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## Topic 4

- The Copernicus Emergency Management Service
- supporting disaster risk reduction worldwide









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## OUTLINE

## **Copernicus & the Emergency Management Service**

Components

**Exposure Mapping** 

**Uptake and evolution** 



#### Emergency Management





### **Copernicus EMS Scope and objectives**

Emergency Management "Copernicus EMS activities are one of the examples of best practices with worldwide recognition"

Mauro Facchini, DG DEFIS Head of Unit for Earth Observation

CEMS supports actors involved in the management of natural and man-made disasters.

It addresses all phases of the disaster management cycle:

- Pre-disaster:
  - Risk assessment, prevention, mitigation
  - Preparedness and early warning
- Immediate response
  - Event mapping and monitoring
  - Damage assessment
- Post-disaster
  - Recovery assessment, reconstruction and monitoring
  - Associated risk assessment

It provides timely and accurate geospatial information (derived from satellite remote sensing data and supplemented with available in situ or reference data sources).



# Human Settlement information is essential for policy frameworks and crisis management



UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction 2015 Sendai Japan



















## **GHSL Main Features**

- Extended time series: 1975-2030 in 5 year intervals
- **Operational production**: 2022, 2024, 2026
- Improved spatial resolution
  - Built-up surface fraction at 10 m spatial resolution
  - Population density at 100 m
- Built-up classification: residential and non-residential uses
- Building height information at 100 m spatial resolution





Melchiorri, M., & Kemper, T. (2023, May). Establishing an operational and continuous monitoring of global built-up surfaces with the Copernicus Global Human Settlement Layer. In 2023 Joint Urban Remote Sensing Event (JURSE) https://doi.org/10.1109/JURSE57346.2023.10144201



## GHSL R2022 Brazzaville (Rep. Congo) – Kinshasa (DRC)



24: built spaces, non-residential, 15m < building height <= 30m

25: built spaces, non-residential, building height > 30m



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Rural grid cells (Rural area):

1,000 - Max

## **Global estimation of anthropogenic emissions (11.6.2)**



Crippa, M., Guizzardi, D., Pisoni, E., Solazzo, E., Guion, A., Muntean, M., Florczyk, A., Schiavina, M., Melchiorri, M. and Hutfilter, A.F., 2021. Global anthropogenic emissions in urban areas: patterns, trends, and challenges. Environmental Research Letters, 16(7), p.074033.



SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES





## **Open and Free Geospatial Data for Download**

### https://ghsl.jrc.ec.europa.eu/ download.php





#### GHS-BUILT-S GHS-BUILT-H GHS-BUILT-V GHS-POP GHS-DUC GHS-SMOD GHS-UCDE GHS-BUILT GHS-SDATA ENACT-POP Epoch 2025 2020 2030 2011 2015 2018 2005 2000 2010 1990 1985 1995 1980 1975 Resolution 100m 1km 2m 3 arcsec 30 arcsec Coord. system WGS84 UTM Mollweide

#### GHS built-up surface (R2022) Read the technical details for this product

#### Current selection:

Product: GHS-BUILT-S, epoch: 2030, resolution: 100m, coordinate system: Mollweide, classification: Total RES+NRES, scenario for the prediction: LIN

#### Select the classification and (for the projection epochs) the scenario



 $\mathcal{O}$  To be noted that some variation might be available only for a certain product (e.g. the 30m resolution is only available for the GHS-BUILT multi-temporal classification)

#### Download by tiles (click on each box to download a single tile):





## Use cases of GHSL in international policy frameworks

WGI



GEO 6 & GEO 6 Cities by UNEP urbanization statistics from GHSL Data



UN-Habitat SDG 11 synthesis report UNEP WMO IPCC 6<sup>th</sup> Assessment Report

Climate Change 2022

Impacts, Adaptation and Vulnerability

ipcc

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Earth Observations Toolkit for SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND HUMAN SETTLEMENTS

G∀R

Global Assessment Report on Disaster Risk Reduction

2019





And many more ...





# Measuring & understanding human settlements: past, presence & future



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