Innovative Urban Planning in Copenhagen



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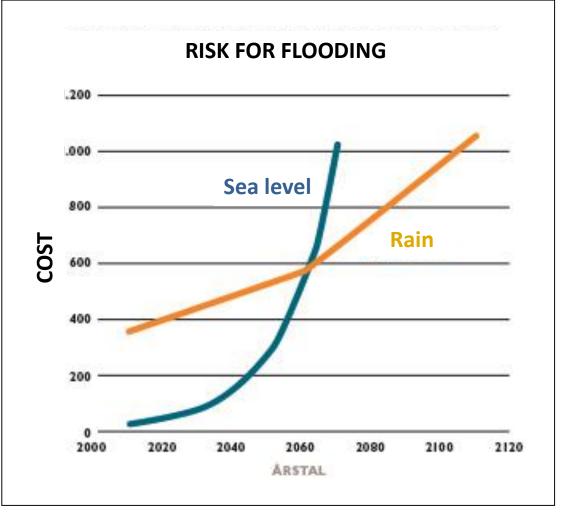
The adaptation plan

- Work started in 2009
- Plan finally approved by City Council in August 2011
- Risk assesment
- Strategies for action
- An estimated implementation period of 30-50 years
- Focus on opportunities of climate change



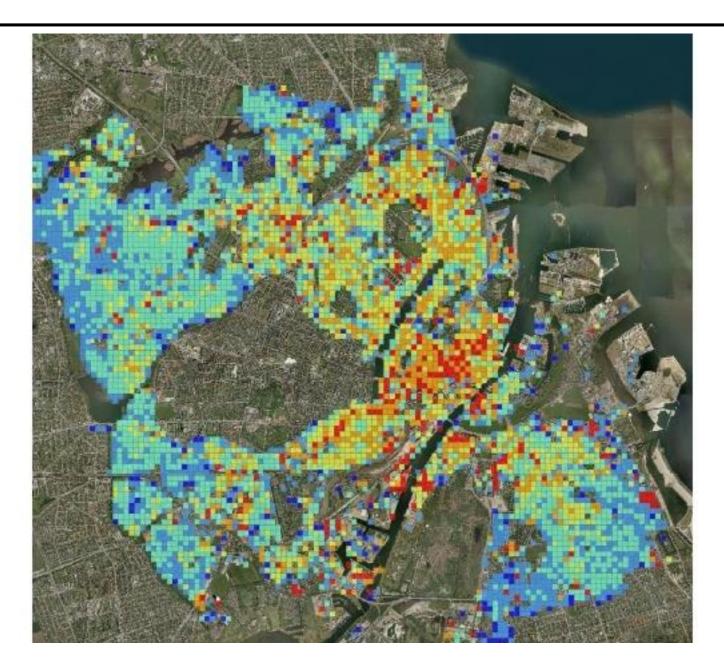
RISK CALCULATION

- Estimated costs and the probability of damage show that rain water is the most immediate threat
- But in 30 years time the risk of flooding due to rising sea levels will be greater (and the damage higher)
 - Long decision making process - complicated financing
 - Consequences for urban development
 - Therefore we must start planning now



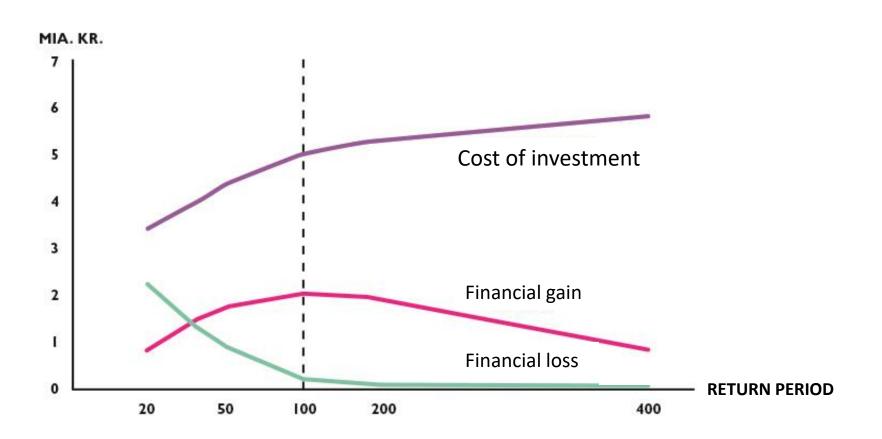
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RISK MAP

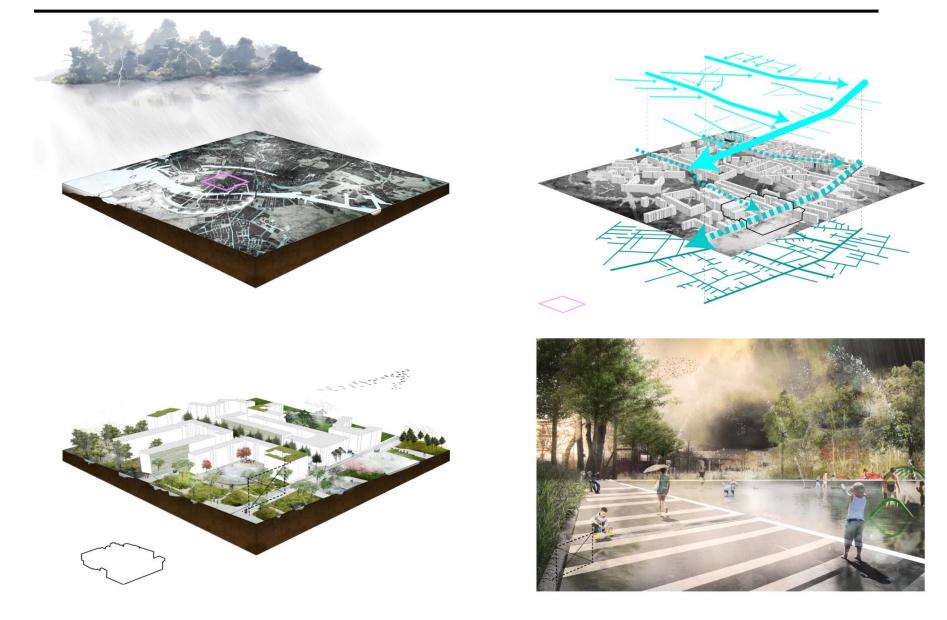




Decision of safety level



CALCULATING A NEW INFRASTRUCTURE





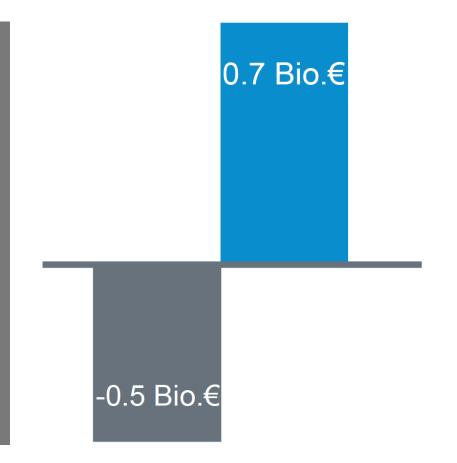
INVESTMENT STATEMENT

- Total costs of new storm water infrastructure – 1.3 billion Euro
- Expanding the existing system would be <u>double</u> the price
- Extra costs for urban improvement (greening etc) 100 mill Euros – or more depending on level of ambition
- Cost benefit analysis still shows that it is a good business case



A good business case

- Total costs: 1.3 billion €
- Robust socio-economic figures
- Cheaper than traditional solutions
- Less flooding = less damage
- Lower insurance costs
- Higher house prices



A green and blue cityadapted to a future climate = more quality of life

- Adaptation is not just a negative measure
- We can increase the recreational area and create more quality of life for copenhageners
- We can help make copenhageners more healthy
- We can increase biodiversity and create synergy with other planning





THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

