

The Polder2C's Winter & Summer Schools 'Fieldwork for Flood Resilience'



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Context and objectives

During Polder2C's a winter school and a late summer school were organized to **accelerate dissemination of knowledge** used and developed within the project to the next generation of flood protection professionals.



Learning vision

- Locally tested solutions for **global problem solving**
- Podium for exchange, transfer and development of ideas and knowledge among **various generations** of scientists and professionals.
- Balanced schedule between **in-class education** and **fieldwork**

Advance & share knowledge

Flood emergency response

Nature-based flood protection

Familiarize with fieldwork

Flood defence technology

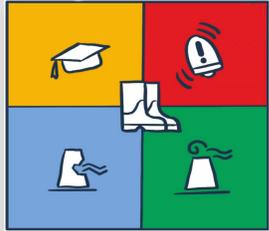


Fig 1. Illustration of learning objectives of the events

Curriculum design

- Target audience: MSc students, PhD's and young professionals in the field of flood protection from Europe and elsewhere.
- Type of education: theory lectures, field exercises, workshops.
- Event duration: 5 days



Study subjects

Flood defence technology

- Failure mechanisms
- Erosion processes
- Dike monitoring technology
- Animal burrows management
- Structural flood resilience

Flood emergency response

- Theory and practice
- Levee inspection exercise
- Crisis simulation
- Innovative solutions
- Lessons learnt from past floods
- Risk perception

Nature-based flood protection

- Vegetated foreshores
- Levee vegetation
- Managed realignment

International collaboration

- Craftsmanship theory
- Fund-raising

Selected activities

Animal burrows surveys



Fig 2. Paper mapping of burrows



Fig 3. Detection of burrows with smoke bombs



Fig 4. Inspection of a large burrow made by a fox or rabbit



Fig 5. Inspection of animal footprints on sand



Fig 6. Grouting burrows



Fig 7. Excavating concrete grouts to discover the real shape of cavities.



Fire hose erosion test



Fig 8. Students setting up the test (left) and measuring the angle of impact of the water (right), allowing to compare field and model results.

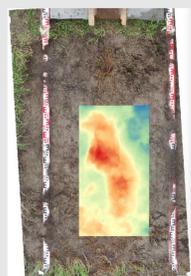


Fig 9. Sample of photogrammetry result.

Data collection on the foreshore



Fig 10. Shear vane (i.e. shear strength) and penetrometer (i.e. penetration resistance) measurements, which give an indication of sediment stability and soil strength.

Emergency response education



Fig 11. Map of crisis scenario (left) and execution of crisis coordination simulation in-class (right).



Fig 12. Decommissioning temporary repair of damage on a levee section



Fig 13. Inspection of the rock bags site.

Instructors



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Event demographics

Total number of participants **34**

Participants' occupation

PhD student	MSc student	Young professional
23	3	8

Participants' origin

Belgium	United Kingdom	France	Netherlands	Sweden	Germany
1	2	3	20	1	4

Instructors' origin

Belgium	United Kingdom	France	Netherlands
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