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# WP6 Spanish Costa Brava site

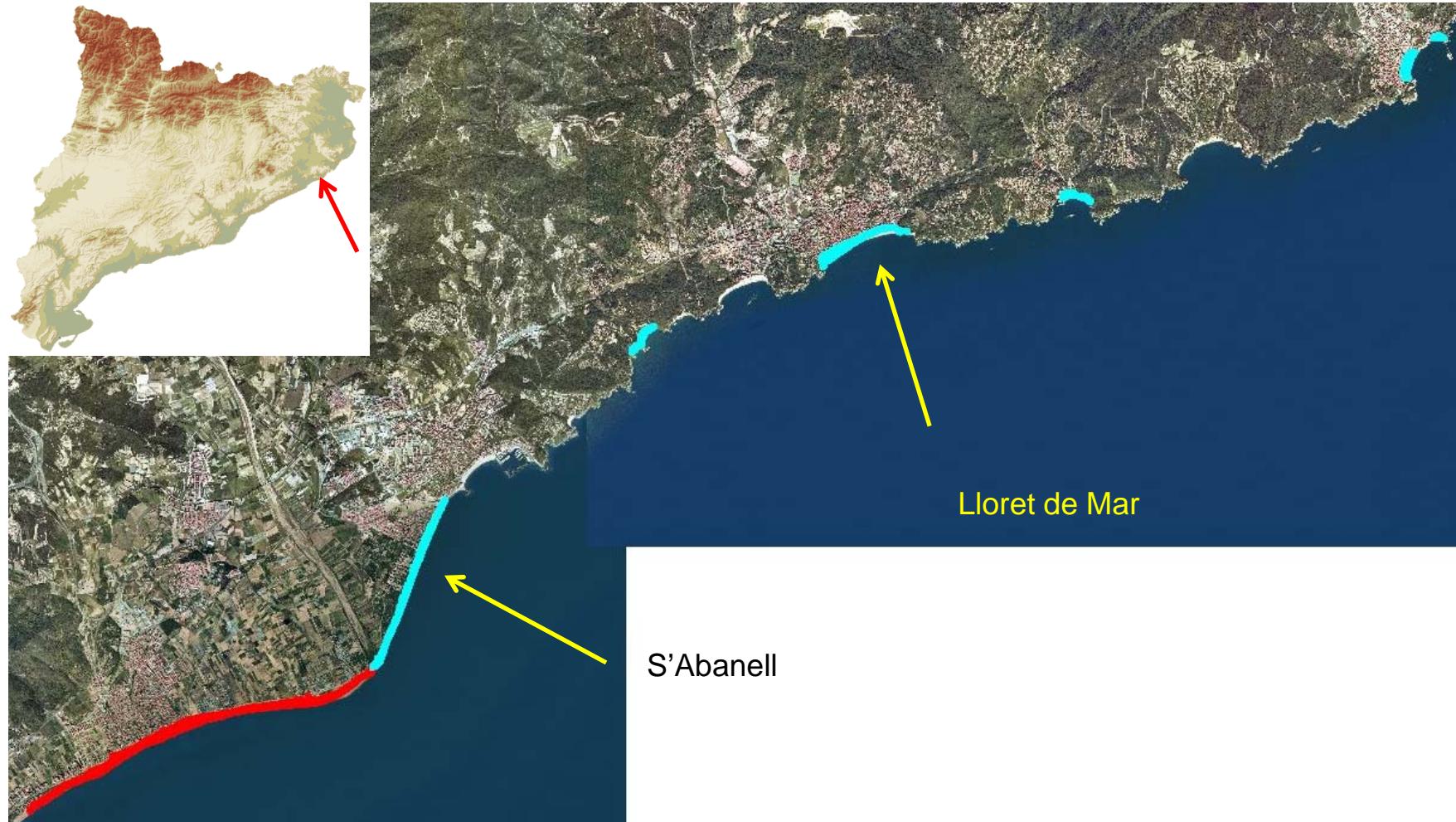
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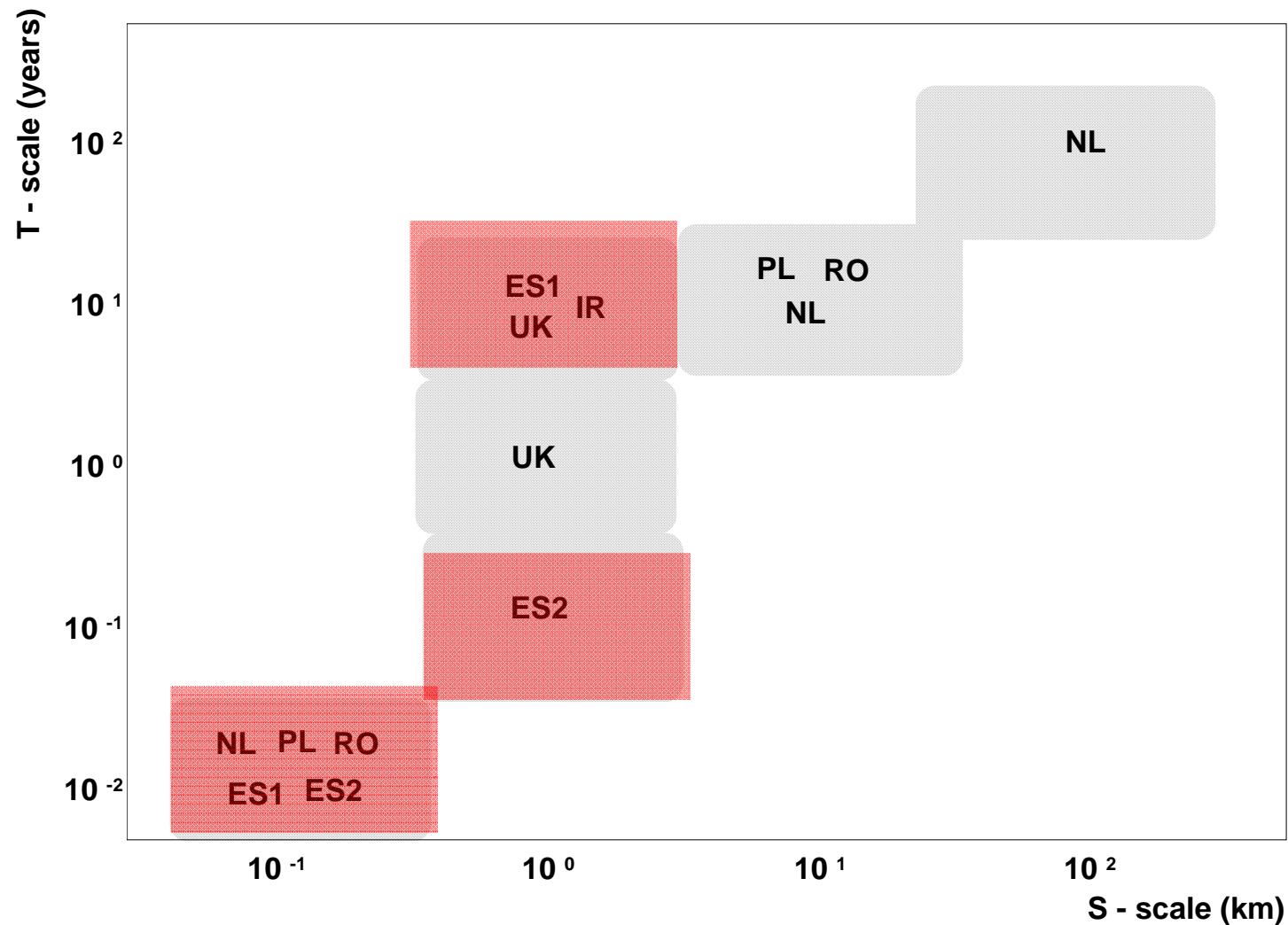
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## Site 1 S'Abanell beach - Spain



Length – 2.5 km

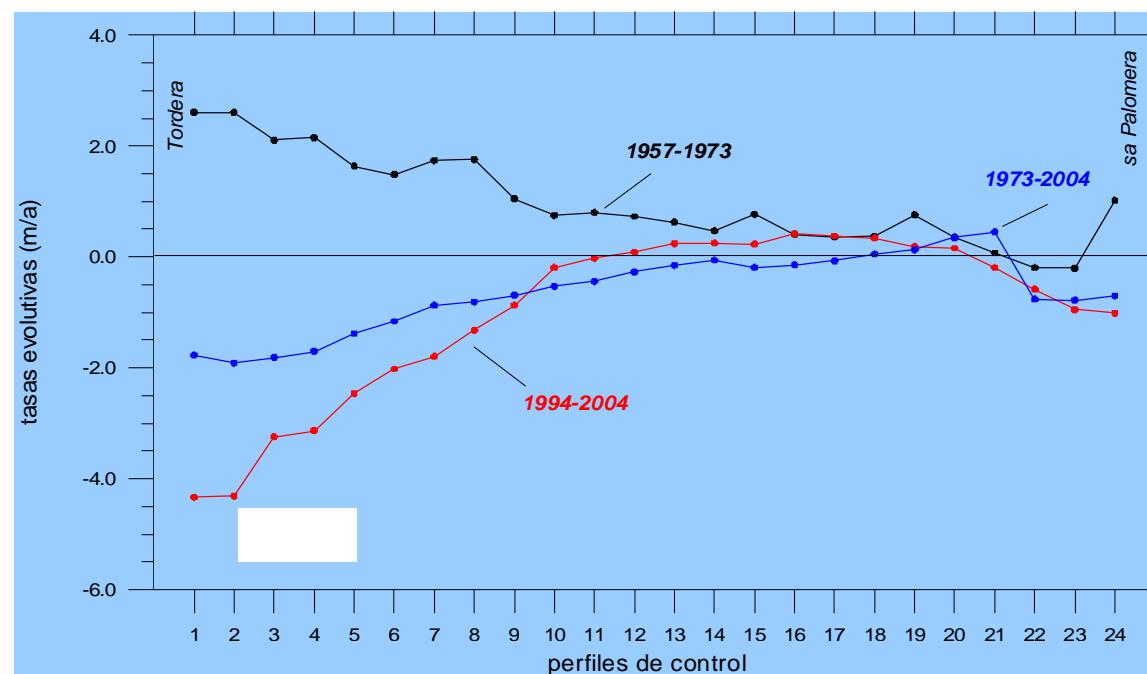
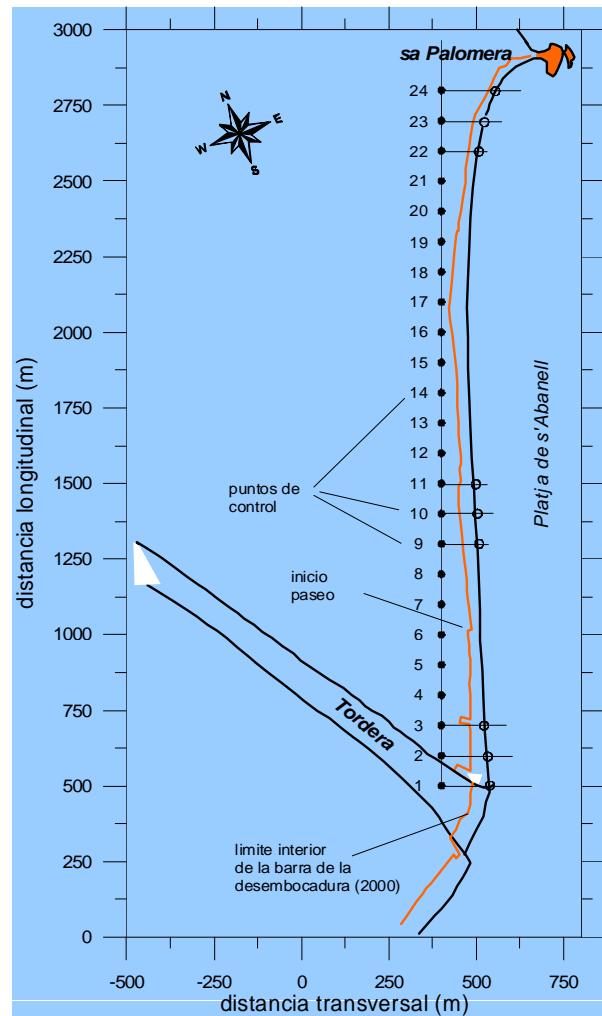
Width – 40 m

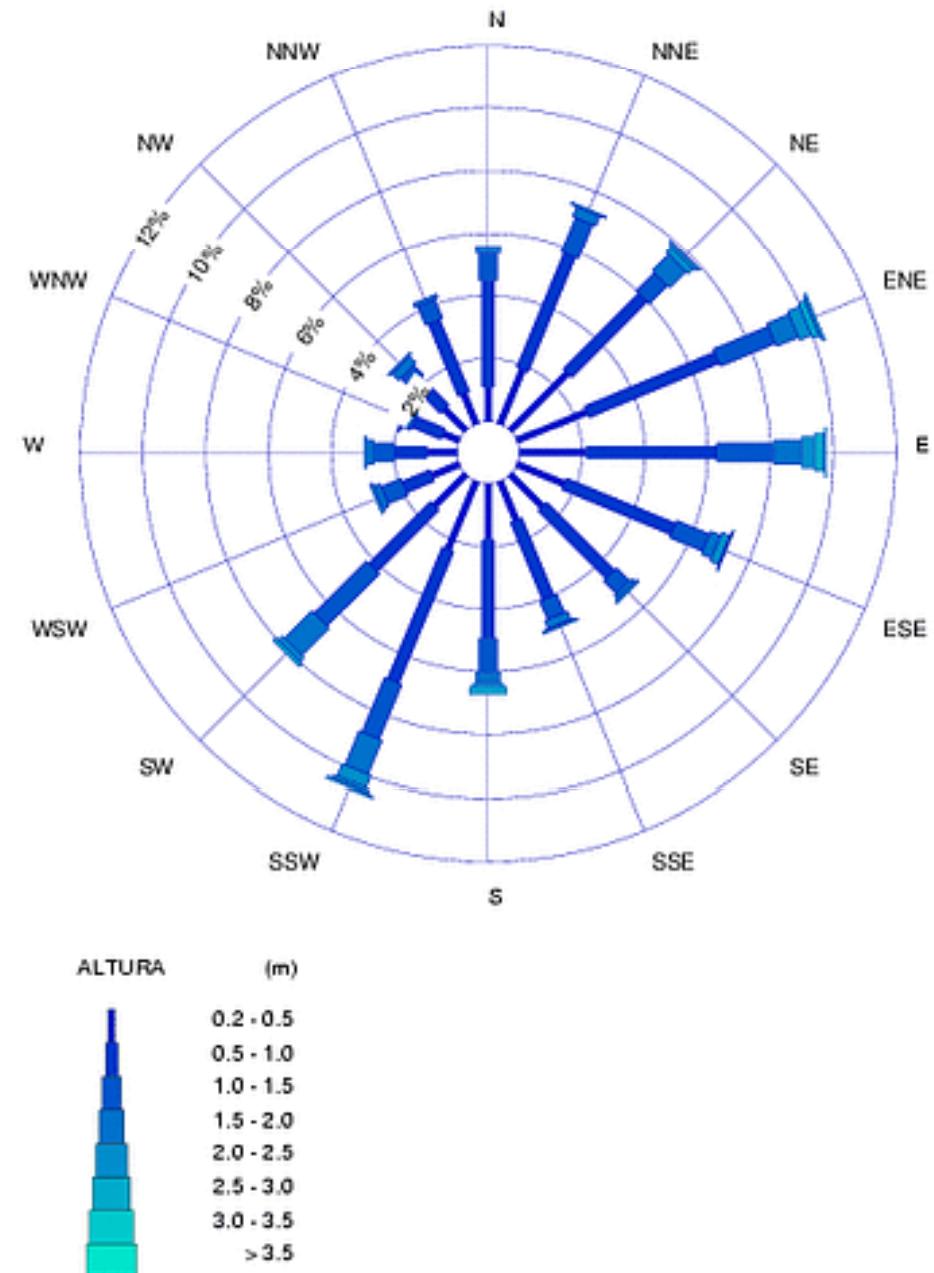
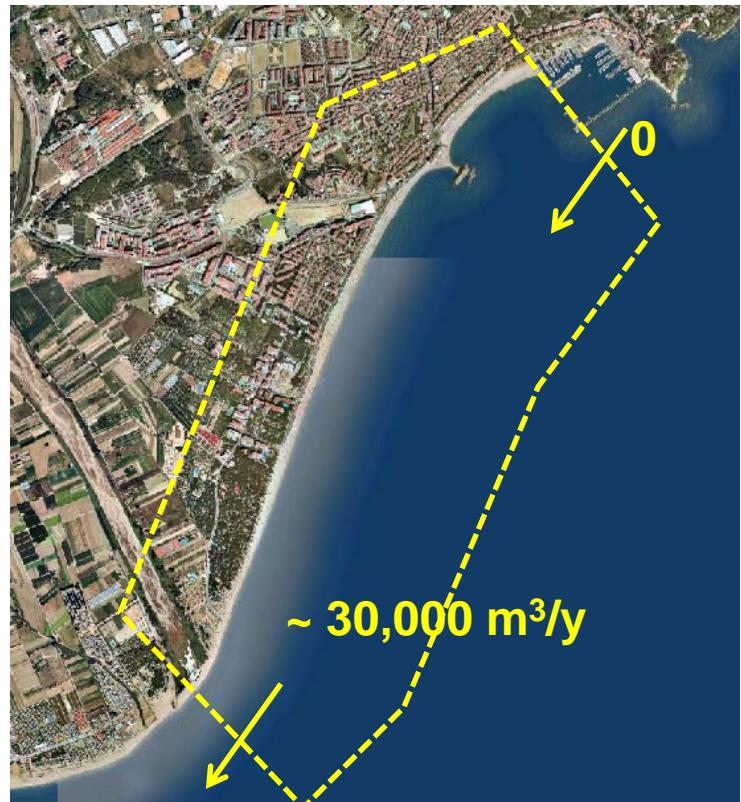
### Processes

Long-term (decadal) erosion

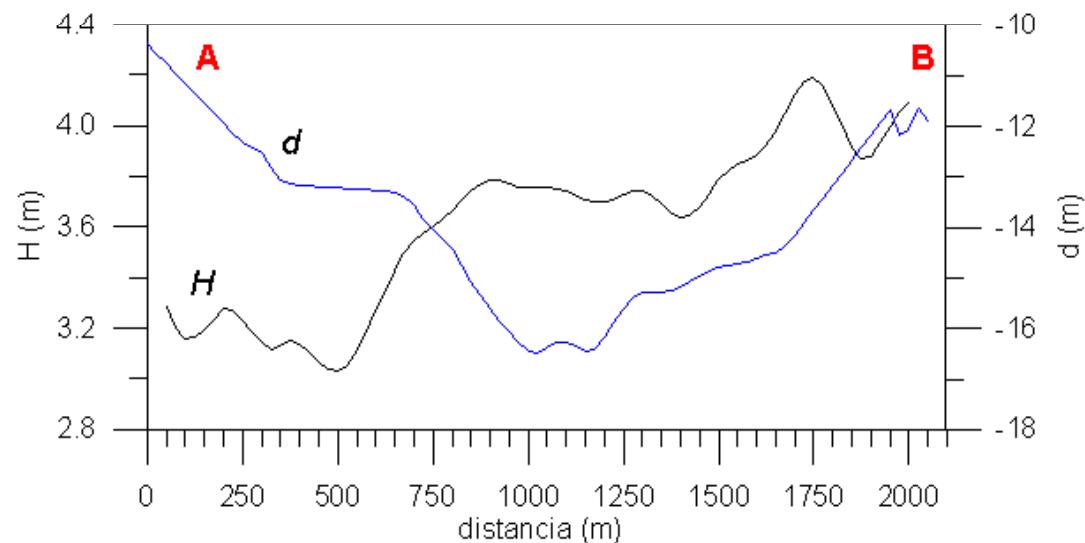
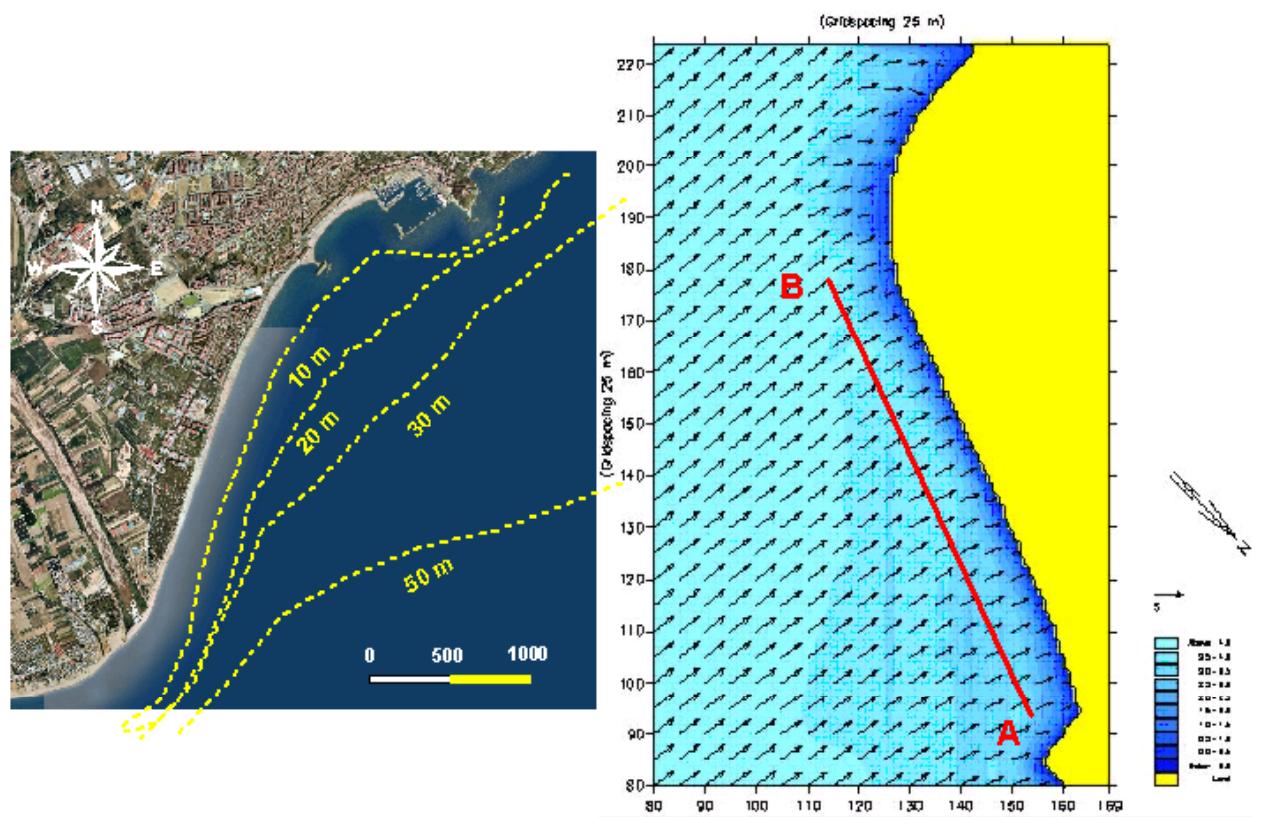
Storm-induced erosion

## Beach long-term (decadal) evolution



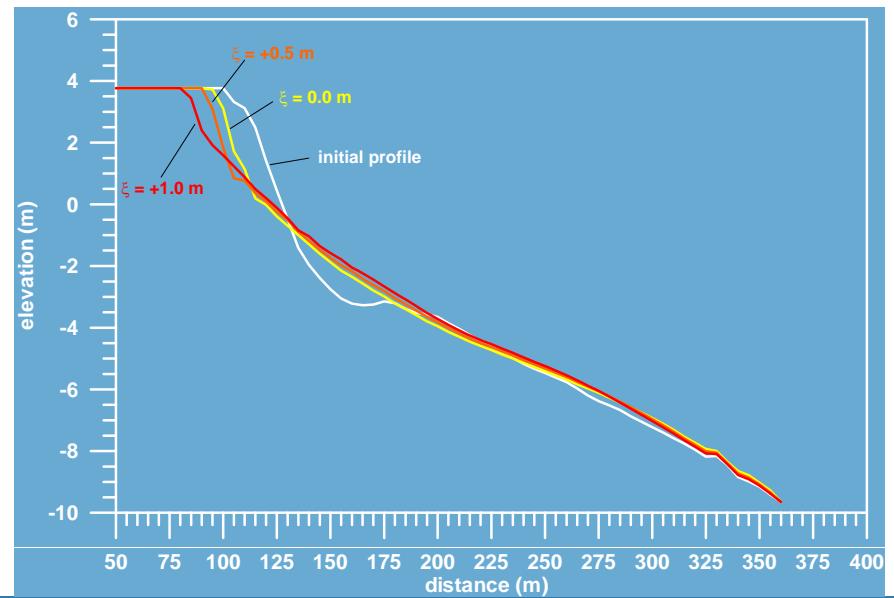
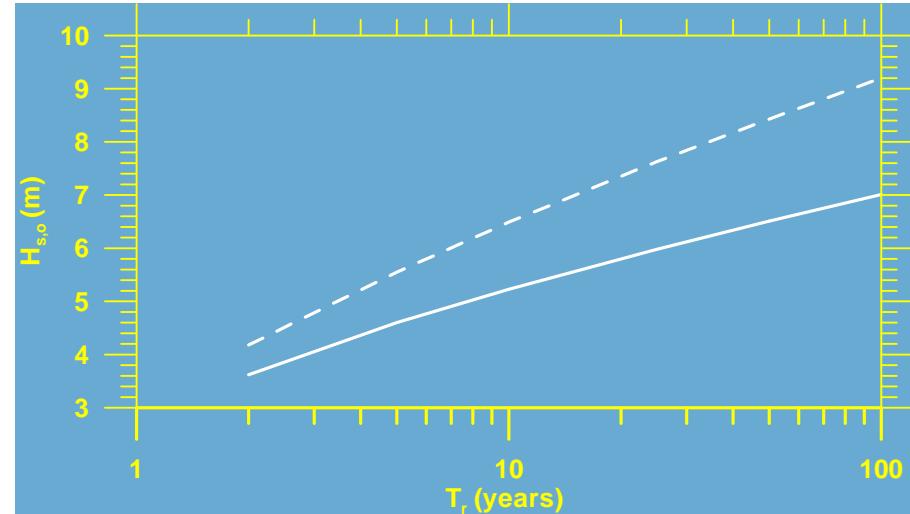


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## Storm induced erosion

- Extreme wave climate
- Beach erosion modelling



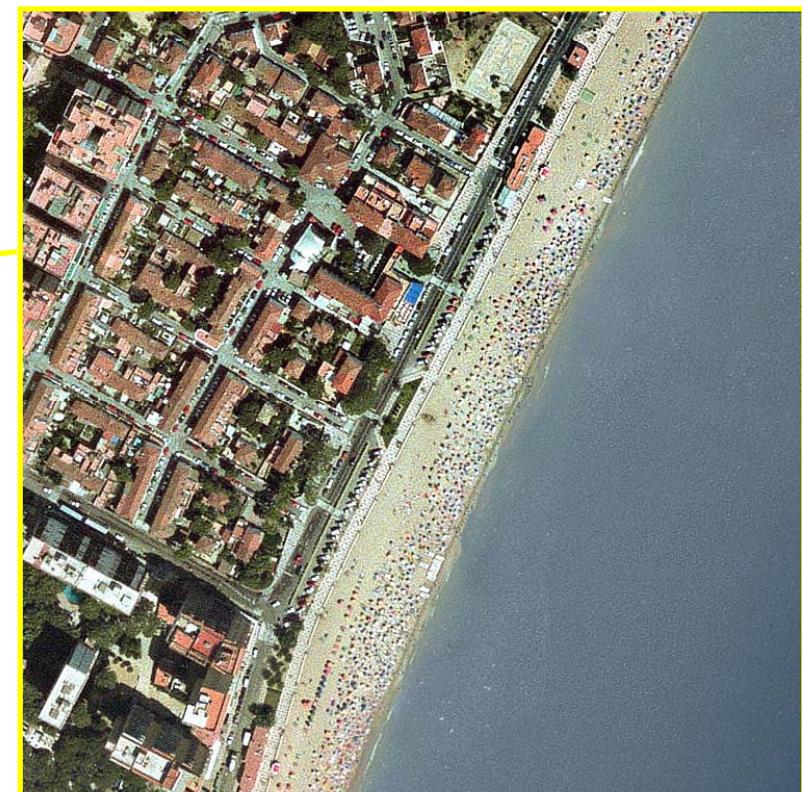
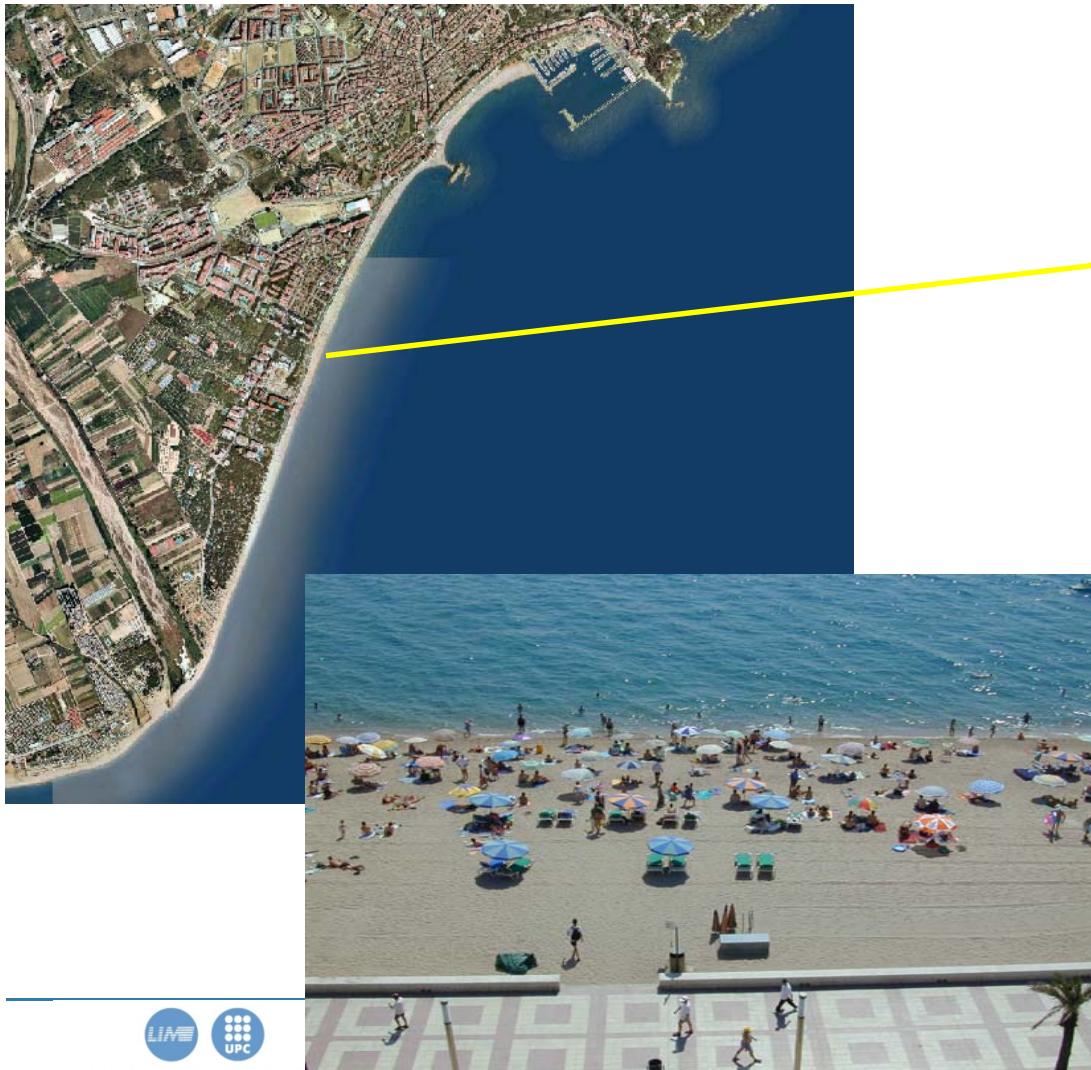
**Problem:** Damage of Infrastructures

**Objective:** Enhance safety of infrastructures



**Problem:** Affectation of beach use

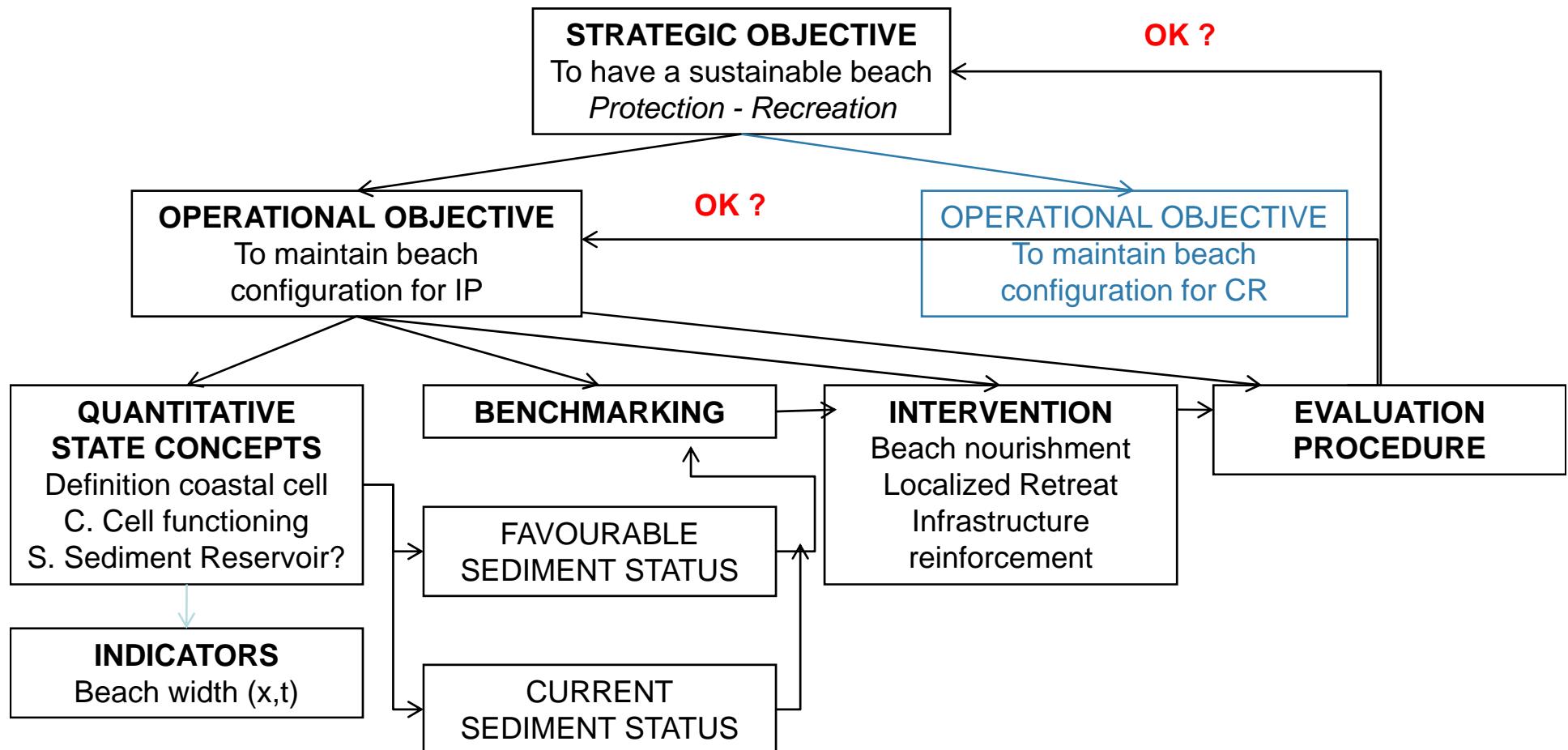
**Objective:** Maintain recreational carrying capacity



## FAVOURABLE SEDIMENT STATUS

- WINTER (stormy period) – ***Protecting infrastructures***:  
Volume of sediment required to generate a beach wider than the one to be eroded by storms (Tr to be selected ).
  
- SUMMER (calm period) – ***Recreational carrying capacity***:  
Volume of sediment required to generate a beach wide enough to accomodate users (~ 30 m ).

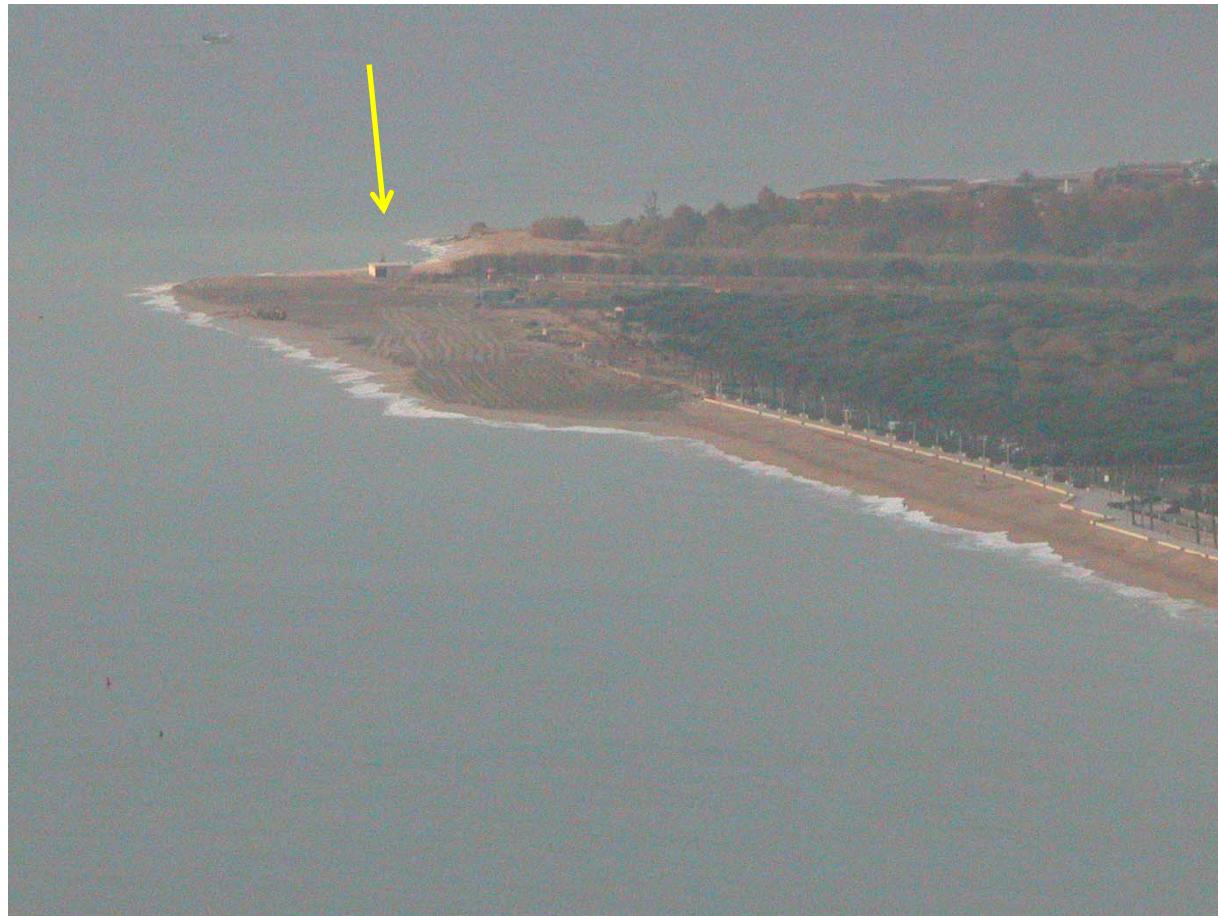






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~ 180,000 m<sup>3</sup>**



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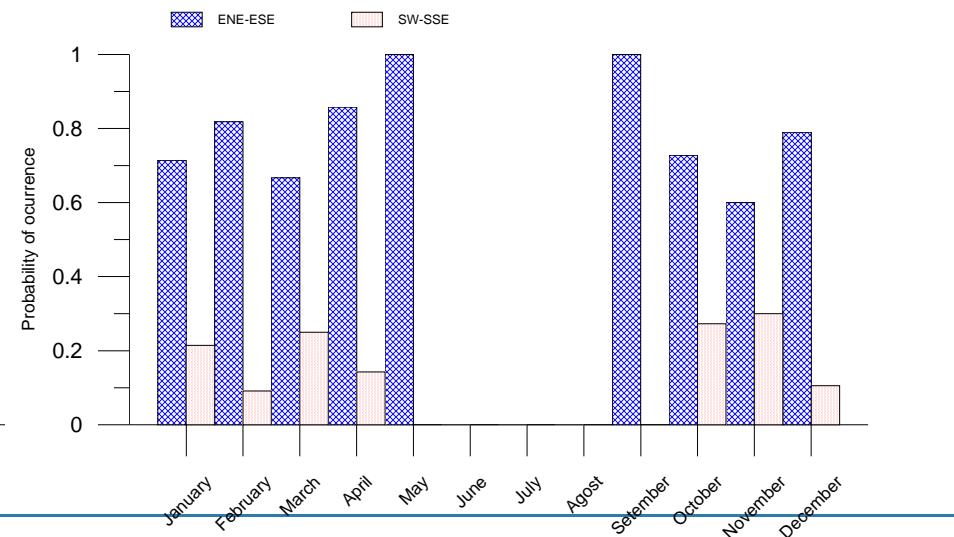
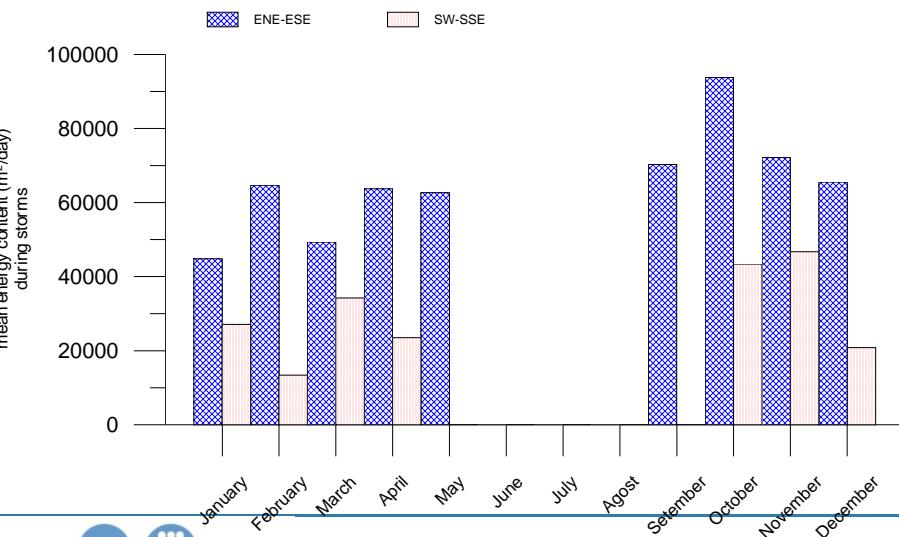
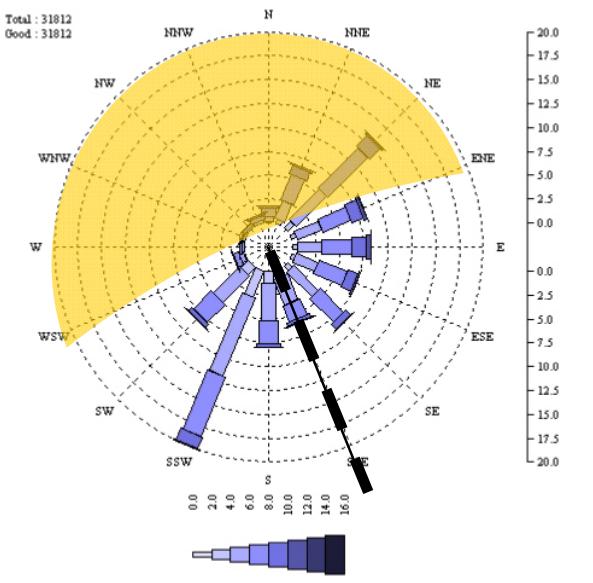
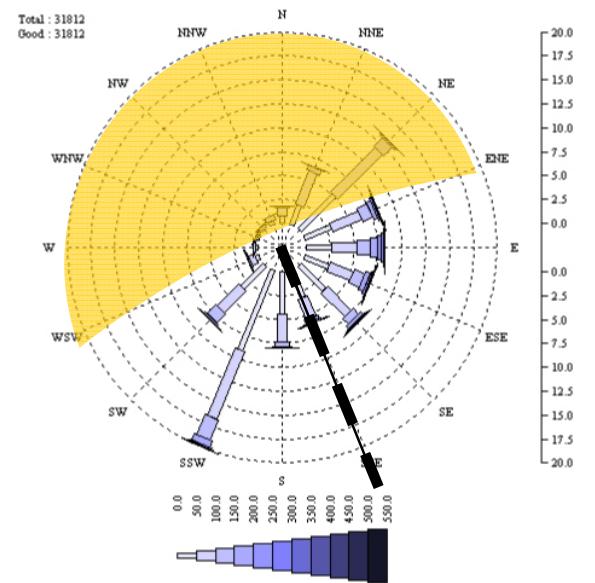
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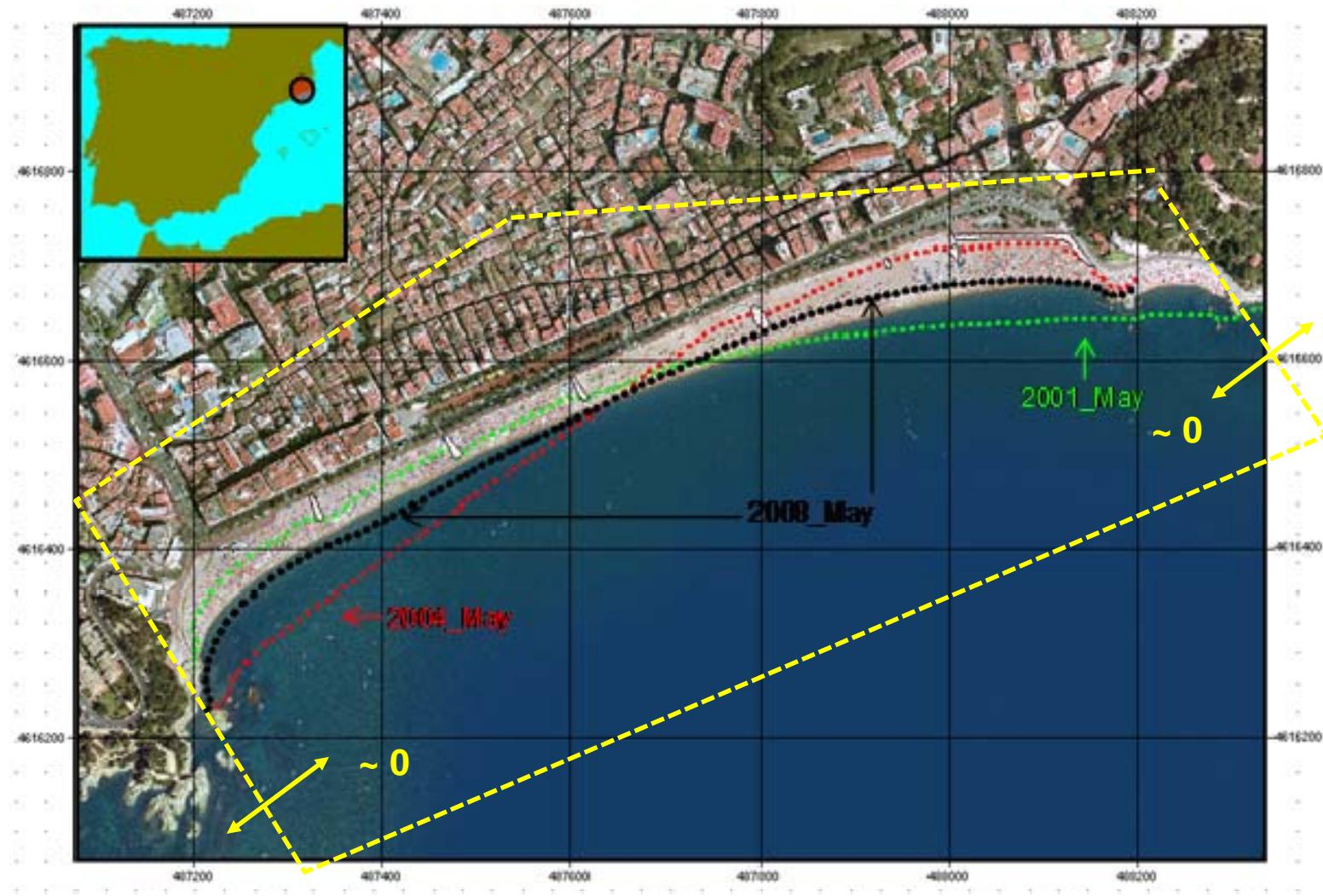


Length – 1.2 km  
Width – 50 m

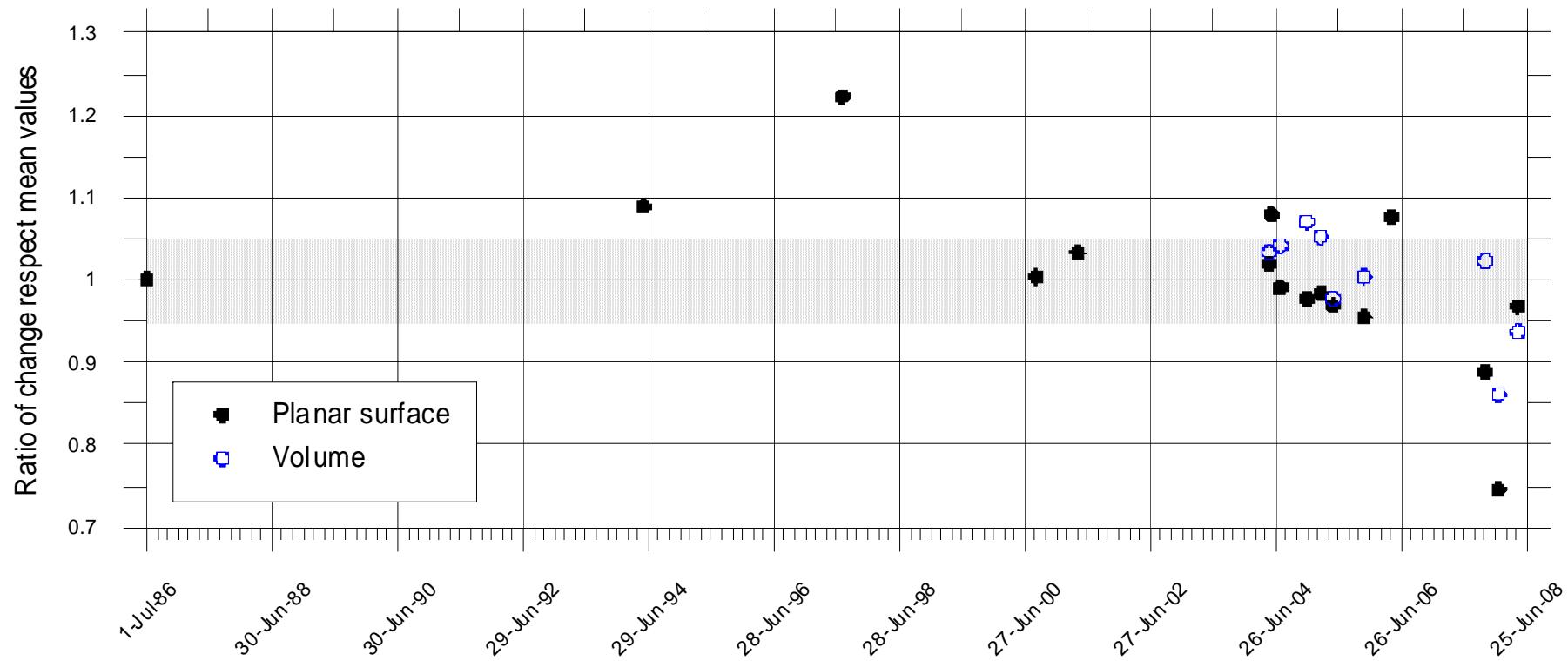
### Processes

Long-term (decadal) equilibrium  
+ shoreline seasonal fluctuations  
(sediment redistribution within  
the cell)  
+ storm-induced erosion

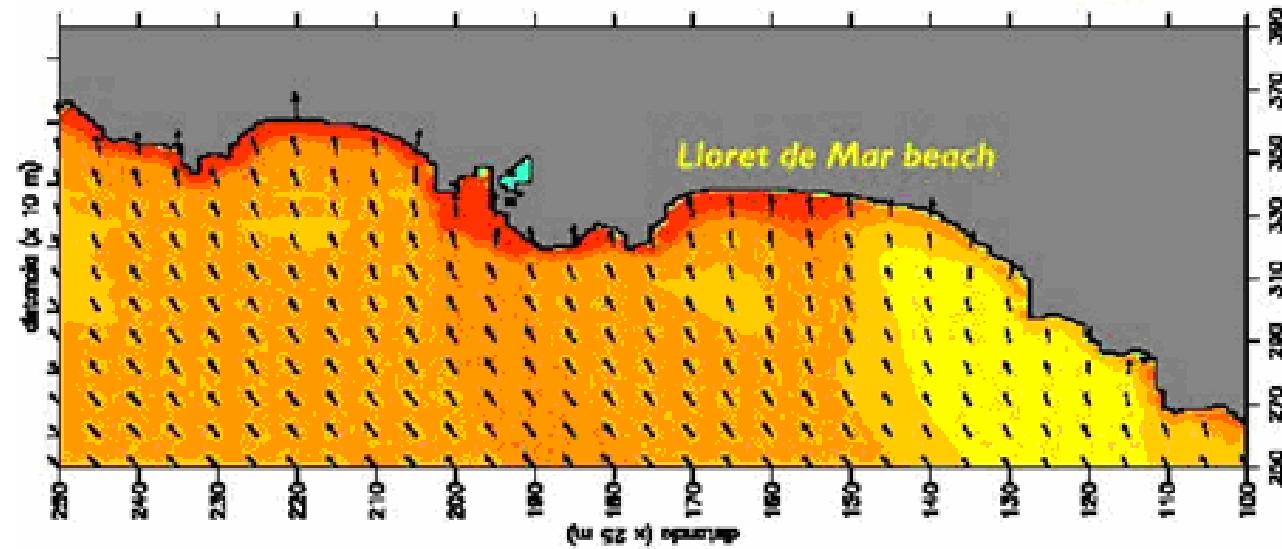
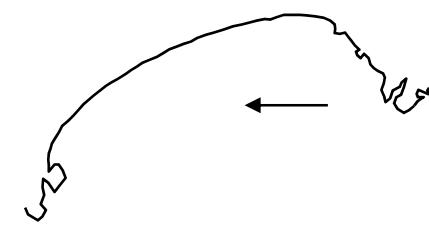




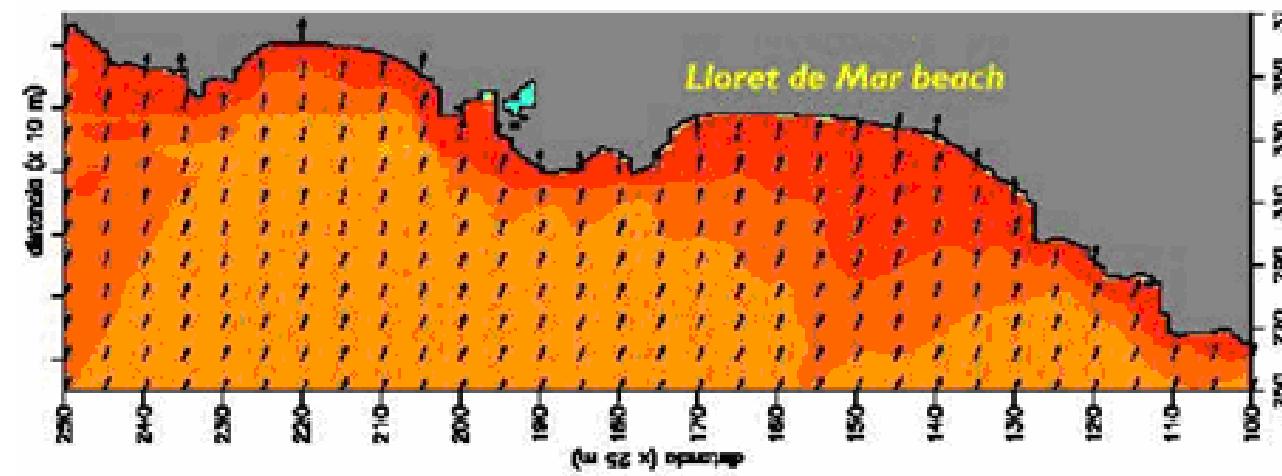
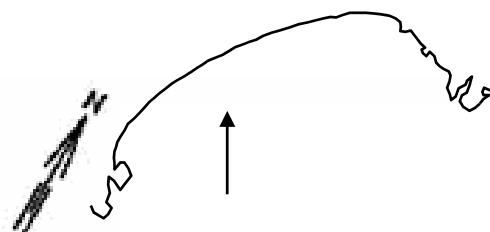
## Beach long-term (decadal) evolution



East

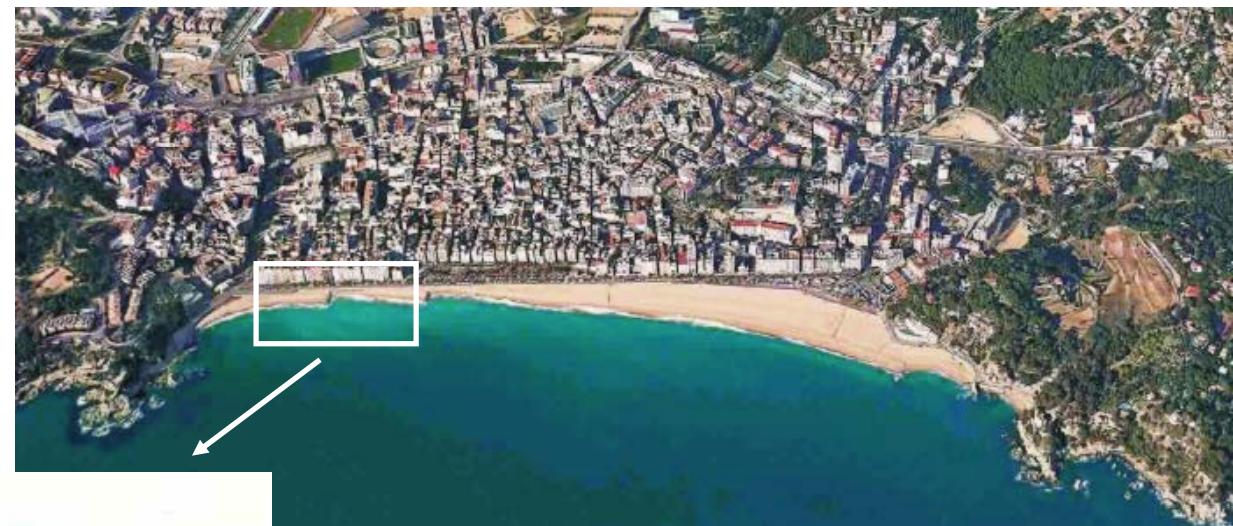


South



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**Objective:** Enhance safety of infrastructures

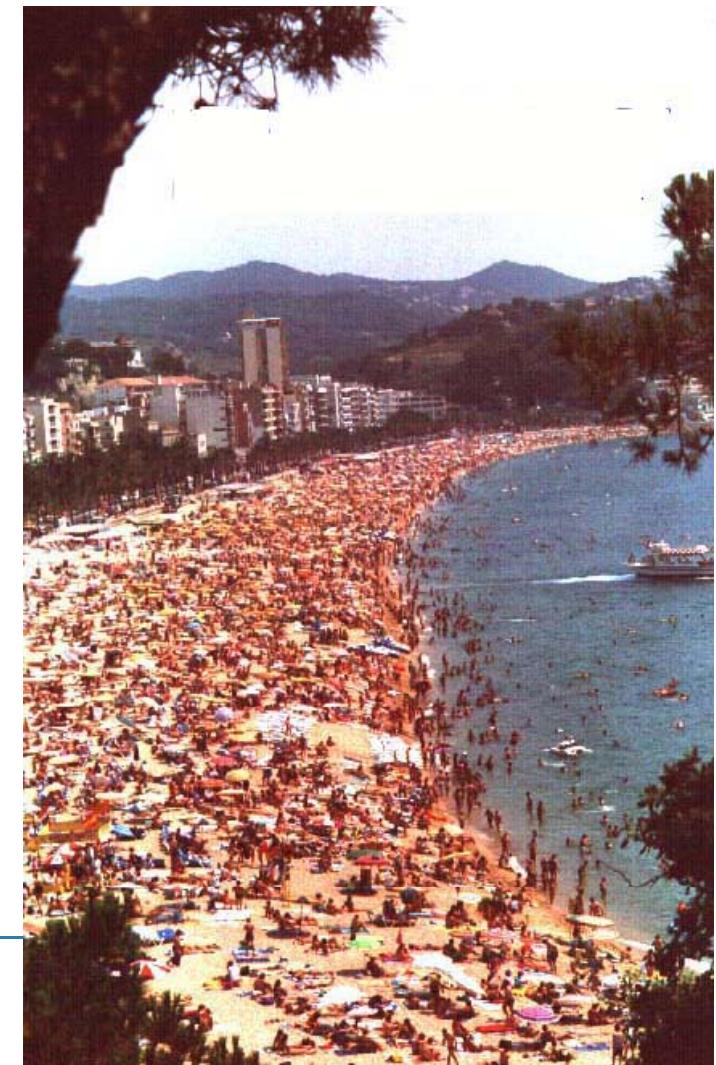
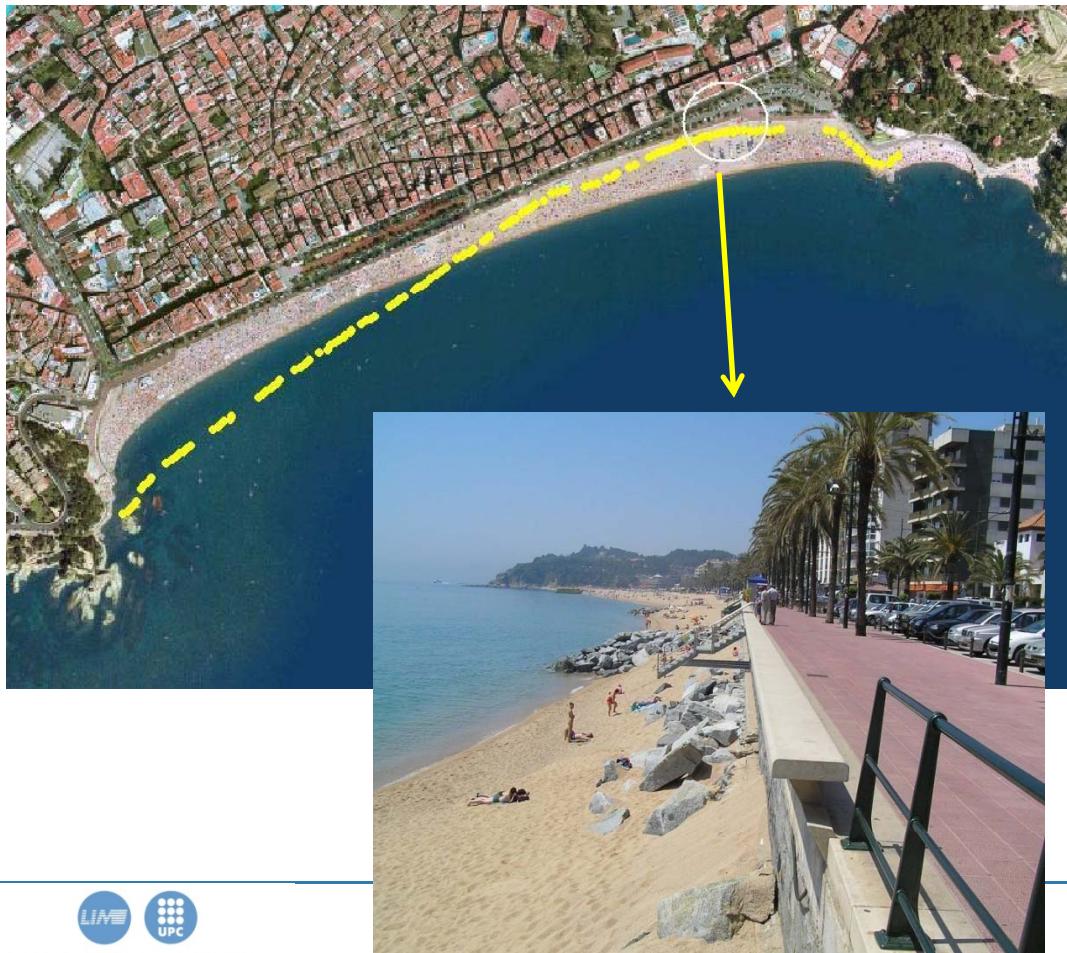


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**Objective:** Maintain recreational carrying capacity



## FAVOURABLE SEDIMENT STATUS

- WINTER (stormy period) – ***Protecting infrastructures:***  
Volume of sediment “properly” distributed along the beach  
in such a way that the beach is wider than the reach  
associated to storm impacts (Tr to be selected ).
  
- SUMMER (calm period) – ***Recreational carrying capacity:***  
Volume of sediment “properly” distributed along the beach  
in such a way that the beach is wider than a minimum  
recreational width (~ 30 m ).



## Beach width range.

