



# AstrA

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# Extreme weather event

- ≡ Tornado in Hamburg-Harburg, March 27 2006
  - 2 persons died
  - 300.000 households without power
  - damage ~ 2 Mio Euro



## Overview WP 3

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- ≡ Actions MS 1 - completed, finalization in MS 2
  - Working group set up, distribution of WP 3 responsibilities and tasks
  - Comparative analysis of winter storm on regional and national level - document on Impacts of winter storm and adaptation measures completed
  - Draft of web application winter storm elaborated
- ≡ Actions MS 2 - in progress
  - Overview existing adaptation strategies
  - Scoping study existing and planned CC policies
  - Cross sectoral comparative winterstorm study finalized
  - Elaboration of draft concept for policy doc

# Promoting ASTRA

- ≡ Magazine article
- ≡ Participation in extremeweather congress
- ≡ Setting up network of local stakeholders (HPA etc.)



Booth at Extreme weather congress, Feb 16-17, 2006  
400 experts as well as interested public



Info on ASTRA project , short article on Winterstorm, New German weather magazine, circulation: 40.000

# Overview WP 3 (continued)



## ≡ Outlook Actions MS 3

- Comparative analysis of existing and planned CC policies
- Scoping current level of policy making, identification of best practices and knowledge gaps (report)
- First draft of policy document
- Draft of policy document to be elaborated by means of specialist seminar in Poland (dates?)

## ≡ Next Actions

- Input Klaipeda conference
- Participation at Interreg Conference in Malmö (15-17 May)
- „Handling Environmental Risks“, May 24 ,06, Hannover, GER
- „Int. Disaster Reduction Conference“, Aug 30 ,06, Davos
- Fair „aqua alta“ 13-15 Sep 06 (Int. Exhibition for flood protection, consequences of CC, caastrophe management)
- Specialist seminar in Poland + 2nd ASTRA conference

# Overview: Draft Policy Paper

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- ≡ Objective of the draft paper
- ≡ Structure of the paper
- ≡ Further steps

# Objectives of the draft paper

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- ≡ Creation of an overview / a common understanding on the role of policy-making and how it relates to ASTRA's goals
- ≡ Gathering together different views, opinions and inputs
- ≡ Introduction for final policy paper with recommendations, policies and strategies

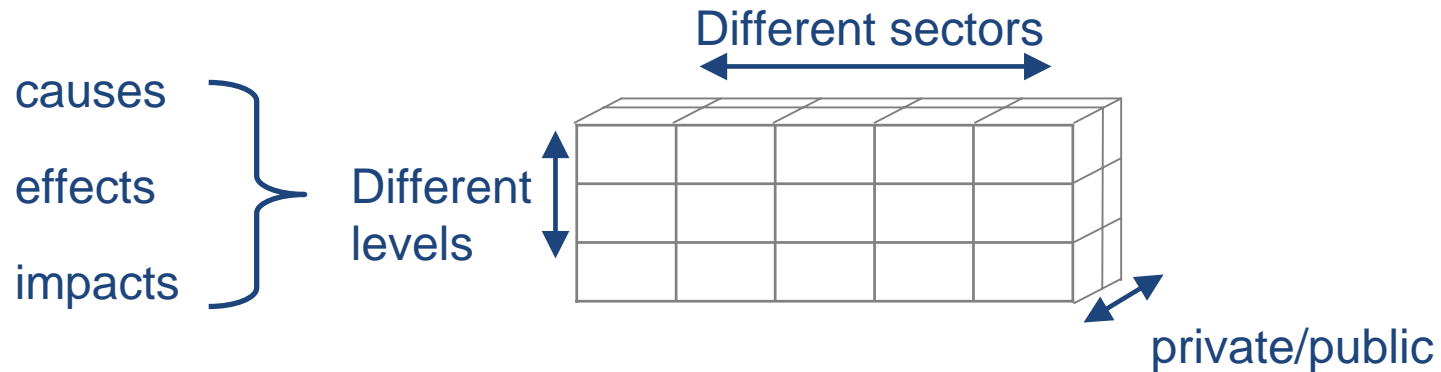
# Structure of the paper

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- ≡ Description of the role of policy-making in addressing issues related to climate change:
  - Reasons for policy-making in addressing issues related to climate change
  - Current policies in partner countries
  - Open issues

# Reasons for policy-making

## ≡ I Characteristics of climate change



## ≡ II Problems/ constraints in addressing CC

- Opposed political / socio-economic interests
- Planning & decision-making under uncertainties / risk
- Lack of awareness, knowledge, information transfer
- ...

# Policy-making addressing CC

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- ≡ Current policies in partner countries
  - Examples summarized on one page
  - Sources:
    - PIK study WP 1
    - ECAT questionnaire on adaptation strategies WP 3
    - Partner input / country coordinators
  
- ≡ Open issues, points for further discussion, further research issues

## Further steps

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- ≡ April 06: Preparation of a draft paper on the role of policy-making
- ≡ May 06: Submission of the paper to ASTRA partners:
  - All partners: feedback, comments
  - Adding further national / regional / local experiences in policy-making and CC (best practice, problems ...) – 1 example/country
  - Providing contact details of relevant decision-makers, public authorities, stakeholders in partner regions
  - → Deadline: June, 2006
- ≡ Sept. 06: Presentation and discussion of the paper at the 2nd conference in Gdansk/Poland
- ≡ Dec. 06: Completion of the draft paper

# Thank you!



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