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1 INTRODUCTION: AIMS OF THE MULTH-HYPertext

1.1 PROBLEMS OF LANGUAGE USE: MEANING IS CONTEXT-DEPENDENT

Meaning and language use of lexical expressions do not form a unified and consistent system on the basis of a 1:1-relationship as there are differences of how an expression is understood in the several domains and single languages. This is an observation which is well known in the field of terminology and research on languages for special purposes. Even if the terms are defined according to some specified standards their use in communication is characterized through some variations of meaning.

1.2 SOLUTION

What we have to consider for coping with this kind of communication problem is that there are two aspects which are to be taken into account:

- (a)² We have to distinguish between the conceptual level of terms that is independent on a single language and which is the basis for understanding and constructing meaning, on the one side, and, on the other side, the level of linguistic expressions of a single language that operate as designations ("Benennungen").
- (b) We need a theoretically based model that allows the linking of the conceptual system of terms with information on the context in which the terms are relevant.

The Semantic Risk Representation Model (SERRMO) provides a bridge between the conceptual level and the data of language use. It is organized in terms of a hypertext tool that provides help for users who want to know some more specifications of the meaning of risk terms. Two situations of use are envisaged:

- (i) the starting point refers to a concept (e.g. RISK ASSESSMENT), the user wants to know a) what conceptual context belongs to this term, and b) what are the lexical items that of these context categories;
- (ii) the starting point refers to a lexical expression (e.g. *flood protection experts*) and the user wants to know some background of the corresponding concepts and the knowledge behind those kinds of expressions in order to use these expressions in documents or communications in an adequate manner.



2 SEMANTIC REPRESENTATION OF RISK MODELLING (SERRMO)

2.1 FRAMES AS THEORETICAL FOUNDATION

Our approach refers to the former “scenes-and-frames” semantics by Fillmore (starting at the end of the sixties) and the frame approach as it was adopted from psychology in both Artificial Intelligence research and text linguistics. Frames are defined on an ideational level as well as on a formal level. As content they represent some schemata of knowledge pieces which refer to generally known experiences and/or expectations on objects or events. Formally they are structured by attribute-value pairs (slot and fillers) that can be recursively combined and expanded. The knowledge-oriented view on frames was supplemented by Fillmore with scenes in order to bridge the frame attributes (categories) with language, especially with sentences describing objects, states on affair, procedures, actions and events. Fillmore introduced “the deep case schemata” as qualified predicate-argument structures of sentences.

In our model of SERRMO (SEmantic Risk Representation MOdel) we transform the Fillmore theory into an operational system. The level of definitions (see terminological approaches) is supplemented by a level which is represented in terms of frames. Three frames are distinguished: disaster frame (physical world), protection and risk frame (practical and theoretical world including action/reaction schemata with respect to three disaster phases: pre-event, in-event, post-event) and risk management frame (information management/software development). With respect to language use some specified fragments of frames are combined in terms of a semantic network that is linked to the corresponding lexical inventories of language use. The presentation of the linguistic information is organized according to a hypertext structure which allows the controlled selection of concepts (via networks) and/or lexical expressions (via index).

2.2 FRAMES FOR RISK MANAGEMENT – GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE

Risk communication and risk management are subject matters in several disciplines. Starting from the sociological line of research (e.g. Beck 1980, “The risk society”) a variety of different approaches were established which also refer to different domains such as technology (including information technology), sports, areas of assurance, medicine, natural disasters. Nevertheless, a basic field of concepts has been created that includes terms such as risk, security, safety, protection, disaster, hazard, damage, vulnerability and many others. They are used in different communication situations and for different communication purposes. Thus risk communication plays a role in the public sphere of the mass media as well as in organizations which deal professionally with the topic of risk concerning tasks of management as well as tasks of concrete protection and help. And, last but not least, it concerns the different areas of research.

Concerning the “risky world” of our model we provide an hierarchically structured framework in which the different frames are subordinated to the overall category of RISK MANAGEMENT (see Figure 1).

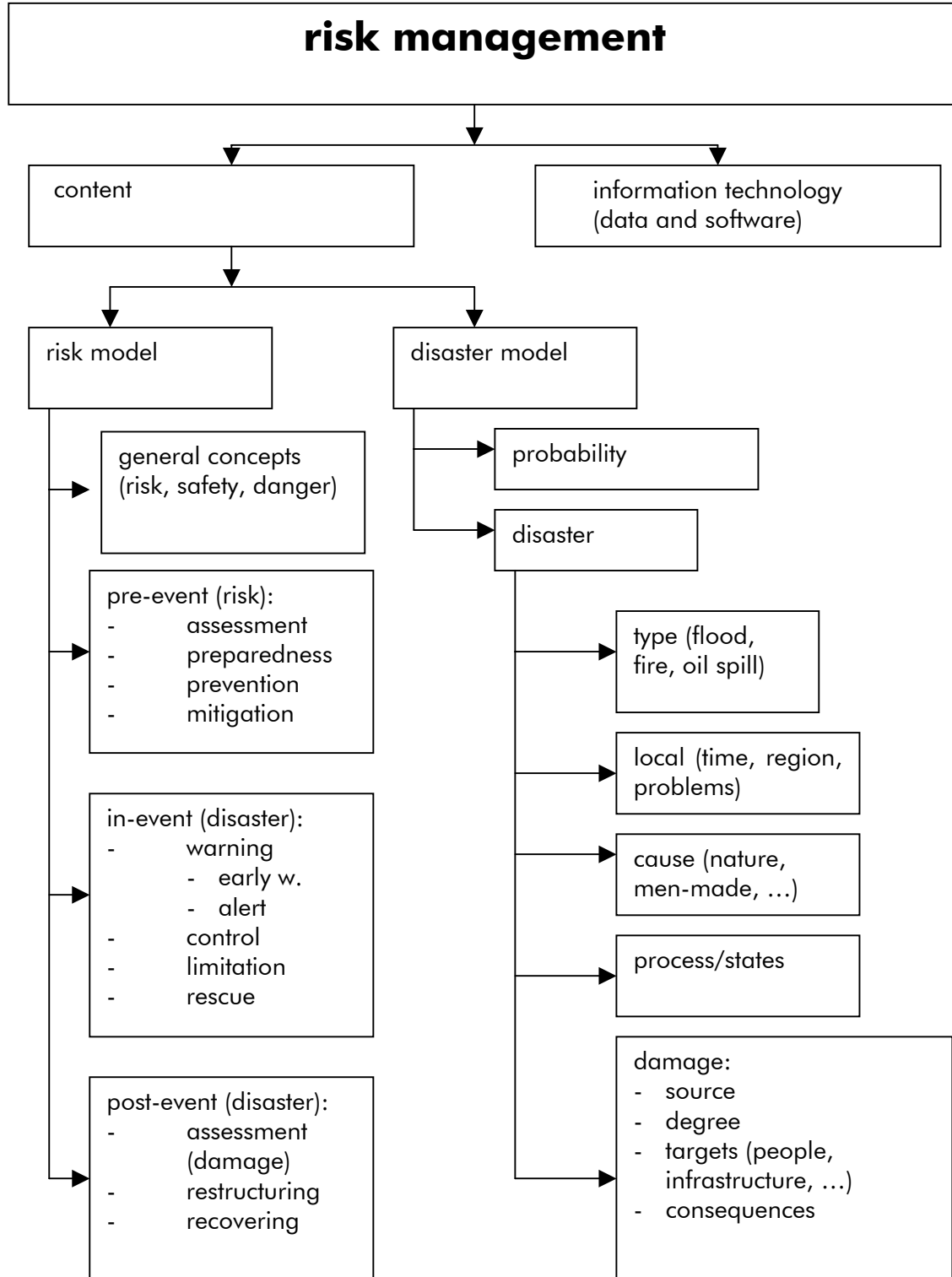


Figure 1. Disaster model and risk model within risk management



There are three super-frames which are relevant. They represent

- (1) the “physical world” of facts, objects, and events in which potential disasters, real disasters and their consequences are involved (disaster model);
- (2) the “theoretical world” of risk concepts and as a consequence of it the “practical world” of human interventions (operations as actions and reactions by humans and organisations; risk model); risk concepts: RISK, DANGER, HAZARD, SAFETY, etc; interventions: ASSESSMENT, PREVENTION, LIMITATION, etc.
- (3) the “world of information management” in which the DISASTER model and the RISK model are dealt with in terms of data.

The categories of representation (as metalanguage) are transformed into frame structures in terms of attribute value pairs. Each attribute can be specified by a value (= lexical item) or it can be specified by new attributes. The hierarchical relationships are represented in terms of embedded square brackets.

The overall frame has the following form:

```
[RISK MANAGEMENT      =  
  [CONTENT              =  
    [EVENT (disaster model)  = ... ]  
    [INTERVENTION (risk model) = ... ] ]  
  [INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY = ... ] ]
```

(1) The physical world is represented by a disaster model which is provided by a basic model of the processes of events. Processes are considered to be changes of physical states which are “normal and desired” or in case of failures “not-desired”. In this view a disaster is understood as an event that is a not-desired event within the normal run of events because of its damage and loss (or danger of damage and loss). In risk research there is a distinction of processes which can be controlled and those ones which cannot be controlled. Natural disasters as such as flooding because of storm or earthquake cannot be controlled whereas the intentional damming-up of water on a region for constructing a dam is a controlled event (details in section 2.3).

The DISASTER frame (EVENT frame) is described as follows (super-level):

```
[EVENT DISASTER      =  
  [SPECIFICATIONS    = ... ]  
  [PHASES             = PRE-EVENT, IN-EVENT, POST-EVENT]  
  [DAMAGE             = ... ] ]
```

(2) The practical world of reacting to a (potential or real) disaster is represented by a risk model. The conceptual handling of what a risk might be considered to be is reflected in a knowledge schema which is based and discussed in risk research. In this view it corresponds to the terminological basis

of MULTH and the applied classification systems (key terms). A second line is oriented towards the contexts in discourse and different discourse types. This concerns mainly the description of the interventions themselves on a deeper level of the hierarchical order and refers to the scenes semantics that considers the actions in terms of actors and activities (details in section 2.4).

The INTERVENTION frame (RISK frame) is described as follows (super-level):

```
[INTERVENTION RISK      =
  [ACTORS                =      ...   ]
  [ACTIVITIES/PHASES    =
    [RISK DETECTING (pre-event) =      ...   ]
    [REACTING (in-event)      =      ...   ]
    [REBUILDING (post-event)  =      ...   ]      ]]
```

The frame representations of the different models provide the basis for building up some specified configurations of slots. There are two cases to be distinguished:

- (a) frames or fragments of them are combined (horizontal configuration building) or
- (b) a single category (class, slot) is structured in more detail up to the predicate-argument structures of action fields (vertical configuration building):
 ACTION TYPE (ACTOR(S), OBJECT, ... , PURPOSE), e.g.
 ACTION TYPE = *providing* (ACTOR = *organization x*, OBJECT = *safety device*, PURPOSE = *preventing (disaster)*)
 or even more specified in distinct ACTIONS, e.g.
improving (organization x, embankment, for preventing disaster (TYPE flood/river)) or
improving (organization x, dike,) or diking/Eindeichung (organization x, MEANS: sandbags)

According to "scenes-and-frames" semantics the configurations can be "typed". This means that there is a manageable set of configuration types that allow the identification of an expression within "its" configuration type. The following examples demonstrate the applied procedure in which configurations are constructed by combination of some general attributes of the models (see disaster model and risk model in Figure 1) with very specific attributes or even fillers in terms of single language expressions. The assumption is that there are core concepts (that are also expressed in terms of language expressions) as well as expressions which only operate as fillers (terminals). The following examples demonstrate some possible types (BE (states), HAVE (properties), HAPPEN (events), ACT (actions)), PROCESS (management) e.g.:

DISASTER/*disaster*/*Katastrophe* :

```
BE          [[TYPE=], PLACE=], TIME=]]
HAVE       [[CAUSE [TYPE=]], DAMAGE [TARGET=, SOURCE=, DEGREE=] ]
HAPPEN     [[STATES=, PROCESSES=]]
```



DISASTER AID/ *disaster aid*/ *Katastrophenhilfe* :

ACT [IN-EVENT [RESCUE [ACTOR=, DAMAGE [TARGET= VICTIMS =]]]
ACT [POST-EVENT [RESTRUCTURING [ACTOR, DAMAGE [TARGET= INFRASTRUCTURE =]]]]

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS / *disaster preparedness*/ *Katastrophenvorsorge*:

ACT/PREPARING [PRE-EVENT [ACTOR=, OPERATIONS= [ACTOR=, ...]]]

RISK/ *risk*/ *Risiko*:

BE [DANGER [DAMAGE [SOURCE=], DEGREE=], TARGET=], COSTS=]]]

Examples for the description of lexical items: :

fire risk / *Feuerrisiko*:

BE [DANGER [DISASTER [TYPE=fire], DAMAGE [...]]]

acceptable risk / *akzeptables Risiko*:

ACT/TOLERATING [[ACTOR/VICTIM=], [DANGER [DAMAGE [SOURCE=], [DEGREE=], [TARGET=], [COSTS=]]]

flood risk management / *Management für Hochwasserrisiko*

PROCESS/ORGANIZING [ACTOR=, DATA/INFORMATION= [DANGER [DISASTER [TYPE=flood], [DAMAGE [...]]]]]

Whereas domain knowledge refers to classification systems that are provided through experts in the field (e.g. risk research, risk/disaster documentation, standardization activities) linguistic knowledge refers to the semantics of language use. Whereas the classification systems reflect some paradigmatic relationships (e.g. hierarchical orders of discrete concepts on a highly abstract level) language use is organised in terms of syntagmatic relations as they occur in texts. In our model "context" is considered to combine both aspects. Correspondingly, the conceptual level is represented not only by the concepts of the classification systems but also by syntagmatic aspects in terms of configurations (and configuration types). Reversely, the level of single language expressions is not only represented by the fillers of the concepts (or values of the attributes) but also by paradigmatic aspects in terms of lexical inventories of alternative or semantically related expressions such as: *risk* -> *risk assessment* -> *risk assessment management* or *disaster* -> *disaster prevention* -> *disaster prevention operations*.

Lexical inventories are linked to some specified concepts (attributes) within a specified configuration, e.g.



disaster control (fragment):

MEASURING (type in-event operation):

ACTOR = experts, flood experienced experts /
hochwassererprobte Fachgruppen, Experten,, Einsatzkräfte,
erfahrene Fachleute

STATE (disaster) = water level / Pegelstand, Hochwasserscheitel

INSTRUMENT = water gauge / Wasserstandsanzeiger

The collection and organization of lexical inventories is based on empirical research. This means that the data acquisition refers to authentic texts from different discourse contexts.

(3) The world of handling data is structured according to the following super-frame:

[INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY =

[**SYSTEM** =
[[TYPE = ...]
[ARCHITECTURE = ...]
[MODULES = ...]]

[**DATA MANAGEMENT** =
[[TYPE = ...]
[PROCESSING =
[[INPUT/OUTPUT = ...]
[WORK = ...]
[SECURITY PROTECTION = ...]]]
[TRANSFER = ...]]

[**TOOLS** = ...]]

2.3 THE DISASTER FRAME

The DISASTER frame reconstructs the knowledge on an event that has not wanted effects because its impact refers to damage of the existing situation in a region. A disaster might be caused naturally (natural disaster) or technologically (industrial disaster) or sociologically. In this view the description of a disaster in terms of frames is dependent on the theories that are used as basis. The disaster frame in this work is related to the domains which are represented in the glossary. According to the super frame (see above) there are three main categories that are specified: SPECIFICATIONS, PHASES and DAMAGE.

[SPECIFICATIONS (DISASTER) =

[DOMAIN	=	nature, technology, society,	...]
[TYPE	=	flood, forest fire, oil spill,	...]
[ORIGIN	=	natural (geological, hydrological, ...)		
		man-made (transport, nuclear, ...)]		
[AREA/REGION	=			
[LOCATION	=	...]	
[SPATIAL EXTENT	=	...]	
[LOCAL CONDITIONS	=	...]]
[TIME	=			
[PERIOD OF TIME	=	...]	
[TIME OF OCCURRENCE	=	...]	
[DURATION	=	...]]
[INTENSITY/DEGREE	=	...]	
[SOURCE	=	...]	
[CAUSE	=			
[PERCIPITATION	=	snow, rain, hail, ...]	
[DRYNESS	=	...]	
[...]	
[RELEASE	=	...]	
[STATES	=	...]	
[PROCESSES	=	...		
[TYPE	=	...]	
[COURSE	=			
[RUN OF EVENTS	=	...]	
[STRUCTURE	=	single, sequential, combined]]]		



[PHASES (DISASTER) =

- [PRE-EVENT =

 - [PROBABILITY = ...]
 - [(IN-) CERTAINTY = ...]

 - [OBJECT (SAFETY) = ...]
 - [KNOWLEDGE = ...]

 - [FREQUENCY = ...]]
 - [IN-EVENT =

 - [CASES = ...]]
 - [POST-EVENT =

 - [CONSEQUENCES = ...]]]

[DAMAGE (DAMAGE EVENT/DISASTER) =

- [TARGET =

 - [HUMAN =

 - [HUMAN GROUPS = ...]
 - [LOSS =

 - [TYPE OF LOSS = life, injuries]
 - [QUANTITY = ...]]]

 - [PROPERTY/OBJECTS =

 - [TYPE = ...]
 - [LOSS = ...]]
 - [INFRASTRUCTURE =

 - [TYPE = ...]
 - [LOSS = ...]]
 - [ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES =

 - [TYPE = ...]
 - [LOSS = ...]]
 - [ENVIRONMENT/NATURE =

 - [TYPE = ...]
 - [LOSS = ...]]

 - [VULNERABILITY =

 - [PEOPLE = ...]
 - [PROPERTY/OBJECTS =]
 - [INFRASTRUCTURE =]
 - [ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES =]
 - [ENVIRONMENT =]]

 - [SUSCEPTIBILITY =

 - [PEOPLE = ...]
 - [PROPERTY/OBJECTS =]
 - [INFRASTRUCTURE =]
 - [ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES =]
 - [ENVIRONMENT =]]

[DEGREE =]]

2.4 THE RISK FRAME

The risk frame reconstructs some standards of both the theoretical classification of terms and the planned reactions to disaster events: how to identify them, how to assess them, how to prevent them. This is described in the INTERVENTION frame that is structured in two parts: ACTORS and ACTIVITIES.

The following frame represents the design of the ACTIVITIES:

[INTERVENTION =

[ACTORS	=	...]
[ACTIVITIES	=		
[RISK DETECTING		(pre-event)	= ...]
[DISASTER REACTING		(in-event)	= ...]
[REBUILDING		(post-event)	= ...]]

[RISK DETECTING (pre-event) =

[RISK ASSESSMENT	=	
[RISK PERCEPTION	=]
[PERCEPTION	=	...]
[EXPERIENCE	=	...]
[OBSERVATION	=	
[METHOD =	satellite]	
[PROGNOSES	=]]
[RISK ANALYSIS	=	
[FEATURES =	...]	
[SITUATION/CONTEXT =	...]	
[SIMULATION	=	...]
[PROBABILISTIC	=	...]
[RELIABILITY	=	...]]
[RISK IDENTIFICATION	=	
[SOURCE	=	...]
[DAMAGE CAUSE	=	...]
[DAMAGE TARGET	=	...]
[CAPACITY	=	...]]
[RISK EVALUATION	=	
[VALUE	=	neglectable, (not) acceptable]
[MAGNITUDE	=	nil, low, moderate, high, extreme]
[POSSIBILITY OF REPAIR =	reparable, partly r., not r.]	
[RISK PREPAREDNESS	=]]
[RISK PREVENTION	=]]
[RISK MITIGATION	=]]
[RISK COMMUNICATION =]]	



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[DISASTER REACTING (in-event) =
 [WARNING =
 [EARLY WARNING = ...]
 [ALERT = ...]]
 [CONTROL = ...]
 [LIMITATION = ...]
 [RESCUE = ...]]

[REBUILDING (post-event) =
 [DAMAGE ASSESSMENT = ...]
 [RESTRUCTURING = ...]
 [RECOVERING = ...]



2.5 REPRESENTATION OF THE GLOSSARY ENTRIES

The frames are the information source for the semantic description of the lexical expressions (terms). The semantic representation of each entry from the glossary consists of the extracted frame fragments. These fragments are selected from the terminological part of the thesaurus and from examples of the discourse corpus (see Deliverable 2201).

Seminfo entries

acceptable risk

TOLERATE [[ACTOR/VICTIM=], [DANGER [DAMAGE [SOURCE=], [DEGREE=], [TARGET=], [COSTS=]]

accident

HAPPEN [EVENT [SPECIFICATION [ORIGIN=man-made], [TYPE=], [AREA=], [TIME=]], [DAMAGE [TARGET [HUMAN=, PROPERTY=, INFRASTRUCTURE=, ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES=, ENVIRONMENT=]]]]

afflux

BE [[TYPE=flood], [PLACE=], [TIME=]], HAVE [CAUSE [[ORIGIN=], [NIEDERSCHLAG [TYPE=]], [STAU [TYPE= *Aufstau*]], [DAMAGE [TARGET=, SOURCE=, DEGREE=]], HAPPEN [STATES=, PROCESSES=]]

albedo

BE [EVENT [SPECIFICATION [CAUSE=climate change [RELATIONSHIP=radiation]]]]

API-gravity

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS [TYPE=oil spill [SUBTYPE=]]]]

backwater

BE [[TYPE=flood], [PLACE=], [TIME=]], HAVE [CAUSE [[ORIGIN=], [NIEDERSCHLAG [TYPE=]], [STAU [TYPE= *Rückstau*]], [DAMAGE [TARGET=, SOURCE=, DEGREE=]], HAPPEN [STATES=, PROCESSES=]]

barrel

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS [TYPE=oil spill [SUBTYPE=]]]]

biodiversity

ACT [INTERVENTION [ACTIVITIES [RISK PREVENTION [PROTECTING] [EVENT [DAMAGE [TARGET=nature/biodiversity]]]]]]

biological hazard

BE [[INTERVENTION [PRE-EVENT [ASSESSMENT =]], [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [ORIGIN [NATURAL = biological]]]]]

black tide

BE [DISASTER [TYPE=oil spill [SUBTYPE=]], [ORIGIN=man-made]]

chemical hazard

BE [[INTERVENTION [PRE-EVENT [ASSESSMENT =]], [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [ORIGIN [MANMADE = chemical activities]]]]]

civil protection

ACT [PRE-EVENT [PROTECTION [ACTOR= operators, TARGET=civilization, environment [DISASTER [DAMAGE]]]]]

climate change

BE [DISASTER [CAUSE=climate]]

controlled weir

BE [LIMITATION [PROTECTION OBJECT= *controlled weir*]]

coping capacity

BE [[INTERVENTION [PRE-EVENT [ASSESSMENT =]], [DISASTER [DAMAGE [SUSCEPTABILITY =]]]

cosmic radiation

BE [EVENT [SPECIFICATION [CAUSE=climate change [RELATIONSHIP=radiation]]]]

counter measures

REDUCE [PRE-EVENT [ACTOR= authorities, operators] PROBABILITY [DANGER [DAMAGE= [TARGET=infrastructure, environment]]]]

crude oil

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS [TYPE=oil spill [SUBTYPE=]]]]

dam

BE [PREPAREDNESS [PROTECTION OBJECT= *dam*]]

damage

BE [ASSESSMENT [DAMAGE [RISK SOURCE = , DAMAGE-EVENT = , TARGET = , DEGREE = , VALUE =]]]

damage assessment

ACT [ACTOR= [IDENTIFY [DAMAGE [RISK SOURCE = , DAMAGE-EVENT = , TARGET =], [EVALUATE [VALUE = , DEGREE =]]]

damage potential

BE [DISASTER [DAMAGE [TARGET =]]]

damage prevention

AVOID [PRE-EVENT [ASSESSMENT [DAMAGE [RISK SOURCE=, DEGREE=, TARGET=, CONSEQUENCES=]]]]

data

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [CONTENT [TYPE=]]]]

data capture

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [CONTENT



[PROCESSING [INPUT/OUTPUT=]]]]]

data entry

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [CONTENT [PROCESSING [INPUT/OUTPUT=]]]]]

data flow

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [CONTENT [PROCESSING [WORK=]]]]]

data link

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [CONTENT [ORGANISATION/STRUCTURE=]]]]]

data processing

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [CONTENT [PROCESSING]]]]

data provider

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [CONTENT [TRANSFER=]]]]]

data protection

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [CONTENT [PROCESSING [PROTECTION]]]]]

data security

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [CONTENT [PROCESSING [PROTECTION=]]]]]

data service

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [CONTENT [TRANSFER=]]]]]

data storage

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [CONTENT [ORGANISATION/STRUCTURE=]]]]]

data user

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [CONTENT [TRANSFER=]]]]]

database

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [CONTENT [ORGANISATION/STRUCTURE=]]]]]

disaster

BE [[TYPE=], PLACE=], TIME=]] HAVE [CAUSE [TYPE=], DAMAGE [TARGET=, SOURCE=, DEGREE=]] HAPPEN [STATES=, PROCESSES=]

disaster aid

ACT [IN-EVENT [RESCUE [ACTOR=, DAMAGE [TARGET= victims]]]]]

ACT [POST-EVENT [RESTRUCTURING [ACTOR, DAMAGE [TARGET=infrastructure]]]]]

disaster map

REPRESENT [[DISASTER [DAMAGE [TARGET =]], EVENT [REGION =]]]]

disaster preparedness

PREPARE [PRE-EVENT [ACTOR=, OPERATIONS= [ACTOR=, ...]]]]

disaster risk reduction

DIMINISH [PRE-EVENT [ACTOR=, PROBABILITY=]VULNERABILITY=], DANGER [DAMAGE=]]

drainage flood

BE [[TYPE=flood], [PLACE=], [TIME=]], HAVE [CAUSE [[ORIGIN=], [PERCIPITATION [TYPE=]], [, „Stau“ [TYPE=backwater [PLACE=drainage]]]], DAMAGE [TARGET=, SOURCE=, DEGREE=]], HAPPEN [STATES=, PROCESSES=]

earth observation

ACT [ACTOR = science, [INTERVENTION [ASSESSMENT [PERCEPTION [OBSERVATION [OBJECT = earth]]]]]]]

earth observation satellite

BE [INTERVENTION [ASSESSMENT [PROVIDE [INSTRUMENT = satellite]]]]]

emergency

BE [[EVENT [DAMAGE [TARGET =, DEGREE =]], [RESCUE [ACTOR]]]]]

emergency aid

MITIGATE [ACTOR =, DAMAGE [TARGET =, DEGREE =]]

emergency management

ORGANISE [ACTOR = authorities, INTERVENTION [EVENT [DAMAGE [TARGET =, DEGREE =]]]]

emergency measure

ACT [ACTOR = authorities [[RESCUE [DAMAGE [TARGET =]], PREVENT [DAMAGE [TARGET =]]]]

emergency plan

REPRESENT [INTERVENTION [ACTOR = authorities]]

emergency planning

ACT [ACTOR = authorities, [INTERVENTION [REPRESENT [RESCUE [DAMAGE [TARGET =], [TIME [TIME OF OCCURRENCE =]]]]]]]

emergency response

ACT [ACTOR = authorities, [INTERVENTION [RESCUE [DAMAGE [TARGET =], [TIME [TIME OF OCCURRENCE =]]]]]]]

environmental degradation

BE [DISASTER [DAMAGE [CONSEQUENCE [ENVIRONMENT [STATE = degraded]]]]]]]

environmental hazard

BE [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [DAMAGE [TARGET=environment]]]]]

environmental impact assessment

ACT [ACTOR = science, authorities, [INTERVENTION [ASSESSMENT [DISASTER [DAMAGE [TARGET ENVIRONMENT =]], [IMPACT [ENVIRONMENT]]]]]]]

equipment

BE [RISK MANAGEMENT [CONTENT [INTERVENTION [ACTOR(S)], [ACTIVITIES/PHASES [REACTING [OPERATIONS [INSTRUMENTS=]]]]]]]

erosion

BE [DISASTER [TYPE = floods], [DAMAGE [IMPACT [ENVIRONMENT [STATE = erosion]]]]]]

evaporation

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS [TYPE=oil spill [SUBTYPE=]]]]]

event

HAPPEN [EVENT [SPECIFICATION [AREA [LOCATION=, SPATIAL EXTENT=, LOCAL CONDITIONS=]], [TIME [PERIOD=, TIME OF OCCURRENCE=, DURATION=]]]]]

event tree analysis

ACT [ACTOR = science [RISK ASSESSMENT [ANALYSIS [EVENT [PROCESSES]]]]]]

extent of flooding



BE [DISASTER [TYPE = floods], [AREA [EXTENT =]]]

file

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [CONTENT [ORGANISATION/STRUCTURE=]]]]

fire

BE [DISASTER [TYPE = fire], [DAMAGE =], [PROCESS= outspreading]]

fire alert

ACT [ACTOR = authorities , [INTERVENTION [REACTION = alert], [DISASTER [TYPE = fire]]]

fire brigade

BE [ACTOR = operators, [INTERVENTION [REACTION [DISASTER [TYPE = fire]]]]]

fire damage

BE [EVENT [SPECIFICATION [TYPE=fire]], [DAMAGE [TARGET=]]]

fire danger

BE [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [TYPE=fire]]]

fire equipment

BE [RISK MANAGEMENT [CONTENT [INTERVENTION [ACTIVITIES/PHASES [REACTING [OPERATIONS [INSTRUMENTS=]]]]]]]

fire extinguisher

BE [RISK MANAGEMENT [CONTENT [INTERVENTION [ACTIVITIES/PHASES [REACTING [OPERATIONS [INSTRUMENTS=]]]]]]]

fire fighting

ACT [ACTOR = authorities/operators, [INTERVENTION [LIMITATION [DISASTER [TYPE = fire], [DAMAGE [TARGET = life, property]]]]]]

fire hazard

BE [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [TYPE=fire]]]

fire prevention

ACT [ACTOR = authorities , [INTERVENTION [PREVENTING [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [TYPE = fire]]]]]]]

fire protection

PREVENT [PRE-EVENT [PROTECTION [DISASTER [TYPE= fire][DAMAGE]]]

ACT [IN-EVENT [LIMITATION [DISASTER [TYPE= fire][DAMAGE]]]

fire risk

BE [INTERVENTION [ASSESSMENT [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [TYPE = fire], [PROPERTY =], [IMPACT =], [RISK SOURCE = e.g. ignition sources]]]]]

fire spread model

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS [TYPE=fire], [AREA/REGION [LOCAL CONDITIONS=]]]]]

fire storm

BE [DISASTER [TYPE = mass fire], [AREA = urban], [IMPACT = generating winds from all sides], [INTENSITY = increasing]]

flame

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS [TYPE=fire [SUBTYPE=]]]]]

flash flood

BE [[TYPE=flood [ERSCHEINUNGSFORMEN [ZEIT=,

QUANTITY=, MOVEMENT=, UNDERGROUND=TYPE [BANK, SHORE], HORIZONTAL=, VERTICAL= *flash flood*]], [PLACE=], [TIME=]], HAVE [CAUSE [TYPE=]], DAMAGE [TARGET=, SOURCE=, DEGREE=]], HAPPEN [STATES=, PROCESSES=]]

flash point

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS [TYPE=fire], [AREA/REGION [LOCATION=]]]]]

floating barrier

BE [RISK MANAGEMENT [CONTENT [INTERVENTION [ACTIVITIES/PHASES [REACTING [OPERATIONS [INSTRUMENTS=]]]]]]]

flood

BE [DISASTER [TYPE = floods], [ORIGIN = natural], [PROCESSES [COURSE [RUN OF EVENTS = rise of water, temporary covering of land]]], [RELEASE = inundation, erosion, sediment deposition], [TIME [DURATION = long period], [AREA = stream, lake, coastal region], [CAUSE = e.g. extreme rainfall], [RELEASE = e.g. bursting of dike], [DAMAGE [TARGET =], [MAGNITUDE =]]

flood alert

ACT [ACTOR = authorities [REACTION [DECLARE [DISASTER [TYPE = flood]]]]]]

flood control

ACT [ACTOR = authorities, [INTERVENTION [PROVIDE [RELIEF-OBJECT = e.g. dams, reservoirs, embankment]], [DISASTER [TYPE = floods], [DAMAGE [TARGET = people, property]]]]

flood control levee

BE [INTERVENTION [DISASTER [TYPE = floods], [DAMAGE [RELIEF-OBJECT = dike, embankment]]]]]

flood damage

ACT [ACTOR = authorities, [INTERVENTION [POST-EVENT [ASSESSMENT [DISASTER [TYPE = floods], [PROPERTY = rise of water, temporary covering of land], [IMPACT = inundation, erosion, sediment deposition], [TIME [DURATION =], [DAMAGE [TARGET =], [VALUE =], [MAGNITUDE =], [REPAIR =], [COSTS =]]]]]]]

flood forecasting

ACT [ACTOR = authorities, [REACT/ESTIMATE [DISASTER [TYPE = floods], [PROCESS/STAGE =], [TIME [TIME/OCCURRENCE =], [DURATION =]], [AREA =], [PROPERTY [DISCHARGE VALUE =]]]]]]

flood forecasting system

REPRESENT [ACTOR = science, [PREDICT [DISASTER [TYPE = floods]], [SYSTEM [MODEL]]]]

flood hazard map

BE [OBJECT [PREEVENT [IDENTIFICATION [DISASTER [TYPE=flood], [AREA], [DAMAGE [TARGET, DEGREE]]]]]

flooding incident

BE [DISASTER [TYPE = floods], [PROCESS =], [CAUSE =], [TIME =], [AREA =]]

flood plain

BE [[TYPE=flood], [PLACE= *flood plain*], [TIME=]], HAVE [CAUSE [[TYPE=]], DAMAGE [TARGET=, SOURCE=, DEGREE=]], HAPPEN [STATES=, PROCESSES=]]



flood proofing

ACT [ACTOR= authorities, [PREVENT [DISASTER [TYPE = floods], [AREA =], [DAMAGE [TARGET = buildings]]]]]

flood risk

BE [PROBABILITY= , DAMAGE = [DISASTER [TYPE = flood]]]

flood risk area

BE [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [TYPE = floods], [AREA =]]]

flood risk management

ORGANISE [ACTOR=, DATA= [DANGER [DISASTER [TYPE=flood], [DAMAGE [...]]]]]

flood routing

ACT [ACTOR = science, [INTERVENTION [DETERMINE [DISASTER [TYPE = floods], [PROCESSES = movement of flood wave]]]]

flood victims

BE [DISASTER [TYPE = flood], [TARGET = human, people]]

floodwater storage ponds

BE [INTERVENTION [DISASTER [TYPE = floods], [DAMAGE [RELIEF-OBJECT = storage ponds]]]]]

flood wave

BE [DISASTER [TYPE = flood [SUBTYPE = wave]]]

flood way

BE [[INTERVENTION [PROVIDE [RELIEF-OBJECT = discharging channel]], [DISASTER [TYPE = floods]]]

forest fire

BE [EVENT [SPECIFICATION [TYPE=fire]], [DAMAGE [TARGET [ENVIRONMENT [TYPE=forest]]]]]

forest-fire plan

REPRESENT [INTERVENTION [REACTION =], [DISASTER [TYPE = fire], [AREA/REGION [LOCATION= forest]]]

forest fire-prone area

BE [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [TYPE = fire], [DAMAGE [AREA [LOCATION= forest]], [TARGET =], [VULNERABILITY =]]]]

gauging station

BE [PREPAREDNESS [CONTROL [ACTIVITY [PLACE=*gauging station*]]]]]

geographic information

BE [ACTOR = science, [INTERVENTION [ASSESSMENT [PERCEPTION [OBSERVATION [INFORMATION = geographic]]]]]]]

geographic information system

BE [ACTOR = science, [INTERVENTION [ASSESSMENT [PERCEPTION [OBSERVATION [INFORMATION = geographic]]]]], [SYSTEM [ORGANISATION [INFORMATION = geographic]]]]]

geographically-coded data

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [CONTENT [TYPE=]]]]]

geological hazard

BE [[INTERVENTION [PRE-EVENT [ASSESSMENT =]], [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [ORIGIN [NATURAL = geological]]]]]]

georeferencing

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [CONTENT [TYPE=]]]]]

hazard

BE [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [DAMAGE [TARGET [LIFE, OBJECTS, ENVIRONMENT]]]]]

hazard analysis

ASSESS [DISASTER [TYPE, AREA], DAMAGE [TYPE, DEGREE, TARGET]]]

hazard assessment

EVALUATE [DISASTER [DAMAGE [TARGET], [DEGREE]]]

hazard identification

IDENTIFY [DISASTER [TYPE], [DAMAGE [TYPE]]]

hazard map

BE OBJECT [PREVENT [IDENTIFICATION [DISASTER [TYPE, AREA], [DAMAGE [TARGET, DEGREE]]]]]

hazard mapping

ACTION [CONSTRUCT (ORGANISATION hazard map)]

hazard probability

BE [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [DAMAGE [TARGET]]]]]

hazard zone

BE [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [AREA, TYPE, DEGREE]]]

hazardous material

BE [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [TYPE =], [RISK SOURCE = material]]]

heat

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS [TYPE=fire [SUBTYPE=]]]]]

heavy oil

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS [TYPE=oil spill [SUBTYPE=]]]]]

hydrograph

BE [PERCEPTION [ACTIVITY=*hydrograph*]]]

hydrology

BE [PERCEPTION [INSTITUTION=*hydrology*]]]

hydrological forecast

BE [PERCEPTION [ACTIVITY=*hydrological forecast*]]]

hydrometeorology

BE [PERCEPTION [INSTITUTION=*hydrometeorology*]]]

incident

HAPPEN [EVENT [SPECIFICATION [ORIGIN=man-made], [TYPE=], [AREA=], [TIME=], [INTENSITY=middle], [DAMAGE [TARGET=]]]

information system

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [WHOLE [TYPE=information system]]]]]

information source

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [CONTENT [TYPE=]]]]]

land cover

ACT [INTERVENTION [RISK PREVENTION [TARGET [ENVIRONMENT=land]]]]]

land degradation

ACT [INTERVENTION [RISK PREVENTION [EVENT [DAMAGE [TARGET [ENVIRONMENT=land]]]]]]]

land management

ACT [INTERVENTION [RISK PREVENTION [METHOD=management], [TARGET [ENVIRONMENT=land]]]]]

landslide



BE [[TYPE=flood [ERSCHEINUNGSFORMEN [ZEIT=,
QUANTITY=, MOVEMENT=, UNDERGROUND=TYPE
[BANK, SHORE], HORIZONTAL=, VERTICAL= *landslide*]],
[PLACE=], [TIME=]],
HAVE [CAUSE [TYPE=]],
DAMAGE [TARGET=, SOURCE=, DEGREE=]],
HAPPEN [STATES=, PROCESSES=]]

land use

ACT [ACTOR = authorities, [INTERVENTION [REDUCE
[DISASTER [TYPE = floods]], [PROVIDE [RELIEF-WORK
= non-physical measures/ land use planning]]]]

land use planning

PLAN [PRE-EVENT [ASSESSMENT [DATA][TARGET=
population, country]]]

major accident

HAPPEN [EVENT [SPECIFICATION [ORIGIN=man-made],
[TYPE=], [AREA=], [TIME=], [INTENSITY=high]],
[DAMAGE [TARGET], [DEGREE=high]]]

major hazard

BE [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [DEGREE (extreme)]]]

major fire

BE [DISASTER [TYPE = mass fire], [AREA [EXTENT = high],
[DEGREE/INTENSITY = extreme]]]

man-made disaster

BE [DISASTER [CAUSE [ORIGIN=man made]]]BE
[DISASTER [CAUSE [ORIGIN=natural]]]

man-made hazard

BE [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [CAUSE [ORIGIN=man-
made]]]]

maximum flood discharge

BE [DISASTER [TYPE = floods], [PROPERTY = water level
peak]]

maximum probable flood

BE [DISASTER [TYPE = flood], [PROBABILITY =], [DEGREE
= maximum]]

metadata

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [CONTENT [TYPE=]]]]

mudflow

BE [[TYPE=flood [ERSCHEINUNGSFORMEN [ZEIT=,
QUANTITY=, MOVEMENT=, UNDERGROUND=TYPE
[BANK, SHORE], HORIZONTAL=, VERTICAL= *mudflow*]],
[PLACE=], [TIME=]],
HAVE [CAUSE [TYPE=]],
DAMAGE [TARGET=, SOURCE=, DEGREE=]],
HAPPEN [STATES=, PROCESSES=]]

natural disaster

BE [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [CAUSE [ORIGIN=natural
event]]]]

natural hazard

BE [[INTERVENTION [PRE-EVENT [ASSESSMENT =]]],
[PROBABILITY [DISASTER [ORIGIN [NATURAL =]]]]]

non-structural flood mitigation

ACT [ACTOR = authorities, [INTERVENTION [PREVENTION
[REDUCE [DISASTER [TYPE = floods], [IMPACT =]]],
PROVIDE [RELIEF-WORK = non-physical measures (e.g.

land-use planning, flood plain zoning, advance warning
system, flood insurance]]

offshore drilling

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS [TYPE=oil spill],
[AREA/REGION=], [RISK SOURCE=]]]

ontology

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [CONTENT [TYPE=]]]]

oil dispersant

BE [RISK MANAGEMENT [CONTENT
[INTERVENTION [ACTIVITIES/PHASES [REACTING
[OPERATIONS [INSTRUMENTS=]]]]]]]

oil platform

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS [TYPE=oil spill],
[AREA/REGION=], [RISK SOURCE=]]]

oil pollution fighter

COMBAT [RISK MANAGEMENT [CONTENT
[INTERVENTION [ACTIVITIES/PHASES [REACTING
[LIMITATION=]]]]]]]

oil slick

BE [DISASTER [AREA/REGION [SPATIAL
EXTENT=]]]

oil spill

BE [DISASTER [TYPE=], [ORIGIN=man-made]]

operations

BE [RISK MANAGEMENT [CONTENT
[INTERVENTION [ACTOR(S)],
[ACTIVITIES/PHASES [RISK DETECTING
[OPERATIONS], [REACTING [OPERATIONS],
[REBUILDING [OPERATIONS]]]]]]]]]

petroleum

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS [TYPE=oil spill
[SUBTYPE=]]]]]

pipeline

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS
[AREA/REGION=], [RISK SOURCE=]]]

population at risk

BE [DISASTER [TYPE =], [DAMAGE [TARGET = human],
[REGION =]]

pour point

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS [TYPE=oil spill
[SUBTYPE=]]]]]

precaution

BE [PRE-EVENT [ASSESSMENT [OBJECT [DATA]
[TARGET= human, environment]]]]]

precipitation

BE [PREPAREDNESS [CONTROL [ACTIVITY [MESURE
[ACTOR=, OBJECT=*precipitation*, INSTRUMENT=,
RESULT=]]]]]]]

precipitation gauge

BE [PREPAREDNESS [CONTROL [ACTIVITY [MESURE
[ACTOR=, OBJECT=, INSTRUMENT=*precipitation gauge*,
RESULT=]]]]]]]

precipitation intensity

BE [PREPAREDNESS [CONTROL [ACTIVITY [MESURE
[ACTOR=, OBJECT=, INSTRUMENT=,
RESULT=*precipitation intensity*]]]]]]]

precipitation station

BE [PREPAREDNESS [CONTROL [ACTIVITY



[PLACE=*precipitation station*]]]]

precision farming

ACT [INTERVENTION [RISK PREVENTION
[METHOD=management], [TARGET
[ENVIRONMENT=farming]]]]]

prevention

ACT [PRE-EVENT [PREVENTION [AVOIDANCE
[PROBABILITY [DISASTER [DAMAGE [RISK SOURCE=,
DEGREE=, TARGET=, CONSEQUENCES=]],
[MINIMIZE [PROBABILITY [DISASTER]]]]]]]]]

protection

ACT [PRE-EVENT [REDUCE [PROBABILITY [DISASTER
[DAMAGE [RISK SOURCE=, DEGREE=, TARGET=,
CONSEQUENCES=]]]]]]]

public risk awareness

INFORM [DATA [ACTOR= authorities, operators],
TARGET=public/general population
[REDUCE [RISK], [DISASTER]]]]]

public information

INFORM [PRE-EVENT [ASSESSMENT [COMMUNICATION
[DATA], [ACTOR=authorities, operators, TARGET=
public]]]]]

rainfall intensity

BE [PREPAREDNESS [CONTROL [ACTIVITY [MESURE
[ACTOR=, OBJECT=, INSTRUMENT=, RESULT=*rainfall
intensity*]]]]]]]

reduction of high-water level

ACT [ACTOR = authorities, operators, [INTERVENTION
[REACTION [REDUCE [DISASTER [TYPE = floods],
[STATE = water level]]]]]]]]]

refinery

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS
[AREA/REGION=], [RISK SOURCE=]]]

reflectance

ACT [INTERVENTION [RISK ASSESSMENT [PERCEPTION
[OBSERVATION [METHOD=satellite]]]]]]]

remote sensing

ACT [INTERVENTION [RISK ASSESSMENT [PERCEPTION
[OBSERVATION [METHOD=remote sensing]]]]]]]

rescue

MITIGATE [ACTOR=, DAMAGE [TARGET=,
DEGREE=]]]

residual risk

BE SITUATION [[PROBABILITY [DISASTER]] + PREVENT
[PROBABILITY [DISASTER]]]

resilience

ACT [INTERVENTION [RISK PREVENTION [TARGET
[ENVIRONMENT=nature]]]]]

resolution

ACT [INTERVENTION [RISK ASSESSMENT [PERCEPTION
[OBSERVATION [METHOD=satellite]]]]]]]

response

ACT [ACTOR=authorities [INTERVENTION [RESCUE
[DAMAGE [TARGET=], [TIME [TIME OF
OCCURRENCE=]]]]]]]]]

response plan

REPRESENT [INTERVENTION [REACTION =], [DISASTER [IN-
EVENT =]]]

risk

BE [DANGER [DAMAGE [SOURCE=], DEGREE=],
TARGET=], COSTS=]]]

risk acceptance

TOLERATE [ACTING [ACTORS, SITUATION=risk]]]

risk analysis

ASSESS [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [TYPE, DAMAGE [TYPE,
DEGREE]]]]]

risk assessment

EVALUATE [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [DAMAGE]]]

risk communication

COMMUNICATE [ACTORS, DATA/INFORMATION
[PROBABILITY/ VULNERABILITY [DISASTER]]]

risk management

ACTION [ACTORS, DATA/INFORMATION [PROBABILITY/
VULNERABILITY [DISASTER]]]

risk map

BE [OBJECT [PREEVENT [IDENTIFICATION [PROBABILITY
[DISASTER]]]]]]]

risk mapping

ACTION [CONSTRUCT [OBJECT=risk map]]]

risk reduction

ACTION [PREEVENT [MINIMIZATION [PROBABILITY
[DISASTER]]]]]

safety

BE NOT [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [DAMAGE]]]

safety report

REPRESENT [INTERVENTION [ACTOR =], [OBJECT [RISK
ANALYSIS [PROBABILITY [DAMAGE]]]]]]

satellite

ACT [INTERVENTION [RISK ASSESSMENT [PERCEPTION
[OBSERVATION [METHOD=satellite], [SATELLITE-
INFO=]]]]]]]

secondary hazard

BE [DISASTER [CONSEQUENCE = disaster]]]

self-initiated fire prevention

ACT [ACTOR [PROBABILITY [DISASTER [TARGET =
people],[INTERVENTION [PREVENTING [PROBABILITY
[DISASTER [TYPE = fire]]]]]]]]]

semantic web

RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [CONTENT
[ORGANISATION/STRUCTURE=]]]]]

skimmer

BE [RISK MANAGEMENT [CONTENT
[INTERVENTION [ACTIVITIES/PHASES [REACTING
[OPERATIONS [INSTRUMENTS=]]]]]]]]]

sludge

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS [TYPE=oil spill
[SUBTYPE=]]]]]

smoke

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS [TYPE=fire
[SUBTYPE=]]]]]

software



RISK MANAGEMENT [IT [SYSTEM [TOOLS=]]]

spatial analysis

ACT [INTERVENTION [RISK ASSESSMENT [PERCEPTION [OBSERVATION [METHOD [EVALUATING [SATELLITE-INFO=spatial]]]]]]]

spatial information

ACT [INTERVENTION [RISK ASSESSMENT [PERCEPTION [OBSERVATION [SATELLITE-INFO=spatial]]]]]

spatial resolution

ACT [INTERVENTION [RISK ASSESSMENT [PERCEPTION [OBSERVATION [METHOD=satellite]]]]]

specific gravity

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS [TYPE=oil spill [SUBTYPE=]]]]

spectral resolution

ACT [INTERVENTION [RISK ASSESSMENT [PERCEPTION [OBSERVATION [METHOD=satellite]]]]]

spectral signature

ACT [INTERVENTION [RISK ASSESSMENT [PERCEPTION [OBSERVATION [METHOD=satellit], [SATELLITE-INFO=signature]]]]]

stage gauge

BE [PREPAREDNESS [CONTROL [ACTIVITY [MESURE [ACTOR=, OBJECT=, INSTRUMENT=, RESULT=stage gauge]]]]]

stakeholder

BE [RISK MANAGEMENT [CONTENT [INTERVENTION [ACTORS=]]]]]

structural flood mitigation

ACT [ACTOR = authorities, [INTERVENTION [PREVENTION [REDUCE [DISASTER [TYPE = floods], [IMPACT =]], PROVIDE [RELIEF-WORK = physical measures (e.g. reservoirs, levees, dredging, diversions, flood proofing)]]]]]

subsidence

ACT [INTERVENTION [RISK PREVENTION [TARGET [ENVIRONMENT=land]]]]]

sustainability

ACT [INTERVENTION [RISK PREVENTION [METHOD [TYPE=sustainable]]]]]

sustainable development

DEVELOP [PREVENTION [ACTOR=authorities, operators] LIMITATION [PROBABILITY [DANGER [DAMAGE [RISK SOURCE=, DEGREE=, TARGET=, CONSEQUENCES=]]]]]

sustainable flood risk management

ACT [ACTOR [REDUCE [PROBABILITY [DAMAGE [DISASTER [TYPE = flood], [RESPONSE [DISASTER [TYPE = flood]]]]]]]]

tanker

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS [TYPE=oil spill] [AREA/REGION [LOCATION=]], [RISK SOURCE=]]]

tidal bore

BE [[TYPE=flood [ERSCHEINUNGSFORMEN [ZEIT=, QUANTITÄT=, BEWEGUNG=, UNTERGRUND=TYPE [UFER, KÜSTE], HORIZONTAL= tidal bore, VERTIKAL=]], [PLACE=], [TIME=]],

HAVE [CAUSE [TYPE=]],
DAMAGE [TARGET=, SOURCE=, DEGREE=]],
HAPPEN [STATES=, PROCESSES=]]]

torrent control

BE [[TYPE=flood [ERSCHEINUNGSFORMEN [ZEIT=, QUANTITÄT=, BEWEGUNG=, UNTERGRUND=TYPE [UFER, KÜSTE], HORIZONTAL=, VERTIKAL= Sturzflut, -bach]], [PLACE=], [TIME=]],
HAVE [CAUSE [TYPE=]],
DAMAGE [TARGET=, SOURCE=, DEGREE=]],
HAPPEN [STATES=, PROCESSES=]]]

tsunami

BE [[TYPE=flood [ERSCHEINUNGSFORMEN [ZEIT=, QUANTITÄT=, BEWEGUNG=, UNTERGRUND=TYPE [UFER, KÜSTE], HORIZONTAL= tsunami, VERTIKAL=]], [PLACE=], [TIME=]],
HAVE [CAUSE [TYPE=]],
DAMAGE [TARGET=, SOURCE=, DEGREE=]],
HAPPEN [STATES=, PROCESSES=]]]

ventilation

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS [TYPE=fire [SUBTYPE=]]]]]

viscosity

BE [DISASTER [SPECIFICATIONS [TYPE=oil spill [SUBTYPE=]]]]]

vulnerability

BE [DISASTER [DAMAGE [TARGET=sensible for damage]]]

vulnerability analysis

IDENTIFY [PREEVENT [DISASTER [DAMAGE [TARGET=sensible for damage]]]]]

water-level monitoring

ACT [ACTOR = science, authorities, [INTERVENTION [REACTION [CONTROL/ MONITORING [OBJECT = water level]]]]]]

water management

ACT [PRE-EVENT [PROTECTION [PROBABILITY [DAMAGE [SOURCE= water/floods]]]]]

wave

BE [[TYPE=flood [ERSCHEINUNGSFORMEN [ZEIT=, QUANTITÄT=, BEWEGUNG=, UNTERGRUND=TYPE [UFER, KÜSTE], HORIZONTAL= wave, VERTIKAL=]], [PLACE=], [TIME=]],
HAVE [CAUSE [TYPE=]],
DAMAGE [TARGET=, SOURCE=, DEGREE=]],
HAPPEN [STATES=, PROCESSES=]]]

wave length

ACT [ACTOR = science, [INTERVENTION [REACTION [CONTROL [DETERMINE [DISASTER [TYPE = floods], [STATE = wavelength / x]]]]]]]]



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3 THE HYPERTEXT TOOL

3.1 INTENTION AND ACCESS

The SERRMO-representation is transformed into a hypertext tool. Hypertext means the organization of information in terms of small packages which are linked according to the purpose of the tool. The purpose of the MULTH hypertext is to support experts in their risk communication work. It provides the possibilities of

- i) looking for the semantic networks that are transferred from the frames and finding some lexical expressions of the glossary which are defined according to these concepts (via *network structure*)
- ii) looking for a particular lexical term and finding the relevant semantic networks (via *list of terms*)

Access and use is possible by:

www.tu-chemnitz.de/phil/al/WIN-MULTH

3.2 HYPERTEXT BASIS (COMPONENTS)

The hypertext tool provides both the use of SERRMO (via *SERRMO hypertext*) as well as some information on SERRMO (*SERRMO theory/data*) including information on the semantics and the frames that are applied. Figure 2 represents the Homepage of the SERRMO-module.

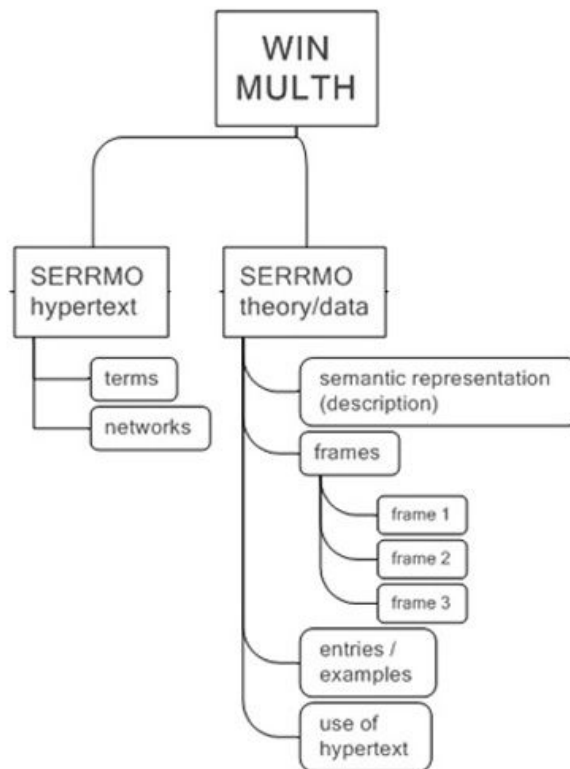


Figure 2: Homepage Hypertexttool MULTH

3.3 STARTING FROM TERMS

The lexical expressions are alphabetically ordered and collected in groups of the first letter.

The click on a selected term opens the network of the semantic representation. This is organized in a step-by-step format. Thus the user decides how deep he/she wants to enter the whole network: each node is supplied with an arrow that changes the colour after the visit. This procedure is demonstrated in the following screenshot examples for the term *biodiversity* (Figure 3):

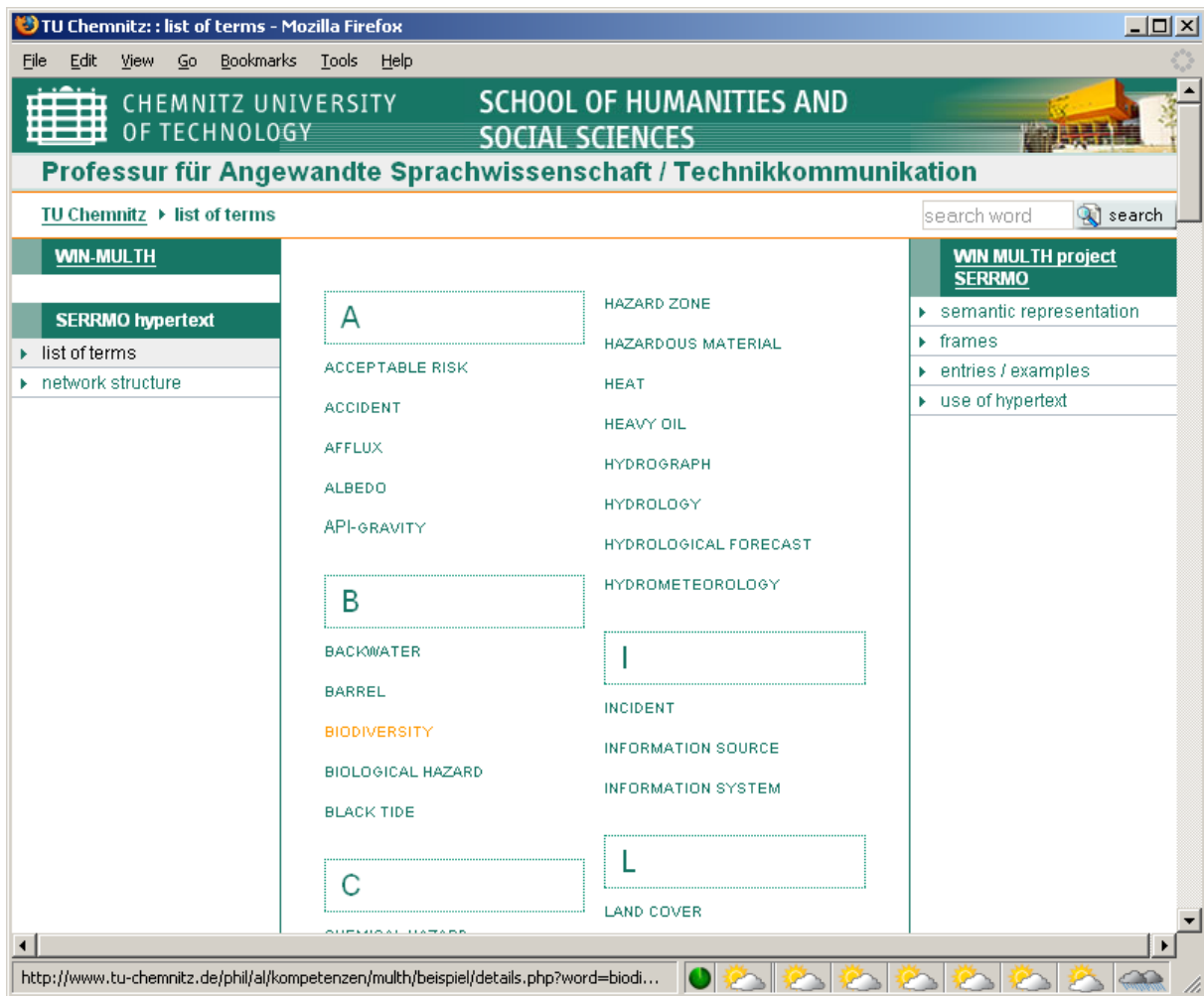


Figure 3a: list of terms



The screenshot shows a Mozilla Firefox browser window displaying a website for TU Chemnitz. The browser's address bar shows 'TU Chemnitz: - Mozilla Firefox'. The website header includes the TU Chemnitz logo and the text 'CHEMNITZ UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY' and 'SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES'. Below the header, it says 'Professur für Angewandte Sprachwissenschaft / Technikkommunikation'. The main content area is titled 'RISK COMMUNICATION' and features a section for 'TERM: biodiversity'. Underneath, there are sections for 'RISK MANAGEMENT', 'CONTENT (RISK MODEL) >', 'EVENT (DISASTER)', and 'DAMAGE (DAMAGE EVENT) >'. A 'zurück / back' link is visible at the bottom of the main content area. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with 'WIN-MULTH' and 'SERRMO hypertext' sections, including links for 'list of terms' and 'network structure'. The right sidebar has a search bar and a 'WIN MULTH project SERRMO' section with links for 'semantic representation', 'frames', 'entries / examples', and 'use of hypertext'. The browser's status bar at the bottom shows 'Done' and a series of weather icons.



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RISK COMMUNICATION

TERM: biodiversity

RISK MANAGEMENT

CONTENT (RISK MODEL) >

- INTERVENTION >
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TERM: biodiversity

RISK MANAGEMENT

CONTENT (RISK MODEL) >

- INTERVENTION >
 - ACTIVITIES/PHASES >
 - RISK DETECTING (PRE-EVENT) >
 - PREVENTION >
 - METHOD
 - TARGET

EVENT (DISASTER)

DAMAGE (DAMAGE EVENT) >

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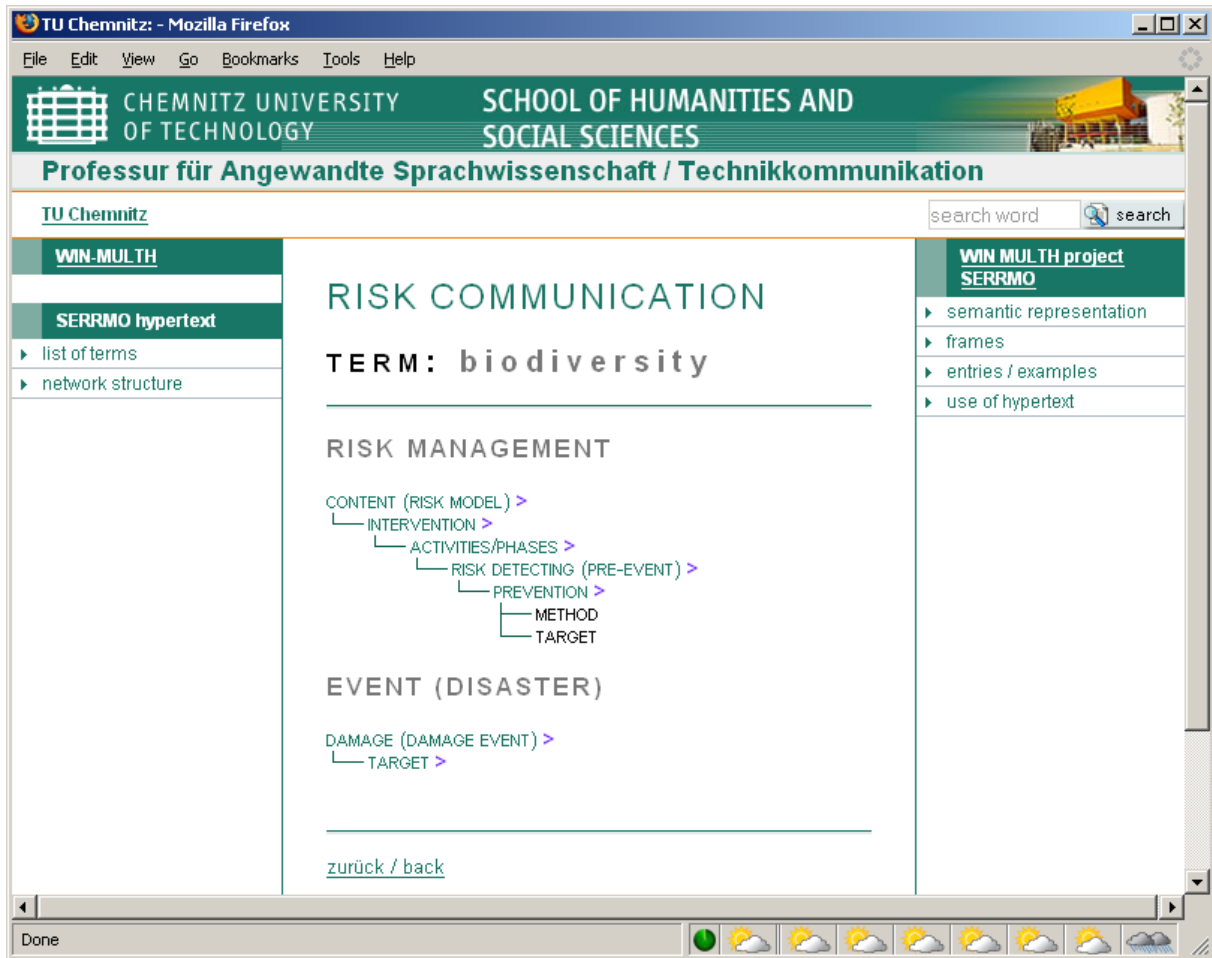


Figure 3b: development of the semantic network

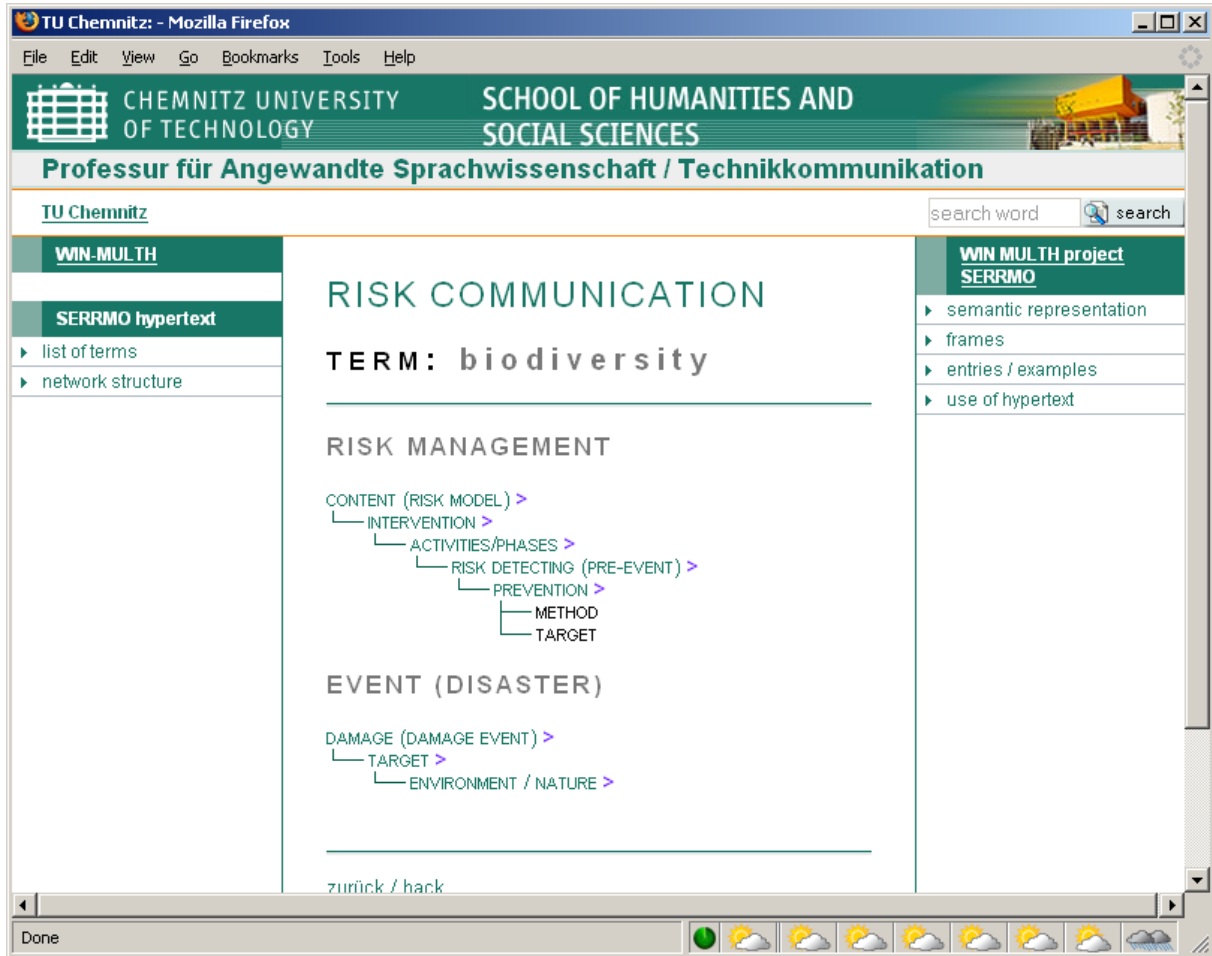


Figure 3c: further development of the semantic network

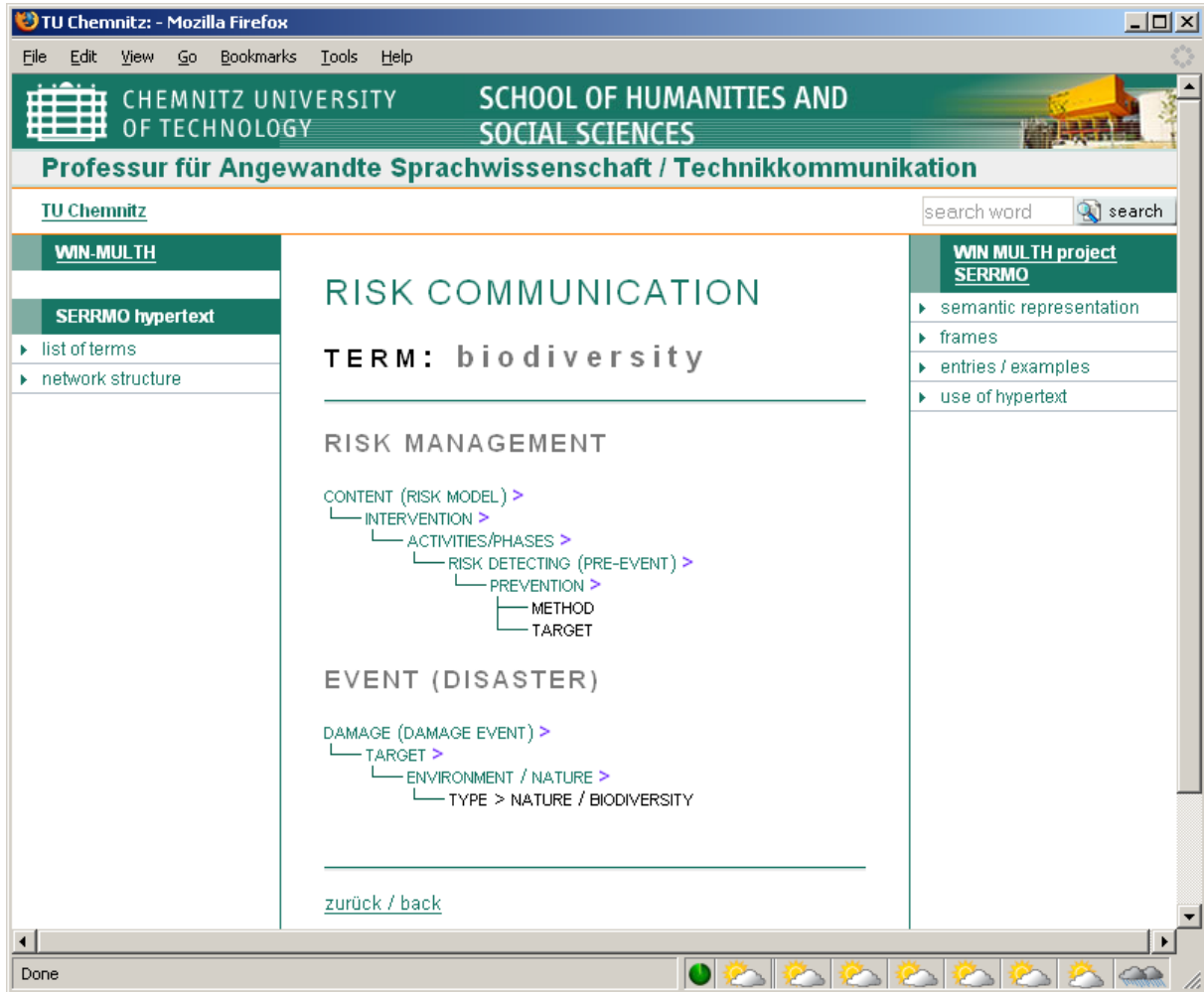


Figure 3d: completed presentation of the network

3.4 STARTING FROM THE NETWORKS

The second possibility to use the hypertext is to start from the network as a whole one. Also in this procedure the step-by-step format is applied. In the beginning the general network is offered in terms of red dots that can be opened one after the other. On the level of more complexity the frames are presented in terms of fragments that can be expanded according to the complexity of the concerned frames (see sections 2.2, 2.3, 2.4). In a reversed view the user can continue from the nodes/categories to the terms that are marked by these categories. The idea is presented in the following network fragments that are the basis for the selection of inventories of terms within a network:

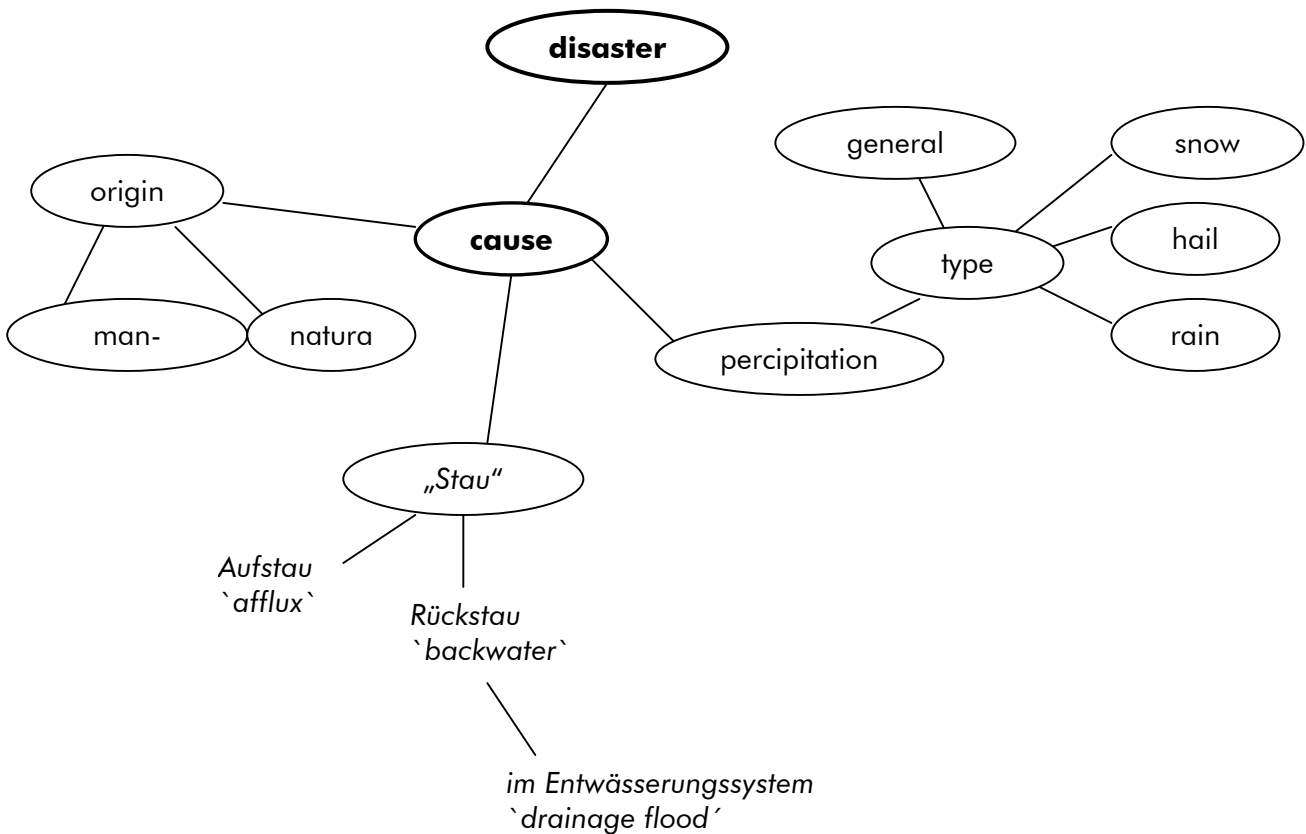


Figure 4: *afflux* and *backwater* within the network [DISASTER [CAUSE]]

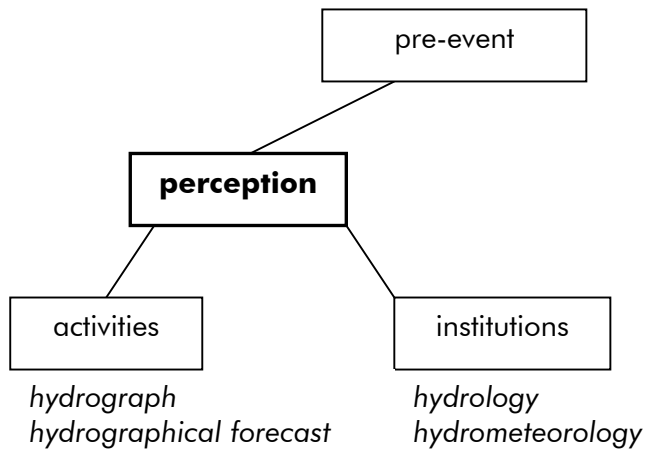


Figure 5: Some terms within the net [INTERVENTION [PRE-EVENT [PERCEPTION]]]

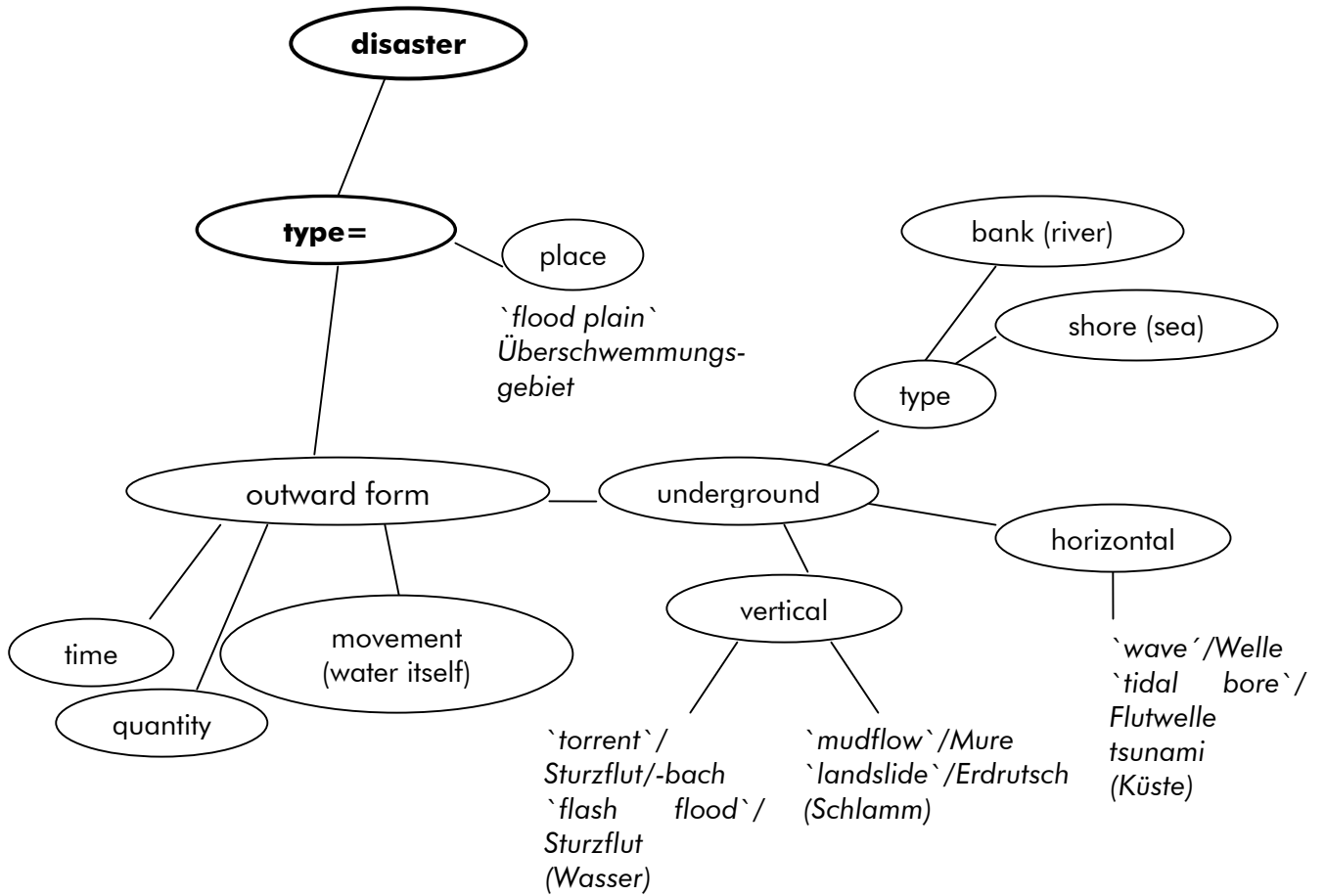
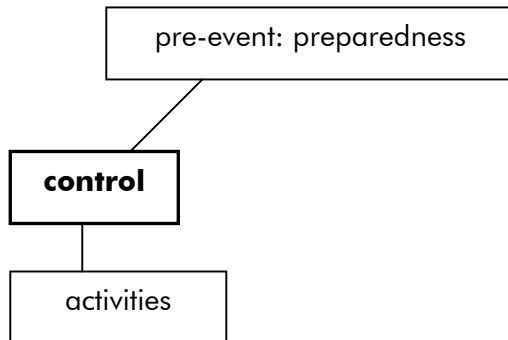


Figure 6: flood plain, wave, tidal bore within the network [DISASTER [TYPE = flood [PLACE], [OUTWARD FORM [UNDERGROUND [VERTCAL, HORIZONTAL]]]]]



action (*messen*) [actor (),]

object '*precipitation*' /*Niederschlag*

instrument '*gauge*' ,

'*precipitation gauge*' /*Niederschlagsmesser*

result '*Messwert*' , '*Skala*' , '*Pegel*' ,

'*precipitation intensity*' ,

'*rainfall intensity*' /

Niederschlagsintensität

place

'*gauging station*' /*Station*

'*precipitation station*' /*Niederschlagsstation*

Figure 7: *gauge* and *gauging station* within the network of [INTERVENTION [IN-EVENT [CONTROL [ACTIVITIES [ACTOR], [ACTIONS]]]]]



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