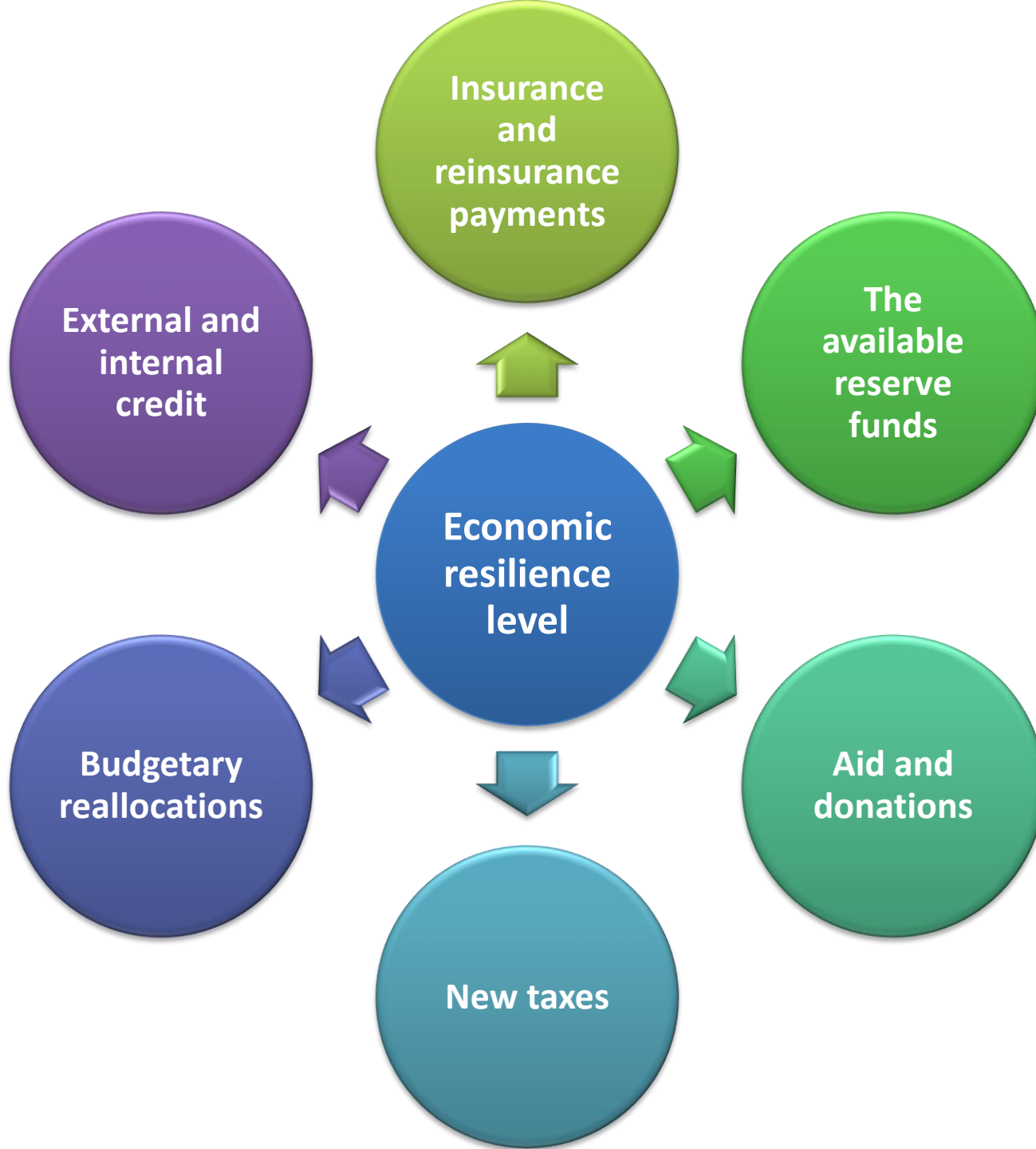


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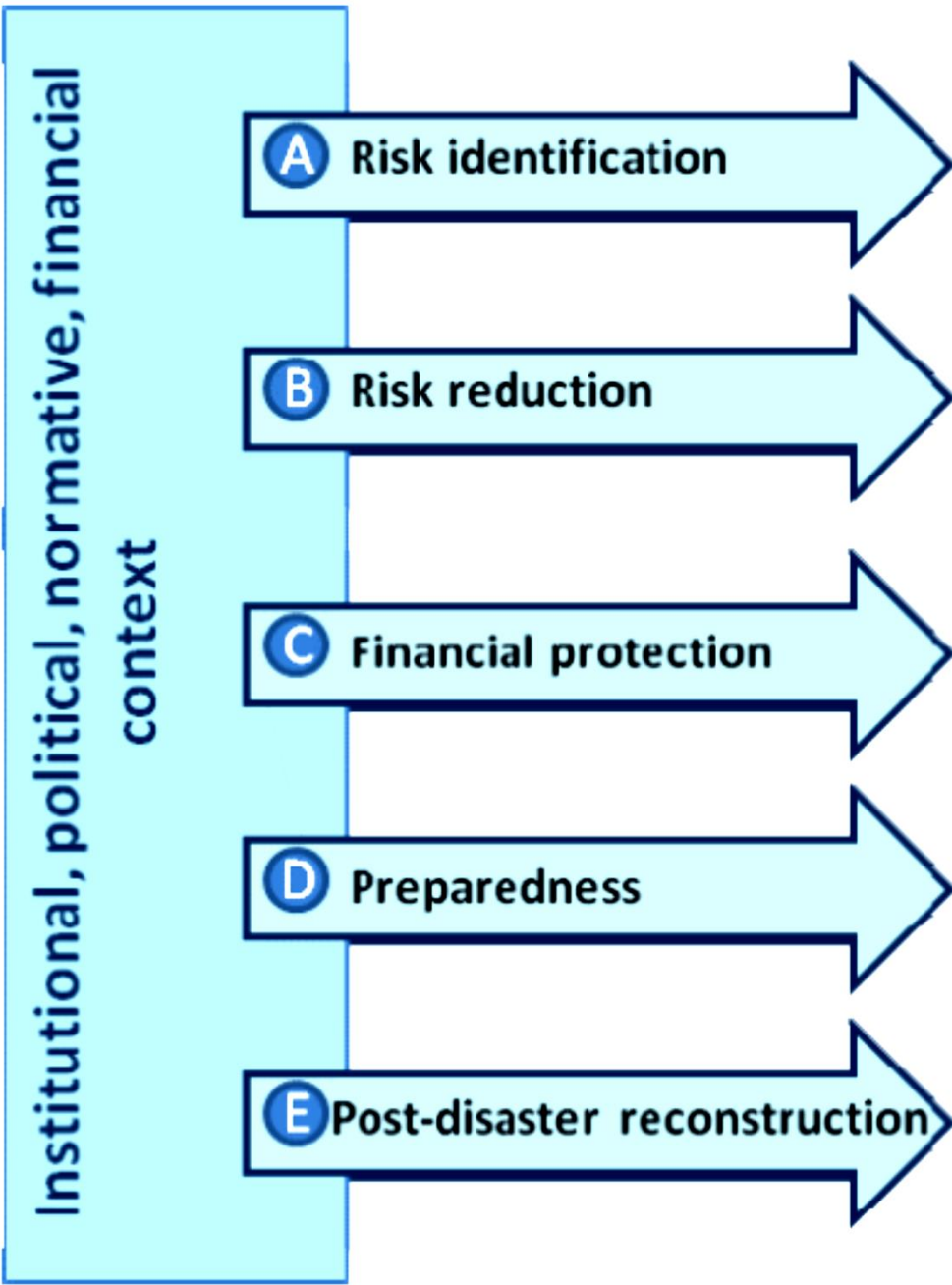
- Financial strategies for disaster risk management are intended to ensure that individuals, businesses and governments have the resources necessary to manage the adverse financial and economic consequences of disasters
- The analysis of financial exposure of a country to disasters is an important part of disaster risk management strategy.
- Financial protection will help governments mobilize resources in the immediate aftermath of a disaster, while buffering the long-term fiscal impact of disasters.

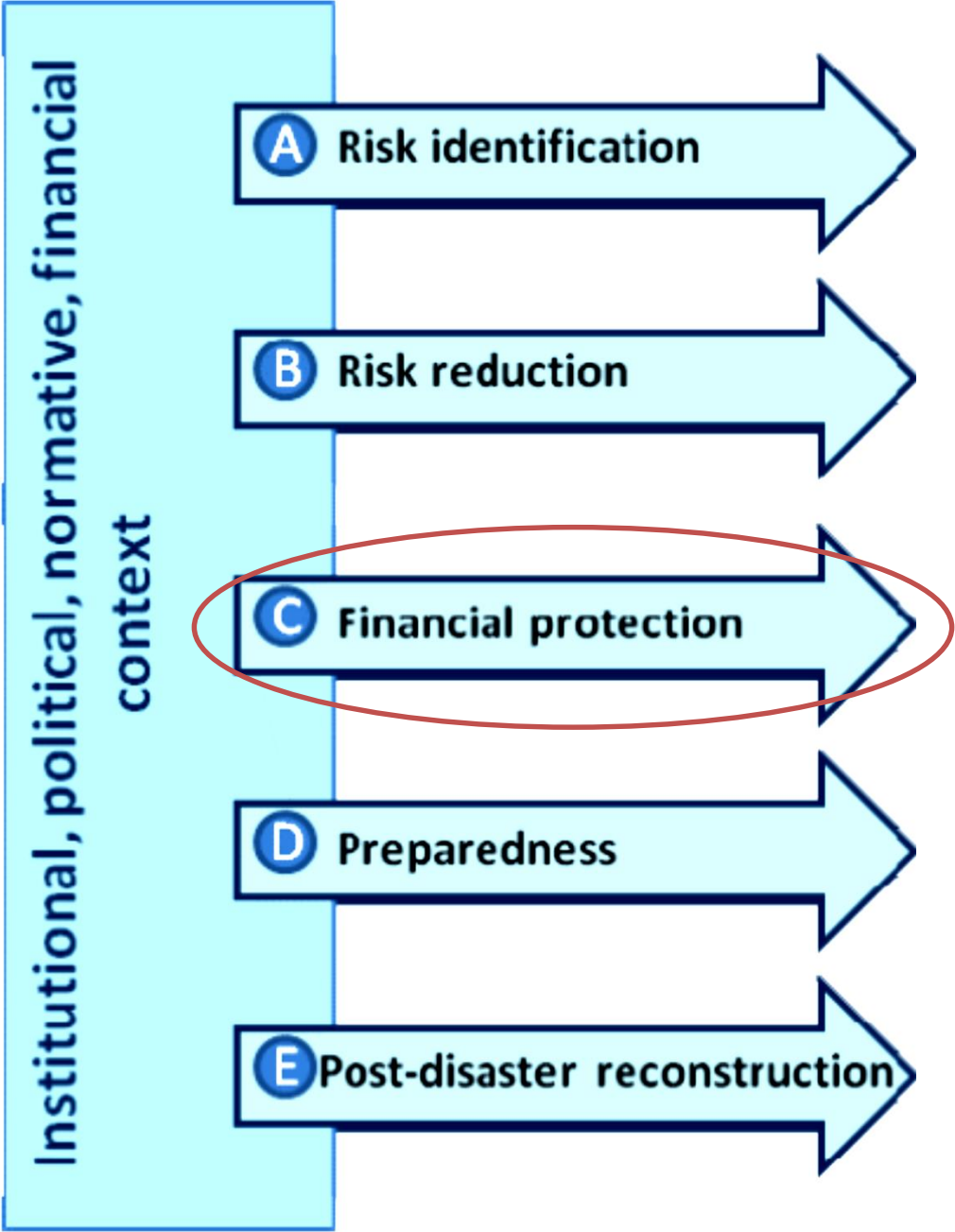






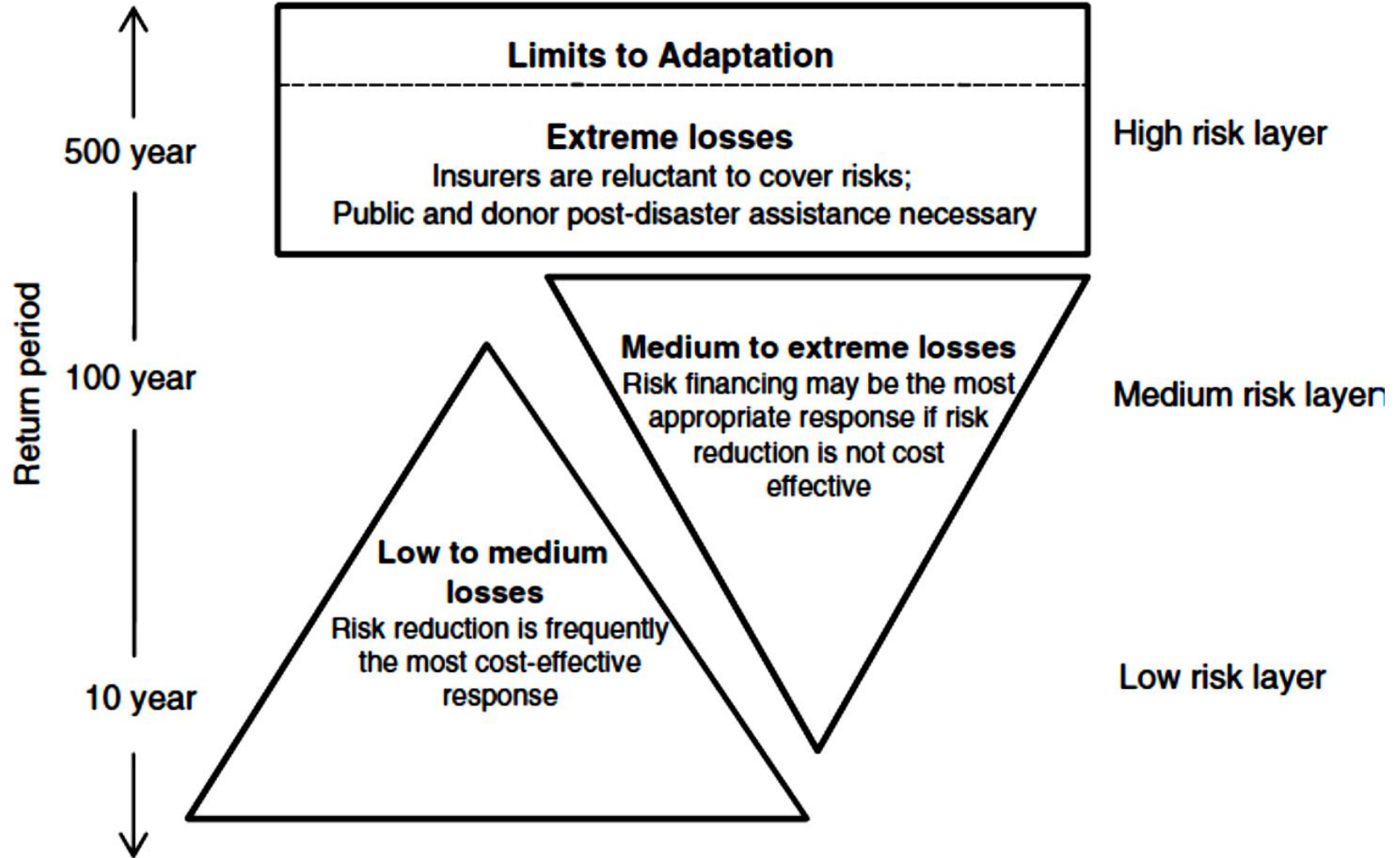






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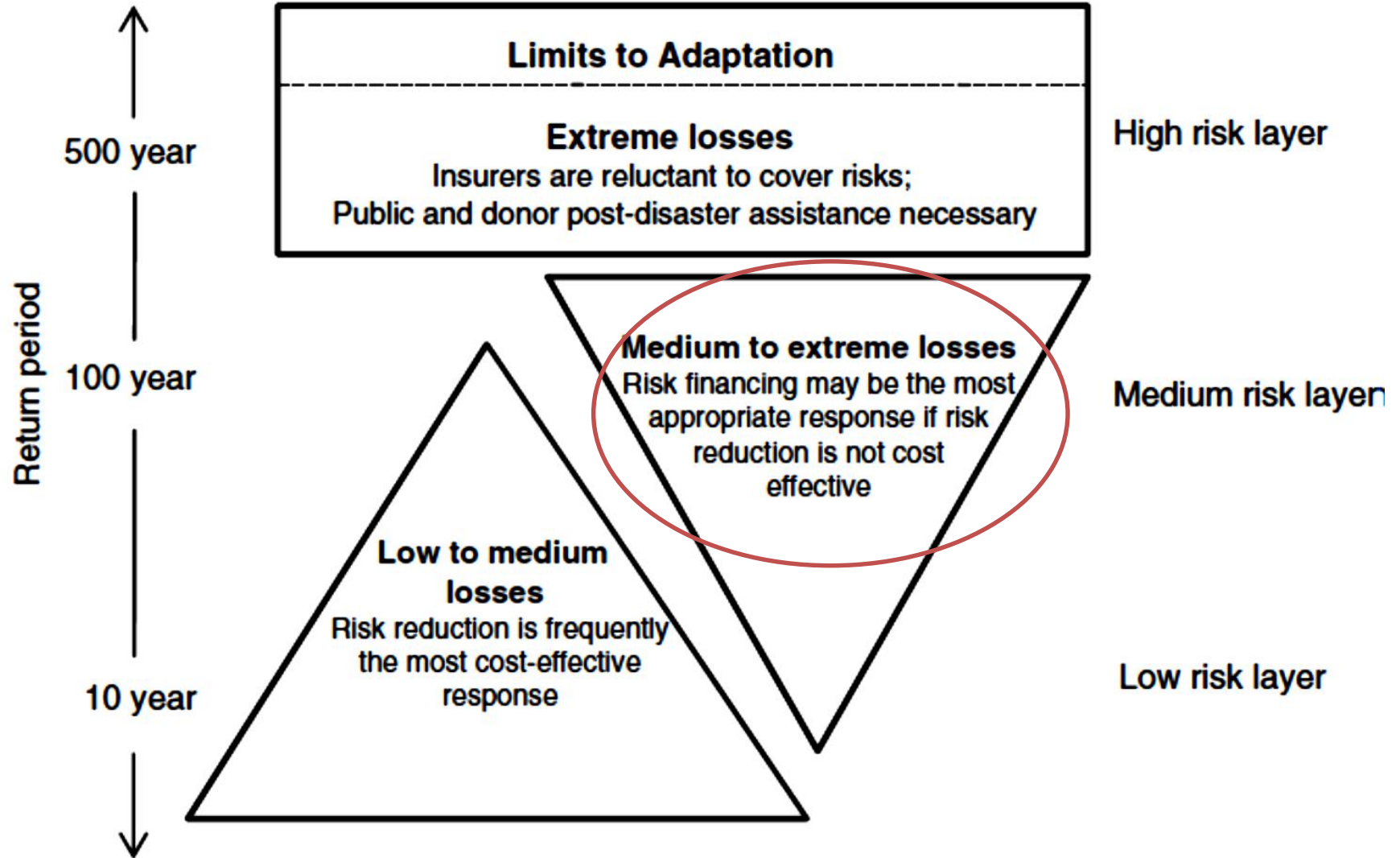
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High Frequency/Low Impact Events

# Disaster Risk Layers

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# *Approaches and instruments for financing the risk of natural disasters*

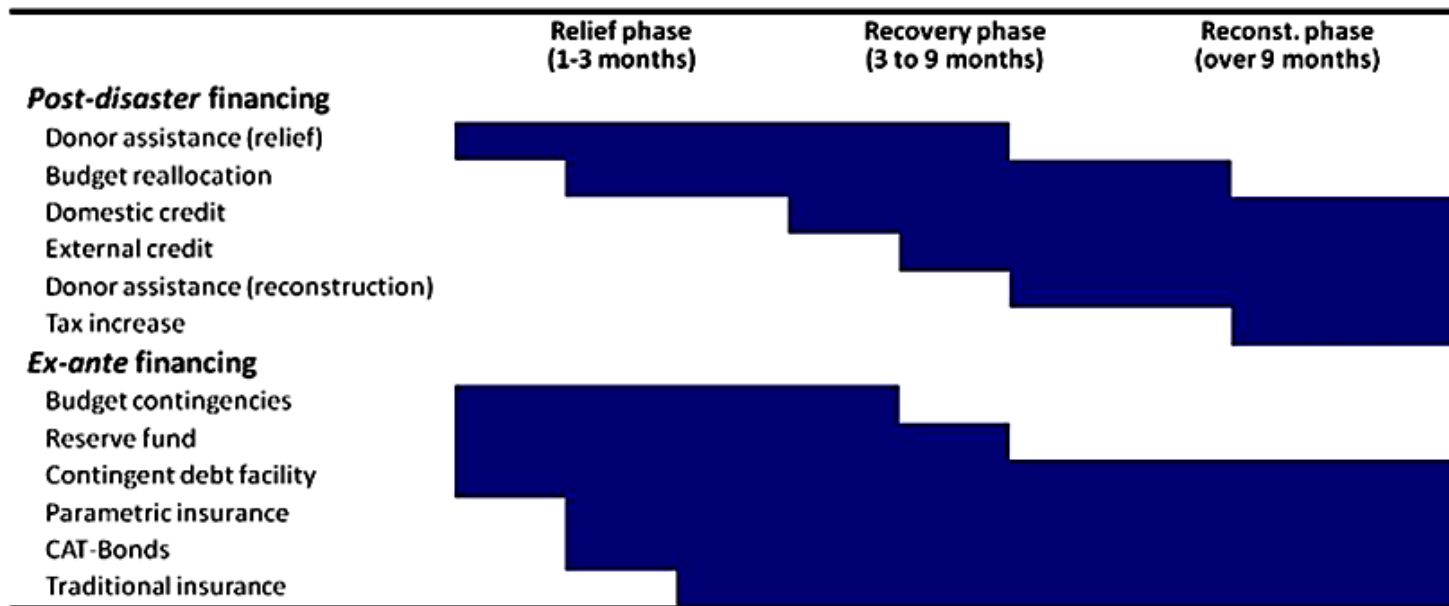
<b>Approaches</b>	<b>Examples of Instruments</b>
<b>Non-market risk transfer</b>	Government assistance (taxes) for private and public sector relief and reconstruction funding Kinship arrangements Some mutual insurance arrangements Donor Assistance
<b>Market risk transfer</b>	Insurance and reinsurance, Micro insurance, Financial market instruments: Catastrophe bonds, Weather derivatives
<b>Inter-temporal risk spreading</b>	Contingent credit (financial market instrument), Reserve fund, Microcredit and savings

# *Approaches and instruments for financing the risk of natural disasters*

<i>Ex ante Sources<sup>a)</sup></i>		<i>Ex post Sources</i>
<i>Instruments without risk transfer</i>	<i>Instruments with risk transfer</i>	
<p><u>Nonreimbursable resources</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>? Calamity funds</li> <li>? Reserve funds or diversion of national budgetary resources</li> <li>? Development and social funds</li> </ul> <p><u>Reimbursable resources</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>? Contingent credits</li> <li>? Development and social funds</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>? Insurance and reinsurance with damage coverage based on real losses</li> <li>? Insurance and reinsurance with parametric activation of payments</li> <li>? Catastrophe bonds with damage coverage based on real losses</li> <li>? Catastrophe bonds with parametric activation of payments</li> </ul>	<p><u>Nonreimbursable resources</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>? Emergency donations</li> <li>? Taxes</li> </ul> <p><u>Reimbursable resources</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>? Emergency credits (for example the IDB's Emergency Reconstruction Mechanism)</li> <li>? Reconstruction loans</li> <li>? Reformulation of existing loans</li> </ul>

# Approaches and instruments for financing the risk of natural disasters

Ghesquiere and Mahul (2010) provides an assessment of the time necessary to mobilize funds through these instruments



# | Fifth Part

## Case study: Climate change adaptation in the protected areas between Drini-Mati River (Albania)

\*A task performed within the project "Identification and Implementation of Adaptation Response Measures in the Drini - Mati River Deltas" – A project funded by the GEF and implemented by the Ministry of Environment and the UNDP Climate Change Program in Albania



# Context of development of an adaptation project

- *Post communist country*
- *After 1990 - complex environmental problems arise*
- *Causes:*
  - the retreat of the state from its regulatory role
  - the increasingly individualistic behavior of the population
  - the low level of awareness about environmental issues
  - chaotic urban development
- *Very recent environmental policy – still under development*
- *Aspiration to join the EU – driver of environmental movement*

# Some general data



**Population:** 2.9 Millions people

**Capital:** Tirana

**Regime:** Parliamentary democracy and a transition economy

**GDP (2016):** \$11.8 billion

**GDP Growth (2016):** 3.8%

**Inflation:** 3.4%

**Area (sq.km):** 28750

**Main economic sectors:** Tourism, agriculture, services

# Climate change action within the environmental policy

- *Climate change issues are being discussed in the environmental policy in Albania*
- *A National Adaptation Plan have been drafted*
- *Three National Communication to the IPCC have been prepared and published*
- *New environmental legislation has included articles about climate change mitigation and adaptation*

# Background information on the project and the protected area

- The Drini and Mati River Deltas (DMRD) are 2 of 3 deltas found on the northern Adriatic coast of Albania, which harbour significant biodiversity values.
- The DMRD has been identified as a region of critical vulnerability to climate change and variability.
- Climate change scenarios for Albania have predicted an increase in sea surface temperature and sea level rise of up to 61 cm.
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- Serious stress on marine and littoral biodiversity as well as livelihoods of local communities.





# Communes within the project area



# Goals and outcomes

- Funded by: The Global Environment Facility, the UNDP, and the Albanian Government.
- Objective of the project
  - to build adaptive capacities in the DMRD to ensure resilience of the key ecosystems and local livelihoods to climate change.
- Parallel to the policy objectives, the project aimed at:
  - strengthening the research on vulnerability and adaptation
  - connecting scientific results with policymaking processes
  - enhancing local community dialogue on expected changes in ecosystems and their involvement in decision making



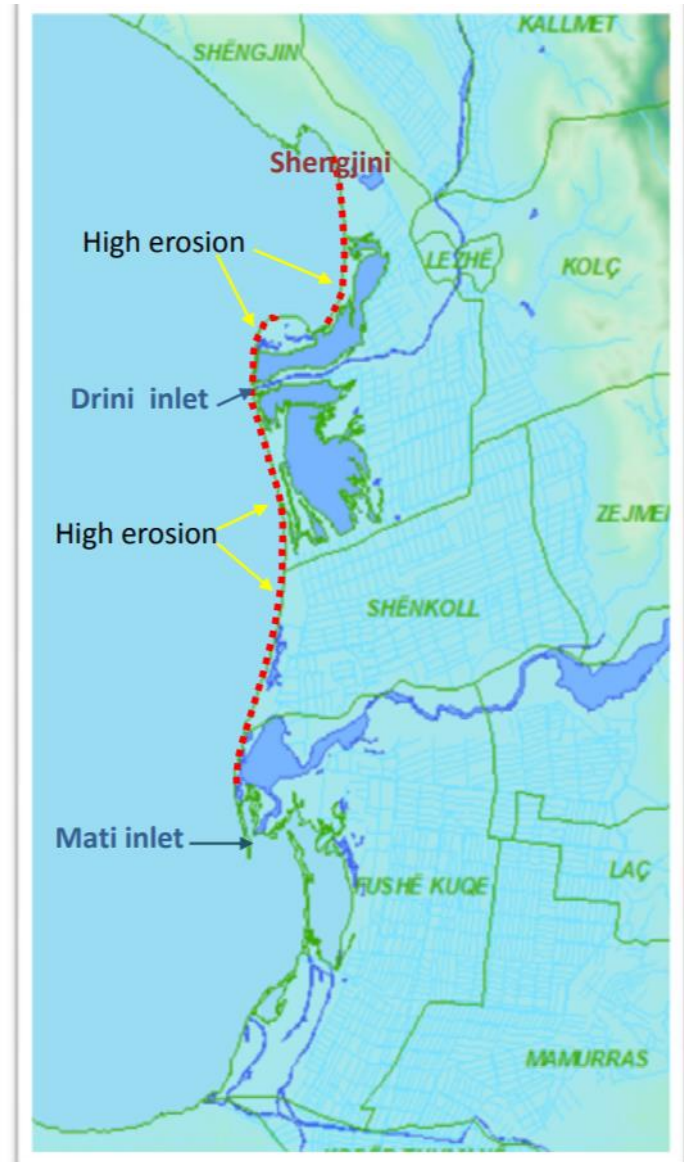
# Climate impacts in project area

- Sea level rise
- More frequent and severe droughts with greater fire risk
- Increase of the number of rainy days
- Increase of extreme weather events
- Increased spring temperatures
- Reduction in annual total precipitation
- Warmer winters
- Loss of wetland area

Parameters	Unit	2030	2050	2080	2100
Annual temperature rise	°C	1.2 (0.8-1.3)	1.8 (1.3-2.4)	2.8 (2.1-4.1)	3.2 (2.3-5.0)
Number of days with temperatures $\geq 35^{\circ}\text{C}$	Days	4-5	6-7	8-9	10-11
Number of days with heat wave	Days	60	80	95	120
Precipitation decrease	%	3.9 (2.6-5.4)	8.1 (5.5-11)	12.9 (8.4-21)	15.5 (9-26)
Hazardous precipitation	Days	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5
Sea level rise					
- Average scenario	cm	8 (5–14)	15 (7-28)	28 (12-53)	38 (15-72)
- Maximum scenario			16 (9-29)	35 (15-62)	49 (21-91)
Coastline erosion for maximum scenario of sea level rise	Ha	520	1450	2860	5350

# Pressure of the Erosion

DMRD ecosystems are subjects to significant erosion. Sea invasion, due to erosion along the Drini River delta was approximately 500 m during 1971-2005



Impacts of sea level rise and coastal erosion		2050		2100	
		av. min	av. max	av. min	av.max
Net loss of wetland area	km^2	0.14	0.58	0.41	1.04
People actually flooded	1000/year	0.019	0.040	0.006	0.007
Coastal floodplain area	km^2	56.14	59.20	57.19	65.95
Coastal floodplain population	thousands	4.14	4.33	3.99	4.61
Total wetland area	km^2	4.5	4.06	4.22	3.60
Coastal forest area	km^2	1.14	1.01	1.12	0.91
Low unvegetated wetlands area	km^2	3.37	3.05	3.10	2.69

# Projection of coastal line in 2030



Source: Ndini,  
Mucaj 2010

# Projection of coastal line in 2050

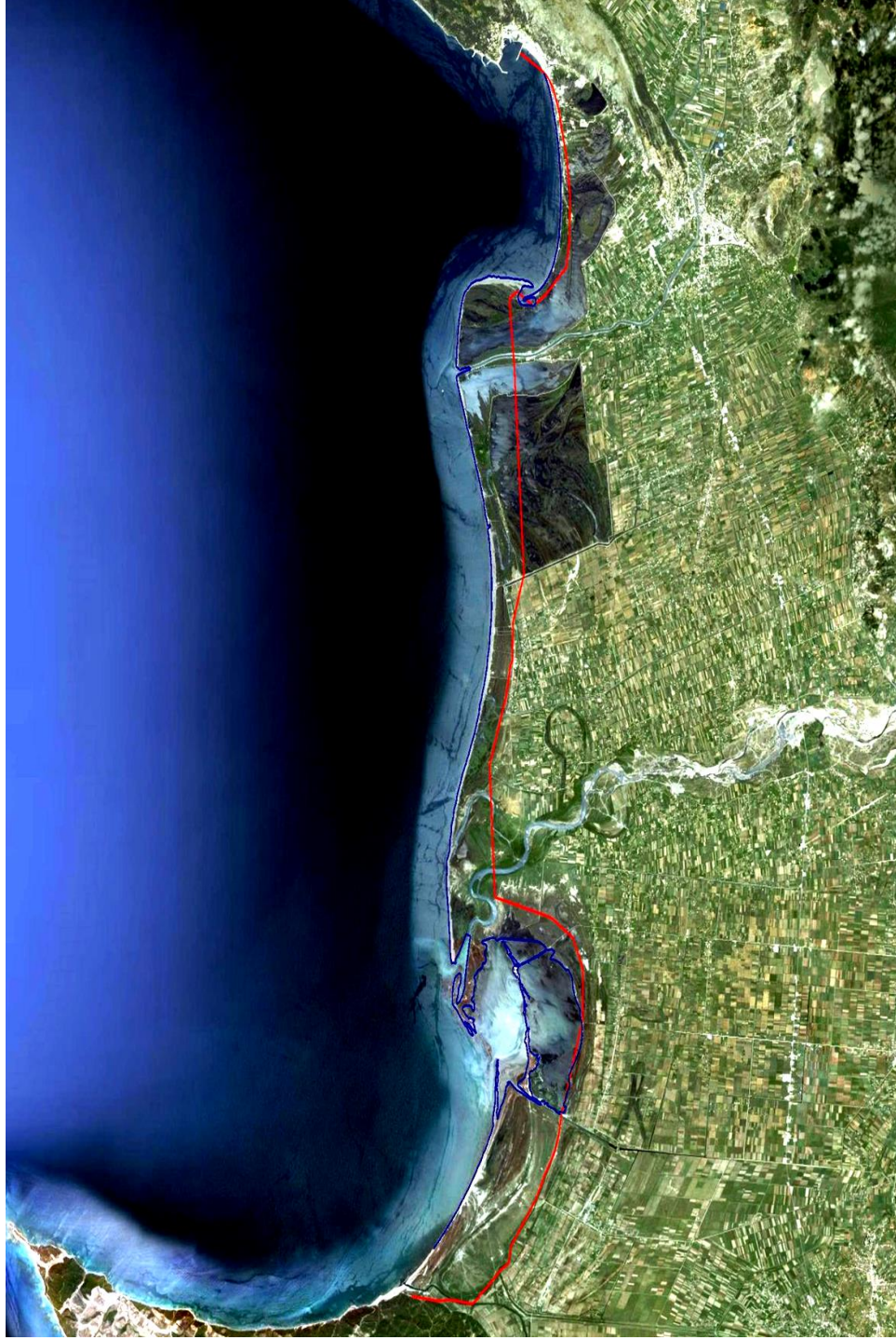


The most risked zones are:

- Both sides of river mouths
- Kune lagoon
- Patoku lagoon

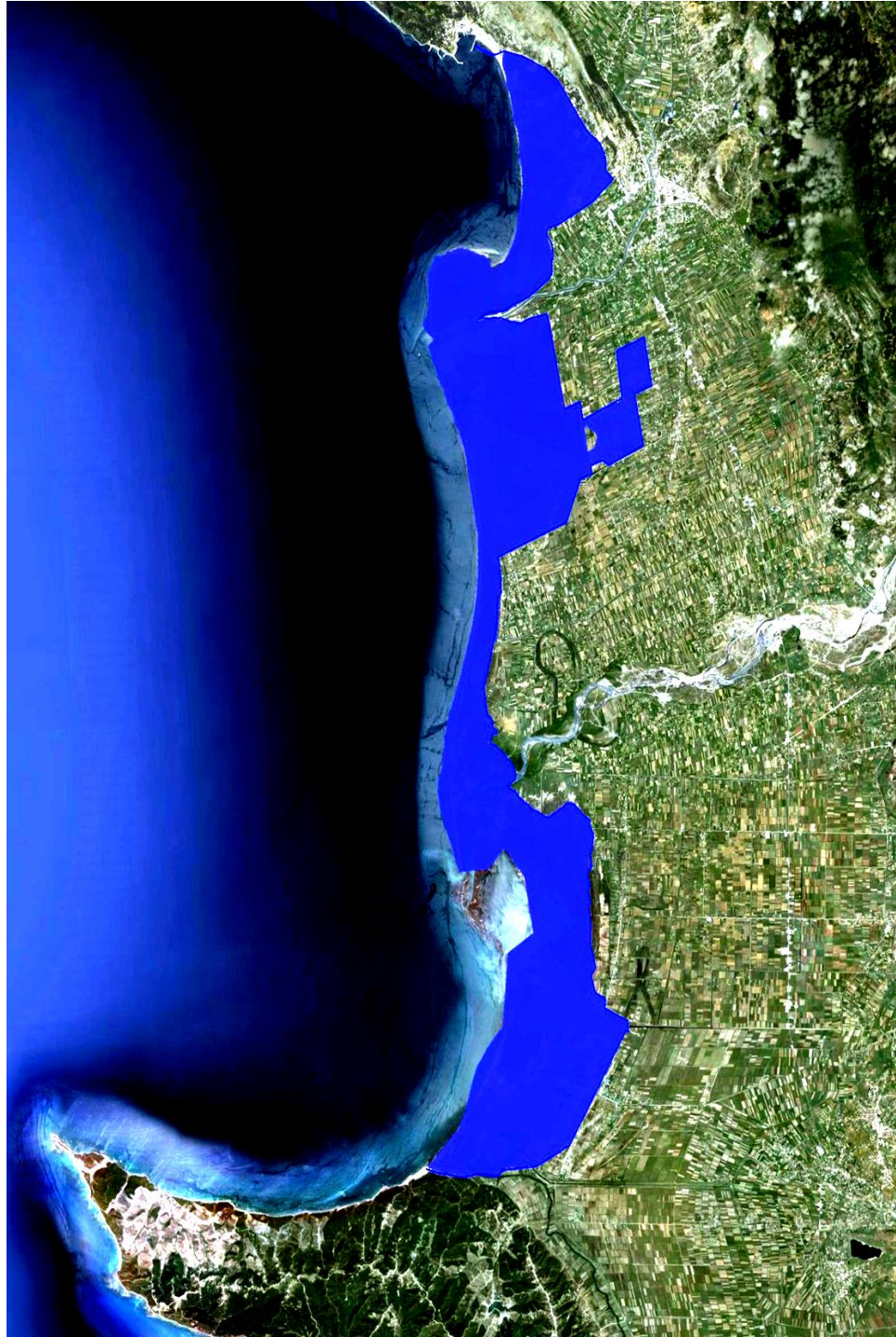
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# Projection of coastal line in 2080



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# Projection of sea level rise in 2100



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# Sectors at risk

- Biodiversity
- Agriculture
- Tourism
- Fishing
- Human settlements
- Ecosystem carbon

# Proposed Adaptation measures

- Adaptation framework
- CBA objectives
- Biodiversity measures assessment
  - Assumptions
  - Appraisal for each lagoon
- Community measures assessment
  - Assumptions
  - Appraisal for each commune
- Results and investment priorities

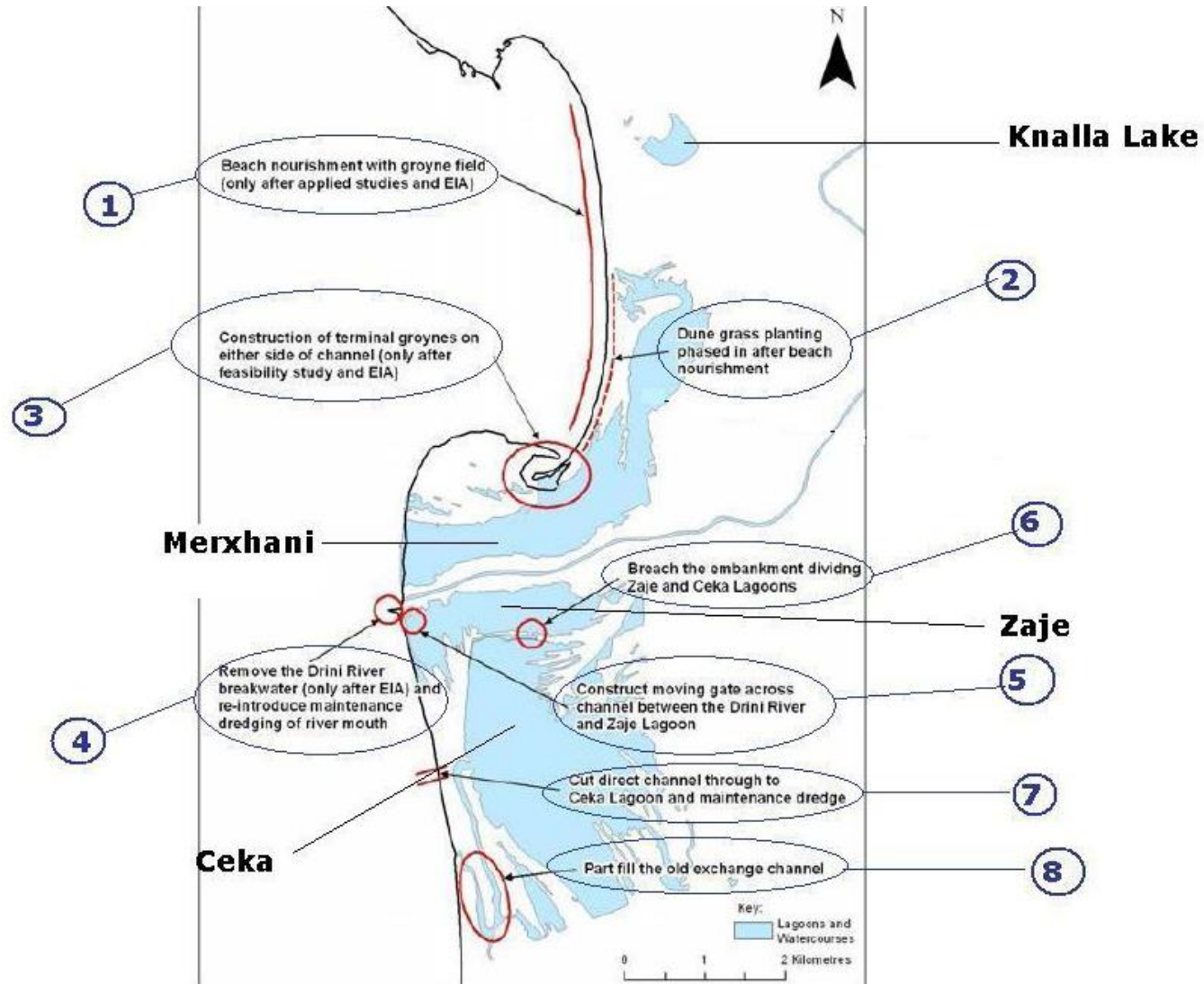
# Adaptation framework within the area

- ***Starting point - Strategic risk assessment:***
  - Identify and prioritise the potential risks of climate change to the DMRD region.
  - Identify and prioritise adaptation strategies to address the identified impacts.
  - Build capacity of DMRD stakeholders (regional and local) to evaluate the impacts of climate change and develop adaptation strategies.
- ***Objectives:***
  - Resilient natural environment;
  - Resilient infrastructure and buildings;
  - Resilient economy;
  - Resilient society

## Strategic risk assessment

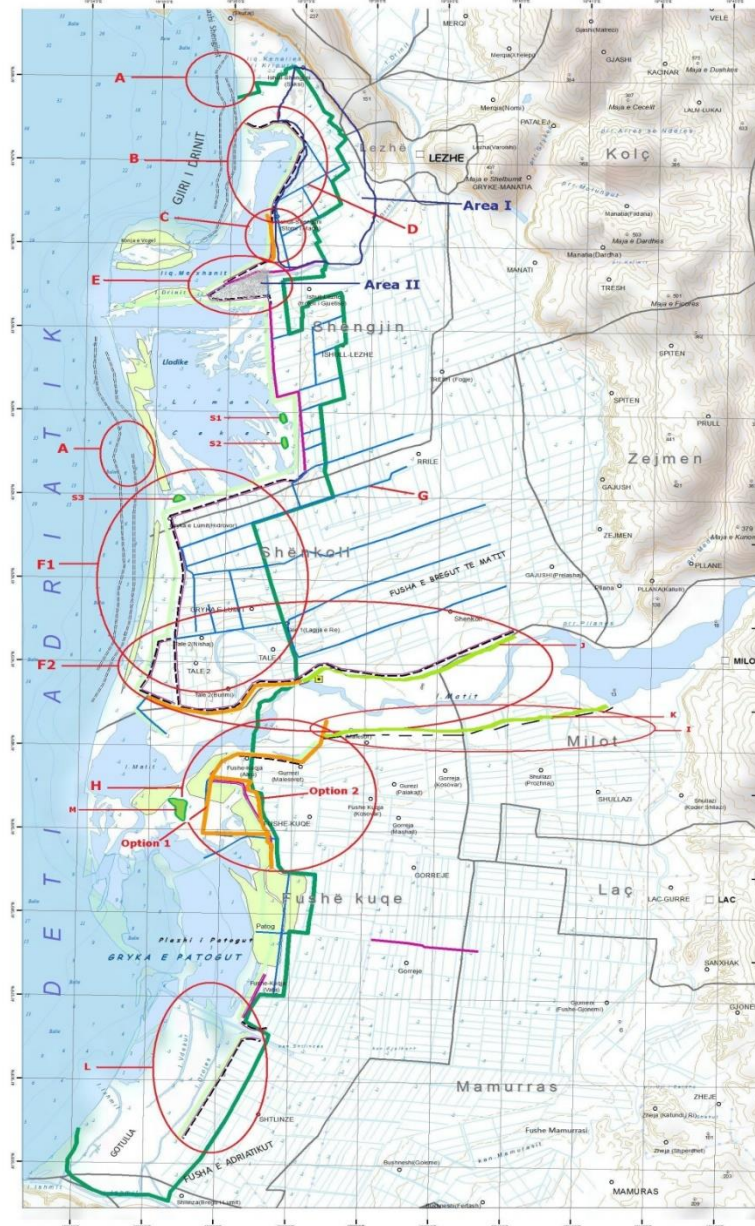
Impact category	Risk ID	Consequence	Likelihood rating	Consequence rating	Risk rating	Controls
Ecosystems	Population and species extinctions Increasing of invasive types	Biodiversity loss	Likely	Major	High	2
		Reduced ecotourism that indicate to MDGs	Likely	Major	High	2
	Reduced ecosystem resilience to stress	Increase in management requirements	Likely	Moderate	Medium	2
	Increased pressure on dunal systems.	Biodiversity loss	Almost certain	Major	Extreme	2
		Reduced recreational amenity	Almost certain	Major	Extreme	1
		Biodiversity loss resulting in regional species endangerment and/or extension.	Almost certain	Major	Extreme	2
	Increases in ecological disturbances.	Reduced recreational amenity	Likely	Major	High	2
	Fragmentation of habitats	Increasing maintenance costs for housing/agricultural buildings	Likely	Major	High	1
	Ground subsidence as the ground dries out	Biodiversity loss leading to peril or regional extension of species.	Almost certain	Major	Extreme	2

# Adaptation proposals: Biodiversity



# Adaptation proposals to Community

Identification and Implementation of Adaptation Response Measures in the Drini – Mati River Deltas



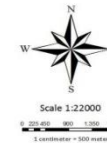
## Masat Adaptuese

### LEGEND

- City
- Village
- Railroad
- National Asphalted Road
- Well-Kept Gravel Road
- Seasonal Road
- Dwelling Area Road
- Canals
- Rivers
- Streams
- Tubes
- contours
- Communes
- Buffer limit of PA
- Proposed border of PA
- Existing Protected Area
- Highway
- Project boundary

## Masat Adaptive

- Hidrovore
- Stacion fenologjije
- Lartsim i rruge-argjinature deri 100cm
- Vija brqetdtrare qe duhet mbrojtur
- Dalgethese
- Kanal kullues: Pastrim dhe thellim
- Lartozim argjinature
- Argjinature egzistuese
- Riplylezim i argjinatures
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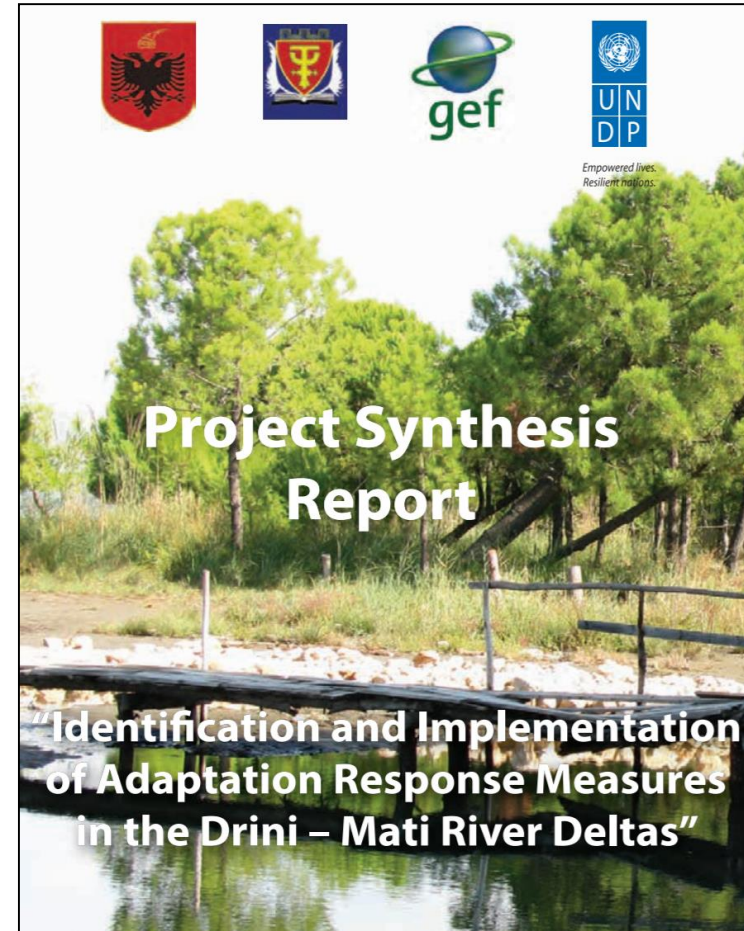




# More information

Project synthesis report, available at:

Other information and documents available at:

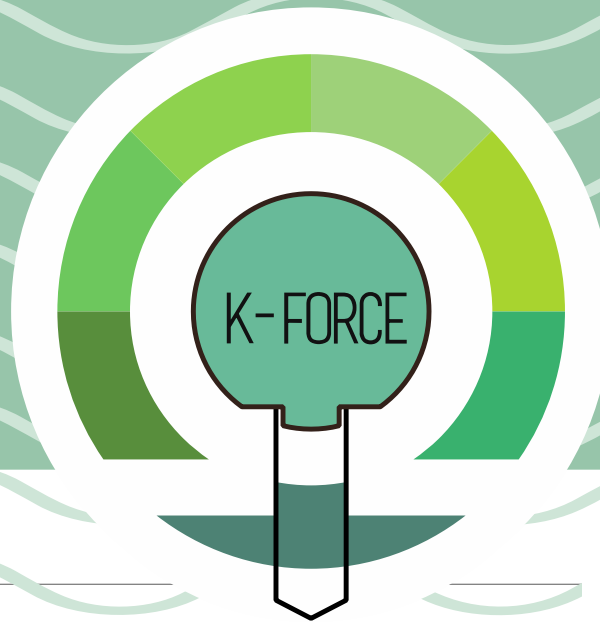


**| Sixth Part  
Research and Disaster Risk  
Management**

# *Choices and Strategies of research*

- Research Choice
  - Qualitative vs Quantitative
  - Multi and Mixed Methods
- Research Strategy
  - Survey
  - Case study research
- Data collection
  - Questionnaires
  - Interviews
  - Secondary data
  - Observation
- Topics:
  - Multidisciplinary
  - Technical impact
  - Economic impact
  - Behavior
- Local/Regonal/International
- Research Objectives
  - Research around objects
  - Research around people
  - Comparative research
- Research Output
  - Recommendations
  - Public policies
  - Risk communication
- Research tools
  - Comparative research
  - Cost Benefit analysis
  - Technical analysis
  - Financial analysis
  - Decision making





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