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2023 Slovenia floods

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THE AUGUST 2023 FLOODS IN SLOVENIA



Komenda, Slovenia





Mežica, Slovenia





Polhov Gradec, Slovenia





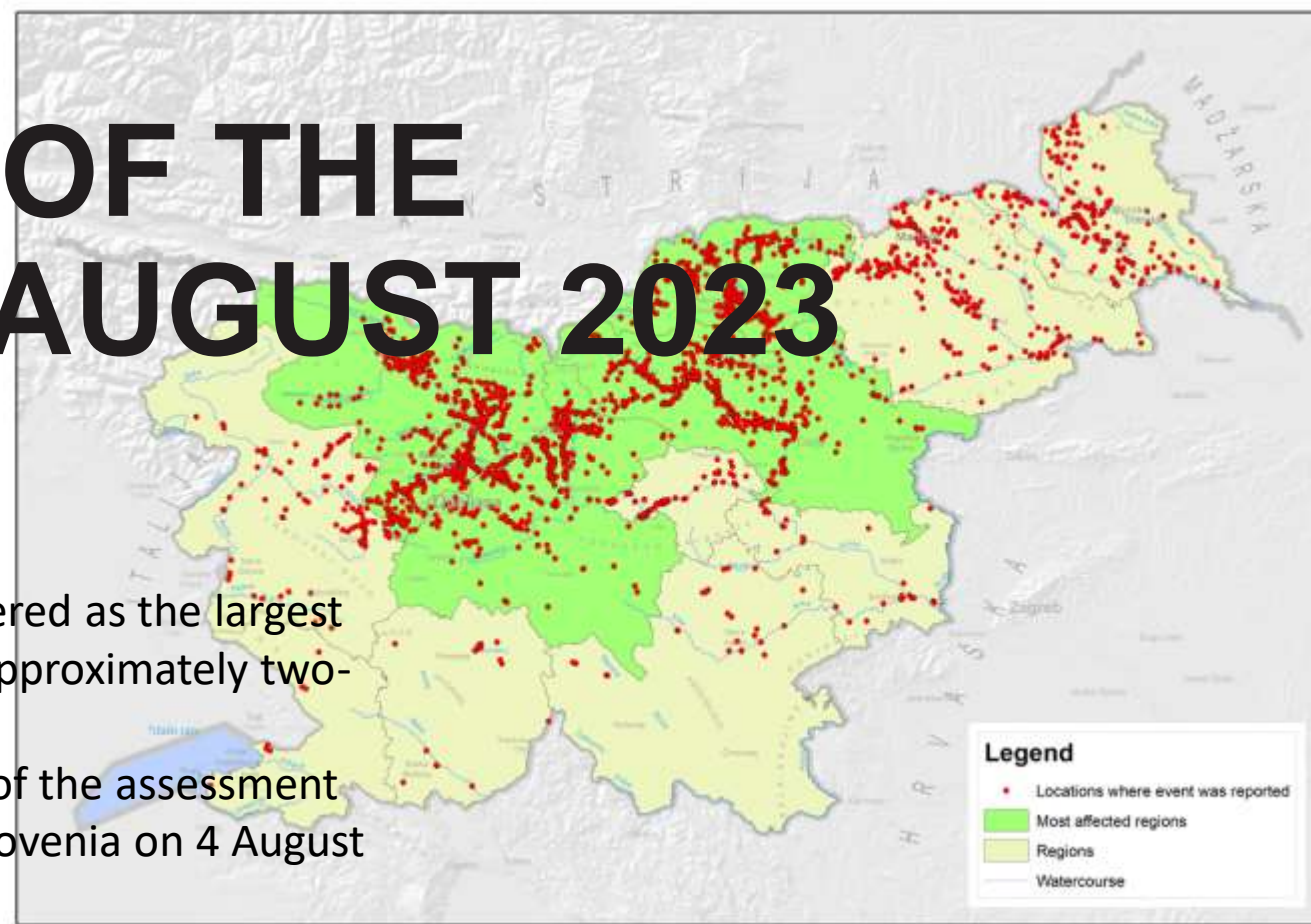
CONSEQUENCES OF THE FLOOD EVENT IN AUGUST 2023

The extraordinary flood event in early August 2023 is considered as the largest in Slovenia's history and had devastating consequences for approximately two-thirds of the country's territory.

The Government of the Republic of Slovenia has taken note of the assessment of direct damage following the natural disaster that struck Slovenia on 4 August 2023 – total estimate: approximately EUR 9.9 billion.

The assessment covers all aspects of the natural disaster, from the replacement of buildings, the rehabilitation of watercourses, the restoration of infrastructure, the protection and restoration of cultural heritage sites, and waste disposal and management.

183 out of 212 Slovenian municipalities were affected by floods and landslides. As many as 104 municipalities were severely affected.



SLOVENIA'S KEY RESPONSE ACTIONS AFTER THE FLOOD EVENT

- The Slovenian government declared a **state of emergency on 4 August**.
- The Slovenian government reacted quickly to the **floods and adopted measures** to deal with the consequences.

THE GOVERNMENT:

- amended the **Natural Disaster Recovery Act**,
- prepared **emergency legislation** and
- drafted the **Reconstruction, Development and Financing Act**.
- In order to coordinate flood recovery as efficiently as possible, a **Flood Recovery Coordination Working Group** was established in August 2023, as well as the **Post-Flood and Landslide Reconstruction Office**.
- In order to be effective in obtaining adequate funding from the various EU instruments to deal with the consequences of the catastrophic event, a **Joint Task Force** has been set up, comprising representatives of the European Commission and Slovenia.



1. MUNICIPALITIES:

- **Advanced payments to municipalities** in 2023 (flood event 4. august 2023) – **218 mio EUR.**

2. NATURAL PERSONS:

- **Advanced payments to natural persons** (7.370 persons) in 2023 – **33,5 mio EUR.**

3. FLOOD AND AVALANCHE RELIEF PROGRAMME 4 AUGUST 2023

The total amount of funds required is estimated at **2.33 billion EUR** (spread over the years from **2024 to 2028**), of which:

- **Local infrastructure and implementation of geotechnical measures** in the estimated amount of **600 mio EUR,**
- **Remediation of water infrastructure** to an appropriate functional state resilient to climate change in the estimated amount of **1.36 billion EUR,**
- **Programme implementation support** in the estimated amount of **23 mio EUR,**
- **Restoration of damaged cultural heritage** in the estimated amount of **41 mio EUR,**
- **Building replacement construction** in the estimated amount of **175 mio EUR,**
- **Natural persons - renovation of housing units** in the estimated amount of **75 mio EUR,**
- **Private entities - renovation of facilities for the implementation of activities** in the estimated amount of **55 mio EUR,**
- **Facilities of a protected nature (Castle)** in the estimated amount of **3 mio EUR.**

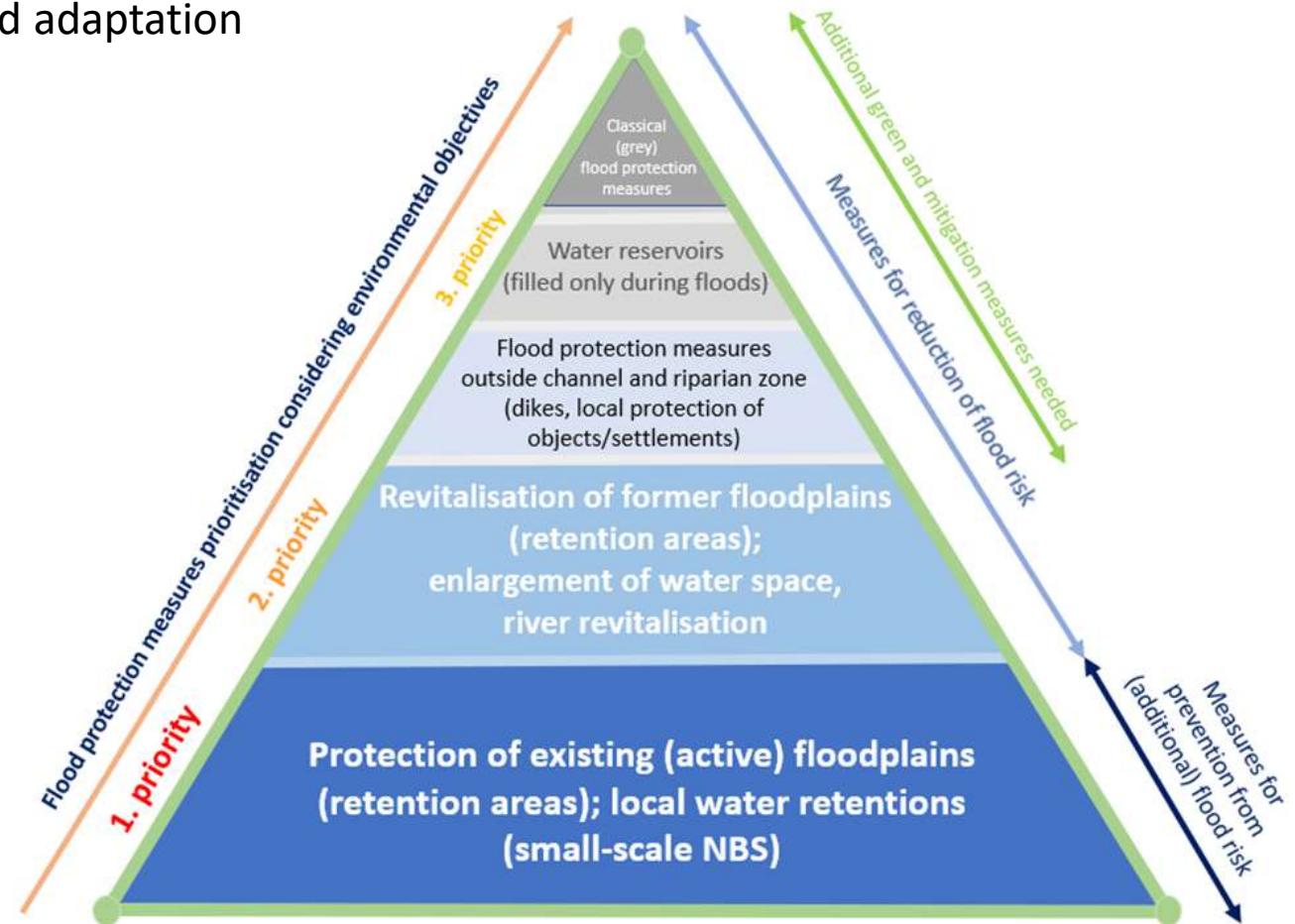


PREPARATION OF NBS PLANNING APPROACH

- Implementation of holistic, multifunctional and sustainable solutions on the river basin level
- Consideration of climate change mitigation and adaptation
- Improvement of living space for people
- Improvement of water status and biodiversity

Water management goals within flood protection projects:

- Prevention from further flood risk
- Prevention from further deterioration of hydromorphological status
- Reduction of risk of flood damage
- Improvement of hydromorphological status (link to water status and biodiversity)



Thank you for your attention!

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