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Introducing Baltics in Space

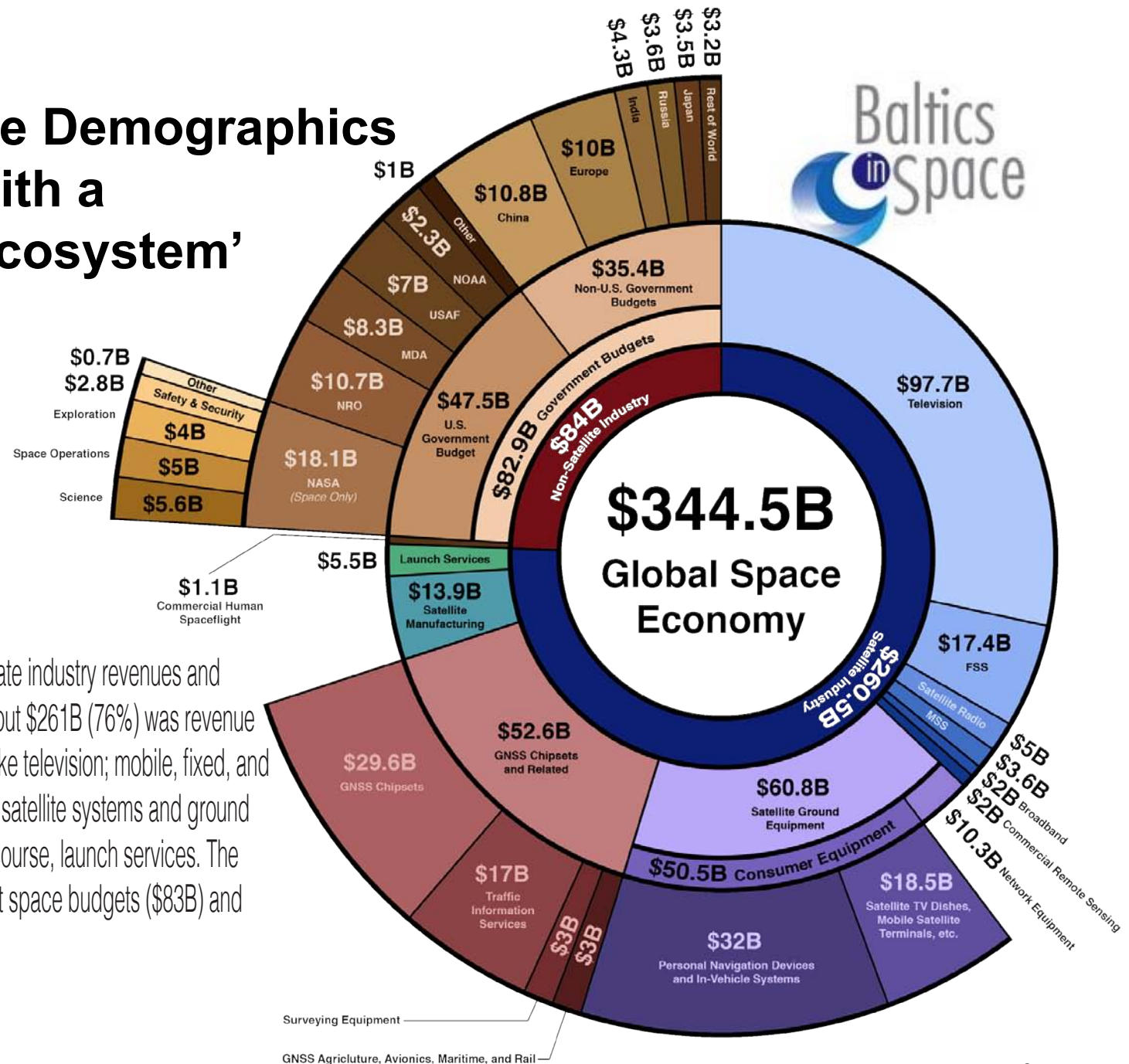


Baltics in Space (BiS) is a social enterprise
that integrates deep skillsets
over a wide geographical region
to provide a competitive space service
larger than the sum of its parts.

Why Space ?

Why Baltics ?

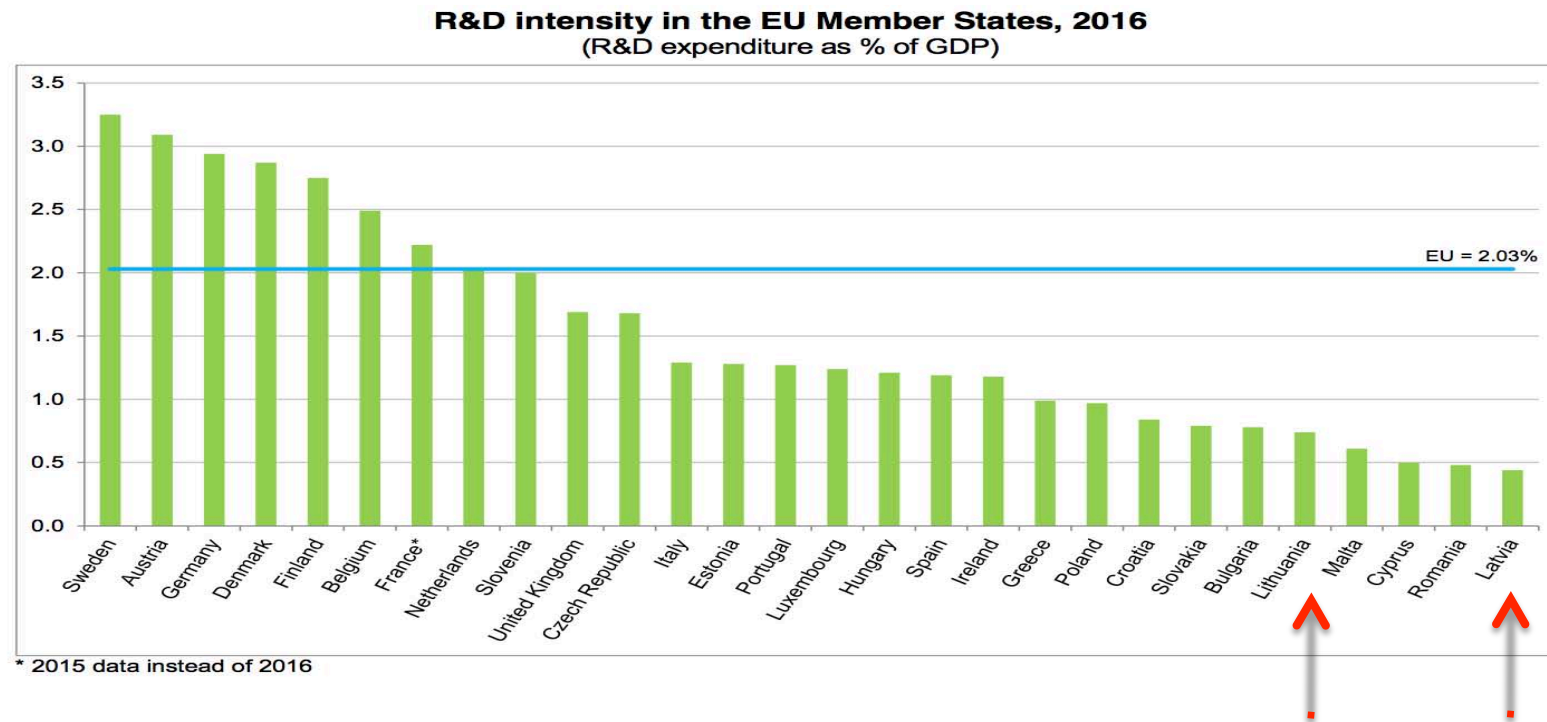
Societal Need: Baltics Negative Demographics Can Address with a Space Skills 'Ecosystem'



THE SPACE INDUSTRY

The global space economy, consisting of private industry revenues and government budgets, was \$345B in 2016. About \$261B (76%) was revenue generated by companies providing services like television; mobile, fixed, and broadband communications; remote sensing; satellite systems and ground equipment manufacturing and sales; and, of course, launch services. The remaining \$84B (24%) constitutes government space budgets (\$83B) and commercial human spaceflight (almost \$2B).

Societal Need: LV and LT low R&D investment Can Address with a Space Skills 'Ecosystem'



We have
instead:
Latvia's
'hot'
economy
3-4%
growth.

LT LV

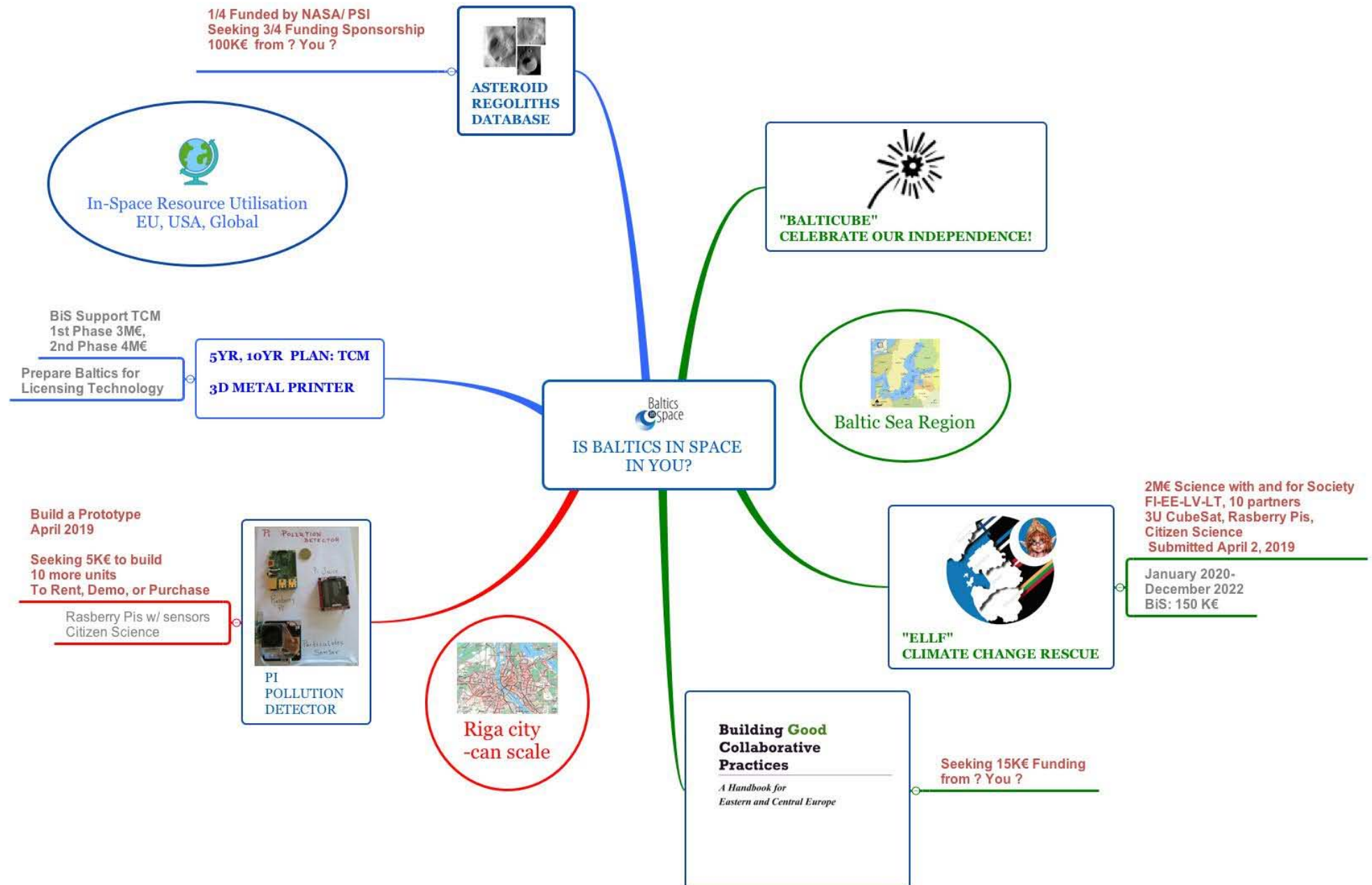
**In the near-term, INDUSTRY will need to lead
Latvia's R&D and show the needed applications.**

Baltic Space Facilities –competencies

Integrate skillsets to build a 4 Country Space Skills Ecosystem



BiS has access to several commercialisable projects.



Book: Good Collaborative Practices

Introduction:

- **Eastern and Central Europe R&D in Transition**
- **Funding shifts towards soft money**
- **The End of Structural Funds**
- **After 16 years : Where we are at**

Triple and Quadruple Helix Principles

Putting one's R&D in an international context

Networking

- **The Search for Suitable Partners**
- **The Importance of Respect**
- **Communication Strategies**

Care of Intellectual Partner Property

- **The Difference between Copyrights and Intellectual Property Rights**
- **Academic Employment Contracts with IPR**
- **Non-Disclosure Agreements**
- **Friendly non-binding Agreements**
- **CC Licensing**

Grant Support Strategies

- **Communication amongst partners**
- **Digital submission / management systems training**
- **Application Writing**
- **Grant Management**
- **Accounting / Financial Department Support**

What Review Panels Look For

Grievance Procedures

- **Integrating former institutes from Soviet Academy of Sciences**
- **Types of Mediation**
- **Ethical Issues and Effective Evaluation**
- **Reputation Losses and Suggested Repair amongst Triple Helix entities**

Five Case Studies

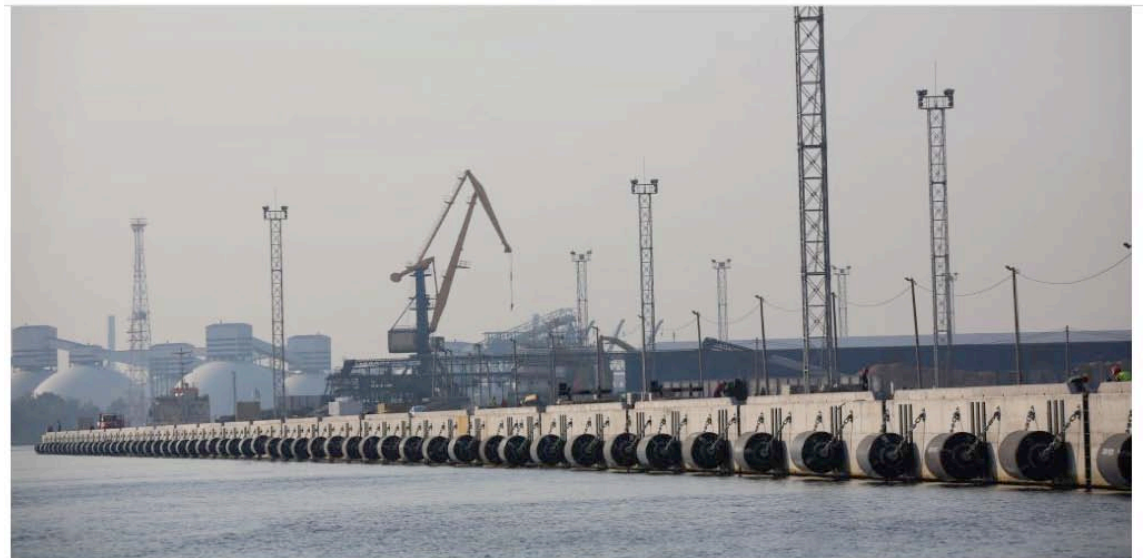
- **Broken Industry Link between key commercial entity and academic partners**
- **Broken Technology Transfer**
- **Broken Academic Management: Misappropriation of Funds**
- **Broken Government Ministry Bookkeeping Link**
- **Broken Ethics Handling of 2.5 Meuro project in Academic Setting**

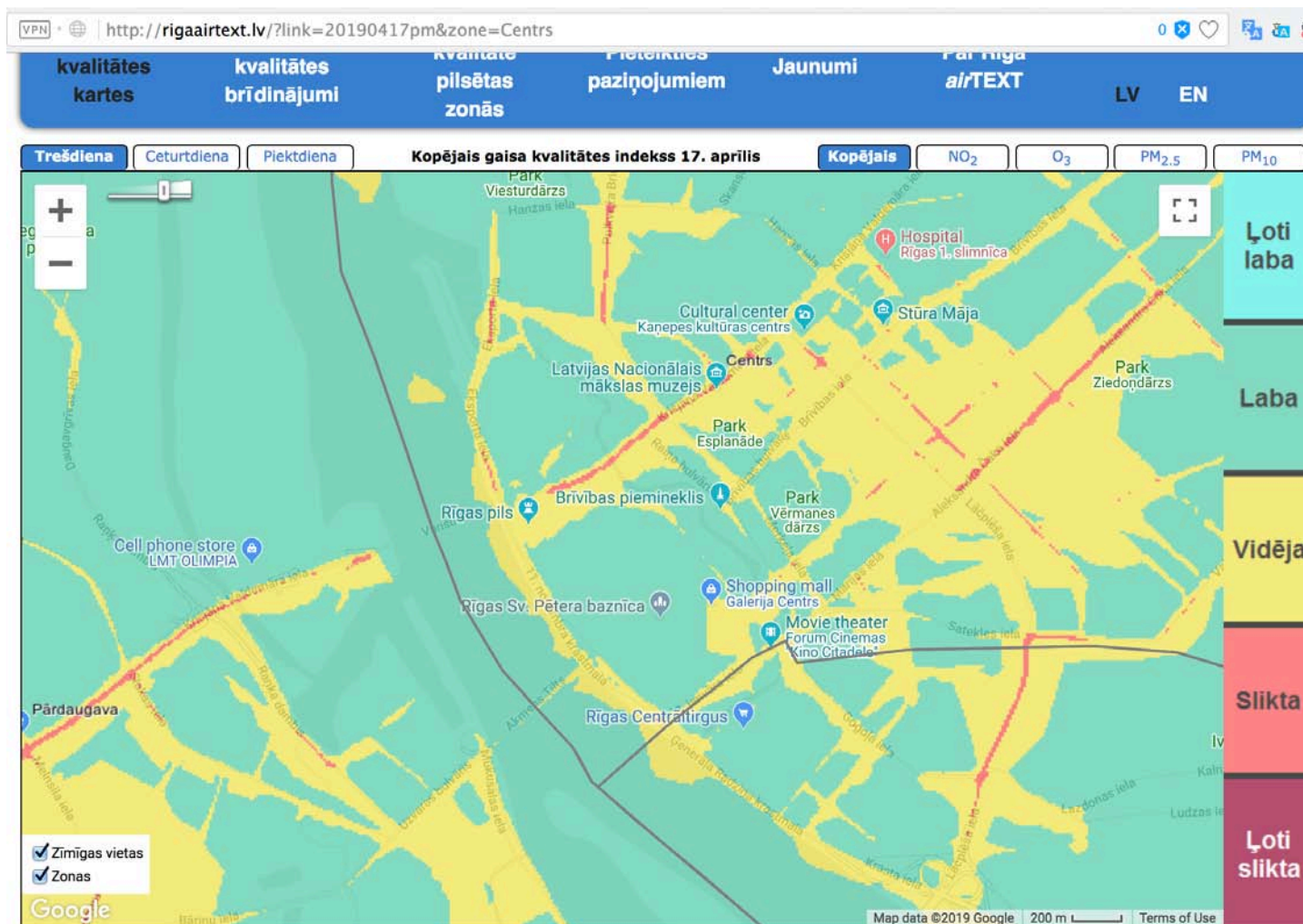
Pi Pollution Detector



Riga has a
pollution
problem.

From coal transfer
at the
Riga Ship Yard



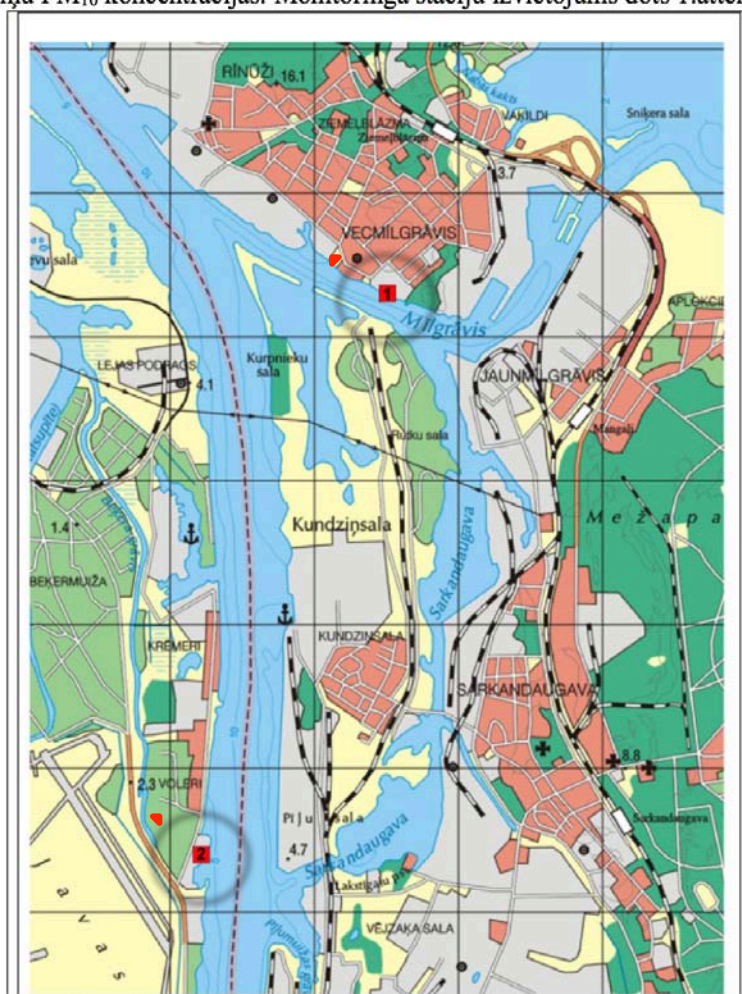


Yet, the particulates reported (*) to the EU for air quality in Riga is **benzene**, not pm2.5 and pm10

(*) Department of Housing and Environment of Riga City Council

<https://mvd.riga.lv/nozares/vides-parvalde/gaisa-kvalitate/gaisa-kvalitate-riga-sobrid/>

two pm10 monitoring stations



1. attēls. Monitoringa staciju izvietojums Rīgas Brīvostā.

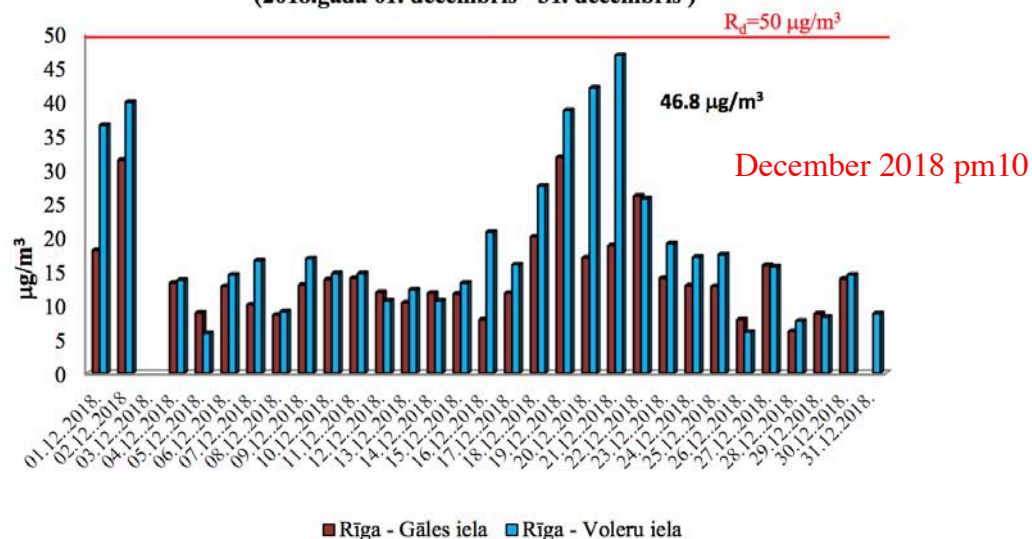
Apzīmējumi:

1. stacija – „Gāles iela”(Gāles ielā 2);
2. stacija - „Voleru iela” (Voleru ielā 2).

Daļiņu PM₁₀ novērojumu rezultāti.

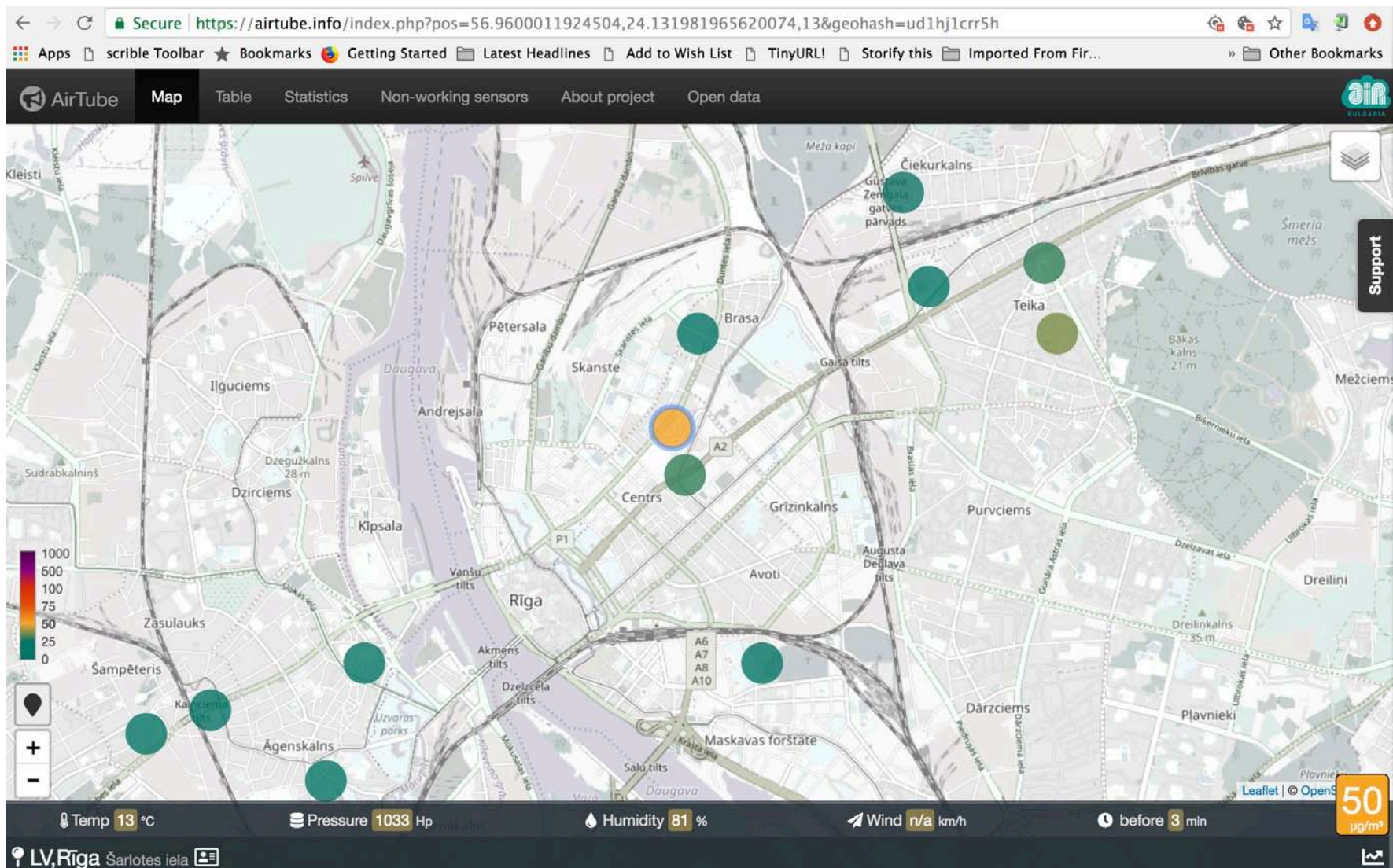
Novērojumu stacijās „Gāles iela” un „Voleru iela” veikti daļiņu PM₁₀ koncentrāciju mērījumi. Augstākās maksimālās diennakts koncentrācijas (stacija „Voleru iela”- 46.8 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ un stacijā „Gāles iela” – 31.8 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$) konstatētas 2018. gada 21. decembrī un 19. decembrī. Mērījumu rezultāti visa mēneša garumā doti 2.attēlā.

Daļiņu PM₁₀ diennakts koncentrācijas
(2018.gada 01. decembris - 31. decembris)



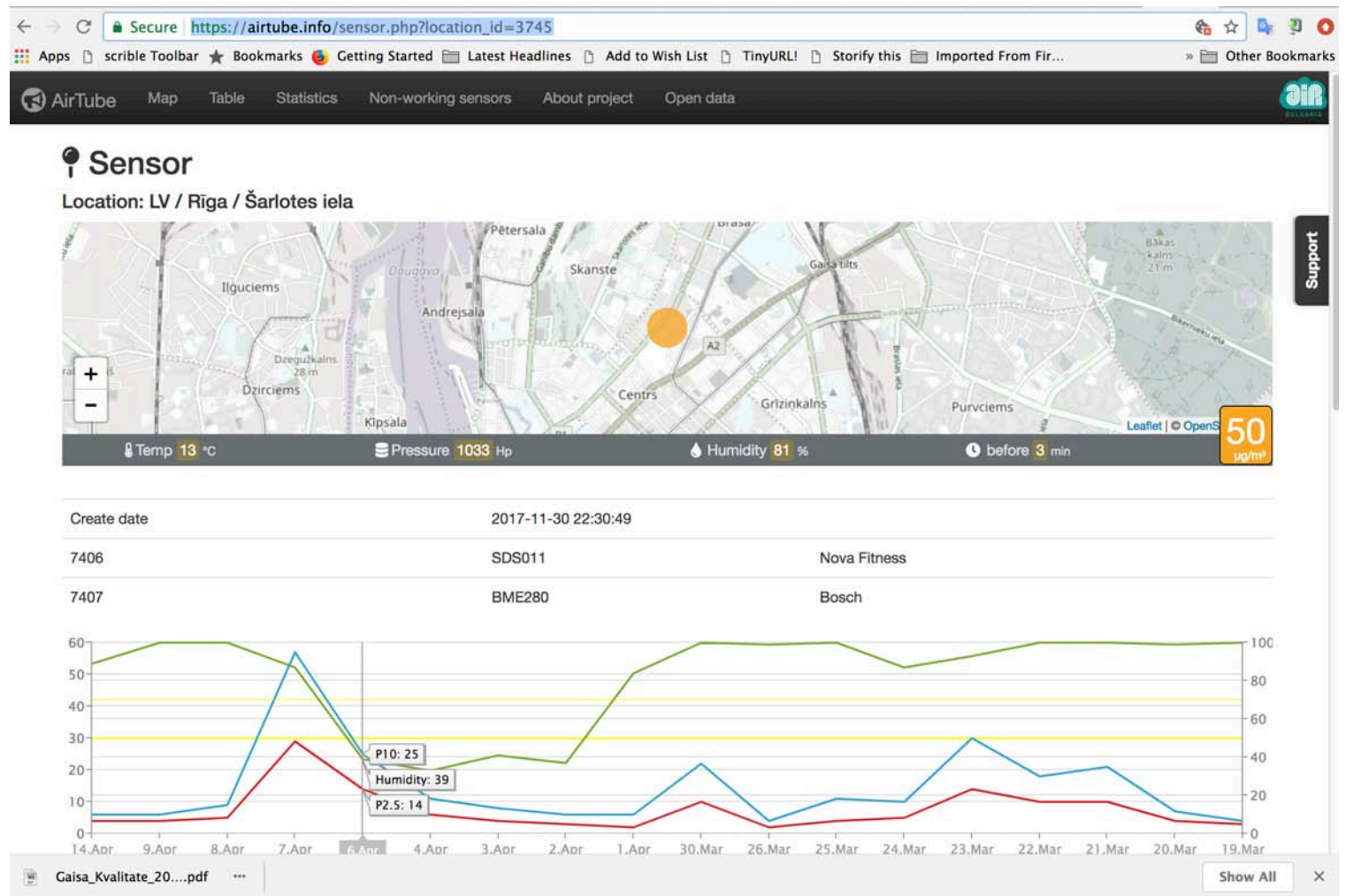
The Port of Riga reports (*) to the public, monthly, pm10 values and not the more dangerous pm2.5 values. They say their particulate outputs are safe ($< 50 \text{ micro-g}/\text{m}^3$).

(*) <http://www.rop.lv/lv/par-ostu/vide/vides-monitorings.html>



Meanwhile a handful of anonymous environment stations in Riga are recording temperature, pressure, humidity and PM2.5 and PM10 particulate data.

One of the environment stations is relatively near the shipyard and recording pm10 and pm2.5 values.



Their recordings show PM10 levels exceeded safety levels five days in December 2018 (*)

(*) Šarlotes iela

https://airtube.info/stats.php?country=LV&city=R%C4%ABga&sensor=3745&date_from=2018-12-01&date_to=2018-12-31&groupby=d

Despite the 'firm stance' (*) from Chairman of the Board of Riga Shipyard: Andris Ameriks, that, from January 1, 2019, no coal will be transferred in the city center -

"The Freeport of Riga expresses a firm stance - there will be no departure from the terms of realization of the Russian island project. From January 1, 2019 no coal tons will be treated in the city center anymore, "emphasizes Andris Ameriks, Chairman of the Freeport of Riga Authority.

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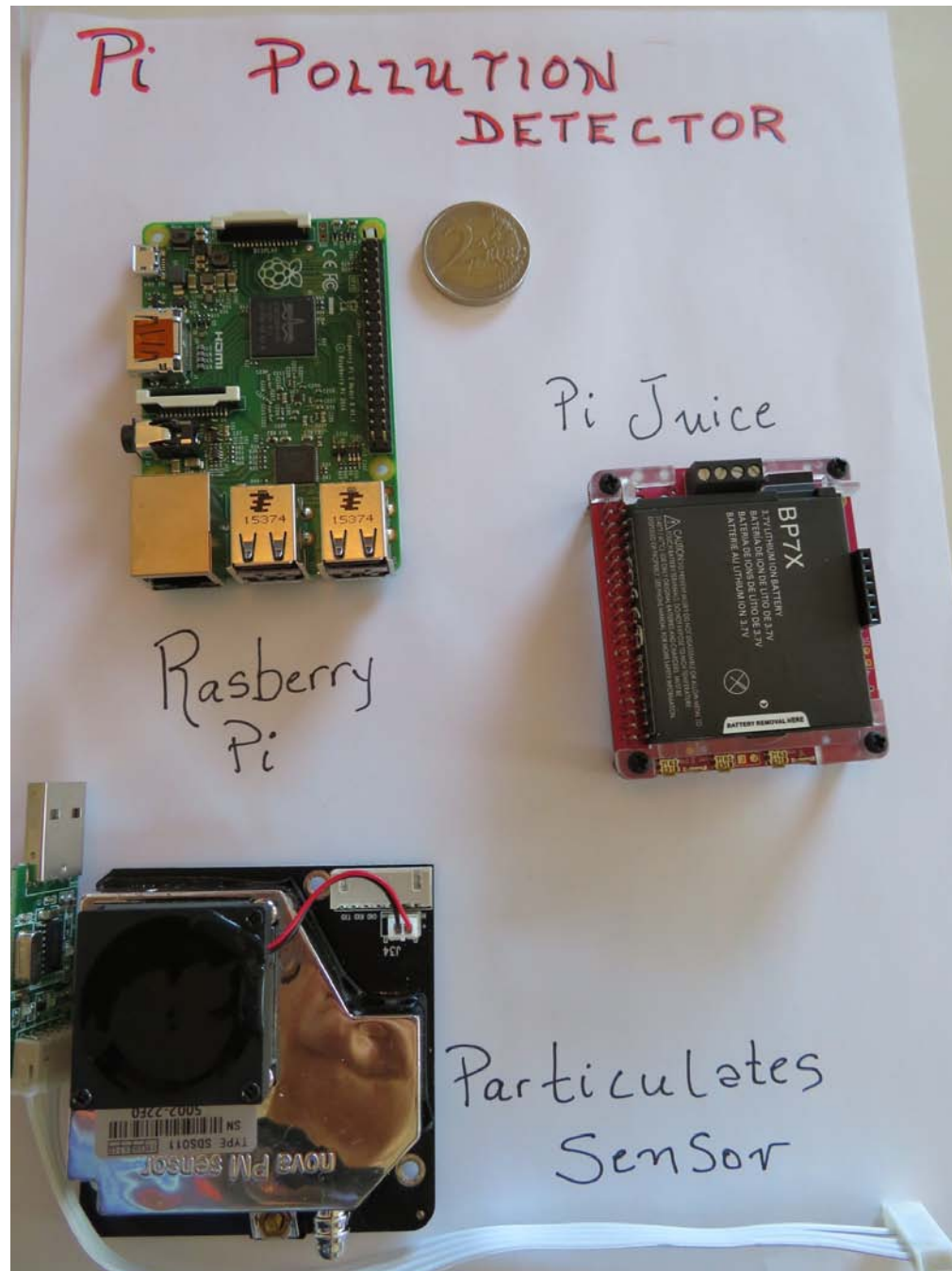
<http://www.la.lv/nakamgad-oglu-parkrausana-rigas-ostas-piestatnes-pilsetas-centra-tiks-pilniba-partraukta>

- the environment stations at Sarlottes iela (1), Valdemara iela (2), Daugavpils iela (3), recorded PM10 safety levels breached in January: 8, 3, and 8 days. February showed 5 days more of safety breaches.

(1) https://airtube.info/stats.php?country=LV&city=R%C4%ABga&sensor=3745&date_from=2019-01-01&date_to=2019-01-31&groupby=d

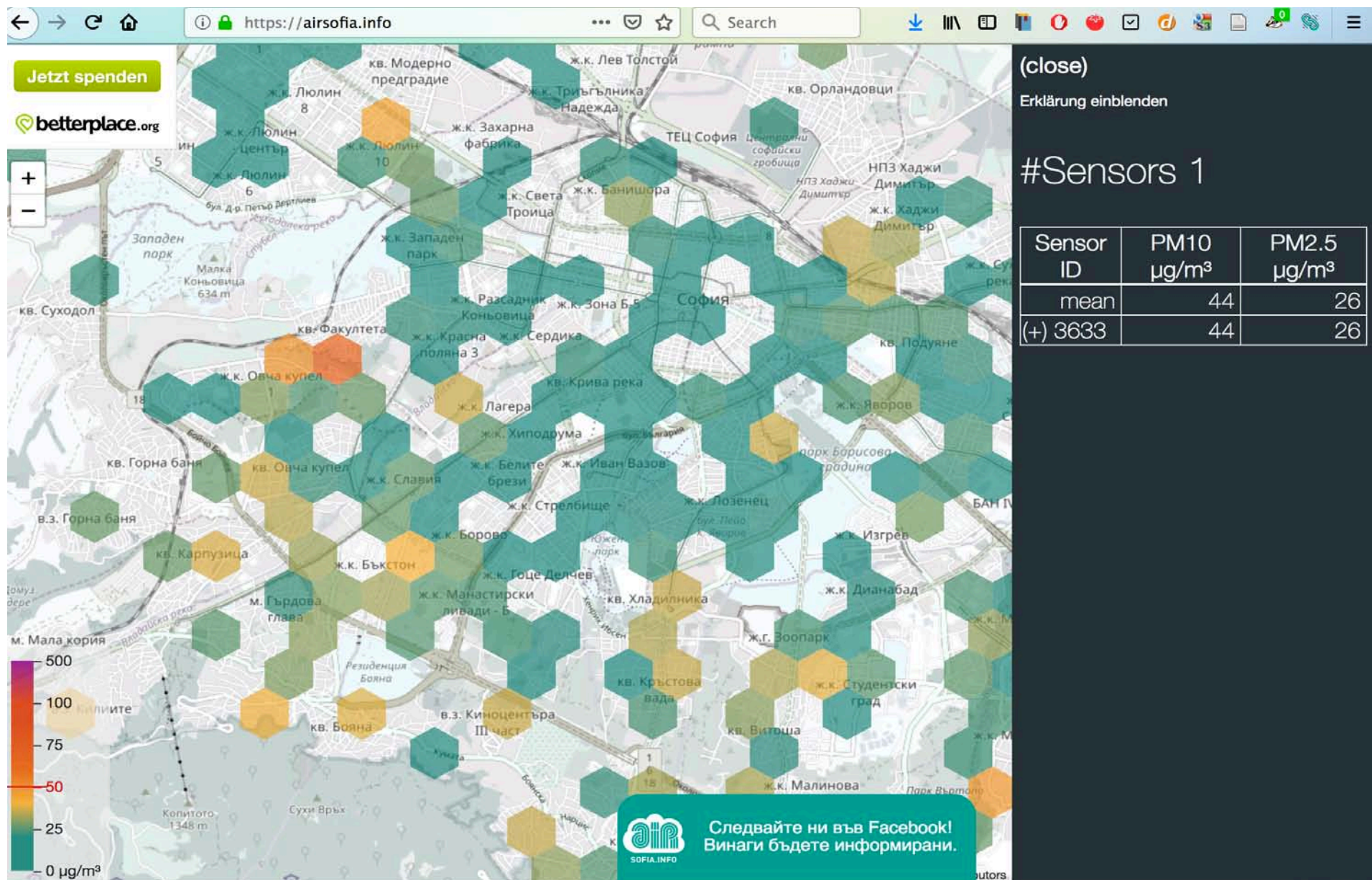
(2) https://airtube.info/stats.php?country=LV&city=R%C4%ABga&sensor=9692&date_from=2019-01-01&date_to=2019-01-31&groupby=d

(3) https://airtube.info/stats.php?country=LV&city=R%C4%ABga&sensor=3776&date_from=2019-01-01&date_to=2019-01-31&groupby=d



**Riga needs more
particulate data.**

By hundreds of volunteers,
acquiring data all over the
city.



Sofia, Bulgaria

200 volunteer, environment stations

ELLF C³ STEM

What is ELLF C³ STEM?



*Estonia-Latvia-Lithuania-Finland “ELLF “
Climate Change Cubesat “C³” STEM*

**Funding Call Horizon 2020 Pillar: Science
with and for Society**

Call: [H2020-SwafS-2018-2020](https://ec.europa.eu/horizon-hub/en/h2020-swafS-2018-2020)

Submitted: 02 April 2019

Contribution: 2 Meuro

Budget: 2 MEuro Funding split between:

16% **launch** (300 KEur)

25% **CubeSat** Development (340 KEur)

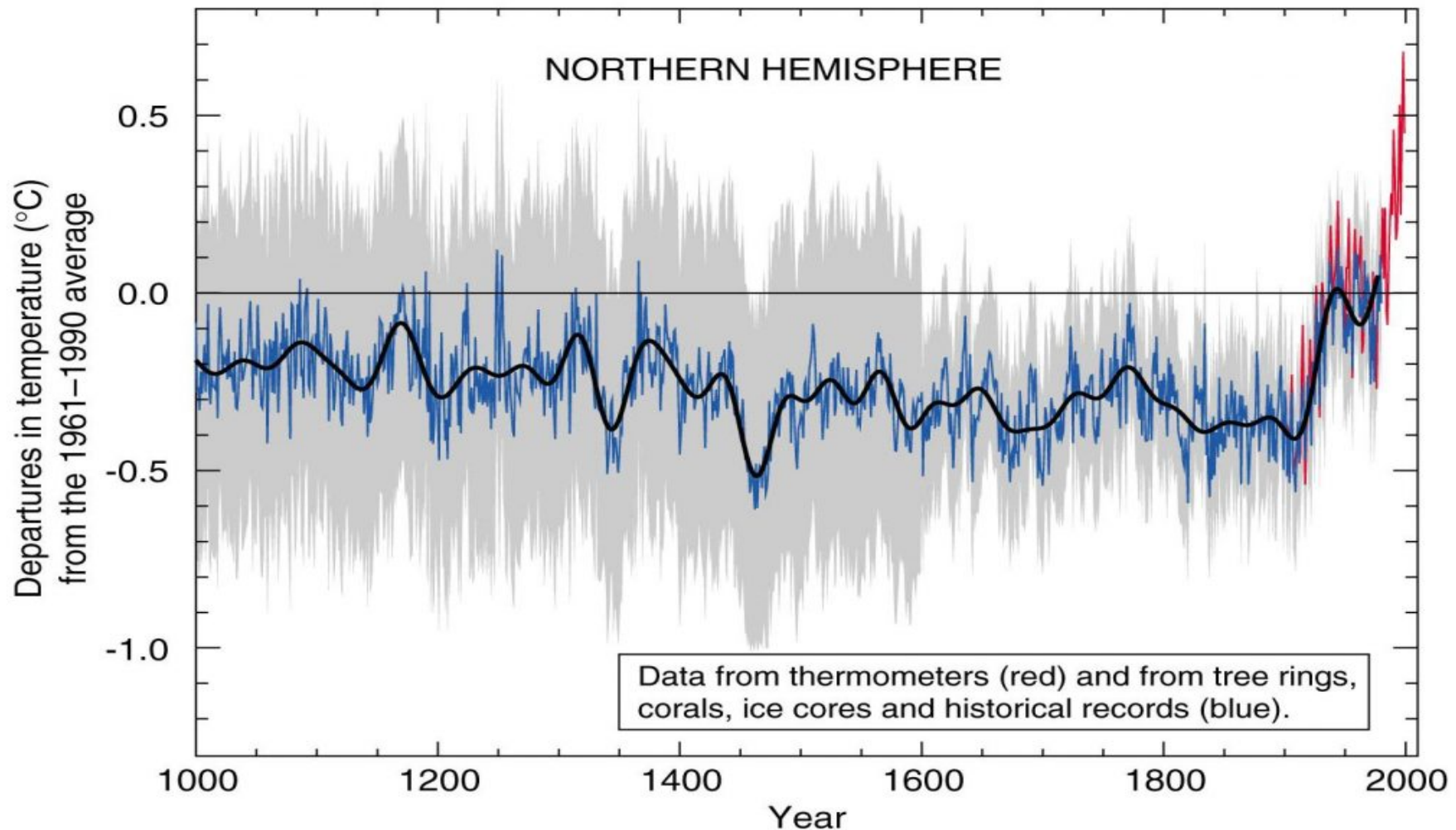
40% **STEM Education and Community**

Engagement Activities (800 KEur)

18% **Project Management** (360 KEur) + Travel / Material / Facilities

Project Duration: 3 years. Start date would be January 2020.

Societal NeedS – CLIMATE CHANGE



The 'hockey stick' image setting the scene for climate science awareness on 15 March 1999.

Societal Need – Youths Climate Change Strikes

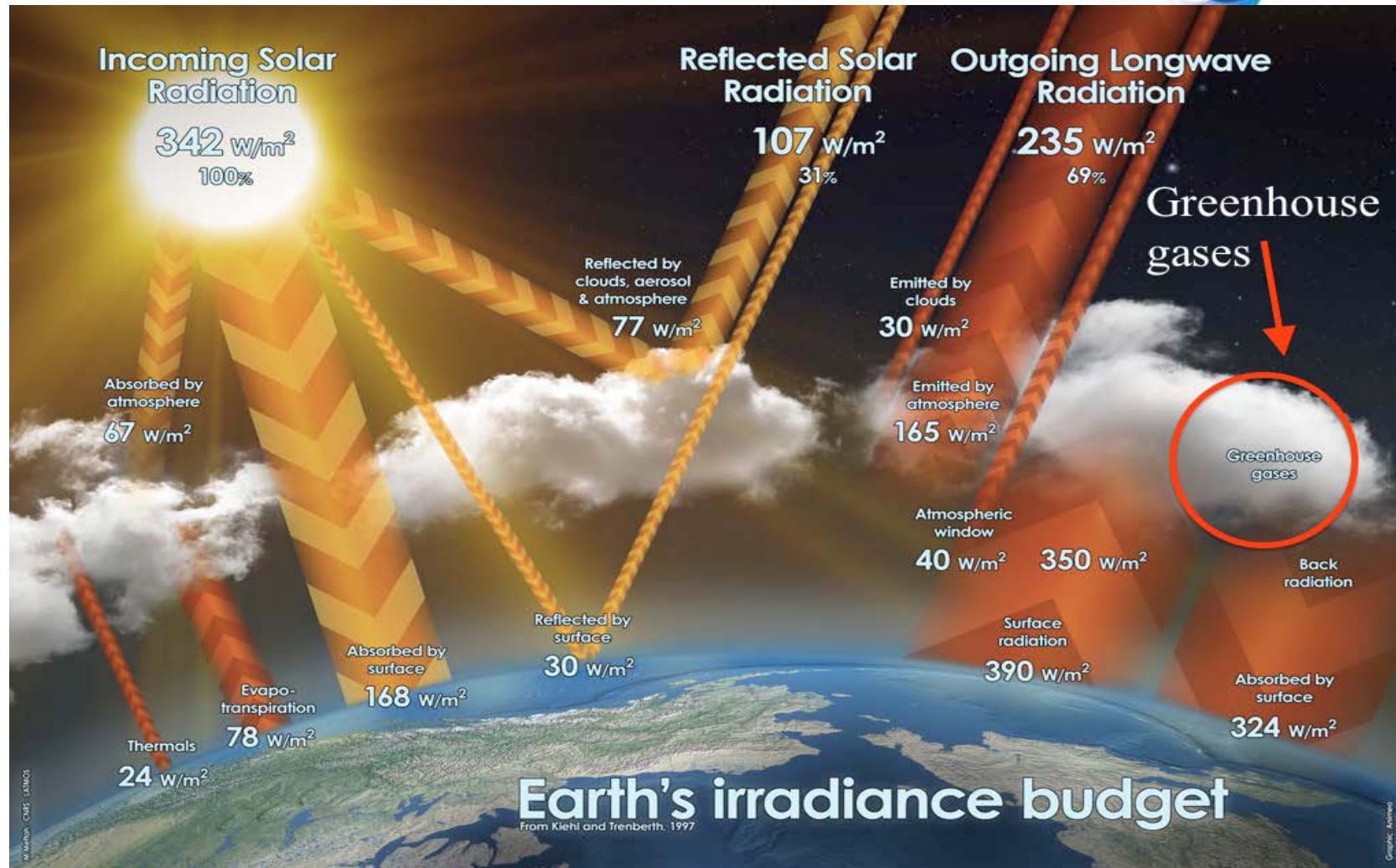
Solution: Engage them in Climate Science



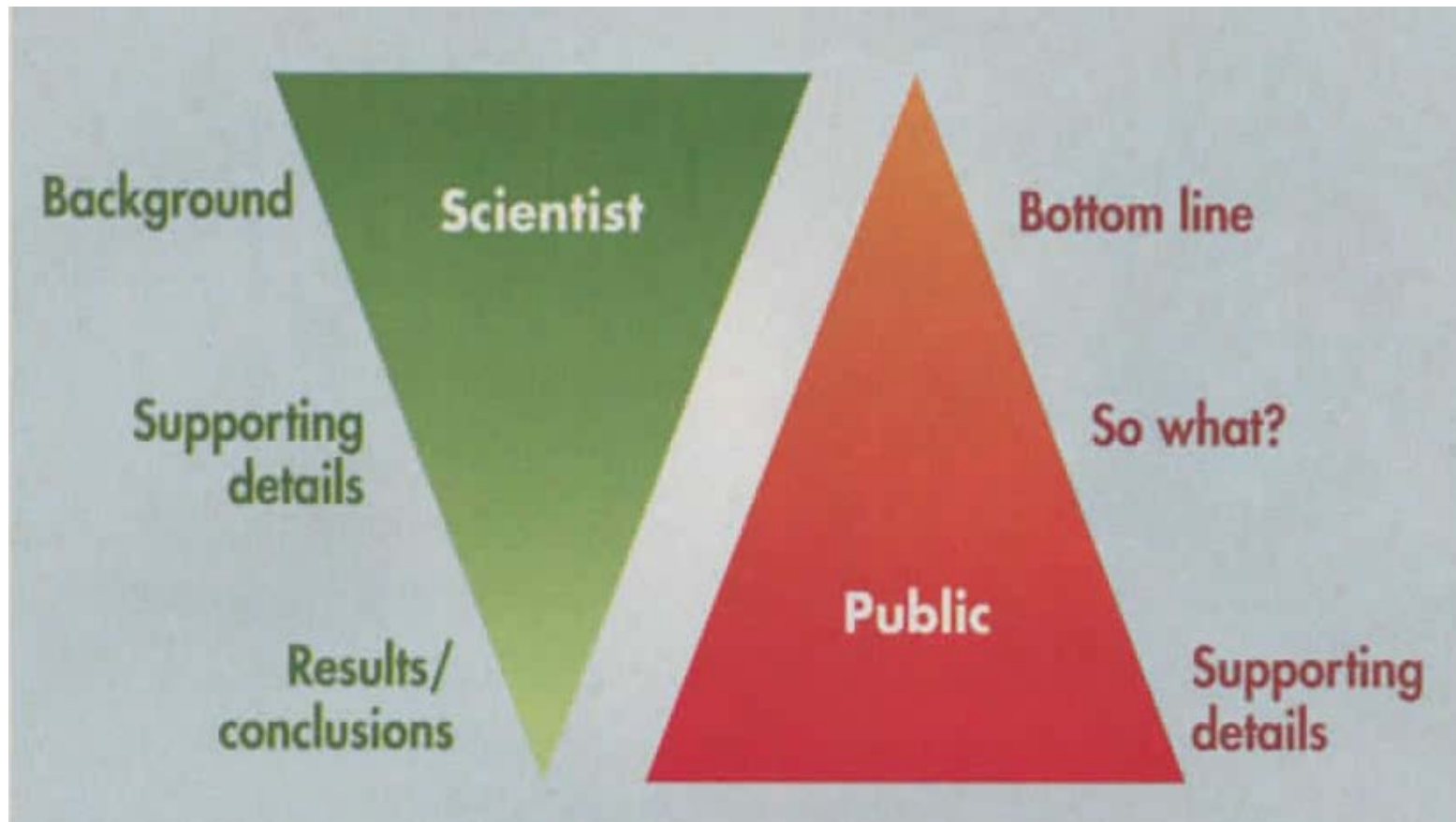
Youth Climate Change Strike. March 15, 2019. Riga, Latvia. Photo: LETA, Paula Čurkste
<https://eng.lsm.lv/article/society/society/photos-youth-climate-strike-in-riga.a312878/>

Opportunity: Climate Change Crisis

Climate Science Education



Societal Need – Climate Science Communication Solution: Engage the Citizen Scientists

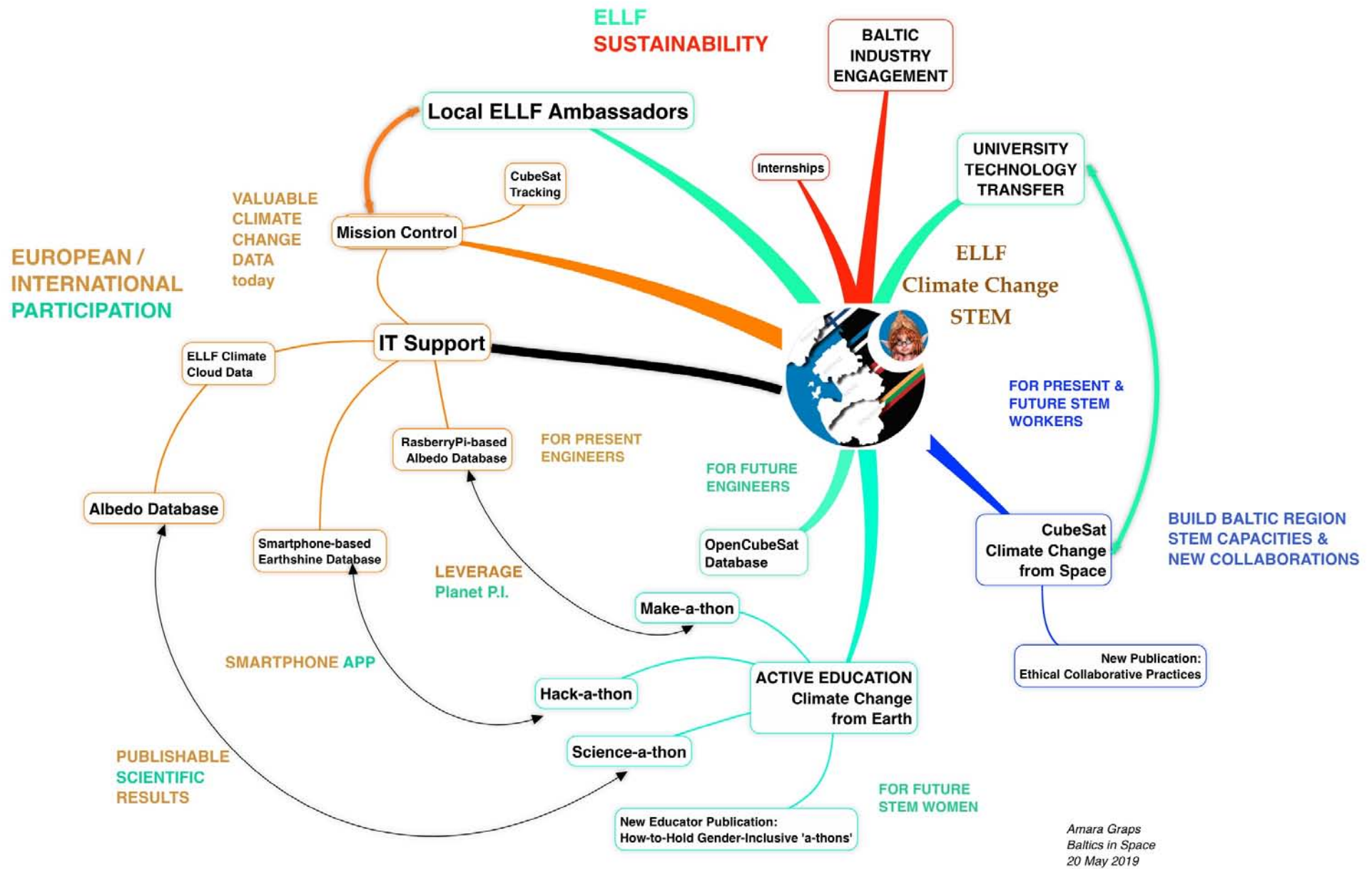


More Effective Communication of Climate Change by Scientists with their Societies.

Ten Partners, 4 countries



- * Finnish Meteorological Institute (Managers / Climate Education) --FI
- * Tartu Observatory / (now part of University of Tartu) (CubeSat education)--EE
- * EstSat/ EstCube (CubeSat builder) --EE
- * NewTime (IT company) --EE
- * Garage48 (for Smartphone Earthshine app Hack-a-thons, Launch Event) --EE
- * Baltics in Space (Deputy Project Manager) --LV
- * Institute of Environmental Solutions (for Science-athons) --LV
- * Ventspils International Radio Astronomical Center with Univ Lat Satellite Laser Ranging
(16 m ground station and satellite tracking with prism) --LV
- * Zinoo (Raspberry Pi Make-athons, "Mission Control" for the public) --LV
- Moletai Ethnocosmological Museum (ELLF Ambassador lead) --LT



Opportunity: 16-m VIRAC Radio Telescope as a CubeSat Ground Station. Latvia's First satellite: Venta-1 failing. Build attention in LV for CubeSat Engineering Education



<https://space.stackexchange.com/questions/22654/what-are-the-absolute-maximum-dimensions-of-a-proper-6u-cubesat-does-asteria-co>



Photo by Amara Graps



Opportunity –Earthshine + Smartphone Apps Gather Earth's Albedo by the thousands Citizen Science Albedo Education



**Earthshine photo by Siti Sarah Nordin. Telok Kemang Observatory, Port Dickson, Malaysia.
7 February 2019, 8:04 pm. MYT.**

Opportunity –Earth's Albedo + Raspberry Pi Gather City Albedo / build STEM skills Citizen Science Albedo Education



Ziedondarzs Park, Riga, Latvia



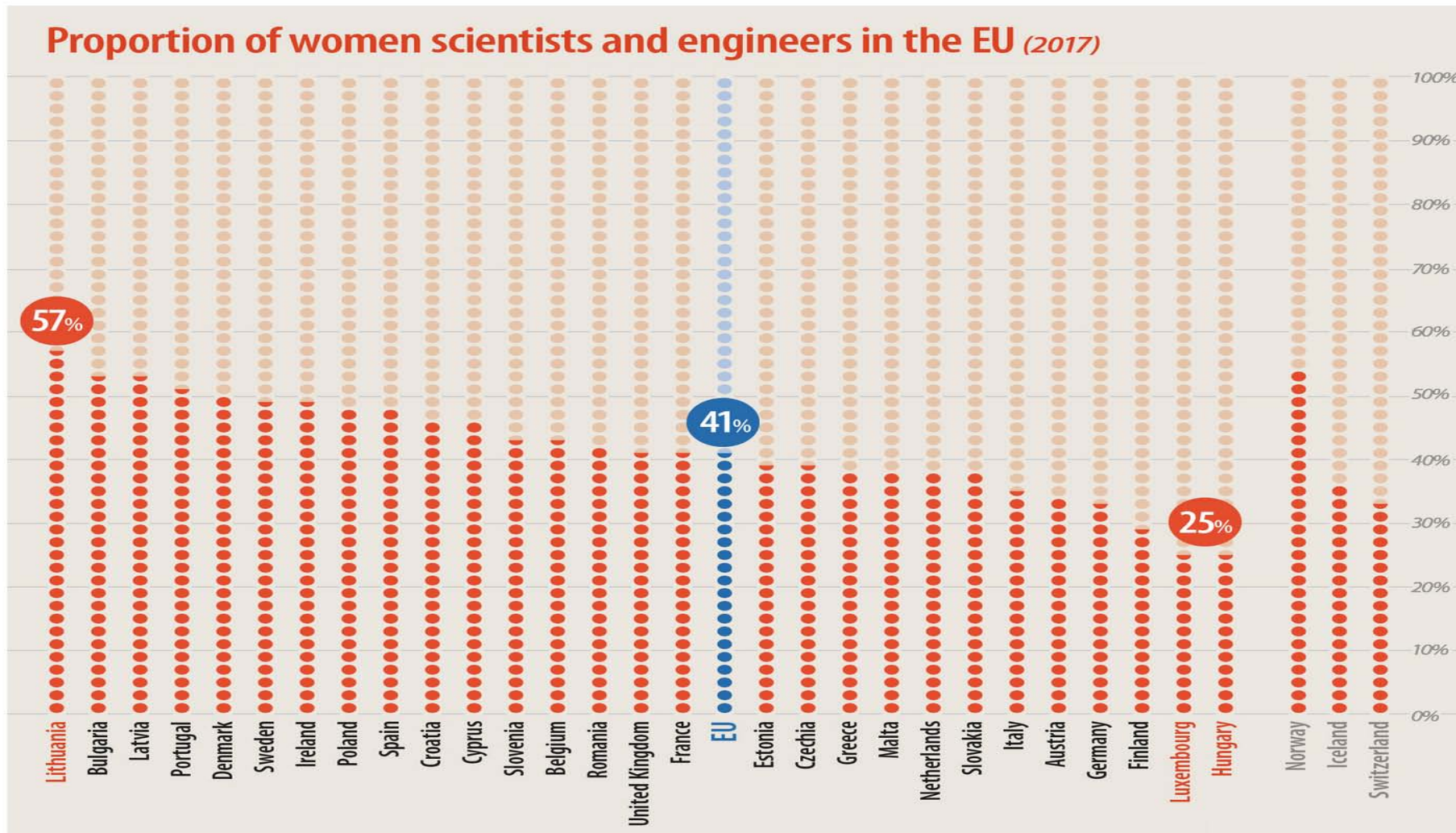
Dallol, Ethiopia, hottest place on Earth

Example of a Raspberry Pi augmented with climate sensors and used for field measurements. This example shows one with a temperature and pressure and humidity sensor, from the Europlanet-RI2020 “Planet P.I.” outreach prototype, built by ELLF Consortium member A. Grapa.

Opportunity: DSCOVR Satellite at L1 measuring whole disk Earth Albedo. Mission Short lifetime.



Societal: Women-in-STEM. LT+LV can help EE+FI



Proportion of women scientists and engineers in the EU, per country.

Paldies!