Transboundary water management with Remote Sensing

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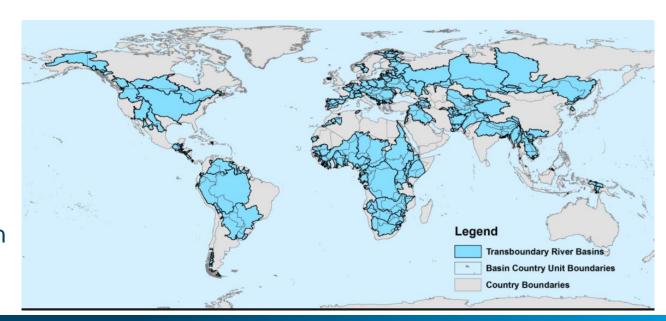
Transboundary water management



- Water management across national boundaries
- River basin organisations responsible for the overall water resource planning within the transboundary river basin

Consistent data set across the river basin(s)

Data and information for models or tools used for water resources assessment or evaluation of investments

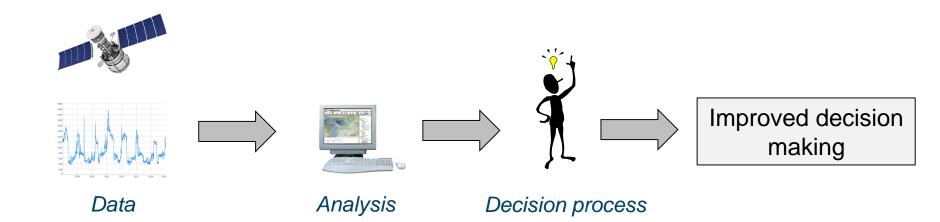


Background



Data availability is a key issue in water resources management

- Data availability is a key concern in many countries and basins
- Availability of a "basic" set of data for water resources management is critical



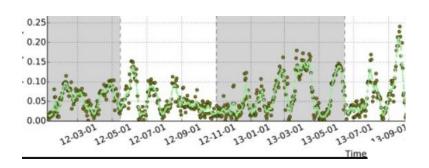
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Station data

- Many countries have a good coverage of ground stations
- Data at point locations (time series)
- Need country specific permission to access data
- Quality could vary depending on the maintenance and QA of the station





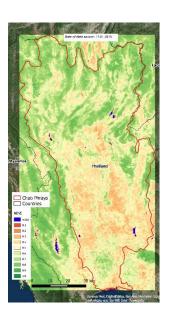
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Satellite data

- Spatial coverage in close to real time
- Temporal and spatial resolution varies
- Often freely available
- Constrains regarding data format and accessibility
- Quality could be a concern









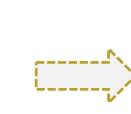
Objective



Provide access to near real time satellite data



Support but not replace national data



Vision:

Bias correction of satellite based data using local ground data

Embed ground station information



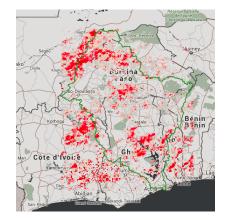
Supports national and basin planning globally

- Data made available for any basin
- Data updated in near real time



Based on freely available data sources

- All data are processed to netcdf and csv formats
- All data should be freely available





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Daily update Download QA







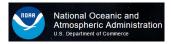
Daily update

Download on global scale Reproject and convert to netcdf QA of data quality





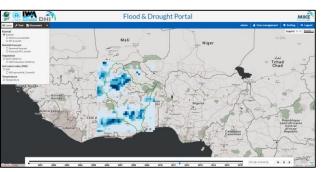






Number cruncher

Subset to basin scale
Calculate indices
Calculate weighted time series
QA and monitor process
Push to web-server

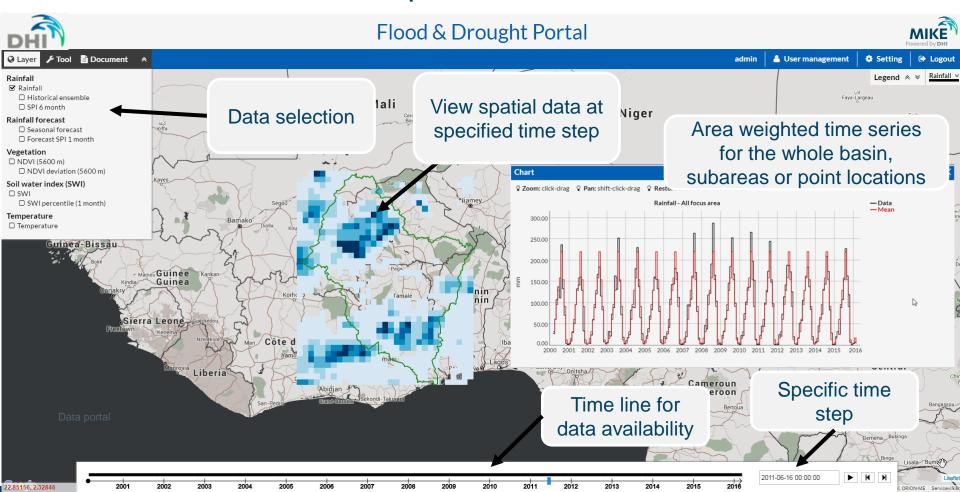


WEB server

Data available as GIS layers and time series User configuration and control

Technical overview – web portal





Data in the DHI Floods and Drought Portal

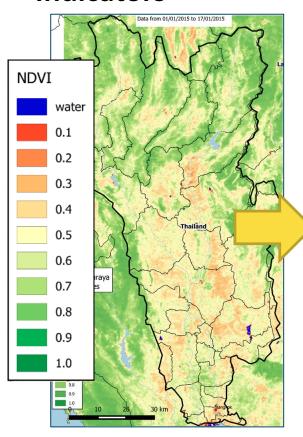


Types of data

Climate	Vegetation	Soil moisture	Socio economic	Indicators
Key input for environmental assessment	Impact on agricultural sector	Water availability	Socio economic impact	State of any environmental issue
 Historic Near real time Forecast Projection 	Crop distribution and crop growth Historic Near real	Drought assessment Flood risk Historic Near real time	Static dataHistoricFuture	Statistical measure providing a clear indication of a state

Indicators





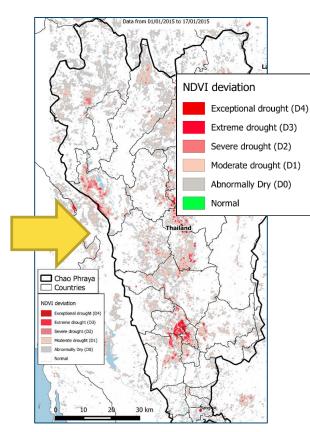
Satellite data (NDVI)

Data -> Indicator

How the current value compare to historical values?

Expressed as a deviation, anomaly, percentile etc.

A large number of indicators are made available



Classification

Indicators for water management

Indices provides the link to:

- Impact categories (drought or flood)
- Impacted areas
- Essential for warning and assessments

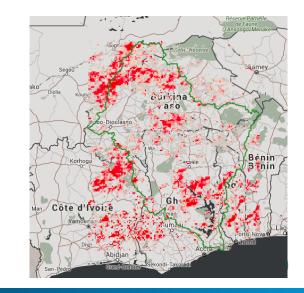
Indices are updated in near real time along with the data.

- Deviation or anomaly
- Percentile or change in percentile



Category	Description	Impact	
Normal	Normal	Normal conditions	
D0	Abnormally Dry	Short-term dryness some water deficit	
D1	Moderate Drought	Some damage to crops	
D2	Severe Drought	Crop or pasture losses likely; water shortages common	
D3	Extreme Drought	Major crop/pasture losses; widespread water shortages	
D4	Exceptional Drought	Exceptional and widespread crop/pasture losses	

Source: U.S. Drought Monitor Classification Scheme

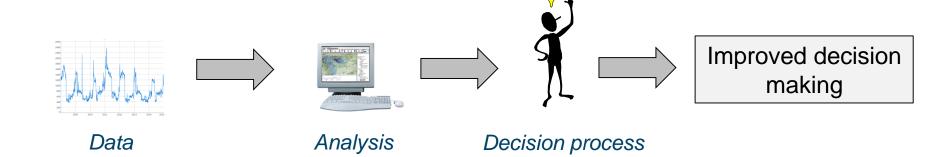


Perspectives



The established data and information portal serves a number of purposes:

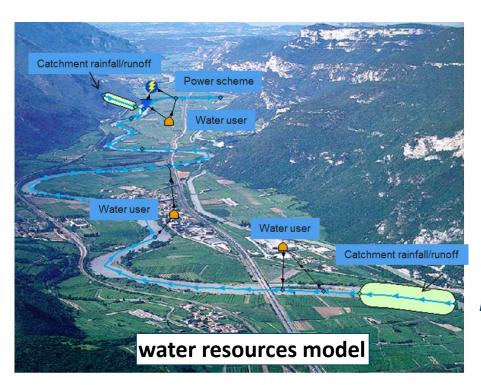
- Data access/availability
- Provide a basic data set for planning
- Secondary data source

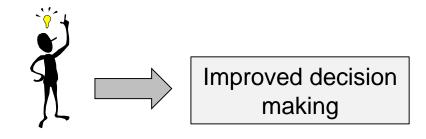


Perspectives



Remote sensing based climate data as key drivers in water management





Decision process

Flood and Drought Portal





Flood and Drought Portal



✓ HOME

About the DataPortal

The Flood & Drought portal is developed as part of the Flood and Drought Management Tools project. For more information on the project please visit the project home page at: http://fdmt.iwlearn.org/en

The Flood & Drought portal provides access to a number of apps supporting decision makers at basin and local level. The aim is to support existing planning processes as TDA/SAP and IWRM at basin scale and Water Safety Planning at local scale through the technical apps. The apps could be used individually or in connection.

Please visit the user guide for more indepth information on the use of the apps and their intended support for the different stages within basin and local level planning.

Knowledge portal with discussion forum and upcomming online courses: Select the "Knowledge portal" in the? menu or use the link - KnowledgePortal

For video tutorials and overview: YouTube

For technical exercises (pdf files): Dropbox

For technical questions please contact:

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DATA AND INFORMATION

Access to near real-time data. Flood and drought indices. Climate forecast and climate change data.



DROUGHT ASSESSMENT

Locate and identify hazards. estimate impacts and provide risk assessment.



FLOOD ASSESSMENT

(Under development), Locate and identify hazards, estimate impacts and provide risk assessment.



ISSUE ANALYSIS

Causal Chain analysis and WRIAM, Understand and prioritise the causes behind issues.



Workgroup: Private Area: Chao Phraya

WATER INDICATOR

Identify water related indicators to support management and decision-making.



BASIN PLANNING

(Under development), Create and evaluate basin plans. Linkage to water resource model.



WATER SAFETY PLANNING

Support water safety planning



REPORTING

User configured templates providing linkage to overview reports or bulletins. Specific templates for TDA/SAP, IWRM and WSP.

