

# The CityZen project

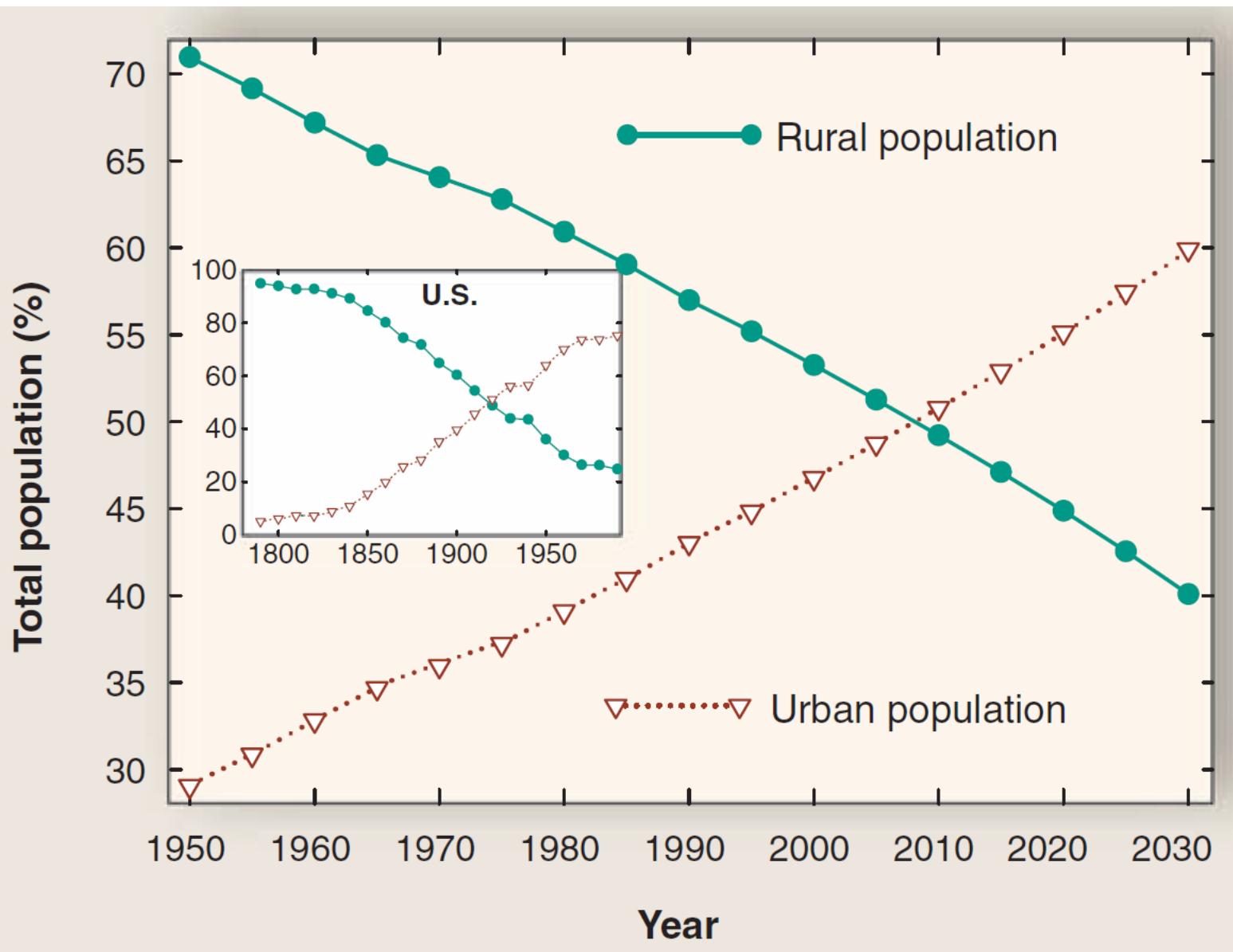
## Bridging the scales with focus on megacities



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***Change in world urban and rural population (%) from 1950 to 2030 (projected). Inset shows comparable data for the United States from 1790 to 1990. From Grimm et al., 2008.***

Grimm, N. B., S. H. Faeth, N. E. Golubiewski, C. L. Redman, J. Wu, X. Bai, J. M. Briggs, 2008: Global Change and the Ecology of Cities. *Science*, 319, DOI: 10.1126/science.1150195.

# Outline

- The CityZen project
  - Partners, objectives, tools, ongoing activities
- Various examples of nesting in CityZen
  - EURAD, CHIMERE, EMEP, WRF-CHEM
- A few thoughts, and: *the way forward*

# Project acronym: CityZen

Project full title:  
megaCITY - Zoom for the Environment

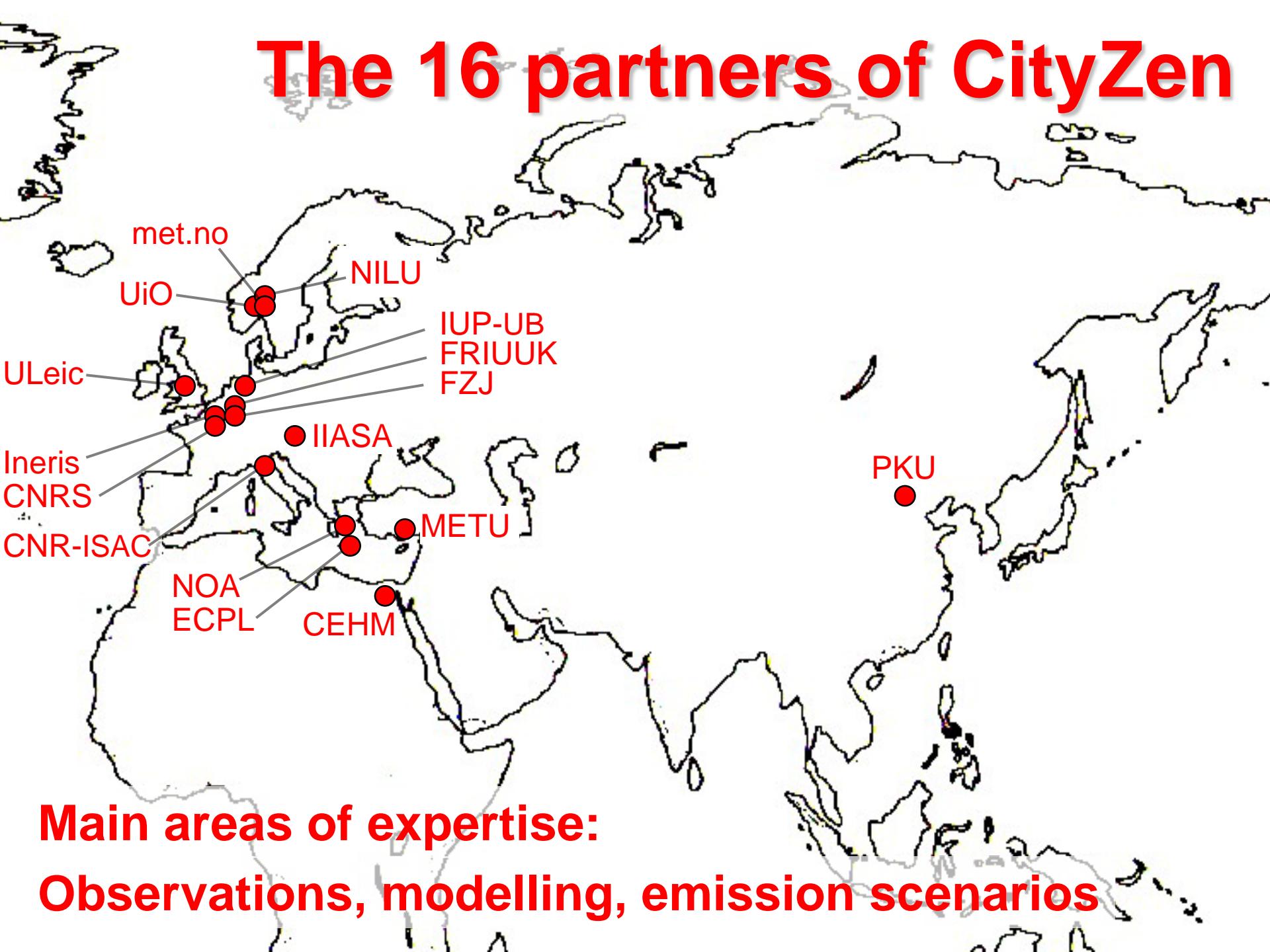


Total budget: ~ 4 m€

Duration: 3 years (start: September 2008)

Sister project: MEGAPOLI

# The 16 partners of CityZen

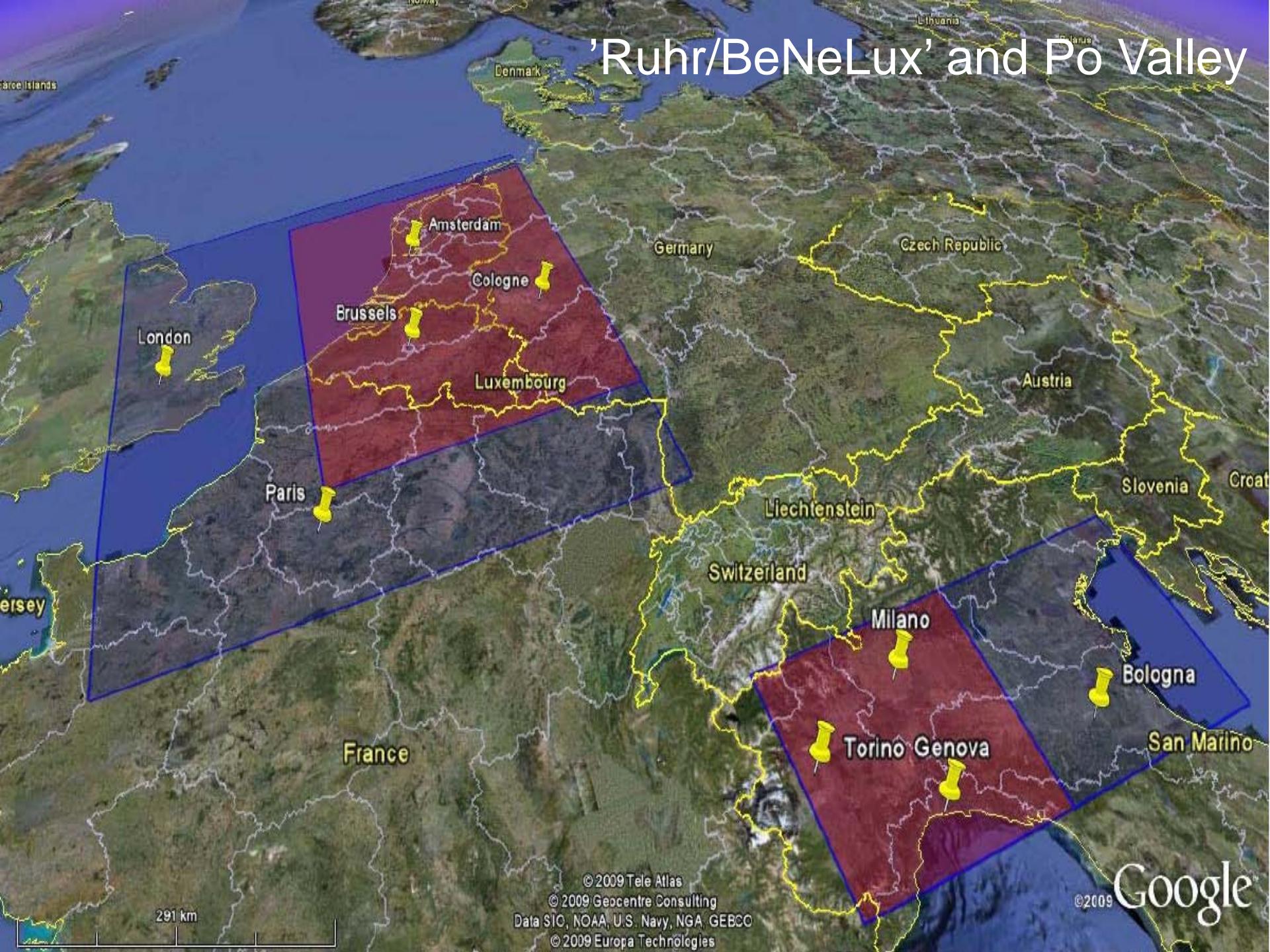


Main areas of expertise:  
Observations, modelling, emission scenarios

# The main objectives of CityZen

- Quantify and understand current air pollution in and around selected megacities
- Development of tools to estimate interactions between different spatial scales
- Estimate how megacities influence air quality and climate, locally and globally
- Estimate how megacities are responding to climate change
- Estimate the impact of future emission change, including mitigation options
- Provide technical underpinning of policy work

# 'Ruhr/BeNeLux' and Po Valley



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Data SIO, NOAA, U.S. Navy, NGA, GEBCO

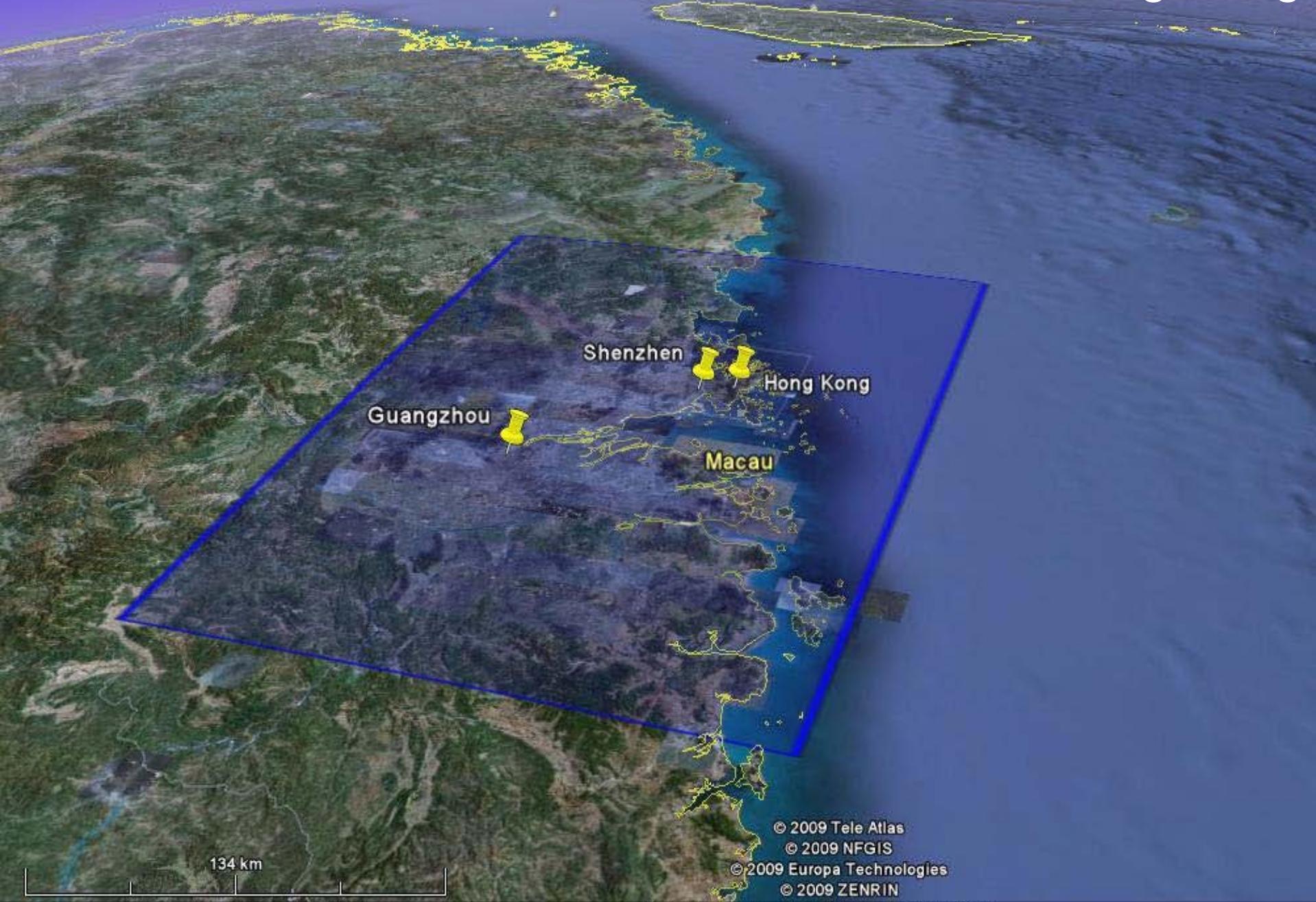
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291 km



# Pearl River Delta + Hong Kong



134 km

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# Measurements in CityZen

- Satellite
  - GOME, SCIAMACHY, GOME-2, OMI, ... : **IUP-UB**
  - IASI, ACE, CALIPSO : **CNRS**
- Ground-based
  - CityZen partners in the four selected hotspot regions to provide continuous measurement data and field campaign results

# Emission inventories in CityZen

- 1998-2007 in **Europe** : EMEP data (50km\*50km) spatially regridded using TNO data (10km\*10km), GLOBCOVER (300m) : INERIS, met.no, TNO
- Fine scale data sets for selected hotspots to be merged into European data set: LANUV, AUTH, ARIANET, ITU
- 1998-2007 **global** : a consolidated dataset built upon the databases used for developing scenarios for IPCC-AR5: CNRS
- **Future** projections for Europe and Asia, RCP, incl. mitigation: IIASA
- Possible cooperation with MACC and MEGAPOLI

# Models participating in CityZen

- Global scale:
  - MOZART, ECHAM5-HAMMOZ, EMEP, OsloCTM2, CAM-Oslo, TM4-ECPL ( $\sim 1^\circ \times 1^\circ$  resolution)
- Regional scale :
  - CHIMERE, EMEP, EURAD, BOLCHEM, Models-3/CMAQ, WRF-Chem ( $\sim 0.5^\circ \times 0.5^\circ$  resolution)
- Local scale :
  - CHIMERE, EMEP, EURAD, BOLCHEM, Models-3/CMAQ, WRF-Chem ( $\sim 10 \times 10 \text{ km}^2$  resolution and finer)

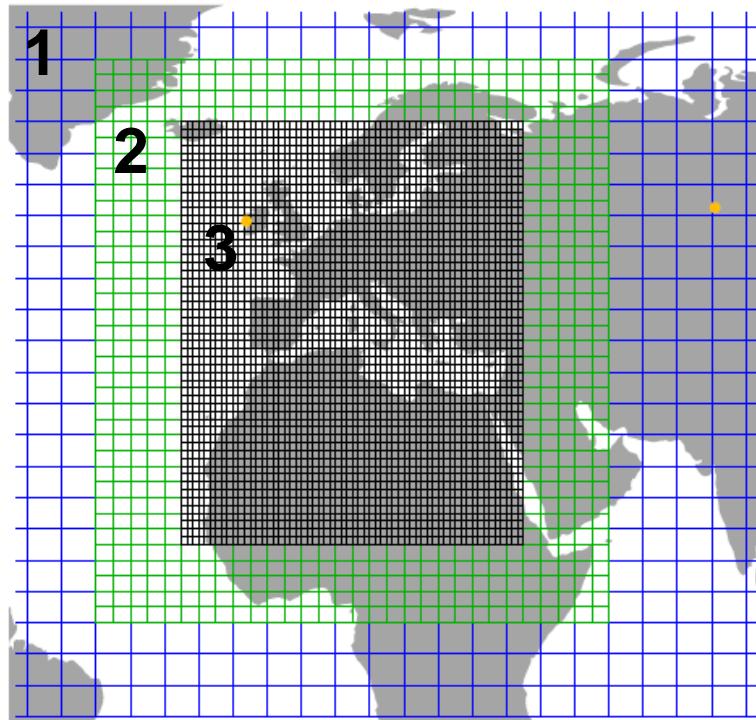
# Current activities

- Continuous measurements in selected hot spots
- Provision of emission data sets
- Model experiments looking at trends
- Zooming and nesting approaches in models

# Two-way nesting in TM5

## According to Krol et al. 2005

Atmos. Chem. Phys., 5, 417–432, 2005  
www.atmos-chem-phys.org/acp/5/417/



Operator splitting and transfer of information:

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t ..... t + ΔT/2

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region 1    ↓X↓YZ ..... VC

region 2    ..... ↓X↓YZ ..... VC CVZ↓Y↓X ..... ↑....

region 3    ..... XYZVC CVZYX↑..... CVZYX XYZVC↑....

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t + ΔT/2 ..... t + ΔT

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region 1    CVZ↓Y↓X.....

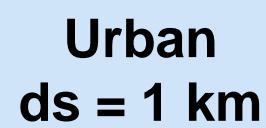
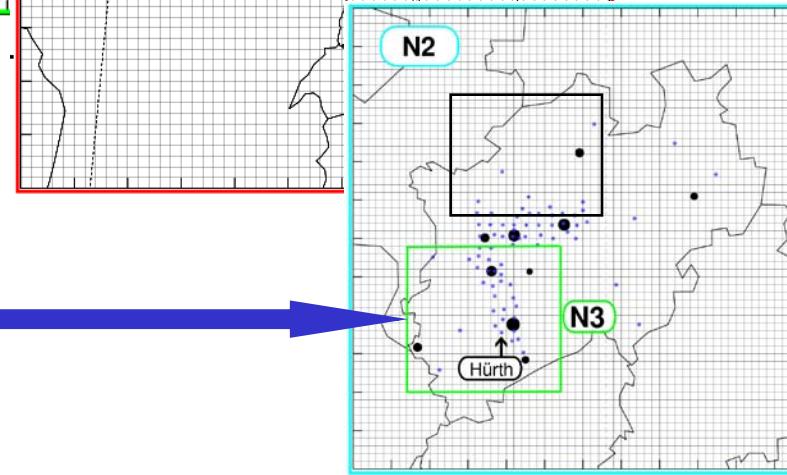
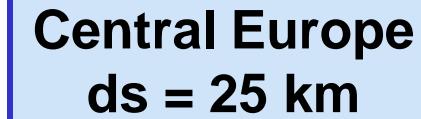
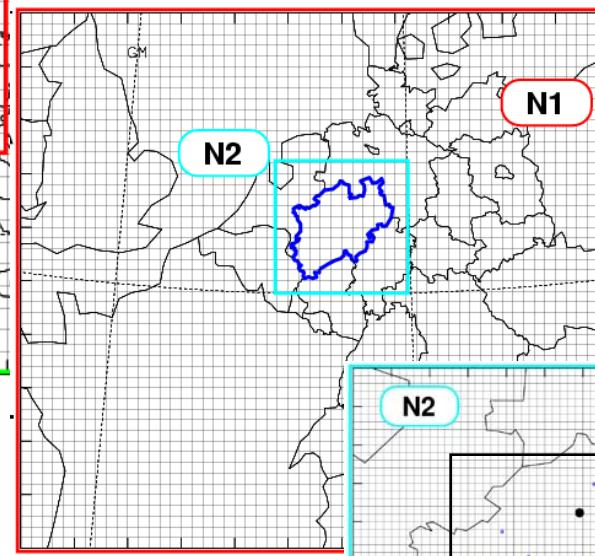
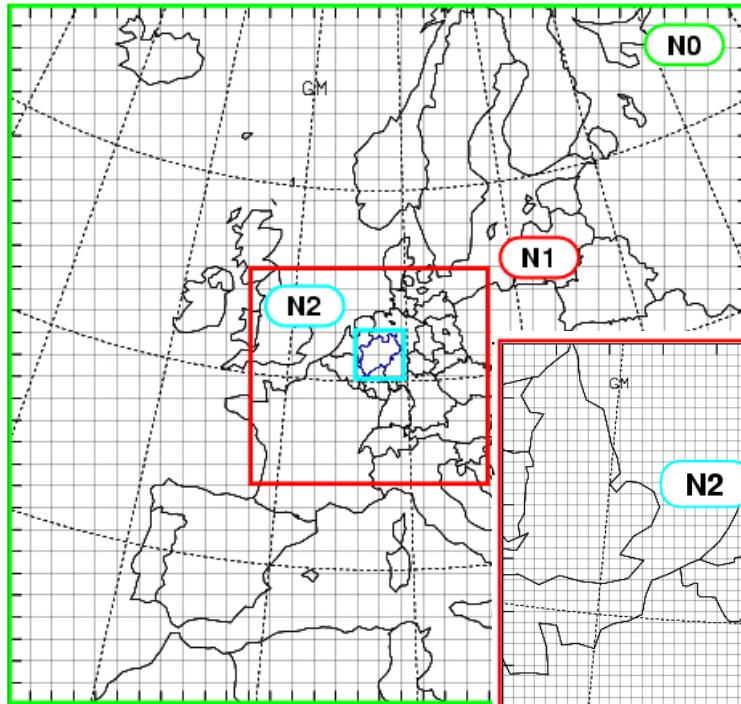
region 2    .....CVZ↓Y↓X..... ↓X↓YZ..... VC↑

region 3    .....CVZYX XYZVC↑..... XYZVC CVZYX↑....

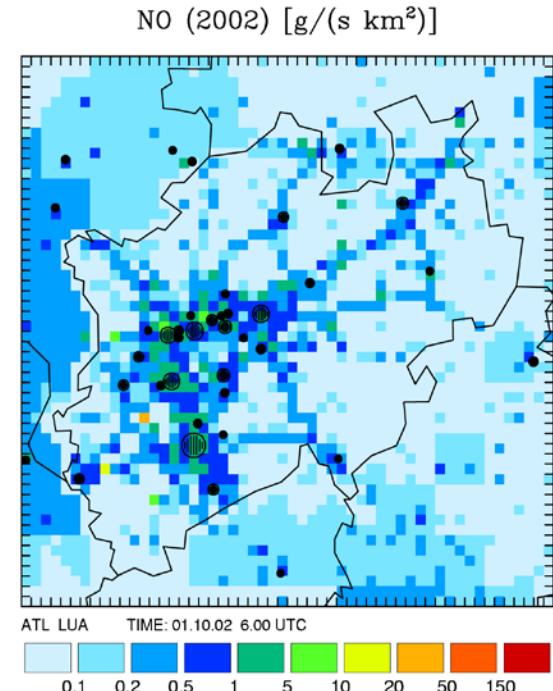
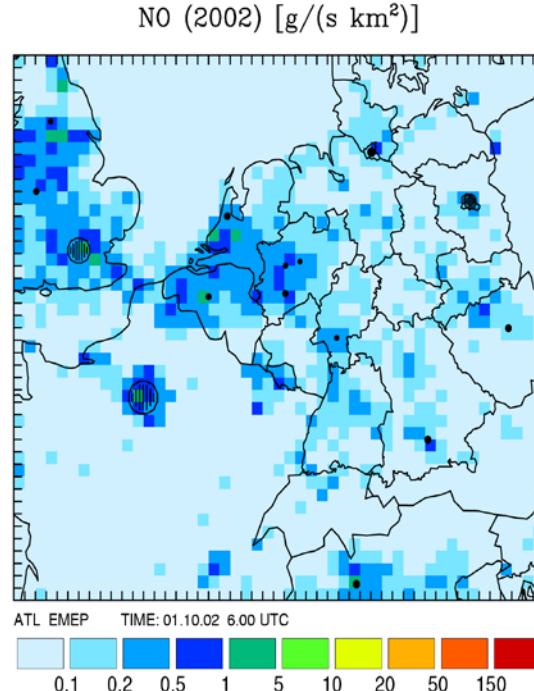
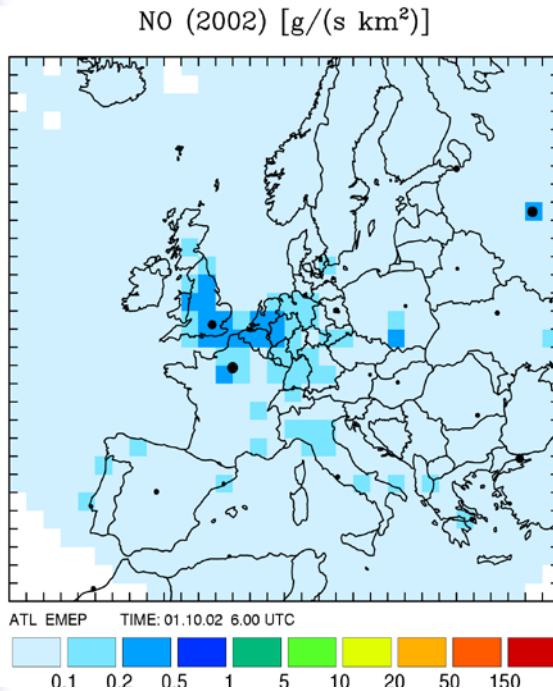
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# EURAD nesting

## TOOLS AND METHODS: EURAD-SYSTEM



## MODEL INPUT, EMISSIONS, NO



**Europe, 125 km**

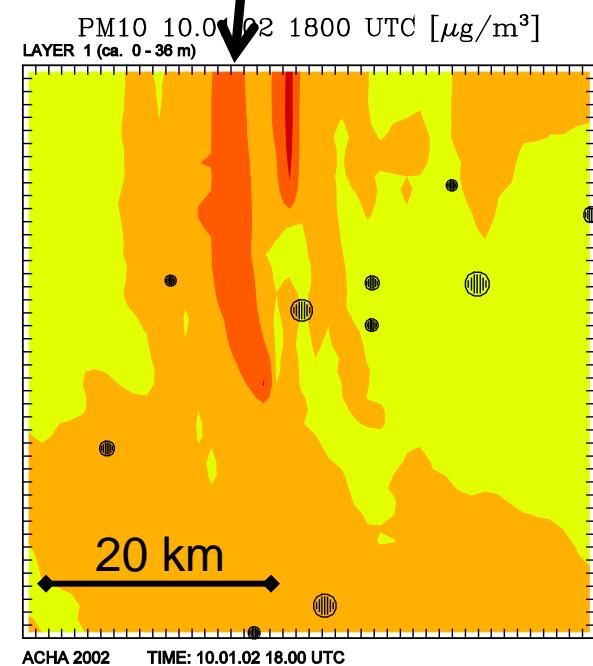
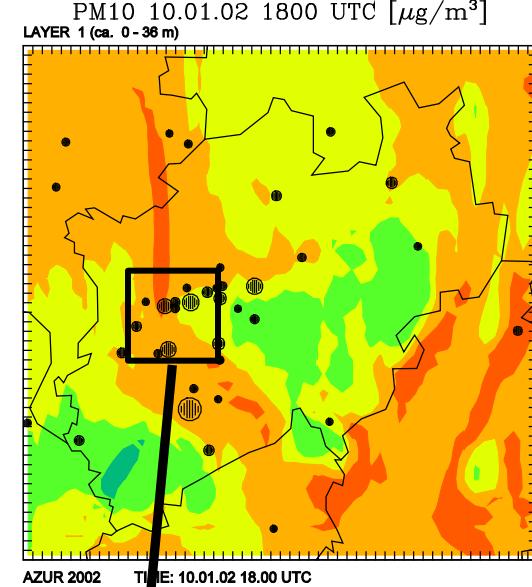
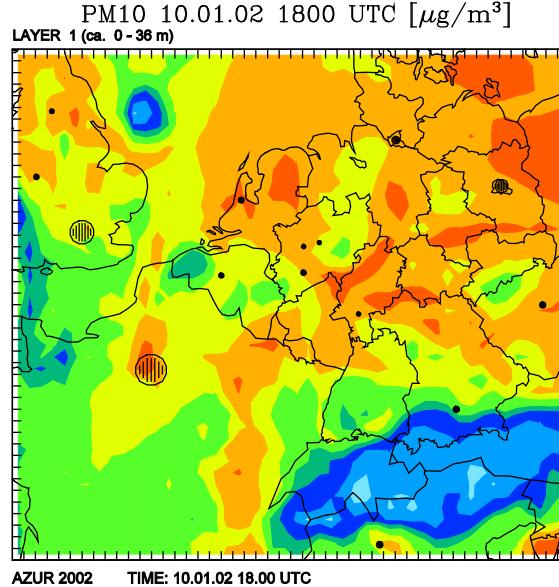
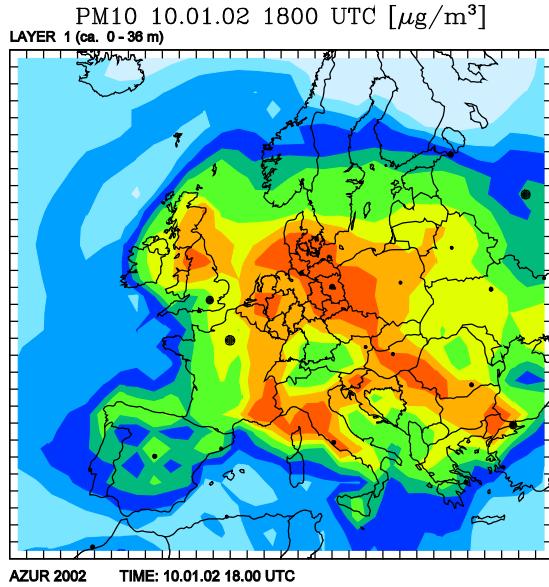
EMEP/TNO

**Central Europe, 25 km**

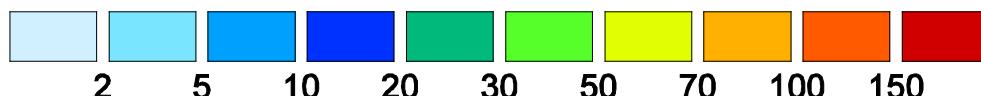
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**NRW, 5 km**

LANUV-NRW

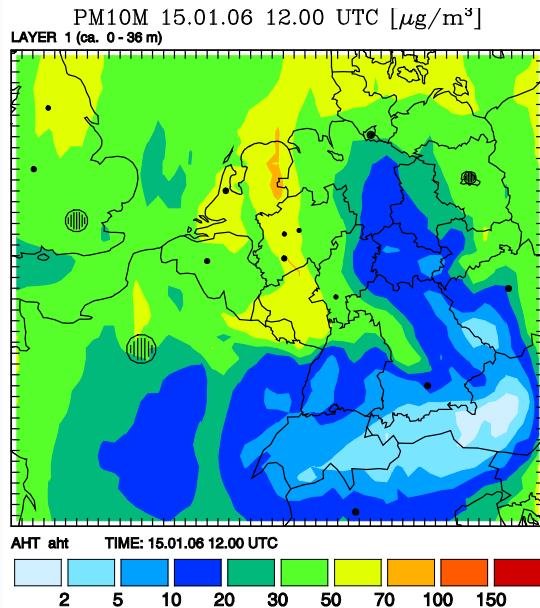


PM10, 10 Oct 2002,  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$

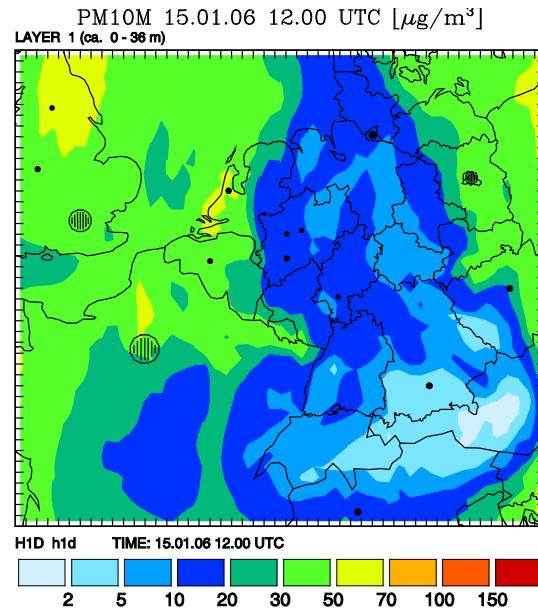


## SPECIFIC EPISODES: PM10, Jan 15, 2006

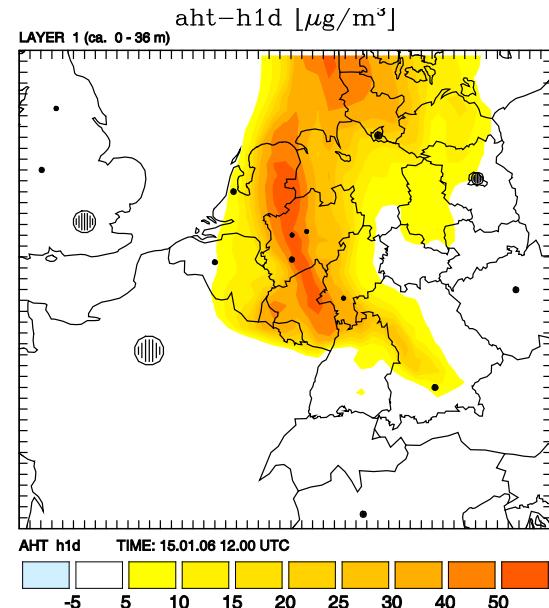
Base Case



Scenario: no Emi-GER



Base - noEmi-GER

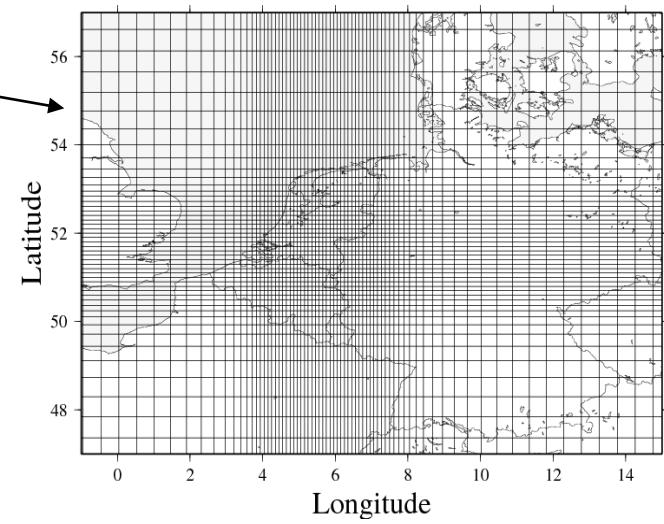
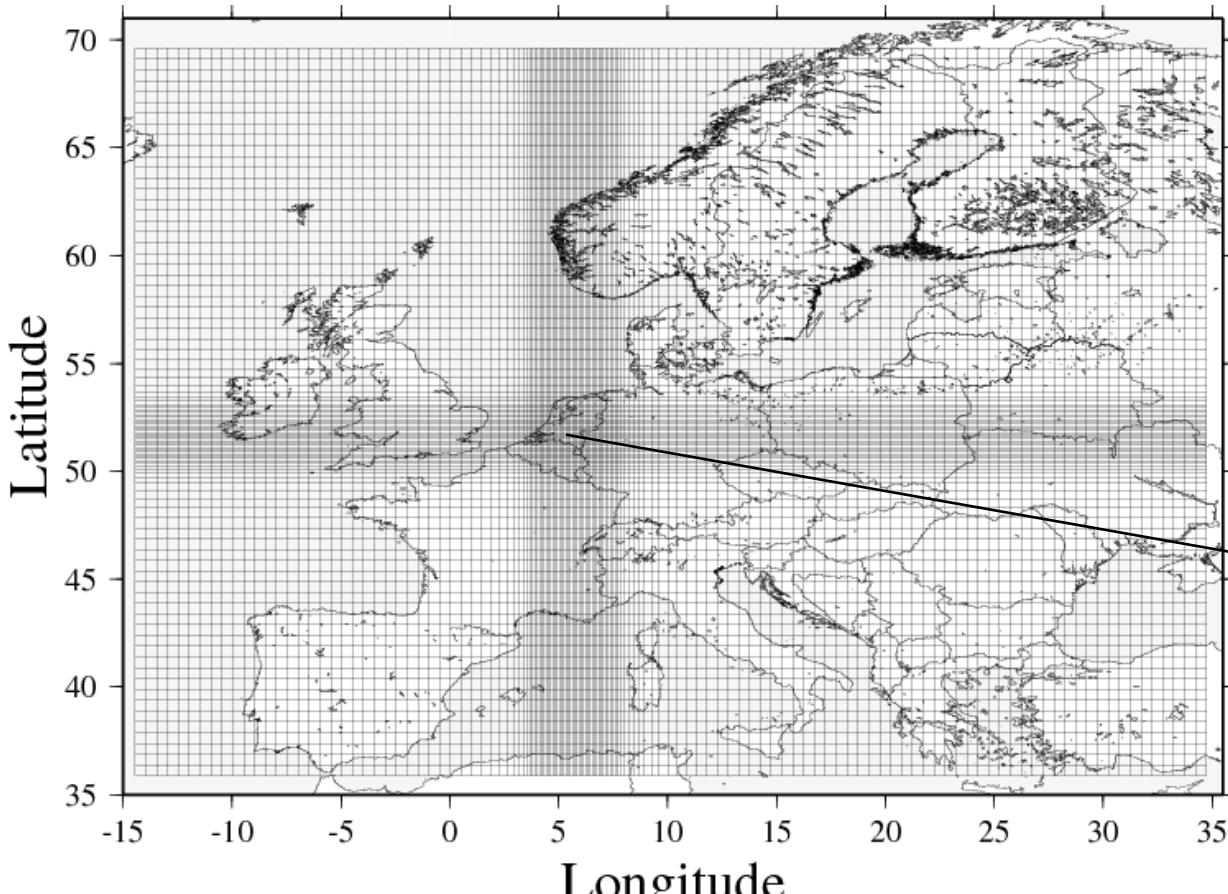


Transport dominated episode over North-Rhine-Westphalia,  
PM10 concentrations in NRW mainly due to inflow from south

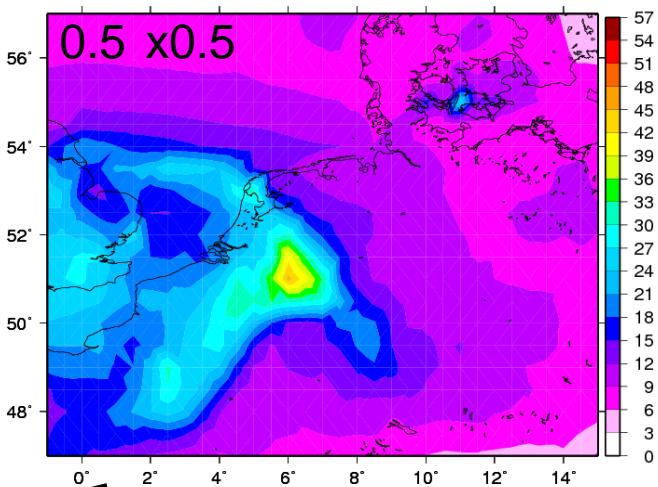
# CHIMERE zooming

# Example of « zooming » mesh over BENELUX with CHIMERE

Refine the grid from 0.5° to 0.1° resolution over a specific region

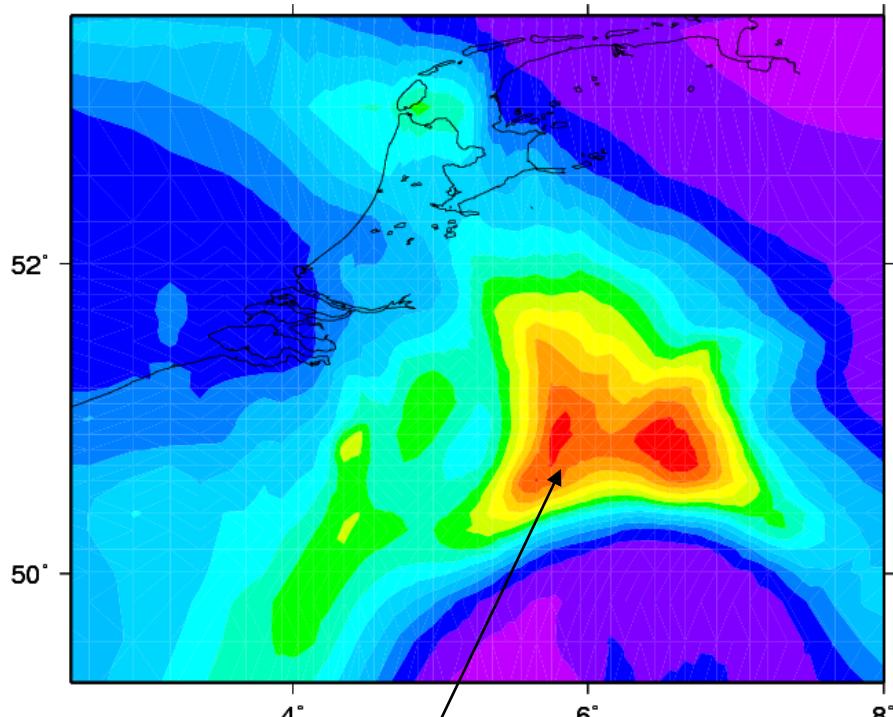
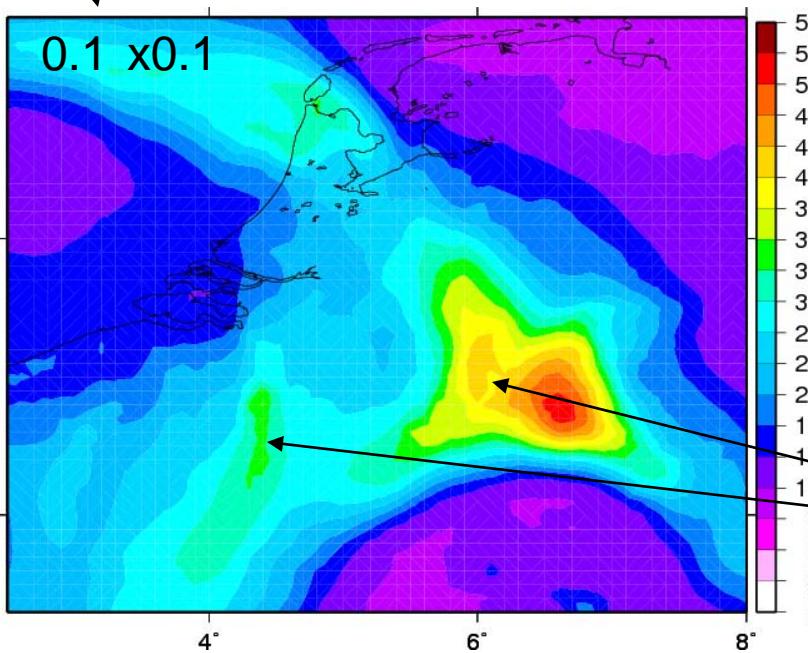


# PM10 concentrations on 8 August 2003 [16:00]

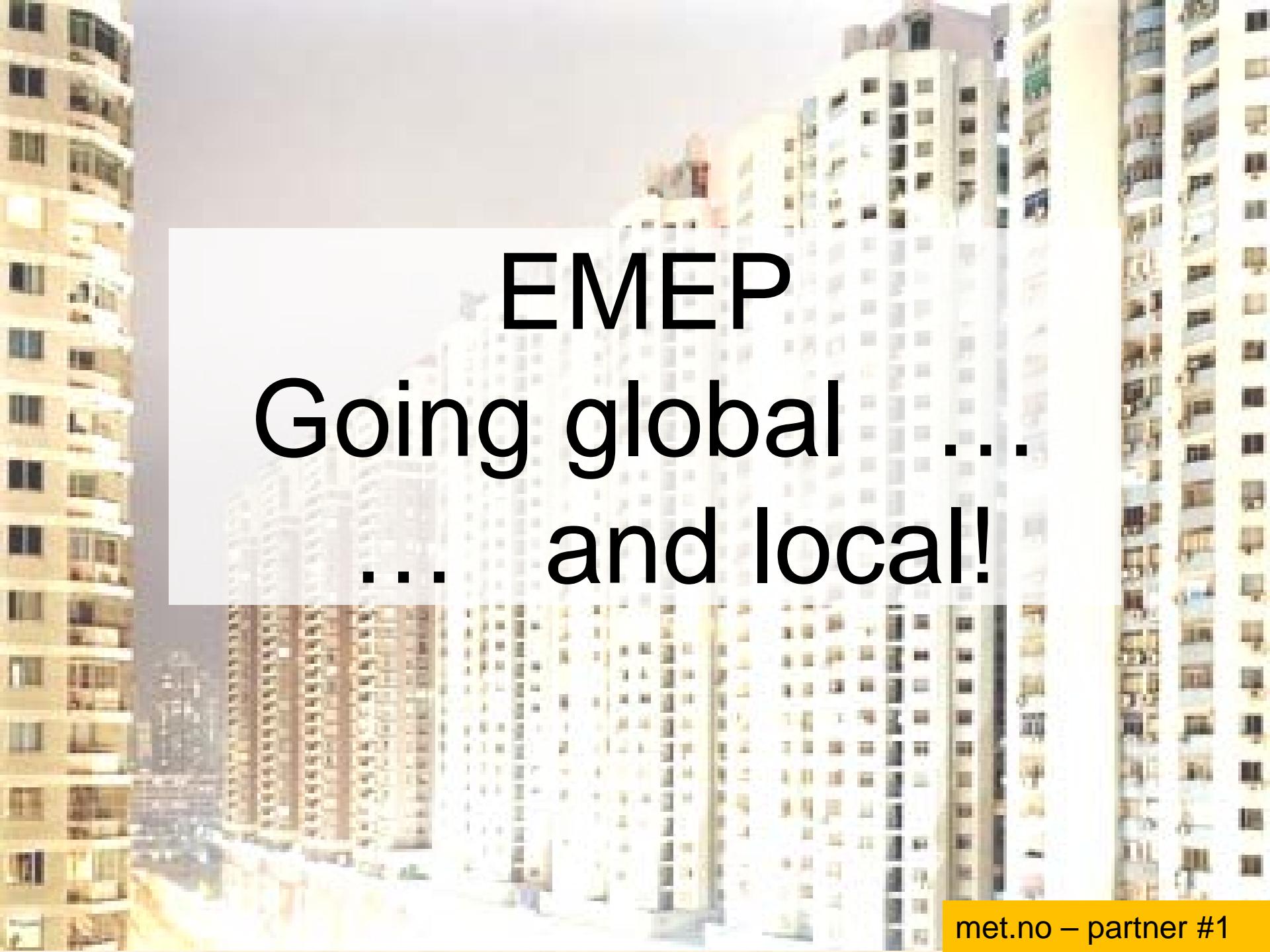


« zooming approach »  
stretched mesh from 0.5 to 0.1

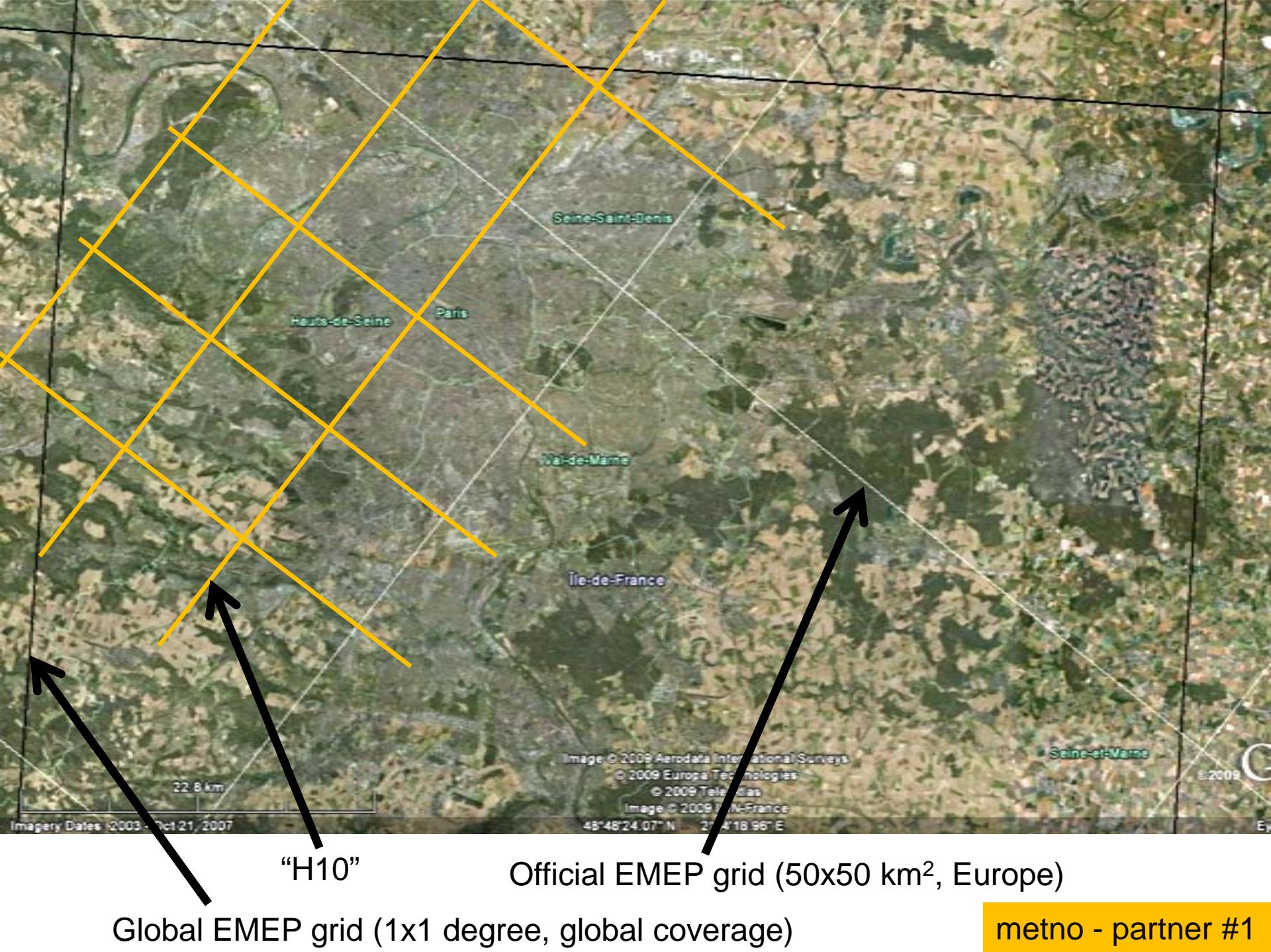
Regular coarse 0.5 to nest 0.1  
resolution domain (1 way nesting)



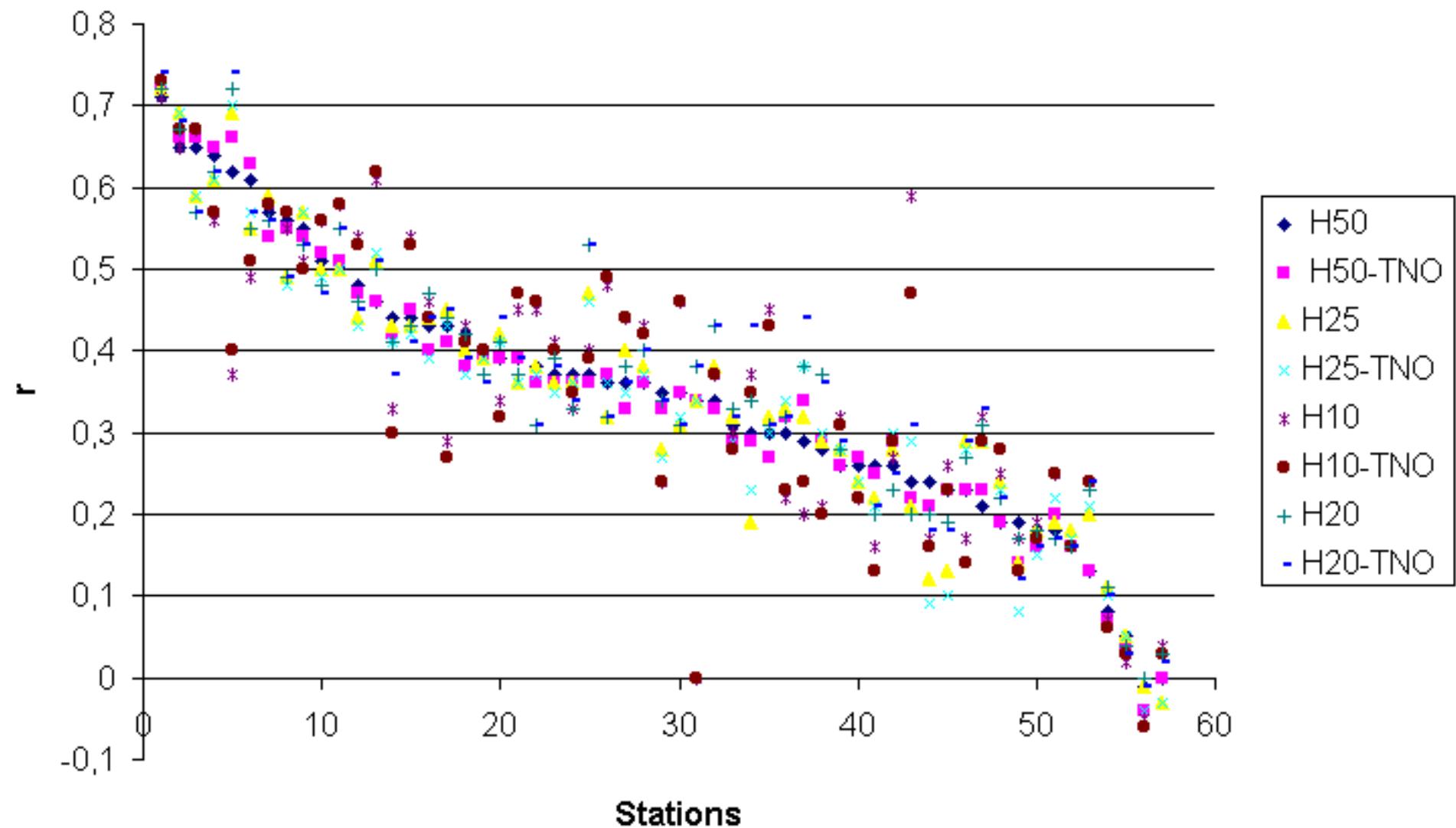
More details in the « zooming »  
approaches



**EMEP**  
**Going global ...**  
**... and local!**

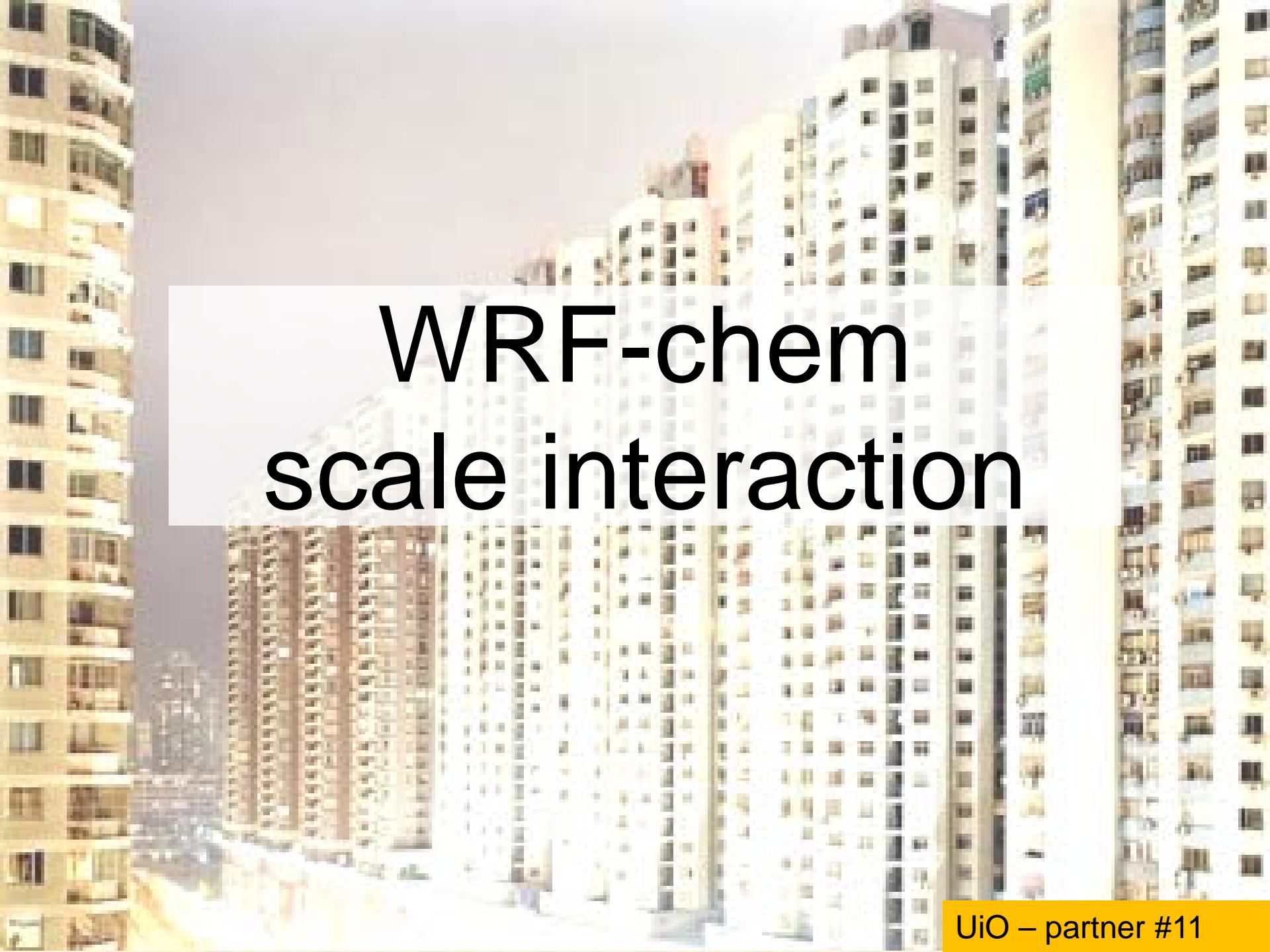


## Temporal correlation sulfate wet deposition



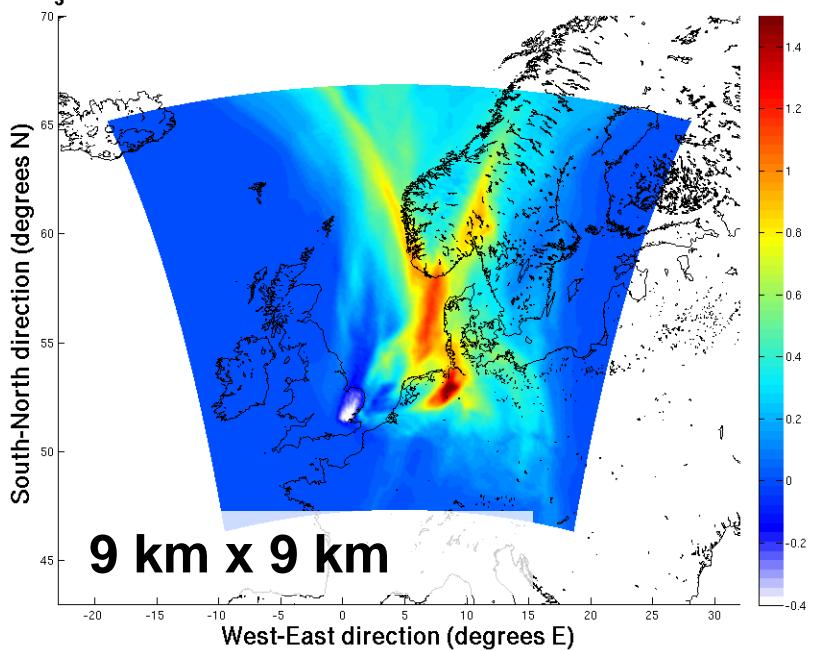
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metno - partner #1

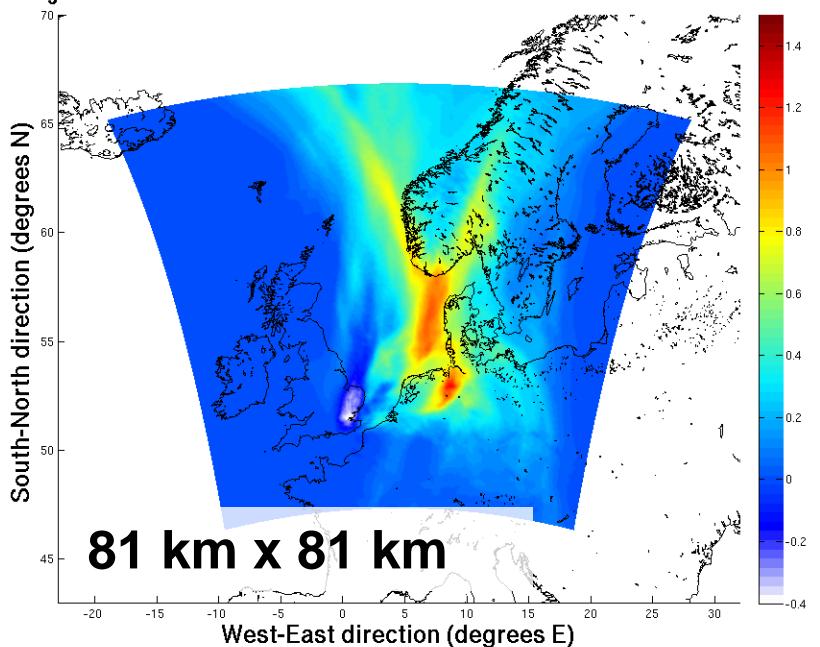
The background of the slide features a photograph of a city skyline, likely Hong Kong, with numerous skyscrapers of varying heights and architectural styles. The sky above the buildings is a pale, hazy grey, suggesting overcast conditions or air pollution. The overall composition is vertical, with the buildings receding into the distance.

# WRF-chem scale interaction

$O_3$ -col rel. diff. (%), 0-2.8 km. TP: 1. Run: 100%\*(A-B)/B. Res: 9 km.



$O_3$ -col rel. diff. (%), 0-2.8 km. TP: 1. Run: 100%\*(A-B)/B. Res: 81 km.



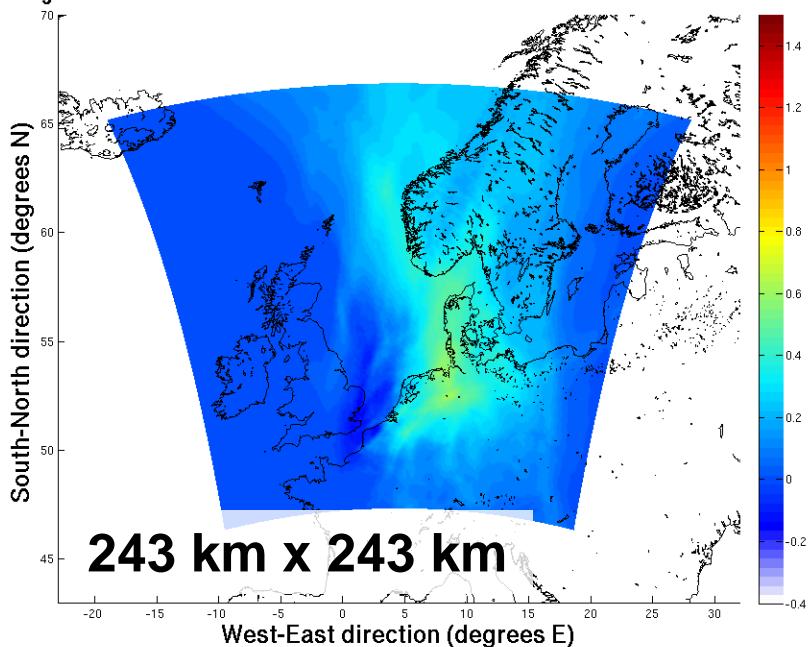
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## $O_3$ changes caused by London emissions (%)

July 23 – August 1, 2003

$O_3$ -col rel. diff. (%), 0-2.8 km. TP: 1. Run: 100%\*(A-B)/B. Res: 243 km.



# A few thoughts / way forward

- Typical resolution of global models is increasing
- Domains of some local and regional models increase
- Nesting/zooming beneficial for computational reasons
- One-way nesting vs. two-way nesting
  - does it really matter? The answer depends on resolution and the scientific question to be addressed
- Do we need to couple different models?
  - ... or should we rather spend resources on nesting and zooming within the same model?
- Inter-comparisons and ensemble studies (e.g. trends)
  - need to find the causes of differences
  - is the result of the ensemble more robust?
  - improvement of model formulations and input data

# Last slide

- **CityZen** integrates different spatial scales both in *observations, emission inventories, and modeling*
- focus on **air quality** and interactions with **climate** in the past, present and future
- good progress **within** the participating groups (emissions, observations, modelling trends, bridging of scales)
- starting **interaction** between the different scale ‘communities’
- please visit <http://wiki.met.no/cityzen/start>