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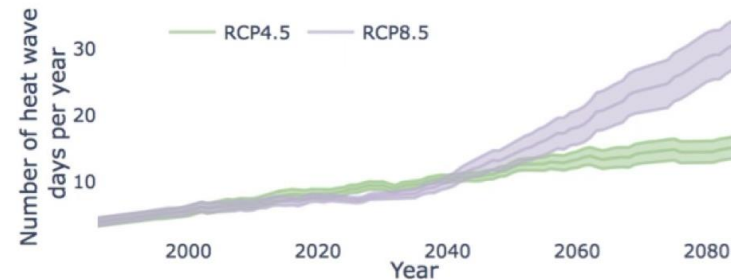
*CLIMate risk And vulnerability Assessment
framework and toolbox*

***Regional Risk Assessments
for Civil Protection and Climate
Adaptation***

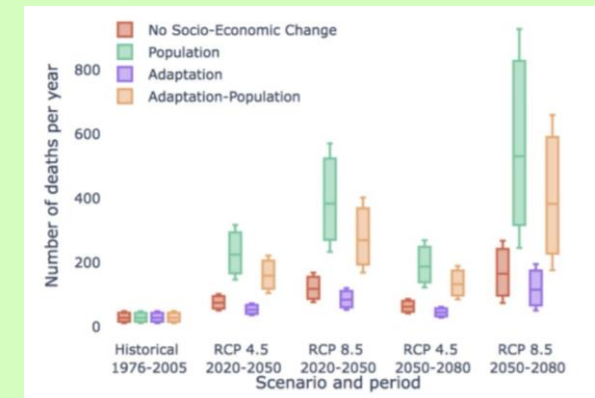
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PRESENT RISKS

INCREASE OF IMPACTS DUE TO CLIMATE CHANGE



FUTURE RISKS

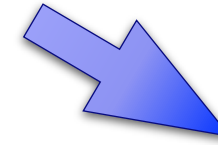
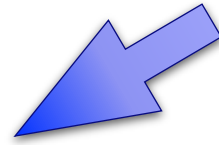


METHODOLOGICAL APPROACH for REGIONAL/LOCAL SCALE

ADAPTATION strategies to increase regional Resilience and Improve local Risk Management Plans

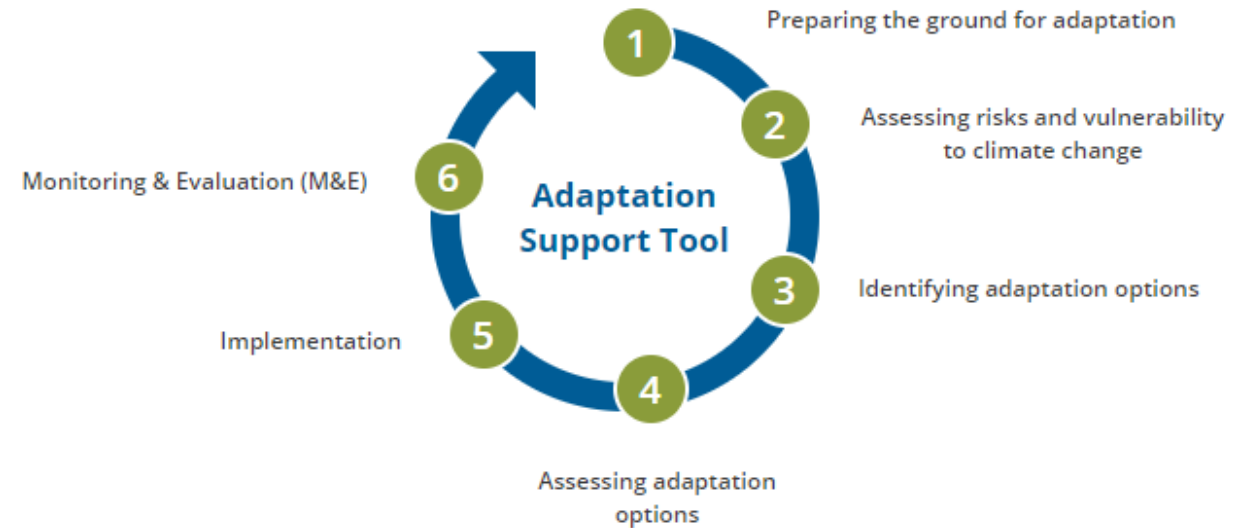
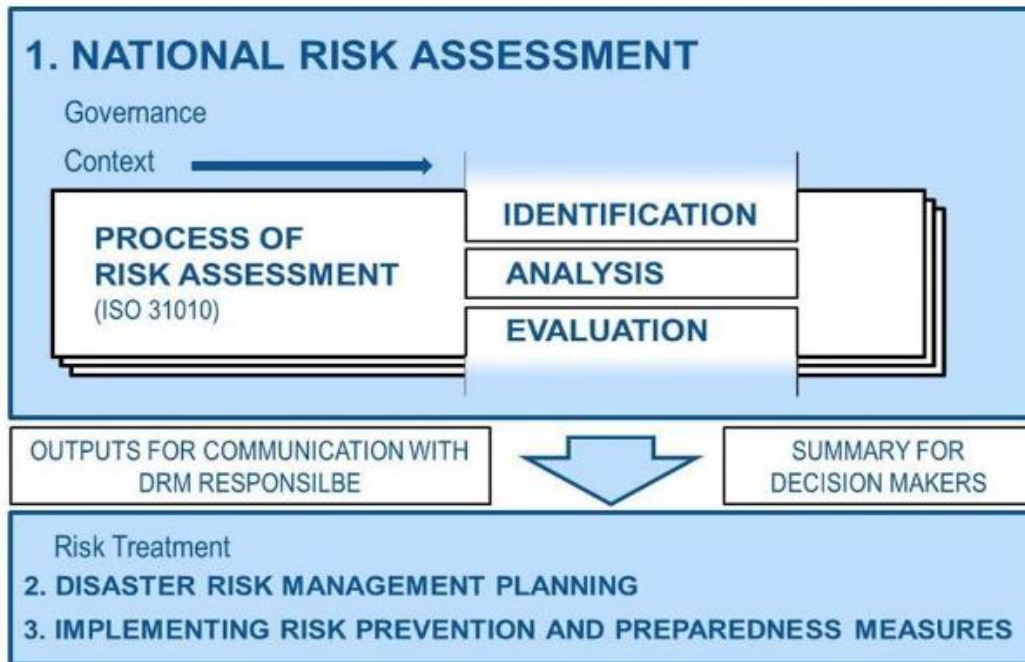


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Adapted Risk Management Planning for Civil Protections

Climate Adaptation Support Tool



<https://climate-adapt.eea.europa.eu>

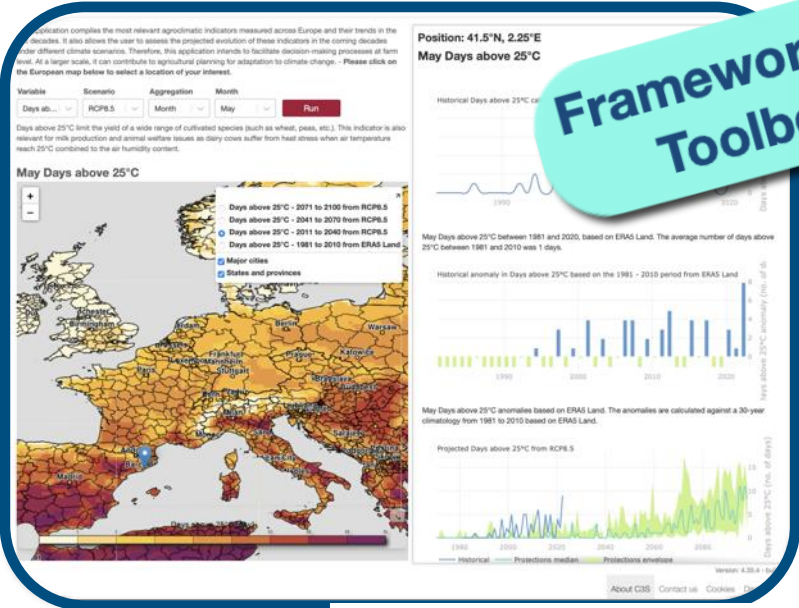


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Floods
Flash floods
Landslides
Wildfires
Heatwaves
Coldwaves
Droughts
Wind storms
Snow falls...

METHODOLOGIES to assess the Increase of Impacts



Framework + Toolbox

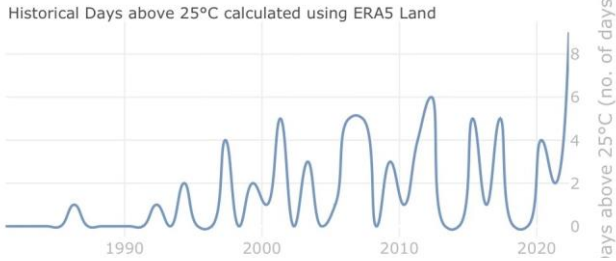
Position: 41.5°N, 2.25°E
 May Days above 25°C

FOR ANY HAZARD

- Define a set of Climatic Indicators related to the variables triggering the different hazards
- Be able to calculate them in the PAST
- And in the FUTURE (projections)
- Pre-calculate these Indicators thoroughly => **NON BIASED projections**
- Be able to easy extract and represent them at any location

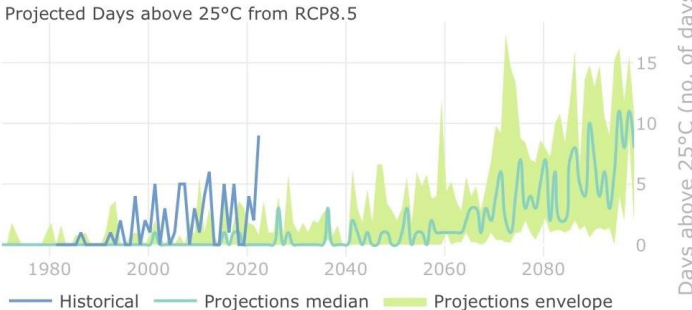
PAST

- ERA5 reanalysis



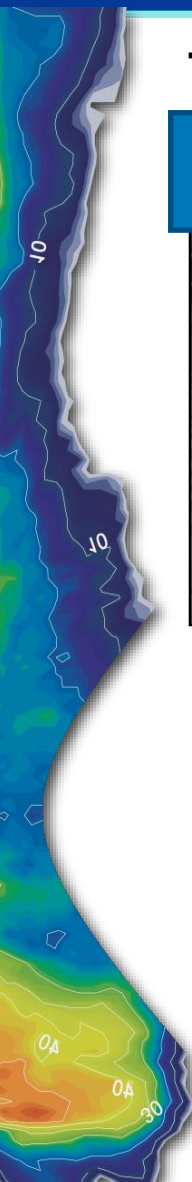
FUTURE

- NON-BIASED EURO-CORDEX dataset on different RCPs



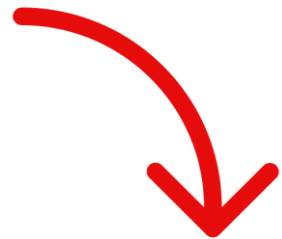
High Intensity Rainfall Floods

How do we manage the expected **change in frequency and magnitude?**



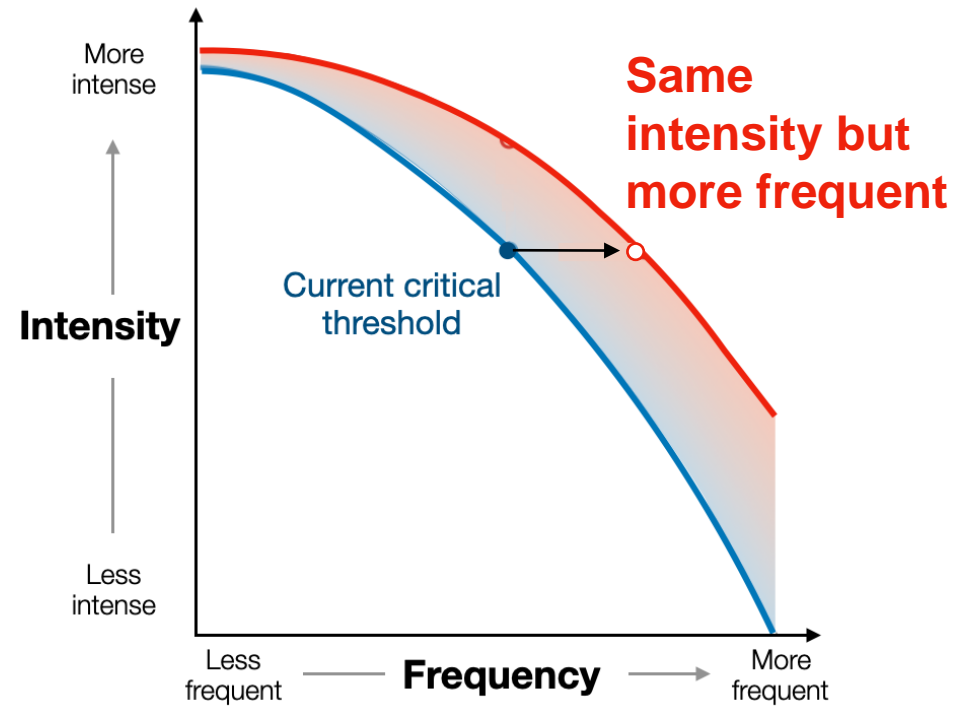
T > 10 years

30 mm/ 30 min



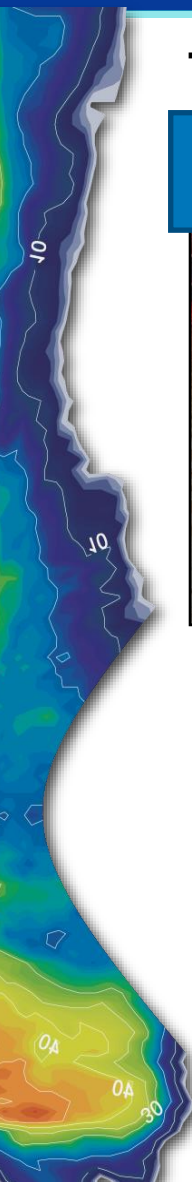
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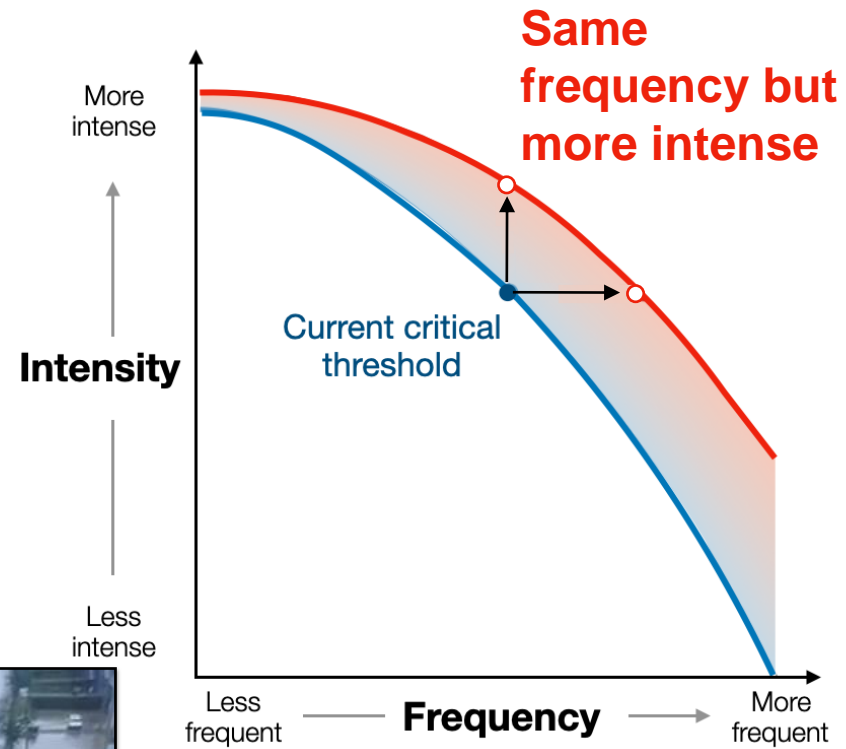
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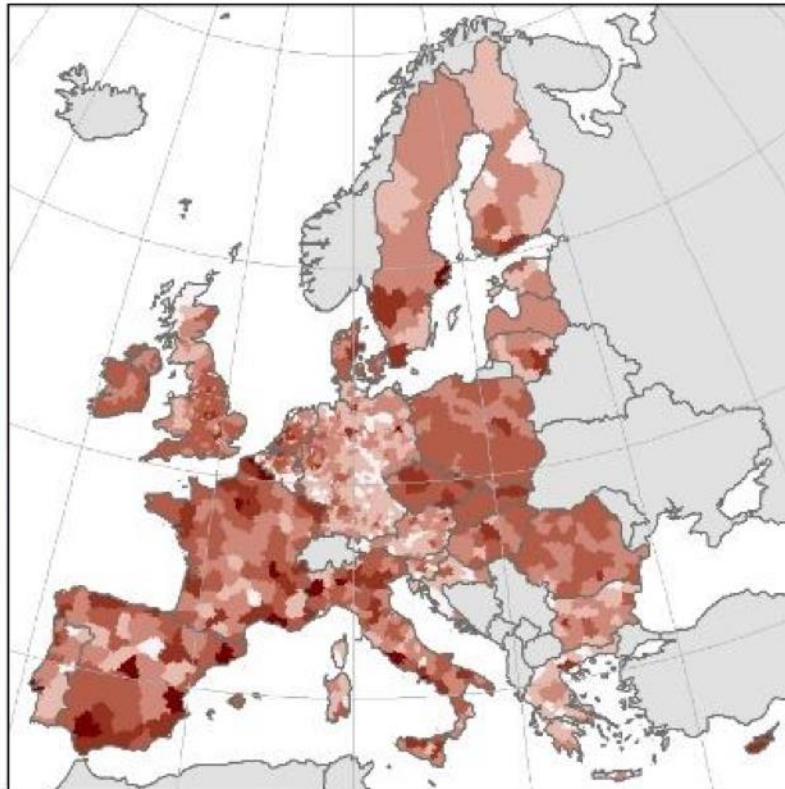
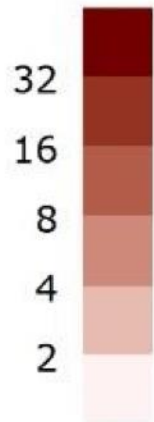


EXPOSURE

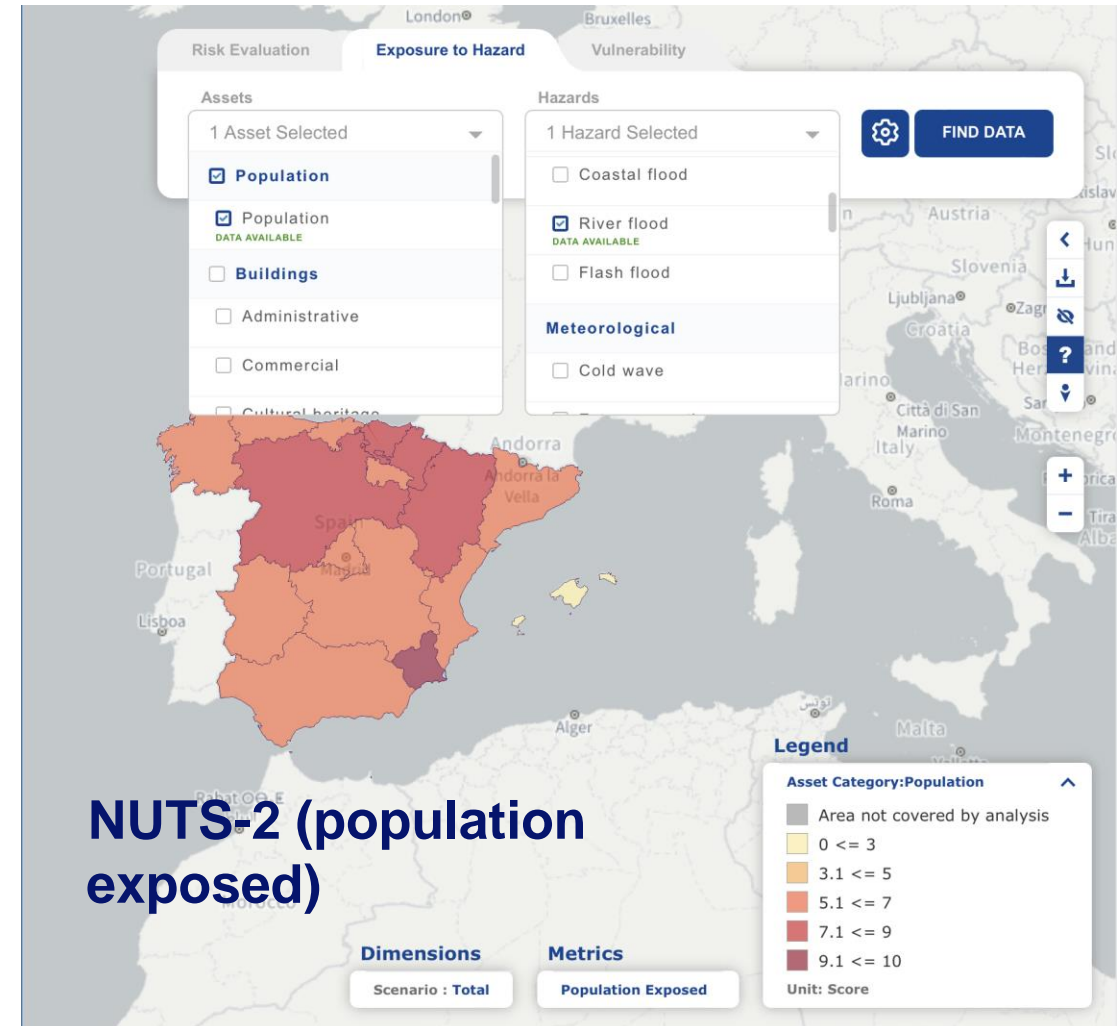
Peseta IV / TRACE

EU Reference Scenario from LUISA modelling platform

Number of people exposed to heat waves (x10³)

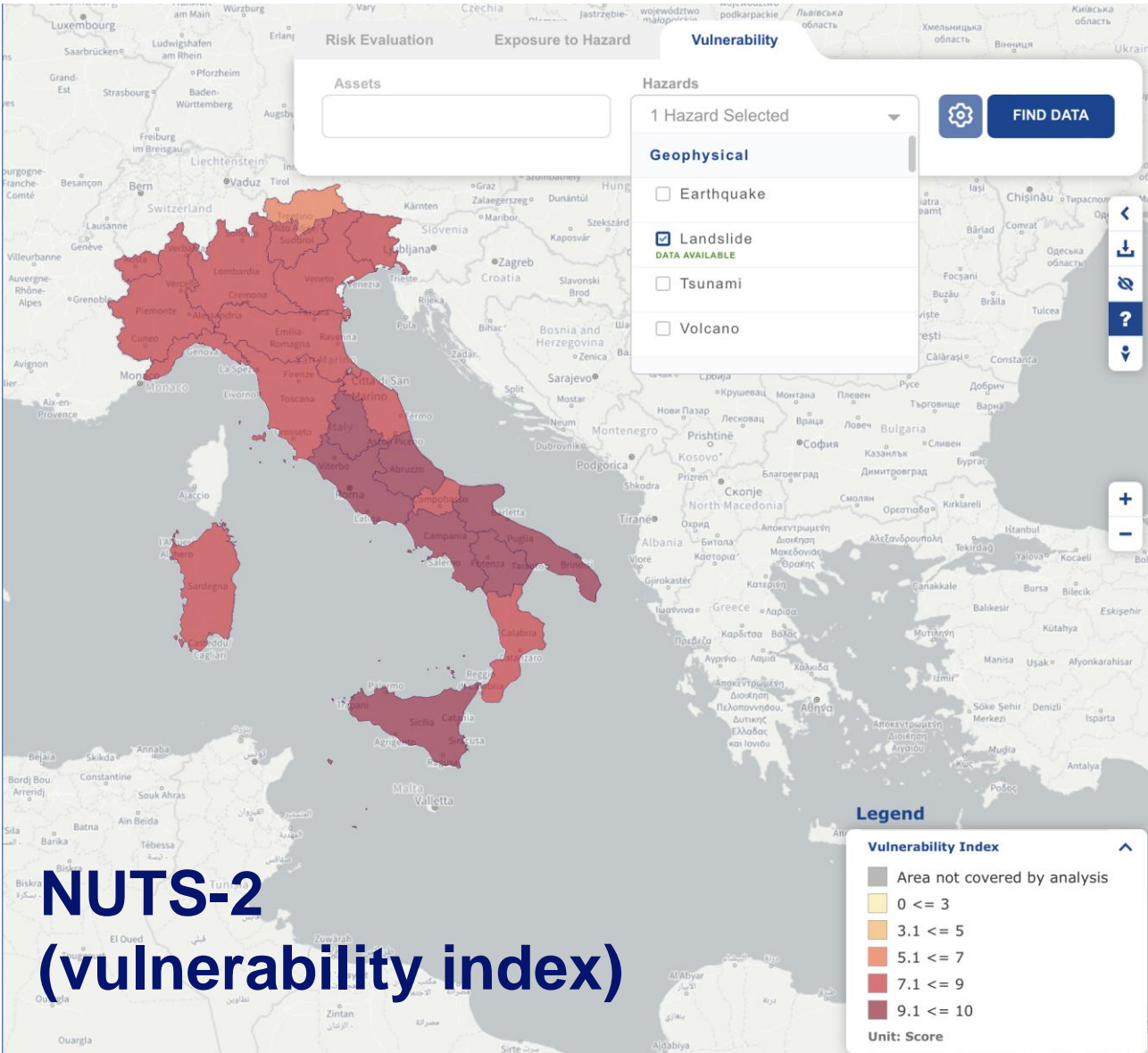


Risk Data Hub



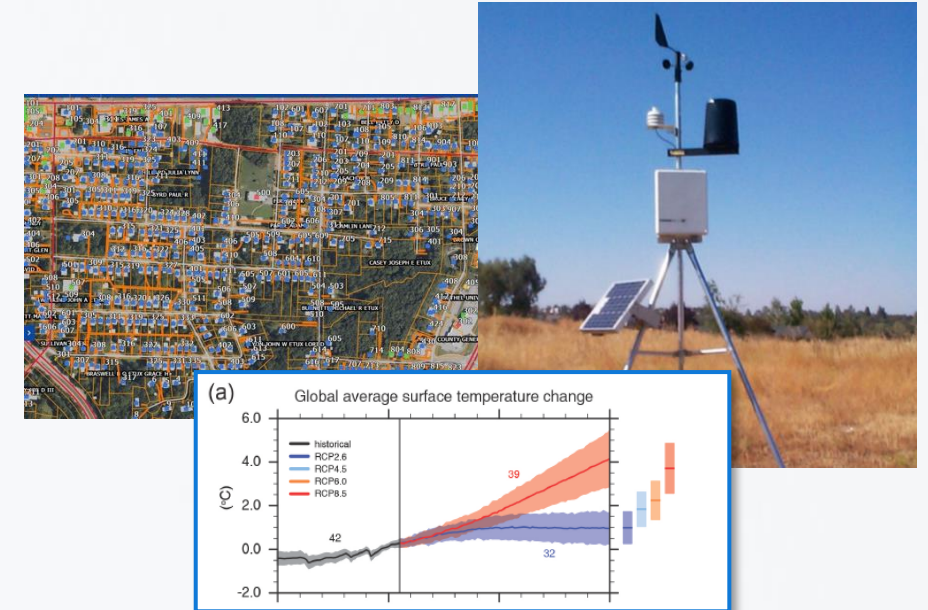
VULNERABILITY

Risk Data Hub



Requirements for a regional CRA

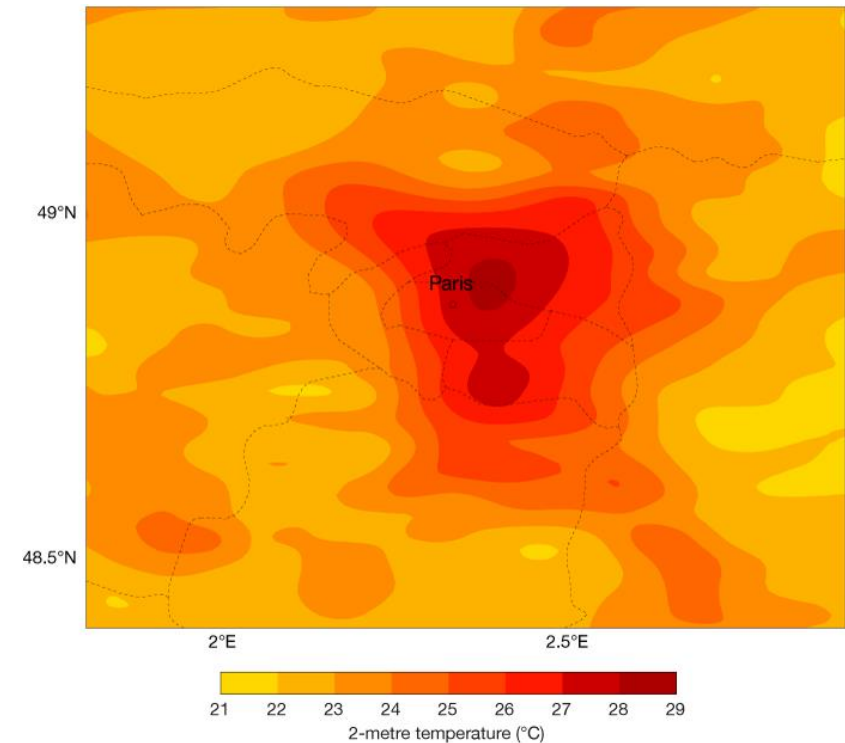
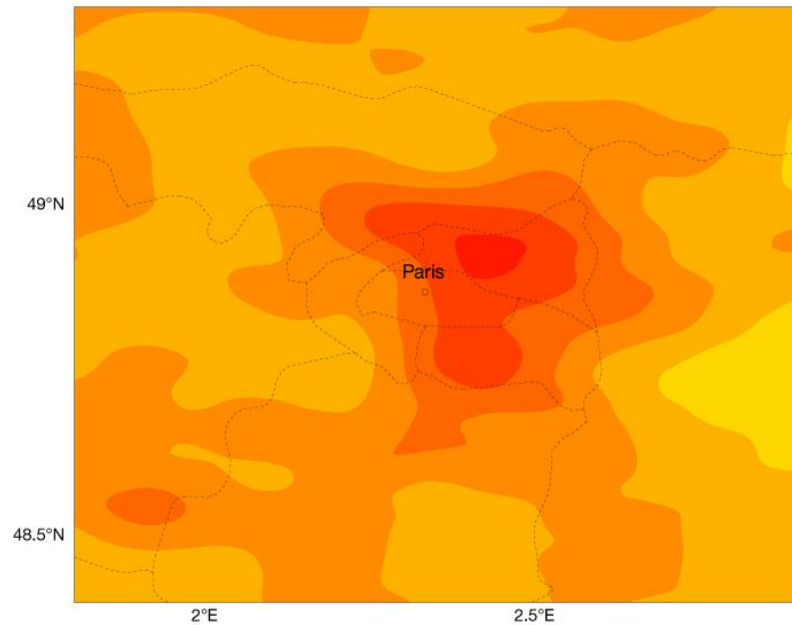
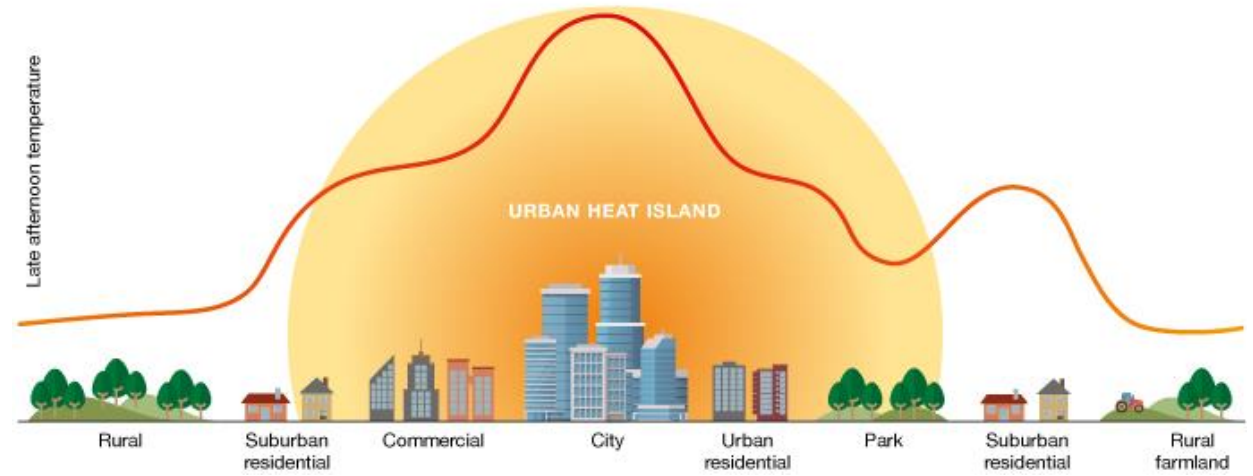
- Represent local characteristics (at high resolution)
- Represent local climate variability
 - *Regional climate trends*
 - *Local weather characteristics*
- Forward looking for hazard, exposure and vulnerability
- → Regional data and expertise is required



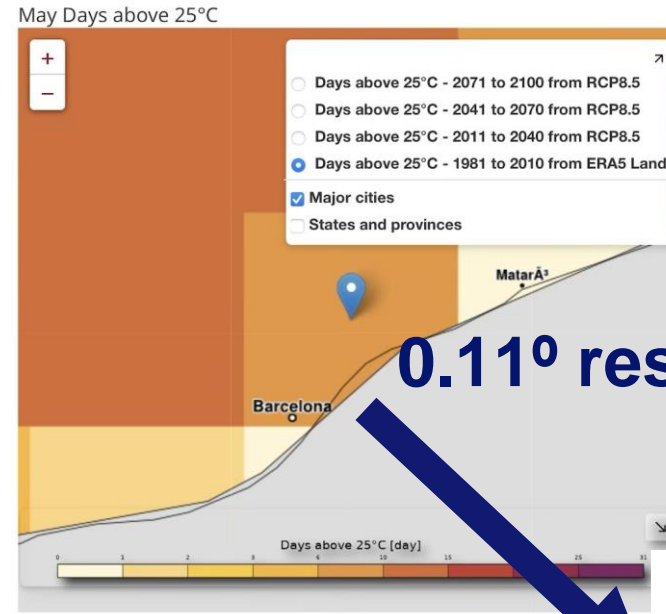
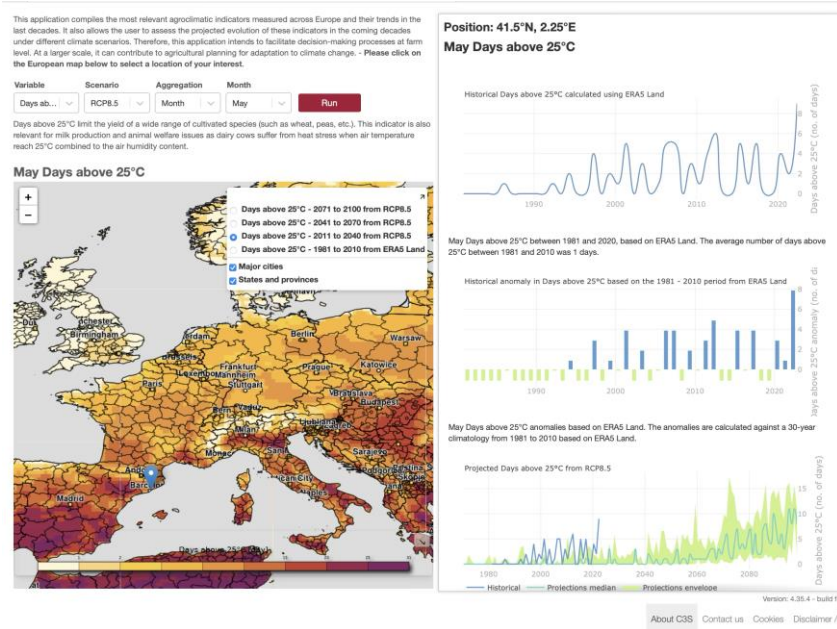
**Toolbox validated
in 5 pilots**



Heat Waves: Critical to take into account Urban Heat Island Effects

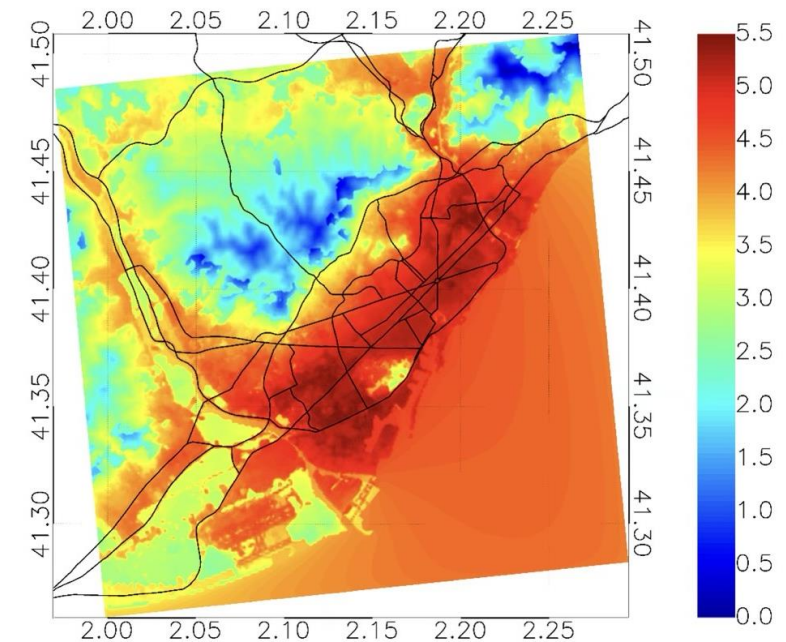


Need of downscaling and include local data

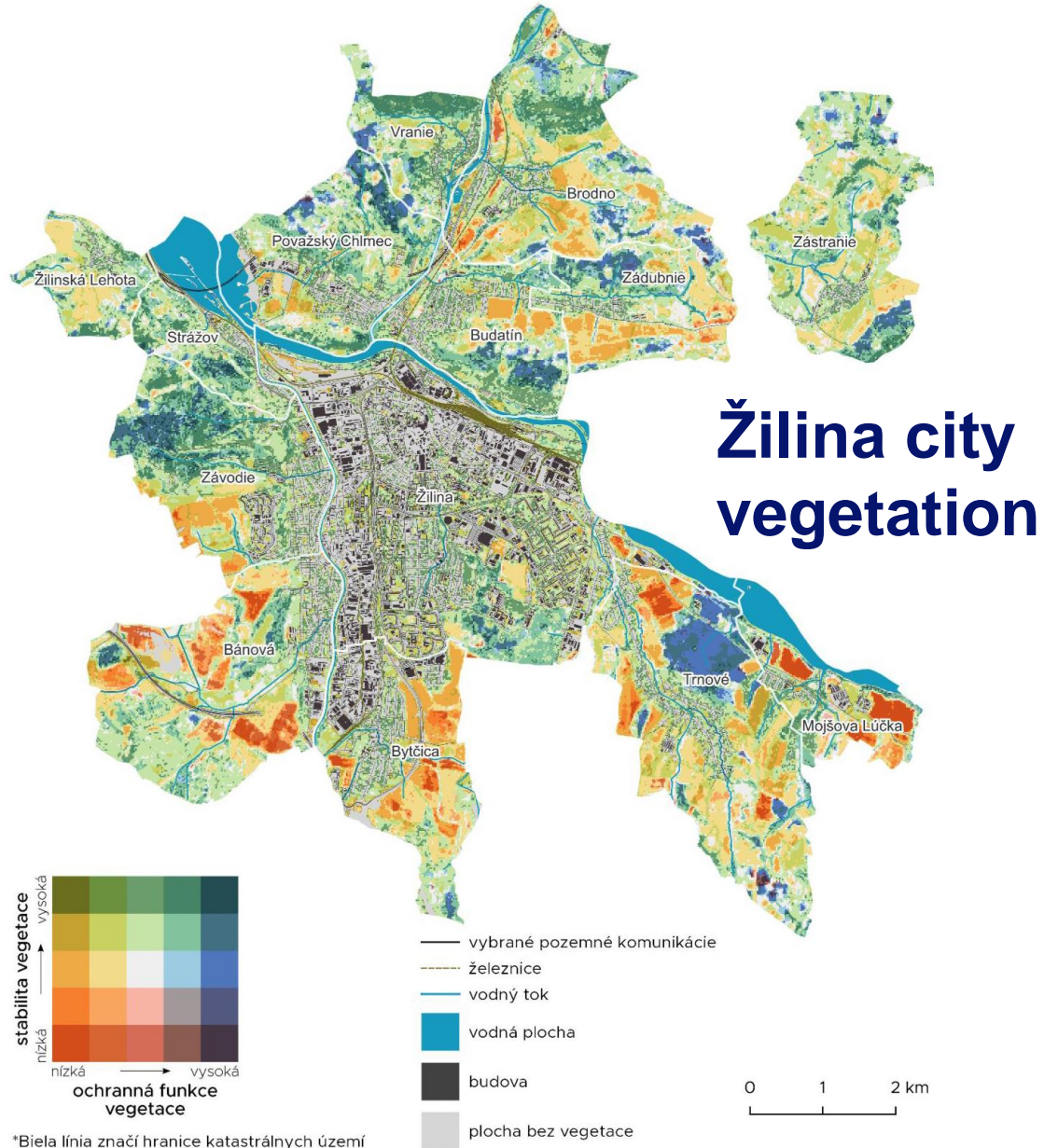


EURO-CORDEX pixel

Need to support local downscaling and data integration at local/city level

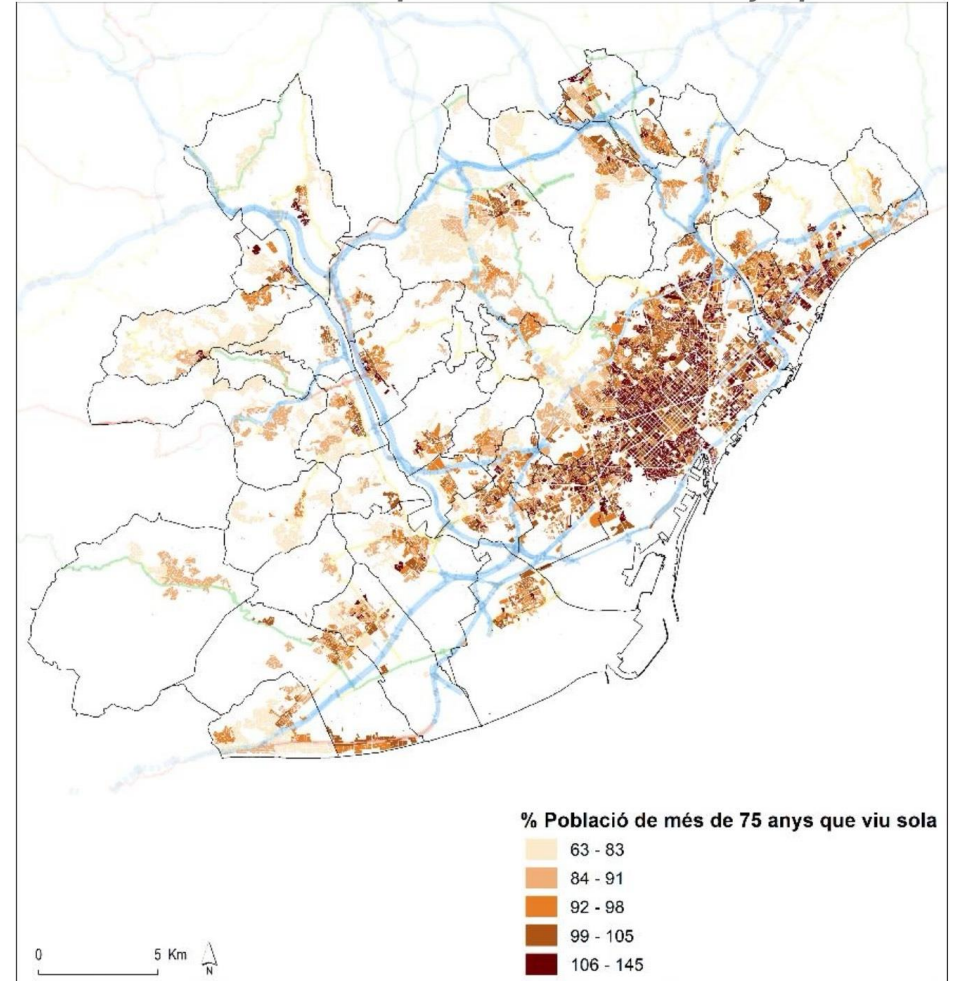


Use of local data ENCOURAGED



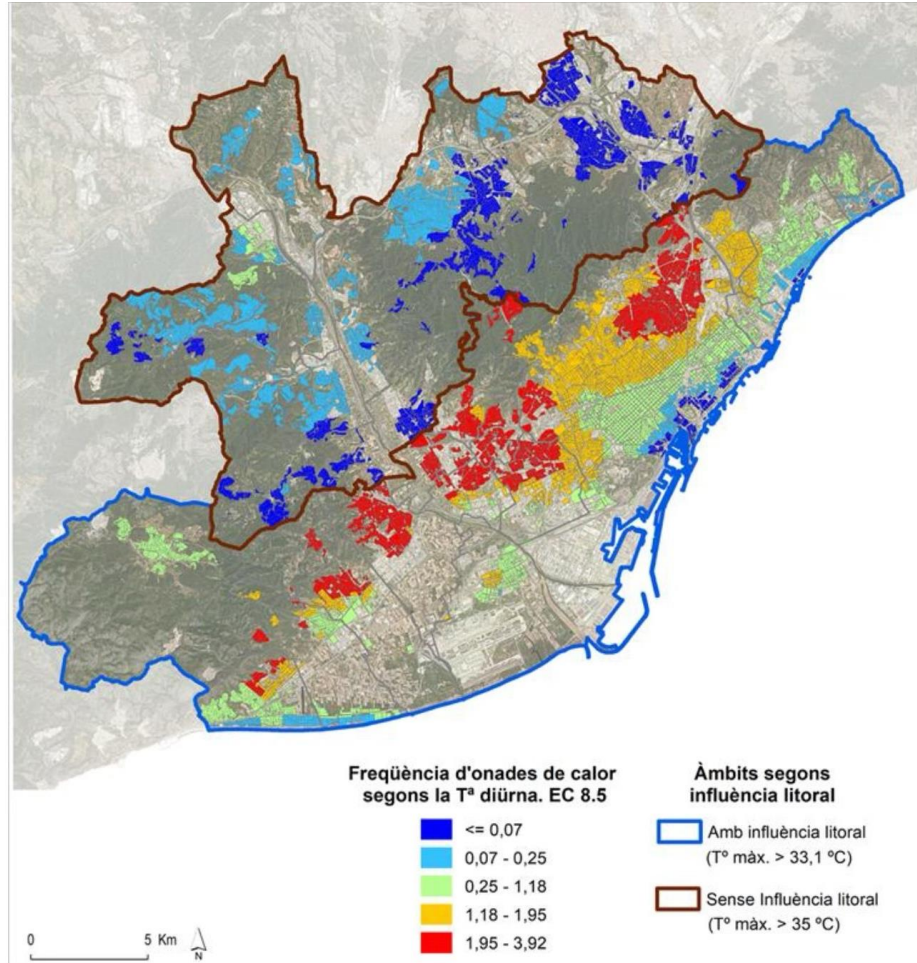
% of Population over 75 years that lives alone in Barcelona Metropolitan Area (2018): IERMB from IDESCAT

Mapa 3.10. Indicador normalitzat del % de població de més de 75 anys que viu sola. 2018.



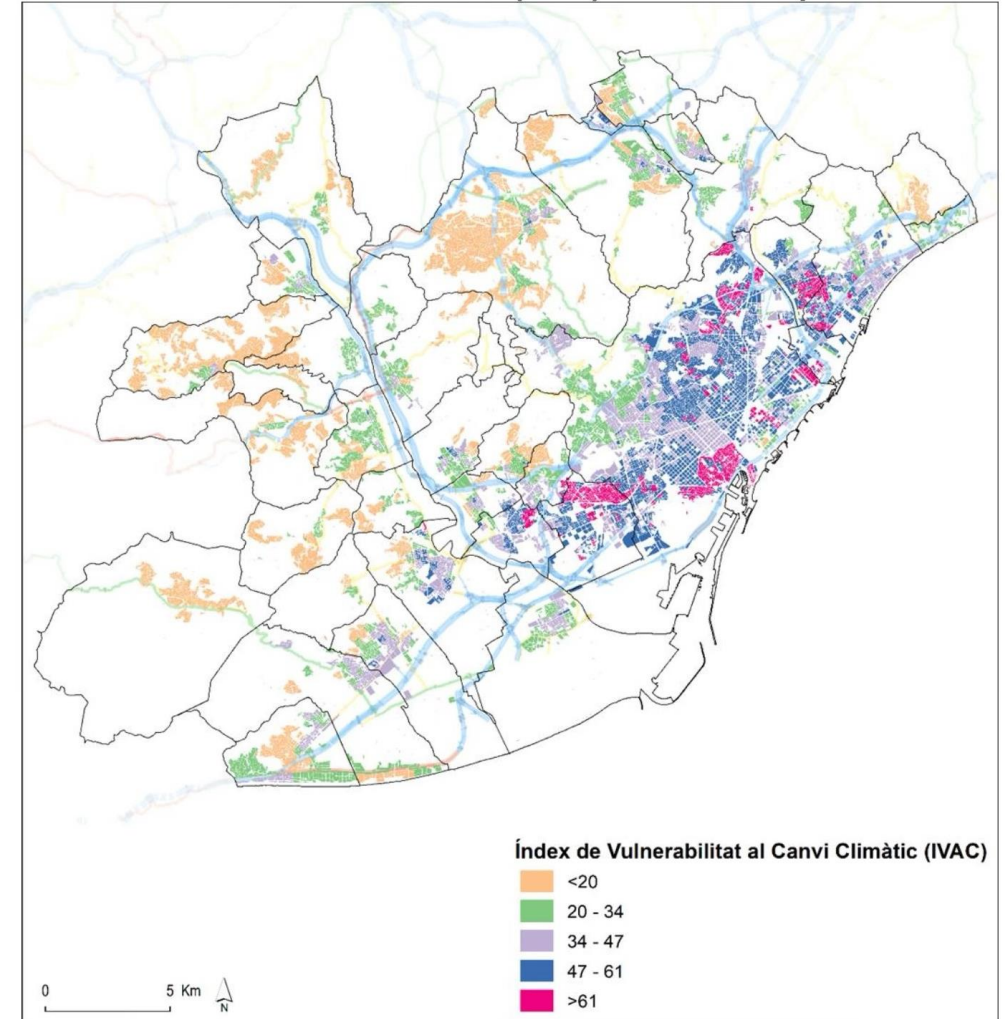
Nota: Mètode de normalització: $\mu = 100$ i $\sigma = 10$.
Font: IERMB a partir de Padró municipal d'habitants, IDESCAT.

Climatic Indicator of Heat Waves annual frequencies in the Barcelona Metropolitan Area (2011-2040): IERMB



Nota: A partir del nombre mitjà anual de ratxes de tres o més dies consecutius amb temperatures molt elevades. L'Indicador resultant és la suma dels valors actuals (escenari Control) + les variacions de l'escenari RCP8.5.
Font: IERMB a partir de Estudi SMC 2018.

Vulnerability index to Climate Change in Barcelona Metropolitan Area (2019): IERMB

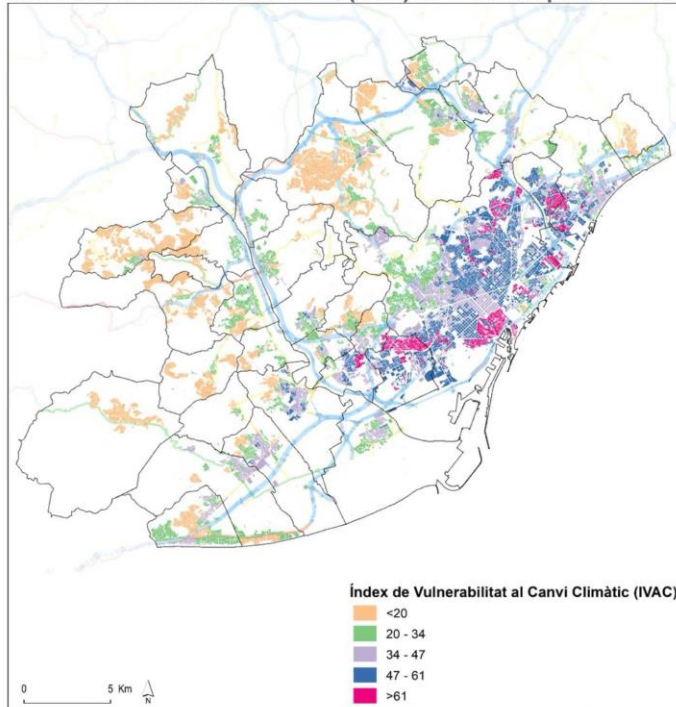


CLIMAAX cannot do local studies...

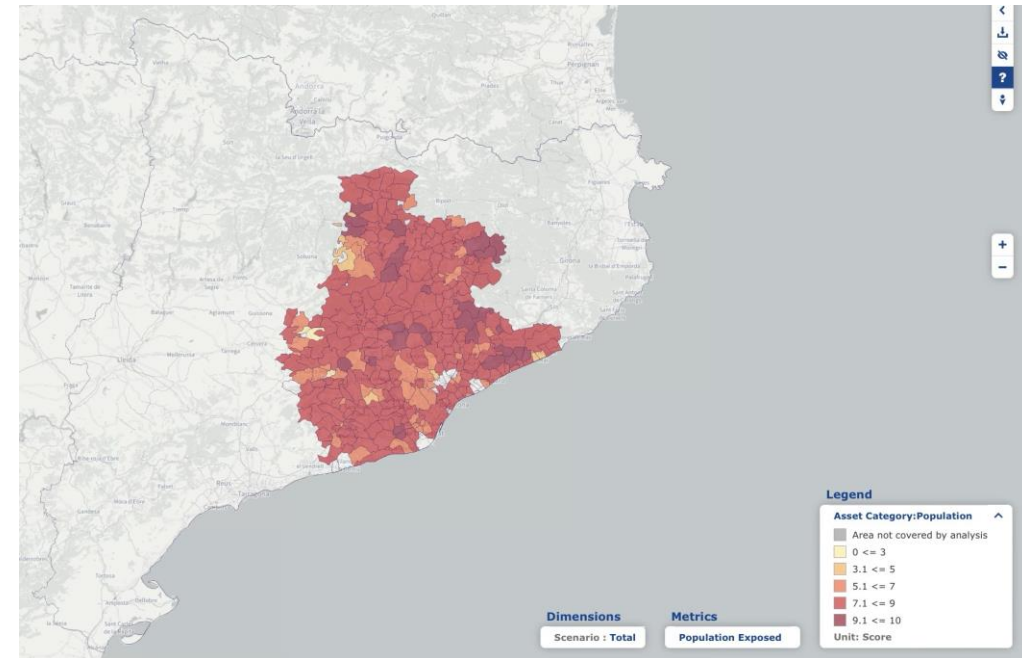
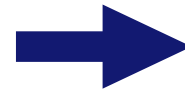
... but can support third parties to do it at their regional/local scale

CHALLENGE: How to adapt the methodology to extend it to a maximum number of

Mapa 4.1. Índex de vulnerabilitat al canvi climàtic (IVAC) a l'àrea metropolitana de Barcelona. 2019.



Font: IERMB.



also for wildfires, flash floods, landslides, droughts...

The pillars of CLIMAAX



Framework for regional CRA

→ supporting civil protection and climate adaptation

Toolbox and pilots

→ testing data needs and diversity of requests

Cascading fund

→ Financial support for >60 regions

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The CLIMAAX framework

Norms & principles

- Inventory of experience, best practices
- Consultation in regions & sectors

Practical guidance

- Past and future trends
- Risk indicators & viewpoints

Follow-up

- uptake into DRM and climate adaptation strategy



The CRA toolbox principles

- **Base layer:** similar to Risk Data Hub (regional climate/exposure/vulnerability data from pan-European datasets) (**non-expert user**)
- **Dashboard layer:** online risk assessment tool with local data (**local user**)
- **Download layer:** local manipulation of all scripts and data (**advanced user**)



The cascading fund

Financial support for regions

- At least 60 regions & communities
- Criteria include diversity and needs

Formal call procedure

- Selection procedure & criteria

1st Call open

8 December 2023 – 8 March 2024

- 2 rounds
- 2yr projects finalize autumn 2026

<https://climaax-call4regions.fundingbox.com/>



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Financial Support for Third Parties

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**STEP 1: COMMON
METHODOLOGY**
applicable at
regional/local scale
in Europe

- Multi-risk
- Applicable in any interested region/municipality/community
- Able to establish a common Risk Assessment benchmark across Europe
- Using as much as possible the information already available
- Applicable in any location in EU

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**STEP 2: REFINED
REGIONAL/LOCAL
HR ANALYSIS AND
RISK ASSESSMENT**

- Using local data /downscaling of the projected climate indicators by third parties
- Capable to integrate local high-resolution data and approaches
- Able to enhance regional/local risk assessments
- Applicable by third parties to any location in EU

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**STEP 3: BETTER
REGIONAL/LOCAL
ADAPTATION
STRATEGIES AND
RISK MANAGEMENT
PLANS**

- Uptake into regional/local adaptation strategies and RMPs in the region/community
- Produce technical documents to support the look for funding to implement the adaptation strategies
- Examples of best practices

IMPLEMENTATION IN 60-100 regions/municipalities/communities



What do we want to learn from this?



Framework for regional CRA

→ supporting civil protection and climate adaptation

Toolbox and pilots

→ testing data needs and diversity of requests

Cascading fund

→ Financial support for >50 regions

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Regional Climate Risk Assessments are very diverse

Many challenges



Multiple data sources

Our motto:
standardized flexibility

Many regions



Learning by doing

5 Pilot regions

- Site visits revealed key issues
- Helping with shaping toolbox & application



Learning by doing

5 Pilot regions

- Demo for applicants



Demo workshop

~29-31 January

Setubal (PT) + online



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Synthesis of regional CRAs

Lessons to be learned

- Fine tuning the regional support service
- Exploit the market potential
- CRA standardisation and connection to European policies

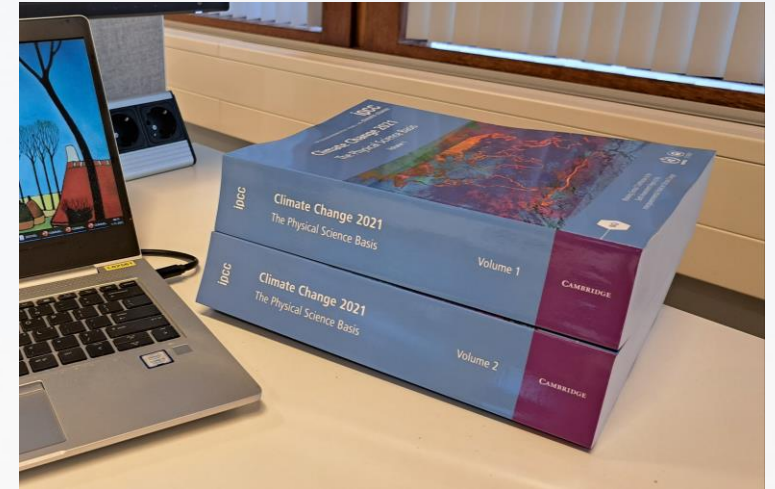


Legacy for my role in IPCC

Co-chair Working group 2

Action holders could recognize themselves better

→ Assessment via a set of *decision archetypes*



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