

Urban Resilient Infrastructure

Climate Adaptation: solutions from different corners of the world is about adapting infrastructure to new conditions caused by climate change in Canada and the Netherlands.

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Agenda - 20 mei 2022

Water resilient infrastructure: comparing Canada and the Netherlands

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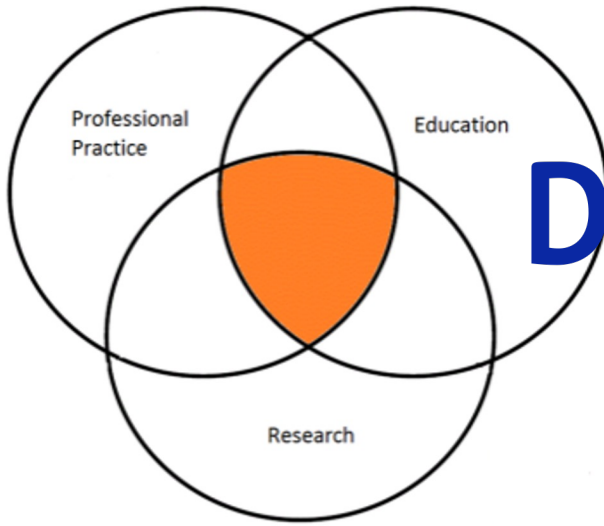


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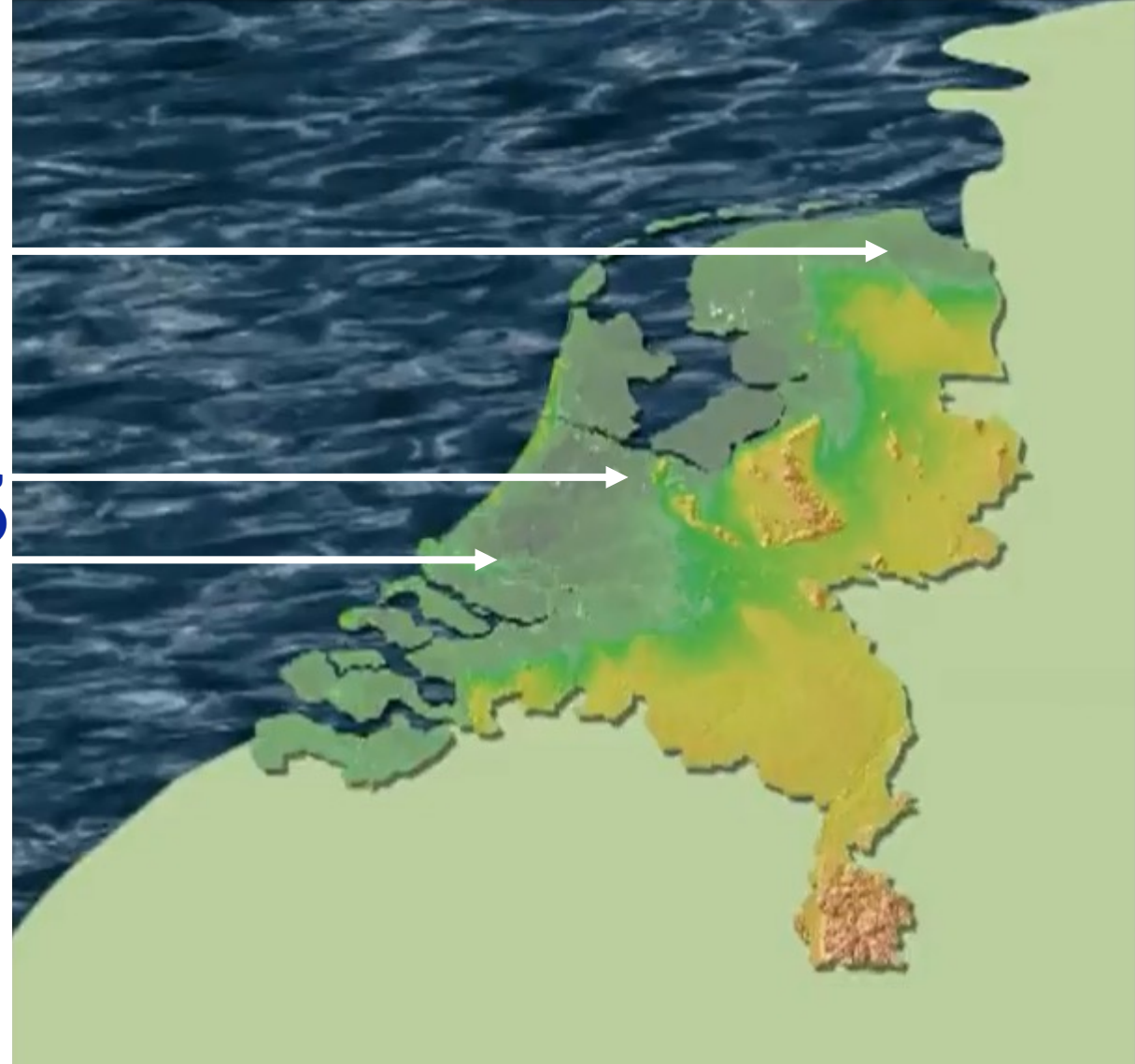
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Content: Small scale **urban resilient infrastructure** in **practise: what, where and does it work?**

1. Challenges
2. Solutions
 1. The Netherlands
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Challenges urban climate (Holland)



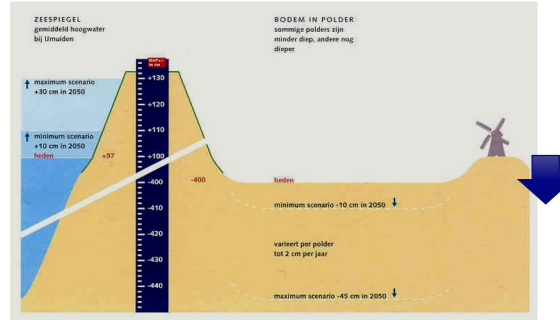
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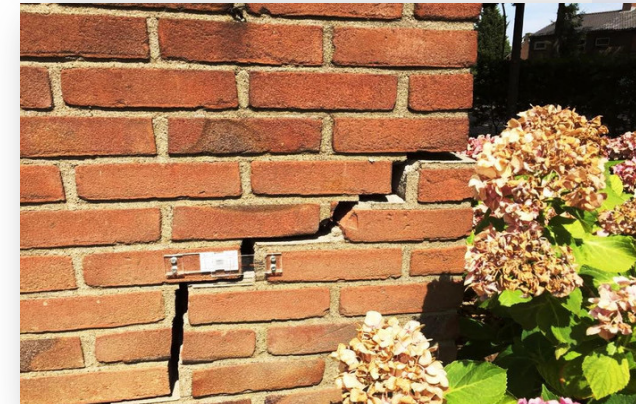
heatstress



waterquality



subsidence



drought



Dutch examples of problems in the urban areas: floodings, degradation of waterways, heatstress, drought leading to lower groundwater table and subsidence with results as damage of buildings

Why GI? To face urban challenges

Floods



Credits Port Technology website

Water pollution



Credits Plastic pollution/Zero Waste Conference

Heat stress



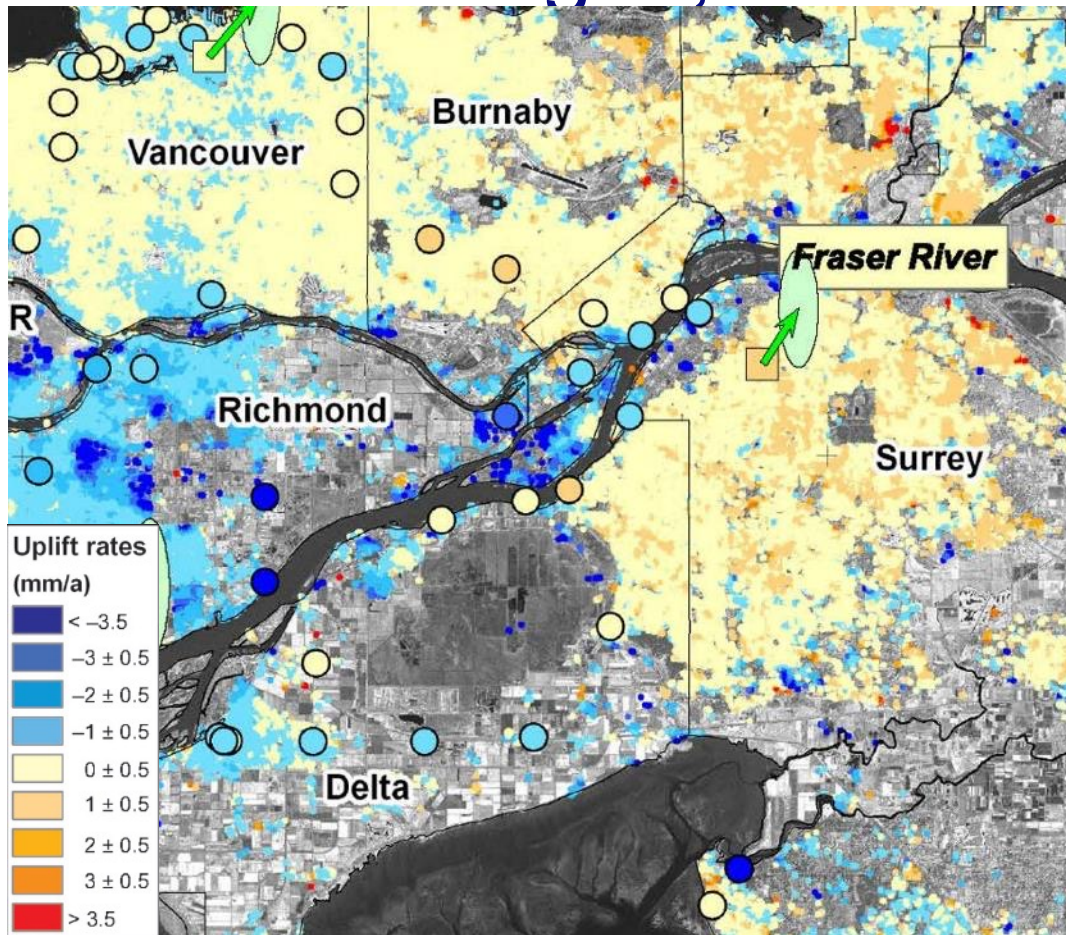
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Droughts

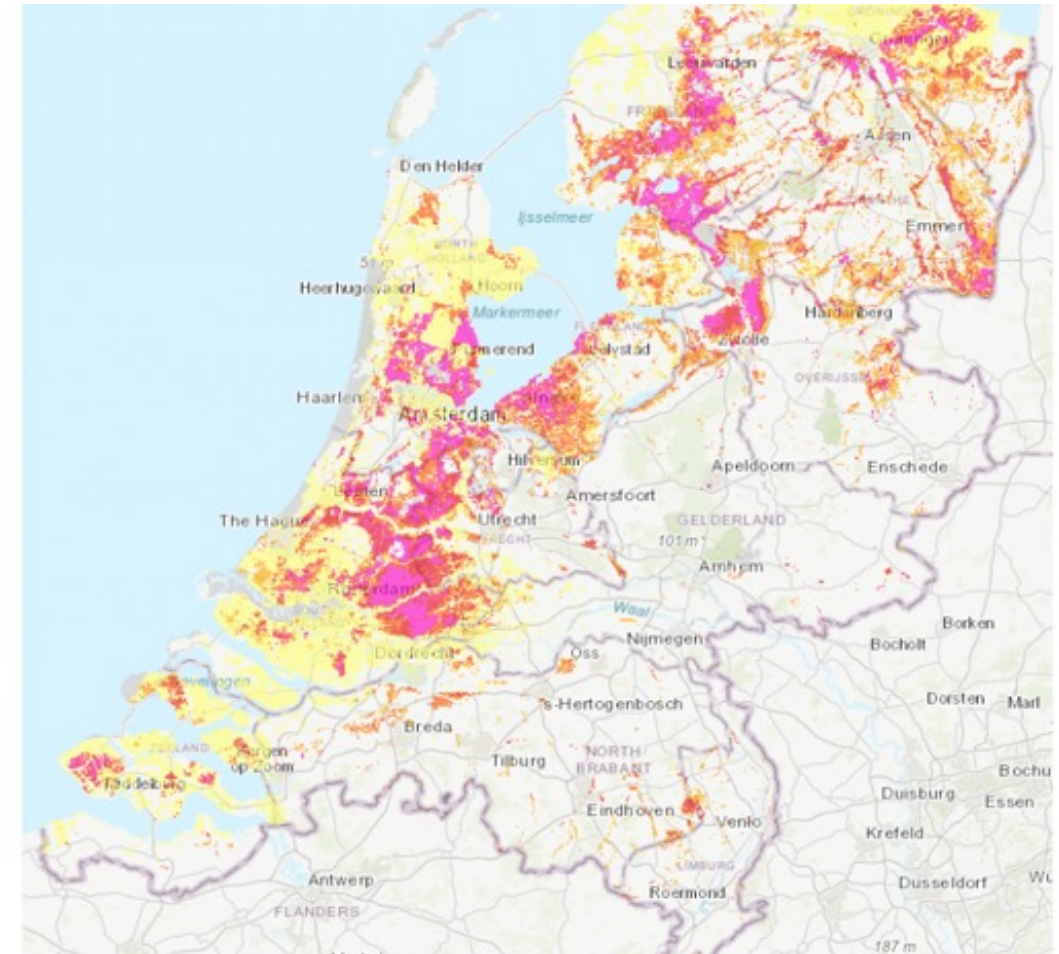


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The Netherlands and Vancouver face some of the same challenges, like subsidence



Land subsidence in Vancouver



Expected subsidence 2020-2100 in the Netherlands

Sinking cities

These 11 sinking cities could disappear by 2100



People walk on the water as roads are flooded due to heavy rain in Dhaka, Bangladesh July 26, 2017.

Image: REUTERS/Mohammad Ponir Hossain

9. Rotterdam, The Netherlands



Dredgers work to create new land in front of the Europort to create the Europort nr. 2 in Rotterdam September 1, 2009. With scientists predicting that sea levels will rise by about one metre (3.3 feet) this century, the Dutch are reversing centuries of tradition to create natural flood plains for rivers as well as rebuild mangrove swamps as buffers against the sea. Instead of raising dikes, the Dutch want to reclaim land and build public recreation areas that can absorb storm surges. Picture taken September 1, 2009.

According to The New York Times, [90% of the city of Rotterdam](#) [level](#). As ocean levels rise, the risk of flooding increases.

Like Bangkok's Chulalongkorn University Centenary Park, the "water parks" that double as reservoirs for the swelling water called Room for the River, as well as enormous storm surge

1. Jakarta, Indonesia



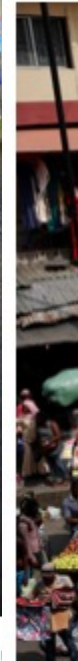
A man is fishing in the flood.

Jakarta is sinking.

The Indonesian capital is sinking.

Read more: [Indonesian capital is sinking](#)

2. Lagos, Nigeria



People are walking through the flood.

Lagos is sinking.

The Nigerian capital is sinking.

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3. Houston, Texas



Inter: seen

Lagos is sinking.

The Nigerian capital is sinking.

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4. Dhaka, Bangladesh



Vehicle is stuck in the flood.

Tourist walk through the flood.

Read more: [Dhaka is sinking](#)

5. Venice, Italy



Tourist walk through the flood.

Read more: [Venice is sinking](#)

6. Virginia Beach, Virginia

Virginia Beach is sinking.



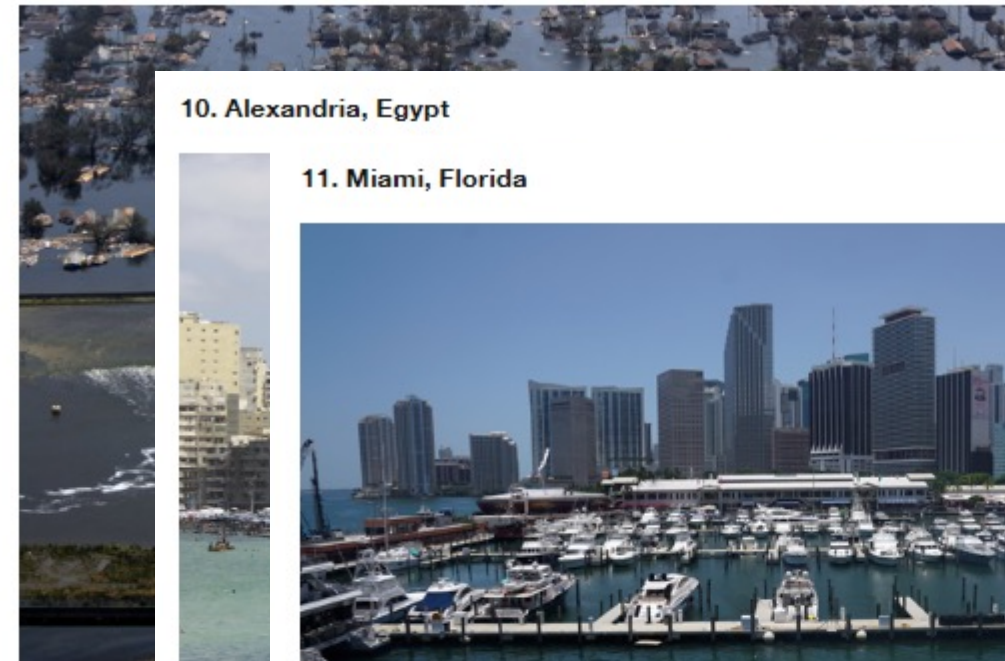
Tourist walk through the flood.

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Image: Reuters

8. New Orleans, Louisiana



A levee gives way after Katrina struck.

10. Alexandria, Egypt



11. Miami, Florida



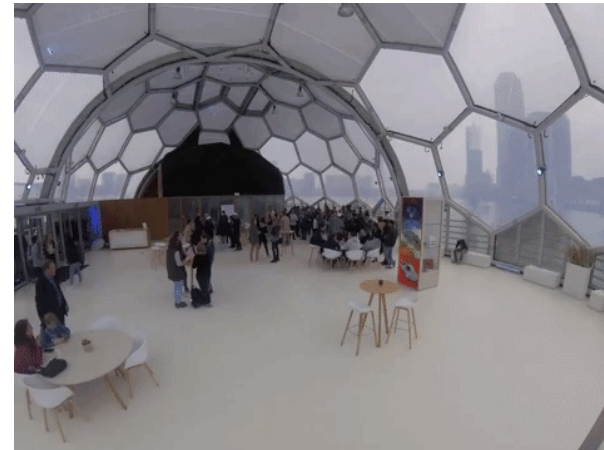
Solutions Canada-Netherlands



Dutch: Floating urbanisation, room for the river

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Challenges urban climate (change)



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Where to find: Floating urbanisation

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Legend

Click on a focus group to filter the markers on the map. You can get more information on a specific focus topic by clicking the ⓘ-sign.

Water ⓘ

(bio) swale

Floating urbanisation

Permeable pavement

Green roofs and walls

Subsurface infiltration

Gully free roads

Problem area

Constructed wetland

Water quality improvement

Other categories

Stormwater on private property

Watersquare

Storage for water

surfacewater storage & infiltration

Rainwater harvesting

Urban bathing water

Australian (eg bio retention, rainwater ha...

Raingarden

Retention pond


Global Centre on Climate Adaptation
Headquarter in Rotterdam

Focus topic: Water

Category: Floating urbanisation

More information →

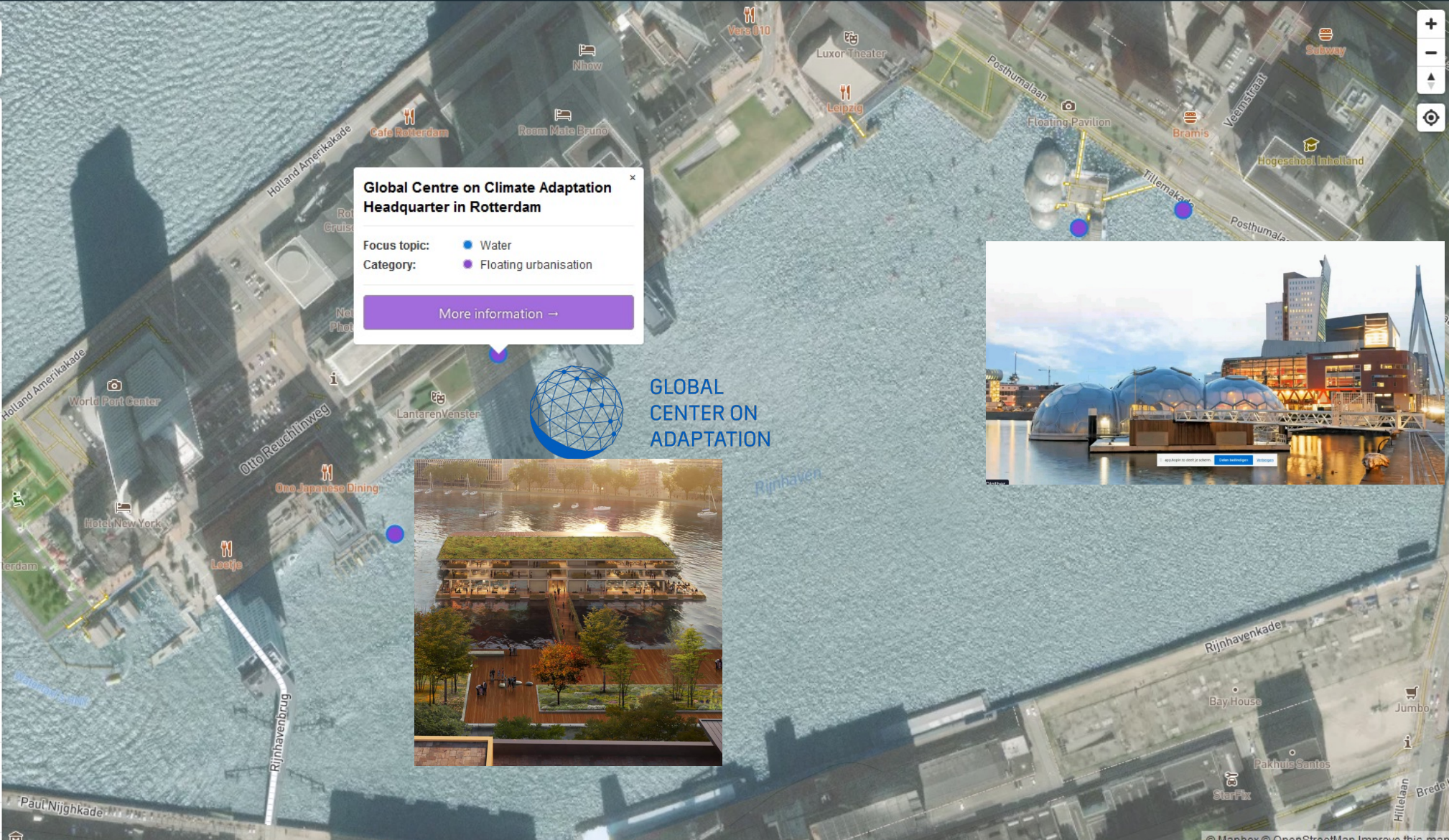
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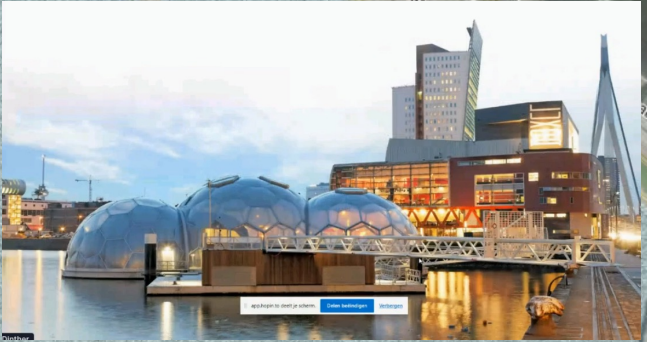


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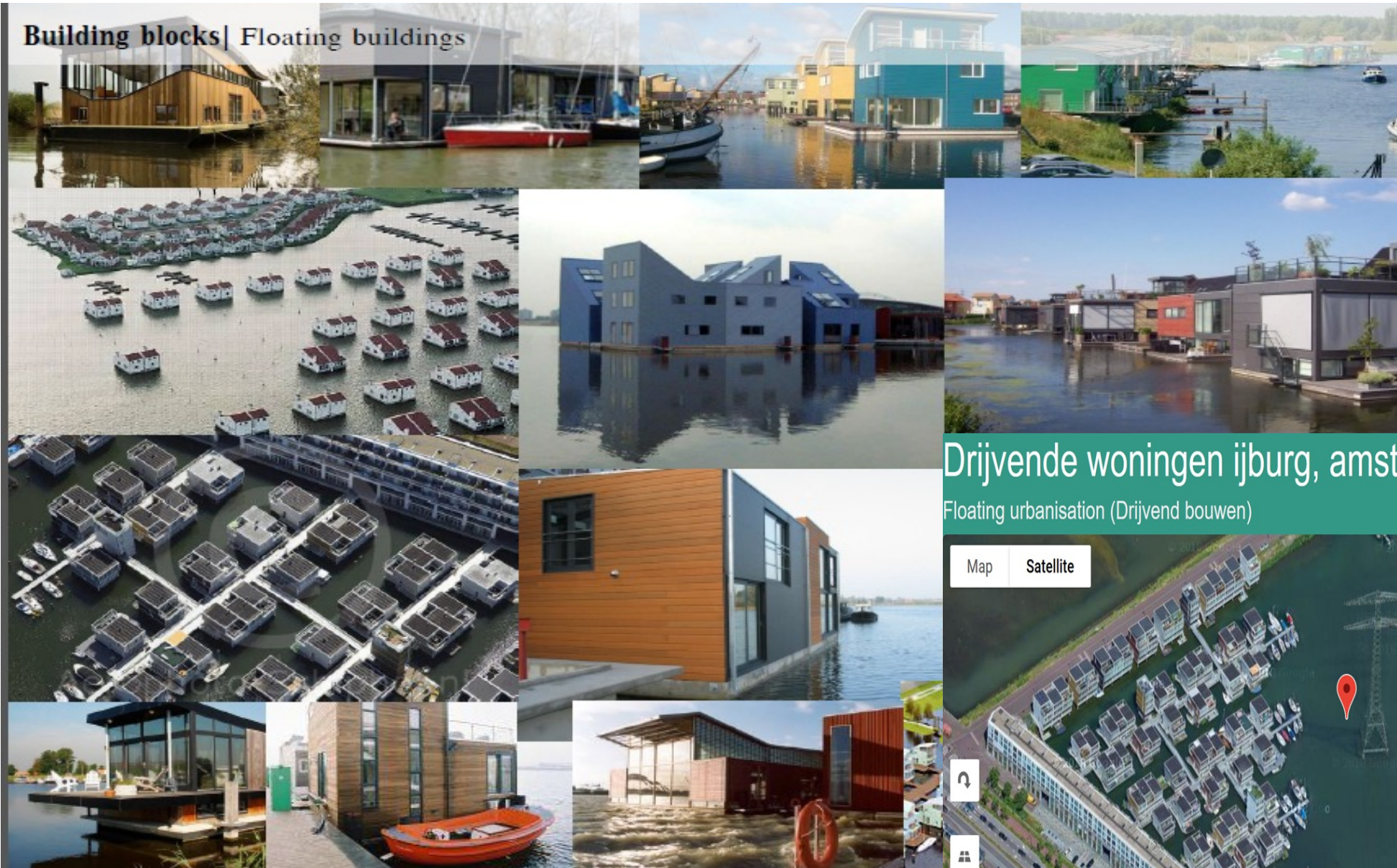
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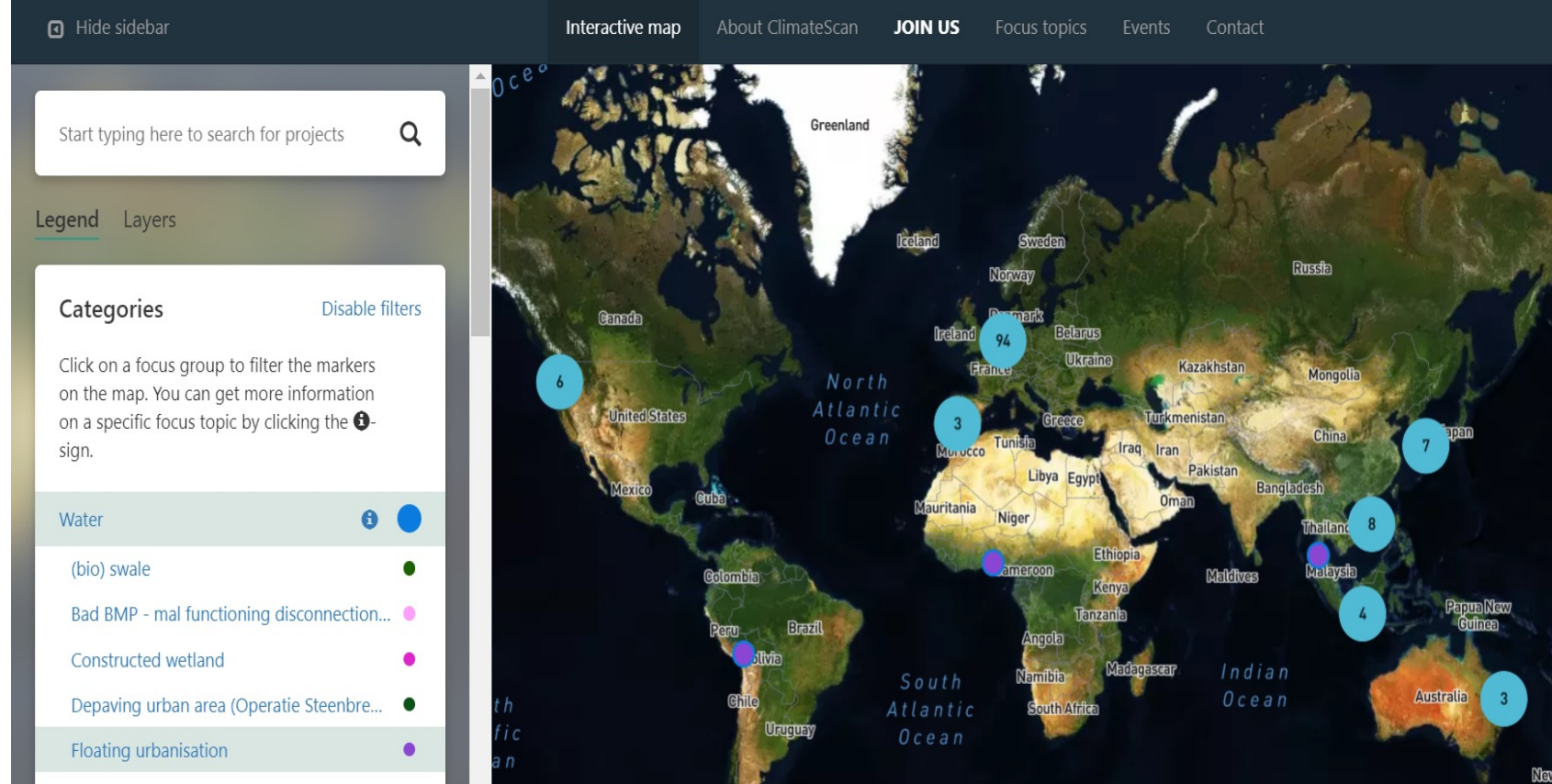
Floating and amphibious life



Tools and examples

Floating urbanisation

Climatescan.org











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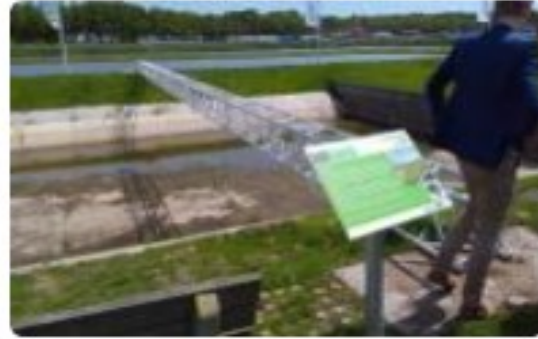
Flexible small
urban
Resilient
infrastructure



**I have no interest in who built
the drain system... I want to
know who built the fence!**

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2	Constructed wetland	Wetland: flooded area in which the water is shallow enough to enable the growth of bottom-rooted plants. Wetlands are constructed in urban areas to store water after stormwater events and improve waterquality.	
3	Waterharmonica	Ecological engineering treating waste water into usable surface water. The Waterharmonica focusses on integrated ecological engineering processes, by optimising multifunctional constructed wetland processes.	
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Flood barriers



<https://www.climatescan.nl/projects/2239/detail>

And what about drought (and flood & heatstress)

This second webinar from the series [Climate Adaptation: solutions from different corners of the world](#) is about adapting infrastructure to new conditions caused by climate change in Canada and the Netherlands. Floris Boogaard and Darren Swanson will specifically discuss the drought and extreme rainfall.

Smart cities: a Green Blue strategy



Solutions



Green infrastructure

[GI is] 'a strategically planned network of natural and semi-natural areas with other environmental features designed and managed to deliver a wide range of ecosystem services' in both rural and urban settings.

European Commission



International multifunctional inspiration/solutions



Groene infrastructuur,
Amsterdam



Sheet flow
Deventer



(Doorgroeibare) verharding



'gevel' tuintje

Speelplaats en waterberging



Participerend onderzoek
Groenblauw oplossing
Groningen



Tree box
Zutphen



Groene
rotonde
Winschoten

Raingarden
Nijverdal



Bio-filtratie
Purmerend


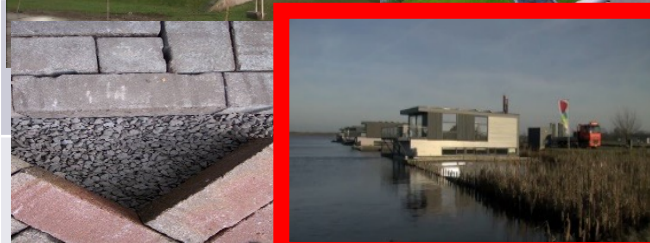




Wetlands



Bodempassage
Enkhuizen



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There is a clear demand for a
**collaborative knowledge-sharing
on climate adaptation and
mitigation.**

Overview of European platforms — content relevant to the core societal challenges

EEA Report | No 01/2021

Nature-based solutions in Europe: Policy, knowledge and practice for climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction



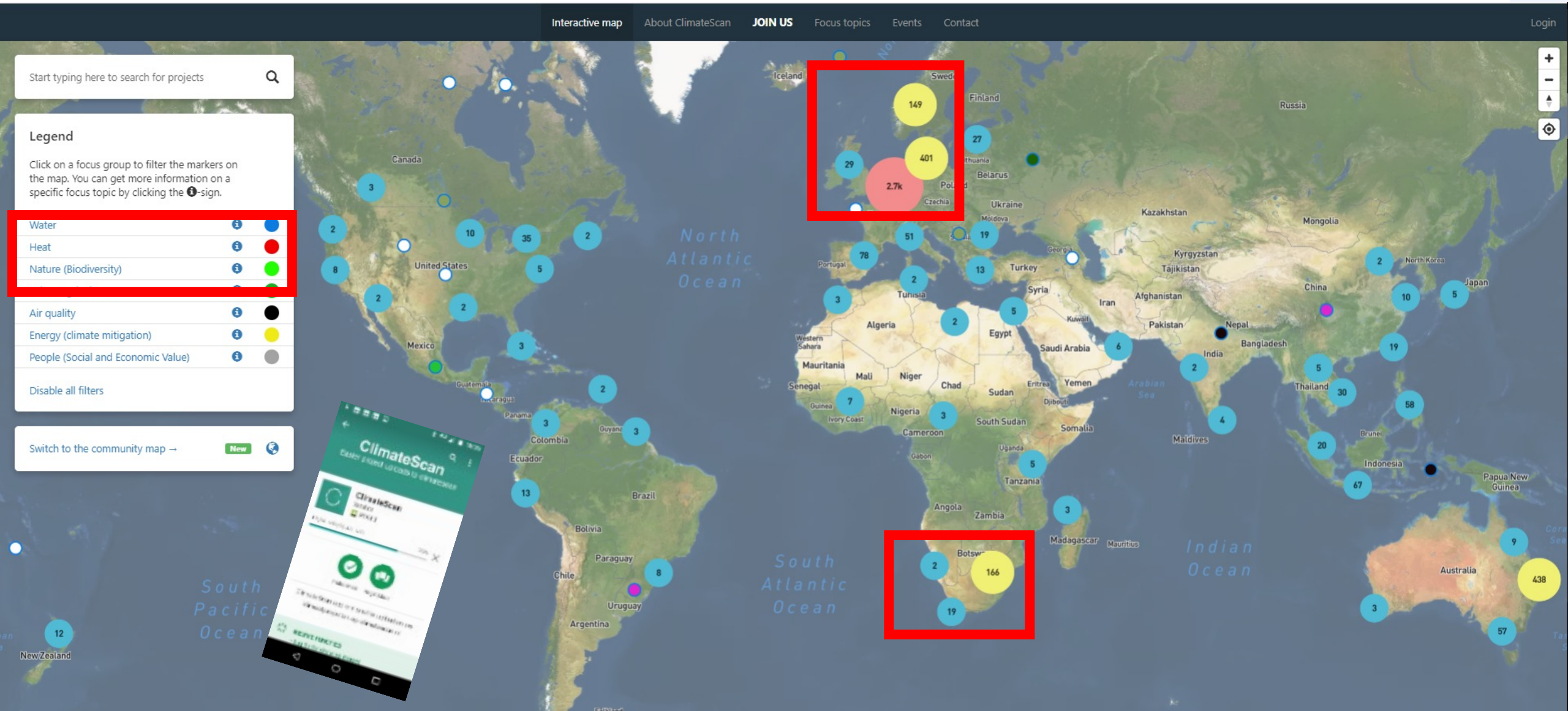
Table A5.3 Overview of European platforms — content relevant to the core societal challenges

	Core societal challenges						
	CSC1	CSC2	CSC3	CSC4	CSC5	CSC6	CSC7
	Improving society's resilience to extreme weather- and climate-related events	Food security, sustainable agriculture and forestry	Preserving habitat, reducing biodiversity loss and increasing green and blue spaces	Water management	Social justice, cohesion and equity and reducing risk for groups of society highly vulnerable to climate change	Public health and well-being (related to climate change impacts)	Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable
BISE	✓	✓	✓				
Climatescan	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Climate-ADAPT	✓				✓	✓	
DRMKC	✓						
Natural Hazards — Nature-based Solutions platform	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Nature-based Solutions Initiative	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Naturvation Urban Nature Atlas	✓		✓	✓	✓		
NWRM	✓			✓			
OPPLA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Panorama	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
ThinkNature	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
weADAPT	✓				✓	✓	

Note: Tick-boxes were selected in consultation with platform managers, except the entries for NWRM and OPPLA.

Source: EEA.

Mapping climate adaptation solutions



Opportunity: relating GI to urban typologies



1900-1940



1950-1970

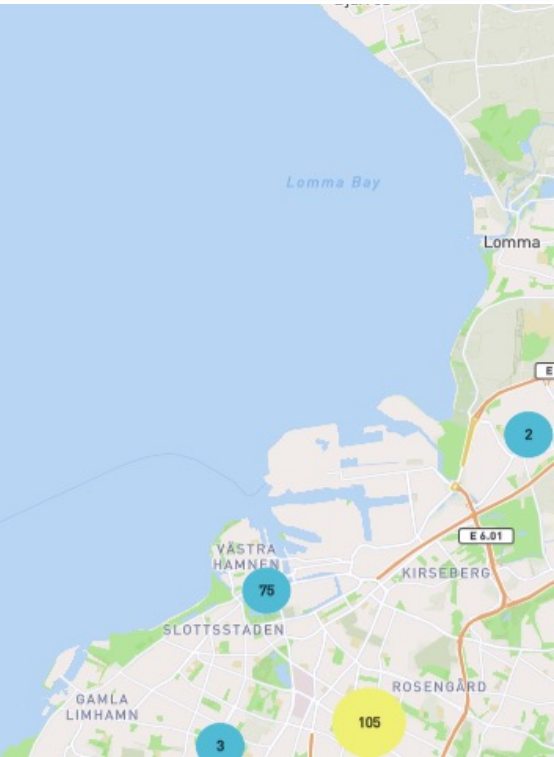
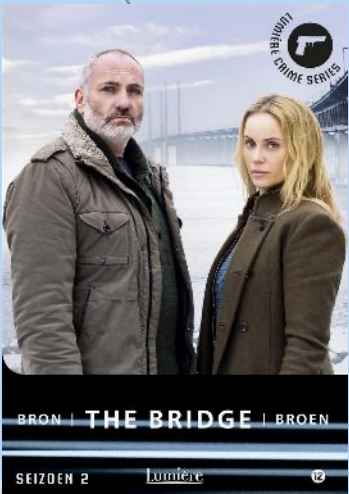
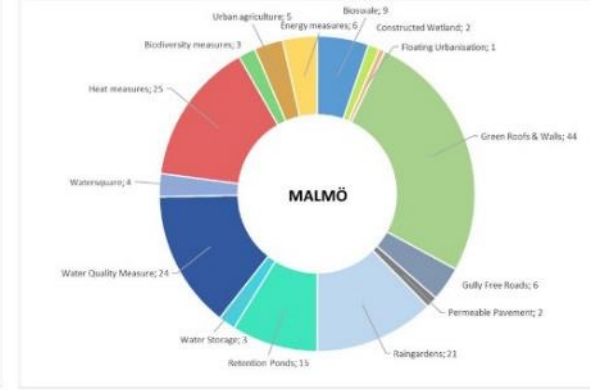
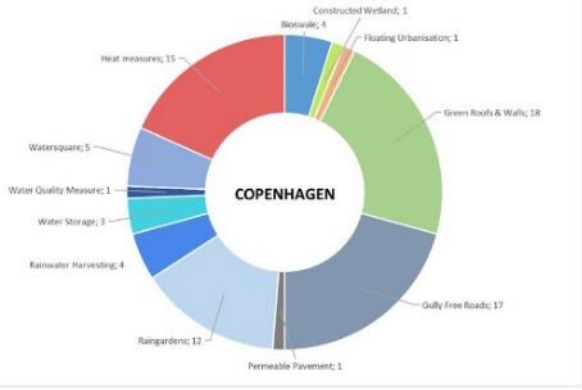
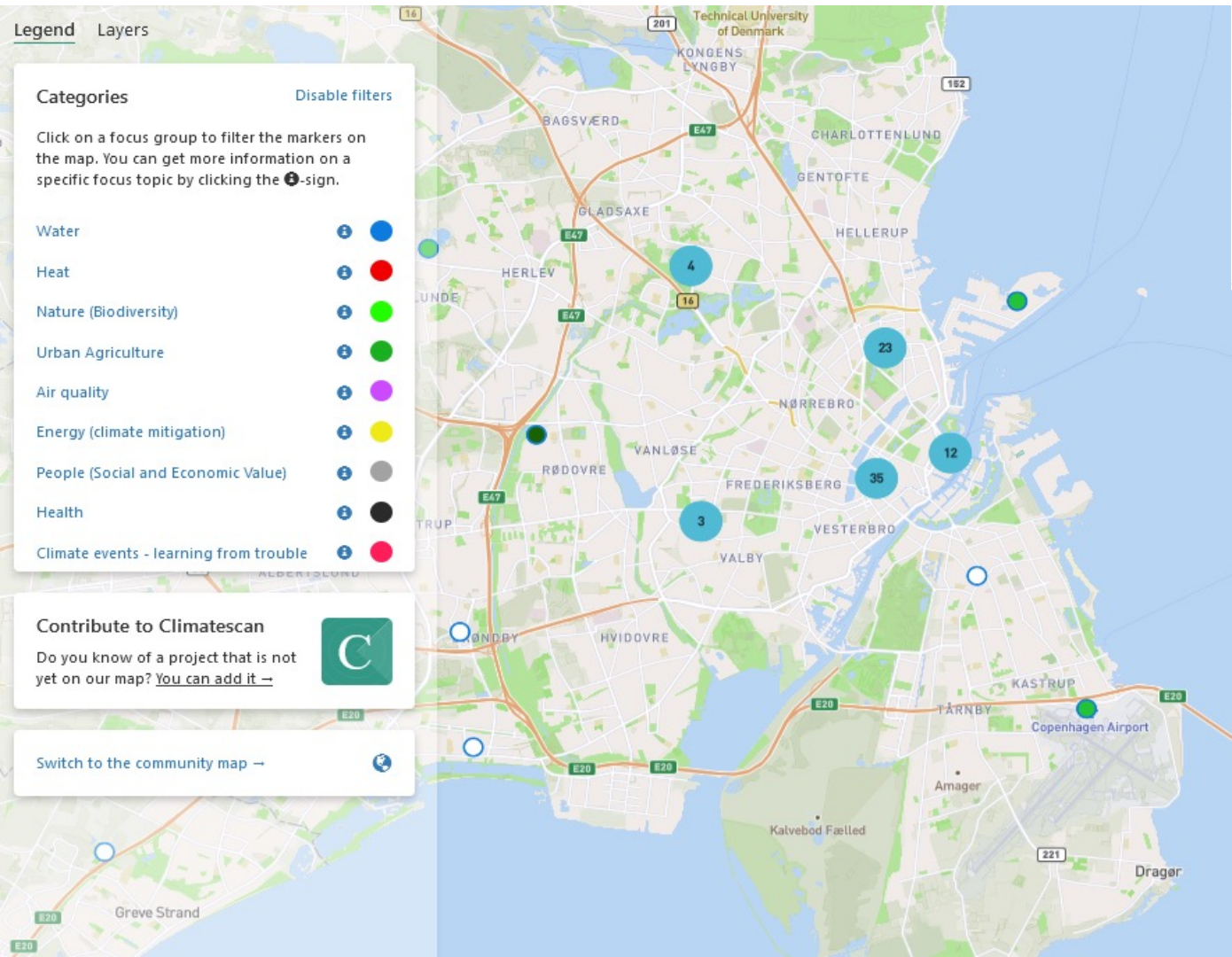


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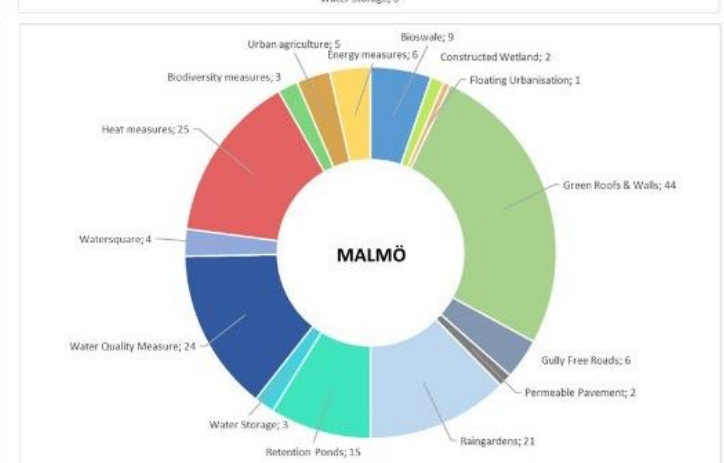
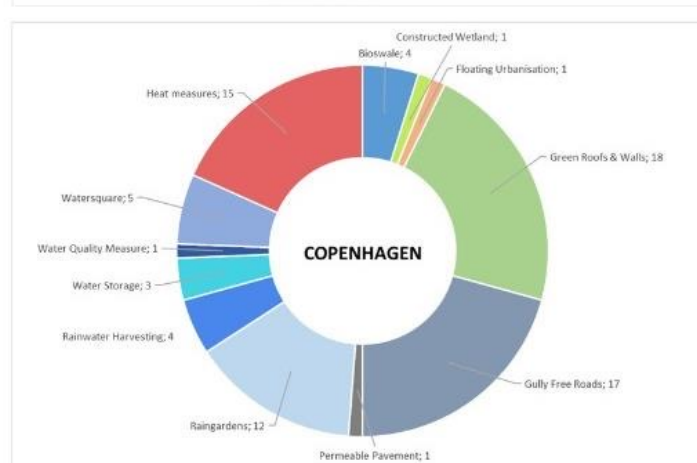
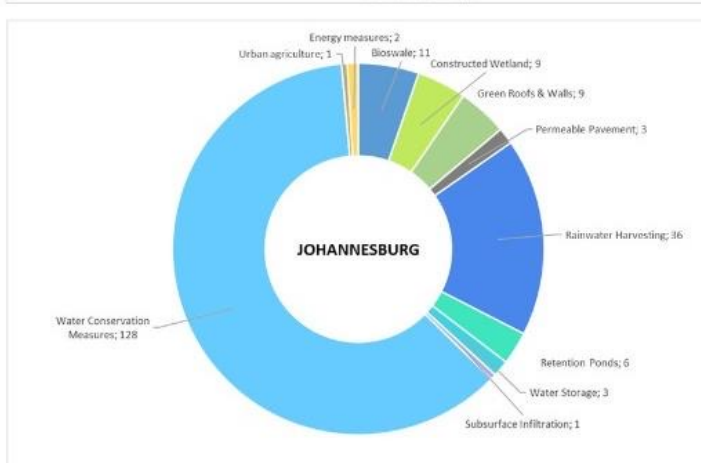
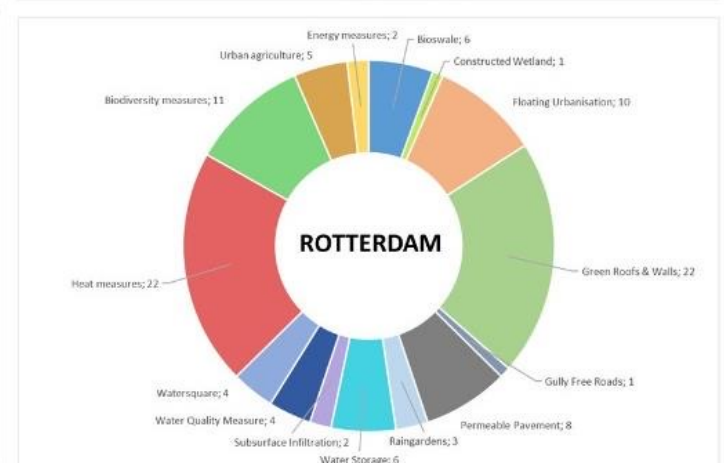
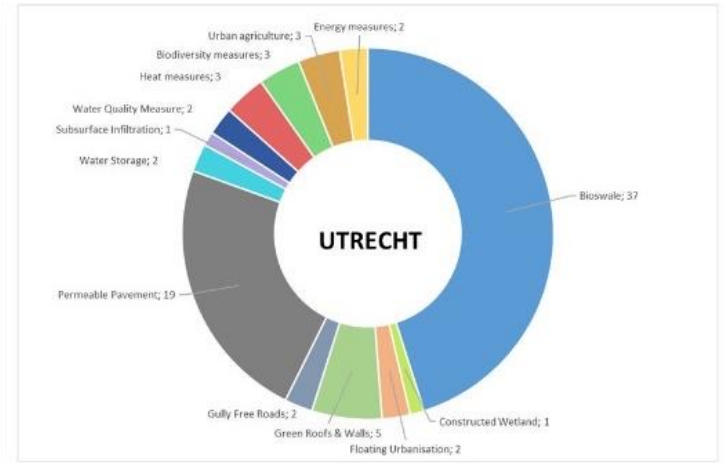
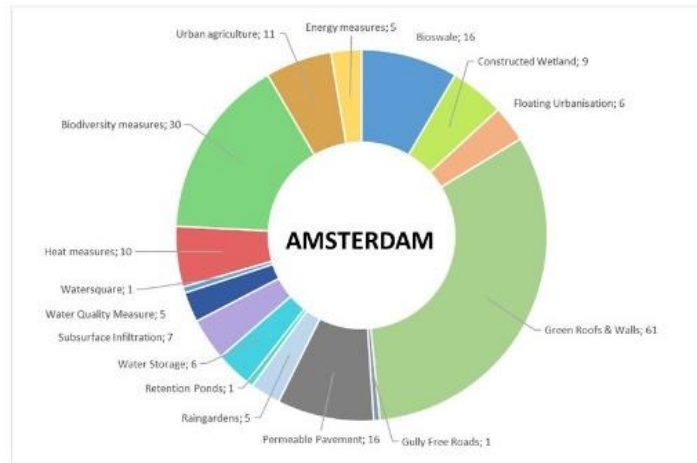
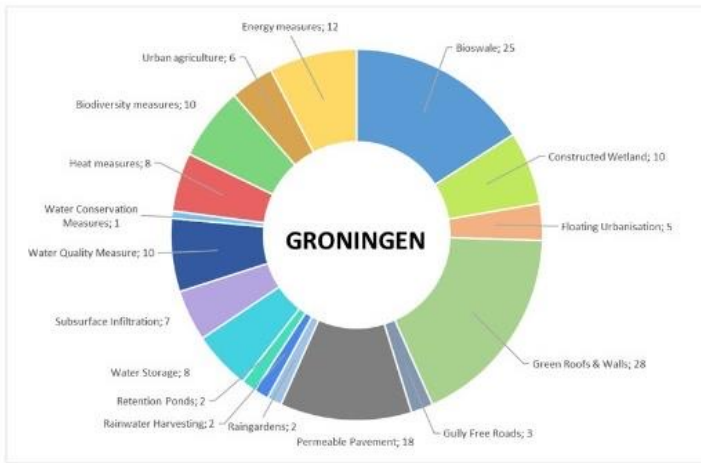


Strategy: Climate city approach

Status 2022 GI > 500 locations in climatescan.org

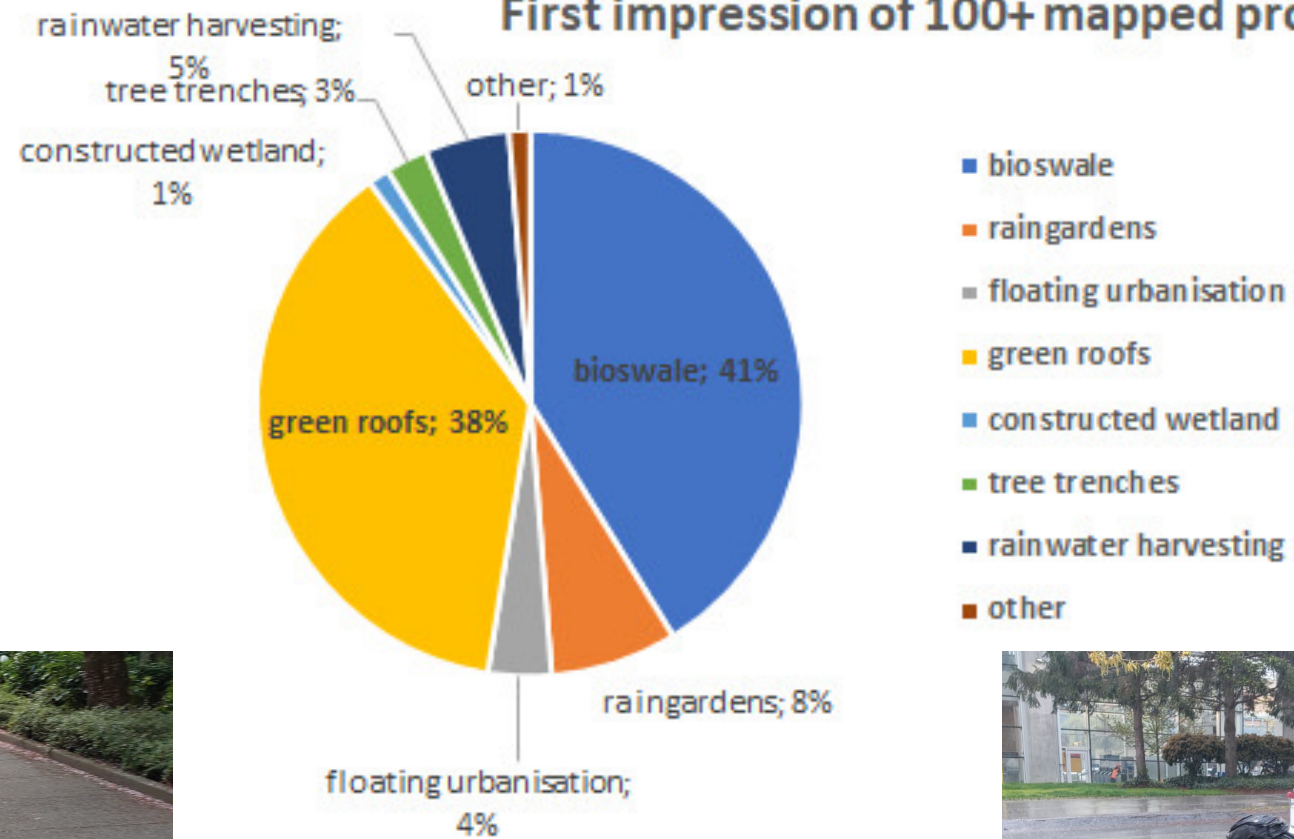


Every city is different
A holistic approach is needed
Analyze, Ambition, Action!



GI Vancouver

First impression of 100+ mapped projects



What is an
inspiration for
Canada?



Daily Functions
Wednesday, May 11th, 2022

Metro Vancouver Green Infrastructure Workshop

07:00am – 5:00pm Meeting

Evergreen Ballroom

3rd Floor

What is an inspiration for Canada?

- NBS since 1997... looking in the future
- Maintenance and monitoring: long term efficiency



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Enschede - swales ruwenbos xrf

(bio) swale



Description

water afvoer drainage en infiltratie (wadi's) in Ruwenbos, Enschede

Samenvatting (Dutch description)

Enschede - swales Ruwenbos

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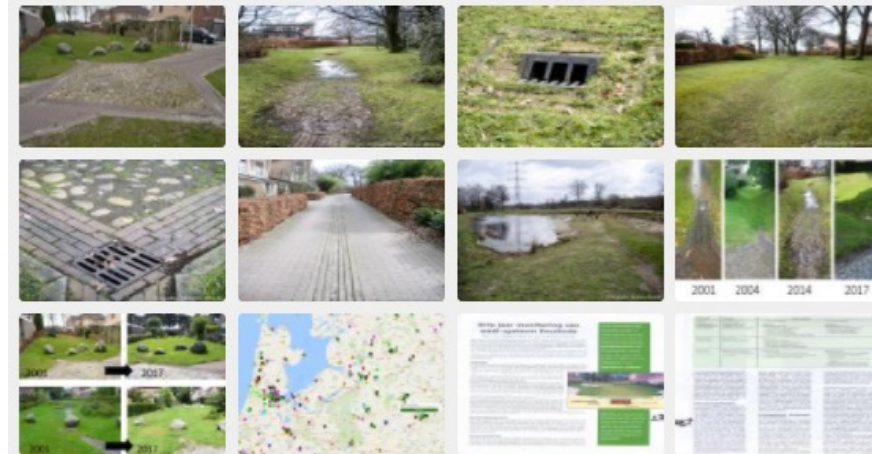
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Images





1 Swale & playground Dalfsen



2 Grid Pavers Someren



3 bio Swale Harkstraat Amsterdam



4 bio Swale Veldbiezenweg Zwolle



5 bio Swale Alphen



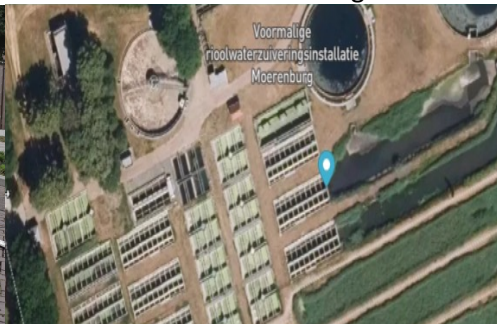
6 Gully free road to swale Almelo



7 Grid Pavers Zoeterwoude



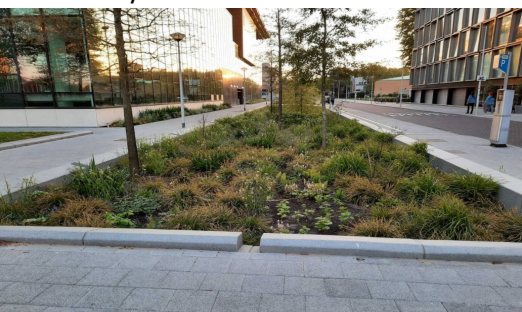
8 Raingardens & DV Reestraat Arnhem



9 Waterharmonica Moerenburg



10 Raingarden Amsterdam



11 Raingarden Irenestraat Amsterdam



12 subsurface road storage Zoeterwoude



13 Swale Paddepoel Groningen



14 Swale Ruwenbos Enschede



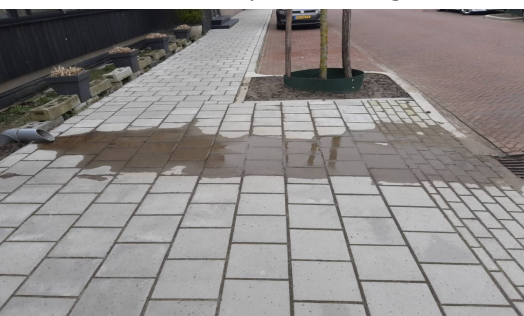
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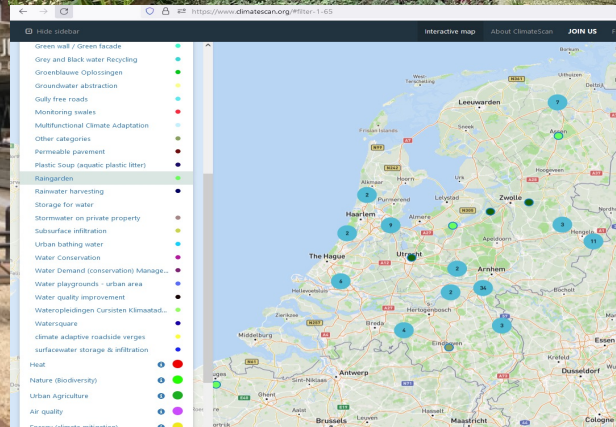
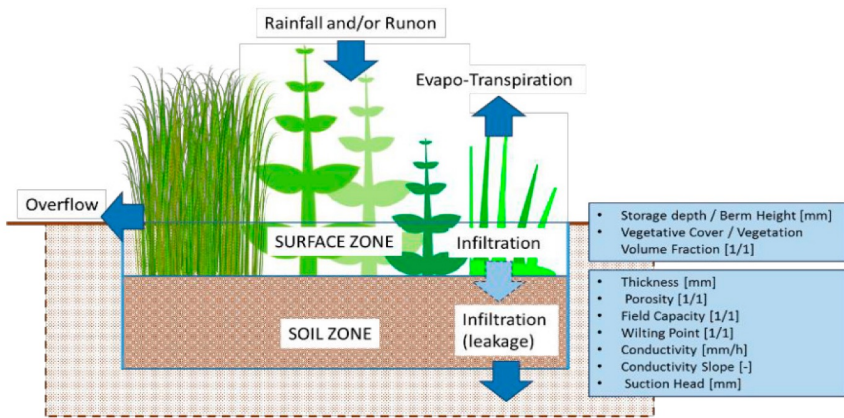
18 Infiltrating sewer Boddenkamp Enschede



19 subsurface road storage Zwolle



20 Swale Vasaliplantsoen Utrecht



Top views on climatescan



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Top views on climatescan

Goot- en kolkloze klinkerweg, westerbouwlanden te nieuwleusen

Hollow gully free roads (Dutch: kolkloze wijk)



Description

In de nieuwbouwwijk Westerbouwlanden wordt hemelwater zichtbaar afgevoerd over de weg. Deze weg heeft geen goot, geen kolken maar ligt alleen iets hol. Bandverlengingen laten het water vrij naar het groen en oppervlaktewater stromen.

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Green infiltration zone/ rainwatergarden amsterdam

(bio) swale (Wadi)



Description

Een primeur voor Amsterdam: een waterbergende groenstrook die nu 96.000 liter en straks zelfs 120.000 liter water kan opvangen, en er zo voor zorgt dat bewoners geen waterverlies hebben bij hoosbuien. Vandaag opent wethouder Udo Klok de groenstrook in een woonwijk op de Zuidas. Het is de eerste in zijn soort in Nederland. Wethouder Udo Klok (VVD): 'We zien dat het steeds vaker hard regent, en dat leidt tot wateroverlast zoals ondergelopen kelders. Deze groenstrook ziet er simpel uit, maar zorgt ervoor dat de kelders in deze buurt niet meer onderlopen. Een prachtig initiatief, helemaal omdat het relatief weinig kost.' Omdat de groenstrook 35 centimeter lager ligt dan de omgeving, kan hij regenwater opvangen van de wegen en de daken in de buurt. De groenstrook kan bij een hoosbui zelfs even in een beek veranderen. Het water blijft maximaal 24 uur in de berging en daarna stroomt het langzaam weg naar het openlisterwater en infiltraat het in de bodem. Als bij een zware bui de strook dreigt te overstromen, stroomt het via een overstort het riool in. Dit voorkomt dat het water de huizen in stroomt. Het unieke aan de strook is dat het opvangen van water wordt gecombineerd met een hoogwaardige inrichting van het groen. De groenstrook is beplant met planten die tegen veel water kunnen en het hele jaar groen zijn. De planten kunnen zelfs een tijdje onder water staan. De gemeente en Vlietmet willen deze groenstrook op meerdere plekken in de stad aanleggen. De waterbergende groenstrook wordt vanmiddag om vier uur officieel geopend. Hij ligt op de Zuidelijke Wandelweg, op de kruising met de Geesterlandstraat. De opening is openbaar.

Images



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Websites

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(Dutch) green roofs 2.0

- Green roof programs in most Dutch municipalities
- For existing buildings:
 - Co-funded by municipalities from waste water taxes paid by citizens
 - private investments from real state owners
- For new buildings:
 - Fully funded by private owners

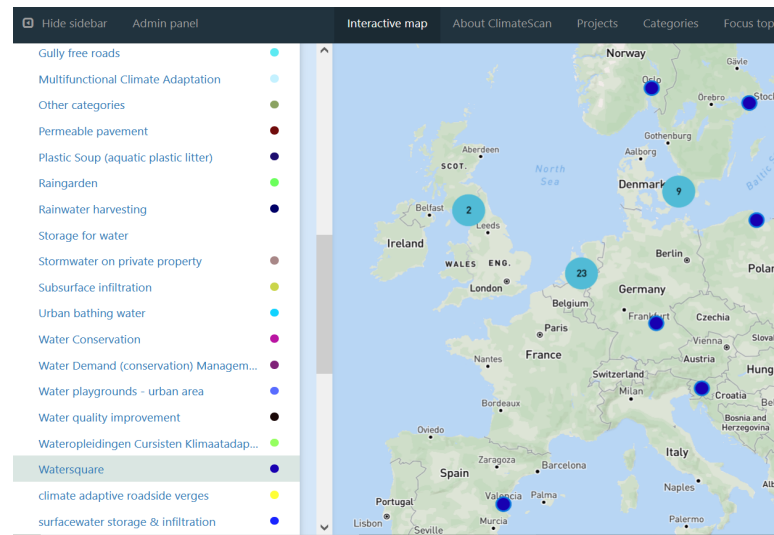


Water square in Rotterdam 2013

- Multifunctional square
- Combines a space for recreation and sports with temporary water storage
- Square acts as a buffer
- Filtered water is returned to the water system
- Twofold strategy:
 - Money invested in water storage facilities becomes enjoyable and visible
 - Opportunities to create environmental quality and identity to central spaces in neighborhoods.

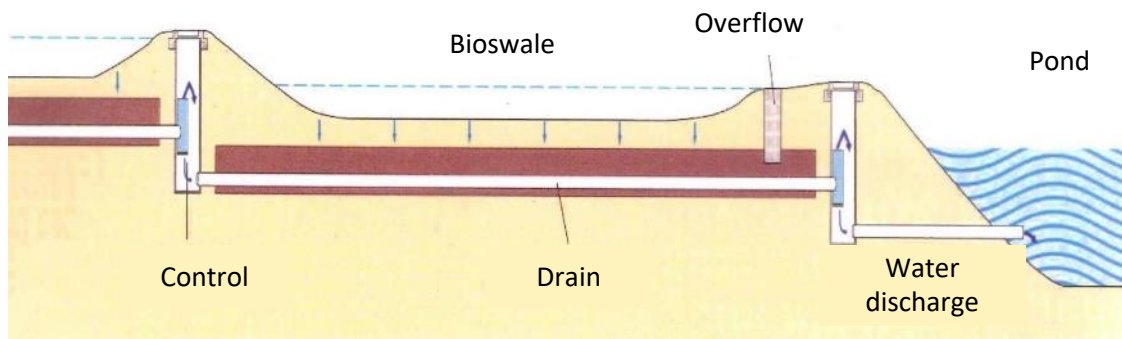


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Multifunctional Bio-swales

- Naturally designed buffer and infiltration filter, can be a shallow ditch or depression in the field
- It detaches rainwater runoff from streets and rooftops from the traditional sewer system.
- Most of the year the bioswale remains dry. Only during heavier rain events it will be filled with water.
- This way clean water is infiltrated into the soil it can be used during drier periods.
- The overflow risk of the sewage system is limited as rainwater is separated from the sewer system.
- This leads to a higher water quality of the surface waters.



Innovation, there is more!



A
PARADIGM SHIFT
IS
COMING



PAST → FUTURE

pollinator friendly yards on facebook



Factor Time

Water storage



Permeable pavement



Swales



phytoremediation





www.climatecafe.nl

Riga, Latvia (2019)
Oldenburg, Germany (2020)
Malmo, Sweden (2019)
Chur, Switzerland (2019)
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Coimbra, Portugal (2022)

The Netherlands
Cities:
Groningen (2014, 2017-2022)
Rotterdam (2017-2019, 2022)
Leeuwarden, Hoogeveen, Kampen, Apeldoorn,
Arnhem, Tilburg, Nijmegen, Eindhoven (2015-2022)

Regions:
GrensMaas (2020, 2022)
Drents Overijsselse Delta (2021)
Noord Holland, Zeeland and Brabant (2021)

EUROPE

ASIA

Mae Phaem, Thailand (2014, 2015)
Manila, Philippines (2016)
Tainan, Taiwan (2016)
Kanpur, India (2016)
Semarang-Surabaya-Ambon, Indonesia
(2017-2020)
Cebu-Manila, Philippines (2017, 2018,
2019)

AFRICA

Niger River, Mali (2018)
South Africa (2020)

North AMERICA

New Orleans, USA (2022)
Vancouver, Canada (2022)

SOUTH AMERICA

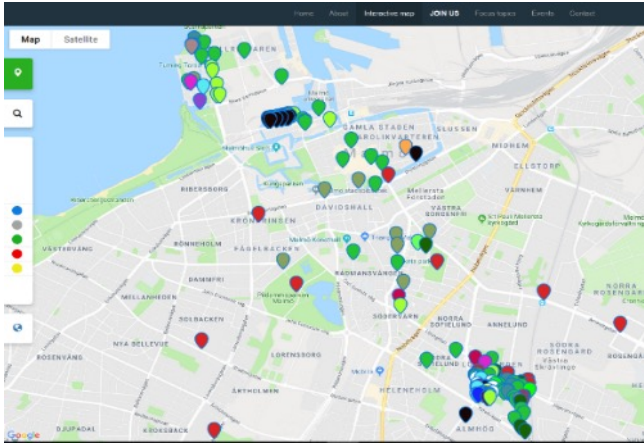
Peru (2019, 2022)
Colombia (2023)

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Engaging the community, even in monitoring GI



Mapping GI and characteristics



Dynamic Monitoring (heatstress and air pollution)



Waterquality



Monitoring micro pollution



Story telling



Hydraulic performance

FLOOD FIGHTER

However, now we face a new challenge; Global Warming flooding our streets.

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Sponge cities after 20 years?



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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R14BajCwU6w>

Challenges in monitoring and Maintenance of GI

challenges

- Cost and capacity of monitoring and maintenance
- Do we want to know? Experience
- As GI often require different types of maintenance, different expertise is required
- Involvement from different departments is required
- Funding agencies need to be convinced of or at least informed on the corresponding maintenance cost

opportunities

- Partnering with education institutes to make monitoring more affordable to municipalities
- Learn from others' experiences and other sites
- Use citizen science and participation
- Raising awareness, capacity building: climatecafe
- Make monitoring more attractive!

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Article

Rapid Assessment and Long-Term Monitoring of Green Stormwater Infrastructure with Citizen Scientists

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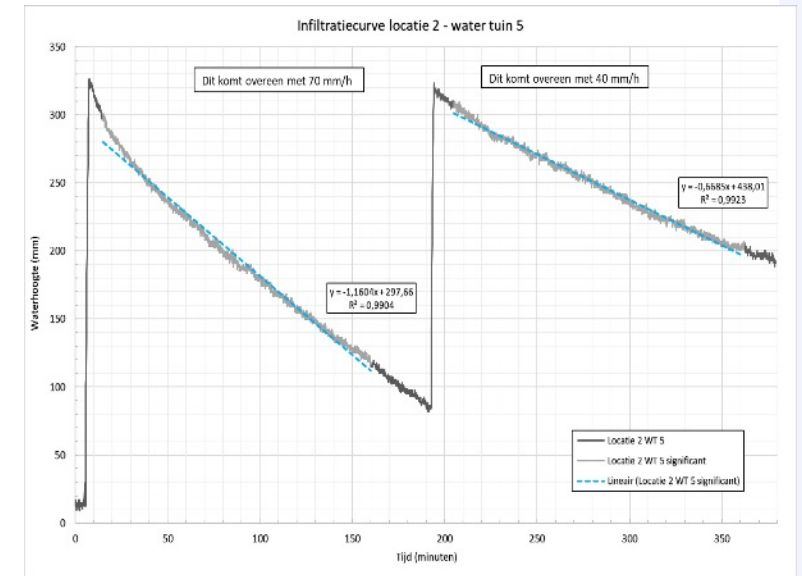
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Rain garden: centralized or decentralized at street and house level

Note that infiltration capacity is depending on vegetation, clogging, bio activity more than the engineered soil: maintenance and saturation



Veld (Arnhem), The Netherlands

Rain gardens: scientific results international knowledge exchange



Bergen, Norway
<https://www.climatescan.org/projects/1068/d>



Gdansk, Poland
<https://www.climatescan.org/projects/4224/d>



Amsterdam, Netherlands
<https://www.climatescan.org/projects/921/de>



Velp, The Netherlands
<https://www.climatescan.org/projects/1109/d>

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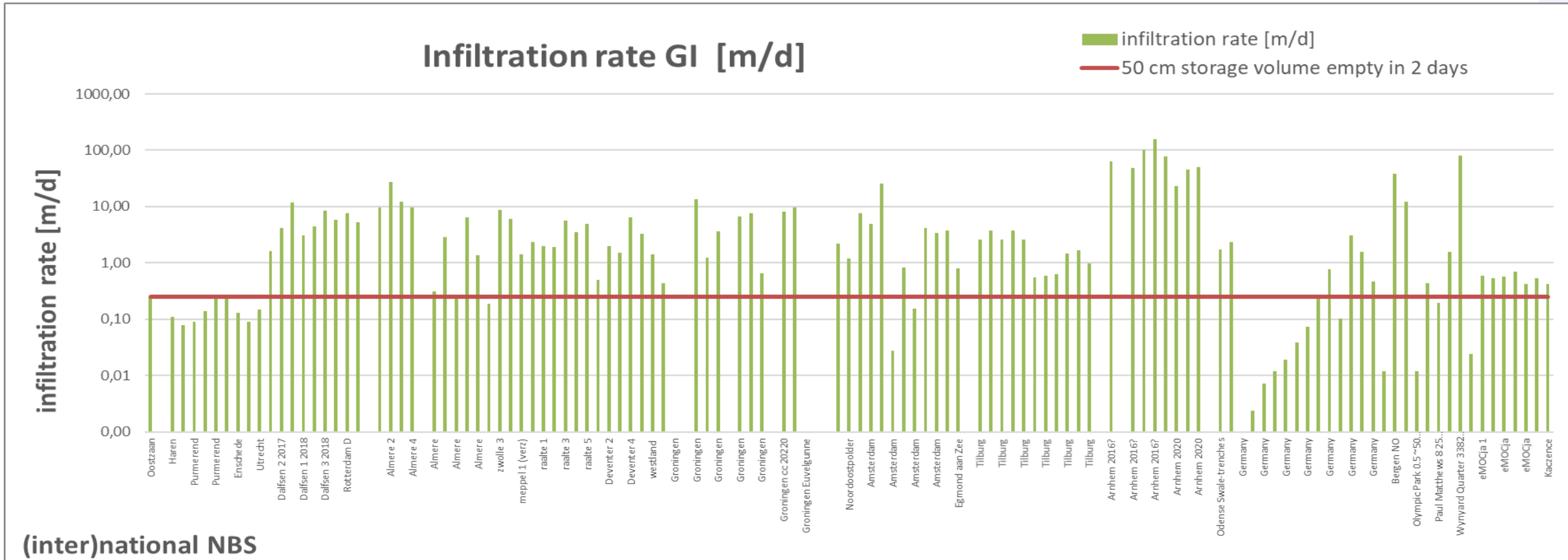
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But we need to conduct long-term monitoring and share results



Spatial and Time Variable Long Term Infiltration Rates of Green Infrastructure under Extreme Climate Conditions, Drought and Highly Intensive Rainfall

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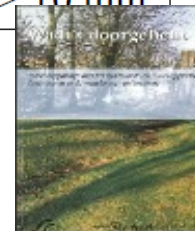
From monitoring results of local GI to international guidelines

Table 2: General international design guidelines for swales

Design Parameter	Unit	Netherlands	Germany	UK	Belgium
Organization		(RIONED)	(ATV)	(CIRIA)	(VLARIO)
Distance ground water	m	> 0.5	>1	--	--
Swale area/drained area	Ratio	5 – 10	> 7	--	5 – 10
Distance to houses	m	>1	1.5 depth		
Swale water depth	m	<0.3	<0.3	<0.1	<0.3
Spare capacity	m	0.1	--	0.15	--
Width of bottom	m	>0,5	0.6	--	0.5 - 1
Longitudinal slope	V:H	1 : 3 or less	1:4 or less	--	1:3 or less
Max velocity	m/s	--	--	1 - 2	--
Thickness of filter soil	m	0.3 – 0.5	>0.1	--	0.3 – 0.5
Humus in top layer	%	3-5		--	
Infiltration capacity	m/day	> 0.5	$0.86 < K_d < 86.4$	--	> 0.086
Overflowing frequency	n/yr	1 to 2	0.2	--	0.2 – 0.5
Time to empty	hour	<24	<24	> 10 min	<24

Vancouver

**3- 5 meter
& '15 cm rule'**



Content: Small scale **urban resilient infrastructure** in **practise: what, where and does it work?**

1. We share Challenges
2. So lets share Solutions
3. Practical examples of resilient infrastructure
- 4. Tools and information**
5. More info

Thank you

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Map showing project locations with colored circles and numbers. A large red circle with '3.5k' is visible in the North Atlantic region.

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