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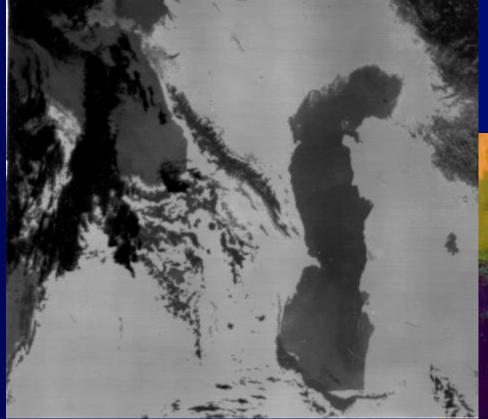


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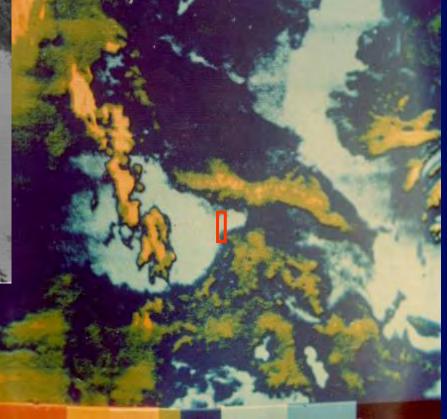
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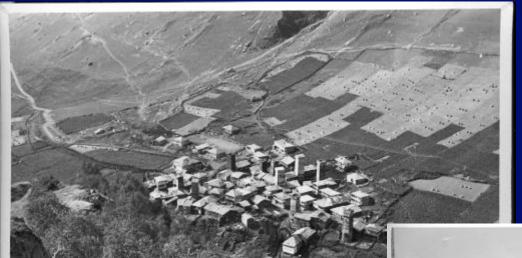












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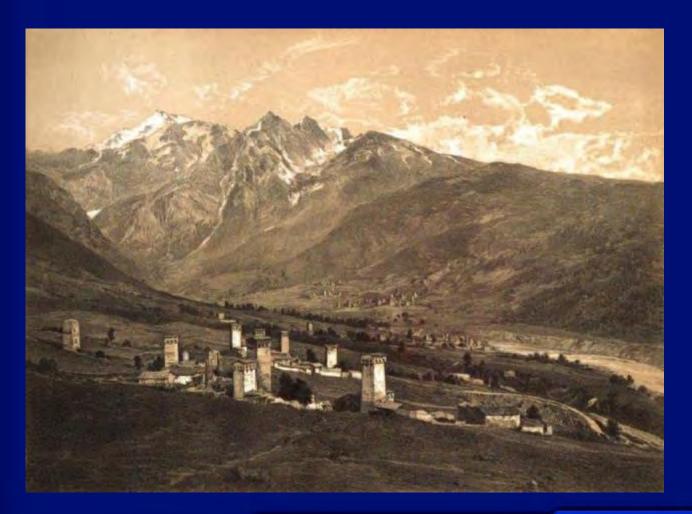


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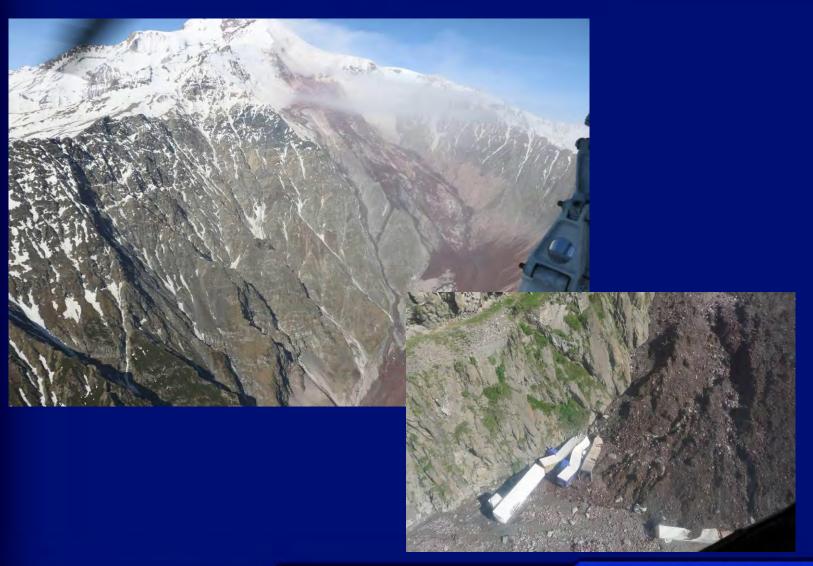


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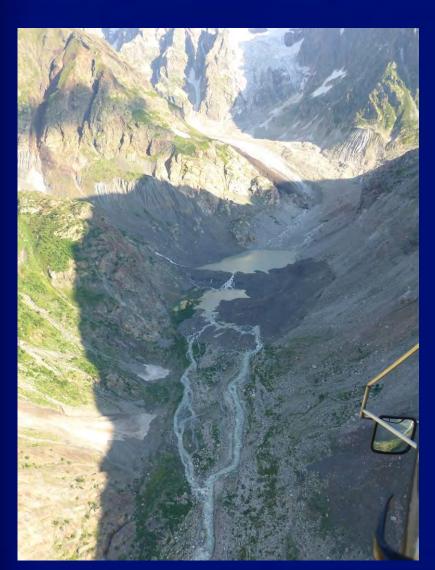




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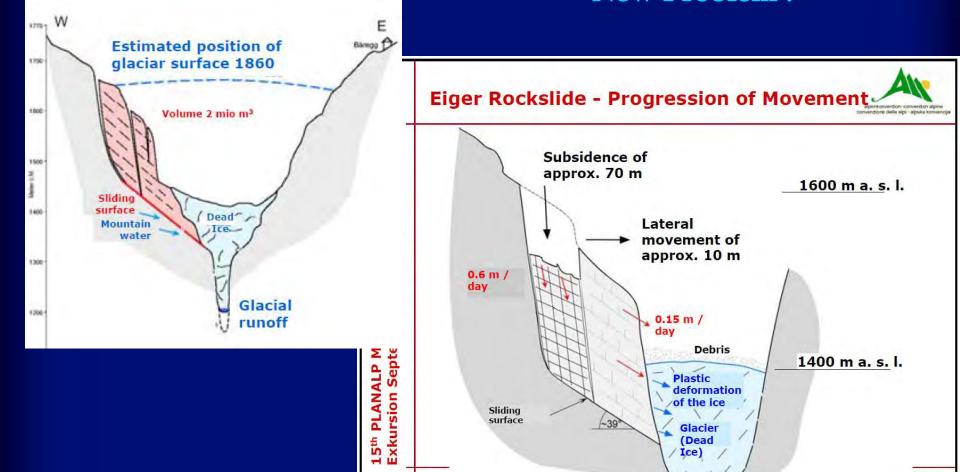


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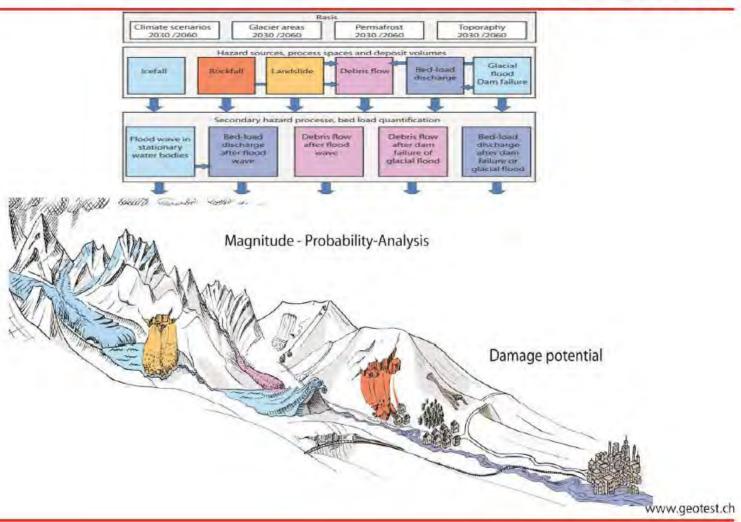


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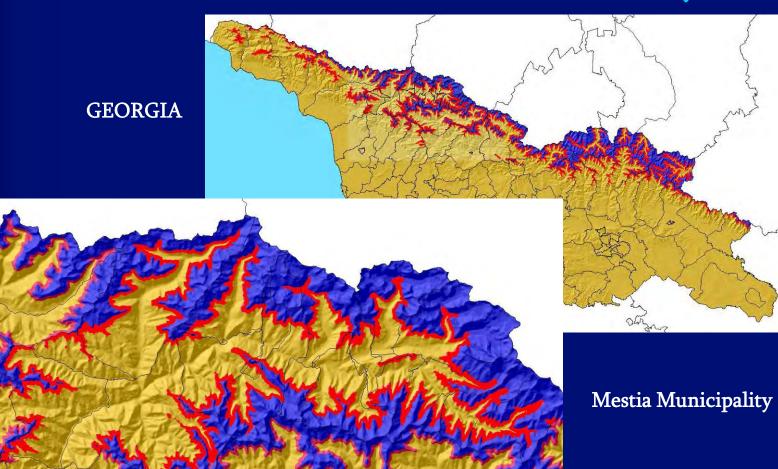


# Concept - Process Chain





# **New Risky Areas**





# Sensitive Villages







# Ethno-Ecological Degradation, Mulakhi - 2016





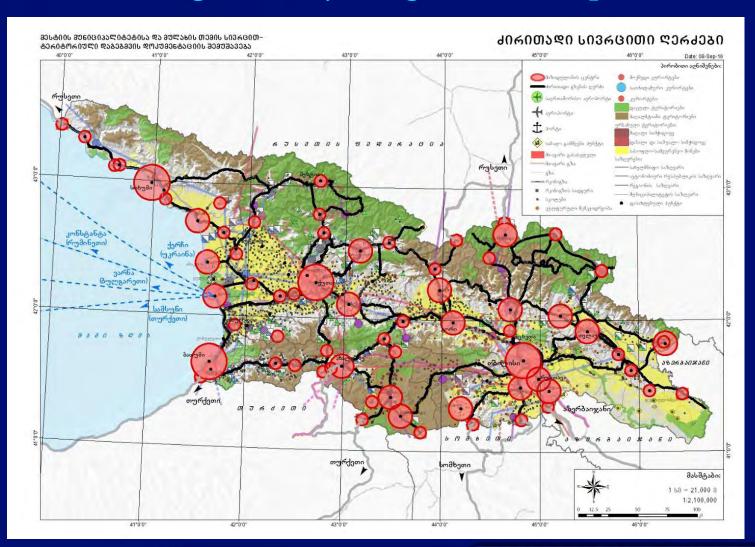








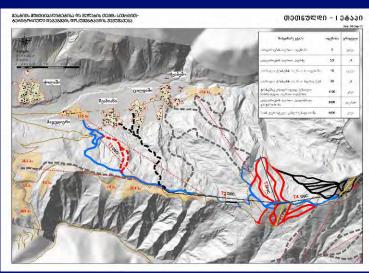
# Growing Economy - Regional Development







# Regional and Municipal Plans





# Tourism





















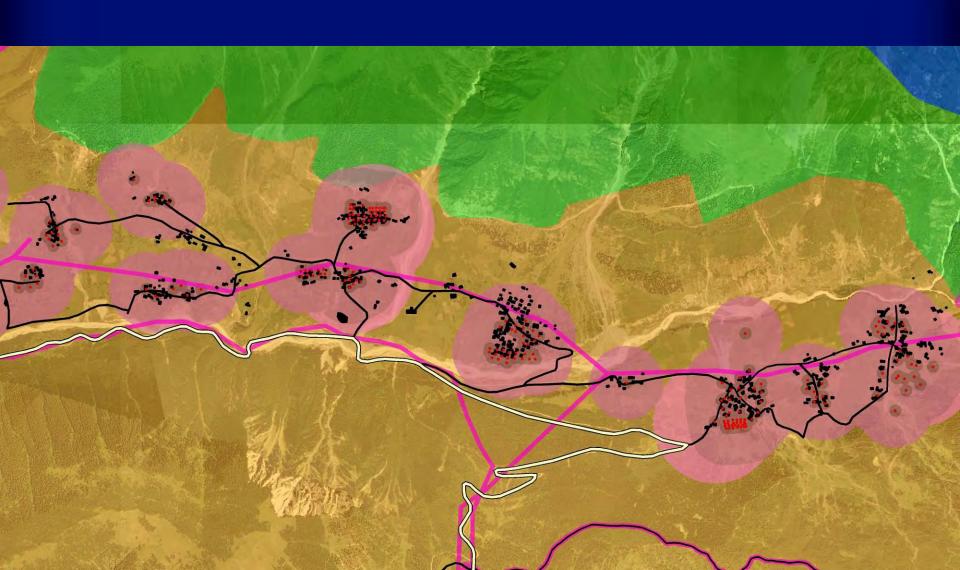






# Master Planning

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# HazMap



Values of Spatial Categories	%
Safety	<b>51</b>
Ethno-Cultural Heritage	15
Natural Environment	15
Other Resources and	19
	100

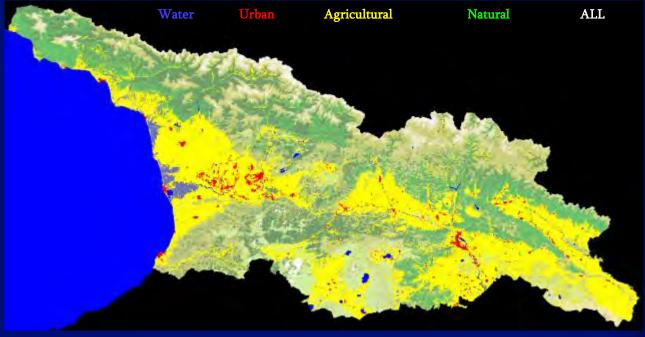




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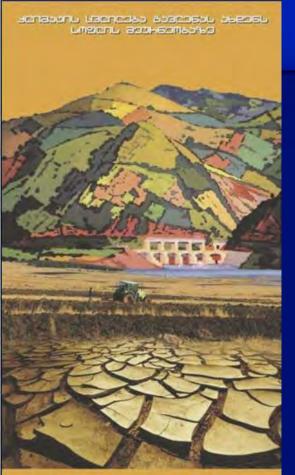
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# Mapping the Road Map: SEEING is KNOWING Exposure Subsystems









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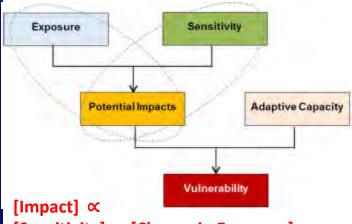
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# **IMPACT MATRIX**



[Sensitivity] x [Change in Exposure]

#### **SENSITIVITY INDICATORS**

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Physical sensitivity															
Municipalities' sensitivity to landslides								X	х	Х					
Municipalities' sensitivity to debris-flows, flash floods, and mudflows	Т							х	х	х			П	П	П
Municipalities' sensitivity to river floods			П				Г			Г			П	П	х
Municipalities' sensitivity to avalanches			П				Г						П	х	П
Motorways' sensitivity to river floods			П		П	П	Г	Г	Г	Г	П	П	П	$\Box$	х
Social sensitivity	$\top$		П				Г			Г			П	П	П
Population sensitivity to summer heat	$\top$		х			х	Г			Г			П	П	П
Population sensitive to natural disasters	$\top$		П		П		Г	х	х	х			П	$\Box$	П
Agricultural sensitivity	$\top$		П										П	$\Box$	П
Agriculture sensitivity to soil moisture	X		П				Г		х	Г			П	П	П
Agriculture sensitive to water and wind erosion	X		П		П	П	Г	Г	х	Г	П	П	х	$\Box$	$\Box$
Forestry sensitive to forest fires	х		П		П		Г		х	Г			П		
Tourism sensitivity	$\top$		П				Г		Г				П	$\Box$	
Summer tourism sensitive to summer temperatures	$\top$		П				Г		х				П		
Winter tourism sensitive to snow cover changes	$\top$		П				Г		Г			Х	П		
Protected natural areas sensitive to different climate exposures	×	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	$\Box$	
Cultural heritage sites sensitive to river flooding and avalanches	$\top$	П	П		П	П	Г		Г	Г			П	х	х
Museums sensitive to river floods and avalanches	$\top$		П				Г						П	х	х
Energy sector sensitivity	$\top$		П										П	$\Box$	
Energy demand correlated to summer heat (HDD)	$\top$		П	Х		Х	Г			П			П		
Energy demand (CDD)	$\top$		П		х	П	Г			Г			П	$\Box$	
Cooling load	$\top$		х		х								П	$\Box$	
Heating load			Х										П		
Energy supply sensitive due to changing river water levels and hydrology	$\top$		П						х				П		
Physical infrastructure sensitivity to river floods and avalanches			П				Г						П	х	х

Change in annual mean oftemperatures above 29°C (cooling period length)

Change in annual mean number of summer days

Change in annual mean number of foot days Relative change in annual mean precipitation Change in annual mean number of days with heavy rainfall

Relative change in seasonal mean precipitation

Change in annual mean snow cover (CDSC) depth

Change in annual mean wind speed 13

Avalanches 14

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Relative change in annual mean evaporation

Change in annual mean oftemperatures below 8°C (heating period length)

Change in extreme temperatures (max. & min.)

Change in seasonal mean temperature



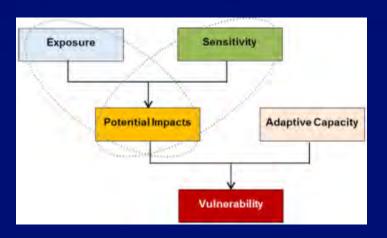
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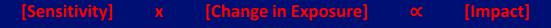
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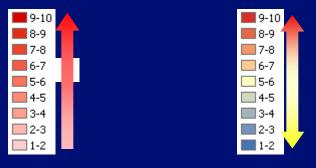
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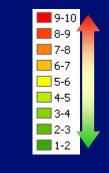
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## **IMPACT ASSESSMENT SYMBOLOGY**













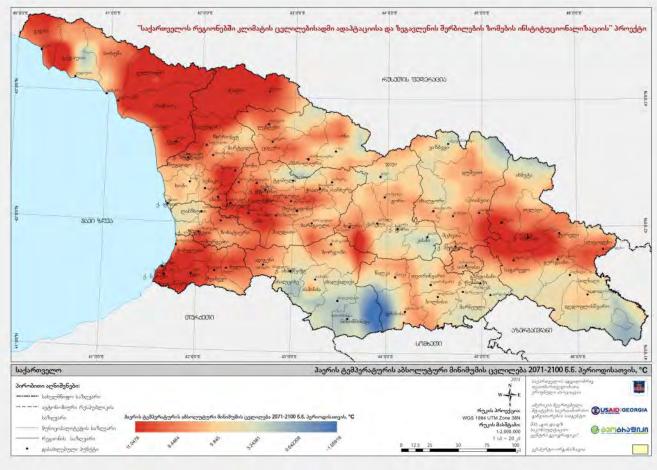


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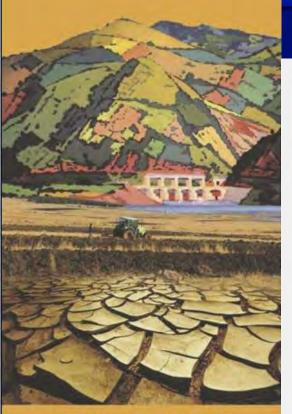




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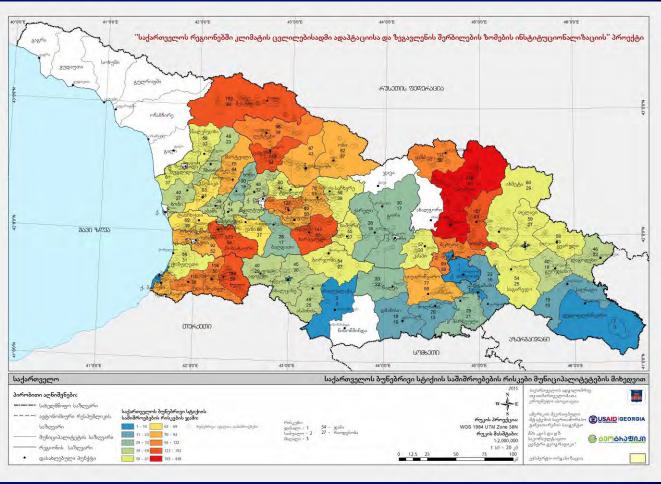
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# **Exposure, Sensitivity**



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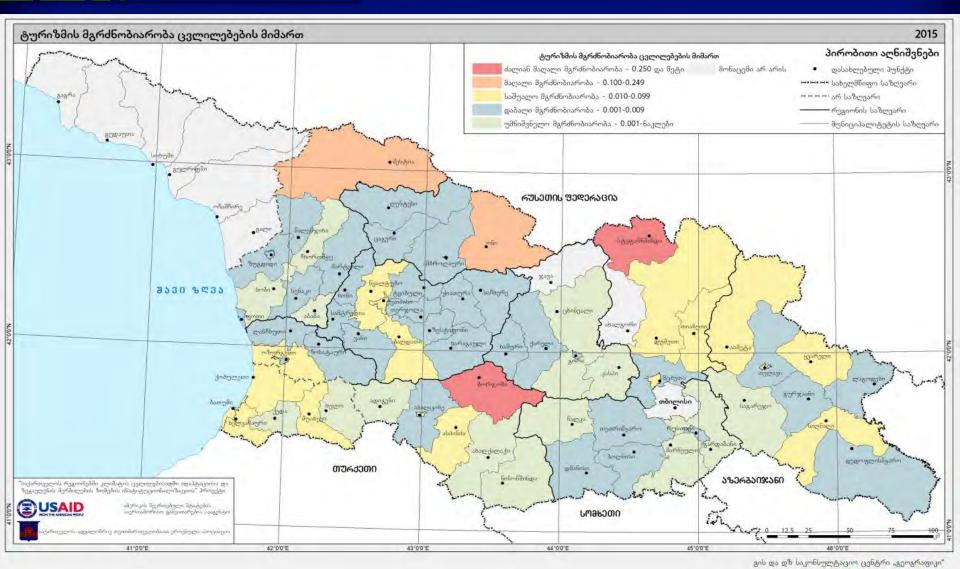
# **ROAD MAP ON CLIMATE CHANGE**

#### **Tourism Sector**

- Impacts to Georgia:
- Tourism comprises 6 percent of Georgia's GDP;
- The further growth of this sector, together with other economic factors, are greatly dependent on the environment, climate changes and the ability of municipal governments to implement adaptation measures;
- The evaluation of climate change impacts on the tourist industry, as well as the planning of appropriate adaptation mechanisms are important for the future development of eco-tourism and the overall environmental potential to support these activities.



# **CC SENSITIVITY OF TOURISM SECTOR**





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### CC SENSITIVITY OF THE TOURISM SECTOR

The map displays the sensitivity of the tourism sector to potential climate change impacts. The tourism sensitivity indicator is calculated the ratio of the total number of beds in hotels/hostels with the relevant population size. This indicator reflects the economic importance of tourism to a particular municipality as it indicates actual and potential employment opportunities.

As indicated by the map, Kazbegi and Borjomi Municipalities, both of which have active tourist sectors, have a very high sensitivity to climate change. The Mestia Municipality has a high sensitivity as the area has witnessed development in its tourist sector over the last several decades. These three municipalities are located within the mountainous zones as Kazbegi and Mestia are within the Great Caucasus, and Borjomi is located in the Georgian southern highlands.

These municipalities all have well-developed tourist sectors, hence their high sensitivity.



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## **TOURISM EXPOSURE INDICATORS USED**

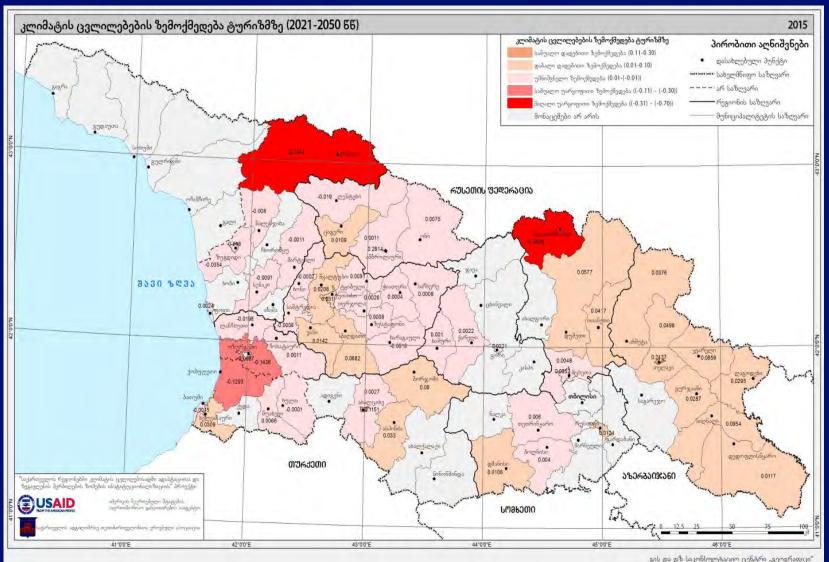
- Relative change in seasonal mean precipitation for summer tourism
- Change in annual mean snow cover (CDSC) depth for winter tourism







# CC IMPACTS ON TOURISM 2021-2050



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#### **CLIMATE IMPACTS ON TOURISM SECTOR, 2021-2050**

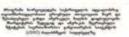
The map presents the potential impact of climate change on tourism for the period of 2021-2050. The climate change impact on tourism is calculated by combining indicators/values of the climate change impact on summer and winter tourism (mean value).

The forecast for 2021-2050 indicates a decline in the mean annual number of snow days, which will negatively impact the winter tourism centers located in Kazbegi, Mestia and Borjomi Municipalities.

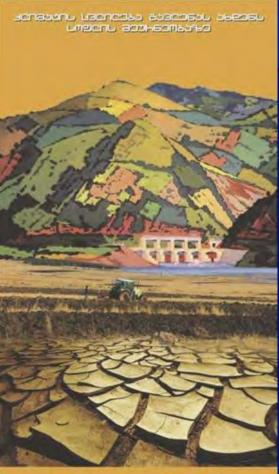
In addition, the forecast for 2021-2050 indicates a precipitation increase during the summer and autumn seasons, which will impact seashore resorts. Those resorts located in the Kobuleti and Ozurgeti Municipalities will be negatively impacted.

During the period of 2021-2050, the forecasted increases in air temperature combined with decreases in summer precipitation decrease will prolong the tourism season, but reduce the number of tourists during in the peak tourist season, i.e. summer. In some municipalities, the average impact with be positive and will be potentially observed in Ambrolauri, Telavi and Akhaltsikhe.









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## **Recommendations for Tourism Sector**

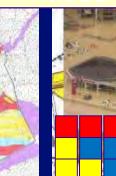
- It is recommended that the relevant Georgian Ministries develop a sustainable tourism plan integrating the potential impacts of climate change;
- It is recommended to develop a municipal based climate monitoring system that focuses in a variety of disciplines such as climatology, bio-geography, hydrology, geomorphology, tourism geography;
- It is recommended that general infrastructure, such as roads, transport and water supply networks, be further improved and supplemented. These work should be performed with due regard to potential climate change trends and probable natural hazards caused therein;
- In developing and planning future tourism activities, the promotion of alternative kinds of winter tourism, a particularly vulnerable sector, and the sharing of international experience from the Alpine region, should be taken into account.







# **Synoptic map of hazards**











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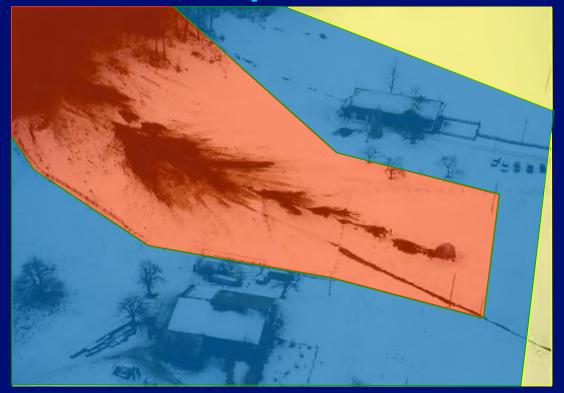








# HazMap into land-use plan

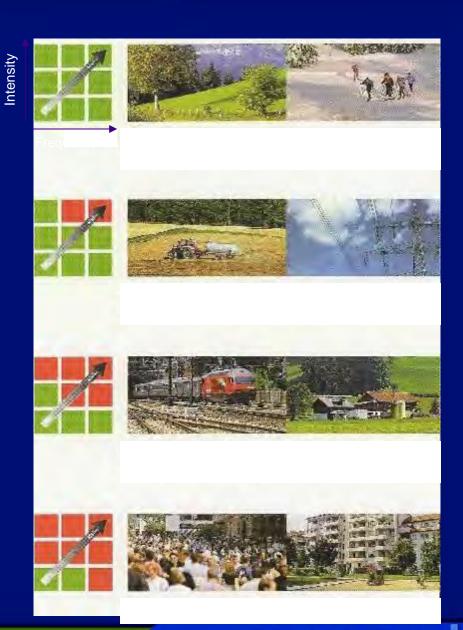


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medium hazard:	construction only allowed with restrictions
low hazard:	local protection recommended



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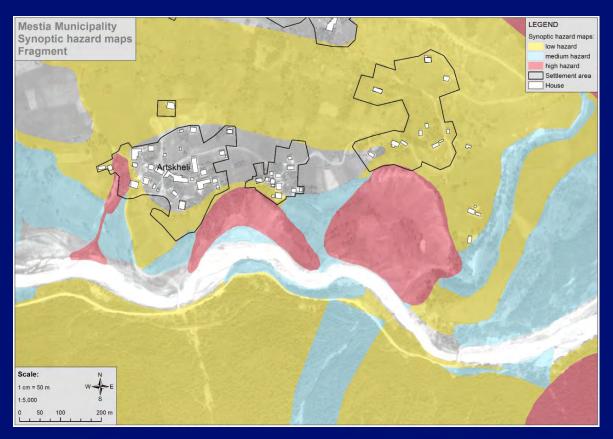
- accepted risk
- not accepted risk



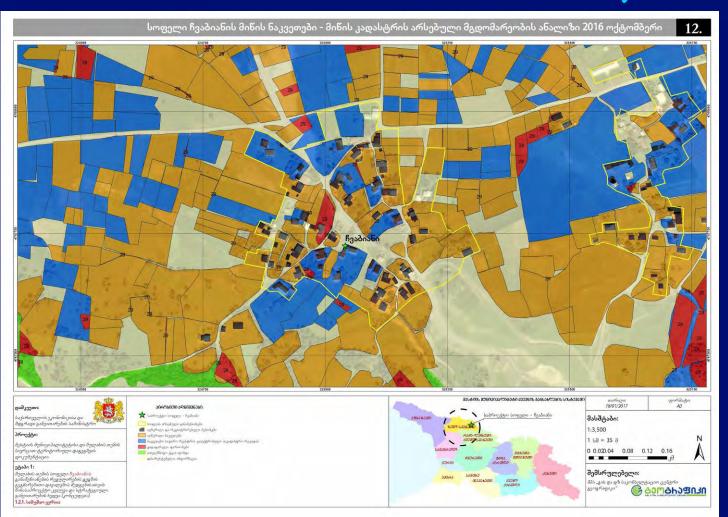




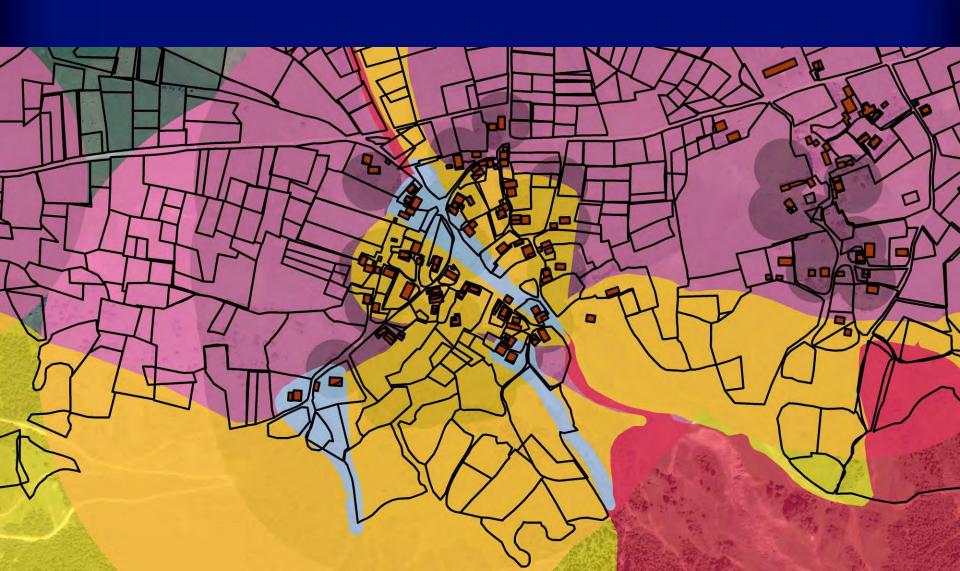
# **NEA and GeoG HazMaps**



### **Land Information System**



# HazMap



## **Public Discussions**



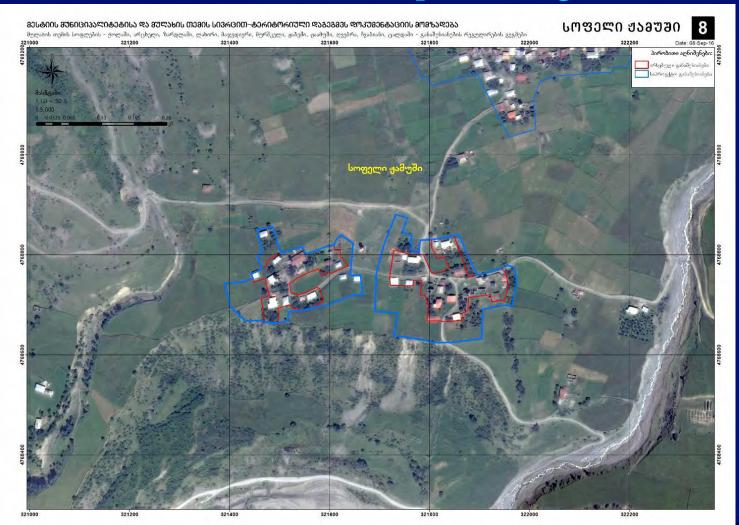




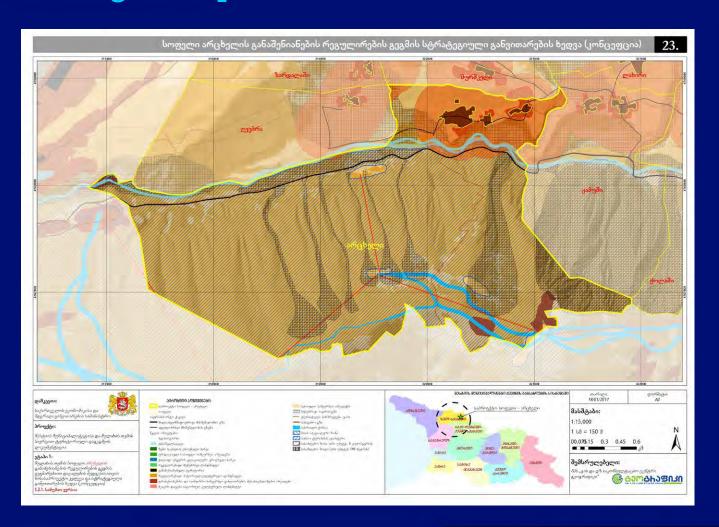




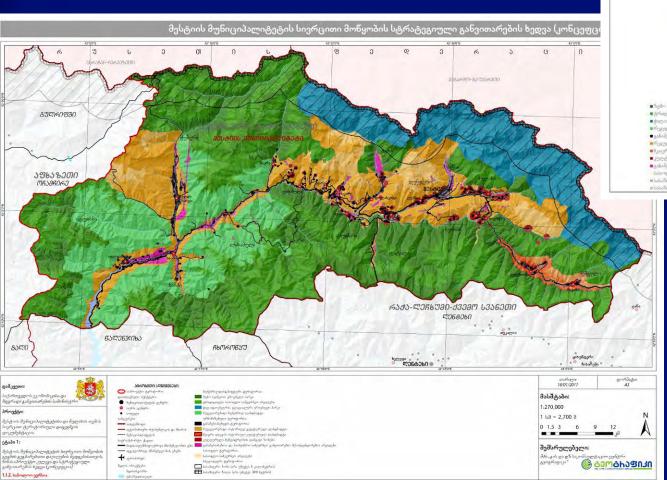
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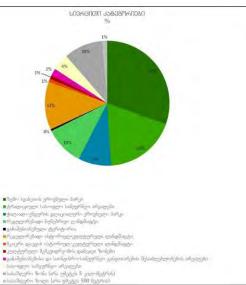


#### Integrated Spatial Plans – Good Master-Plans



#### **Integrated Municipal Spatial Plans**



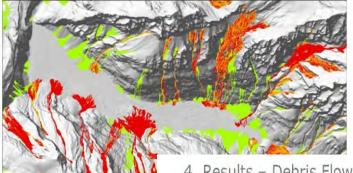


## Steps of Development

- Focused Studies
- Modeling Scenarios
- Integrated Vision
- Adaptation Guidelines
- Integrated Planning
- Zoning and Regulations
- Adapted Design/Redesign
- "Green" Construction
- Precise Operation
- Integrated Management







#### **URGENT STEPS – ASAP!**

4. Results - Debris Flow
2030 Nigh probability 2030 medium probability 2030 low;

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Figure 2: Potential increase in debris valley (Bernese Oberland).

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Rotlaui Channel

Rotlaui Channel

Periglazial Hazard Indication Map: A Basic Instrument in Prospective Hazard Management

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- 1. Start of surveys and monitoring URGENT!
- 2. Modeling, processing of scenarios and zoning;
- 3. Revision of sectoral visions and consolidation into the unified integrated vision;
- 4. Processing of unified integrated planning and regulatory document/s;;
- 5. Integrated management using modern technologies;
- 6. General and specialized education system adaptation to climate change challenges.



# To avoid:



Public School - Tbilisi, Vere Valley, 2015

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