

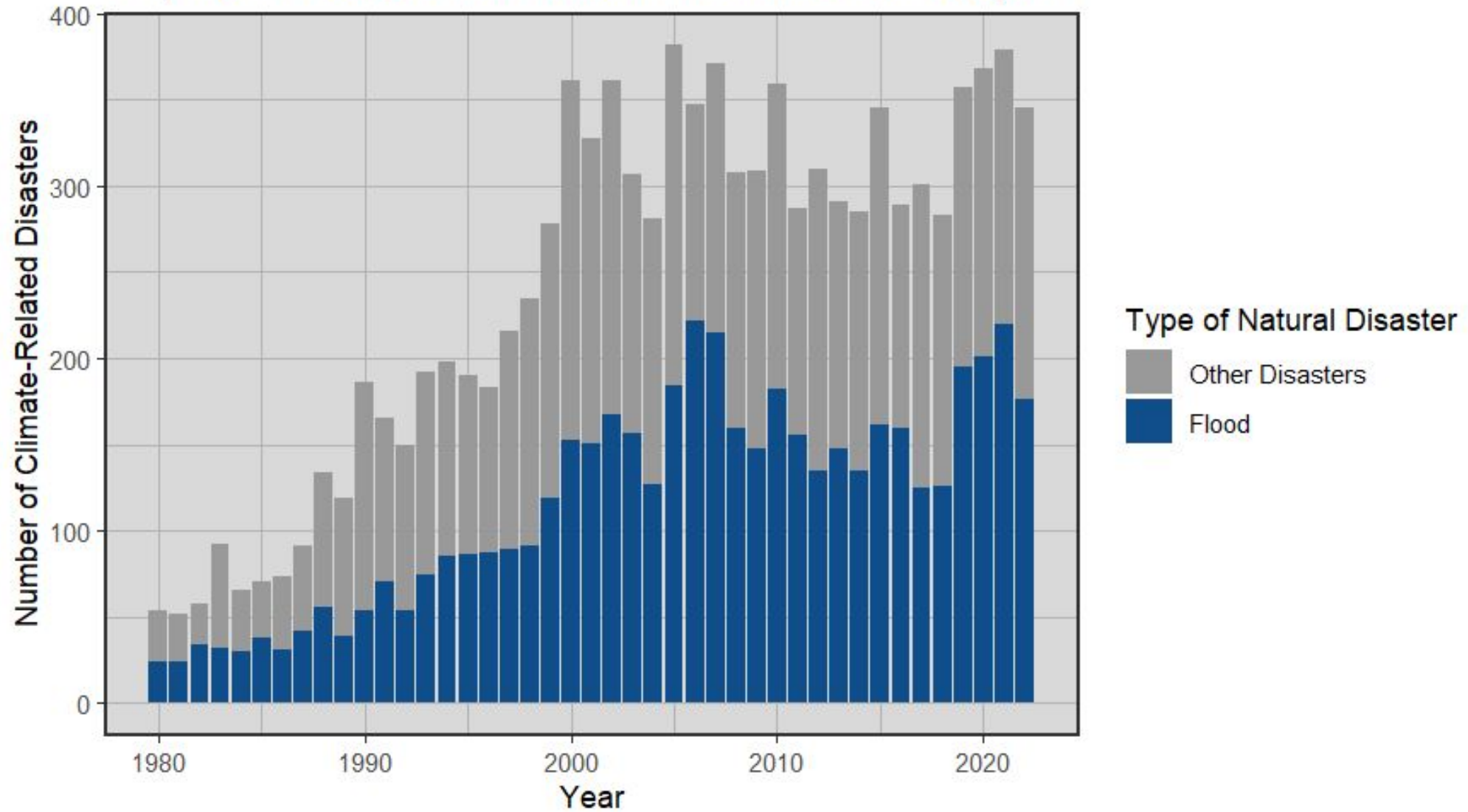
A warning to the European Commission

Climate Change and European Immigration

Climate Migration Research

- Investigating potential connections between climate related disasters and asylum seekers
- Natural Disaster Data taken from Climate Change Dashboard
- Refugee Immigration Data taken from UN Refugee Agency
- Our findings suggest that Europe needs to prepare for an increase in Climate Related Immigration
- A lack of preparation could lead to a Refugee Crisis

The prevalence of flood-related disasters has increased in recent years



Source: Climate Change Dashboard

Increase in Natural Disasters

- There is a clear increase in Natural Disasters since 1980
- Flooding is responsible for a large portion of this increase
- The findings led us to examine Asylum seekers from regions experiencing flooding
- Limitations of the Data:
 - Count data does not account for severity of flooding
 - Data does not consider creation of displaced citizens which is the primary focus of our research

India and Pakistan: a Case Study

- India and Pakistan are the 2nd and 5th most populated countries in the world
- Both countries experienced major flooding throughout the last decade
- Heavy floods occurred throughout the 2010s with a major flood in 2022, and have continued into this year

Kashmir's epic floods link India and Pakistan in disaster



By [Ishaan Tharoor](#)

September 8, 2014 at 12:45 p.m. EDT

(Source: Washington Post)

At least 32 killed in India as monsoonal rains lash northern states

By Swati Gupta, CNN and Reuters

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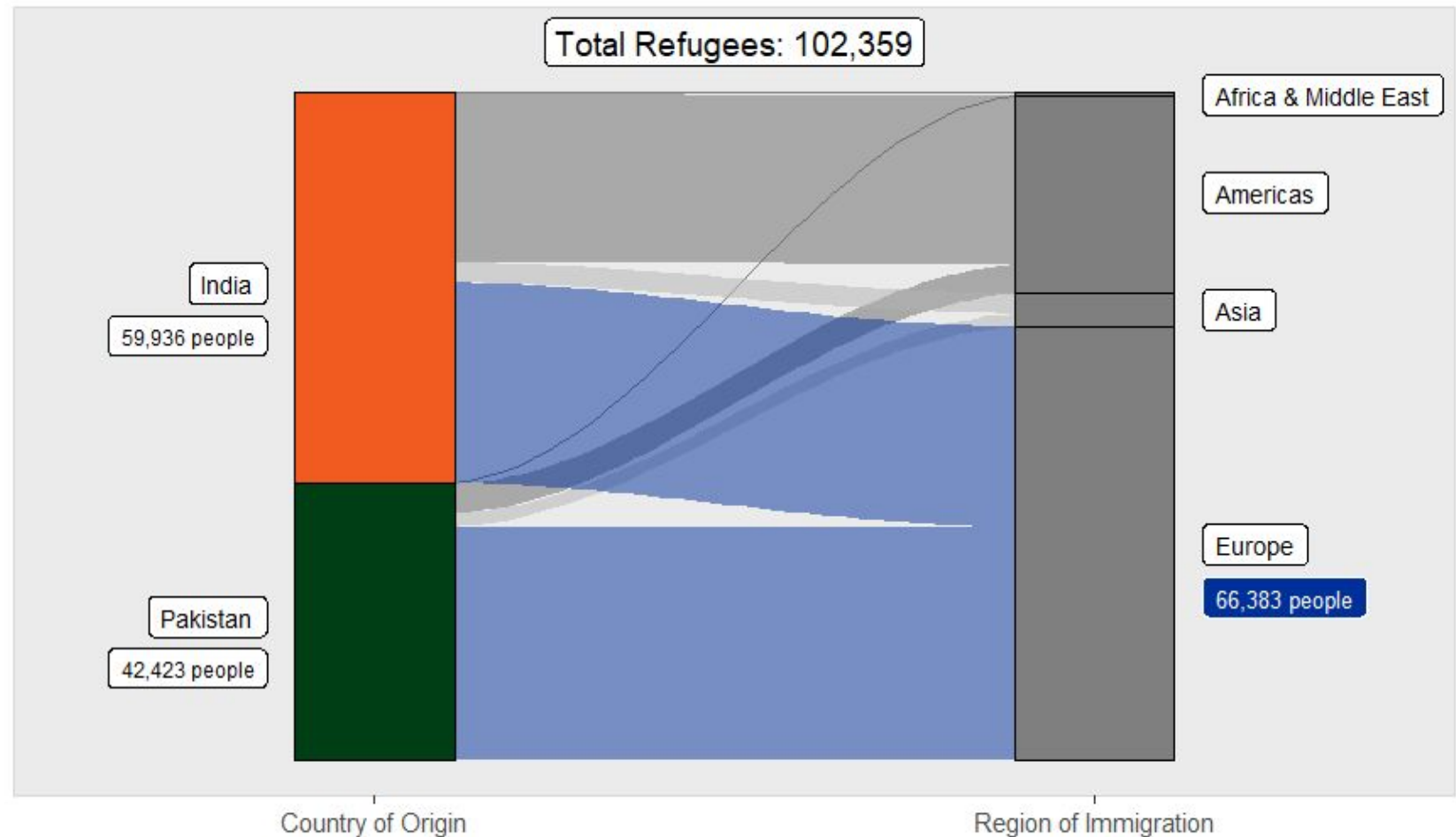
More than 100,000 people have been evacuated over 3 weeks from flooding in Pakistan

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By The Associated Press

Refugee Migration from India and Pakistan in 2022

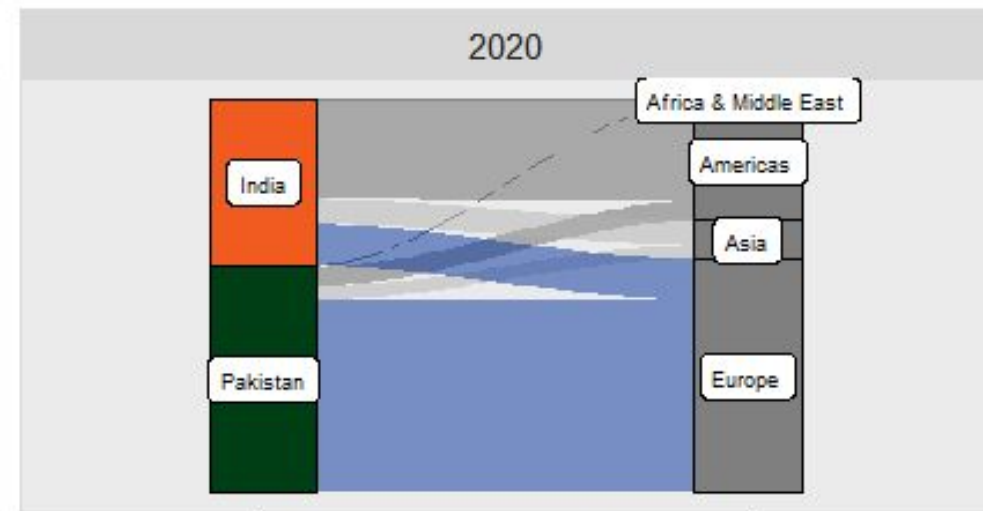
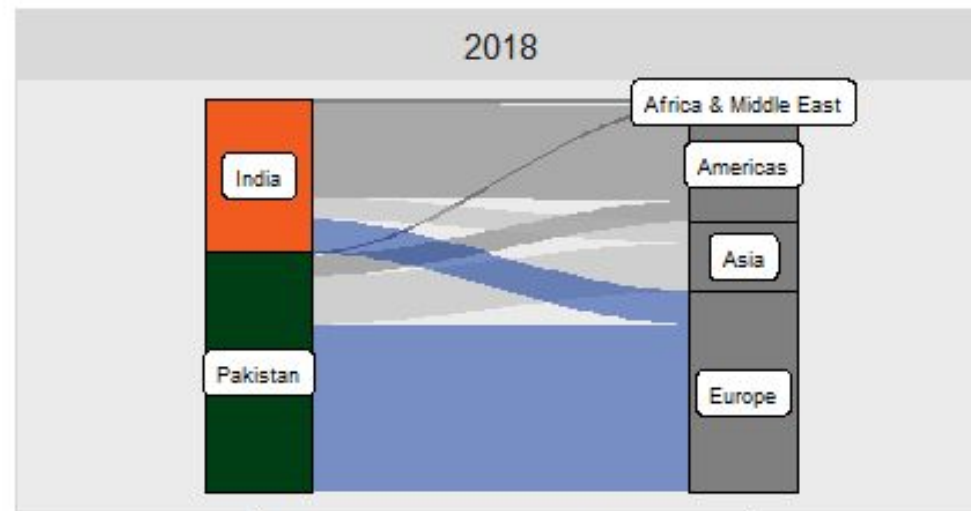
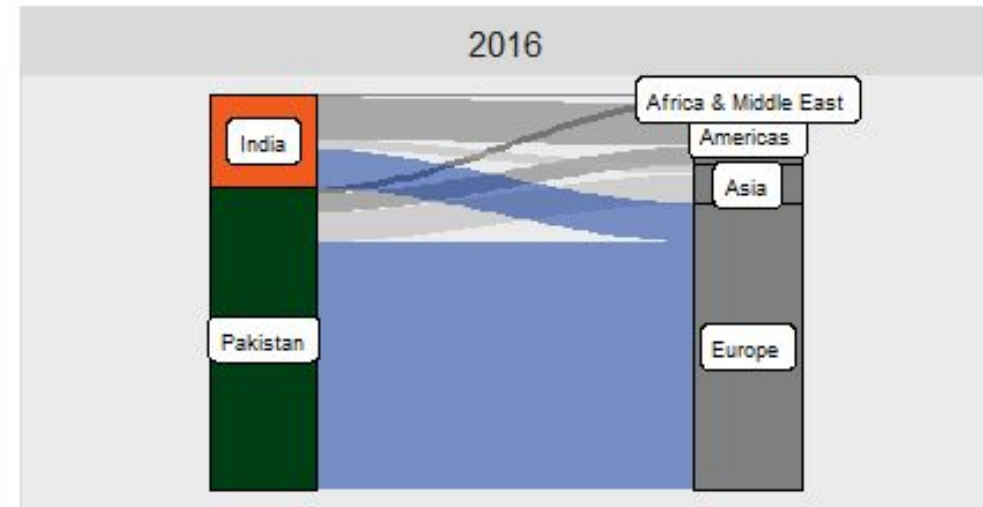
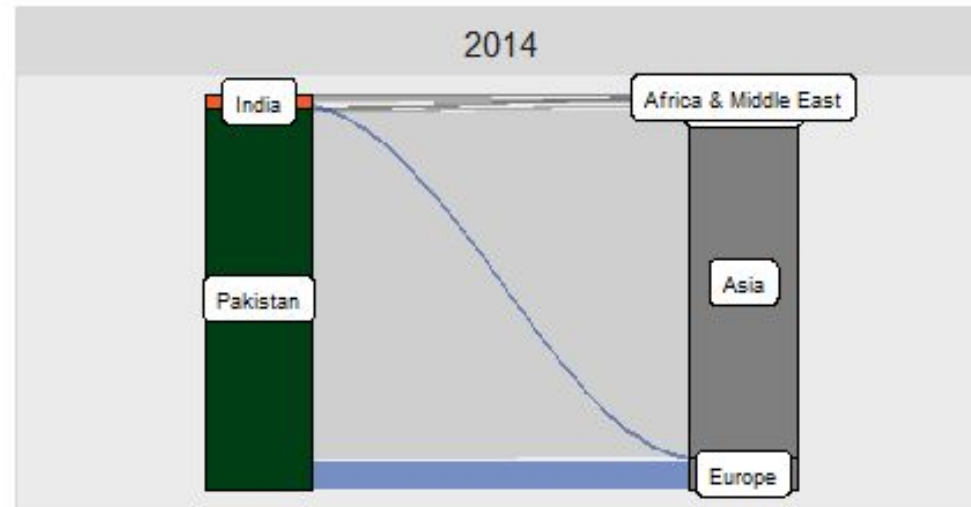
Refugees from India and Pakistan in 2022 predominantly went to Europe



Source: UN Refugee Agency

- Most recent data is from 2022
- Clear movement to Europe

Number of refugees from India and Pakistan to Europe has increased since 2014



Country of Origin

Region of Immigration

Country of Origin

Region of Immigration

Source: UN Refugee Agency



Europe Must Prepare for an Influx of Climate Refugees in the Near Future

- Trends clearly show a worldwide increase in Flooding and an increase in asylum seekers to Europe from the case study of India and Pakistan
- The two parallel trends must be a warning sign for the European Commission
- In addition to typical preparations for asylum seekers there must be a shift in emphasis towards Climate Refugees
- A lack of action could result in a Refugee Crisis