



### **Progress towards operational EFAS**





- February 2008: "Horizon scan" Meeting Directors-General ENV and JRC
  - DG ENV stressing the importance of EFAS to go operational
  - Details to be discussed in follow up meeting later in 2008
- Spring 2008: MS meetings
  - Meeting with SE delegation at JRC
    - Letter/Proposal sent to JRC Director in Apr 2008
  - Meeting with NL delegation at JRC
    - Letter/Proposal sent to JRC Director in Sep 2008
  - Meeting with IT delegation at JRC
    - Proposal sent to JRC in Aug 2008
  - (SK proposal already done in 2007)
- June 2008: Meeting JRC Director with GMES coordinator (cancelled)
- Nov 2008: Meeting with Directors JRC and ENV on EFAS & EFFIS
  - Stressed the need of MIC for EFAS
  - Aim: EFAS to go operational in 2011 with GMES funding
  - DG ENV will finance EFAS for two years until 2011 (AA)





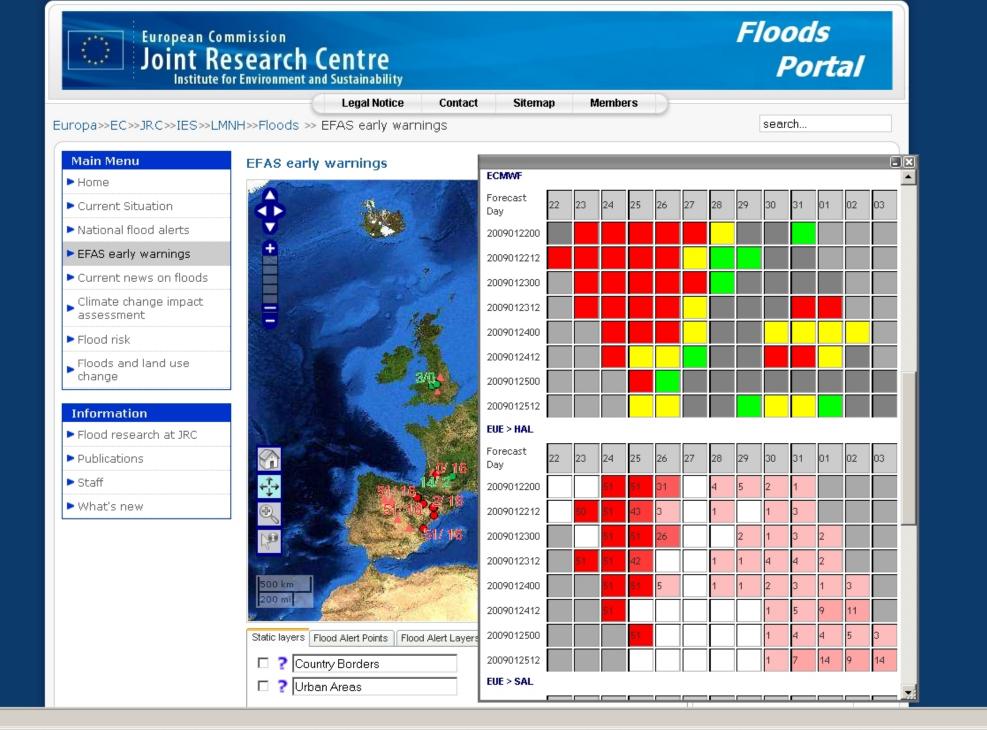
- Dec/Jan: JRC has prepared a draft AA + financial proposal
  - Detailed proposal under negotiation (feedback will come 2/2 onwards)
  - Should be active around summer 2009 and run until summer 2011
- Spring 2009: further meeting with GMES Director is planned to discuss financial support from GMES
- Based on the outcome of the GMES meeting, further steps with MS and ENV to be defined (mid 2009)
- 2009: JRC bridge funding to keep EFAS, ETN-R and EU-FLOOD-GIS running to support EFAS
- 2010/2011: current arrangements with ECMWF as well continuation of ETN-R and EU-FLOOD-GIS foreseen





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## **New products**



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Information from EFAS. (Blinking = new in last 1 hours.)

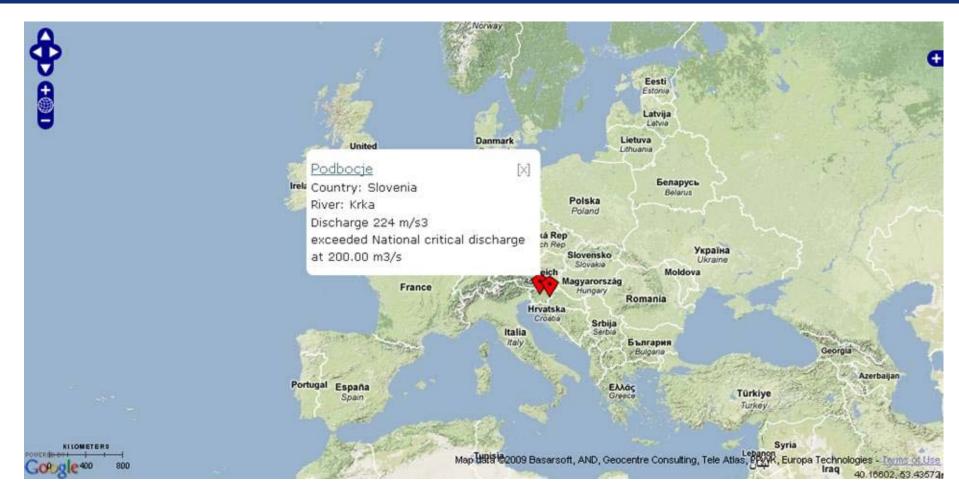
The Monitoring and Information Centre (MIC) system has a still increasing role in EC Civil Protection and international crisis coordination & assistance

#### **Products:**

- Ongoing floods (ETN-R measurements or EFAS-estimates)
- EFAS early flood warnings (>48 hour leadtime)
  - Different colouring for 3-5 days, 6-10 days
- EFAS 48 hour flood alerts (experimental, to be replaced by MeteoAlarm product













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## **Further work**





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- Testing EFAS-tools for early flood warning in Africa:
  - Pilot study Juba & Shabelle (Somalia & Ethiopia);
    - collaboration with FAO-SWALIM project
  - Pilot study Zambesi river (Southern Africa);
    - collaboration with Univ Washington State, D. Lettenmaier

