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# **SPACE-DRIVEN GEOSPATIAL ANALYTICS FOR PAN EUROPEAN HUMAN SETTLEMENTS FIXED ASSET VALUATION**

## ***ENHANCING EXPOSURE MODELLING FOR CLIMATE ADAPTATION POLICY***

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# Context and Motivation

## What:

- Information available to understand the impacts of natural hazards has improved but remains incomplete: mapping  ... but ...
- Need for high-resolution, long-term exposure data to characterise the exposure of human settlements to natural hazards; open and recent data —————> Leverage of Earth Observation for climate adaptation
- Importance of fixed asset valuation (FAV) for economic exposure assessment in human settlements
- Relevance to climate adaptation, disaster risk management, and economic policy frameworks (e.g., EU climate adaptation strategies, EU Cities Mission, Sendai Framework)

## How:

- Geospatial data integration: Human Settlements data and Fixed Asset Value (€)
- Measures tangible assets at regional level and disaggregated into a grid: housing, consumer durables, sectoral capital, infrastructure.
- Input for quantifying exposure and impact of hazards
- Piloting method and applying it to flood hazard 100yRP in North Italy

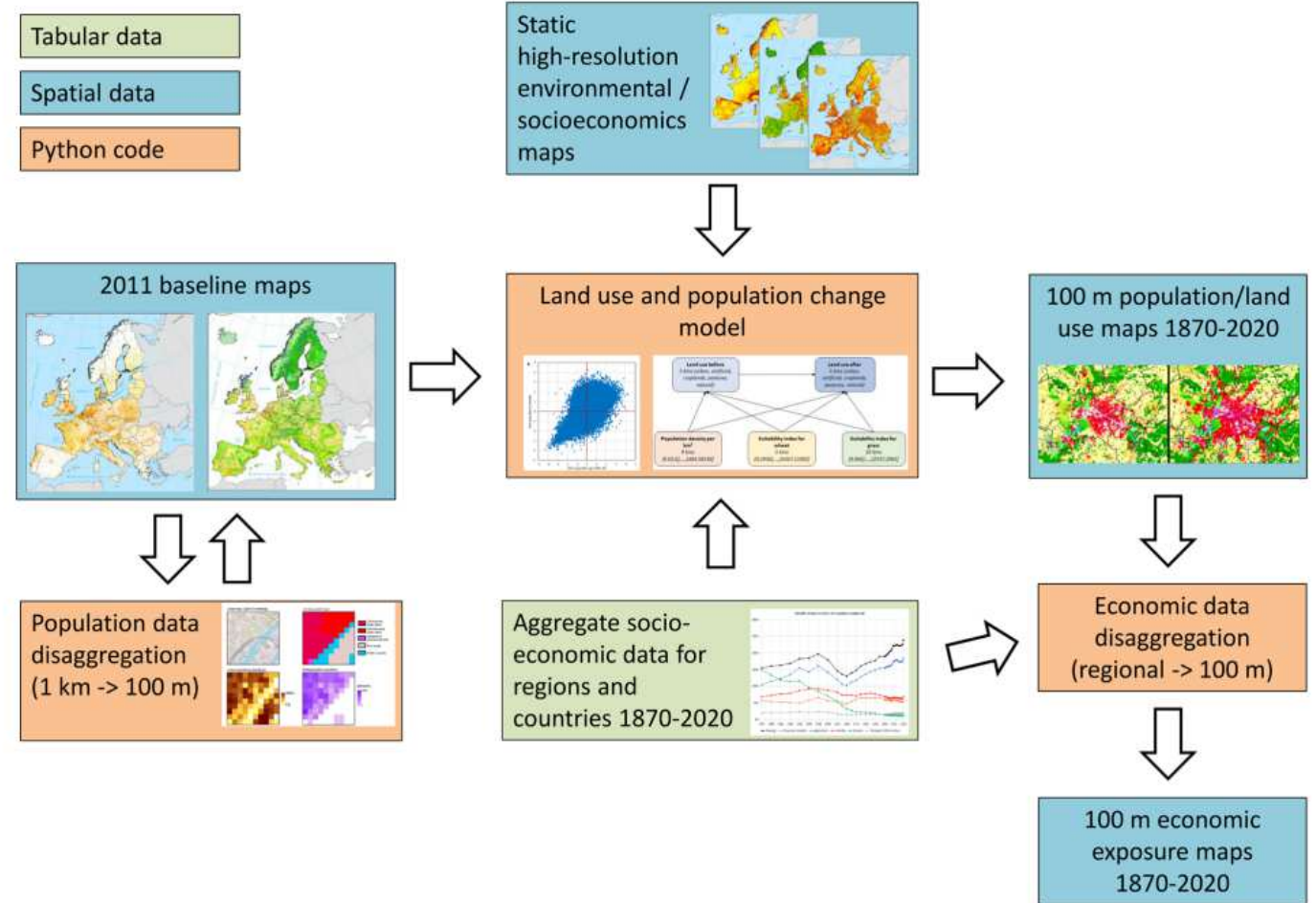


# Research Objectives

- To include available asset value data into existing disaster risk management information systems and analyses
- To integrate of high-resolution fixed asset value data for human settlements through a scalable geospatial workflow
  - by addressing the need for risk-informed urban planning
- To support evidence-based economic and climate adaptation policy.
- Contribute to the evolution of the DRMKC Risk Data Hub

# HANZE *(Historical Analysis of Natural HaZards)*

- HANZE v2.0 (Historical Analysis of Natural HaZards in Europe) 2000-2020
- NUTS3 database of fixed asset values at 100m resolution (constant 2020€)
- Fixed Asset Value is the estimated economic value of tangible, long-term assets:
  - buildings,
  - infrastructure,
  - Housing contents,
  - Excluding livestock, machinery and crops
- Disaggregation from regional socioeconomic statistics to grid cells employs a two-step dasymetric approach, combining population density (60%) and land use/soil sealing (40%) as predictors
- Compute fixed asset stock per sector by multiplying sectoral GDP by country-specific wealth-to-GDP ratios



Paprotny, D., & Mengel, M. (2023). Population, land use and economic exposure estimates for Europe at 100 m resolution from 1870 to 2020. *Scientific Data*, 10(1), 372.



# Global Human Settlement Layer

## Main Data products

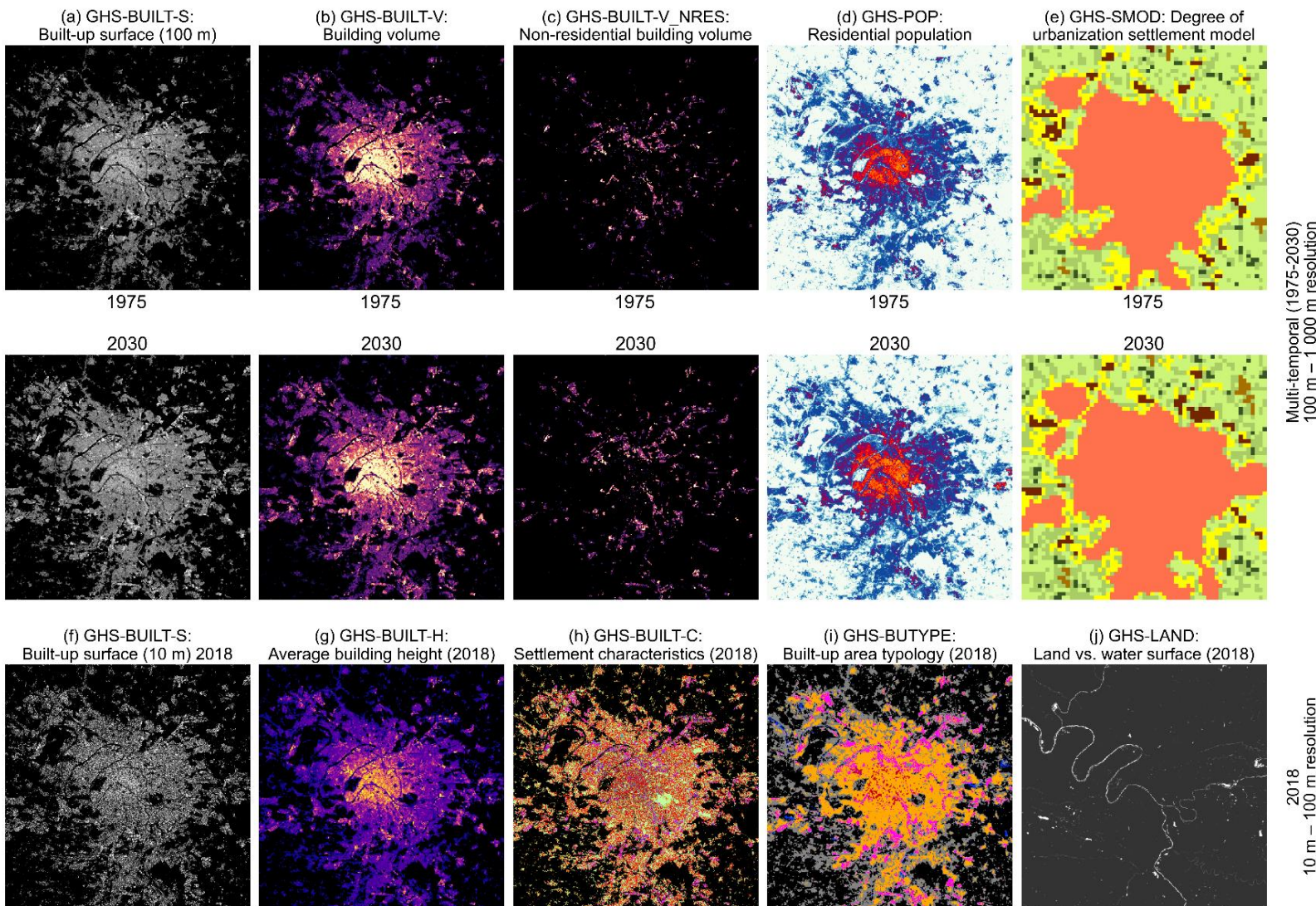
- Built-up surface [m<sup>2</sup>]
- Building height [m] & volume [m<sup>3</sup>]
- Residential/non-residential classes
- Residential population
- Degree of Urbanisation
- Settlement characteristics

## Spatial Resolution

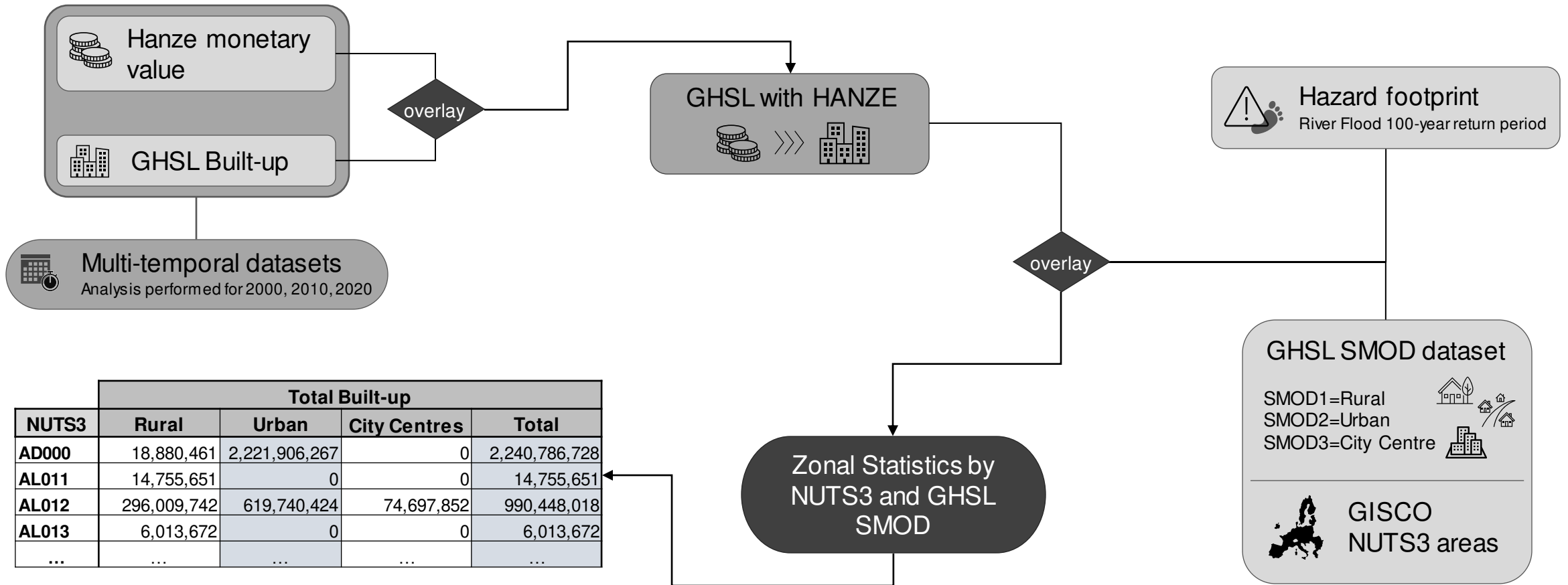
- 10 (2018), 100, 1000 m

## Landsat-Sentinel-2 timeseries

- 1975-2030 in 5 years interval

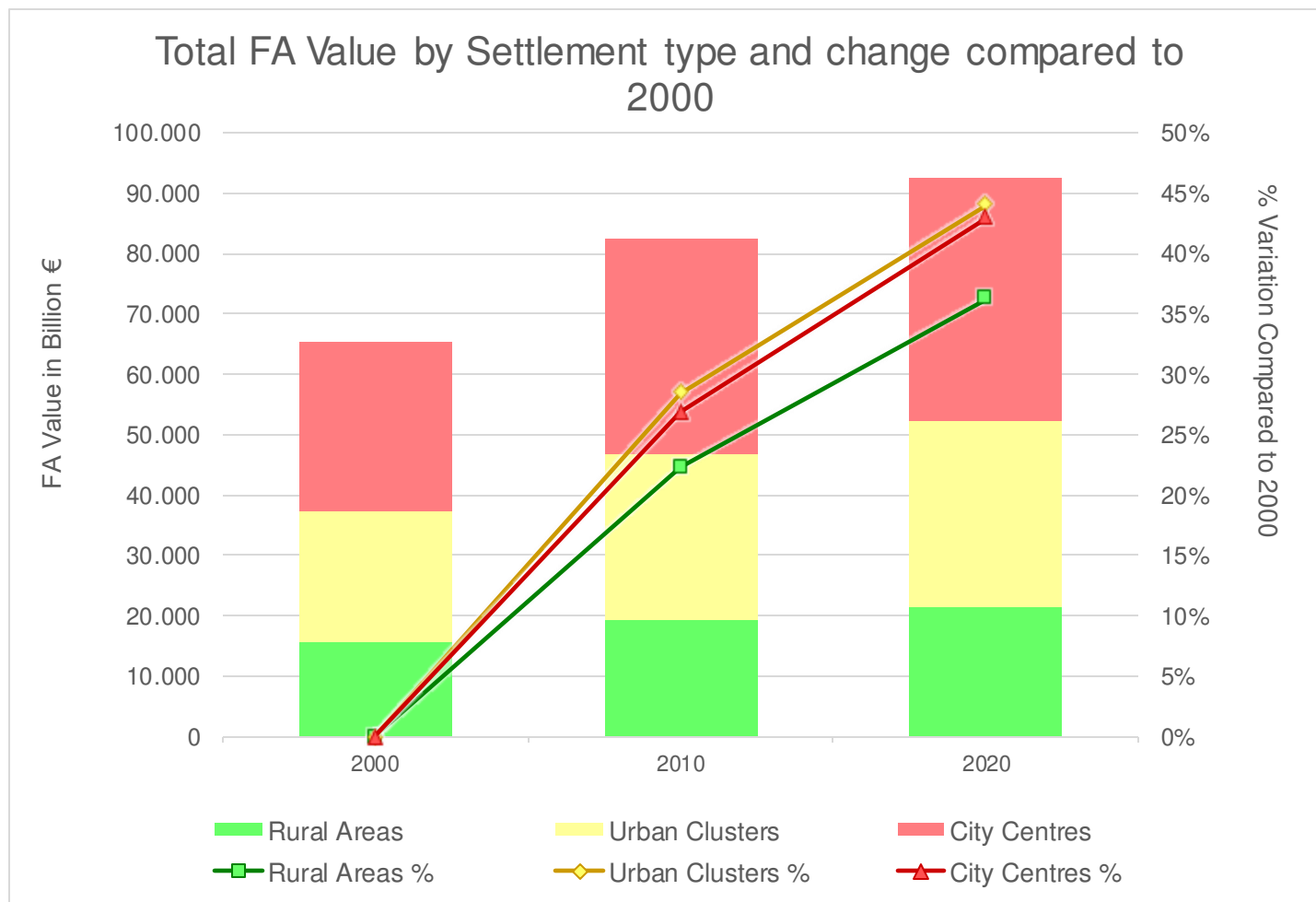


# Method – geospatial data integration





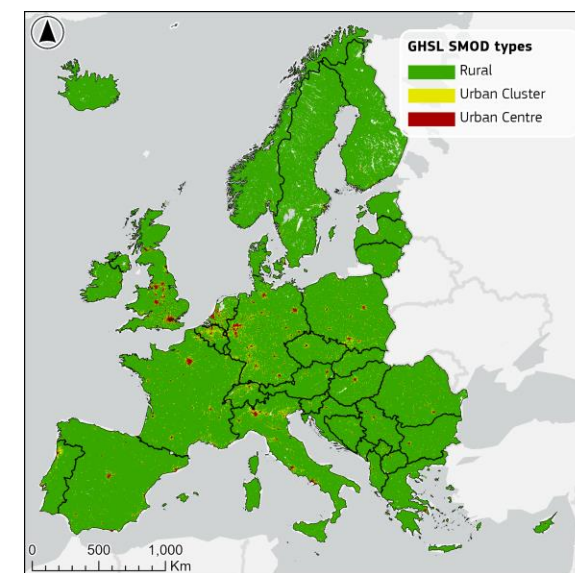
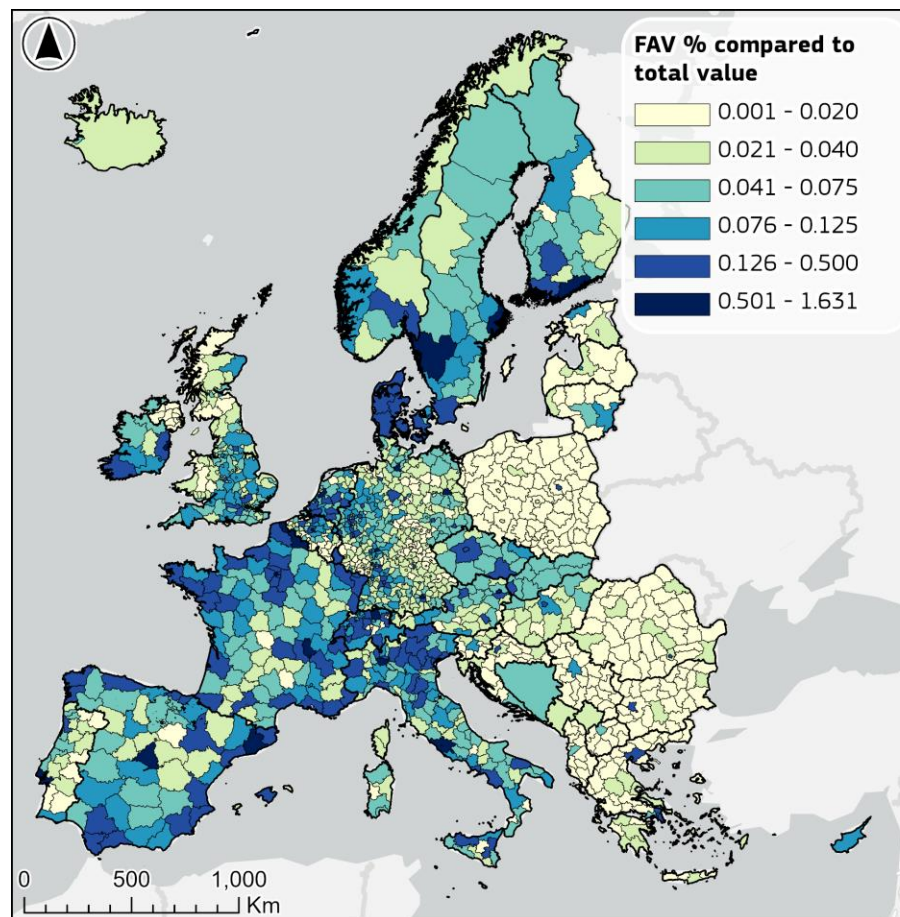
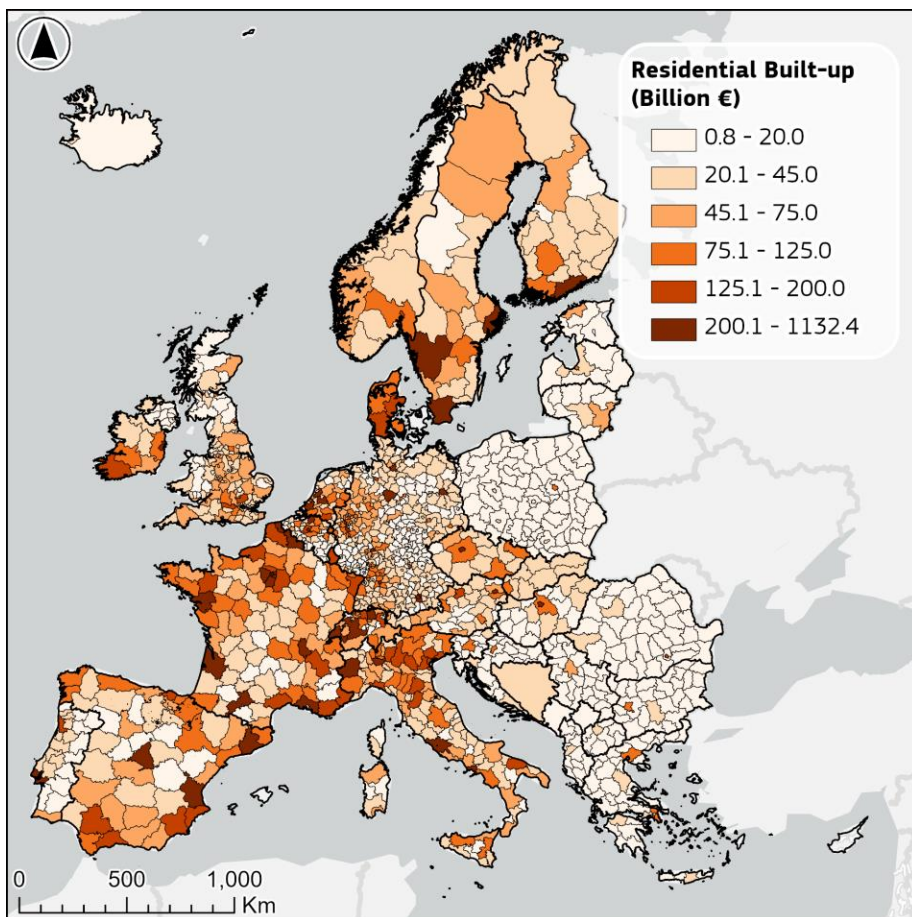
# Fixed Assets in Pan-EU HS ~92 T€



- Between 2000 and 2020 FAV increases by 43% in urban centres and 44% in urban clusters, compared to 35% in rural areas
- weight of cities and towns with ~75% of FA – proportion is constant over time



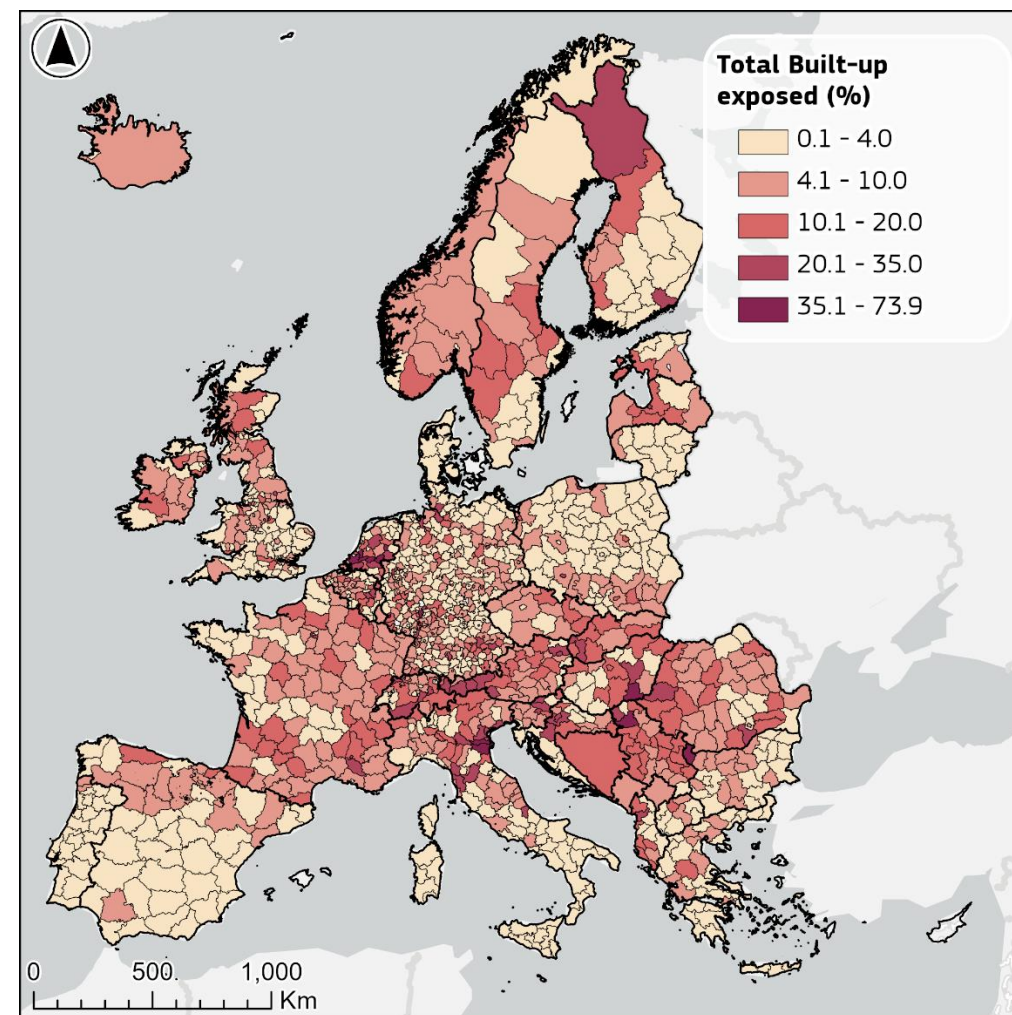
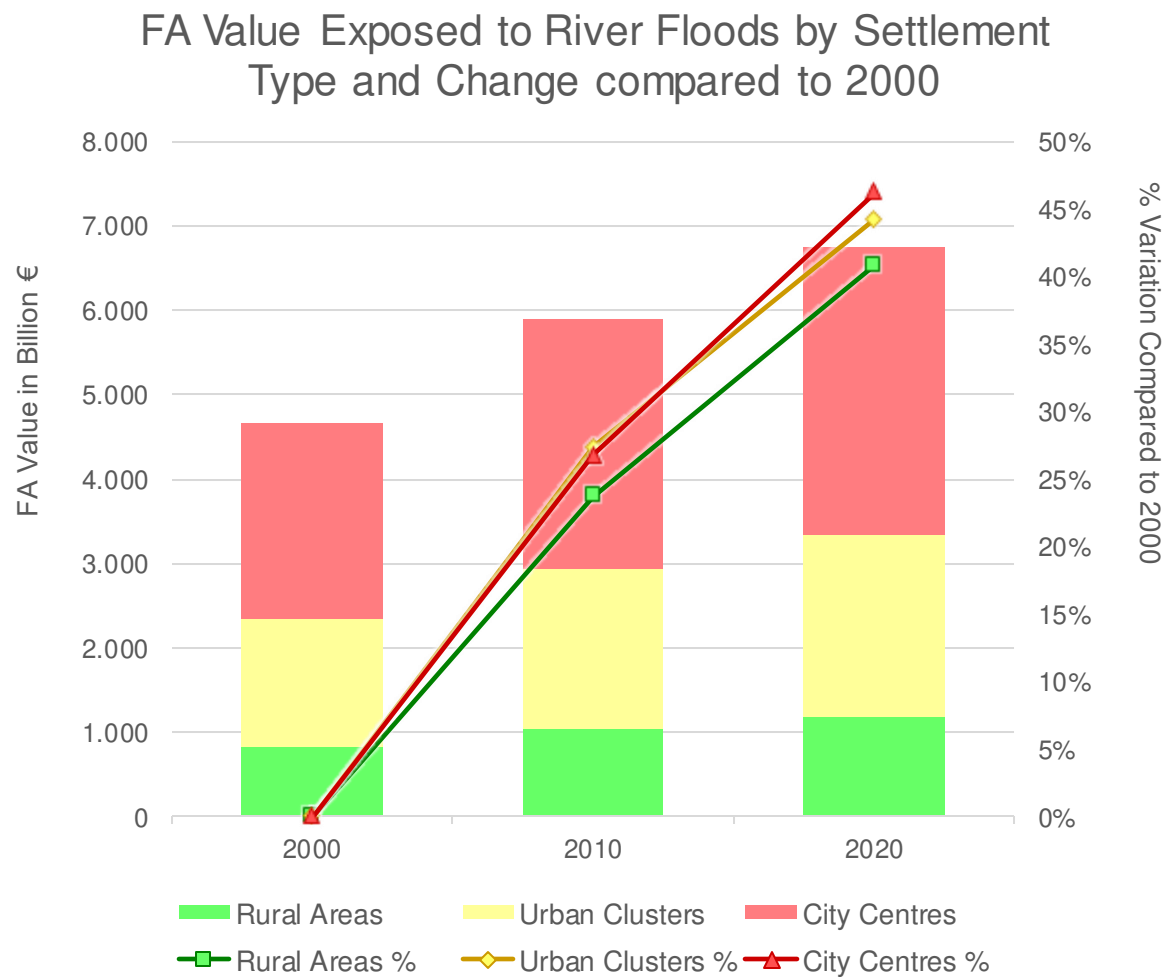
# Gross FAV per subnational division



Year of reference of the maps: 2020



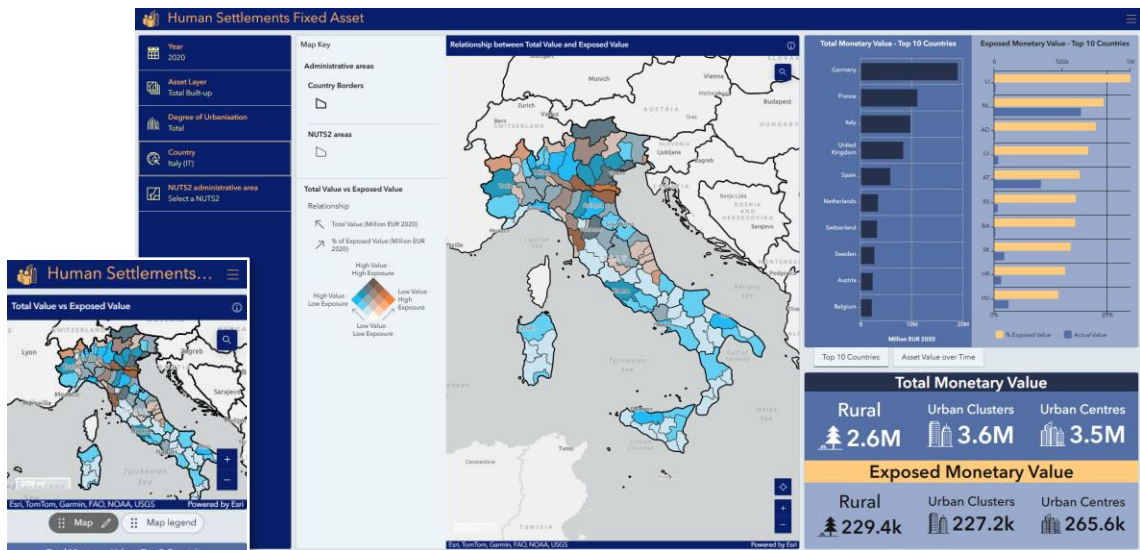
# FAV exposure to floods over time by settlement type



Year of reference of the map: 2020

# Next steps

Data visualization dashboard (desktop & mobile)



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Beta version  
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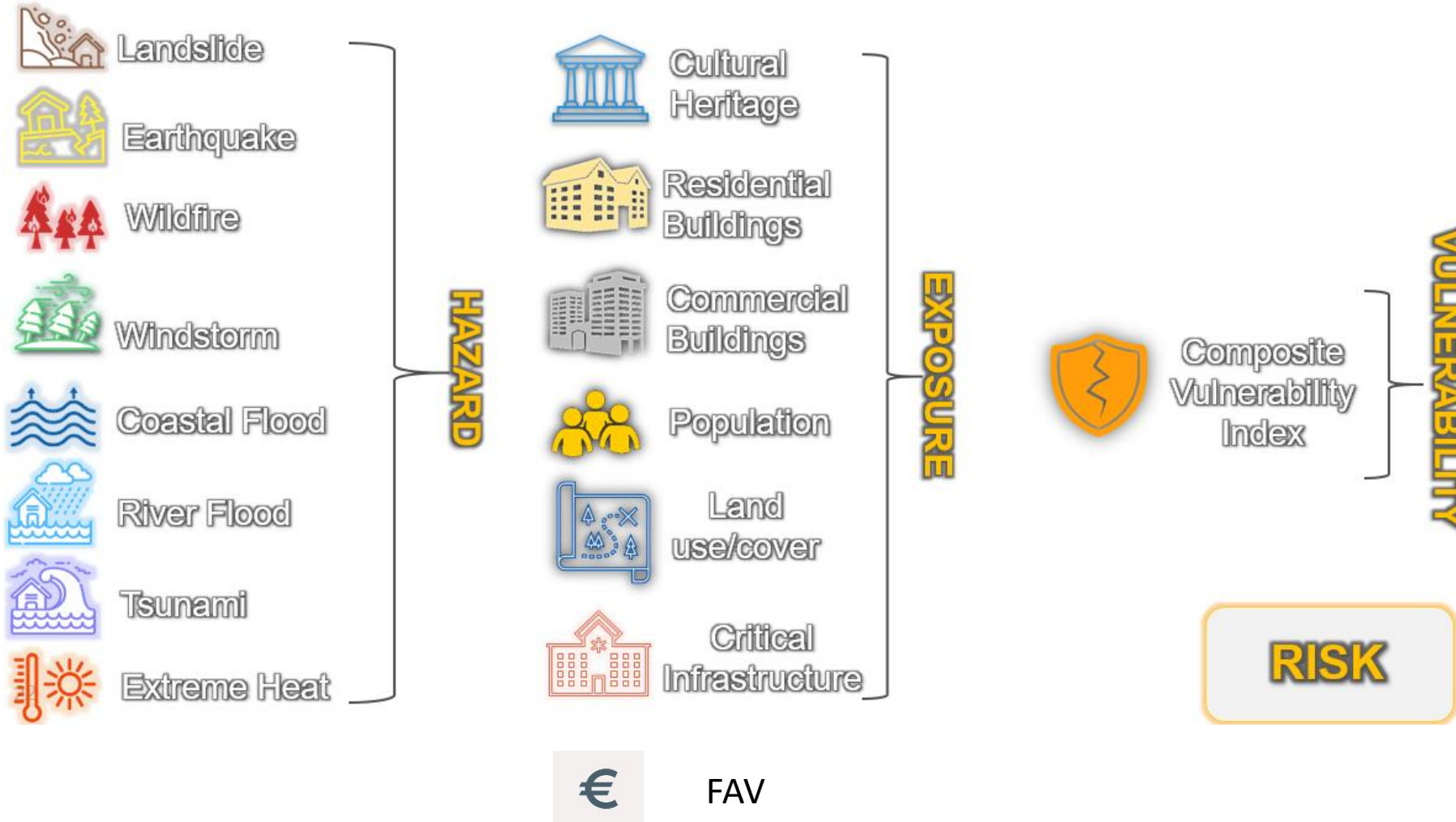


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# Next steps



- Extend the number of hazard
- Fully integrate the FAV indicator among the exposure ones in the RDH
- Pilot impact assessment from MYRIAD data (database of events with geospatial extent)



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**Thank you**

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# FAV technical description

Regional GDP is split partially proportionally to population and partially according to land-use (with soil sealing where appropriate). In this way, both **labour** (part of the total population) and **capital** (connected to land-use) input to GDP is represented. Labour share of GDP in advanced countries is about 60% and has been relatively stable over time<sup>54</sup>.

**Hence, 60% of GDP is disaggregated according to population and the remaining 40% using land use.** Fixed assets in absolute terms per region are computed by **multiplying regional GDP, or a sector thereof, by the respective wealth-to-GDP ratio for each sector, as defined by variables “Fixed assets”** (Table [6](#)).

Housing and consumer durables are distributed according to total population, as they are most closely related to population distribution. Other assets, related to economic activities, are distributed to appropriate land use classes, proportionally to the degree of soil sealing. Finally, **infrastructure is distributed to urban and industrial land** (CLC classes 111–121) **proportionally to the area covered by roads and streets, and to roads/railways, ports, and airports** (CLC classes 122–124) proportionally to the degree of soil sealing.



# Some considerations II *next steps*

- Descriptive statistics
  - Rank NUTS by FAV
  - Rank-size distribution
- Indicators
  - Average FAV per km<sup>2</sup> by country (land),
    - And relative change over time
  - Average FAV per km<sup>2</sup> per settlement type
    - Exposure to various return periods
  - Share of exposed FAV per NUTS3

