

# Risk based management of contaminated sites and megasites



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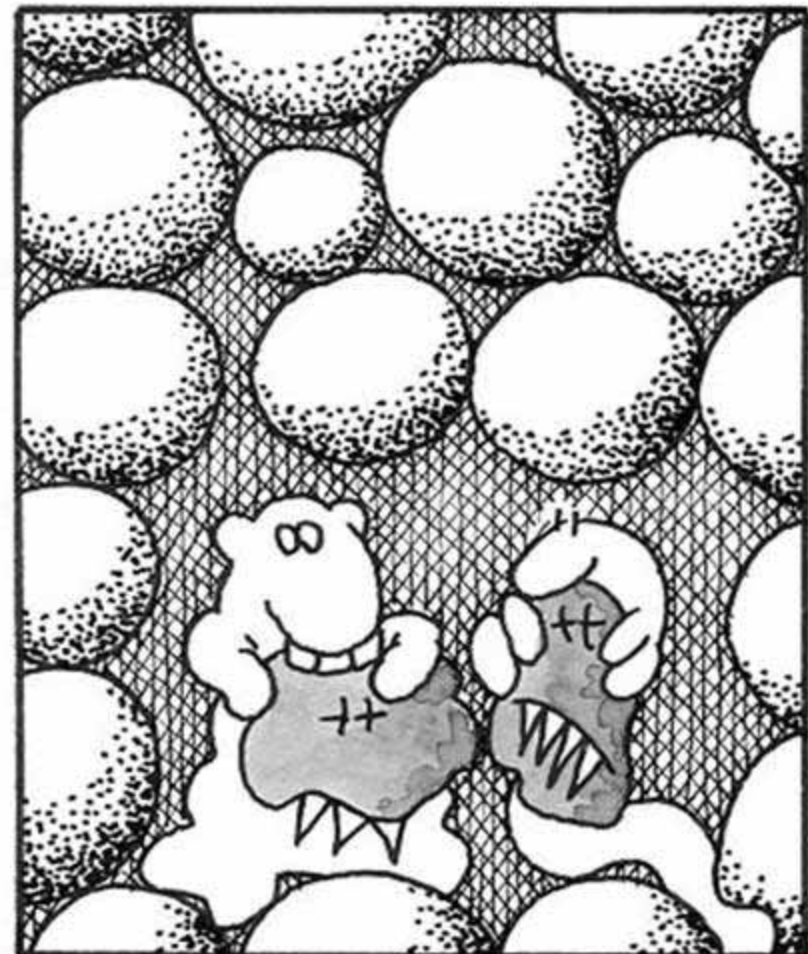
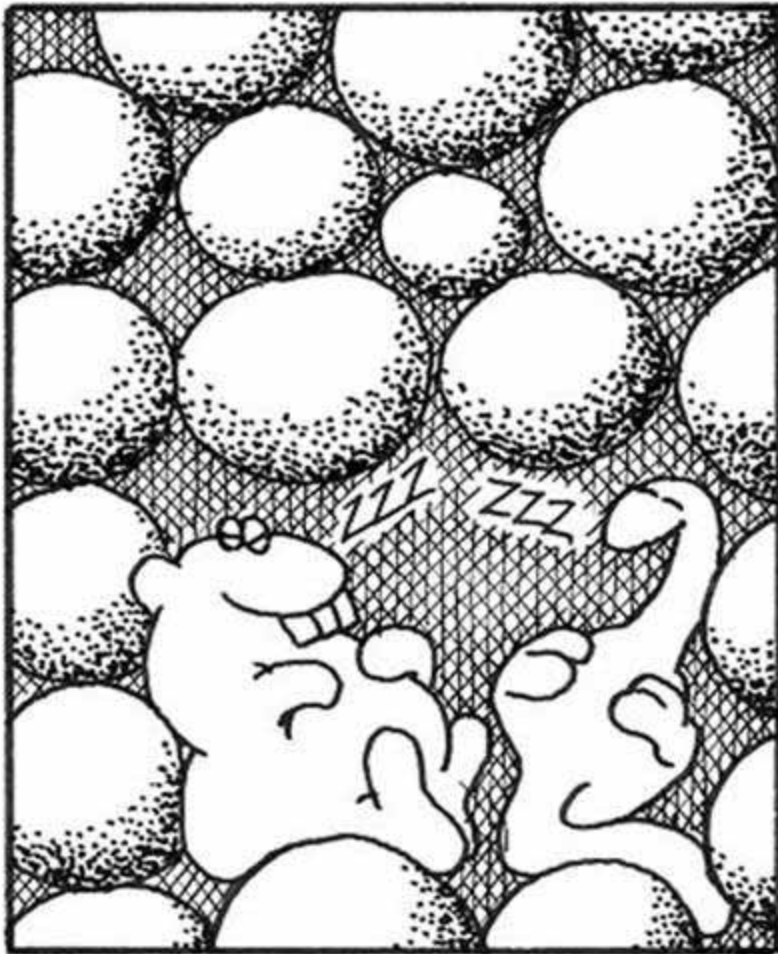
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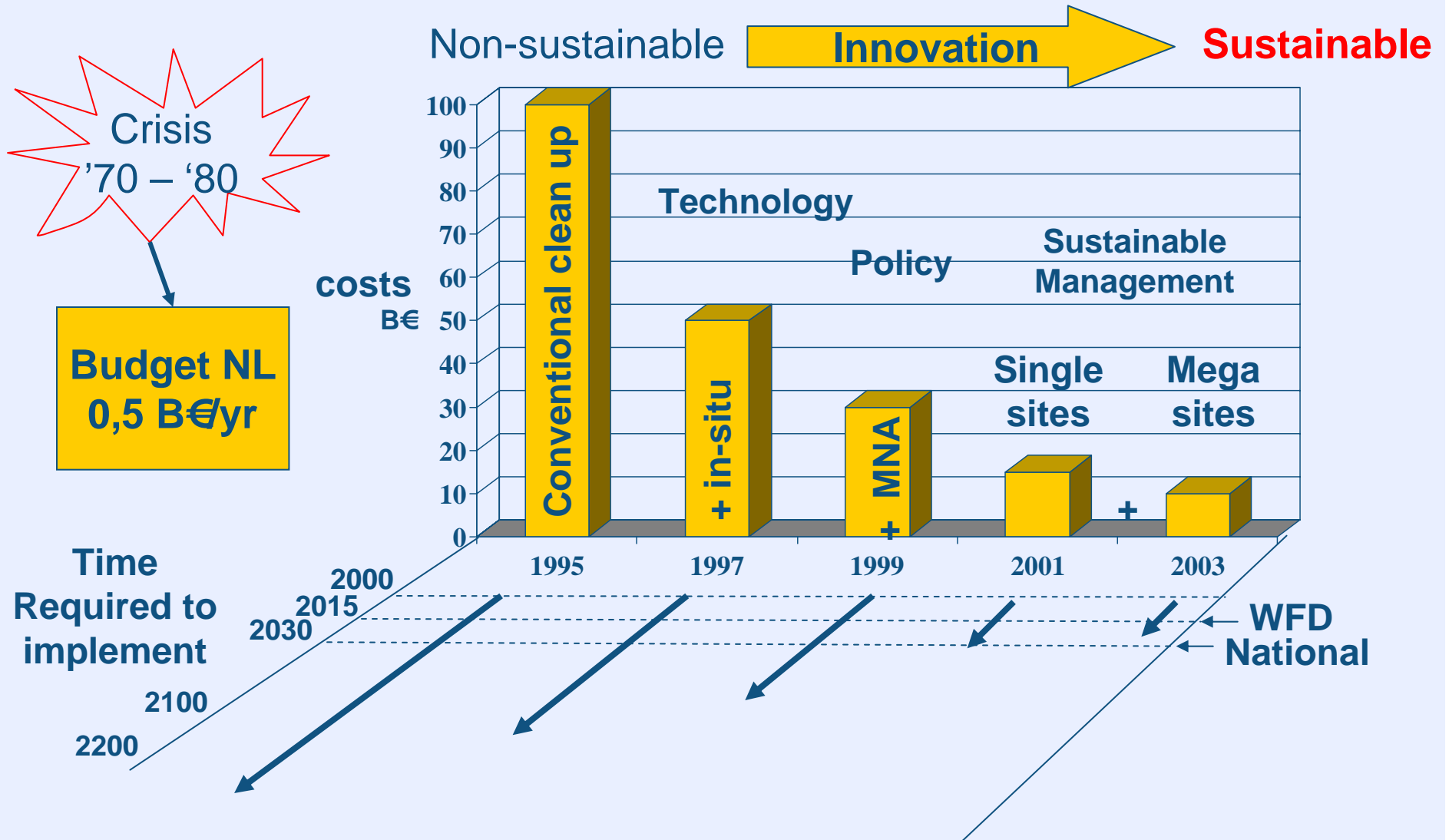
# Maintaining and restoring soil-water functions on a regional scale



Reactive subsurfaces and sediments: integrated technology to maintain and restore functions based on use of micro-organisms and geochemistry



# Soil and Groundwater Remediation: More than just technologies



Of 600.000 suspected contaminated sites  
30.000 Sites to be remediated in NL

<b>Site Characteristics</b>		<i>Occurrence (% of total)</i>
<b>Contaminant type (C)</b>	C.1 Chlorinated Hydrocarbons	45
	C.2 Aromatics/Oil/MTBE/Cyanide	45
	C.3 Other	10
<b>Geo-hydrology (G)</b>	G.1 Permeable (sandy)	45
	G.2 Layered, permeable and impermeable layers	45
	G.3 Other	10
<b>Built Environment (B)</b>	B.1 Urban	70
	B.2 Industrial	25
	B.3 Other	5

## 25 demonstration pilot projects

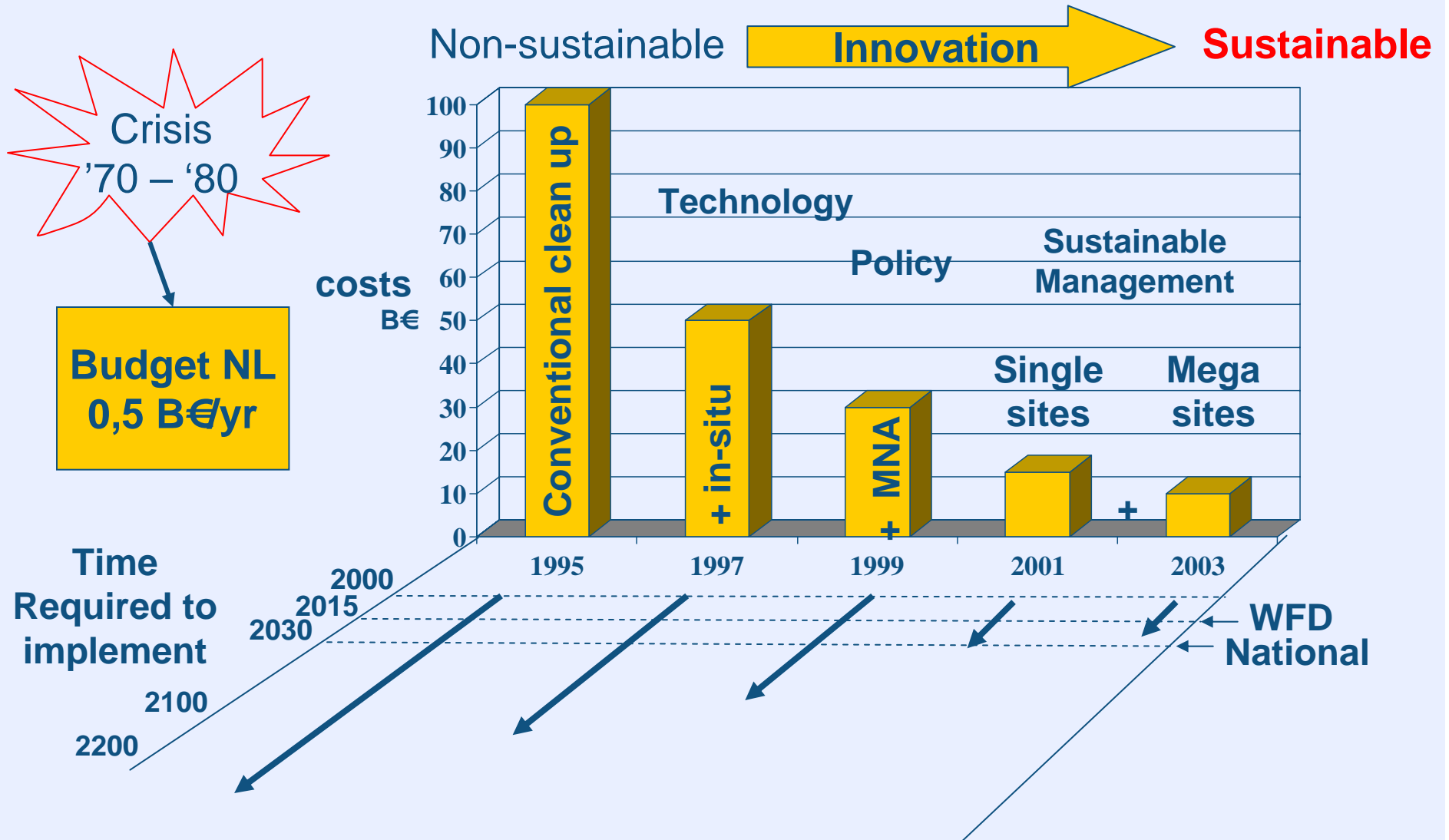
- effectiveness of risk based approach
- solve final technological and process barriers
- confidence in sustainable solutions

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# Soil and Groundwater Remediation: More than just technologies



# Towards a regional approach: megasite cases

The EU FW5 Welcome project ([www.euwelcome.nl/](http://www.euwelcome.nl/))

Protection of surface and groundwater resources according to the EU water framework and groundwater directives





# IMS

# Manual

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## Introduction

### > Starting IMS

- Problem definition
- Organizing stakeholders
- Boundary conditions
- Inventory of information
- Building a conceptual model
- Decision on IMS

## Risk Assessment

- Megasite characterization
- Clustering
- Modelling
- Determining risks
- Finalize clustering

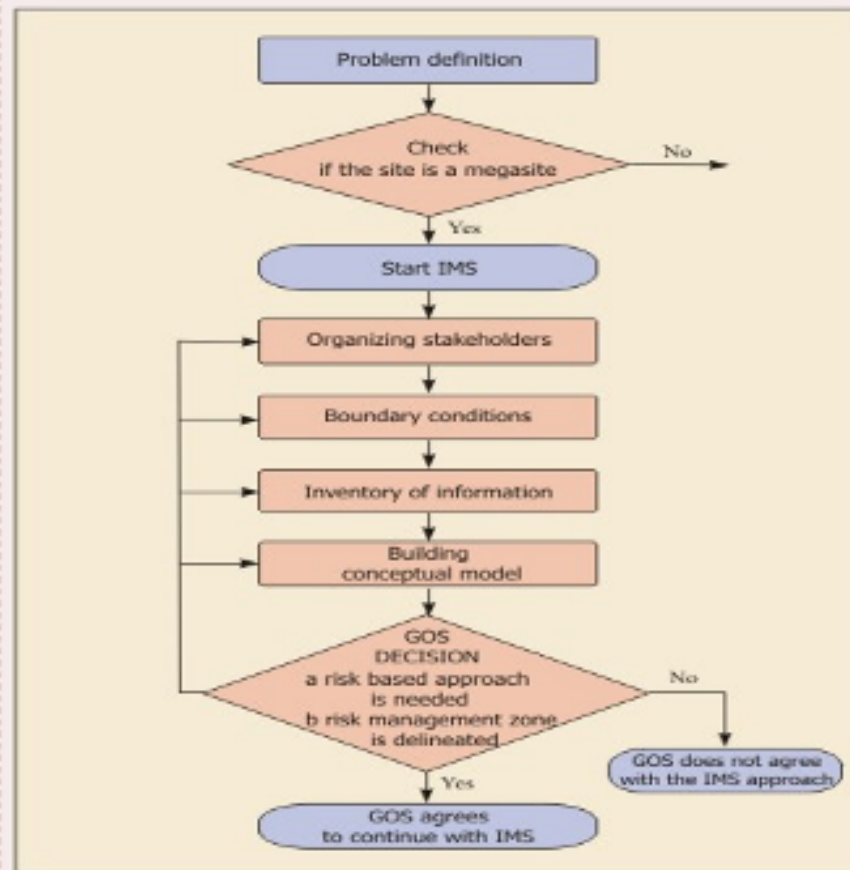
## Risk Management Scenarios

- Basic scenarios
- Potential and preferred scenario
- Final scenario

## Implementation

- Management plan
- Monitoring program
- Review process

## Starting IMS



## Definitions

- BC - Boundary conditions
- CM - Conceptual model
- GIS - Geographical Information System
- IMS - Integrated Management Strategy
- Megasite
- Plane of compliance
- RMZ - Risk Management Zone
- Stakeholders

# Integrated Management Strategy

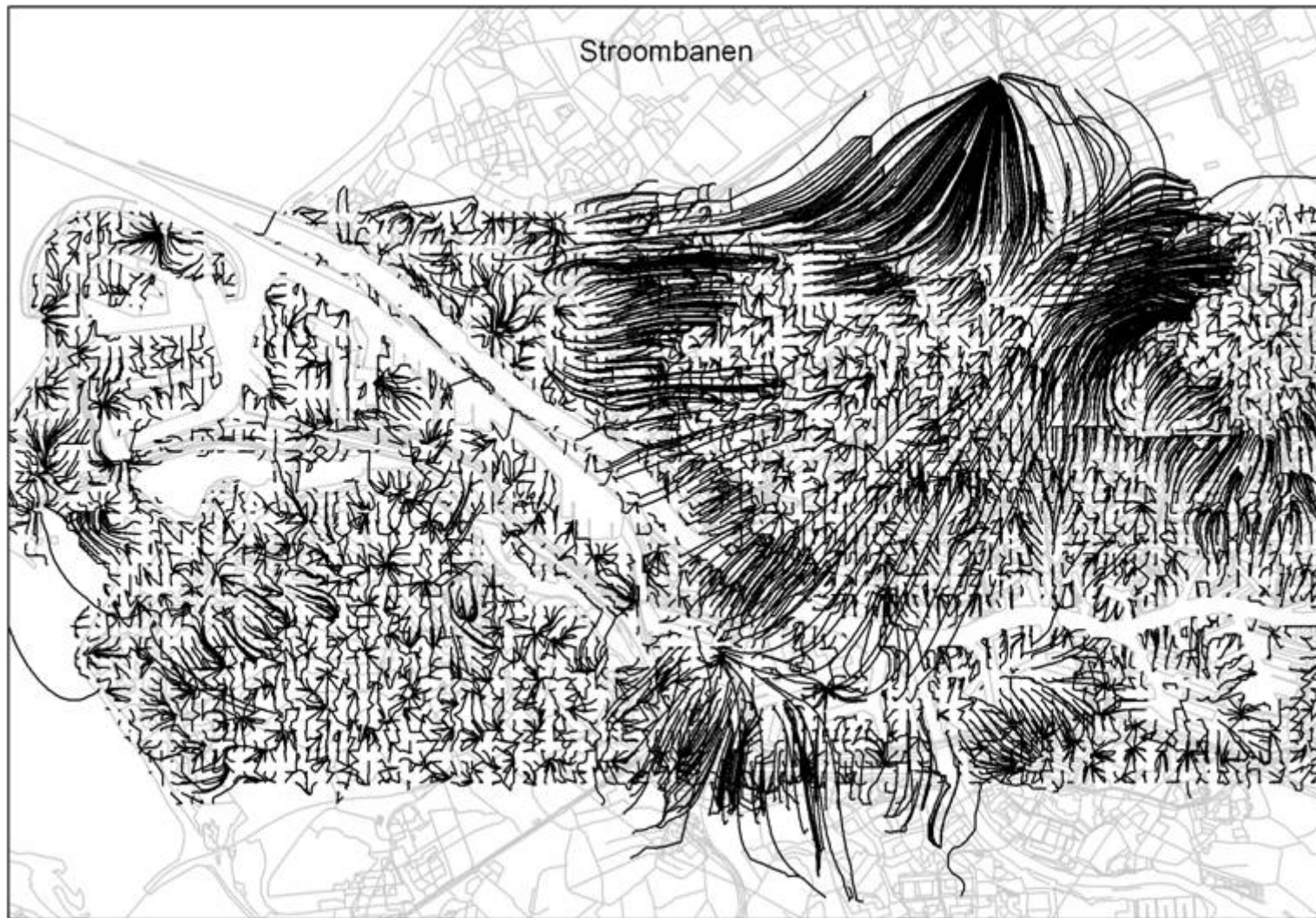
# Rotterdam harbour



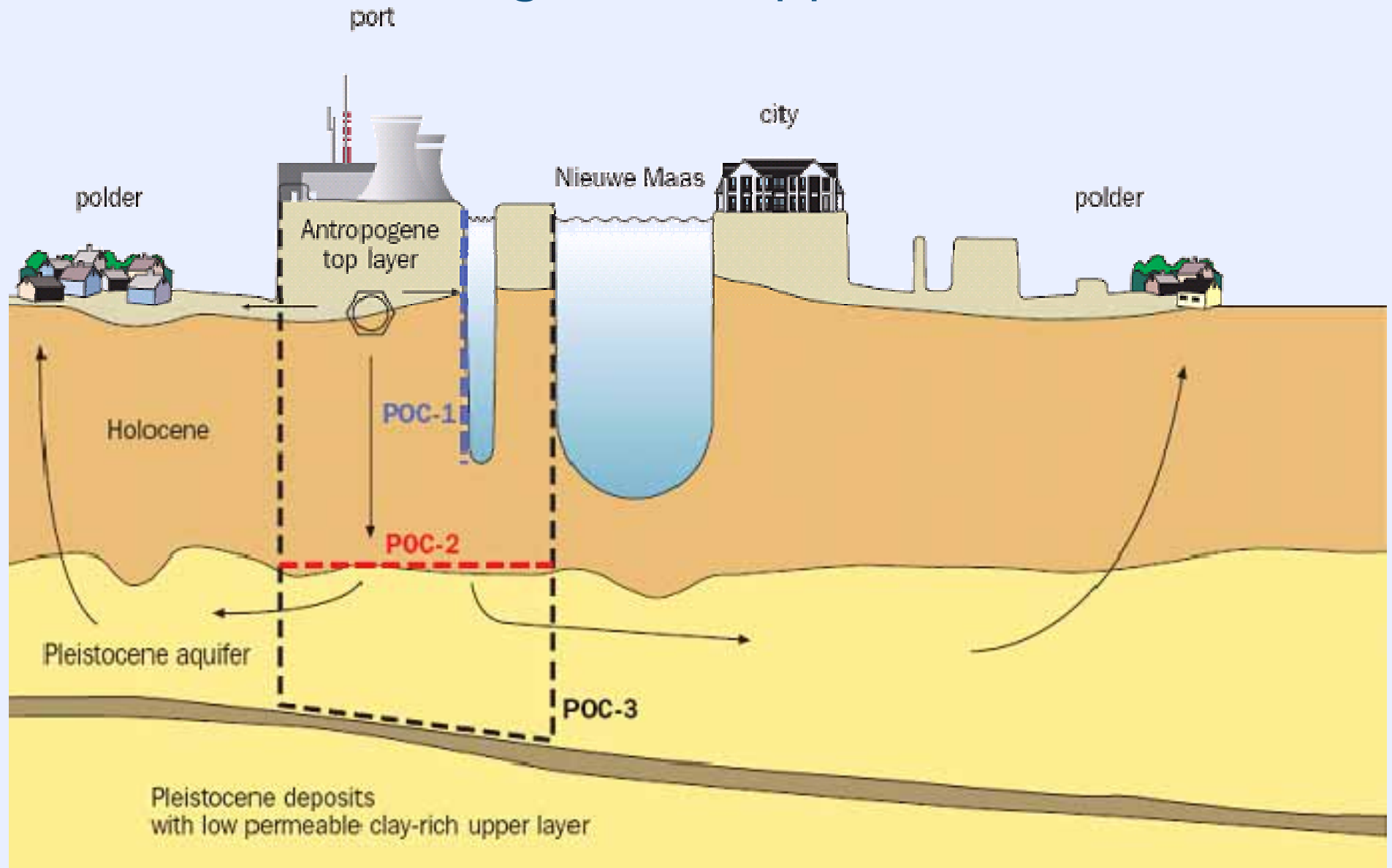
# Development of the Rotterdam harbour area



# Regional Groundwater flow



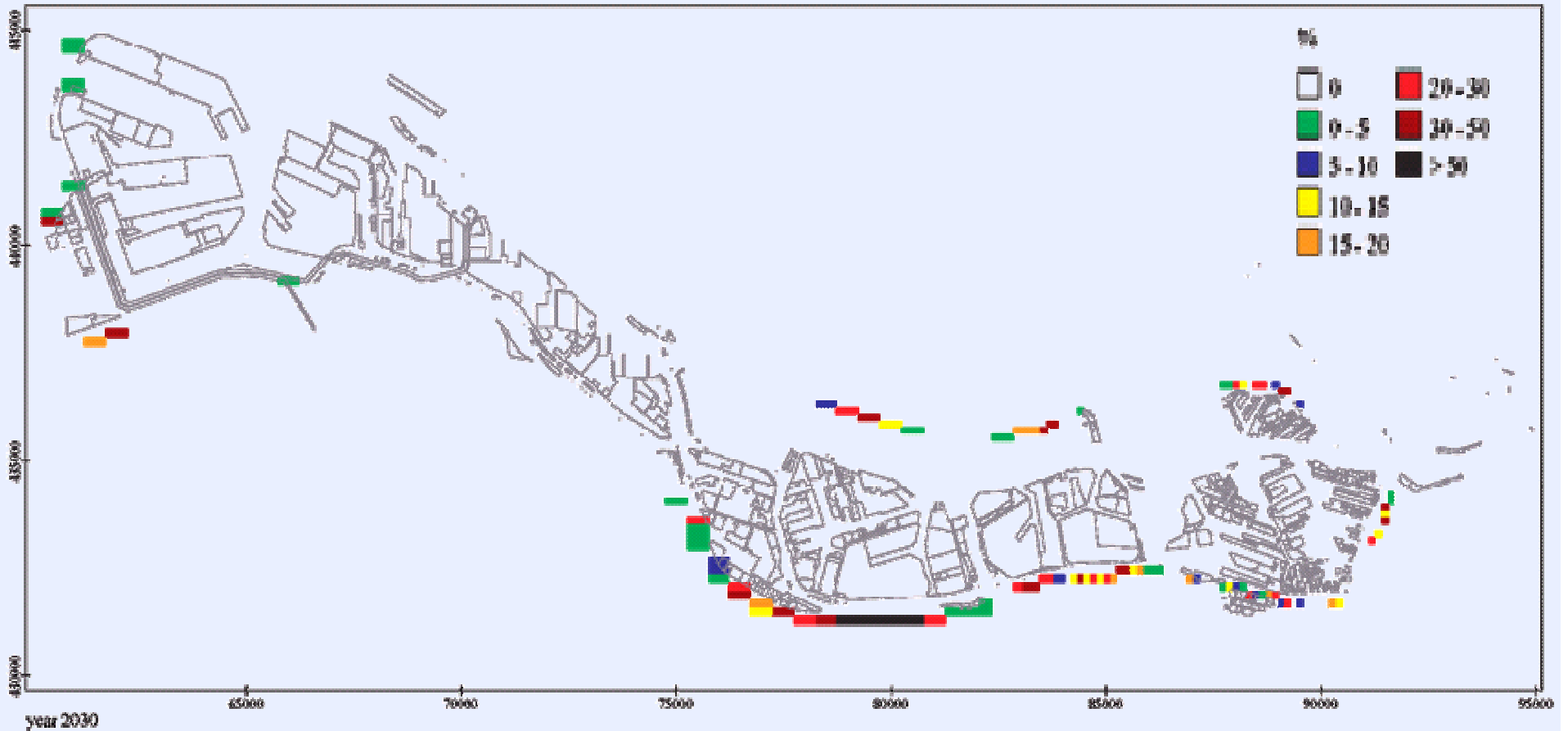
# Conceptual model for Rotterdam Harbor Area Risk-based Management Approach



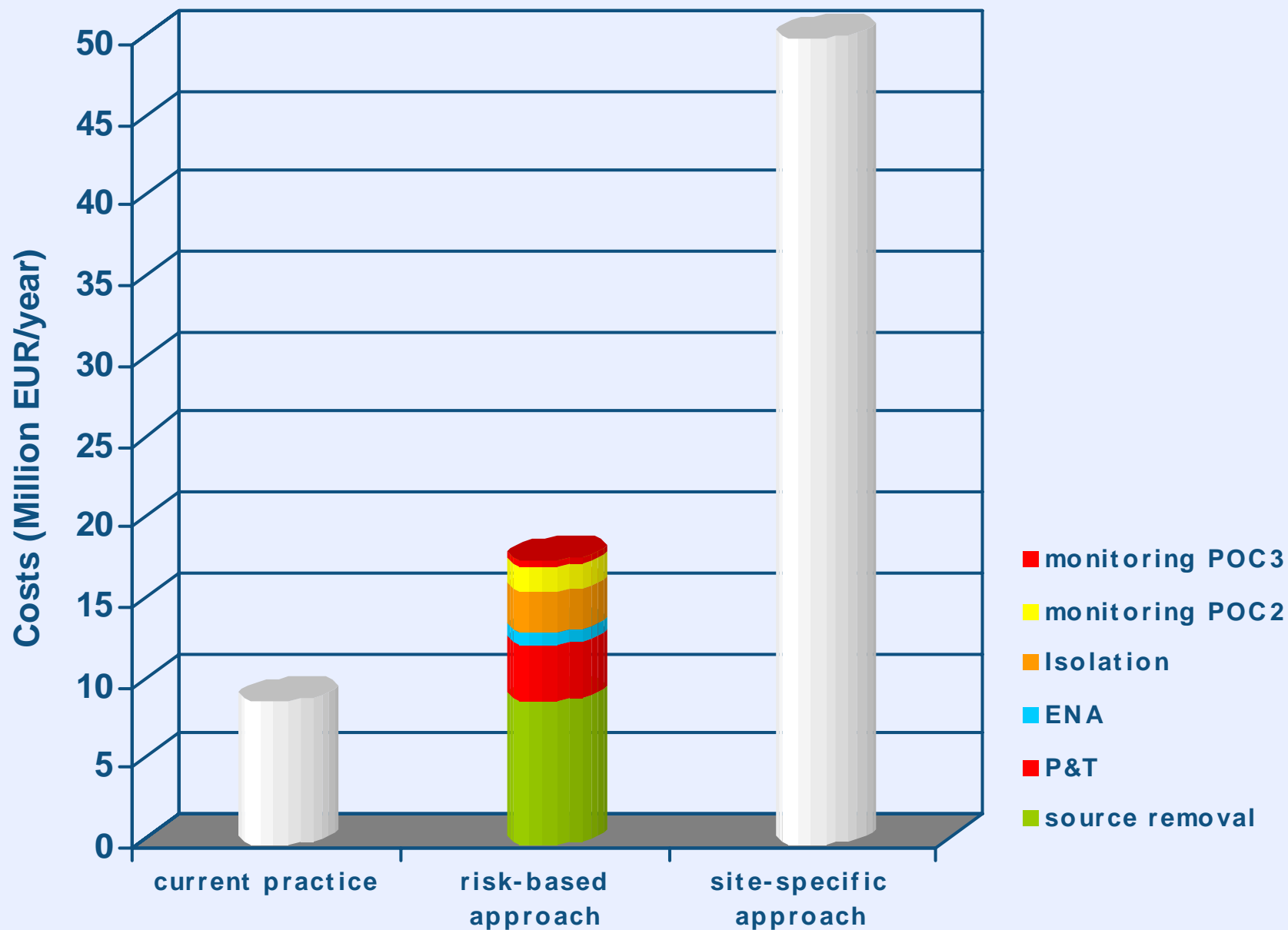


..... 3<sup>rd</sup> plane of compliance

# 2030: Chance of exceeding intervention value at 3<sup>rd</sup> Plane of Compliance



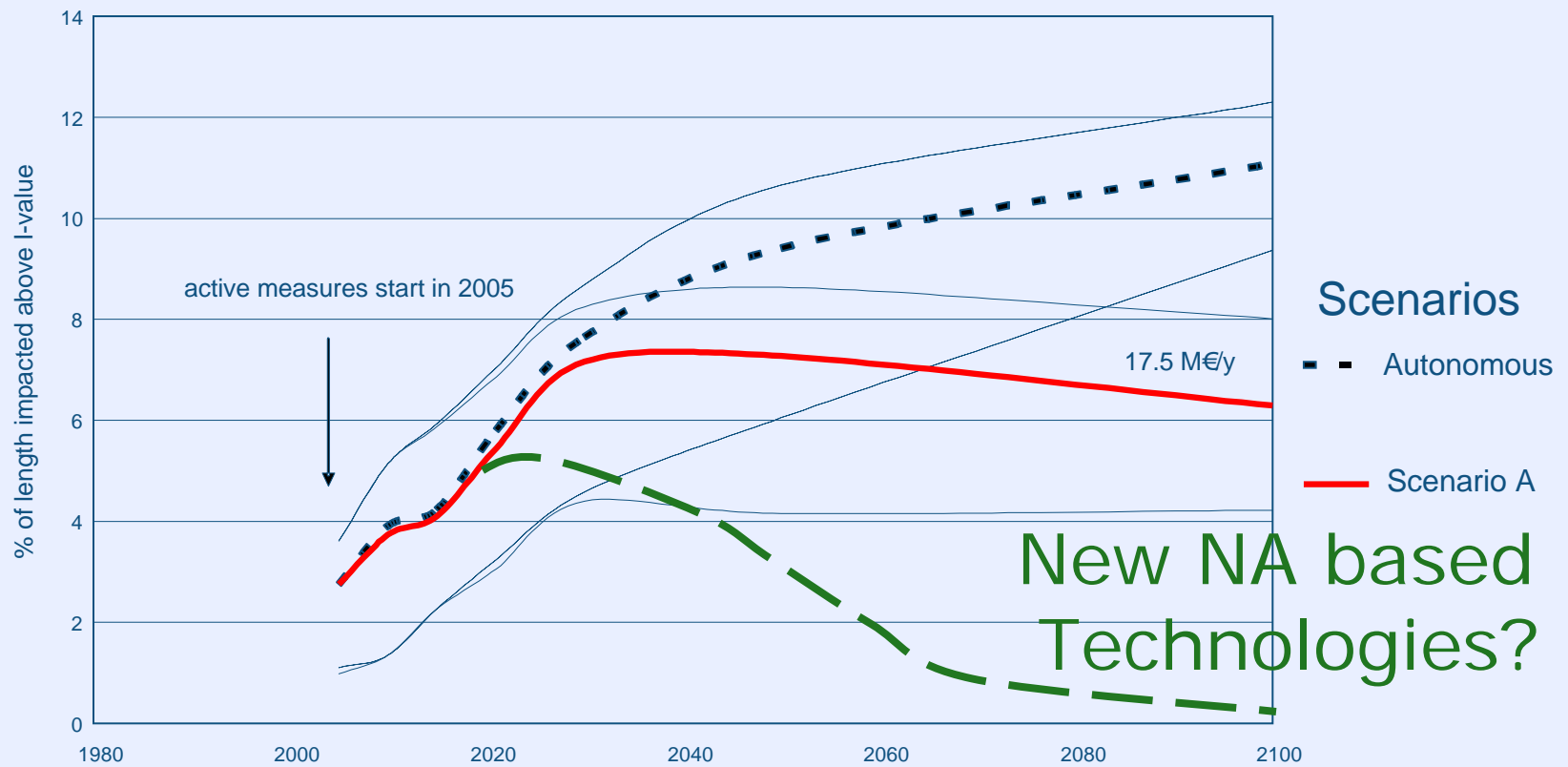
# The Benefits





# Scenarios for effect of risk management measures (e.g. source removal, NA, Isolation)

Effect of scenario A  
(impact on 3rd plane of compliance)



Technologies for mitigating climate change effects

Flood protection

Groundwater treatment in combination with energy storage in the subsurface

..... 3<sup>rd</sup> plane of compliance

# Soil-water functions



can be maintained and restored by integrated technology and engineering the biogeochemistry of the soil-water system