

Coupled Modeling of Hydro-sedimentary Transfer Processes and Socio-Economic Dynamics Evaluating Public Policies to Control Runoff and Erosion: Case Study in Normandy (France)



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Context & Objectives

- Normandy region is located in the European loess belt, and therefore, very sensitive to runoff and erosion → 0.5-10 t/ha/yr (Cerdan et al., 2010)
- Excessive density of muddy flooding → 10-20/km² (Boardman et al., 2019)
- Since 2000, high financial support from several public institutions to reduce erosion and runoff impacts (flooding, damages to infrastructures, turbidity in drinking water, etc.)

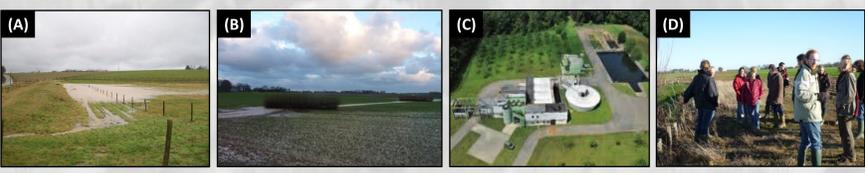
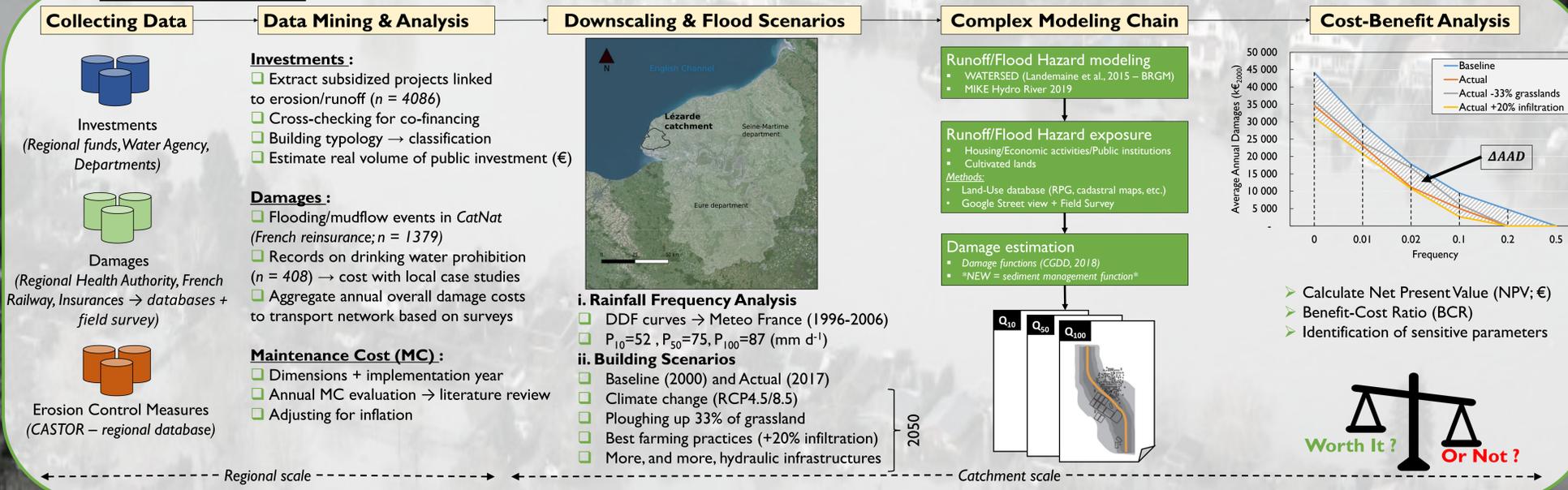


Fig.: (A) Retention pond, (B) Fascines, (C) Water treatment, (D) Animation on the field (credits: AREAS)

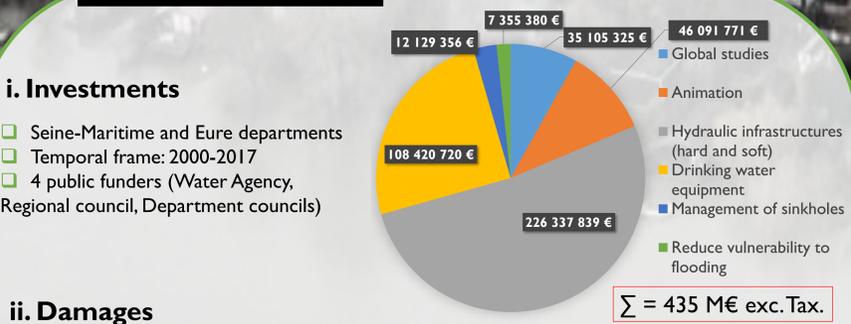
- Economic performance analysis of assets for flood and erosion/runoff mitigation
- Provide key-elements for future public policies through hydro-sedimentary processes and socio-economic dynamics modeling



Methods & Data



Economic Overview



Flood & Runoff Modeling

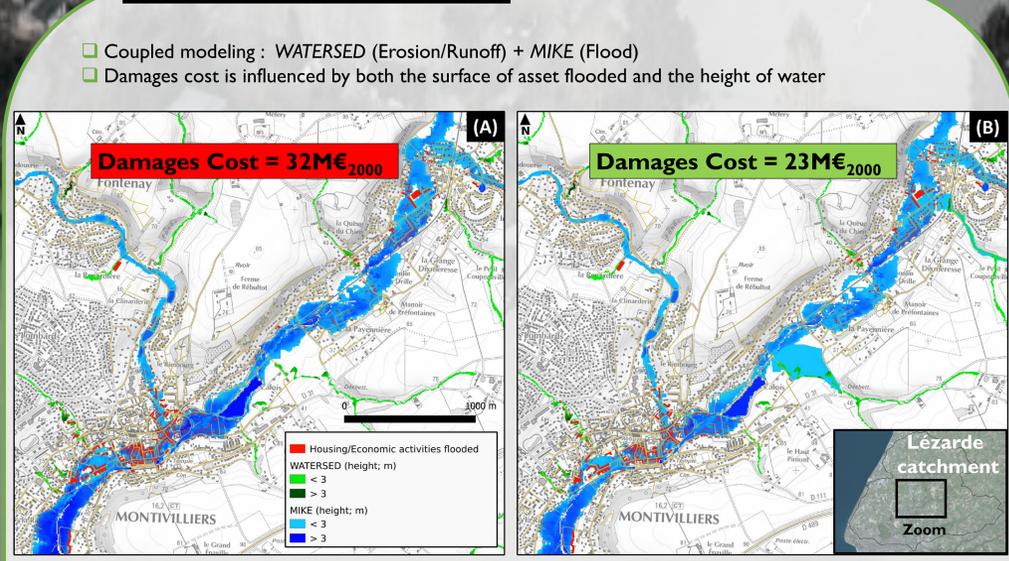
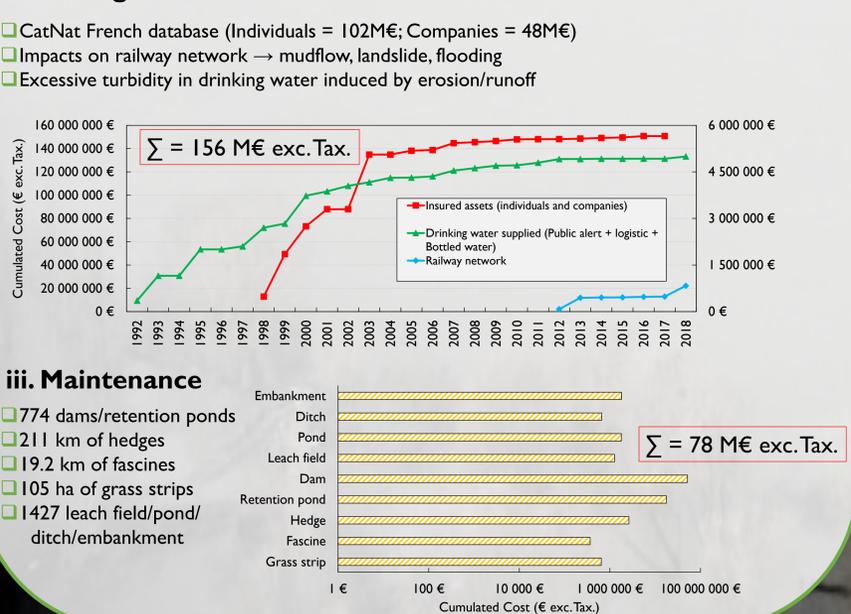
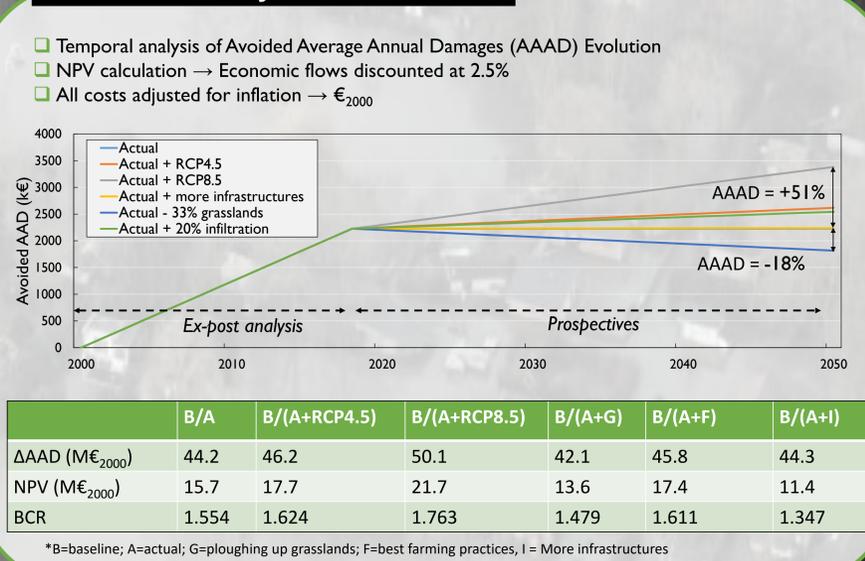


Fig.: Flood and runoff hazard modeling for the P₁₀₀ (87 mm d⁻¹) on (A) the baseline scenario, and (B) the scenario including best farming practices by 2050. Total Damages Cost accounts for the entire catchment.

Economic Analysis of Scenarios



Conclusions & Perspectives

- Hydraulic asset's BCR significantly positive → High contribution of dam/retention pond
 - Cost valuation less sensitive to sediment load reduction
 - Climate Change tends to increase the relevance of 'past' investments (RCP8.5 = +51% AAAD in 2050)
 - High sensitivity to farming practices (+20% infiltration = +14%AAAD ; -33% grasslands = -18%AAAD)
 - Farming practices improvement highly encourage by upcoming Climate Change
- Improving the assessment of sediment load in each asset
 - Refining the cost function of sediment management
 - Integrating and Modeling sediment discharge to water treatment plant with Deep Learning algorithm (Patault et al., 2020, In prep)