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NATURALI IN CITTÀ**
DALLA RICERCA ALLA POLIS

Integrated Decision Support System for NBS: monitoring, modelling and planning



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- Perception vs. Reality
- Legal Framework
- Perspective
- Experience
- The DSS in a Nutshell

**Perception
vs.
Reality**

Triple Crisis & NBS





+ Pollution



+ Extreme Events



- Biodiversity





Nature Base Solutions
(NBS)

Reduction



Recycling



Mitigation



Legal Framework

**UE Legal Framework
&
Water**

Domain	Key Instrument
Integrated management	Water Framework Directive
Drinking water	Drinking Water Directive (2020)
Sanitation	Urban Waste Water Treatment Directive Directive (UE) 2024/3019
Bathing	Bathing Water Directive
Groundwater	Groundwater Directive
Chemicals	EQS Directive
Industry	Industrial Emissions Directive
Agriculture	Nitrates Directive
Marine	Marine Strategy Framework Directive
Reuse	Water Reuse Regulation
Floods	Floods Directive

Perspective

**Multistakeholder &
Technical**



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**RISK
ASSESSMENT**



**POLICY-
MAKING**



SOCIAL

Perspective

The end Users

The analysis behind

Perspective



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The Analysis Behind

Technical - Engineering

What problem do they solve or mitigate?

Behaviour

In terms of Pollutants

In terms of Water
Retention

Selection

Objective & Purpose

Location & Preliminary
Design

Impact

Environmental

Policy

Which ones are there?



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Experience

Case Studies

D4Runoff Project: Preventing and managing pollution from urban water runoff

5 Case Studies

+5 replication analysis



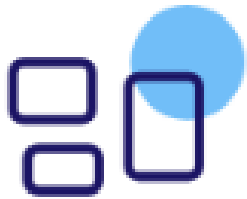
DSS in a Nutshell

D4RUNOFF
AI Assisted Platform



D4RUNOFF

AI-Assisted Platform



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DATA
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Purpose

Catatalogue & Selection

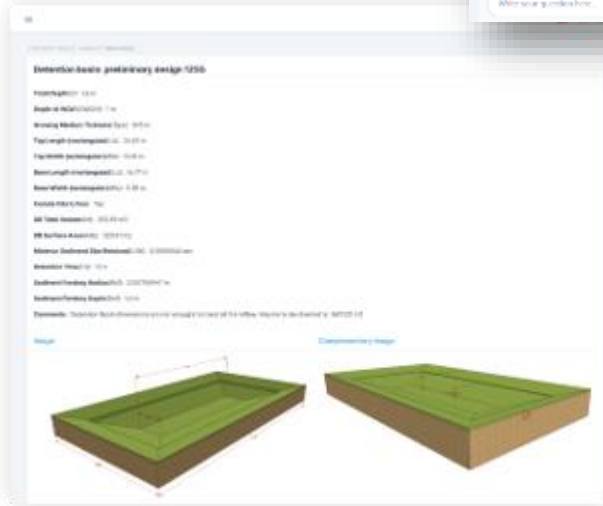


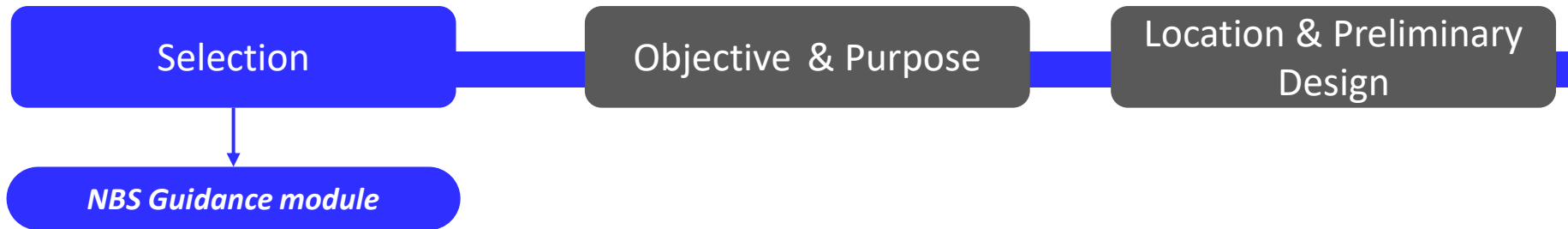
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Location



Behaviour & Impact

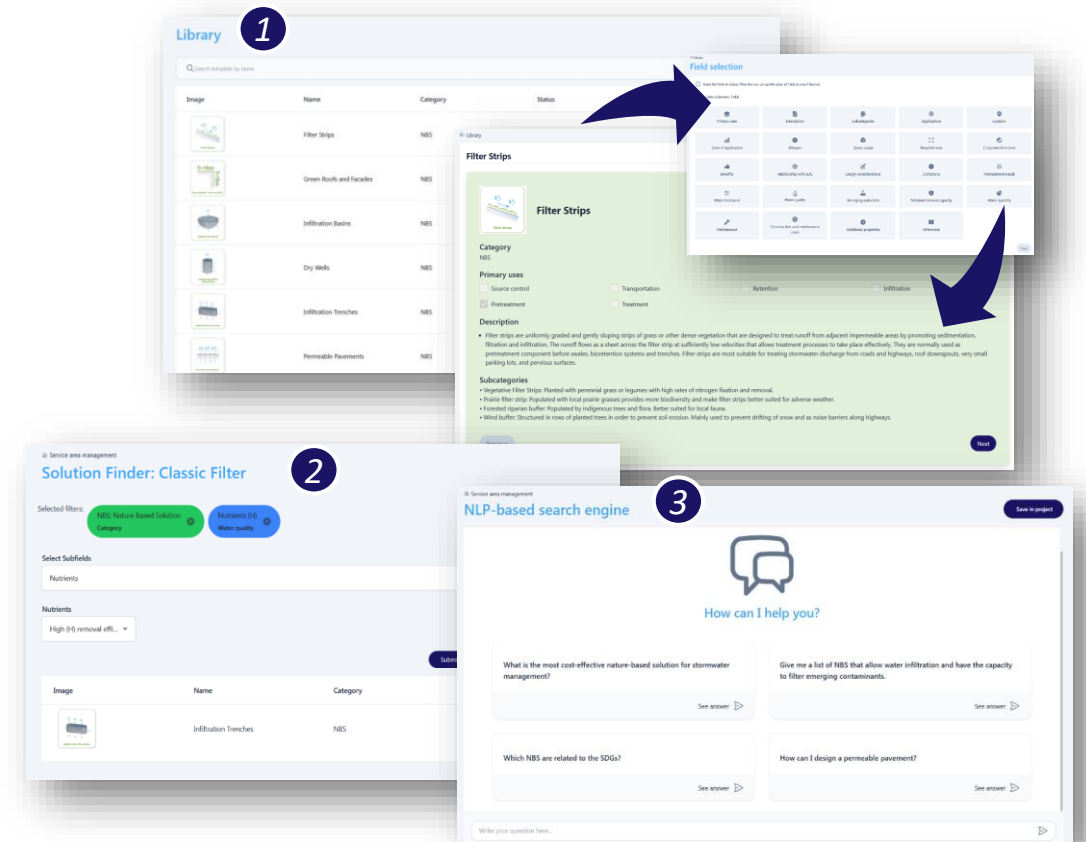




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 - 3 ○ Interact through a Natural Language Processing (**NLP**) assistant



Selection

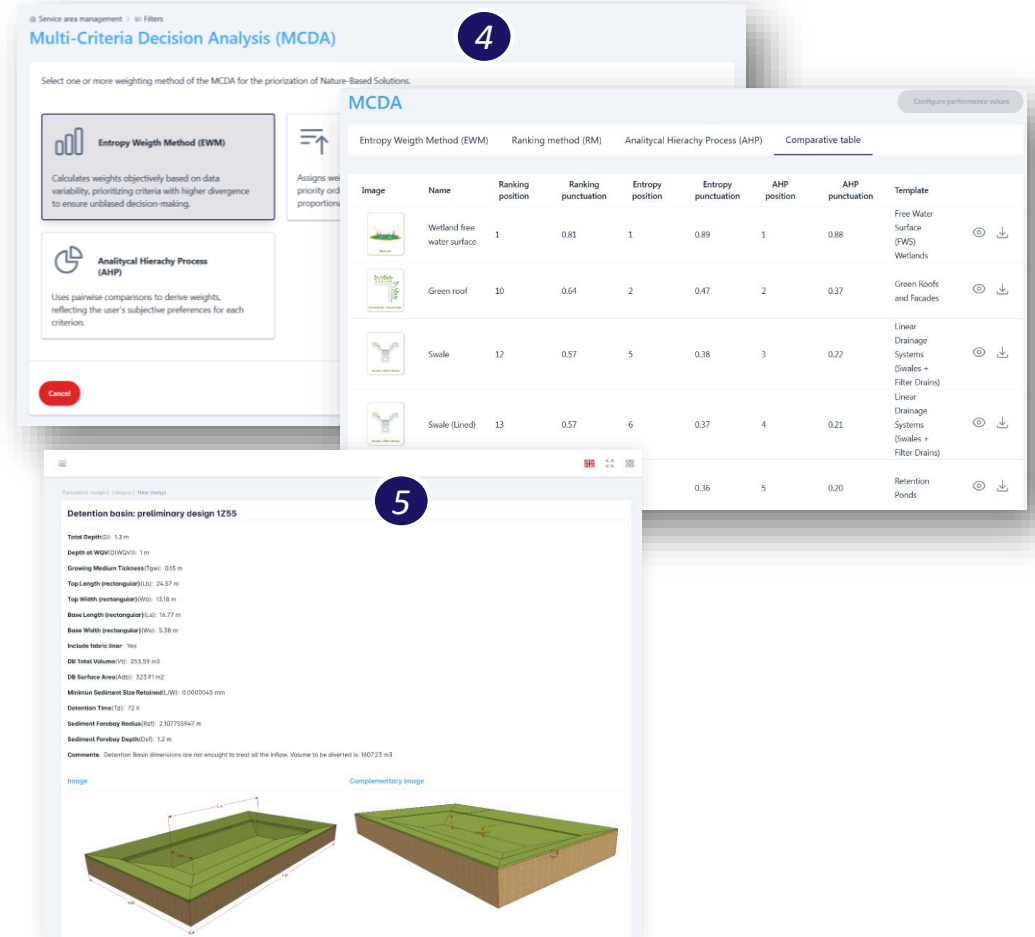
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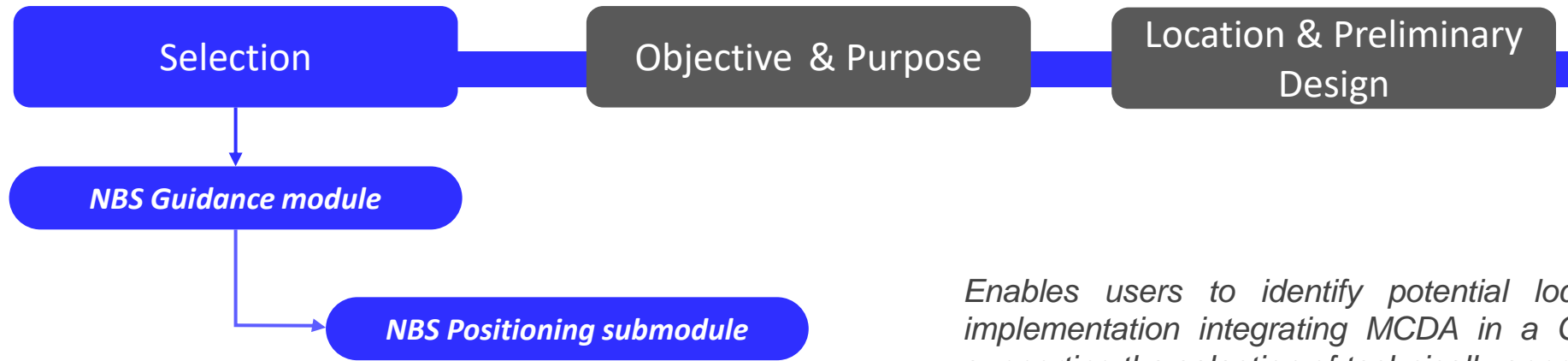
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NBS Guidance module

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- 4 ✓ Apply three **MCDA** methods to rank **NBS** alternatives based on user-defined criteria and support to positioning
- 5 ✓ **Generate preliminary NBS designs** directly from the platform





Enables users to identify potential locations for NBS implementation integrating MCDA in a GIS environment, supporting the selection of technically appropriate solutions



The screenshot shows the 'NBS Positioning' web application interface. It includes a search bar, a table of projects, and a footer with version and funding information.

Name	Status	Last edition	Source layers
TestPosit_Custom	Planned	23/03/2025	D4RUNOFF
Test Positioning	Planned	24/03/2025	D4RUNOFF
NBS_Positioning_CUSTOM	Planned	17/09/2025	D4RUNOFF
TESTPOSITIONING	Planned	13/04/2025	Custom
NBS Positioning 250414	On develop	14/04/2025	D4RUNOFF
NBS Positioning Odense	Planned	14/05/2025	D4RUNOFF

Version 1.1.0

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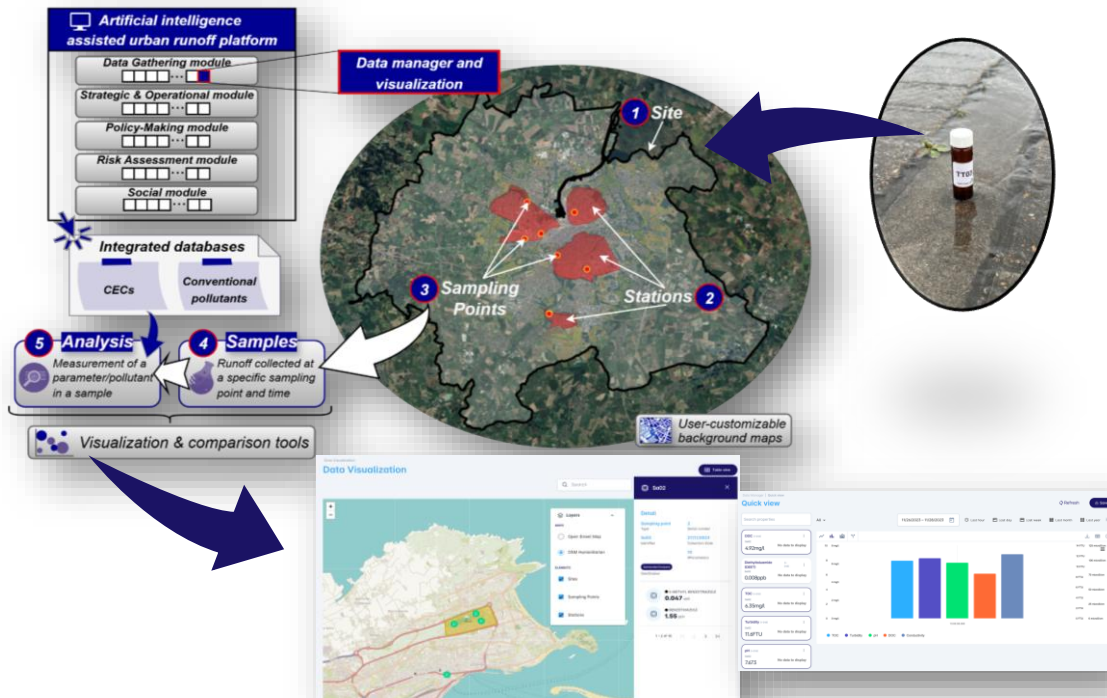
In terms of Water
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IoT & Data Gathering

IoT and Data Collection. Module developed to store, process, and display data generated within the D4RUNOFF project, as well as external data required for the overall operation of the platform (e.g., meteorological services)

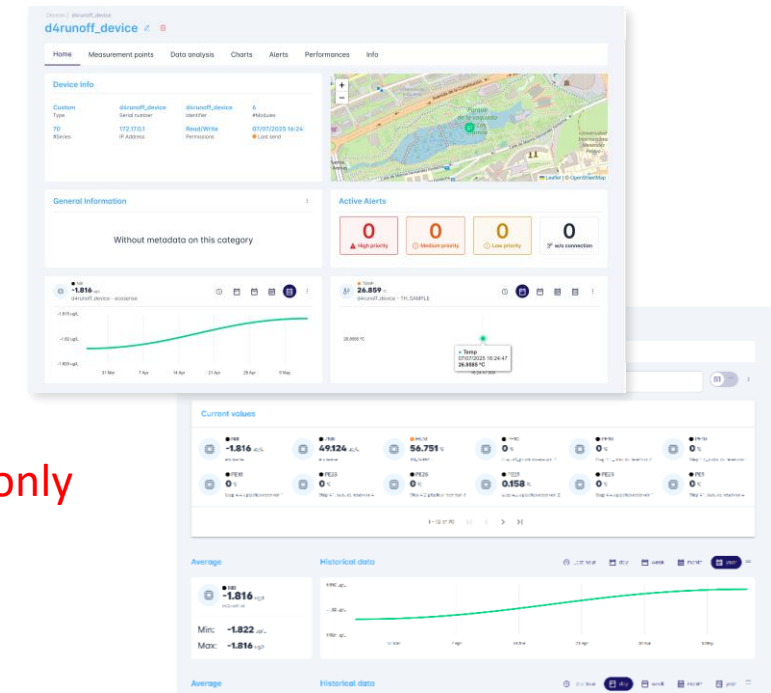
Storage and display of **lab results from a novel detection method** for water contaminants

Real-time connection with innovative sensors for in situ CEC detection



Data ...

... but not only



Behaviour

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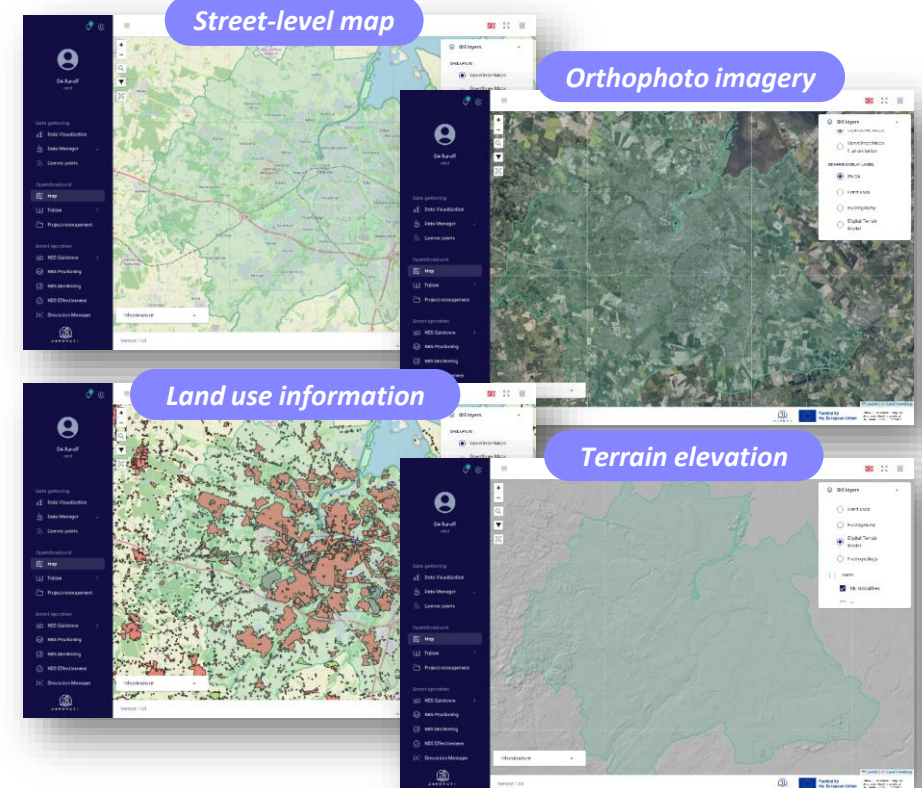
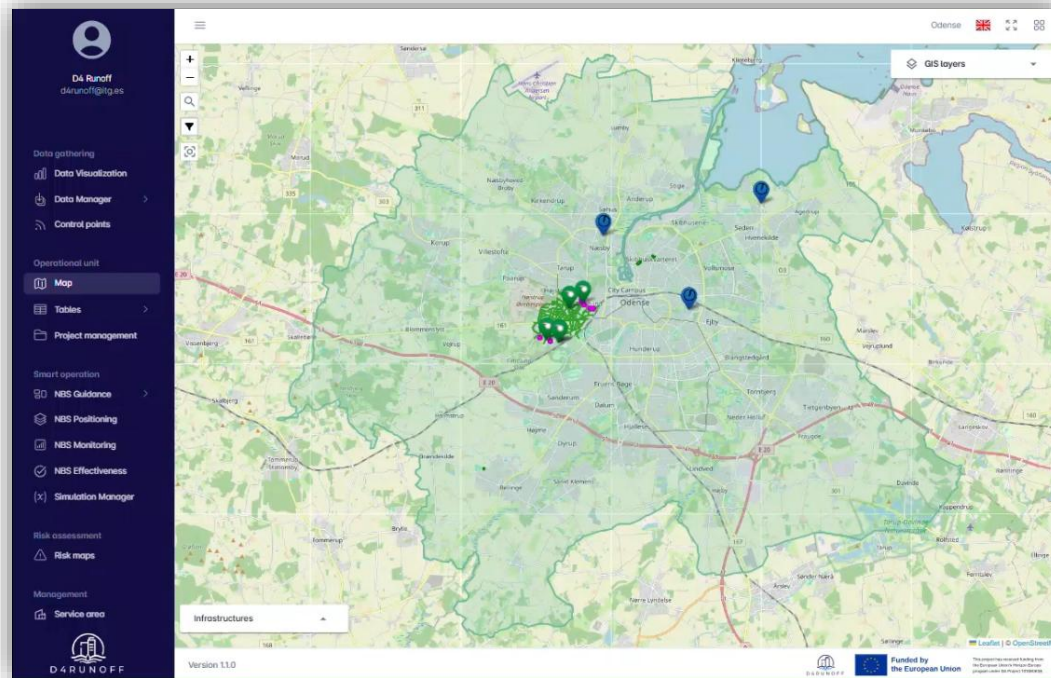
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IoT & Data Gathering

- Ability to store **drainage and sewer infrastructure data**, providing a comprehensive view of the sanitation system in the study areas through **GIS functionalities**

Data model designed for uploading information on different elements of the **drainage/sewer network**

Connection with external GIS layer services to provide contextual information



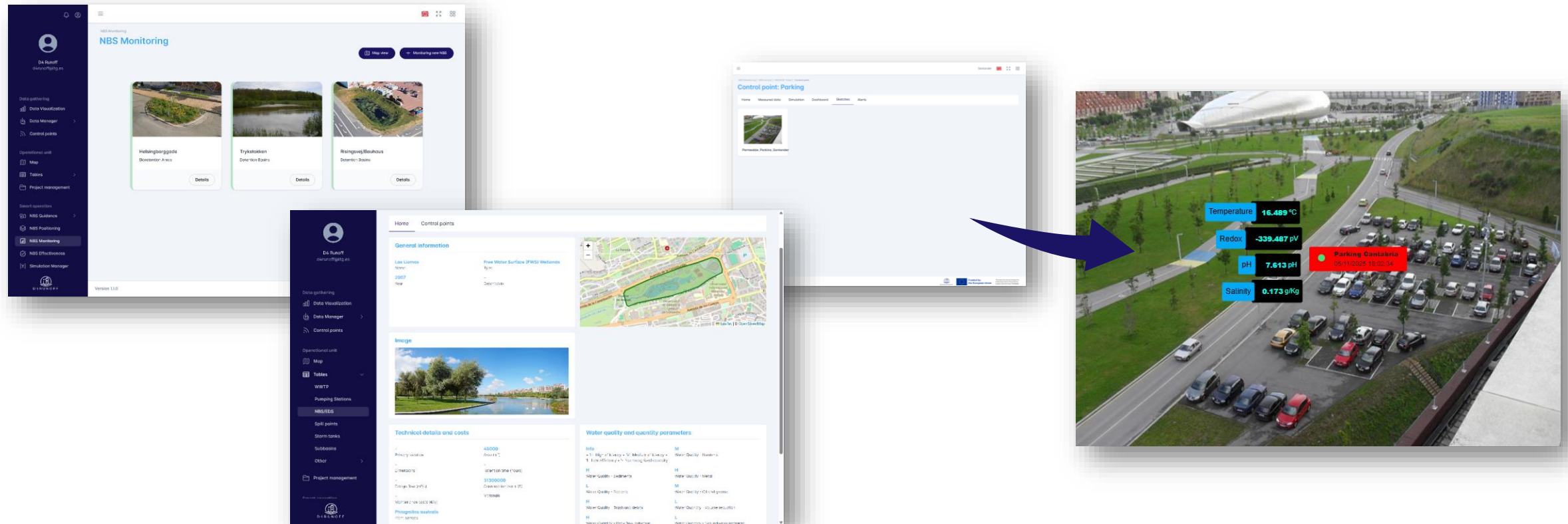
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NBS Monitoring

Enables users to register implemented NBS at real pilot sites in the AI-Assisted Platform to support monitoring and performance assessment



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NBS Monitoring

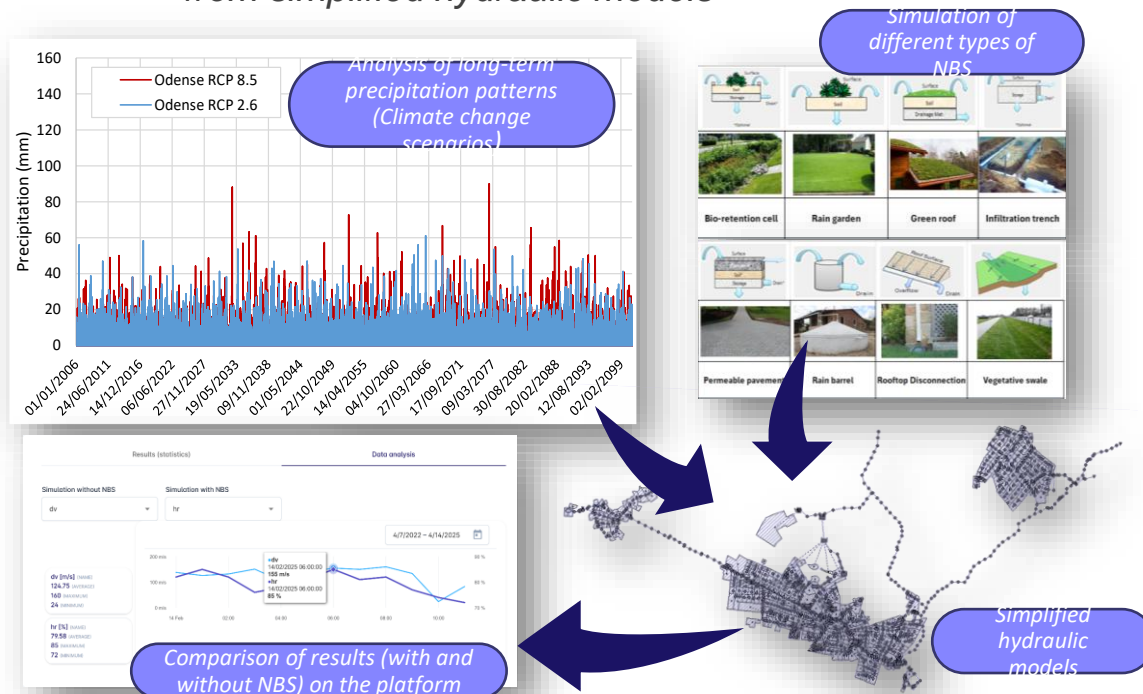
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NBS Effectiveness submodule

Comparative analyses of the potential effects of NBS implementation and climate change using simulations from simplified hydraulic models

Artificial Intelligence simulations

Development and integration in the platform of AI-based models to predict key variables for urban runoff management

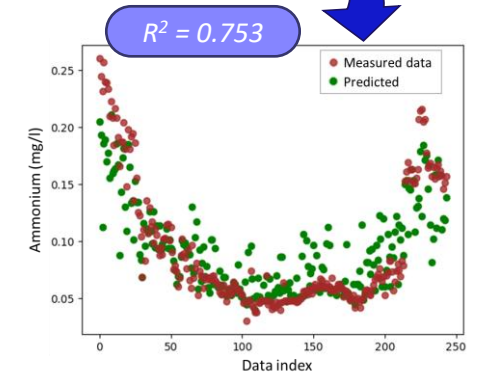
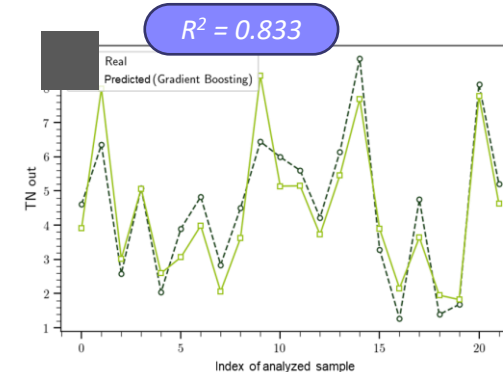


Model inputs (examples)

Temperature
Flow
Precipitation
Humidity
Evapotranspiration
Runoff
...

AI algorithms

Predictions of key variables (NBS performance)



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- **University of Copenhagen:** ->>>> Pollution & No – Targeted Analysis
- **Mitiga:** - >>>> Risks Asssesment
- **Three O’Clock:** ->>>> Co-creation workshops

- **And Klink:** ->>>> Policy Making, Strategic Thinking and Support



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