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Tailored Improvement of
Brownfield Regeneration
in Europe



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Regeneration in Europe***

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1. Revitalization of Megasites A challenging legacy



Contamination: The occurrence of a certain substances in the environment due to anthropogenic activities, such as industrial production, waste disposal, mining, military or agriculture. Contamination can be diffuse distributed or appear locally.


Oil


Gas


Mining



Power


Chemical


Steel


The public has to take over **liabilities** in case the polluter can no longer be held responsible or even be identified.

Sources: JRC (2005) and Haemers (2008)



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The Most Polluted Places in the World

5 million people are poisoned everyday in the developing world

25% of all deaths in the developing world are attributable to environmental factors

Water pollution causes 14,000 deaths a day


- Sungayt, Azerbaijan**
 - 250,000 potentially affected
 - 40 factories manufacturing chemicals
 - 120,000 tons of harmful wastes
 - Cancer rates 51% higher than average
- Liaohai, China**
 - 3 million affected
 - Provides 2/3 of nation's coal energy
 - Worst air quality in China, pollutants include arsenic and sulphur dioxide
 - High rates of lead poisoning in children
- Tianyang, China**
 - 140,000 affected
 - Largest lead production base in China
 - Lead concentrations are 10x higher than national health standards
 - 85% of air samples have lead concentrations
- Sekinda, India**
 - Contains 97% of India's chrome ore
 - 30 million tons of waste rock
 - 40% of drinking water contains twice the national standard of hexavalent chromium
 - 2.4 million potentially affected
- Vapi, India**
 - 400 km belt of industrial estates
 - Waste products include heavy metals, cyanides, pesticides and other toxins
 - Mortality in the groundwater is 30 times higher than WHO standards
 - Very high incidences of respiratory illnesses and numerous cancers
- Kabwe, Zambia**
 - Mining and smelting of zinc and lead began in 1902 and ran until 1994
 - Most workers and residents of the area have been exposed to toxic levels of lead due to a waterway running from the mine to town and the inhibition of acid
 - In many cases children's blood lead levels are regarded as potentially fatal
- Chernobyl, Ukraine**
 - Location of the world's worst nuclear disaster
 - 20 years after the disaster the exclusion zone still remains uninhabitable
 - 5 million people inhabit the affected area around Chernobyl
 - Fertility and birth defects remains high
- Dzerzhinsk, Russia**
 - 300,000 tons of chemical waste was dumped here between 1950 and 1990
 - In certain places the waste has levels of toxins 17 million times higher than what is deemed safe
 - In 2003 the death rate exceeded birth rate by 260%
 - Average life expectancy for men is 42
- Norilsk, Russia**
 - Contains world's largest heavy metal smelting complex
 - 2million tons of sulphur dioxide is released into the air annually
 - Life expectancy for factory workers is 10 years less than Russian average
 - 15.8% of deaths among children are caused by respiratory diseases

Source: <http://www.ngpower.eu/media/media-news/infographics/100319-PEEU-PollutedPlaces.jpg>

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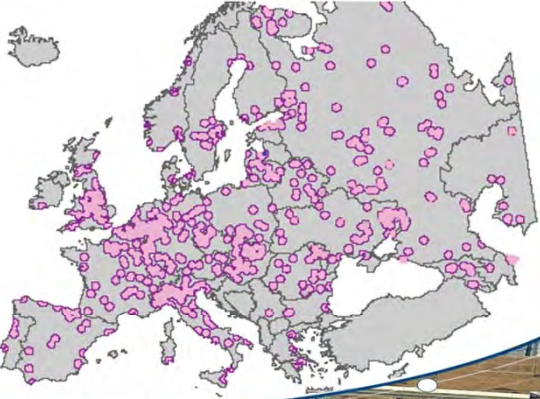
1. Revitalization of Megasites Megasites in Europe



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Conservative Estimates:

- 20.000 Megasites in Europe
- in 100 years this problem will still exist
- Remediation costs: > 100 Billion €



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What makes a megasite a megasite?

- Multiple sources
- Multiple plumes
- Multiple remediation options
- Multiple cost-functions and values
- Multiple stakeholder interests
- Multiple supra-regional impacts

→ How to make feasible decisions?

Source: Nicolae Pacurar, PhD – Hunedoara, Romania



1. Revitalization of Megasites The need for re-development



- Improvement of a community's long-term **quality of life**
- Protection of ecosystem functions and human health
- Soil is increasingly seen as a scarce, non-renewable resource.
EC 2011 Roadmap: reduce **land consumption** to zero by 2050
- Investing in Megasites** increases local tax bases, facilitates job growth, utilizes existing infrastructure, takes development pressures off of undeveloped, open land
- But: There is **no general solution** to be applied – revitalization of Megasites needs an integrated approach



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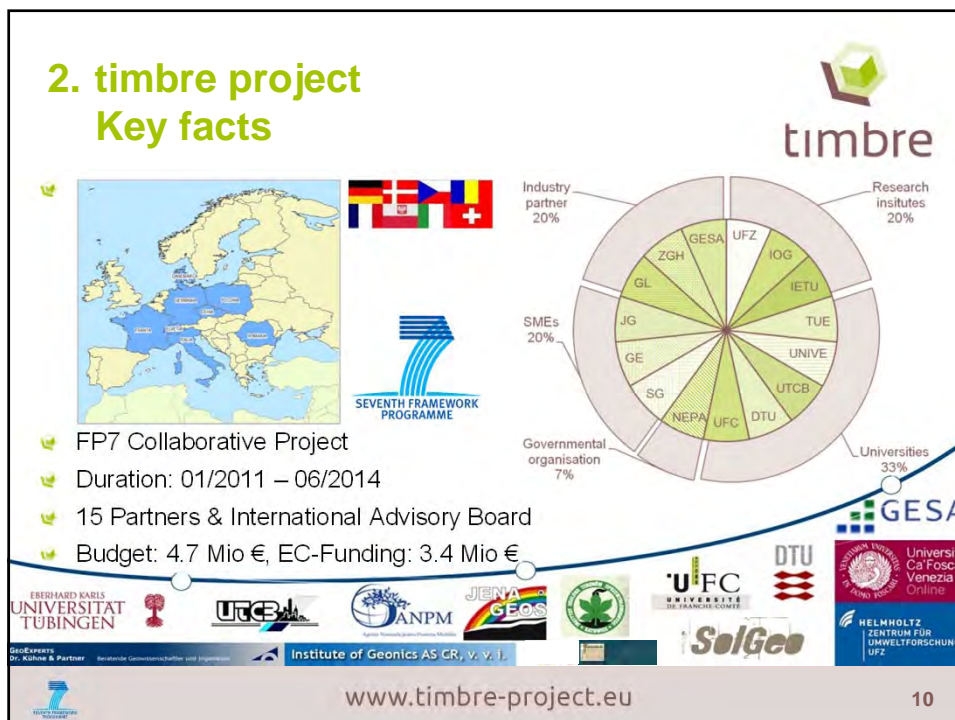
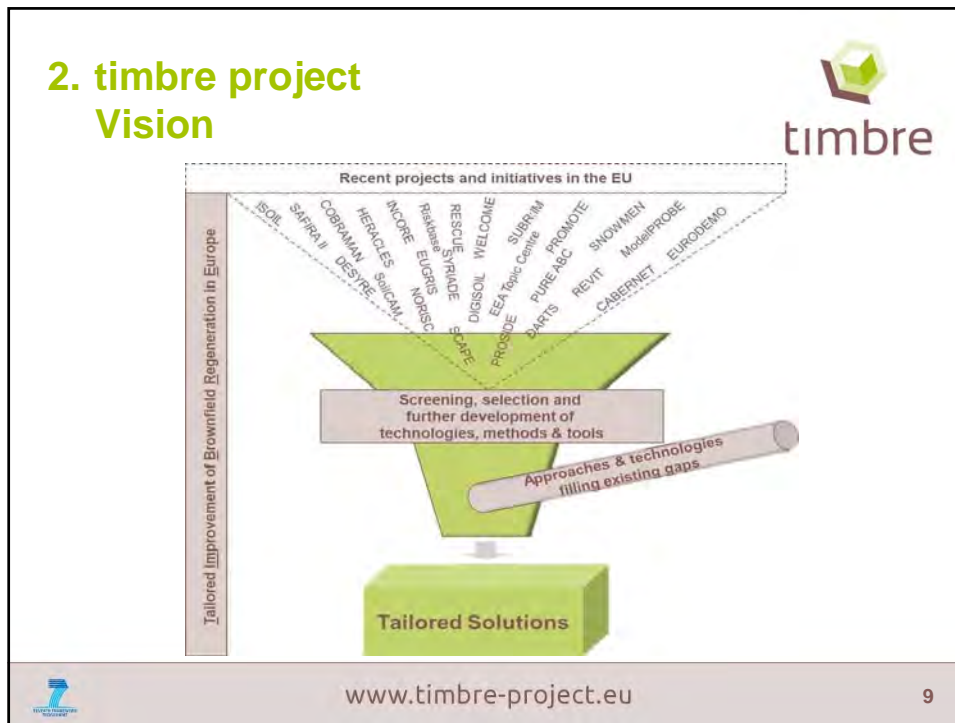


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2. timbre project Objectives

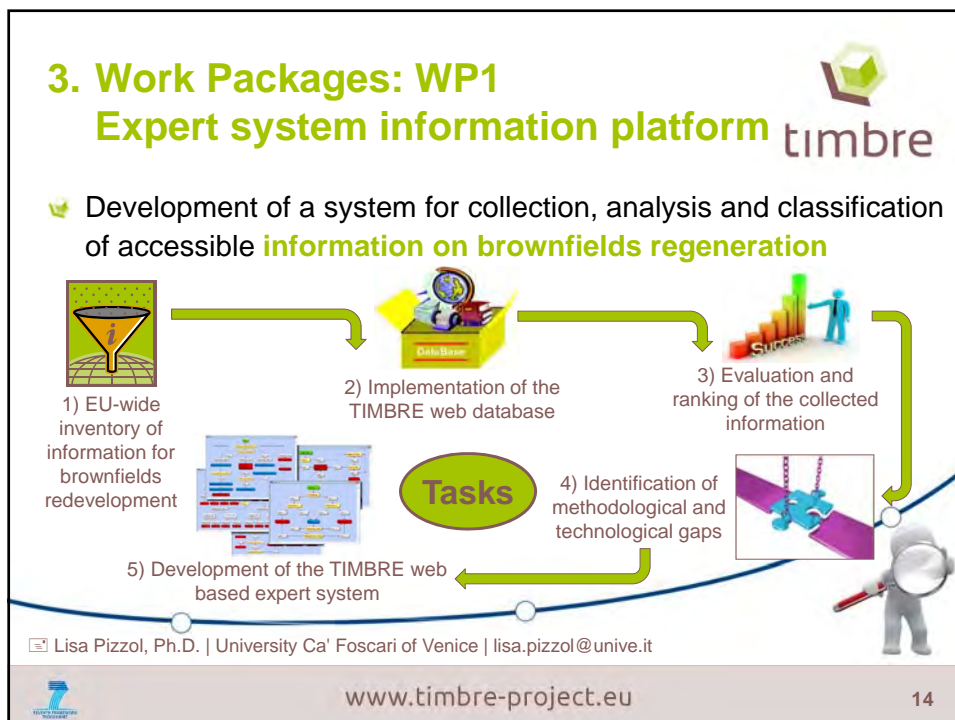
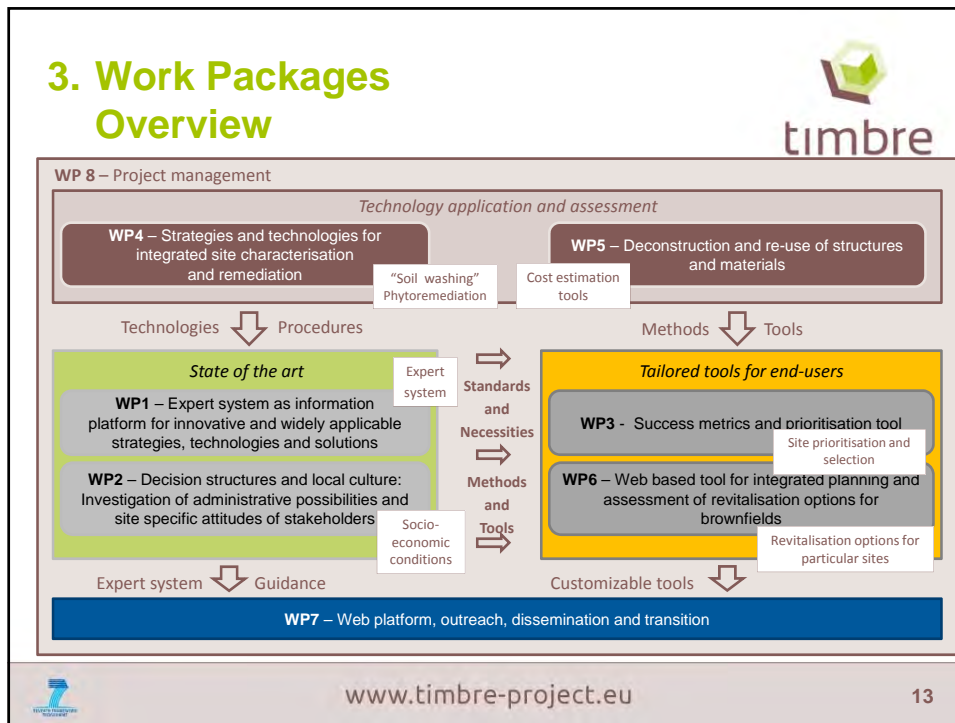


- ✦ Collect, evaluate, classify relevant **information**, programmes, projects and accessible data related to Megasite regeneration
- ✦ Consolidate **technologies** for brownfield regeneration
- ✦ Identify impacts due **decision structures** and local culture
- ✦ Develop tools for **prioritisation** and classification of brownfields
- ✦ Develop tools for evaluating and **planning** remediation solutions
- ✦ **Improve** “in-situ” or “on-site” methods and technologies
- ✦ Developing **web-based information platform** for Megasite regeneration



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3. Work Packages: WP2 Cultural and decision structures



- ✎ **Understanding** local specificities, possible barriers and unused potential in fostering tailored brownfield revitalization
- ✎ **Gathering** the points of view of different stakeholders with variable interests in brownfield regeneration
- ✎ **Encouraging** continuous stakeholder dialogue to understand changing needs, priorities and interests



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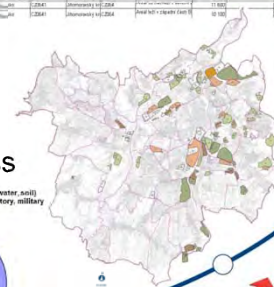
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3. Work Packages: WP3 Success metrics and prioritisation

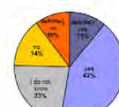


- ✎ Analytical: **Success metrics**
 - ✎ collecting databases
 - questionnaire surveys, stakeholders perspective, successful project trajectories
 - ✎ framework of indicators, spatial analysis and classification, determinants of success
- ✎ Application: **Prioritization tool**
 - ✎ web based databases & maps
 - ✎ interactive modules
 - ✎ best practice strategies

ID	Name	Priority	Workshop	Class	Owner	Region	Project	Integration	Table area	Table area (%)
1	Brno	High	2011	Urban	City	Central Europe	2011	Urban and industrial	100	100
2	Brno	High	2011	Urban	City	Central Europe	2011	Urban and industrial	100	100
3	Brno	High	2011	Urban	City	Central Europe	2011	Urban and industrial	100	100
4	Brno	High	2011	Urban	City	Central Europe	2011	Urban and industrial	100	100
5	Brno	High	2011	Urban	City	Central Europe	2011	Urban and industrial	100	100



Are you afraid of potential pollution (water, soil) associated with brownfields (former factory, military barracks etc.)?



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3. Work Packages: WP4 Characterisation and remediation



- Testing the feasibility and potential of **phytoremediation**
- Feasibility testing: specific **soil washing with recycled foams**
- Novel strategies for effective site characterisation & monitoring of subsurface contamination & remediation:
 - a) **tree core sampling**
 - b) **direct push/shallow soil probing**applied adaptively, assisted by numerical modelling; with aims to **test feasibility, limitations, effectiveness**
- Which measures may be **successful and appropriate** at a site?



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3. Work Packages: WP5 Deconstruction and re-use



- EU-wide evaluation** of practices and regulations
- Environmental and economic **impact assessment**:

re-use  **deconstruction** 

- Approaches for **sampling** and **planning** of deconstruction
- Economic and environmental friendly **recycling** of rubble
- Improvement of **working safety** and **emission** protection



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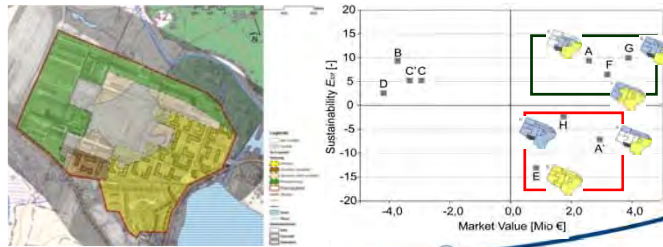
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3. Work Packages: WP6 Assessment of re-use options



- Supporting contaminated brownfields revitalisation in the screening stage through integrated assessment
- Estimation of risks, costs and benefits of future site use options
- Software tool** to help & inform decision makers and stakeholders



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3. Work Packages: WP7 Dissemination & Web platform



- Mission: A **targeted dissemination** of timbre outcomes with appropriate publication formats tailored to the demands of Megasite owners, developers, regulators and other stakeholders
- Set-up and maintain an end-user friendly **web-based information platform** on brownfield regeneration
- Organisation of specific training opportunities and **events** for stakeholders and experts involved in Megasite redevelopment
- Continuous **publication of timbre materials** (books, articles, presentations, guidelines)




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3. Work Packages: Key-Results




WP1 – Expert system as information platform	August 2013	TIMBRE web-based expert system
WP2 – Decision structures and local culture	August 2012	Report on regional decision structures
WP3 – Success metrics and prioritisation	August 2013	Prioritisation tool, software and manual
WP4 – Characterisation and remediation	December 2013	Feasibility of phytoremediation and of specific soil washing
WP5 – Deconstruction and re-use	March 2013	Report efficient strategies to recycle building rubble
WP6 – Assessment of re-use options	September 2013	Web-based tool
WP7 – Dissemination & web platform	October 2013	Web-based tool suite including data-bases

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4. TIMBRE test sites

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4. TIMBRE test sites: Brno, Czech Republic






Former machinery plant and metal foundry
2 ha




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4. TIMBRE test sites: Hunedoara, Romania







Former coke production, ironworks, steel plant
138 ha



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4. TIMBRE test sites: Ostrava, Czech Republic







Former factory for re-generation of used oils
7 ha

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4. TIMBRE test sites: Potsdam-Krampnitz, Germany



Former military base
by Soviet Army
120 ha

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4. TIMBRE test sites: Solec Kujawski, Poland



Former wood impregnation plant
80 ha



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4. TIMBRE test sites: Szprotawa, Poland



Former military airbase with fuel storages
200 ha



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