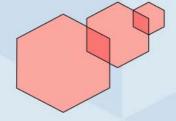
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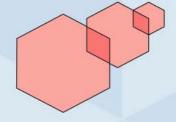
Training Programme (UNU-ISP)



- UNU with its links to both academia and government agencies is in a unique position to carry out effective capacity development programmes involving both academia and implementing agencies
- From an expert meeting in 2003 to which 15 countries of the Asia Pacific region participated, a joint action programme focusing on assessing extreme flood risks and developing response plans was designed:
 - Building on case studies a training program comprising of 3 modules: <u>rainfall</u> <u>downscaling</u>, <u>GIS</u> and <u>inundation modeling</u> has been developed
 - Training of trainers; Country training; Post graduate research



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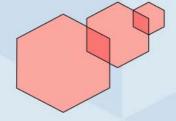
- Module 1 Downscaling system:
 - Use global forecasts (GFS data sets)
 - Weather Research and Forecasting (WRF) Model of NCAR, USA used for downscaling
 - Use for scenario modelling and forecasting

- Module 2 Inundation modelling & Flood damage estimation:
 - Hydrological models
 - Damage estimation models

Module 3 – GIS systems



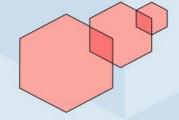
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- First training session in 5 countries in 2007:
- Organized by UNU (1.5 months in two sessions)
 - Resources from: UNESCO-IHE; Monash University, Australia; Nippon Koei Co., Ltd.; AIT, Thailand
 - Participants Faculty from a University and Professionals from the organization responsible for flood control - training of trainers
- Flood Web Tutorial available online:
 - Water harvesting and flood risk management
 - Floods and landslides
 - International river basins
 - Resilience of coastal cities



Risk and Vulnerability Training Course (UNU-EHS and UNU-CUSA)



- Objective is to offer a training courses for young scientists and mid-career professionals on vulnerability and risk assessment
- Offered at three venues:
 - UNU in Bonn, in collaboration with the University of Bonn
 - Disaster Management Training and Education Centre for Africa (DiMTEC) at the University of the Free State, Bloemfontein, South Africa
 - University of Novi Sad in Serbia
- Flood is among various hazards addressed in the course, building on knowledge developed through conceptual research and applications in various case study areas in different countries
- Contribute to Item #5 of the Action Plan



WISDOM project – flood component from UNU-EHS

- Dong Thap Province
 - Focus on:
 - Effectiveness and consequences of relocation
 - Living along new residential clusters on dykes
 - Methods include PRA and household surveys
 - Use of statistical tools
 - Vulnerability profiles



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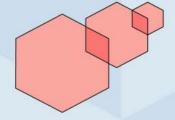
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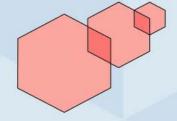
MOVE project – Flood component from UNU-EHS



- Starting point: No common framework for the definition and measurement of vulnerability with regard to its physical, social, economic, environmental, cultural and institutional nature
- Objectives:
 - Review and compare approaches
 - Provide a generic framework for the definition of the transdisciplinary concept of vulnerability
 - Different methodologies will be used to identify and measure particular features of vulnerability in a holistic way
 - Case study in Cologne-Bonn metro area:
 - Flood is one type of hazard considered
 - Example: look at environmental dimension of vulnerability focusing on ecosystem services
- Contribute to various points of the Action Plan



Synergies between Network Example: PEDRR



- UNU-EHS is a member of the UN/ISDR Partnership for Environment and Disaster Risk Reduction:
 - ADPC, GFMC, IUCN, ProAct, SEI, ISDR, UNEP, UNU-EHS, WWF
 - Objectives:
 - Promote and encourage the use of an ecosystem approach (where appropriate) in the implementation of the HFA
 - Guide and assist in the coordination of environmental efforts activities within the ISDR system
 - Promote the integration of DRR into the ecosystem approach as applied by the environmental and sustainable development community worldwide
 - Expertise from this network could be shared with responsible entities working on the accomplishment of the Action Plan



Thank You

