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Aerosol Lidar Mapping of Large Urban Areas over Sofia Municipality. On the Synergy with in-situ atmospheric sensors.

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- 2. Laser Radars Laboratory & IE-BAS LIDAR Station.
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- 4. On the <u>Synergy</u> of LIDAR Aerosol Maping with City Sensor Networks.
- 5. Conclusions.



Introduction

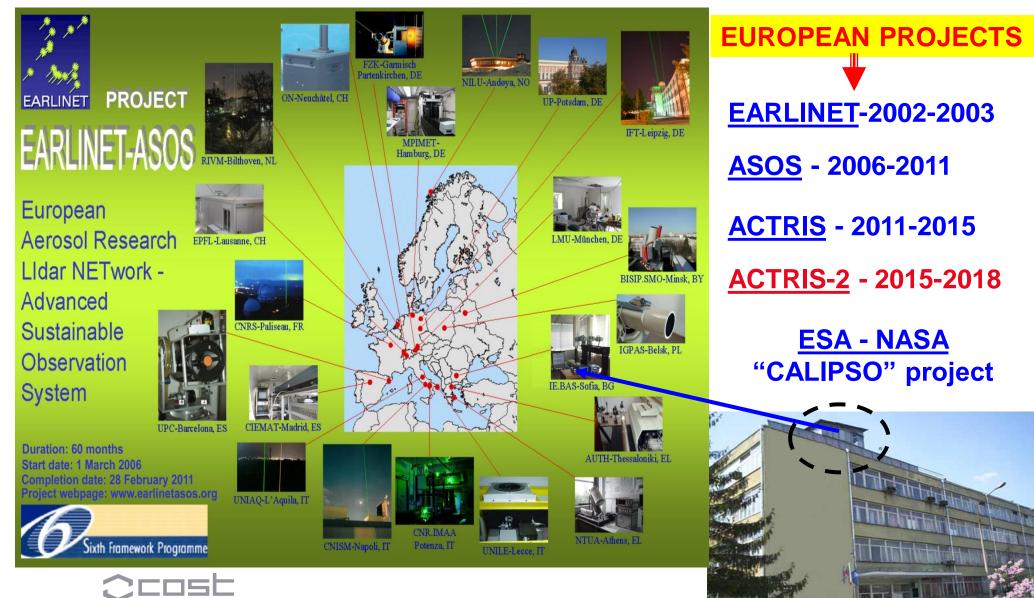
The air-quality assessment is a <u>multi-parameters</u> <u>problem</u> in urban areas due to many factors as the <u>small</u> <u>scale urban structures</u> (streets, houses), <u>high space &</u> <u>time dynamic</u> of near surface atmosphere, carrying mixes of aerosol particles, chemical & biological pollutions, etc.

The fast technology progress imposes regular <u>reformulations</u> of requirements to the information, provided by air-monitoring systems.

In this presentation we will present the results from the LIDAR Probing of near surface atmosphere above the Sofia Urban Area. We would like to hope our results will contribute to the creation of advanced AIR Quality Monitoring systems in the Capital City of BULGARIA

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Laser Radars Laboratory & IE-BAS LIDAR Station



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SCIENTIFIC & APPLIED LIDAR RESEARCH in LASER RADARS LABORATORY (IE-BAS)

- 1. <u>R&D of LIDAR systems</u> for atmospheric probing (hardware & software) since 1975-76.
- 2. <u>LIDAR sensing</u> of atmosphere (troposphere & stratosphere) and LIDAR ecological measurements since the End of 70ties, 20-tieth Century.
- 3. <u>Sofia EARLINET LIDAR Station of IE-BAS</u>, <u>Certified</u> for LIDAR Remote Sensing in troposphere and stratosphere within European Lidar Network (EARLINET).
- 4. <u>LIDAR DECONVOLUTION Methods</u> for improving the LIDAR resolution.
- 5. <u>LIDAR diagnostics of fusion plasma</u> in JET (Joint European Torus) in Culham Science Centre, Oxfordshire, UK



IE-BAS LIDAR STATION

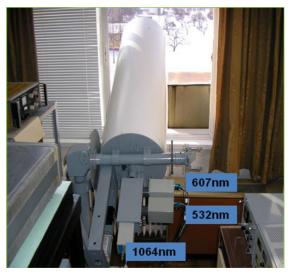


3 wavelengths LIDAR (510.6, 578.2, 627.8 nm) for monitoring of aerosol pollution transport through the troposphere & stratosphere: Saharah dust, volcanic dust, dust by fires, etc. emitted from 3 Continents: EUROPE, AFRICA and Northern AMERICA Two wavelength scanning lidar on Cu-vapor laser for monitoring (incl. lidar mapping) of Sofia urban area (510.6, 578.2 nm)









3 wavelengths Nd:YAG LIDAR for scanning in horizontal, slope and vertical directions (Vitosha, urban areas, long distance transport of air pollutions) 1064, 532, 607nm

Lidar mapping of Sofia urban area under a Contract of IE-BAS with the Sofia Municipality.

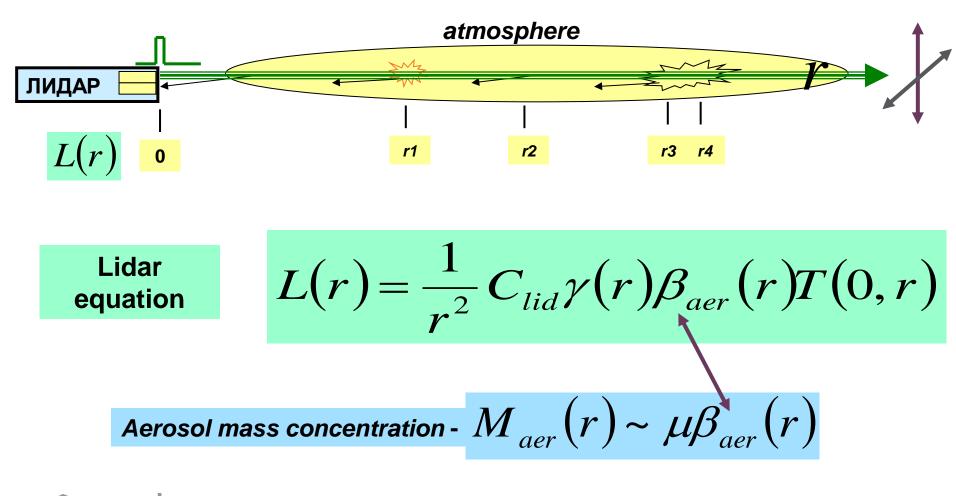
<u>Review</u> of basic results from the highresolution Lidar mapping (imaging) of aerosol fields

May – December 2015

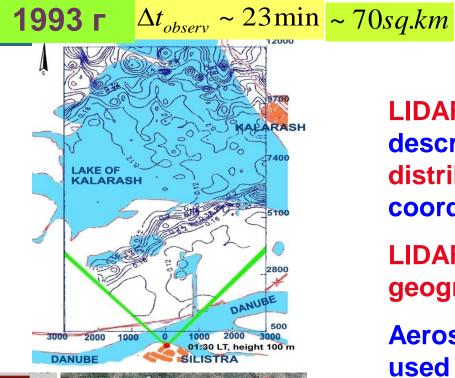


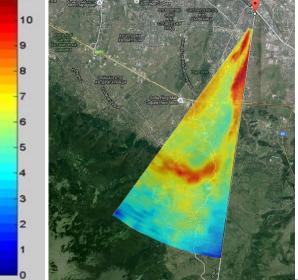
High resolution LIDAR Mapping of Aerosol Fields

LIDAR (Light Detection And Ranging)









LIDAR MAPs

LIDAR MAPS in horizontal or vertical planes describe the AEROSOL MASS concentration distributions in rectangular (X,Y) or radial (r, θ) coordinates with resolutions dX, dY or dR, $d\theta$.

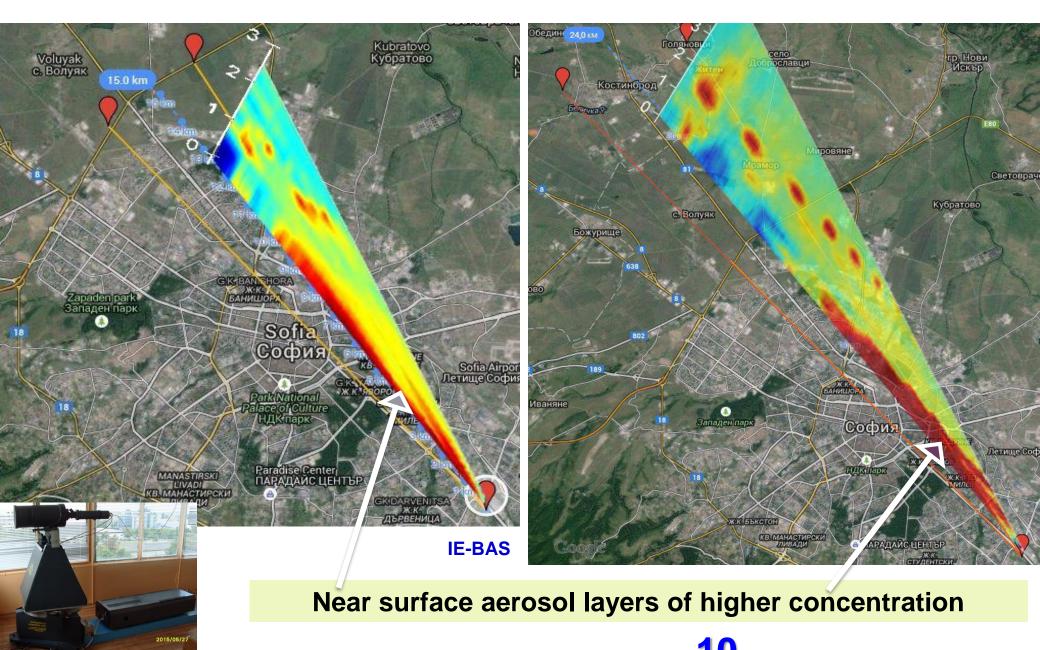
LIDAR MAPS are usually overlapped on the geographical maps.

Aerosols are <u>driven by the wind</u> and can be used as <u>markers</u> for air mass dynamics.

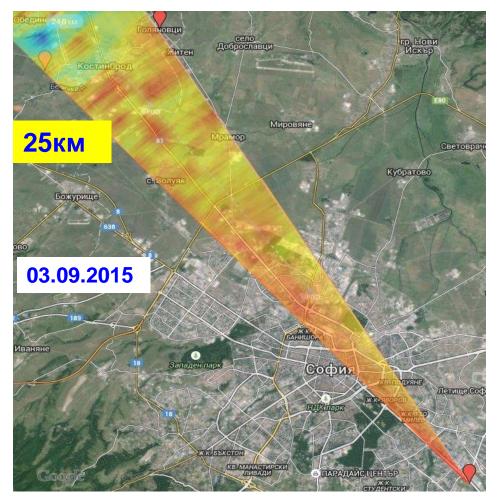
LIDAR Maps can provide a <u>range resolved</u>, near surface 2D information about atmospheric processes. Practically, it is not easy to acquire such information by other techniques.

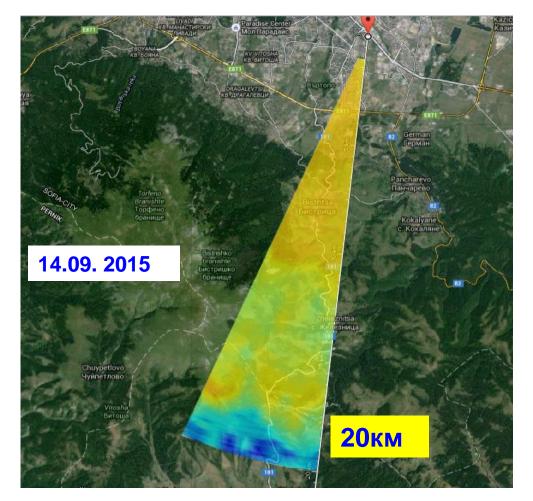
 $dR_{lidar} \sim 15-30m, \ d\theta_{lidar} \sim 1^{\circ} \sim 1.7^{\circ}.$

LIDAR vertical section maps of the aerosol distribution along a selected line passing through the city center

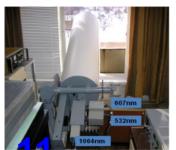


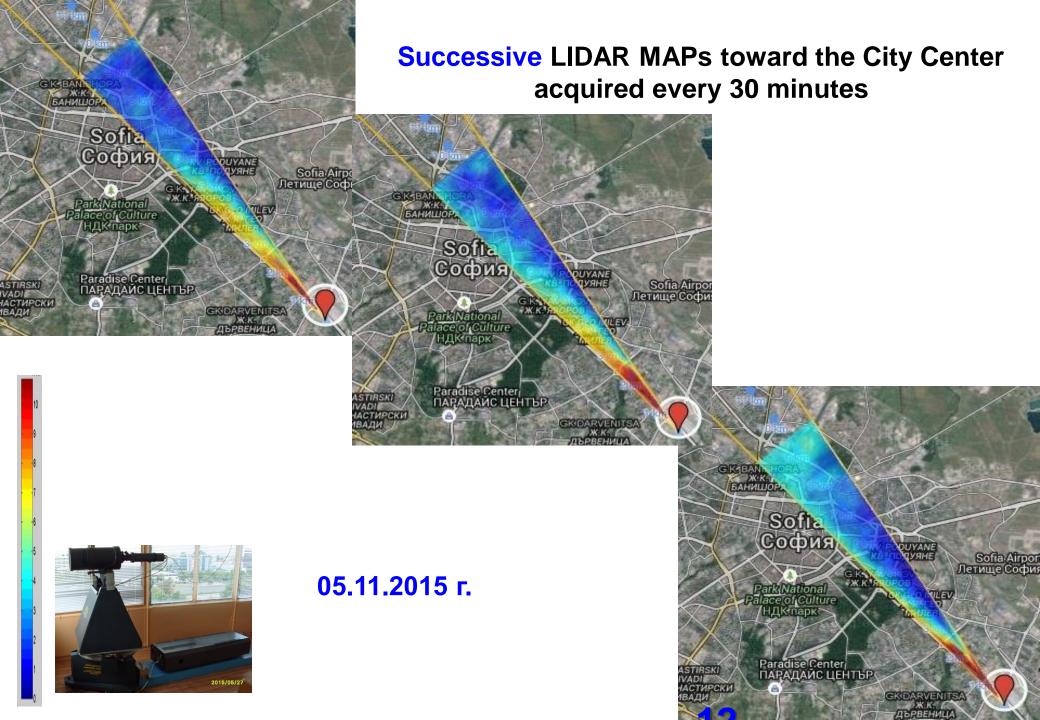
TO the ESTIMATION of the MAXIMUM OPERATIONAL MAPPING DISTANCE from a SINGLE POINT for the CASE of SOFIA REGION



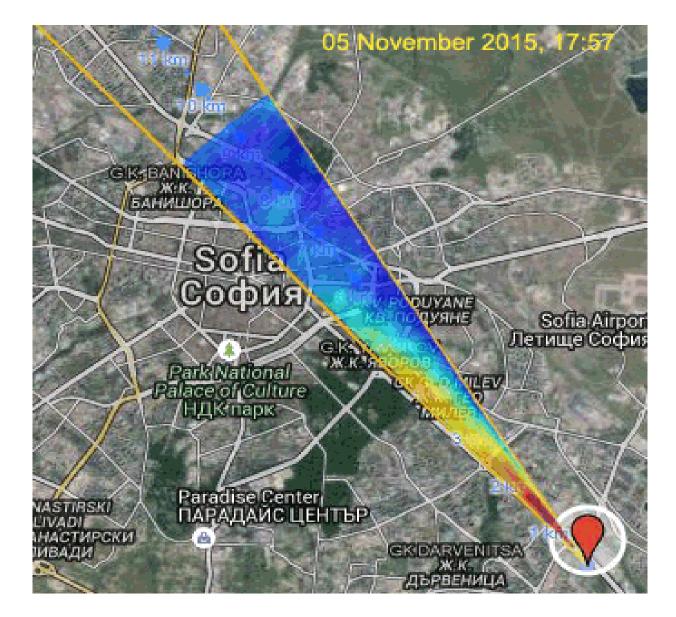






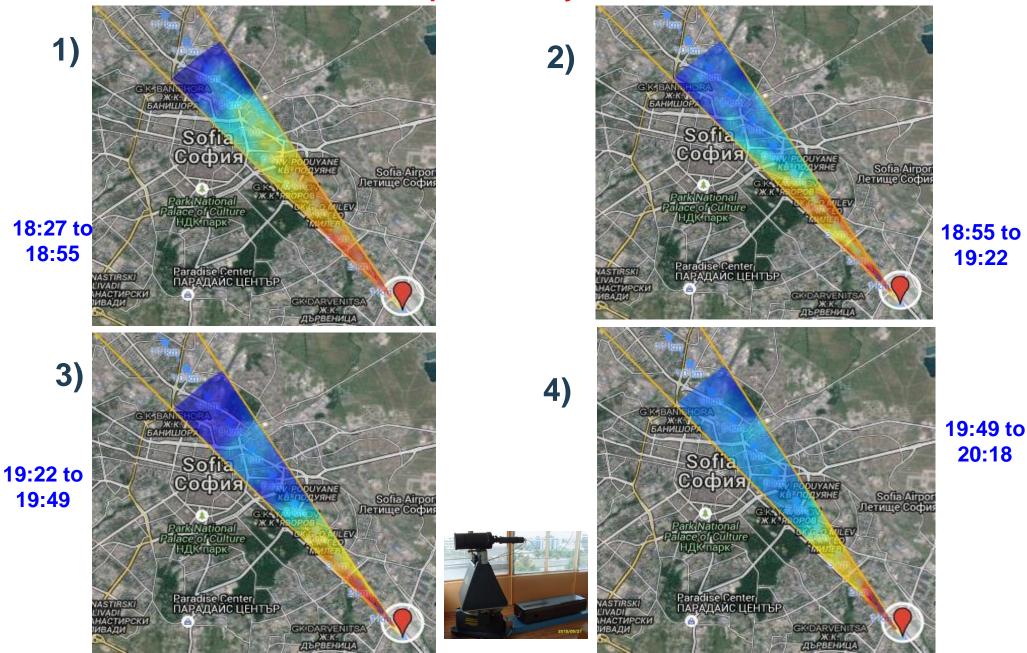


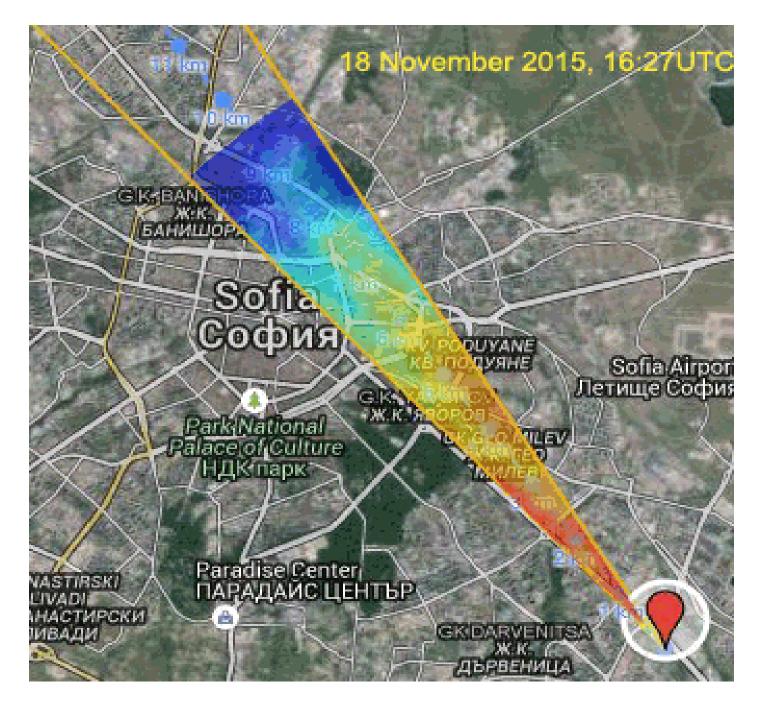
Successive LIDAR MAPs toward the City Center acquired every 30 minutes



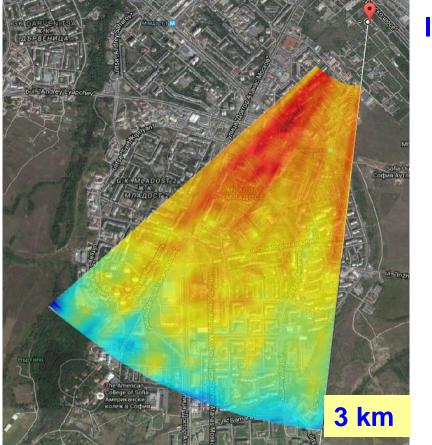
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Successive LIDAR MAPs toward the City Center acquired every 30 minutes





LIDAR MAPPING TOWARD VITOSHA MOUNTAIN



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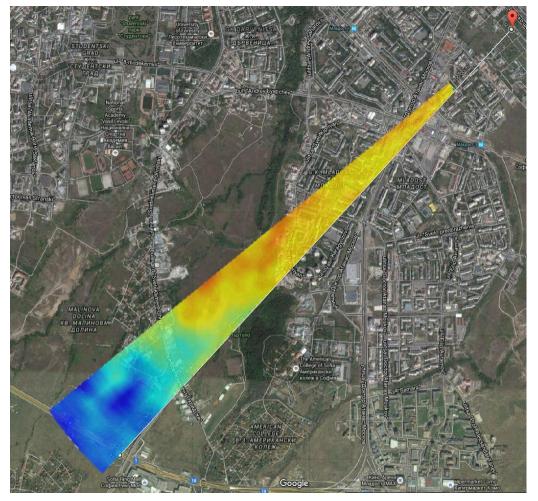
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toward Vitoshta Mountain

Coloured LIDAR MAP of aerosol field distribution in a horizontal sector of 40^o, measured in daily conditions (12:03 – 14:48).

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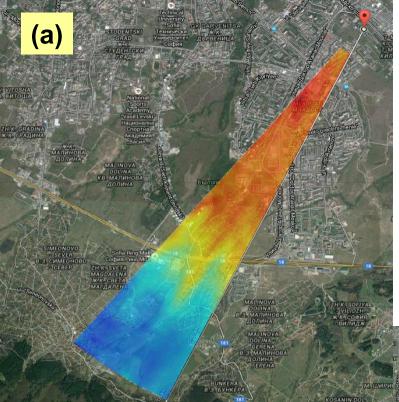
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Coloured LIDAR MAP of aerosol field distribution toward VITOSHA Mountain

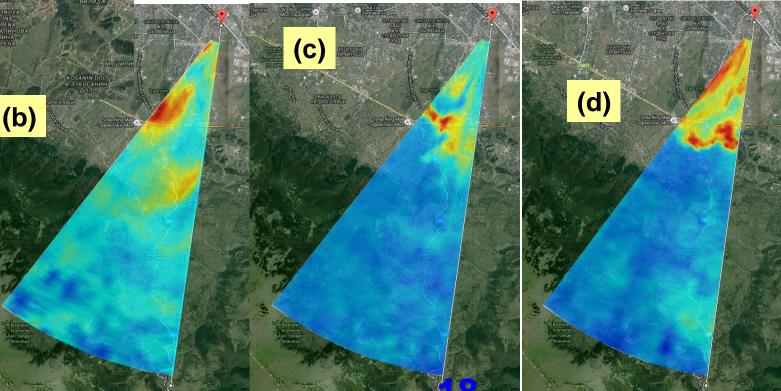


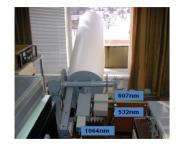


Coloured LIDAR MAP of aerosol field distribution toward VITOSHA Mountain

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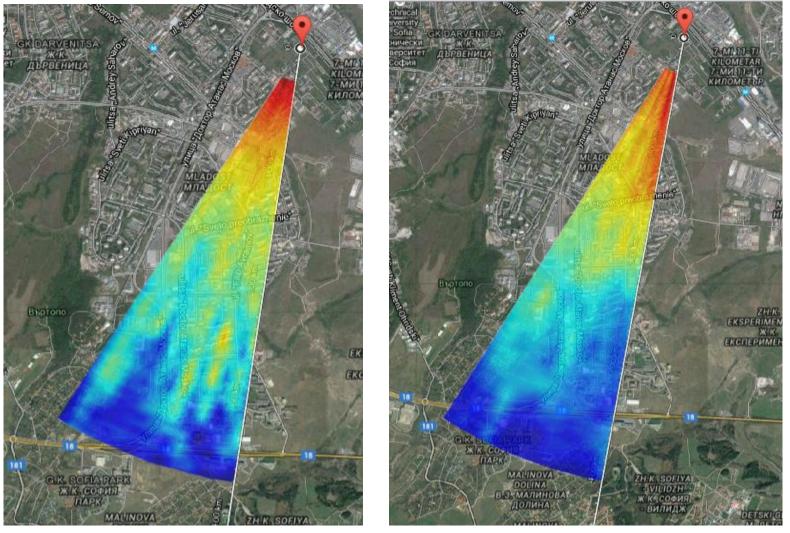
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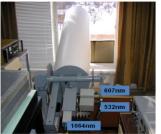
Coloured LIDAR MAP of aerosol field distribution toward VITOSHA Mountain

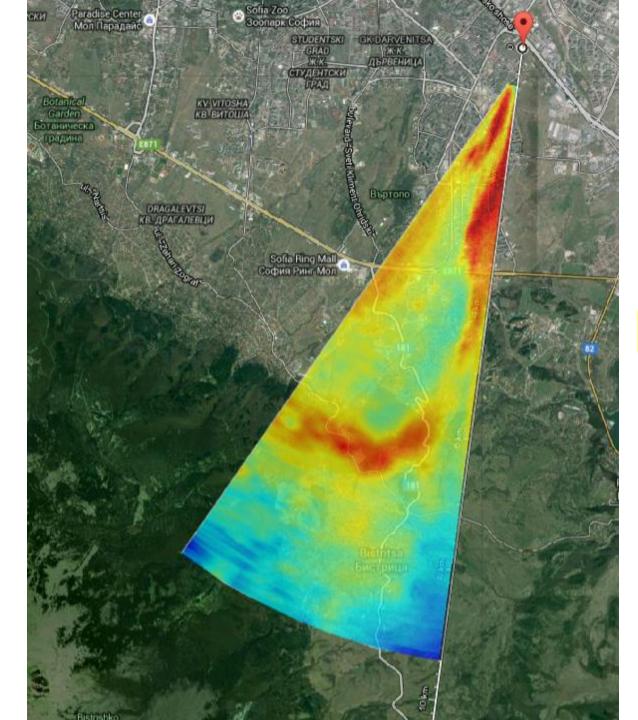
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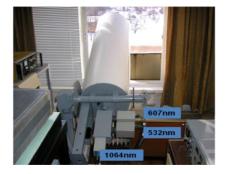






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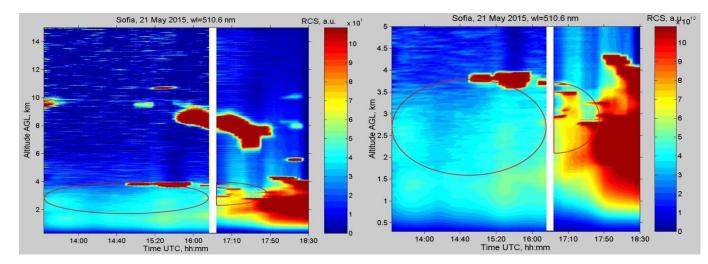
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LIDAR MEASUREMENT OF SAHARAN DUST AEROSOL ABOVE SOFIA 21.05.2015 г.

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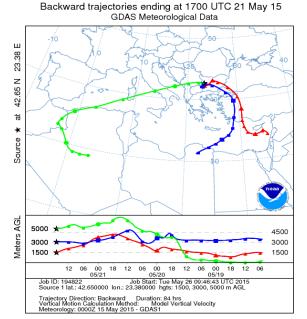


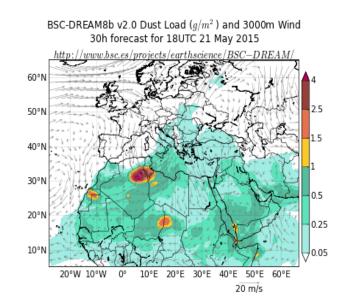


time

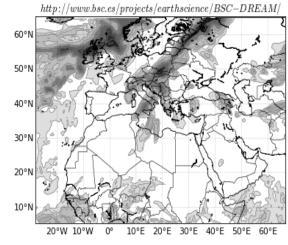
NOAA HYSPLIT MODEL

http://www.ie-bas.dir.bg/Departments/LidarData/Quicklooks.htm





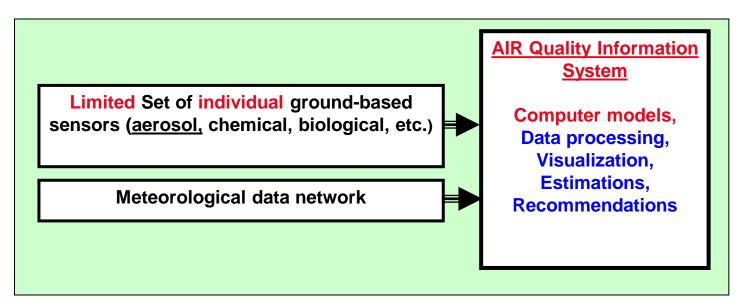
BSC-DREAM8b v2.0 Total Cloud Cover 30h forecast for 18UTC 21 May 2015



On the SYNERGY of LIDAR MAPPING and Urban in-situ sensors networks for improving the information of air-quality monitoring

The <u>effectiveness</u> of LIDAR MAPPING can be essentially increased by incorporating it with the City Sensor Network (SYNERGY Approach).

Typical block-schematic of city air-quality monitoring system



The information capabilities of such systems depend strongly on the <u>spatial resolution of sensor networks</u> over the city area

Comparative spatial resolutions

Lidar Maps Linear Resolution dR_{lidar}~15m to 120m

<u>City Sensors Network</u> <u>Resolutions</u>

dR_{sens}~ 500m – 1-3km and more

<u>City Area Characteristics</u> <u>Lengths:</u>

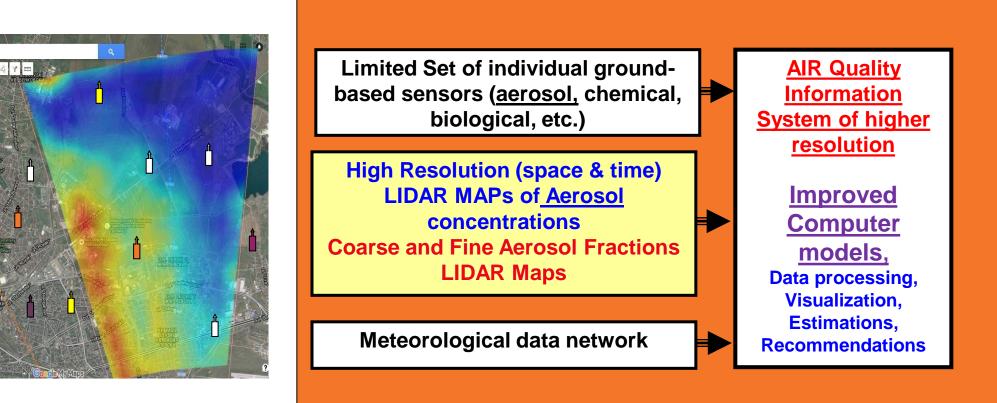
d*R*_{city}

Streets ~30m - 150m Buildings ~ 20m - 100m Inner courtyards ~ 30m - 150m

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 $dR_{lidar} \leq dR_{city} \ll dR_{sens}$

GENERAL BLOCK-SCHEMATIC OF AIR-QUALITY INFORMATION SYSTEM OF HIGHER SPACE & TIME RESOLUTION



LIDAR MAP can be considered as a high resolution network of a large number

of distributed aerosol sensors, overlapped on the existing city networks



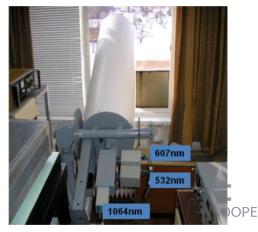
SYNERGY APPROACH within the LIDAR MAPPED DATA

I. Extraction (independent) of a lot of <u>high resolution aerosol near</u> <u>surface statistical characteristics</u> from LIDAR Maps and their incorporation into computer models of advanced AIR Monitoring System:

i) Visualisation of near surface turbulent motions; ii) Evaluation of near surface wind vector distribution; iii) Qualitative and Quantitative estimations of air-masses transport over the urban areas; etc.

<u>II. Separation</u> of LIDAR Maps into <u>Coarse</u> and <u>Fine</u> Aerosol Fractions LIDAR Maps based on the wavelength dependence of aerosol scattering.

1064, 532 nm



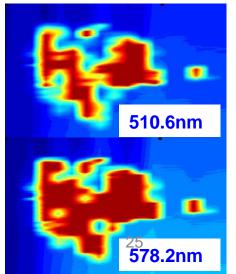
510.6, 572.8 nm



510.6, 572.8, 627 nm



Cyrus clouds



CONCLUSIONS

- 1. Demonstrated capabilities of the LIDAR monitoring over the Sofia Urban Area under a Contract with the Sofia Municipality.
- 2. Two LIDARs of the <u>IE-BAS Sofia LIDAR Station</u> were used to scan toward the City Center (West) and the Vitosha Mountain (South),etc.
- 3. Large number of <u>high quality & high resolution LIDAR Maps</u>, overlapped on the geographical map of Sofia have been got.
- 4. The operational distances for LIDAR mapping exceed **25 km** for both scanning Lidars. The estimated altitudes of the aerosol layers of increased concentration are within ~ 500-700m.
- 5. Analysed the application of LIDAR mapping for creation of high-resolution air-quality monitoring system, based on the <u>Synergy</u> of LIDAR high-Resolution maps with existing AIR-Quality Systems.

FINAL CONCLUSION

LIDAR technologies, developed in Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Laser Radars Lab. of IE-BAS can be applied for creation of novel Air-Monitoring system to cover the entire Sofia Area.

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