

# Connectivity and Synchronisation of Lake Ecosystems in Space and Time – CONNECT

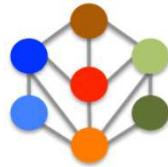
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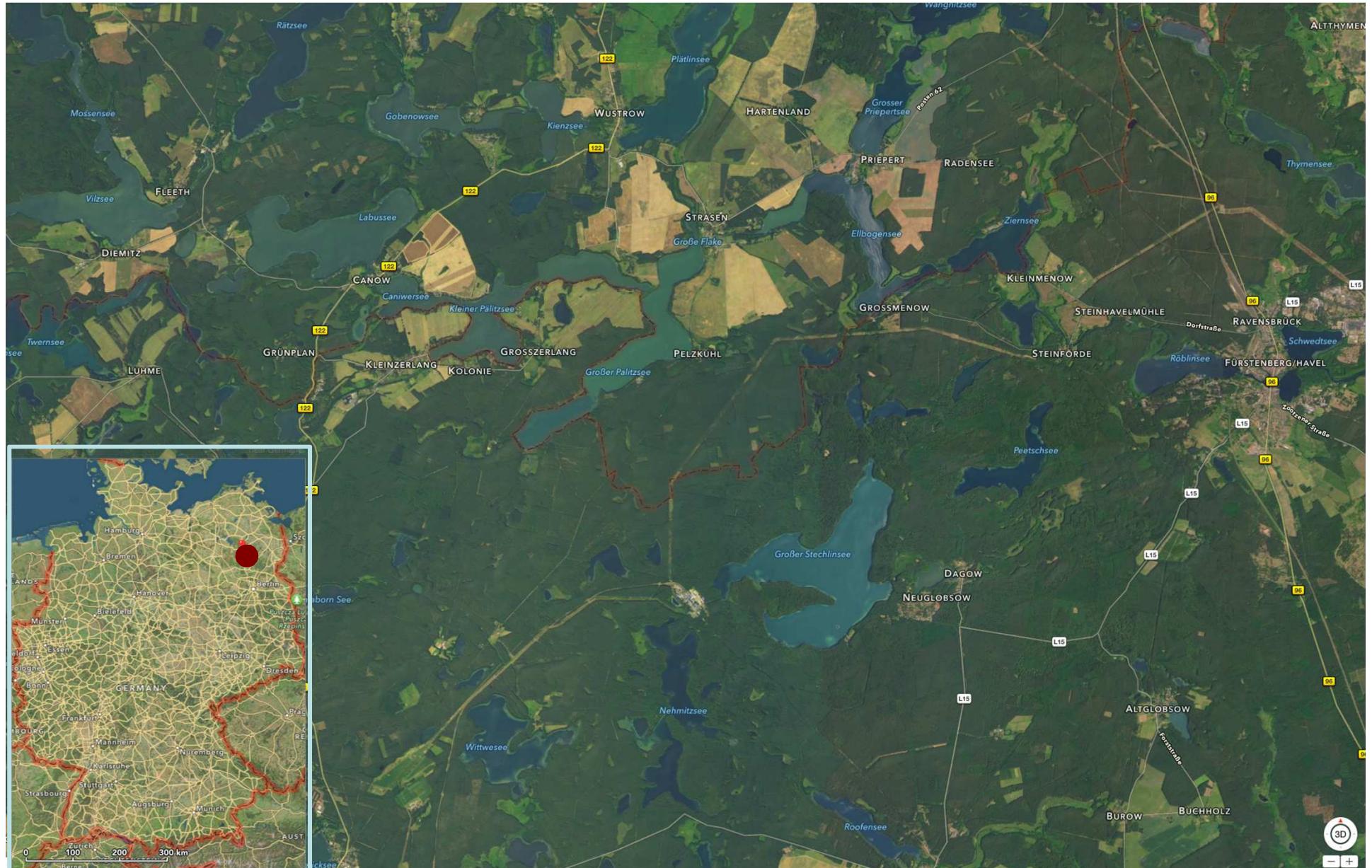


# CONNECT *in situ* measurements and Remote Sensing of inland waters



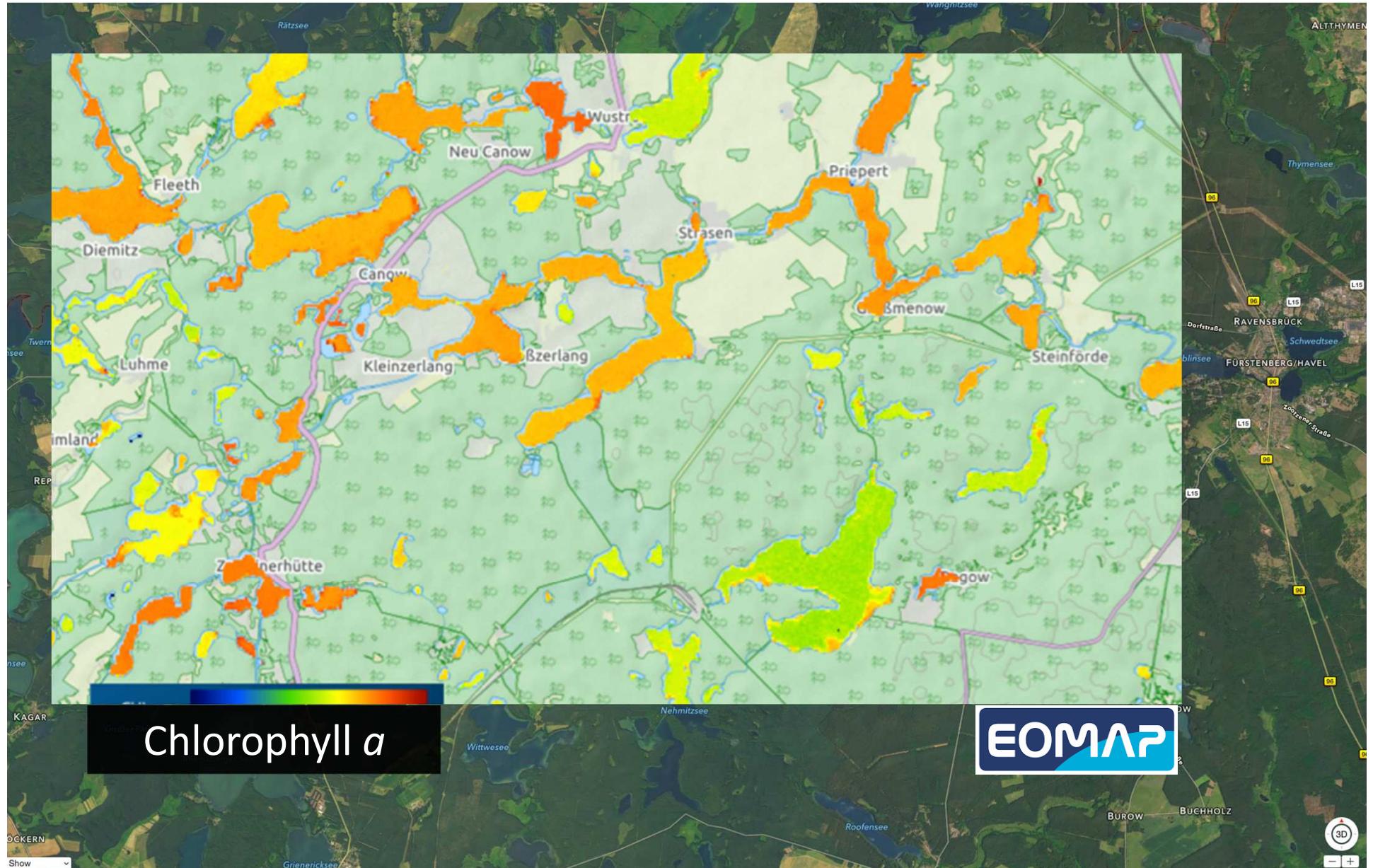


# CONNECTivity of lakes chains in North-East Germany



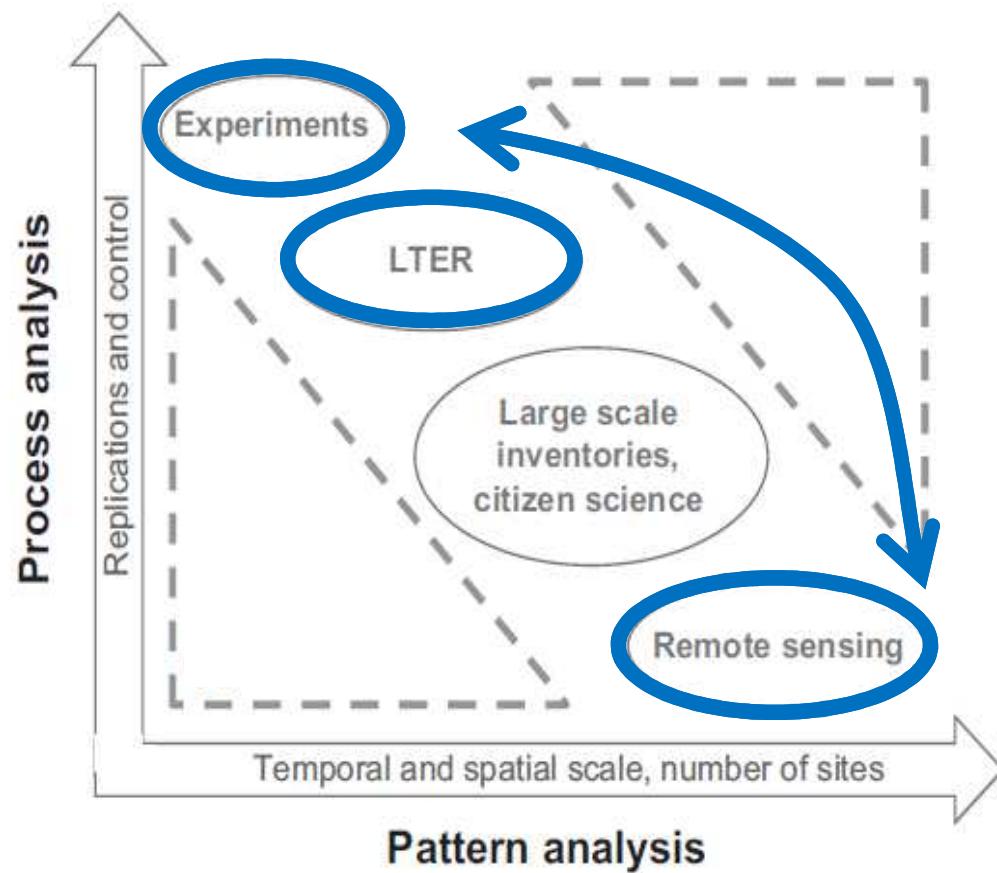


**CONNECT** combines *In situ* measurements, ground based, airborne and satellite Remote Sensing





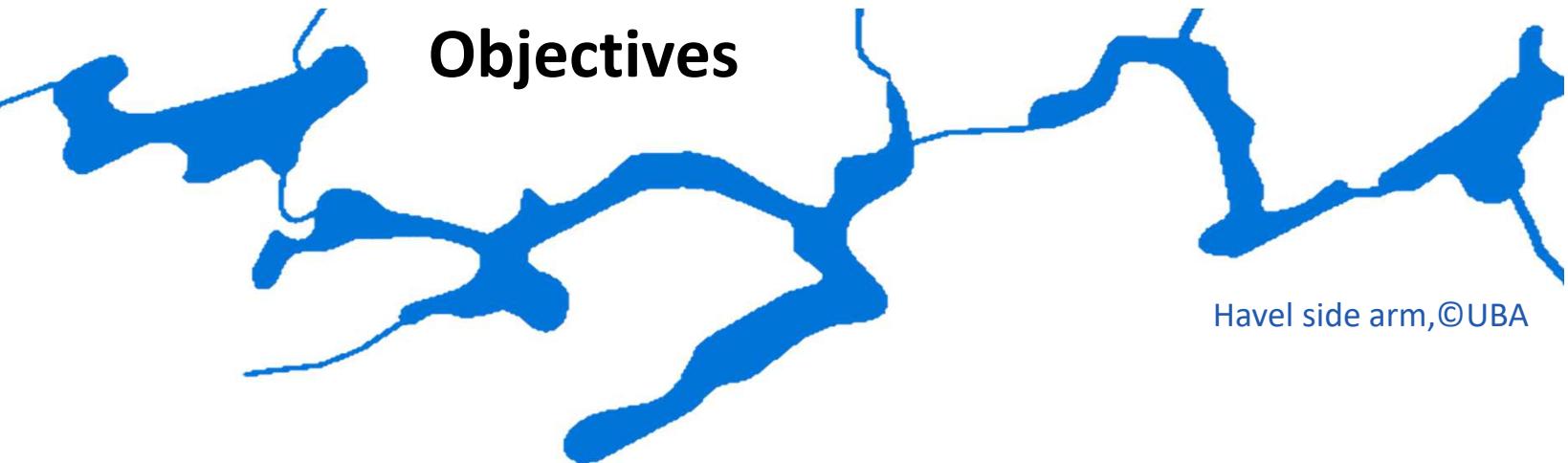
# CONNECT – uses the full scale from pattern analysis to process analysis



*Predictive ecology in a changing world.  
Review by Mouquet et al. 2015, J. Appl. Ecol.*

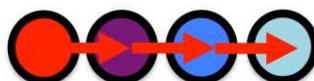


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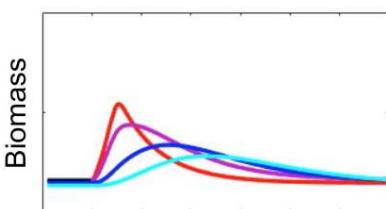


## Connectivity of lakes

Short residence time

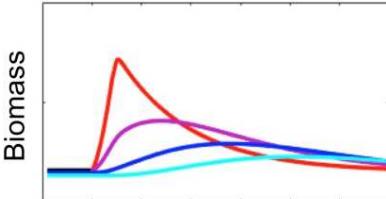
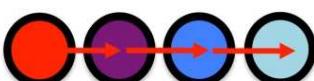


## Phytoplankton dynamics

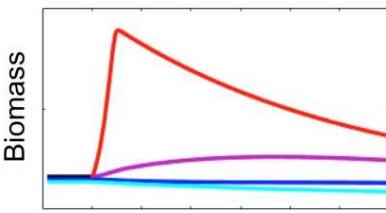
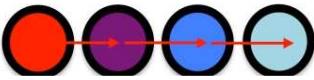


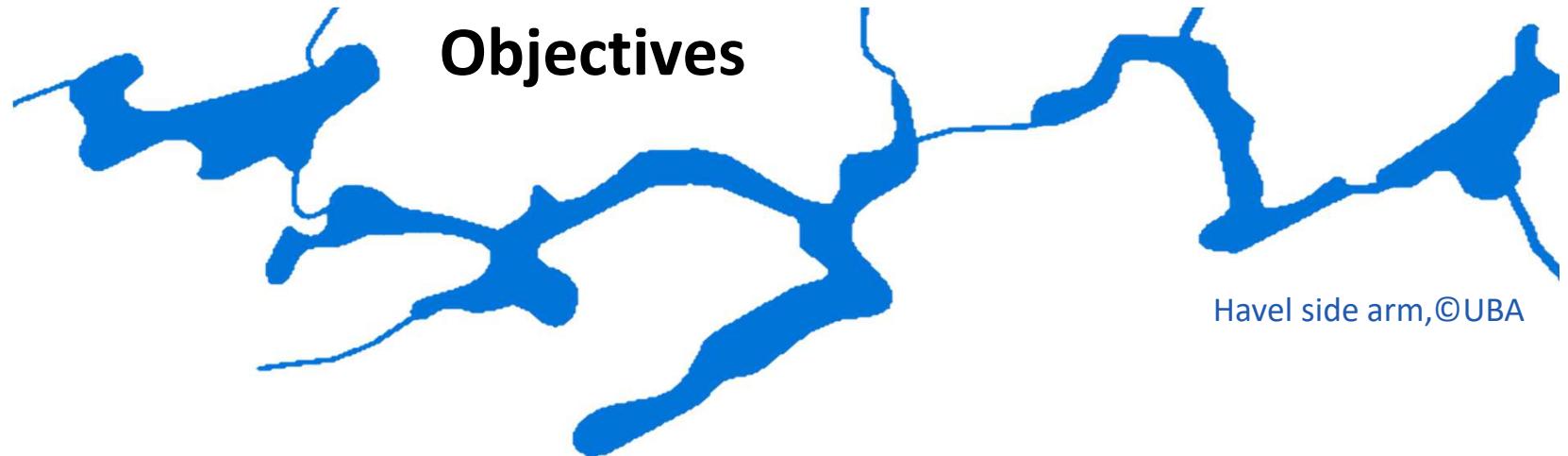
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Long residence time





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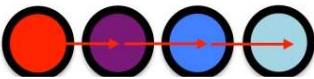
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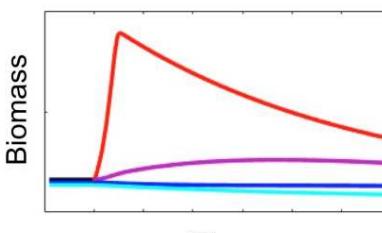
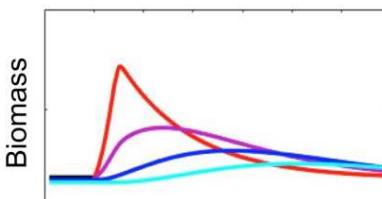
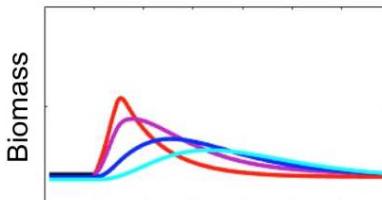
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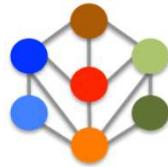
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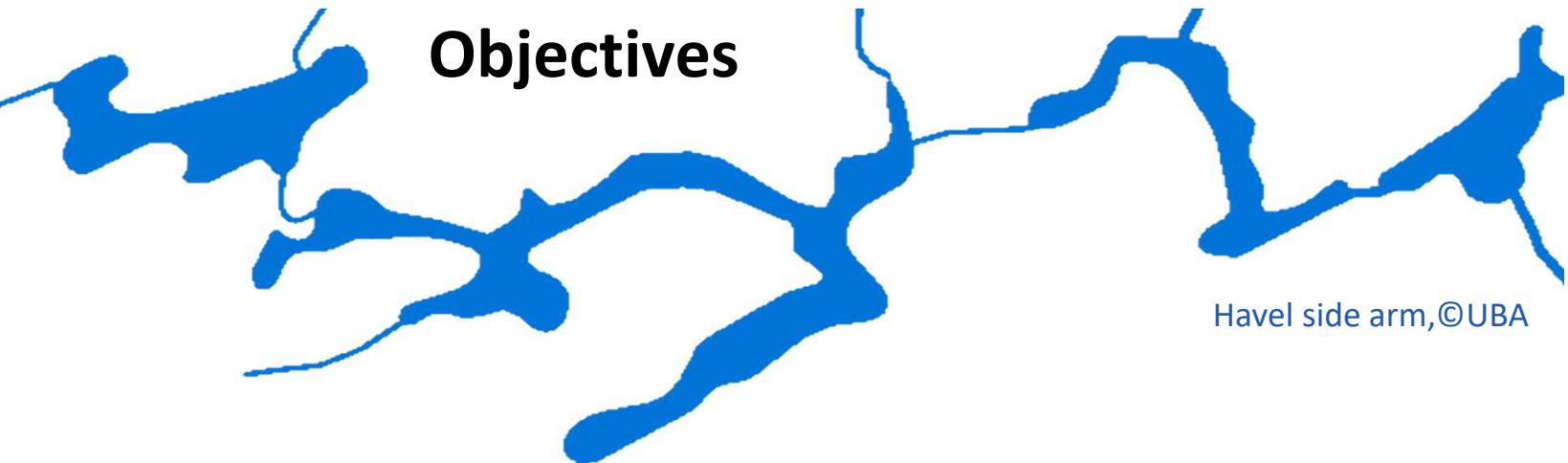
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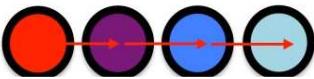
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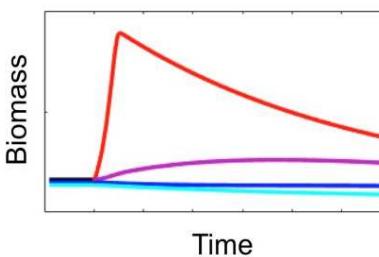
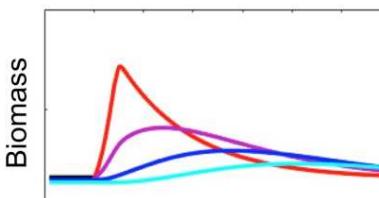
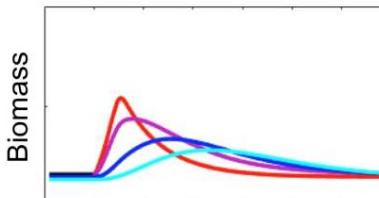
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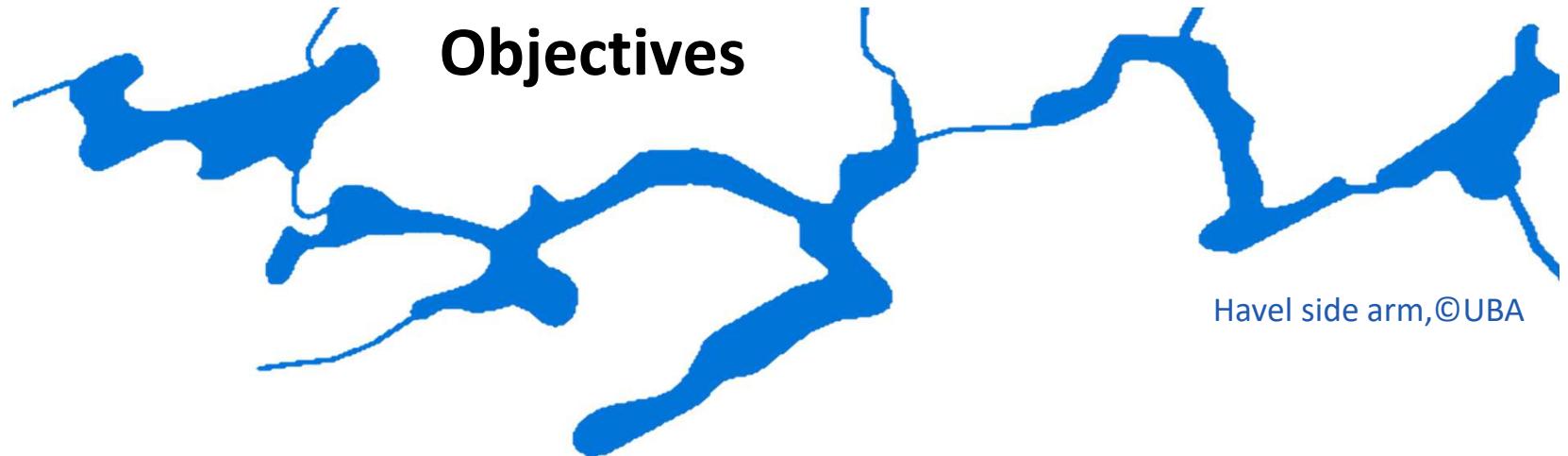
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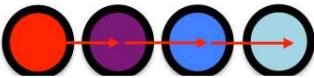
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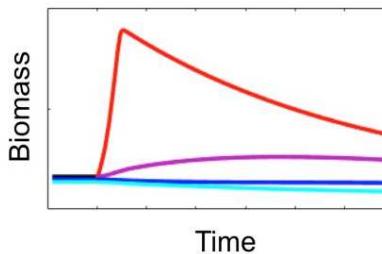
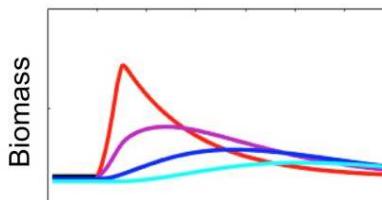
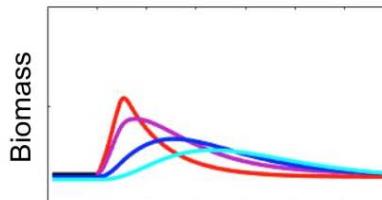
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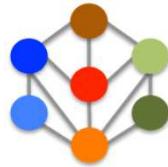
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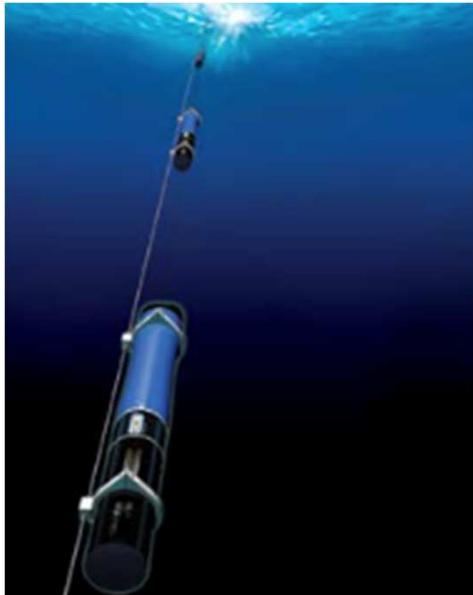
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- **Outlook: Facilitation of regional-scale monitoring and management.**



# CONNECT – combines methods to achieve high temporal and spatial resolution



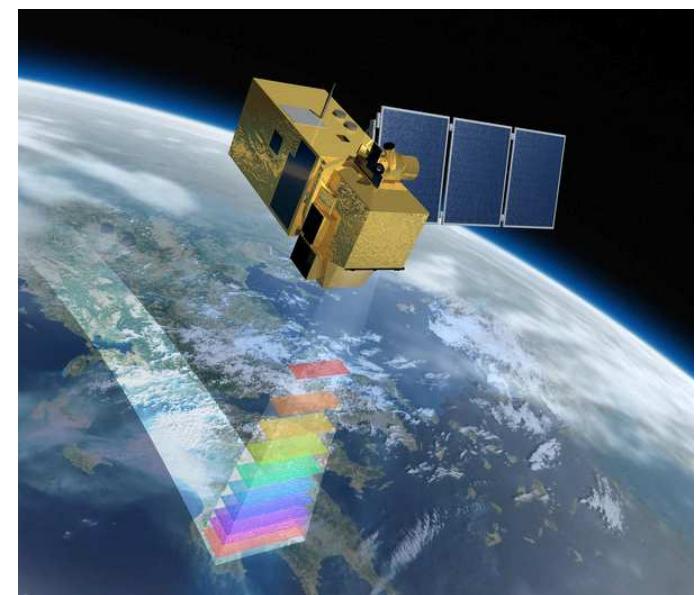
**High frequency  
*in situ* sensors:**  
Chl-a, cyanos, temp.,  
pH, cond., oxygen



**Sampling & Lab:**  
Phytoplankton and  
water chemistry, HPLC  
pigments, FlowCam

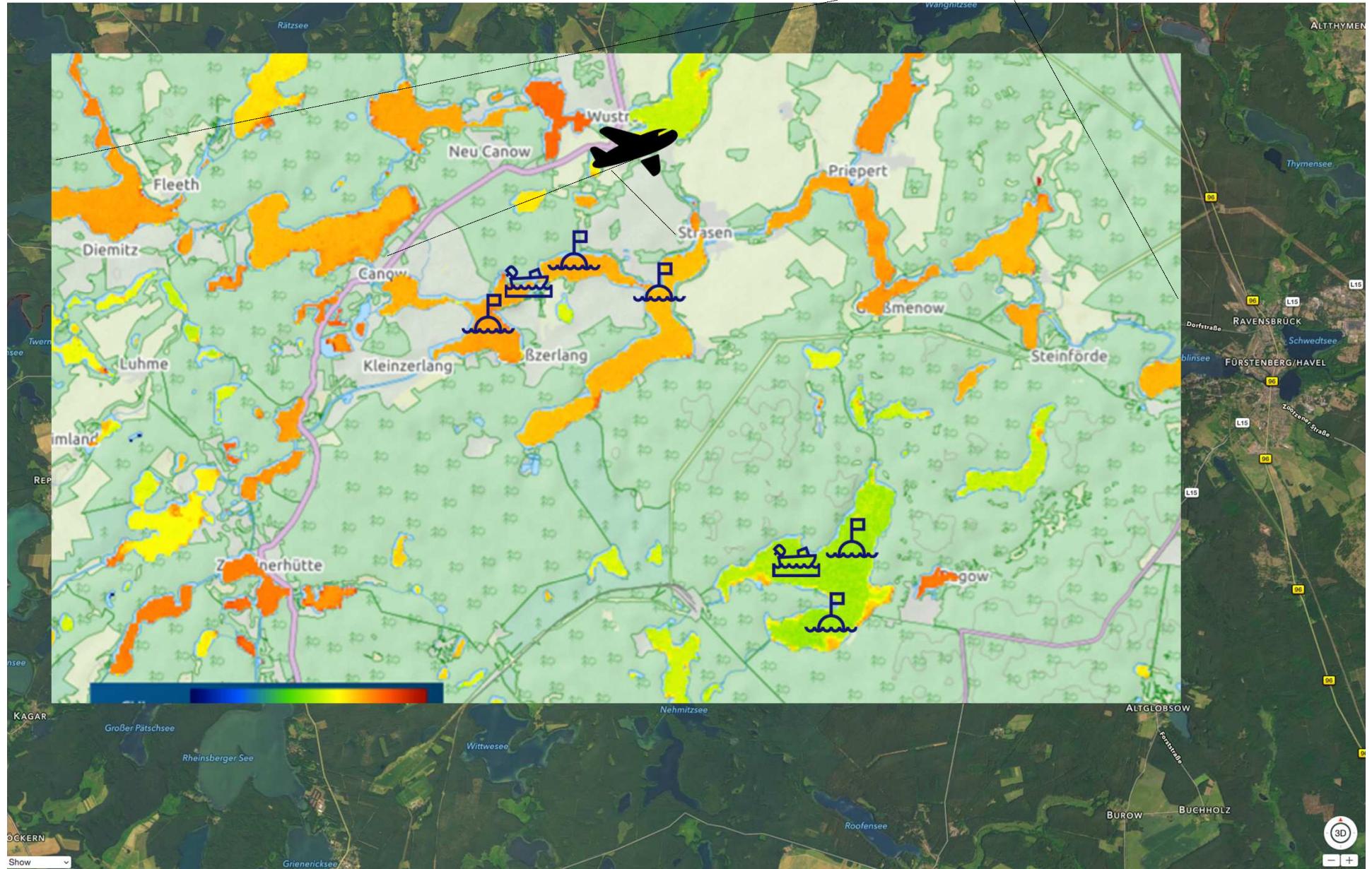


**Remote sensing:**  
Hyper- and multispectral  
cameras, handheld > drone  
> airplane > satellite





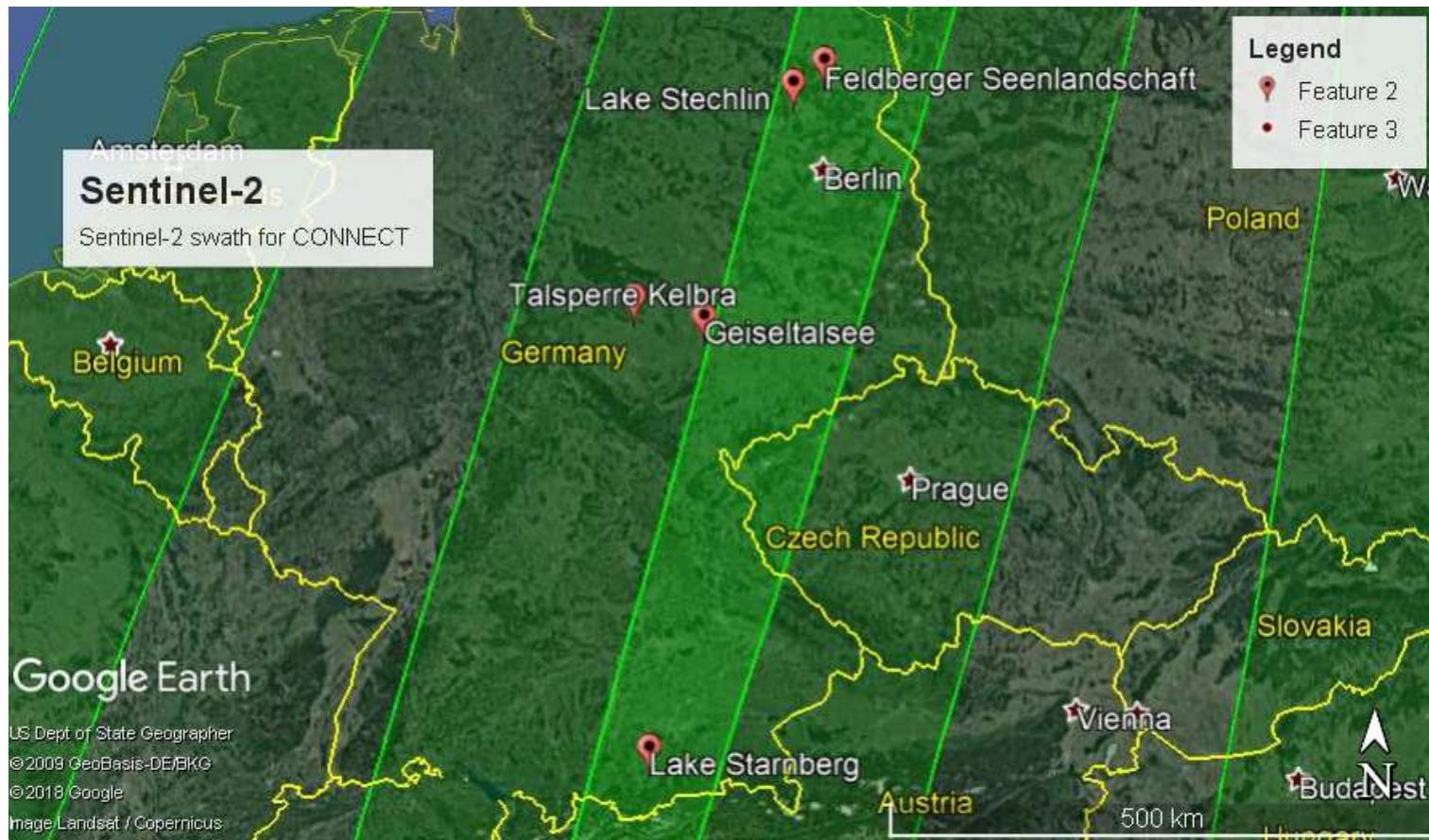
# CONNECT – Field study 2019-2020





# Sentinel 2 - schedule

- Area that is sampled twice within 10 days (center green)



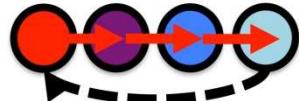


# CONNECT - LakeLab Experiment 2019

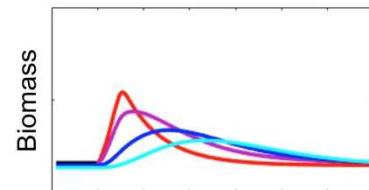


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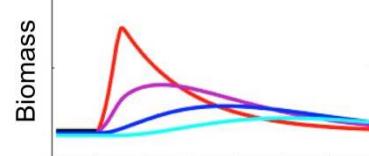
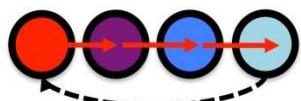
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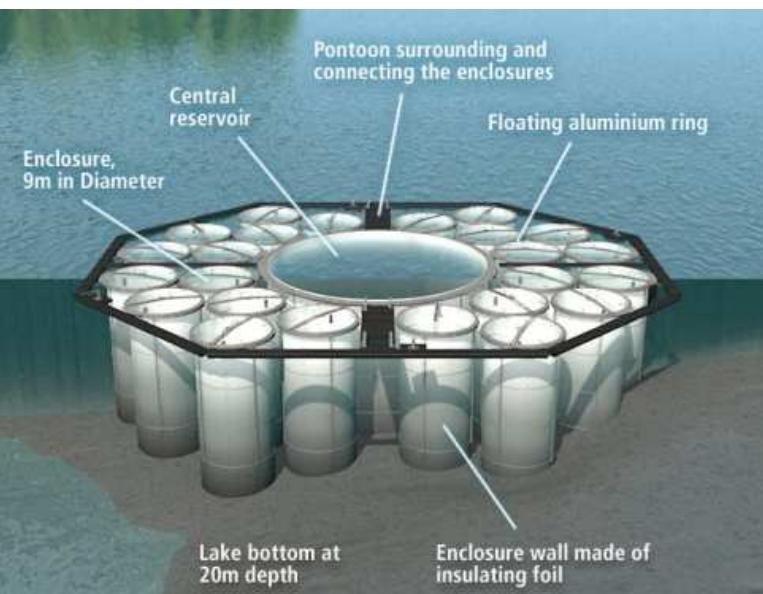
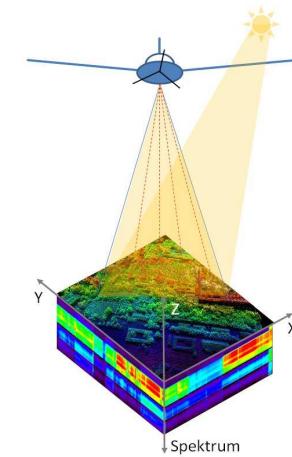
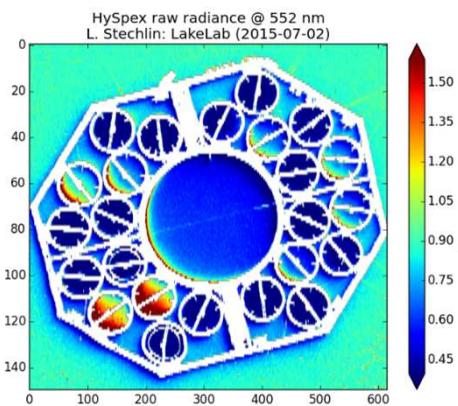
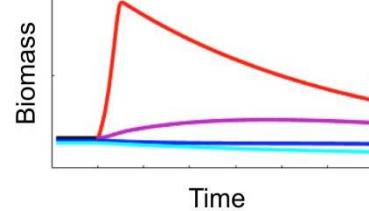
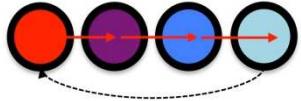
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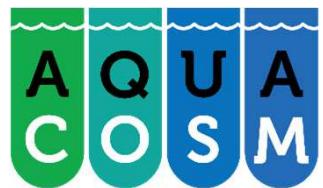


Medium residence time



Long residence time





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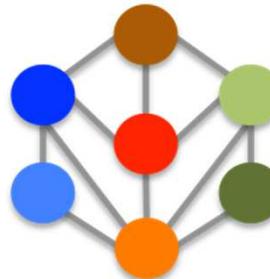
Licor light meter

YSI multiparameter probe

bbe Moldaenke fluorescence probe

*Photo: M. Oczipka (HTW Dresden)*

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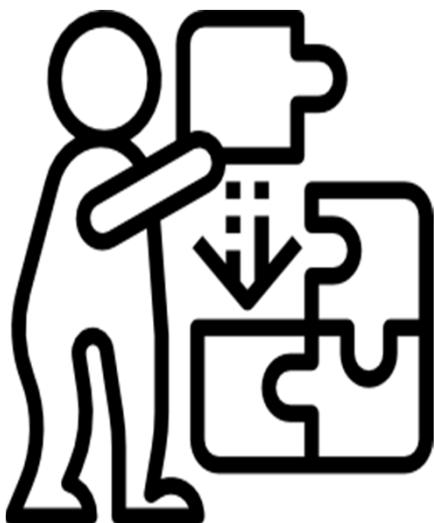


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**Thanks for your attention**

**Post-Doc for  
bio-optical modelling**



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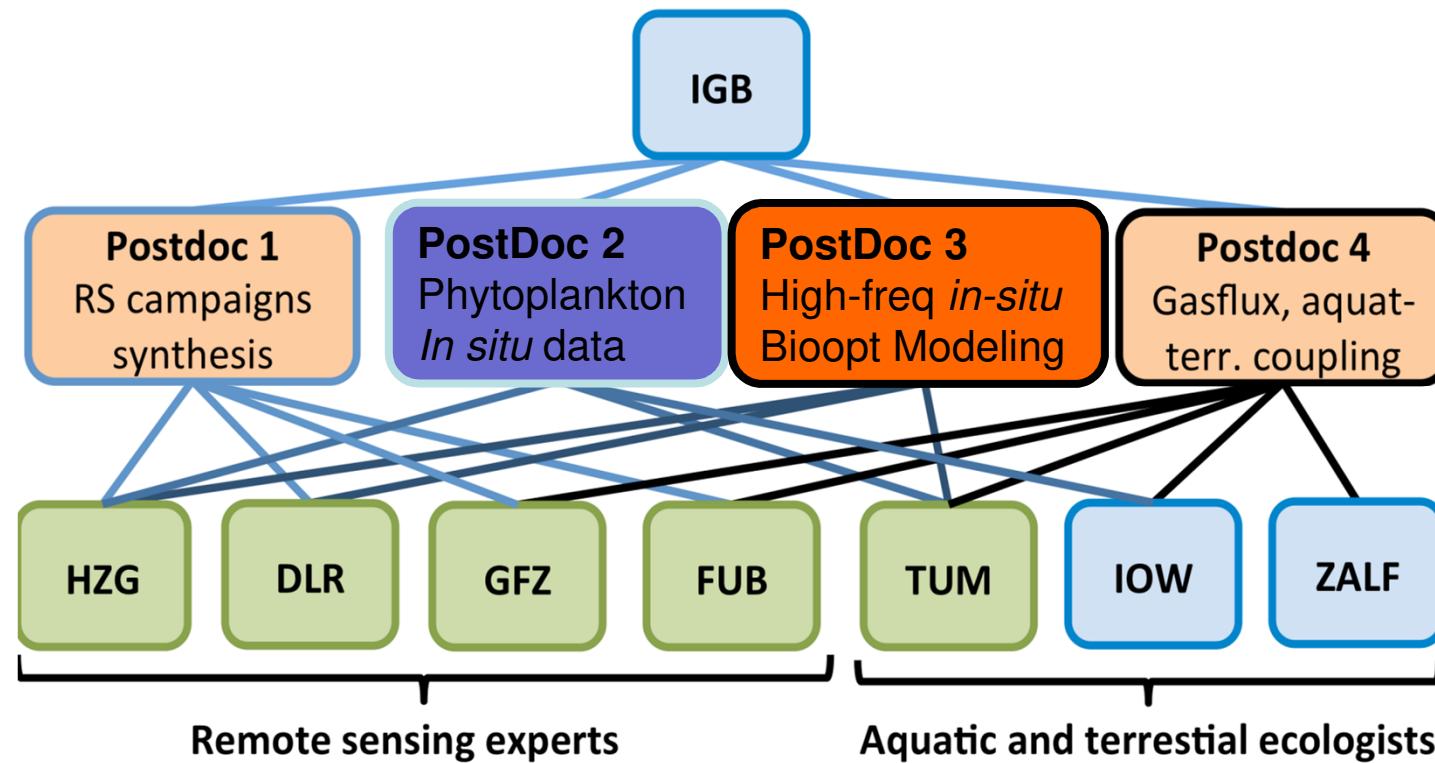
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**Network of Leading European  
AQUAtic MesoCOSM Facilities  
Connecting Mountains to Oceans  
from the Arctic to the  
Mediterranean**



**EU H2020 2017-2020**

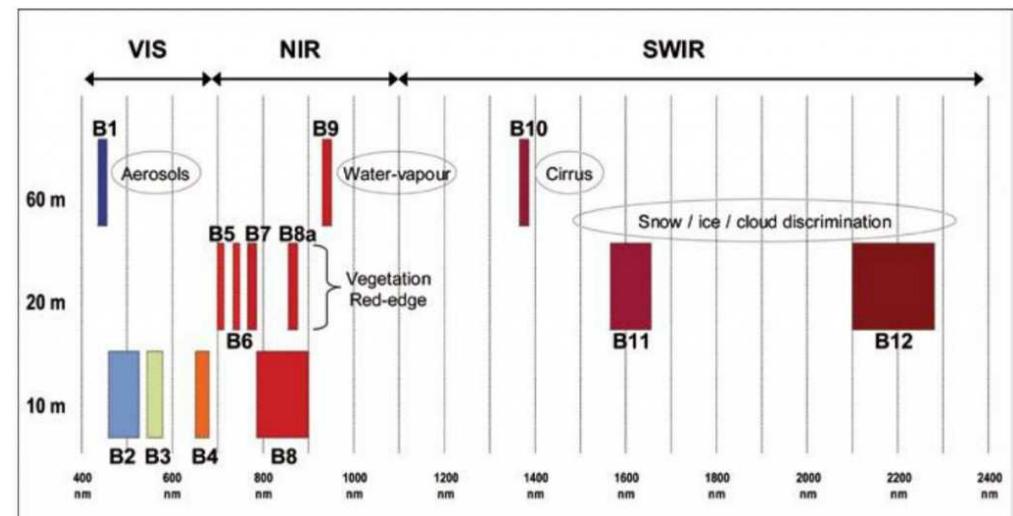
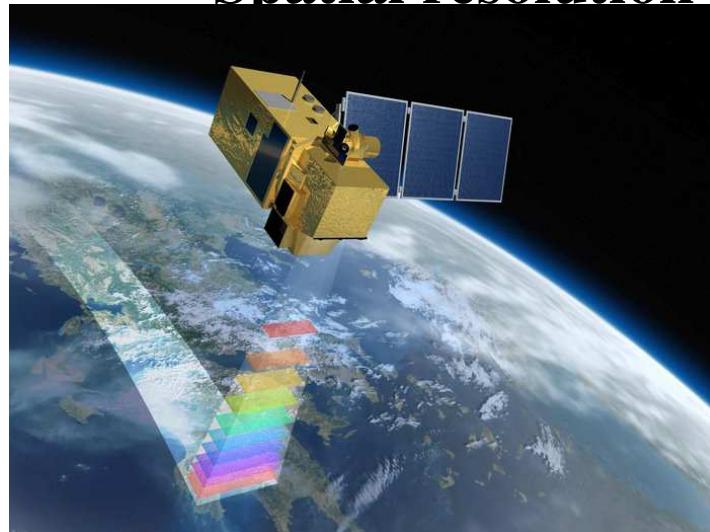
**Budget: 10 mill €**

**Lead: Jens Nejstgaard FvB/IGB**

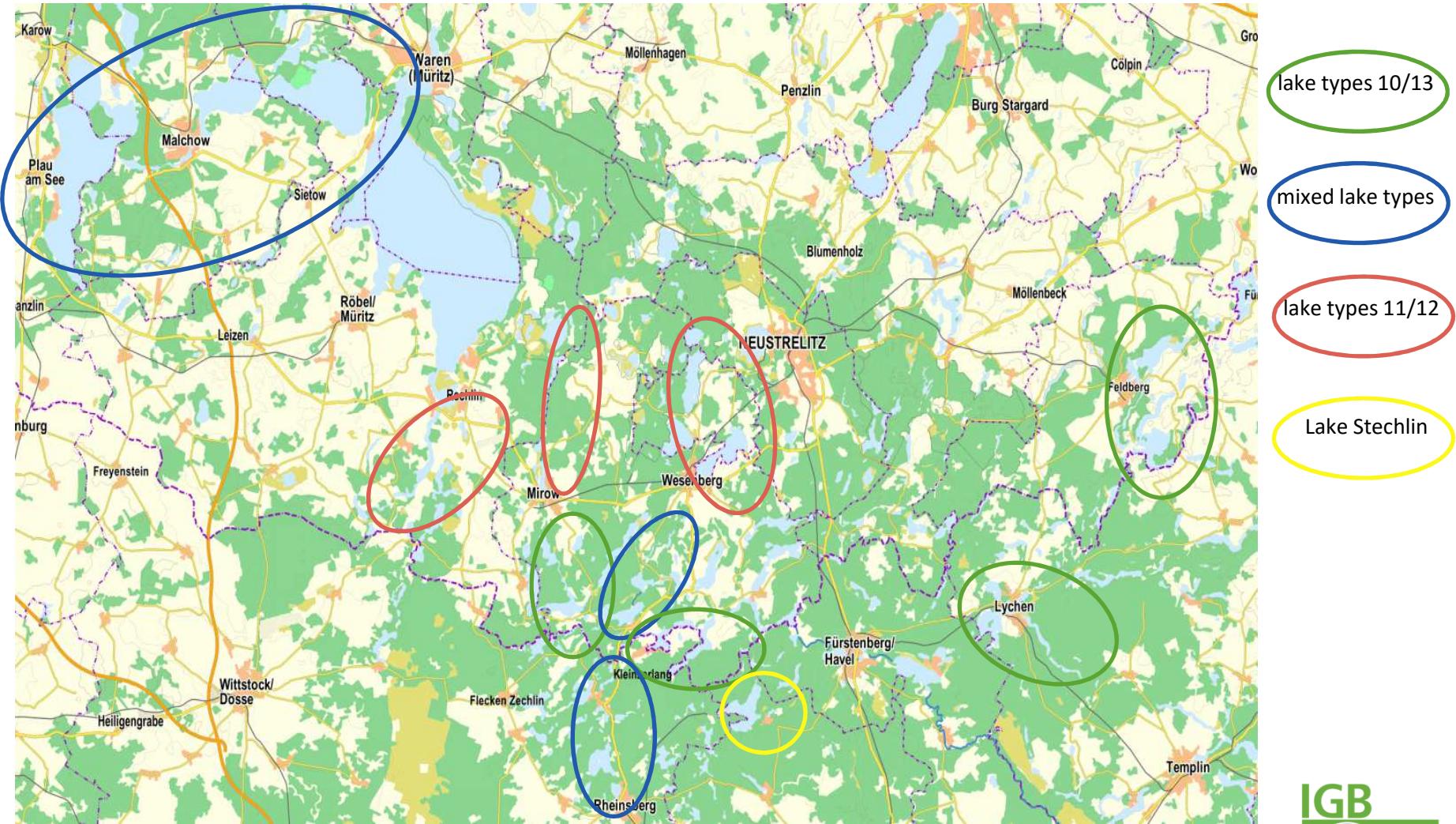
**21 Freshwater & Marine Partners**  
**11500 Transnational Access days**  
**International science,  
Workshops, Symposium  
Data sharing, Innovation  
Facility development  
Strategy, Policy etc.**

# Sentinel 2

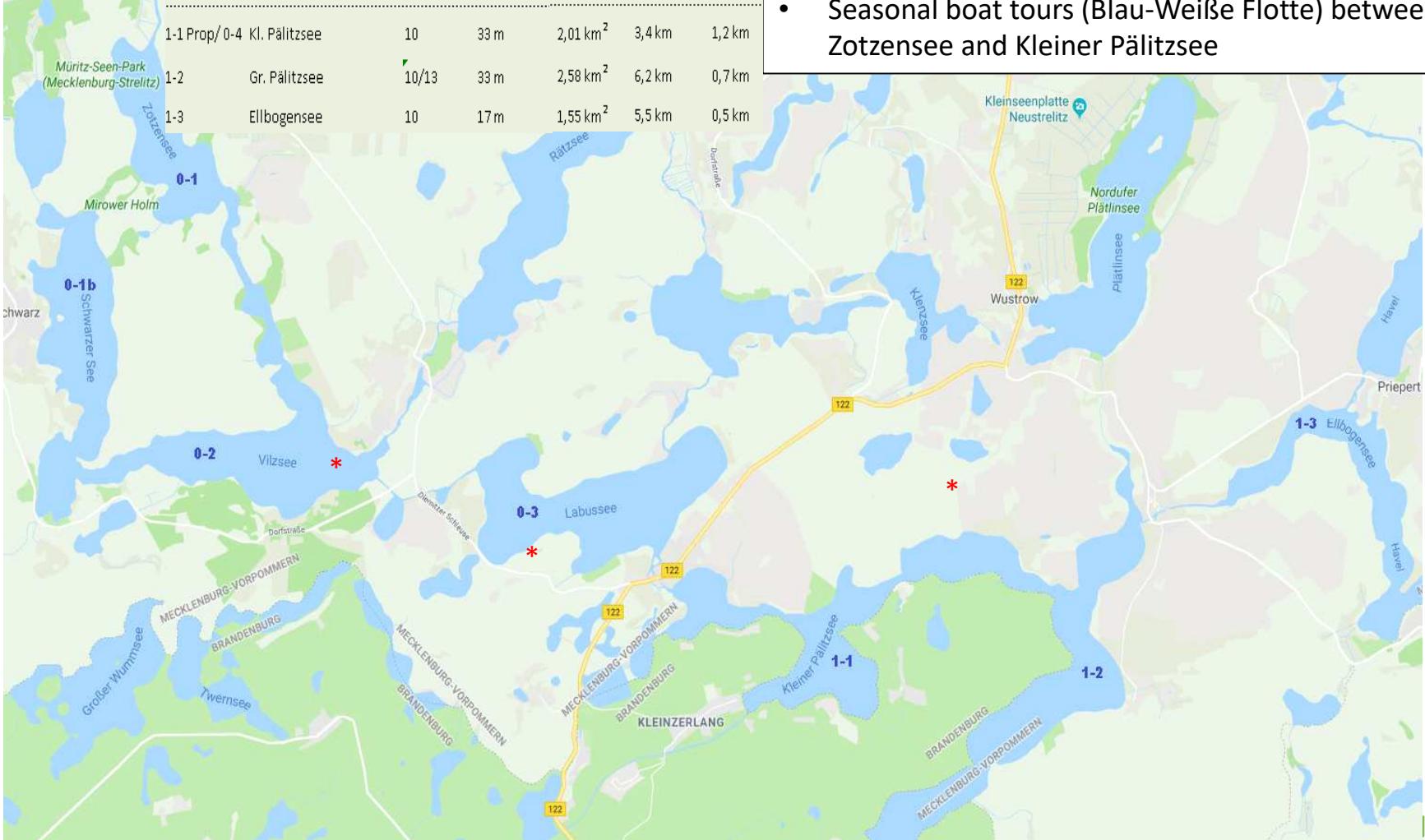
- ESA Copernicus: Sentinel 2 (A+B)
- MSI – multi-spectral-imager: 13 bands (tailored for terrestrial applications)
- Spatial resolution 10-20m, measures every 2-3 days



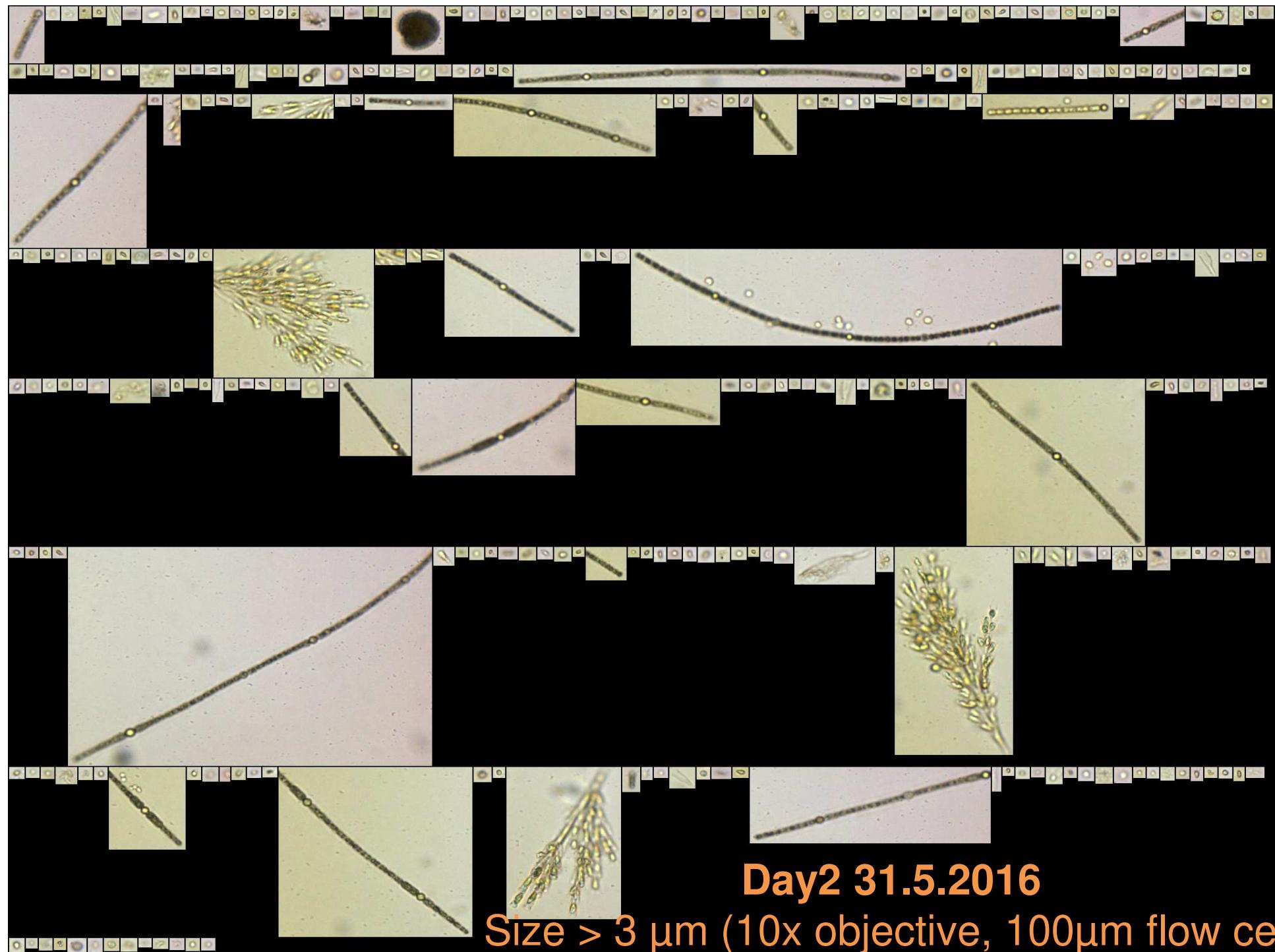
# possible lake chains in north-BB and MV



lake chain	lake	type (UBA)	max. depth	area	length	width
0-1	Zotzensee (Mirow)	10		1,78 km <sup>2</sup>	1,9 km	0,5 km
0-1b	Schwarzer See (Schwarz)	13		1,78 km <sup>2</sup>	2,6 km	0,9 km
0-2	Vilzsee	10	20 m	2,2 km <sup>2</sup>	3,6 km	1 km
0-3/7-3	Labussee	10		2,51 km <sup>2</sup>	3 km	0,9 km



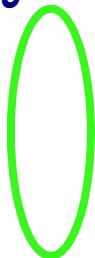
- lake chain 1 from proposal
- alternatively lake chain 0, but only one Sentinel-2 passing in 5 days
- watergates (\*) in between
- Seasonal boat tours (Blau-Weiße Flotte) between Zotzensee and Kleiner Pälitzsee



Day2 31.5.2016  
Size > 3  $\mu\text{m}$  (10x objective, 100 $\mu\text{m}$  flow ce

spectral class	Green algae	Blue-green "algae"	Blue-green "algae" red-type	Green algae	Brown coloured class			Mixed type
Pigments	Chlorophyceae Prasinophyceae	Microcystis/ Cyanophyceae	Plankthothrix/ Cyanophyceae	Euglena/ Euglenopyceae	Synura Chrysophyceae	Diatoms Bacillariophyceae	Dinophyceae Dinoflagellates	Cryptophytace/ Cryptomonas
Chlorophylle								
Chlorophyll-a	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Chlorophyll-b	●			●				
Chlorophyll-c					●	●	●	●
Phycobilines								
Phycocyanine		●	●					●
Phycoerythrine		●	●					●
Carotins								
B-Carotin	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Xanthophylls								
Diadinoxanthin				●	●	●	●	
Fucoxanthin					●	●	●	
Lutein	●		●					
Peridinin							●	
Alloxanthin								●
Zeaxanthin	●	●	●	●	●			

## Pigment composition of important algae classes



# Dolichospermum spp. *Dinobryon* spp.

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Chlorophyll-b	●			●				
Chlorophyll-c					●	●	●	●
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Phycocyanine		●	●					●
Phycoerythrine		●	●					●
Carotins								
B-Carotin	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Xanthophylls								
Diadinoxanthin				●	●	●	●	
Fucoxanthin					●	●	●	●
Lutein	●		●					
Peridinin							●	
Alloxanthin								●
Zeaxanthin	●	●	●	●	●			

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