The geography of disaster risk and participatory risk management:

Harnessing sensors and geospatial technology for disaster resilience

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Outline

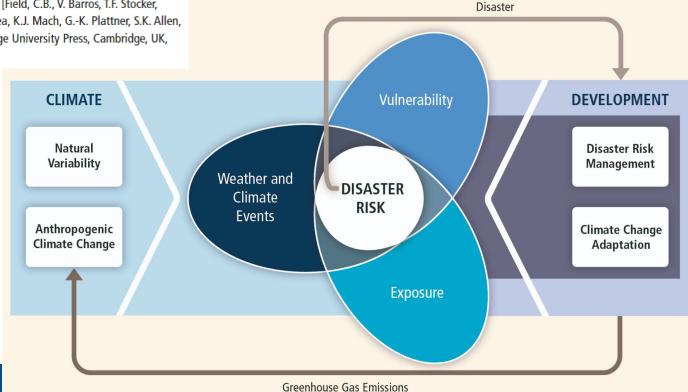
- IPCC's framework for Disaster Risk (Hazards, Exposure, Vulnerability)
- Geospatial Sensor Technologies
 - Remote Sensing
 - Automatic Sensors (e.g., Weather Stations)
 - Citizen Sensing

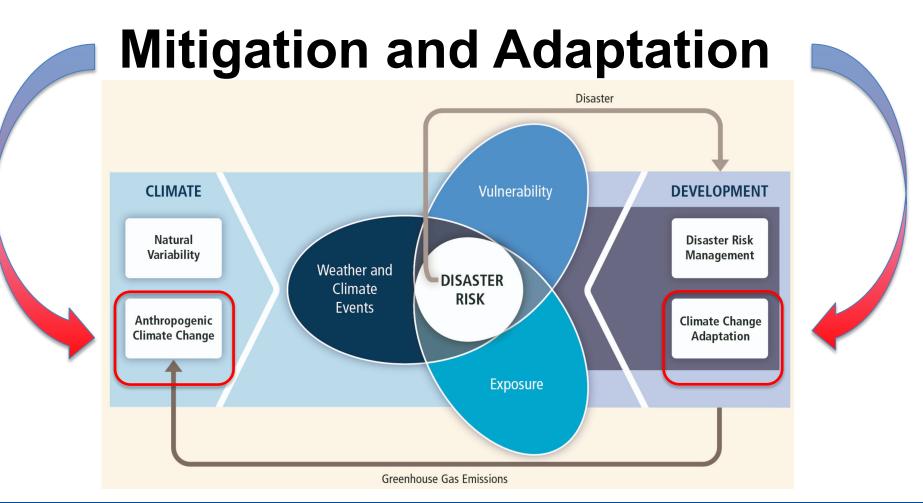
Participatory risk management



IPCC's Framework for Disaster Risk

 IPCC, 2012: Managing the Risks of Extreme Events and Disasters to Advance Climate Change Adaptation. A Special Report of Working Groups I and II of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change [Field, C.B., V. Barros, T.F. Stocker, D. Qin, D.J. Dokken, K.L. Ebi, M.D. Mastrandrea, K.J. Mach, G.-K. Plattner, S.K. Allen, M. Tignor, and P.M. Midgley (eds.)]. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, UK, and New York, NY, USA, 582 pp.

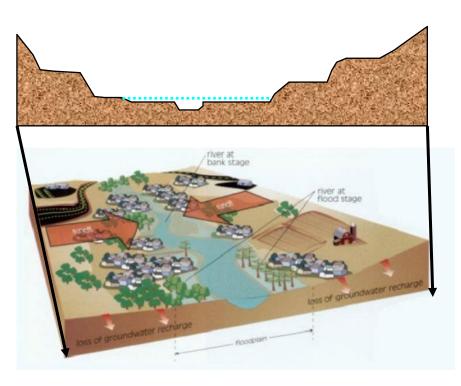




Hazards, Vulnerability and Exposure are scale-able elements

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Risk is a spatial problem: example flood



Hazard:

How much water when and where (flood zone)?

• Exposure:

Which elements could be adversely affected?

• Vulnerability:

What are the predisposed characteristics of the elements that are at risk?



How can disaster risk be reduced?

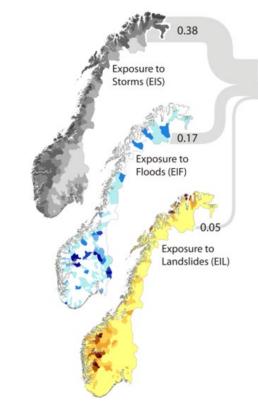


- There is a geography of
 - Hazard
 - Vulnerability
 - Exposure
- These element should be measured and mapped
- Challenging if available data is scarce

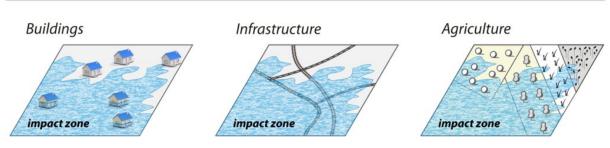


How to measure exposure?

- Exposure can be measured by:
 - counting the numbers of buildings,
 - sum the length of roads,
 - sum the area of farmland
- that are within an impact zone, relative to the total number of buildings, ... that are within a define unit (e.g., municipality)



Elements at risk





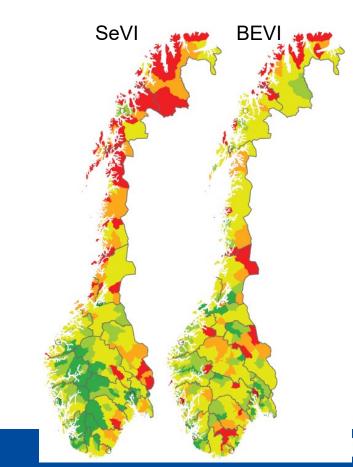
How to measure (social) vulnerability?

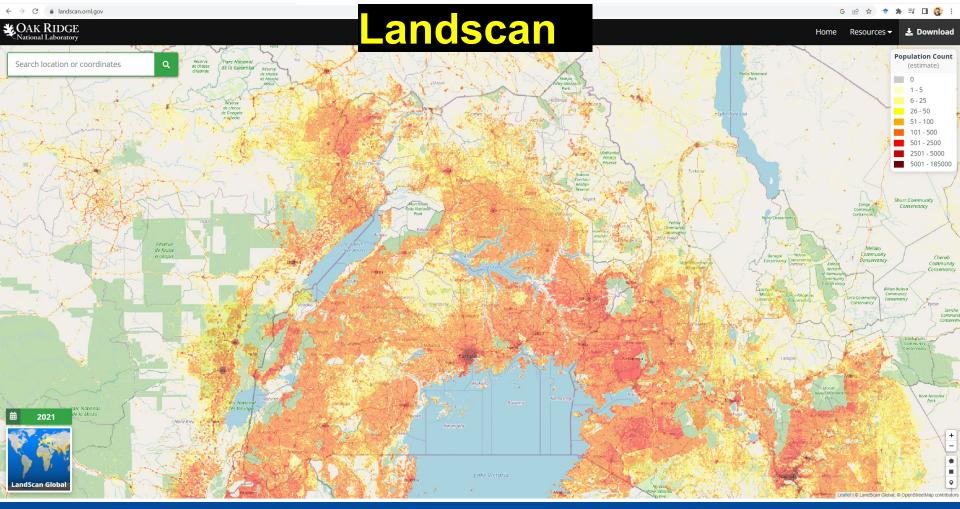
Variables (examples):

- Pop. 0 5 (%)
- Pop. 67 + (%)
- Single parent (%)
- Immigrants (%)
- Wealth
- Income
- Higher education (%)
- Unemployment (%)
- Municipality wealth
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- Population density
- Dist. to nearest hospital
- Average age sewer and water lines
- # exit routes



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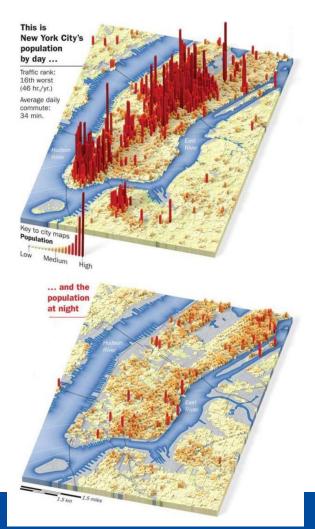
Landscan

- Resolution 30" by 30"
- Do not count where people sleep but where they may likely be at any random time of the day
- Obtained by a dasymetric technique
 - Roads
 - Night-light (NOAA)
- Increase the likelihood of human presence

- Sea, desert, ...
- Steep slopes

Decrease the likelihood of human presence



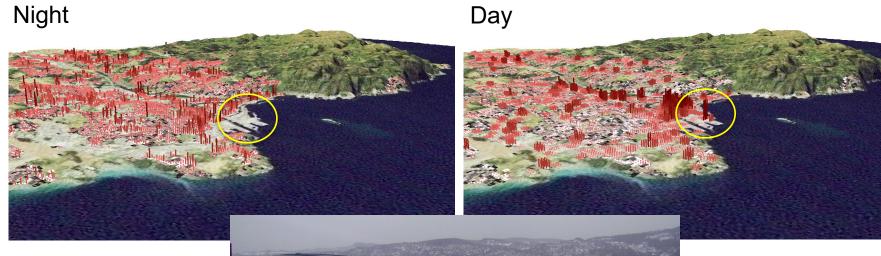


Landscan USA

- Higher spatial resolution
- One representation for daytime
- Another representation for nighttime



Temporal vulnerability









Where are the most exposed and vulnerable areas?

• Exposure

Vulnerability

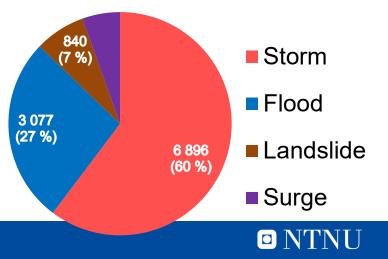
Integrated vulnerability assessment (Tate et al. 2010)



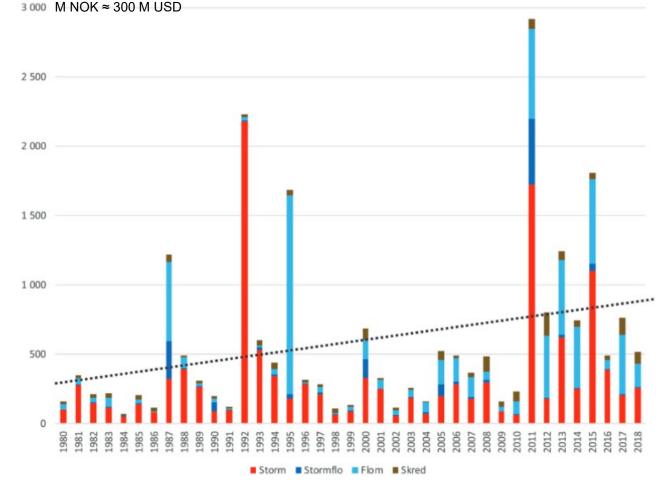
How to combine indices?

- Transform the indices to a common scale from 0 to 100
- Weight the indices on exposure based on the damage each of the hazard make (using data from the Norwegian Natural Perils Pool)

$$x' = \frac{x - \min}{\max - \min} \times 100$$



Norwegian Natural Perils Pool





COP27 Result

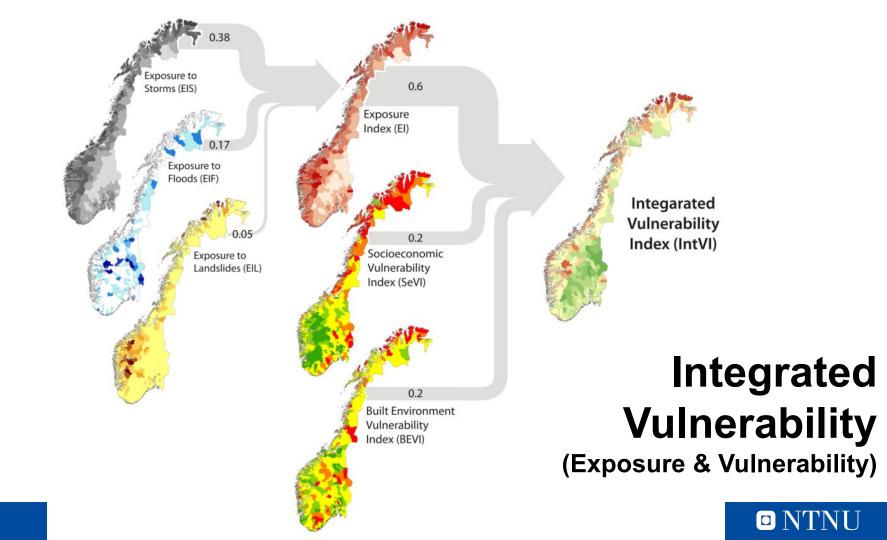
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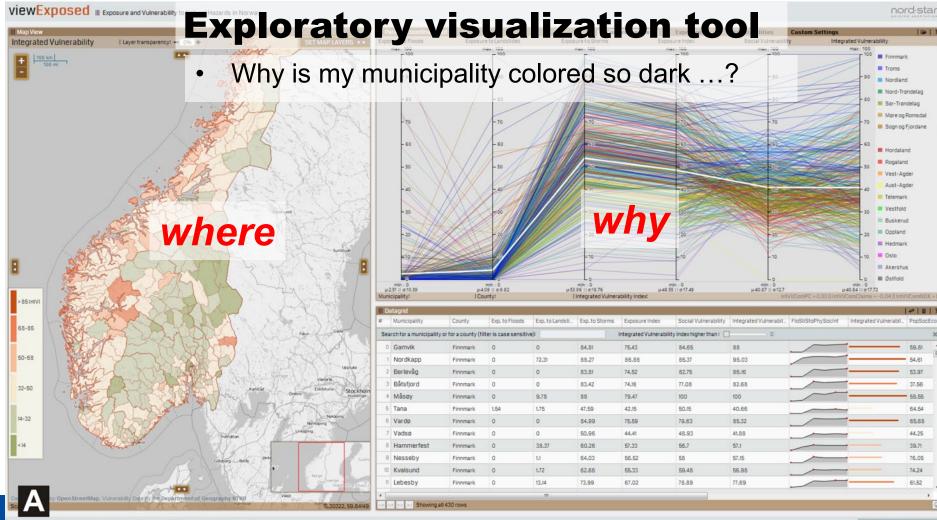
Climate costs deal struck but no fossil fuel progress

Rich nations will pay climate damages, but the final deal does not cut fossil fuels further.

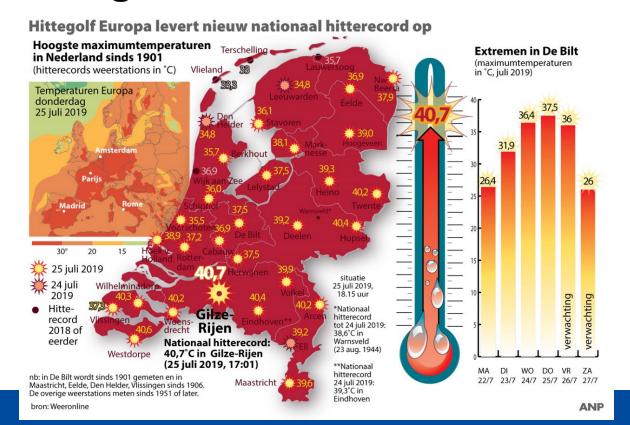
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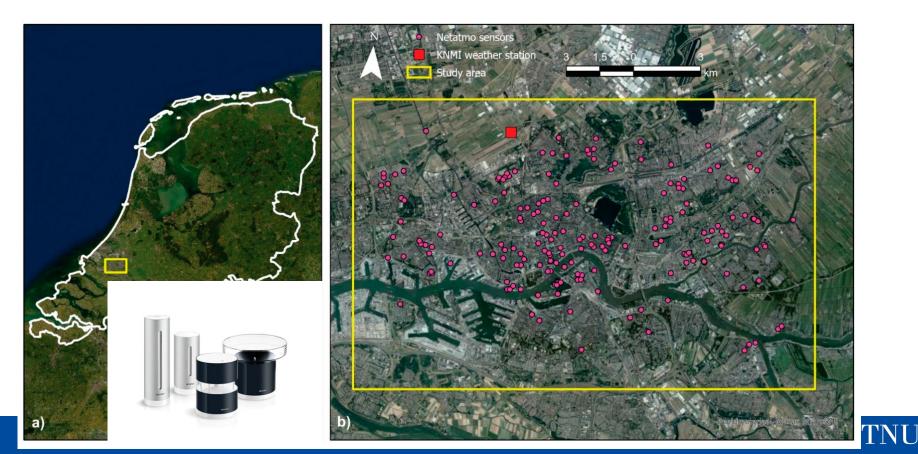


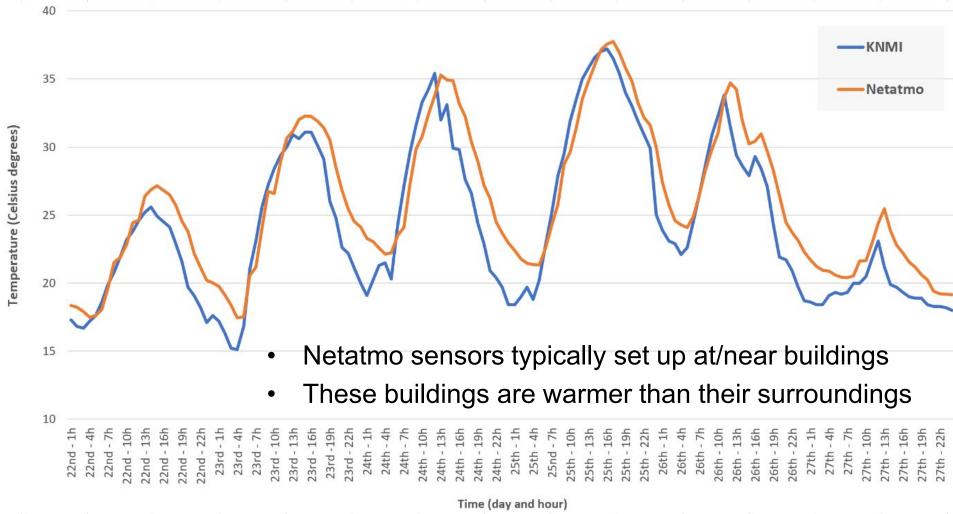


Using Citizen Sensing to Identify Heat Exposed Neighboorhoods



Few offisial weather stations

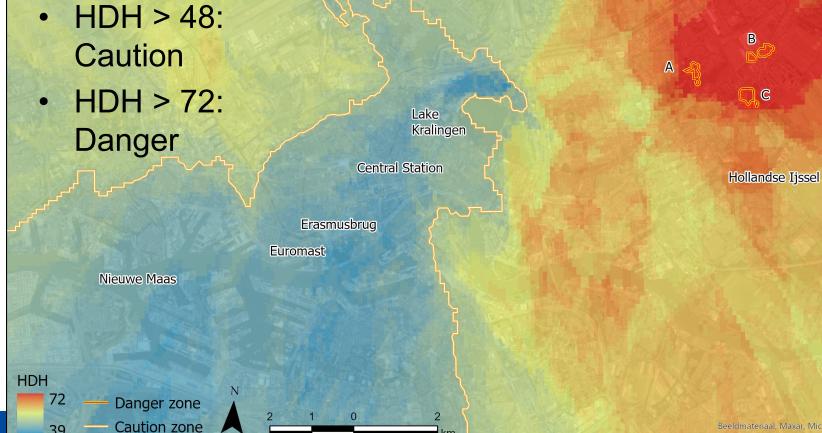




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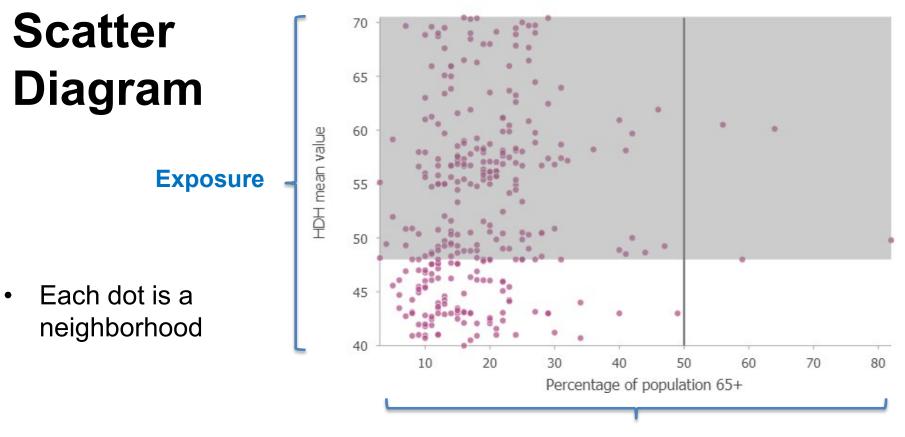
Thresholds Humidex Degree Hours (HDH)

Demographic data on neighboorhood level



% of tot pop aged 65+



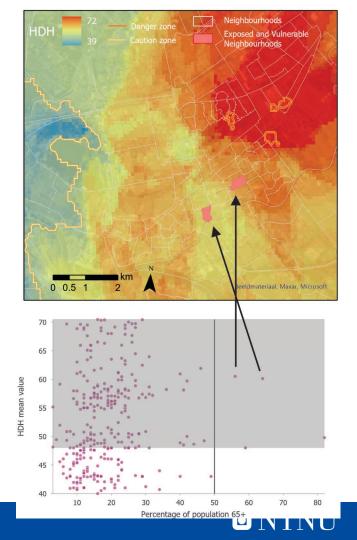


Vulnerability

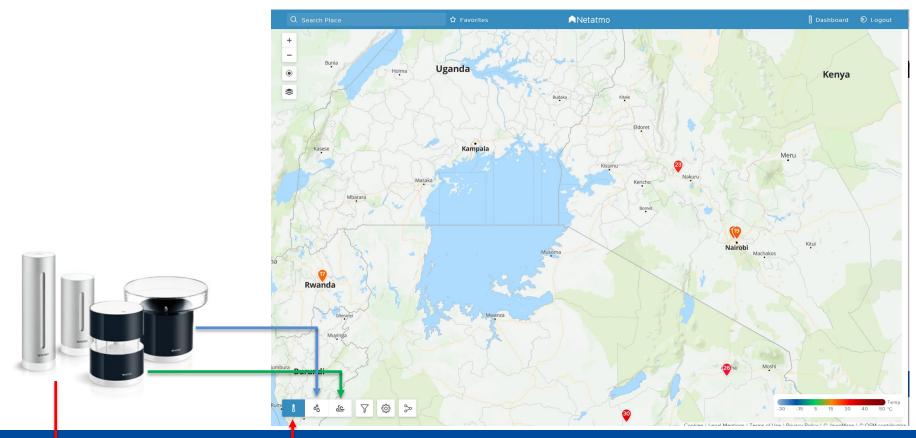


Scatter Diagram linked to a map

Helps identify heat exposed neibourhoods
populated with vulnerable people

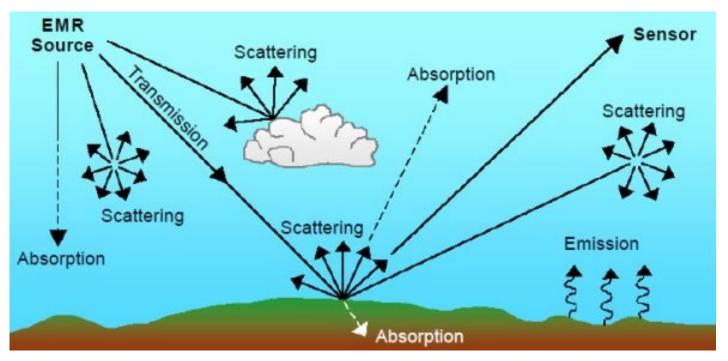


Netatmo weather stations in Uganda





Land surface temperature from space



- Sentinel
- ASTER
- MODIS

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• LANDSAT

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Source: Quora

Climate change – a health risk

Environment and Urbanization

Hazards and vulnerabilities among informal wetland communities in Kampala, Uganda

John Bosco Isunju¹, Christopher Garimoi Orach², and Jaco Kemp³

- (A) flooded access paths;
- (B) flood barriers made of sandbags;
- (C) flooded house; and
- (D) unprotected well prone to contamination



WaterClimateRisk

 The risk of polluted ground to be «washed out» due to riverine or pluvial flooding, landslide, or storm surge

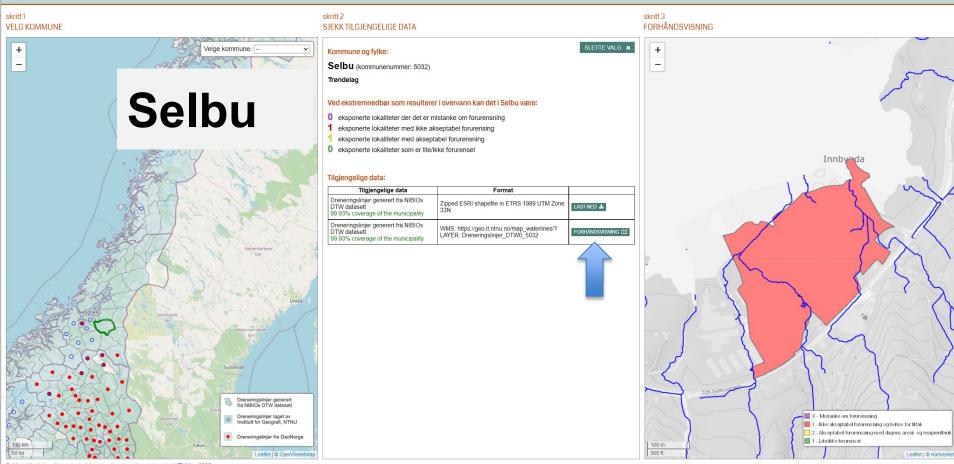




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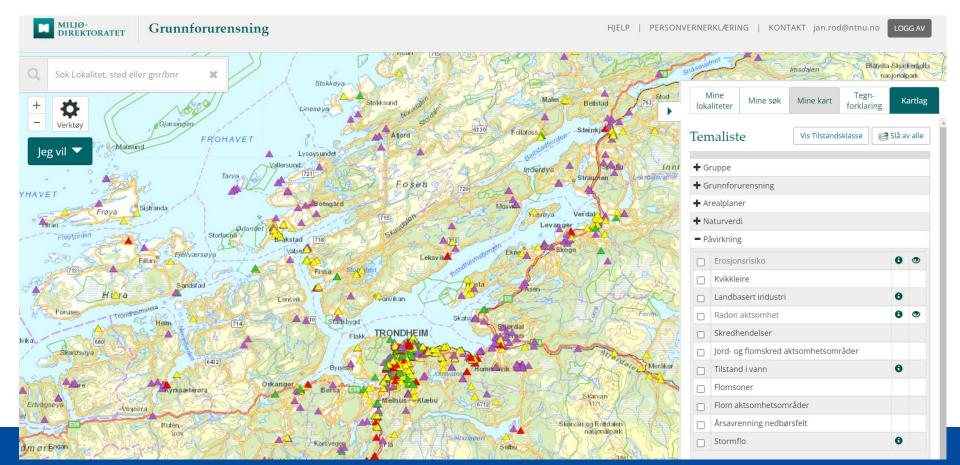


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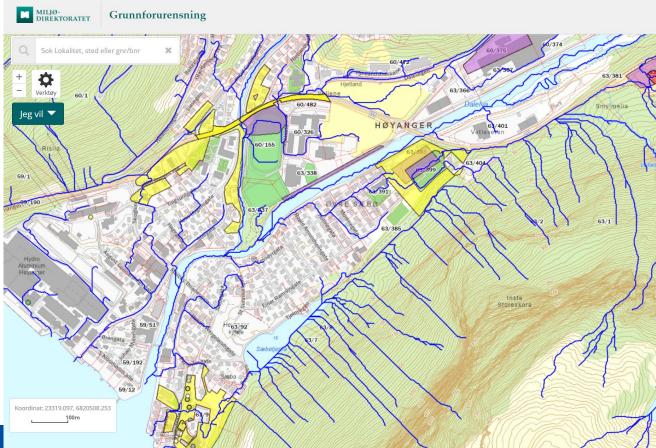


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Data viewer – Polluted Ground



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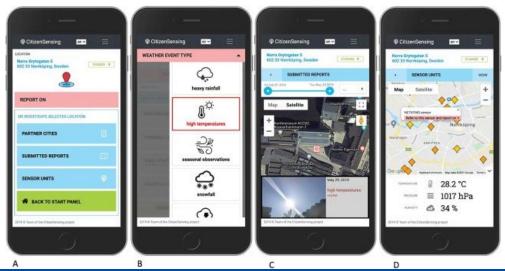
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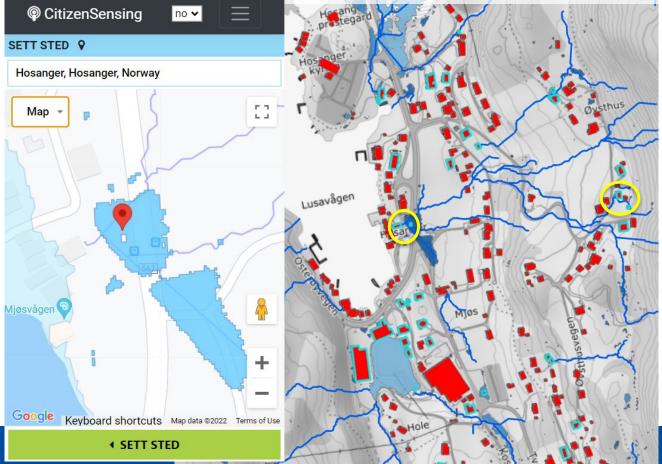
The CitizenSensing app





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Exposed buildings – Pluvial flooding





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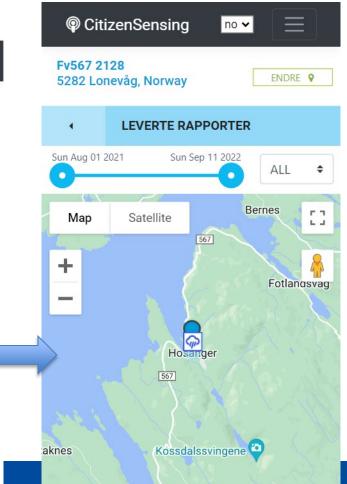
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- 1. Vedlikehold sluk, avløp og annet dreneringssystem for regnvann
- 2. Ha adskilte avløpsrør for kloakk og overvann
- 3. Installer regnhøsting i tønner
- 4. Erstatt impermeable overflater (betong og asfalt) med gresskledde vannveier
- 5. Kjør forsiktig
- 6. Vær spesielt oppmerksom langs kysten og store elver
- 7. Unngå å krysse oversvømmede områder

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Concluding remarks

- CC will make it hotter, warmer, and wilder → increased hazard → increased disaster risk
- Important to know where the most exposed and vulnerable areas are → strategic climate change adaptation → reduce exposure and vulnerability → reduce disaster risk
- People care about their near environments → visualize cc effect for these locations → increase engagement
- Geospatial tool essential

