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Adaptation | Climate change governance at the local level



Local mitigation policies networks had been initiated even before the IPCC First Assessment Report was released, adaptation policies at the local level however, are still in their infancy [Kern and Alber 2008]

Modes of climate change governance

- Self-governing: i.e. public buildings should be adapted to climate change
- Governing through enabling: local governments influence private actors to do their share to procure adaptation
- Governing by provision: i.e. warning systems and emergency planning
- Governing by regulation: involves, for example, urban planning
- Adaptive governance: experimental approach, which allows newly established institutions to "experiment with different solutions and learn from them in order to adapt" [Evans 2011]

Issues with generalization, but shown to be a effective in addressing unique climate change impacts on social systems at the local level

Subject pool Cross-municipality comparison **Participant** Don't adapt Adapt Nature No No flooding flooding Flooding Flooding

High

 Prediction: adaptation is chosen less in hazard prone municipality due to over/under-updating

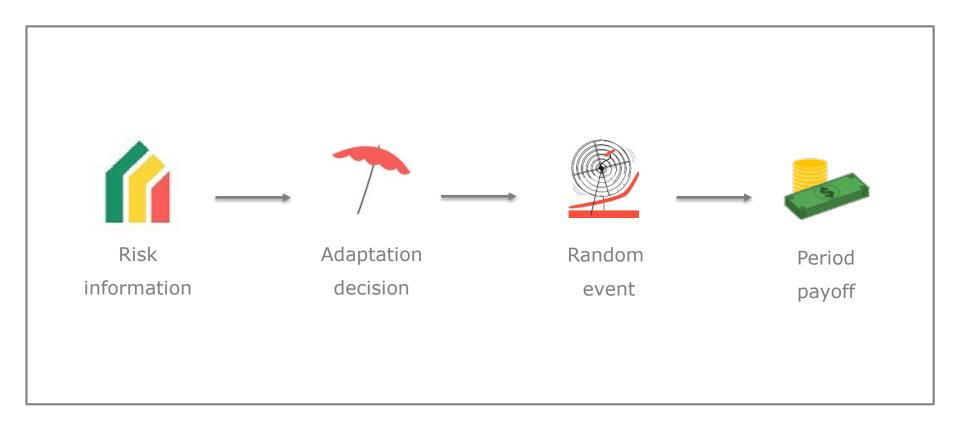
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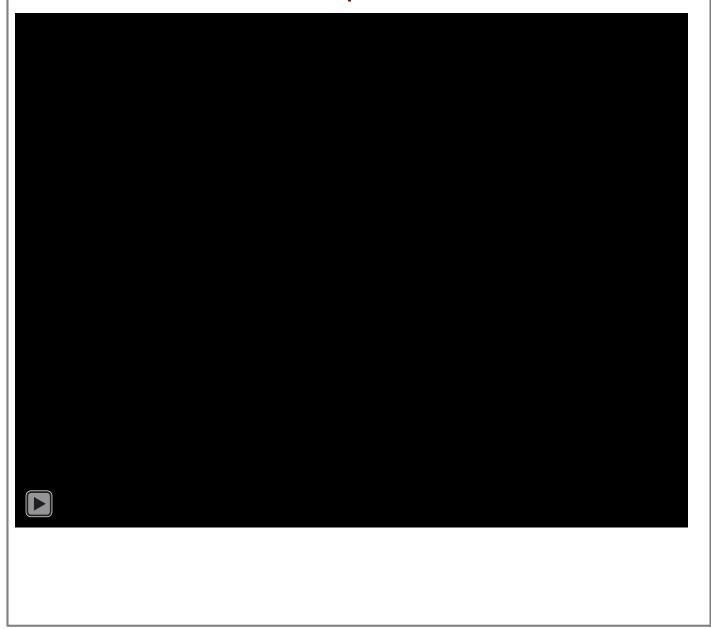
Part 1 Individual treatment





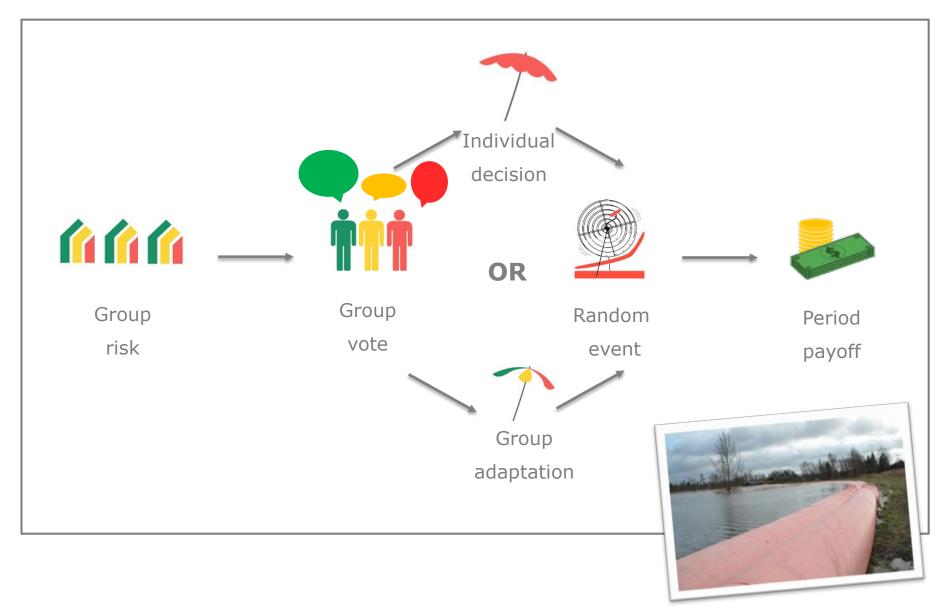
Individual treatment | Example





Part 2 Group treatment





Group treatment | Communication example





Feedback | A few points



- Knowledge of climate change governance or go-to person
- Ideas for making it more contextual (artefactual)
 - Calibration
 - Framing
 - Visuals
 - Post-questionnaire
- Other comments?

Thank you