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# Con la collaborazione di:



I Care – Sacravita (Albania)



Prefettura di Scutari (Albania)



Comune di Dajç (Albania)



Università “Luigi Gurakuqi” di Scutari



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Nell'ambito delle manifestazioni  
nazionali indette nella settimana  
dall'8 al 14 luglio 2011 dal  
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Per promuovere, presso le associazioni di volontariato, iniziative di protezione civile, nella **settimana dal 4 al 10 luglio** a Scutari – Albania, si sono svolte parte delle attività previste dal Progetto Pilota Scutari, che hanno visto la partecipazione attiva dei volontari di protezione civile **I Care – Sacravita** a supporto delle attività scientifiche



Il Progetto “Pilota” *Scutari* è svolto in collaborazione tra la Venerabile Arciconfraternita della Misericordia di Firenze ed il Dipartimento di Scienze della Terra (Università degli Studi di Firenze) e si focalizza sulla previsione e prevenzione dei rischi geologici e sulla formazione e addestramento di volontari di Protezione Civile albanese



Il nucleo di partenza di questo sistema di volontariato è il gruppo **I Care – Sacravita** con sedi a Scutari, Tirana e Lehze – Albania, una struttura creata dalla Venerabile Arciconfraternita della Misericordia di Firenze, Gruppo di Protezione Civile e costituita da circa 130 giovani albanesi



Il fine è, quindi,  
la creazione di un  
Sistema di  
Volontariato di  
Protezione Civile  
sul modello di  
quello esistente  
in Italia

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Tale modello  
consente di  
mobilitare risorse  
umane, morali,  
tecniche,  
scientifiche e  
logistiche in caso  
di medie e grandi  
emergenze,  
concretizzando il  
principio di  
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# Attività di Volontariato



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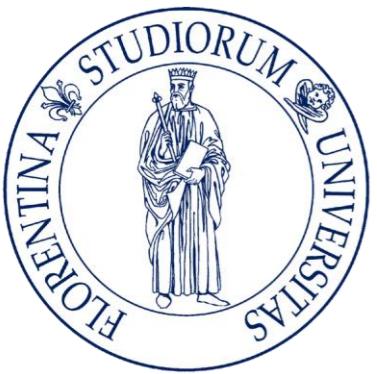


# Tirana, 8 Luglio 2011





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# Activities

- Hazard and risk assessment in a test area:
  - Hydrogeological risk
  - Seismic risk
- Training and education:
  - Addressed to the Civil Protection Volunteer Teams
  - Addressed to the representatives and technicians of local Communities

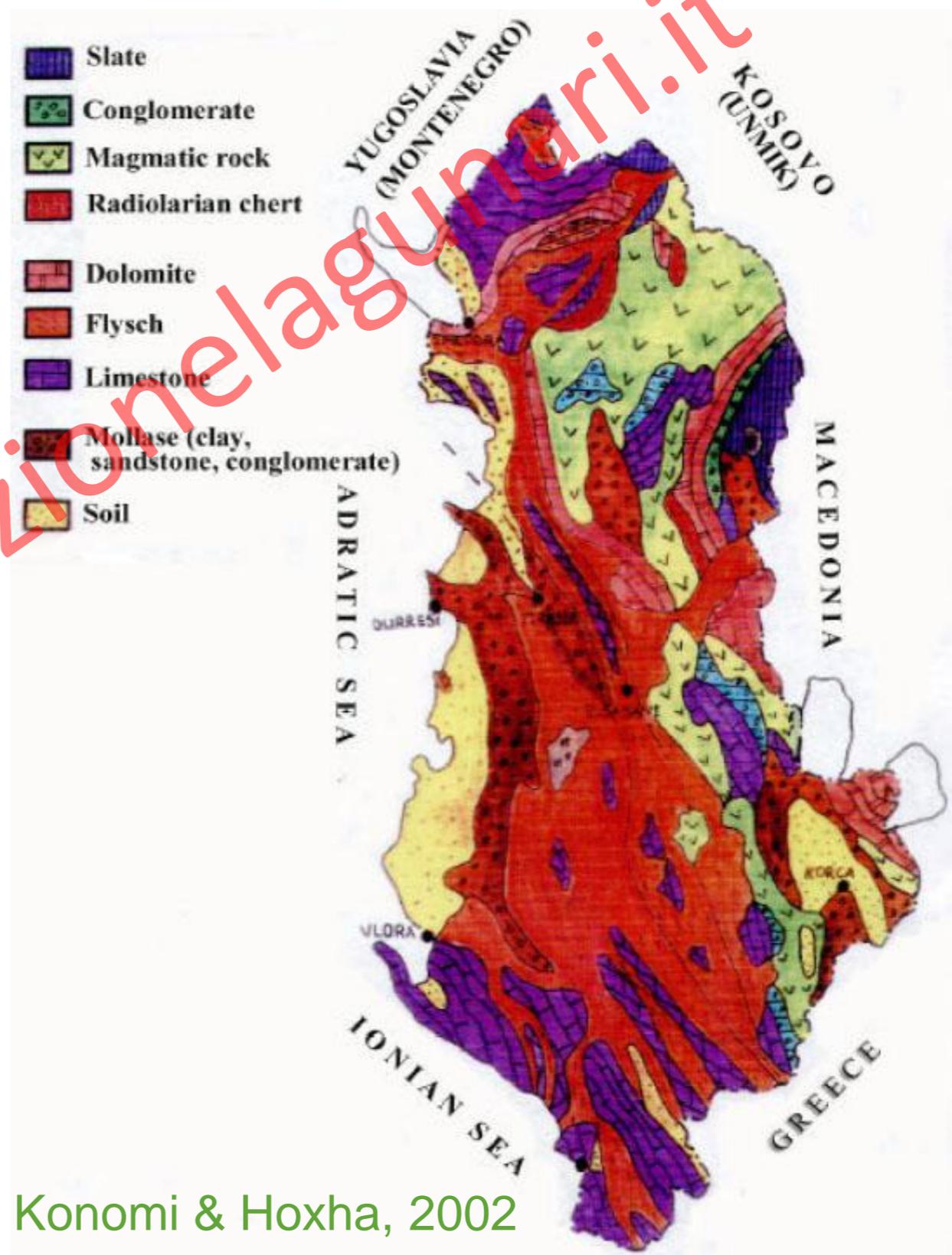
# Geological settings

58,4% surface  
shales and molasses

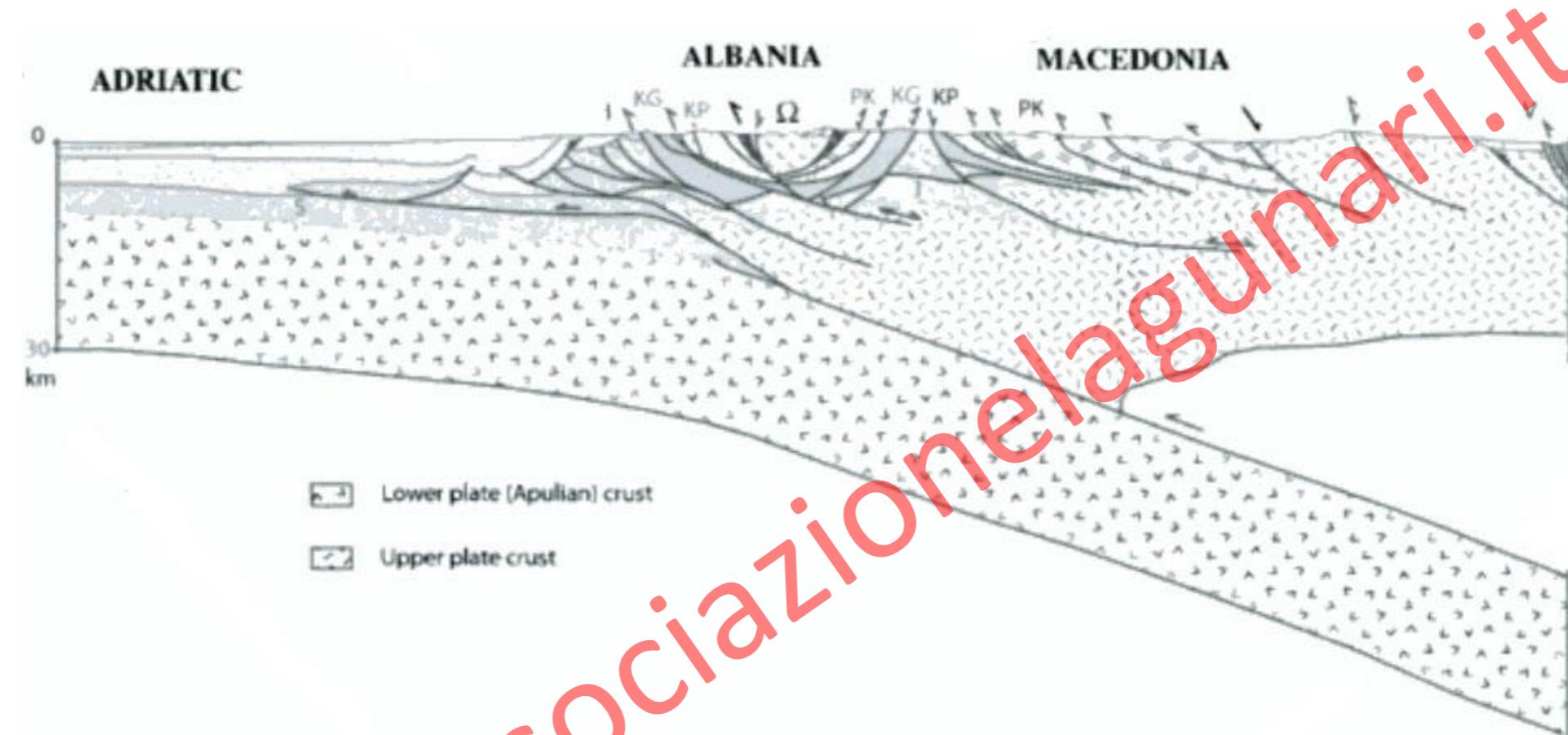
23% surface  
carbonates and evaporites

15% surface  
ophiolites

(Hallaçi *et al.*, 2002; Hoti & Axhemë, 2003; Meco & Sinojmeri, 2004)



# Geology of Albania: tectonics



Transmed, 2004; Carazza *et al.*, 2004; Muceku *et al.*, 2006

- Adria microplate subducts under Eurasian plate
- Eastern Albania: extensional mechanisms
- Western Albania: compressional mechanisms

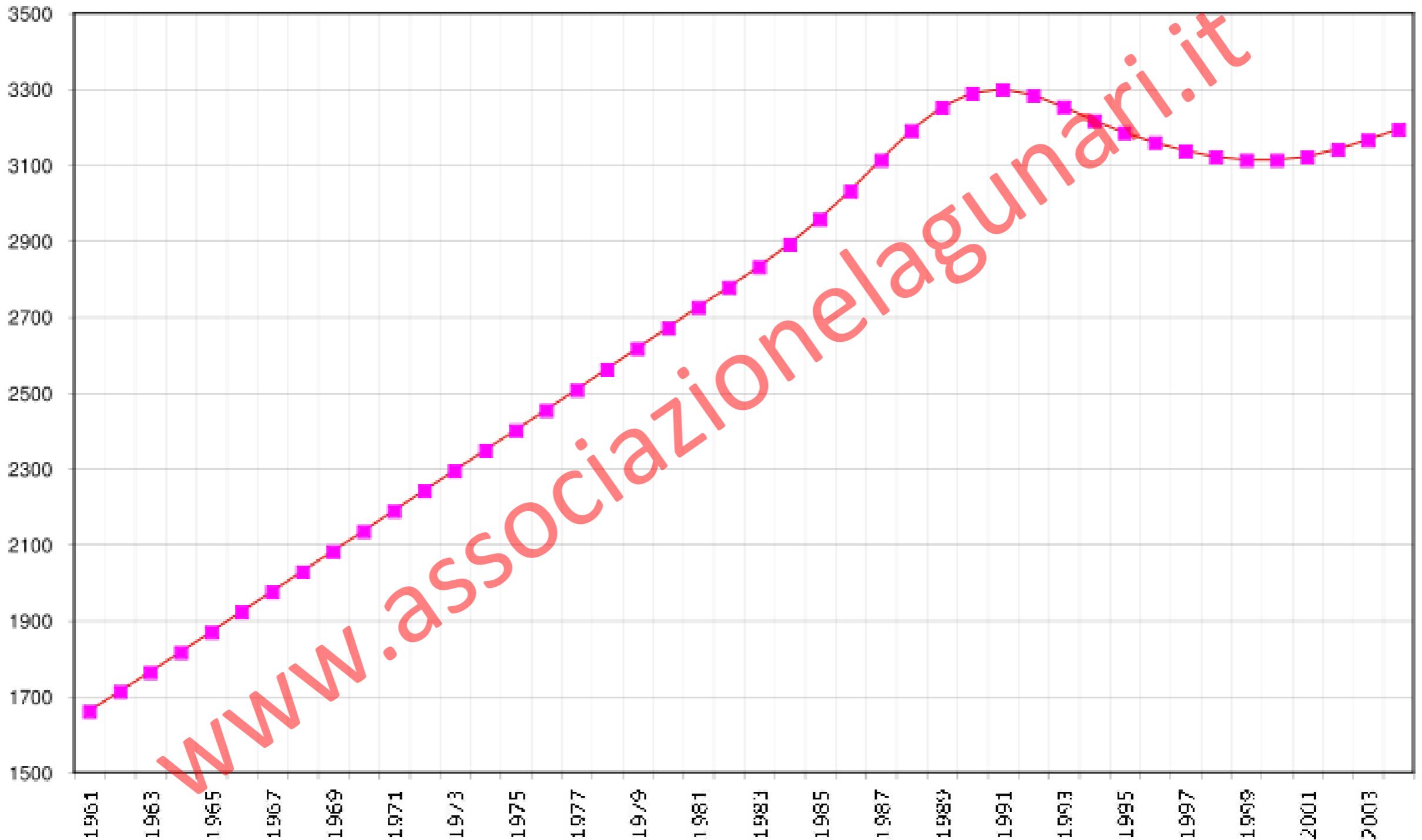
# Natural hazards in Albania

1900-2011

	Deaths	Total Affected
Drought	0	3200000
Earthquake (seismic activity)	47	84209
Epidemic	7	292
Extreme temperature	71	7235
Flood	19	136984
Mass movement wet	57	26
Storm	8	525000
Wildfire	0	75

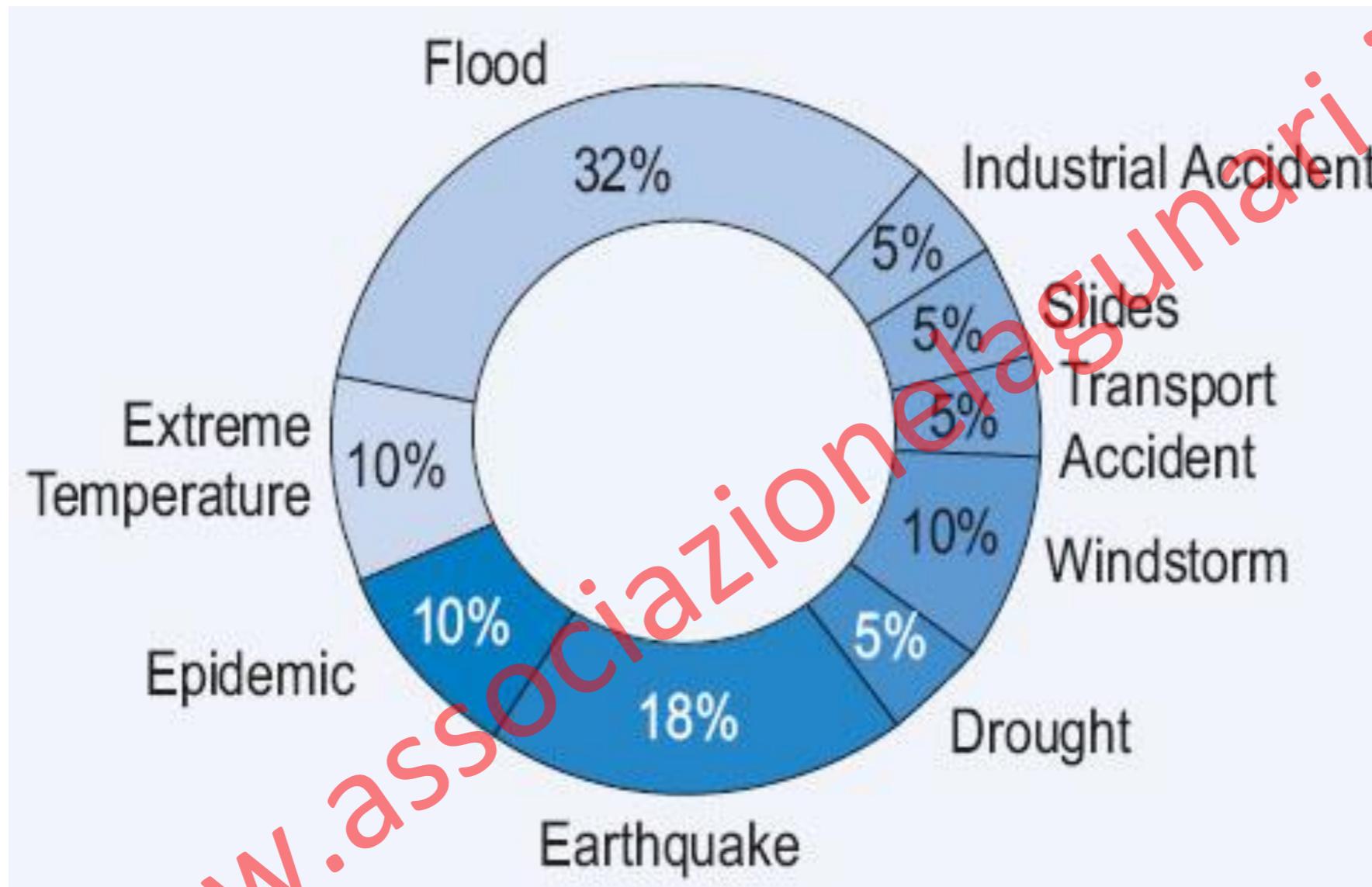
Source: "EM-DAT: The OFDA/CRED International Disaster Database  
www.emdat.be - Université Catholique de Louvain - Brussels - Belgium"

# Demographic growth



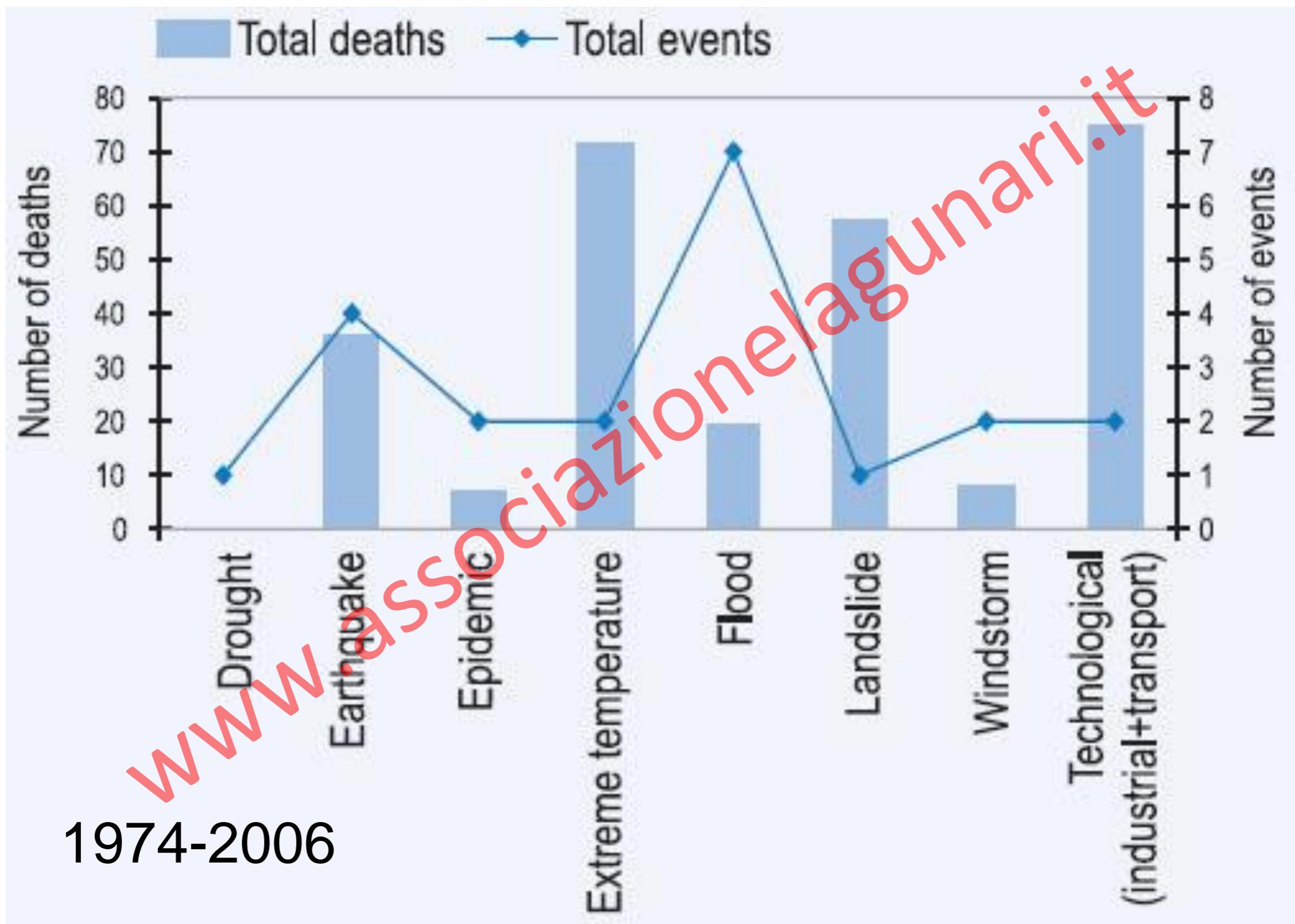
FAOSTAT, 2005

# Natural Risks

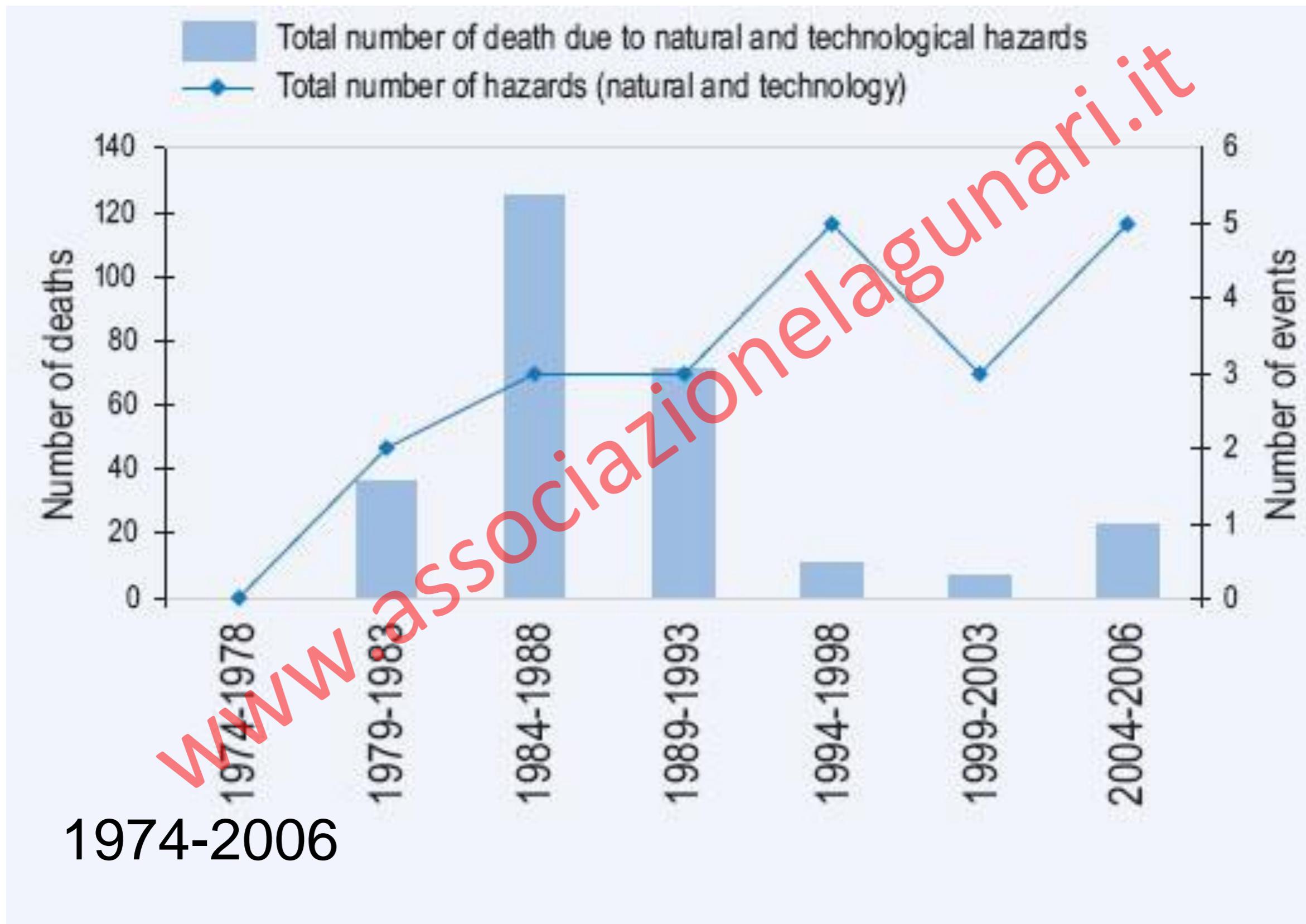


- Research into natural risks began in the 60s
- One of the most threatened regions in Europe, especially due to hydrometeorological hazards

# Natural Risks



# Natural Risks



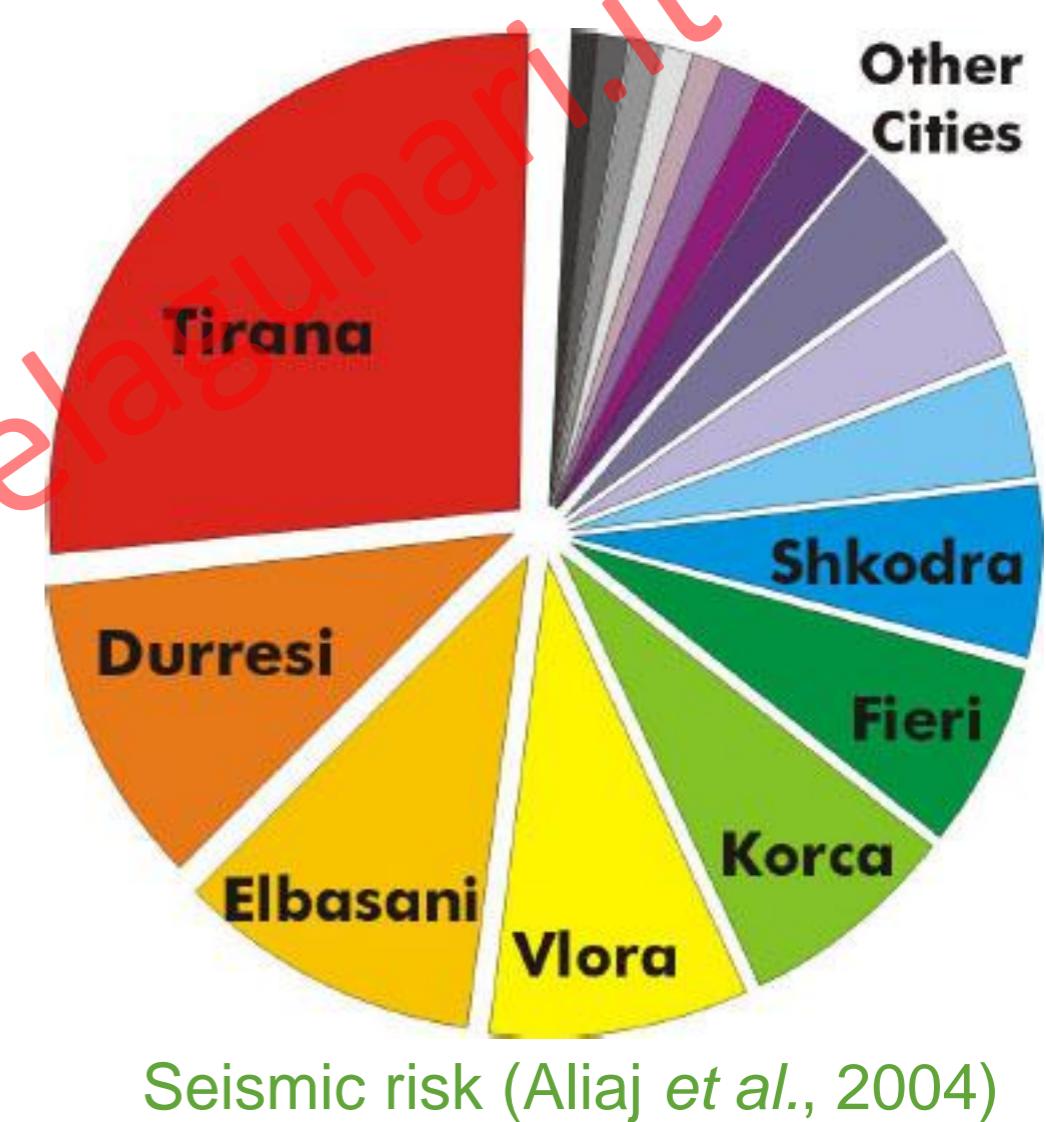
International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UN), 2008

# Seismic hazard

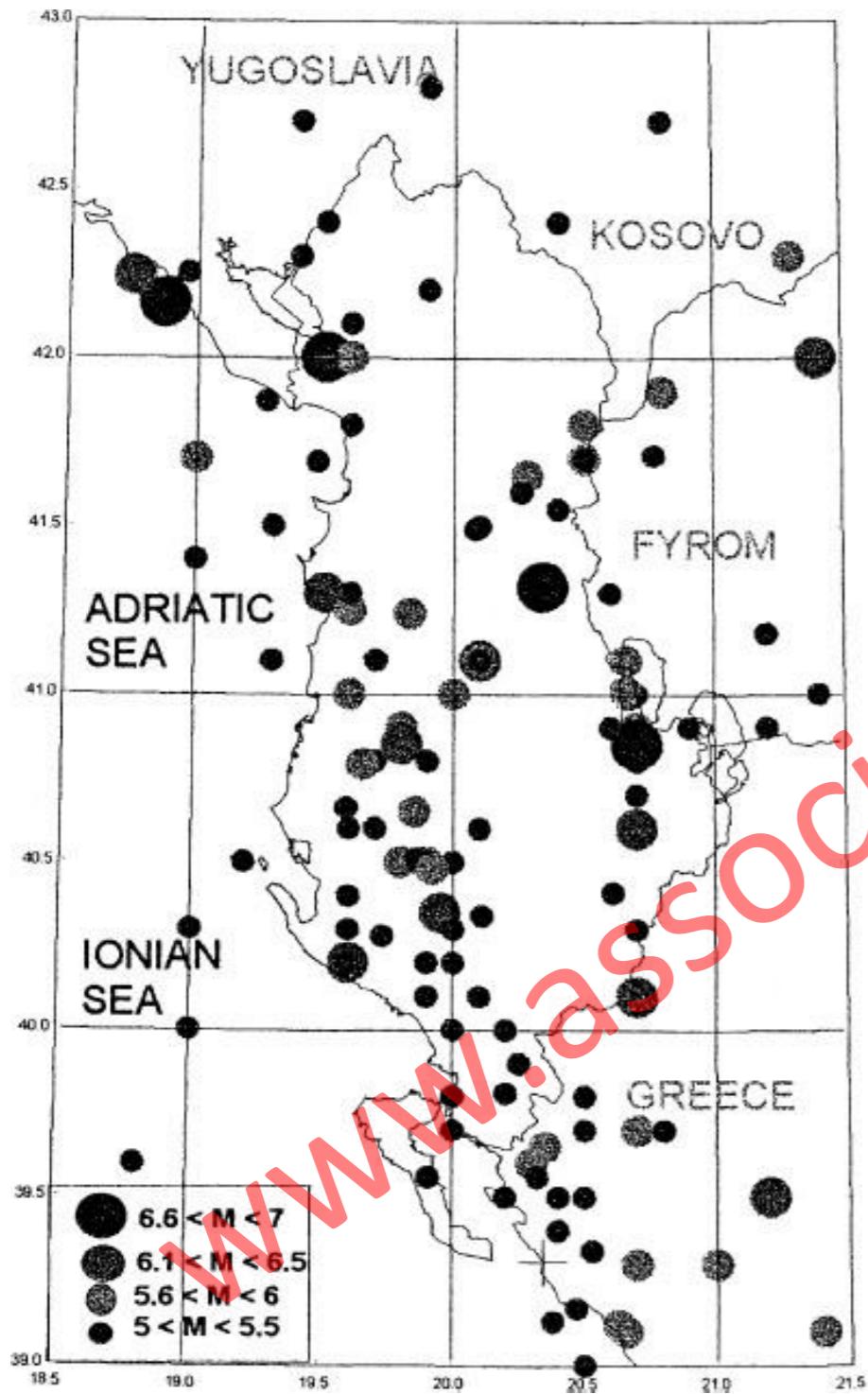
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# Earthquake hazard

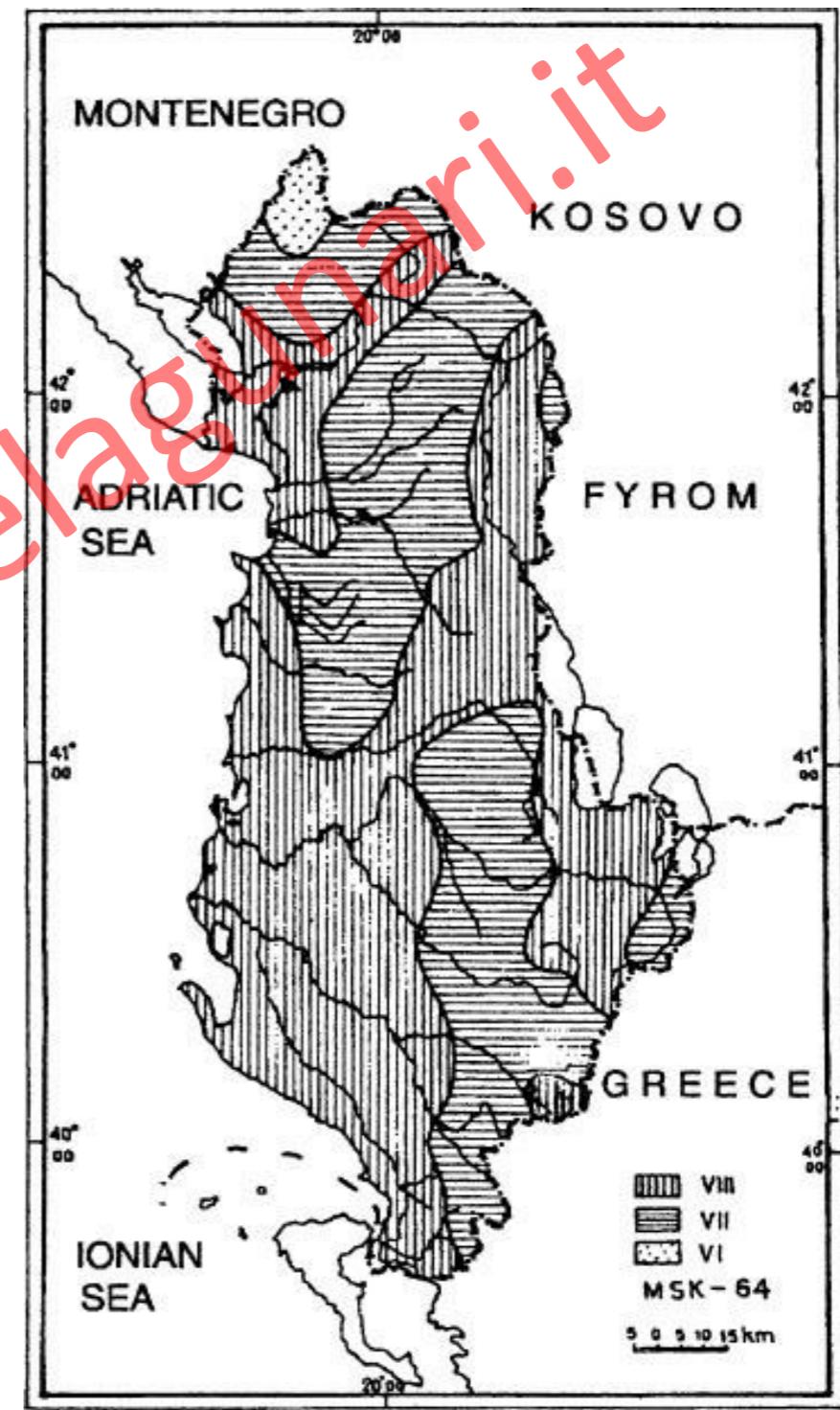
- Seismic risk =  
(probability of damaging  
ground motion) x (city  
population)
- Since 1974: 4 major  
earthquake killing 36  
people and affecting  
2790 (ISDR-UN, 2007)



# Earthquakes in Albania



Earthquakes with  $M \geq 5.0$  in 20th century  
(Muço et al., 2001)



Seismic zonation (intensity map)  
(Sulstarova et al., 1980)

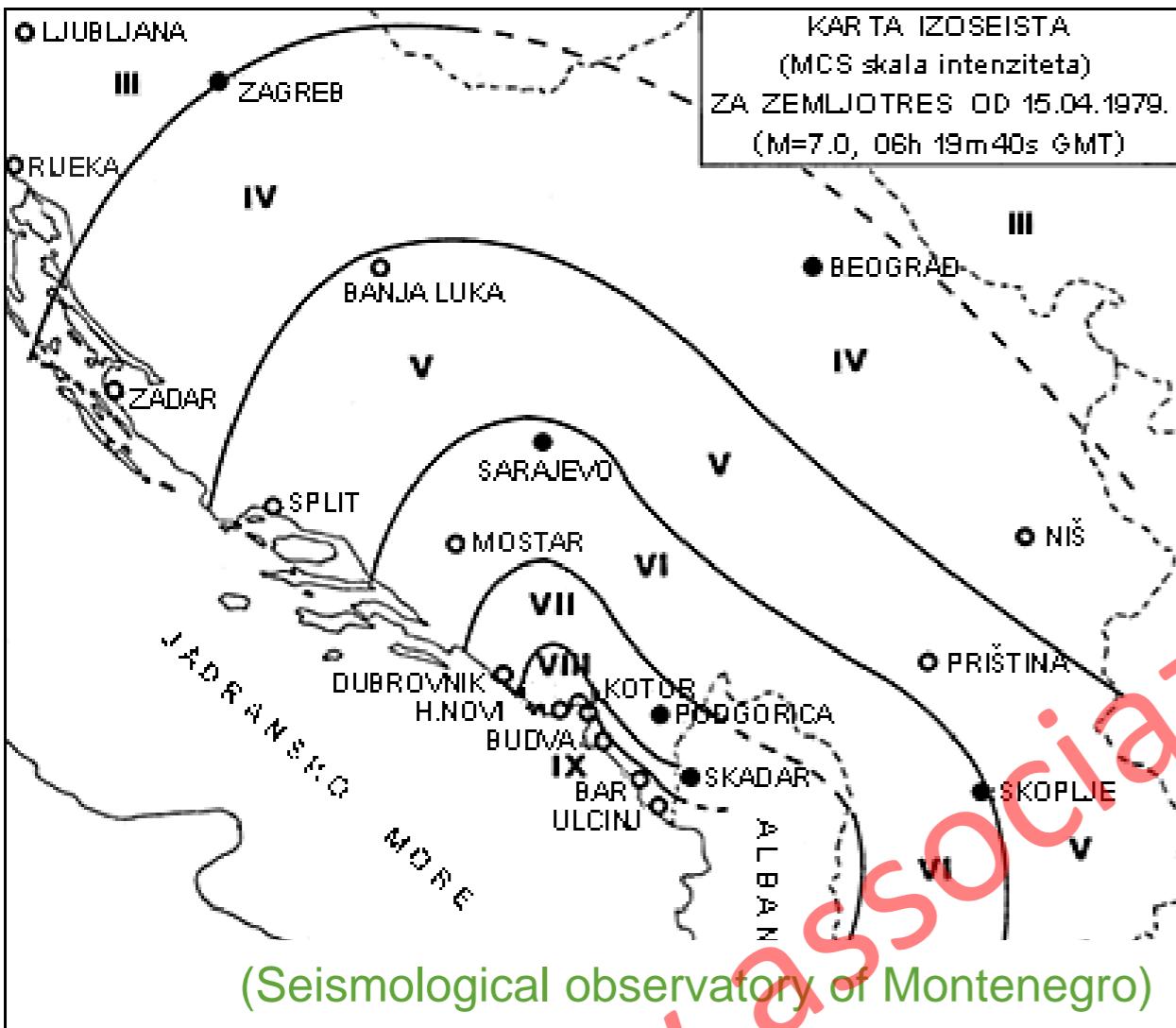
# Earthquakes in Albania

Regions with  
highest seismicity  
(Local Magnitude)

(European Mediterranean  
Seismological Centre, 2011)



# Earthquakes in Albania: 1979



- 7.2 Richter, IX Mercalli
- In Albania: 35 deaths, 383 injured, 100.000 homeless



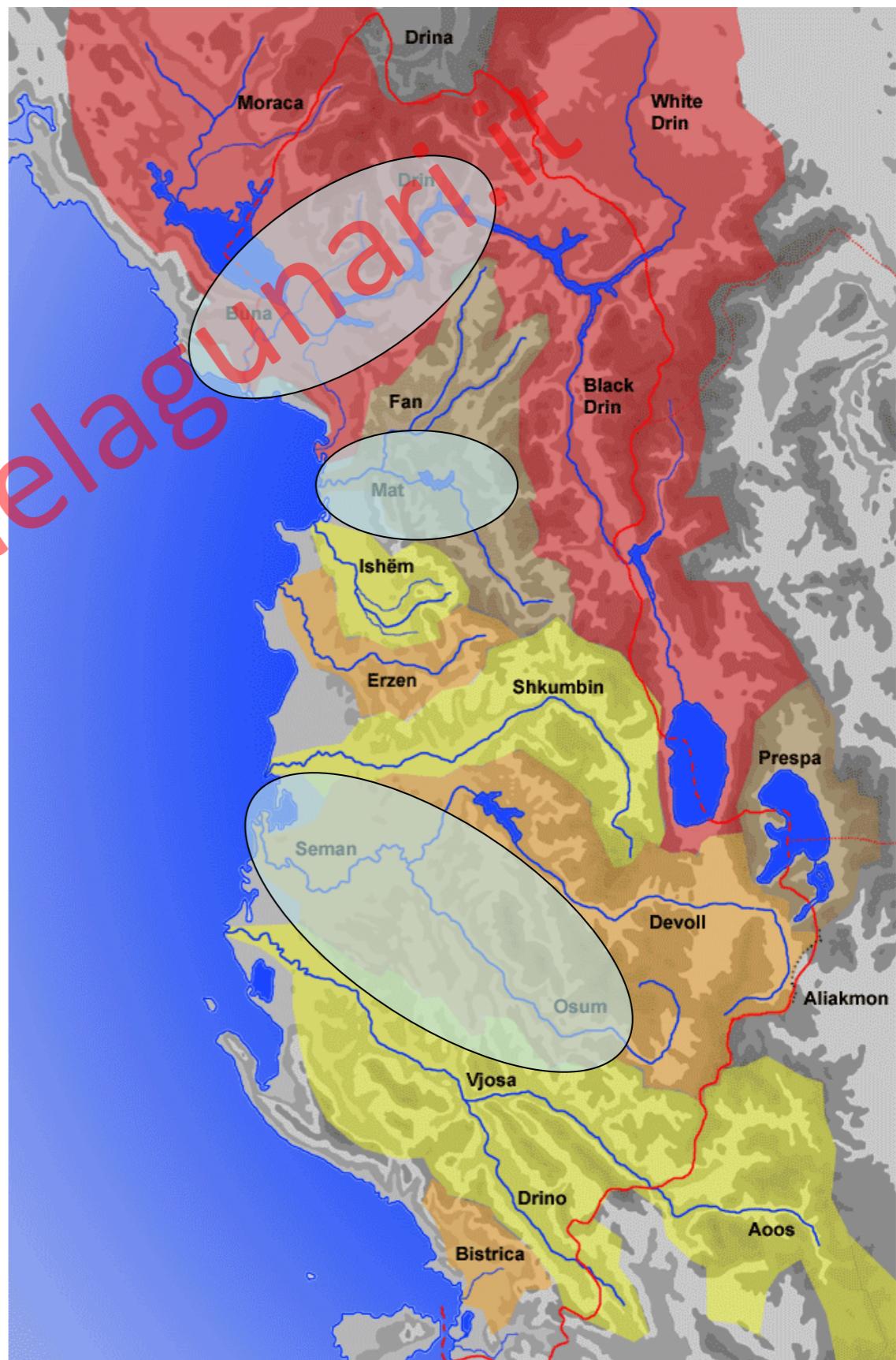
# Flood hazard

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# Flood hazard

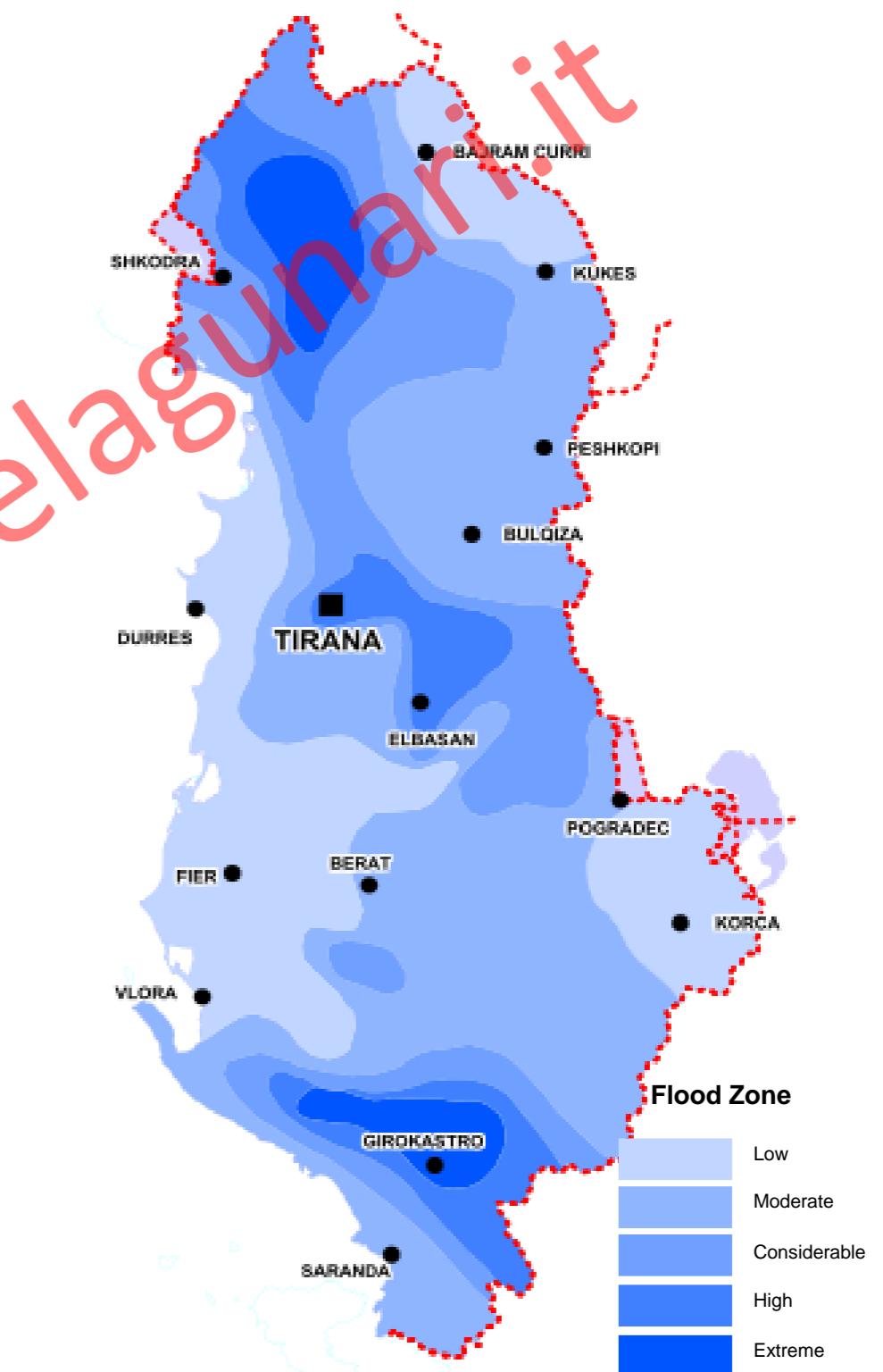
- Most affected rivers: Drin, Buna, Mat, Seman, Osum (Hoti & Axhemi, 2003)
- One event every 6 years
- Floods cause the highest economic losses among other natural hazards
- 1962-63 event: in few days 70.000 ha of agricultural land were flooded
- 2002 event: 30.000 ha of agricultural land have been inundated, 494 houses have been damaged



# Floods in Albania



Causes: intense rain, non-maintenance of channels, defensive barriers, pumping stations, etc.



Flood Potential Map, 100 years return period (Selenica, 2004)

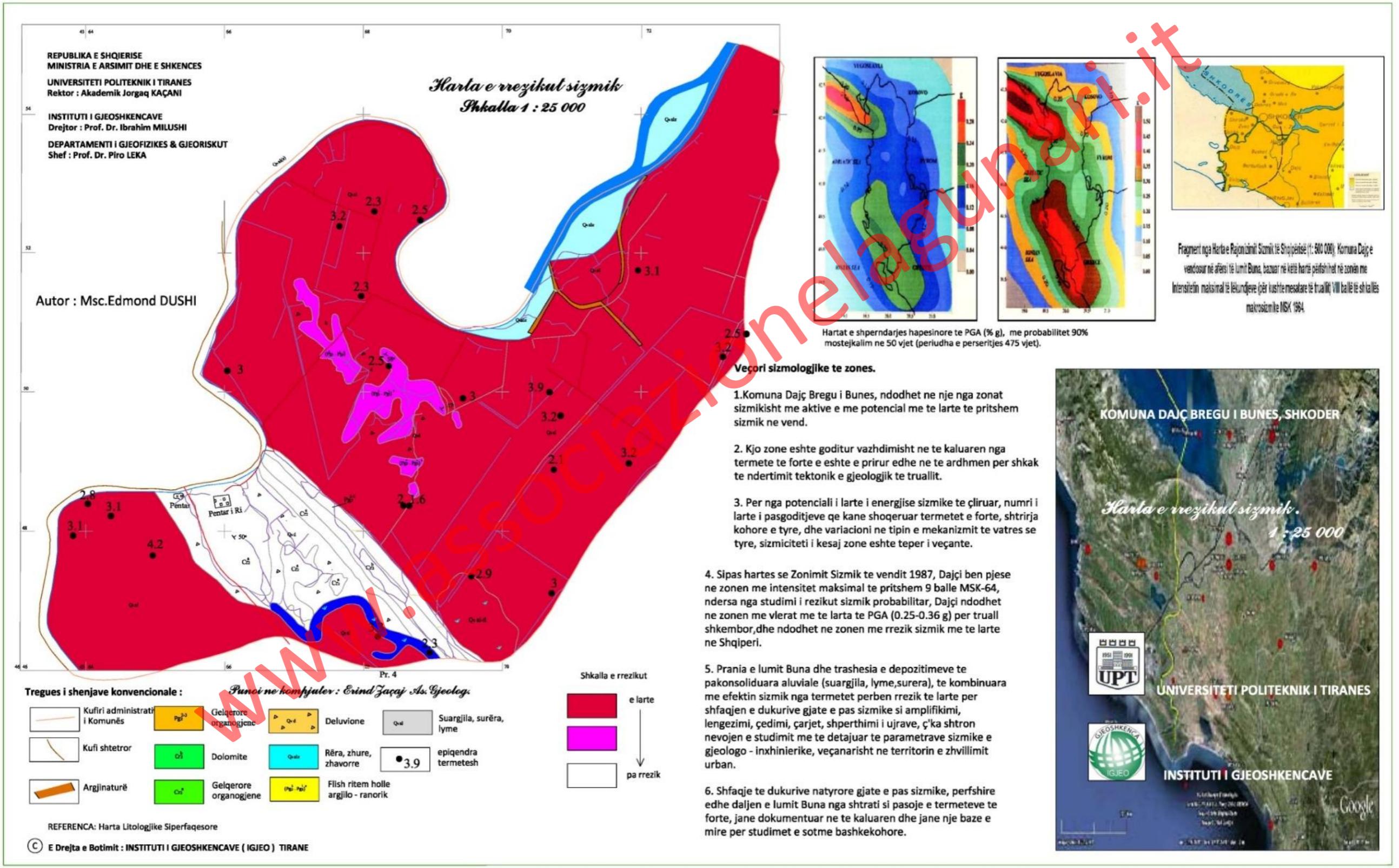
# The test area



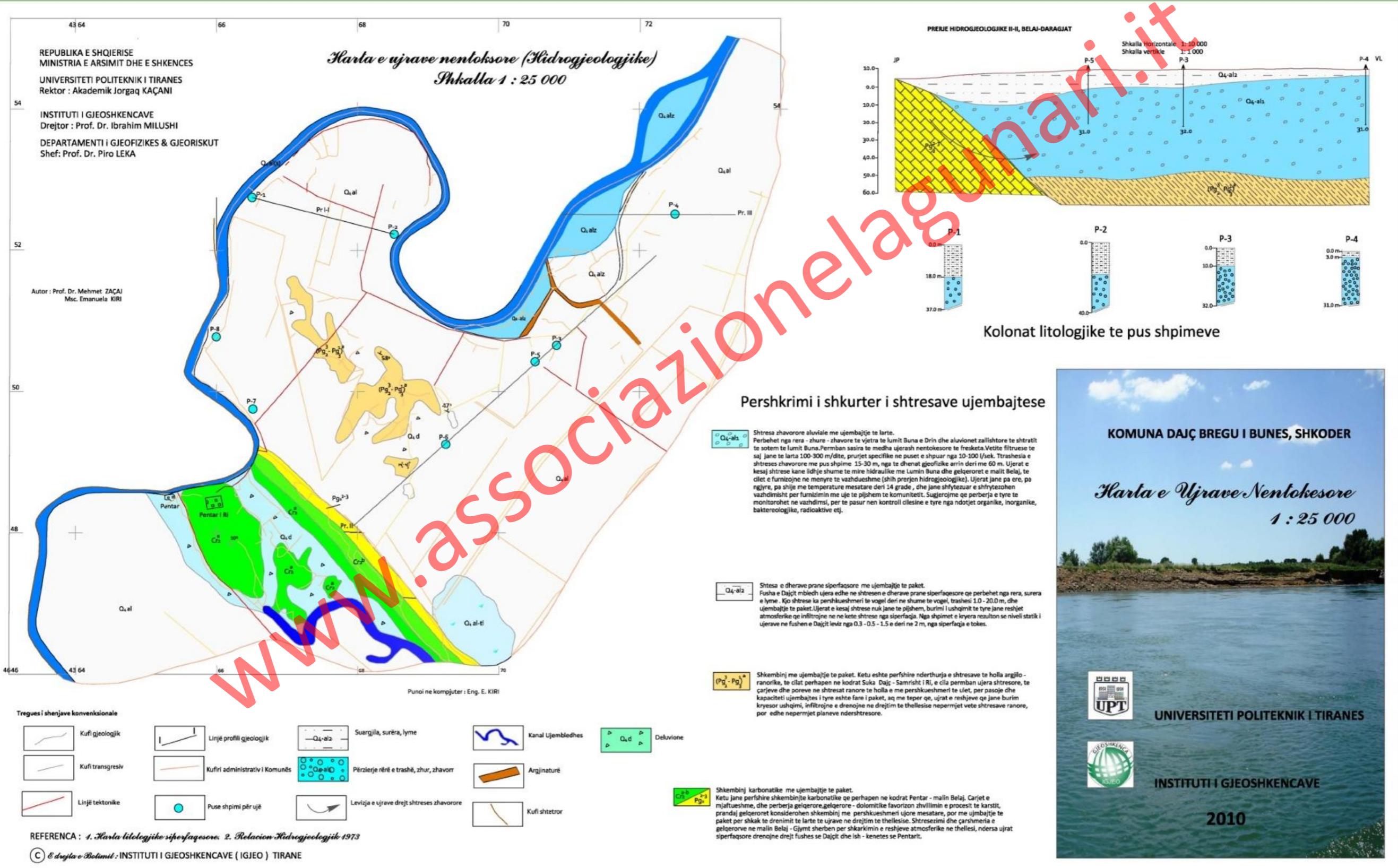
Dajç - Dec., 8<sup>th</sup> 2010



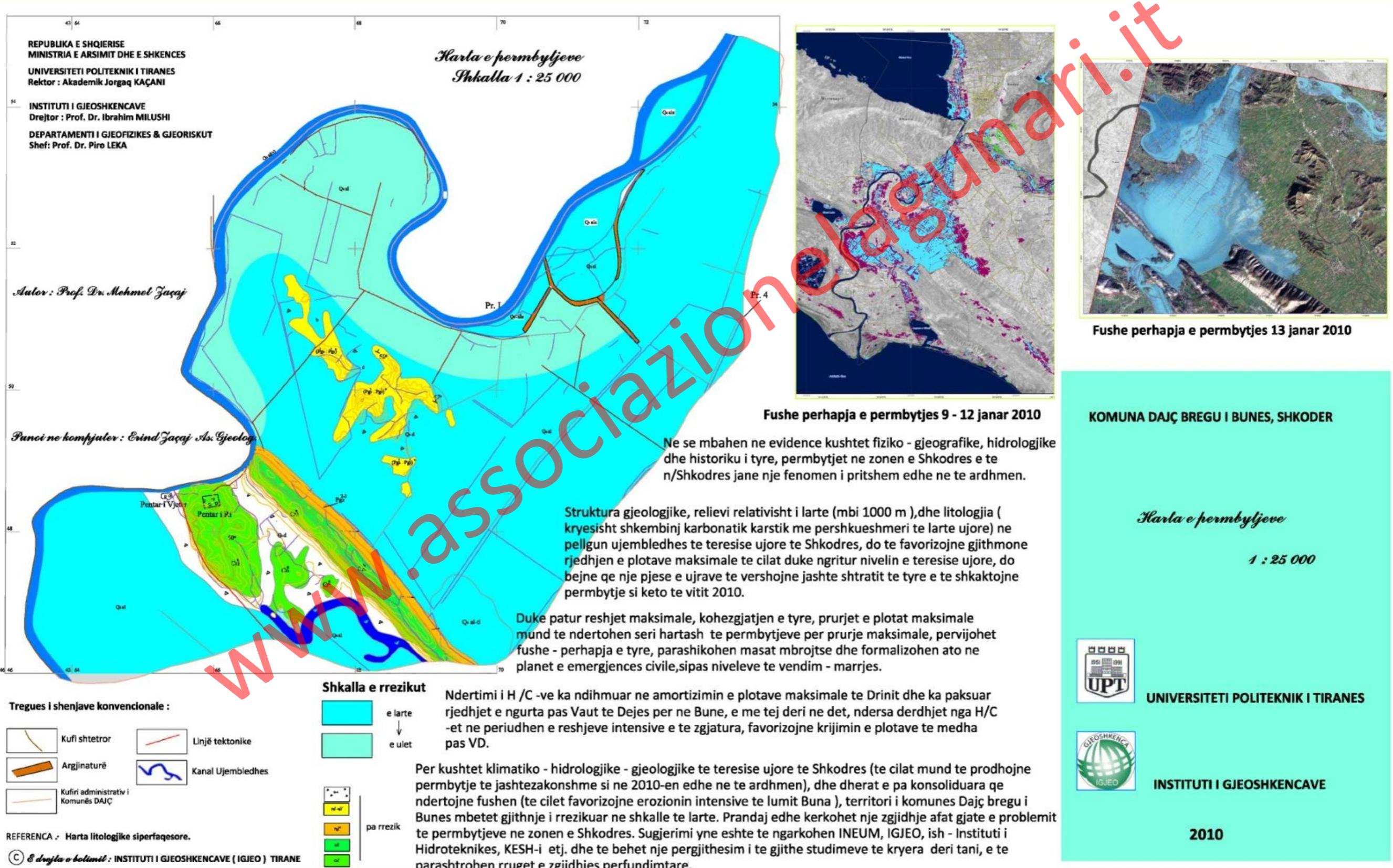
# Dajç – Seismic map



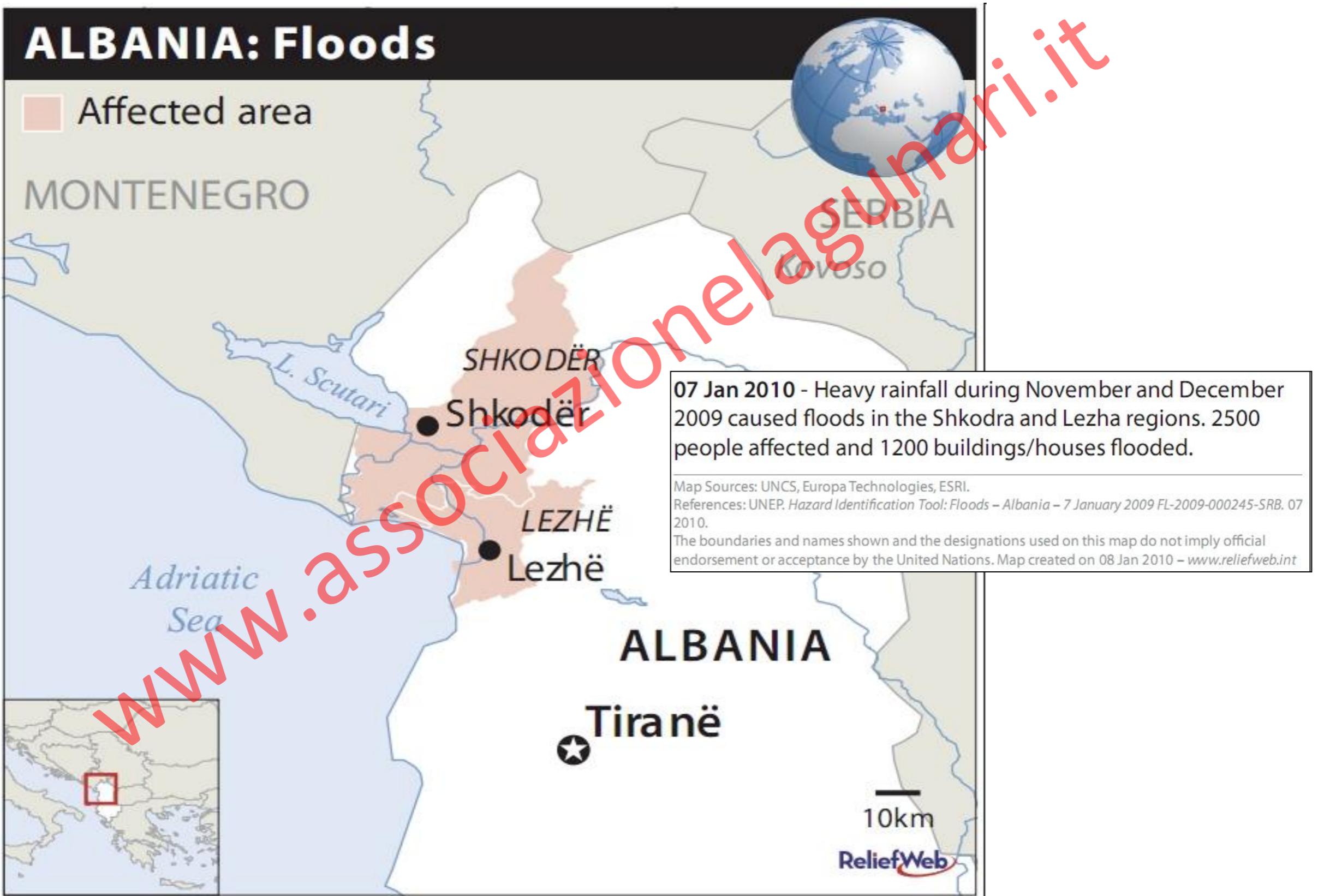
# Dajç – Hydrogeological map



# Dajç – Flood risk map



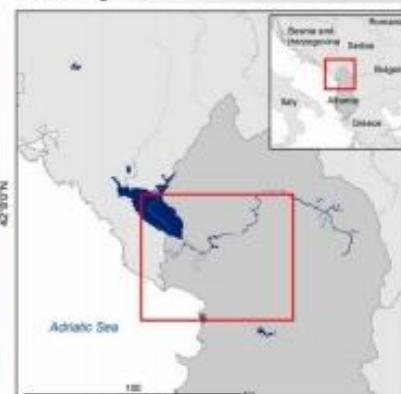
# Dajç – The 2009 event



**ALBANIA - Shkoder**  
**Flood extent based on**  
**ENVISAT ASAR**

**Overview Map**  
Scale 1:100,000

**Location Diagrams**



**Legend**

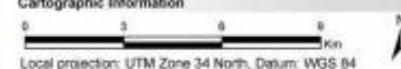


**Interpretation**

Heavy rainfall and unusually warm weather have caused flooding in the northwestern region of Albania since January 4, 2010. The map shows the post-event water extent as detected on January 11, 2010. The analysis was based on an ENVISAT ASAR scene.

A Landsat image acquired on June 16, 2002 was used as backdrop. The water extent derived from this Landsat image and the CORINE Landcover layer is shown as well. Streets have been digitized on the basis of Open Street Map data and represent only a fraction of the road network. Please note that the flood extent in urban areas may not be detected properly due to radar geometry and backscatter effects.

**Cartographic Information**



Local projection: UTM Zone 34 North, Datum: WGS 84

Geographic projection: Lat/Lon (DMS), Datum: WGS 84

Scale: 1:100,000 for A1 prints

**Data Sources**  
ENVISAT ASAR © ESA 2010  
LANDSAT-7 ETM © USGS 2002  
Vector data © OpenStreetMap 2010, Wikimapia 2010  
CORINE Landcover © EEA 2006

**Framework**  
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Map produced on January 12, 2010 by ZKI  
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<http://www.zki.dlr.de>





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## Albania: Flooding - Affected Area and Population as at 9 Jan 2010

Map shows the number of people evacuated within the communes affected (based on Ministry of Interior Sit Rep No 5). Both the absolute number and the proportion of the total population is shown. The flood extents (based on 9th Jan 2010 Radarsat data and supplied by DLR) are also shown.

0 1 2 3 4 5  
kilometres  
Scale 1:175,000 at A3 size

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Projection / datum: Geographic / WGS84  
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- County Boundaries
- Surrounding Countries
- Normal Water Bodies
- Flood Extent - 9th Jan 210

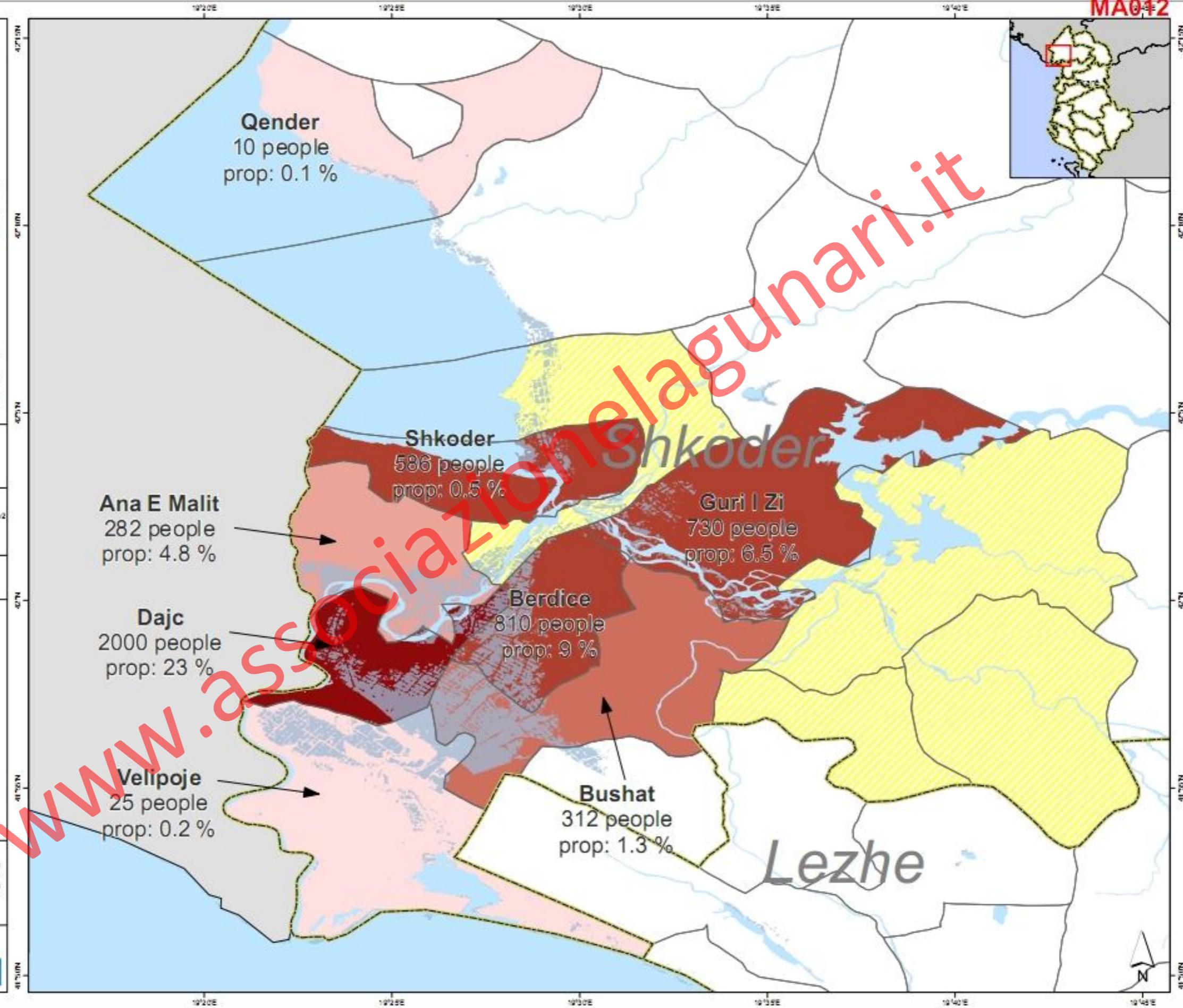
### People Evacuated

10 - 25
26 - 282
283 - 312
313 - 810
811 - 2000
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Affected Communes

Data sources:  
Bartholomews - Lakes, Navteq - Main Rivers, Main Highways, GADM - Admin Boundaries, GE - Location Information, Radarsat flood extent data supplied by DLR ([www.dlr.de](http://www.dlr.de)) accessed via the Charter ([www.disasterscharter.org](http://www.disasterscharter.org))

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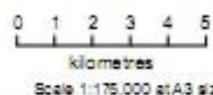




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## Albania: Flooding - Affected Area and Population as at 9 Jan 2010

Map shows the communes affected (based on Ministry of Interior Sit Rep No 4) and the flood extents (based on 9th Jan 2010 Radarsat data). The population figures for each affected commune are displayed.



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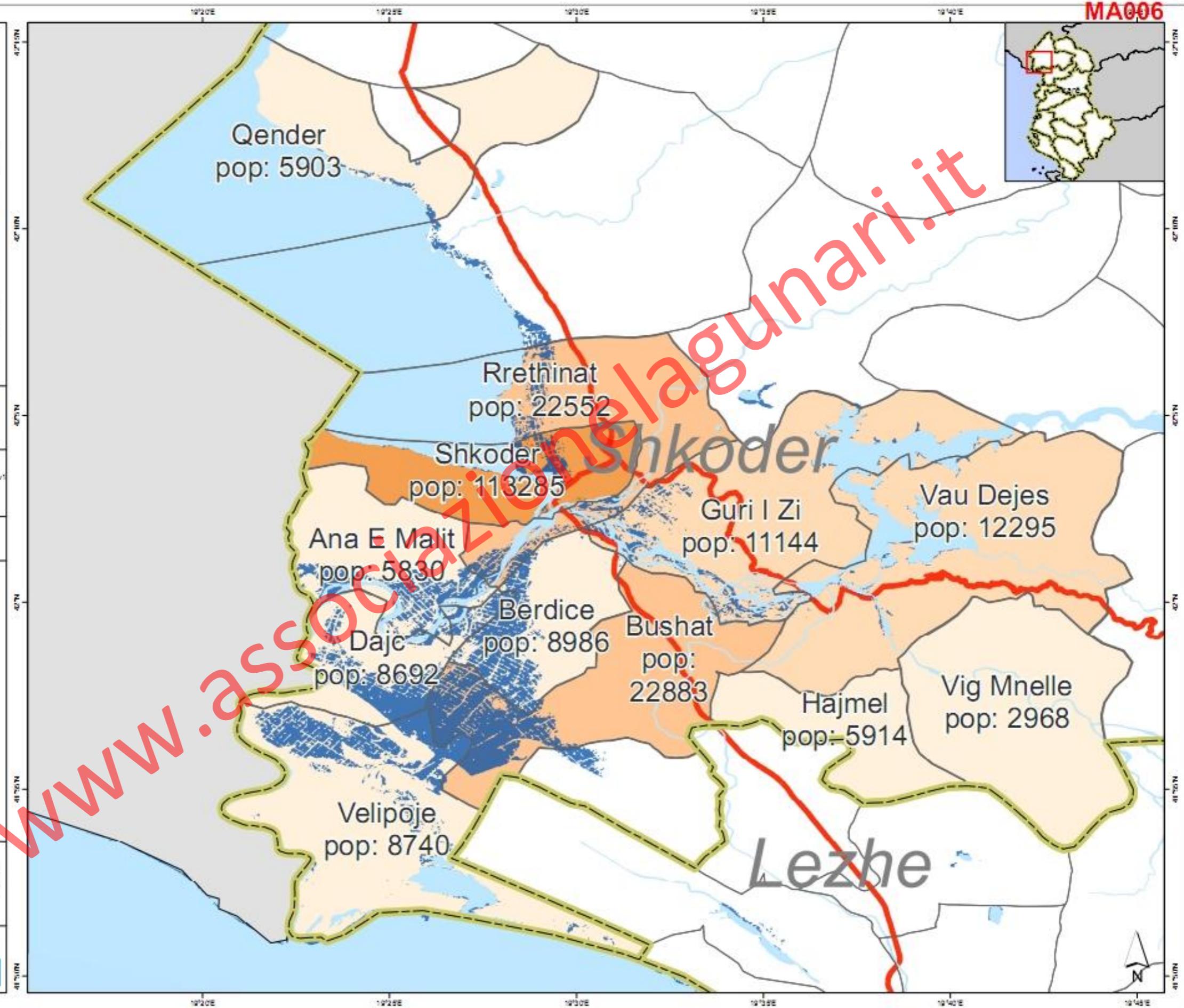
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- County Boundaries
  - Surrounding Countries
  - Rivers Lakes
  - Flood Extent - 9th Jan 2010
  - Main Highways
- Affected Communes
- 2,500 - 10,000
  - 10,001 - 20,000
  - 20,001 - 40,000
  - 40,001 - 80,000
  - 80,001 - 120,000

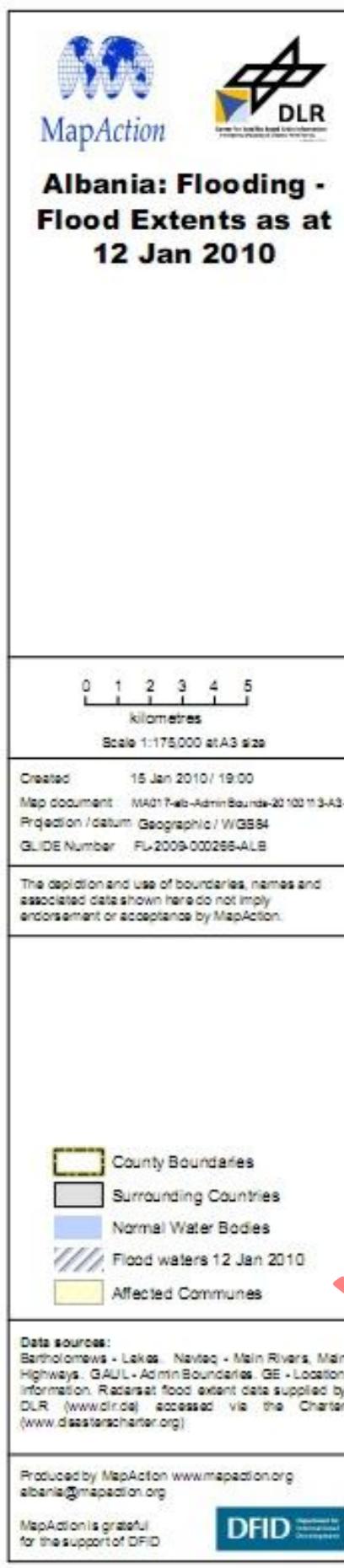
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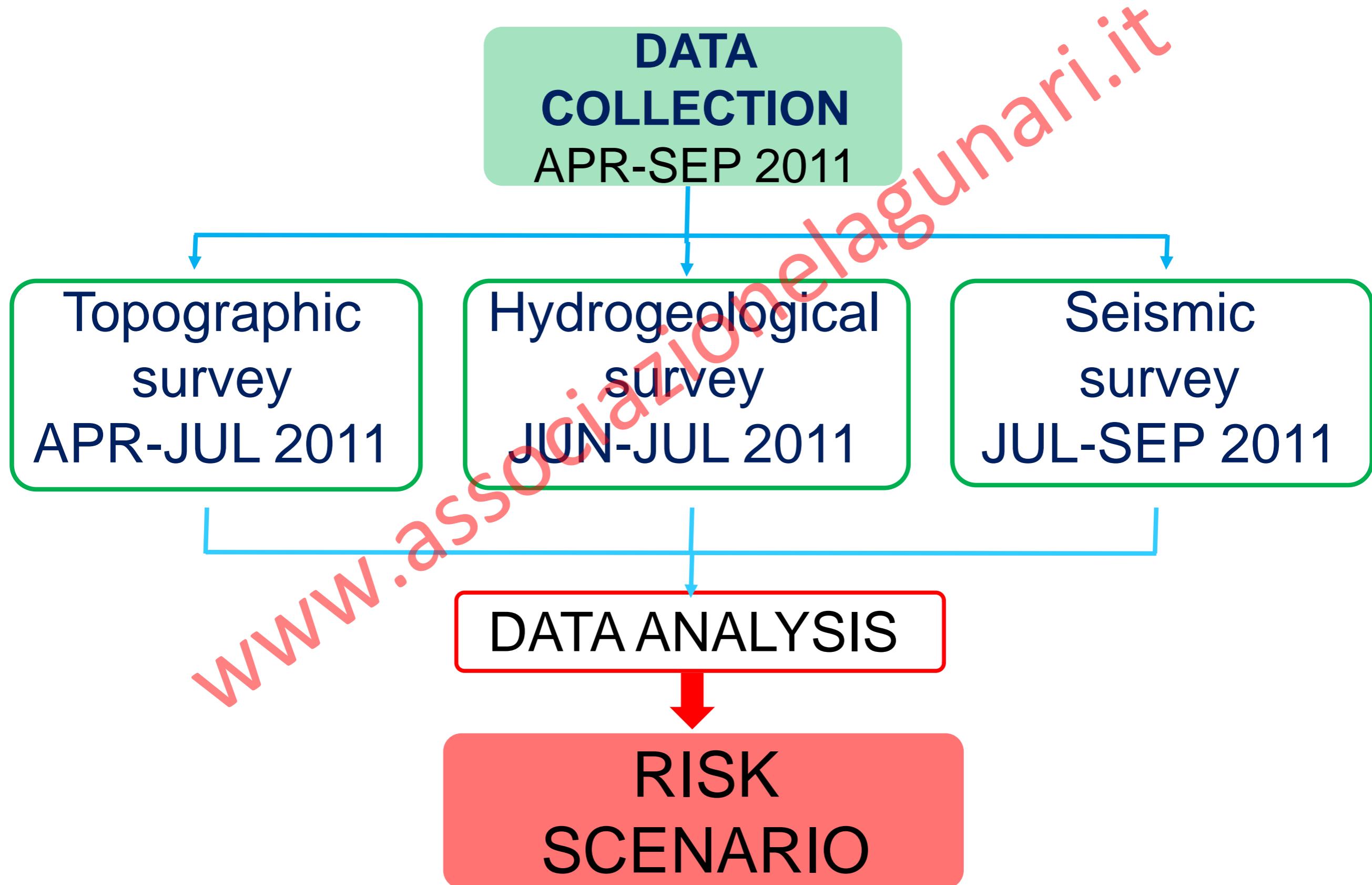
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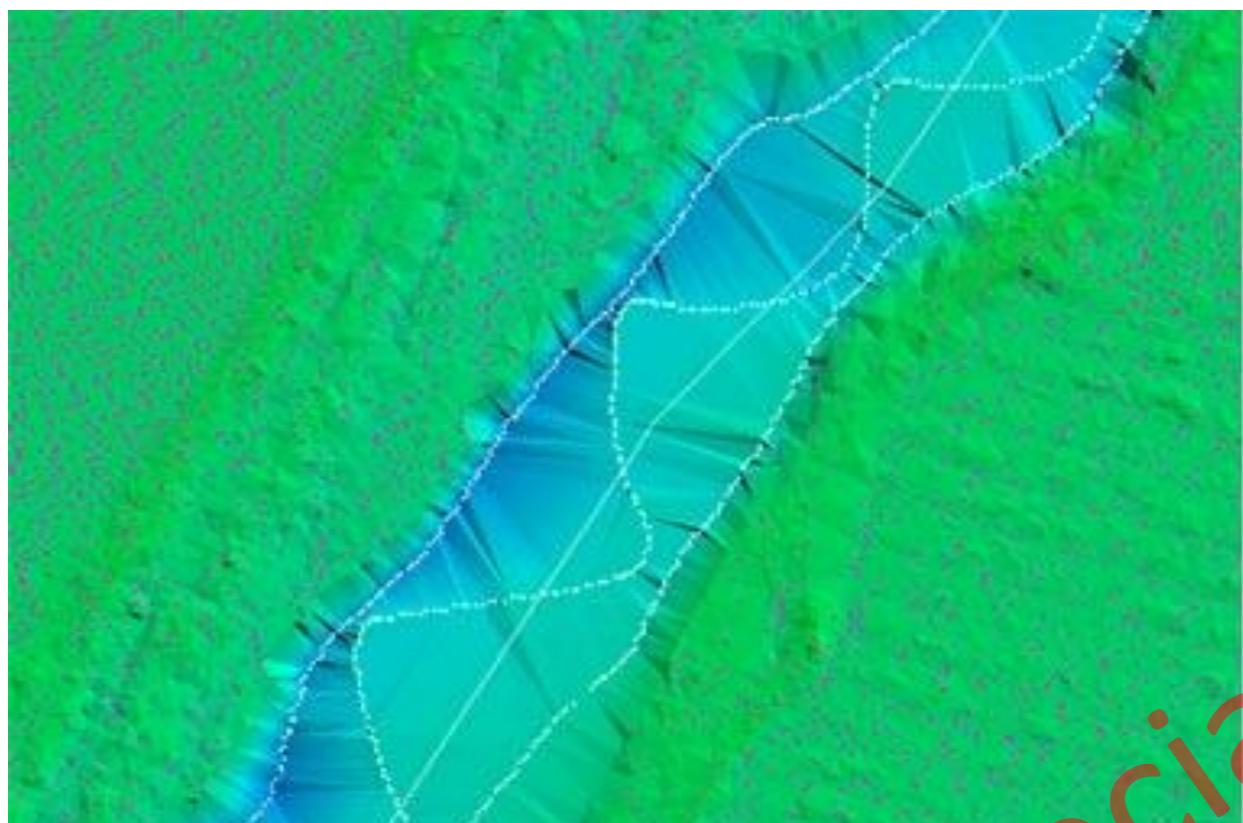
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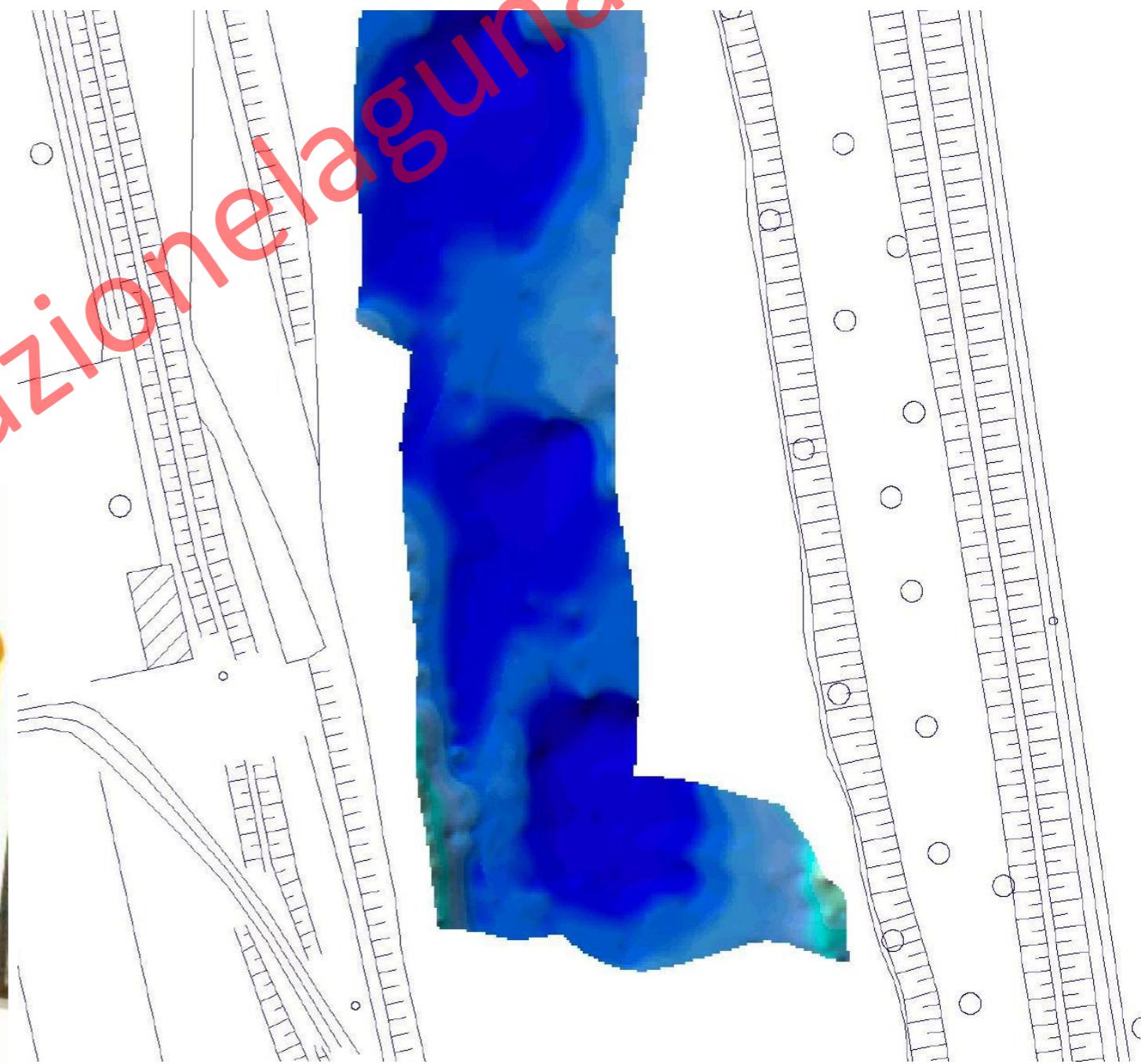
# Planned field activities



# Planned field activities - Methods



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# Planned field activities - Methods

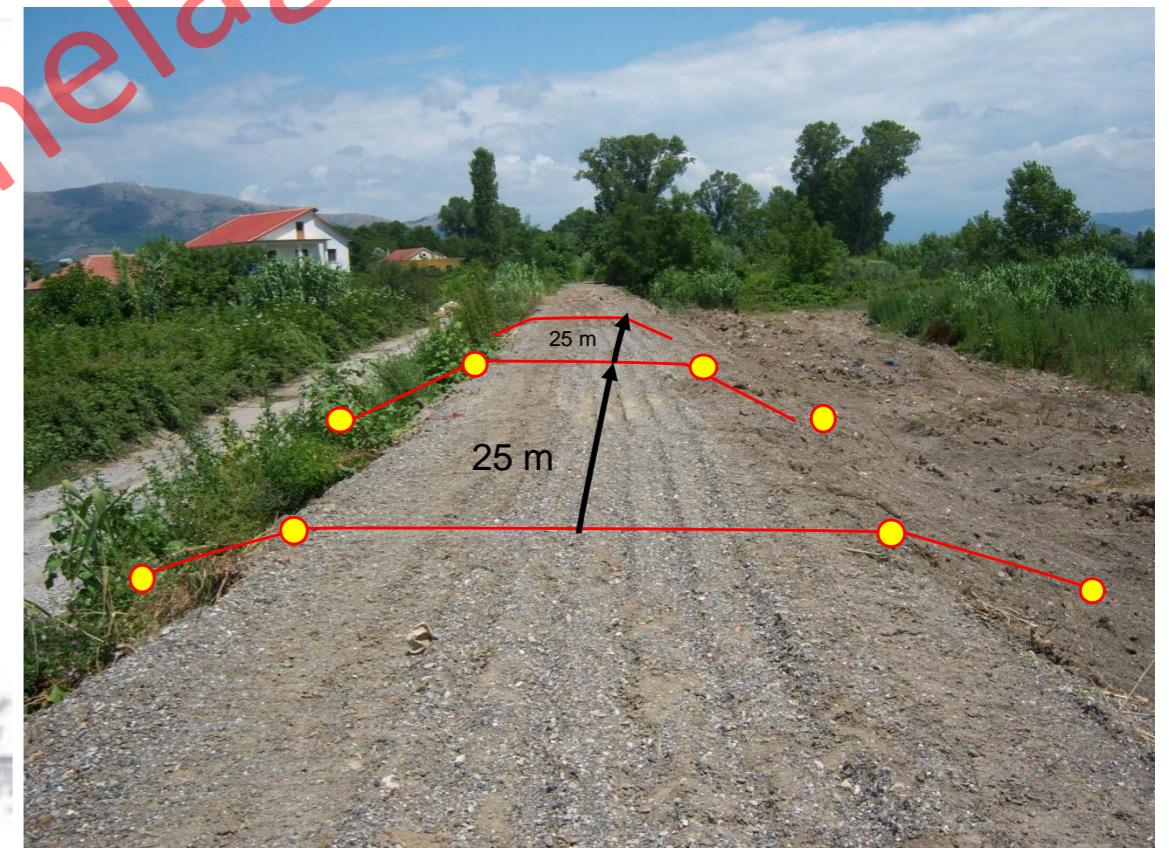
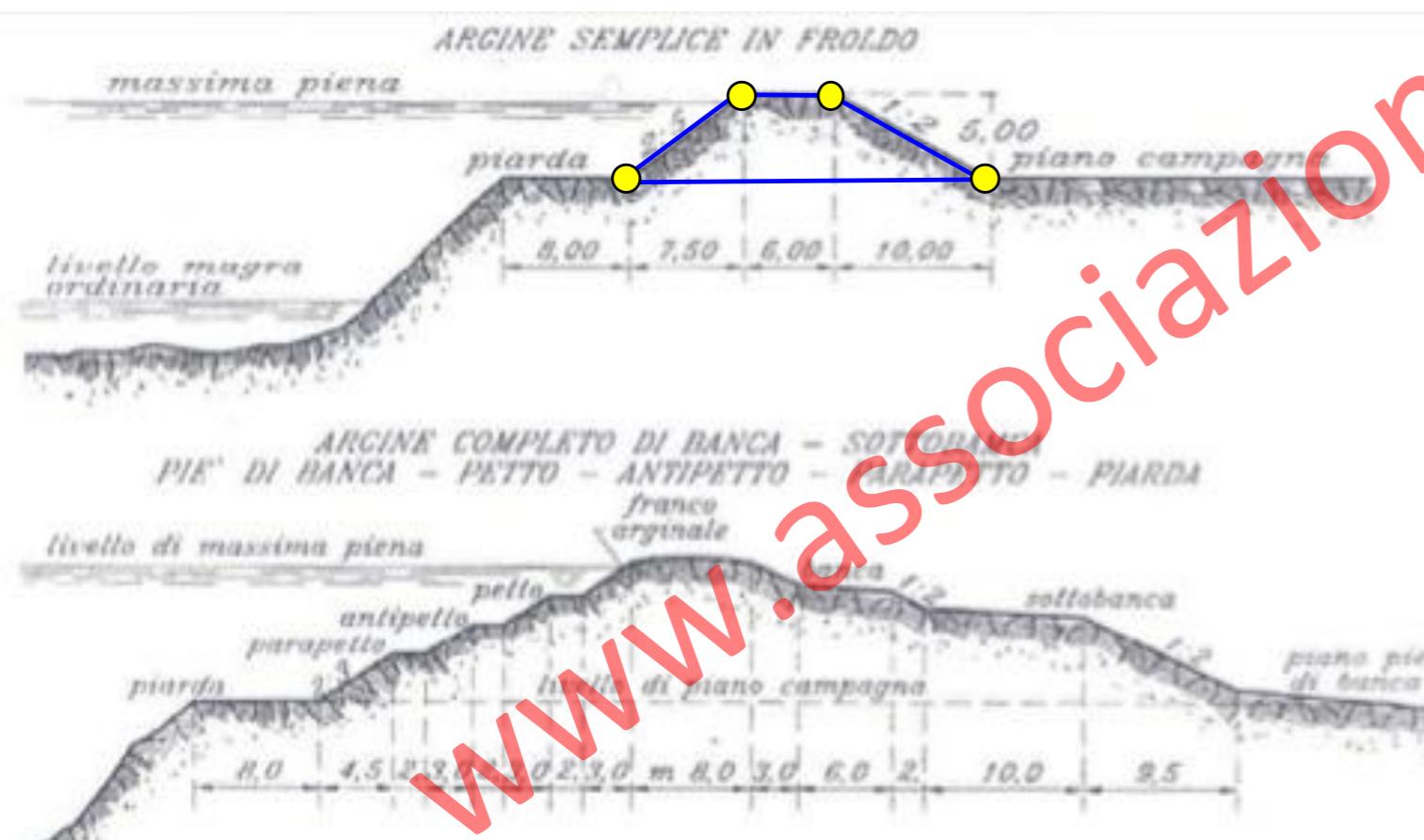
## GPS – Banks and levees survey



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# Planned field activities - Methods

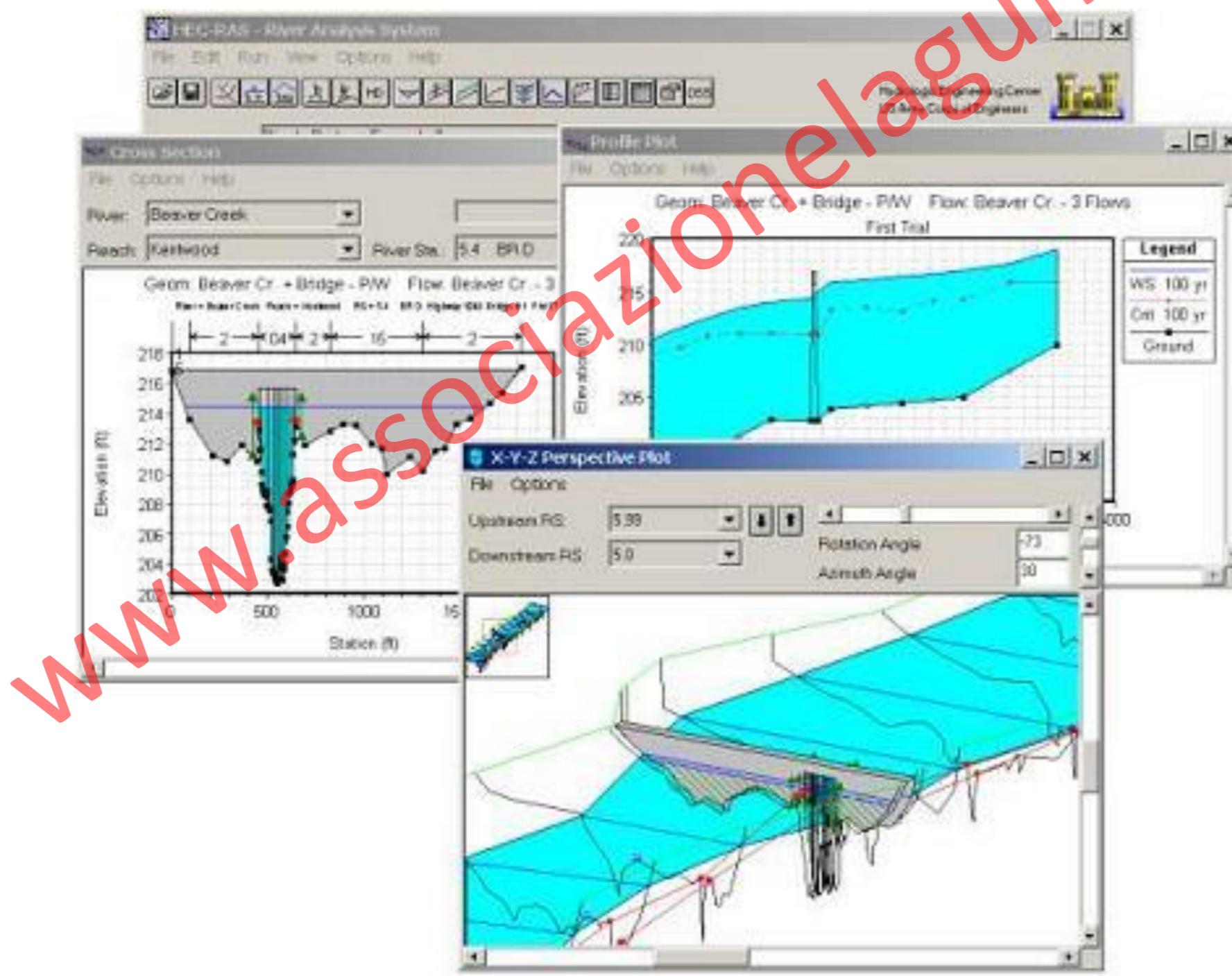
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# Planned field activities - Methods

Flood areas modeling  
Hec – RAS software



# Other hazards

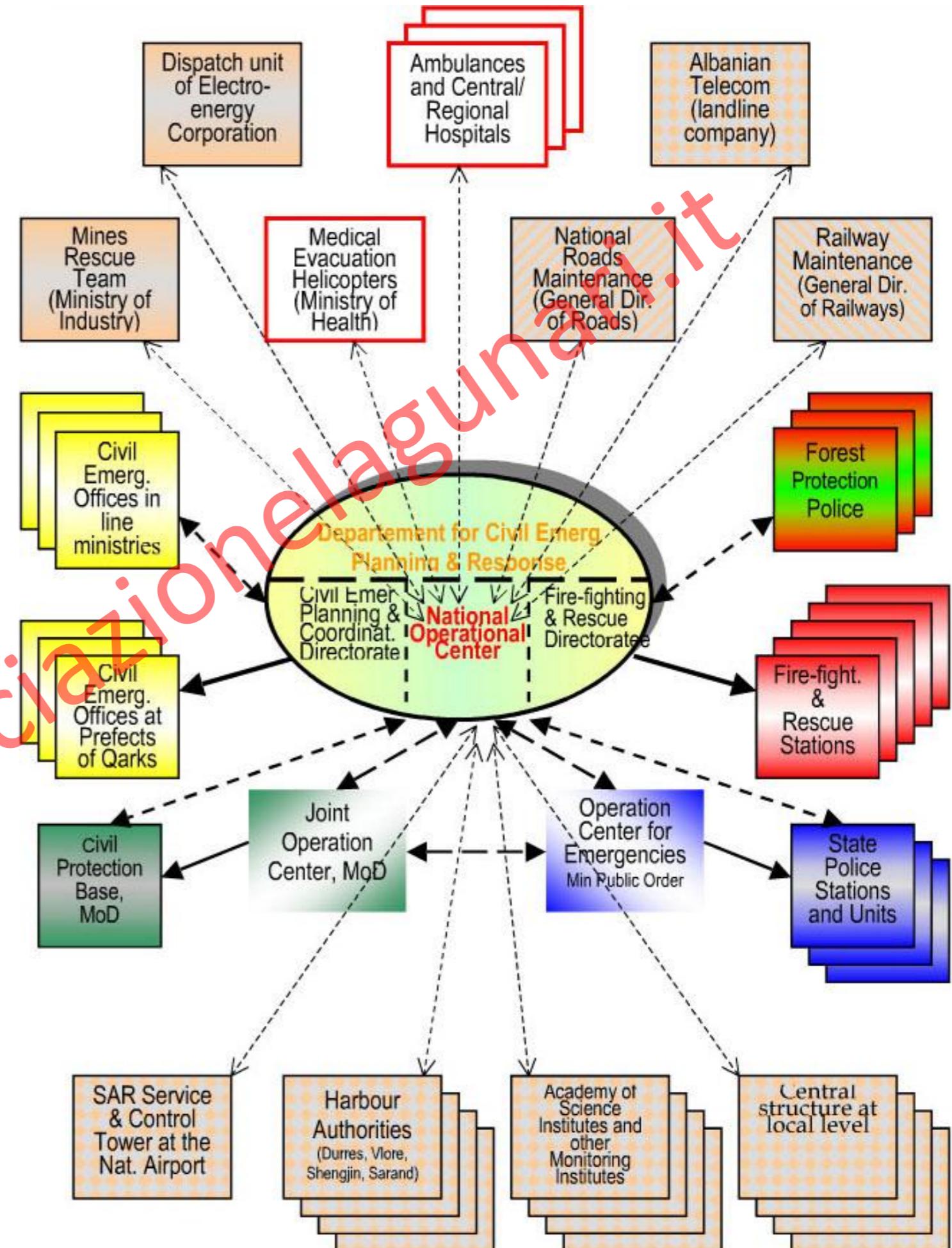
- **Soil erosion:** mainly due to uncontrolled land use; 3.6% of arable land lost every year (Hoti & Axhemi, 2003)
- **Landslides:** 45 massive landslides in the period 2003-2006 (Kapllani, 2006); 30% of the Country vulnerable to unstable slopes along roads
- **Avalanches:** favoured by morphologic and topographic conditions of Albania. A major event every 10 years (Hoti & Axhemi, 2003)

# Countermeasures: what has been done

- **Earthquakes:** dynamic anti-seismic building regulations since 1963; harmonization of seismic hazard maps to meet European standards since 2007; seismic zonation maps
- **Floods:** structural measures (construction of new dams), non-structural measures (flood-mapping)
- **General countermeasures:** Creation of the Department of Civil Emergency Planning and Response since 2001 (Ministry of Local Government and Decentralization)

# Department of Civil Emergency Planning and Response

Albanian Government (2004)



# Countermeasures: what has to be done

- **Earthquakes:** environmental planning
- **Floods:** improve drainage system, better land use, construction and maintenance of dams and defensive systems
- **General countermeasures:** improve warning systems, land use planning, enhance human resources capacities through training programs

# Training and education

1. Information and setting up of Civil Protection Volunteer Teams
2. Enhancement of risk perception for the representatives and technicians of local communities, through training courses and auto-evaluation modules
3. Dissemination to citizenship by Volunteer Teams
4. Definition of a City Emergency Plan
5. Dissemination of the City Emergency Plan
6. Civil Protection Exercise and Simulation in Dajç
7. Civil Protection Exercise and Simulation: discussion and dissemination in Skhoder

# Example of auto-evaluation modules



## Questionnaire used to define the possible levels of landslide risk at a community scale (10 -100 km<sup>2</sup>)

### Introduction and methodology

This questionnaire is based on a qualitative approach concerning the principal factors that compose the definition of landslide risk. It should be noted that it can not be used within any form of territorial planning or any other didactic or formative experimentation. Every question is finalized to identify one or more aspects connected with the evaluation of the parameters that contribute to the definition of total risk (hazard, vulnerability and exposure). A series of scores are associated with the various answers that, following some simple arithmetic, provides an overall total, which may then be allocated to one of the four classes of landslide risk. The answers to the questions in sections B, N and O concur to quantify a correction parameter to the overall score derived from the answers to the other sections. This is to ensure a meaningful estimate of the importance of the morphological conditions of the territory and the eventual presence of recognized landslide phenomena or possible indications of instability.

### Instructions

Following the Start sheet, the questionnaire begins with Section A and finishes with Section O. Each section corresponds to a separate worksheet and contains from one to five questions.

The questionnaire is a series of multiple choice questions each with three options. The choice must be indicated with an 'x' in the orange box to the left of the chosen response (it is recommended not to use any other characters or symbols). Each answer corresponds to a score in order to carry out the test: it is recommended that the questionnaire is executed in the succession given. The questions are qualitative and the answers may not be accurate to single cases: however, the recipient of the questionnaire is invited to supply an answer, opting for the closest choice to the real conditions.

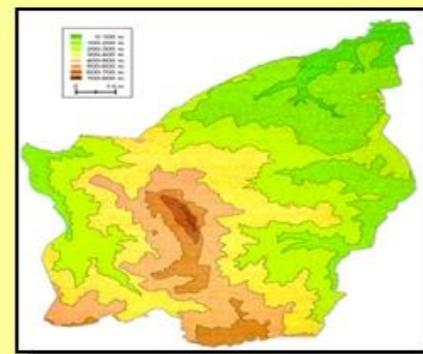
Each section has an image (purely iconographic) to aid the explanation of all the questions in that section. In order to consult a question further and read additional notes it is necessary to click on the red triangle. At the end of the questionnaire one can consult and print a summary sheet, which supplies all the answers and their scores with subtotals that will produce the final total and identify the associated level of landslide risk with the territory under examination.

# Example of auto-evaluation modules

Question B.1 - The local territory is:

- Mostly flat (elevation ~ 0-100 m) [Go to question B.2](#)
- Mostly hilly (elevation ~ 100-600 m) [Go to question B.3](#)
- Mostly mountainous (elevation ~ 600 m) [Go to question B.4](#)

[Information for questions in Section B](#)



Question B.2 - The percentage of flat terrain is approximately:

- More than 80% [Go to question C.1](#)
- Between 60 and 80% [Go to question C.1](#)
- Between 40 and 60% [Go to question C.1](#)

[Information for questions in Section B](#)



Question B.3 - The area that is not hilly is largely:

- Mountainous [Go to question C.1](#)
- Flat [Go to question C.1](#)
- The area is mostly hilly OR all 3 terrain types are equally present [Go to question C.1](#)

[Information for questions in Section B](#)



is crossed by:

[Go to question J.2](#)

[Go to question J.2](#)

[Go to question J.2](#)

[Information for questions in Section J](#)



the local territory have sections with curves or

[Go to question J.3](#)

[Go to question J.3](#)

[Go to question J.3](#)

[Information for questions in Section J](#)



Question J.3 - The development of the secondary roads is:

- Limited or modest [Go to question J.4](#)
- Medium [Go to question J.4](#)
- High [Go to question J.4](#)

[Information for questions in Section J](#)



# Example of auto-evaluation modules

## Questionnaire used to define the possible levels of seismic risk at a community scale

Author: Università di Firenze, Dip. Scienze della Terra ([www.geo.unifi.it](http://www.geo.unifi.it)) - Project: EU-RINATECH

### INSTRUCTIONS

This questionnaire is based on a qualitative approach concerning the principal factors that compose the definition of seismic risk. It should be noted that it can not be used within any form of territorial planning or any other didactic or formative experimentation. Every question is finalized to identify one or more aspects connected with the evaluation of the parameters that contribute to the definition of total risk (hazard, vulnerability and exposure). The questionnaire is composed by ten multiple choice questions each with three or five options: the choice must be indicated typing in the orange box the corresponding letter (from a to e - typing a valid answer the score substitutes the message "Invalid answer"). At the end, the overall score defines the corresponding risk level in a scale of five.

### Question 1

**Do you remember any earthquakes in your area?**

#### Answers

- A Yes, the last one less than 5 years ago
- B Yes, the last one between 5 and 20 years ago
- C Yes, the last one between 20 and 50 years ago
- D Yes, but more than 50 years ago
- E Not within living memory

Your answer B 10

### Question 2

**In your area, are there hilltop villages or towns built on mountain ridges?**

#### Answers

- A Yes, the main town and/or other important towns
- B Yes, but only a few small villages
- C No

Your answer A 2

### Question 3

**Is your territory at the foot of a mountain chain or does it include some valley bottom areas?**

#### Answers

- A Yes, the area is totally/partly piedmont and/or in a wide fluvial/lacustrine basin and the mountains are nearby (i.e. always visible)
- B Yes, but only a small part of the area has these characteristics and/or the mountains are distant (i.e. visible only on clear days)
- C No (for instance the area is mostly hilly or mountainous)

Your answer C 1

### Question 4

**When were most of the houses in your area built ?**

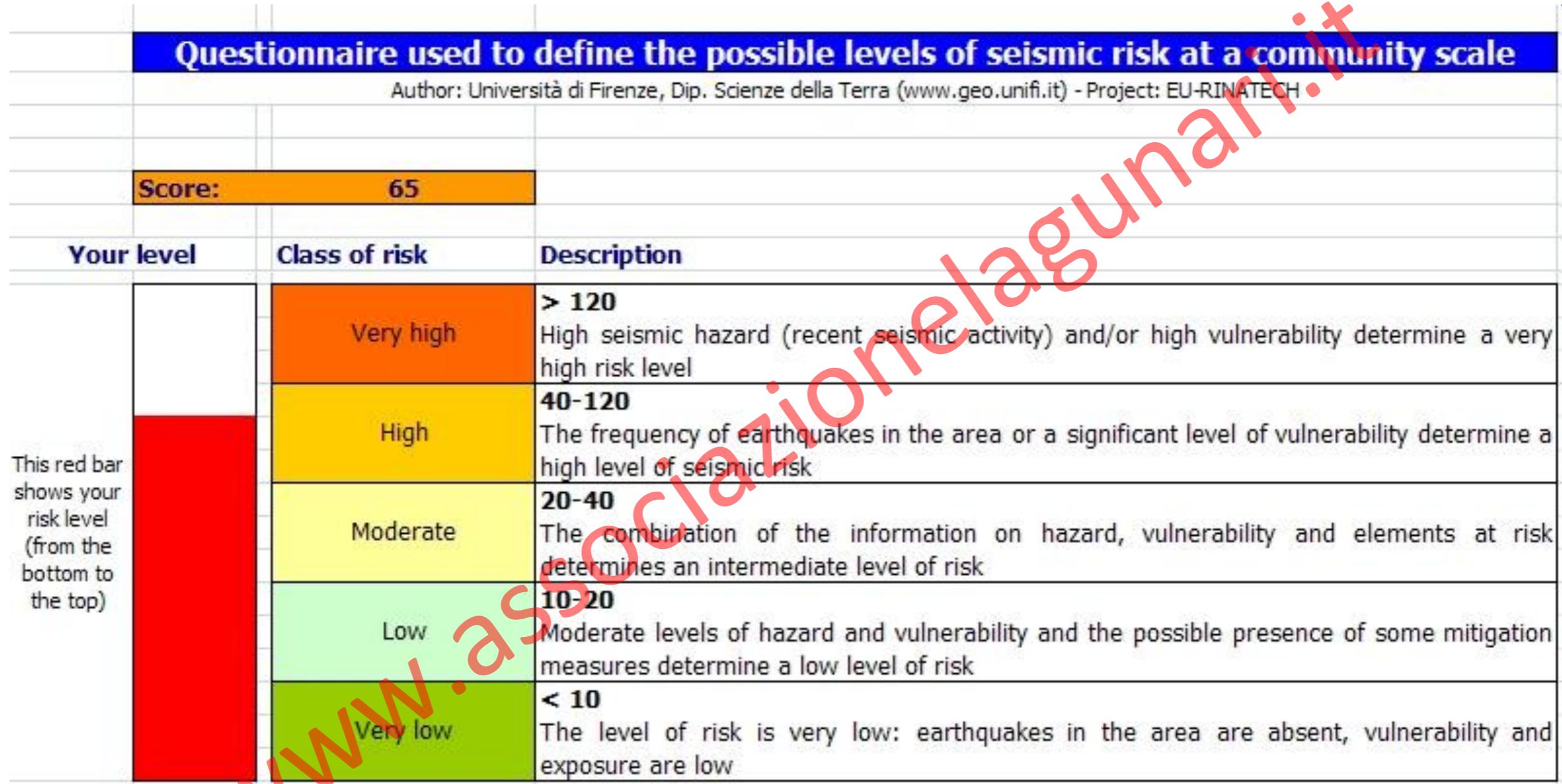
#### Answers

- A Before 1960
- B 1960-1980
- C After 1980

Your answer B 1,5

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# Example of auto-evaluation modules



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