



# SMART GAM: Using Monitoring Technologies to Manage Geotechnical Assets

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## *SMART?*

“SMART” (adj.): **equipped with, using, or containing electronic control devices**



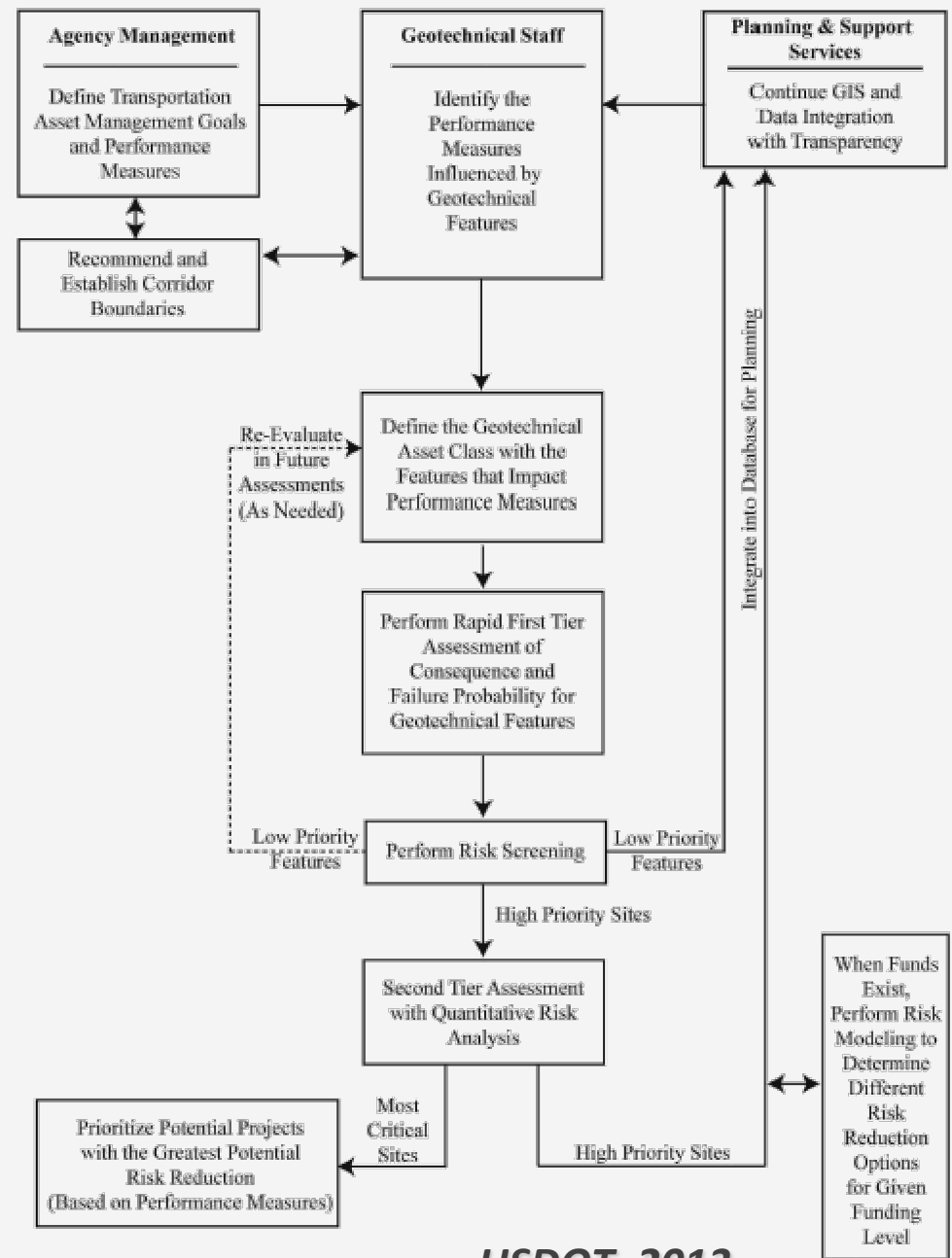
**Smart....car**

**Smart....phone**

**Smart....house**

**Smart....GAM?**

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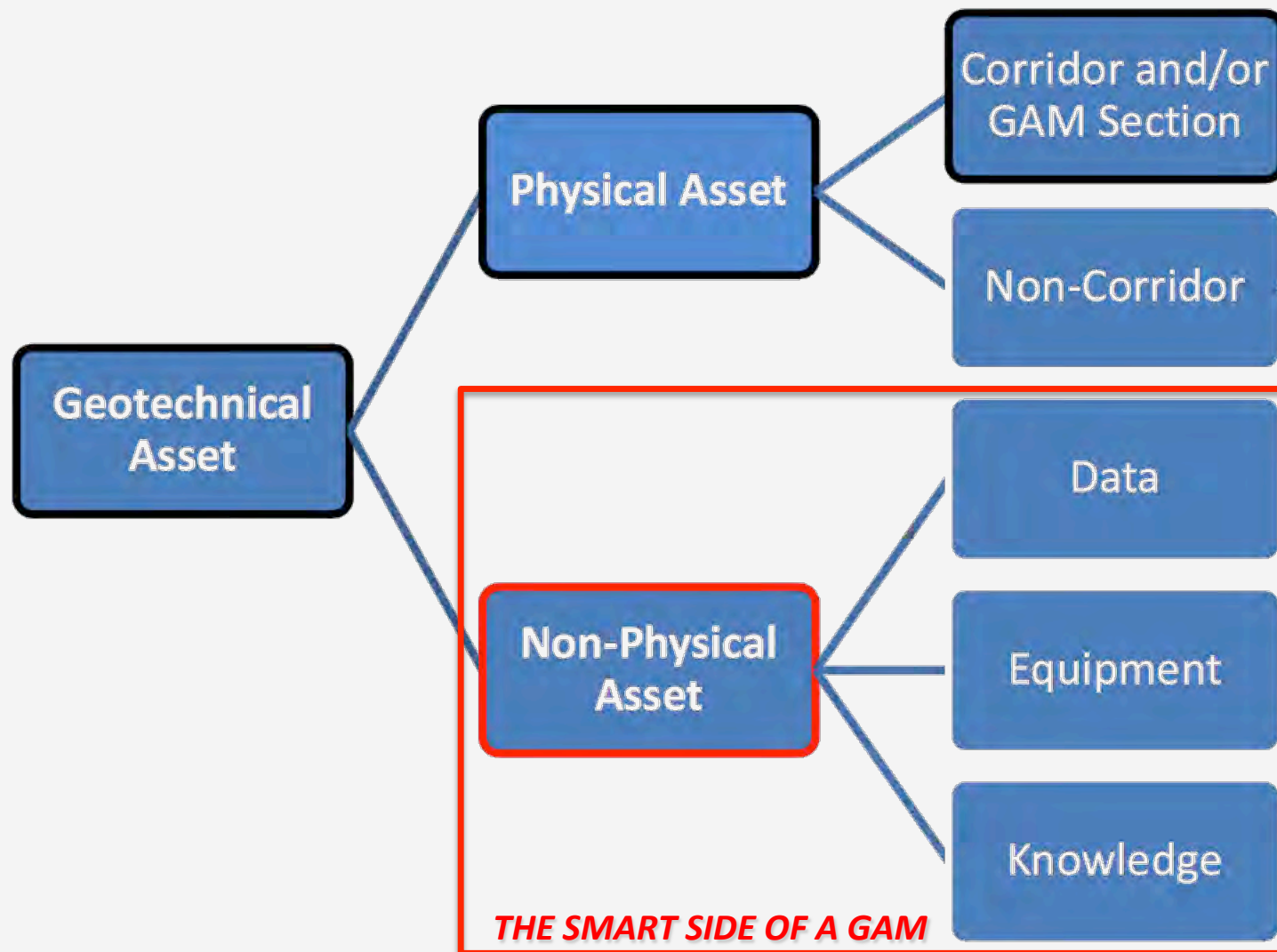


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# "SMART" Geotechnical Assets Management



**DATA & KNOWLEDGE ARE CONTINUOUSLY UPDATES BY USING SUITABLE MONITORING EQUIPMENT!!**

## *The leitmotif*

# **Application of New Sensing and Monitoring Technologies to the Assessment and Control of Natural Hazards and Civil Structures and Infrastructures**

## ***THE OBSERVATIONAL METHOD!***

Karl Terzaghi 1937



Settlement of structures in Europe and methods of observations. American Society of Civil Engineers. Proceedings, Vol. 63, pp. 1358-1374

Ralph Peck 1969



Advantages and limitations of the observational method in applied soil mechanics. Géotechnique, 19(2), 171-187

**THE NEED OF GEOTECHNICAL MEASUREMENT EQUIPMENT....  
....60 YEARS OF TECHNOLOGICAL “r”EVOLUTION**

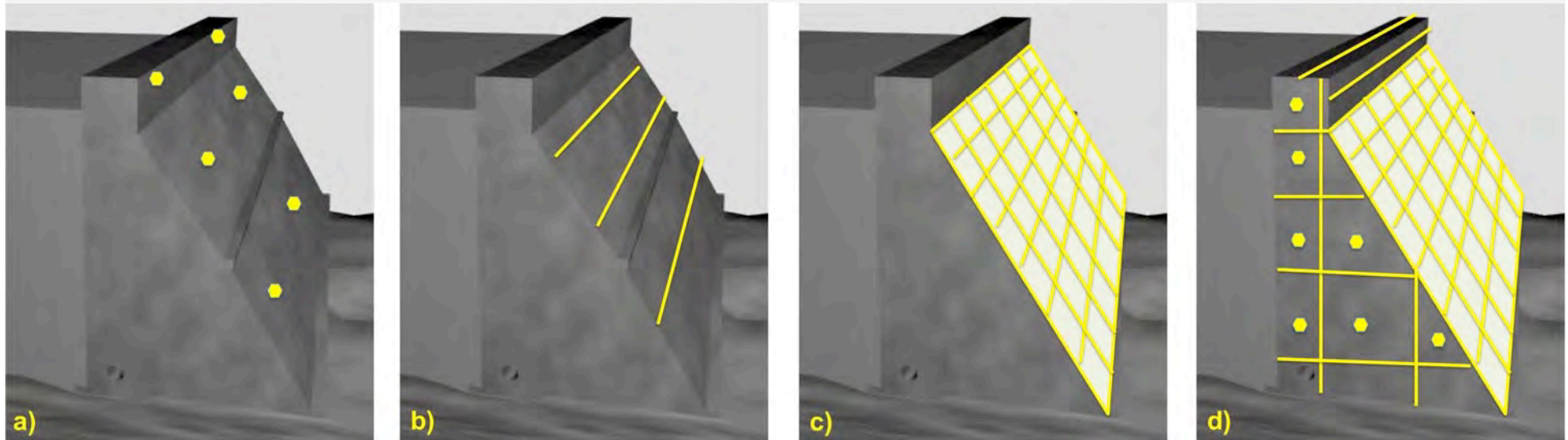
Stressmeter						
Levelling			Continuous Monitoring			
Theodolite			US standards	Early Warning Monitoring	European Standards	Digital Image Correlation
Extensometer	Vibration Monitoring		Total Station	GSM data transmission	Laser Scanner	Drones
Piezometer	Submarine Monitoring	Data-logger	Time Domain Reflectometry	Fibre Optics technology	Multi-parametric borehole systems	Web based data management
Load cell	Inclinometer	Laser distance-meter	In place inclinometers	GNSS Technology	Interferometric Radar technology	Wireless monitoring
<b>1950s</b>	<b>1960s</b>	<b>1970s</b>	<b>1980s</b>	<b>1990s</b>	<b>2000s</b>	<b>2010s</b>

## What we monitor....

Parameters	Contact instruments	Remote instruments
Displacement (deformation)	Surface and probe tiltmeter, inclinometer, extensometer, liquid level gauge, crack gauge, TDR, fibre optic, pendulum, deflectometer, convergence gauge	GNSS, total station, optical levelling, lidar, satellite SAR interferometry, terrestrial interferometric radar, digital image correlation, photogrammetry
Vibration	Accelerometer, velocimeter, seismometer, geophone	Terrestrial interferometric radar, digital image correlation
Acoustic emission		
Groundwater pressure	Piezometer, observation well	n.a.
Stress	Earth pressure cell, stress-meter	n.a.
Load and strain	Load cell, strain gauge	n.a.
Temperature	Thermometer, thermocouple	InfraRed camera



*...where we monitor...*



## **Monitoring Table for SMART GAM!**

	Common applications	Common Instruments
<b>Knowledge Monitoring</b>	<p>Design phase</p> <p>Standard maintenance</p> <p>Screening after paroxysmal events (earthquakes, floods, etc)</p>	<p>LiDAR, Satellite SAR Interferometry, Terrestrial Interferometric Radar, GNSS, Photogrammetry, Observation Well, Piezometer, Inclinator, TDR, Earth Pressure Cell, Accelerometer, Velocimeter, Seismometer</p>
<b>Control Monitoring</b>	<p>Construction phase in medium risk areas</p> <p>Advanced maintenance (critical segments)</p> <p>Verification of high risk area</p>	<p>LiDAR, Satellite SAR Interferometry, Terrestrial Interferometric Radar, GNSS, Photogrammetry, Total Station, Optical Levelling, Digital Image Correlation, Observation Well, Piezometer, Inclinator, TDR, Extensometer, Earth Pressure Cell, Stress-meter, Load Cell, Strain Gauge, Fibre Optic, Pendulum, Deflectometer, Convergence Gauge, Surface and probe Tiltmeter, Liquid Level Gauge, Crack Gauge, Accelerometer, Velocimeter, Seismometer</p>
<b>Emergency Monitoring</b>	<p>Construction phase in high risk areas</p> <p>Early warning systems for operation in high risk areas</p>	<p>LiDAR, Terrestrial Interferometric Radar, GNSS, Total Station, Piezometer, Inclinator, Extensometer, Strain Gauge, Fibre Optic, Pendulum, Surface and probe Tiltmeter, Liquid Level Gauge, Crack Gauge, TDR, Convergence Gauge, Accelerometer, Velocimeter, Seismometer</p>

*But...which equipment is SMART?*





## Example 1: Monitoring of one Geotechnical Asset





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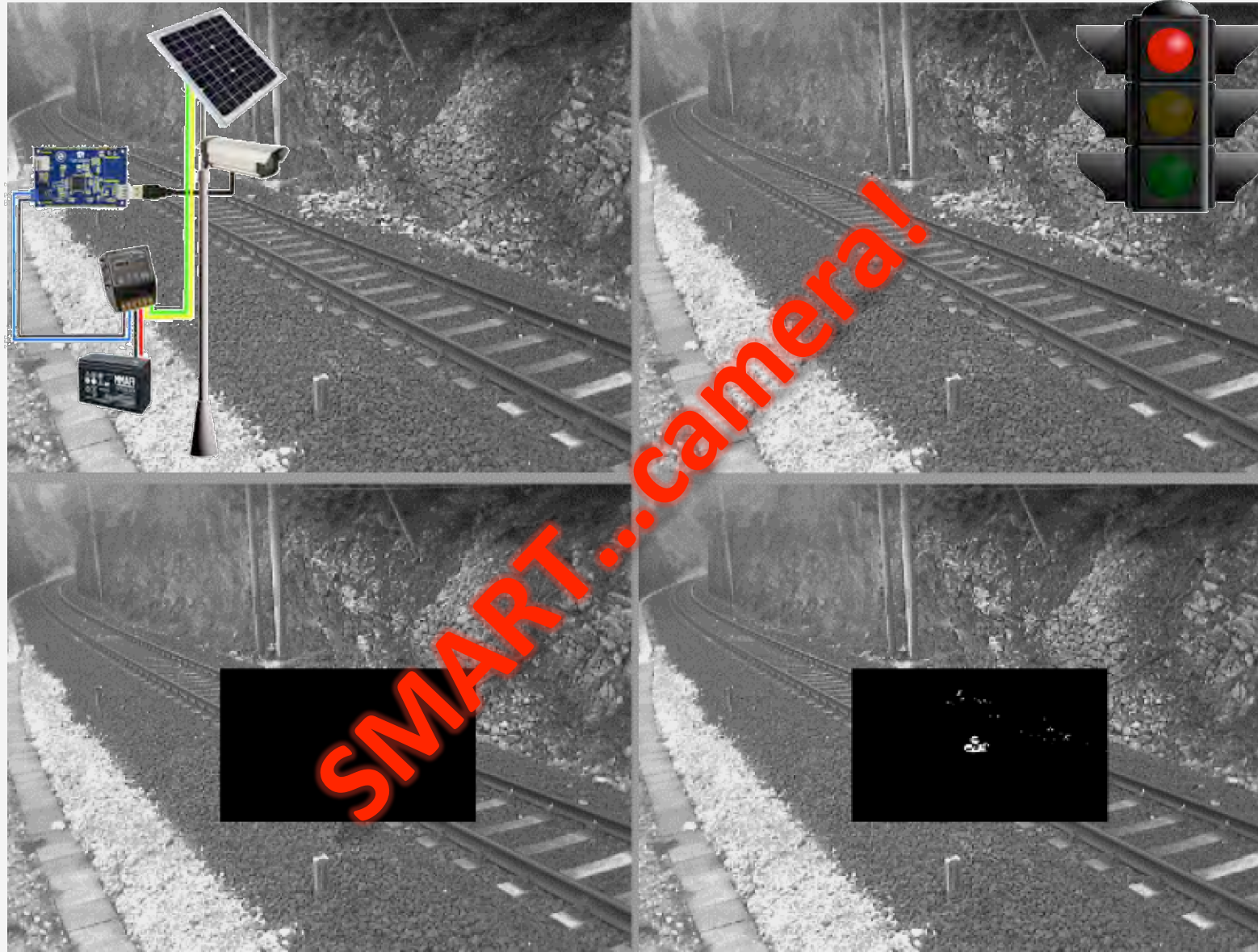


## *Example 1: Monitoring of one Geotechnical Asset*





## Example 2: Monitoring one Geotechnical Asset



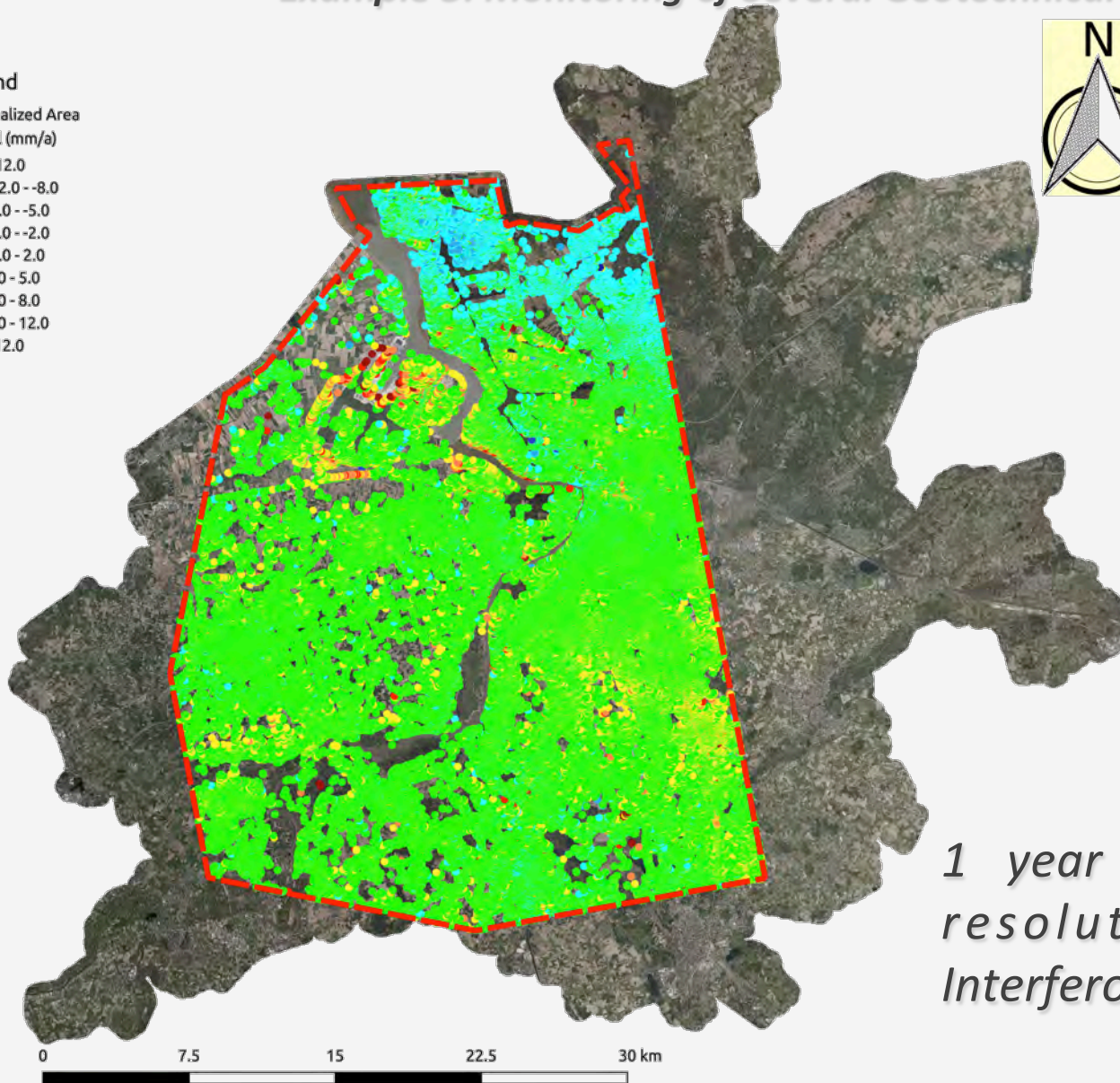
### Example 3: Monitoring of Several Geotechnical Assets

#### Legend

 Analyzed Area

LOS Vel (mm/a)

-  <-12.0
-  -12.0 - -8.0
-  -8.0 - -5.0
-  -5.0 - -2.0
-  -2.0 - 2.0
-  2.0 - 5.0
-  5.0 - 8.0
-  8.0 - 12.0
-  >12.0



*1 year monitoring by high resolution Satellite SAR Interferometry*



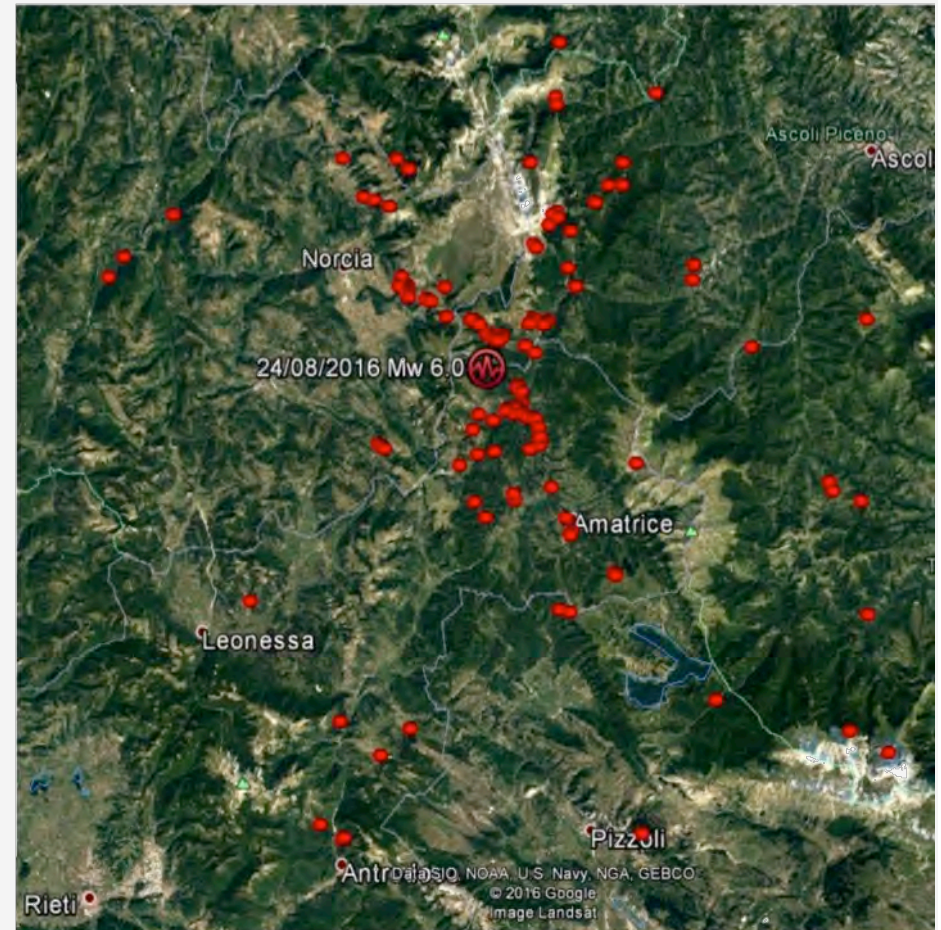
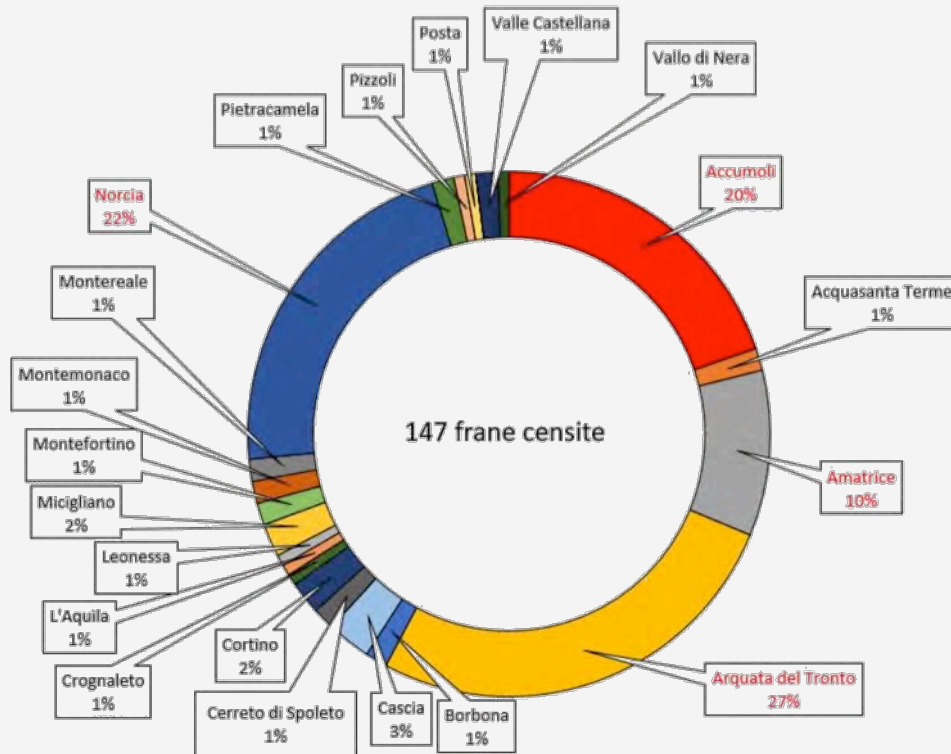
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- About 100 \$ per km<sup>2</sup>
- Few \$ for each asset
- 0,02 \$ per monitored point!



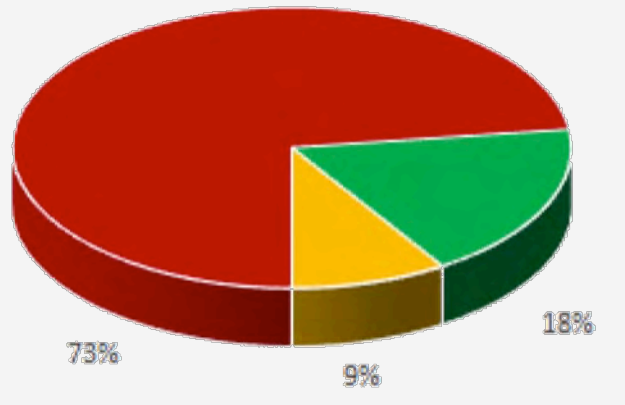
## How managing geotechnical asset after a major natural event? The 2016 seismic sequence in Central Italy



### Field Surveys of Slope Failures



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- interferent
- not interferent
- possible interference



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# How managing geotechnical asset after a major natural event? The 2016 seismic sequence in Central Italy

ITALIAN CATALOGUE OF SEISMIC GROUND FAILURES (CEDIT)

New Release - Update 24/08/2016



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Credits

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*Online database*

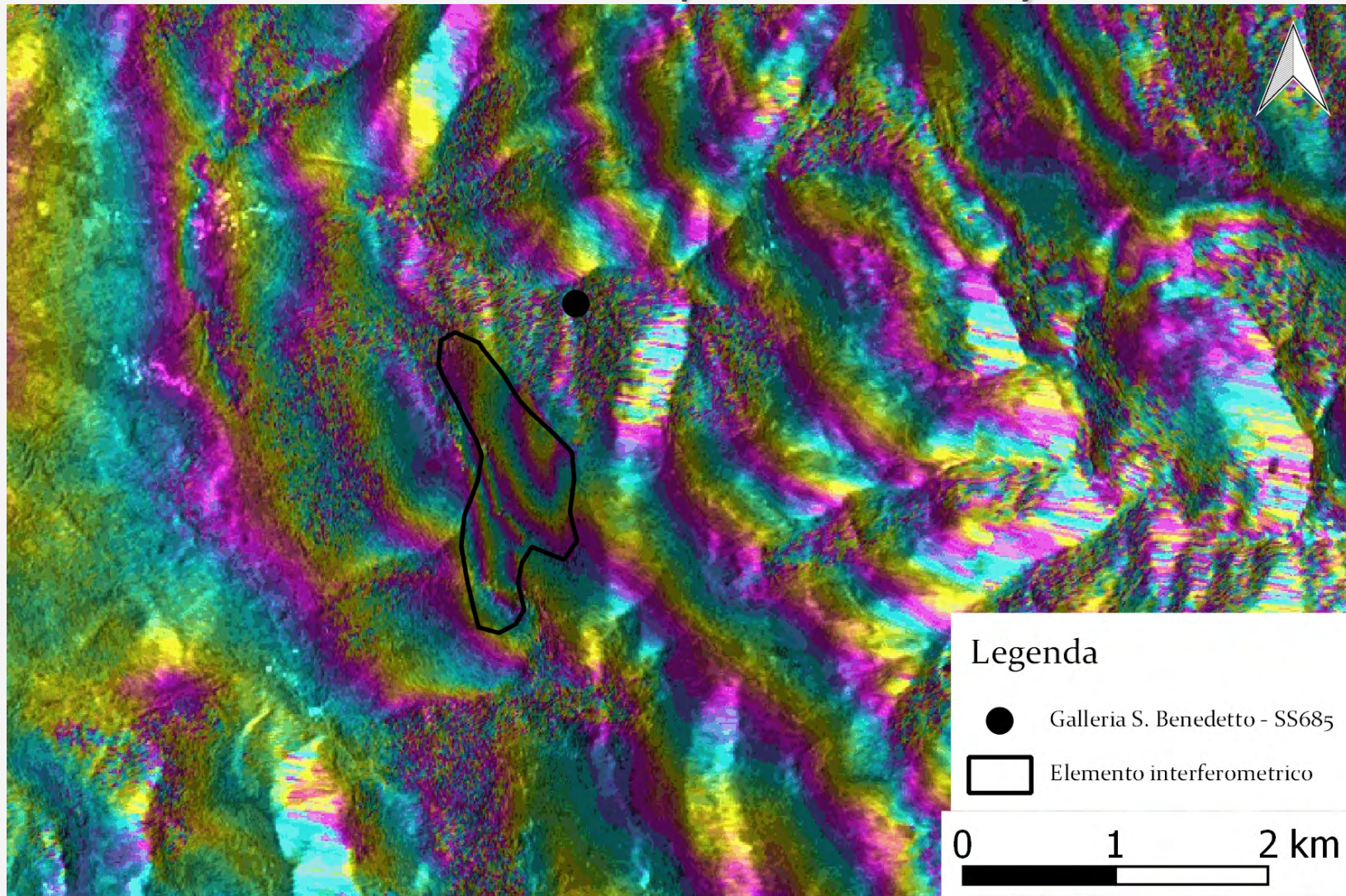


**Martino et al, 2017.** Ground Effects triggered by the 24th August 2016, Mw 6.0 Amatrice (Italy) earthquake: Surveys and inventorying to update the CEDIT catalogue. *Geografia Fisica e Dinamica Quaternaria* 40(1):77-95





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*Remote Sensing Survey*



## How we can move forward with the SMART GAM?

Reduce the distance between innovative monitoring solutions and GAM managers:

1) Development of suitable tools;

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Your period of interest

Start Date: 09 January 2016 Stop Date: 08 January 2017

Minimum coverage of your area of interest (in %)

50

SEARCH

Esri, HERE, DeLorme, NGA, USGS



## *How we can move forward with the SMART GAM?*

Reduce the distance between innovative monitoring solutions and GAM managers:

2) Training about geotechnical monitoring at graduate and post-graduate level

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## *What I see in the future*

STEP 1: Monitoring will be a key part of each geotechnical asset program and not just an option

STEP 2: The “monitorability” concept will enter in the dictionary of designers and infrastructure owners

*“... Dear Paolo, after our meeting end of November last year ...., I talked the project leader responsible for the engineering project in .....He was really interested in the concept of making the infrastructure (bridges, fly-overs, tunnels, retaining walls ...) monitorable.”*

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