



RICCAR

Regional Knowledge Hub

(RKH)

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RICCAR Implementation Framework

REGIONAL KNOWLEDGE HUB



An open-access knowledge management platform is needed to disseminate the outputs of the integrated RICCAR approach

Climate Change
Impact Assessment

Climate Change
Vulnerability
Assessment



CAPACITY BUILDING &
INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING

AWARENESS RAISING & INFORMATION DISSEMINATION

General Objectives

Main objective: **to provide an interactive, online platform that provides easy access to information and analysis on knowledge products related to climate change and water resources in the Arab Region.**

Ultimately:



To provide **access to information** that can facilitate cooperation, coordination, dialogue and exchange among Arab countries.



To support **regional networking and exchange**



To support **awareness raising** for national and local stakeholders



To provide **capacity building support**

Governance Structure



**Arab Ministerial
Water Council
Technical Committee**



**Regional
Knowledge Hub**

**Link to
ArabCOF**

LAS

**ACSAD-ESCWA
Coordinating Secretariat**

**RICCAR
Partners**

FAO Data Portal

Regional Knowledge Hub Network

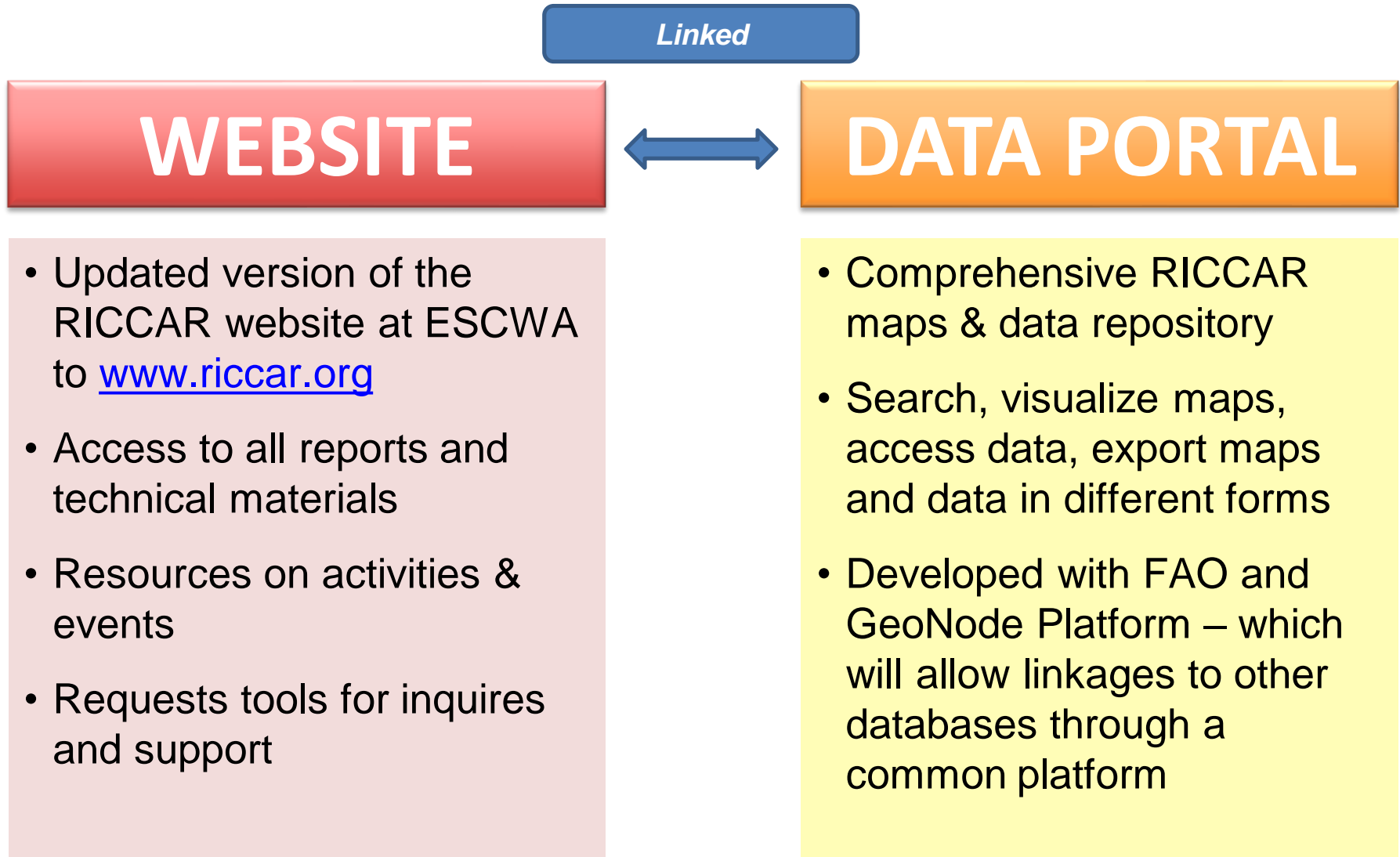
Thematic Nodes* **Technical Assistance & Training** **Sector Nodes***

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RKH Development Components & Contents





WEBSITE

- **RICCAR Overview**
 - Objectives
 - Mandates
 - Announcements
- **Partners**
 - List of partners & donors with their websites links
- **Picture Board/ Image Gallery**
- **Knowledge Resources**
 - Reports
 - Studies and technical material
 - Training Materials
 - Booklets
 - Brochures
- **Events calendar (past, present, upcoming)**
- **Event pages, including meetings/workshops materials:**
 - Photos
 - Information note
 - Agenda
 - Presentations
 - Documents
 - Meeting reports
- **Access link to the RKH data portal**
- **Contact information/requests form for support and services**
- **Site search function & index**

DATA PORTAL

3 main outputs & inputs from:

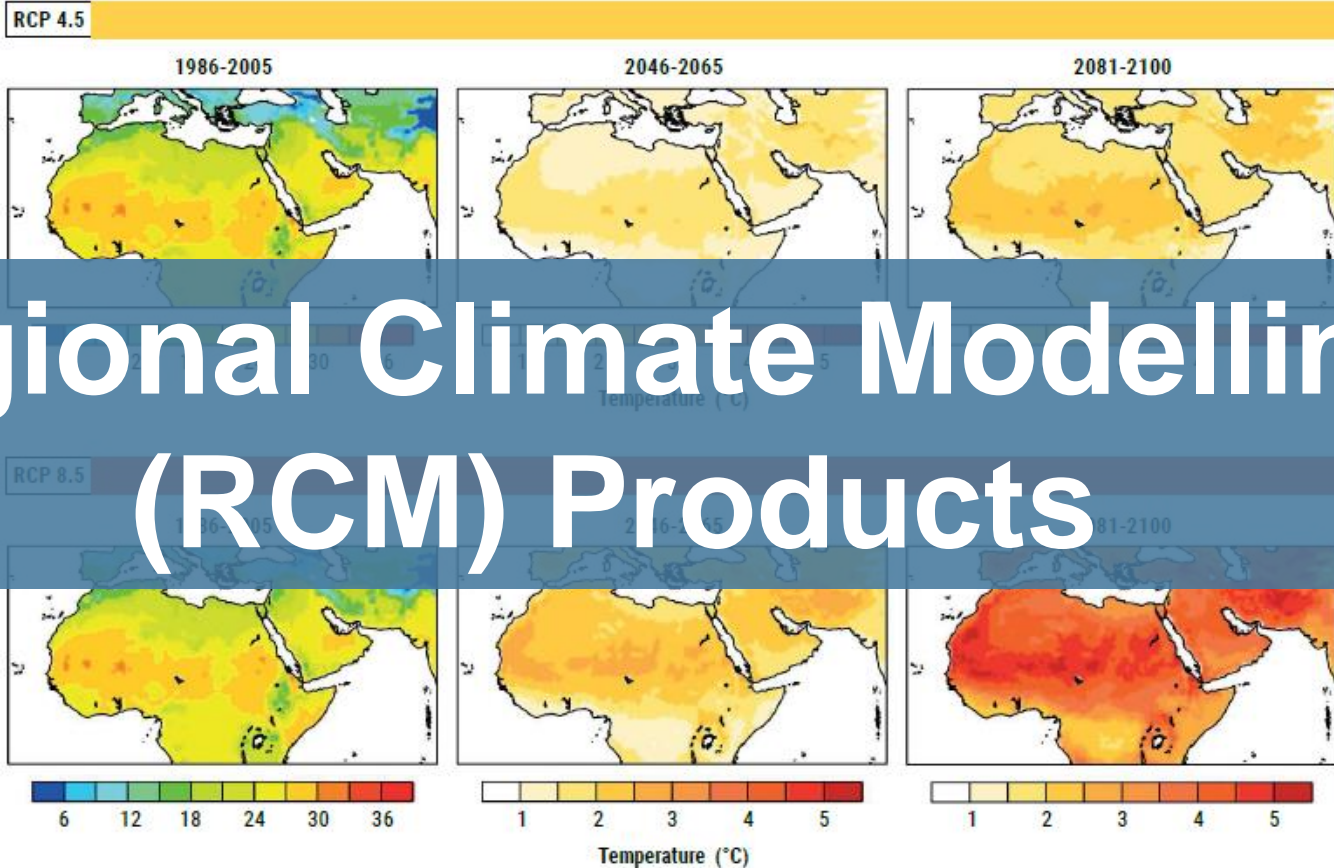
**Regional Climate
Modelling
(RCM)**

**Regional Hydrological
Modelling (RHM)**

**Integrated Vulnerability
Assessment
(VA)**

Other related contents:

- Link to www.riccar.org and related content
- Link to other databases managed by FAO
- Link to CORDEX
- Link to other data portals used in generating the outputs (e.g., WATCH, HydroSheds, Aquastat, UNstat, GRDC ...)
- Interactive component for data exporting and visualization



Regional Climate Modelling (RCM) Products

RCM

RCP 4.5
50 km

EC-Earth

+

CNRM-CM5

+

GFDL-ESM2M

+

Ensemble Mean

+

RCP 8.5
50 km

EC-Earth

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RCP 8.5
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Mean

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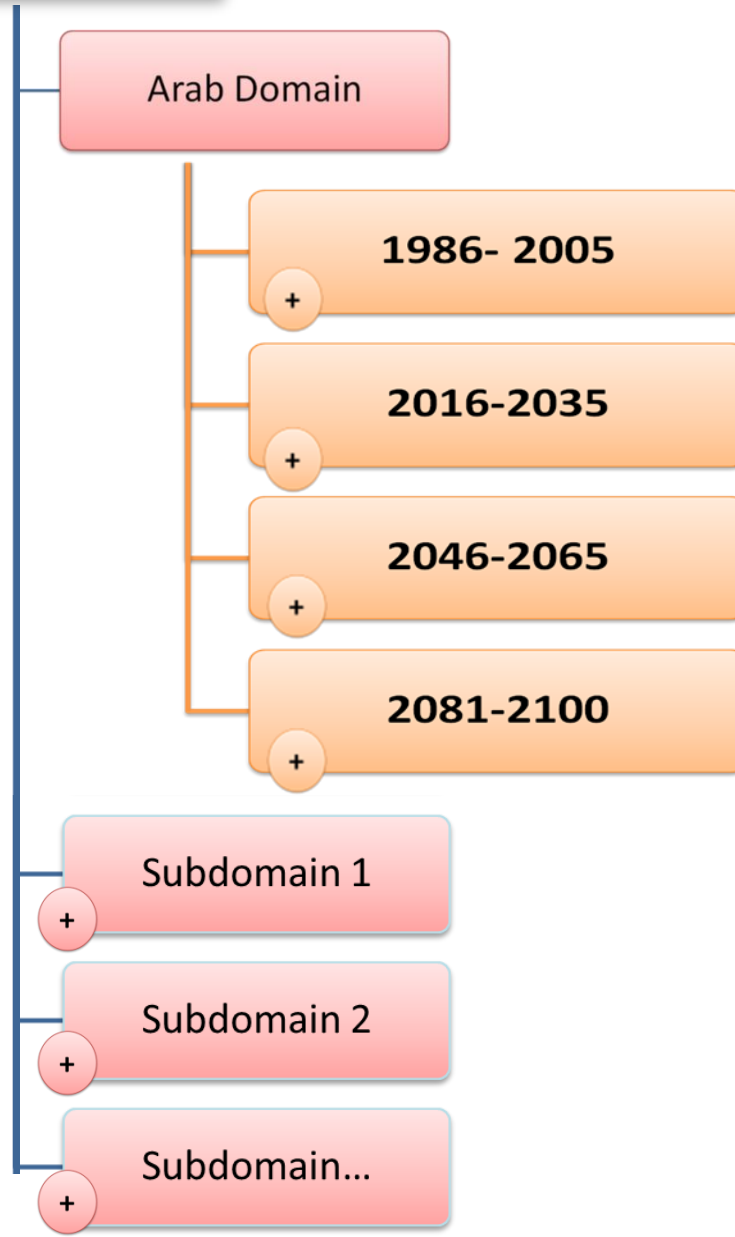
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10+
Sub-
domains

Ensemble Mean



RKH offers
Maps for
20-year
period
&
Daily Data
Sets from
1986-2100

3-hourly
datasets
available
from SMHI

1986-2005

Annual

T

Tmin

Tmax

SU

SU35

SU40

TR

P

CDD

CWD

R10

R20

SDII

Summer

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Winter

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2016-2035

2046-2065

2081-2100

Temperature
Precipitation
Extreme Climate
Indices

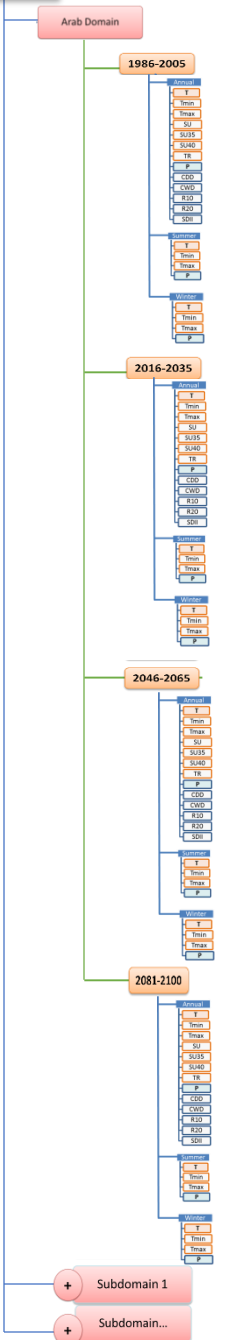
Extreme temperature indices

Index	Full name
SU	Number of summer days
SU35	Number of hot days
SU40	Number of very hot days
TR	Number of tropical nights

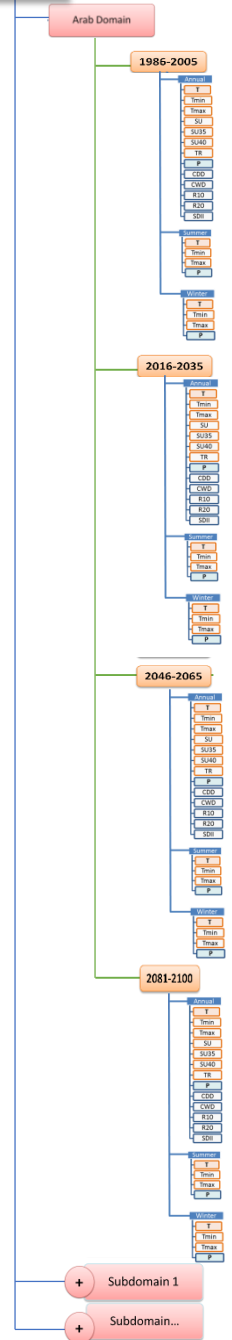
Extreme precipitation indices

Index	Full name
CDD	Maximum length of dry spell
CWD	Maximum length of wet spell
R10	Annual count of 10 mm precipitation days
R20	Annual count of 20 mm precipitation days
SDII	Simple precipitation intensity index

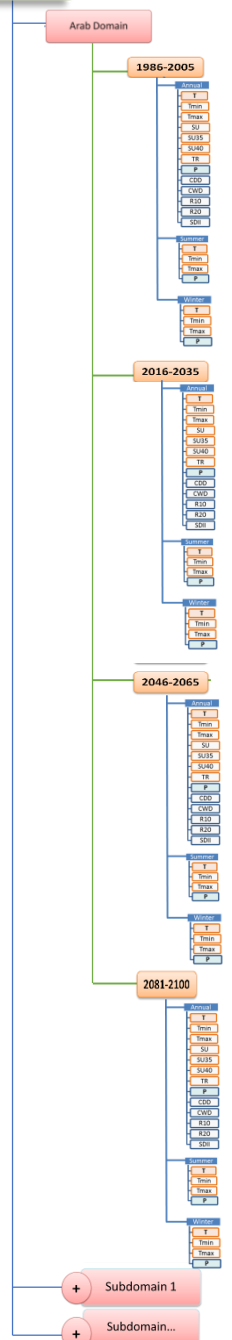
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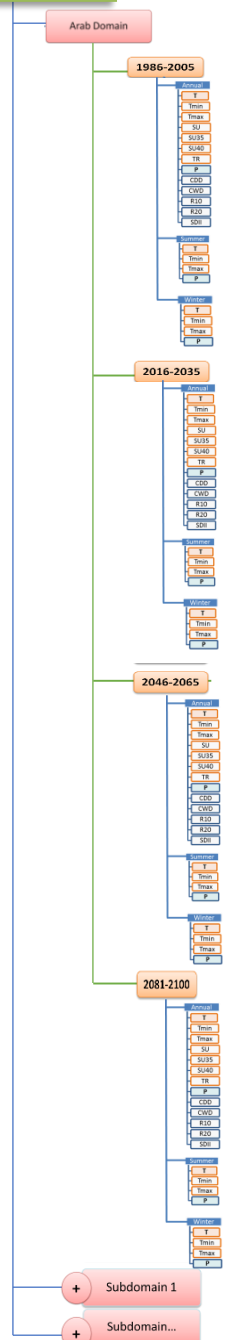
CNRM-CM5



GFDL-ESM2M



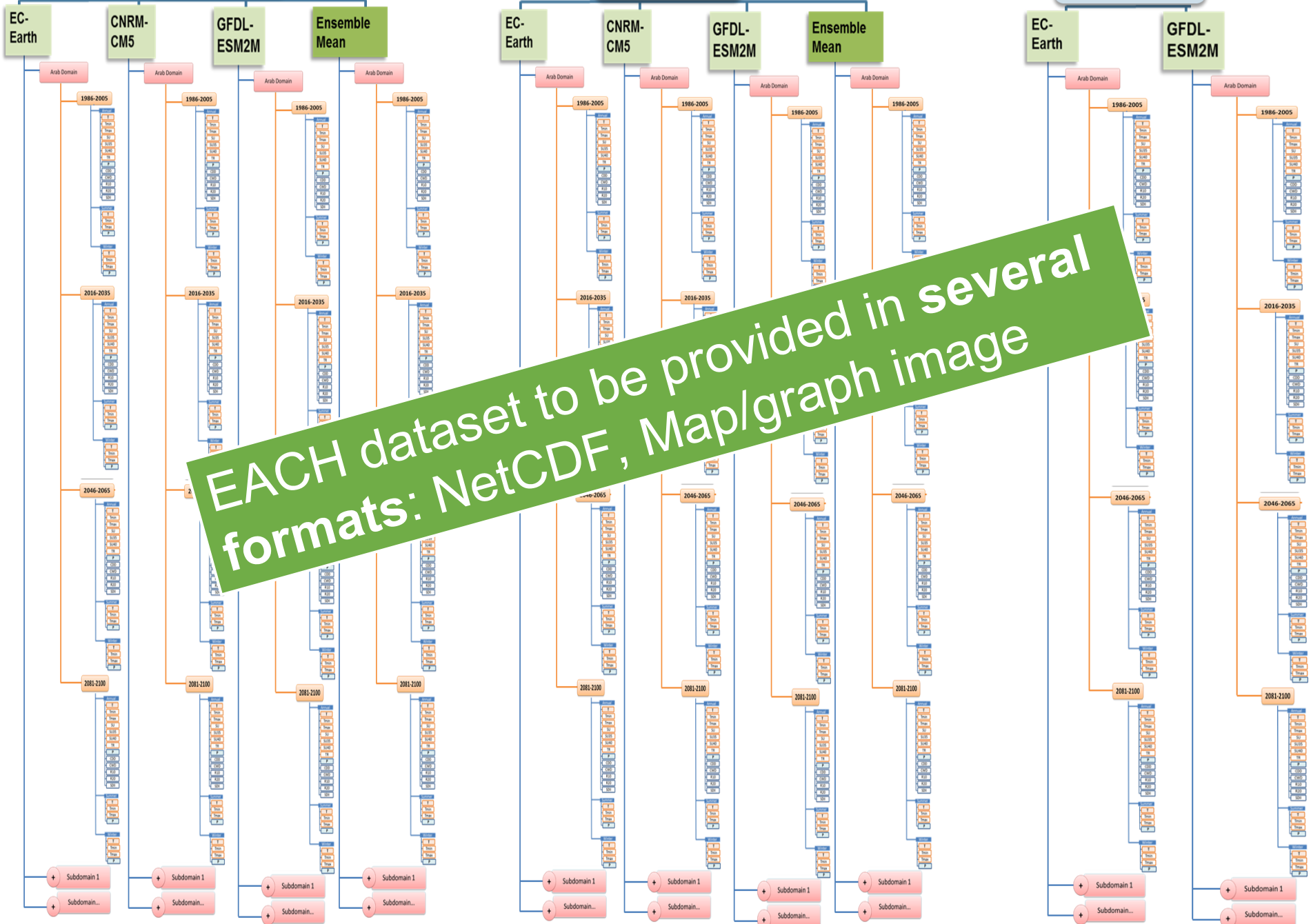
Ensemble Mean



RCP 4.5
50 km

RCP 8.5
50 km

RCP 8.5
25 km



EACH dataset to be provided in several formats: NetCDF, Map/graph image

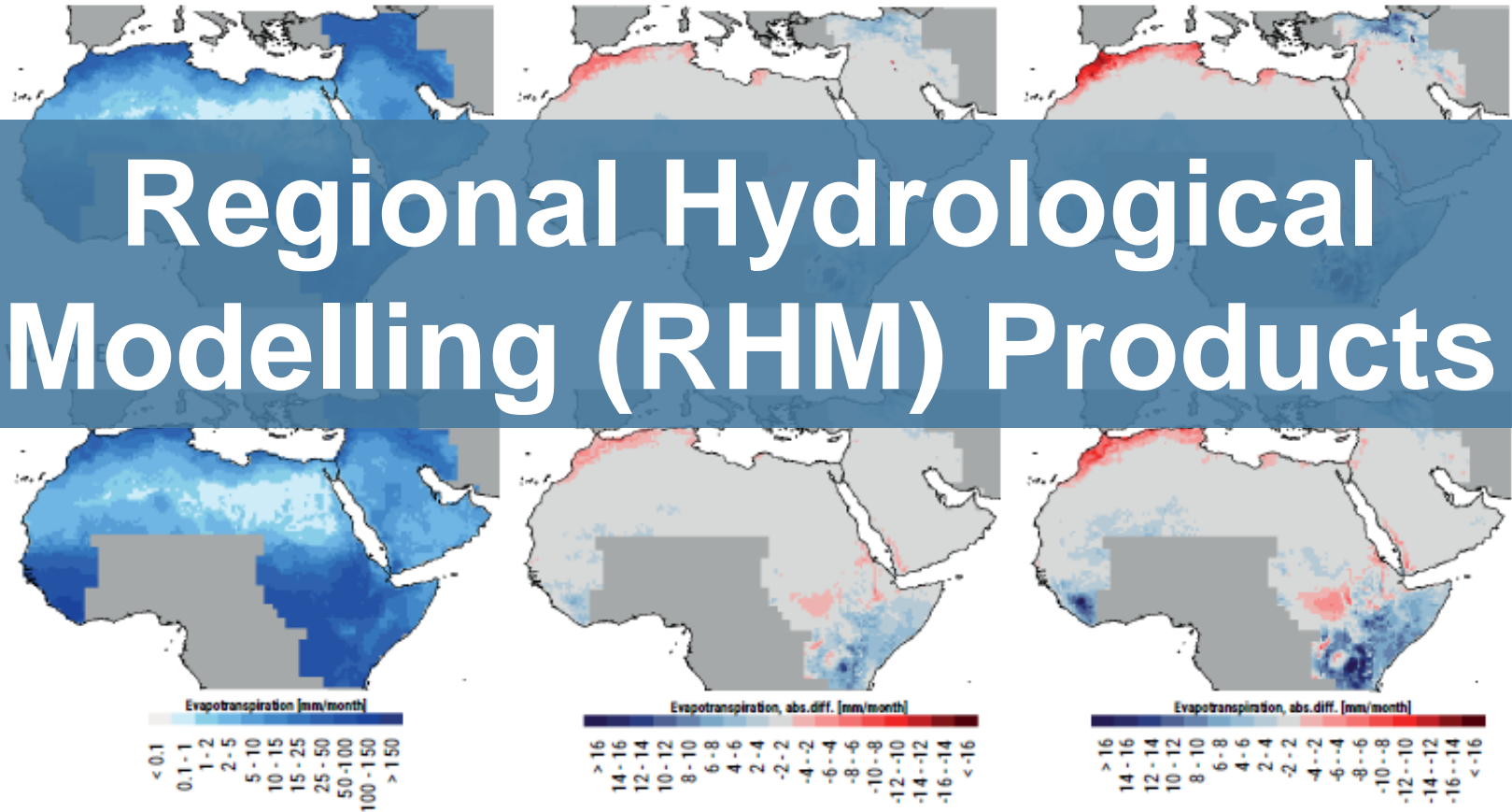
RCP 8.5

HYPE MODEL

1986-2005

2046-2065

2081-2100



RHM

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**RCP 4.5
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25 km**

**Given focus on Water and use for
Hydrological & Agricultural modeling,
only the Bias Corrected Datasets are
available on the RHM and in assessment
outputs**

RHM

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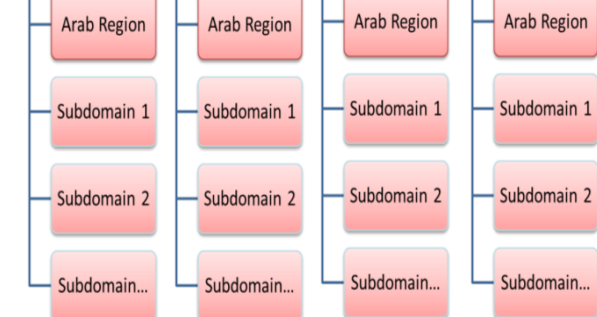
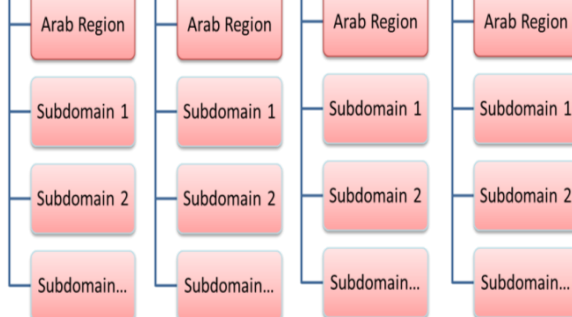
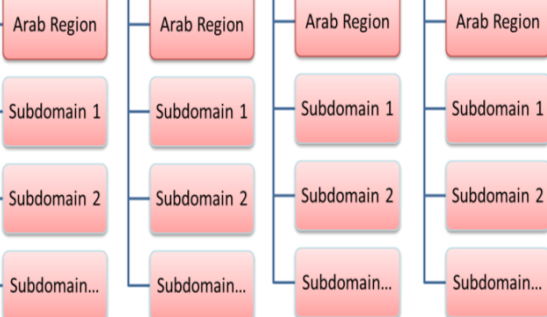
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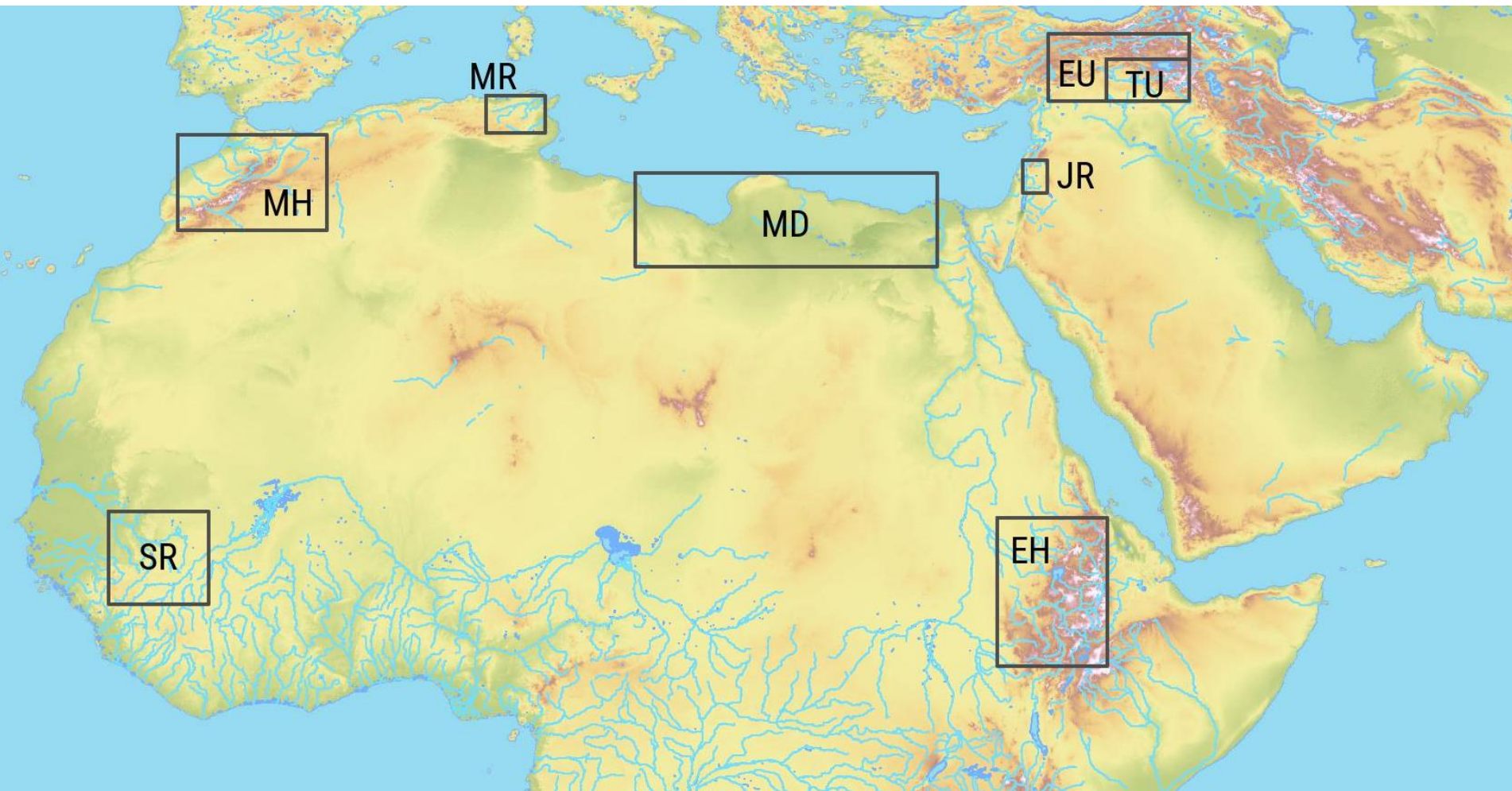
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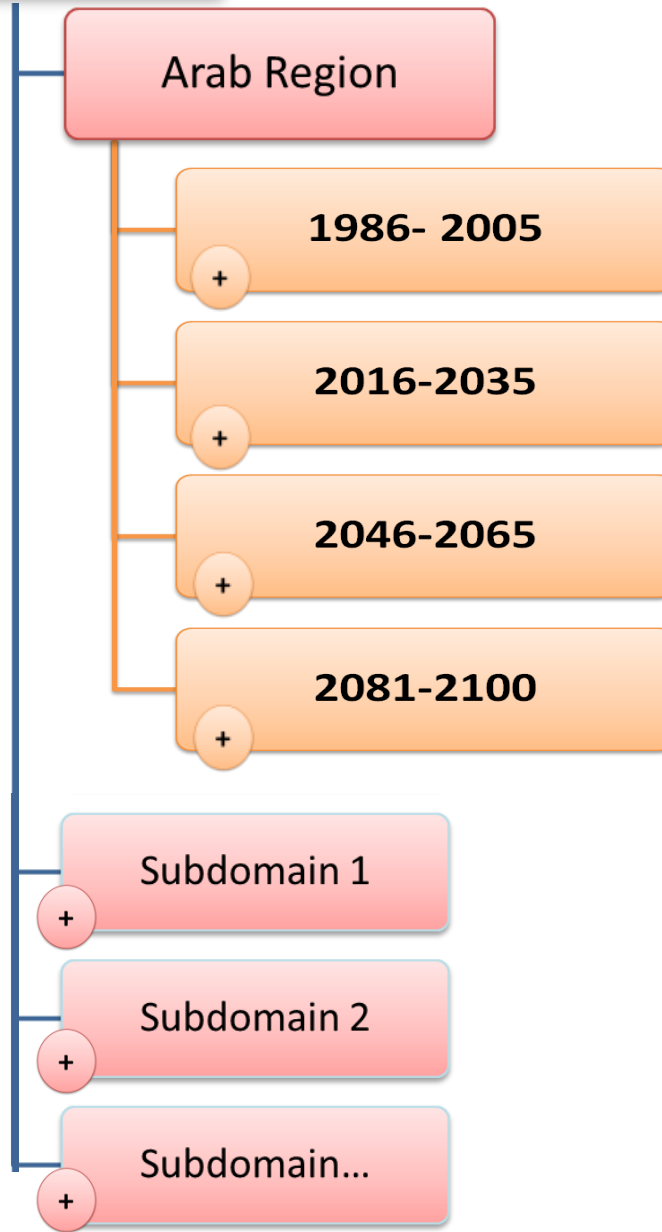
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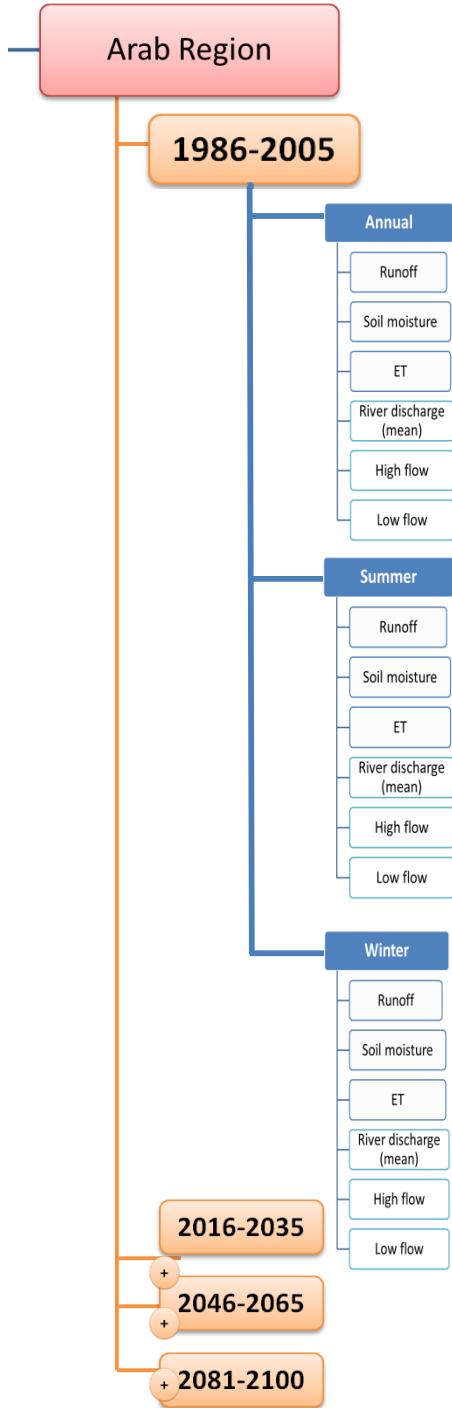
Locations of subdomains for hydrological analysis



Ensemble Mean



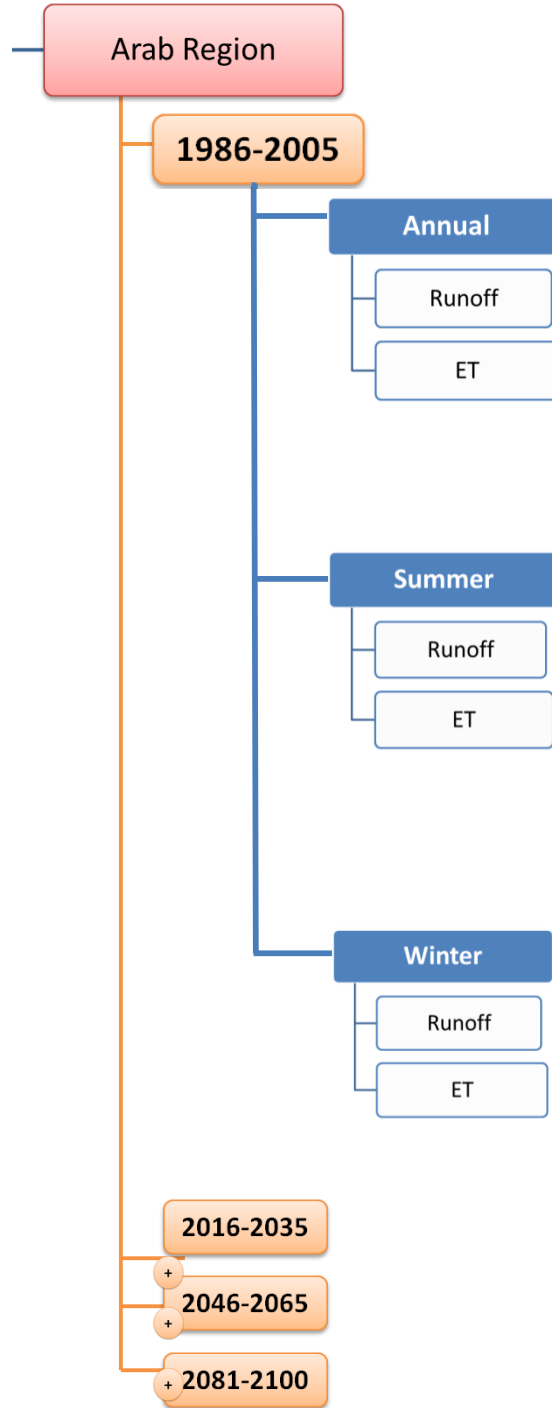
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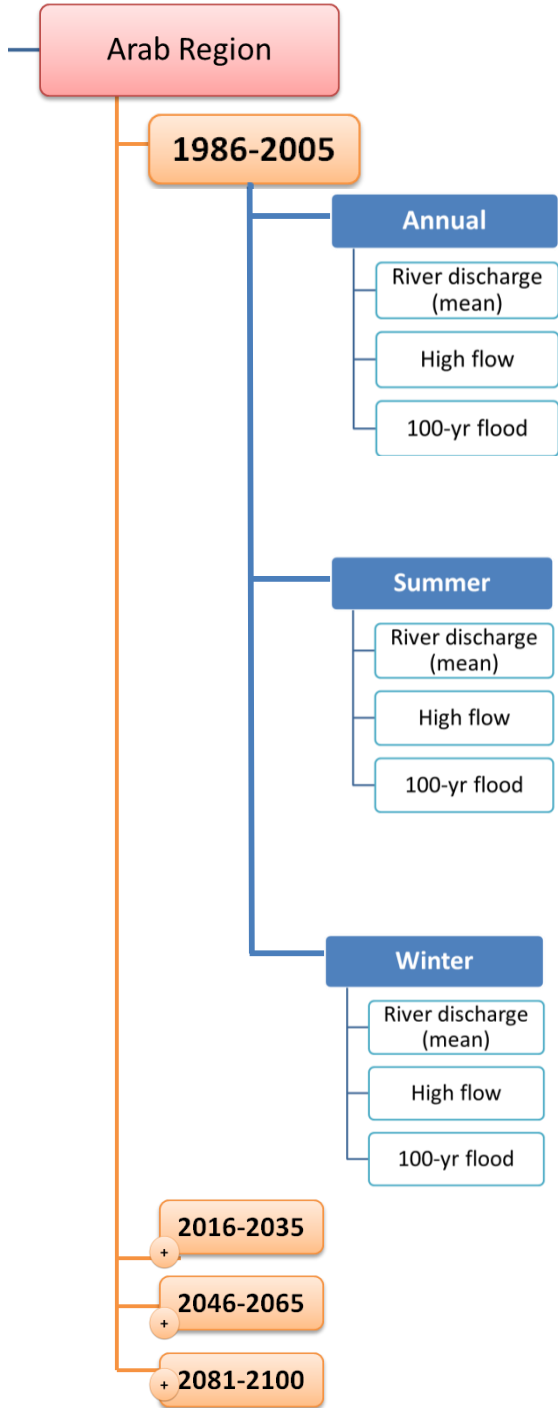


Hydro Parameters presented as Annual and Seasonal outputs

Daily datasets for download

VIC



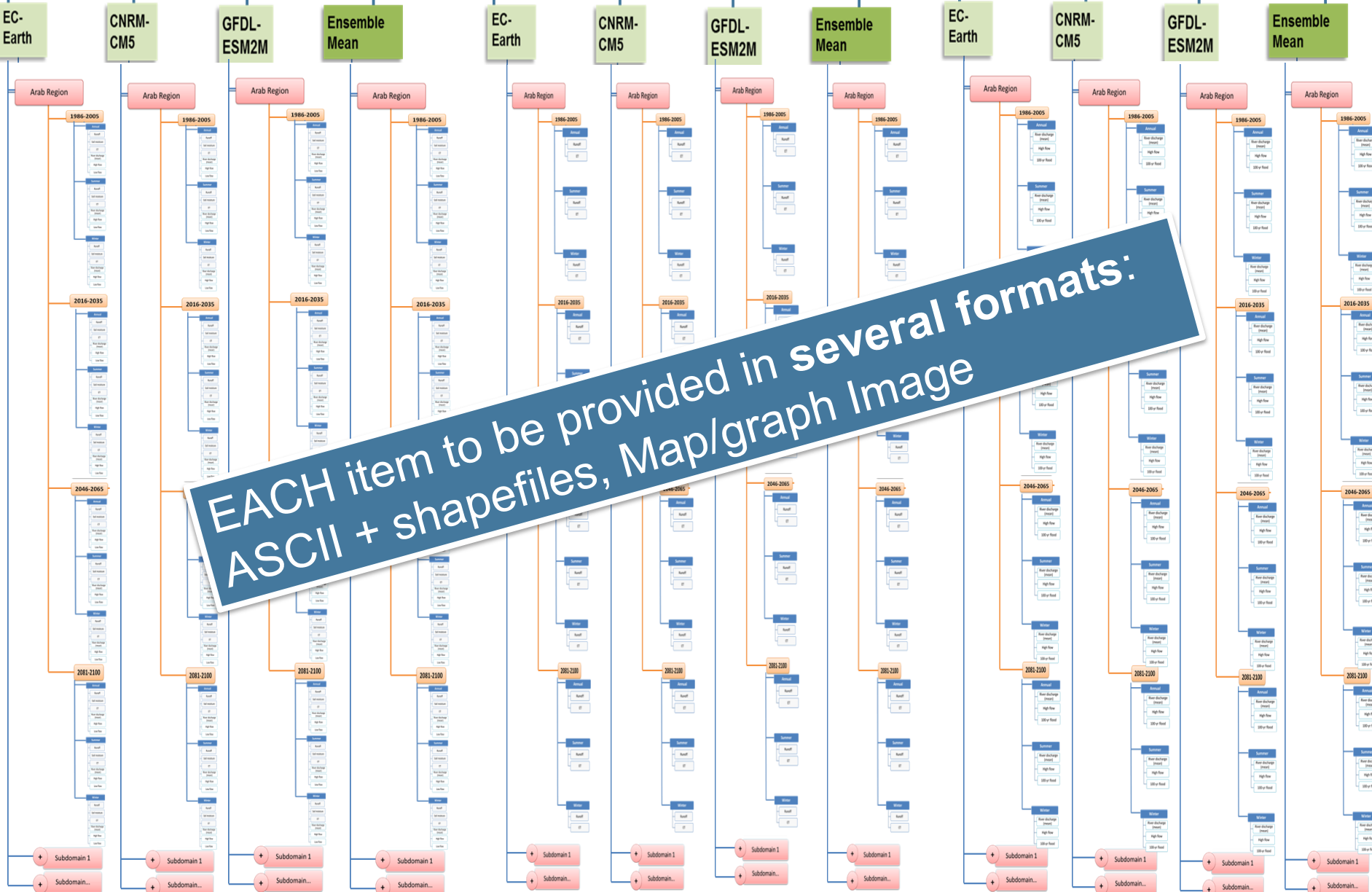


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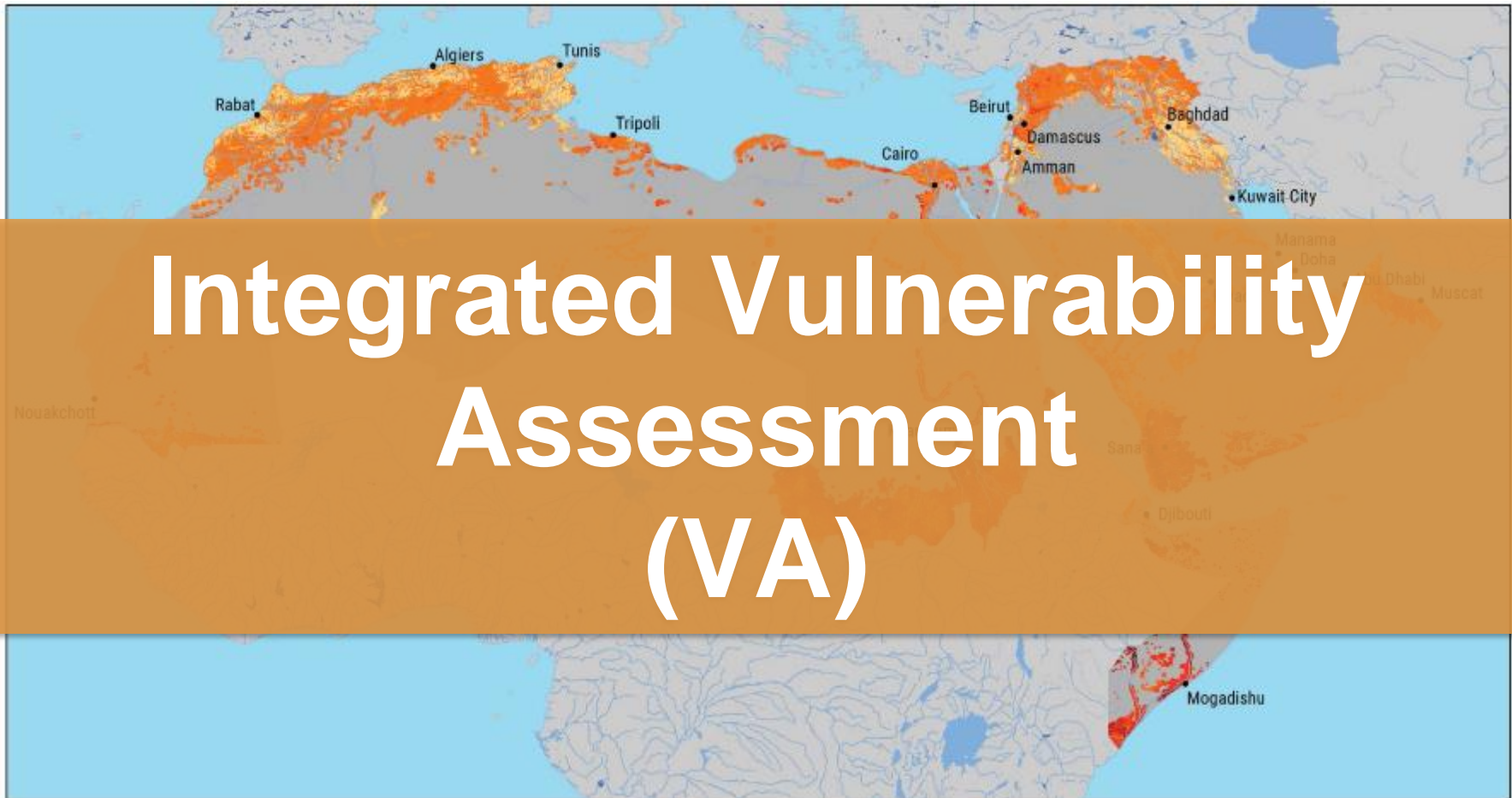
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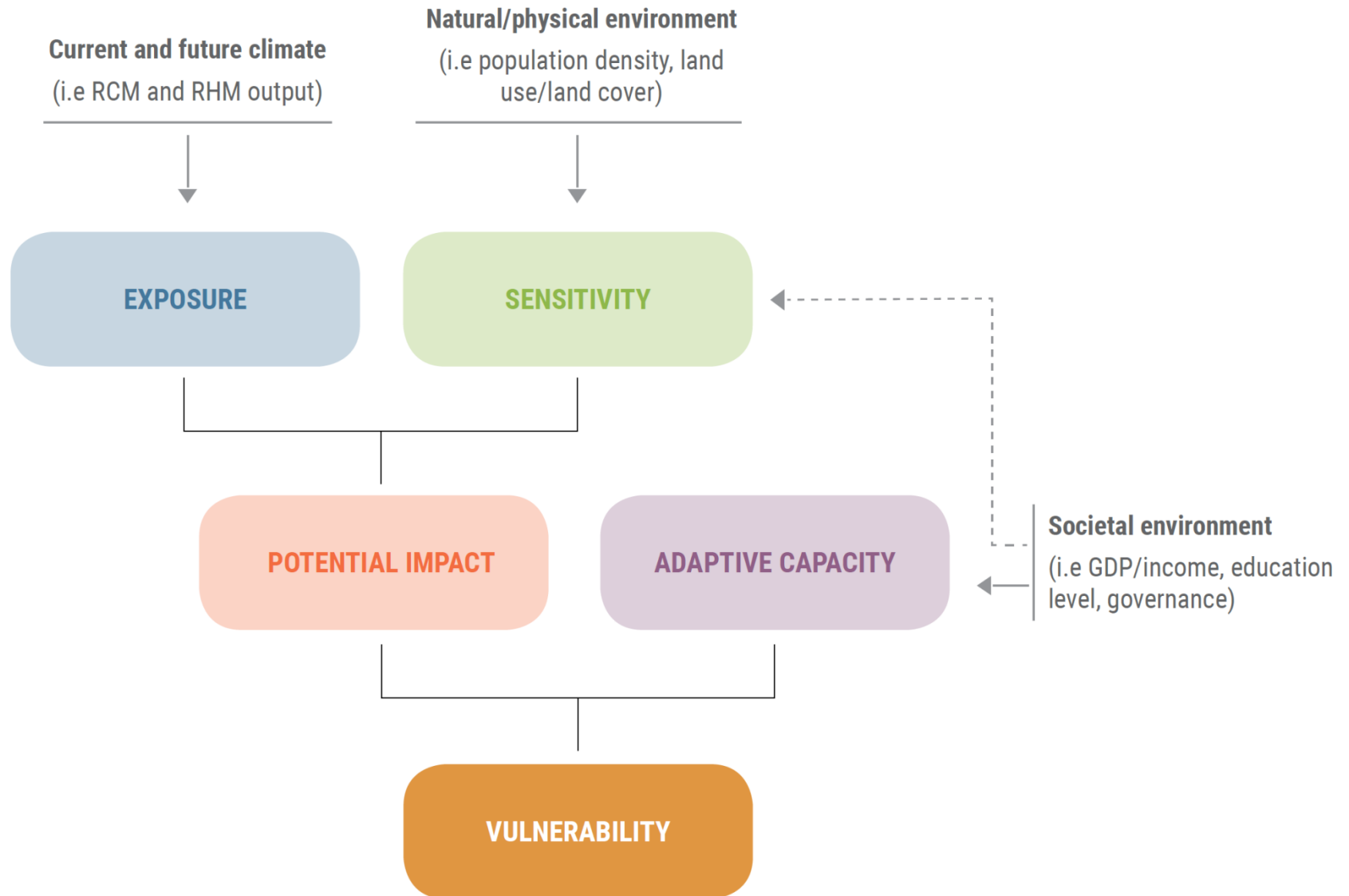
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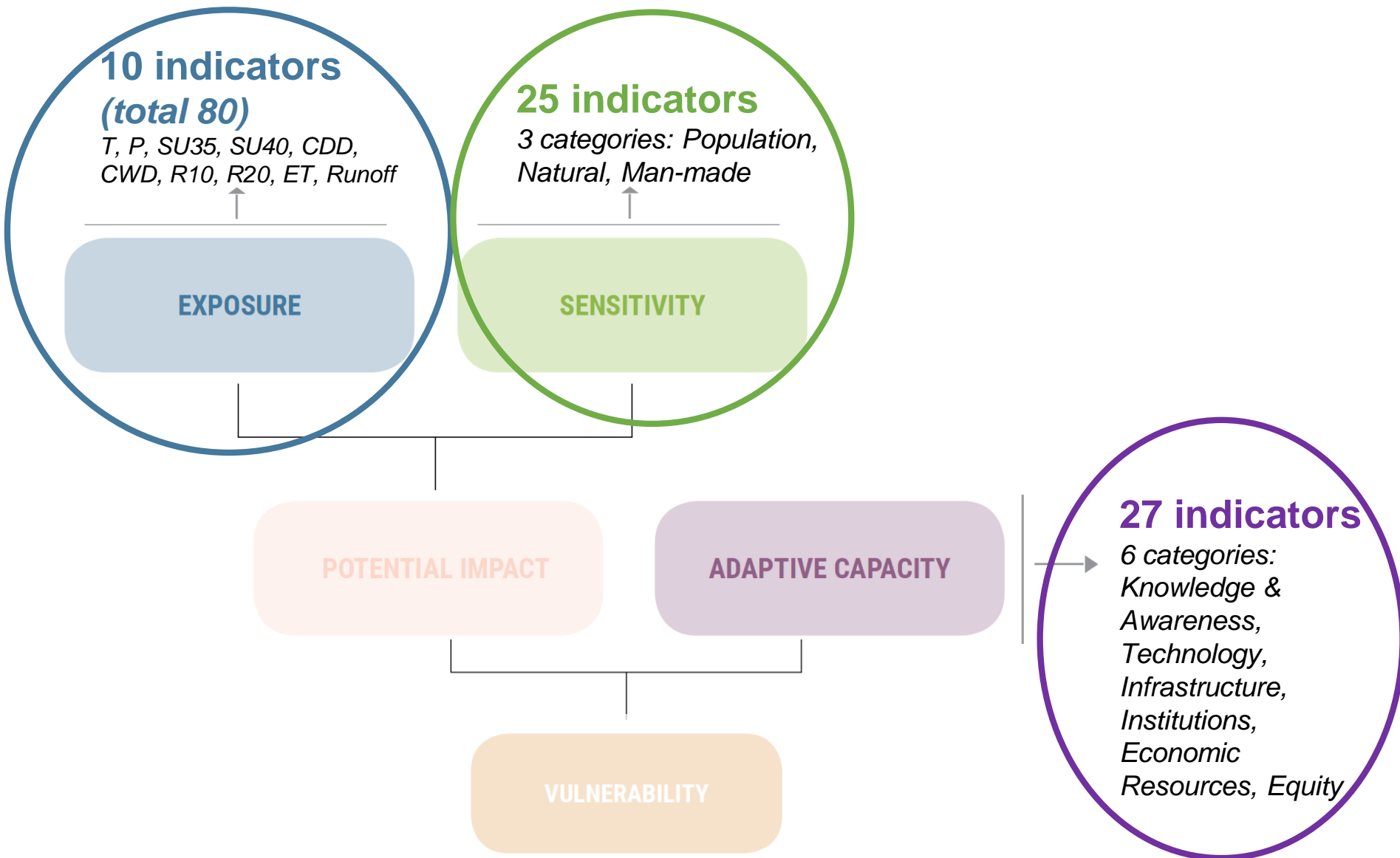
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ASCII + shapefiles, Map/graph Image



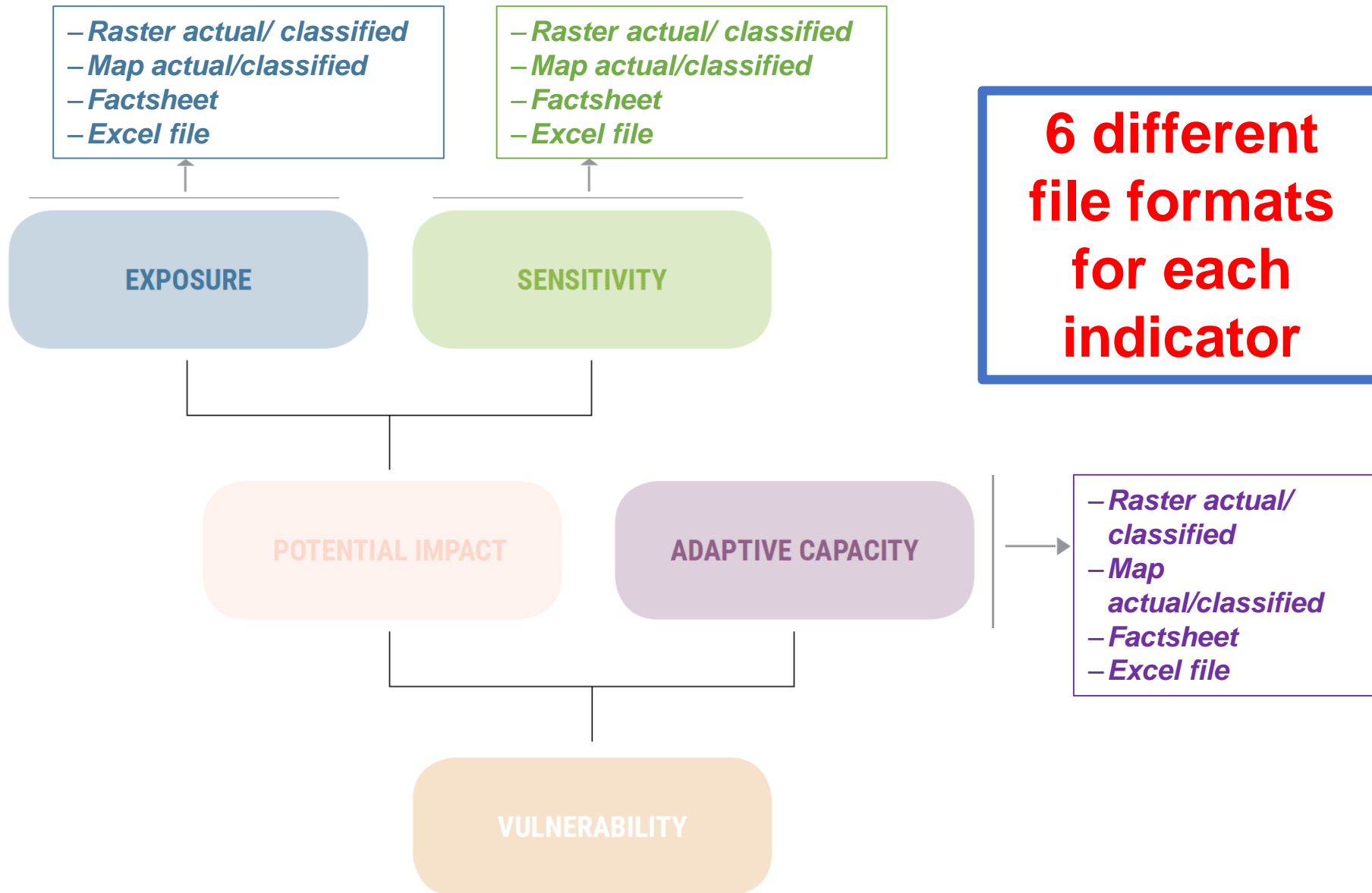
VA Indicators








Selected Indicators for the VA



File formats for each indicator



VA outputs

SECTORS	SUBSECTORS	
	<p>Water</p>	<p>Water availability</p>
	<p>Biodiversity and Ecosystems</p>	<p>Area covered by forests Area covered by wetlands</p>
	<p>Agriculture</p>	<p>Water available for crops Water available for livestock</p>
	<p>Infrastructure and Human Settlements</p>	<p>Inland flooding area</p>
	<p>People</p>	<p>Water available for drinking Health conditions due to heat stress Employment rate for the agricultural sector</p>

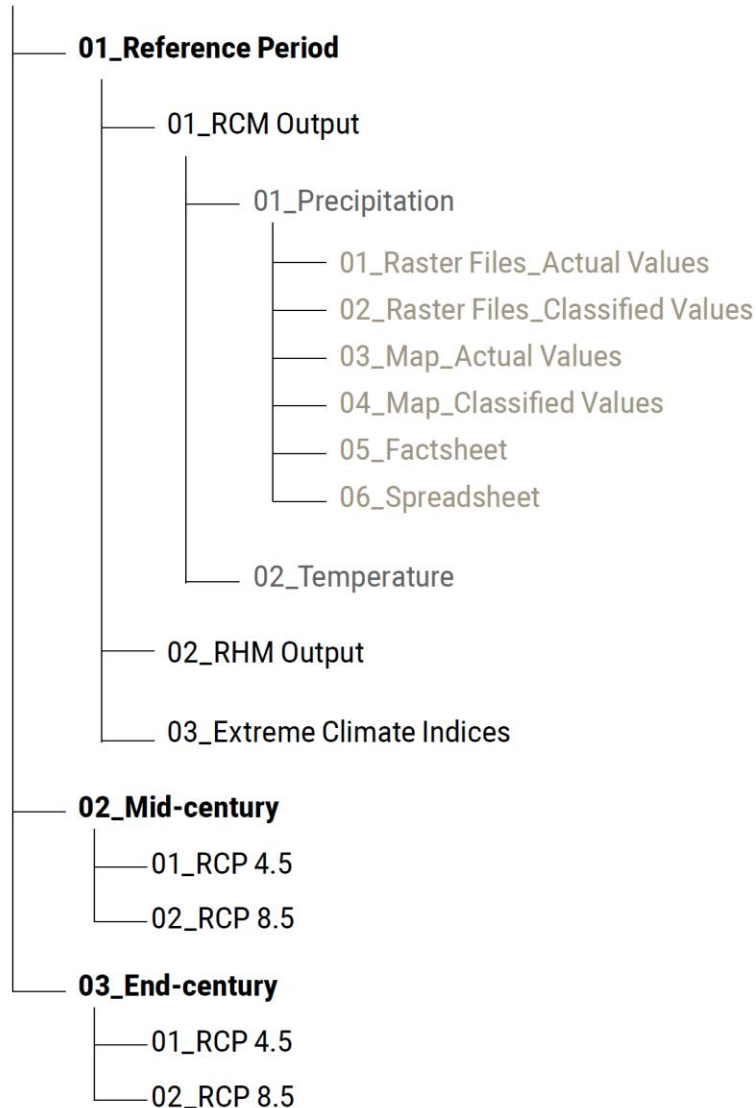
VA outputs

- There is a total of **9 different vulnerability sectors/subsectors**
- Each has a specific combination of Exposure, Sensitivity, and Adaptive Capacity **indicators**.
- Thus, in addition to the individual indicator datasets, outputs include, **for each sector/subsector**:
 - **Vulnerability map** for selected timeframes and scenarios
 - **Potential Impact map** for specific timeframes and scenarios
 - **Exposure map** for specific timeframes and scenarios
 - **Sensitivity map** obtained by combining the selected sensitivity indicators under that sector
 - **Adaptive Capacity** map

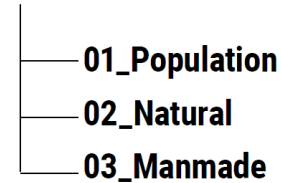
EACH output would consist of a dataset of multiple raster files in addition to the maps illustrating each.

Filing structure

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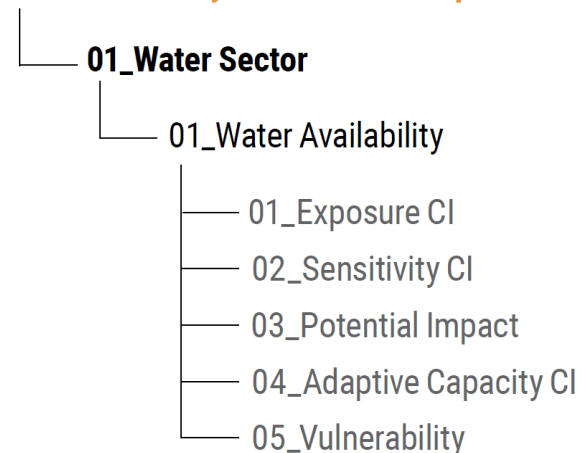


02_Sensitivity Indicators



03_Adaptive Capacity Indicators

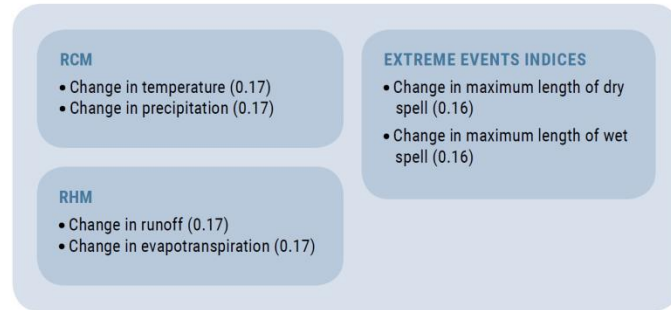
04_Vulnerability Assessment Outputs



Example one sector- Impact Chain

IMPACT CHAIN AND WEIGHTS FOR WATER SECTOR: CHANGE IN WATER AVAILABILITY

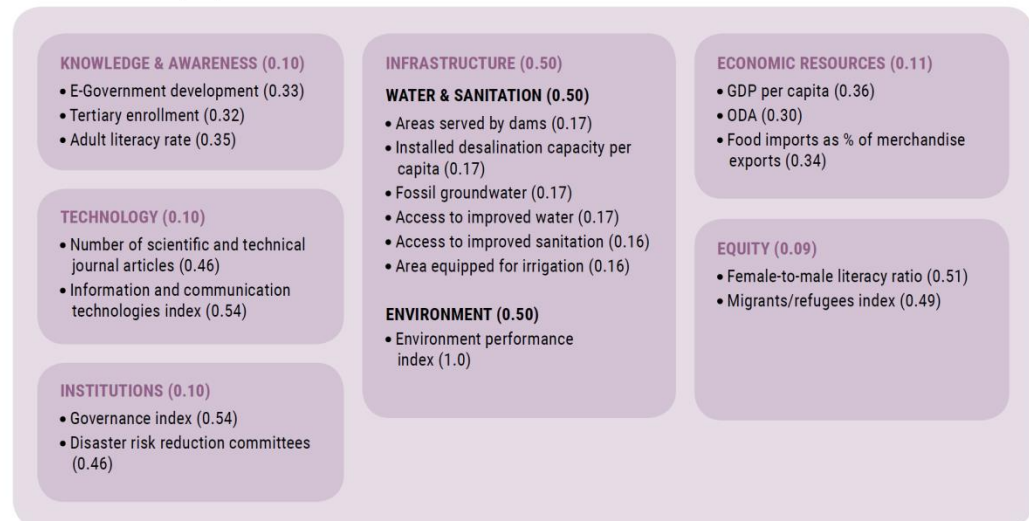
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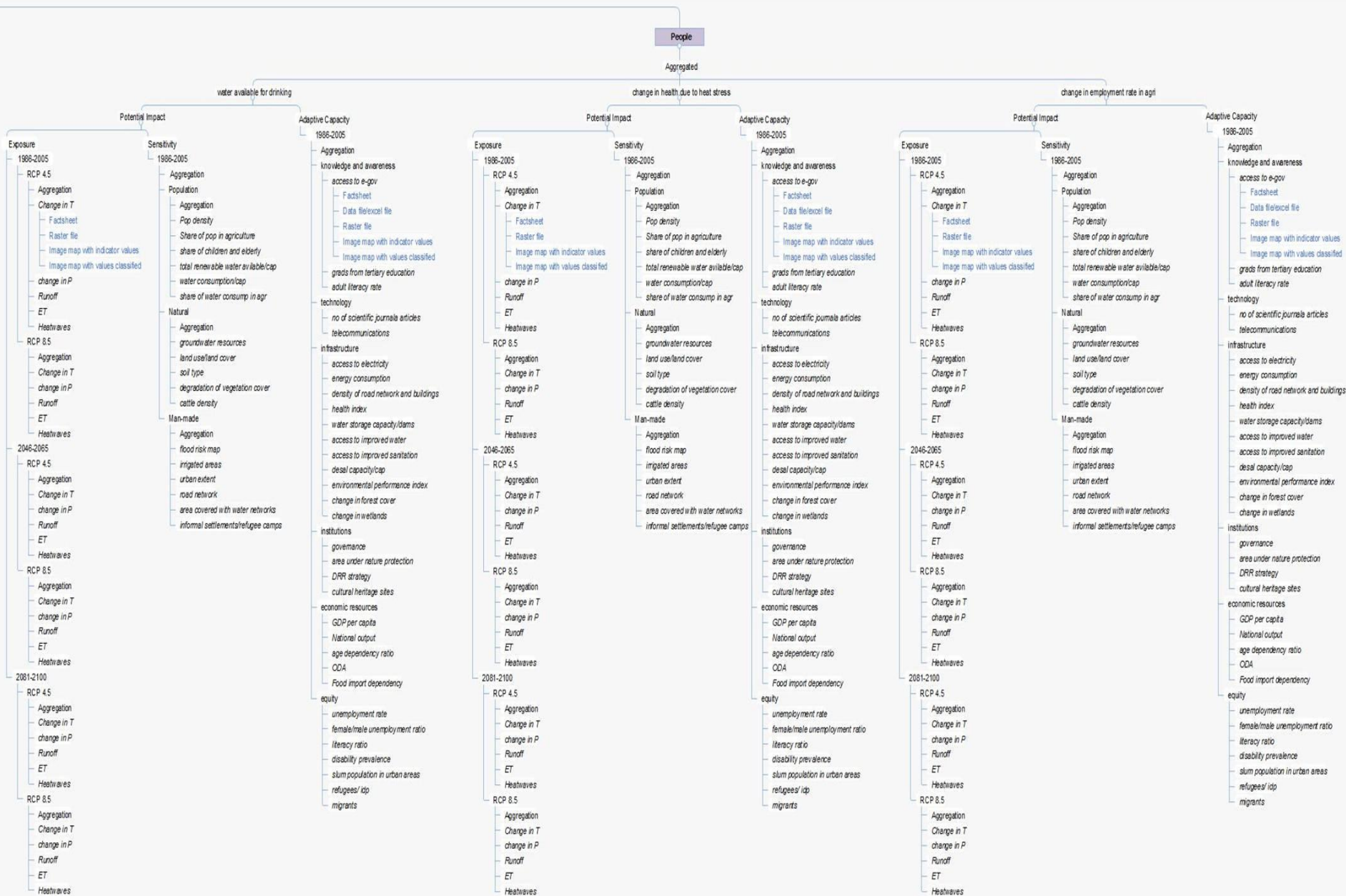
SENSITIVITY (0.50)



ADAPTIVE CAPACITY (0.50)



Example of Datasets Mapping for one VA sector



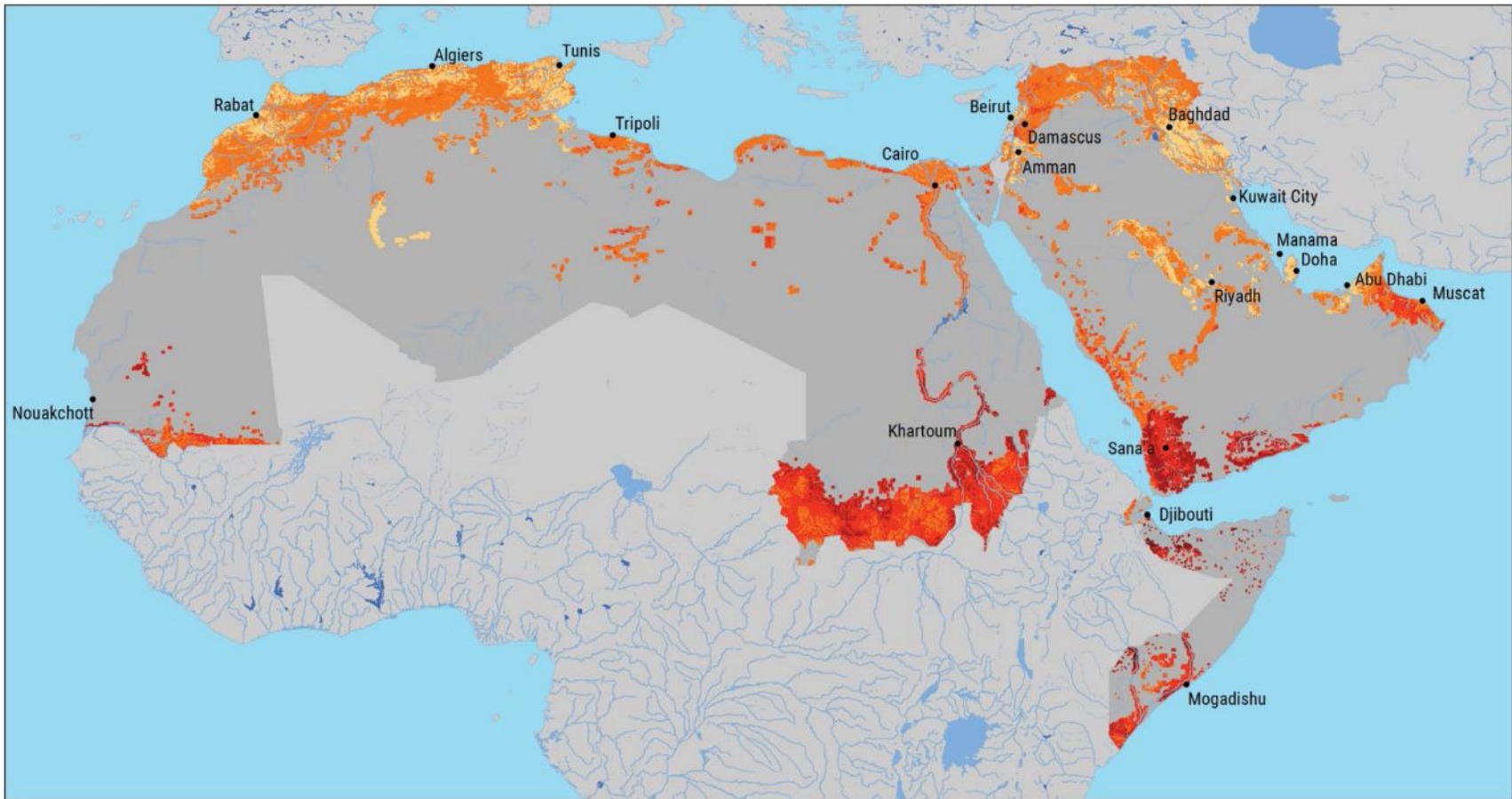
Sample factsheet

Information and Communication Technologies Index

Indicator fact sheet	
Indicator	Information and Communication Technologies Index
Vulnerability component	Adaptive Capacity
Description (position in the impact chain)	A composite indicator that represents the extent of a society's connectivity (mobile, fixed lines, computers, internet) This indicator includes four components: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fixed-telephone subscriptions per 100 inhabitants (a value) - Households with a Computer (%) - Individuals using the internet (%) - Mobile-cellular subscriptions per 100 inhabitants (a value)
Sector(s) / Impacts(s)	All sector and all potential impacts
Classes and thresholds	<p>Example: Equal Interval classification Mobile-cellular subscriptions per 100 inhabitants (for RKH)</p> <p>27.97 - 44.20 44.21 - 60.43 60.44 - 76.67 76.68 - 92.90 92.91 - 109.13 109.14 - 125.36 125.37 - 141.59 141.60 - 157.83 157.84 - 174.06 174.07 - 190.29</p> <p>Equal Interval classification (for VA – 8 classes only)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1- Djibouti, Mauritania, Somalia, Yemen 2- Iraq, Sudan 3- Algeria, Syrian Arab Republic 4- Egypt, Libya, Tunisia 5- Jordan, Morocco 6- Lebanon 7- Oman, Saudi Arabia 8- Bahrain, Kuwait, Qatar, United Arab Emirates
Influence on vulnerability	The countries with higher ICT index the more adaptive capacity they would have
Citation (source of data)	International Communication Union, Country Data.
Data information	
Type of data	Tables/Excel
Spatial coverage	Only Arab States
Resolution	One value per country

Time reference	2013
Unit of measurement	A value between 0 to 1
Methodology for general data calculation	
Methodology for classification and transformation of values	The intervals were classified using Equal Interval classification for the percentage values. For the Vulnerability assessment classification, Equal interval classification was used. The higher the value on the composite indicator, the higher the value from 1 – 8 on the adaptive capacity classification scale The value 8 was assigned as the maximum in comparison to international standards
Input-indicators needed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fixed-telephone subscriptions - Households with a Computer - Individuals using the internet - Mobile-cellular subscriptions
Data supply and acquisition	
Date of processing and publication	2013
Availability and costs	Immediately
Right to use / disseminate the data	-
Contact	ITU
Download-link	http://www.itu.int/
Date of requirement	29/10/14
Additional comments:	

Sample Map



AGRICULTURE: WATER AVAILABLE FOR CROPS

VULNERABILITY: RCP8.5 END-CENTURY (2081-2100)

Legend



Lakes



Rivers



Major cities



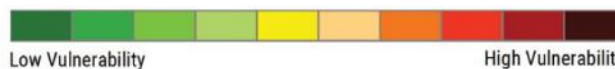
Reservoirs



Intermittent
rivers



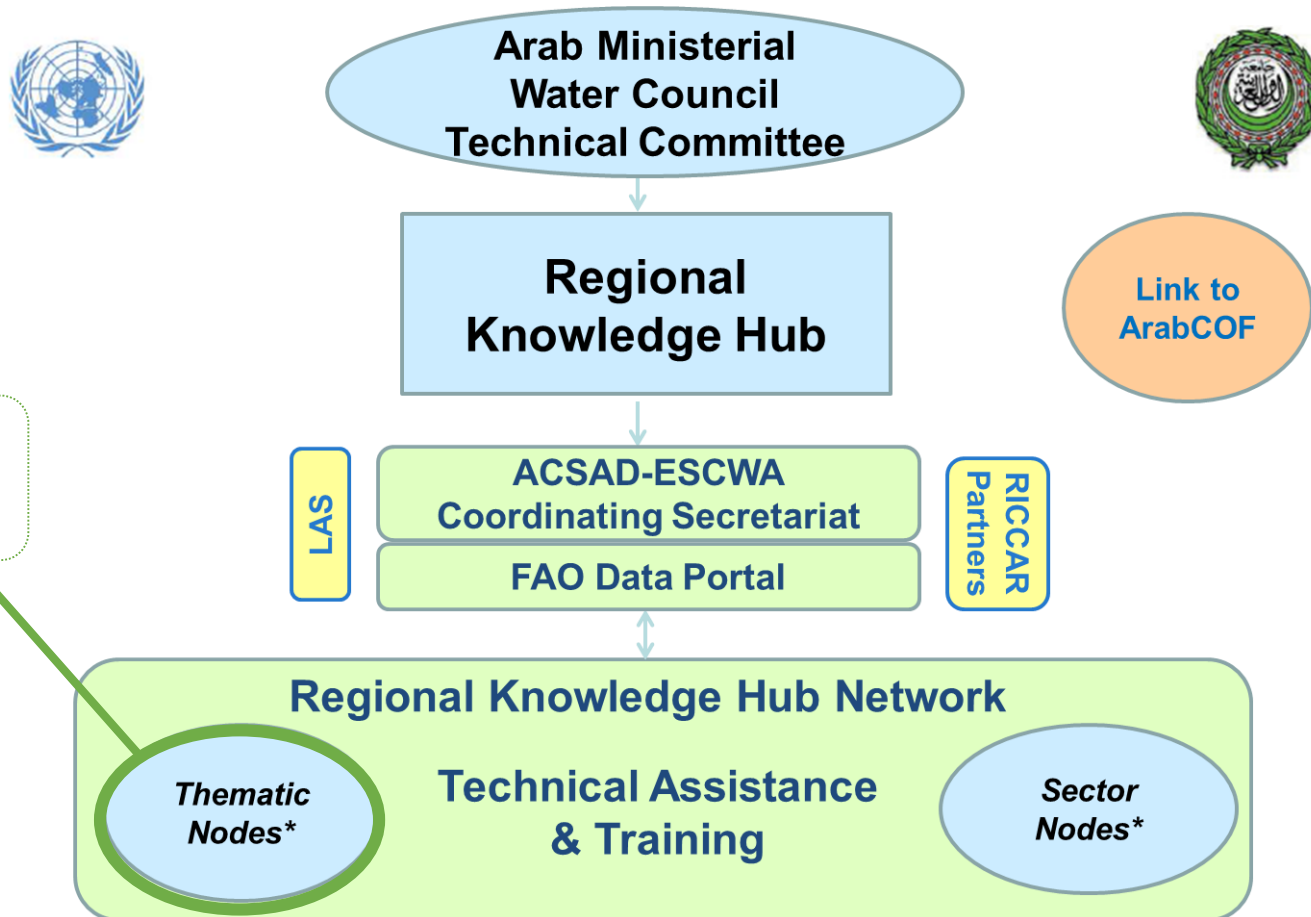
Area not relevant
to subsector



RICCAR

Regional Initiative for the Assessment of
Climate Change Impacts on Water Resources and
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RKH to Provide an Integrated Climate Change/ DRR Node

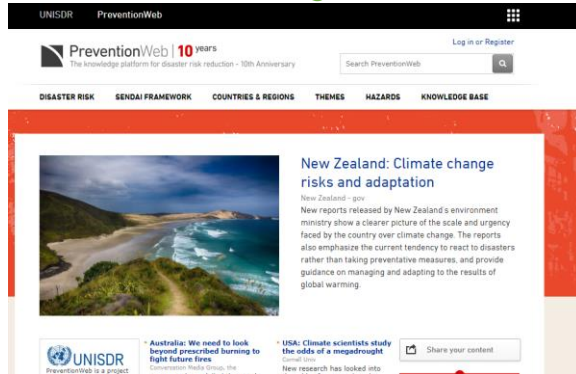


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The Node could potentially include links to tools such as:

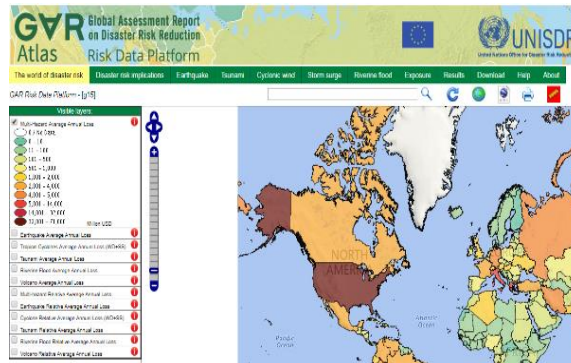
- UNISDR resources & data platforms

DRR Knowledge Platform



www.preventionweb.net

Risk Data Platform



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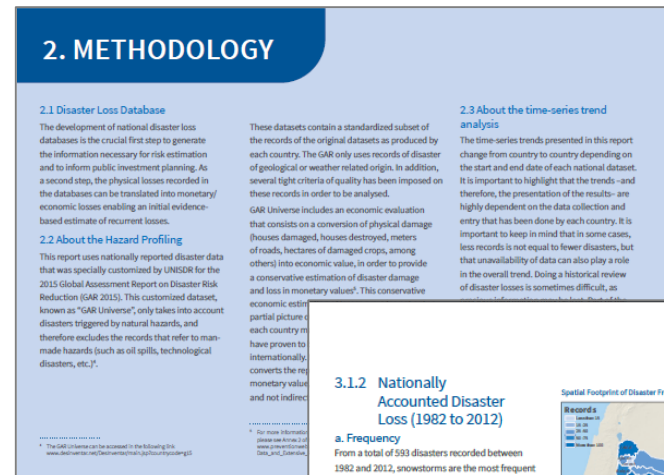
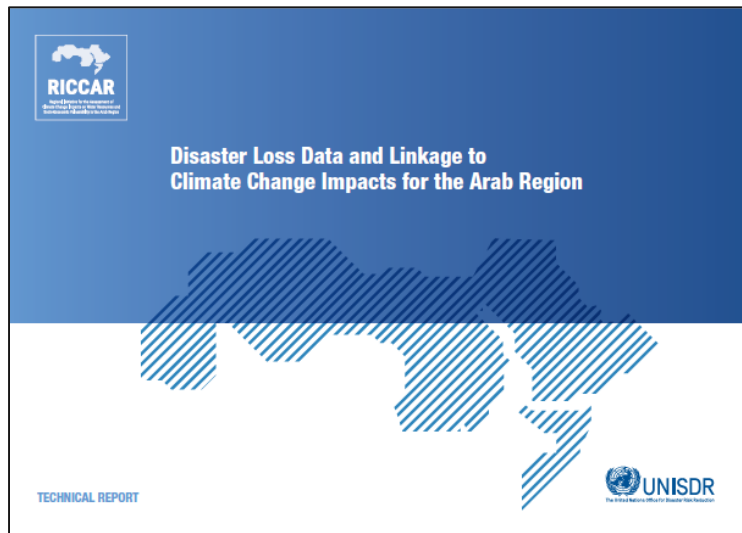
Disaster Data Platform



www.desinventar.net

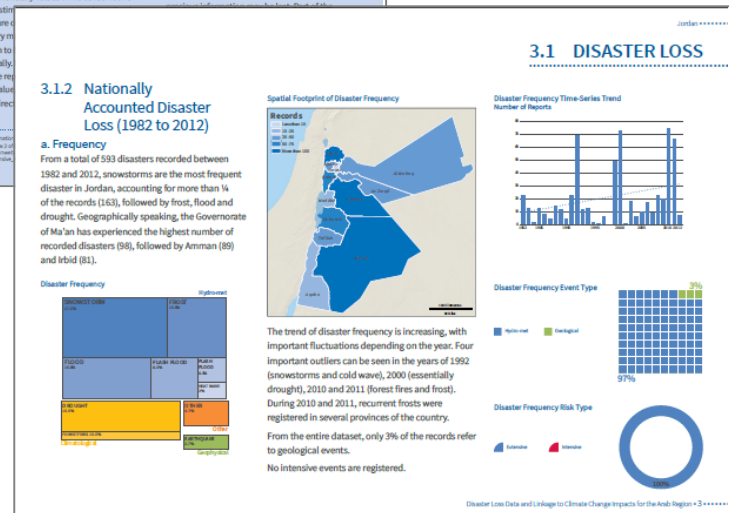
- Provide access to knowledge resources such as methodologies/training materials on how to link both CC and DRR data to produce integrated assessments
- Provide links to national focal points and concerned DRR and Climate Change institutions in each Arab State
- Provide information and highlights on ongoing regional efforts to integrate DRR into national development planning processes in the context of climate change

e.g. UNISDR's RICCAR technical report *Disaster Loss Data and Linkage to Climate Change Impacts for the Arab Region (2017)* and methodologies used



Six countries:

- Jordan
- Lebanon
- Morocco
- Palestine
- Tunisia
- Yemen



Status of RKH Development

Implementation currently under development, in two phases:

- **Phase I:** completion of **website** and **preliminary version of the data portal**

Basic functionalities for managing, visualizing and querying data; basic security features; ability to retrieve and download data; monitoring tools

- **Phase II:** implementation of **advanced visualization and analytical tools** to the data portal.

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THANK YOU

