

Local discussion groups

What lessons for researchers?

LDGs: What are they? What for?

Part of the commitments of the project:

- the actions aiming at societal transformation
- co-construction of the research

Discussion groups were planned at local level for each case study:

- Disseminating and discussing the results locally
- Contribute to the definition of local CCAPs

Aim today: to share a feedback of these experiences



How many? Which method?

Not exactly the same method, not the same calendar In all LDGs: institutionnal key actors and/or inhabitants and/or NGOs for others

Countries	LDG1	LDG2
England	 Selsey, 25/10/2023 Discussing results with institutional stakeholders + NGO's 	To be organised
France	 Ault, 13/11/2023 Discussing results with institutional stakeholders Ault, 13/11/2023 Discussing results with inhabitants and NGOs 	 Blois: 12/01/2024 Discussing results with institutional stakeholders
Finland	 Helsinki Metropolitan Area, 15/01/2024 Discussing results with institutional stakeholders + NGO 	 Kokemäenjoki River, 22 /01/ 2024 Discussing results with institutional stakeholders + NGO
Belgium	 Geraardsbergen, 31/05/2024 Discussing on the Flood Re Build Back Better initiative in the UK with Institutional stakeholders 	 Beerse, 20 June 2024 Discussing on the perceived justice of NBS, solidarity between upstream/downstream inhabitants, Institutional stakeholders and local inhabitants



Results: Various mode of implementation

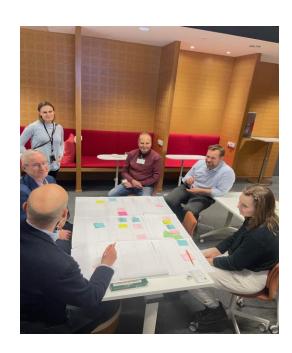
- All LDGs shared the presentation of the results of the case study analysis
- In France, emphasis on international comparisons: case studies more less similar to the local situation were presented and discussed with the participants.
- In the UK wiliness to share and discuss the results with institutional representatives and residents at the same time.
- In HMA in Finland the idea was to bring out and discuss recommendations to better consider the social dimensions and to strengthen the involvement of local residents.
- In the case of *Kokemäenjoki River*, the meeting was more an opportunity to reaffirm the discontent of the people concerned.
- For *Geraardsbergen* in Belgian, focus on property level flood resilience (PFR) and the (in)equity and justice considerations related to the topic => bring about feelings and reactions on the topic from the participants.
- For *Beerse* the focus will be on the perceived justice of nature-based solutions (NBS), solidarity between upstream/downstream inhabitants, as well as co-creation for the design of these projects.



Implementation of the LDG's



Helsinki Metropolitan Area



Selsey



Ault





Blois



Results for the project and its societal effect

- The failure to consider the social and spatial consequences of the measures put in place was recognised by stakeholders, which in some cases led to a willingness to move into this direction (Ault, HMA, Blois).
- These results were put into perspective with the local history (Blois), the evolution over time of the problem (Ault) and the solutions recommended (Kokemäenjoki River).
- Interesting for the researchers not only to validate their analyses, but also to compare their results with the
 feelings and experiences of the people concerned => enrich the report
- Opportunity to develop a certain reflexivity on the part of public actors
- Opportunity to reinforce the legitimacy of residents to participate in the decision-making process that affects them.



Partners

























