

An aerial photograph of a coastline. On the left, turquoise waves with white foam break onto a sandy beach. To the right of the beach is a paved road. Further right, a dark, vegetated area is overlaid with a white geometric grid pattern, representing a digital map or data overlay.

OME2 – New production process for a high-value large-scale database

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Overview of the process



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Objectives

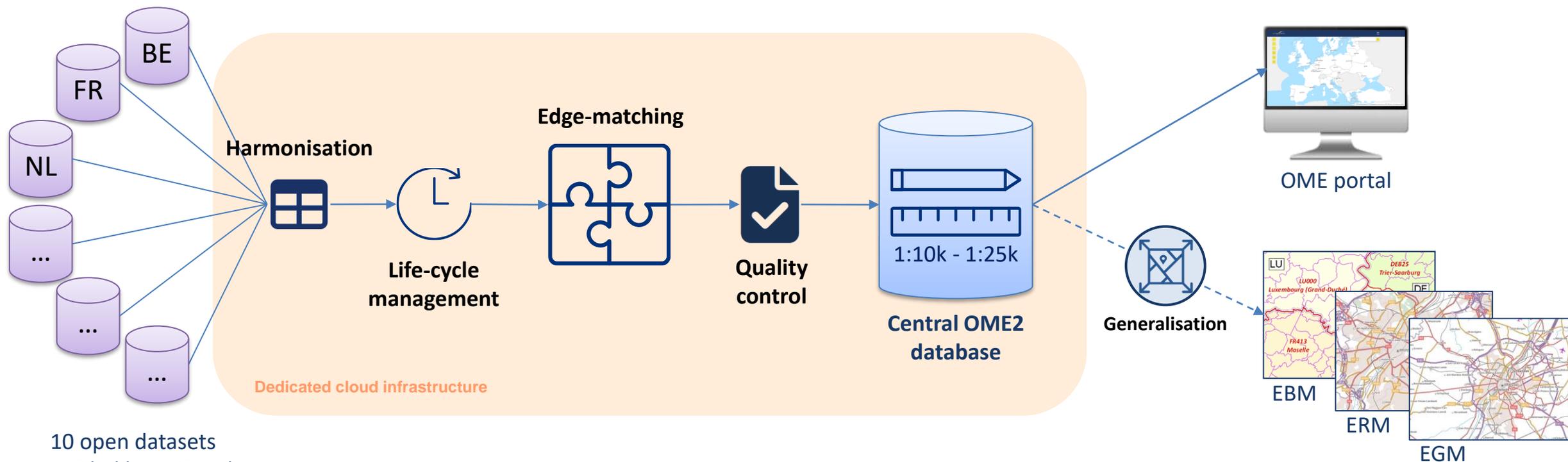
To set up a workflow to create and maintain:

- A **central pan-European** high-value large-scale prototype (**HVLSP**)
- **3 themes**:
 - Administrative units (AU)
 - Transport network (TN)
 - Hydrography (HY)
- **10 countries** by 2025 (to be extended afterwards)

The OME2 approach:

- **Centralised** process
- **Minimal additional workload** for national producers
- **Re-use results** from previous projects
- A **technical** and **practical** approach to harmonisation:
 - Take into account feedback from users
 - Technical (not political) solutions
 - Highly automated

Future production process



10 open datasets
provided by national
producers (INSPIRE or
national data model)



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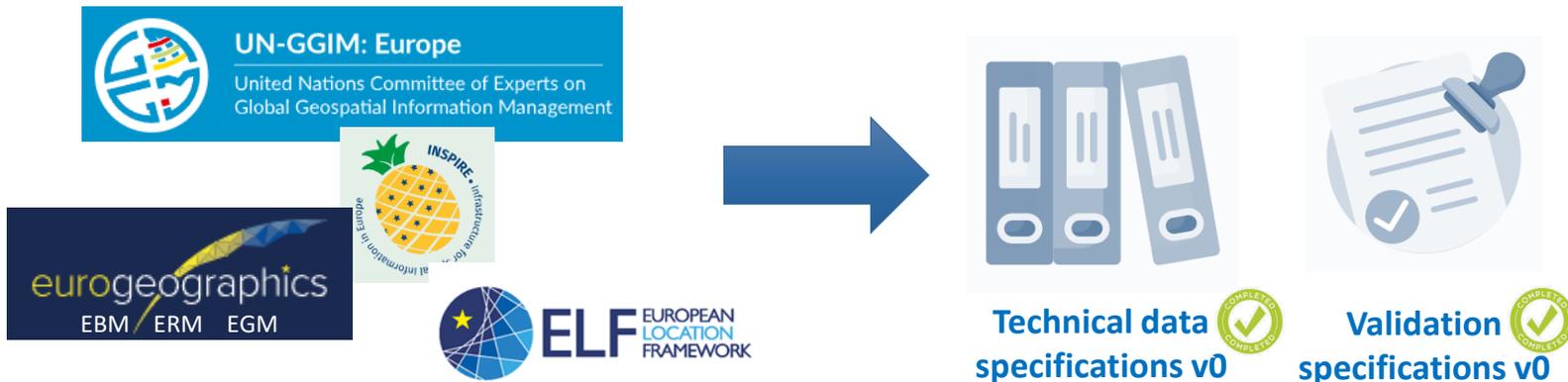
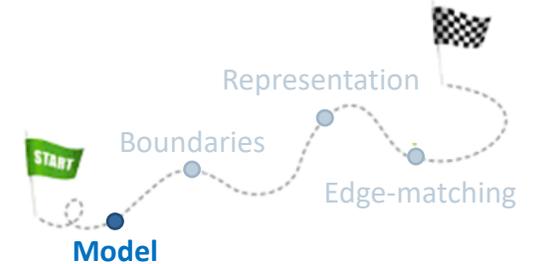
Challenges



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Challenge #1 – Common data model



- Main focus: include UN-GGIM Europe core content and be able to derive EBM/ERM
- A data model which might evolve with the addition of new countries (e.g. more harmonised classifications...)

Target content of the HVLSP:

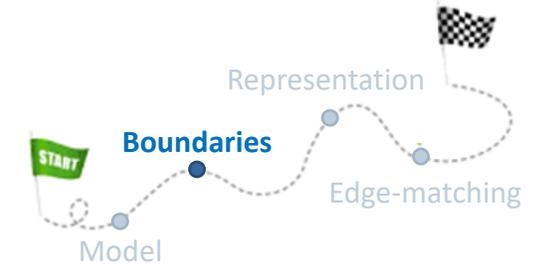
- Administrative unit areas levels 1 to 6
- Transport:
 - Road transport
 - Railway transport
 - Air transport
 - Water transport
- Hydrography
 - Watercourses
 - Standing waters
 - Dams/locks, falls
 - ...



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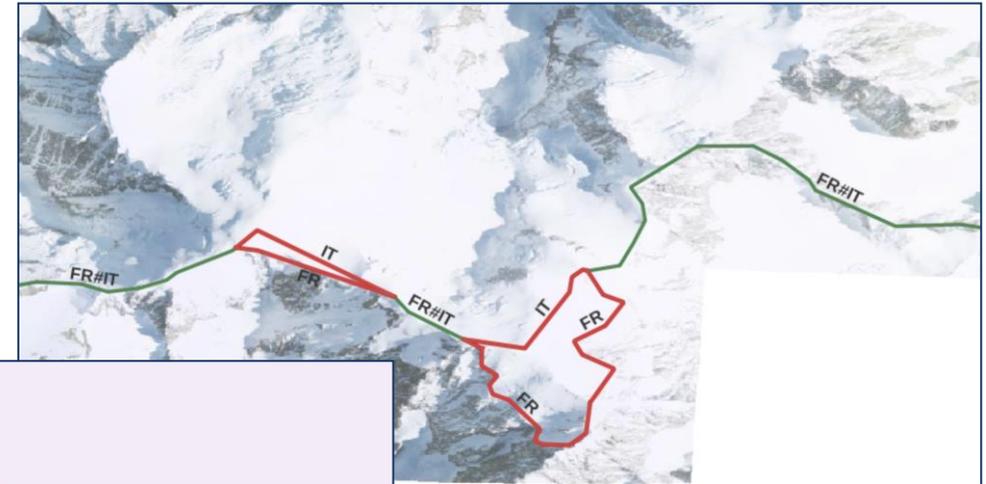
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Challenge #2 – Common international boundaries



3 cases:

- Full agreement → official line
- Theoretical agreement → common technical line
- Disagreement → two lines



Cases 1-3



Operational process to calculate common technical lines (FME)



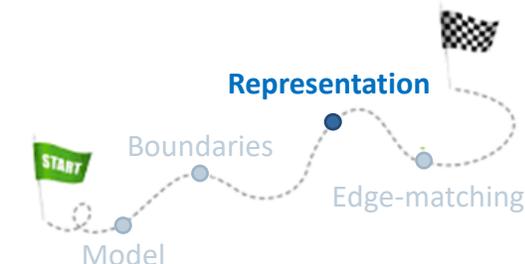
Cases 1-2



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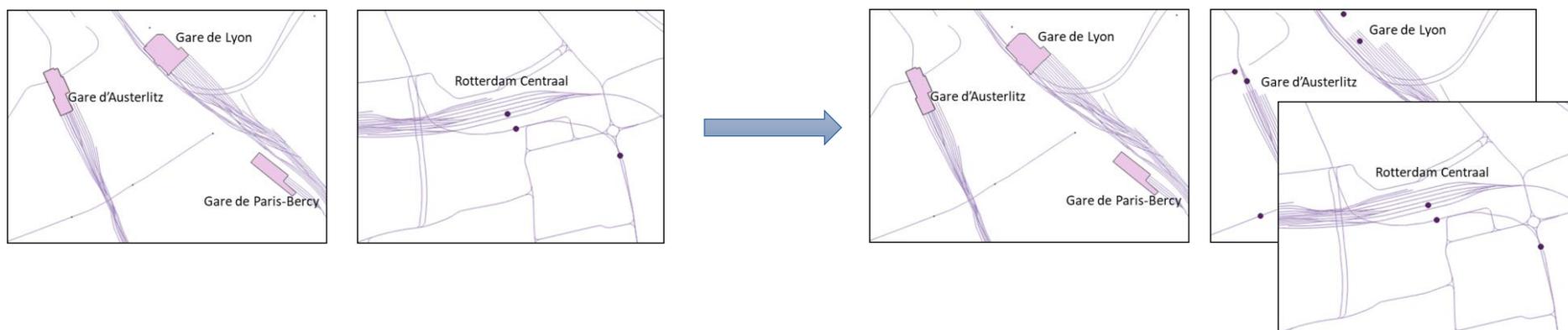
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Challenge #3 – Common representation



Countries can have different representations for the same objects (e.g. railway stations)

→ Keep all the available information but build a common core (from User requirements workshop #1)



Flexible harmonisation/model conversion tool (Python)

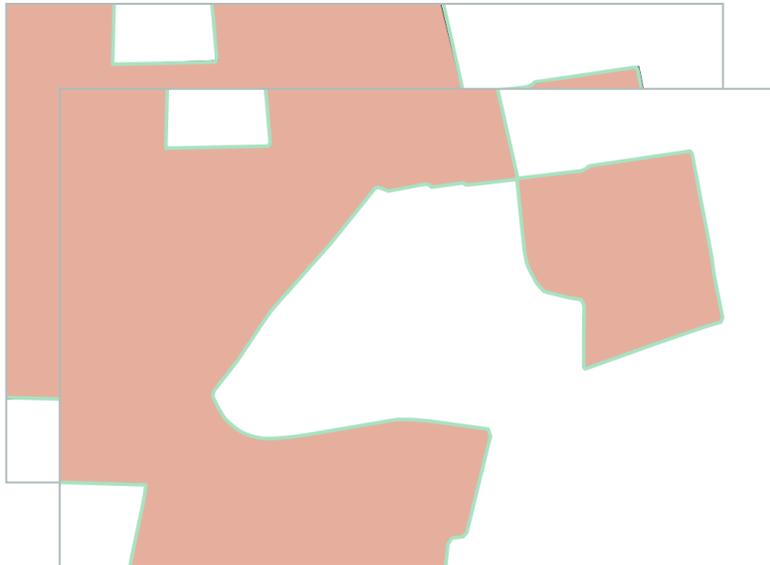
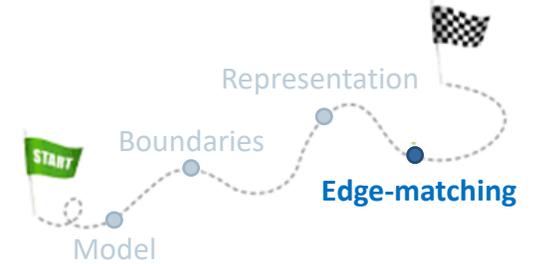
*Beta version, to be configured/adapted to new countries
available in June 2024*

Based on mapping tables provided by national producers



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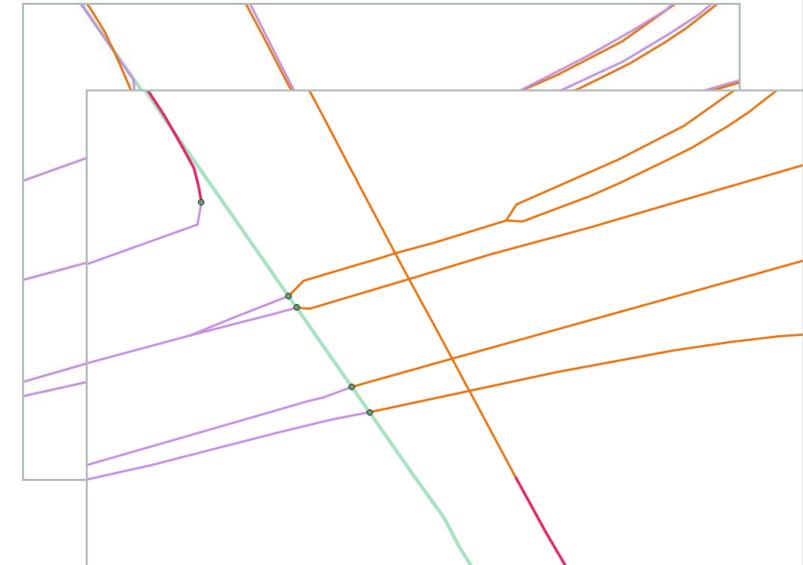
Challenge #4 – Consistency across international boundaries



Administrative units



Road network



Road network



Edge-matching tools for AU and TN (C++)

Beta version, to be adapted to new countries and extended to HY available in June 2024



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HVLSP status



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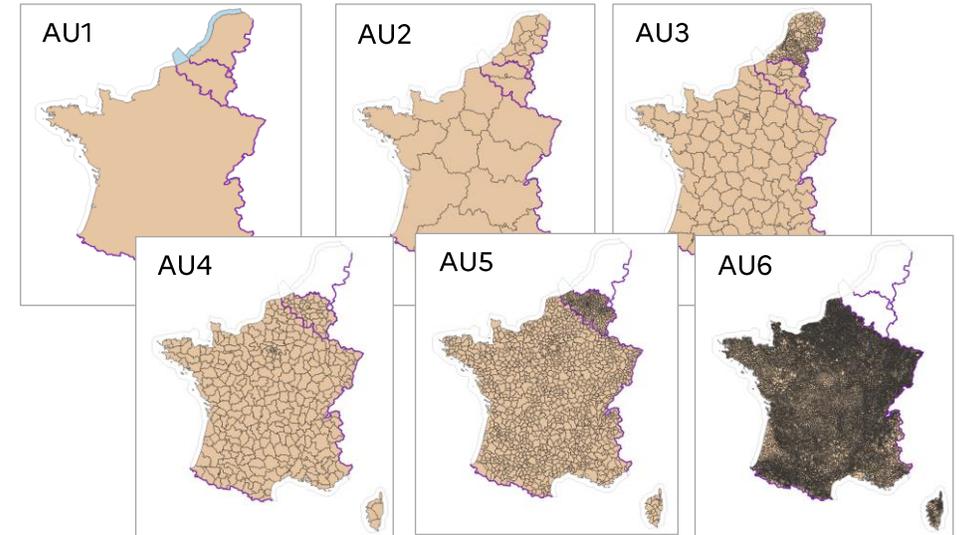
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Current status of the HVLSP

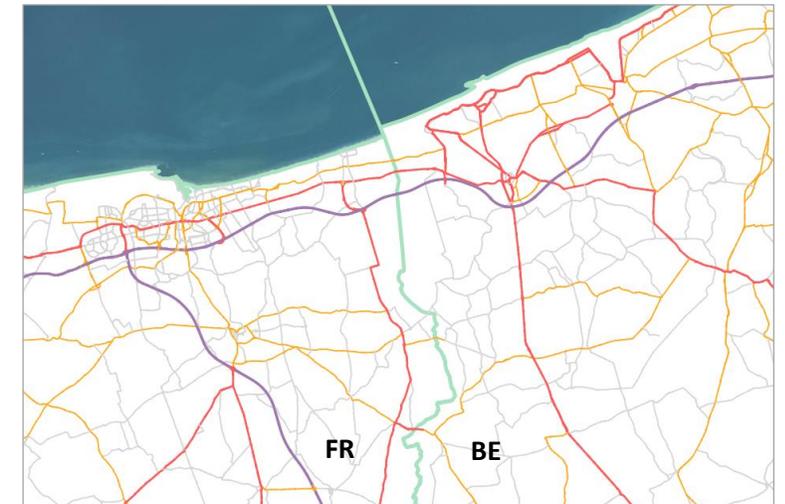
	BE	FR	NL	LU	CH	CZ	AT	DE	?	?
Administrative units										
Transport network										
Hydrography										

V1.0 ~~2024~~ ~~March~~ ~~2024~~

- HVLSP v1.0 successfully delivered in March 2024 on <https://www.mapsforeurope.org/>
- Edge-matching errors (objective < 15%):
 - Roads: **1,24%** (3,52% before manual corrections)
 - Other tables: **0%**
- Next steps: HY, cloud infrastructure, coverage extension

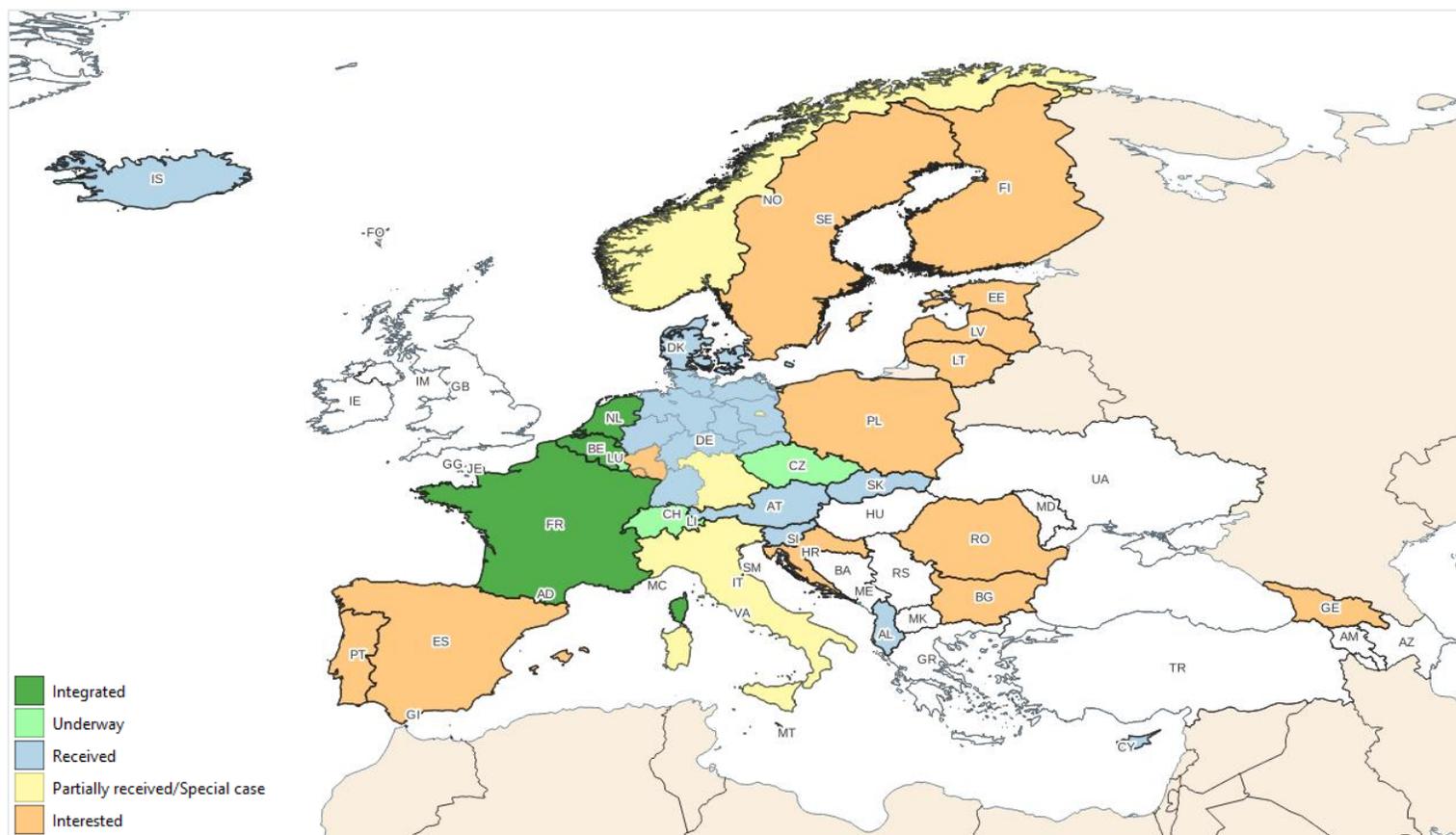


Administrative units



Road network

Coverage extension



- Data received for:
 - 12/EU27 countries
 - 17/43 EuroGeographics' members
- Many countries are willing to participate
- But a few do not seem to have all the data we need (GR?, BG?)
- Priority: get data from at least all EU27 countries for an inventory of what is available

Feedback



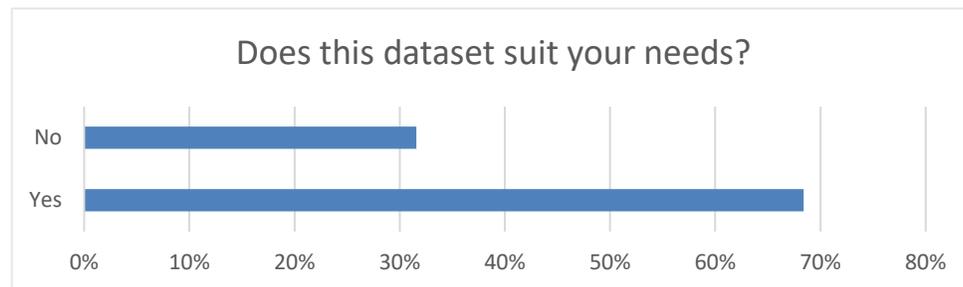
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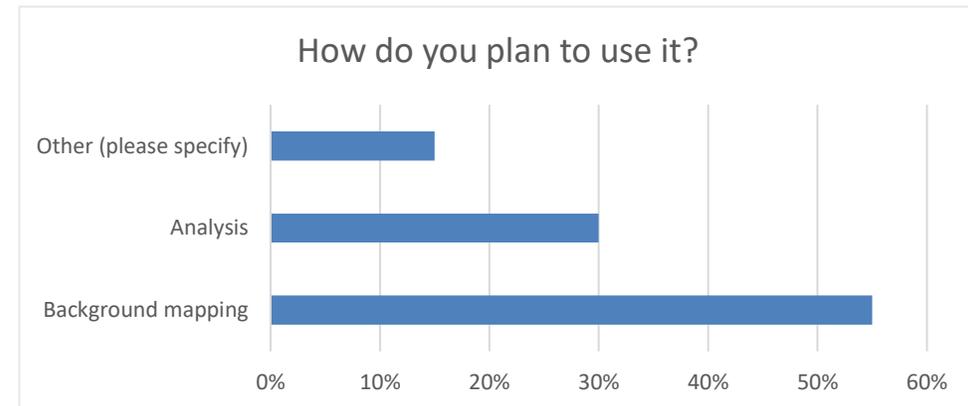
Feedback

Questionnaire sent by EuroGeographics before the summer → 26 answers

- The available formats (WMS, WFS, WMTS, gpkg) are suitable.
- Suggestions:
 - General: names not in JSON format, more detailed metadata, extended coverage, update rythm
 - Additional information: area and population figures for AU, speed limits better filled

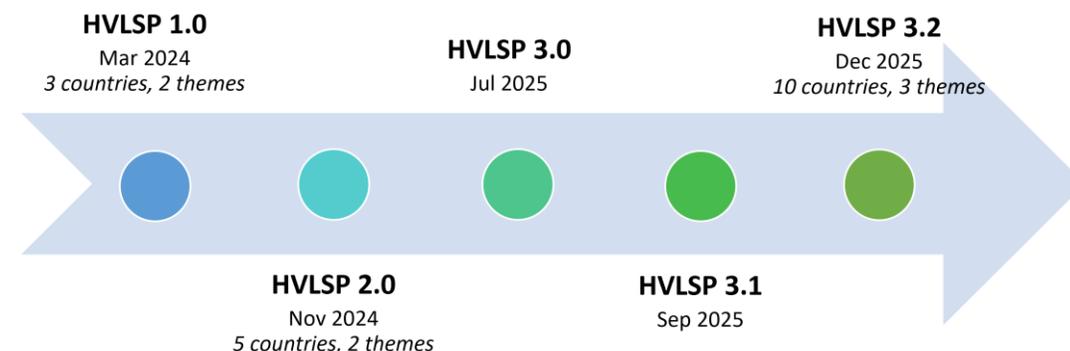


Improvements: coverage, update rythm



What we would like to know...

- Would an « industrialised » HVLSP dataset be useful to you?
 - EU27
 - Annual updates
- Is some information missing and preventing you from using it?
 - Additions to the data model
 - More themes
 - More countries (more than EU27)
 - More frequent updates
 - Other formats
 - ...



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Thank you for your attention!

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Questionnaire

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