**Appendix 3: Analytical steps and sources of argumentative discourse analysis**

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| **Objective of analytical step** | **Main category of source\*** | **Government level** | **Source/Material** |
| Establish a first chronology and come up with a *first reading of events*. | Newspapers, journals and professional magazines at the local, regional, provincial, and federal level. | Local | * Municipal newspapers of Dellach (*Gemeindezeitung der Gemeinde Dellach*), Kirchbach (*Gemeindezeitung der Gemeinde Kirchbach*), Kötschach-Mauthen (*Kötschach-Mauthner Nachrichten; Gemeindezeitung Kötschach-Mauthen*), and St. Stefan (*Mitteilungsblatt der Gemeinde St. Stefan*) |
| Regional/ provincial | * Regional newspaper (*Gailtaler*) * Most-read daily newspaper in Carinthia (*Kleine Zeitung*) |
| Federal | * Publications and statistics of the *Austrian Fire Brigade Association* * Official magazine of the Federal Ministry of the Interior (*Öffentliche Sicherheit*) |
| Compile a broad *overview of the field*. | Online survey | Provincial + Federal | * Online survey among experts in the field of flood risk management |
| Search for *structuring concepts, ideas, categorizations, and story lines.* | Publicly available documents | Local | * Flood risk management plans 2015 for:   + *Nötschbach, Feistritzbach und Gail. 2002*   + *Dorfbach, Kirchbachgraben, Tressdorferbach und Gail bei Oberdöbernitzen. 2039*   + *Gail bei Kötschach inkl. Lasachbach und inkl. Valentinbach (südlich der Gail). 2038*   + *Gössering und Zitterbach bei Hermagor inkl. Gail. 2036* |
| Provincial | * Provincial guidelines for local land use planning (*Aktion Örtliche Raumplanung*, Land Kärnten 2017) * Strategy for the development of Carinthia (*Strategische Landesentwicklung STRALE 2025*, Land Kärnten 2015) |
| Examine *sites of argumentation*. | Parliamentary debates[[1]](#footnote-1); Protocols of government meetings; Presentation and interpretation of evidence presented to a particular commission; Public reports; Statements of key actors in newspapers and magazines | Provincial | * Stenographic protocols of the Parliament of Carinthia * Protocols of Carinthian government meetings |
| Federal | * Reports of the Austrian Court of Audit * Volunteering Reports of the Federal Ministry of Social Affairs (*Freiwilligenbericht* 2009 and 2015) * Official magazine of the Federal Ministry of the Interior (*Öffentliche Sicherheit*) * Guidelines and reports of the National Crisis and Disaster Management (*SKKM*) * Statements of the *Austrian Fire Brigade Association* * Statements if the *Austrian Red Cross* (*Positionen* and its magazine *Henri*) |

\*Each category feeds into several analytical steps although it is assigned specifically to one.

1. No documentation of local meetings publicly available. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)