

European Network on New Sensing Technologies for Air Pollution Control and Environmental Sustainability - *EuNetAir*

COST Action TD1105

OPEN SESSION COST *EuNetAir* on

New Sensing Technologies for Air Pollution Detection: Trends & Challenges

CORE-GROUP MEETING at EUROSENSORS-2015 Conference

Concert Hall, Freiburg, Germany, 9 September 2015

COST Action TD1105: OVERVIEW & PLANS

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AGENDA

10:30 - 12:30

Open Session COST: New Sensing Technologies for Air Quality Monitoring

Chairperson: Michele Penza, ENEA, Brindisi, Italy

10:30 - 10:50

COST Action TD1105: European Network on New Sensing Technologies for Air-Pollution Control and Environmental Sustainability. Overview and Plans

Michele Penza, Action Chair, ENEA, Brindisi, Italy

10:50 - 11:10

Performance Evaluation of Amperometric Sensors for the Monitoring of O₃ and NO₂ in Ambient Air at ppb Level

Laurent Spinelle, Manuel Aleixandre, Michel Gerboles, JRC, EC DG ENV, Institute for Environment and Sustainability, Ispra, Italy

11:10 - 11:30

LTCC, New Packaging Approach for Toxic Gas and Particle Detection

Anita Lloyd Spetz, M. Sobocinski, N. Halonen, D. Puglisi, J. Juuti, H. Jantunen, M. Andersson, Action Vice-Chair, Linkoping University, Linkoping, Sweden

11:30 - 11:50

Low-Cost Fabrication of Zero-Power Metal Oxide Nanowire Gas Sensors: Trends and Challenges

Jordi Samà^a, Juan Daniel Prades^a, Olga Casals^a, Guillem Domènech-Gil^a, Sven Barth^b, Isabel Gracia^c, Carles Cané^c, Francisco Hernández-Ramírez^{a,d}, Albert Romano-Rodríguez^a, Action MC Substitute, ^aUniversitat de Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain; ^bTechnical University Vienna (TUW), Institut for Material Chemistry, Vienna, Austria; ^cConsejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (CSIC), Institut de Microelectrònica de Barcelona (IMB-CNM), Bellaterra, Spain; ^dCatalonia Institute for Energy Research (IREC), Barcelona, Spain

11:50 - 12:10

Integrated Sensor Systems for Indoor Applications: Ubiquitous Monitoring for Improved Health, Comfort and Safety

Andreas Schuetze, WG2 Leader and MC Member, Saarland University, Saarbrucken, Germany

12:10 - 12:30

Towards Disposable Sensing Platforms and Analytical Instruments for Air Quality Monitoring

Danick Briand, Action MC Member, EPFL, Neuchatel, Switzerland

OUTLINE

- **COST Action TD1105 *EuNetAir*: Some Features**
- **Examples of AQ Sensors Applications in the Real-World**
- **European Directive on *Ambient Air Quality* (2008/50/EC):
the Role of the AQ Sensors and Related Activities**
- **Concluding Remarks**

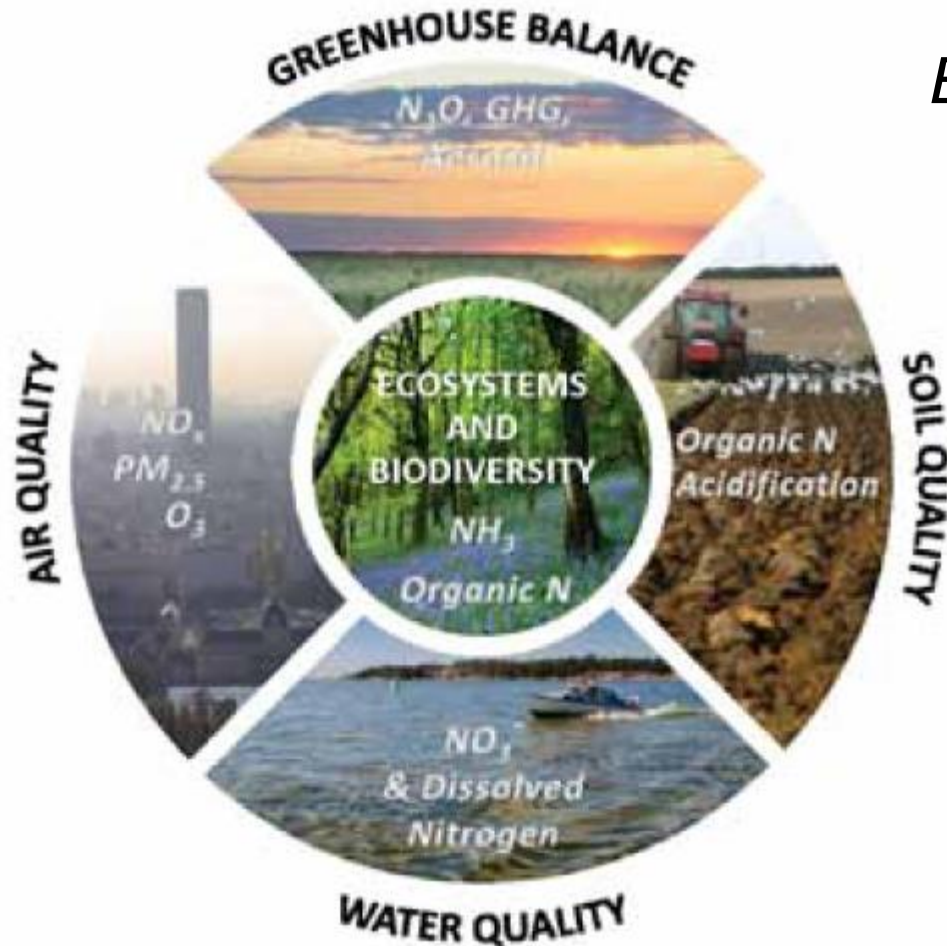


Wednesday, 9 September 2015
Concert Hall, Freiburg, Germany

Scientific context: **Environmental Sustainability**

Nitrogen Pollution and the European Environment Implications for Air Quality Policy

EC In-Depth Report, September 2013



Excess reactive nitrogen represents a major environmental threat that is only now beginning to be fully appreciated. At a global level, humans have more than doubled the production and cycling of reactive nitrogen, leading to a plethora of impacts that interact across all global spheres: atmosphere, biosphere, hydrosphere and geosphere.

Sutton et al., 2009

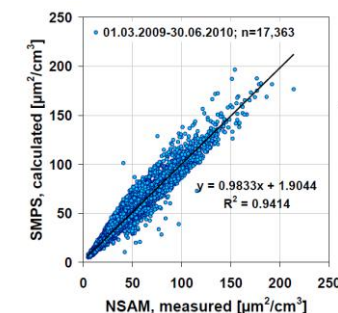
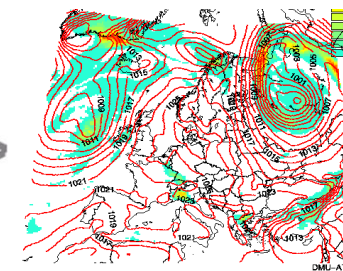
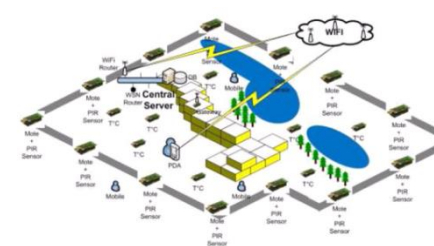
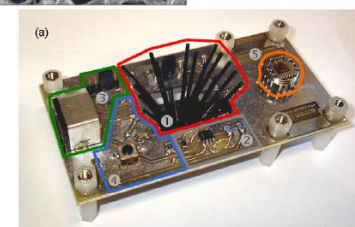
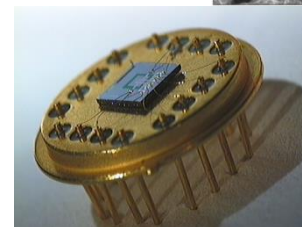
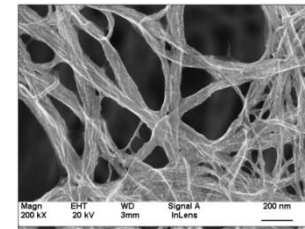
Nitrogen Pollution:

NO_x, N₂O, NH₃, NH₄, NO₂⁻, NO₃⁻, etc.

Source: Sutton and Billen, 2010

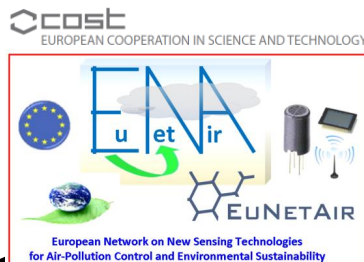
Challenges addressed by Action TD1105

- **Nanomaterials for AQC sensors**
- **Low-cost Gas Sensors**
- **Low-power Sensor-Systems**
- **Wireless Technology (*Environmental Sensors Network*)**
- **Air Quality Modelling**
- **Environmental Measurements**
- **Standards and Protocols**



COST Action TD1105 *EuNetAir*: Working Groups

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WG1:
Sensor Materials
&
Nanotechnologies

WG2:
Sensors, Devices
& Systems for AQC

**INTERDISCIPLINARY
SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS**

WG4:
Protocols &
Standardisation
Methods

WG3:
Env. Measurements
&
Air Pollution Modelling

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

CORE-GROUP & STEERING COMMITTEE

- *Editorial Board*
- *Dissemination*
- *Training Schools*
- *Gender Balance*
- *Early Stage Researchers (ESR)*
- *Short-Term Scientific Mission (STSM)*
- *Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)*
- *Local Organizing Committee (LOC)*

- **SIG 1:** *Network of Spin-offs*
- **SIG 2:** *Smart Sensors for Urban Air Monitoring in Cities*
- **SIG 3:** *Guidelines for Best Coupling Air Pollutant-Transducer*
- **SIG 4:** *Expert comments for the Revision of the Air Quality EU Directive*

Action Size (July 2012 - May 2016):

200 Experts from 120 Teams - 31 Countries

Country

MC Members (58): Male (69%) - Female (31%)

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**Kick-off Meeting
Brussels
16 May 2012**

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Grant Holder: Eurice GmbH, Saarbrucken, DE

Country

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UK	Prof. Julian GARDNER Dr Robin NORTH; Prof. Florin UDREA

31 COST Countries (Parties) have already signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)

PARTIES: 31

already accepted MoU

Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Luxembourg, The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United Kingdom

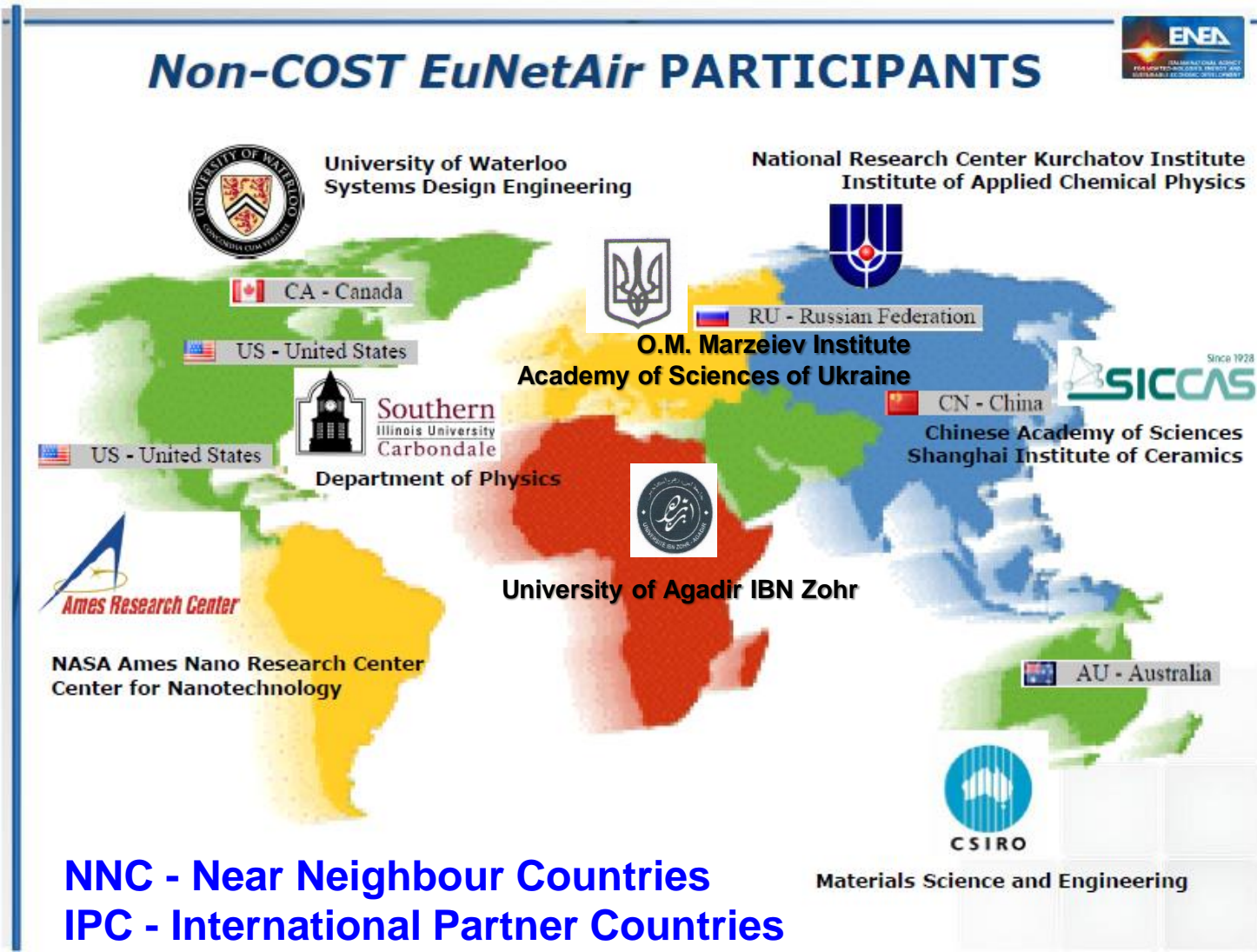


COST Action TD1105 *EuNetAir*:

7 Non-COST Countries and 8 Non-COST Institutions

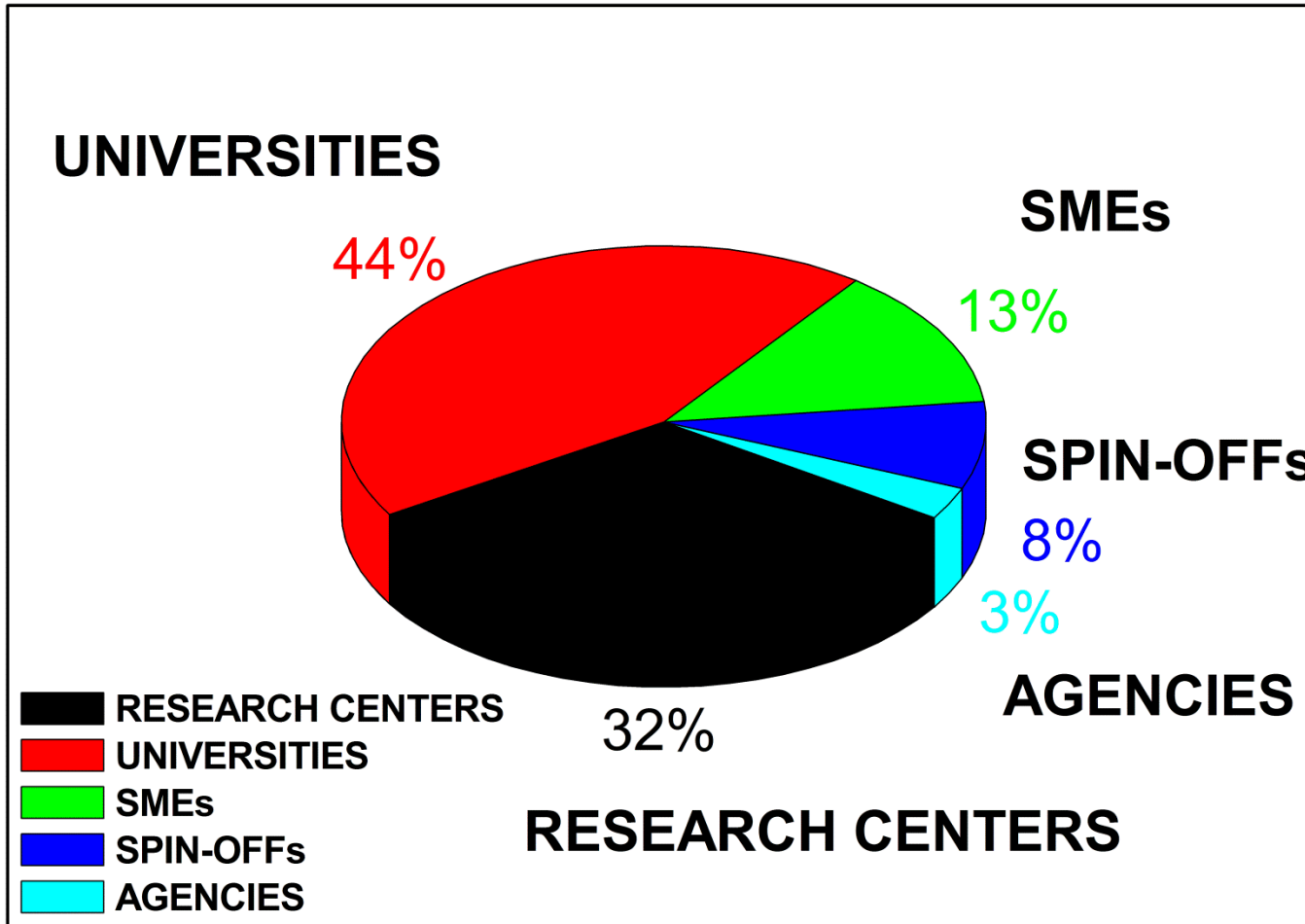
Non-COST Countries:
Australia, Canada, China,
Morocco, Russia, Ukraine,
USA

Non-COST Institutions:
CSIRO (Australia);
University of Waterloo
(Canada); Chinese Academy
of Sciences, Shanghai
Institute of Ceramics
(China); University of
Agadir IBN Zohr (Morocco);
National Research Center
Kurchatov Institute
(Russia); O.M. Marzeiev
Institute for Hygiene and
Medical Ecology of
Academy of Science of
Ukraine (Ukraine); Southern
Illinois University
Carbondale, NASA Ames
Research Center (USA).



Action Participation Statistics

EuNetAir COST PARTNERSHIP June 2015



COST Parties: 31
COST Organizations: 123
UNIVERSITIES: 55
RESEARCH CENTERS: 39
SMEs: 16
SPIN-OFFs: 9
AGENCIES: 4

EXAMPLES OF APPLICATIONS FOR AQ SENSORS AND AQ SENSOR-SYSTEMS

- **Wireless Sensor Network** around Heathrow airport for AQ Monitoring
by University of Cambridge and Alphasense (UK)
- **Mobile Sensors on Public Transportation** (e.g., bus, tram) for *near real-time pollution detection* in the city
by EMPA, EPFL, ETHZ, Switzerland
- **Stationary Sensors Node and Portable Sensors** for AQ Monitoring
by ENEA (Italy) and JRC-IES (EC)
- **Joint-Exercise Sensors-versus-Analyzers** in Aveiro (Portugal)
by IDAD (Portugal) and 15 EuNetAir partners

WIRELESS SENSORS NETWORK AROUND HEATHROW

London: Heathrow Airport

SNAQ-Heathrow project: Wireless Sensors Network

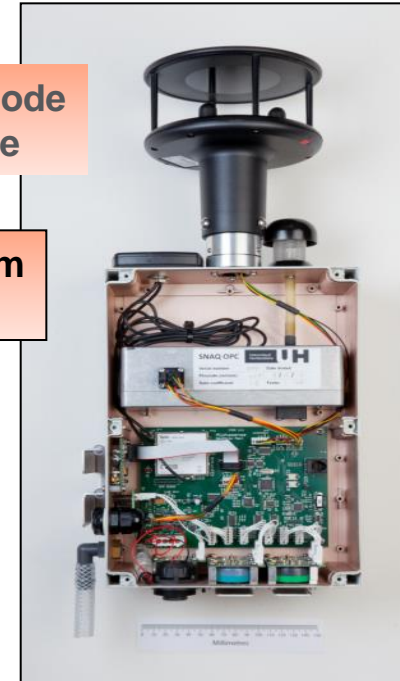
Courtesy by Rod Jones and Alphasense Ltd

- ~ 50 sensor nodes located in and around the airport
- Web: <http://www.snaq.org/>



SNAQ sensor node
by Cambridge

~49 x 22 x 16 cm
~2.8 kg

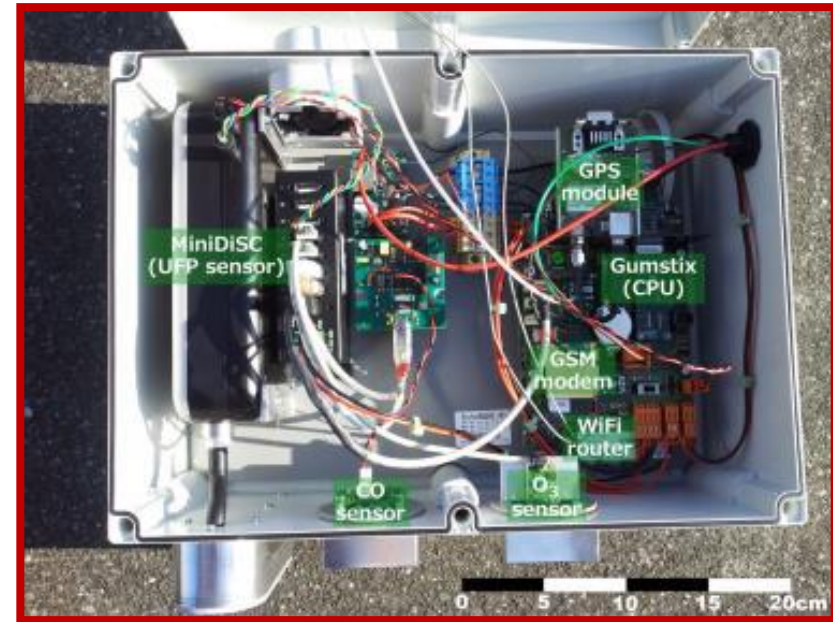


AQ MOBILE SENSORS DEMONSTRATION IN EU CITIES

Lausanne and Zurich: City

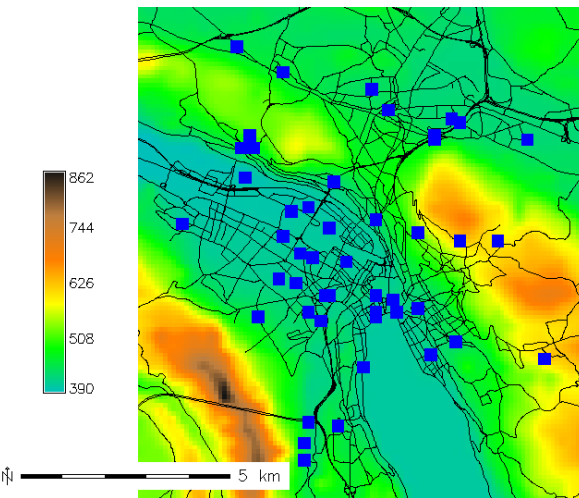
OpenSense project: Wireless Fixed/Mobile Sensors Network

Courtesy by Karl Aberer and OpenSense Consortium



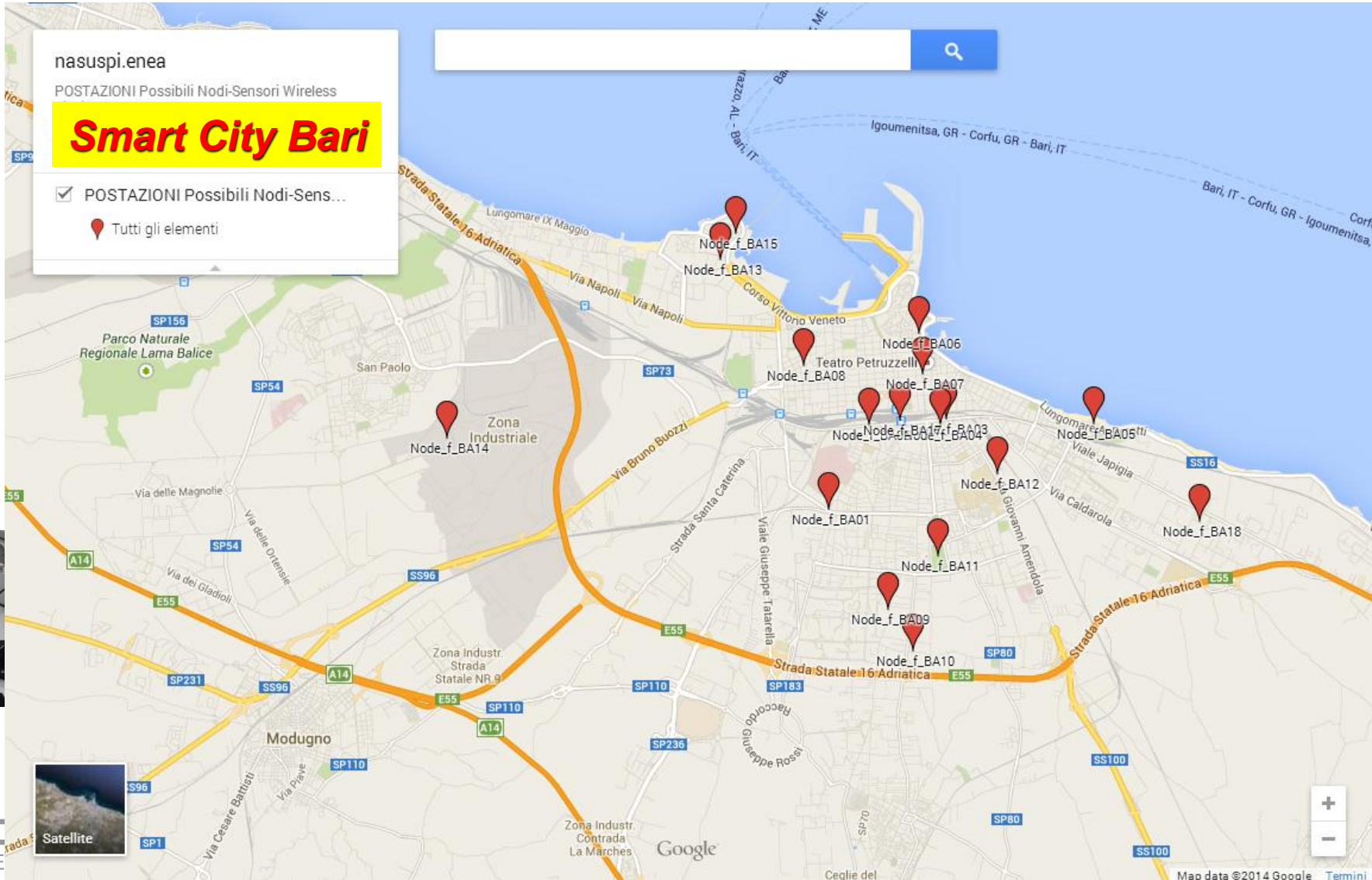
**Sensor Node for Air Quality Monitoring:
CO, NO_x, O₃, UFP, etc.**

**Mobile AQ sensors complement
stationary sensors network**



IT NATIONAL PROJECT RES-NOVAE: OUTDOOR APPLICATIONS

AQ ENEA Sensors Fixed Nodes Network distributed in Bari (Italy)
Urban Control Center (UCC) collects data from City.



AirBOX
Sensor-Node



Satellite

Google

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AIR-SENSOR BOX: Proof-of-Concept by ENEA

MicroSensors for Urban Air Quality Monitoring

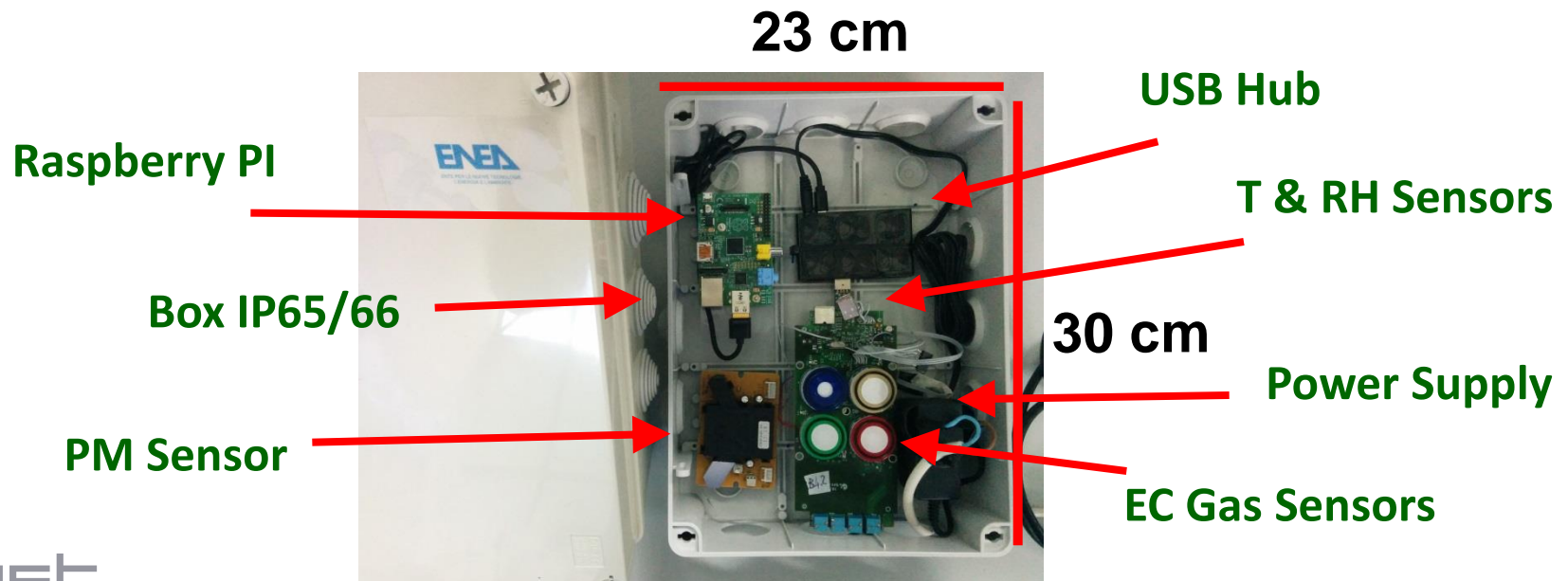
Wireless Sensor-Node Network for Air Quality Monitoring

- Hardware:

A. AQ Multiparametric Sensor Node: NO₂, O₃, CO, SO₂, PM₁₀, T, RH

B. Electronics: Raspberry PI, Modem GSM, SIM Card, Wi-Fi

C. Database: saving data in real-time on a server (*IBM Italia collaboration*)



SENSOR TECHNOLOGIES: Proofs-of-Concept

NASUS GAS SENSOR BOX

M. Penza et al., COST Brescia Meeting at EUROSENSORS 2014, 7 - 10 Sept. 2014

M. Penza et al., Special Session Smart Cities Sensors at IEEE SENSORS 2014, 2 - 5 Nov. 2014

Courtesy from ENEA

Real Measurements in collaboration with JRC-IES, Ispra, Italy



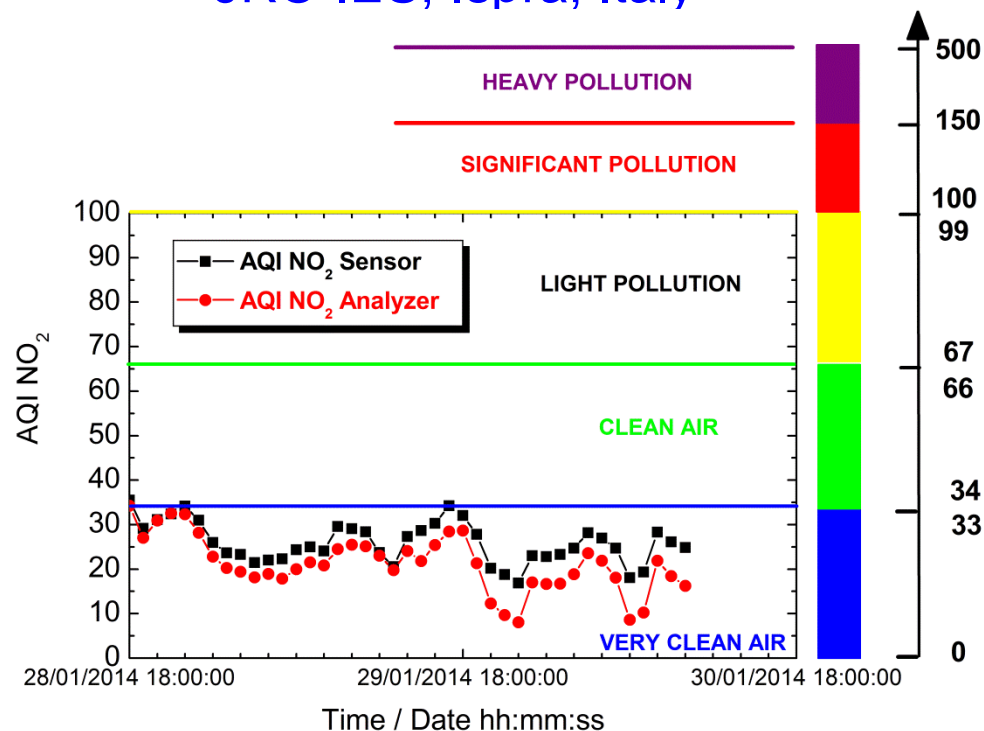
COCX_A3_Alphasense

NO2A1_A3_Alphasense

SO2AF_A3_Alphasense

H2SA1_A3_Alphasense

4 sensors (Electrochemical) to detect air-pollutants (e.g., CO, NO₂, SO₂)
H₂S, T and RH



Air Quality Index (AQI) by NO₂ Sensor and NO_x Chemiluminescence Analyzer

Aveiro Joint-Exercise Intercomparison & WG Meeting

13 - 27 October 2014: Starting Joint-Exercise (2 weeks duration)

14 - 15 October 2014: EuNetAir WG1-WG4 Meeting

EuNetAir Air Quality Joint-Exercise Intercomparison 2014

Local Organizers: Prof. Carlos Borrego and Dr. Ana Margarida Costa (IDAD)

Air Quality Monitoring campaign at Aveiro (Portugal) city centre 2014



Continuous measurements: CO, benzene, NO_x, SO₂, PM₁₀, VOC

Temperature, humidity, wind velocity, wind direction, solar radiation, precipitation

COST partners (15 teams joined from 12 COST Countries) installed their microsensors side-by-side to compare performance with referenced equipment in the Air-Quality Mobile Laboratory

1ST EuNetAir Air Quality Joint-Exercise Intercomparison

• Micro-sensors typologies and monitored pollutants:

- Electrochemical sensors:

- NO, NO₂, CO, O₃, SO₂

- Optical sensors:

- PM1, PM2.5, PM10

- Metal Oxide Semiconductor based sensors (MOS):

- NO₂, COV, CO, O₃, SO₂

- Non dispersive infrared technology sensors (NDIR):

- CO₂

- Photoionization detection sensors (PID):

- COV_t



Carlos Borrego, IDAD, Aveiro, Portugal

CURRENT STATUS in AIR QUALITY SENSORS



AQD: Data Quality Objectives (DQO)

	SO ₂ , NO ₂ /NO /NO _x , CO	Benzene	O ₃
Uncertainty for fixed measurements	15 %	25 %	15 %
Uncertainty for indicative measurements	25 %	30 %	30 %
	diffusive samplers, <i>micro-sensors</i>		

Michel Gerboles, JRC-Ispra, IES

FUTURE TRENDS in AIR QUALITY SENSORS

European Policy for the use of sensors

- Micro-sensors:
 - - **for now**: not mentioned, not foreseen in European legislation for regulatory purposes
 - - **European Members States** shall demonstrate that the Data Quality Objective for Indicative Methods is met (*national projects*).
- **For now**, the European Commission mainly observes the results of some Research projects related to micro-sensors: *MACPoll*, *AIRMONTECH*, *FP7- ENV.2012.6.5-1* (air quality monitoring in a "Smart City" context with community involvement, *S3-EURUSSIA*, *KEY-VOCs*, *CITI-SENSE*, ***COST Action TD1105 EuNetAir***, etc. ...)

Open Questions of the Air Quality Sensors

- Lower Accuracy compared to Reference Methods
- Cross-sensitivity and low Selectivity
- Low Stability and Drift to be corrected periodically
- Calibration needs periodically (e.g., at least 1 calibration/month)
- Regular Maintenance of the in-field AQ sensor nodes
- Data Quality Objective (European Directive 2008/50/EC) to be addressed for ***Indicative Measurements*** by demonstration of the equivalence to use microsensors for AQ monitoring

Advantages and Benefits of the Air Quality Sensors

- Low-cost for deployment in Cities at high spatial-temporal resolution
- Suitability for personal exposure studies
- Suitability for emission source information
- Outdoor monitoring of gases (NO₂/NO, O₃, CO, SO₂, H₂S, tVOCs, CO₂, NH₃, etc.)
- Outdoor monitoring of particulate matter (PM₁₀, PM_{2.5}, PM_{1.0}, UFP)
- Indoor monitoring of gases (CO, VOCs, benzene, formaldehyde, naphthalene, toluene, etc.) and PM (PM₁₀, PM_{2.5}, PM_{1.0})
- Combination of sensors with modelling for micro-scale analysis (1-2 mt resolution)

Focus Group Meeting *EuNetAir*

Innovation on Environmental Sensor Technologies

hosted by Siemens, **Munich** (Germany), 29 April 2015

SIEMENS

Local Organizer:

Dr. Olivier von Sicard
Siemens AG
Munich (Germany)



Participation:

- 15 Participants
- 10 COST Countries

Output:

**Planned Report on
Innovation on Environmental Sensor Technologies**



FOURTH SCIENTIFIC MEETING: WG & 7th MC Meeting

hosted by Linköping University, **Linköping** (Sweden), 3 - 5 June 2015

Local Organizer:

Prof. Anita Lloyd Spetz,
Linköping University,
Linköping (Sweden)



FOCUS ON:

Outdoor Applications

- 4 June 2015: Roundtable on the *European Sensor-Systems Cluster (ESSC)*
- 5 June 2015: *World Environment Day 2015, 5 June* - Global Day by UNEP
- 22 June 2015: *AMA Science Proceedings* (max 4 pages Templated) with DOI
- Spring 2016: *Special Issue JSSS (Copernicus)* - Peer Review Process

Year 4: Scientific Planning of *EuNetAir* (1/2)

Meetings/Workshops/Training Schools planned for upcoming year
(Year 4: 1 July 2015 - 15 May 2016): EXTENSION: 15 Nov. 2016 - tbc!

- **WG1-WG4 Meeting** on *Air Quality Monitoring and Calibration: Horizons in Sensing Technologies, Methods and Modelling - Start of the 2nd EuNetAir Air Quality Joint-Exercise Intercomparison* organized by the VINCA Institute, Belgrade (**Serbia**), 13 - 14 Oct. 2015. Local organizer: Dr. Milena Jovasevic-Stojanovic, VINCA
- The **4th International Workshop of the COST Action TD1105** on *Innovations and Challenges for Air Quality Control Sensors* at FFG (National AT COST Office), Wien (**Austria**), 25 - 26 February 2016. Local organizer: Dr. Anton Kock, MCL
- The **Action 4th International Training School** on *Modelling, Methods and Technologies for Air Quality Control* at Emdrup Campus in Copenhagen, by Aarhus University (**Denmark**), 19 - 22 April 2016. Local organizer: Prof. Ole Hertel, Aarhus University. Trainees: 13-15 expected. Trainers: 3-4 expected.

Year 4: Scientific Planning of *EuNetAir* (2/2)

MC/WG Meetings planned for the upcoming year

(Year 4: 1 July 2015 - 15 May 2016): EXTENSION: 15 Nov. 2016 - tbc!

- **5th SCIENTIFIC MEETING: WGs Meeting and 8th MC Meeting on New Sensing Technologies for Indoor Air Quality Monitoring: Trends & Challenges** at Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia (Bulgaria), 16 - 18 Dec. 2015. Local organizers: Prof. Ivan Nedkov and Prof. Dimiter Syrakov, BAS
- **6th SCIENTIFIC MEETING: WGs Meeting and 9th MC Meeting on New Sensing Technologies for Outdoor Air Quality Monitoring** at Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague (Czech Republic), 5 - 7 October 2016. Local Organizers: Prof. Zdenek Zelinger, Dr. Vera Kurkova, Dr. Roman Neruda, CAS
- **Special Session EuNetAir / Core-Group Meeting** to **EUROSENSORS 2015**, Freiburg (Germany), 6 - 10 September 2015

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES from Action TD1105

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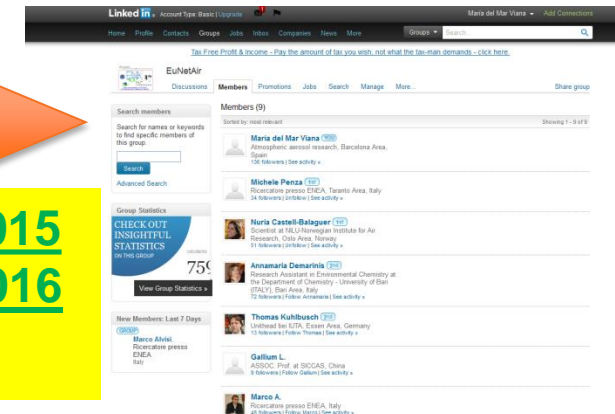
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Dr. Marco Alvisi, Webmaster Coordinator

Sebastiano Dipinto, Valerio Pfister, Gianfranco Zingarelli, Webmaster Team

Social Scientific ESRs Network (SSEN) by LinkedIn

Members: >50 - Moderators: M. Viana, M. Minguillon



4° CALL for Short Exchange Visits launched on September 2015
Short Term Scientific Mission: **9 TO BE FUNDED** by 15 May 2016

Dr. Jan Theunis, STSM Coordinator EuNetAir



 EuNetAir Newsletter

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Opening Editorial

- Issue 1: published on Dec. 2012 ✓
- Issue 2: published on June 2013 ✓
- Issue 3: published on Dec. 2013 ✓
- Issue 4: published on June 2014 ✓
- Issue 5: published on Dec. 2014 ✓
- Issue 6: published on June 2015 ✓

Prof. Ralf Moos, Editor-in-Chief

Dr. Daniela Schonauer-Kamin, Editorial Board Manager

Symposium planned at EMRS Spring Meeting 2016

Lille (France), 2-6 May 2016

Advanced Functional Materials for Environmental Monitoring Sensors and Energy Systems Applications

*Proceedings of Symposium EMRS Spring Meeting 2016 to be published under peer-review process in **Beilstein Journal of Nanotechnologies** (IF 2014: 2.3)*

• **Peer-review process** Open Access journal without publication fee (<http://www.beilstein-journals.org/bjnano>).

• **Symposium Organizers:**

- ✓ Michele Penza, ENEA, Italy
- ✓ Anita Lloyd Spetz, Linkoping University, Sweden
- ✓ Albert Romano-Rodriguez, Barcelona University, Spain
- ✓ Meyya Meyyappan, NASA Ames Research Center, USA

• **Deadline for abstract submission: 15 January 2016**

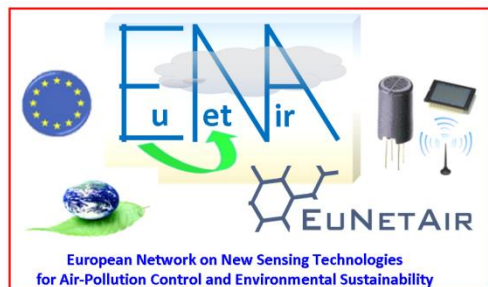


<http://www.emrs-strasbourg.com>

Expected Impact by Action TD1105

- **European Leadership on AQC Science & Technology**
- **Development of Green-Economy**
- **Support to Sustainable Development**
- **Support to Monitoring System of Clean Air for Europe**
- **Fostering Research & Innovation on New Sensing Technologies for Environmental Monitoring**

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CSO Approval: 01 Dec. 2011
Kick-off Meeting: 16 May 2012
Start of Grant: 01 July 2012
End of Grant: 15 May 2016

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***TD1105 selected as Top-Story
by COST Association***



Taking charge of air quality control in Europe's smart, green cities



A COST funded network of European spin-offs, SMEs, agencies, research centres and universities is working on developing cheaper and energy efficient sensors for air quality control in Europe's future smart cities.

▶ full story

Some CONCLUSIONS and Future Activities

- **Low-cost Micro-sensors** should not substitute but supplement routine monitoring devices, at the moment.
- Use of **portable systems** based on *low-cost solid-state gas sensors* to supplement high-cost standard chemical analyzers should be possible for some pollutant gases.
- Further **long-term investigations** in order to extend the range of air-pollutants detectable by *low-cost solid-state gas sensors* at higher accuracy.
- Further **sensor-system miniaturization and integration** with commercial electronics (e.g., smartphones, tablets, etc.) for **community participatory environmental sensing**.
- **Air Quality Control Fixed/Mobile Sensors Network for Smart Cities Applications**
- **Air Quality Index (AQI)** to inform general public.

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