

IGIF WORKSHOP FOR THE **CARIBBEAN**

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Geospatial Information supporting resilience in the Caribbean

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Background

In ECLAC we have been developing a project to generate indicators of **climate change and disasters** in the Small Island Developing Countries of the Caribbean (SIDS) to **support the design of evidence-based policies**.



“Caribbean First”:

*Promote the development of national and regional capacities
in statistics related to climate change and disasters.*



About the project

- Title:** “2023Q Develop indicators of climate change and disasters in the Small Island Developing Countries of the Caribbean (SIDS) to support the design of evidence-based policies.”

- Supported by:** tranche 12 of a United Nations Development Account.

- Implementation period:** 2021-2023

- Responsible:** Statistics Division and the ECLAC Subregional Office for the Caribbean

- Partners:** DESA-NY, Escazú Agreement, Organization of Eastern Caribbean States and CARICOM. Recently, PARIS21 and the Caribbean Disaster Management Agency (CDEMA).

- “Caribbean First”** Promote the development of national and regional capacities in statistics related to climate change and disasters.

- Resolution 98 (XXVII)** of the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee.

About the project

- This project is designed to **enhance the climate change and disaster risk reduction statistical and institutional capacities** of target countries in the Caribbean to improve policy coherence in the implementation of the SDGs, the SAMOA Pathway, the Paris Agreement, and the Sendai Framework.
- The main expected outcome of the project is an **improved capacity of national statistical offices, and national environment, climate change and disaster risk reduction stakeholders** in the four target/pilot countries to produce, sustain, disseminate and use relevant internationally-agreed climate change and disaster indicators and their underlying statistics.



Some relevant outcomes

Diagnosis on the availability of environmental statistics using the Self-Assessment Tool for Environmental Statistics (HADEA) in eight Caribbean countries: Suriname, St. Lucia, Antigua & Barbuda, St. Kitts & Nevis, Dominica, St. Vincent & the Grenadines, Grenada, and Belize.

Environmental protection, management and participation

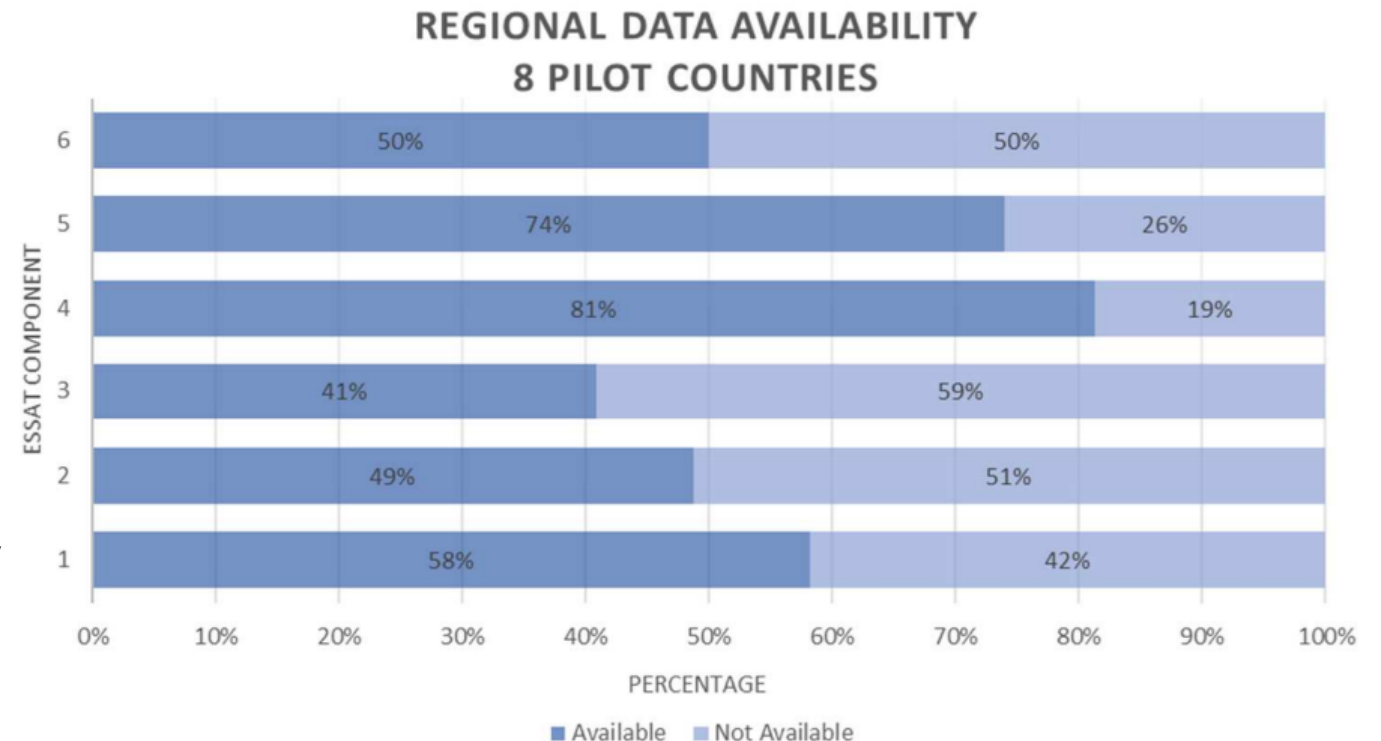
Human settlements and environmental health

Extreme events and disasters

Waste

Environmental resources and their use

Conditions and environmental quality



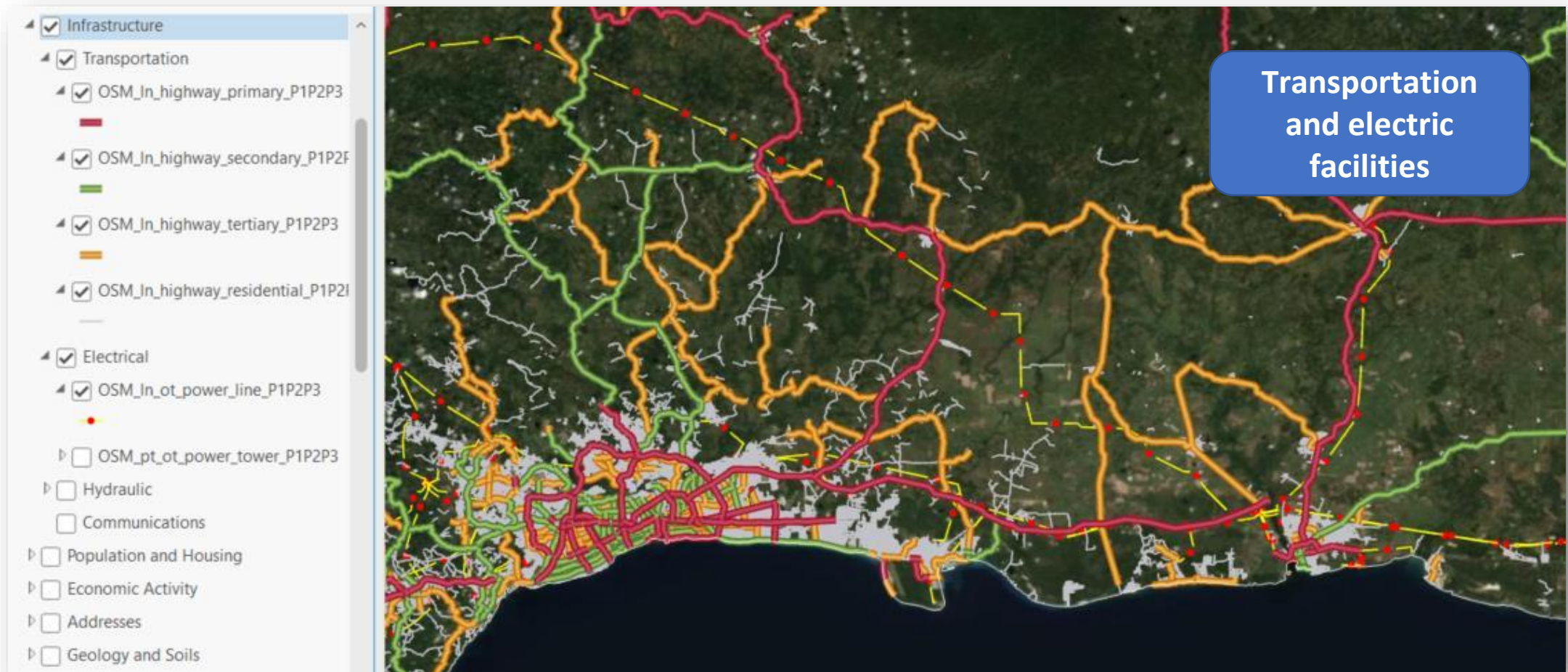
Some relevant outcomes

Workshops and Events



Some relevant outcomes

Geospatial databases for resilience



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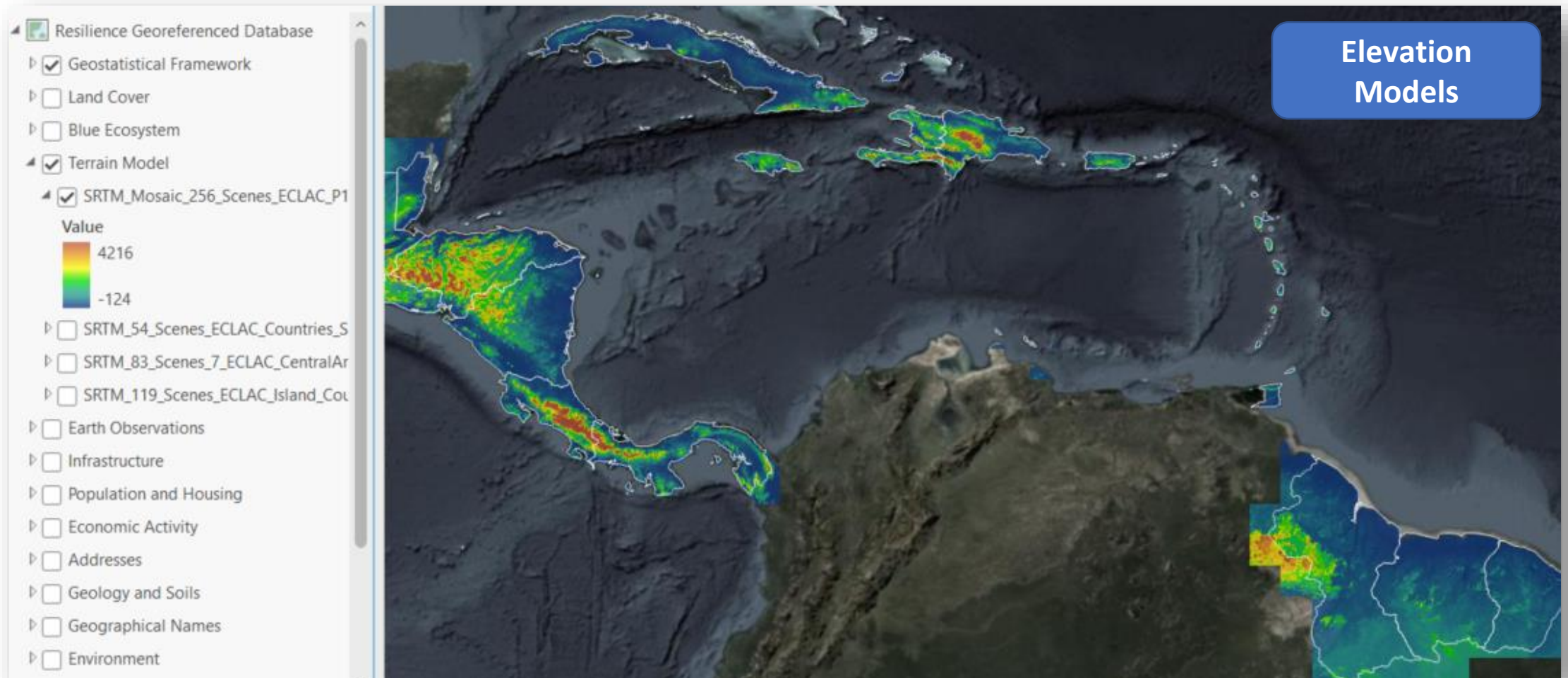
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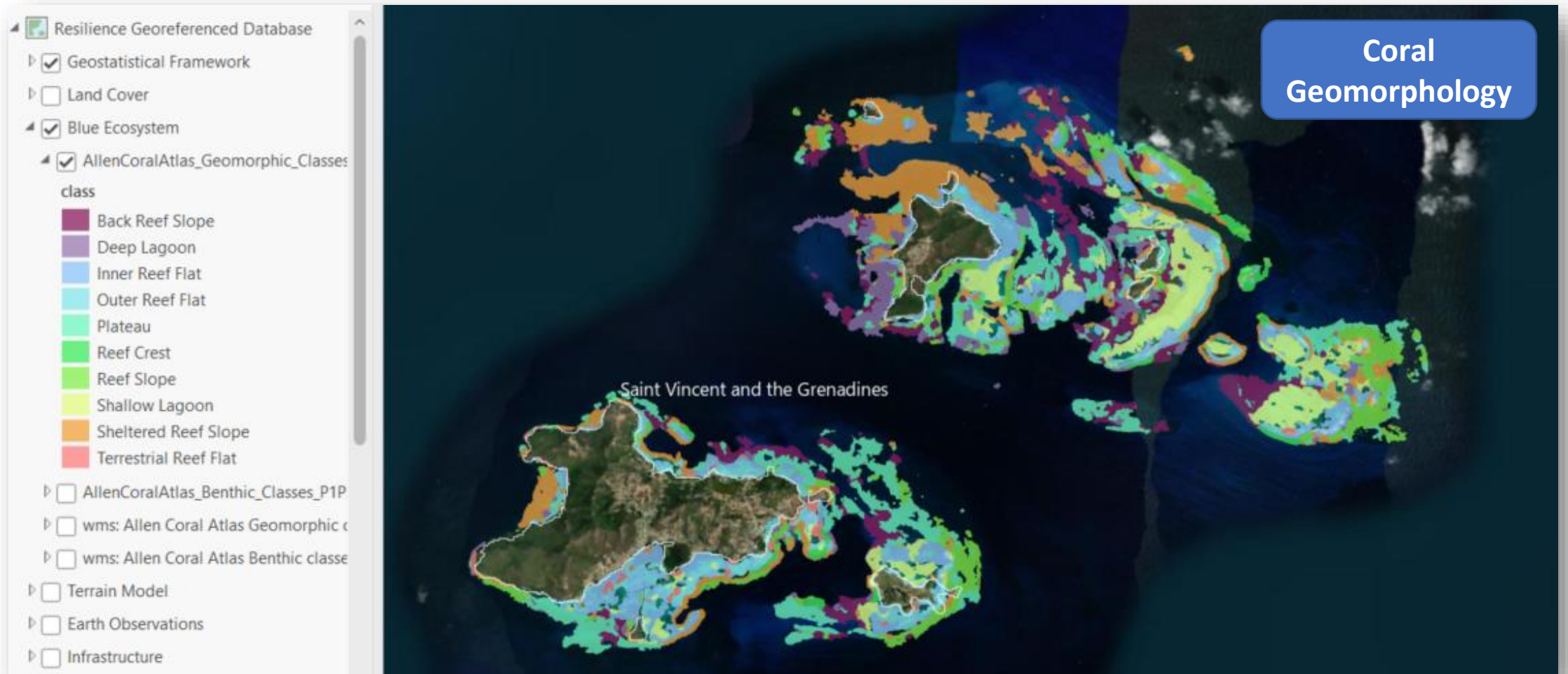
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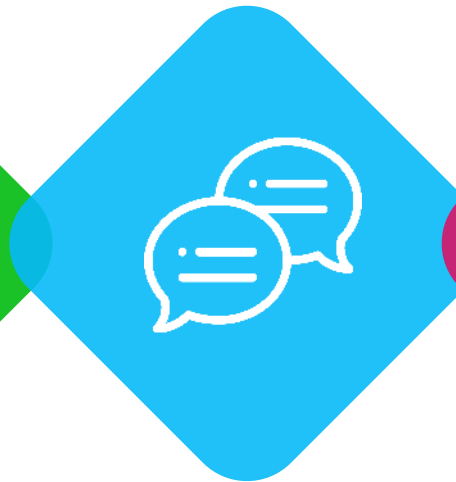
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Geospatial Platform for Resilience

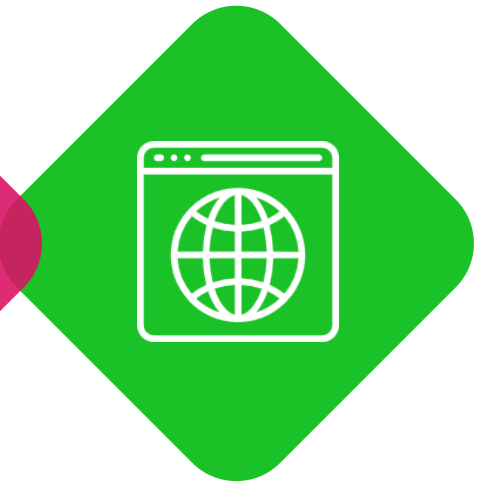
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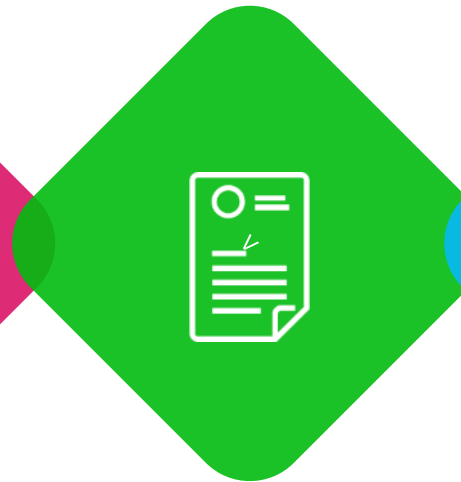
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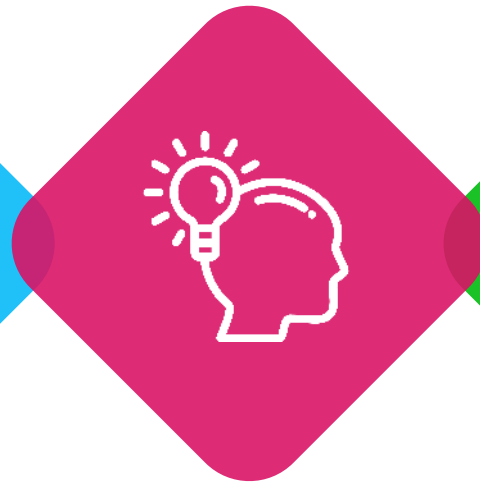
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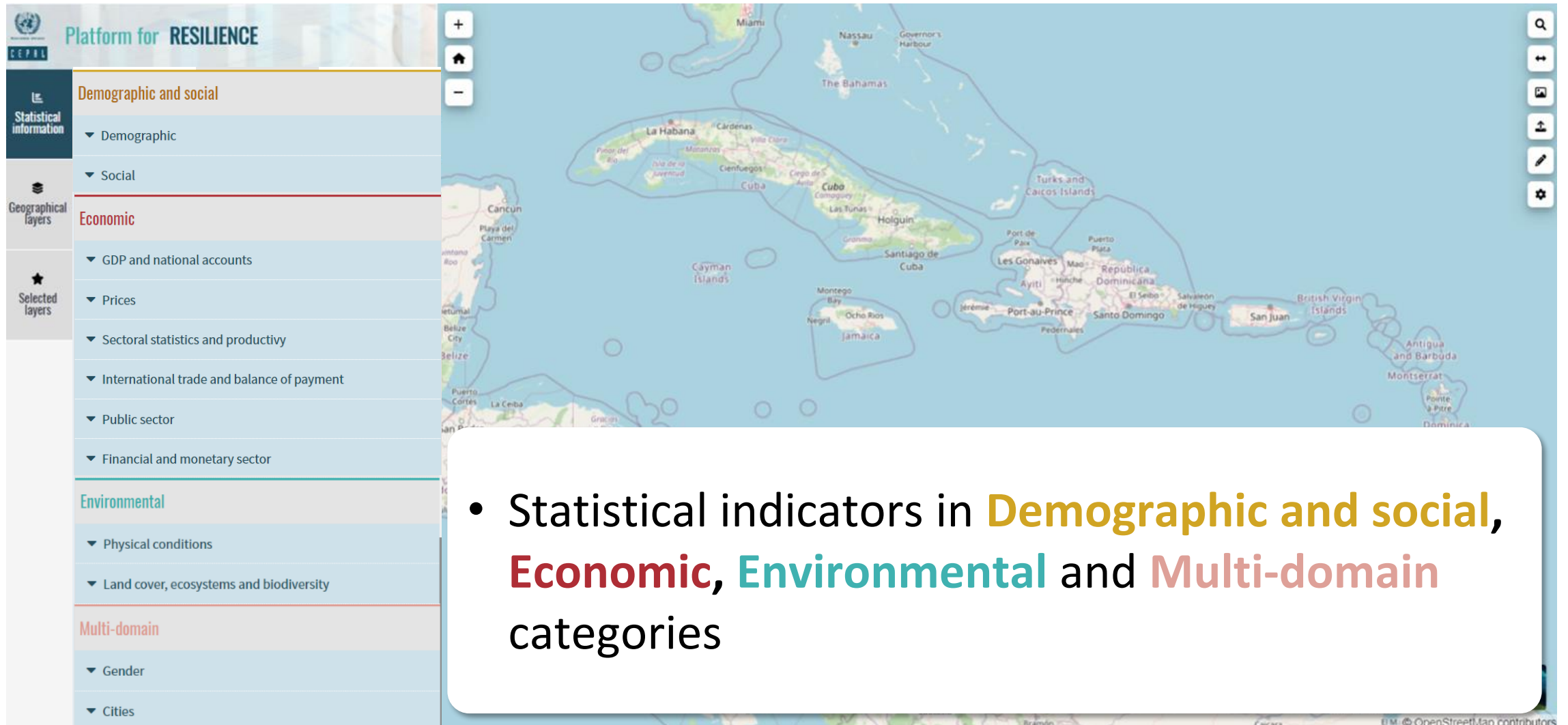
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MULTIPLE SOURCES



Platform for Resilience: Statistical Information



The screenshot displays the 'Platform for Resilience' interface. On the left, a sidebar lists statistical information categories: Demographic and social, Economic, Environmental, and Multi-domain. The main area shows a map of the Caribbean region with various countries and islands labeled. A white callout box in the bottom right corner contains the following text:

- Statistical indicators in **Demographic and social**, **Economic**, **Environmental** and **Multi-domain** categories

Platform for Resilience: Geographical layers

The screenshot displays the 'Platform for Resilience' interface. On the left, a sidebar shows 'Geographical layers' (highlighted with a red box) and 'Selected layers'. The 'Geographical layers' section lists various land cover types: Tierras cultivadas, Bosque / Selva, Pastizal, Matorral, Humedales, Cuerpos de agua, Tundra, Superficies artificiales, Suelo desnudo, and Hielo y nieve permanentes. A red arrow points from the 'Geographical layers' section to a large, light blue panel on the right that contains a list of categories: Biota, Transportation, Environment, Society, Geoscientific information, Energy, Inland waters, Climatology, meteorology and atmosphere, Borders, Economy, Planning Cadastre, Socio-nature hazards, Location, and Infrastructure. The background shows a map of a region with various geographical features.

- **Geographical layers display:**
Baseline, infrastructure, socio-natural disasters vulnerabilities, exposure and risks.

Platform for Resilience: Tools

- Some tools for Statistical and geographic layers:

The screenshot displays the Platform for Resilience interface. On the left, a sidebar lists layers under 'Statistical information' and 'Geographical layers'. The main map area shows a satellite view of a region. Overlaid on the map are several tool icons: 'Layer Information' (info icon), 'Geodata Download' (download arrow icon), 'Compare' (double-headed arrow icon), 'Download map' (mountain icon), and 'Upload data' (cloud with up arrow icon). A 'Draw' tool (pencil icon) is highlighted in a blue-bordered box, with arrows pointing to three options: 'Lines' (two connected dots), 'Polygons' (a square), and 'Points' (three colored dots). A blue arrow points from this box to a list of uses for drawing tools.

Layer Information

Geodata Download

Compare

Download map

Upload data

Draw

Lines

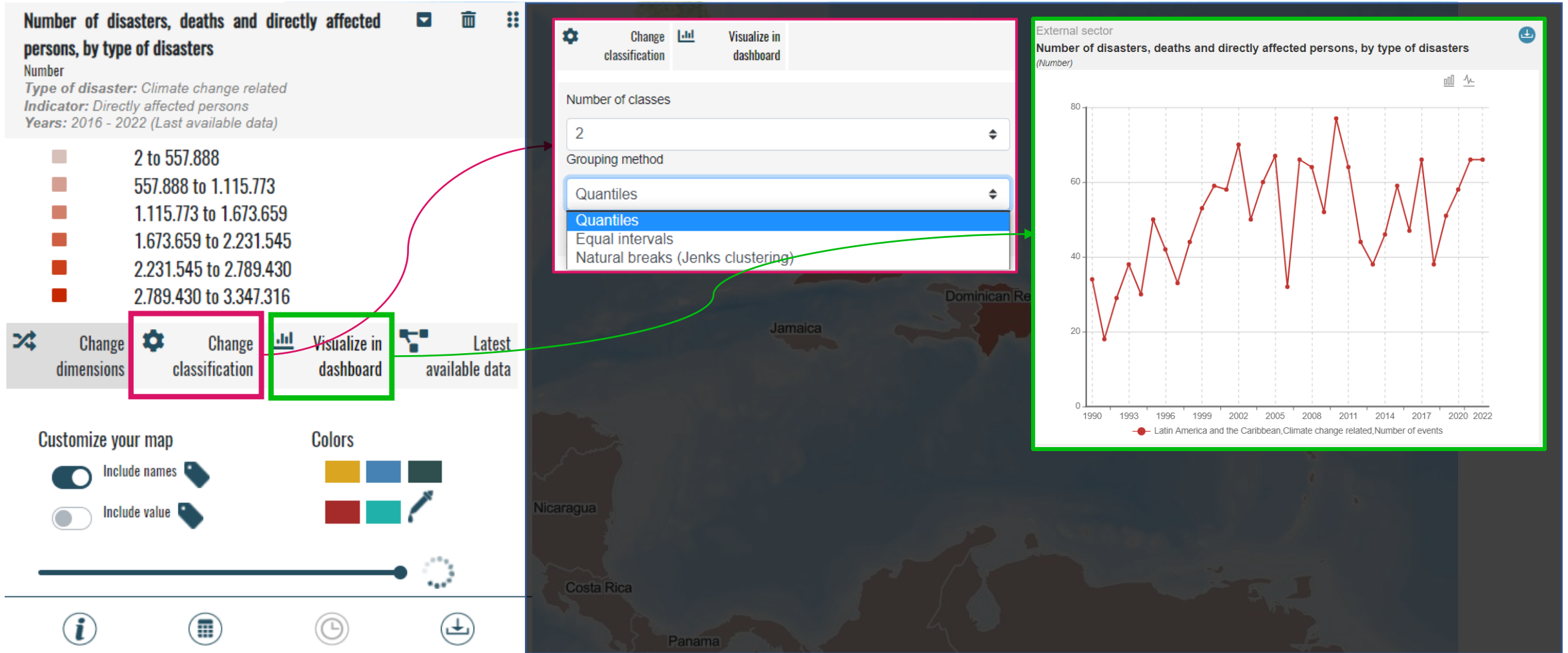
Polygons

Points

Drawing tools may be used to:

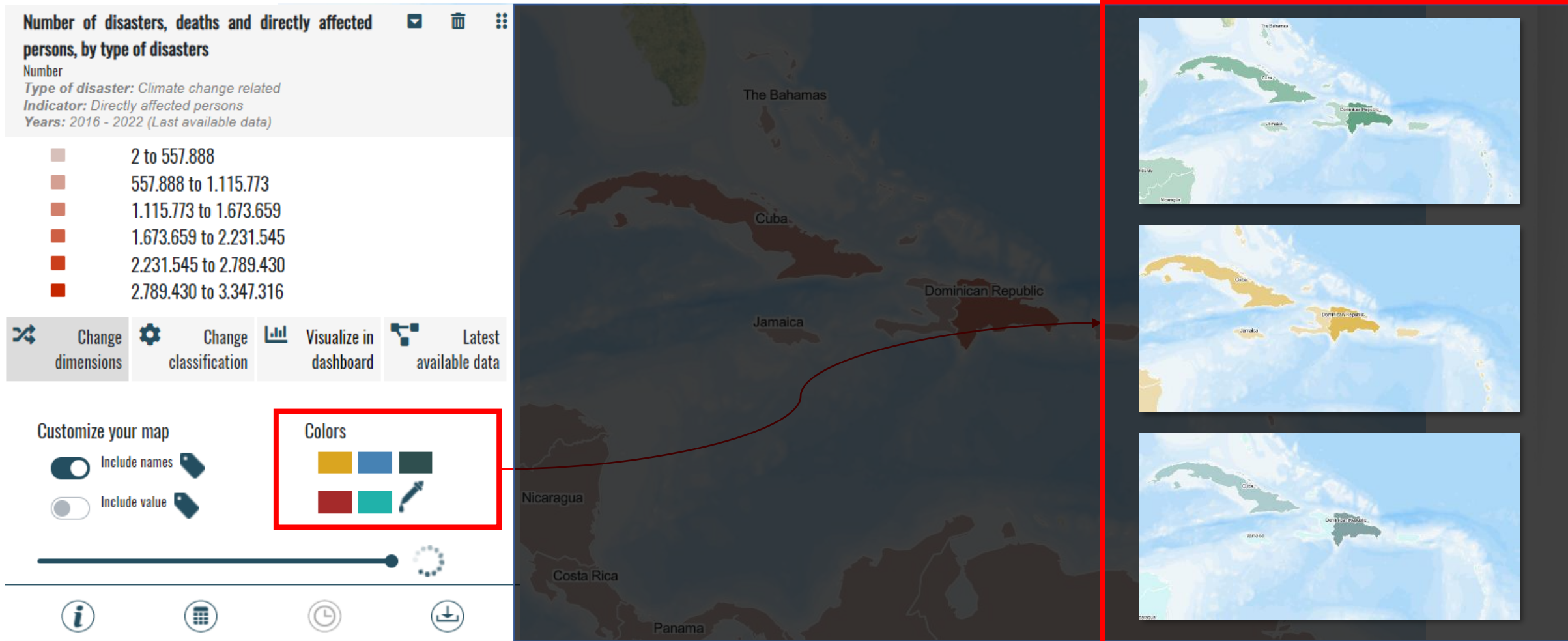
1. Define an interest area by the user.
2. Later, the user can request demographic and urban data for that specific defined area.

Platform for Resilience: Customization tools



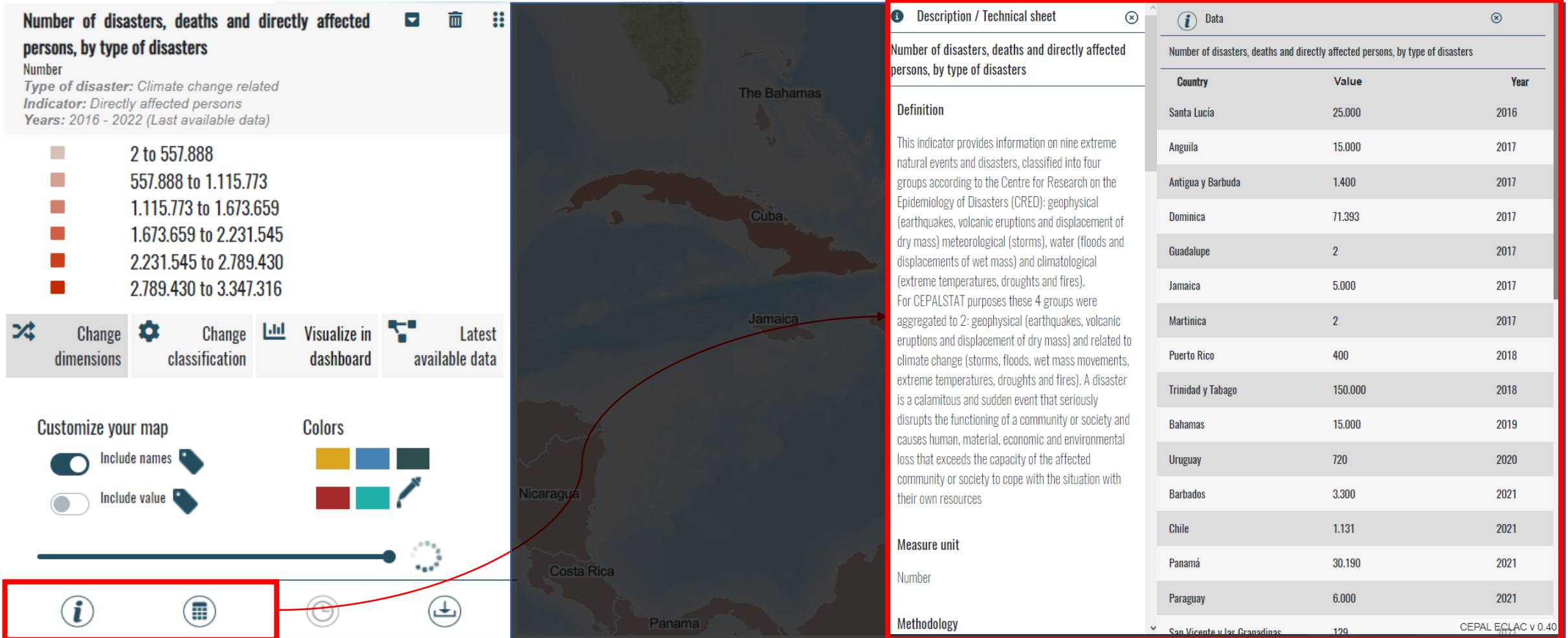
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Platform for Resilience: Customization tools



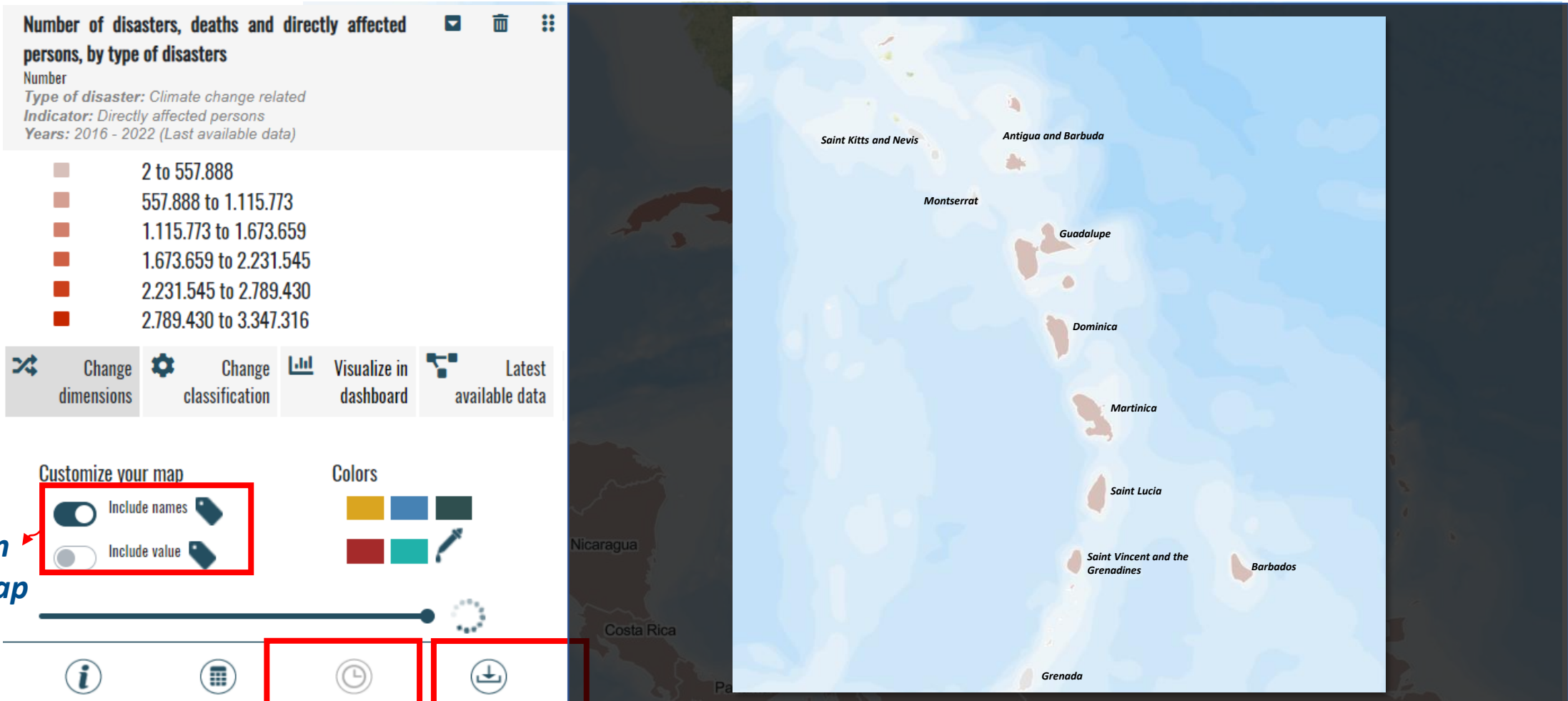
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Platform for Resilience: Information



- Access to metadata and further information

Platform for Resilience: Customization

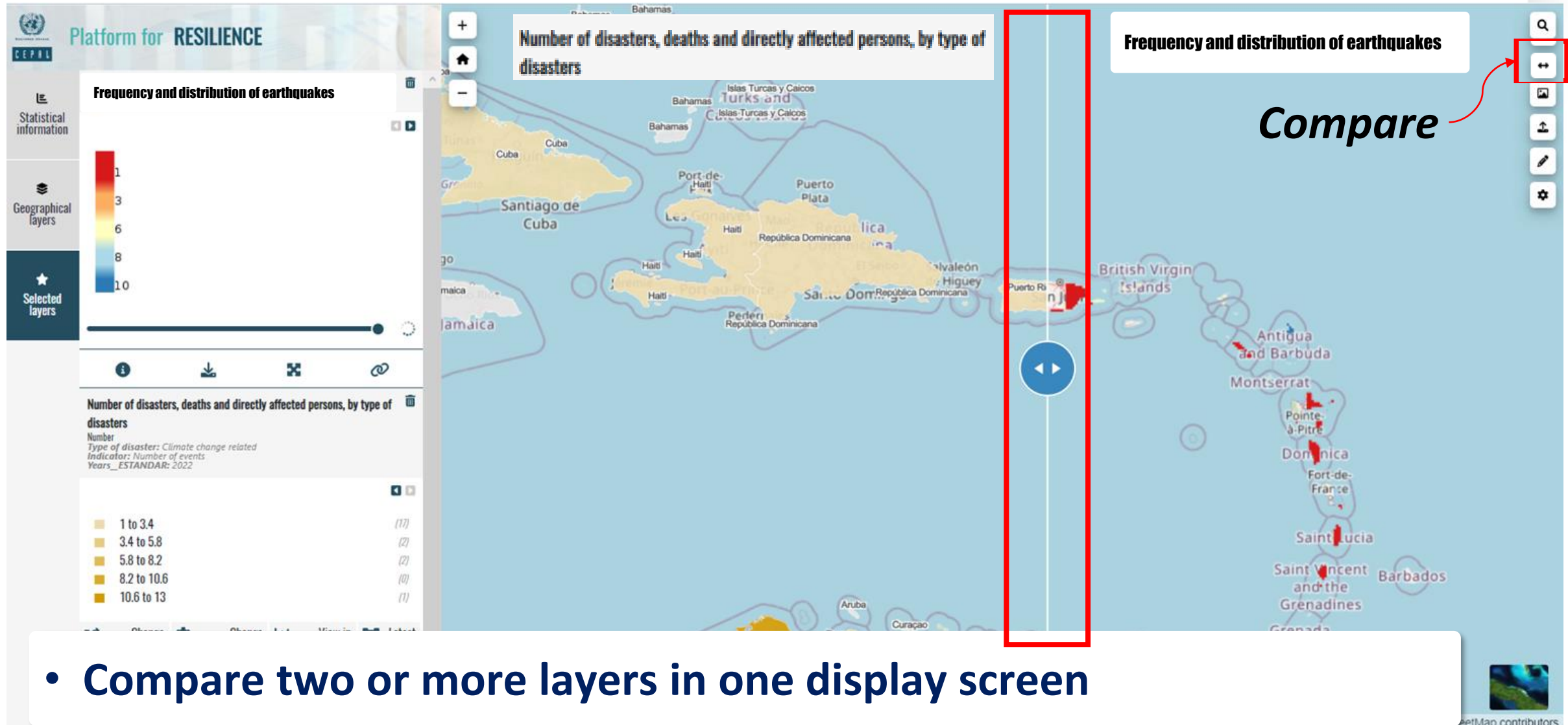


Labels seen in the map

Temporal analysis when available

Direct download of Datasets and indicators

Platform for Resilience: Tools



Platform for Resilience: Tools

The screenshot displays the 'Platform for RESILIENCE' interface. On the left, there are panels for 'Frequency and distribution of earthquakes' and 'Number of disasters, deaths and directly affected persons, by type of disasters'. The main area shows a map of the Caribbean region with a red box highlighting the 'Download map image' button in the top right corner. The button is a square icon with a download symbol.

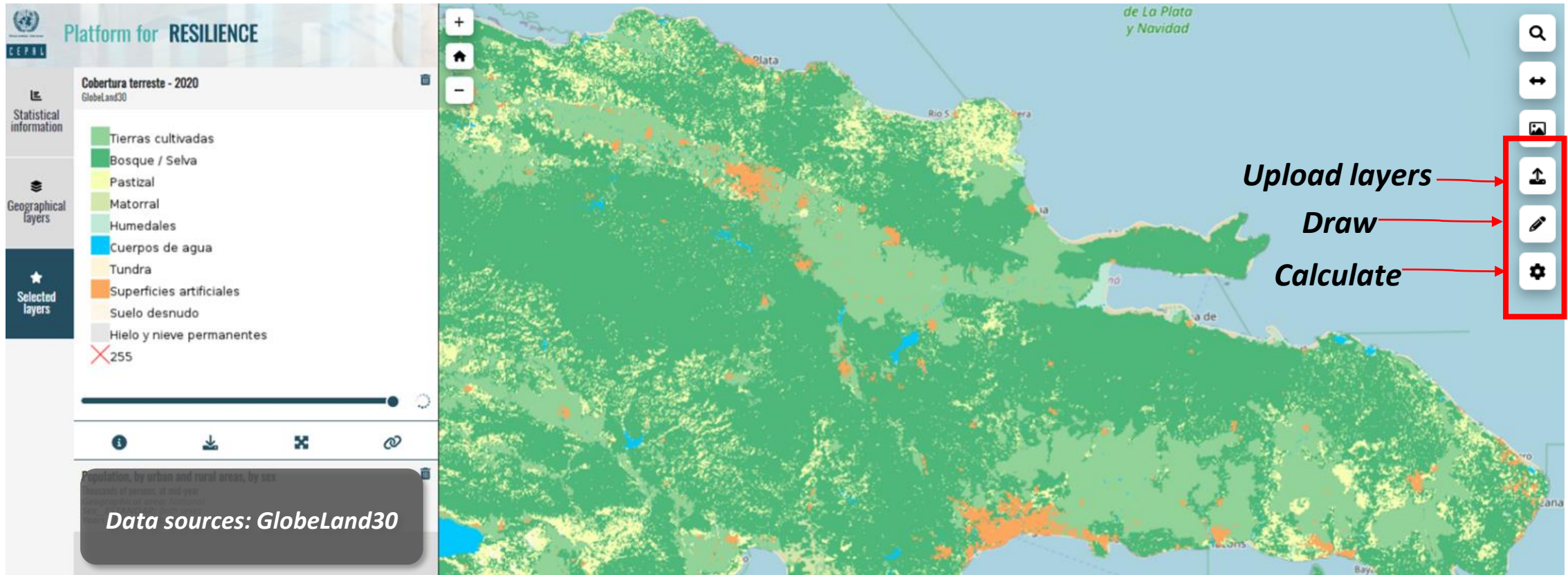
Frequency and distribution of earthquakes

Number of disasters, deaths and directly affected persons, by type of disasters

Number	Count
1 to 3.4	(17)
3.4 to 5.8	(2)
5.8 to 8.2	(2)
8.2 to 10.6	(0)
10.6 to 13	(1)

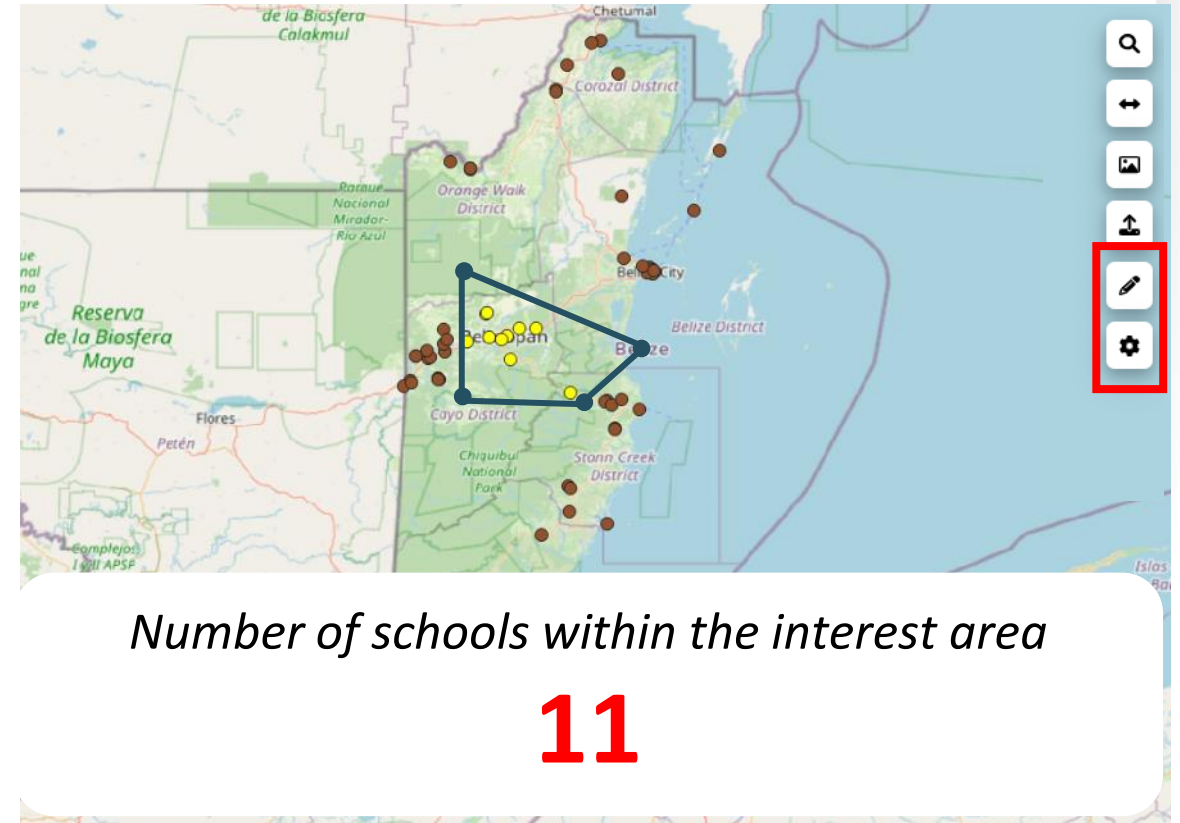
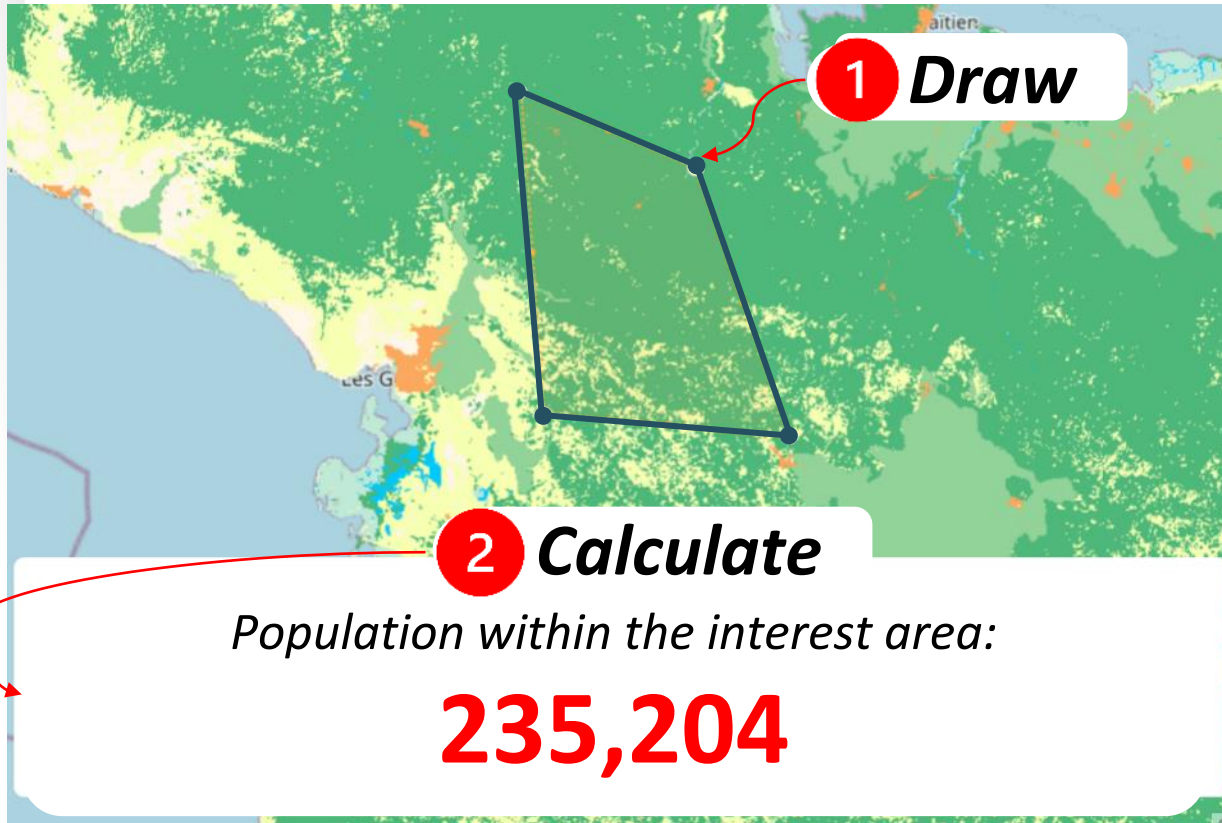
- Download a map image in different formats for easy sharing.

Platform for Resilience: Analyze Geospatial layers



- Calculate demographical statistics with geospatial layers

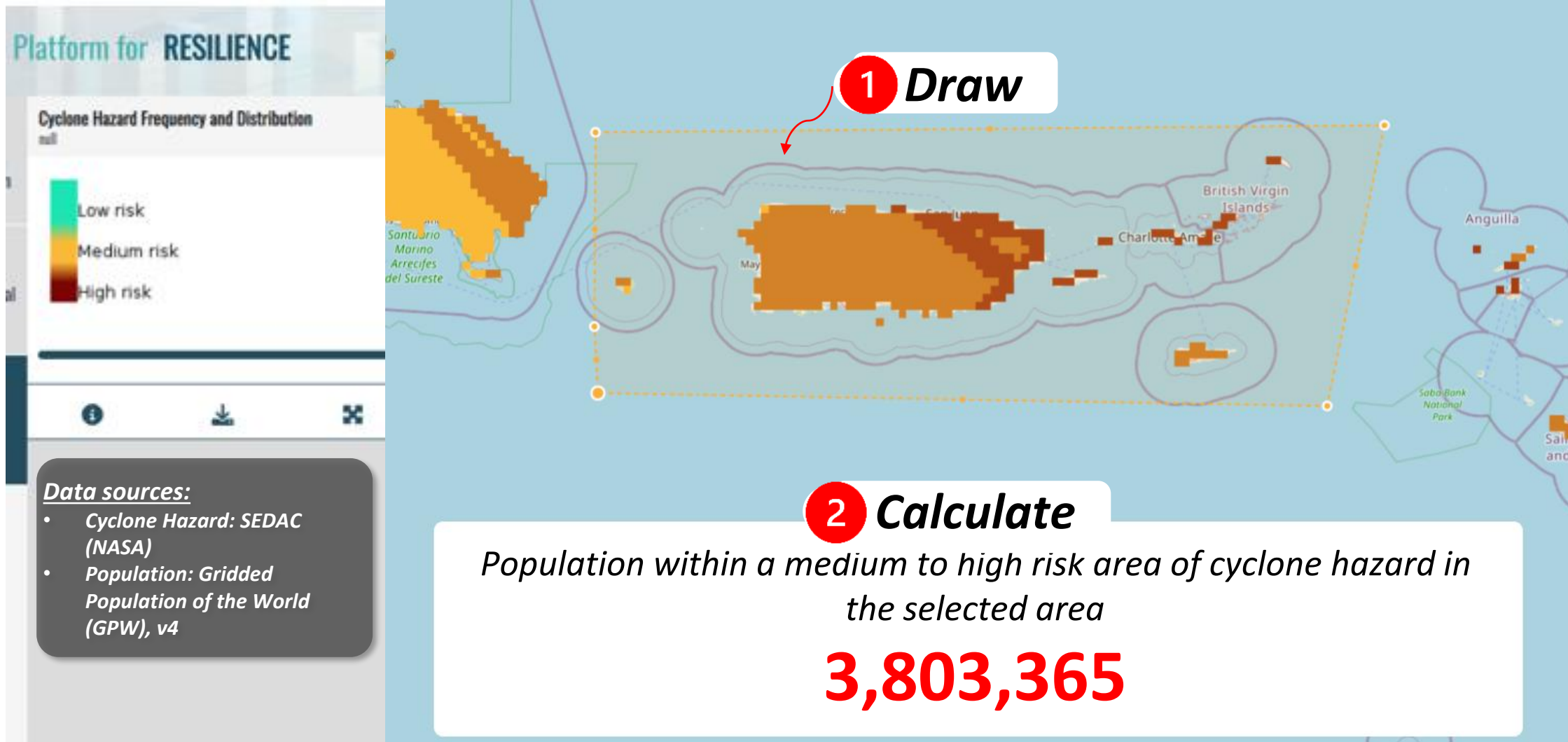
Platform for Resilience: Demographic and infrastructure analysis



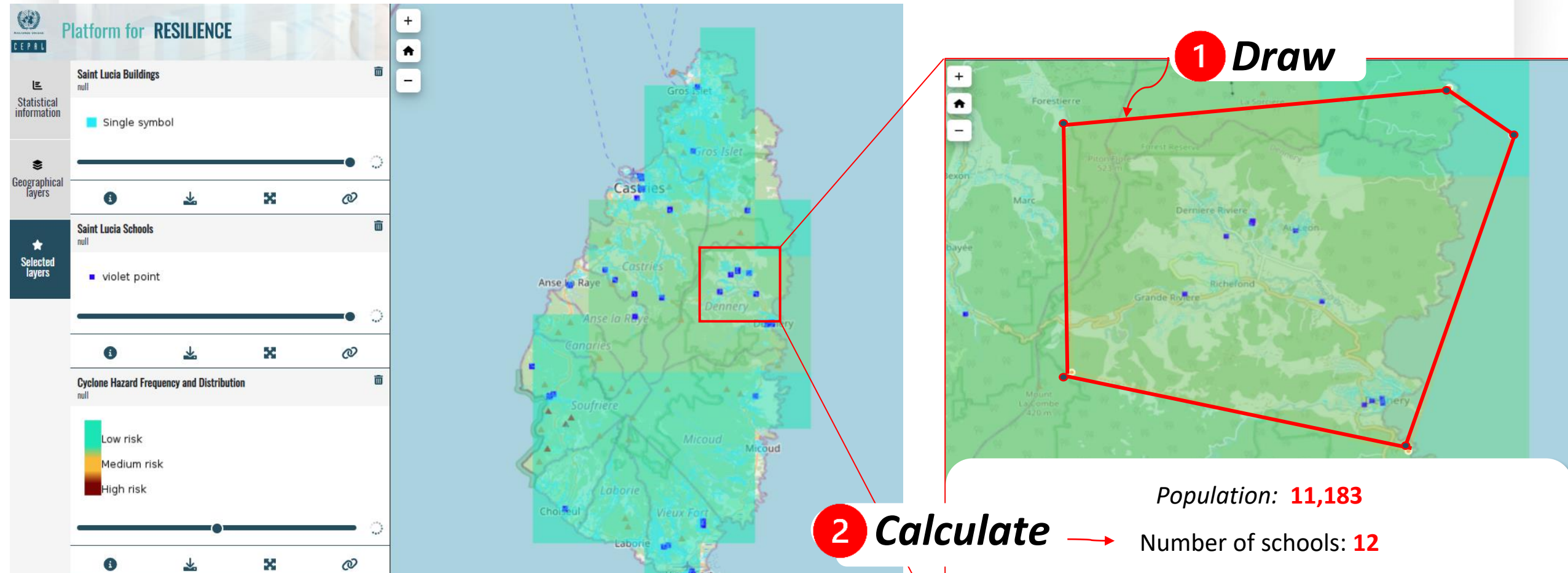
Data sources:

- Land cover: GlobeLand30
- Population: Gridded Population of the World (GPW), v4
- Schools: Open Street Map export

Population exposed to high risk area



Saint Lucia population, buildings and schools within a low risk exposure to cyclones.



- **Calculate population and count infrastructure** within the selected area.

Data sources:

- Cyclone Hazard: SEDAC (NASA)
- Population: Gridded Population of the World (GPW), v4
- Schools: Open Street Map Export
- Buildings: Open Street Map Export

How the IGIF can support this relevant project?

Strengthening the national geospatial initiatives through establishing the necessary institutional arrangements

Promoting the application of national geospatial data inventories to be aware of the existing data.

Collaborative work agreements between national/international stakeholders.

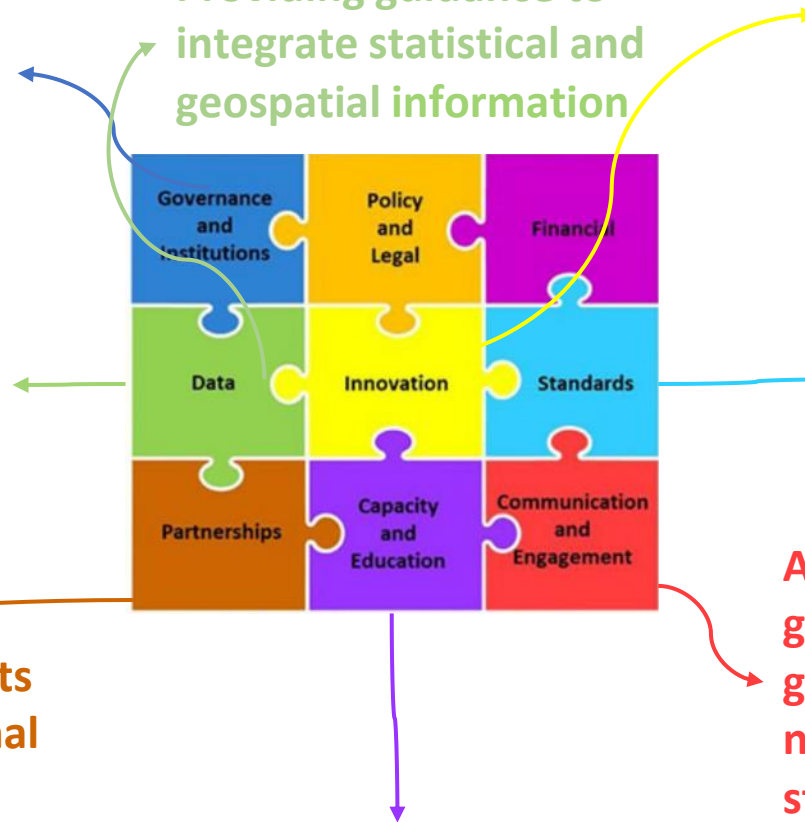
Helping the generation of added value to geospatial information by means of capacity building and training activities.

Providing guidance to integrate statistical and geospatial information

Providing open-source and sustainable platforms

Improving interoperability among data and system by means of adopting geospatial standards.

Assisting the countries in the identification of gaps in the production of geospatial data and guide the elaboration of new data according to national governmental priorities and strategies.



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