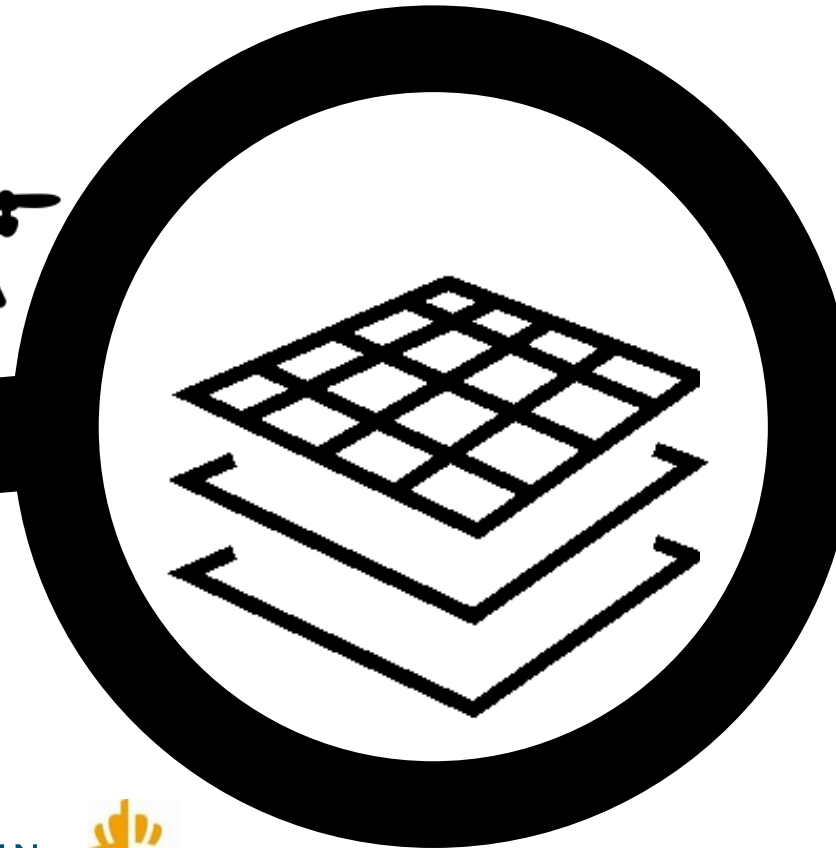
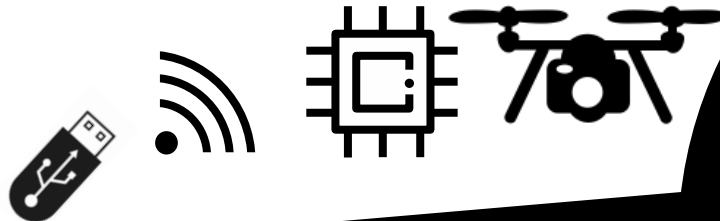
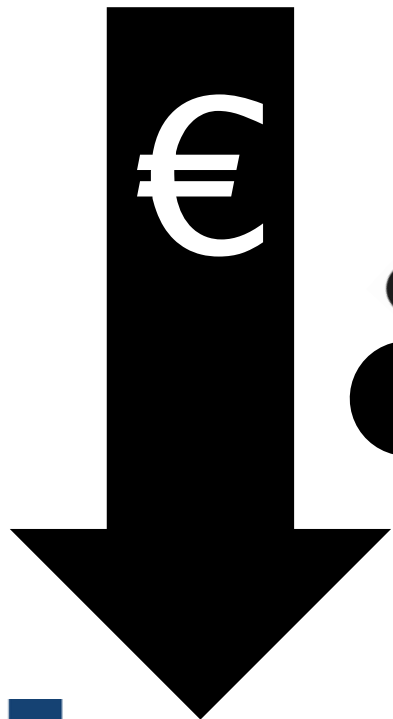


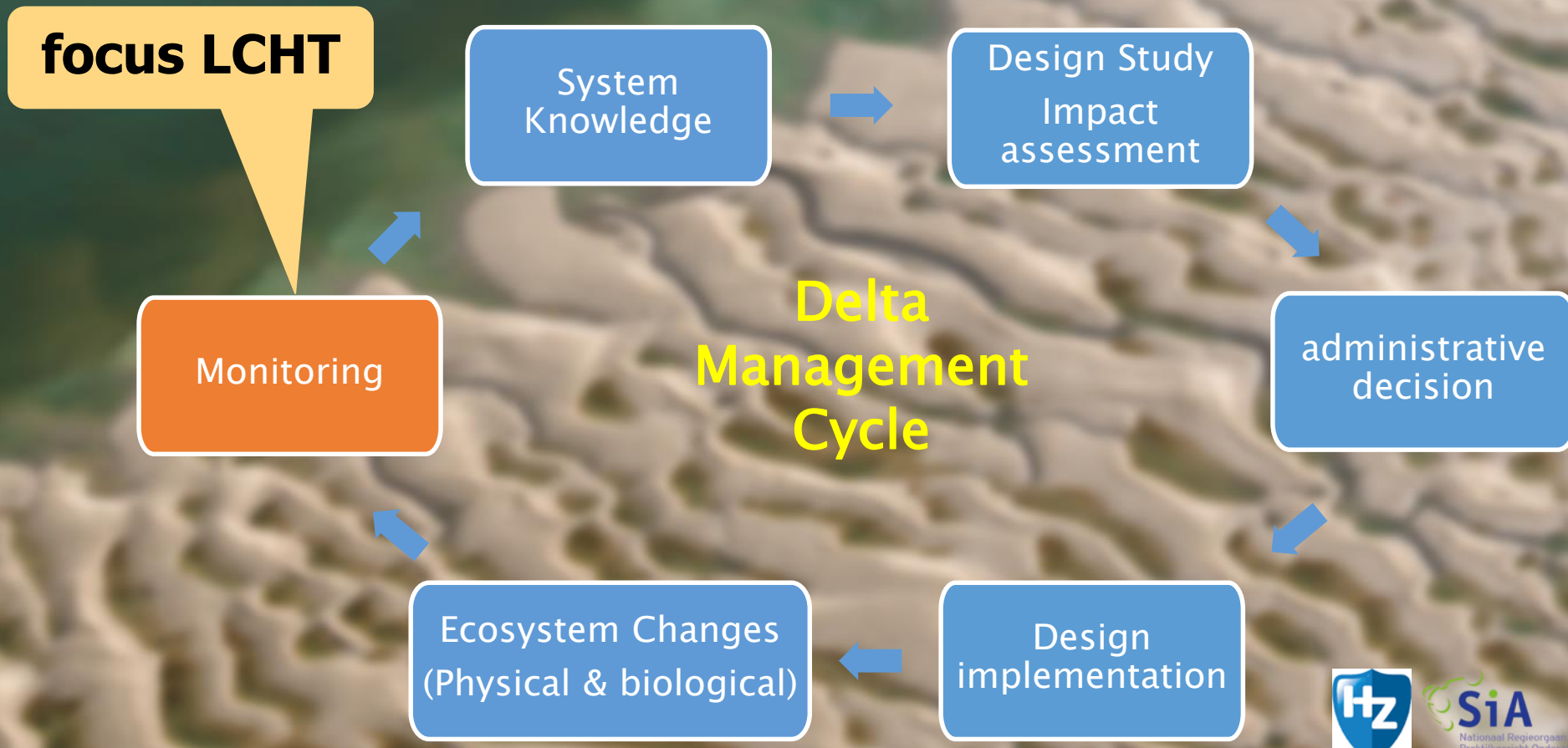
# Raak-Publiek **LCHT**:

**L**ow-**C**ost monitoring with **H**igh-**T**ech methodologies



# Rationale

- NL: large inter- and subtidal Natura 2000 areas



# Overarching objective

- Test if Innovative Measuring Techniques can improve the delta management cycle?

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Labour-intensive



Expensive



Few Measuring points



Intermittently  
(time/space)

## INNOVATIVE Measuring Techniques



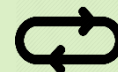
Less Labour-intensive



Cheaper



Multiple Measuring points



Continuously  
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# Original plan:

9 Parameters

Conventional  
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VS

Innovative  
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**ORANGE = coming**

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# Topics per technique:

- 1) Why relevant
- 2) How does it work
- 3) Where do we (already / aim to) apply it

Joao



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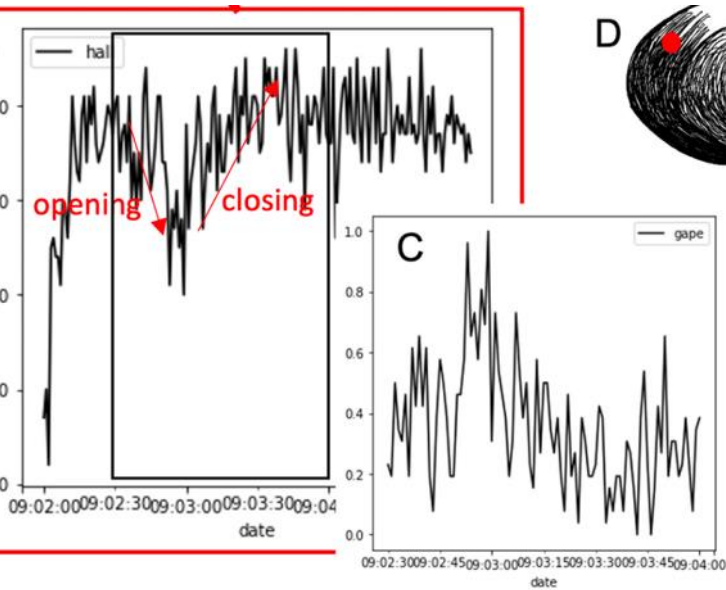
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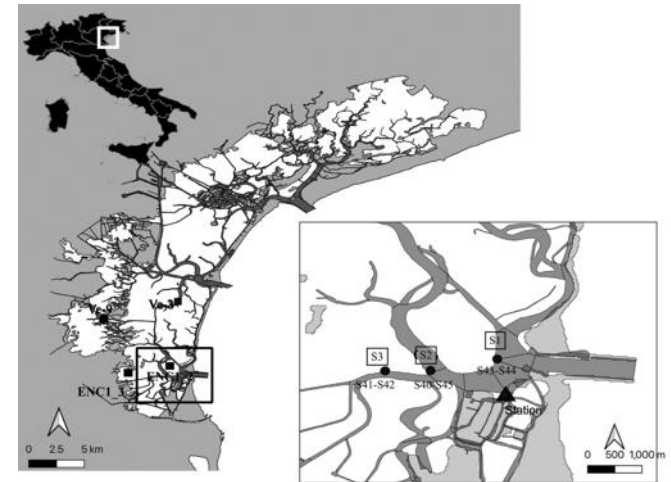


mussel with magnet



Measured = distance between  
- Mussel-magnet  
- Sensor-head  
*distance changes when mussel feeds*

6-month test in Lagoon of Venice  
(also 1-month test Waddensea)





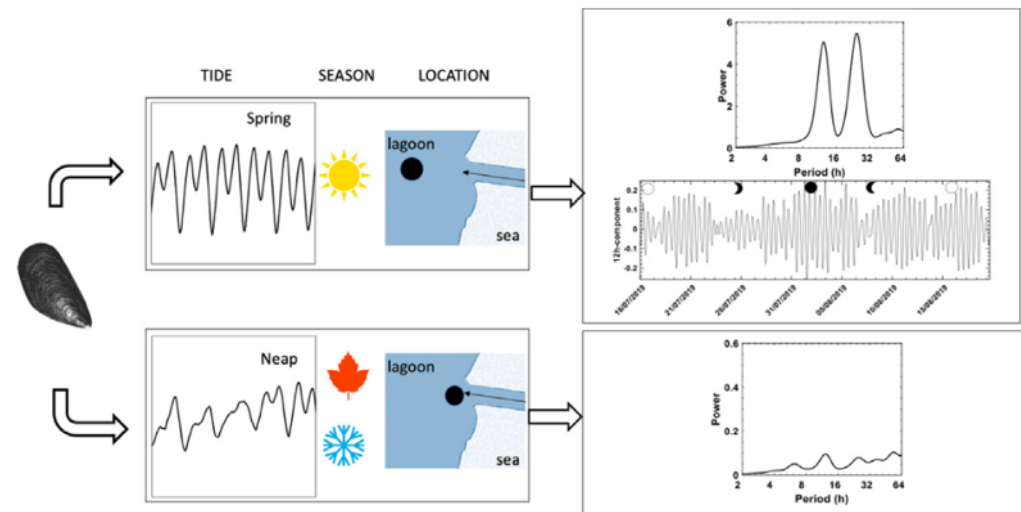
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## How to cope in heterogeneous coastal environments: Spatio-temporally endogenous circadian rhythm of valve gaping by mussels

### HIGHLIGHTS

- It is necessary to understand how organisms respond to environmental changes.
- Transitional coastal areas are great model systems.
- Mussels behaviour was monitored long-term and in continuous in three sites.
- It followed the tidal rhythm particularly in more internal site and in summer.
- Responses to small scale changes are important for management and for predictions.

### GRAPHICAL ABSTRACT



# X2 – BioPhys → valve-gaping mode

- Mass production stage



- Useful for understanding carrying capacity
  - Waddensea
  - Eastern Scheldt
  - Western Scheldt
  - North Sea

# X3 – Waterproof time-laps camera's

- Meerwaarde met Mosselen
  - camera on stick to stay dry
- GoPro
  - waterproof
  - *BUT* short operation time-lapse mode
- NIOZ time-laps camera's
  - resolution: 2592x1944
  - field of view: 170 degrees
  - 20 min interval + flash = 120 d
  - 20 min interval (no flash) = 200 d
  - Reached mass-production stage





- Introduction
  - underwater lab
  - need for monitoring methods sub-tidal
  
- Standard techniques
  - In situ fluorescence
  
- LCHT innovations
  - What are they?
  - How will they be used in next projects?

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