



A Coastal Zone Survey Project as a Tool for CZM Authorities in Rhodes Island

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Coastal Zone (CZ)

- ✓ The geomorphological area comprising the part of the land affected by marine processes and the part of the sea affected by terrestrial processes.

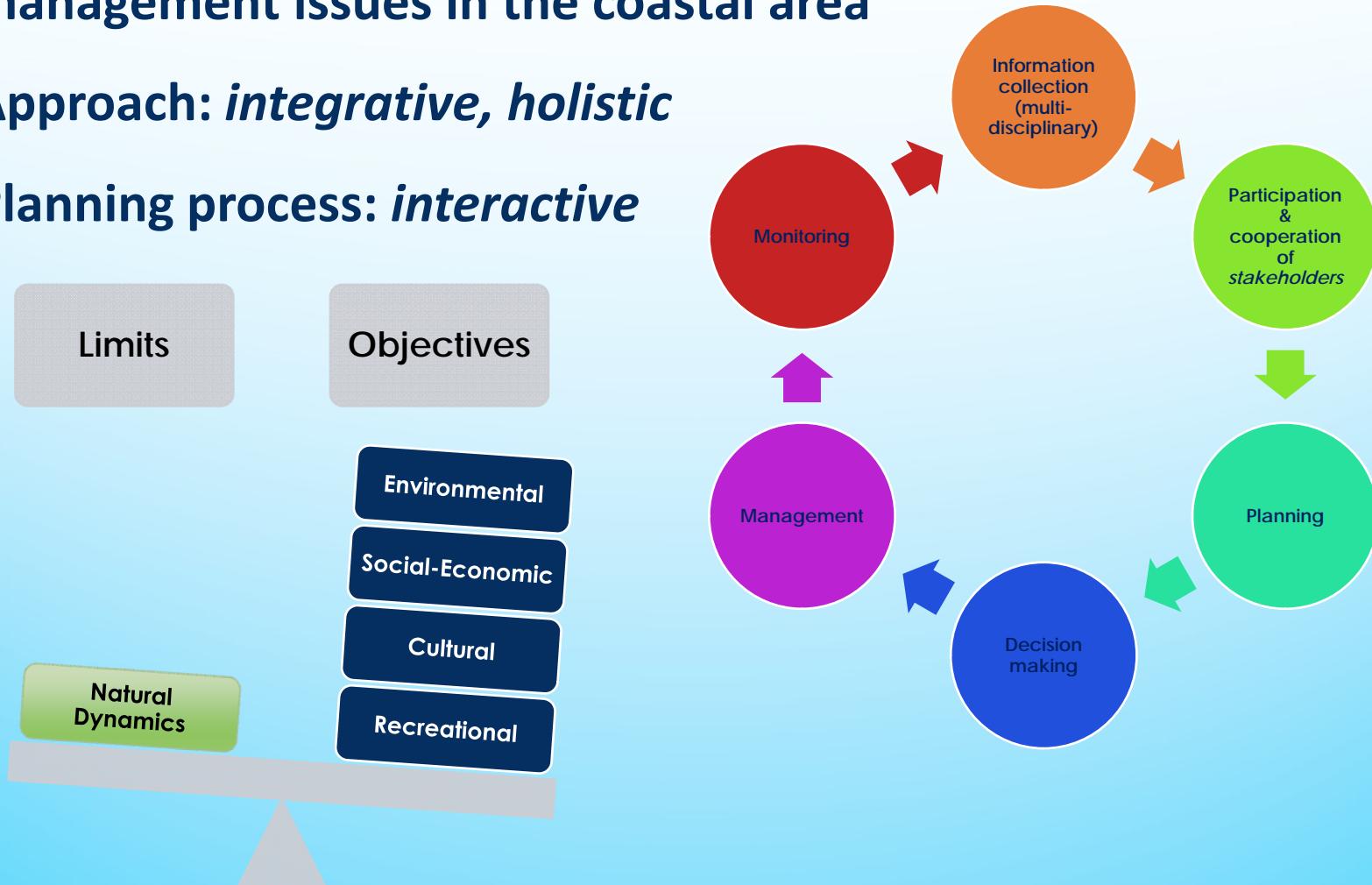
OR

- ✓ The geomorphological area bordering the coastline where marine and terrestrial processes, biotic and abiotic factors and human activities interact.



Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM)

- ✓ It is a resource management system for addressing the complex management issues in the coastal area
- ✓ Approach: *integrative, holistic*
- ✓ Planning process: *interactive*



AKTI: Survey in Rhodes Island CZ

- Terrestrial and marine geomorphological features (variety & dynamics)
- Marine sediments
- Marine biodiversity
- Marine ecological status
- Weather and wave clima
- Human interventions
- Coastal Vulnerability Index

AKTI: Deliverables

- Bathymetric maps (Multibeam echosounding)
- Benthic habitats maps
- Technical Reports
- ICZM suggestions



Coastal Vulnerability Index (CVI) for Erosion - Inundation

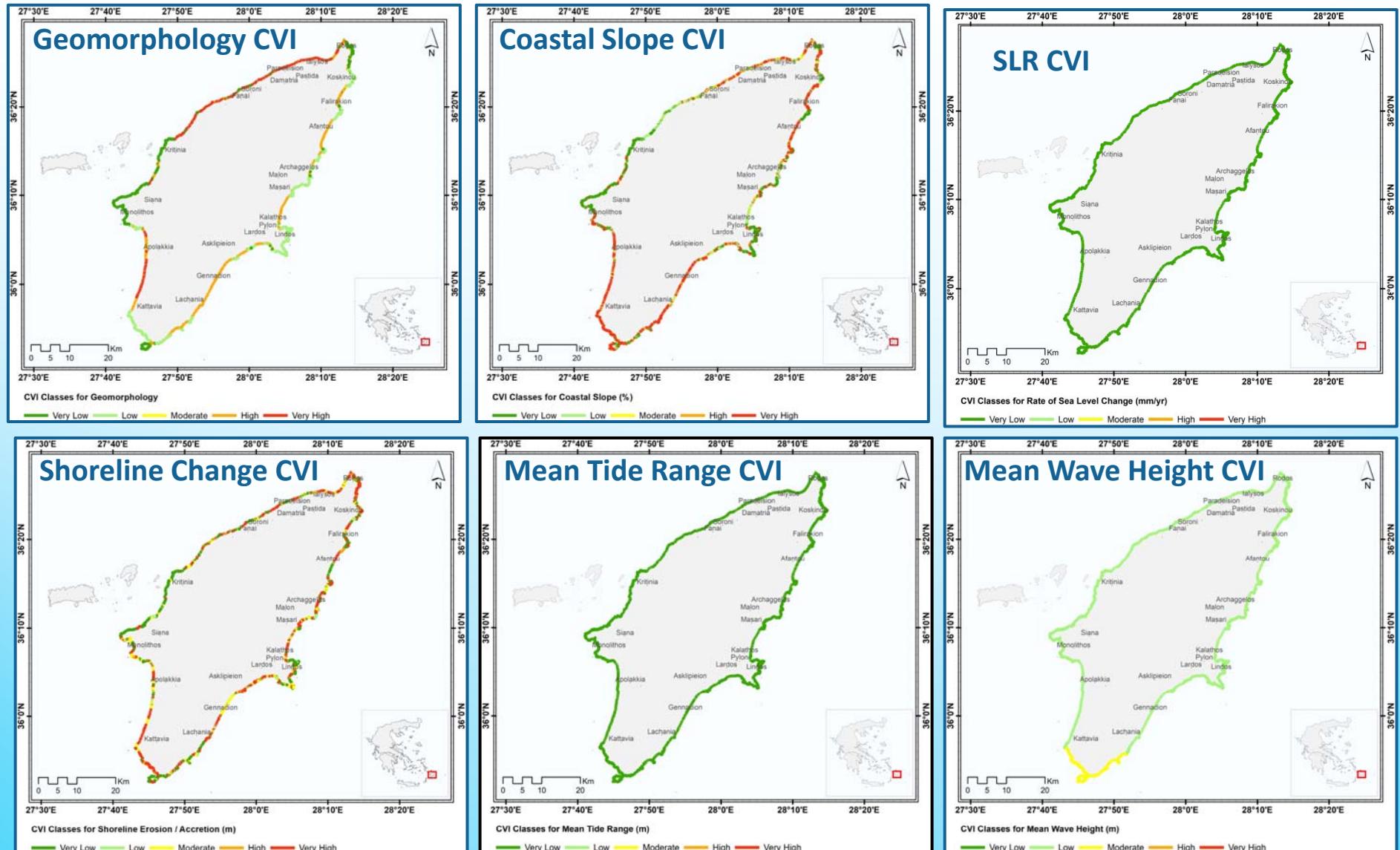
- ✓ Around 41% of Europe's population is situated near or at the coastal zone (Collet & Engelbert, 2013), plus the visitors-tourists
- ✓ Coastal environments are most sensitive to changes and pressures but also of great importance for the tourism business
- ✓ The physical impact of the erosion-inundation due to sea-level rise is one of the most important issues in coastal management
- ✓ Recent estimations of the future sea-level rise based on climate model output (IPCC, 2013) suggest an increase of the sea level rise of 0,60m until 2100

AKTI: Assessment of Coastal Vulnerability Index (CVI) for Erosion – Inundation in Rhodes Island

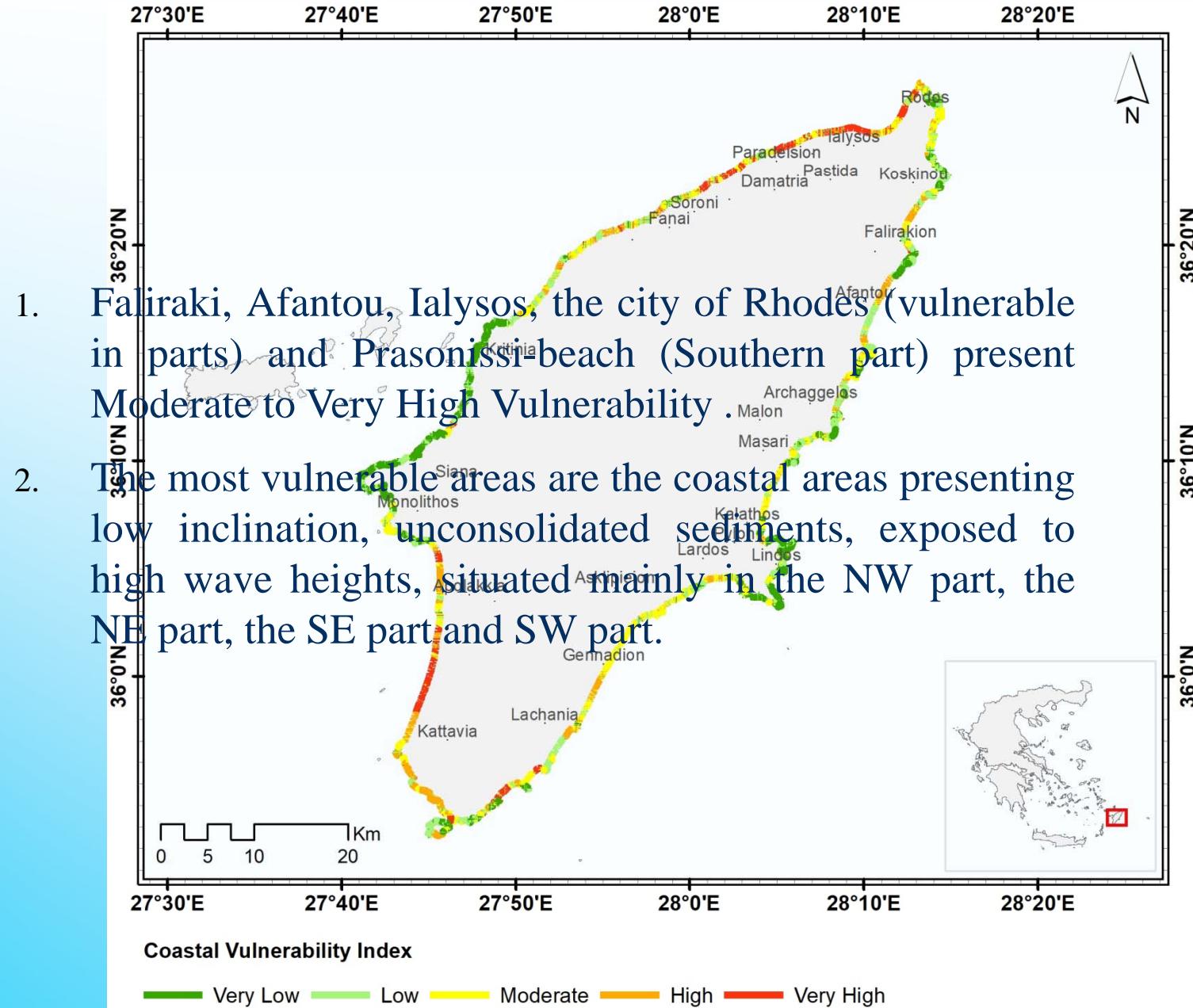
- ✓ Data: coastal geomorphology, coastal slope, shoreline accretion-erosion rate, sea level change rate, mean tide, mean significant wave height
- ✓ Data sources: field work, lab analyses, references, remote sensing, monitoring stations

CVI Variables	Very Low 1	Low 2	Moderate 3	High 4	Very high 5
Geomorphology	Rocky clifffed, alpine and post-alpine substrate, concrete retaining walls, Port facilities, rip raps	Medium cliffs, indented coasts, Fluvial-alluvial sediment beaches	Low cliffs, alluvial plains	Cobble beaches, lagoons	Sandy beaches, deltas, Sandy beaches under erosion
Coastal Slope (%)	>20	7 - 20	4 - 7	2.5 - 4	<2.5
Shoreline accretion/erosion (m/y)	>2	1 - 2	-1 - +1	-1 - -2	< -2
Rate of Sea Level Change (mm/y)	<1.8	1.8 - 2.5	2.5 - 3	3 - 3.2	>3.2
Mean Tide Range (m)	<1	1 - 2	2 - 4	4 - 6	>6
Mean Significant Wave Height (m)	<0.55	0.55 - 0.85	0.85 - 1.05	1.05 - 1.25	>1.25

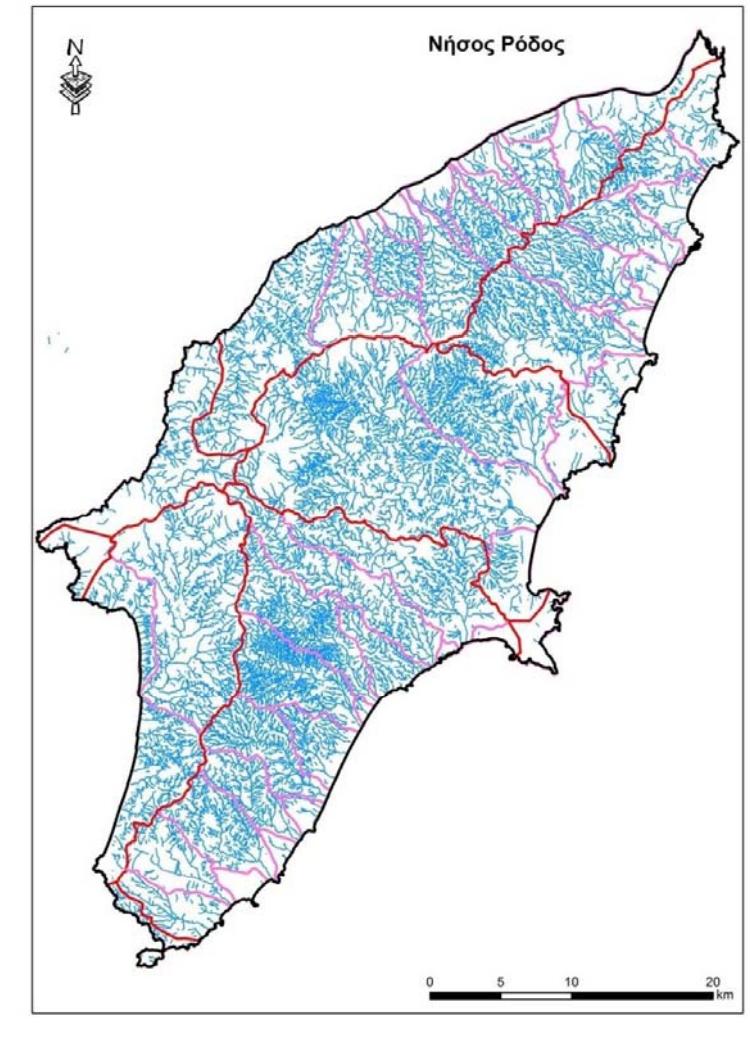
AKTI: CVI Maps for Rhodes Island CZ



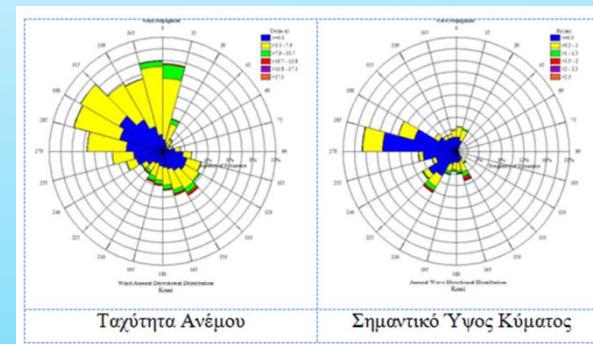
Results-CVI Map for the island of Rhodes



AKTI: Terrestrial and marine CZ of Rhodes Island



- Geodynamics
- Geology
- Geomorphology
- Hydrographic networks
- Human interventions
- Wave and weather climate



AKTI: Marine research infrastructure

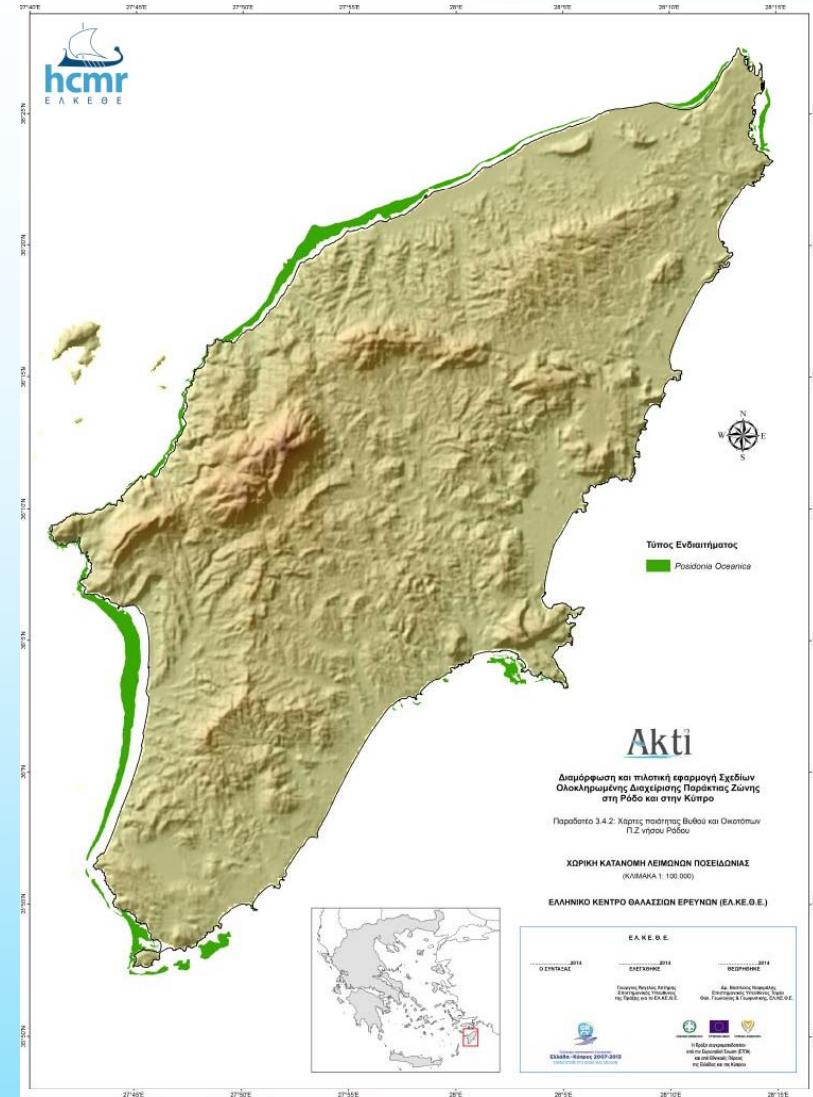
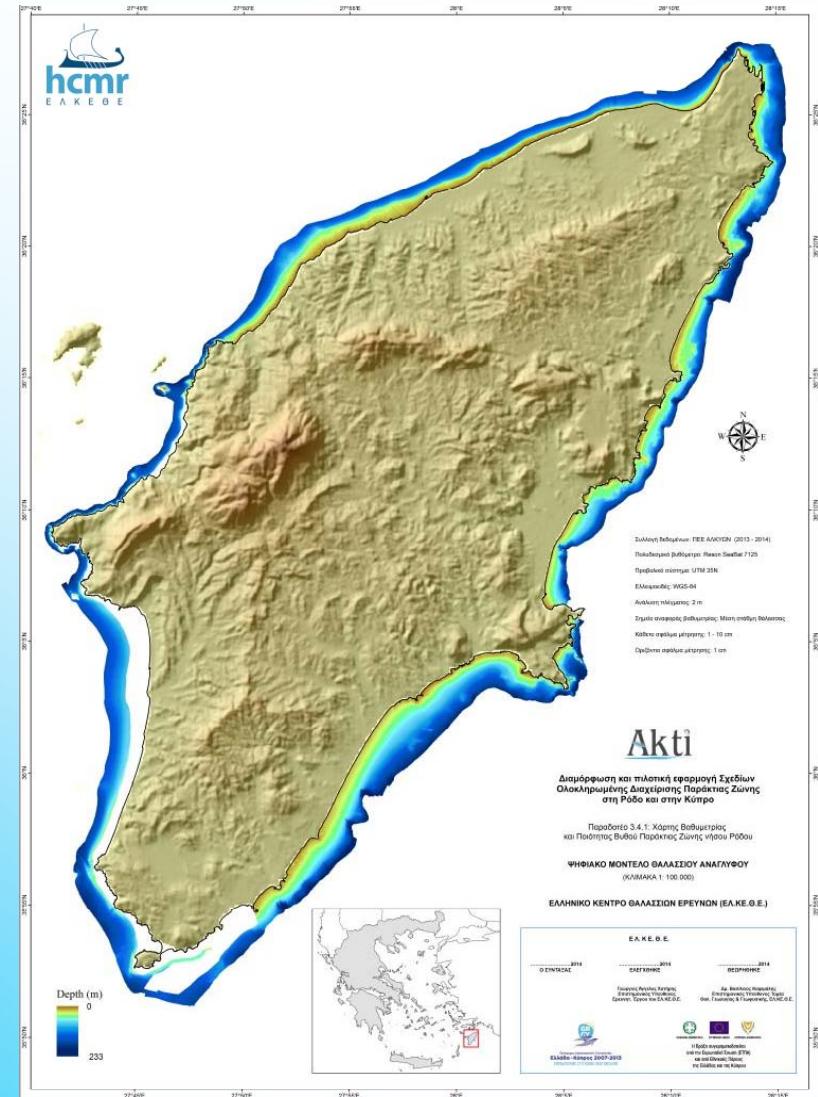
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AKTI: bathymetric and benthic habitat maps



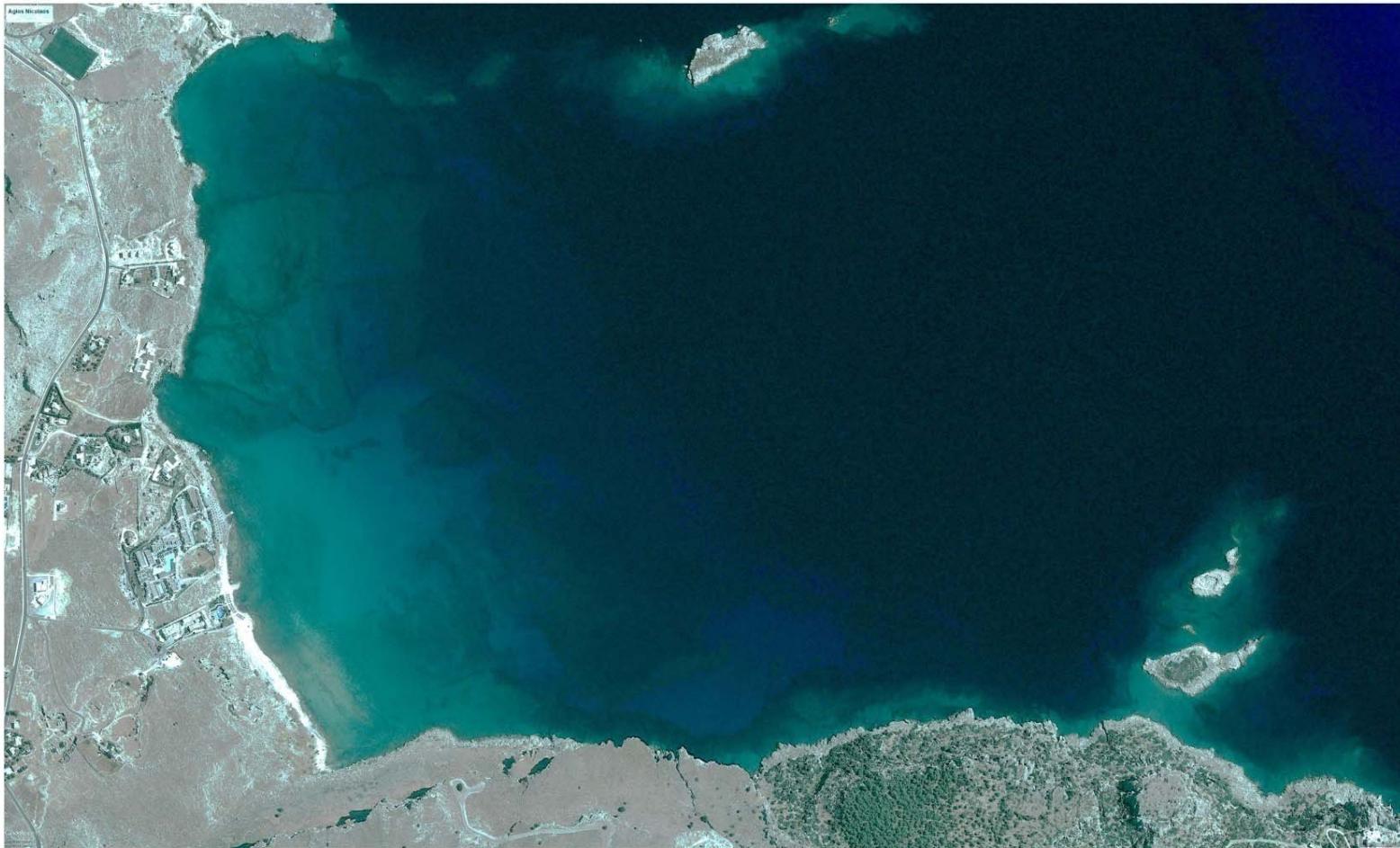
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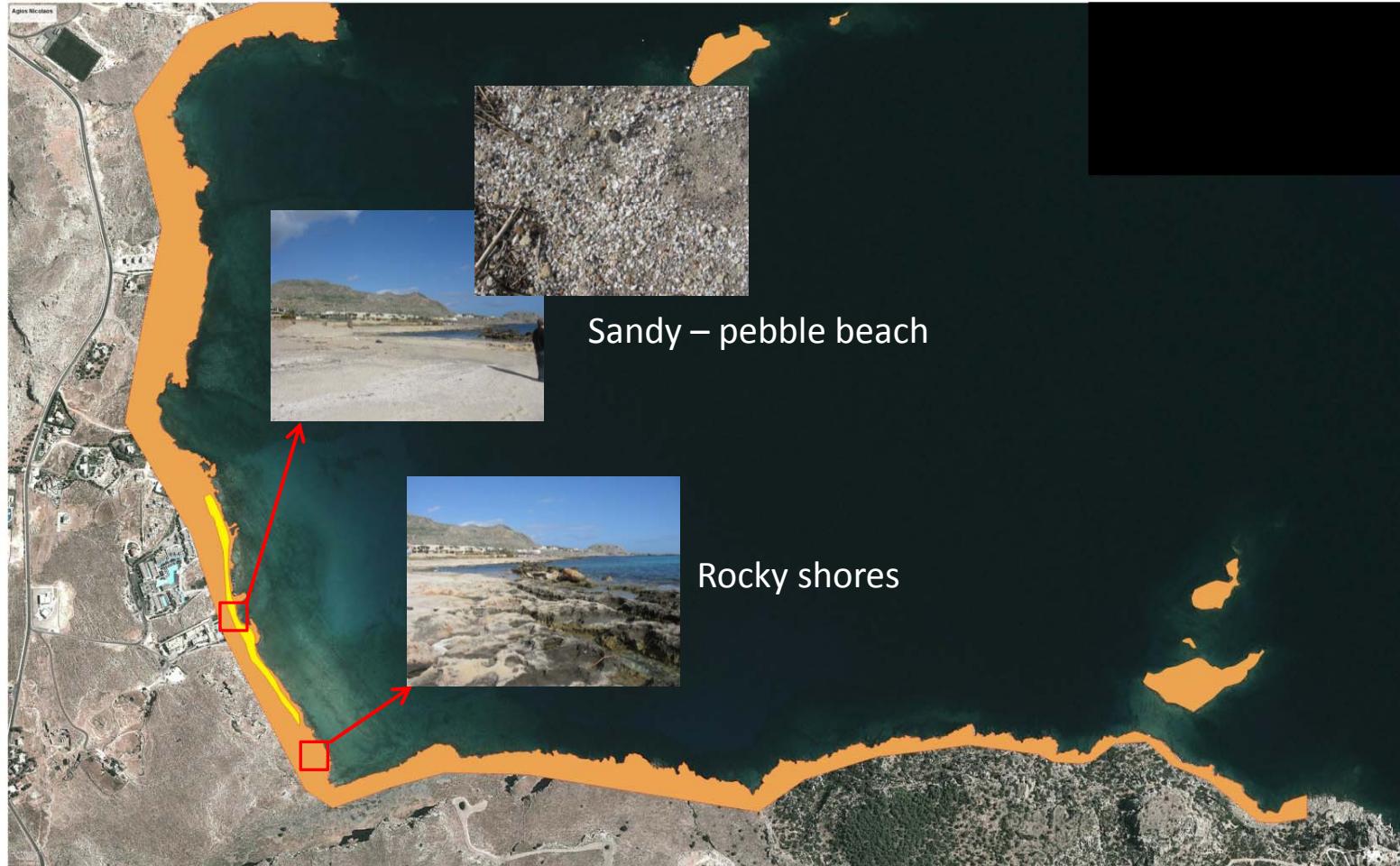
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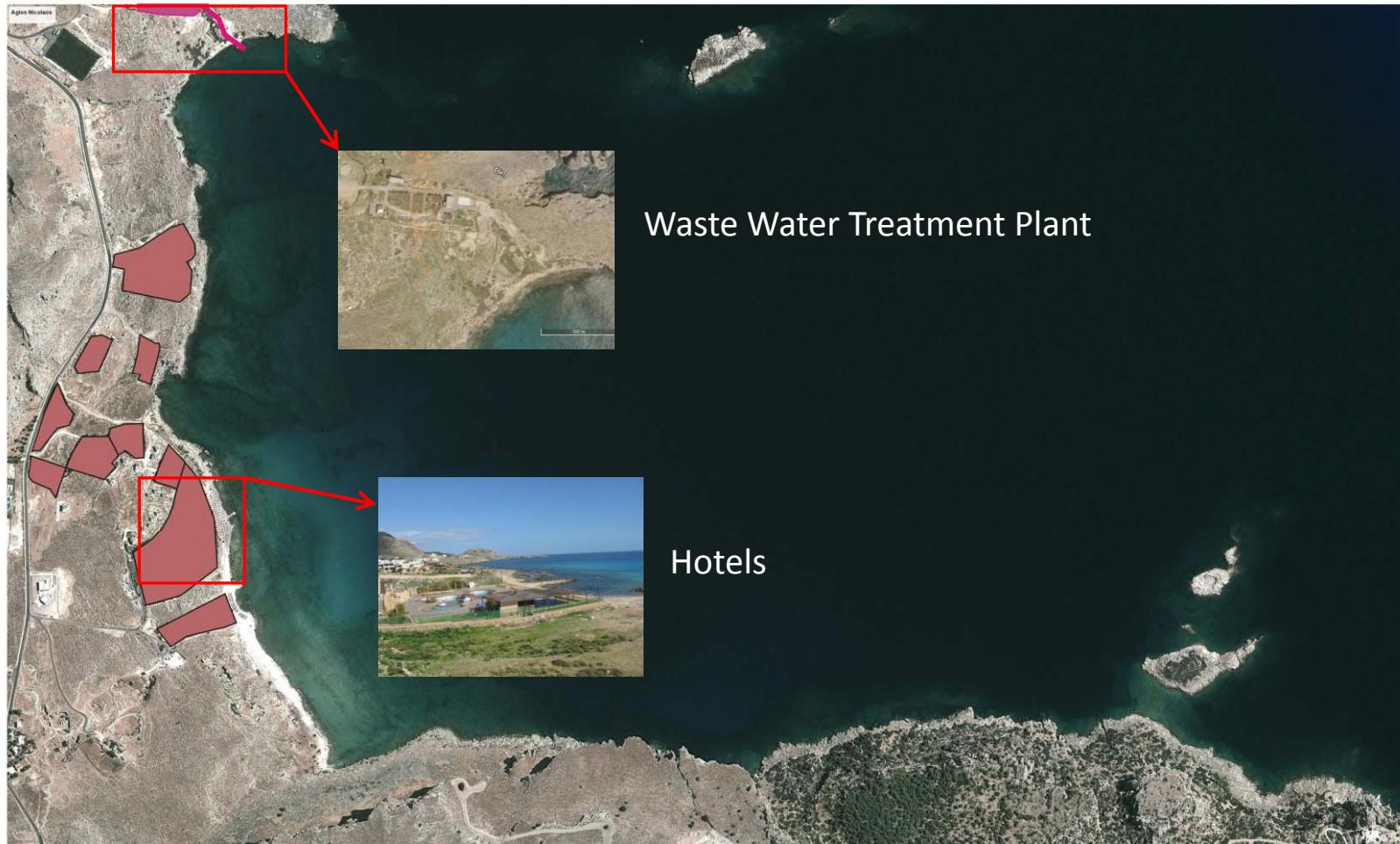
AKTI: Case study for a diving park > Agios Nikolaos Bay, Rhodes > Remote sensing reconnaissance



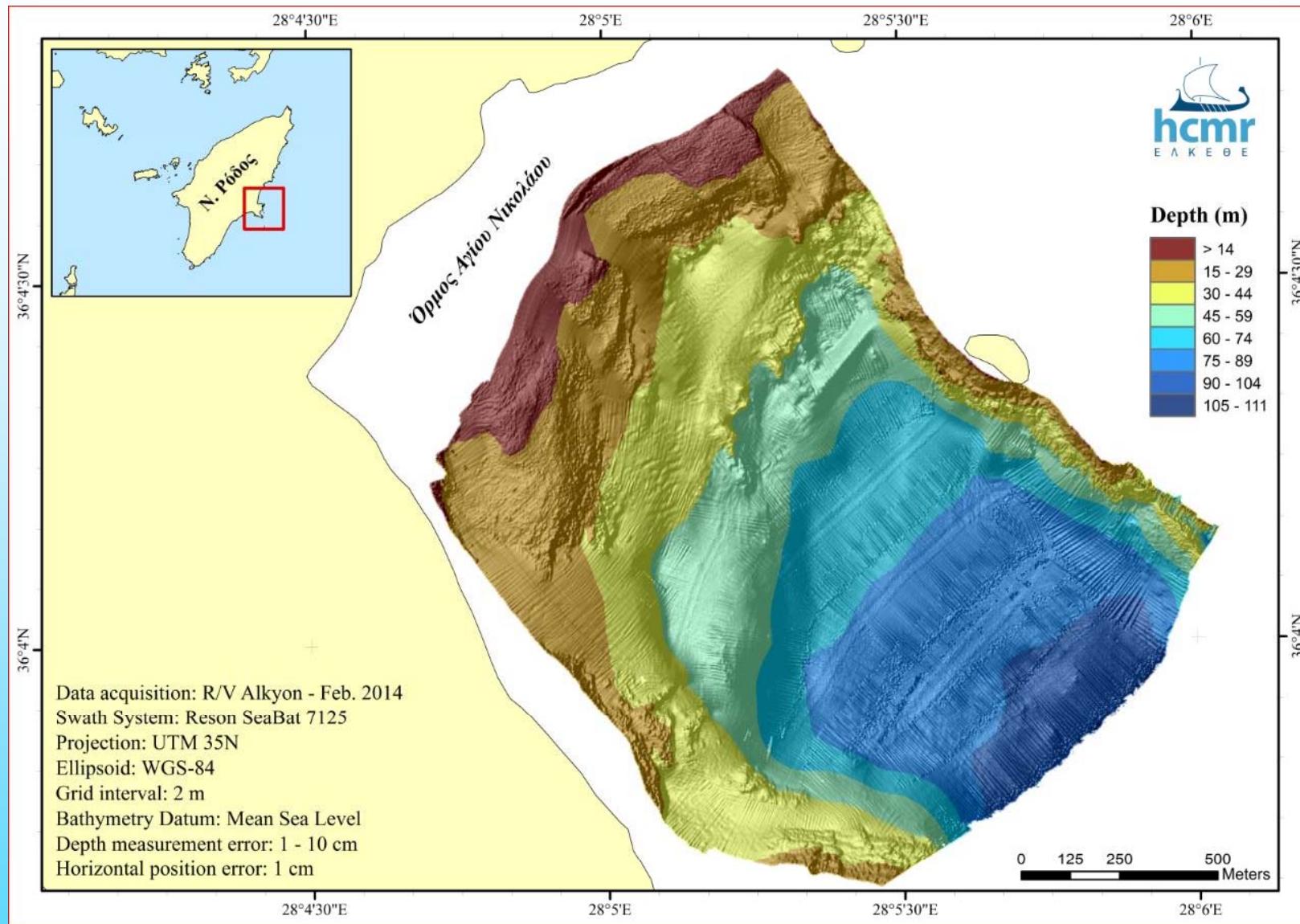
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AKTI: Case study for a diving park > Agios Nikolaos Bay, Rhodes > Land use and pollution sources



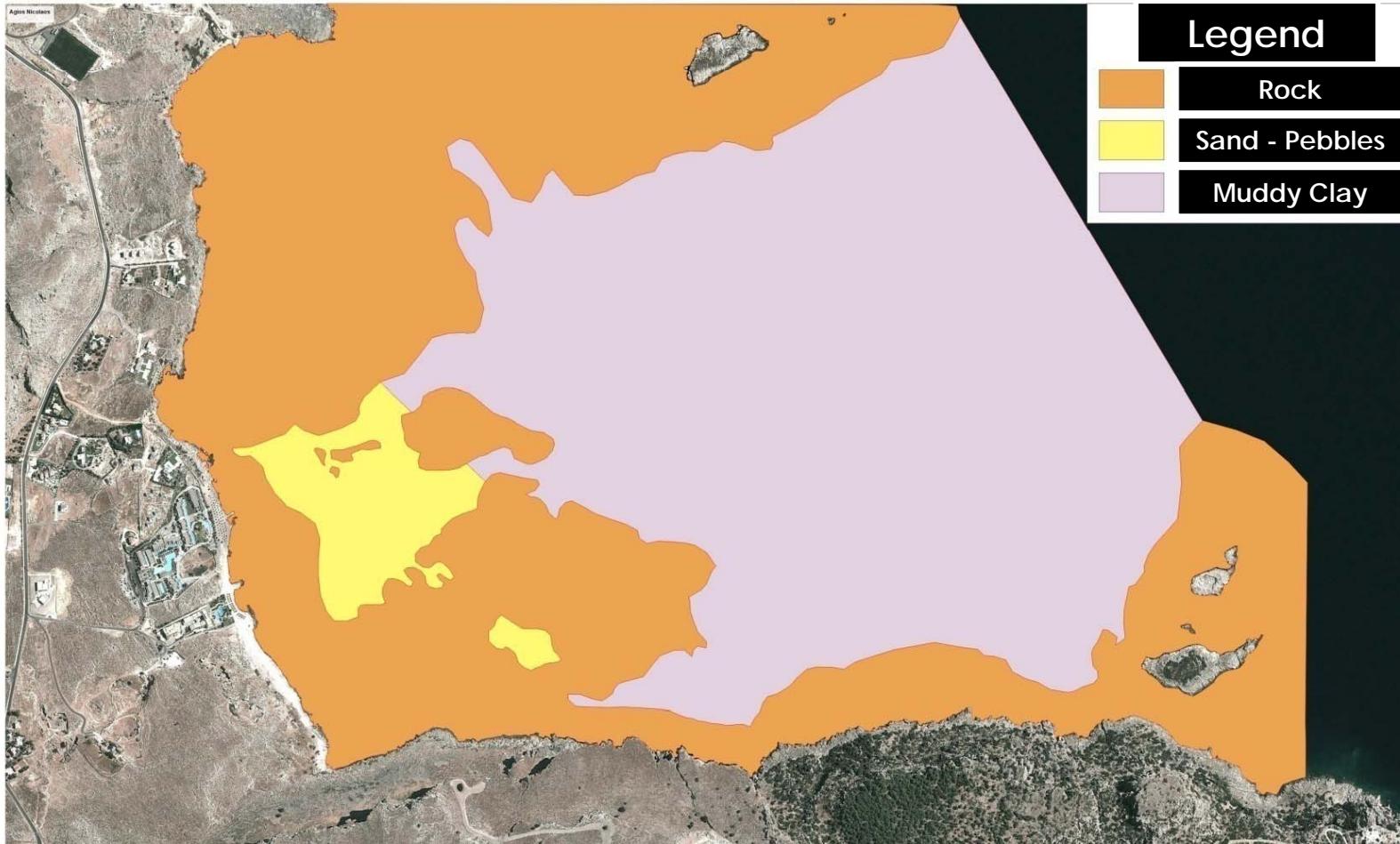
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AKTI: Case study for a diving park > Agios Nikolaos Bay, Rhodes > Side-scan sonar survey and sediment sampling



AKTI: Case study for a diving park > Agios Nikolaos Bay, Rhodes > Benthic habitat maps



AKTI: Case study for a diving park > Agios Nikolaos Bay, Rhodes > Management proposal



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