FLASH FLOOD EARLY WARNING SYSTEMS AND LEGISLATION ASPECTS IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC

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OUTLINE

- Flood forecasting service legislation
- Warnings and distribution
- Local flood warning systems.



Legislation

Water Act (254/2001 Sb.)

 Guideline of Flood Forecasting and Warning Service (Min. of Env.)

Integrated Rescue System Act (239/2000 Sb.)

Crisis Management Act (240/2000 Sb.)

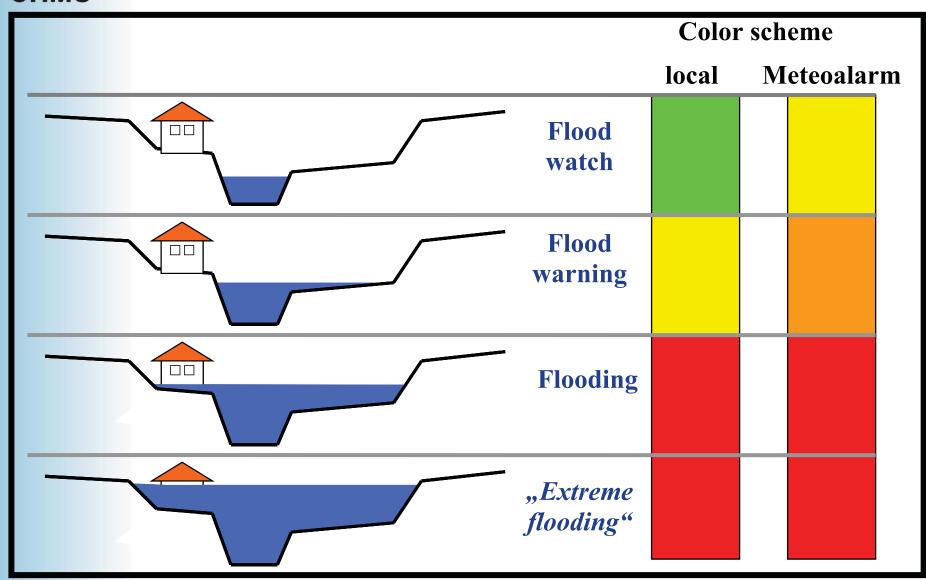


Legislation

- Flood Authority and Flood Management Plans
 - national (Min. of Environment)
 - regional (Regional Authority)
 - district (District Authority)
 - local (Municipality)
 - individual FMP
- Crisis management



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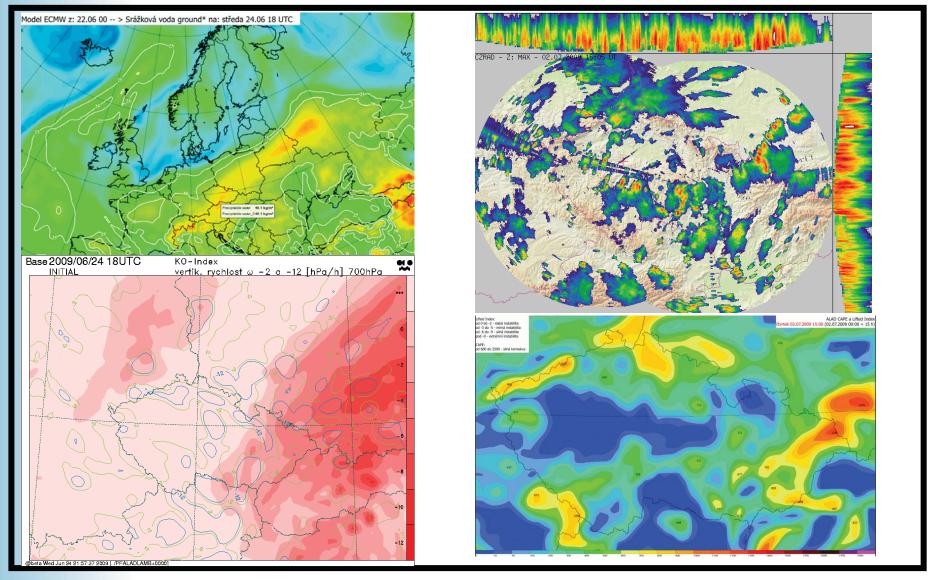
- Water stage observed
- Forecasted water stage
- Precipitation observed
- Forecasted precipitation

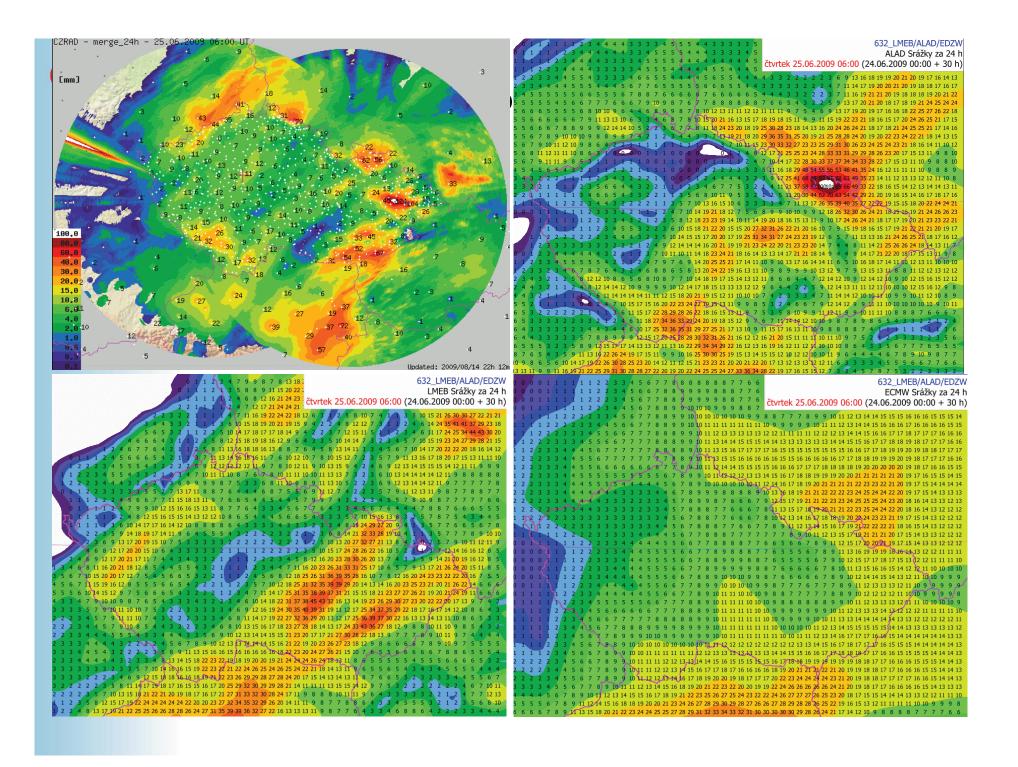


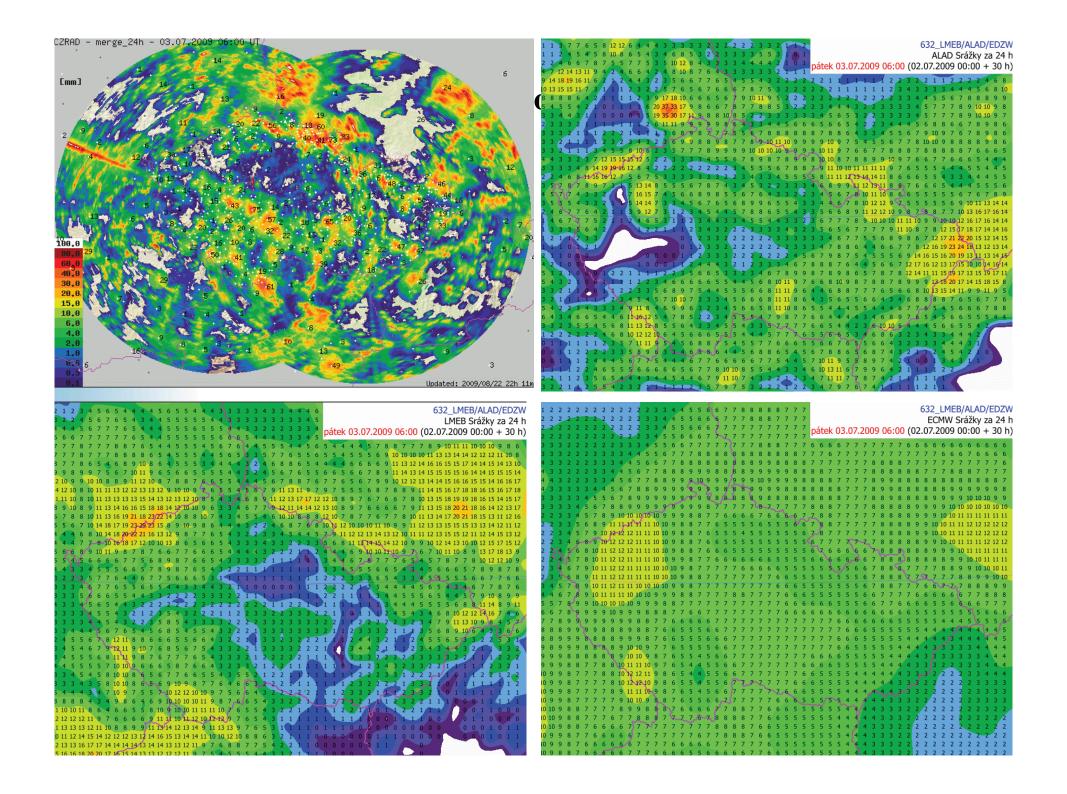
- CHMI's Warning activation of Flood Authorities
- Prediction Warning
 - (1-2 days ahead)
 - NWP outputs
- Occurrence Warning
 - detection and 3h development
 - radars, gauges etc.
- Information reports



June 24th, July 2nd 2009

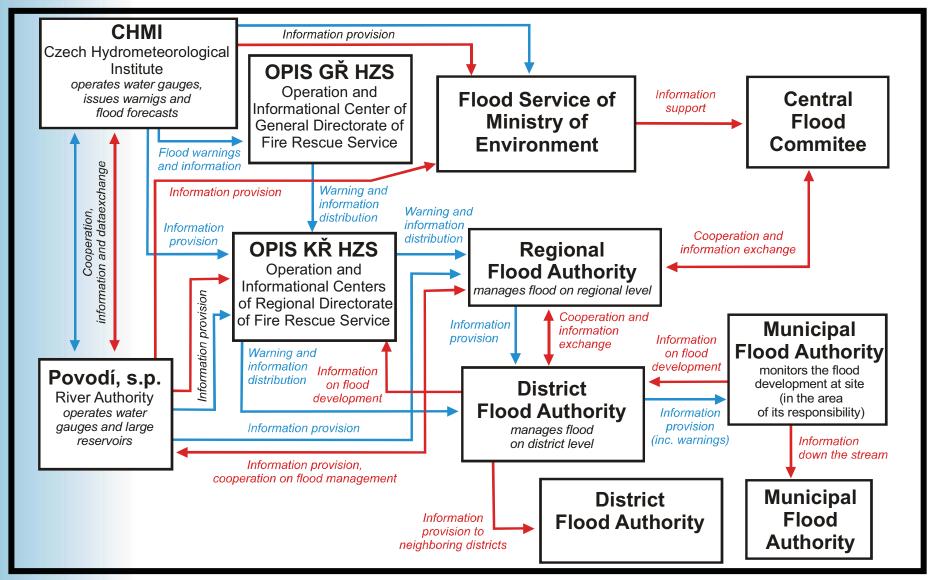








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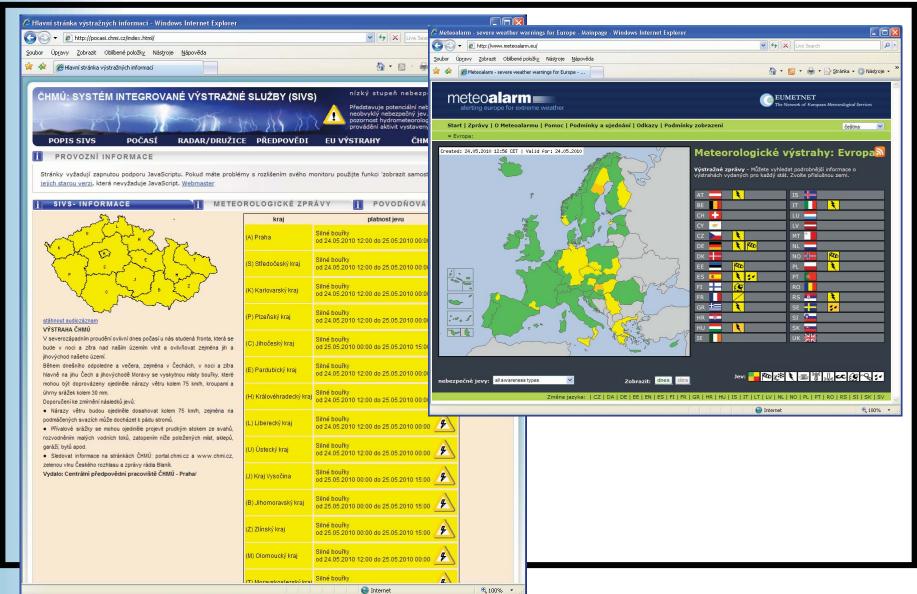




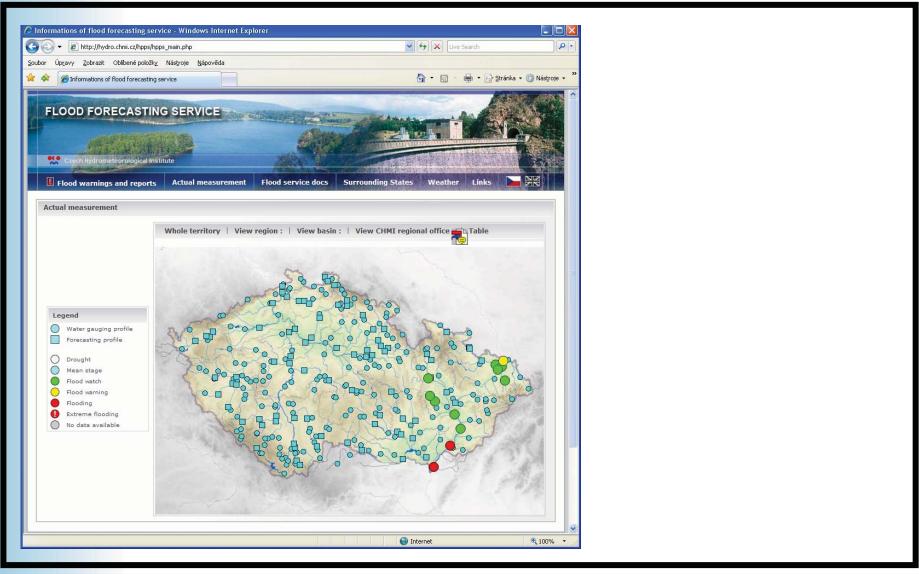
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- Internet (http://pocasi.chmi.cz,http://www.meteoalarm.eu)
- Mass media
- SMS notification (plan for subscription open system)

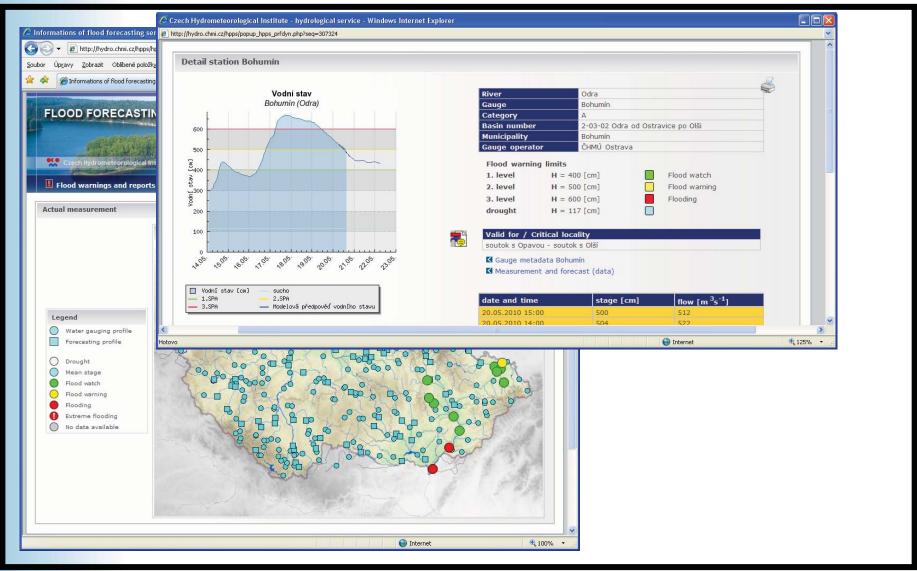




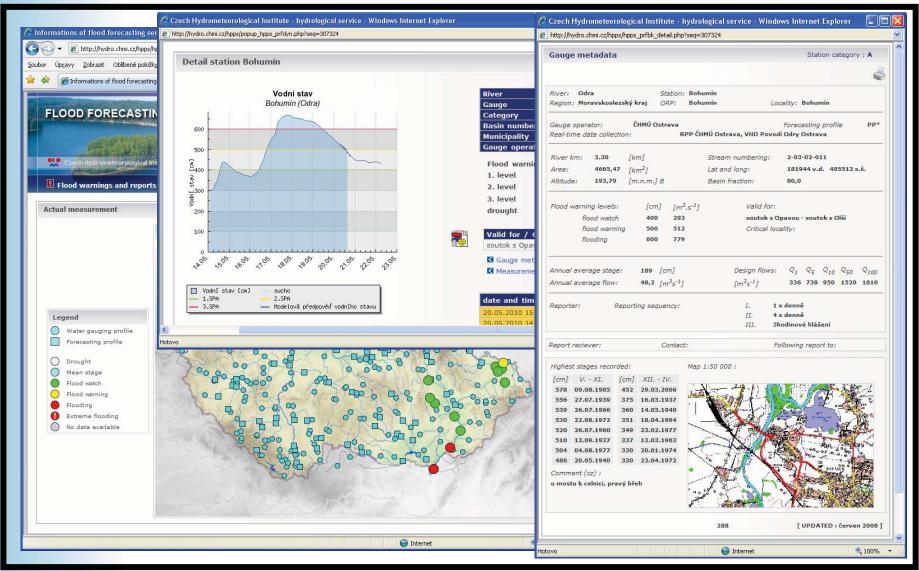












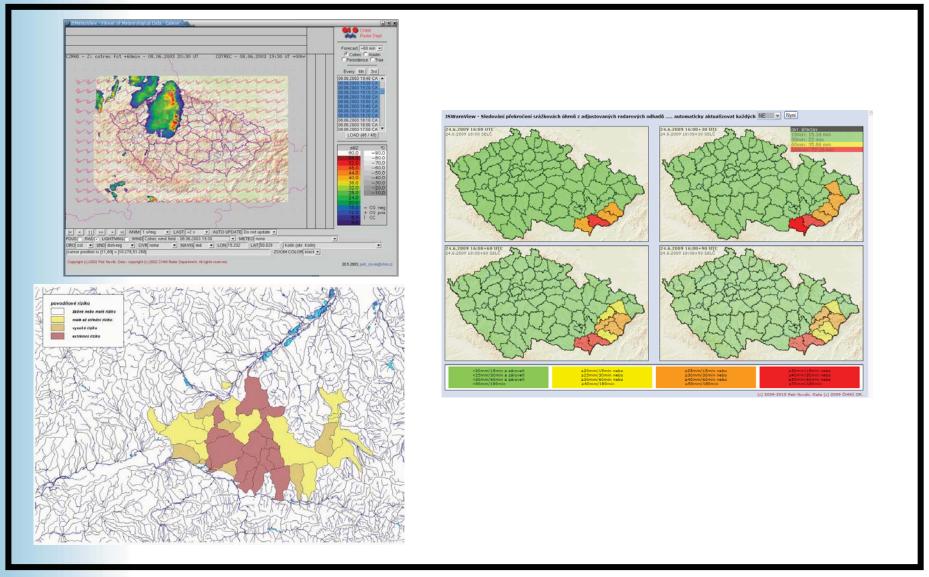


Central systems – data transmission, interpretation, distribution... 30 to 60 minutes?



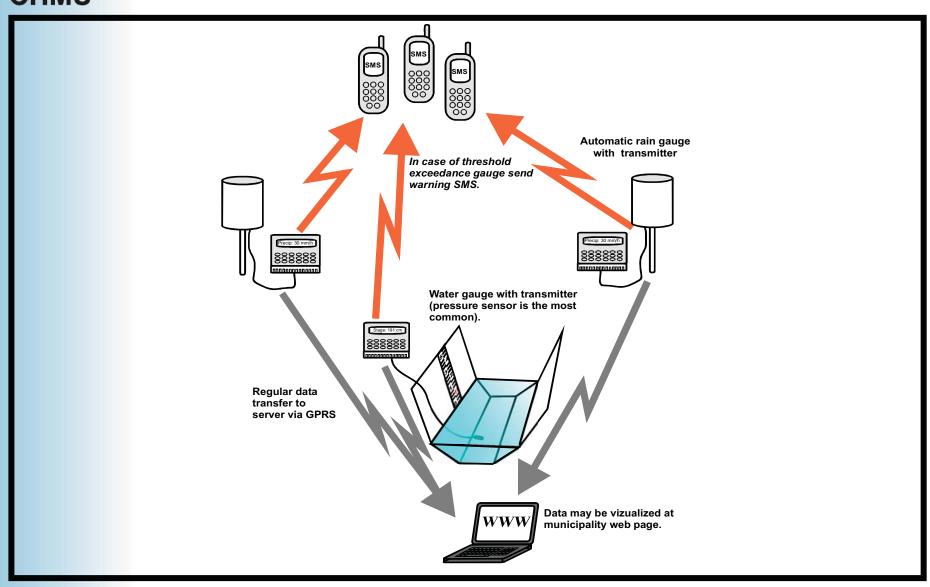
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Local Warning Systems





Local Warning Systems

- Limited Number (30)
- Mostly water gauge only (5 complex systems)
- **EU** funding (to 2013)
- CHMI water gauges serve as local warning as well (SMS)



Local Warning Systems - Olešnice



Area 10 km², severe flash flood in July 1998



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Rain gauges limits

- 10 mm in 15 minutes
- 20 mm in 60 minutes

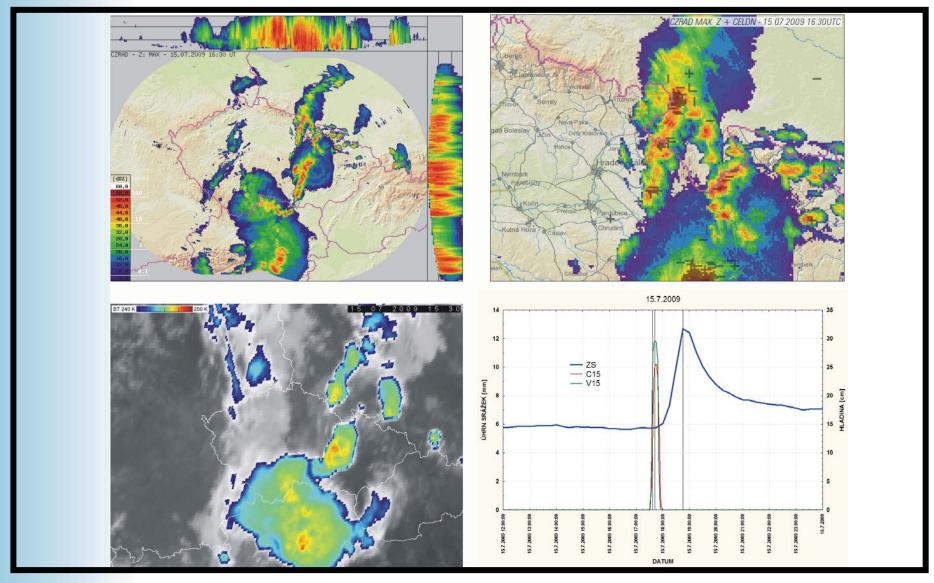
Water gauge

- Water stage
- Water level increase

Provided 50 to 80 minutes lead time (1st warning to peak) during 2002-2009



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Conclusion

Flash Floods in CEE

- Fast
- Small area (settlement)

Combination of Local and central warning systems needed.



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THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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