

Global Flood Partnership

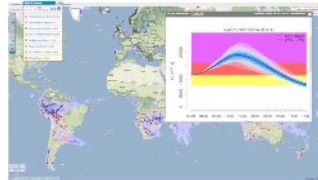
Global tools and services for managing flood risk and emergencies

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State of global flood information

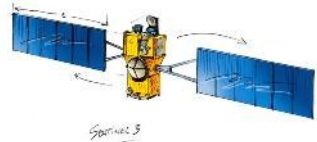
Forecasting

- Feasibility demonstrated



Observation

- Daily high resolution data
- Near real-time flood extent



Sentinel-3
Credits: ESA - C. Vижoux, 2006

Risk

- Global data to local risk demonstrated



Issues

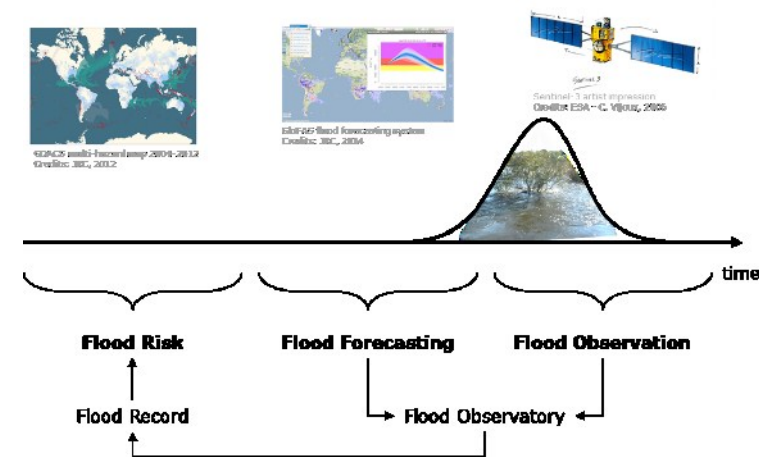
- Multi-disciplinary
 - Terminology
- Many actors
 - Overlap, lack of awareness
- Application
 - Translation of information for civil protection community
- Demonstration to Service
 - Fitness for use
 - Sustainability
 - Adoption by global organisations

Bridging gap between science and operations – a multidisciplinary challenge



Objective of a Global Flood Partnership

Development of global flood observational and modelling infrastructure,
leveraging on existing initiatives, for
better predicting and managing
flood disaster impacts
and flood risk



Partners

Organisations that participated to Working Group meetings

Athena Global
California Institute of Technology (JPL)
Cemaden (Brazil)
Centre De Recherche Public-Gabriel Lippmann
CH2MHILL
Christian Aid
Cima Research Foundation
Dartmouth Flood Observatory and University of Colorado at Boulder
Deltares (Netherlands)
ESSIC, University of Maryland
European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts (ECMWF)
European Commission Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection (ECHO)
European Commission Joint Research Centre
FM Global
European Space Agency (ESA)
Georgia Institute of Technology
Guy Carpenter & Company GmbH
Heriot-Watt University
HR Wallingford
Hydro-Logic Services LLP
HKV Consultants
ICF International
IH Cantabria
iMMAP
Imperial College London
Institute for Environmental Studies, VU University Amsterdam, Netherlands
International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)

Information Technology for Humanitarian Assistance, Cooperation and Action (Ithaca)
Institute of Remote Sensing and Digital Earth, Chinese Academy of Sciences
International Center for Water Hazard and Risk Management (ICHARM)
International Water Management Institute (IWMI)
Lake Chad Basin Commission
Loughborough University
Meteorological Connections, LLC
Ministry of planning and development - Regional Water Administration
NASA Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC)
NASA GSFC, Science Systems and Applications, Inc.
NASA Headquarters
NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL)
NASA Marshall Space Flight Center (MSFC)
National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR)
National Centre for Atmospheric Sciences
Nigerian National Emergency Management Agency
NOAA/NCEP/CPC (National Centre for Environmental Prediction)
NOAA/NESDIS (National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service)
NOAA/NWS/OHD (National Weather Service)
Pacific Disaster Center
Pacific Northwest National Lab
Pakistan Meteorological Department
Practical Action UK
Princeton University
Riverside
SERVIR
São Paulo State University (UNESP)

Swedish Meteorological and Hydrological Institute
Swiss Re
UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs
UCAD-Dakar-Senegal
UK Flood Forecasting Centre
UK Met Office
UNESCO-IHE
UNITAR\UNOSAT
University of Bristol
University of Bristol - Willis Research Network
University Corporation for Atmospheric Research (UCAR)
University of Connecticut
University of Kansas
University of Exeter
University of Maryland, Earth System Science
Interdisciplinary Center
University of Oklahoma
University of Washington
University of Massachusetts/World Bank
University of Reading
USAID/OFDA
U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center, Coastal and Hydraulics Laboratory
USGS Earth Resources Observation and Science
Vienna University of Technology, Department of Geodesy and Geoinformation
Walker Institute
Water Resource Associates LLP
World Bank
World Bank GFDRR
World Meteorological Organization

Coordination structure: pilot 2014

Co-chairs: Overall Coordination

- JRC, Dartmouth Flood Observatory (DFO, University of Colorado)

Pillar coordinators

▪ Global Flood Service and Toolbox Pillar

- JRC, Deltares,
- University of Kansas, ECMWF and World Bank GFDRR

▪ Global Flood Observatory Pillar

- DFO, JRC

▪ Global Flood Record Pillar

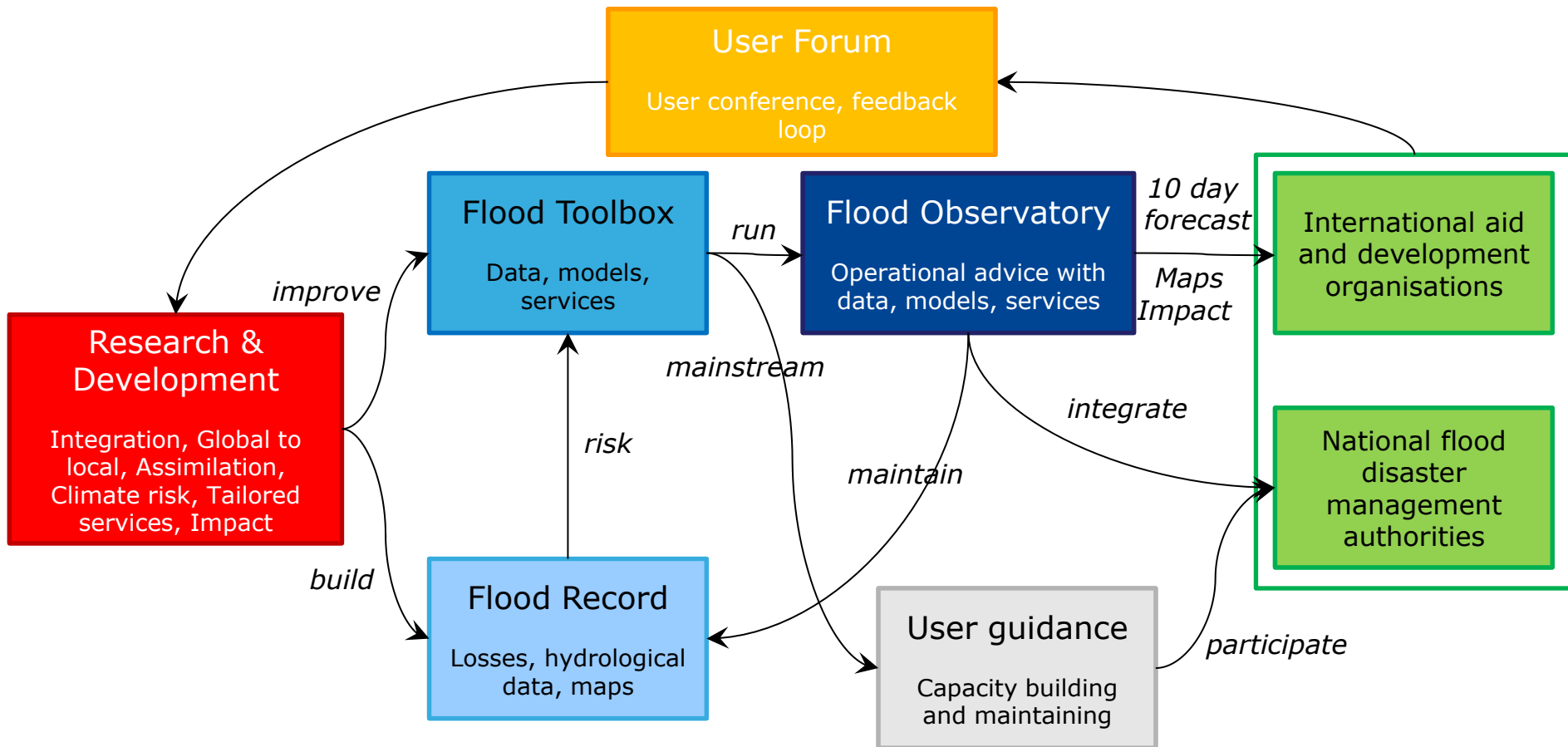
- CIMA, Italy (support of UNISDR), DFO

▪ User Guidance Pillar:

- JRC, with support of WMO



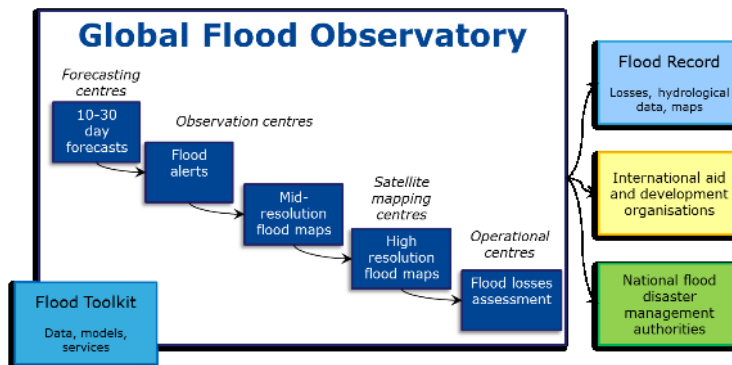
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Observatory

Pre-operational flood alerts

- In GDACS context
- International organisations
- 31 volunteering partners



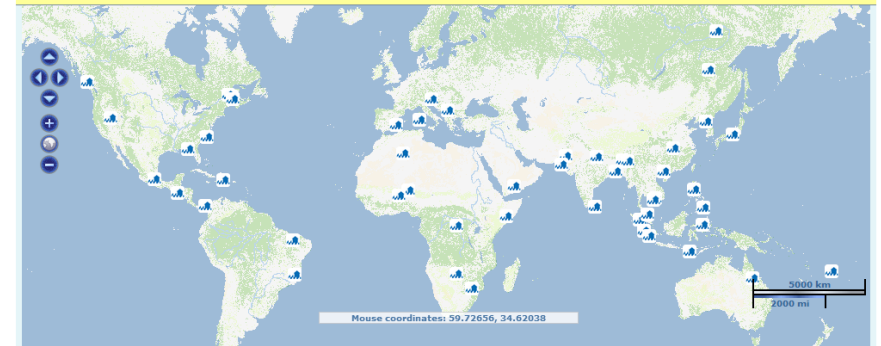
Global Flood Observatory

Welcome to the prototype of the **Global Flood Observatory**. As agreed in the kick-off meeting of the **Global Flood Partnership**, participating organisations will pool expert flood monitoring and forecasting resources into a collective, collaborative platform to provide near real-time flood information. The system aims at expanding the current methodology of the Dartmouth Flood Observatory, maintaining the same procedures and quality assurance, but sharing the work over interested agencies. The observatory provides for each flood: a unique identifier, a detailed location including polygon, context information and impact information.

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Development phase: May-June 2014
 Training and prototype phase: July-August 2014
 Operational phase: starting in fall 2014
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Latest ongoing floods



GFO data is open. It can be downloaded in various formats. Currently, the following formats are supported, but more are coming.

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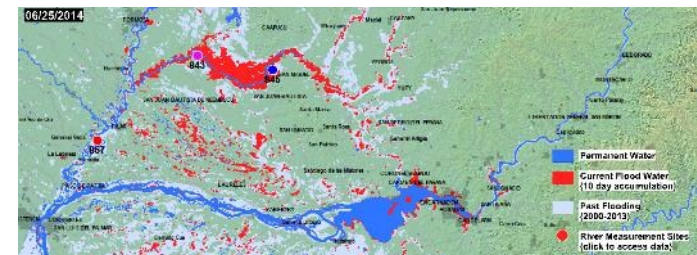
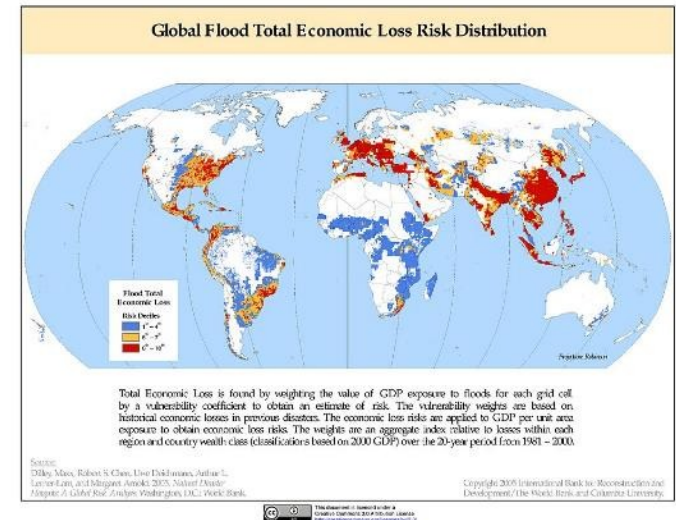
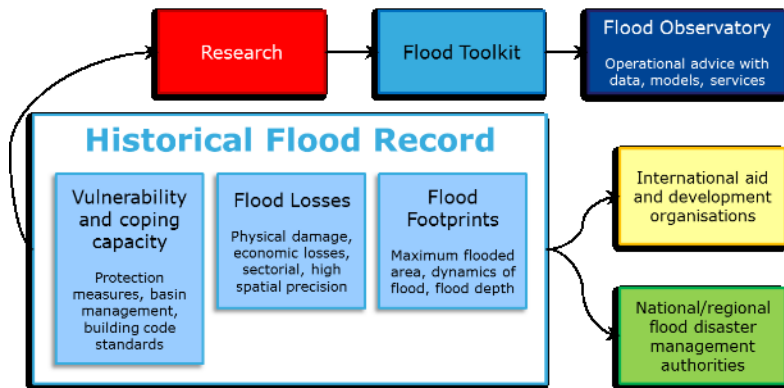
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Global Flood Record

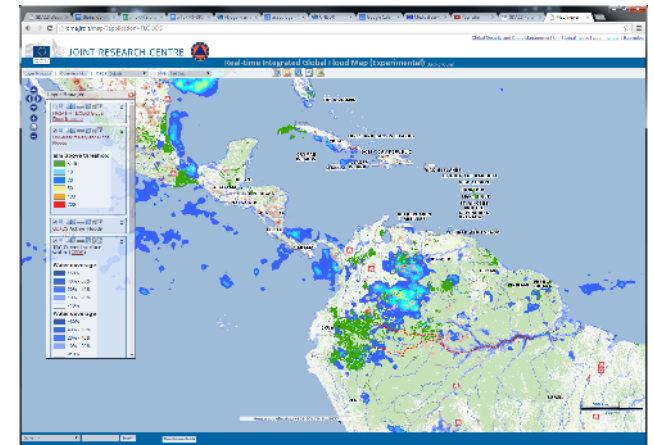
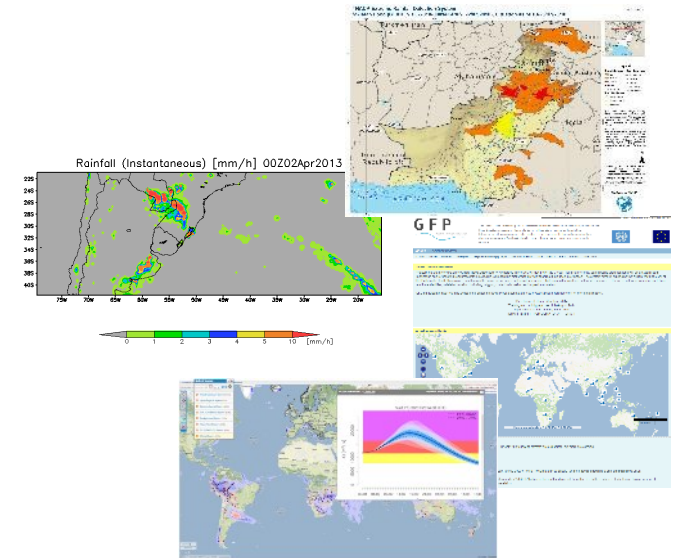
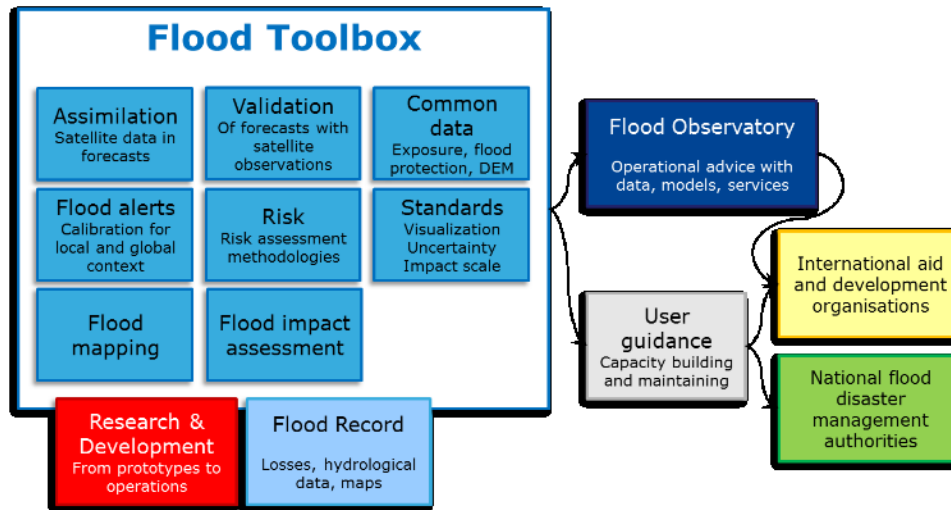
Record flood extent and losses

- For risk modelling
- Historical databases

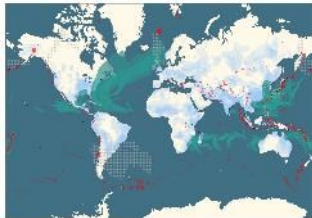


Toolbox and Services

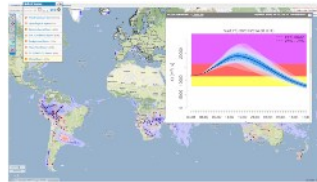
Catalogue of tools and services



GFP in the flood cycle



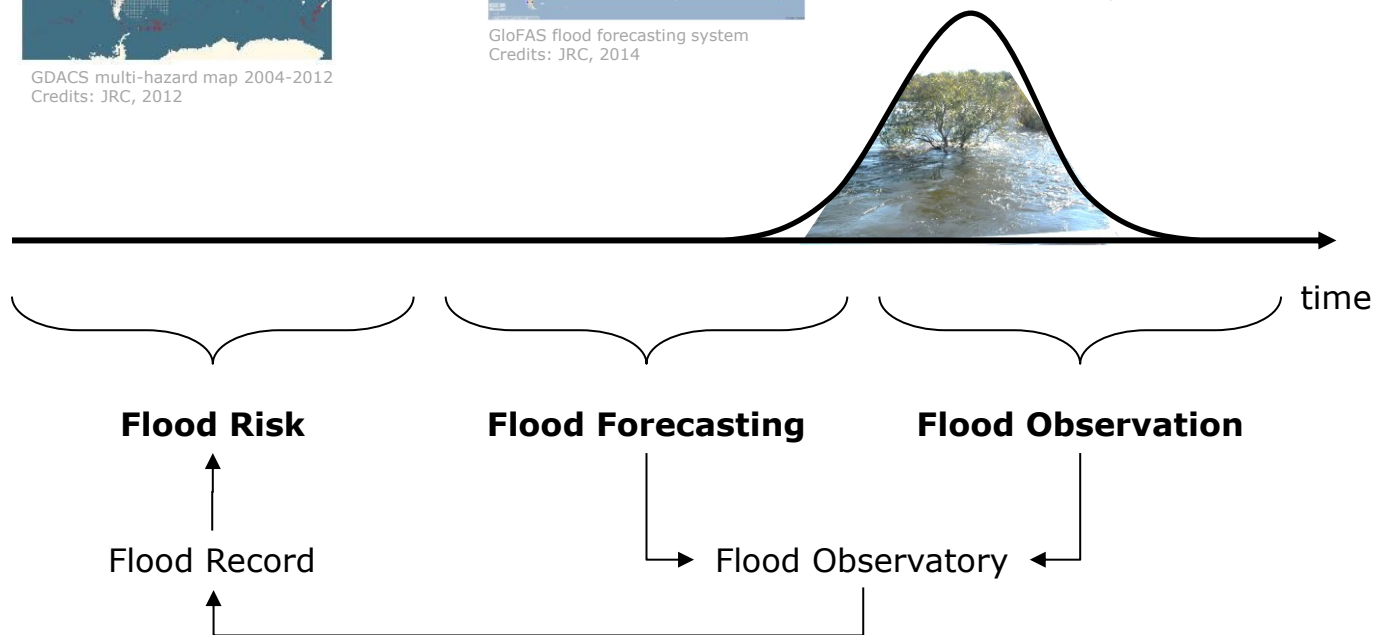
GDACS multi-hazard map 2004-2012
Credits: JRC, 2012



GloFAS flood forecasting system
Credits: JRC, 2014



Sentinel 3
Sentinel-3 artist impression
Credits: ESA - C. Vijoux, 2006

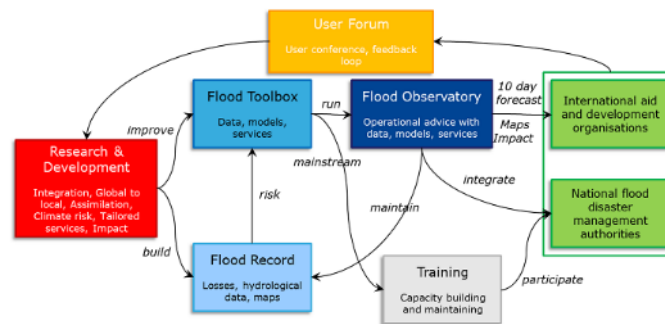


Conclusion: added value of GFP

- **Operational** flood impact warnings
 - Tailored information for international response organisations
- **Collection** of tools, services and data for global flood observation and modelling
 - Setting research priorities? Defining standards? Benchmarking? Ensembles?
- Coordinated approach to **interact with users**
 - Advocacy and Feedback; Building Ownership
 - Comparative training material? Pilot countries?



<http://portal.gdacs.org/Global-Flood-Partnership>



Core components

