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The Cistern-System of Venice from the Twelfth Century to Today

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The historical well-heads of Venice

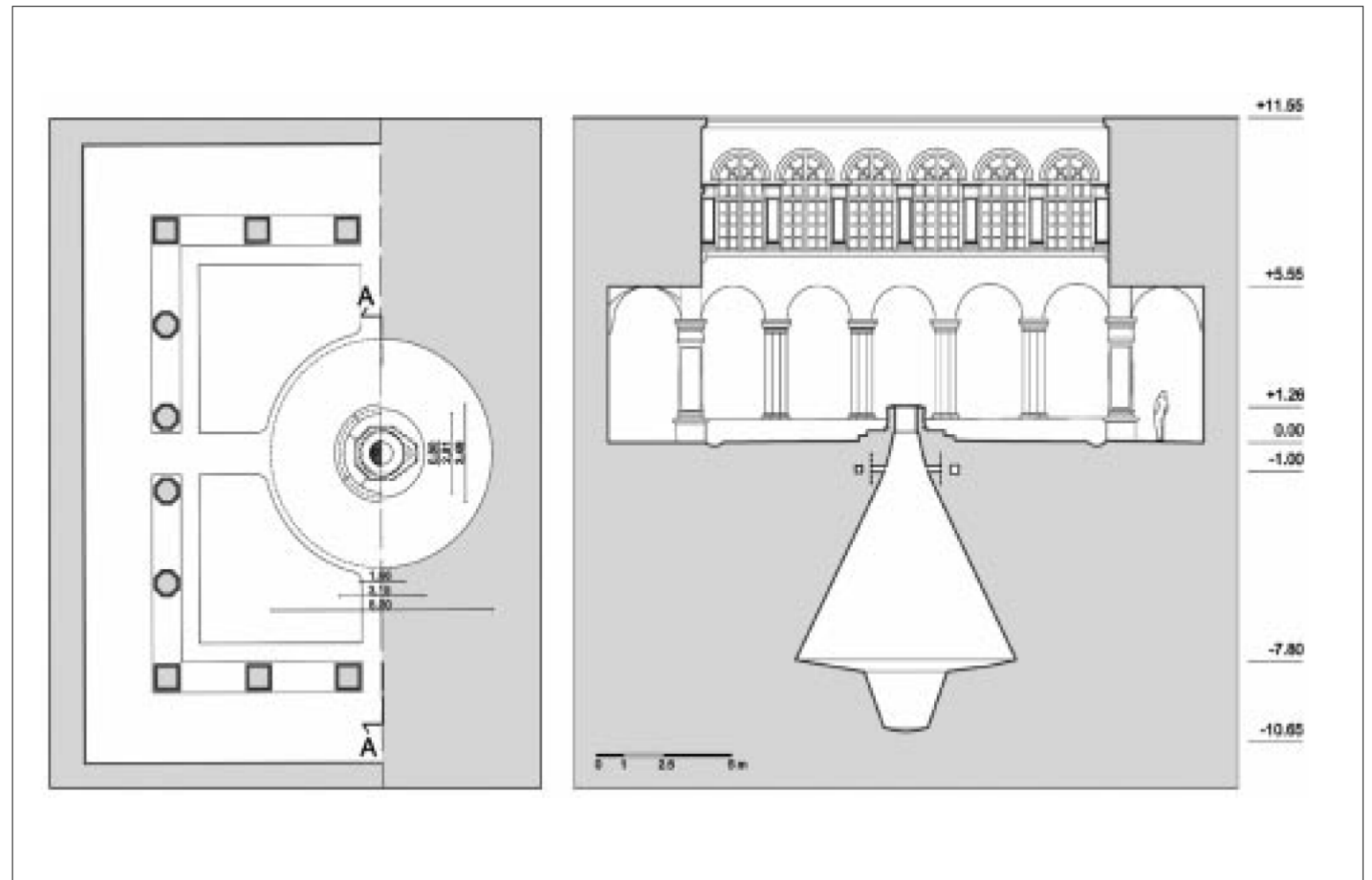


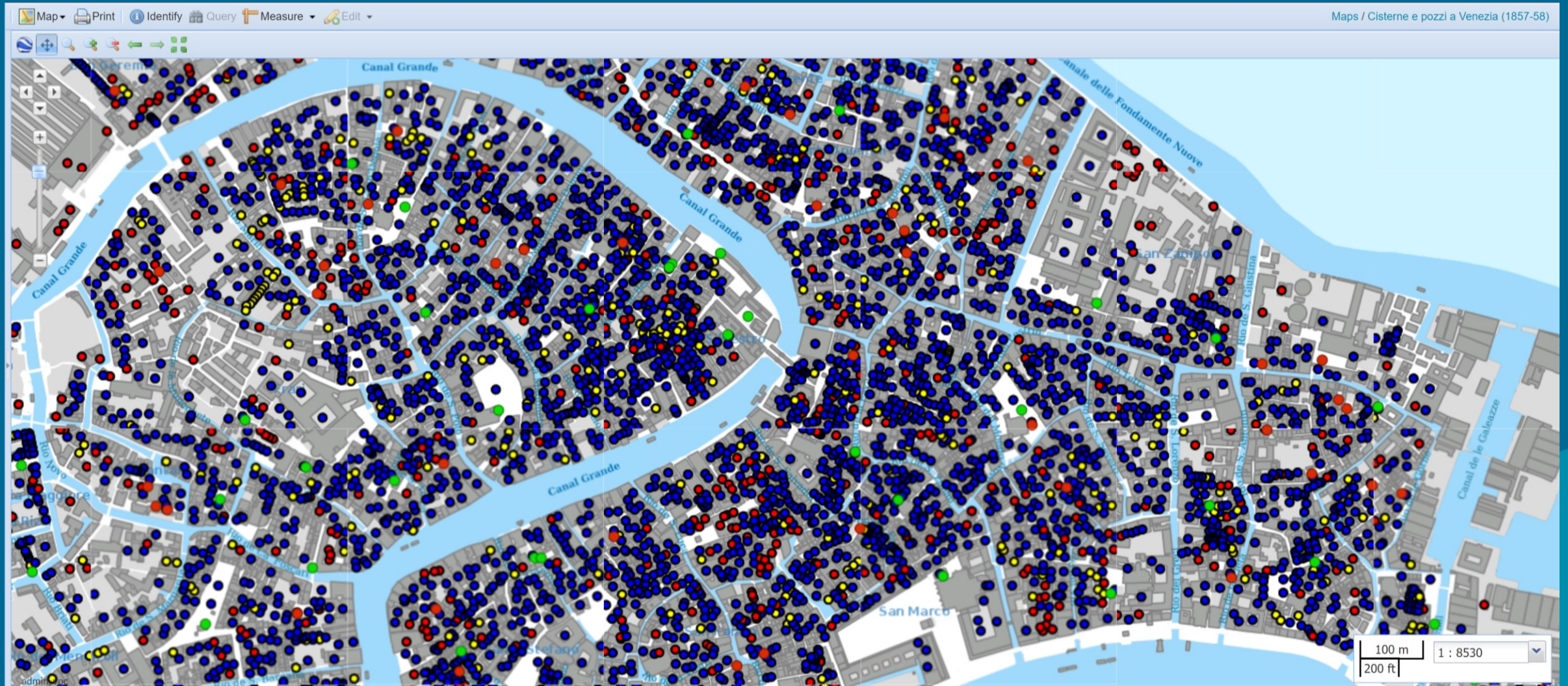
Historical importance of rainwater harvesting in the Mediterranean area



Cistern in the cloister of the monastery of S. Francesco de Paola, Grottaglie (Puglia, Italy)

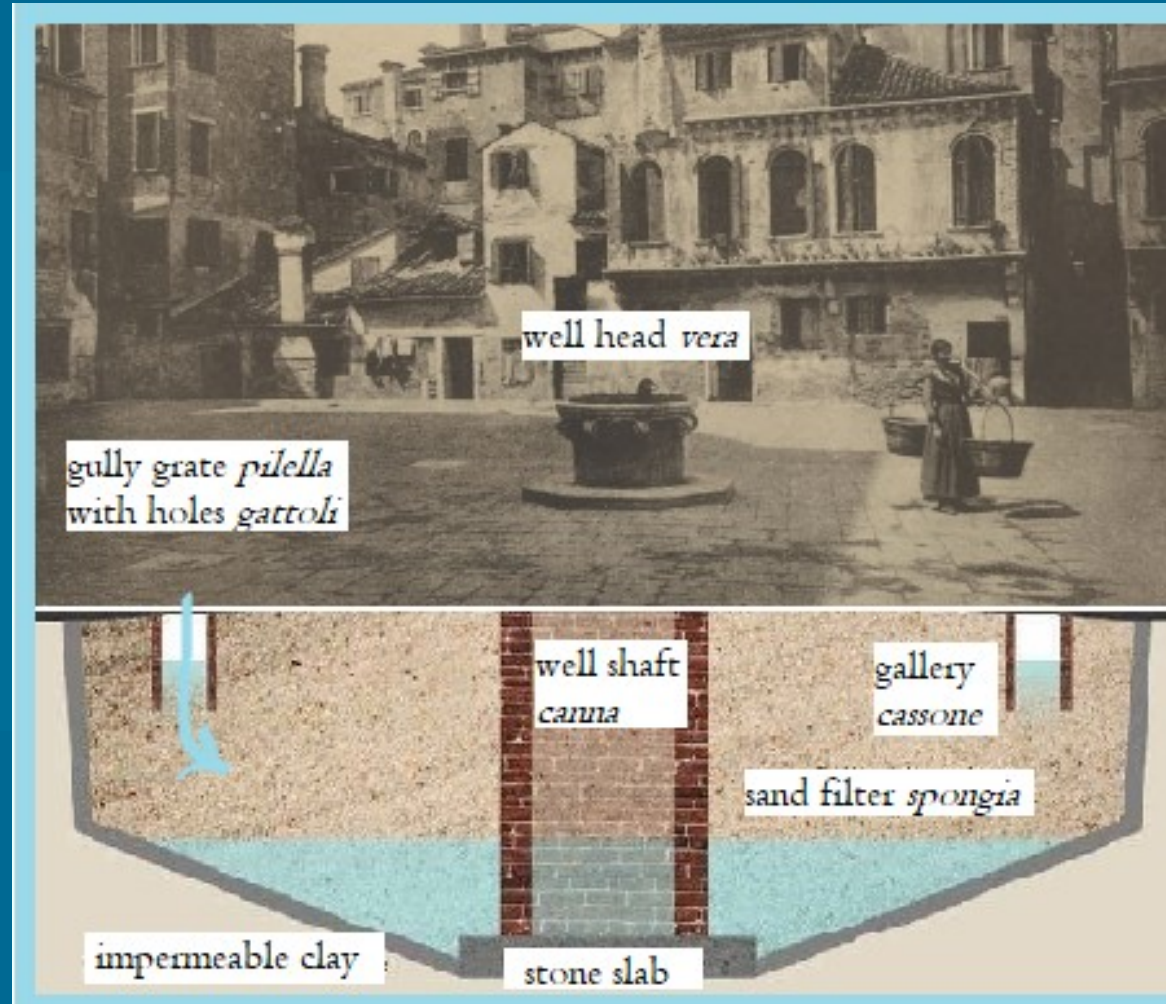
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How Venetian rainwater cisterns worked



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The cisterns of Venice: Back to the future?

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