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COASTAL PROTECTION AND LAND RECLAMATION

Coastal erosion - A complex problem

- Loss of up to several 100 m in the last decades
- Accompanied by the loss of protective mangrove forest
- Reduced sediment input to the sea due to dams and sand excavation in the Mekong river
- Attempts with different protection measure concepts partly failed











Various requirements to a suitable structure

- Stop the coastal erosion by enforcing wave energy dissipation
- Enable land reclamation by sedimentation of suspended solids
- Provide suitable ecosystem conditions for mangrove replantation
- Efficiency regarding construction costs and building materials
- ▶ Main aim: Development of a suitable coastal protection structure adapted to the local conditions
- Scientific approach: Combination of numerical and physical models supplemented by field investigations

Model input parameter **Numerical modelling** Wave model: Systematic analysis of relevant parameter sensitivities (wave height, wave type, wave period, water depth, current...). Assessing drag coefficients for different existing and idealized structure shapes Rect. 1 row - CFD Dia. 1 row - Exp Verification × Dia. 1 row - CFD of results 10% dissipation) for different structures changes for different shapes

Measurement campaigns





- Assessment of local wind, current, bathymetry and turbidity data
- Closing of existing gaps in knowledge
- Essential information for definition of design

Joint decision to propose a suitable structure based on multi criteria analysis considering efficiency for energy dissipation and land reclamation, mangrove ecology, foundation stability, economic aspects, and availability of construction materials

Experimental modelling (Hydrolab)

- Validation of numerical results
- ◆ Flow model in a hydraulic flume (scale 1:5)
- Wave experiments (flume and basin) are planned

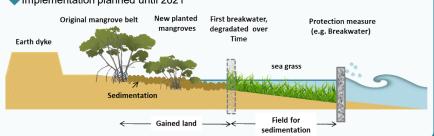






Pilot implementation

- ◆ Combination of hard engineering structures and soft biological measures
- Implementation planned until 2021



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