

#### Training Workshop on Integrated Flood Management for the Nile Basin Countries

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## **Basin Flood Management planning**

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### Introduction remarks

- Basin wide flood management planning is applying IFM for a specific situation.
- Size of the basin determines the degree of details. The principals are the same
- Goals are only achieved if the plan is implemented. This needs action and therefore we speak often from an ACTION PLAN.

From theory to application



# The 5 key elements of IFM

- 1. Manage the water cycle as a whole
- 2. Integrate land and water management
- 3. Adopt a best mix of strategies
- 4. Ensure a participatory approach
- 5. Adopt integrated hazard management approach

Point 1 requires basin wide planning:



# Problems of large basin wide planning

## **Advantages**

- Managing water circle as whole
- More options for solutions
- Improved information in particular for flood warning
- Sharing burdens and benefits

## **Disadvantages**

- Large basins have political borders (national, regional, communal)
- Different objectives in different parts
- Complicated coordination and information of public

## 1. Manage water cycle as a whole

ASSOCIATED Linkages between upstream changes PROGRAMME ON FLOOD MANAGEME and downstream effects and vice-versa

### **Technical links**

- River Dynamics
  - Vertical and horizontal behavior
  - Sediment transport
- Temporal discharge distribution
  - Low flow / flooding

### **Economic Social links**

- Water use
  - Quantity / Quality
- Control measures
  - Dikes, reservoirs, etc.



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# 2. Integrate Land Use

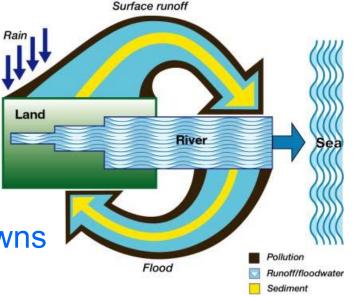
Recognition that a river basin is a dynamic system with many interactions/fluxes between land and water bodies

### Land use plans and water management need a strong basis for coordination between the concerned authorities

## Land use governs the demand

- of water for irrigation, industries and towns
- of protection levels at flood control
- flux of sediments (erosion depending on cropping paterns)
- pollution (towns, industries)

# Integrated Water management without land use management is impossible



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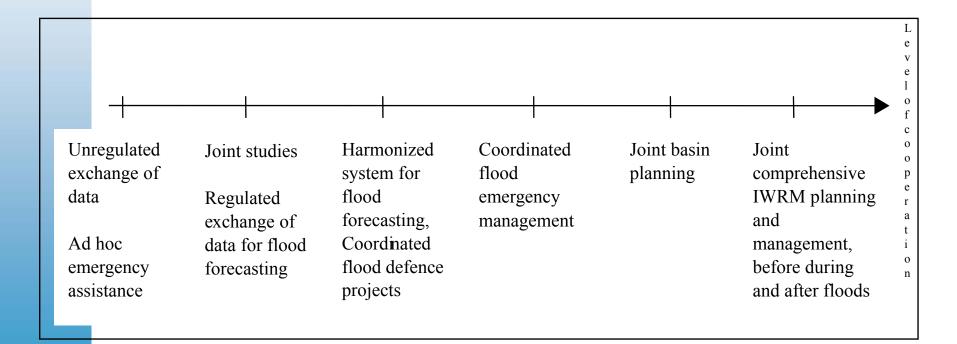


# 3. Adopt a Best Mix of Strategies

Options Strategy Reducing Flooding Dams and reservoirs Dikes, levees, and flood embankments High flow diversions Catchment management Channel improvements Full range of Reducing Susceptibility to Damage Flood plain regulation Development and redevelopment structural and policies Design and location of facilities non-structural Housing and building codes measures Flood-proofing Flood forecasting and warning Information and education Mitigating the Impacts of Flooding Tool box, select Disaster preparedness according to Post flood recovery Flood insurance goals and natural Preserving the Natural Resources Flood plain zoning and regulation conditions of Flood Plains

# 4. Ensure a participatory approach

Cooperation evolves over long periods with multiple stakeholders on various administrative levels



#### Level of cooperation can be adapted

## 5. Adopt integrated hazard management

There is little sense to save one from flood hazards and expose him to land slides or rockfall





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# Requirements for an flood management plan

Basin plans are setting the frame. Degree of details depends on the size of the basin. To become operative they must be split into smaller action plans

Any plan must contain

## Example

1. Quantitative Objectives 1. Increase of net benefits by xx%

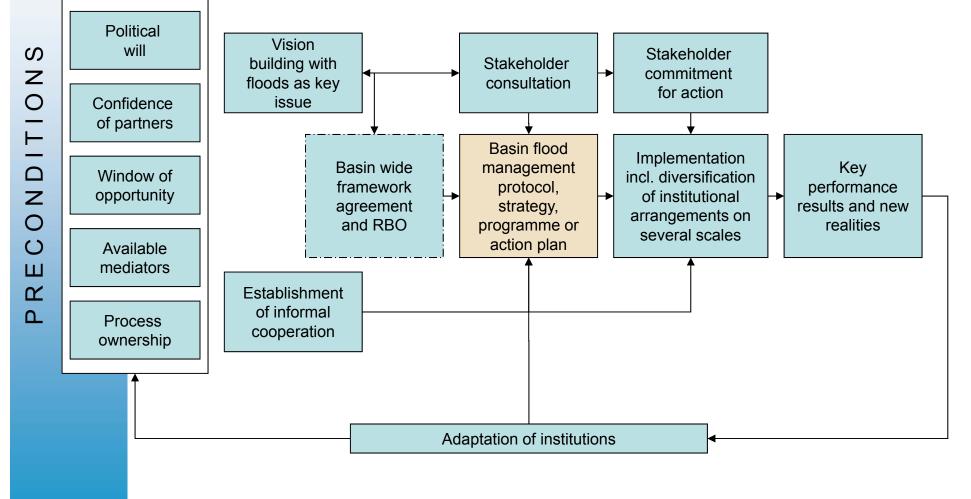
- 2. Strategy
- 3. Definition of space
- 4. Measures
- 5. Resources
- 6. Time frame

- 2. Mainly non structural measures
- 3. Flood plain of yy river
- 4. Alarm, flood proofing,
- 5. Persons, Budget
- 6. Finished in year

Plans must be continuously updated

## To establish a plan a organization is needed

Flood Management Cooperation Process Model



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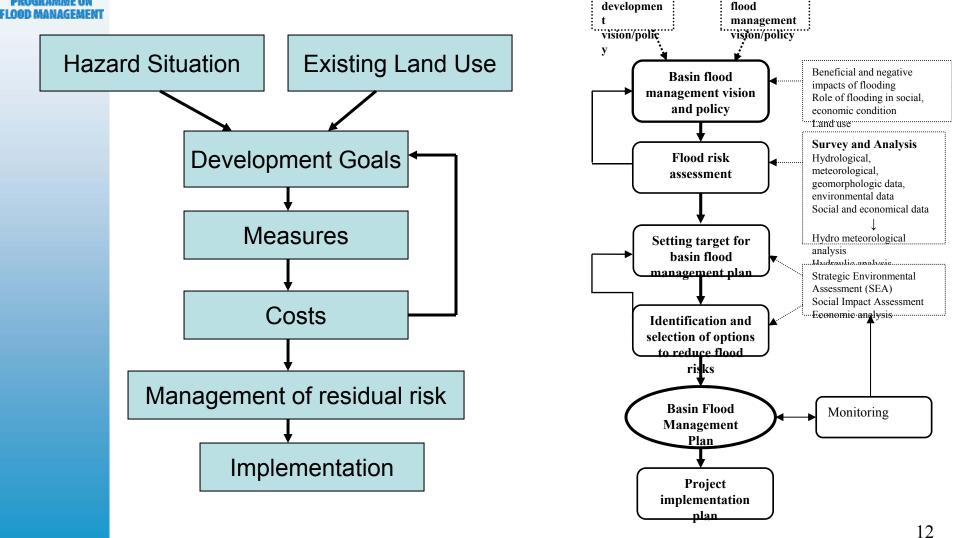
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# Planning is an iterative Process

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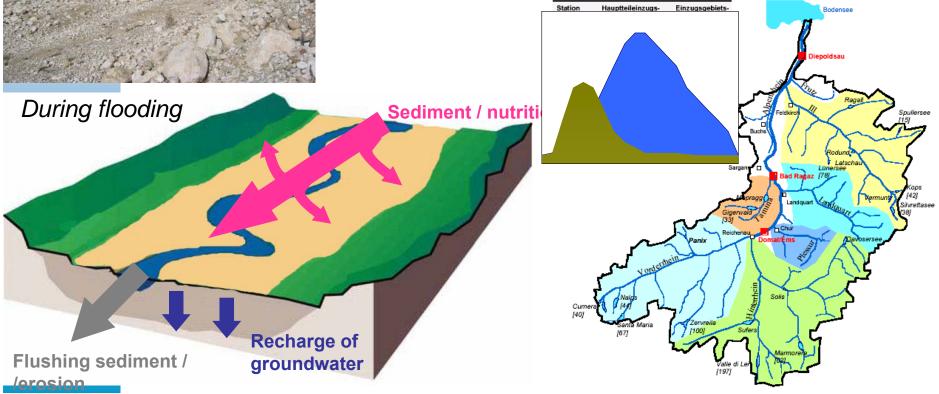




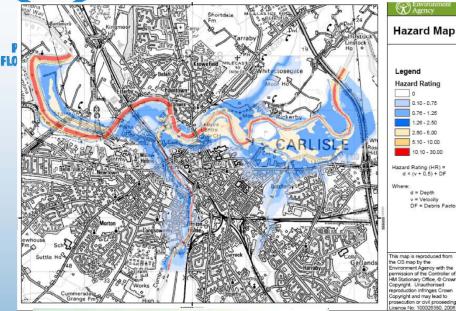
### Any planning starts with the collection and analysis of data and facts on the hydrologic processes

Catchment data, Water balance, Hydrographs, **Sediment** 

Calculations must be adopted to the needs and not to the available software

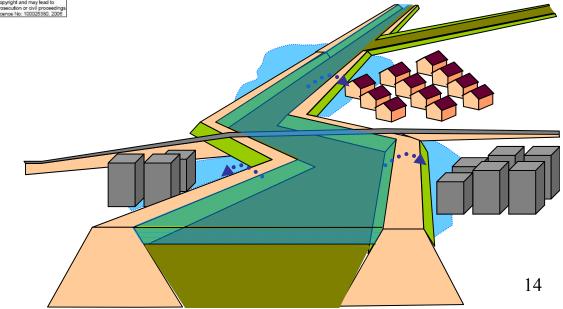


Parallel to the analysis of Basin hydrology and hazards the land use and the risks must be studied



Land use should not only include risk area but the complete basin including ecosystems

#### Processes which lead to flooding





# Formulation of goals needs all stakeholders



The price we are willing to pay to achieve these goals depends on the values of the society and the economic situation

The needs of ALL stakeholders must be respected: **1.Livelihood 2.Safety 3. Sustainability** 



Pyramid of Needs (After Abraham Maslow)

# **Information and Awareness raising**



### **Functions**

-Educating local communities
& individuals in floodplain
-Promoting self-protection
mind

### Issues

-Attracting local levels -Requiring well-educated trainers







## Flood forecasting & early warning

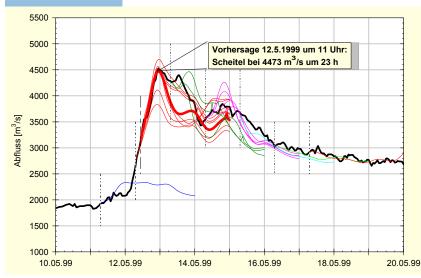
### Functions

-Forecasting flood stages

-Warning to local communities

### Issues

- -Uncertainty in prediction (especially against flash floods) -Station maintenance
  - -Cooperation between NMS&NHS -Get the right response from Receivers of warnings





## **Emergency** Measures: Mobile flood defences



-Temporary storage of rain water on the floodplain -Recreation Issues

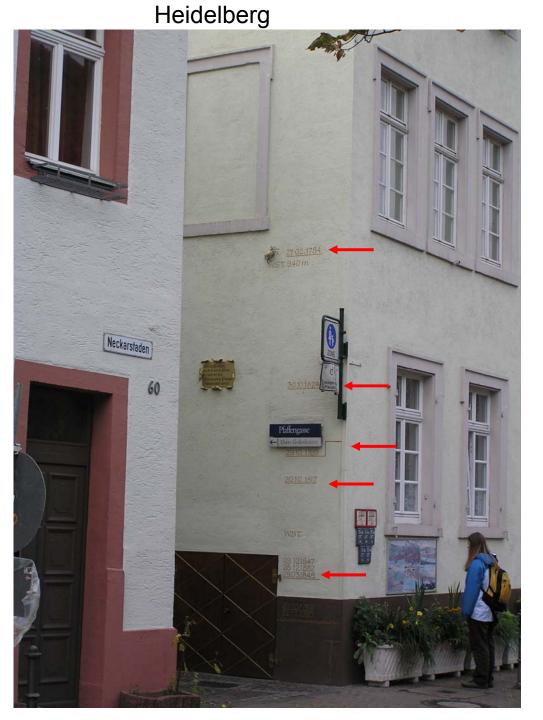
- -Fitting
- -Deployment time



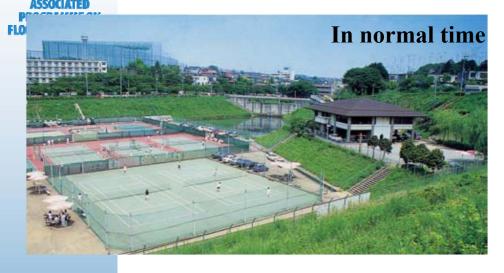
Needs the right information On the local level: What can happen where?

Knowledge on the **possible** impact by visualization at buildings

The best measure in this case is a strong building. Other protection measures unrealistic



## Soft structural measures Rain water storage



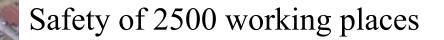


### **Functions**

Temporary storage of rain water on the floodplain
Recreation

## Think in dual use

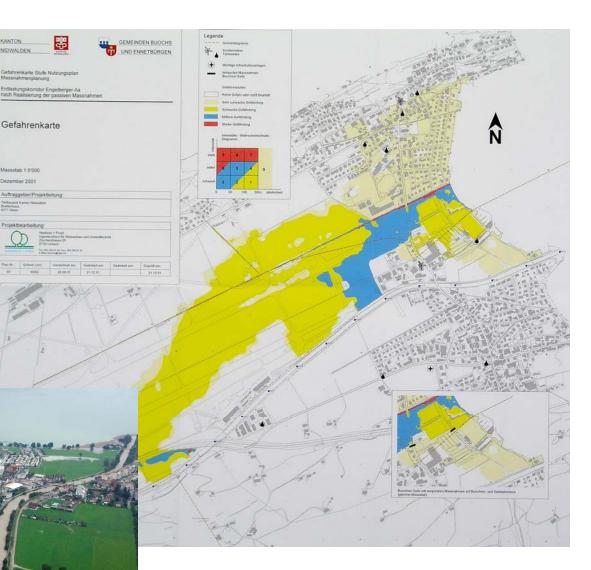
### Structural measures where necessary A high damage potential and a lack of space requires dikes





## Special case Extreme events

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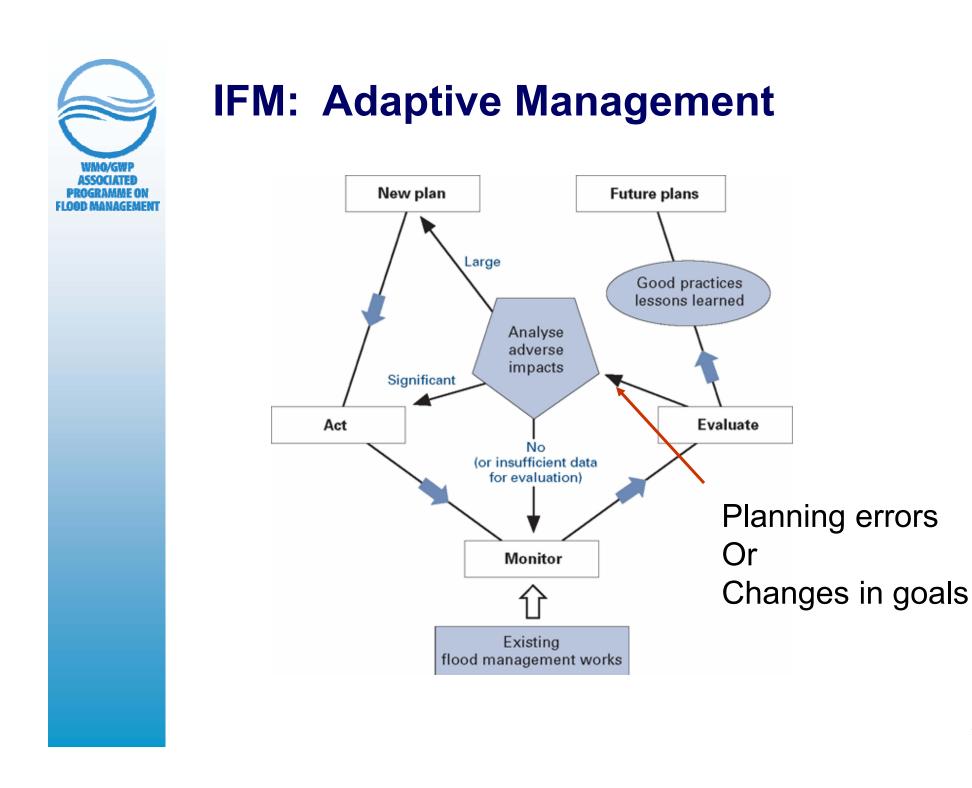




## Special case: Extreme events Solutions with dual use

Wall in normal days; protection against noise







## **Remember always**

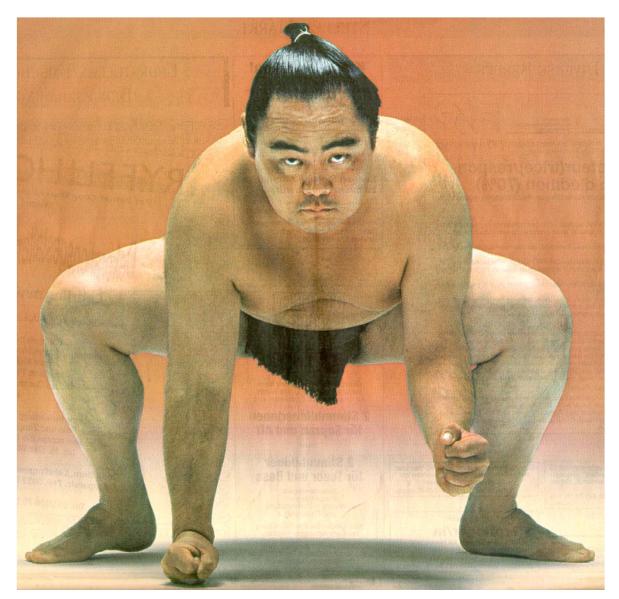
- Floods cannot be fully controlled, it should be accepted as a permanent fact of life;
- it is a perfectly natural phenomenon in terms of probability of occurrence and should be approached following a risk management process;
- Floods is not necessarily a problem as such and do not always lead to situations which require development of capital-intensive flood protection infrastructure;
- A Flood protection effort: attempt to mitigate flood damage.
- Disasters from flooding are the result of a random act of nature combined with poor risk management, uncontrolled development and mis-management of natural resources.



If you do not find the strong man, who stops the flood, .....

You have to live with floods

# **FLOODS**





## Not every flooding needs expensive protection. Sometimes you have to show patience....



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