



Copernicus EMS in support of crisis preparedness and response operations

Copernicus Emergency Management Service

The long way to EMS

2002

Elbe and Danube floods a wake-up call for the EC to provide an operational service to provide support to flood management

2010

Three million people were affected by the quake in Haiti, with death toll estimates range from 100.000 to about 160.000. Many countries responded to appeals for humanitarian aid pledging funds and dispatching rescue and medical teams, engineers and support personnel.

“Strengthening the European disaster response capacity” is the European Union new strategy for the management of natural or man-made disasters, enabling the EU to improve the coordination of its response and the use of existing instruments. The Emergency Response Coordination Centre is set up at DG ECHO

2012

The Emergency Management Service is the first one to become operational in the framework of Copernicus. A powerful European tool to supports crisis managers, civil protection authorities and humanitarian aid actors, as well as those involved in preparedness and recovery activities

2013

Danube flooding affected Hungary, Czech Republic, Germany. Both EMS Early Warning and Mapping components contributed to provide support to the authorities and 100 maps over 22 Areas of Interest, starting from 10 hours after the event were delivered to the users over 10 days during the event

2015

The Nepal earthquake killed nearly 9.000 people and injured nearly 22.000. Copernicus EMS took part to the massive international effort to provide support to local communities and emergency response authorities.

Emergencies have no boundaries, from Space

What is the Emergency Management Service?



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Emergency Management Service



Copernicus Emergency Management Service

Copernicus Emergency Management Service (Copernicus EMS) provides information for emergency response in relation to different types of disasters, including meteorological hazards, geophysical hazards, deliberate and accidental man-made disasters and other humanitarian disasters as well as prevention, preparedness, response and recovery activities. Three modules constitute the Copernicus EMS:

Copernicus EMS - Mapping

The Copernicus EMS - Mapping addresses, with worldwide coverage, a wide range of emergency situations resulting from natural or man-made disasters. Satellite imagery is used as the main datasource. The service covers in particular:

- Floods
- Tsunamis
- Earthquakes
- Landslides
- Fires
- Severe Storms
- Volcanic eruptions
- Technological disasters
- Humanitarian crises



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Copernicus EMS - Mapping

European Flood Awareness System

The European Flood Awareness System (EFAS) is the first operational system that monitors and forecasts flood events across Europe. It provides its partners (national/regional authorities, as well as the European Commission's Emergency Response Coordination Centre) with a wide range of complementary, added value flood early warning information including related risk assessments up to 10 days in advance.



European Flood Awareness System

European Forest Fire Information System

Specific applications are available in EFFIS:



spots and perimeters.



European Forest Fire Information System

Current Situation

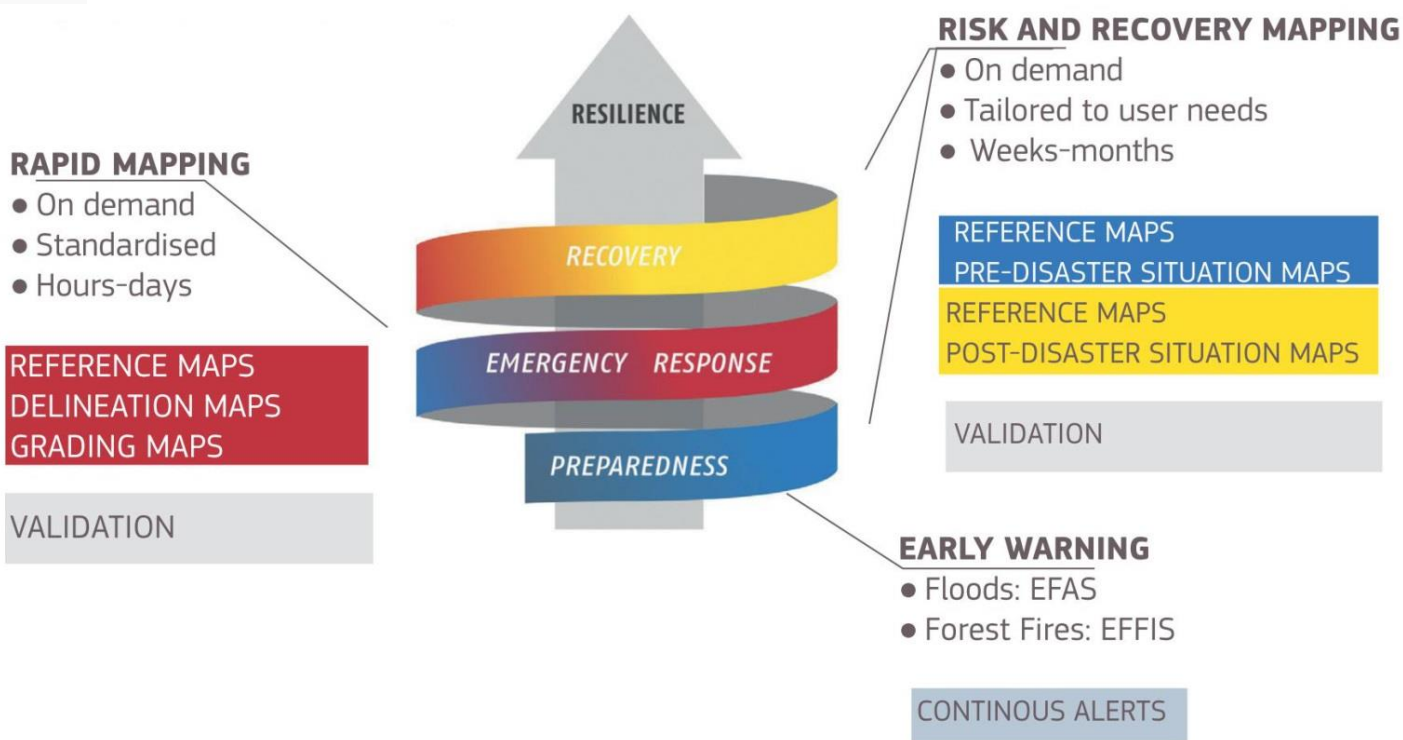
Latest data on the current fire season in Europe and in Mediterranean area. Today's meteorological fire danger maps + forecast up to 6 days, daily maps of hot

Fire News

News on wildland fires in Europe updated daily by the EFFIS team.



Copernicus EMS - components



EMS Mapping: what kind of disasters?



Rapid Mapping activations up to September 2016



What are Copernicus EMS Mapping Services?

Rapid Mapping -RM

On-demand and fast provision (within hours or days) of geospatial information in support of emergency management activities immediately following an emergency event such as: natural & man-made disasters globally

- More than **5 years of un-discontinued H24/365** operations
- 200+ RM activations and 33 RRM
- More than **40 worldwide Users organizations** triggering the service
- Providing support in more than **50 different Countries worldwide**
- More than **2300 maps** delivered to the end users
- Accurate analysis and dossier delivered in RRM mode

Risk and Recovery Mapping - RRM

Delivery of maps and analyses within weeks or months, in support of activities dealing with recovery, reconstruction, disaster risk reduction, preparedness and prevention



The EMS Mapping operational actors

DG JRC

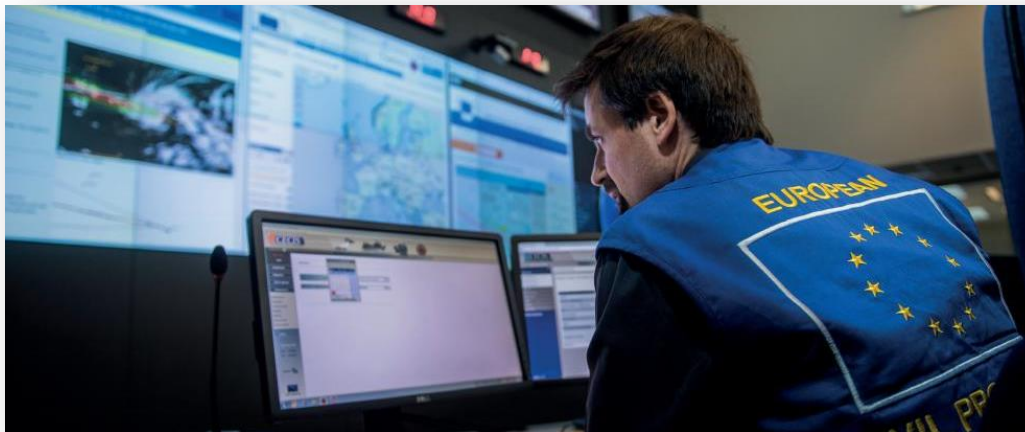
European Commission Joint Research Centre, technical supervision of the production, management of dissemination platforms

Authorized Users

Generally Civil Protection Authorities or other National Focal Points, they can submit a request for activation to the ERCC

ERCC @DG ECHO

The Emergency Response Coordination Centre, entry point for EMS activations, providing 24/7 response to all activation requests



ESA

Through a dedicated mechanism (REACT) the European Space Agency provides EO data to the service provider

Service Provider

Private and academic sector consortia in charge of the production

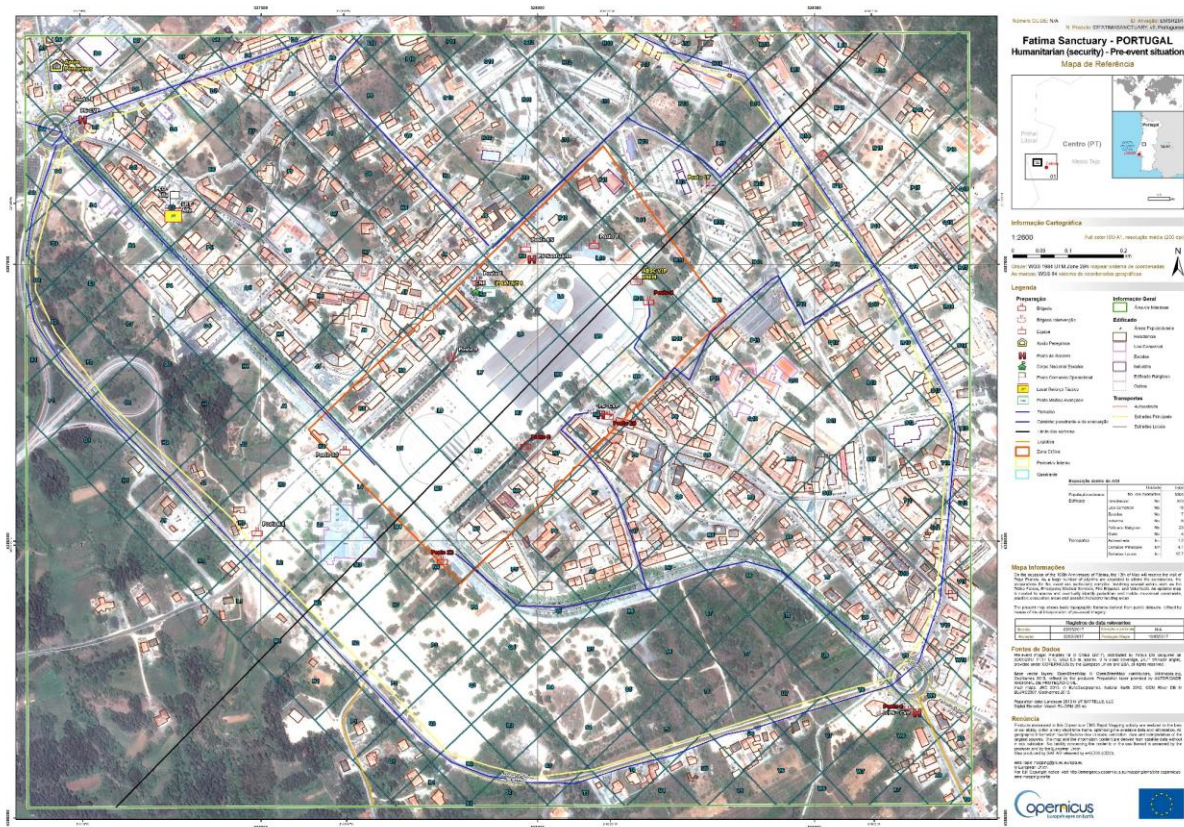






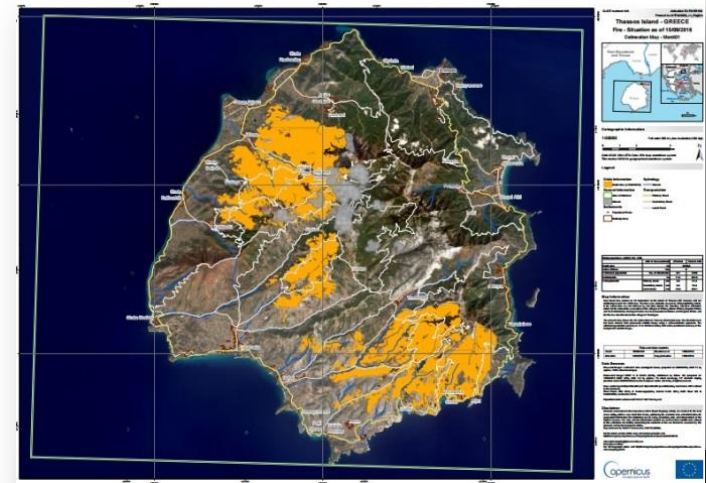
FATIMA ACTIVATION EXAMPLE

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Copernicus EMS Early Warning supporting fires management: EFFIS

- EFFIS is a system established by the European Commission as focal point for information on forest fires in Europe since 1998, currently operated under the Copernicus umbrella.
- EFFIS provides EU level assessments during both pre-fire and post-fire phases, thus supporting fire prevention, preparedness, fire fighting and post-fire operations
- EFFIS complements national fire information systems through the provision of harmonised data, methods and standards



EFFIS portal services

EFFIS | Applications | Current Situation

☒ Fire Danger Forecast ⓘ

Source: ECMWF (16 km resolution) ▾

Index: Fire Weather Index (FWI) ▾

Sep: 28 29 30 Oct: 1 2 3 4 5 6

Alert Fires

☐ MODIS ⓘ

24 Hrs 7 Days 90 Days

☐ VIIRS ⓘ

24 Hrs 7 Days 90 Days

☐ Burnt Areas

☐ Burnt Areas (VIIRS Active Fires) ⓘ

☐ Burnt Areas ⓘ ☐ Fire Severity

24 Hrs 7 Days 30 Days All

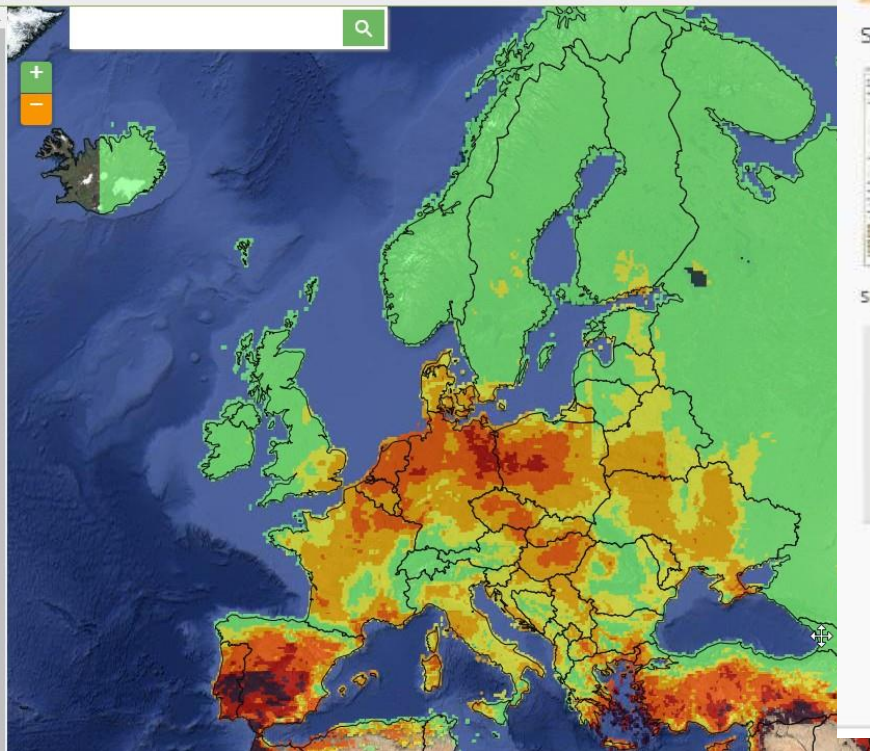
☒ Country Boundaries ⓘ

Burnt Area Locator

Country: ▾

Province: ▾

Last update: 2016-09-27
Start Date: 2016-09-25
Area: 1091 ha



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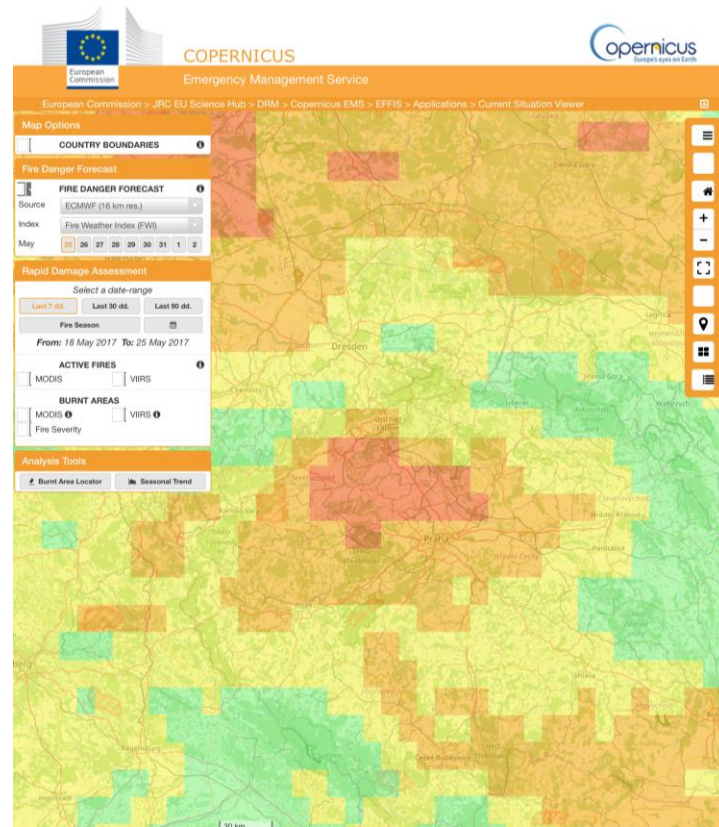
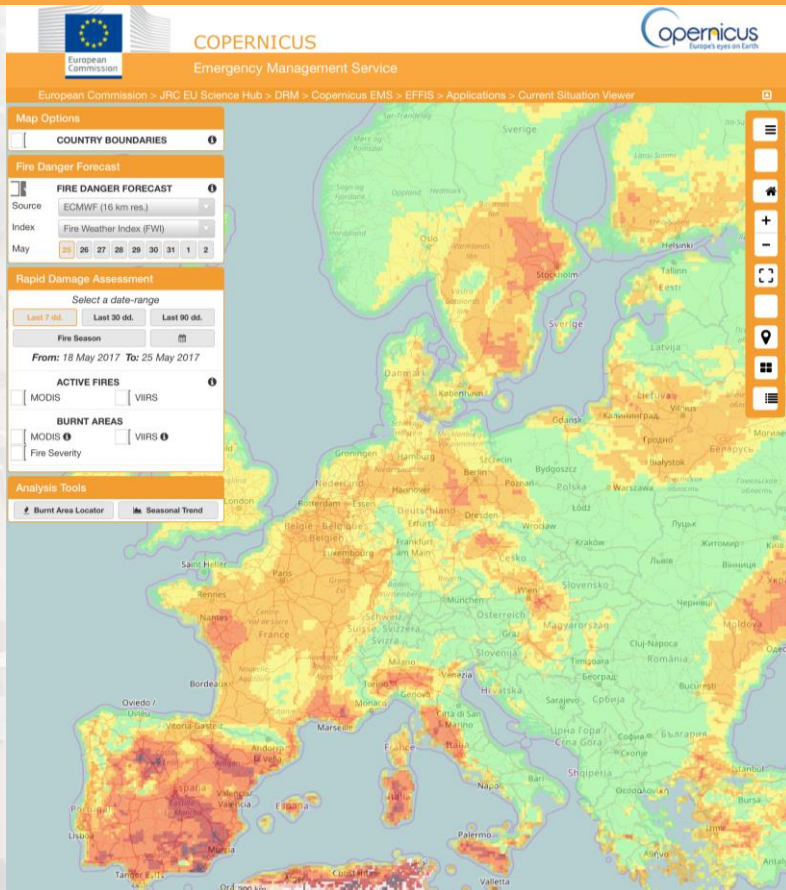


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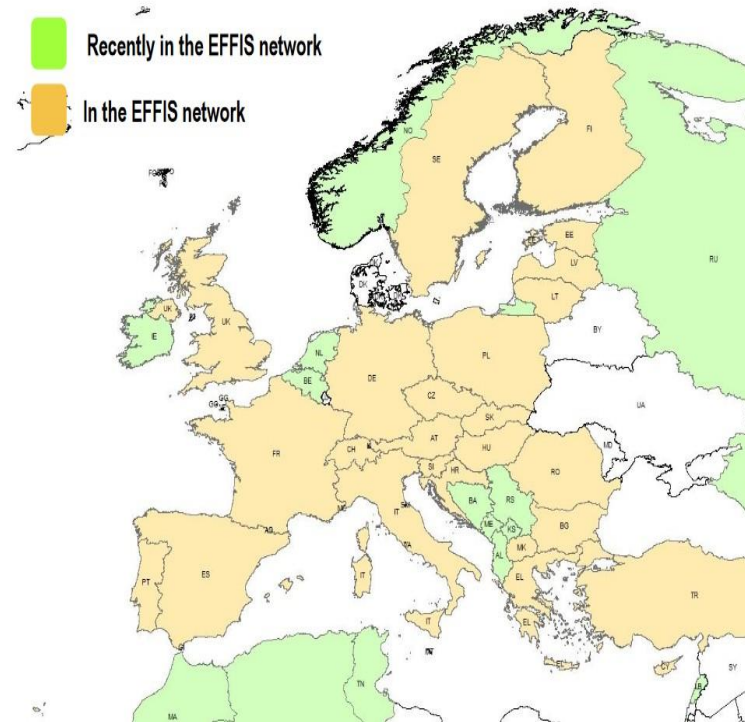
Forest Fires are not only in Southern Europe!



EFFIS – Users & Network

- EFFIS services and products are freely accessible via the EFFIS portal at <http://forest.jrc.ec.europa.eu/effis/>
- EFFIS users include:
 - EC DGs and Services,
 - European Parliament,
 - associated national/regional forest fire and civil protection services,
 - FAO, Silva Mediterranea,
 - UNECE

2016 - Network of 39 Countries, over 2.4 million records

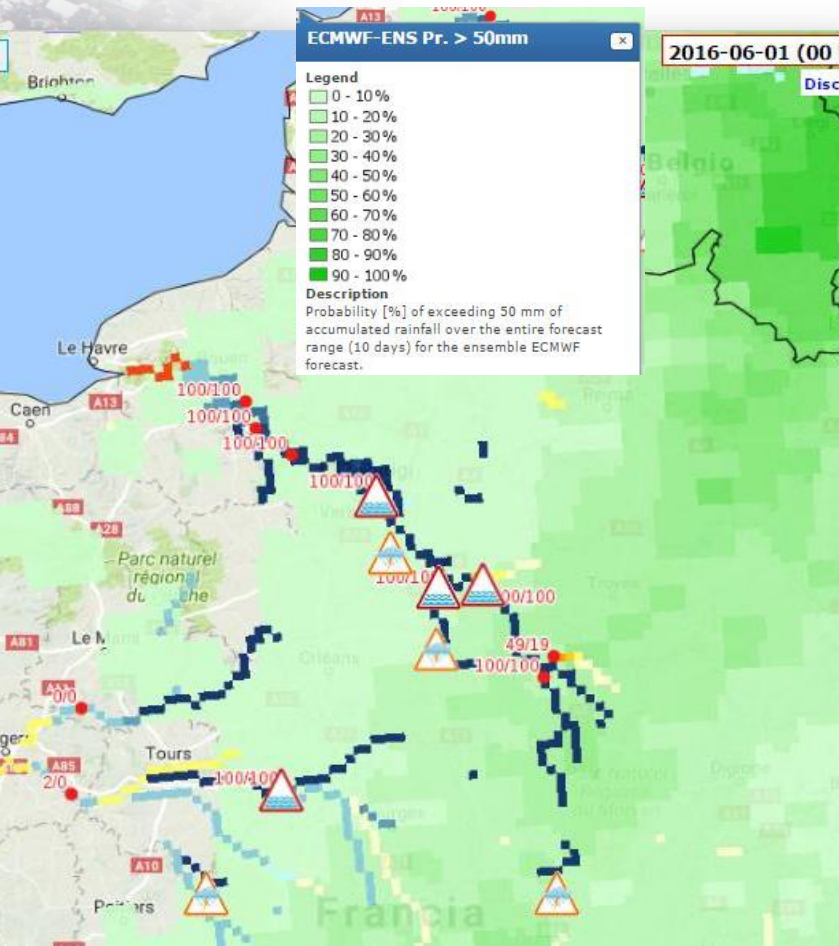


Copernicus EMS Early Warning supporting flood management: EFAS

- An initiative to increase preparedness for riverine flood across Europe and support the decision making :
 - EFAS partners to draw attention to an upcoming event so a country can make proper preparations in terms of equipment, and operational teams and responsible officers and consult local information regularly (MetService, observations, ...)
 - At the EU level to provide a congregated picture on a larger scale
- Provides flood early warning info for up to 10 days in advance, river basin wide, European scale
- Flash flood specific forecasts
- Bulletin and daily overview and notification



EFAS portal services



+ Flood summary layers (3/11)

Information on current and past floods situation: active information on alert areas, flood forecasting, flood probability and real time hydrographs

+ Hydrological layers (0/6)

Maps of the individual forecasts based on different meteorological inputs such as the ensemble for ECMWF and the COSMO consortium and the deterministic forecast from the German Weather office and the ECMWF

+ Flash flood layers (0/2)

Flash flood warnings are generated using the methodology of the Enhanced Runoff Index based on Climatology

+ Init. Conditions layers (0/11)

Maps such as the simulated soil moisture or snow water equivalent and associated anomalies, which are important background information when analysing flood forecast

+ Meteorological layers (0/8)

Accumulated rainfall and EFAS forecast consisting in:

deterministic medium-range forecasts:


- global model from DWD (German Weather office) and ECMWF
- ensemble forecast for flood warning times beyond 48 hours, from ECMWF and Consortium for Small-scale Modeling (COSMO)

SELECTED POINT - Close all

Country

Czech Republic

Logo



Agency

Czech Hydrometeorological Institute

- hydrological and weather-related warnings
- flood forecasts
- water levels and discharges

River basin authorities:

- Morava river basin
- Vltava river basin
- Odra river basin
- Ohře river basin
- Labe river basin



Risk & Recovery Mapping (RRM): The Service provides **maps** and **analyses** within weeks or months, in support of activities dealing with recovery, reconstruction, disaster risk reduction, preparedness and prevention

- **pre-disaster situation** when providing support to disaster prevention and preparedness actions (Hazard exposure, vulnerability, resilience, risk status, evacuation plans and modelling scenarios....)
- **post-disaster situation** when providing support after a disaster, such as reconstruction planning and progress monitoring (Post-disaster needs assessment, recovery plans, reconstruction/rehabilitation monitoring, including Internally Displaced Persons (IDP) and refugee camps monitoring)

Disaster types:



Flood



Storm



Landslide



Industrial accident



Fire



Volcanic eruption



Earthquake



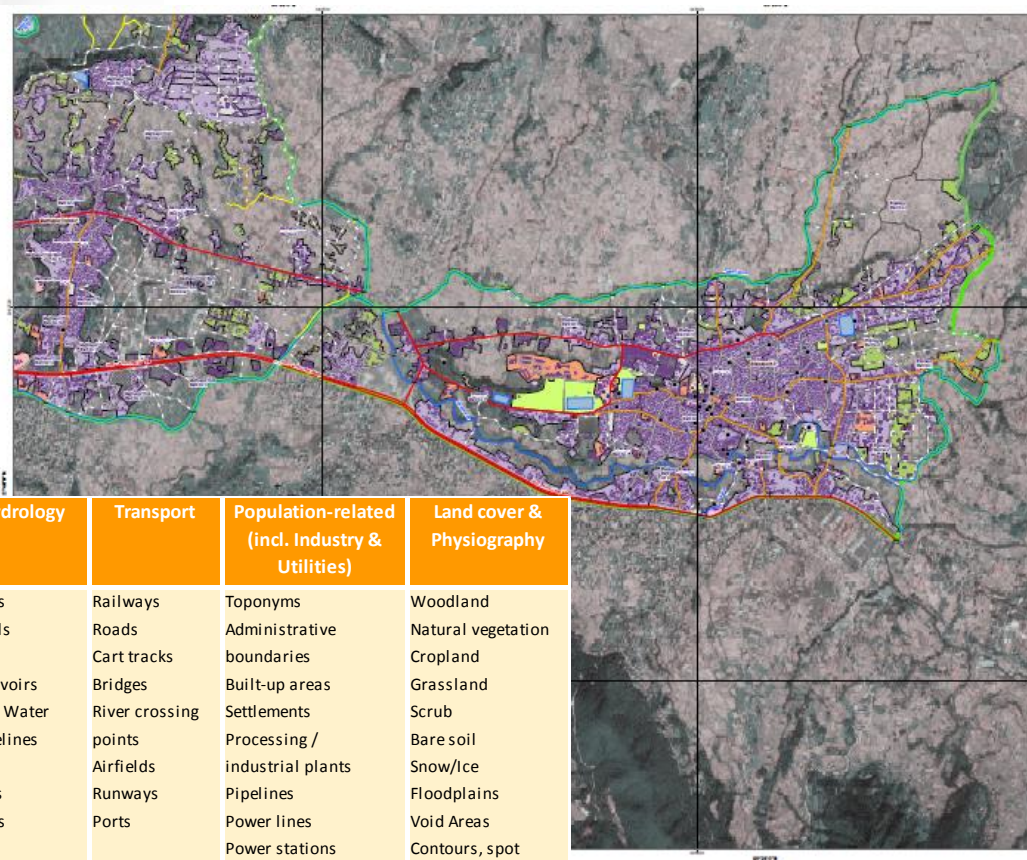
Other

Map Types

Three types of map are provided by the **EMS Risk & Recovery Mapping Service**:

- **Reference maps** provide a comprehensive and updated knowledge of the territory and relevant assets in a disaster risk reduction context
- **Pre-disaster situation maps** provide thematic information supporting planning for contingencies on vulnerable areas. Examples include hazard exposure, vulnerability, resilience, risk status, evacuation plans and modelling scenarios
- **Post-disaster situation maps** provide thematic information in support of post-disaster activities such as reconstruction planning and progress monitoring. Examples include post-disaster needs assessment, recovery plans, reconstruction/rehabilitation monitoring, including Internally Displaced Persons (IDP) and refugee camps monitoring

Reference Map



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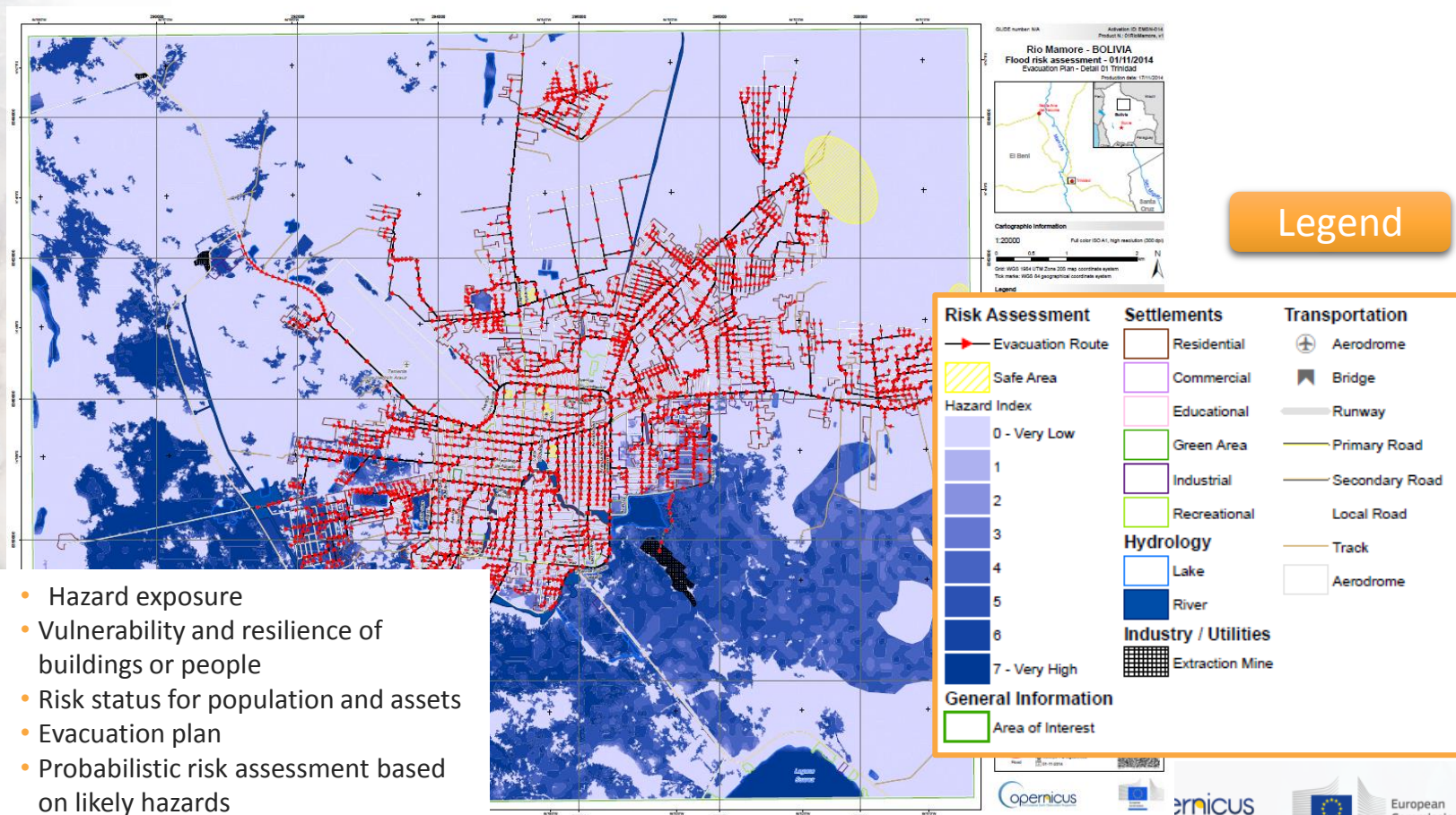
Hydrography	Transportation	Urban Areas
River Line ($\geq 150m$) Intermittent Perennial River Area ($\geq 0.25Ha$) Intermittent Perennial Reservoir Point ($\geq 0.25Ha$) Intermittent Perennial Ditch Line ($\geq 150m$) Ditch Area ($\geq 0.25Ha$) Ditch Area Natural Pool Intermittent Lake Perennial Lake	Crossing Point ($< 50m$) Bridge Point Culvert Ford Crossing Line ($\geq 50m$) Bridge Culvert Ford Tunnel Point ($< 50m$) Tunnel Line ($\geq 50m$) Airfield Point ($\geq 0.25Ha$) Airfield Area ($\geq 0.25Ha$) Road Network Primary paved Secondary paved Secondary unpaved Local paved Local unpaved Cart Track Trail Railway	Buildings Built Up Area Agricultural Commercial Educational Industrial Institutional Medical Military Other Recreational/Sports Religious Residential Formal Residential Informal
Hydrology	Transport	Population-related (incl. Industry & Utilities)
Rivers Canals Lakes Reservoirs Open Water Shorelines Dams Wells Ponds	Railways Roads Cart tracks Bridges River crossing points Airfields Runways Ports	Toponyms Administrative boundaries Built-up areas Settlements Processing / industrial plants Pipelines Power lines Power stations
Land cover & Physiography		
Woodland Natural vegetation Cropland Grassland Scrub Bare soil Snow/Ice Floodplains Void Areas Contours, spot heights Cliffs		

Typical key features

Pre-Disaster Situation Map

Application examples

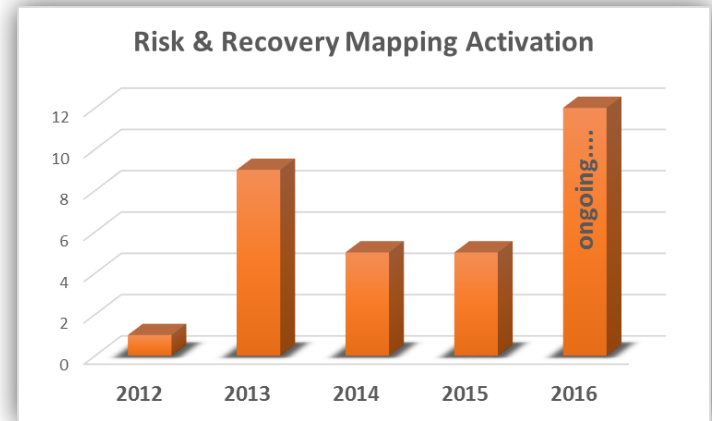
- Hazard exposure
- Vulnerability and resilience of buildings or people
- Risk status for population and assets
- Evacuation plan
- Probabilistic risk assessment based on likely hazards



RRM: The Service since 2012

- The Risk and Recovery Mapping service has been activated 32 times since the beginning of the service
- Member States triggering, since 2012 are: Greece, Portugal, Germany. Many activation were triggered by DG JRC, DG ECHO or associated users
- Calls for Expression of Interest were launched at the beginning of 2016 and 2017, addressing global stakeholders in the field of disaster management and civil protection and members of NGO's working in the humanitarian field, resulting in an significant increase in activation number

2012




How to access the RRM Service

- The Service can be directly activated by nominated Authorised Users (AU)
- Entities which are not Authorised Users and who wish to activate the Mapping service must contact their National Focal Point or contact the ERCC
- All Commission Services and the European External Action's Situation room are Authorized Users
- The AU must fill the Services Request Form (SRF) and send by e-mail to the ERCC

More information on the Mapping service at
www.emergency.copernicus.eu/mapping

Contact ERCC at
echo-ercc@ec.europa.eu

if you want to activate the EMS mapping

Service Request Form (SRF)  **Copernicus EMS Risk and Recovery Mapping**

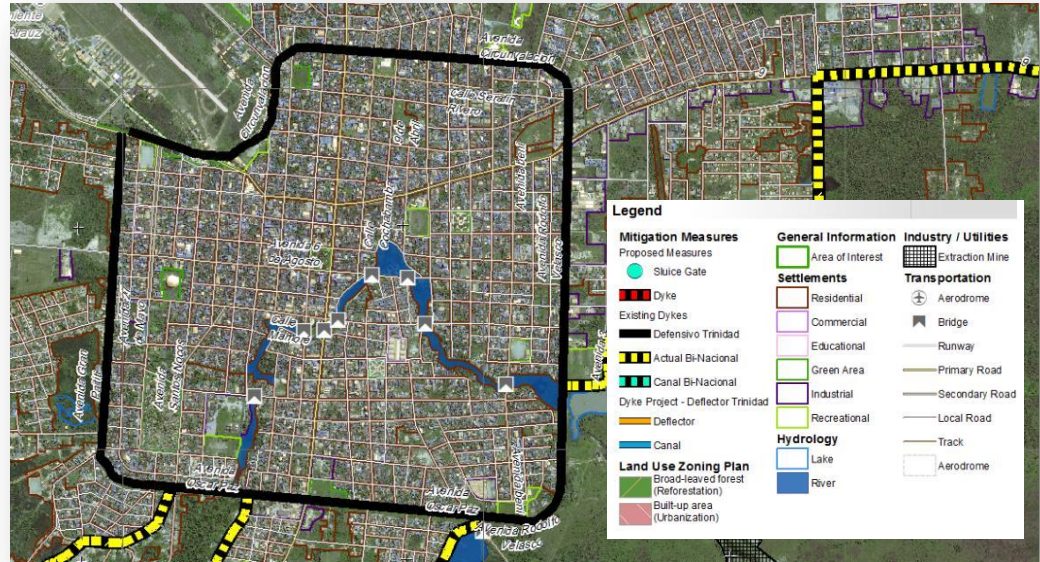
To be sent to the ERCC (Mon-Fri 9-17h) Email: echo-ercc@ec.europa.eu
Tel: +32-2-29-21112

Please provide the information requested in the areas marked in blue.
For more information on the service and a printable/editable version of this form, please refer to <http://emergency.copernicus.eu>.

Activation details	
Activating institution	
<input type="checkbox"/> National Focal Point <input type="checkbox"/> EC Services <input type="checkbox"/> EEAS	
Organisation Name:	
Contact Person:	
Phone:	(Office) Mobile:
E-mail:	Fax:
Date:	/ / (dd/mm/yyyy)
Activated on behalf of (if applicable)	
Activation details	
Region/district, country:	
Brief description of the activation: (event type, affected population, etc.)	
Intended use of the maps to be produced:	
Product Details	
Map types	
Please select the product type and provide a brief description/name (e.g. Earthquake hazard analysis for Teheran; Flood risk analysis for population and assets in Senegal; Evacuation plan for Haiti; etc.)	
Type	Short description/name
<input type="checkbox"/> Reference map	
<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-disaster situation map	
<input type="checkbox"/> Post-disaster situation map	

R R M : S o m e e x a m p l e s

- Floods
 - Bolivia : vulnerability maps
- Earthquake
- Reconstruction monitoring
 - Haiti
- Risk assessments
 - Earthquake preparedness, mitigations, etc..
- Nepal
- Forest fires
 - Erosion risk maps , land slide risk maps, bio-mass losses
- Humanitarian aid
 - Population density estimates and land use database
 - Environmental degradation around refugee camps



This map of Rio Mamore, Bolivia, highlight the existing and proposed measures for flood defense and was delivered as part of a series of maps dealing with pre-disaster preparedness and vulnerability analysis in the region

EMSN024: Basic European Assets Map



Event Type: Other

Activation Time (UTC): 2014-04-22 00:00

Activation Status: Closed

Affected Countries/Territories:



Federal Republic of Germany

Area Descriptor: Germany

Authorized User:

BBK Germany

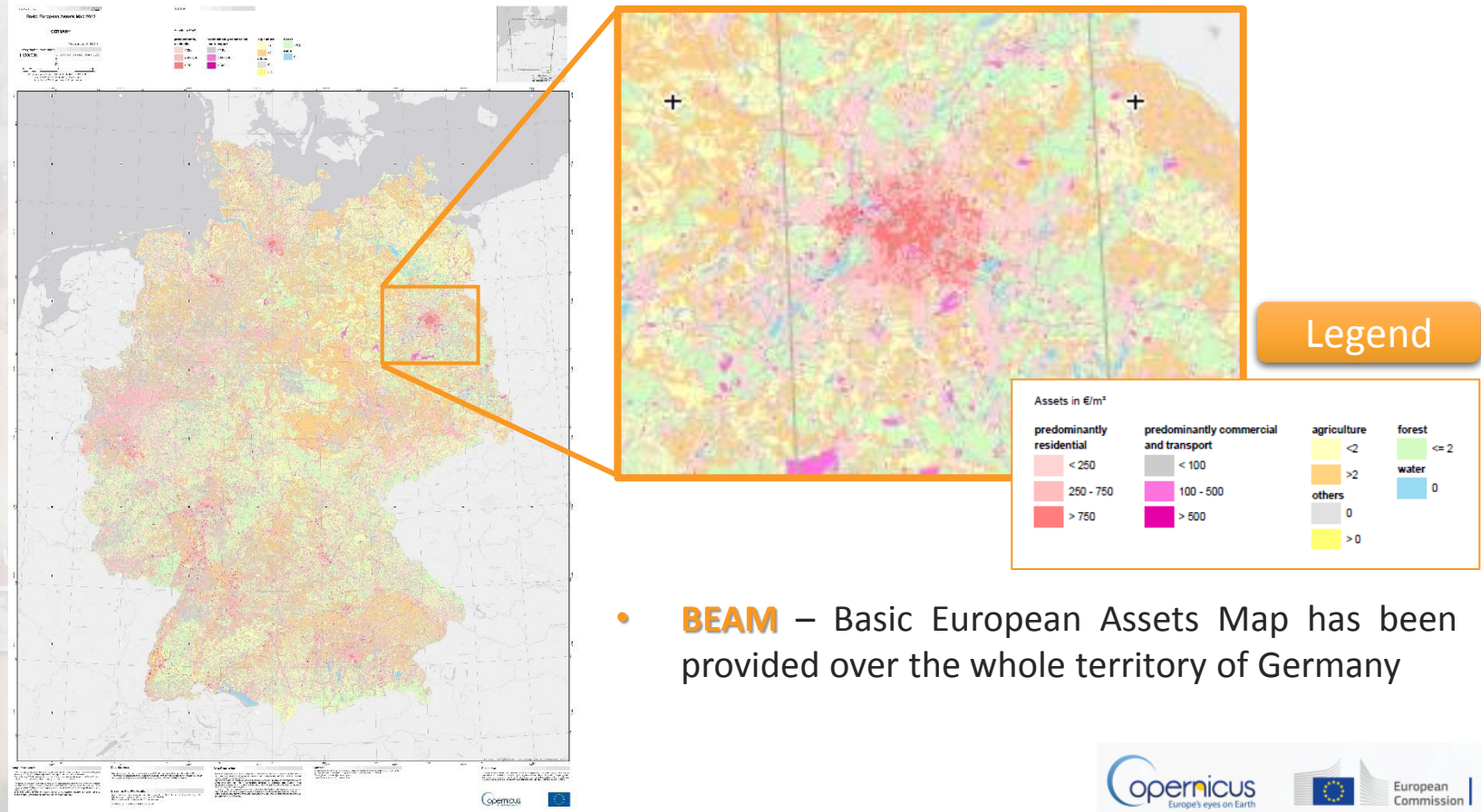
Activation Reason:

Risk analysis for natural hazard topics, damage assessment

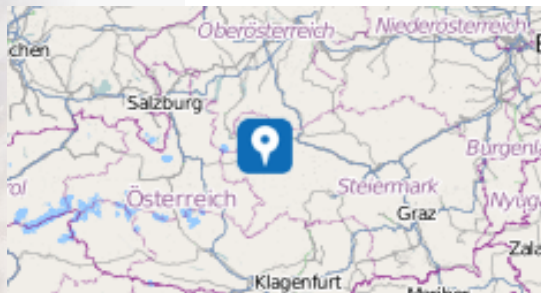
This RRM activation has been requested by the BBK (Bundesamt fuer Bevoelkerungsschutz und Katastrophenhilfe), Federal Office of Civil Protection and Disaster Assistance

- The **target** of the activation is to generate a detailed asset-map for Germany, expressing values in EURO/m2. Assets have been shown not only as cumulative layer of different types of assets (e.g. private households, industry, commerce, vehicles, agriculture, etc.), but as accessible single contributing layers as well, each of them expressing its value in EURO/m2
- **Intended use** of the maps is to **contribute to the national risk assessment in Germany**. It is a highly appreciated product as input for multi-risk and vulnerability maps
- The geographic extent covers the national territory of Germany

EMS N024: Basic European Assets Map



EMSN021: Earthquake risk assessment Austria – Planning and Recovery



Event Type: Earthquake

Activation Time (UTC): 2016-01-01 00:00

Activation Status: Closed

Affected Countries/Territories:

 Republic of Austria

Area Descriptor: Austria

Authorized User:

Ministry of the Interior, Dep. II/13, Austria

Activation Reason:

Risk assessment and mitigation measures

- Austria is situated in a region of low to moderate seismic hazard, reported as 10% probability of ground motion exceeding 0-1-0.2 g PGA (Peak ground acceleration) in 50 years (2013-2063). Despite this moderate hazard levels the current estimation of seismic risk is high
- The service implementation, refers to the analysis of the potential impact of earthquake activity including a number of secondary hazards, namely:
 - Landslide prone areas in built-up areas
 - Flood Risk originating from upstream blocked rivers
 - Industrial Accidents

EMSN021: Earthquake risk assessment Austria

– Planning and Recovery

The specific activation focuses on the generation of:

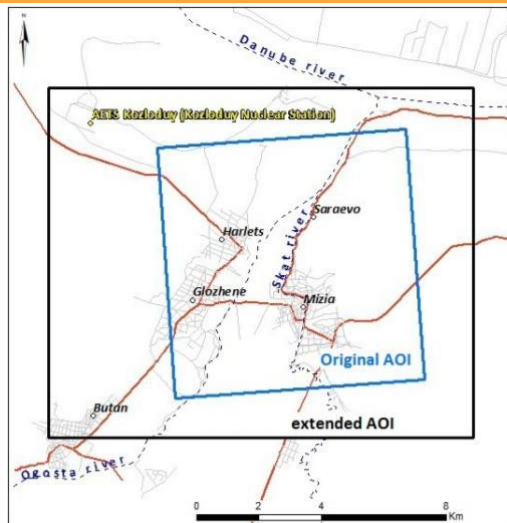
- **Risk assessment products:** Exposure, vulnerability and risk maps
 - ✓ **Hazard:** A dangerous phenomenon, substance, human activity or condition that may cause loss of life, injury or other health impacts, property damage, loss of livelihoods and services, social and economic disruption, or environmental damage. In technical settings, hazards are described quantitatively by the likely frequency of occurrence of different intensities for different areas, as determined from historical data or scientific analysis
 - ✓ **Exposure:** People, property, systems, or other elements present in hazard zones that are thereby subject to potential losses
 - ✓ **Vulnerability:** The characteristics and circumstances of a community, system or asset that makes it susceptible to the damaging effects of a hazard
 - ✓ **Risk:** Risk is the combination of the consequences of an event (hazard) and the associated likelihood/probability of its occurrence, (ISO 31010)
- **Mitigation measures proposal** with respect to all evaluated risks, evaluating and proposing adequate measures according to the encountered circumstances

EMS N021: Vulnerability



- Estimation of buildings' vulnerability
- Assessment of the seismic vulnerability of electrical, gas and oil utilities network
- The vulnerabilities have been classified in five different categories (very low, low, medium, high, very high)

EMSN022:Bulgaria: Post-disaster analysis



Event Time (UTC): 2014-07-31 00:00

Event Type: Flood

Activation Time (UTC): 2016-05-04 00:00

Activation Status: Closed

Affected Countries/Territories:

 Republic of Bulgaria

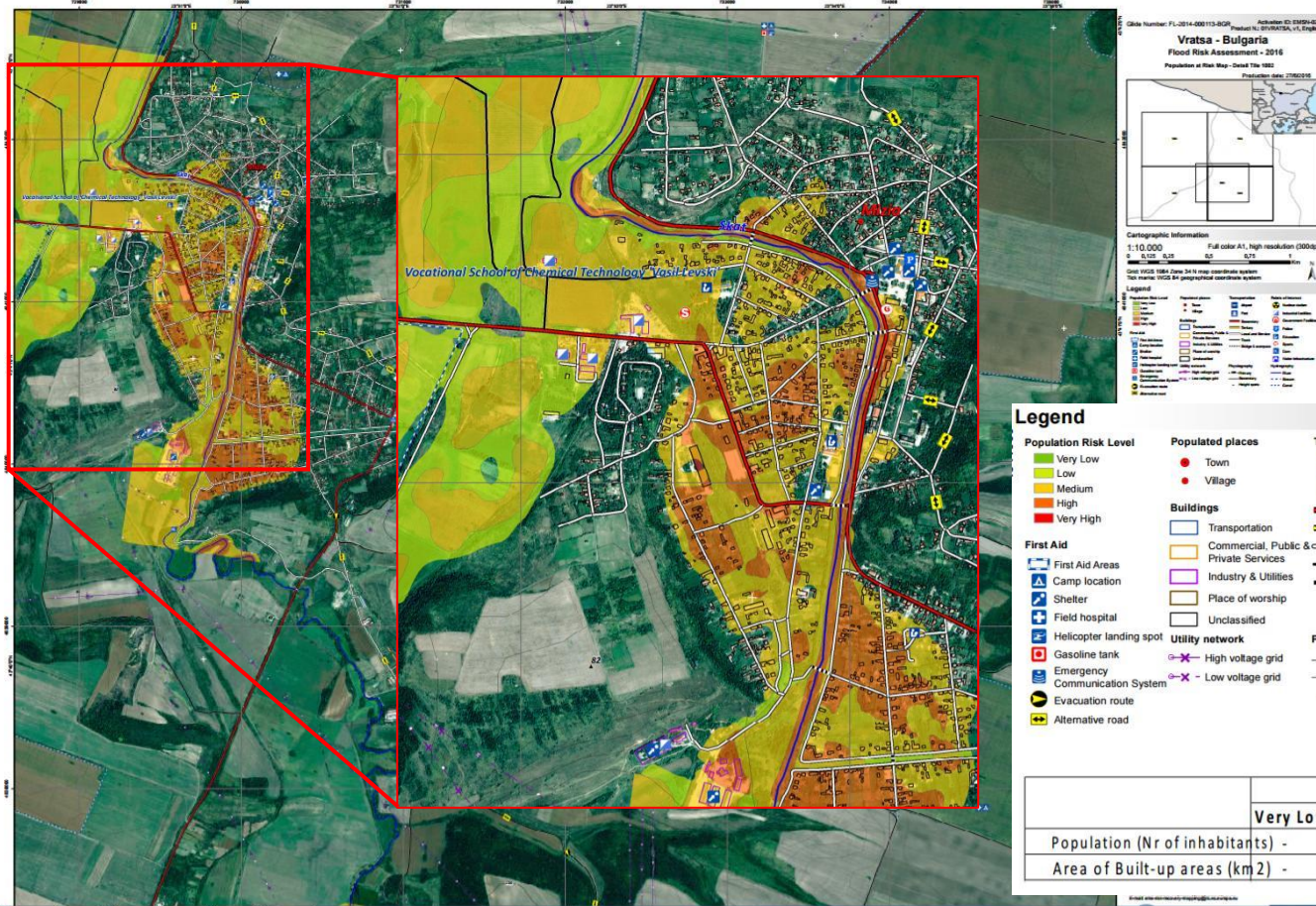
Area Descriptor: Mizia town, Bulgaria

Authorized User:

Earth Observation Center (SMC), Ministry of Interior,
Bulgaria

- The **objective** of the activation is to provide Post Disaster assessment of the key dynamics of the 2014 flood in the area and the resulted damages (sectorial), to elaborate Risk Assessment products and to propose Mitigation Measures
- The **area analyzed** is the Mizia town (Vratsa region), falling in the Skat River Basin, where significant surface run-off occurred in 2014 as a consequence of heavy precipitations registered from 31 July to 2 August 2014 (70 up to 220 mm. almost as much as 50% of the average annual precipitation within the Danube plain)

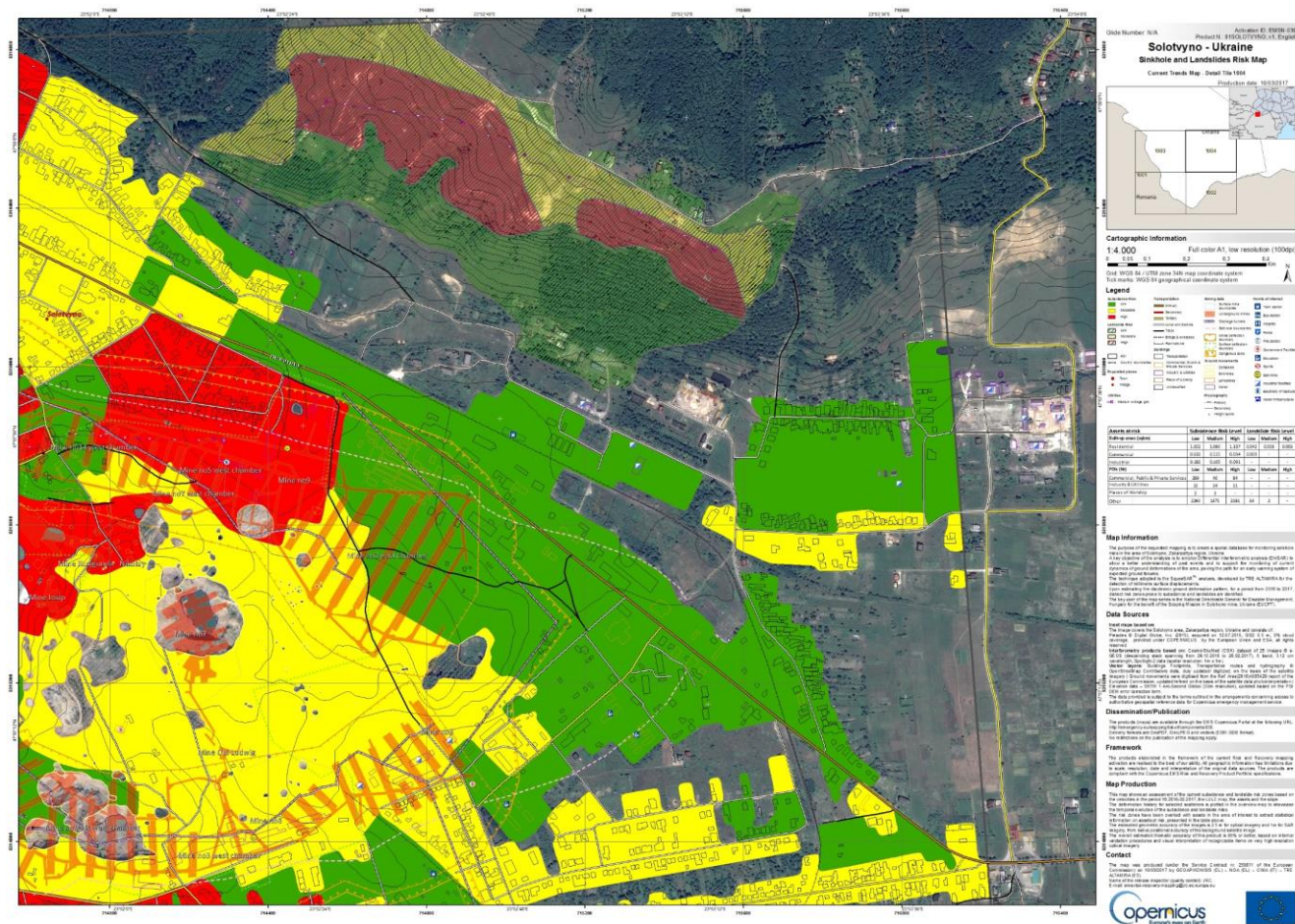
EMSNO22: Population at Risk - Vratsa



- Standard (aggregation) GIS techniques were applied at the census data layer, to produce information on population at district, community & block levels
- Assets at risk identified focussing on population and infrastructures



EMSN30: Landslide and sink hole risk





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