# South African participation in Seventh Framework Programme (FP7) Theme 6 Environment (including Climate Change)

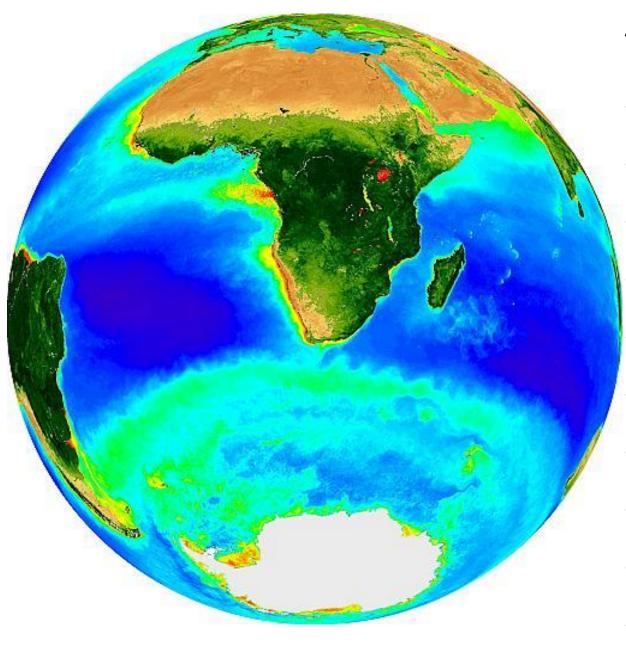
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# Layout of the Presentation

- Collaborative Advantage
- Examples of collaborative research issues
- Alignment with FP7 Theme 6

- 1. A diverse "Living Laboratory"
- 2. Aligned research agenda
- 3. Willing and able people & their "tools"



#### **A TRULY SPECIAL PLACE:**

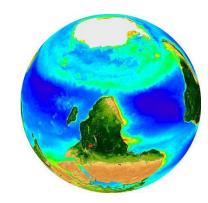
- Cradle of Humankind
- Fossil Park (Langebaan)
- "Fairest Cape"
- Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens
- Table Mountain
- Cape Point
- Kruger National Park
- Cape Agulhas (2 Oceans)
- Southern Ocean

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# Collaborative Advantage (1)

- At tip of the African continent
- Size and diversity (1,2 million km2)
- Climatically & topographically varied
- Wide variety of ecosystems
  - Savannas
  - Grasslands
  - Arid shrublands
  - Mediterranean shrublands
  - Deserts
  - Forests

- Perennial, seasonal and ephemeral rivers
- Estuaries & coastal lagoons
- Warm and cold water coastal systems
- Offshore islands
- Southern Ocean: the global climate driver



## Collaborative Advantage (2)

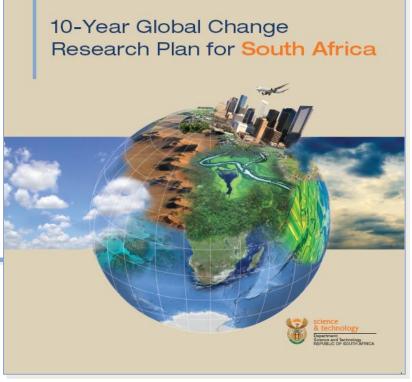
- Social composition
  - Microcosm of the world (ratio of rich & poor approximates the world average)
- Solid scientific knowledge base
  - Internationally recognised scientists
  - Sophisticated scientific infrastructure
- Pressing problems requiring innovation
  - Applicable to many other countries

#### A living laboratory!

# 4 CROSS-**C**UTTING KNOWLEDGE **CHALLENGES**



- Reducing the human footprint
- Adapting the way we live
- Innovation for sustainability





# Conserving

different scales

#### Reducing the human footprint

- Waste-minimisation methods and technologies
- biodiversity and ecosystem services
- integration to manage ecosystems and ecosystem services
- 4 Doing more with less

#### Adapting the way

#### we live 1 Preparing for rapid change and extreme

- Planning for sustainable urban development in a South African
- context Water security for South Africa
- Food and fibre security for South Africa

#### Innovation for sustainability

- Dynamics of transition at different scales mechanisms of innovation and learning
- Resilience and capability
- Options for greening the developmental
- 4 Technological innovation for sustainable socialecological systems
- Social Learning fo sustainability. adaptation. innovation and

The Global Change Research Plan identifies four major cross-cutting knowledge challenges and 18 key research themes.



#### Understanding a changing planet

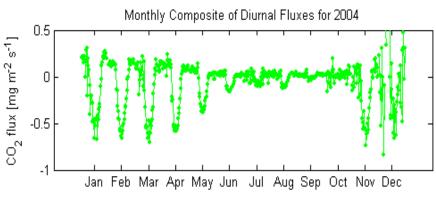
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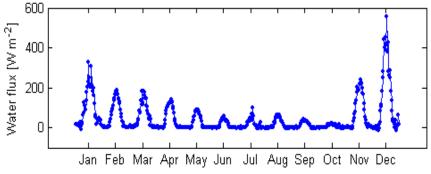
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- 5. Improving model predictions at different scales

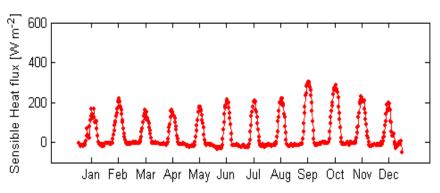
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#### the Skukuza flux tower

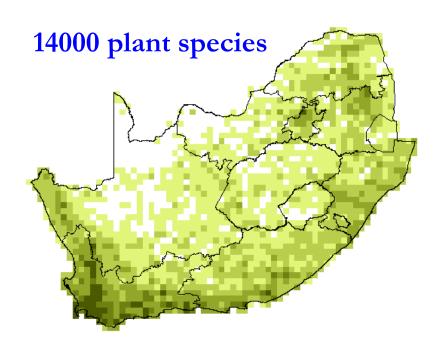


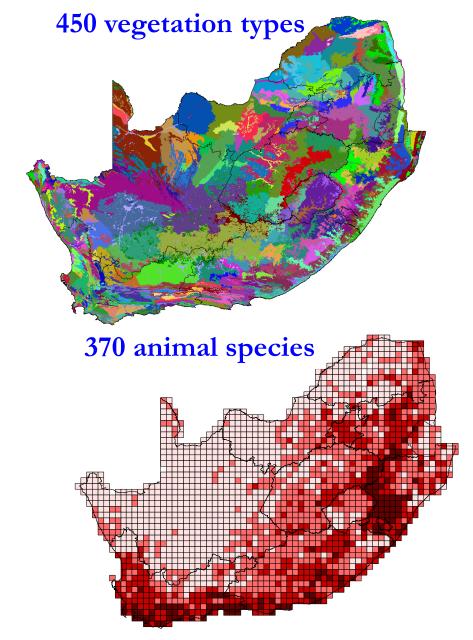




#### **GEOBENE**

South Africa has better-than-average biodiversity data







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# Southern Ocean Carbon – Climate Observatory programme

#### South Africa's Southern Hemisphere Scale Carbon – Climate Science

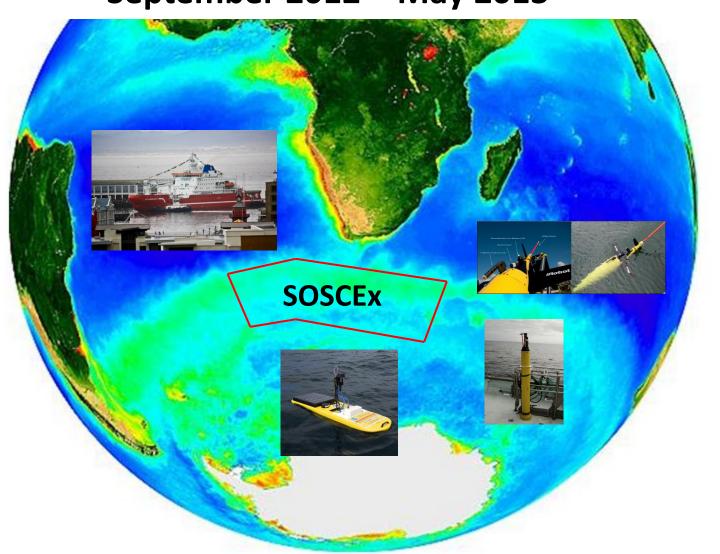




# **SA Agulhas II**







### Collaborative Strengths

#### Southern Oceans Research

- 1. Expertise base on Southern Ocean science
- 2. Observation capability / state of the art research platform
- 3. Modeling (Global and regional high resolution modeling)
- 4. Remote Sensing capabilities

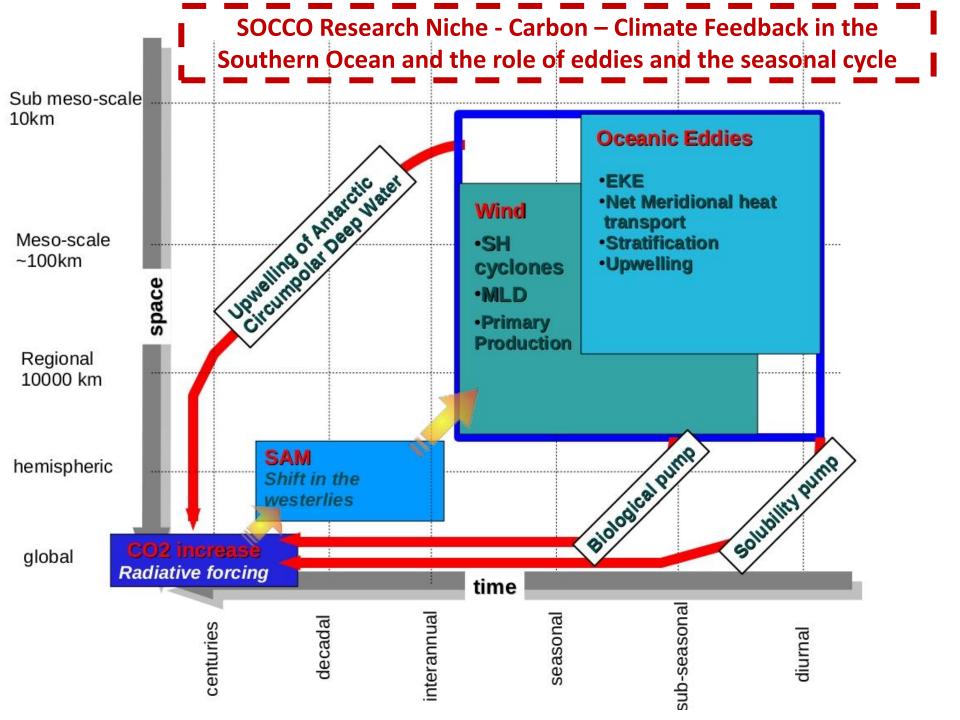


#### **SOCCO Research Niche:**

Carbon – Climate Feedback in the Southern Ocean and the role of eddies and the seasonal cycle

#### Research Focus Areas

- 1. Advance understanding of the drivers of change
  - Research Niche: Sub-seasonal & sub-mesoscale processes
  - Large scale experimental observations and high resolution numerical modelling
- 2. Advance low uncertainty CO<sub>2</sub> flux estimates
  - Long term observations
  - Development and use of empirical modelling techniques
- 3. International partner in ocean observations platform and sensor R&D



#### Southern Ocean Observational and Engineering R&D Capabilities

DEA Polar Research Ship Platform



Physics: CTDs, underway CTDs

Biogeochemistry:

- pCO2, TA, DIC
- Bio-optics (AOP & IOP)
- Iron Chemistry
- Ocean Pigments
- •Remote Sensing

CSIR Ocean Robotics and Autonomous Platforms







CTD, O2, pCO2, pH-ISFET, Bio-optics,

#### Partners in South Africa

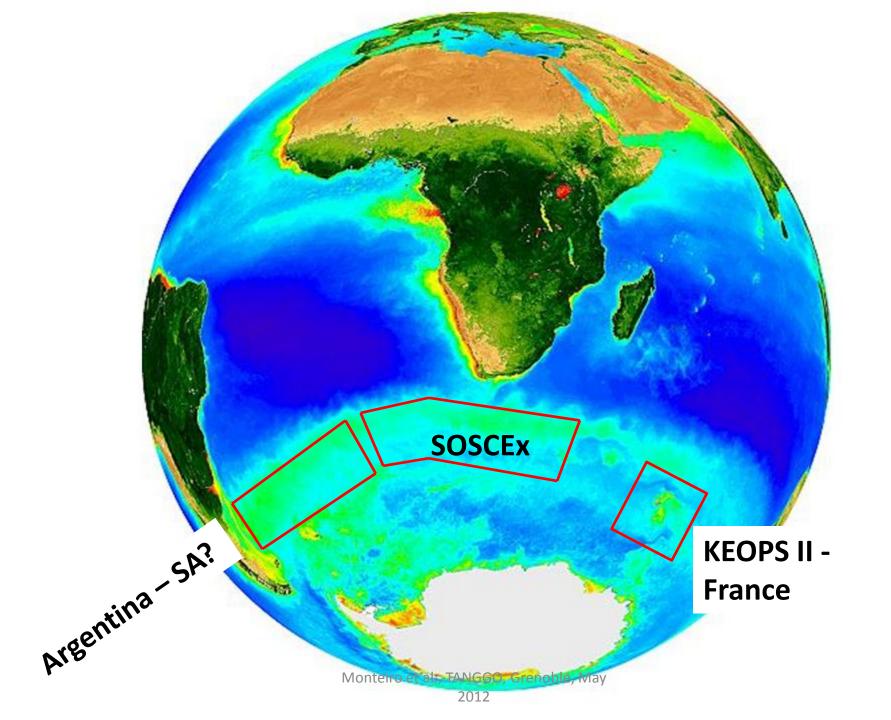
- Department of Science and Technology
  - Science infrastructure (observations and high performance computing) and research co-funding (ACCESS)
- Department of Environment Affairs
  - Polar research ship
- Universities of Cape Town, Western Cape, and Stellenbosch

## EU – FP7 Project Partner

- CARBOCHANGE (2<sup>nd</sup> Year)
- GREENSEAS (2<sup>nd</sup> year)
- SOCCLI Marie Curie IRSES (Being finalised)

#### International Partners

- University of Paris VI (LOCEAN & LSCE)
- University of Grenoble (LEGI)
- Bjerknes Centre for Climate Research, Norway
- Princeton University, USA
- NOAA, USA
- IBSA (development stage)
- Argentina (potential partner South Atlantic)



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# B

#### Reducing the human footprint

1. Waste-minimisation methods and technologies

#### 2. Conserving biodiversity and ecosystem services

- 3. Institutional integration to manage ecosystems and ecosystem services
- 4. Doing more with less

# Theme B2: Conserving biodiversity and ecosystem services

- Biodiversity supports formal and informal economy
  - Tourism; fisheries; medicinal plant trade; etc
- Basis for "ecosystem services"
  - Food & fibre; fresh water; clean air;
     decomposition of waste; recreational and spiritual wellbeing.

Under threat from land transformation and degradation, overexploitation and pollution

#### **Theme B2: Research Focus Areas**

- Understanding ecosystems and their services
  - Evolvement of the region's ecosystems & the dependent societies;
  - The socio-ecological system (links);
  - Impact of future changes.
- Managing for sustainability;
- Governance models for ensuring ongoing benefits (includes collaborative governance)

## Example 1

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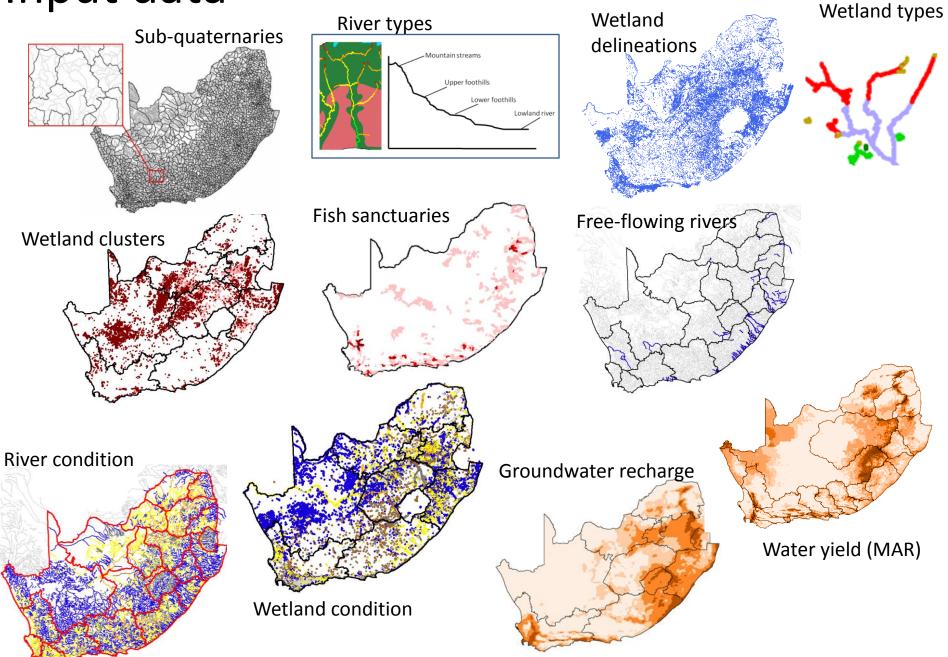


- Responds to the unprecedented degradation of freshwater ecosystems
  - A world-wide problem; not just in South Africa
- AIMS
  - To identify National Freshwater Ecosystem Priority
     Areas
  - 2. To develop an institutional basis to enable effective implementation
    - National component aligning conservation & water sector policy mechanisms
    - Sub-national component building capacity to use products at local levels

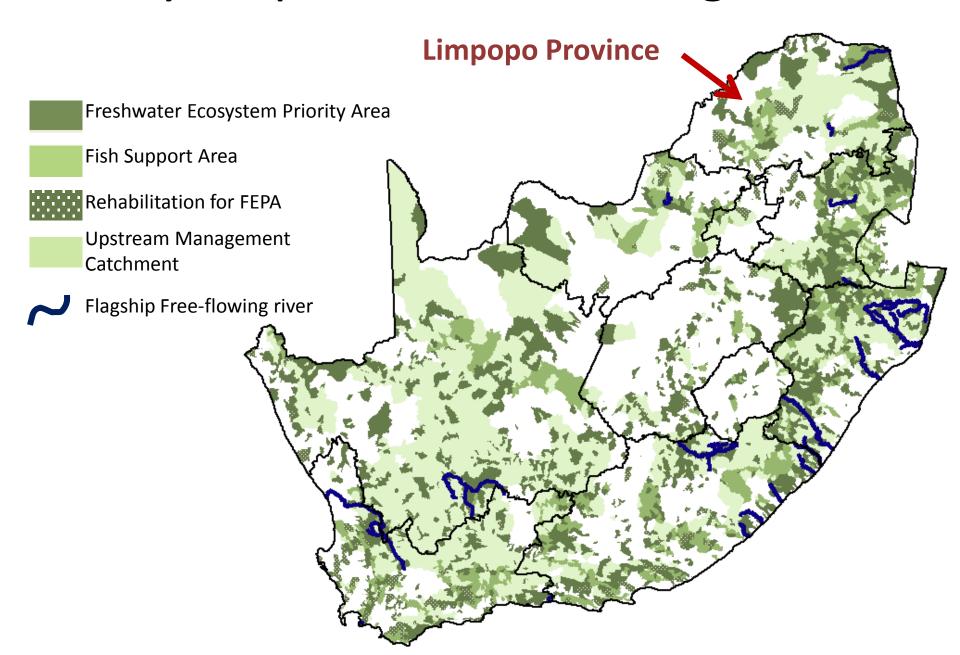




## Input data



# Priority map with free-flowing rivers



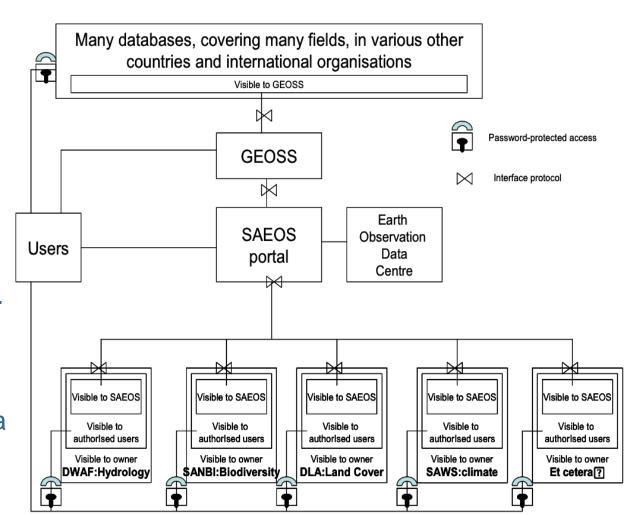
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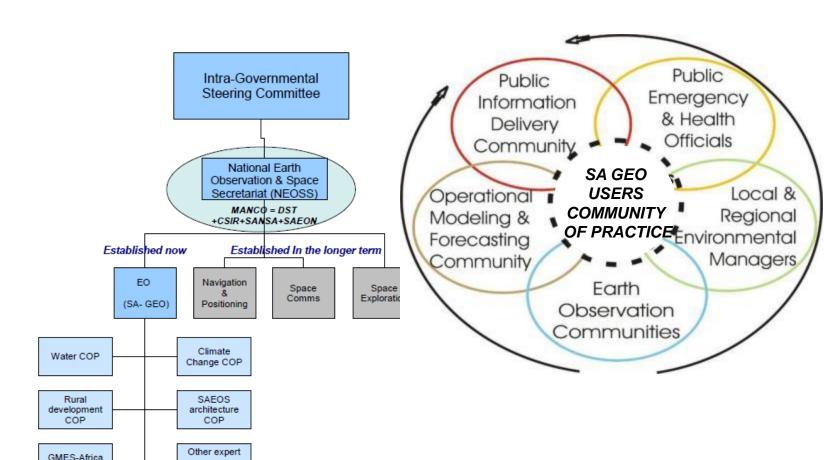
# SA-GEO & SAEOS

#### South African Earth Observation Strategy

- maximises SA EO investments through coordination of South Africa's EO capacities
- fosters application development
- links them to complementary capabilities globally e.g. through GEO
- "system of systems" drawing on GEOSS interoperability and data sharing standards and principles



### **SA-GEO**



Environmental Resource Management

Health, Safety and Security

Innovation and Economic Growth

Group on Earth Observation (GEO)

COP

groups as

required

Committee on Earth Observation Satellites (CEOS)

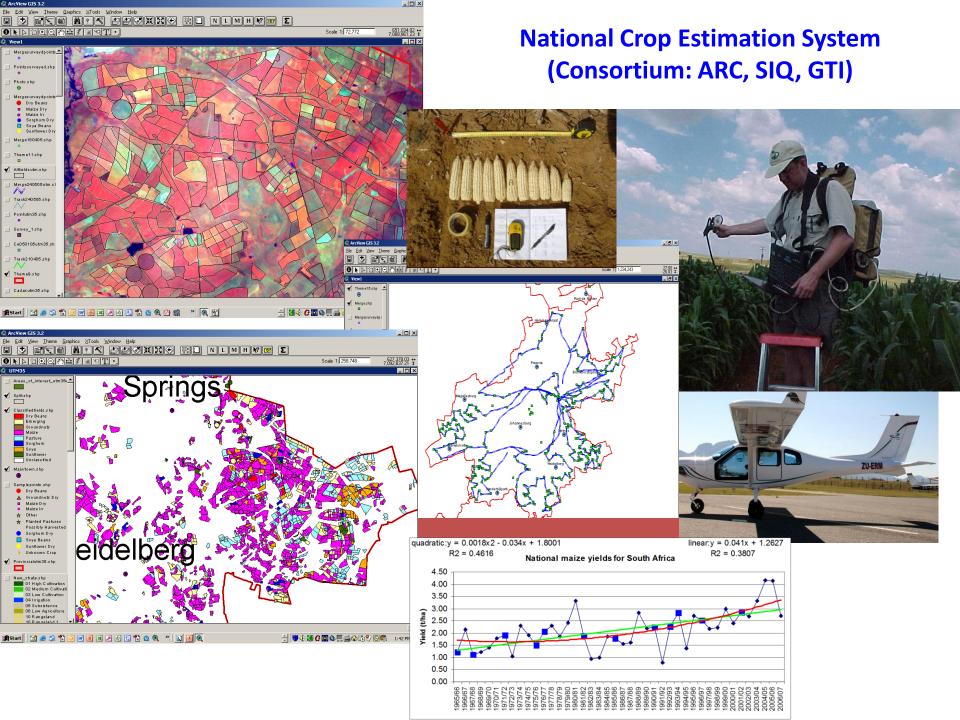
African Resource Management (ARM)



#### AREAS of COLLABORATION

#### GEO Agriculture SBA

- JECAM Site in SA is Free State Province (see <a href="www.jecam.org">www.jecam.org</a>)
- SA has an operational Crop estimation system based on imagery & VLA observations
- Crop Modelling using image data is an opportunity for collaboration
- Keen interest for involvement in G20 GEO GLAM initiative
- Other Areas Invader vegetation, Drought, Land cover, etc.



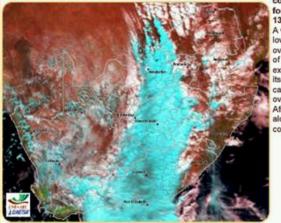
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- vegetation conditions as deduced from SPOT VEGETATION data
- Rainfall for July



#### Image of the Month

**ARCeagle** 



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## **Drought monitoring** systems



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Snow Covered Drakensburg Mountains

Lesotho Highlands Water Project

Vegetation Conditions

Climate Information for July

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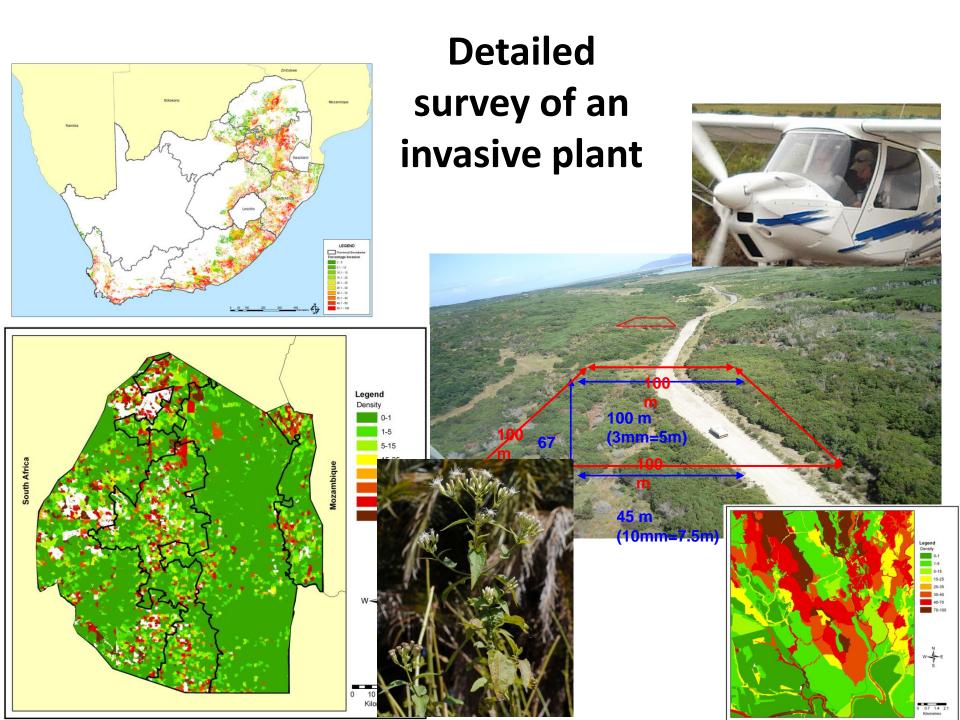
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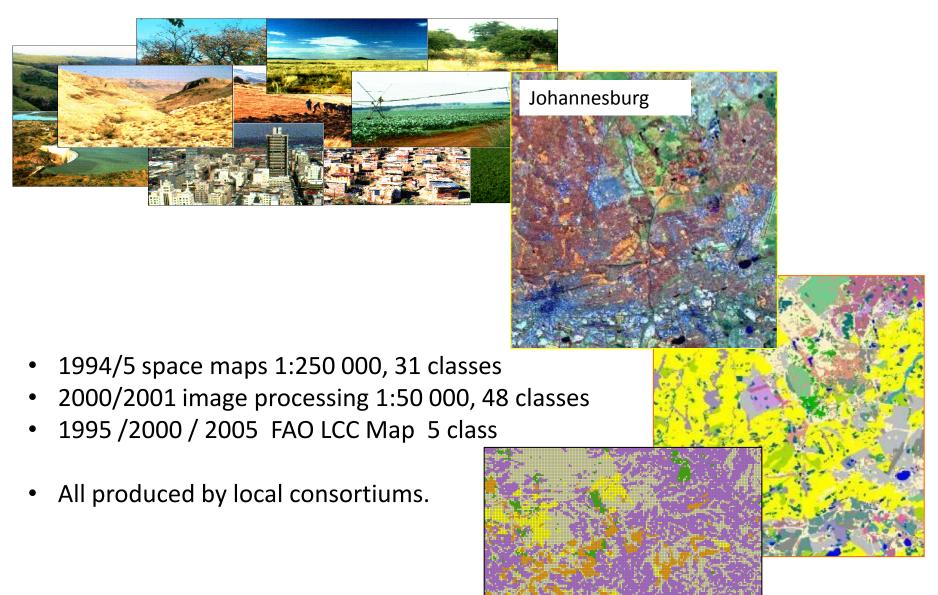
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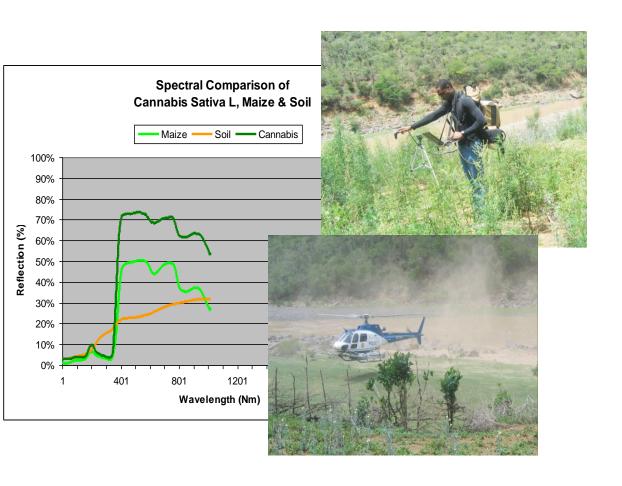
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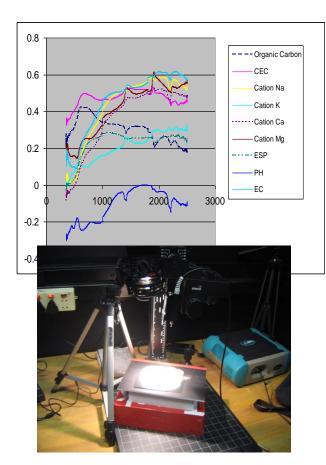


#### 1994-95 National Land-Cover Map 2000/2001 National Land-Cover Map 2005 National Land cover Map



# Spectral Identification of Narcotic Plants and Remote Sensing of Saline Soils







### Adapting the way we live

#### 1. Preparing for rapid change and extreme events

- 2. Planning for sustainable urban development in a South African context
- 3. Water security for South Africa
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# Theme C1: Preparing for rapid change and extreme events

- Increased magnitude of floods and droughts
- Changes to fire regimes (higher risk)
- Rise in sea level and "storminess"
- Dynamics of diseases affecting human and

livestock



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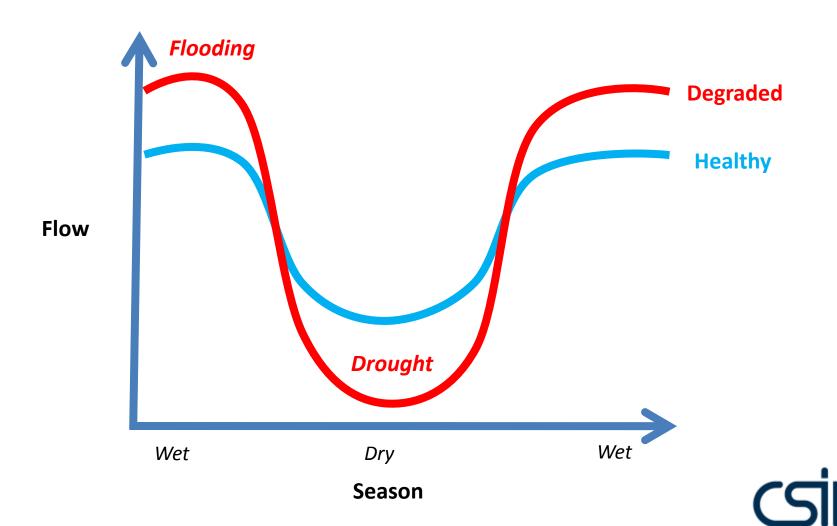
## Focus on areas at most risk:

- Coastal zone (highly populated east and south coast)
- Water-stressed ecosystems (water is "over-allocated")
- Flood risk areas (increased streamflow variation)
- Higher fire danger areas
- People and animals at risk from diseases

## **Theme C1: Research Focus**

- Methods to understand uncertainty and risk.
- Areas at most risk from rapid changing conditions.
- Innovative response strategies and tactics
- Protecting biodiversity (especially threatened, rare and or otherwise important species) from adverse change.

# Flow regulation and ecosystem condition

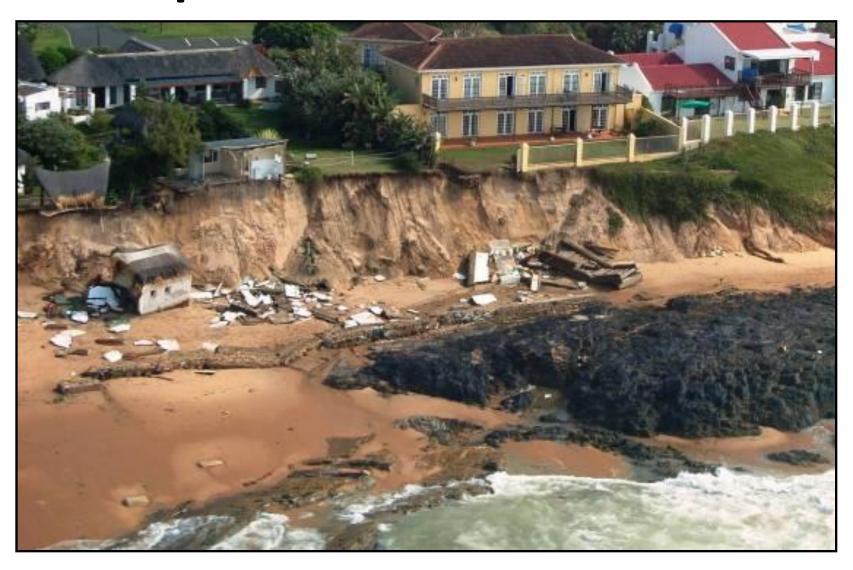


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## Is there a link?



# Oops....



## Is there a link?



Reduction in sand supply due to sand mining









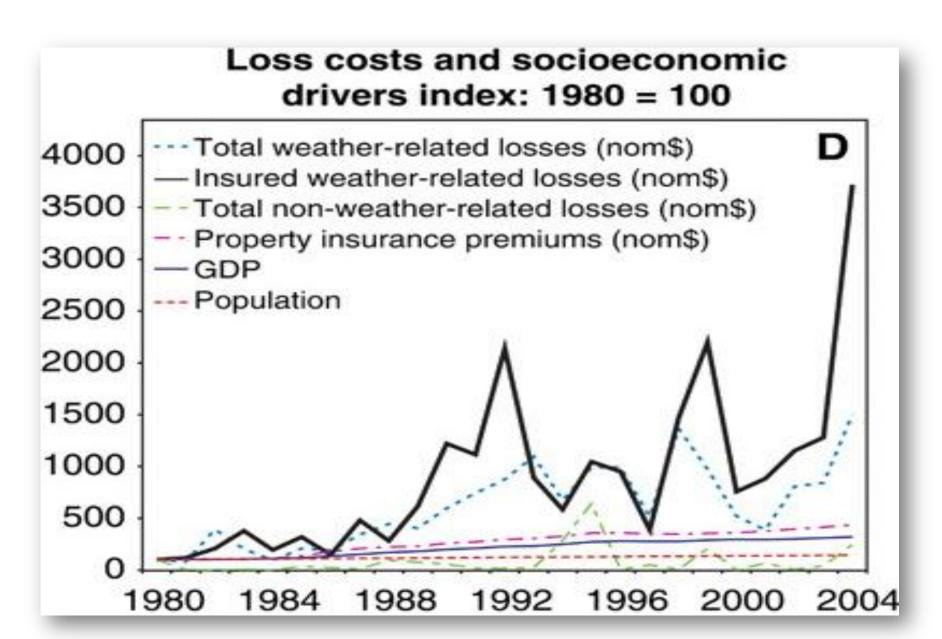








#### Trends in insured weather-related losses



# A Systems Approach

Economic Systems

Social Systems

**Ecological Systems** 



 All economic activity is embedded within a complex social-ecological landscape



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# **Example of science into awareness and practice**



VILANCULOS, MOZAMBIQUE



# RESPONDING TO CLIMATE CHANGE IN MOZAMBIQUE





Instituto Nacional de Gestão de Calamidade Naturais

USAID phot

**PROJECT GOAL:** To assist Mozambique in formulating and implementing its response to climate change, building resilience through disaster risk- and vulnerability reduction in a structured manner.

#### **MAIN OBJECTIVES:**

- To ensure the start of the implementation of adaptation actions and the building of resilience to climate change (with an emphasis on disaster risk reduction), in a structured and effective manner, in line with national priorities.
- To build national capacity to deal with all aspects of climate change.
- To provide strategic and policy guidance to enable and facilitate the implementation of adaptation to climate change (with emphasis on disaster risk reduction).







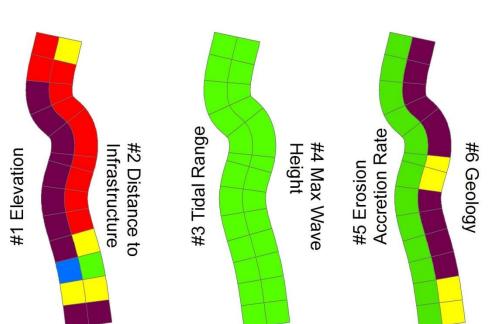


#### **14 VULNERABILITY CRITERIA**

(ADAPTED FROM COELHO et al (2006)

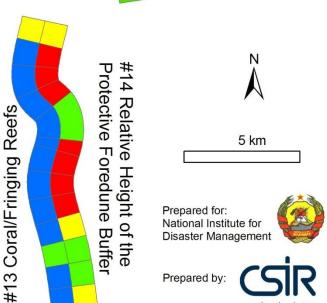
	Vulnerability Criteria	Vulnerability Classification & Score					
#		VL	L	М	Н	VH	
		1	2	3	4	5	
1	TE: Elevation (m)	>30	21 - 30	11 -20	6-10	<5	
2	DS: Distance to shore (m)	>1000	200 - 1000	50 -200	20 -50	<20	
3	TR: Tidal range (m)	<1	1-2	2-4	4 – 6	>6	
4	WH: Max wave height (m)	♡	3-5	5-6	6-7	>7	
5	EA: Erosion / accretion rate (m/yr)	>0 (accretion)	-1 to 0	-3 to -1	-5 to -3	< -5 (erosion)	
6	GL: Geology	Hard rocks (Magmatic)	"Medium" hardness rocks (Metamorphic)	Soft rocks (Sedimentary)	Non-consolidated coarse sediment	Non-consolidated fine sediments	
7	GM: Geomorphology	Mountains	Rocky cliffs	Erosive cliffs, Sheltered beaches	Exposed beaches, Flats	Dunes, river mouths, estuaries	
8	GC: Ground Cover	Forest/ Mangroves	Ground Vegetation, cultivated ground	Non-covered	Rural urbanised	Urbanised or Industrial	
9	AA: Anthropogenic Actions	Shoreline stabilisation intervention	Intervention without sediment sources reduction	Intervention with sediment sources reduction	Without Intervention or sediment sources reduction	Without Intervention but with sediment sources reduction	
10	Degree of protection from prevailing wave energy	Leeside of large Island or extensive spit on opposite side of wave Incident waves	Leeside of headland, rocky point or peninsula	Partially sheltered from deep-sea wave energy	Directly exposed to waves only slightly refracted from deep-sea	Directly exposed to storm wave attack, with narrow surf zone	
11	Cyclones (occurrence/a)	0	>0, <1	1-2	>2-3	>3	
12	Sea-level rise Bruun erosion potential (inshore slope)	<0.1 (1/10)	0.1- 0.029	0.03 - 0.014	0.015-0.005	>0.005	
13	Corals/fringing reefs (alongshore extent as % of total length)	<10	10-30	30-50	50-80	>80	
14	Relative height (m) of the protective foredune buffer	>20	10-20	5-10	0.5-5	<0.5	





#12 Sea-level Rise

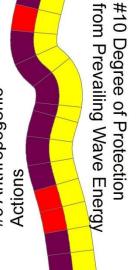
#11 Cyclones

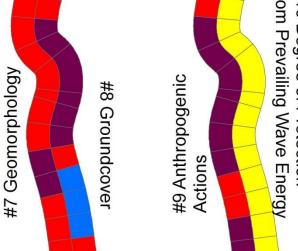


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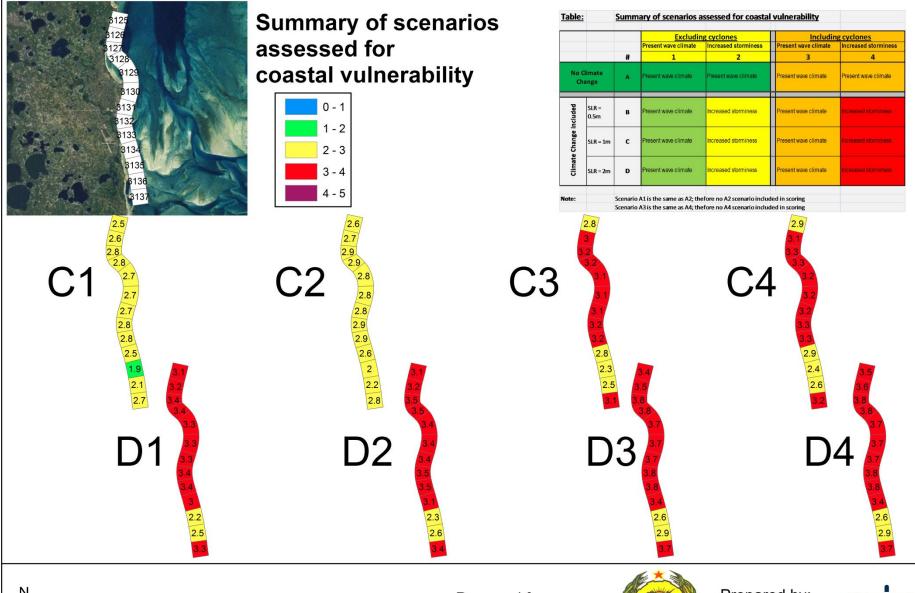
Legend





# **Climate change scenarios**

		Excluding cyclones		Including cycl	Including cyclones	
			Present wave climate	Increased storminess	Present wave climate	Increased storminess
		#	1	2	3	4
No	Climate	Α	Present wave	Present wave	Present wave	Present wave
Change:		^	climate	climate	climate	climate
change	SLR = 0.5 m	В	Present wave climate	Increased storminess	Present wave climate	Increased storminess
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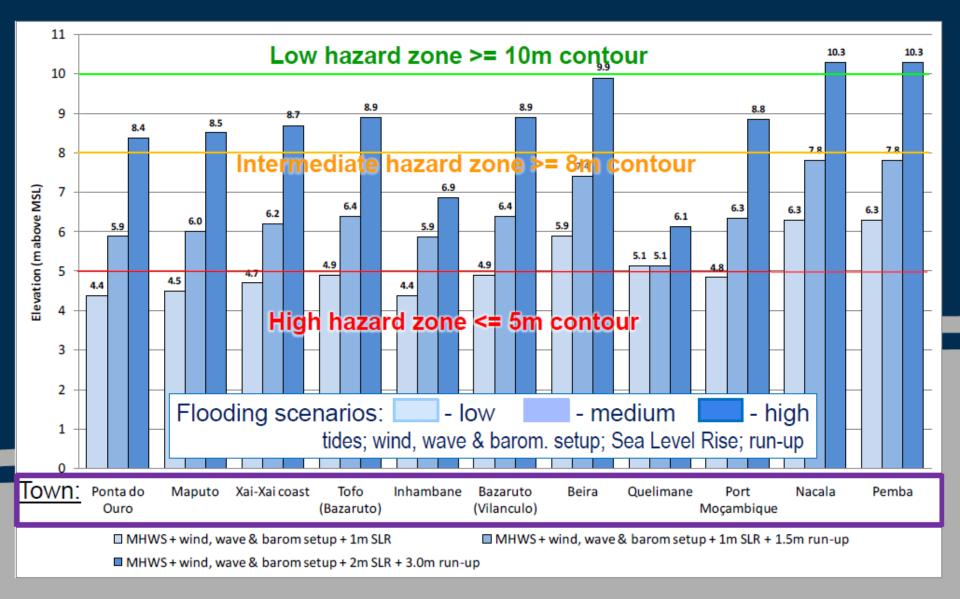
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### Coastal flooding levels for 11 towns/cities



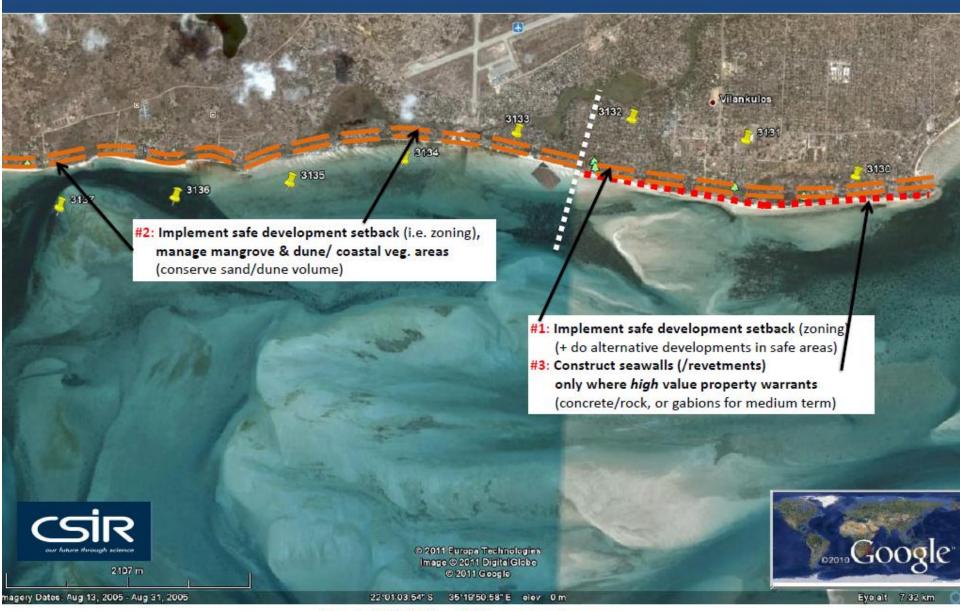




## **KEY: Adaptation measures**

<u>A</u>	"Management options"				
<b>A1</b>	"Accept & retreat": zoning, etc.				
<b>A2</b>	"Abstention" 'do nothing'				
АЗ	"Alternative" developments in safe areas				
Α4	"Accommodation" e.g. raising property				
В	"Soft engineering" /Restoration				
В1	Sand nourishment				
<b>B2</b>	Managed (vegetated &/ reinforced) dune				
В3	Managed/rehabilitated mangrove/wetland areas				
C	"Hard engineering" & armouring				
C1s	Seawalls (vertical / curved concrete)				
C1r	Revetments (sloping rock)				
C2	Dikes (sand/ earthen mound)				
C5	Groynes (rock/concrete)				
	Low/ moderate wave energy:				
	C11 "Geotextiles" sand filled				
	C12 Gabions & mattresses				

#### Vilanculos draft adaptation / coastal protection - priorities 1, 2 & 3



# RESPONDING TO CLIMATE CHANGE IN MOZAMBIQUE













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# Layout of the Presentation

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## Regional strengths and advantages

- Unique mix of climate regimes
- Unique ecological richness and complexity
- Juxtaposition of distinct biomes
- Good environmental and climate history
- Many useful climatic gradients
- Sensitivity to global drivers
- Societal inter-dependence with ecosystem services
- Applied Centre for Climate & Earth System Science (ACCESS) <a href="http://www.access.ac.za/">http://www.access.ac.za/</a>
- Launching point into the Southern Ocean "laboratory"

- Major future scientific human resource base:
  - 60% of all Africa is <= 25 yrs old!</p>



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# A Understanding a changing planet

- Observation and monitoring
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# 3

#### Reducing the human footprint

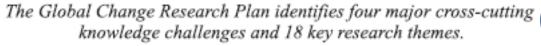
- Waste-minimisation methods and technologies
- Conserving biodiversity and ecosystem services
- 3 Institutional integration to manage ecosystems and ecosystem services
- 4 Doing more with less

# Adapting the way we live

- Preparing for rapid change and extreme events
- 2 Planning for sustainable urban development in a South African context
- 3 Water security for South Africa
- 4 Food and fibre security for South Africa

# Innovation for sustainability

- 1 Dynamics of transition at different scales – mechanisms of innovation and learning
- Resilience and capability
- Options for greening the developmental state
- 4 Technological innovation for sustainable socialecological systems
- 5 Social Learning for sustainability, adaptation, innovation and resilience





## Conclusion

- Collaborative Advantage
- Examples of collaborative research issues
- Alignment with FP7 Theme 6

- 1. A diverse "Living Laboratory"
- 2. Aligned research agenda
- 3. Willing and able people & their "tools"



## THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

We do share enough common issues & concerns to work together!!!



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