



# Disaster Risk Management

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Japan  
Fund for  
Poverty  
Reduction



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RESILIENCE  
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Catalyzing Innovations and Digitization for  
Safe, Sustainable, Resilient, and Inclusive Water Management

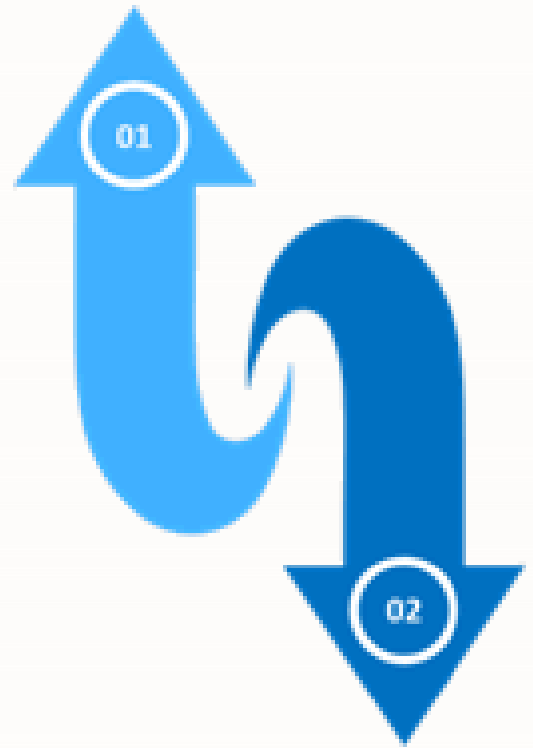
# HKV, knowledge entrepreneurs in flood risk and water resources management

- Independent consultancy firm
- 73 employees, based in the Netherlands
- Specialized in:
  - Risk and Disaster Management
  - Integrated Water Resource Management
  - Rivers, Coasts and Deltas
  - Flood defences
  - Monitoring
  - Plastics
  - Flood Early Warning System
- 10% of budget spent on research & development



# Specialists with research & products on multiple scales

- Continent scale
- Country scale
- Catchment scale
- City scale
- Neighborhood scale
- Drain scale

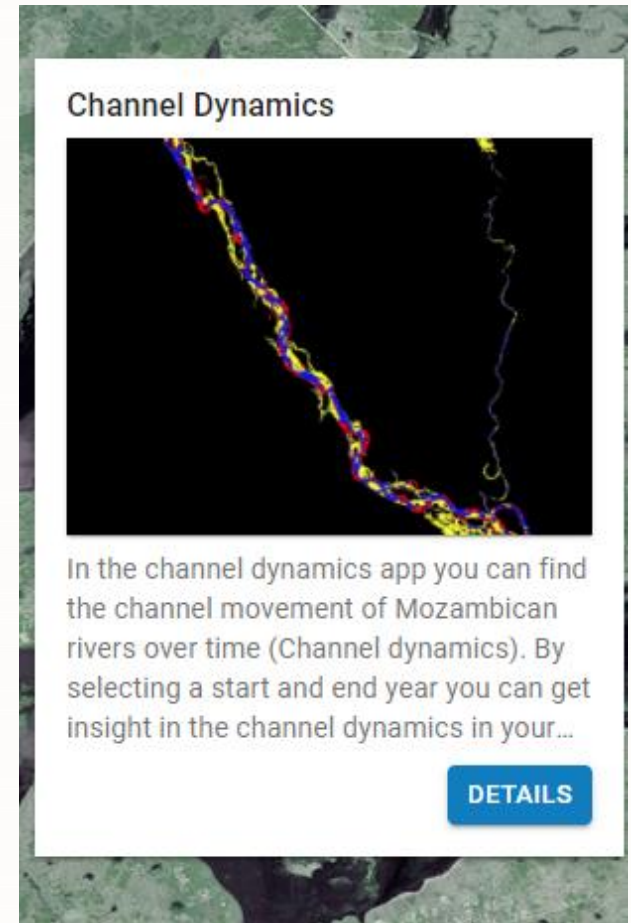


# HydroPC – HYDRORological forecasting using Publicly available data and free Cloud-based technologies

- Data technologies to support water and disaster risk management in Mozambique
- Google Earth Engine
- Country or Continent scale
- From past to present
- <https://dmmangrove.hkvservices.nl/hydropc/>

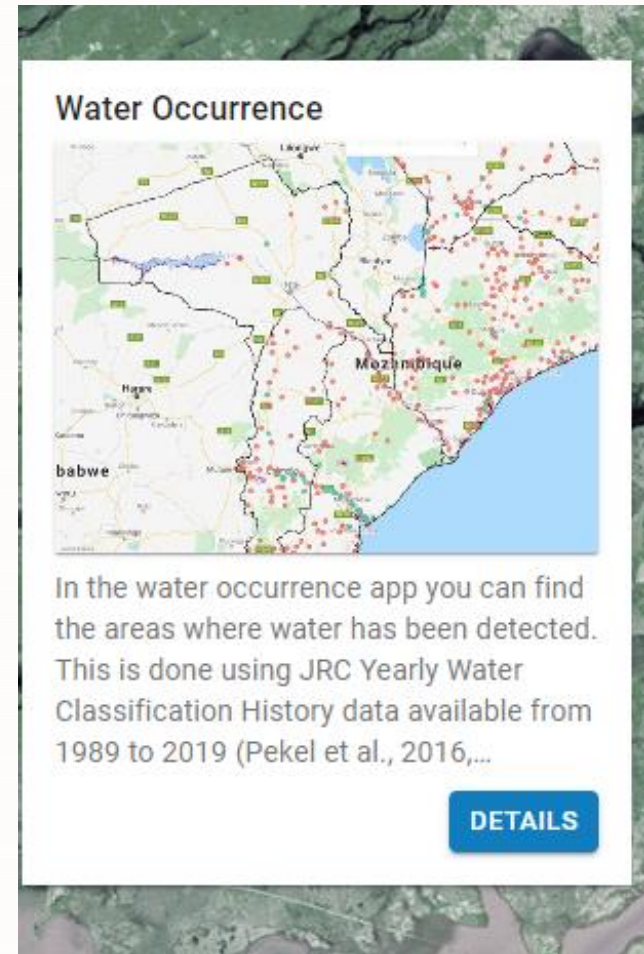
# Channel dynamics

- Movement of the river since ~ 1985
- Which parts of the river are dynamic and which parts are not?
- Important for infrastructure



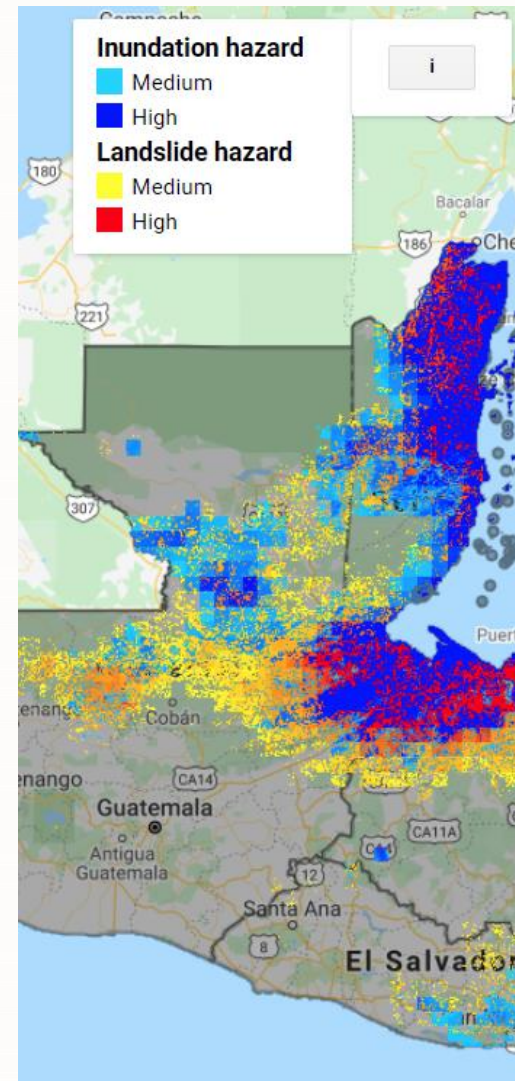
# Water occurrence

- Planning of facilities
- When disaster hits, which facilities are most likely to flood based on previous experiences



# Remote Disaster Surge Support

- Countries can request the Netherlands to give Disaster Surge Support
- Country and Continent Scale
- From present to Future
- Satellite information – Google Earth Engine
- Example: Guatemala, hurricane Iota
- Landslide & Flood risk
- <https://hkvgee.users.earthengine.app/view/landslide-and-inundation-hazard>





# Rainsat

## rainfall observations and nowcasts

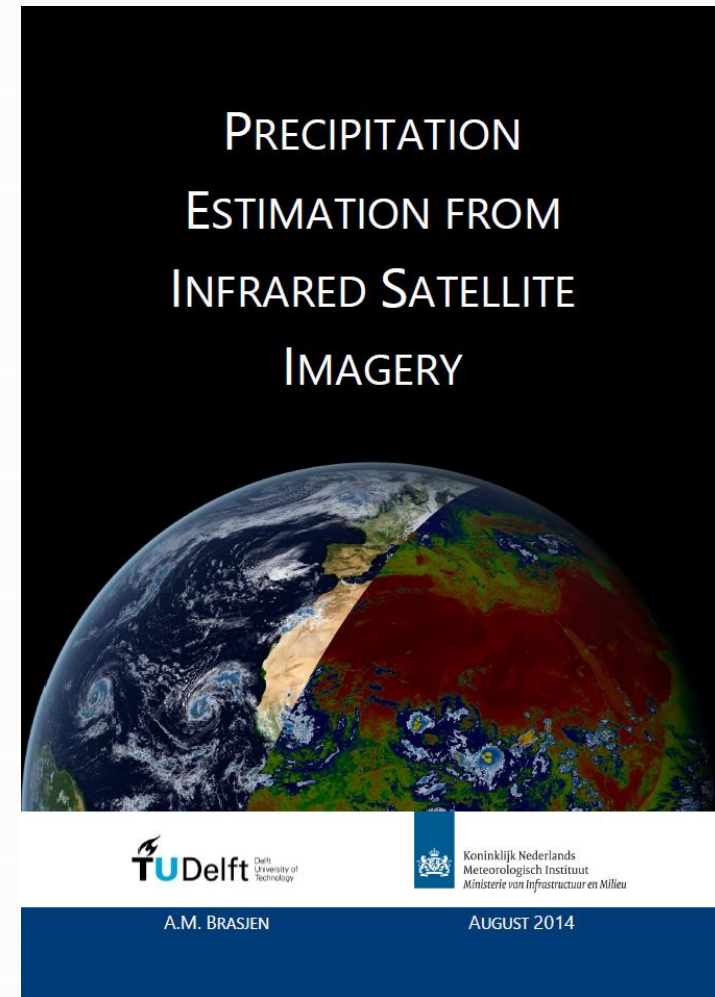


# Meteosat to precipitation estimates

Algorithm : NIPE  
*Nighttime Infrared  
Precipitation Estimation*

By KNMI/TU Delft  
(Brasjen, A.M., et al., 2014)

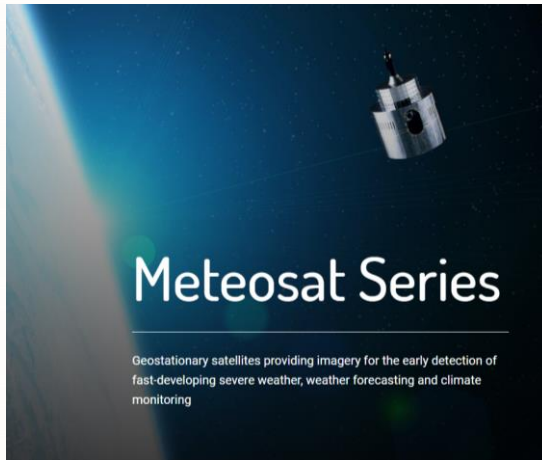
LEAP-AGRI WAGRINNOVA:  
Calibration on GPM



# Meteosat Second Generation vs. GPM

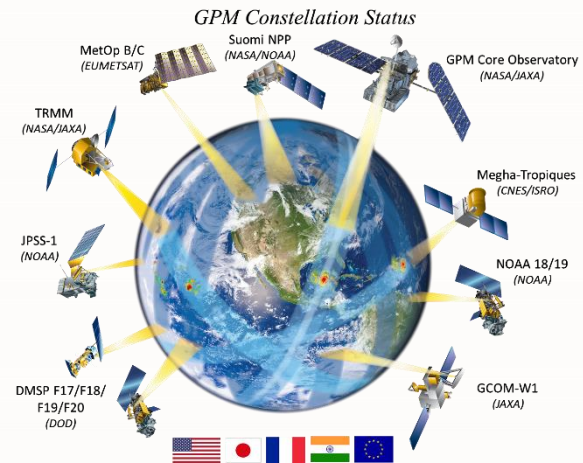
## Meteosat (MSG)

- **Region:** Africa and Europa
- **Latency:** 45 min.
- **Temp. res.:** 15 min.
- **Spat. res.:**  $\sim 3 \times 3$  km



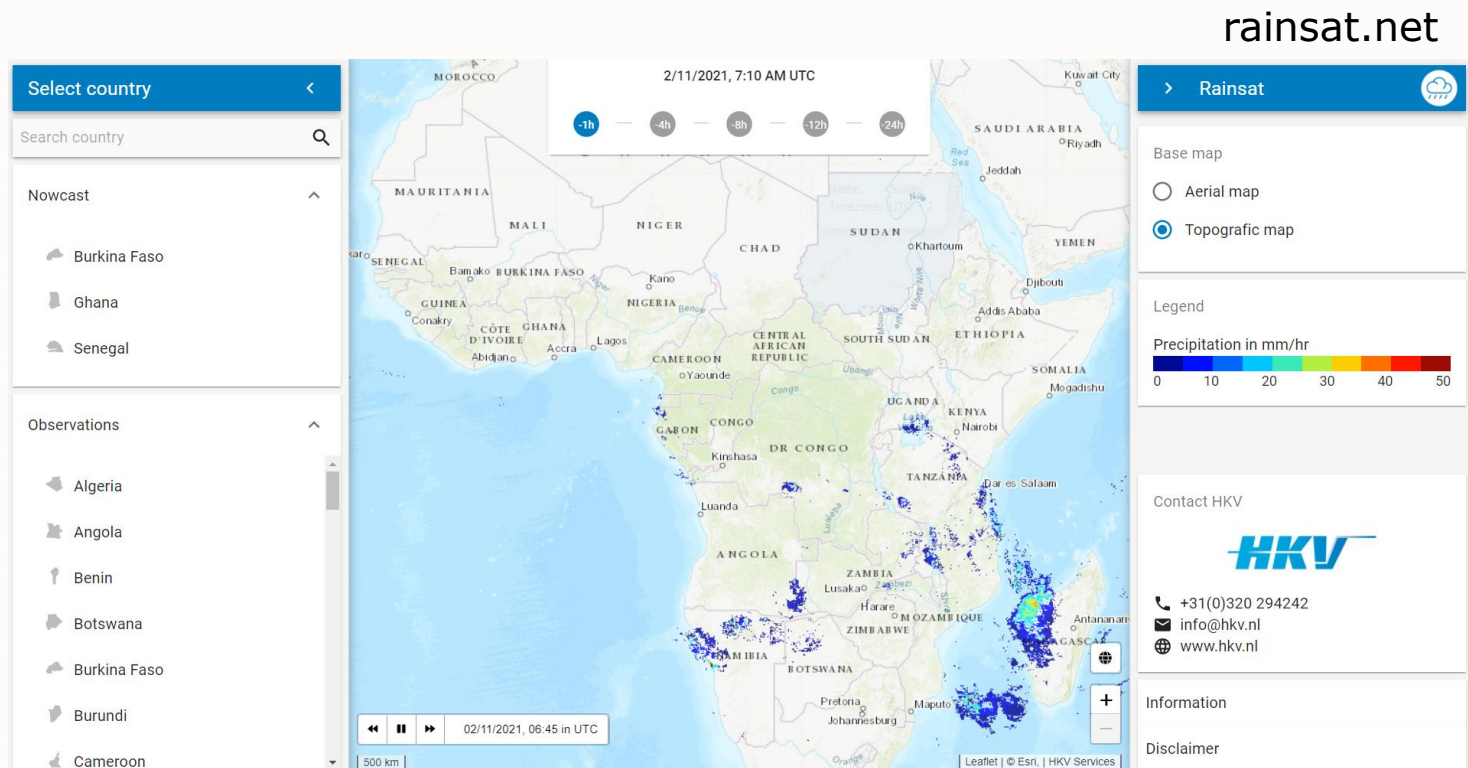
## GPM

- **Region:** Global
- **Latency:** some hours
- **Temp. res.:** 30 min.
- **Spat. res.:**  $\sim 10 \times 10$  km

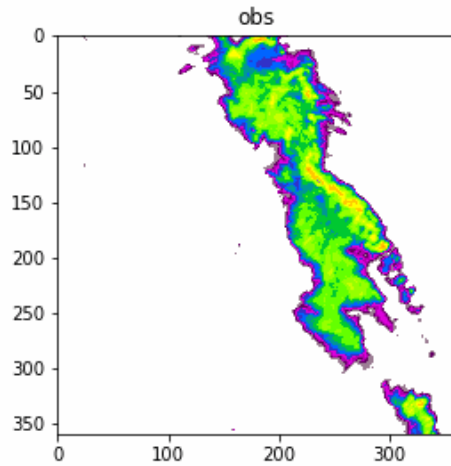


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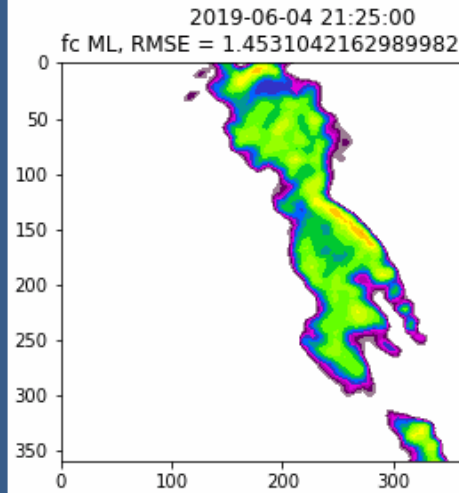
- Website and app (rainsat.net)
- **Real-time rainfall** estimates for entire continent Africa
- **Nowcast** (3-hour forecast) for Ghana/Senegal and Burkina Faso



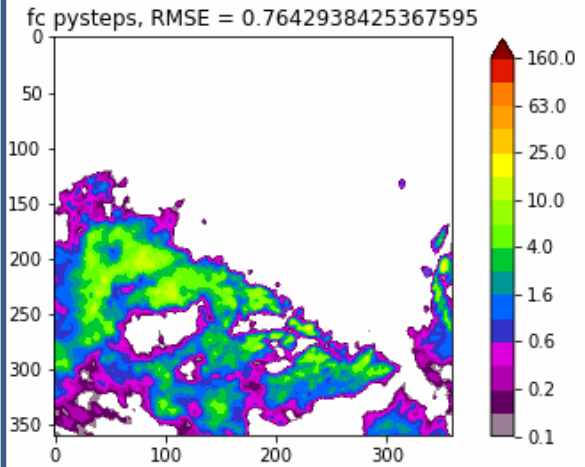
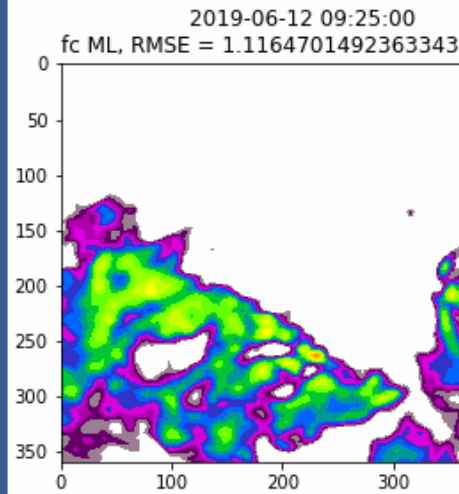
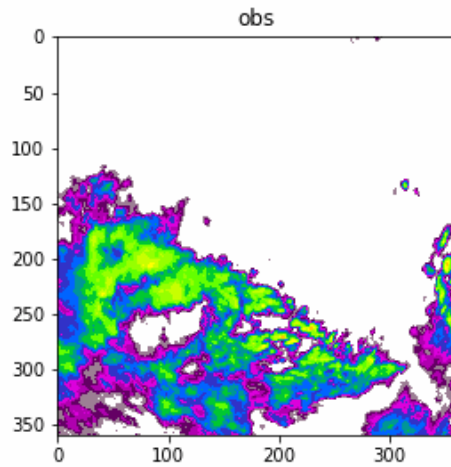
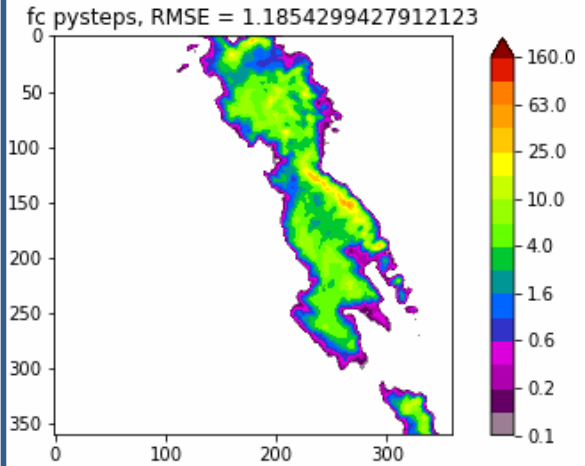
# OBSERVED



# HKV RAINSAT AI



# BENCHMARK



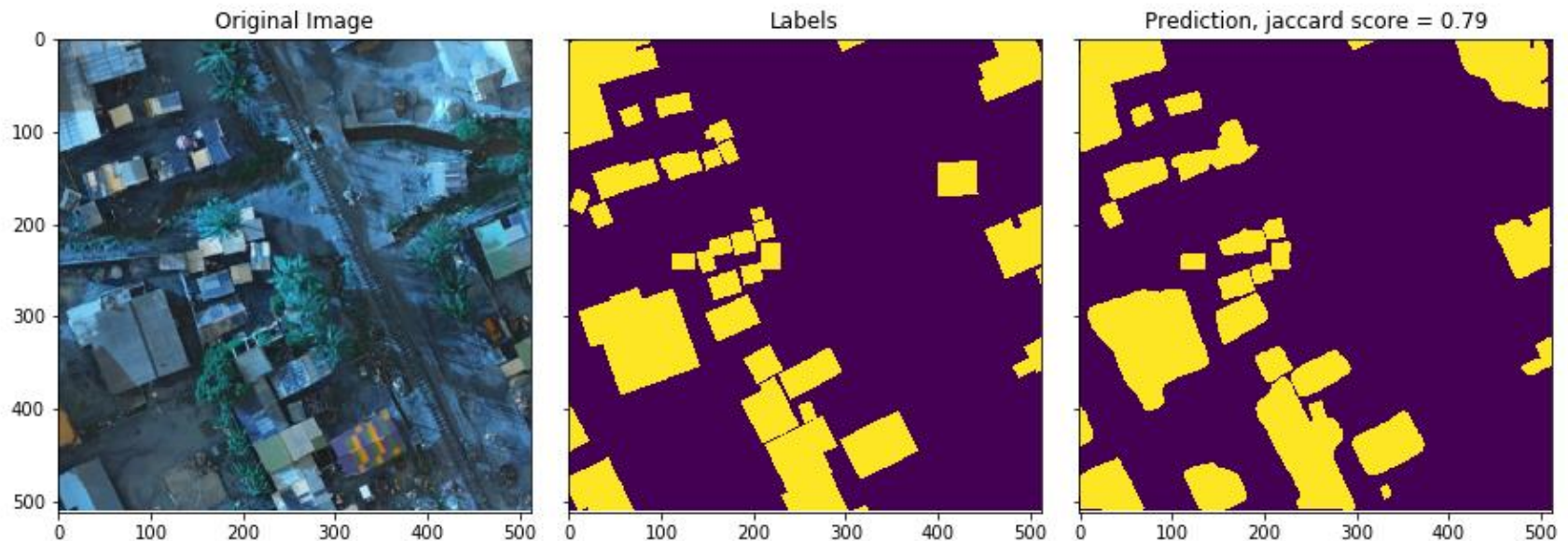
# Rainsat

- In production in continental Africa on using geostationary satellite
- In research in Netherlands using radar imagery
- We now have better nowcasts for tropical showers than benchmark
- **Valuable with increase of extreme precipitation**

**NOWCASTS 4 NEIGHBORHOOD  
FLASH FLOOD WARNINGS**

# From rain in the city to drain in the city

- Participant in challenge WorldBank for object detection
  - Use Artificial Intelligence to detect buildings from high resolution imagery





**IF WE CAN DO IT  
WITH BUILDINGS  
WHY NOT FOR DRAINS  
IN THE CITY ?**

**Support for monitoring and  
maintenance  
Improved hydrological modelling**

# Even more zoomed-in.. Object detection from ground



## OBJECT DETECTION AROUND WATER STREAMS

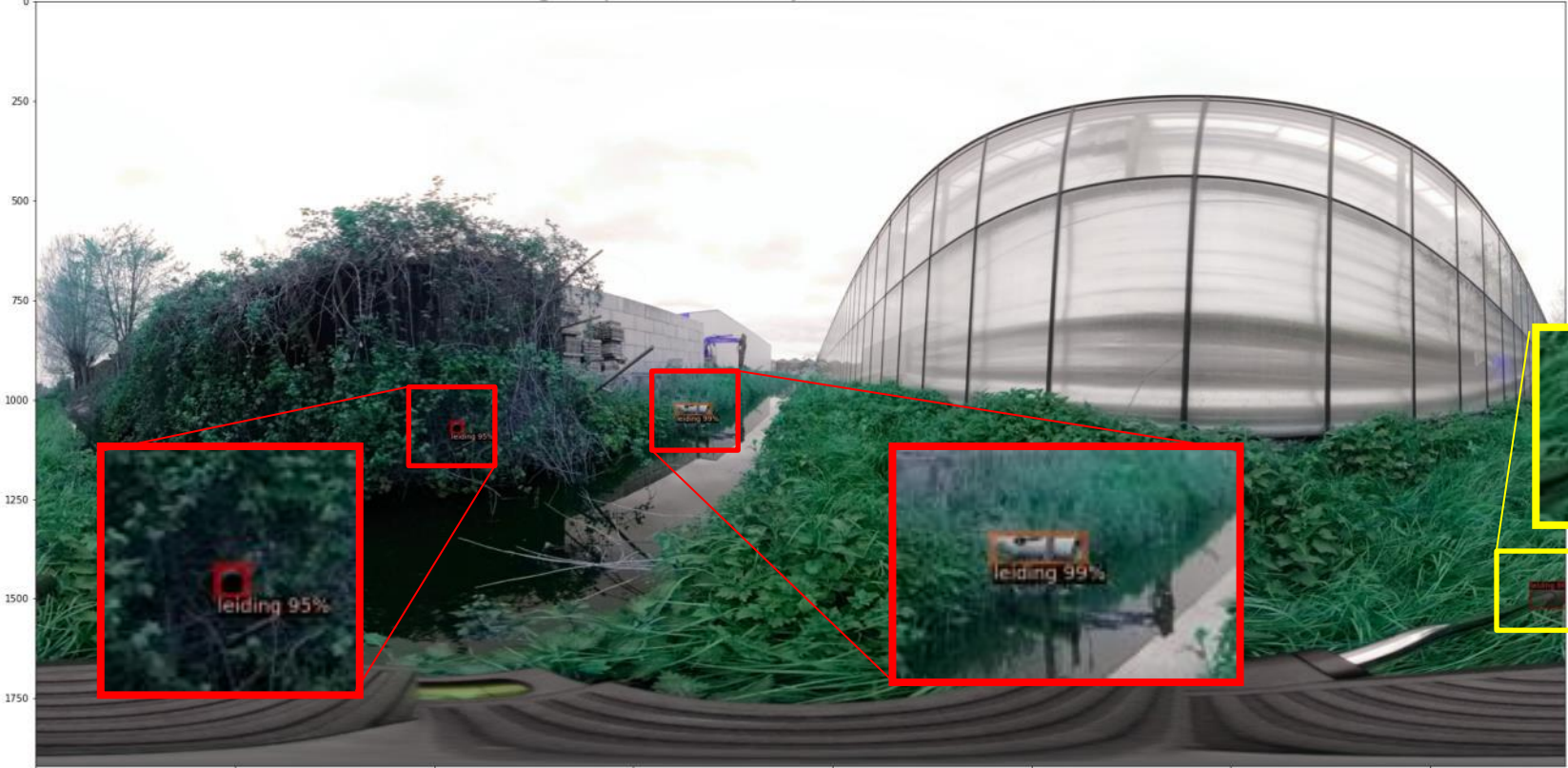


# What are we looking for?



# Incoming pipes

Original prediction: 3 objects (threshold = 80.0%)

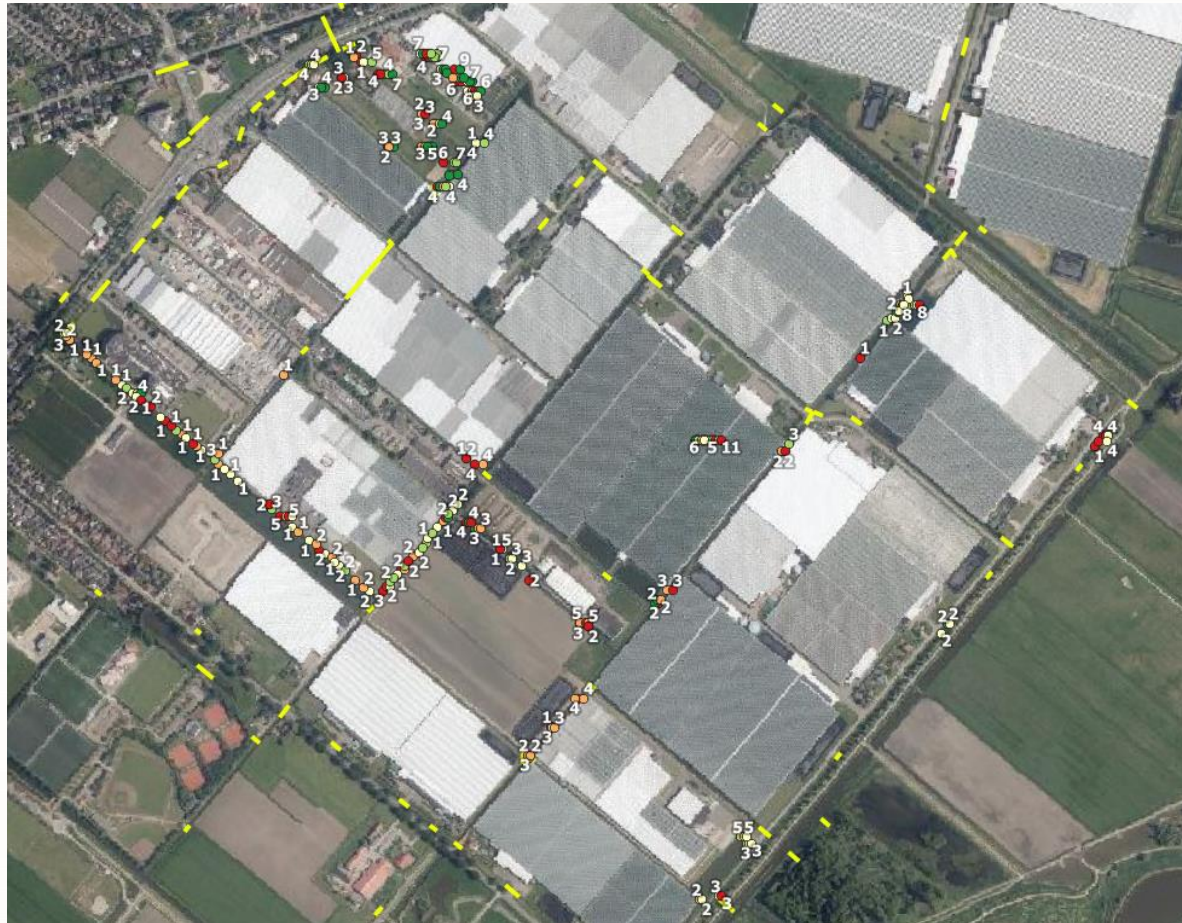


# Divers

Prediction: 2 objects (threshold = 90.0%)



# Overview maps



# HKV Specialists – From RAIN to DRAIN



## Services for

- Flood early warning systems
- Real-time control systems
- Decision support systems
- and Hydrological forecasting.

## In-depth knowledge of

- Hydrology
- Hydraulics
- Morphology
- Mathematics & AI
- Remote sensing
- and IT.