



BigData@JRC

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Established in
1957



3000 staff
Almost 75% are
scientists
and researchers.



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Directorates



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Geel · Belgium



>1000

Publications
per year



Brussels · Belgium



Karlsruhe · Germany



6
Locations
5 Member
States



Seville · Spain



Ispra · Italy

42

Large scale
facilities

JRC's Mission

***As the science and knowledge service
of the Commission our mission is to support
EU policies with independent evidence
throughout the whole policy cycle***



Big data for policy

Exploit data volume, velocity, and variety to generate policy relevant information

Data Volume, Velocity, Variety

Big data

Cross-domains: Earth Observation, in situ, crowd sourcing, social sensing, text data, IoT, web scrapping, ...



- atmosphere
- marine
- land
- climate
- emergency
- security

Indicators



Decisions

directives, regulations, communications, ...

- Using **FAIR** data principles (findable, accessible, interoperable, reusable)
- With data mining competence in shared and collaborative environment
- Relying on reproducible workflows

Policy relevant information

From Baveno to Copernicus and beyond

Global Monitoring for Environmental Security

A Manifesto for a New European Initiative



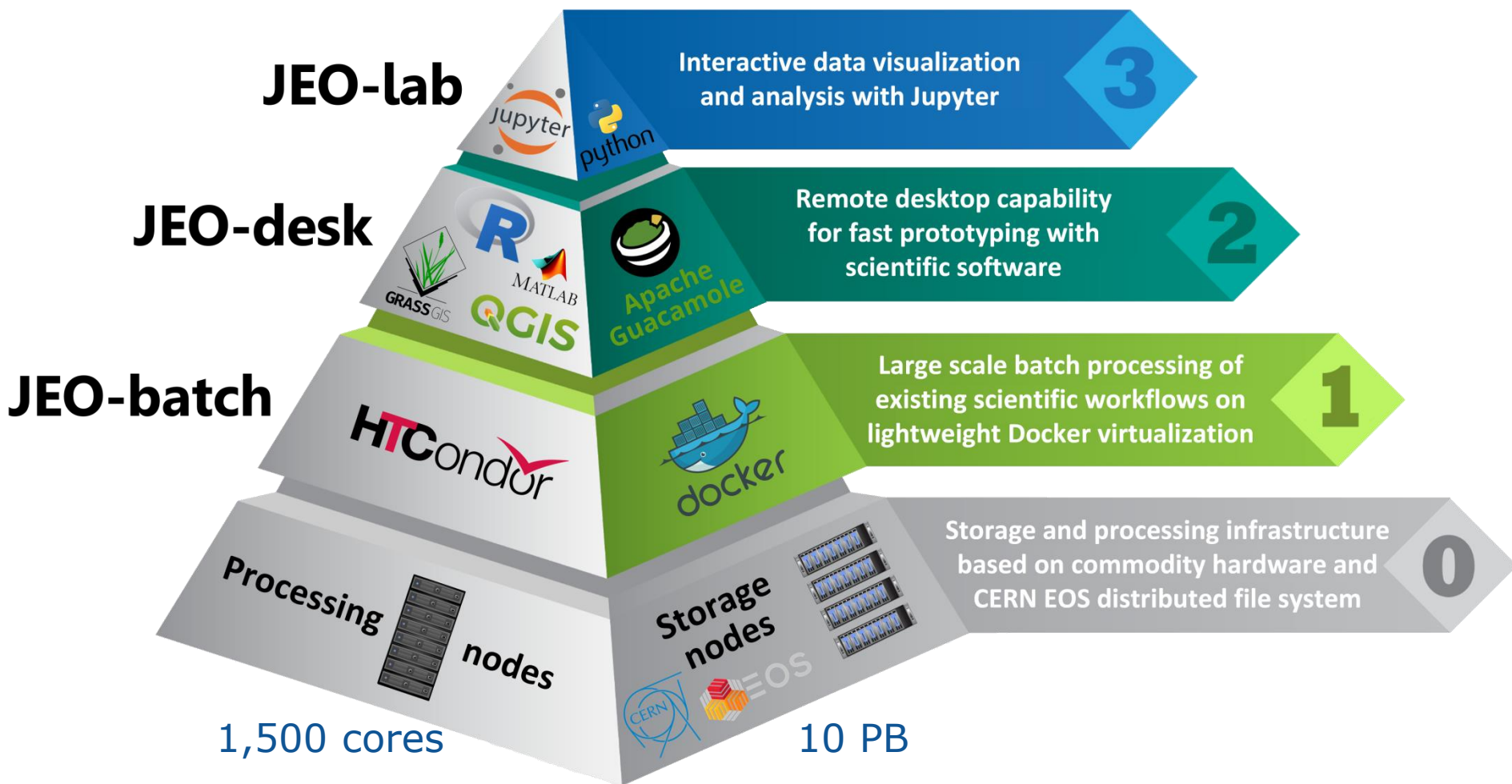
Baveno manifesto 1998

- **2010:** Regulation (EU) No 911/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 September 2010 on the **European Earth monitoring programme (GMES)** and its initial operations (2011 to 2013)
- **2014:** Regulation (EU) No 377/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 3 April 2014 establishing the **Copernicus Programme** and repealing Regulation (EU) No 911/2010
- **2018:** Proposal for a future new EU regulation establishing the space programme of the Union.

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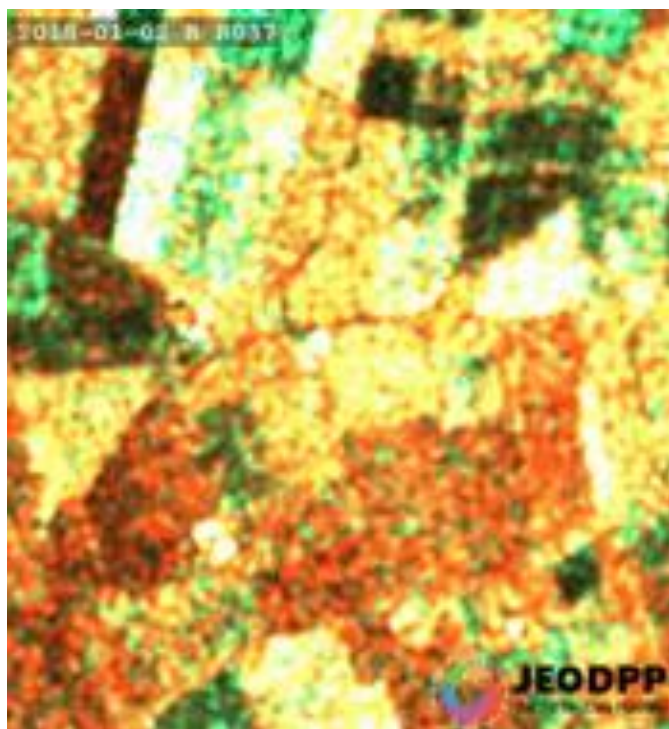


JRC Big Data Platform: Conceptual representation



Dense Sentinel time series

- Analysis ready data for multi-sensor data cubes
- Exploit other data sources for machine learning
- At the basis of new policy relevant indicators



2018 S1-A/B times series
(55 images for R037 descending)



2018 S2-A/B cloud free times series
(31 images for R008 & R051)

Big Data for Policy: The Global Human Settlement Layer



GEO Human Planet Initiative

GEO GROUP ON
EARTH OBSERVATIONS

Big Data for Policy: The Global Human Settlement Layer

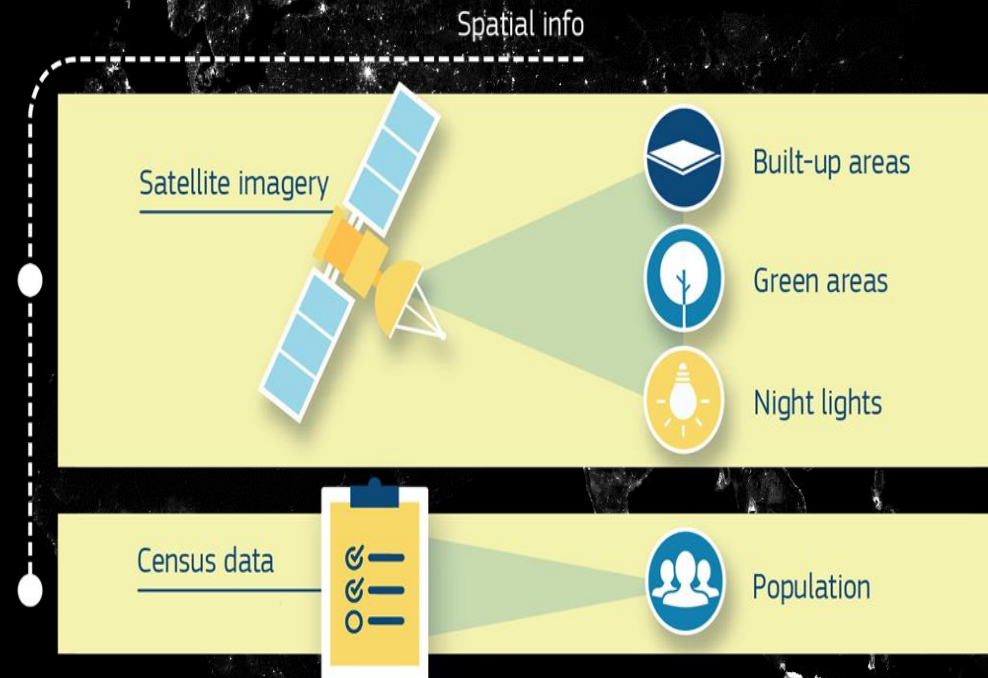
Objective

Produce new evidence for decision making:

- 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (SDGs)
- Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction
- New Urban Agenda

Key requirements for policy support

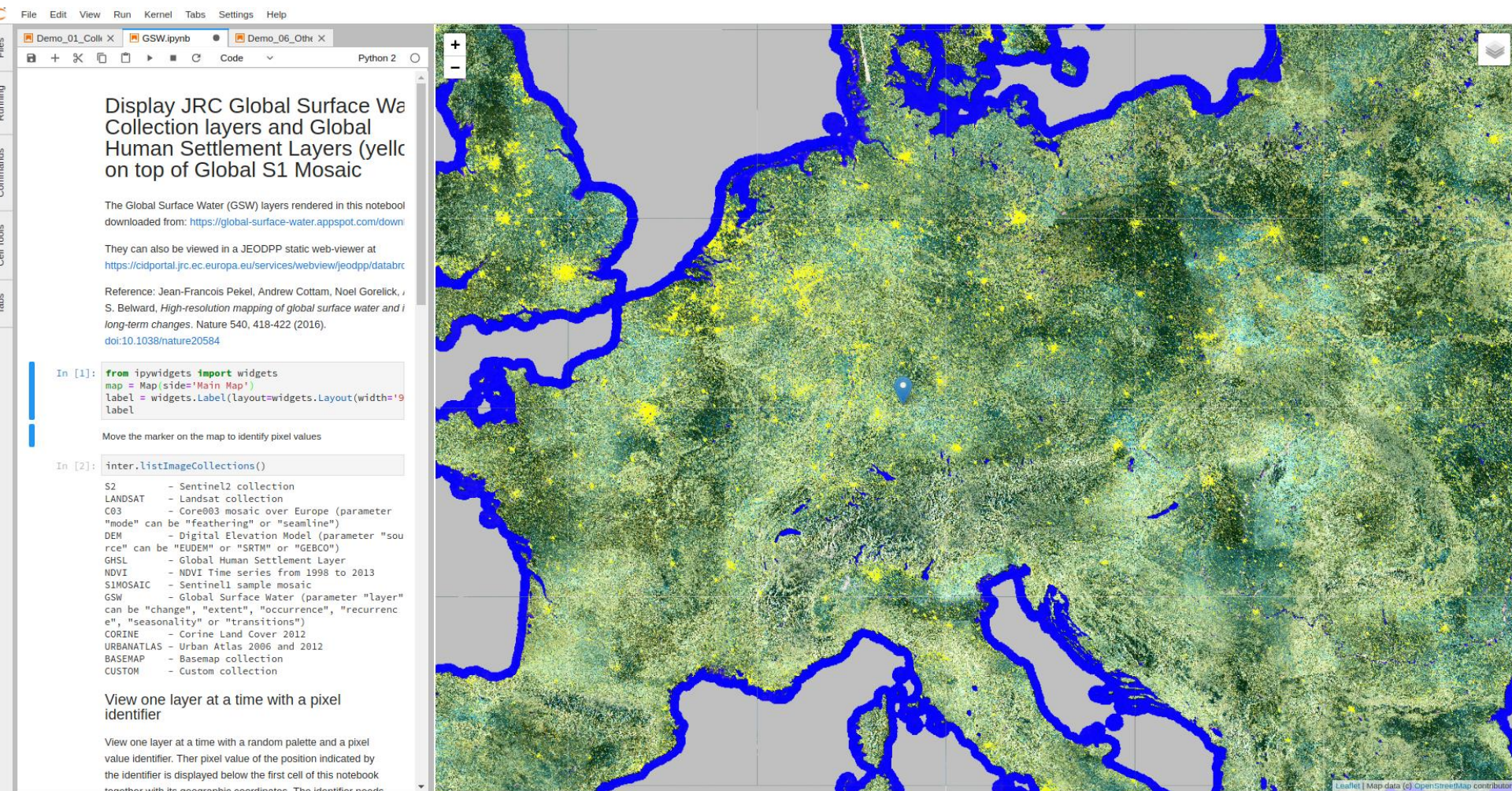
- Reproducible, scientifically sound, synoptic
- Sustainable information production
- Free and open access



<http://ghsl.jrc.ec.europa.eu>

- Facilitate information sharing and collective knowledge building

Global Human Settlement Layer with Global Surface Water Occurrence on top of Global S1 mosaic



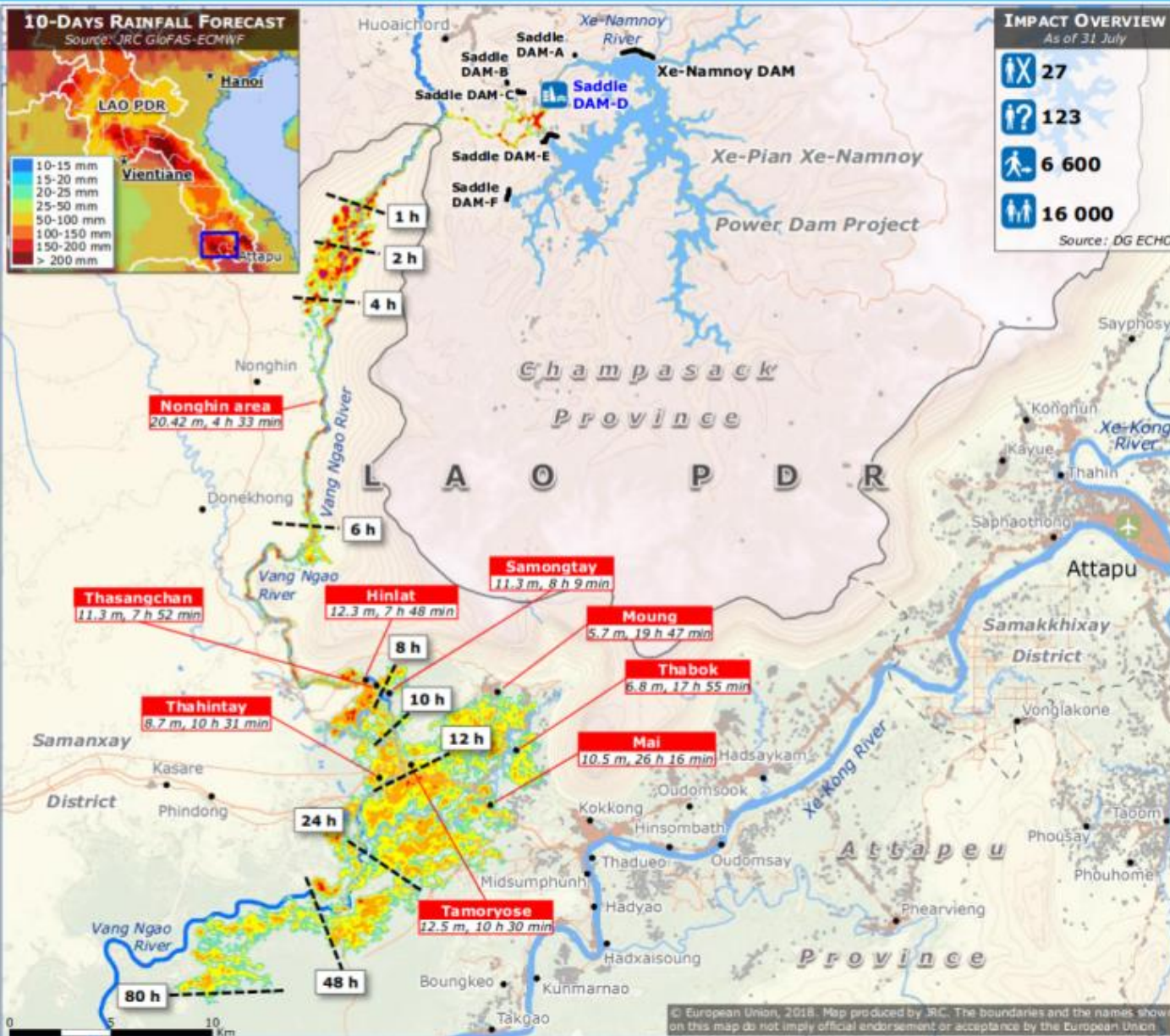
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See also <https://cidportal.jrc.ec.europa.eu/services/webview/jiodpp/databrowser>

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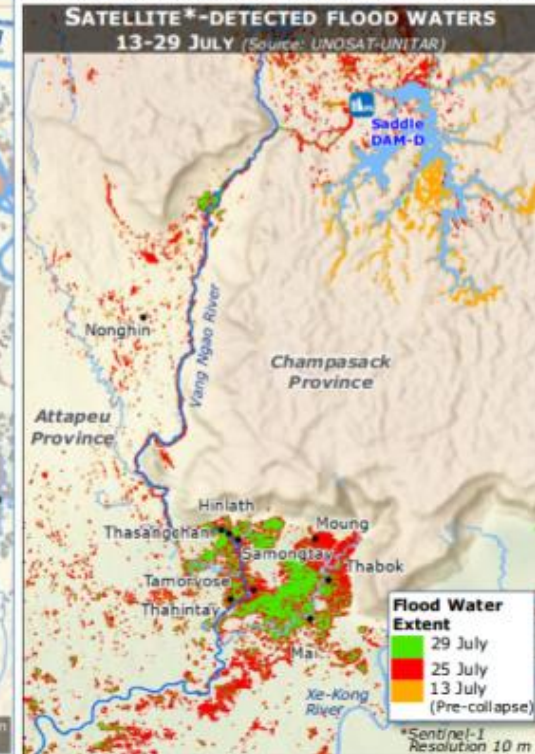
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Lao PDR | Dam collapse – Numerical modelling of the flood wave

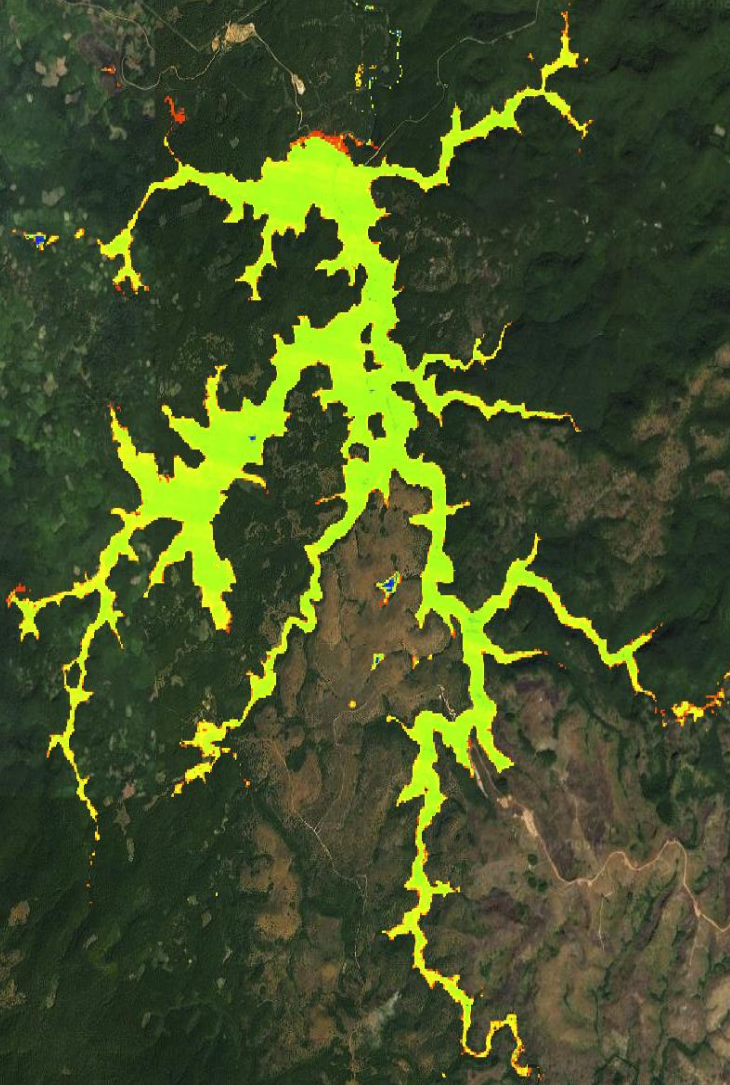


SATELLITE*-DETECTED FLOOD WATERS
13-29 JULY (Source: UNOSAT-UNITAR)

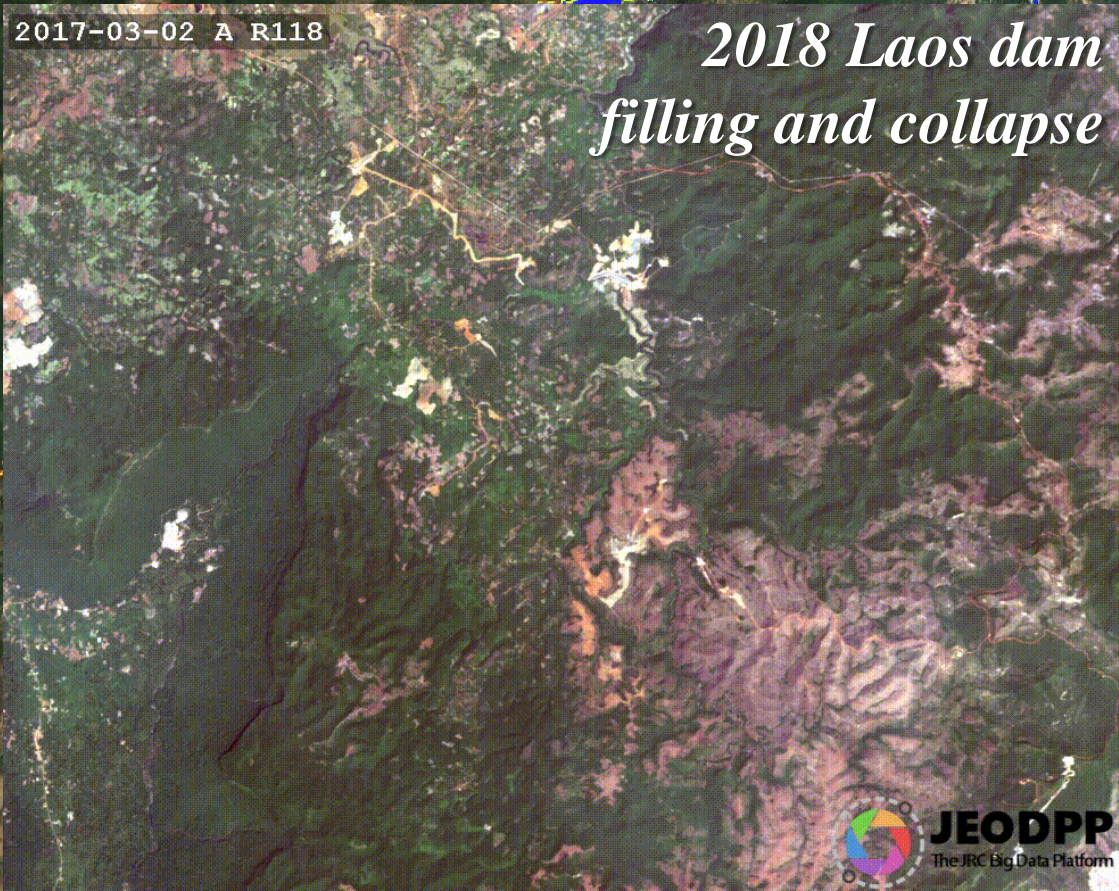
After the collapse on 23 July of the Saddle Dam-D section of the Xepian-Xe Nam Noy hydropower dam, the death toll reached 27 people. The dam break analysis, performed by JRC and shown in the main map, has identified the areas mostly affected and the extent is in good agreement with the analysis performed by UNOSAT using radar satellite data. The JRC analysis has shown that the most affected locations have been hit after about 7 h from the break, with an estimated water height of about 5-10 m. Source: JRC



JRC Global Surface Water Extended: 1984—2018



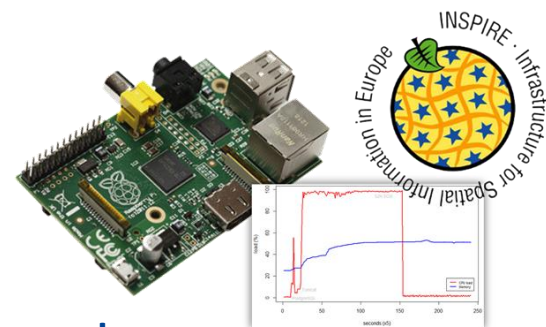
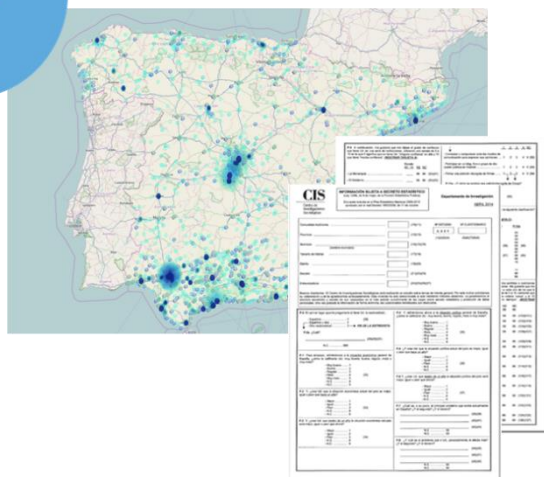
2017-03-02 A R118



*2018 Laos dam
filling and collapse*

Include new data sources to support policy-making

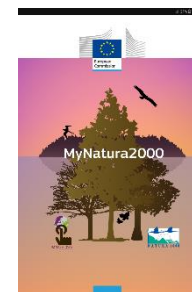
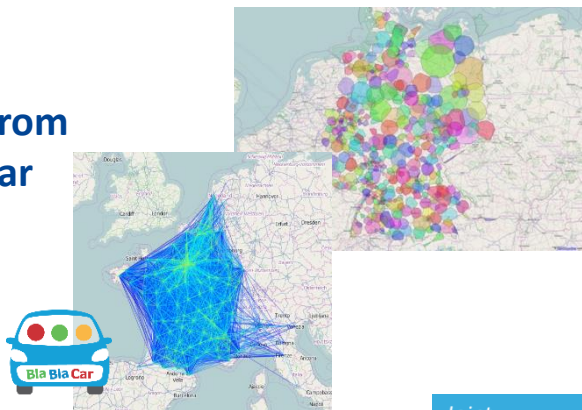
Use of citizen-generated content to develop new social indicators (here, quality of life)



Use of low-cost sensors to complement official environmental measurement networks (here, air quality)

Facilitation of mobile applications for environmental monitoring and early detection

Development of new indicators on mobility from mobile phone data or car sharing platforms

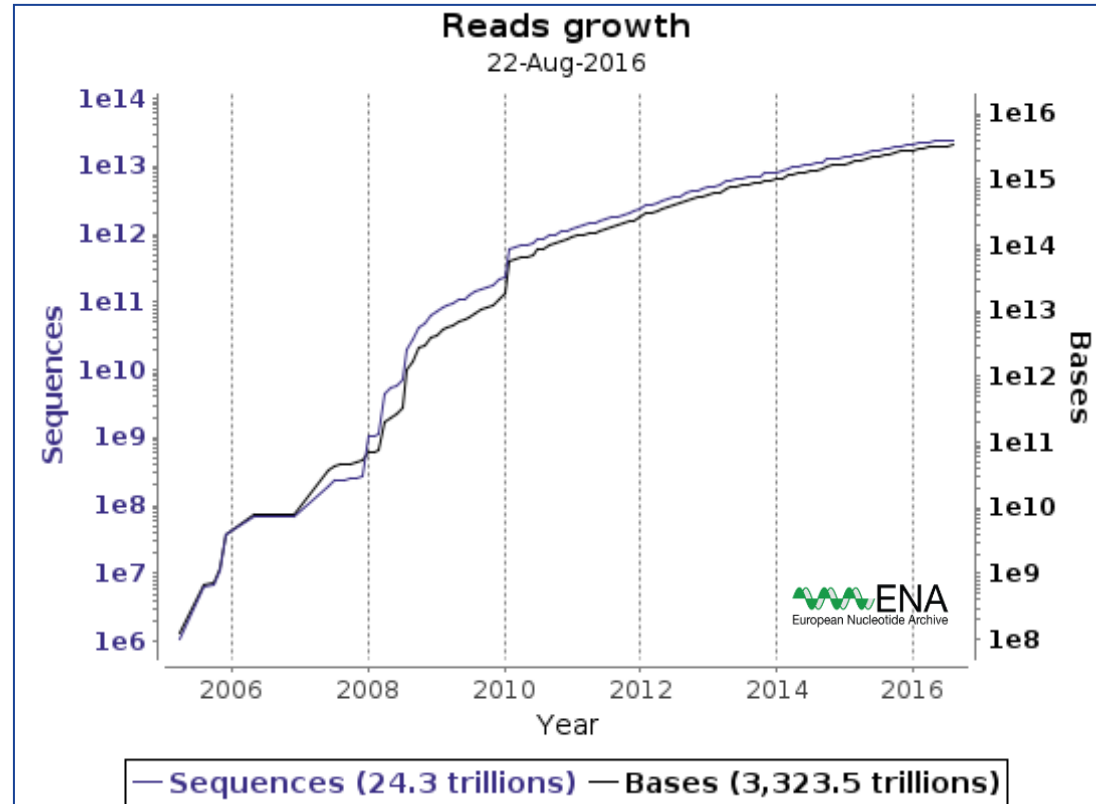


Genomics

~ 250 PB of human genomic information (2015)

100M – 2B people with genome sequenced by 2025

20-40 PB / year within a decade



Omics in Society: foster collaborations and bridging

EMBL-EBI 



 **Global Alliance
for Genomics & Health**
Collaborate. Innovate. Accelerate.



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...
...



Declaration for delivering cross-border access to **genomic database**



1 million **genomes accessible**
in the EU by 2022



Linking access to existing and
future genomic database across the EU



Providing a sufficient scale for
new clinically impactful
associations in research



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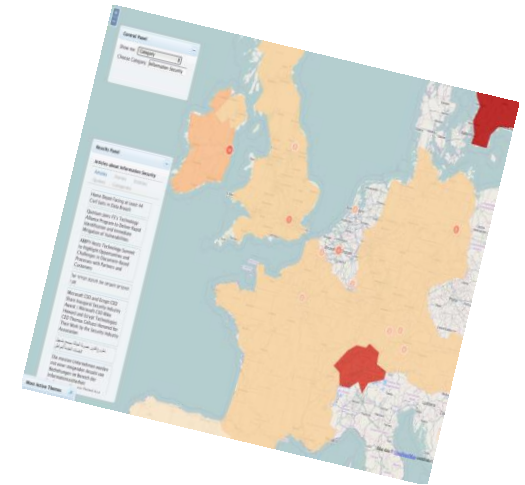
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Text Mining -European Median Monitoring (EMM)-

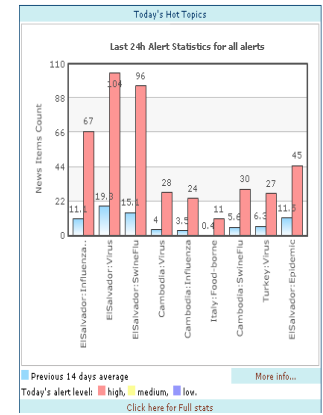
Medium Data

- 300.000 articles / day
- 55 Million tweets / day
- 6.000 News Sites
- 70 Languages
- 1000 Categories/Topics
- 30000 keywords
- Runs 24/7
- Visitors 25000



Domains:

- Border Security, Cybercrime & Fighting Crime
- Socio Political Event Monitoring
- Public Health Threats & Food Safety
- Conflict Early Warning
- Science and the Citizen



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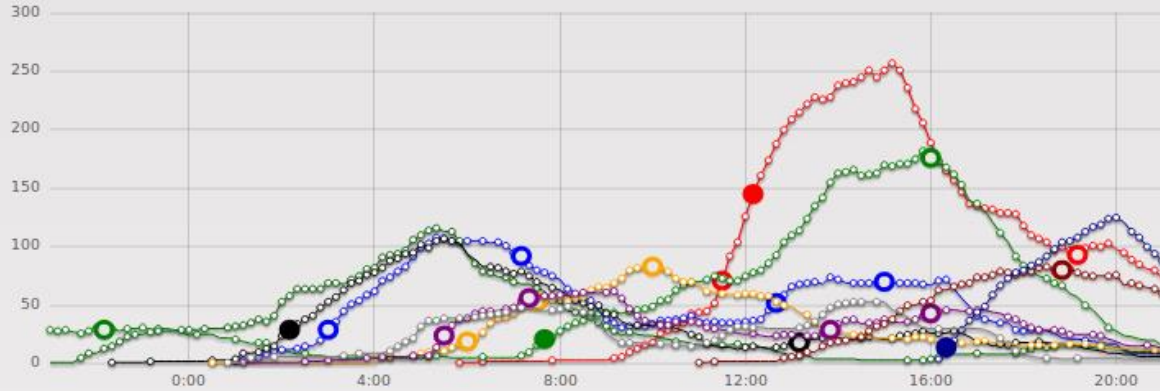
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Biggest 10 Stories Over Last 24h Language: en Period: Feb 17, 2019 9:10 PM - Feb 18, 2019 9:10 PM



Seven MPs quit the Labour Party over Brexit and anti-Semitism Seven UK lawmakers have quit the Labour Party over issues including Brexit and anti-Semitism. 7 hours ago

Articles : 420 | Last update : Feb 18, 2019 8:57:00 PM | Start : Feb 18, 2019 5:50:00 AM | Sources : 193

Nigel Farage ridicules Labour rebel press conference - 'AMATEUR HOUR!' [↗](#)

express Monday, February 18, 2019 8:32:00 PM CET | info [other]

The seven former members of the Labour party arranged a meeting to formally identify themselves as members of a new 'Independent Group'. But Mr Farage had little but disdain for the way in which they'd organised themselves. He told his LBC show this evening: "I thought that today's launch was amateur in the extreme...."

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Poland shuns Israel summit amid Holocaust row

Articles : 389 | Last update : Feb 18, 2019 7:22:00 PM | Start : Feb 17, 2019 2:51:00 PM | Sources : 0

Owner of New Delhi hotel where fire killed 17 arrested [↗](#)

koaa Monday, February 18, 2019 6:57:00 PM CET | info [other]

NEW DELHI (AP) — Indian authorities say they have arrested the owner of a New Delhi hotel where 17 people were killed by a fire. Police say Arpit Palace Hotel owner Rakesh Goel appeared Sunday in court, which ruled that police could take him into custody for questioning....

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'Digital gangsters': UK wants tougher rules for Facebook

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Why Facebook was labelled 'digital gangsters' by UK lawmakers [↗](#)

business-standard Monday, February 18, 2019 4:16:00 PM CET | info [other]

. During its 18-month-long investigation into disinformation and "fake news", a committee of the invited to appear before it three times, didn't show up once. This was, however, not the only reason why in its final

Tools

Monday, February 18, 2019

9:22:00 PM CET

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Country Watch

The country most in the news at the moment



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Big Data and AI



- Digital transformation of our economy and society
- Artificial intelligence is permeating all fields of science and technology
- Raises many societal and ethical questions
- JRC AI flagship report: <https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/publication/eur-scientific-and-technical-research-reports/artificial-intelligence-european-perspective>

Takeaway messages

- JRC role in scientific and technical support to EU policies calls for **Turning (Big) Data into Insights**
- Increasing role of **AI/machine learning**
- Importance of **versatile and interoperable platforms** suitable to cross-domain data as well as HPC applications
- Importance of **knowledge sharing and collaborative working across disciplines**
- Importance of **FAIR data principles** and their application to analysis workflows

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