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# DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL, BUILDING AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

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Teaching - Bachelor and Master Programmes

# Contribution to the SDGs



# ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

## Three specialisation curricula:

-  Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation
-  Hydraulic resource management and environmental restoration
-  Land and soil protection

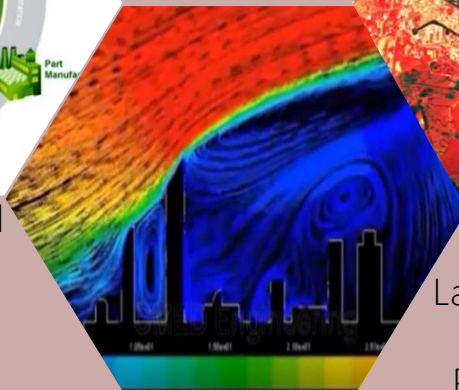
## Main areas of concern:

Water & groundwater management.  
Wastewater Treatment



Environmental modeling & assessment

Air pollution, GHG mitigation and climate change



Land monitoring & protection.  
Pollution control



Waste management, recycling and treatment



Land & coast management



Natural risk assessment & mitigation



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# BUILDING ENGINEERING-ARCHITECTURE

To train highly qualified engineers proficient in architectural and engineering tools, capable of designing, managing, and overseeing construction projects from concept to execution

Architectural, technological and urban design

Plant engineering and building energy design

Structural design and buildings vulnerability

A degree in Building Engineering-Architecture allows to join the **Professional Associations of both Engineers and Architects** in the European Union. According to Directive 2005/36/EC, the graduates can operate professionally in both fields of architecture and engineering



# ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABLE BUILDING ENGINEERING

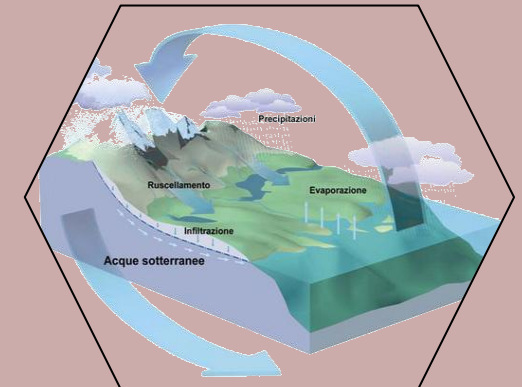
## Main areas of concern:

Remote sensing & GIS,  
Digital modeling for  
architecture,  
Building design and H-  
BIM for architectural  
renovation

Architectural design for  
sustainable building,  
Environmental and  
Urban Planning

Water and solid waste  
treatment plants,  
Urban quality and  
sustainable transportation,  
Hydraulics infrastructures

Structural dynamics,  
Foundation and earth  
retaining structures,  
Groundwater  
management





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Teaching – PhD Programs – Masters – Capacity building

# High-level training activities

The PhD schools and the post-graduate level teaching prove to be of essential assistance to various UN and territorial agencies, NGOs, stakeholders:

- IHE-Delft
- civil protection
- basin authorities
- national and regional environmental protection agencies
- state technical services
- water, energy or waste management companies
- research organizations (e.g. CIMA foundation, JRC)
- private or public planning companies
- city municipalities



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# Multi Risk Resilience of Critical Infrastructures

## Objectives

- Raising Public Awareness
- Promoting societal resilience and climate adaptation
- Strengthening public support for sustainable policies
- Improve infrastructures resilience



Effect of drought. Adnkronos

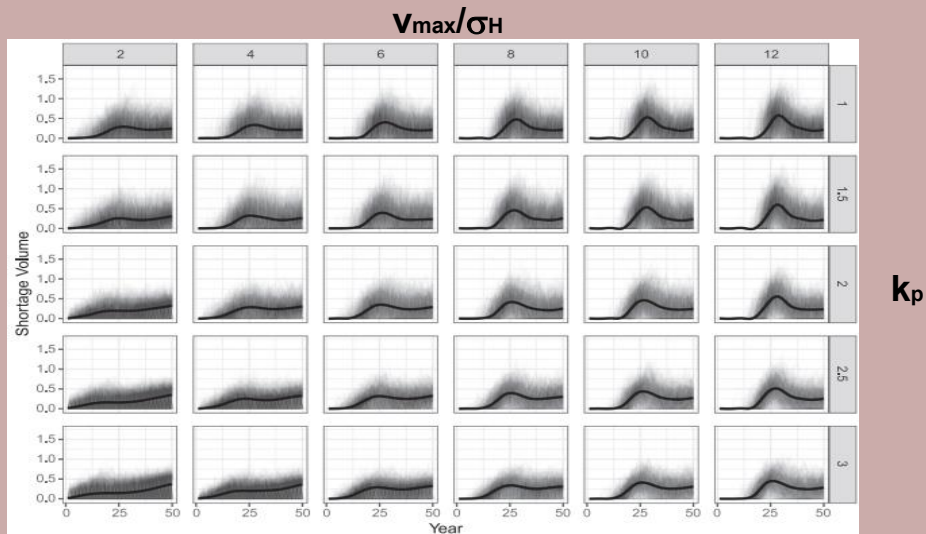
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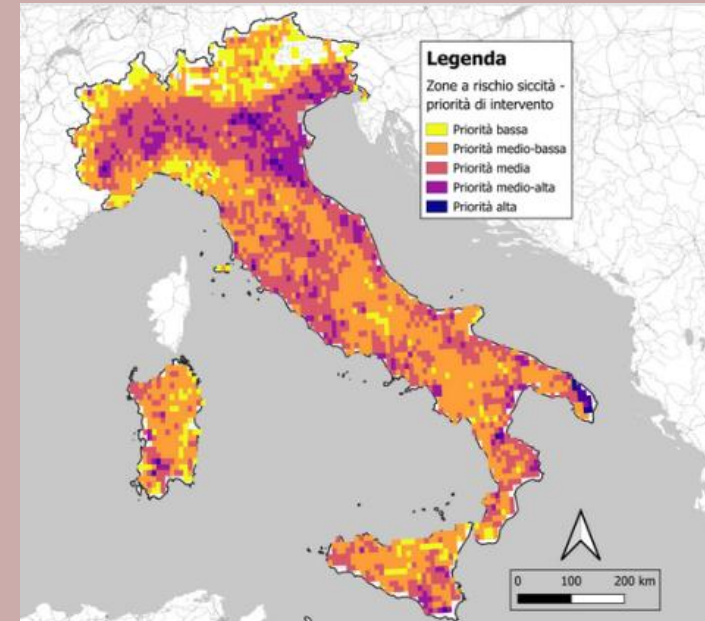
# Water scarcity risk mitigation & WEFE Nexus

Definition of reservoir operating guidelines helping in reducing the risk of shortages in the face of changing supplies and/or demands



Garcia, Rdolfi, Di Baldassarre., 2020

Assessment of agricultural vulnerability to drought: improving the Water-Food & WEFE Nexus



# Earth Observation (PhD school)

## Goal and objectives

- To train doctoral-level professionals with transversal and integrated skills in Earth Observation (EO), Geomatics/Geoinformation, ICT, and administrative and legal domains.
- To support the exploitation and development of the Copernicus and IRIDE programmes.
- To propose and design new services driven by end-user needs.
- Training programs in the digital era



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# Engineering-based Architecture and Urban Planning (PhD school)

Architectural Engineering

Urban Studies

Climate-change resilience in the built environment

Buildings

Open Spaces

Water in cities

Greenery

Microclimate

Energy performance

Thermal performance



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# Architectural Engineering – Research related to the Academy Network topics

## ❑ Built environment performance

Resilience to climate changes, urban microclimate and building energy performance, extreme rainfall runoff, droughts, UHI, in/outdoor environmental quality

## ❑ Digital design and construction

Parametric and BIM-based approaches

## ❑ Built heritage

Renovation, adaptive reuse and conservation



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# Water in the built environment

Water in the built environment of urban areas: how can the built environment improve urban resilience and comfort of inhabitants to increasingly extreme rain and droughts events?  
i.e., extreme rain events, droughts, Urban Heat Island Effect and heatwaves



## Heatwaves

- E.g., 70,000 excess deaths (Europe, 2003)
- Increasingly exacerbated and frequent

Need to cool down urban surfaces

## More frequent and intense extreme precipitations

Need to aim at **pluvial runoff reduction**, thus flooding risk reduction and pedestrians' safety



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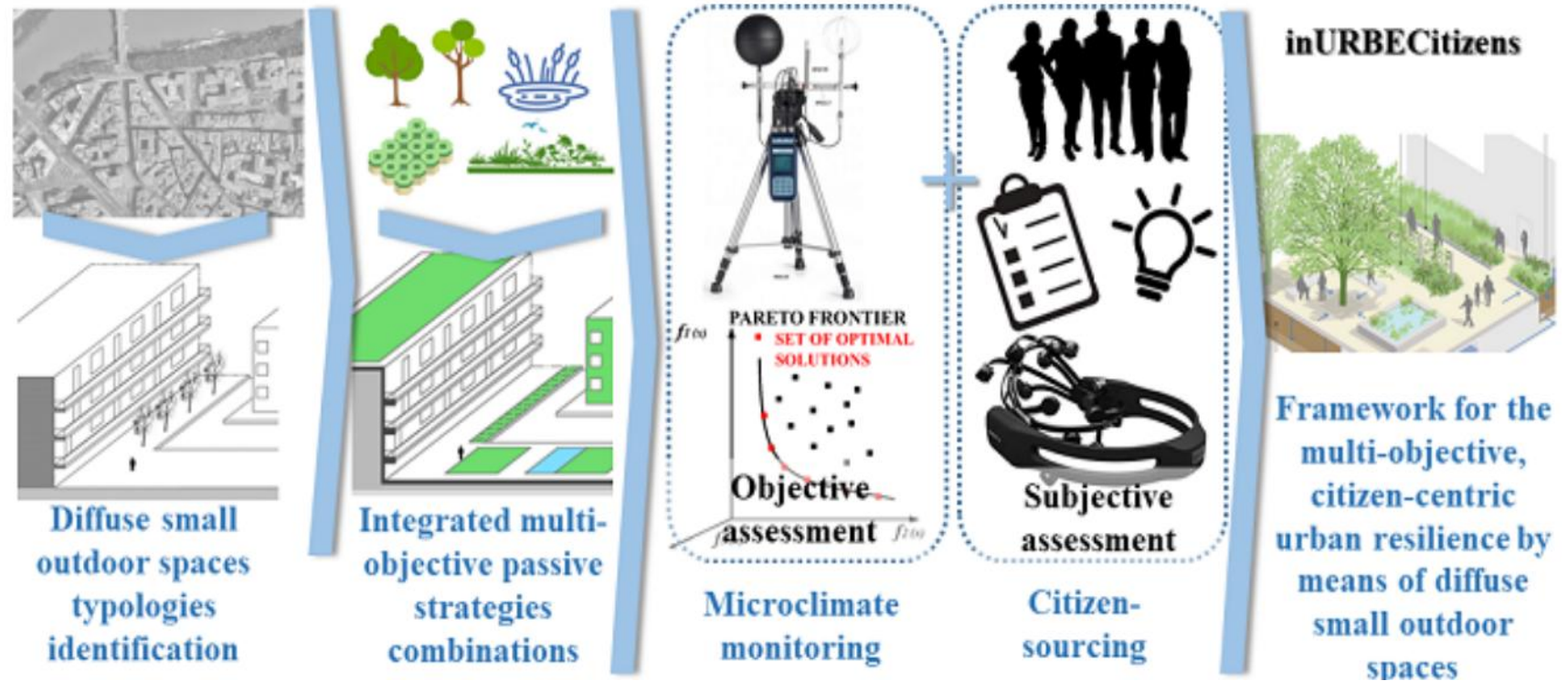
inURBECitizens: strengthening INtegrated Urban climate Resilience in the Built Environment through multi-objective strategies and Citizens involvement



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Citizens

## KEYWORDS

Architectural Engineering  
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Heatwaves  
Pluvial Flooding  
Built Environment Resilience  
Urban areas  
Crowd  
Citizens



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