



Pan-European modelling studies for balancing water availability and water demand

supporting the 2012 EC Blueprint to Safeguard Europe's Waters

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ENV background to JRC studies:



Aim is to stimulate EU countries to increase the efficiency of water use by 2020/2030, e.g:

- **Increasing irrigation water efficiency**
- **Increasing water savings in households**
- **Water re-use in industry/agriculture, etc**

& explore pro's and con's of other options:

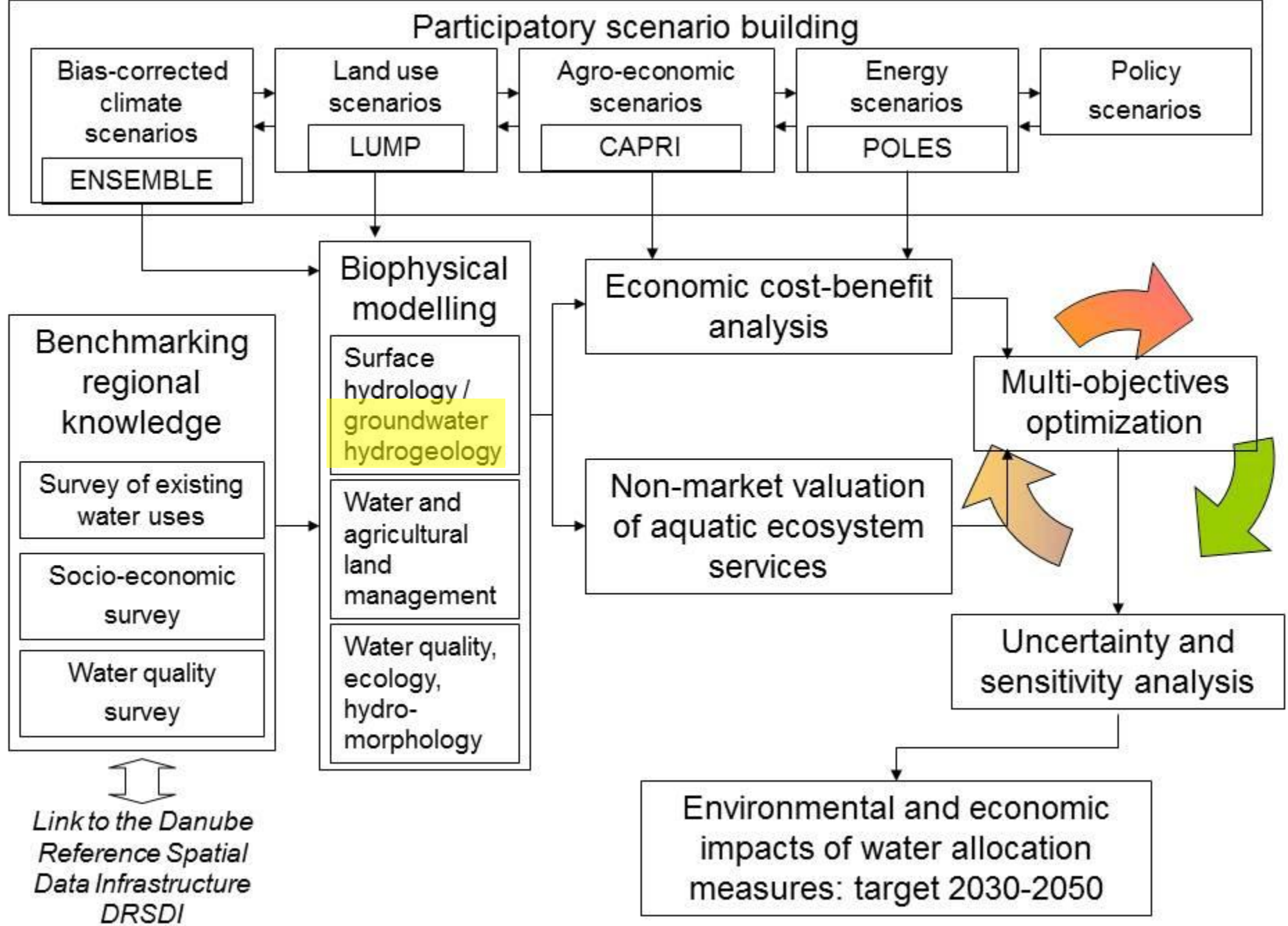
- **Desalination**
- **Reducing leakage from water supply**
- **Large distance water transfers between basins**
- **Water pricing**

& and at the same time:

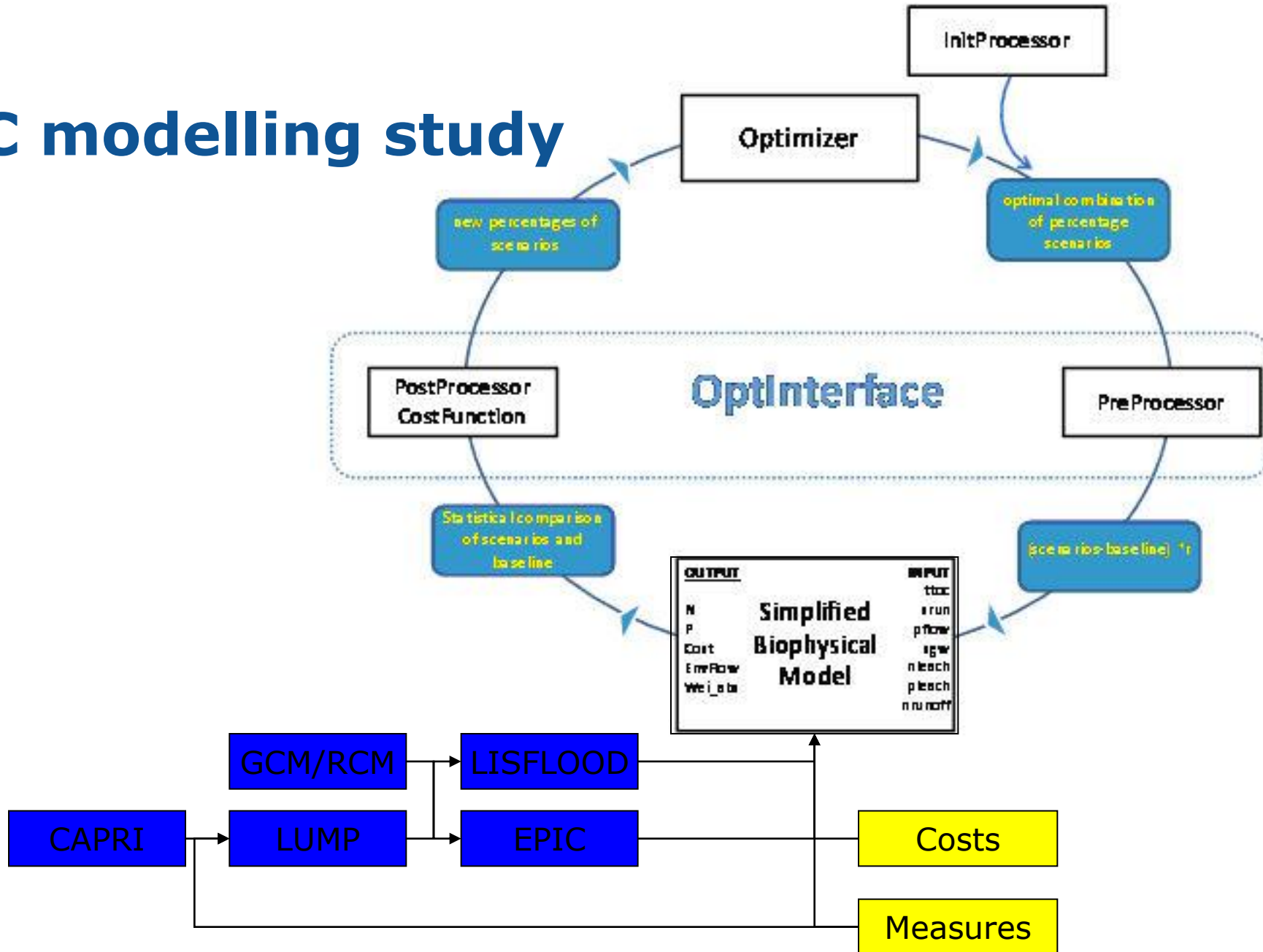
- **Reduce flood risk, if possible through natural water retention measures**
- **Have sufficient water for all economic sectors**
- **Respect 'environmental flow' conditions**
- **Maintain 'good ecological status' (WFD)**
- **Take into account costs & benefits**

& while respecting & taking into account:

- **Common Agricultural Policy & crop yield targets (CAPRI)**
- **Expected population growth and economic growth (LUMP)**



JRC modelling study



JRC LUMP Land Use Modelling Platform



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using the land use model
Eu-ClueScanner (JRC)

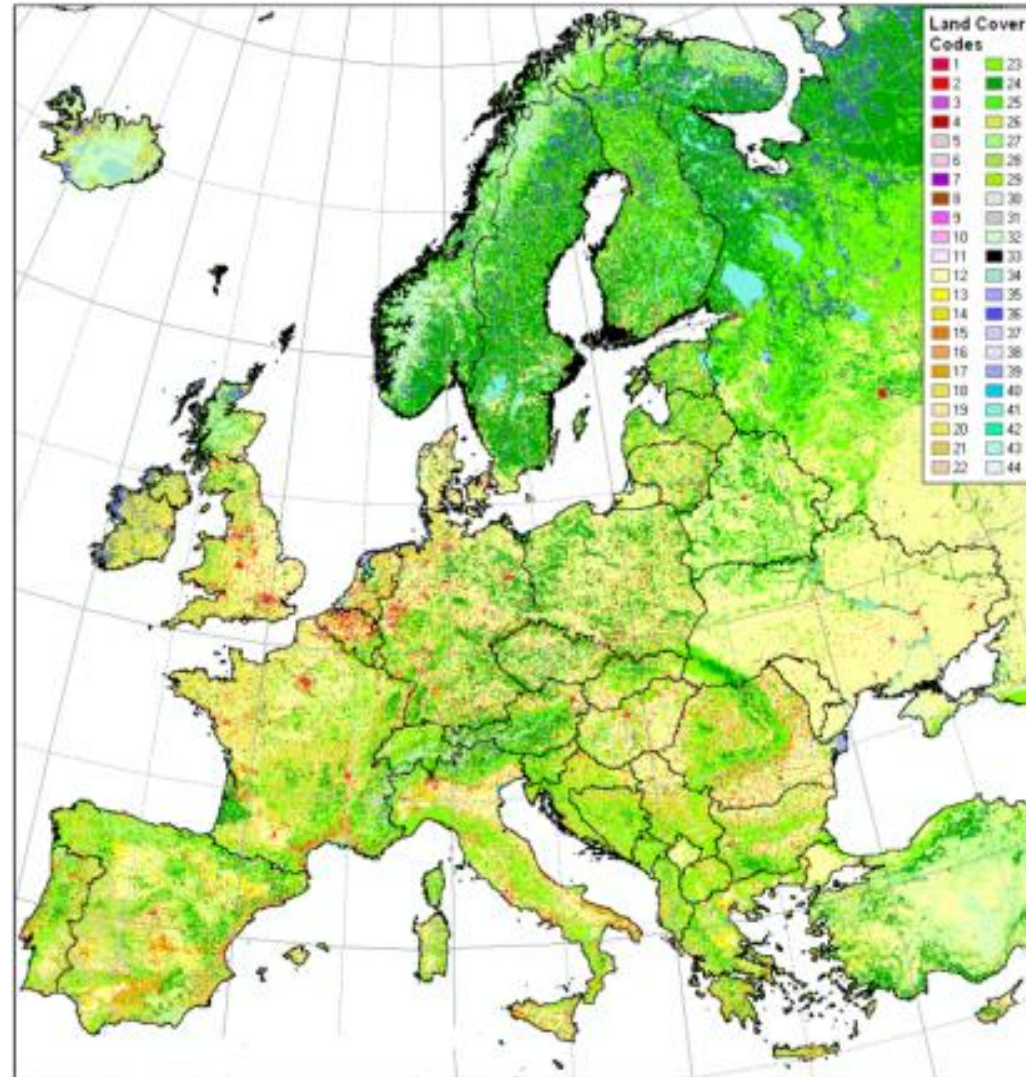
Land use / land cover change
scenarios until 2030

Common Agricultural Policy (CAP)
consistent (using CAPRI boundary
conditions for 2030)

Socio-Economic data used from
Eurostat

100m spatial resolution

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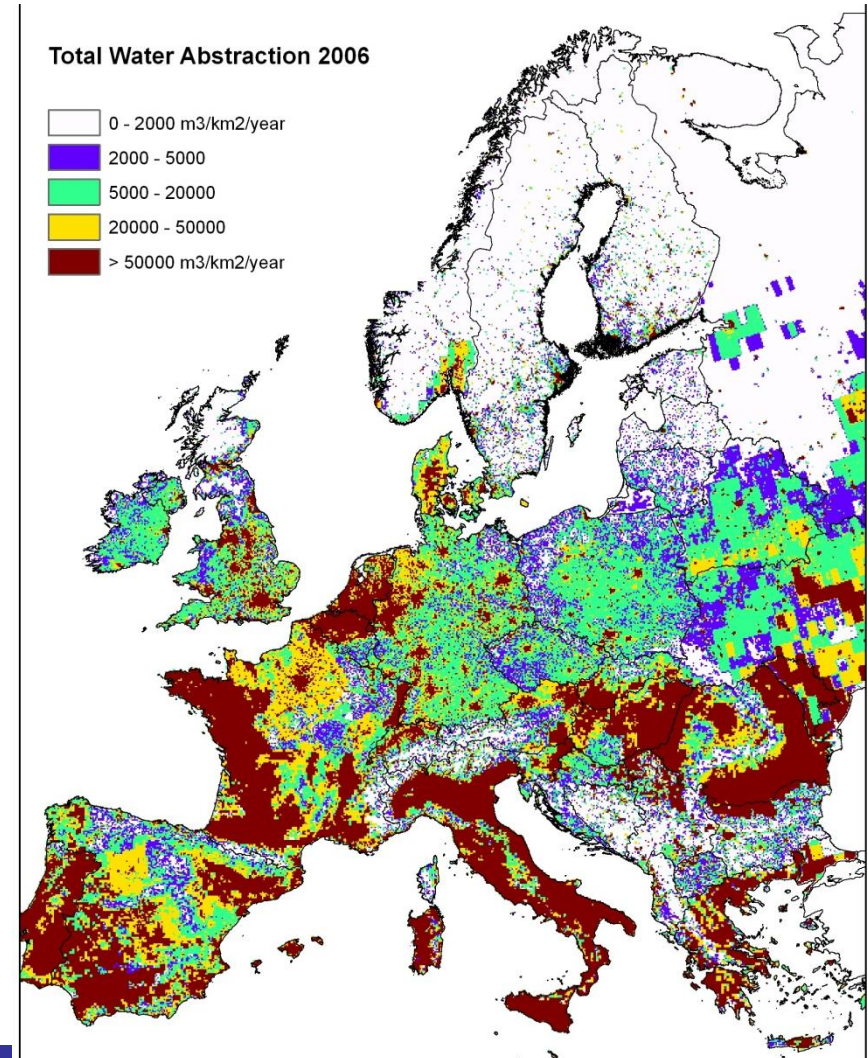


Water abstraction and consumption baseline

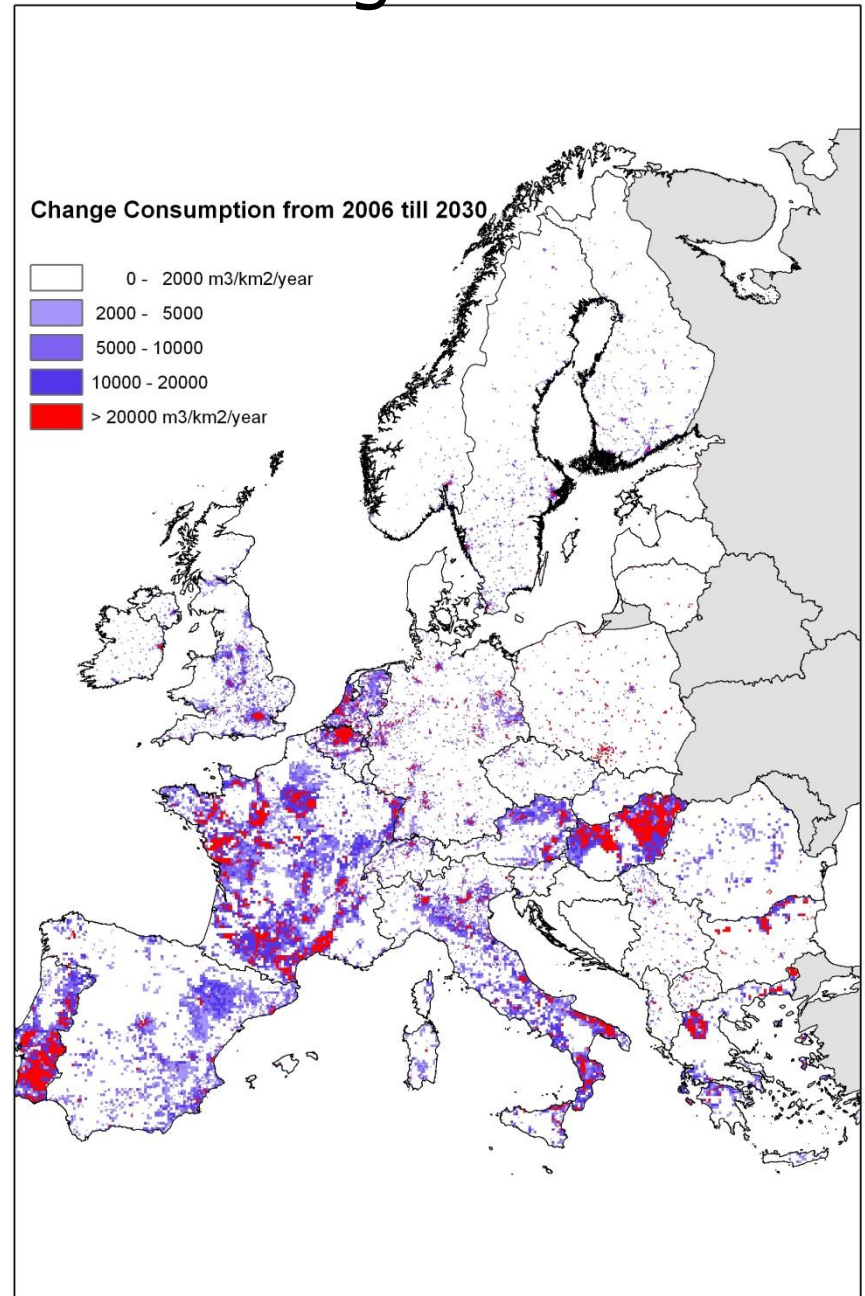
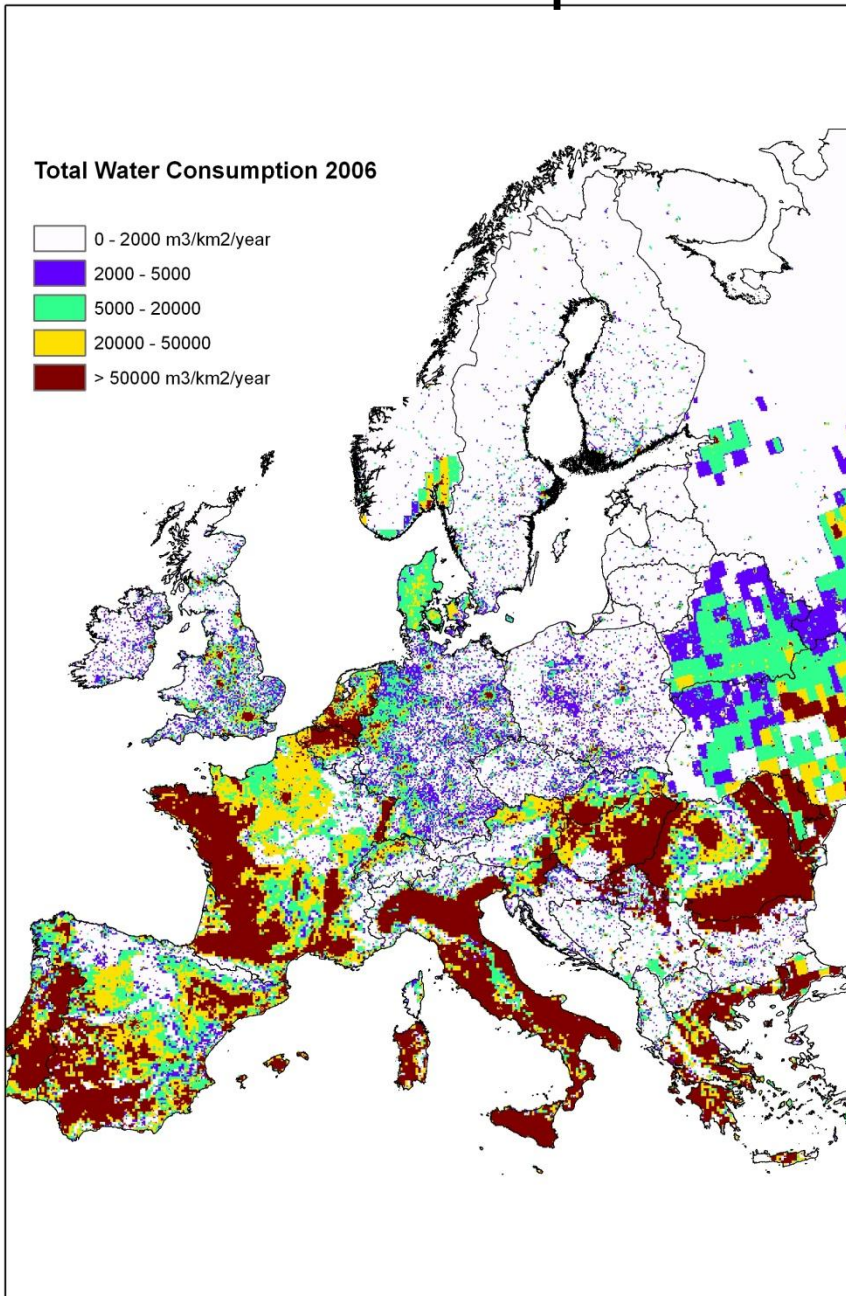
Sectors considered:

- Irrigation
- Livestock
- Manufacturing industry
- Domestic use
- Energy production

*Disaggregated data from
EUROSTAT, Member
States, OECD*



Water consumption 2006 and changes until 2030



LISQUAL: integrated water quantity & quality model including economic loss functions

to interface with the optimisation tool

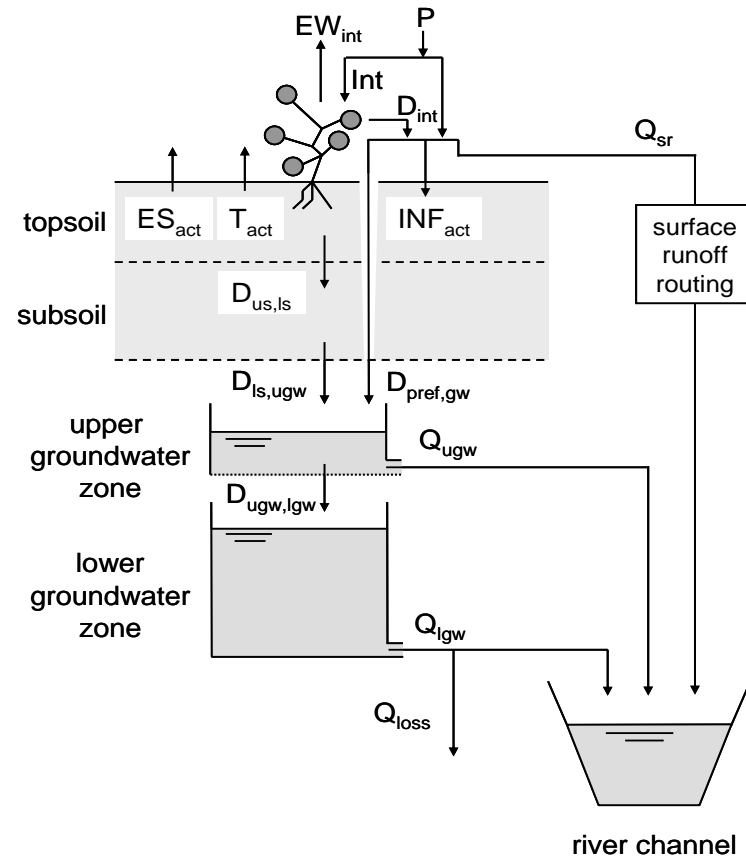
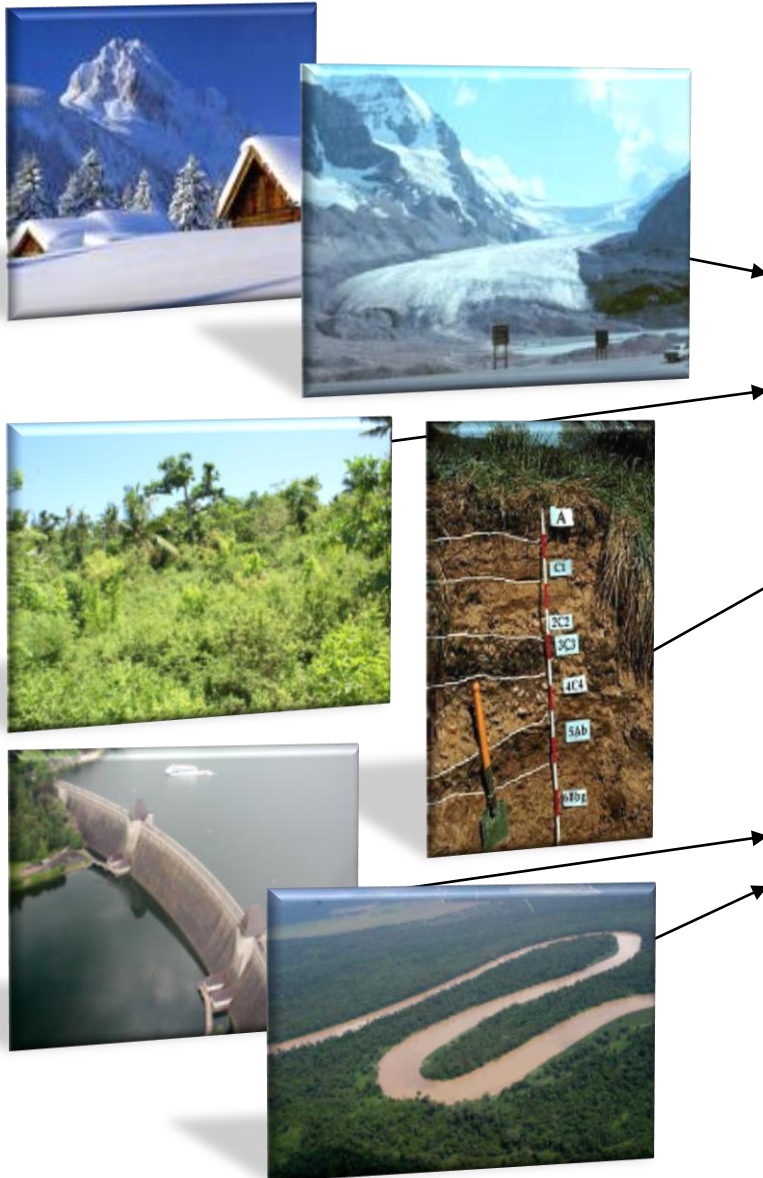
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Hydrological model LISFLOOD

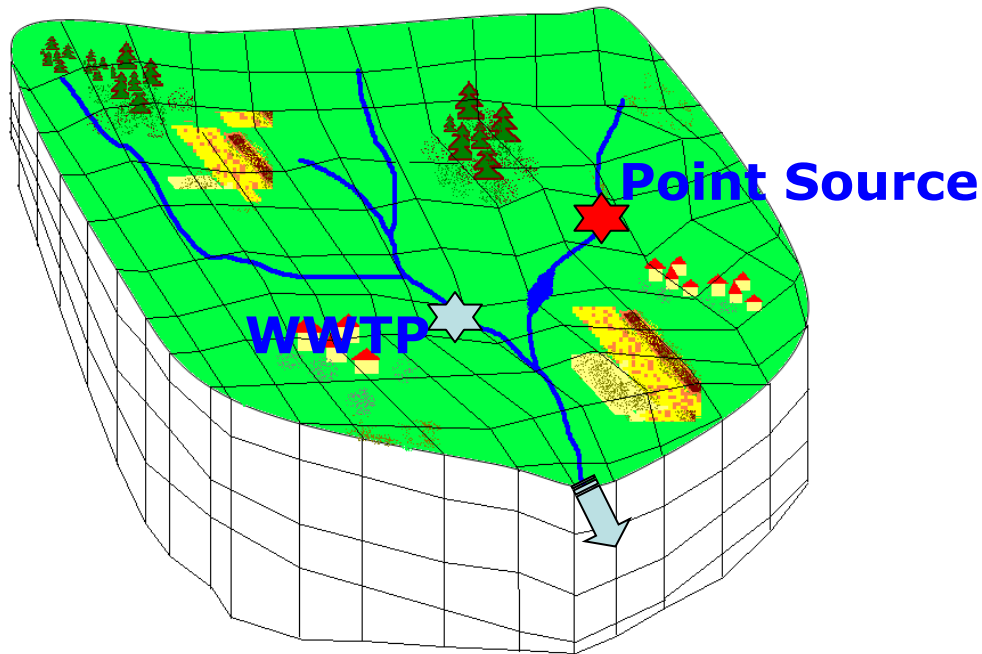


The LISQUAL model



distributed routing model for Q, N and P, with decay functions and point sources, water scarcity indicators, and including functions to estimate monetary loss due to water scarcity

Q, N, P daily local fluxes from LISFLOOD & EPIC



Spatial resolution :
5 x 5 km for
Europe

Calibration
parameters are
uniform over
each sub-basin

LISQUAL bio-physical model



LUMP

Scenarios:

water withdrawal for irrigation
natural water retention measures

LISFLOOD

surface runoff

preferential flow

percolation

EPIC

N_runoff

N_runoff

P_leach

N_leach

Point source:
reservoir / lake

Point source:
Water use by various sectors

Point source:
groundwater extraction

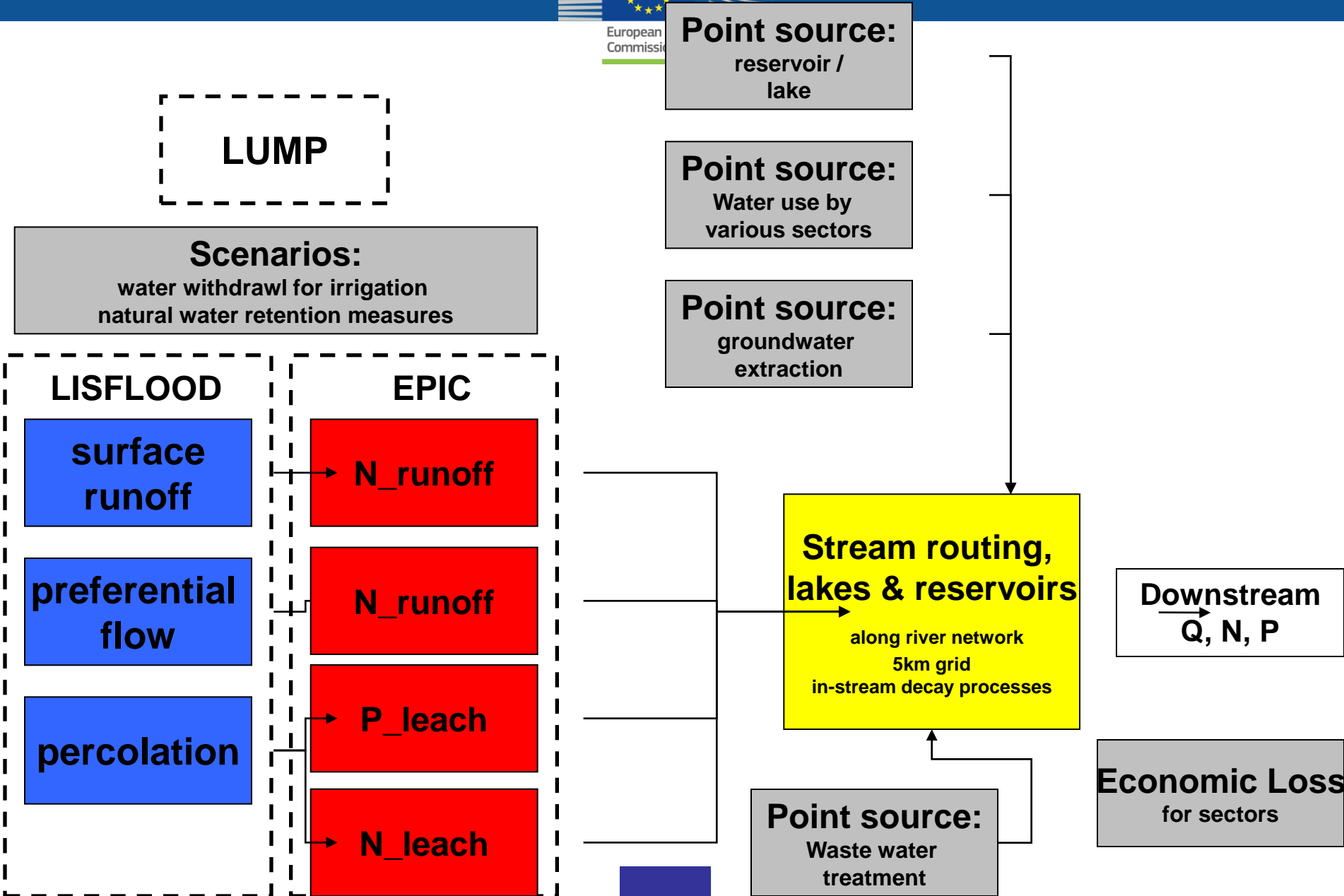
Stream routing, lakes & reservoirs

along river network
5km grid
in-stream decay processes

Downstream
Q, N, P

Point source:
Waste water treatment

Economic Loss
for sectors

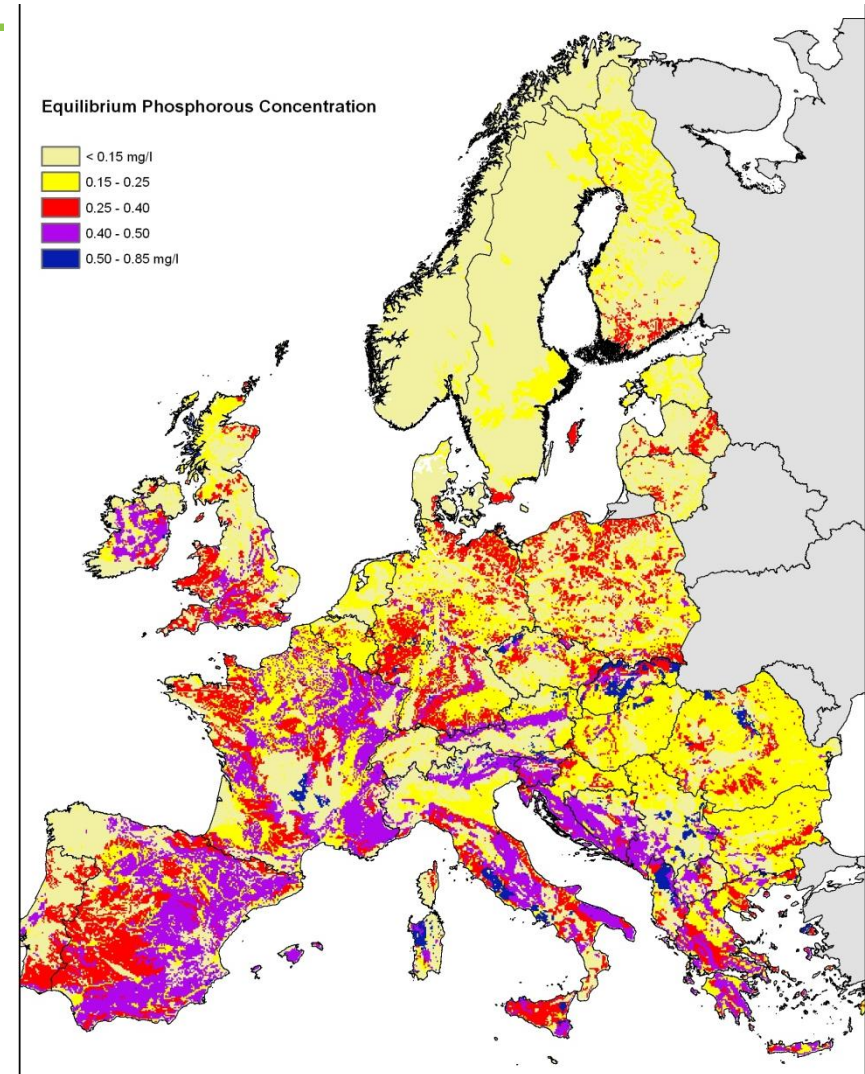


LISQUAL modelling concepts



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- Kinematic wave **routing of river discharge** (from LISFLOOD), using the LISFLOOD calibration parameterization, which is also used in the operational EFAS flood warning system;
- Routines to simulate the effects of **lakes and reservoirs**;
- **Daily routing of surface and river N and P**, as a function of flow velocity;
- **Exponential – first order - removal of Nitrogen**, as a function of water temperature, water depth and flow velocity;
- **First order Phosphorous removal**, taking into account an equilibrium phosphorous concentration depending on sediment characteristics, derived from geological maps
- **Irrigation** water use, taking into account irrigation demand, and irrigation efficiency
- **Industrial** water use, taking into account abstractions, consumptive use and potential re-use of water
- **Energy-Production** water use, taking into account abstraction and consumptive use
- **Domestic** water use, taking into account abstraction, leakage, and water savings
- **Livestock** water use, taking into account abstraction and consumptive use



Example LISQUAL outputs



- **River discharge (daily, m³/s, spatial)**
 - flood damage (using 100m SRTM & landuse in post-processing)
- **Nitrate concentration (daily, mg/l, spatial)**
- **Phosphorous concentration (daily, mg/l, spatial)**
- **Environmental Flow indicator (daily, spatial)**
 - 10th percentile monthly flows (spatial)
 - 25th percentile monthly flows (spatial)
- **Water Exploitation Index (1 Oct – 1 Oct) (annual, regions)**
 - abstraction / available water
 - consumption / available water
- **Economic Loss (annual, million Euros, regions)**
 - domestic sector
 - industry/manufacturing sector
 - energy sector
 - irrigation

But! Missing: what are the positive or negative effects of these measures on groundwater resources

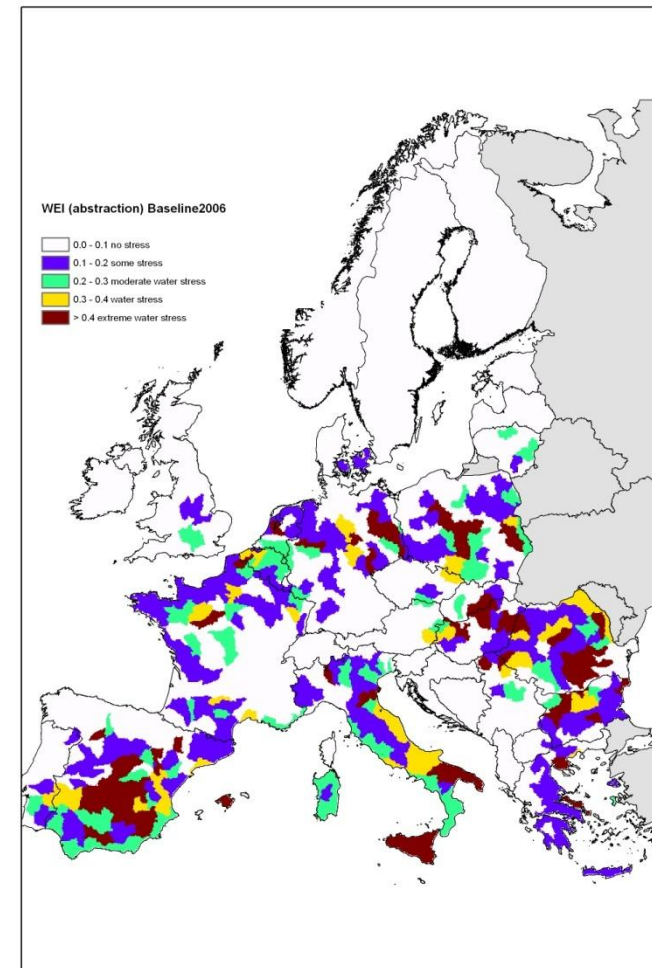
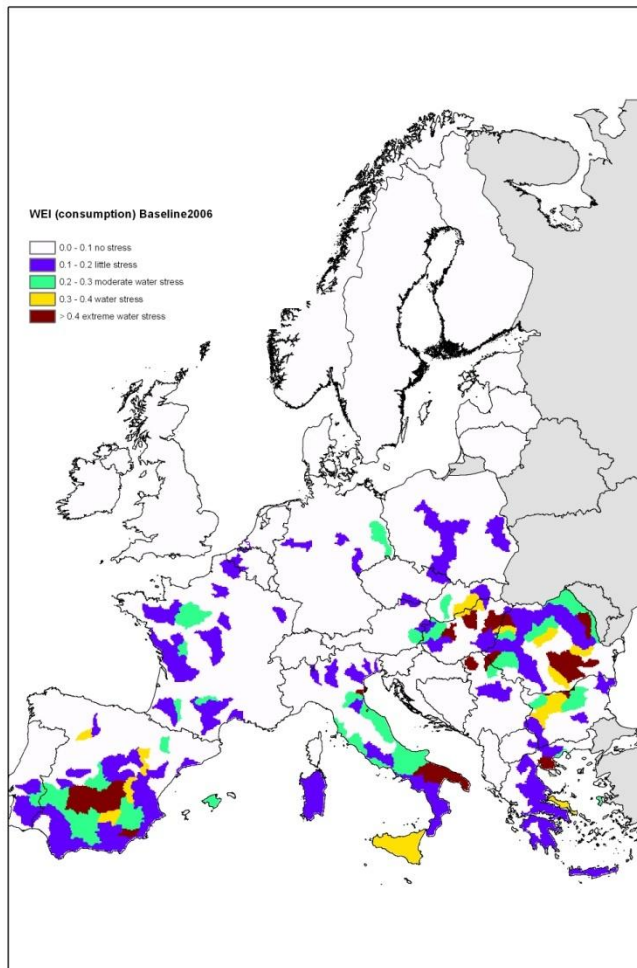
LISQUAL output: Water Exploitation Index



$$\text{WEIcns} = (\text{Abstraction} - \text{ReturnFlow}) / (\text{Local runoff} + \text{Incoming runoff})$$

WEIcns (WEI+, consumption only)

WEIabs (abstraction only)

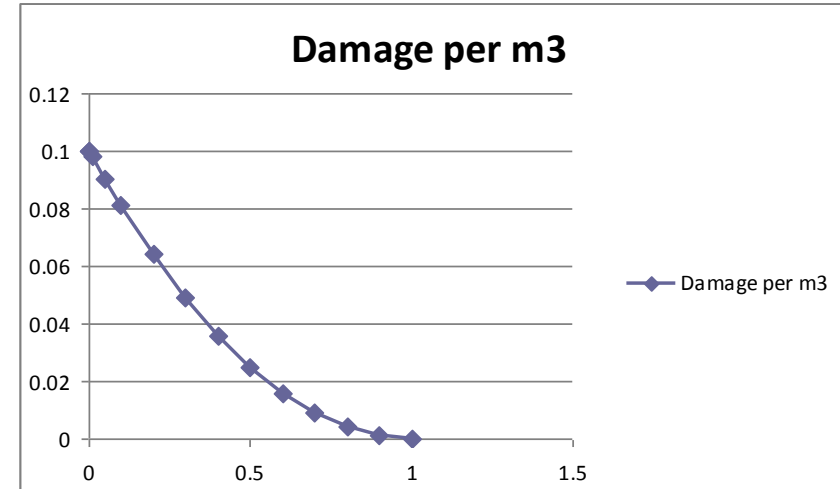


Economic Loss model irrigation



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Total water delivered	2.00E+06	m3	based on page 13 of C	
Total damage	200000	Euro		
Ratio	1.00E-01	Euro/m3	RealW	2.00E+06
Water delivered Fr	Damage per m3		Water(m3)	Damage(E)
0	0.1		0.00E+00	2.00E+05
0.001	0.0998001		2.00E+03	2.00E+05
0.01	0.09801		2.00E+04	1.96E+05
0.05	0.09025		1.00E+05	1.81E+05
0.1	0.081		2.00E+05	1.62E+05
0.2	0.064		4.00E+05	1.28E+05
0.3	0.049		6.00E+05	9.80E+04
0.4	0.036		8.00E+05	7.20E+04
0.5	0.025		1.00E+06	5.00E+04
0.6	0.016		1.20E+06	3.20E+04
0.7	0.009		1.40E+06	1.80E+04
0.8	0.004		1.60E+06	8.00E+03
0.9	0.001		1.80E+06	2.00E+03
1	0		2.00E+06	0.00E+00



Assumptions:

- Ratio delivered water <> value is taken as 0.1
- Quadratic function

This results in that for every m3 water that is not available for irrigation, the damage is maximally the **choke price** (0.1 euro in this example)

So, e.g, if the required amount of water for irrigation area is 1 Mm3, and

Available water (Mm3)

1.0
0.5
0.1
0

Loss (MEuro)

0.0 MEuro
0.025 MEuro
0.081 MEuro
0.1 MEuro

Choke price:
0.35 Euro/m3 (low value crops)
1.25 Euro/m3 (high value crops)

Scenarios

Category	Scenario	Description
BASELINE2030	0.0 Baseline 2030	LUMP 2030, 2010 fertilisation application, 2010 point sources
BASELINE2006	0.1 Baseline 2006	As Baseline 2030, but with Landuse 2006
1-FOREST	1.1 Riparian Afforestation, CAP consistent	Afforest areas from LUMP-CAP scenarios
	1.2 Afforestation in mountainous areas	Afforest areas in mountainous areas (LUMP)
2-URBAN	2.1 50% Green	Green infrastructure, Green roofs, Rain Gardens, Park Depressions; For all urban areas: Direct Runoff Fraction << 50%, Evapotranspiration >> 50%
	2.2 25% Green	Green infrastructure, Green roofs, Rain Gardens, Park Depressions; For all urban areas: Direct Runoff Fraction << 25%, Evapotranspiration >> 25%
3-AGRICULTURE	3.1 Grassland	Convert areas from LUMP-CAP scenarios to grassland
	3.2 Buffer strips	5m wide grass buffer strips within arable fields, on slopes < 10%, every 200m; 2.5% of arable land converted to grassland, only on slopes < 10%
	3.3 Grassed waterways	10m wide grass-covered areas in valley-bottom; 1% of arable land converted to grassland, in valley-bottoms > 5%
	3.4 Crop practices	Reverse OM decline and increase mulching; increased infiltration, porosity, modified hydraulic parameters
4-NATURAL RETENTION	4.1 Wetlands	Riparian wetlands along rivers; Change cross section
	4.2 Polders	Introduce flood retention polders along rivers
	4.3 Re-meandering	
	4.4 Buffer ponds in headwater areas 1	natural retention ponds in headwater areas with 5000 m3 storage per 25km2
	4.5 Buffer ponds in headwater areas 2	natural retention ponds in headwater areas with 10000 m3 storage per 25km2
5-NUTRIENTS	5.1 N-fixing winter crops	updated N & P fluxes
	5.2 optimum fertilisation application	updated N & P fluxes
	5.3 N-fixing winter crops & optimum fertilisation application	updated N & P fluxes
6-POINT SOURCES	6.1 New wastewater treatment plants (WWTP)	updated point information
	6.2 Changing type of WWTP	updated point information
7. WATER SUPPLY	7.1 groundwater extraction	updated point water availability
	7.2 desalination	updated point water availability
	7.3 large-scale water-transfer infrastructures	transfer of water between river basins
8. TECHNICAL RETENTION	8.1 constructing dams and reservoirs	new dams/reservoir to temporarily store water
	8.2 hard infrastructure for flood risk	
9. EFFICIENCY	9.1 Irrigation management	optimizing crop water requirements
	9.2 Water efficiency in power generation	Save water in power generation, as compared to current use
	9.3 Water efficiency in industrial processes	Save water in industry, as compared to current use
	9.4 Water efficiency in Buildings/households	Save water in households, as compared to current use
	9.5 Leakage reduction	Fix all leakages 90% or 100% (reduce water abstraction) Reduce deep groundwater use for irrigation and replace by treated wastewater
	9.6 Wastewater reuse for irrigation	

Scenario Green cities

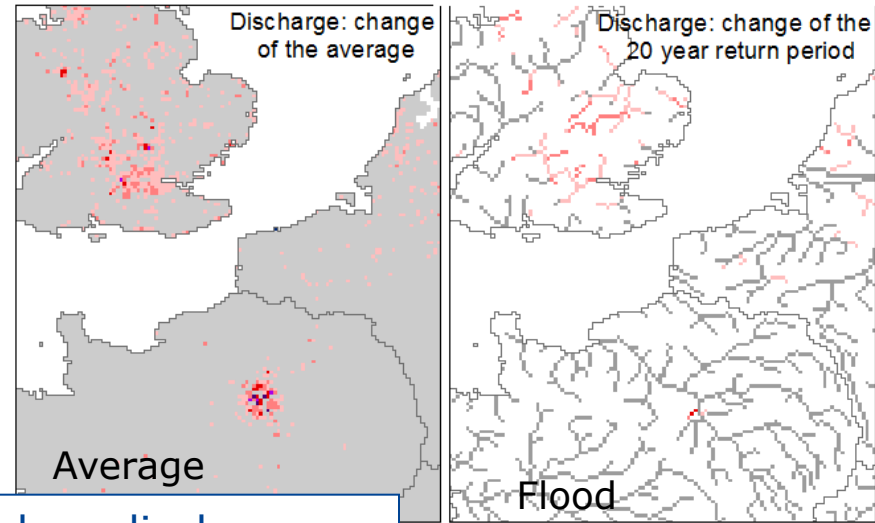
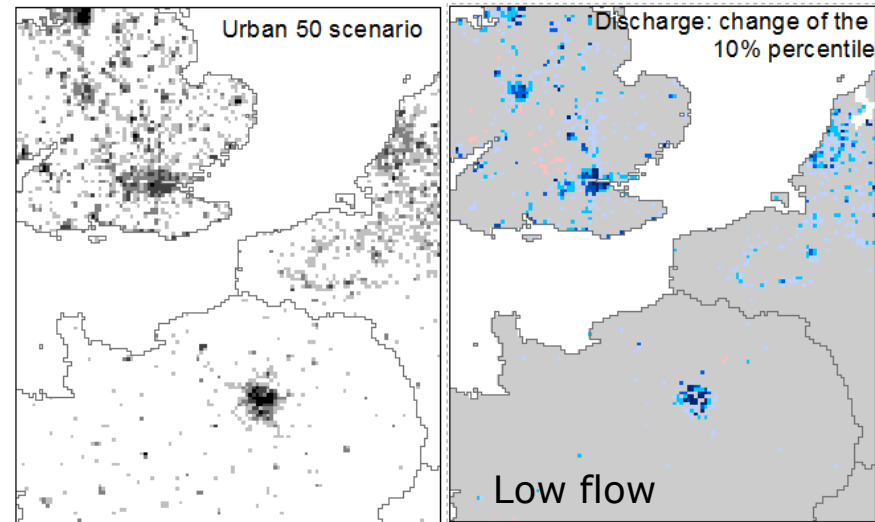


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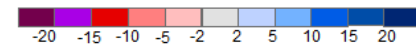
Difference between green cities
scenario and baseline 2030

Looking at the local impact:

- For low flow the discharge increases locally up to 40%
- Average discharge and floods decrease locally up to 20%



Red color: less discharge
Blue color: more discharge



Change in discharge [%]
between Urban50
and Baseline 2030 scenario

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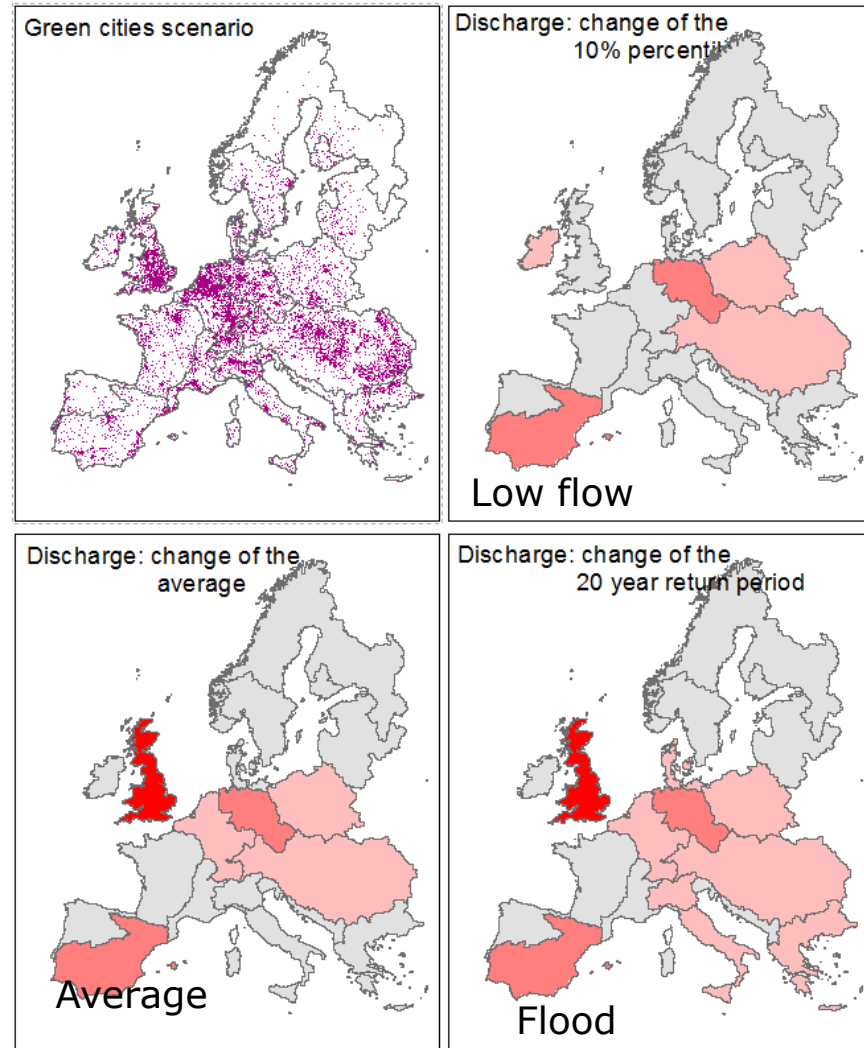


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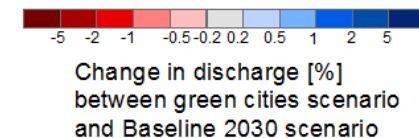
Looking at the average impact for 21 European regions:

- Discharge changes on river basin level due to measures are in the $\pm 2\%$ range

(local higher changes of up to 20% are averaged out)



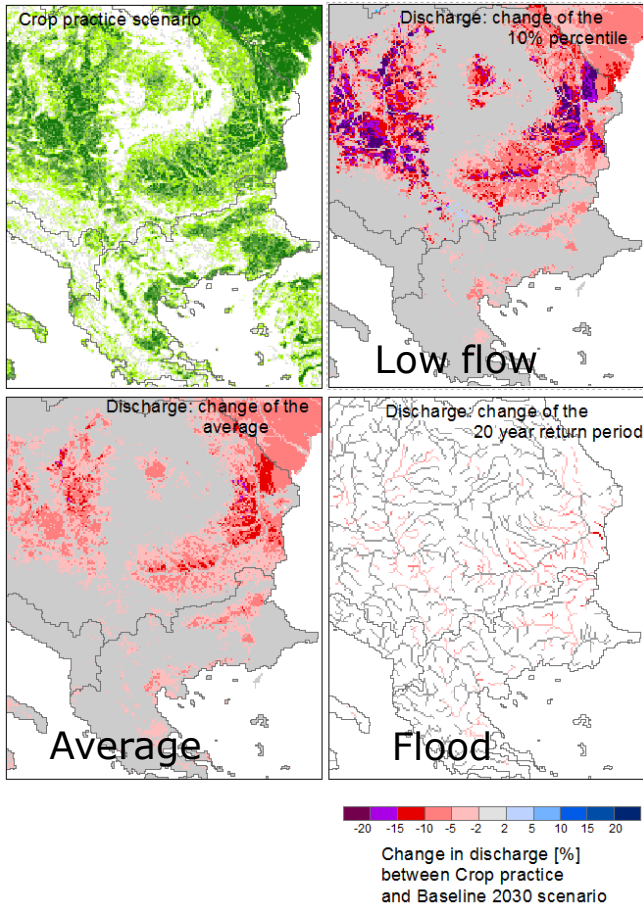
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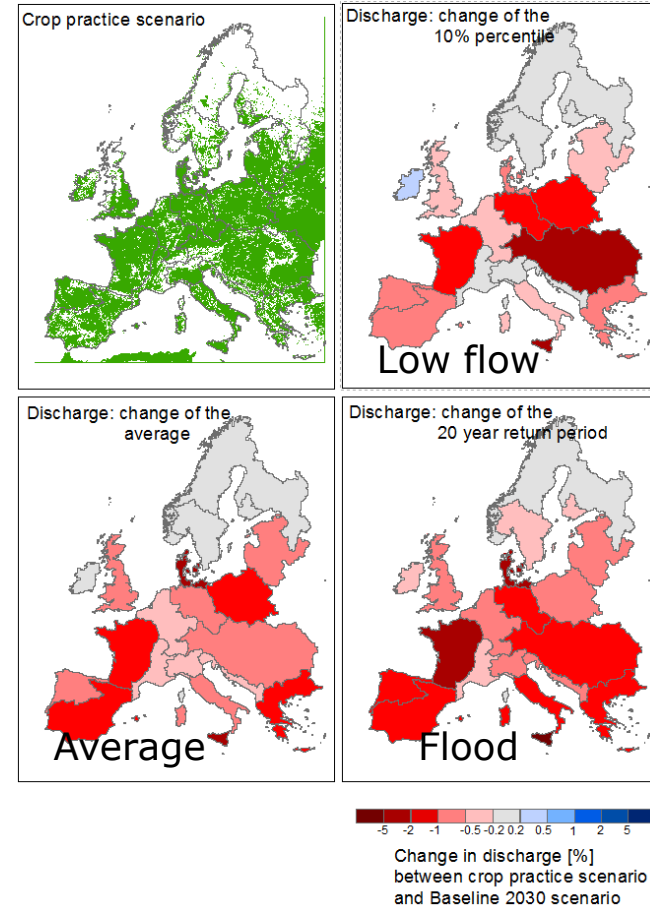
Scenario: changing crop practices



Reducing organic matter decline / mulching / tillage methods



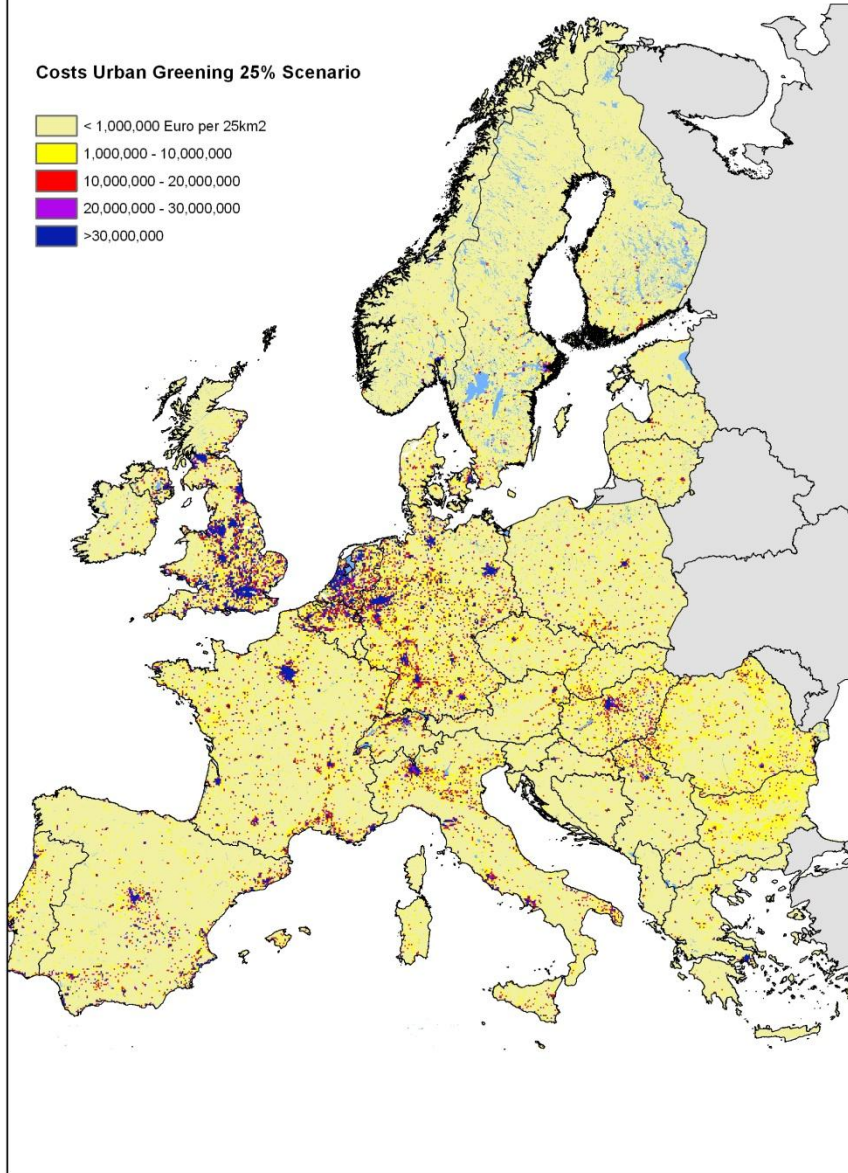
Low flows are reduced up to 40%
Floods are reduced up to 20%



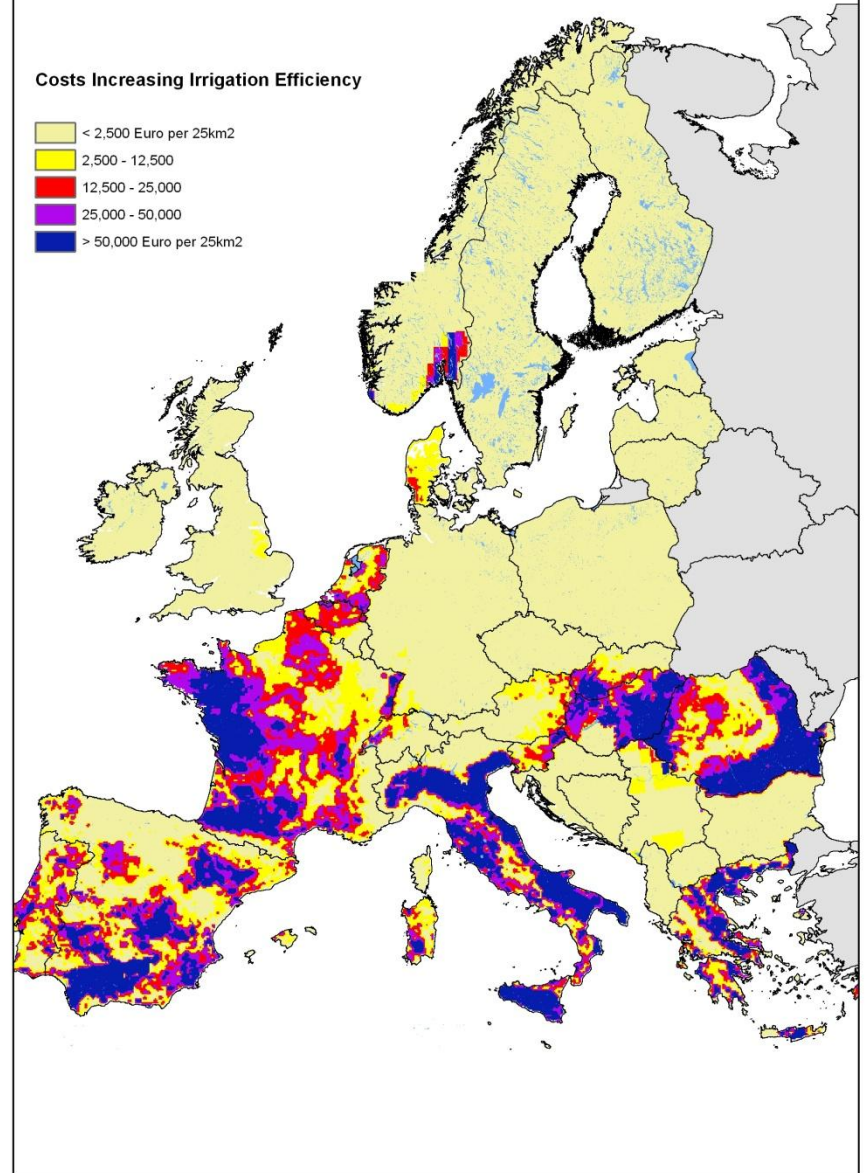
On average discharge is reduced
up to 5%

Cost of scenarios

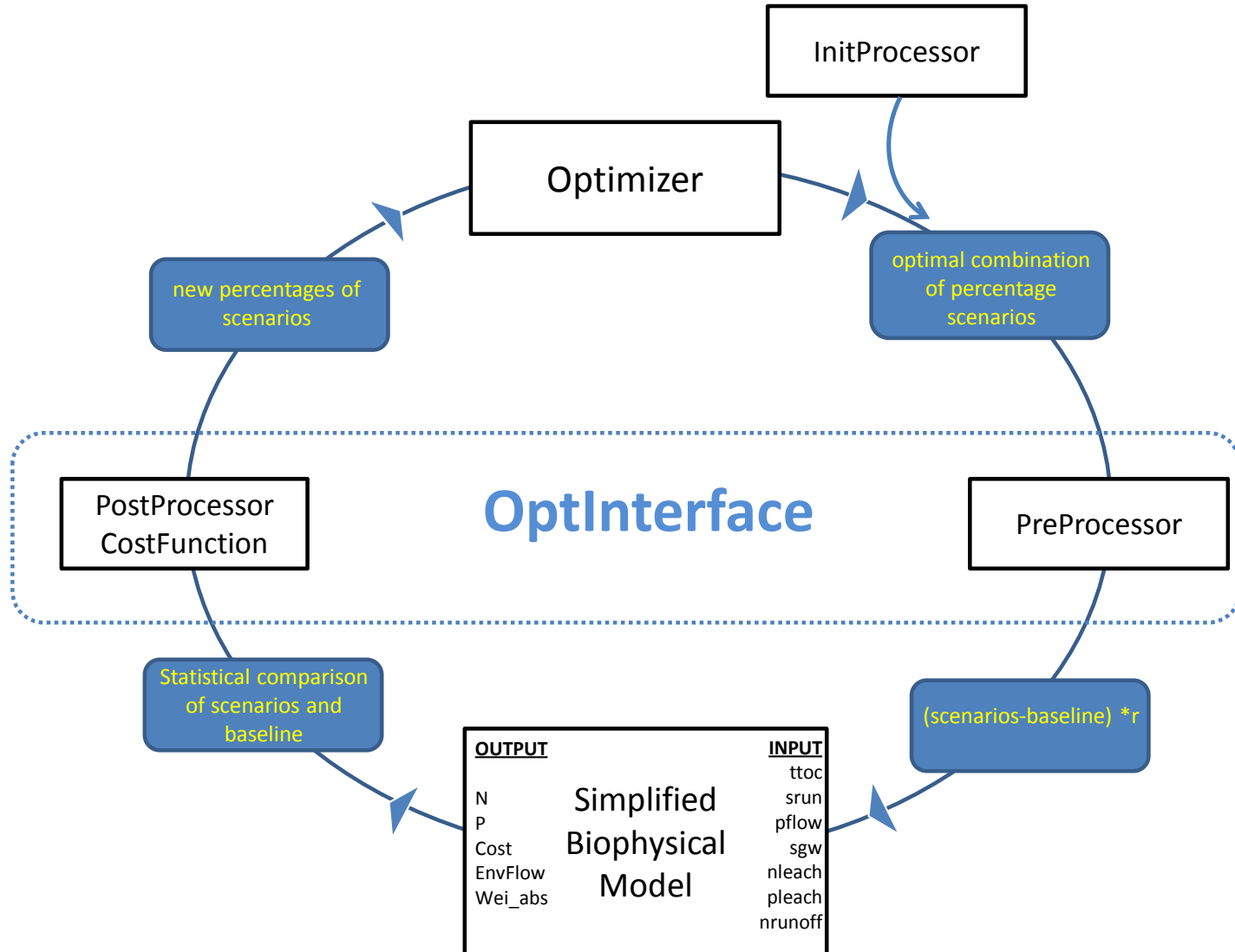
Costs Urban Greening 25% Scenario



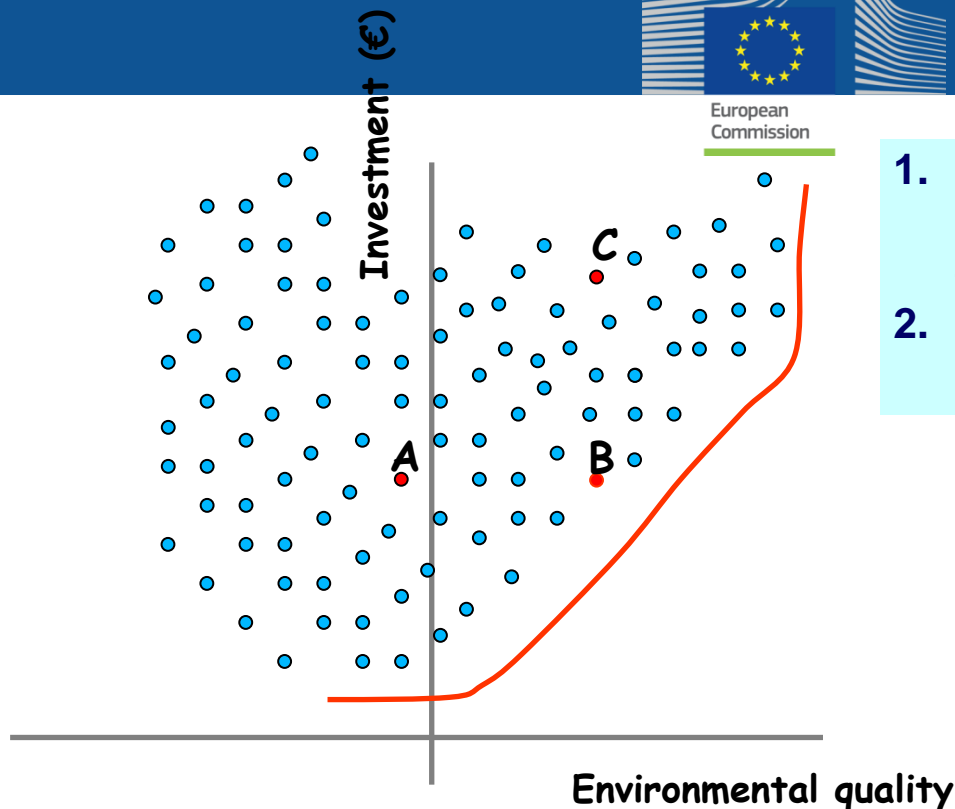
Costs Increasing Irrigation Efficiency



Optimization



Multicriteria Optimization



1. Point A and B same investment but point B has better Env. quality – I chose B
2. Point C and B same Env. quality but C needs higher investment – I chose B

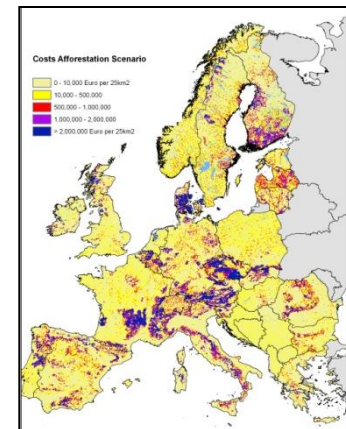
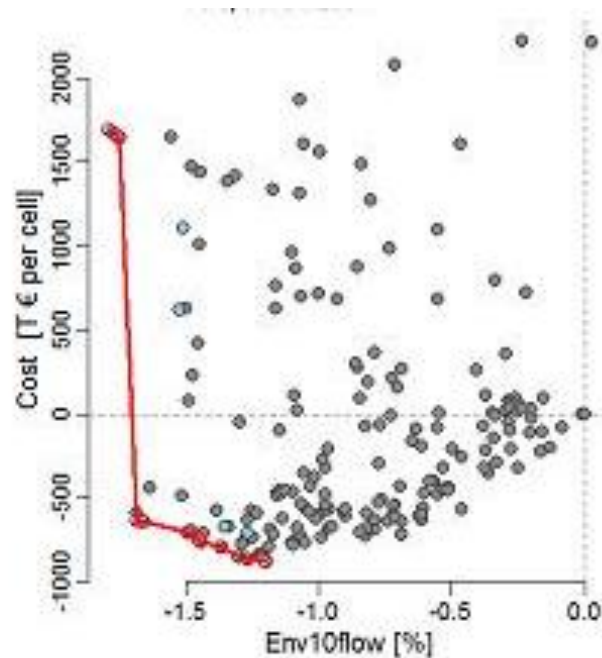
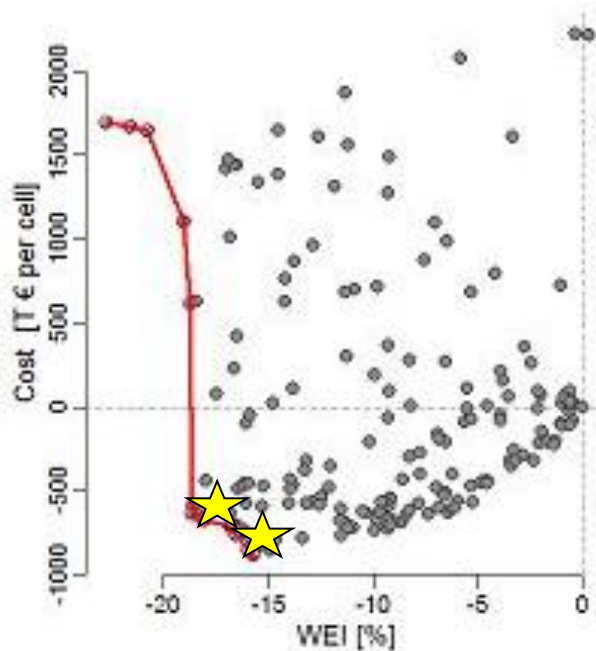
1. Point A is better choice compare with points B-C-D-E
2. The situation is less clear when you are looking to the point A and A'. A is lower Cost, but A' is better ENVIRONMENTAL quality...both options are valid choices.



Example optimisation



FLOOD	CROP	WATER SAVING
12afforestation	51Nfixing	71Desalination
21urban25	52OptFertilization	91Irrigation
34crop	53Combined	93Reuse
43meander	91Irrigation	94WaterSaving
31grassland	34crop	95Leakage
	93Reuse	21urban25



Region 11 "Water saving"	Scenario combination						Objective functions		
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C59	100	100	100	98	100	100	1643	-2	-21
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C68	100	100	100	99	100	100	1673	-2	-22
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C77	13	5	98	70	100	99	-706	-1	-17
C90	28	92	100	73	100	96	-762	-1	-17
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C136	13	2	98	70	100	37	-865	-1	-16
C148	0	2	97	43	100	91	-790	-1	-16
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Example optimisation: Danube

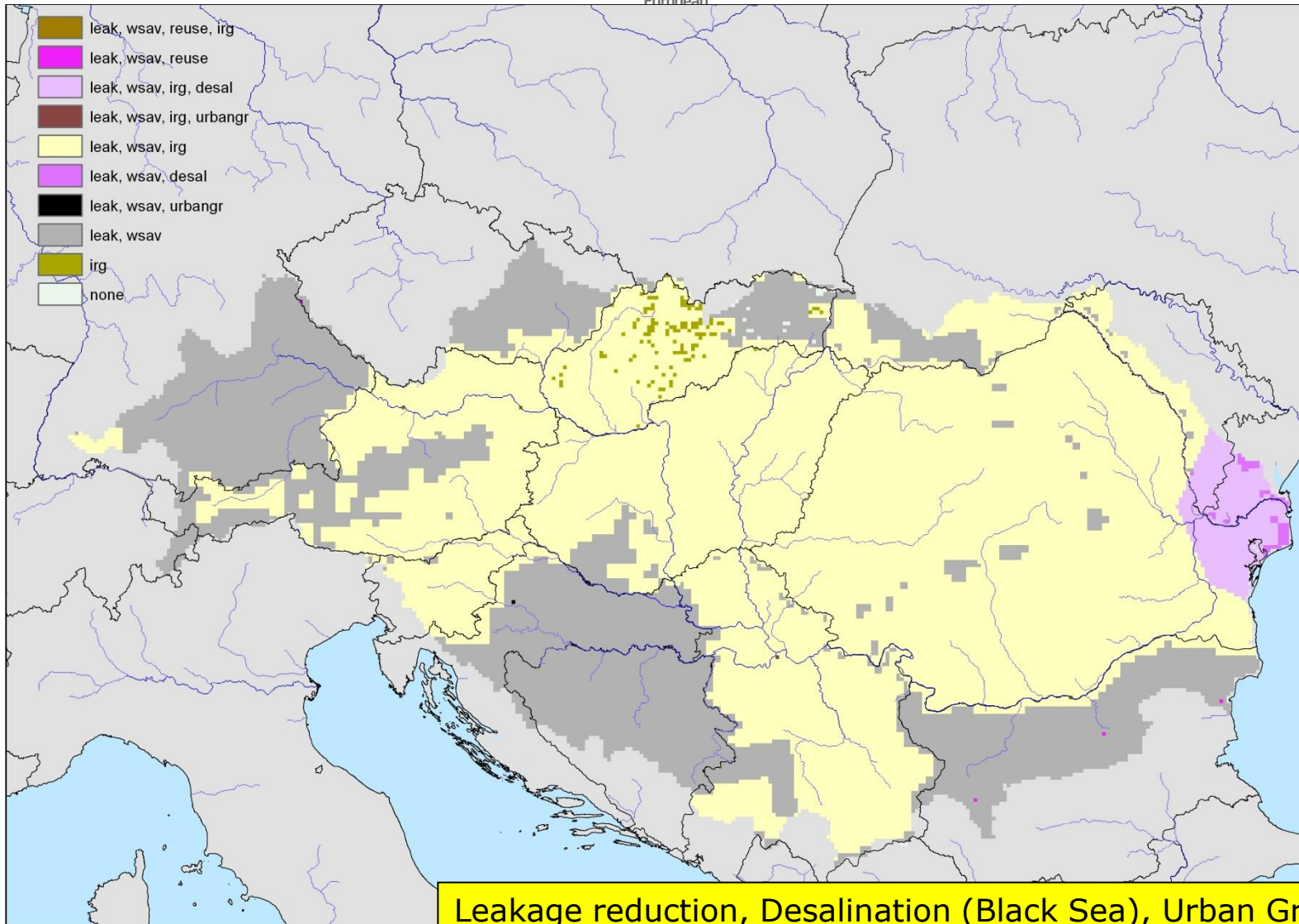


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Danube: scenario-combination C47

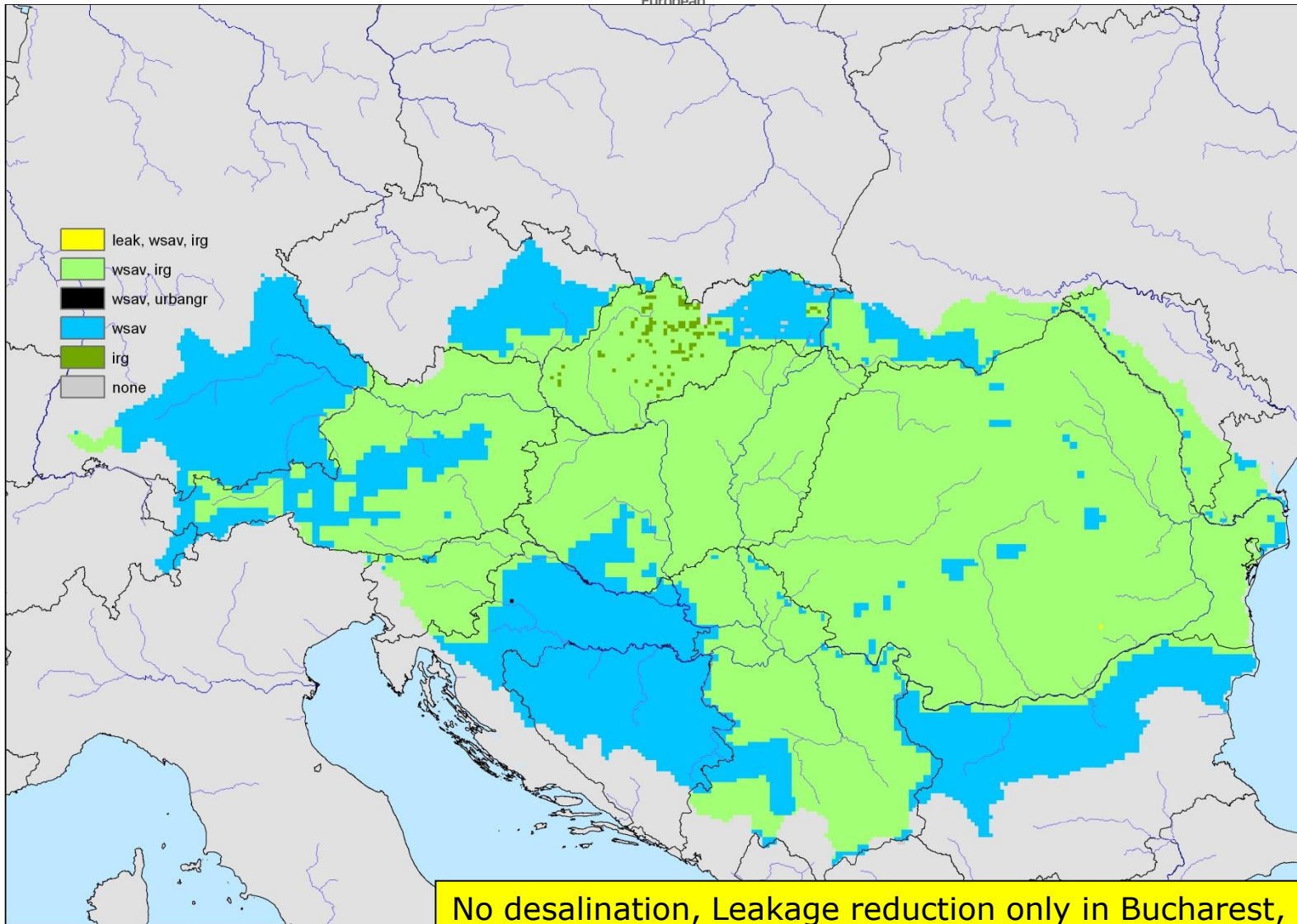


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Leakage reduction, Desalination (Black Sea), Urban Greening in Zagreb and Belgrade, Re-Use of Water in Industry in Bulgaria, irrigation water use efficiency, and water savings in households

Danube: scenario-combination C71



No desalination, Leakage reduction only in Bucharest, Urban Greening only in Zagreb, no water-re-use in industry in Bulgaria

Conclusions and further work



- **A multi-criteria tool has been built to optimize combinations of water efficiency measures**

Results are included in the forthcoming EC Blueprint to safeguard EU waters

- **The tool is further improved for Europe:**

- **Include groundwater modelling in relevant areas in Europe**

(linking LISFLOOD/LISQUAL/MODFLOW, SWAT/MODFLOW, or conceptual)

Economic Loss functions for Water Scarcity for all sectors (based on factual direct damage)

Selection of water regions that fit water supply areas

Water transfers between river basins

Improve underlying data: discharge (neg. WMO/ENV/JRC/EEA), precipitation, wastewater fluxes, **groundwater use (for irrigation, drinking water) etc..**

Costing other benefits, e.g. ecosystem services

Costs of measures from national and regional projects

Data on water price (industry, irrigation)

- **Specific case study started for the Danube, to support the Danube Strategy**

- **Looking forward to work with IHME and GW experts to brainstorm how we can get this done**

Thanks for your attention

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