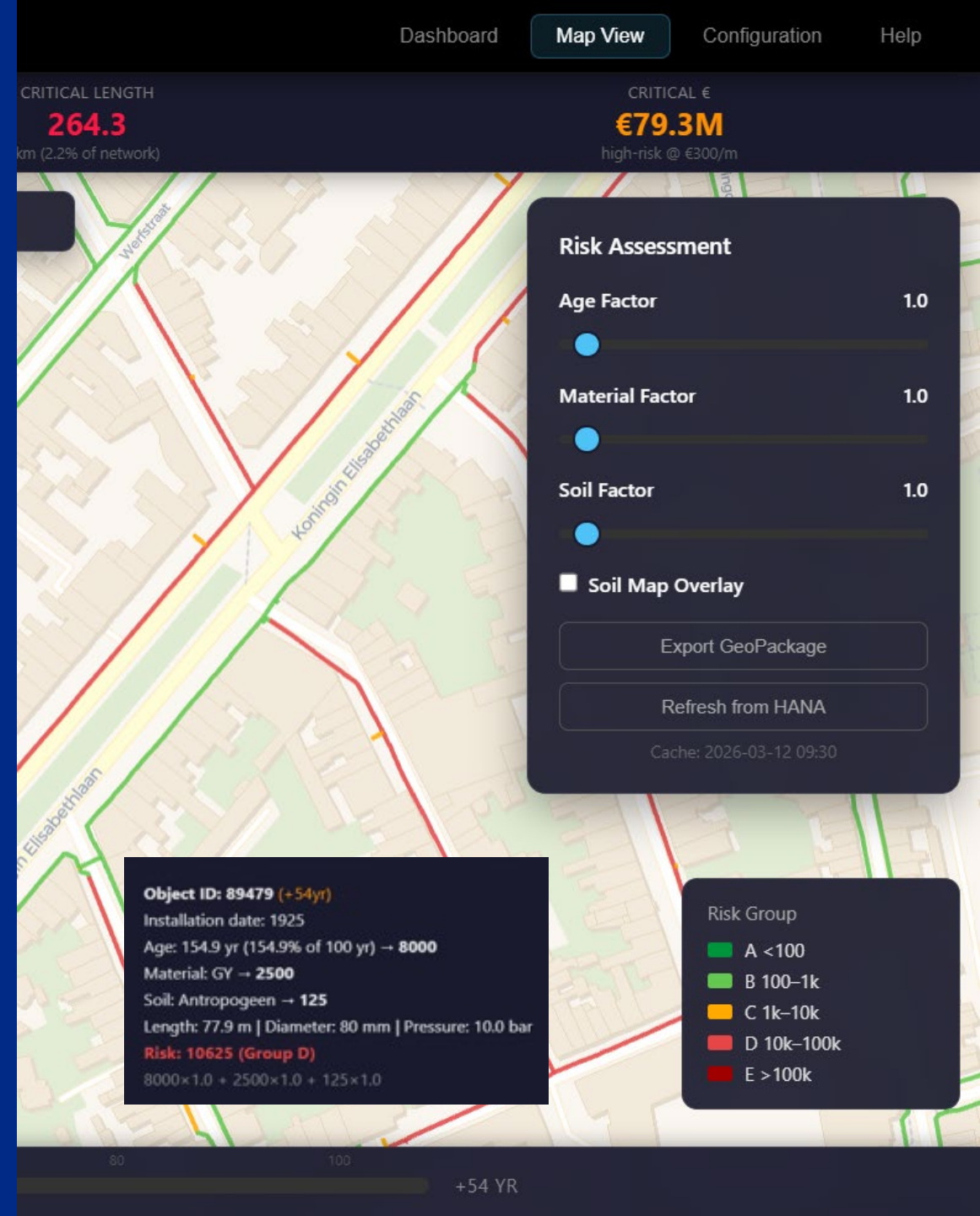




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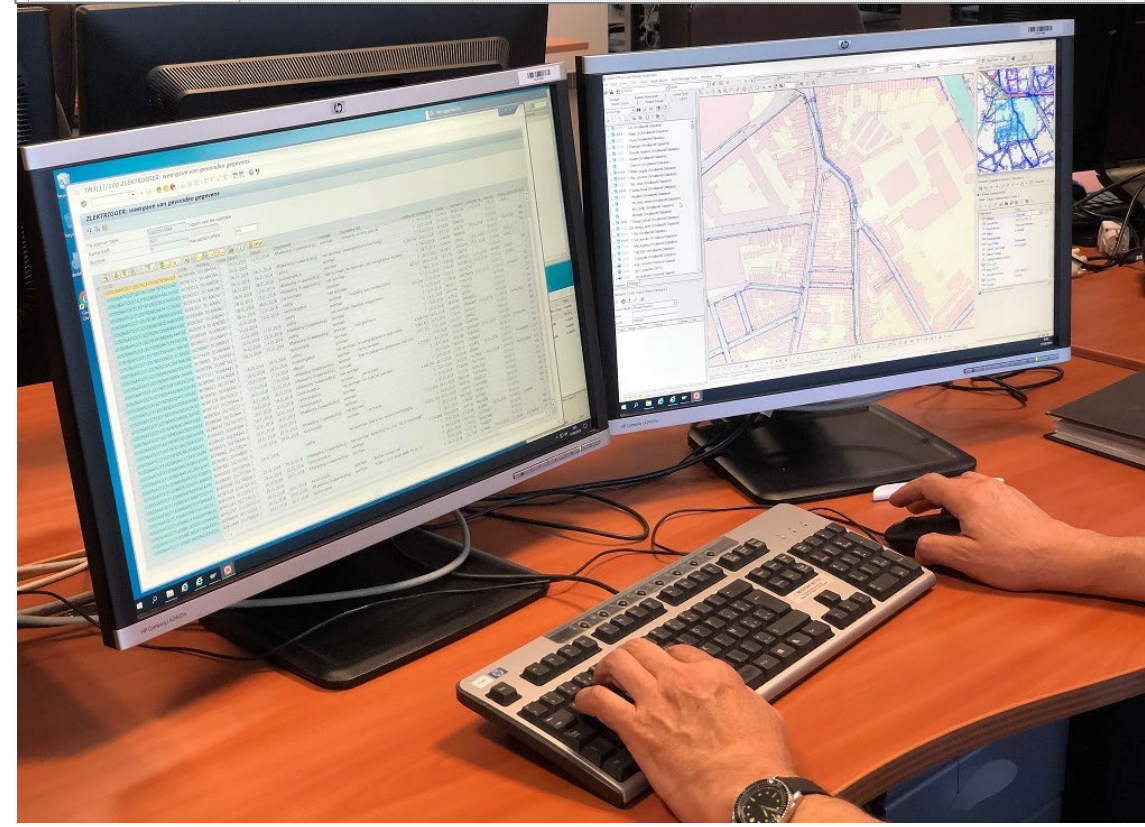
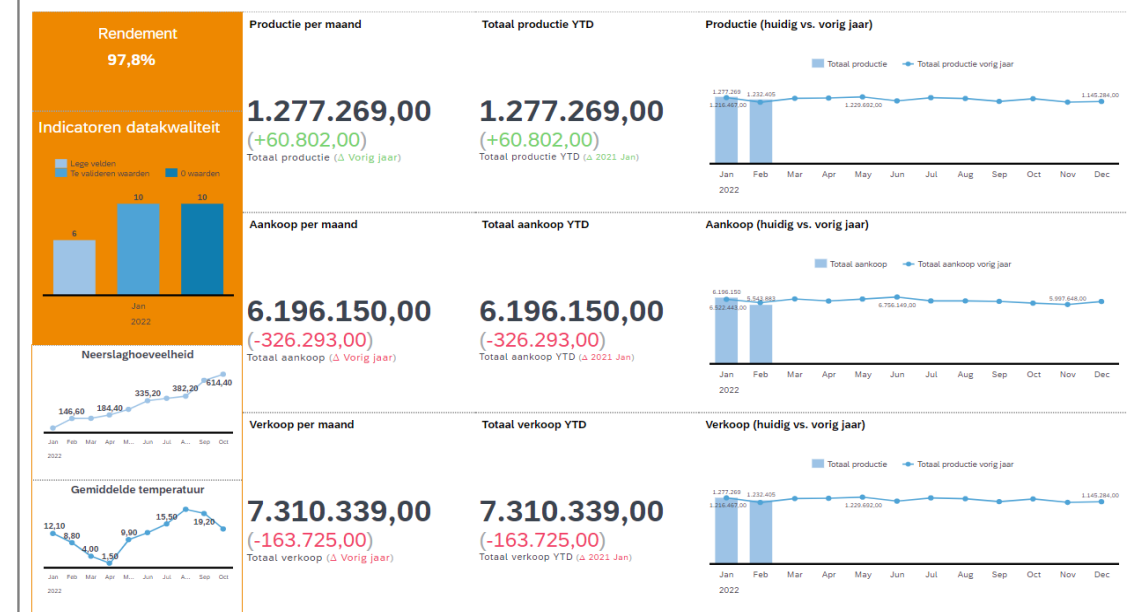
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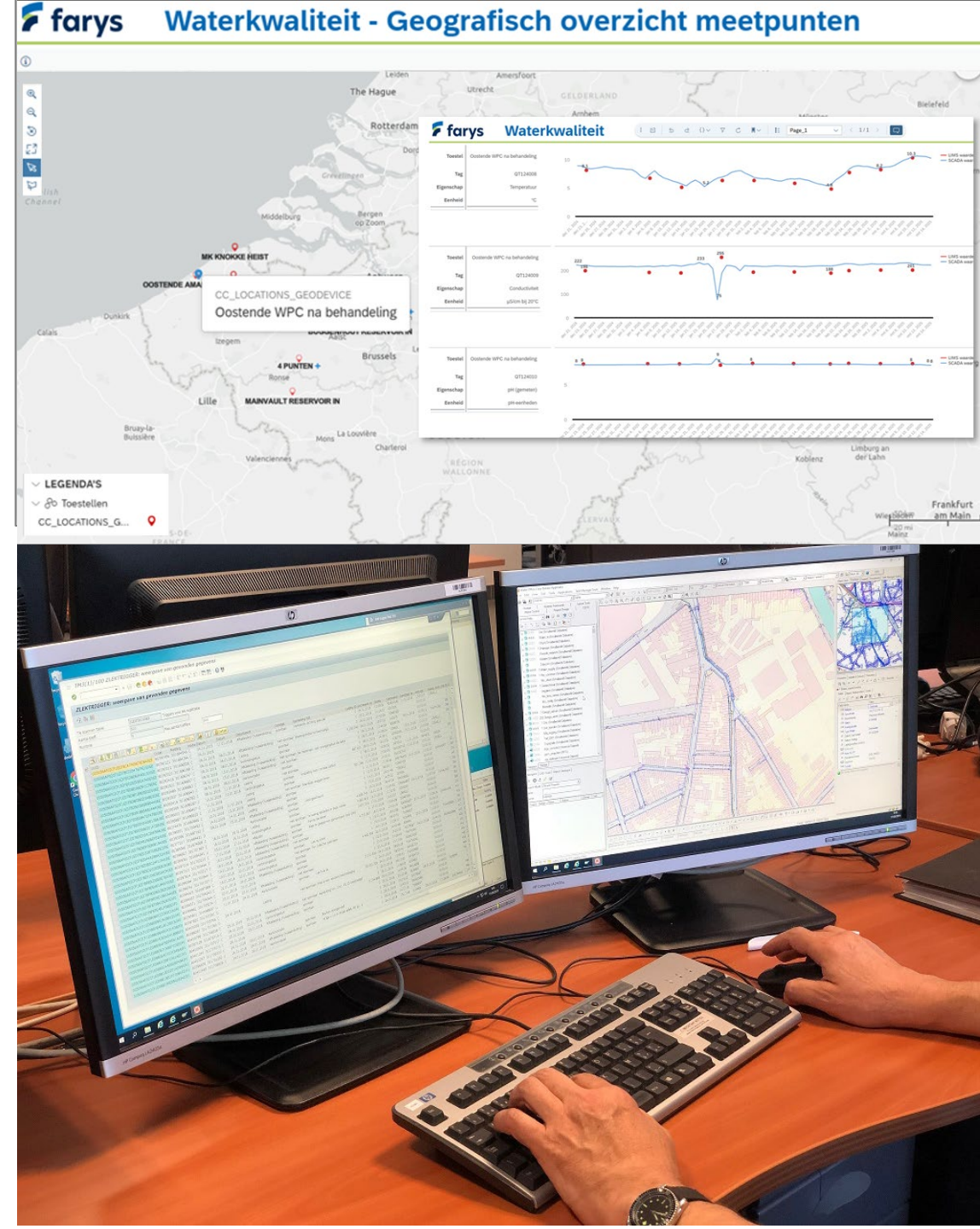
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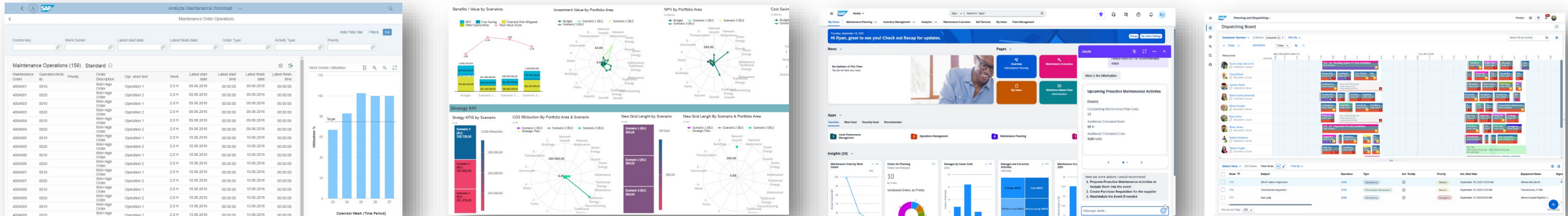
## Tomorrow: unified and dynamic

- One governed data layer linking all sources
- Real-time, location-aware dashboards
- Every asset and event has a where and when
- Proactive: predict failures before they happen
- Single source of truth for operations



# What is SAP? What does it do?

SAP is the world's leading provider of enterprise software. Think of it as the central nervous system that reliably runs a company's core operations.



## Finance & billing

Tracks revenue, costs, budgets, invoicing, and customer accounts

## Planning & projects

Capital planning, project management, resource allocation, and forecasting

## Operations & assets

Manages work orders, maintenance schedules, inventory, and procurement

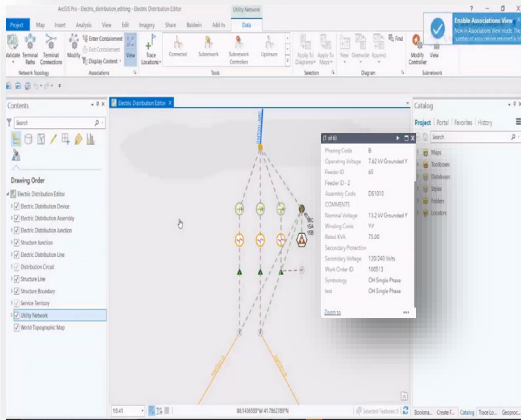
## Workforce & safety

Schedules field crews, tracks qualifications, health and safety compliance

*SAP ensures data integrity, process consistency, and traceability across every department.*

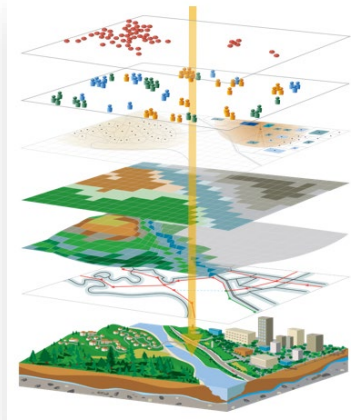
# What is GIS and why it matters to utilities

A Geographic Information System (GIS) captures, stores, analyses, and visualises data linked to location. For water utilities, it answers: where are our assets, what is nearby, and what is changing over time



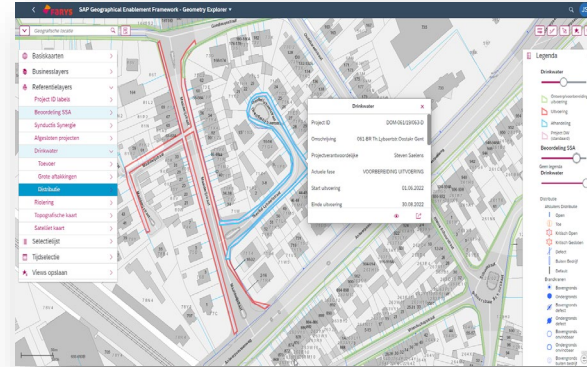
## Network mapping

Pipes, valves, pumps, meters, and treatment plants on a live map



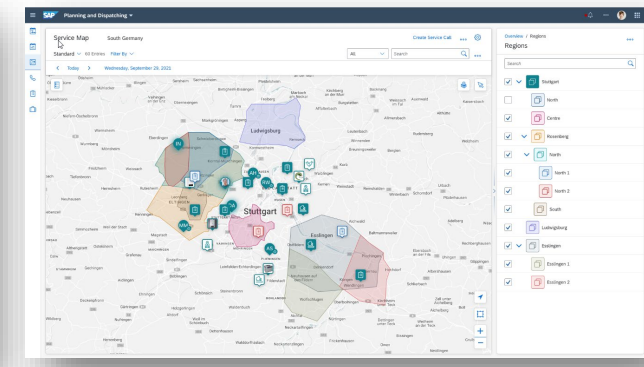
## Spatial analysis

Catchment areas, pressure zones, flood risk, proximity to sensitive receptors



## Time awareness

Track changes over time: pipe age, inspection history, seasonal demand patterns

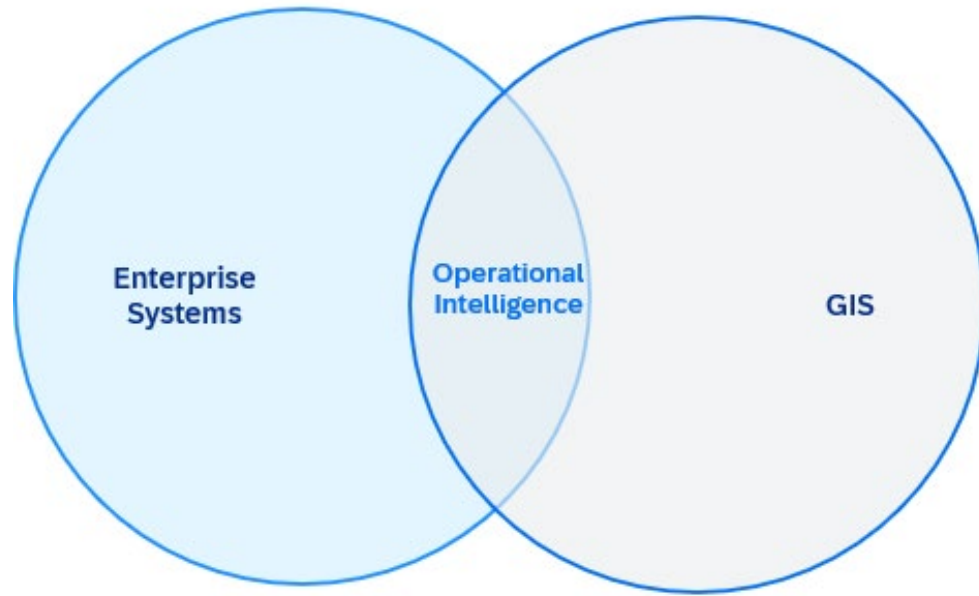


## Field context

Route crews with maps, show nearby hazards, link photos and sensors to location

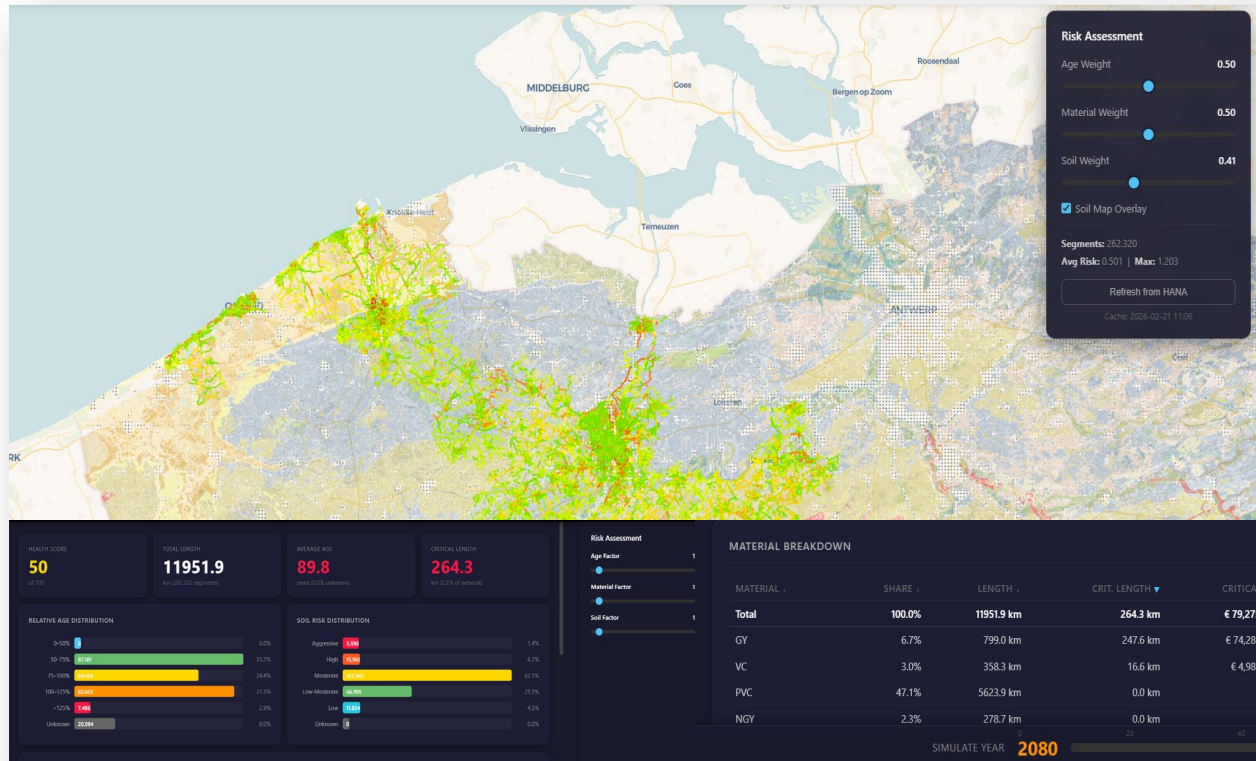
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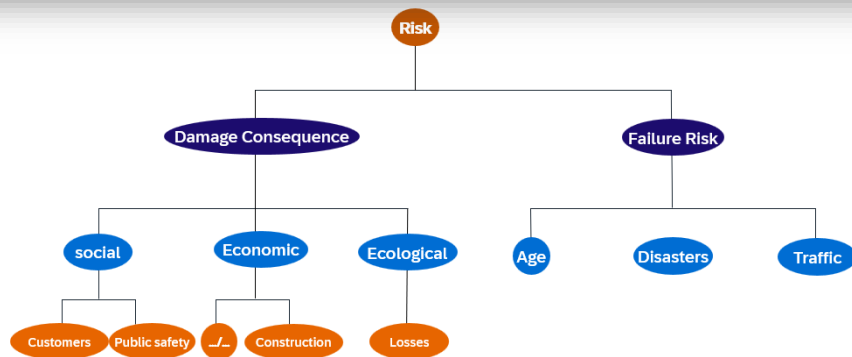
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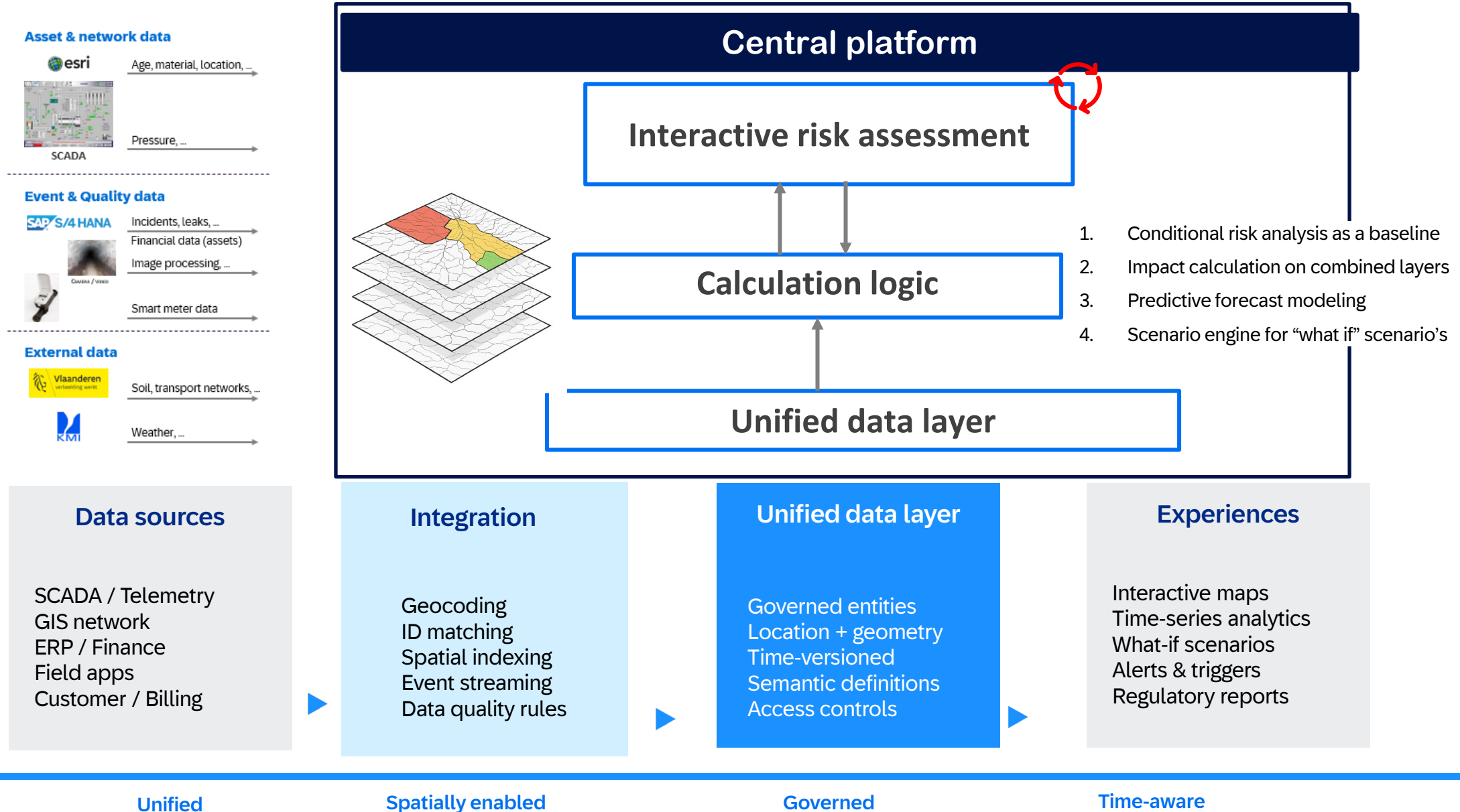
## For water utilities:

Link pipe condition, hydraulic models, customer complaints, and financial impact in one view to prioritise interventions by risk and cost.



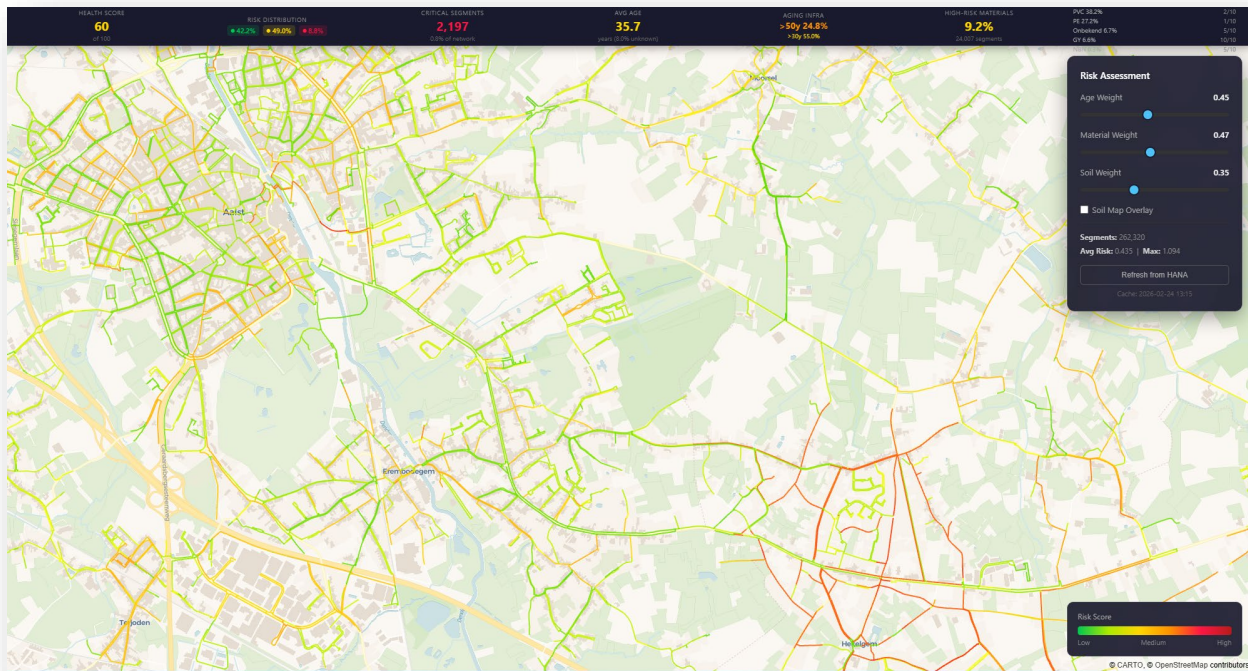
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# The unified, spatially enabled, governed, time-aware data layer



# Use case: asset lifecycle management and capital planning

Business question: Which pipes and pumps should we replace in the next 5-year capital programme?



1. Aggregate asset register: age, material, diameter, soil type
2. Join with failure history, repair costs, and location risk
3. Model remaining useful life by spatial cluster
4. Overlay consequence: proximity to hospitals, schools, roads
5. Optimise investment: maximum risk reduction per unit spend

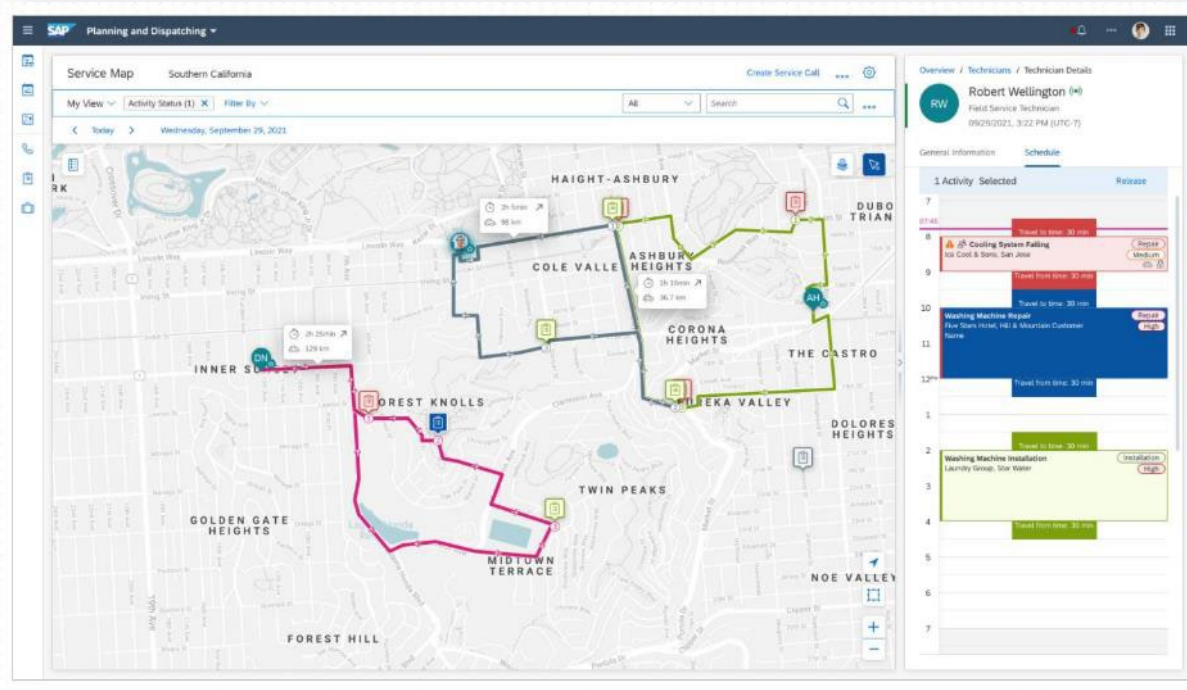
## KPIs

- Unplanned failures reduced by 20-35%
- Capital efficiency: right asset, right time
- Service interruptions minimised
- Regulatory asset health scores improved

*Data: asset register, CCTV surveys, failure logs, soil/geology maps, consequence layers, cost models*

# Use case: field crew dispatching and route optimisation

Business question: How do we get the right crew to the right job in the shortest time with the right parts?



1. Prioritise open work orders by SLA, risk, and customer impact
2. Match skills and equipment to job requirements
3. Compute optimal routes considering live traffic
4. Re-plan dynamically as emergencies arrive
5. Track completion and update asset records in real time

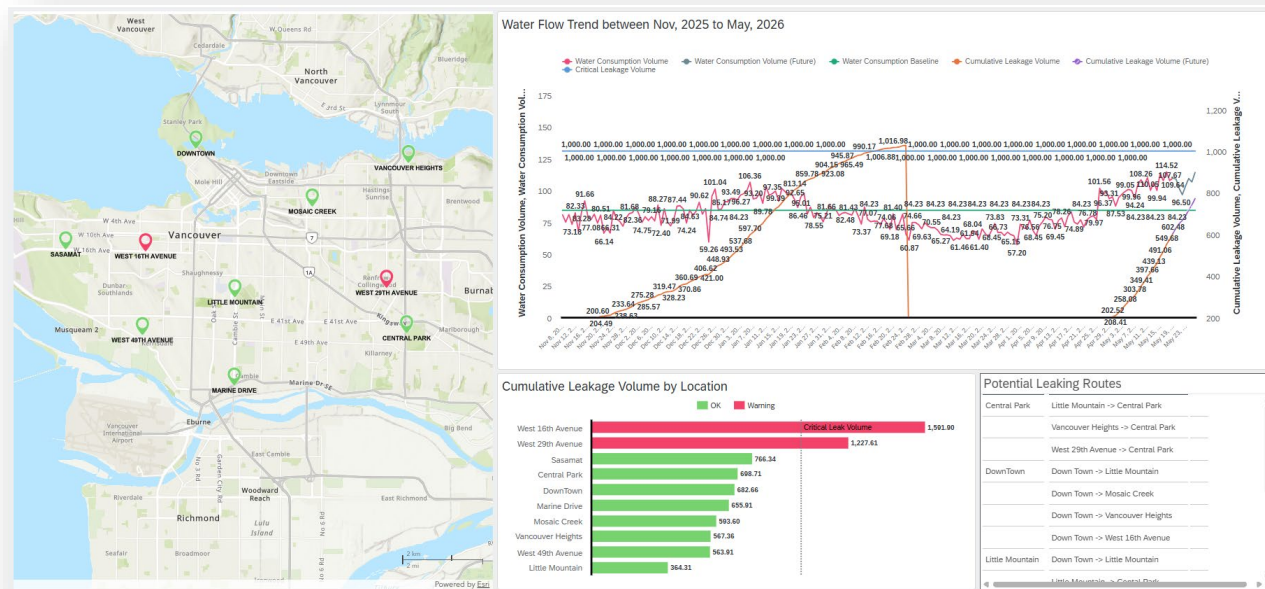
## KPIs

- First-time fix rate increased to 85%+
- Mean time to repair reduced by 25%
- Travel miles reduced by 15-20%
- SLA compliance >95%

Data: work orders, crew locations, skills matrix, spare parts inventory, road network, live traffic

# Use case: network leak detection and non-revenue water

Business question: Where is water being lost, and which leaks should we fix first?



1. Ingest flow/pressure sensor data + DMA boundaries
2. Spatial analysis: detect anomalies by zone
3. Correlate with pipe age, material, and burst history
4. Rank repair priority by volume lost x cost x risk
5. Generate spatially optimised repair schedule

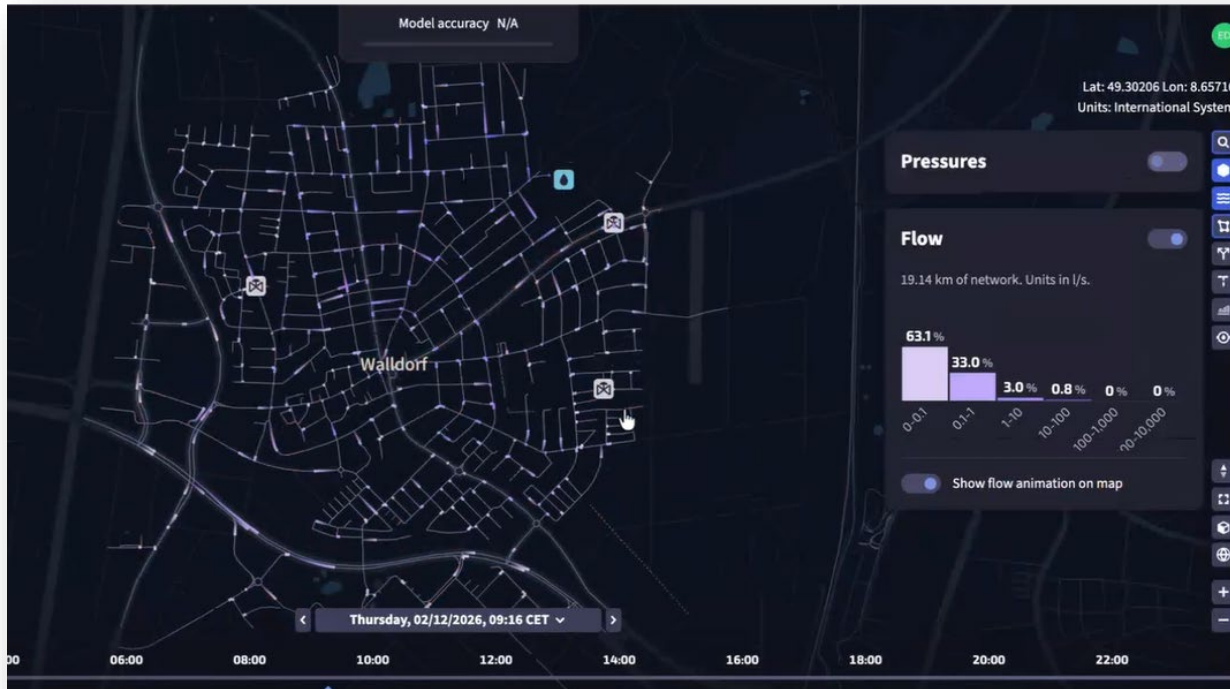
## KPIs

- Non-revenue water reduced by 15-25%
- Leak detection time: days to hours
- Repair prioritisation accuracy +40%
- Infrastructure renewal ROI improved

Data: flow meters, pressure sensors, pipe registry, DMA boundaries, burst history, cost models.

# Use case: wastewater overflow prediction and compliance

Business question: Which overflow points are at risk in the next 48 hours, and how do we prevent regulatory breaches?



1. Combine rainfall forecast + sewer level sensors
2. Overlay catchment topology and CSO locations
3. Simulate hydraulic capacity vs. predicted inflow
4. Identify high-risk spill points and time windows
5. Trigger pre-emptive actions (tankers, flow diversion)

## KPIs

- CSO spill events reduced by 30-50%
- Regulatory penalty avoidance
- 48-hour predictive lead time
- Environmental harm incidents minimised

Data: rainfall radar, sewer sensors, CSO locations, catchment models, permit thresholds, tanker fleet

# Why partnering with SAP



Relevant portfolio for the water and water services industry



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