



# Water Resources System Safe Operating Space in a Changing Climate and Society



'International Collaboration in Horizon Europe'

### Partner no1 – IIASA



- Laxenburg (near Vienna), Austria
- International research institute that advances systems analysis to inform the design of policy solutions
- Water Security Research Group specialized in hydrological and hydro-economic modelling and stakeholder engagement tools to provide a holistic understanding of the coupled natural-human water system.
- Role: Project coordinator, Leading WP7&8 and T1.2, T2.6, T5.2, T5.4, T6.3





















### Partner no9 – EUTEMA Research Services

- Vienna, Austria and Tübingen, Germany
- Proposal Consultancy, Writing, Project Management, Communication & Dissemination
- 20+ years of experience, 30+ projects, currently 4 projects in the fields of Medical Research, Energy and Environment
- Georg: Reporting, Monitoring, WP lead
- Silvia & Nicole: Social Media, DISS & MNG Support









### **SOS-Water Consortium**

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### 11 partners:

Partner	Country
Internationales Institut für Angewandte Systemanalyse (IIASA)	AT
Universiteit Utrecht (UU)	NL
Universitat Politècnica de València (UPV)	ES
Politecnico di Milano (POLIMI)	IT
Leibniz-Institute for Freshwater Ecology and Inland Fisheries (IGB)	DE
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FutureWater SL (FW)	ES
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Aalborg University (AAU)	DK































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Call: HORIZON-CL6-2021-CLIMATE-01 - Land, oceans, and water for climate action

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... research studies across a wide range of river basins within and outside Europe should be considered.







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Scope

A comparative assessment of the state-of-the-art integrated river basin models that are currently used for assessing water availability and vulnerability in the context of climate change

Improve accuracy and spatiotemporal resolution of regional scale projections of changes in precipitation, soil moisture, runoff and groundwater availability

Development of techniques, monitoring tools and innovative sensors for advance measurement and calculation of current available water balances and future needs

Development of a long-term observation framework and capacity, in collaboration with the Copernicus programme and GEOSS and any other relevant global observation initiatives







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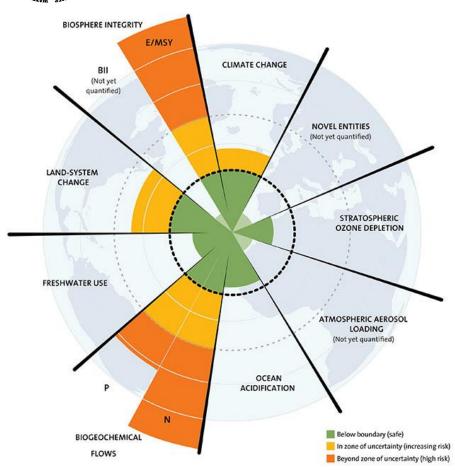
### Main Objective

Create the foundation for a holistic and participatory assessment framework of the **safe operating space for the entire water resources system**, accounting concurrently for all relevant water dimensions across multiple sectors and spatial scales under the influence of socio-economic, policy, technological, and climatic changes.









Steffen et al. 2015

### <u>Planetary boundary</u>

Transgressing the planetary boundaries could result in large-scale, possibly abrupt, or irreversible environmental change





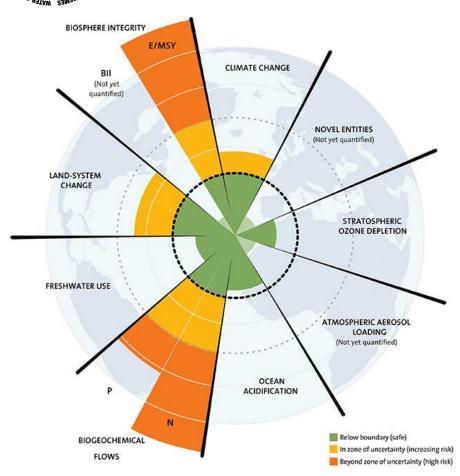




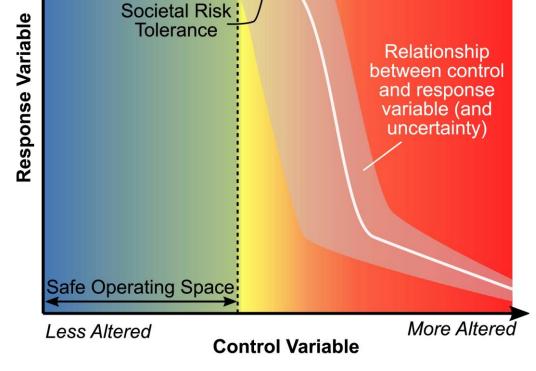


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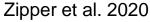
stable (Holocene-like) conditions



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Planetary or Local Boundary





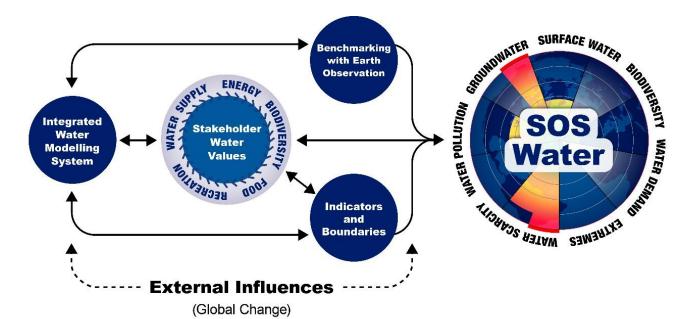
# Objectives



SOS-Water aims to link water modelling tools with local water values, directly informing

- the identification of water system indicators
- the monitoring process, and
- scenarios with stakeholder knowledge and preferences

to develop the concept of the **water system SOS** 







### **Implementation**



**CO-DEVELOPED WATER VALUES AND SCENARIOS** INTEGRATED WATER MODELLING SYSTEM **Design and Assessment of SOS Indicators and Thresholds Earth system monitoring** 

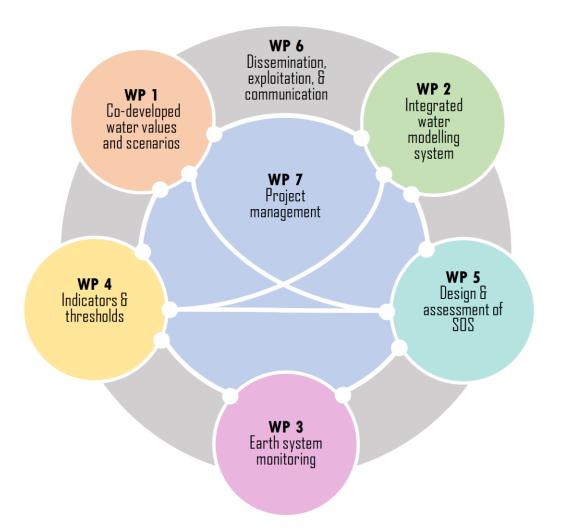
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- **WP2 -** Advance water system models and establish links between water system models and impact models
- **WP3 -** Identify discrepancies between available environmental information services and information needs for the SOS
- **WP4 -** Assess state-of-the-art water indicators and build a system of meta-indicators to improve water resources assessments
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#### **RHINE AND RHINE-MEUSE** DELTA

#### **Urgent challenges:**

- Intensive water use
- More frequent and intense extreme events
- Ecosystem restoration
- · Increasing water temperatures
- Transboundary water conflicts
- Water allocation conflicts







#### **UPPER DANUBE**

#### **Urgent challenges:**

- Less snow and earlier snow melt
- Changing seasonality
- Hydropower expansion
- More frequent and intense extreme events
- Increasing water temperatures
- Sedimentation
- Water allocation conflicts

#### **DANUBE DELTA**

#### **Urgent challenges:**

- Hydropower expansion
- Sediment loss
- · More frequent and intense extreme events
- Biodiversity loss
- Reduced environmental flows
- Eutrophication
- Salinisation
- Transboundary water conflicts
- · Water allocation conflicts

#### **MEKONG DELTA**

#### **Urgent challenges:**

- Sediment loss
- Intensive and increasing water use
- Groundwater depletion
- Rising sea level
- Biodiversity loss
- Reduced environmental flows
- Increasing water temperatures
- Eutrophication, Salinisation
- Low access to clean water
- Transboundary water conflicts
- Water allocation conflicts



#### **Urgent challenges:**

- Limited water availability
- Intensive agricultural water use
- Groundwater depletion
- Change less precipitation
- Increased evaporative demand
- More frequent and intense extreme events
- Reduced environmental flows
- Increasing water temperatures
- Eutrophication
- · Water pricing, allocation conflicts

















Domestic



Environment Industries





Tourism



Hydropower

SOUTHEAST ASIA ( )





# Implementation – Timeline



years

partners

case studies

person months

WPs

milestones

27 (+4) deliverables



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WP1: Co-developed water values and scenarios	IGB												$\neg$				
T1.1: Development of stakeholder engagement roadmaps and problem-framing	IGB													7			
T1.2: Co-creation of future water scenarios including local stakeholder water futures	IIASA	********	********			**********				********							******
T1.3: Modelling current distributions of local water values and projecting	IGB																
T1.4: Identification of stakeholder preferences	IGB																
T1.5: Co-creation of local management pathways with stakeholders towards water system SOS	IGB					********		,,,,,,,,,,	,,,,,,,,,	*******							*****
T1.6: Review and refinement of the SOS-framework and spatially optimised management plans	IGB																
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T2.2: Advancing state-of-the-art WSMs and linking with regional IMs	UU																
T2.3: Linking WSMs with IMs to model water values	IGB																
T2.4: Benchmarking IWMS	UU	***************************************								**********							*****
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WP3: Earth system monitoring	EAWAG																
T3.1: Monitoring data inventory and database creation	EAWAG																
T3.2: Improved EO applications	EAWAG																
T3.3: Basin-scale EO data integration	FW					T											
T3.4: Copernicus/GEOSS evolution	EAWAG																
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WP4: Co-design of indicators and thresholds	UPV																
T4.1: Assessment of current indicators and identification of indicator gaps	UPV																
T4.2: Definition of innovative indicators to cover the gaps identified	UPV																
T4.3: Development of a framework to build systems of indicators	POLIMI														LL		
T4.4: System of indicators for the case studies	UPV																
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WP5: Design and assessment of SOS	POLIMI																
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T5.3: Uncertainty and robustness analysis	POLIMI													]		J	
T5.4: Reconciling SOS across scales	IIASA																
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WP6: Dissemination, exploitation, and communication	EUTEMA																
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WP7: Project management and coordination	IIASA																
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# **EPIC**

**EU-Pacific Partnerships for ICT RDI** 

Georg Melzer-Venturi, eutema



# Main objectives

### The main objectives of the project are:

- Identify, update and detail 3rd country programs, common R&D priorities and future cooperation opportunities
- Develop recommendations for improved cooperation
- Organizing and supporting events that are synchronized with dialogue meetings and contribute to increase their focus and visibility
- Reinforce industrial cooperation on ICT research and development through improved networking activities
- Support EU organizations/individuals in accessing third country programs
- Establish linkages with EC programs and initiatives and with MS/AC programs
- Widely disseminate the objectives and results of the project among relevant stakeholders through a carefully designed dissemination strategy





# Overall Approach

- Build on, use and expand previous knowledge
- Use existing networks and initiatives

Previous knowledge

### Target levels

- Policies
- Research and industry

- Different states-ofplay
- Identify (different) focus areas
- Expand topical areas

Country-specific approach

### Communication

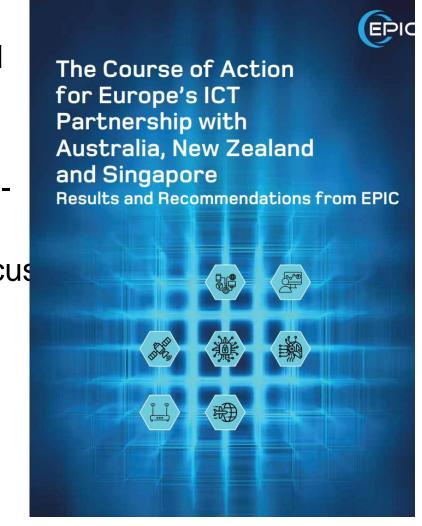
- Web-based tools and internet
- Focused meetings and events





### Project outputs

- Increasing RTDI collaboration between EU and SG
- priority research topics list for collaboration for EU-AU, EU-NZ, EU-SG
- research-related workshops or seminars in the focus topics
- create a roadmap for stronger cooperation
- https://www.eutema.com/wpcontent/uploads/2020/03/EPIC-Course-of-Action-Report.pdf









# Enabling the exploitation of Insects as a Sustainable Source of Protein for Animal Feed and Human Nutrition

**Fact Sheet** 

Results in Brief

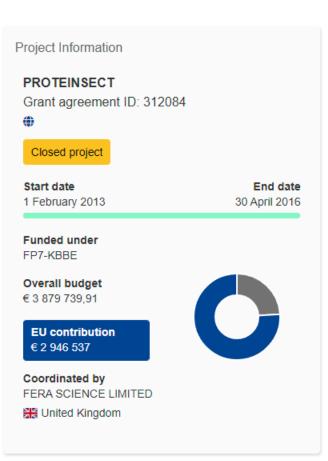
Reporting

Results

News & Multimedia

#### **Objective**

Food security is a global challenge. Within the overall increased demand for food, and particularly meat production, there is also an urgent need to increase supply of protein from sustainable sources. The principle objective of the international and multidisciplinary PROteINSECT consortium is to facilitate the exploitation of insects as an alternative protein source for animal and human nutrition. Advances have been made in rearing of insects for incorporation in animal feed in countries including China and Mali. The consortium brings together expertise in these countries together with European insect breeders and feed production companies in order to optimise systems and set up pilot scale production facilities in the EU. The project will demonstrate the feasibility of the use of insectderived proteins in animal feed through trials with fish, poultry and pigs. Quality and safety along the food chain from insect protein itself, to incorporation in feed and ultimately human consumption of insect-protein reared livestock, will be evaluated. The use of waste streams that focus on animal rather than plant material for insect rearing will be examined. To optimise the economic viability of the use of insect proteins, uses for the residual flows from the production system will be determined. Life cycle analyses will enable the design of optimised and sustainable production systems suitable for adoption in both ICPC and European countries. Key to uptake is ensuring that a regulatory framework is in place and this will be encouraged by the preparation of a White Paper following consultation with key stakeholders, experts and consumers. PROteINSECT will build a pro-insect platform in Europe to encourage adoption of sustainable protein production technologies in order to reduce the reliance of the feed industry on plant/fish derived proteins in the short term, and promote the acceptance of insect protein as a direct component of human food in the longer term.

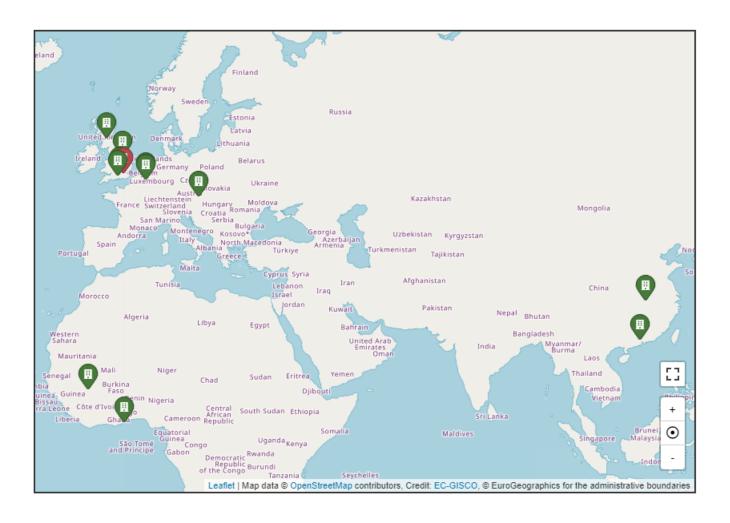






#### **Funding Scheme**

CP-FP-SICA - Small/medium-scale focused research project for specific cooperation actions dedicated to international cooperation partner countries(SICA)







### ... but how do I do it....?

- Examples:
- Safe, Resilient Transport and Smart Mobility services for passengers and goods (HORIZON-CL5-2023-D6-01)
- Infrastructure-enabled solutions for improving the continuity or extension of Operational Design Domains (ODDs) (CCAM Partnership)
- <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/horizon-cl5-2023-d6-01-03;callCode=HORIZON-CL5-2023-D6-01">https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/horizon-cl5-2023-d6-01-03;callCode=HORIZON-CL5-2023-D6-01</a>





Proposed actions for this topic are expected to address all of the following aspects:

- Improve the availability of real-time information beyond the reach of vehicle on-board sensors by developing and demonstrating system, data and service architectures for Digital Twins for road transport infrastructure.
- Remove the discontinuity of the GNSS positioning signal in challenging road environments such as urban canyons and canopies, tunnels, mountainous areas and northern latitudes. Actions should develop approaches to improve the robustness and reliability of the positioning information by local positioning services, landmarks, modules, new procedures and redundancy processes etc.
- Develop novel solutions for the management of and navigation through road works and incident sites for CCAM enabled vehicles, making such high-risk zones much safer for road users (including vulnerable road users), but also for road workers and rescue organisation personnel. Advancing CCAM from information only to services with automated actions requires cooperation in higher classes ("agreement seeking" according to SAE J 3216<sup>[9]</sup>). Safe and secure communication, transfer learning, distributed data processing as well as tools and enablers for improving the vehicles' capabilities of coping with infrastructure imperfections (such as sub-standard infrastructure maintenance) are expected to be addressed. Furthermore, harmonised local traffic management measures at road works and incident sites to support their safe navigation should also be addressed.

Proposed actions should advance the infrastructure-enabled solutions for ODD continuity and/or extension to TRL 6/7 on the way towards (pre-)deployment as an important contribution to large-scale demonstration actions<sup>[10]</sup>. EU-wide/global harmonisation is key in this action, enabling broad uptake of services in the common single market and paving the way towards coordinated deployment of necessary infrastructure support for CCAM. Potential needs for standardisation or input for future regulatory action should be identified. Proposed actions should build on NAP (National Access Points) and a Common European Mobility Dataspace to ensure alignment with existing framework.

In order to achieve the expected outcomes, international cooperation is encouraged, in particular with Japan and the United States but also with other relevant strategic partners in third countries.

This topic implements the co-programmed European Partnership on 'Connected, Cooperative and Automated Mobility' (CCAM). As such, projects resulting from this topic will be expected to report on results to the European Partnership 'Connected, Cooperative and Automated Mobility' (CCAM) in support of the monitoring of its KPIs.

Specific Topic Conditions:





#### Partner search announcements

Searches of partners to collaborate on this topic

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#### RISC SOFTWARE GMBH

Organisation

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The non-profit RTO RISC Software GmbH conducts research in neural networks, fuzzy algorithms and machine learning methods (in combination with visual analytics and big data technologies). RISC has participated in EU projects (eg Platform Zero, MetaFacturing, Boost 4.0), national funding projects (eg nARvibrain, MEDUSA), as well as worked with clients such as Shell, EADS, RHI, Magna, voestalpine, FILL, DS Automotion, TRUMPF or ÖBB (www.risc-software.at).

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#### Specific Topic Conditions:

Activities are expected to achieve TRL 6-7 by the end of the project – see General Annex B.

[1] A digital twin is a virtual representation that serves as the real-time digital counterpart of a physical object or process, in the context here a virtual representation of road transport infrastructure.

[2] https://www.inframix.eu/

[3] https://www.transaid.eu/

[4] http://www.maven-its.eu/

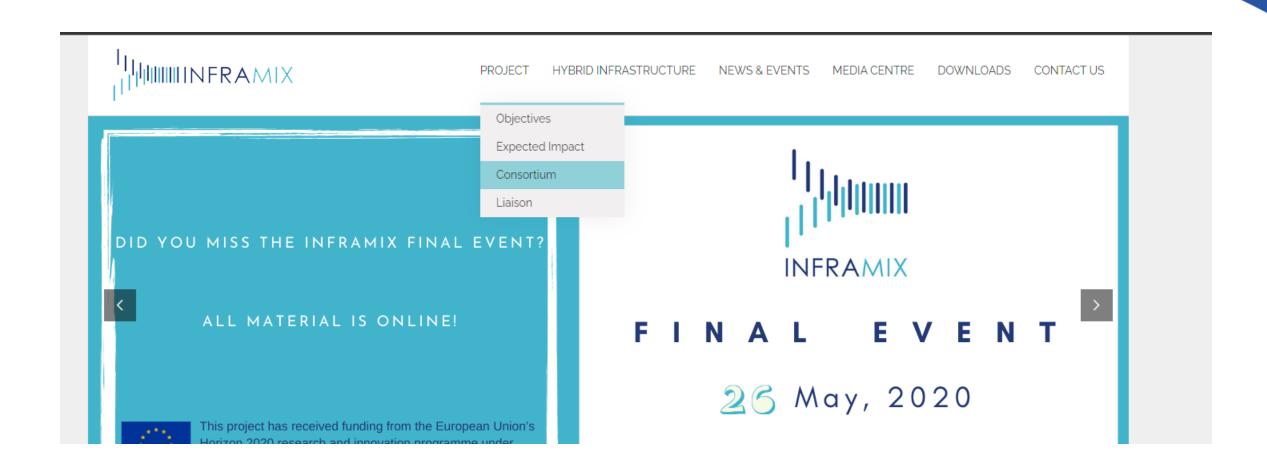
[5] "Physical and Digital Infrastructure (PDI), connectivity and cooperation enabling and supporting CCAM"

[6] "European demonstrators for integrated shared automated mobility solutions for people and goods"

[7] CCAM Partnership, Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda 2021-2027, December 2021, https://www.ccam.eu/, Lessons Learned from completed projects: https://connectedautomateddriving.eu/ projects/lessons-learned/, Horizon Europe Work Programme 2021-2022, Climate, Energy and Mobility, *European Commission Decision C(2021)4200 of 15 June 2021.* 











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- 1. Contact
- 2. Offer help
  - 1. For FREE
- 3. You need to show that you are a reliable partner
- 4. only then will you be an attractive partner





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