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1 System Context

This section shows the context of the system.

1.1 Context

We are the architecture team in a company that specializes in making smart systems for environmental monitoring.

In many parts of Europe, natural disasters cause a lot of trouble. These disasters can result in catastrophic events that can take human lives and where it will take a huge amount of money to repair the damage caused.

Floods, for example, of rivers and lakes destroy huge amounts of farmlands and sometimes even causes deaths. Climate change and extreme weather phenomena cause these floods to get worse every year. This makes it hard to timely anticipate on these upcoming floods in order to control the damage it will do. There's a huge need for a system that will help the people during natural disasters like these, which is what this system aims to do.

The goal of our first product is to reduce the damage and problems caused by floods by trying to predict upcoming floods as correctly as possible. By using various kinds of sensors, vehicles and control units, this system monitors the areas and gives warnings about upcoming floods. It then also provides guidance to the people in the (about to be) flooded area to reduce the nuisance the flood causes.

When this flood monitoring system works as planned and shows that it can indeed reduce the damage of floods, new products will be made by our company that will focus on reducing the damage of other kinds of natural disasters.

Over time, the system will try to reduce the amounts of human lives that are lost by natural disasters, starting with floods, and will try to reduce the social and financial consequences. This will revolutionize the way we think about natural disasters. Though the market around environmental monitoring is very competitive, this system aims at being a core part of future monitoring systems by being as dynamic and flexible as possible. Thereby allowing new features to be added easily, allowing the system to grow over time, including new upcoming user needs.

2 Architectural business information

The following section describes the different aspects of the business environment of the Smart Flood Monitor. First we will explain our vision and why there is place for us at the market. After this the product and its customers will be explained. This chapter is completed with a more detailed look at the business model and some models about the market and the financial prospect.

2.1 Business vision

The Smart Flood Monitor will cause a revolutionary innovation on the environmental monitoring market. [Company name?] will offer a system which can detect floods early and correctly. This system helps us to enforce our vision, to limit the social and financial consequences of floods and avoid the loss of human lives.

[Company name?] will not be the only competitor on the environmental monitoring market. This means [company name] will have to take their own strength and weaknesses into account. If we combine these qualities with an analysis of the opportunities and weaknesses on the market, we should be able to become a core part of the future environmental monitoring systems.

Such an analysis is called a SWOT-analysis. [Create table for SWOT elements]

Strengths: Quality of the product.

Weaknesses: [No experience?]

Opportunities: Due to climate change, the market will grow.

Threats: New competitors will enter the market.

Our unique selling point is to provide the product with best quality, combined with the best service that is available.

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- 2.8 Competitors

3 Requirements

4 Analysis

Assumptions:

- People requesting guidance have access to a phone that is either connected to a mobile network or to the internet
- The system is able to monitor various kinds of sensors
- The system has access to the internet
- The sensors are (in some way) connected to the system
- The system is able to use various kinds of sensors in order to predict floods.
- When the system has enough proof of a flood, the users will be informed in a timely manner (within 30 seconds maximal).
- People within a range of (30km?) will be warned about a detected flood
- The system uses multiple weather forecasting services to make its own predictions about possible upcoming floods.

In what ways will the system detect a flood? Sensors, UAVs, forecasting?
How to detect a flood based on the forecasting? Warn beforehand? Pay extra attention to the new upcoming flood by sending extra robots/uav's?

Decision: Security? (What if someone tries to manipulate a sensor?)

One or multiple warning systems (failover)

Networking? Redundancy of cables (trunked?)

When to alarm? What to do if only 1 sensor warns about a flood?

Security decisions?

Operating system decision

Storage decision

Push or pull updates? (Pushing Im hoping)

Name	Linux
Decision	1
Status	New
Decision	
Alternatives	
Arguments	

5 System Architecture

6 Hardware Architecture

7 Software Architecture

8 Architecture evaluation

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Time Tracking

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