

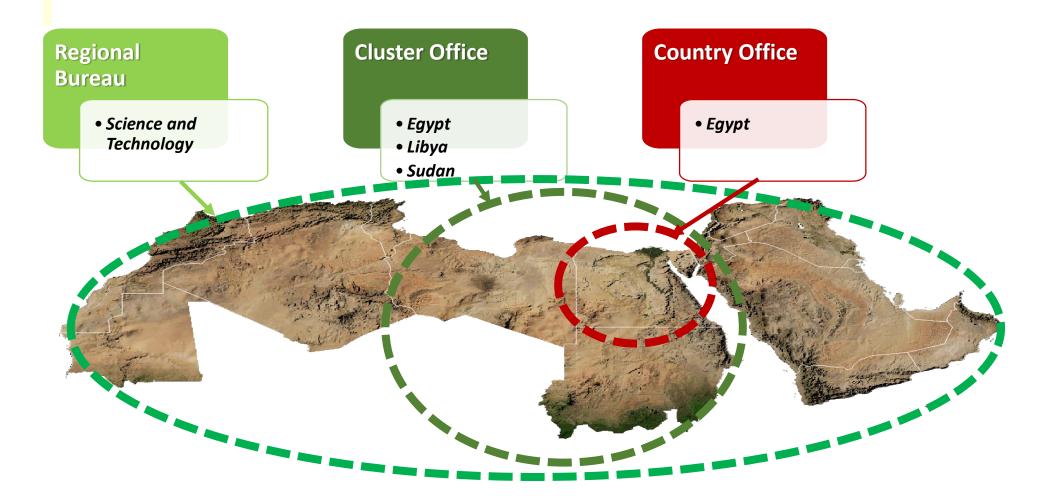
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### Science-Policy-Community interface: Capacity building for managing natural disasters of flash floods in Egypt, Jordan, Sudan and Yemen.

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## Climate Change .... Disasters

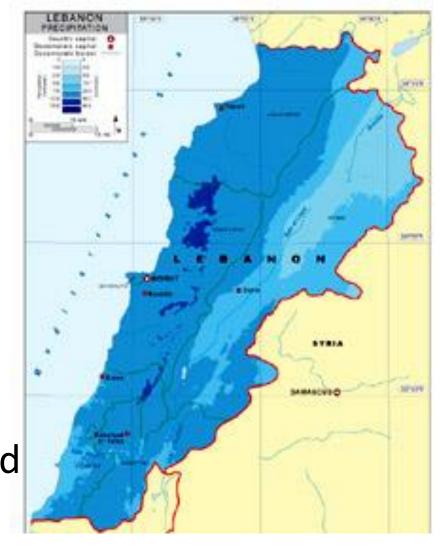
- Climate Change
  - Shift in Time
  - Shift in Space
  - Change in temporal pattern

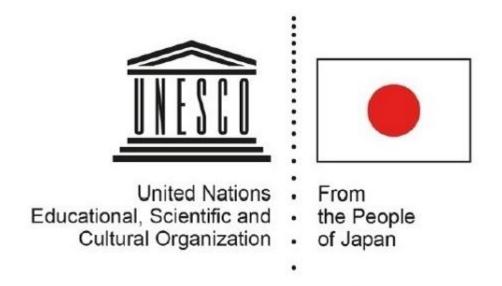
#### **Uncertainties** .....

More Natural Disaster occurrence expected

... Flexible/responsive Mechanism

Science and technology(Early warning, Remote sensing, real time satellite images)





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URGENT CAPACITY BUILDING FOR MANAGING NATURAL DISASTERS OF FLASH FLOODS IN EGYPT, JORDAN, SUDAN and YEMEN

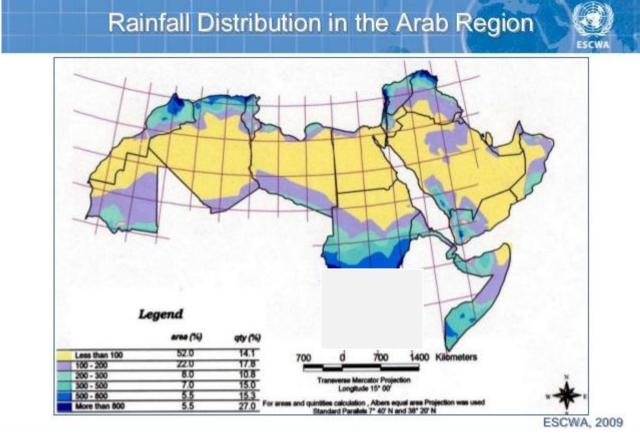
**UNESCO-Japan Fund-In-Trust Cooperation** 

#### Flash Flood Disasters

 Frequency of Flash Floods events

Severity

Locations of Floodings



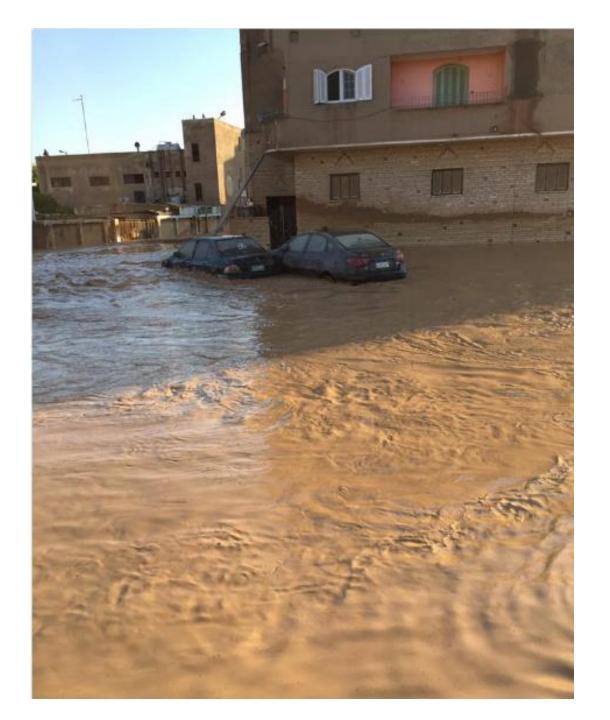
## Egypt, Qena road Oct2016

Source: BBC

http://www.bbc.com/arabic/middleeast-37815650



Egypt, Ras-Ghareb – Oct 2016



# Al Frafrah, Egypt 2016



## Alex. Oct2015 Source: Floodlist

http://english.ahram.org.eg/NewsContent/1/64/162641/Egypt/Politics-/Death-toll-rises-to--as-rain-storms-in-Egypt-cause.aspx



Streets west of Alexandria's Corniche were flooded, prompting people to walking on its railing. (Photo: Al-Ahram)

Assuit, Egypt 2014



# Sudan, Jul 2016



## Sudan: Northern Part August 2014

**SOURCE:** http://floodlist.com/africa/sudan-114-killed-floods-100000-affected



IFRC, Sudanese Red Crescent, Northern State, Sudan. August 2014.

Volunteers from the Sudanese Red Crescent are engaged in search and rescue as well as evacuation activities in the affected areas. Photo: IFRC

## Darfur Dec., 2014

http://floodlist.com/africa/sudan-floods-darfur-khartoum-al-jazirah-july-2016



File photo: Floods in Darfur, 2014. Heavy rainfall and flash floods provoked casualties, property damage and livestock loses in parts of Darfur in December 2014. In the picture, two women try crossing a waterlogged road In El Fasher city, North Darfur. Photo by Mohamad Almahady, UNAMID.CC BY-NC-ND 2.0

# Sudan, Aug 2013



## Jordan Oct. 2015





Jordan Mar. 2014



## Yemen, Oct 2008



# Yemen, May 2010



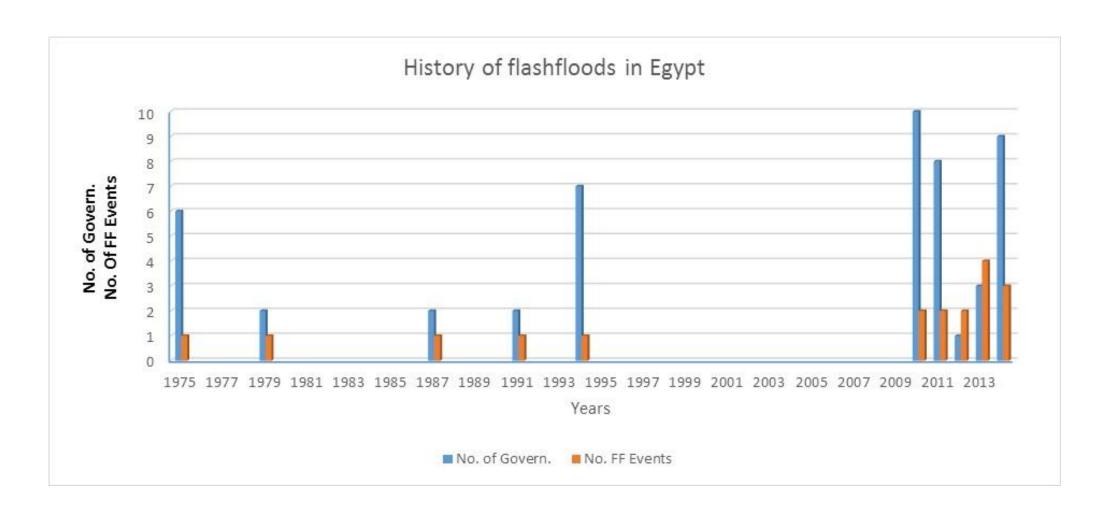
# Yemen, Nov 2015



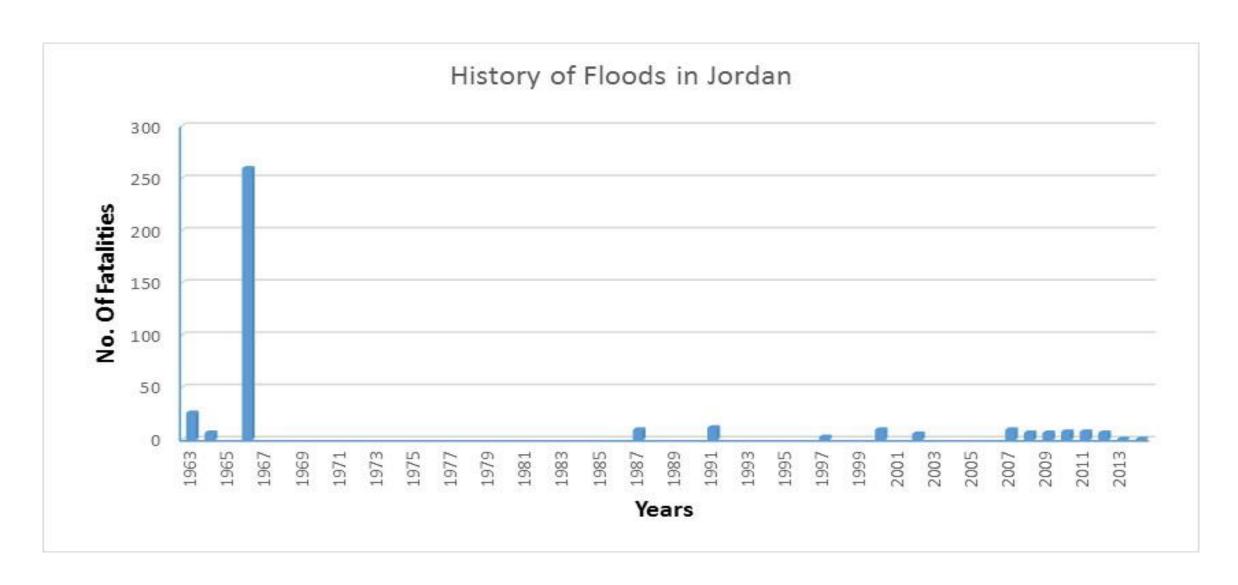
Yemen, Sanaa April 2016



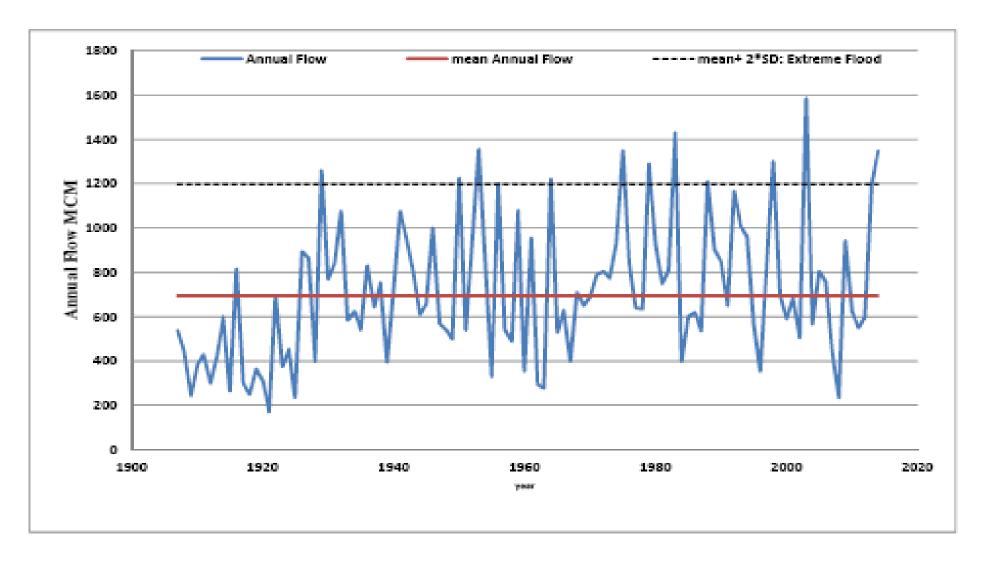
#### History of flash Floods - Egypt



#### History of flash Floods - Jordan



#### History of flash Floods – Gash River - Sudan



• Annual Flow of Gash for the Period (1907-2014)

## Prepare for flash floods

#### **Keys**

Know the disaster history of the region

Know your community (target groups)

Science – Policy – Community Interface





### Flash Flood Risk Management

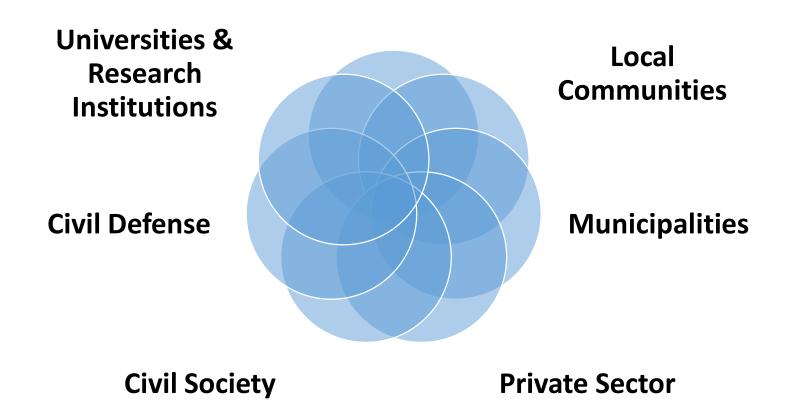




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**Platform of Cooperation and Networking** 

# **Project Activities:**

Science –
Policy –
Community
Interface
framework

#### **National Consultation**

Assessment studies and hotspots identifications

**Capacities developments: Human and Institutional** 

**Hazard and Risk Maps** 

Remedial measures guidelines

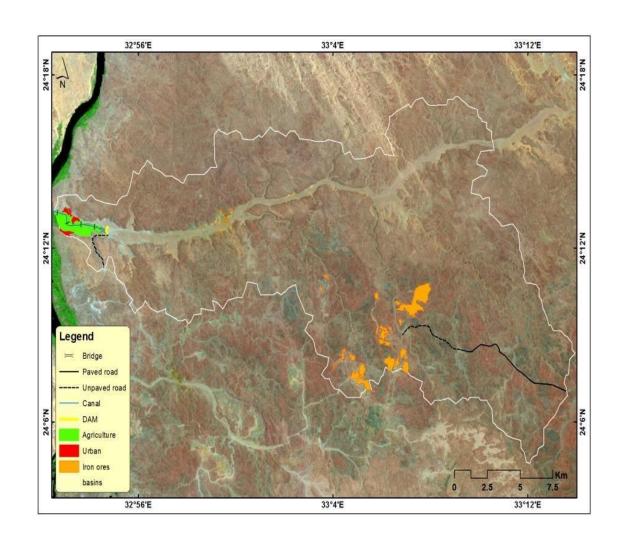
**Project Findings Dissemination at Governmental Levels** 

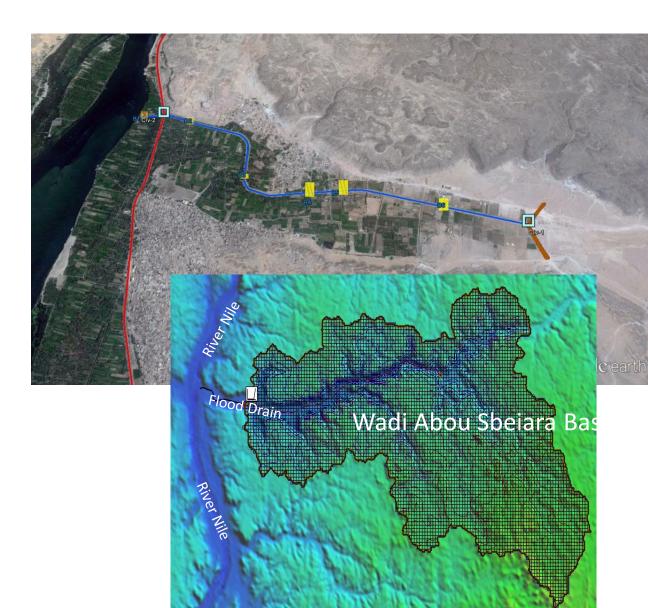
Community Awareness: Project Finding <u>Simplification +</u>
dialogue with local communities

**Policy makers - Community interface** 

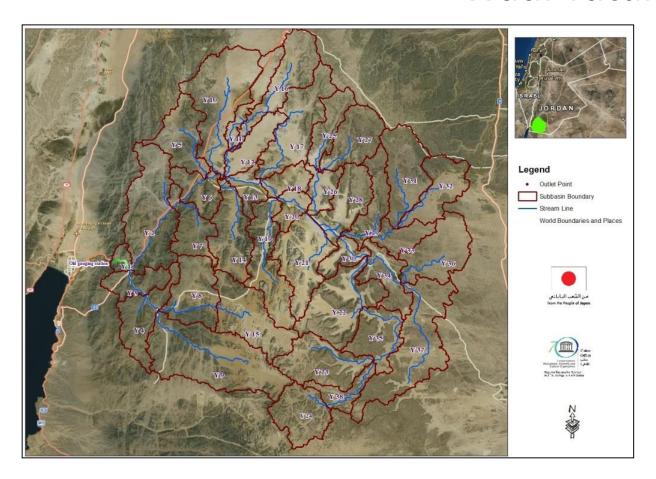
# **Case Studies**

#### **Abou Sbeira - Egypt**





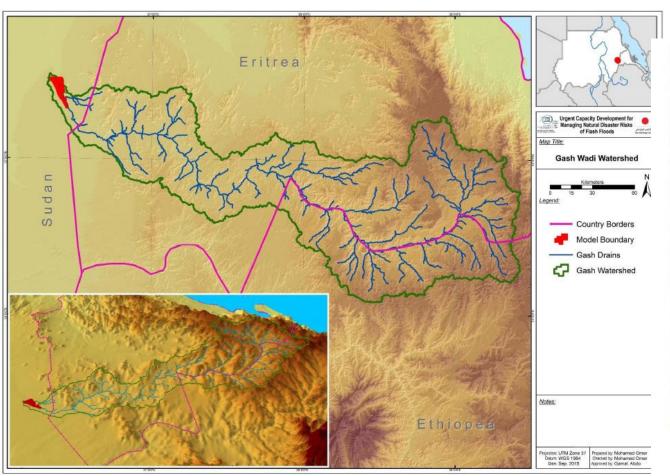
#### Wadi Yutum - Jordan







#### **Gash River - Sudan**





الشكل 1.10: حجم الفيضان بمحلية شرق النيل ولاية الخرطوم

الشكل 1.1: حوض نهر القاش وشبكة التصريف المكون للنهر

#### Wadi Sayala - Yemen

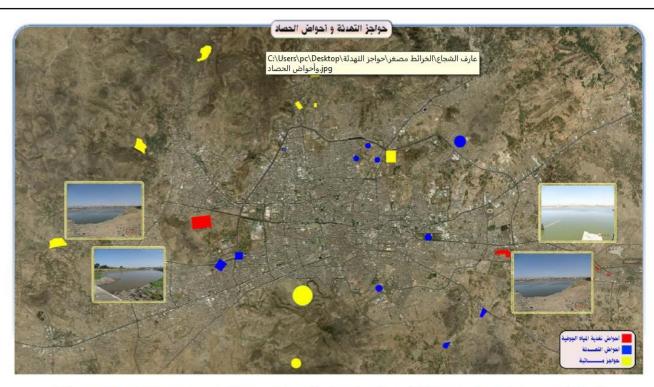


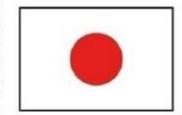
Figure 9: Existing stuctural measures befor the flood (protection dams and pits)

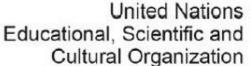


Each Case study has its own risk and problem nature

## **Capacity Building Activities**





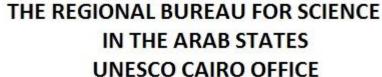


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# Training Workshop on "Warning Systems and Geographical Information Systems (GIS) Courses"

14th – 20th of December 2015 German University in Cairo (GUC), New Cairo City, Arab Republic of Egypt

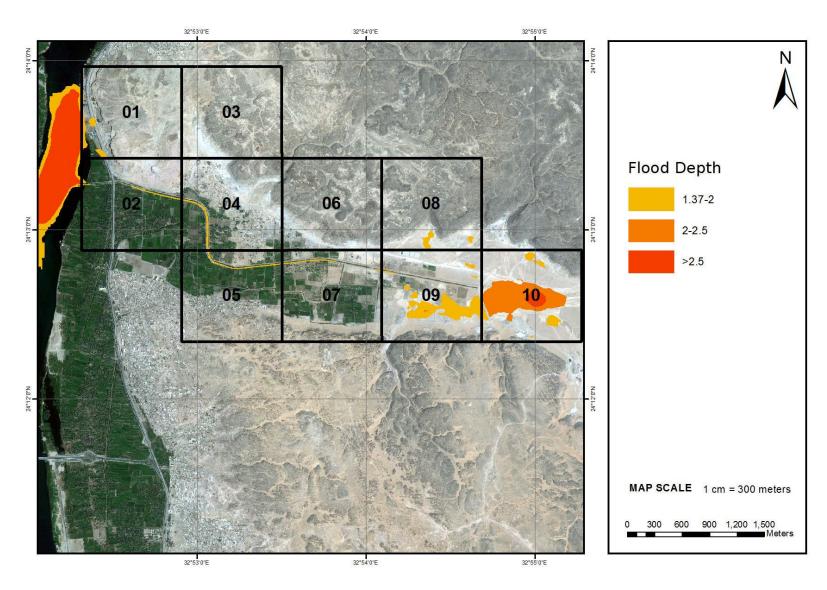
- The training was organized in joint collaboration between UNESCO office in Cairo and the Disaster
  Prevention Research Institute (DPRI) of Kyoto University and International Centre for Water Hazard
  and Risk Management (ICHARM)
- **Purpose**: To help participants from Egypt, Jordan, Sudan and Yemen **to predict and implement warning** systems and hazard mapping for target Wadis at each country.
- The course helped participants to develop flash flood prediction and management scenarios by using the Integrated Flood Analysis System (IFAS) and Rainfall-Runoff-Inundation (RRI) model as well as Geographic Information System (GIS) and Remote Sensing (RS) introduced by ICHARM, Japan.



## **Hazard and Risk Mapping**

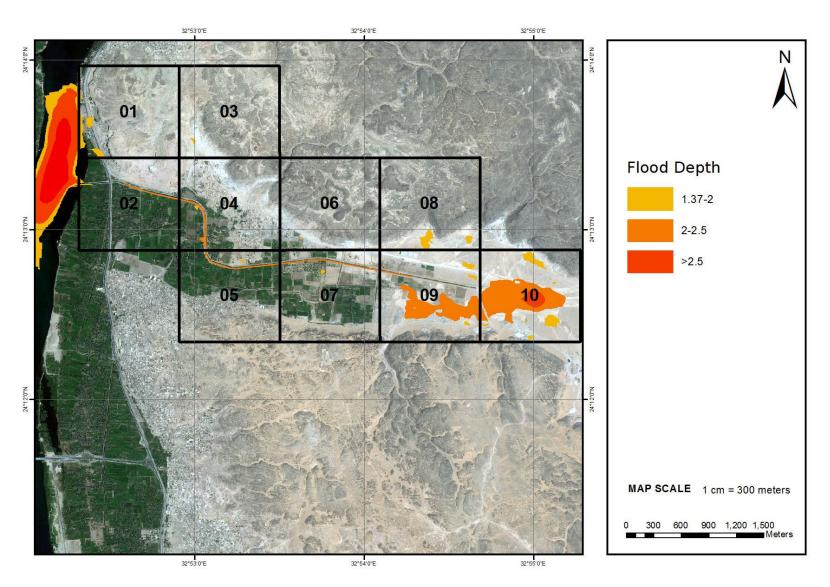
# Remedial Works Model Applications Basic Studies Data Collection

#### **Hazard Map – 25 Year Return Period Flood**



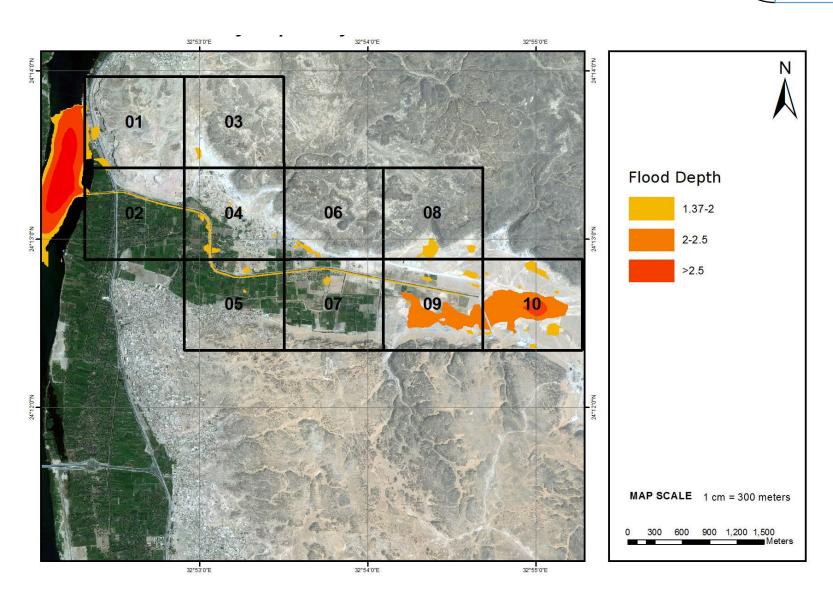
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#### **Hazard Map – 50 Year Return Period Flood**



# Remedial Works Model Applications Basic Studies Data Collection

#### **Hazard Map – 100 Year Return Period Flood**

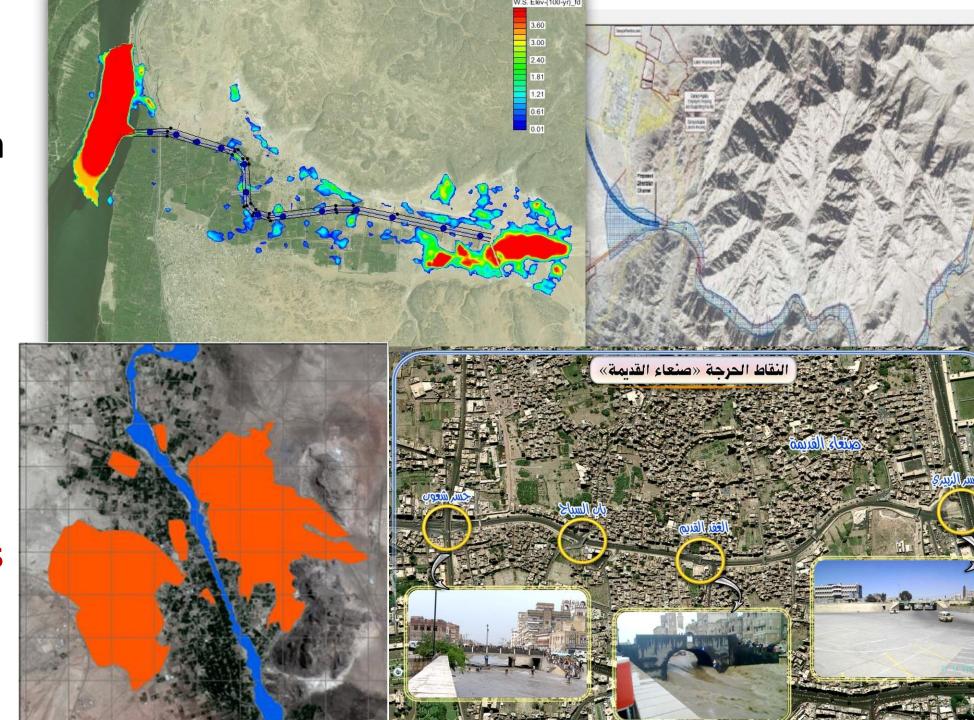


Examples of Affected Areas in the 4 hot spots:

Networking of stakeholders

**Harmonization** 

**Protection works** 



## **Remedial Measures**



# Workshop on Flash Flood Remedial Measures 17-20 May, Amman, Jordan

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Workshop Objective: Strengthening capacities for identifying effective Remedial Measures



## **Remedial Measures Guidelines**

Flash Flood Risk Management is the responsibility of all parties not only the governments

## Recommended Local Remedial measures and actions:

- a) Before the flood event
- b) During the flood event
- c) After the flood event

#### **Different Target Groups:**

- a) Governmental authorities
- b) Civil defense
- c) Local communities
- d) NGOs
- e) Private sector



# Numerical Modeling for Extreme Flash Floods Events in the Arid Region – 24 October 2016, TUB Campus – EL Gouna

Jointly with Kyoto University and TU Berlin

Workshop Objective: Develop flash flood prediction and management scenarios





## **Science Simplification**

Climate Change Adaptation ...Life Style

Disaster Reduction ...Life Need



## **Awareness Campaigns**

## Major themes of community awareness campaign

- Simplify the flash floods hazards and demonstrate the hotspot maps
- Promote the concept of flash flood risk management with involvement of all stakeholders including local authorities, community groups, private sectors in the hotspot
- Increase the level of preparedness for flash floods events
- Needs of investment and private sectors involvement in flash floods risk management

# Dialogues on Flash Floods Disasters Impacts at case study level: Policy and Community Interface

Social impact	Economic impact	<b>Environmental Impacts</b>
Loss of life	Infrastructure losses	Loss of flora and/or fauna
Displacement of people	Loss of land	Loss of natural lands
Disturbance of educational process	Loss of property	Pollution and health hazards
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### Community Awareness Aqaba - Jordan August - September 2016



#### Target groups

- Civil defense
- Directors of local authorities
- Private sectors and NGOs
- Local communities representatives
- Women communities representatives

Community Awareness Abu Sbeira - Egypt October 2016

#### Awareness:

- Local community
- Local governmental authorities
- Municipalities
- Schools + Teachers + Families
- Universities









### **Community Awareness** Kassala-Sudan October 2016

**Civil society Local authorities Universities Governmental institutions** 

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# Community Awareness Abu Sbeira - Egypt October 2016

- Awareness/education at school communities (interactive dialogue)





# Awareness Workshops



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Hurghada, Egypt (27 Oct. 2016)





# Thank you