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**ENVIRONMENT - HEALTH - CITIZENSHIP
EDUCATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**



EuroLifeNet

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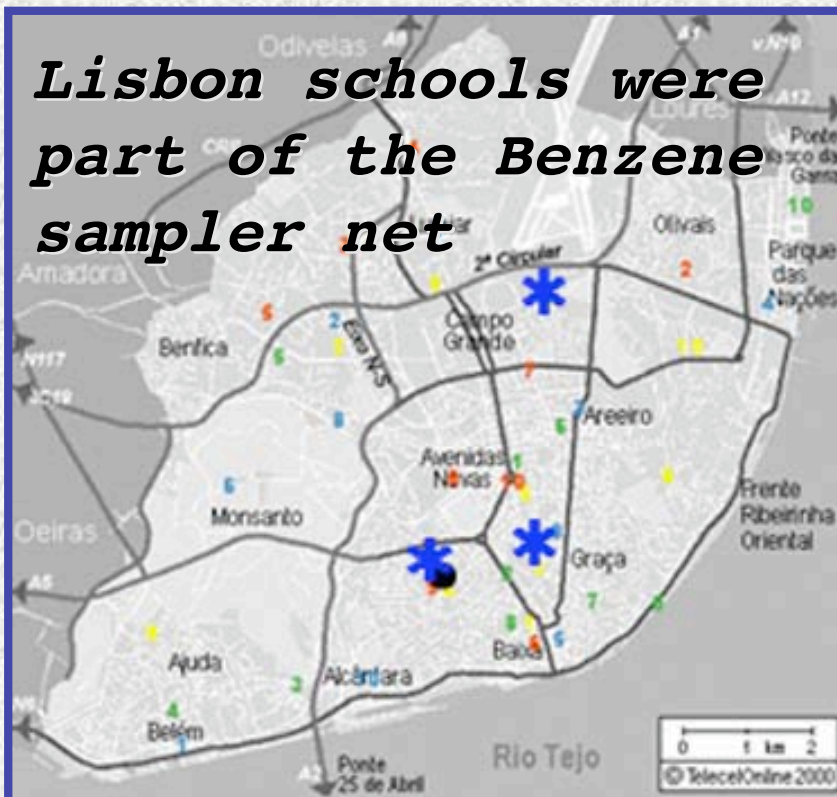
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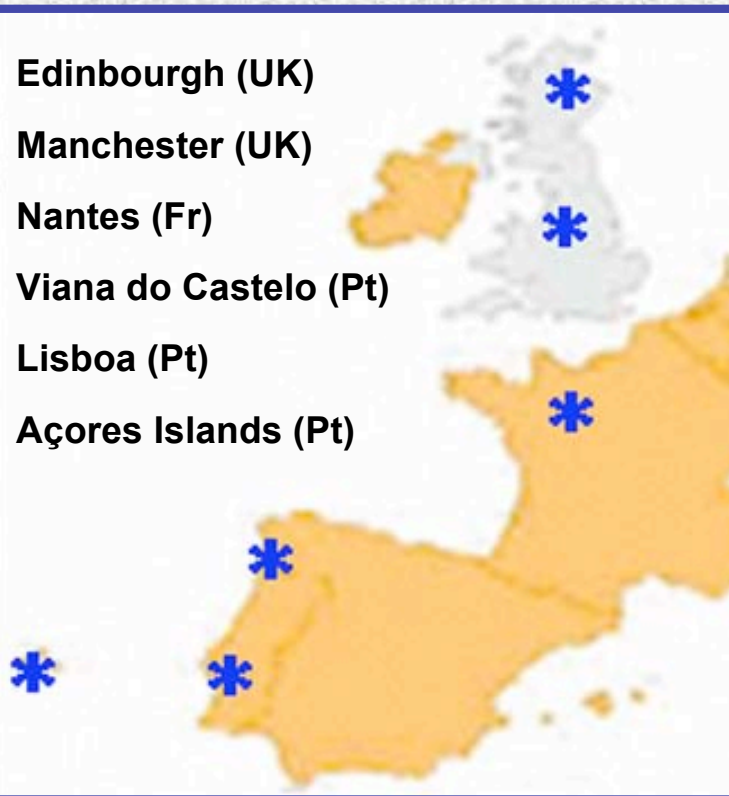


CITIDEP promotes networks with scientists, teachers and students

*Lisbon schools were
part of the Benzene
sampler net*



Edinburgh (UK)
Manchester (UK)
Nantes (Fr)
Viana do Castelo (Pt)
Lisboa (Pt)
Açores Islands (Pt)



Using Internet (web broadcast) and videoconference to allow
access of remote areas and student communities abroad



12 June 2003

Activity: Role-Play on “PEOPLE” issues

Characters:

Parliament member (PS)

Cancer specialist (M. Doctor)

Smokers’ association pro-active



Car Manufacture Industrial

Oil Industry Owner

Querqus’ member (environmentalist)

Gas Pump worker

We wanted students to also use REAL results from PEOPLE



2003 Highschool students work with Elementary school students



Students in Lisbon say goodbye to students in Viana do Castelo

PEOPLE Videoconference and Internet broadcasting II with chat for students from the 2nd and 3rd grade

Activity: "The air exists, although we can't see it"





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Needs:

Personal Exposure Data

Raising Awareness

Promoting Citizenship

Teaching Experimental Sciences

Problems:

Expensive, Resource-hungry

Often Superficial, Non-sustained

Political correct does not work

Requires resources & motivation

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In each School in the EuroLifeNet, groups of students lead by a teacher will “adopt” each an “**EuroLifeNet Node**”, and keep a regular record of indicators measured on this Node.

Node ID: School, GPS Long/Lat/Z, type

Nodes may be indoor or outdoor

Bio-Physics measures at the Node

Socio-economic measures in a circle (or grid) centered at the Node

Composite data (tracing data around the node, eg. students carrying sensor 24h measuring personal exposure, with diary)



Program timetable: Set-up (2005-06) ; Pilot Project (2006-07) ; Expansion (2007-2014)



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All “**EuroLifeNet Nodes**” share their data and integrate it at multiple scales, “feeding” different uses and aggregate records. In many cases, procedures can be incorporated in curricula.

Adoption of common data protocols

Data validation procedures with institutions

Sets of tool kits for schools and teachers

Use of integrating tools and architectures*

Events inter-schools and public awareness

Scalable + modular, easy procedure to join



* BOINC - Berkeley Open Infrastructure for Network Computing (boinc.berkeley.edu) / GLOBE (www.globe.gov)



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Pilot Project with focus on Particulate Matter (PM 10 / PM 2.5)

Contribute to EU (APHEIS, JRC/IES) Environment-Health Strategy

In sync with UN *“Education for Sustainable Development” Decade*

Scientific Coordination by IES-JRC

10-20 Schools in EU, distributed East-West, North-South, urban and non-urban

Portable PM samplers + local station (right)

Local partnerships with Schools + Gov/PAd + Environment/Health Institutions + NGOs

Funding application to “LIFE+” and other



Pilot project timetable: Set-up (2005-2006) ; School implementation (2006-2007)



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IES-JRC equips* EuroLifeNet schools and coordinate scientific procedures

Students carry portable PM sampler (right), a portable GPS and make a 12 h diary

One student at a time, with different habits and trajectories, will provide a rich map

Other associated projects may benefit from this pilot EuroLifeNet project, and amplify it



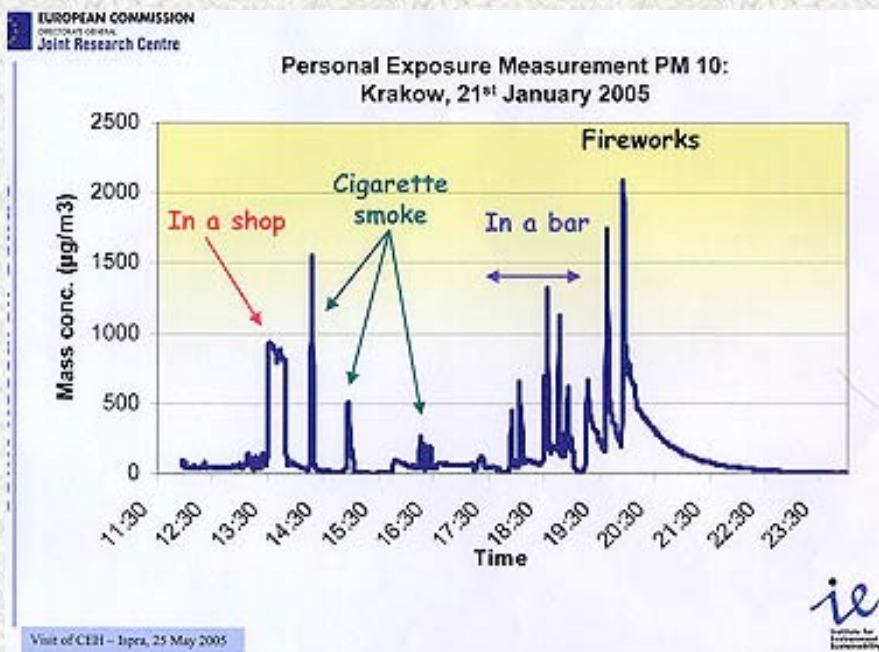
* IES-JRC will lend the PM samplers to designated schools, for the project duration



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The electronic nature of the portable samplers allows for easy data extraction, network sharing and analysis. Together with a diary and GPS data, this will be a powerful tool both for scientists and teachers.



Download movie file

(<http://www.citidep.net/mov/PMportsampler.mov>)

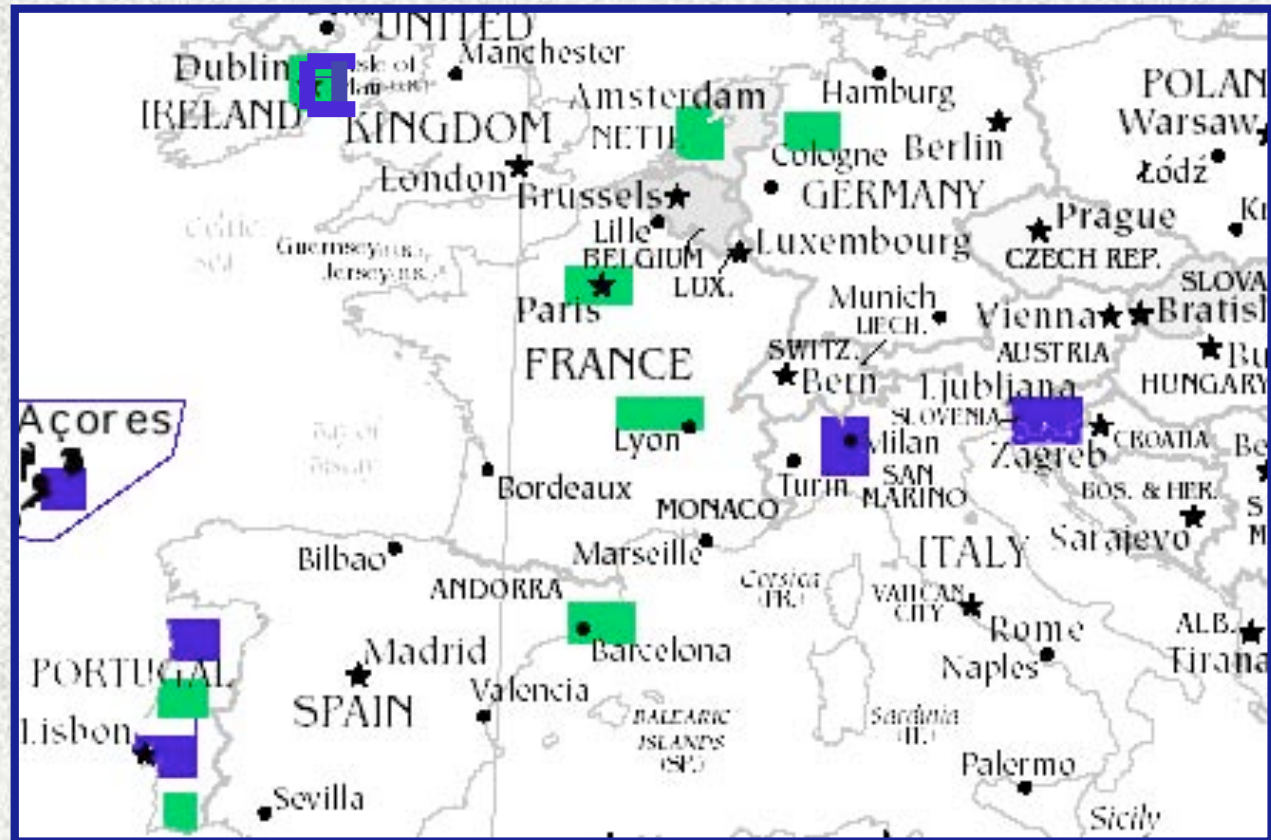


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Students: 665
 (measuring: 235)
 Teachers: 51
 Researchers: 11
 Experts: 5

HighSchools: 10
 Universities: 4
 Research C.: 5
 NGOs: 3



PROGRAM [2005 - 2014]

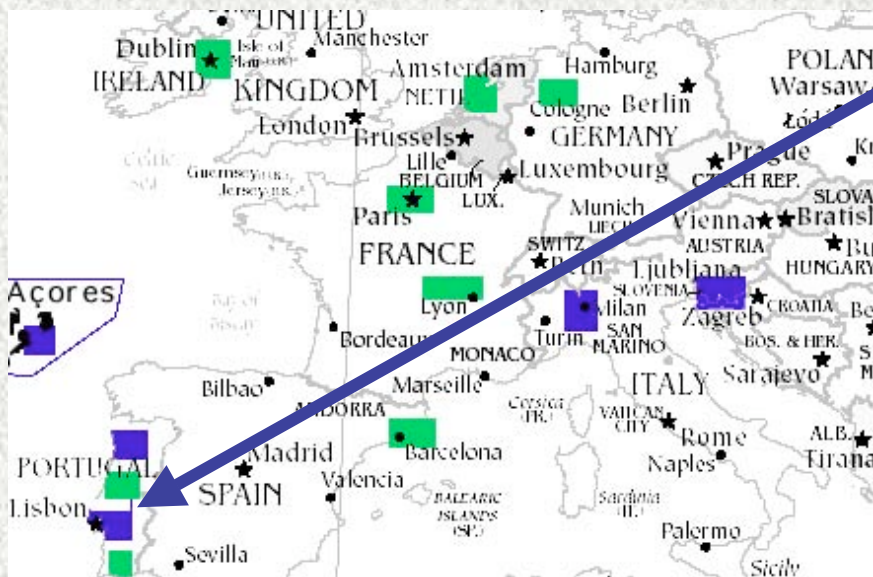
PILOT PROJECT [2006 - 2007]

EXPANSION [2008->]



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LISBOA CLUSTER :

- **CITIDEP Lisboa**
- **Ministry of Environment, Lisbon V.T. Air Quality Division**
- **Universidade Nova Lisboa Dpt Ambiente**
- **Instituto de Ciências Sociais-UL**
- **1 partial post-doc**

- **3 Highschools**
Pedro Nunes, Maria Amalia Anselmo Andrade (Almada)
- **1 Elementary school** (Torel)

Classes: 15 basic + sec. (14-17)
Students: 340 (82 with devices)
Teachers: 18



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Açores CLUSTER :

- **CITIDEP Açores**

- **1 Highschool**

Escola Secundária
Jerónimo de Andrade,
Angra do Heroísmo, Açores

Classes: 4 basic + sec. (12-19)

Students: 80 (24 with devices)

Teachers: 4



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VIANA do CASTELO CLUSTER :

- **Escola Superior de Educação-IPVC**
- **Universidade do Minho, Dpt Fisica**
- **1 Master Thesis**
- **CITIDEP Viana do Castelo**
- **2 Highschools**
Ponte de Lima,
Póvoa Varzim

Classes: 2 basic + sec. (14-17)

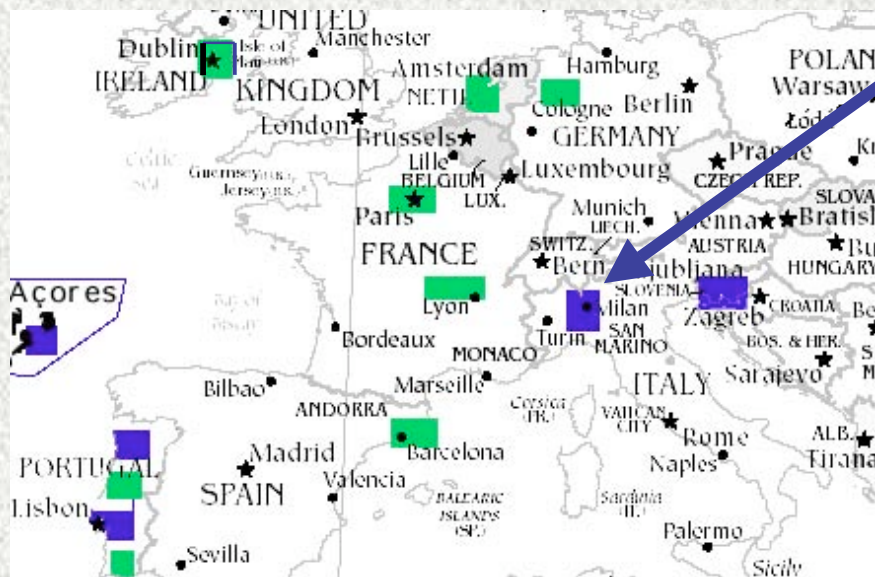
Students: 45 (39 with devices)

Teachers: 4 + 3 (ESE)



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MILAN CLUSTER:

- **Mamme Antismog di Milano**
- **Milan Istituto dei Tumori**
- **Assoutenti Lombardia**
- **3 Highschools**
- **CITIDEP Firenze**

Classes: 7 basic + sec. (13-18)

Students: 200 (90 with devices)

Teachers: 12



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Experts & scientists

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Civic action





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	Experts & scientists	Teachers	Civic action
What to measure	PM 2.5	No strong preference	PM 10
When to measure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seasonal • Also weekend/night 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • According to curricula • Day only, no w/e 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When pollution is worse
How long to measure	1 month minimum, at least twice a year	1 or 2 weeks, at most twice a year (2/year)	As long as possible
How to measure	Always same person per period / sampler	Many different students per period	As many students as possible, also adults
Network synchronism	Little sync. value; Concentrate all resources one site at a time	High sync. value; All schools in sync, for short periods of time ≤ 2 /year	High sync. value; All in sync, as frequently as possible
Uses of data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correlate with regular monitoring network data; • Environment/health correlations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relate with other course curricula; • Curricula update, exciting participatory science methodology; • Student debate/raising awareness. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public raising awareness; • Data as political tool for stronger regulation; • Call for more monitoring and proactive solutions.



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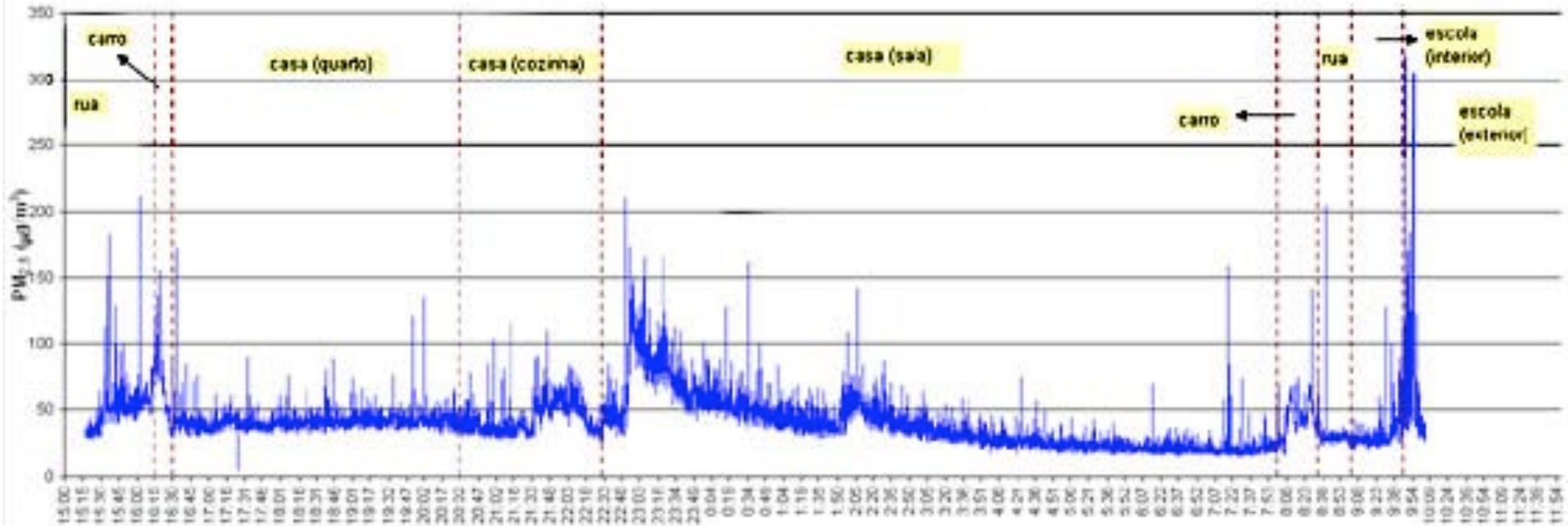




Example of Student Measure - Lisbon November 2006



- PM 2.5 Graphic (24 h)

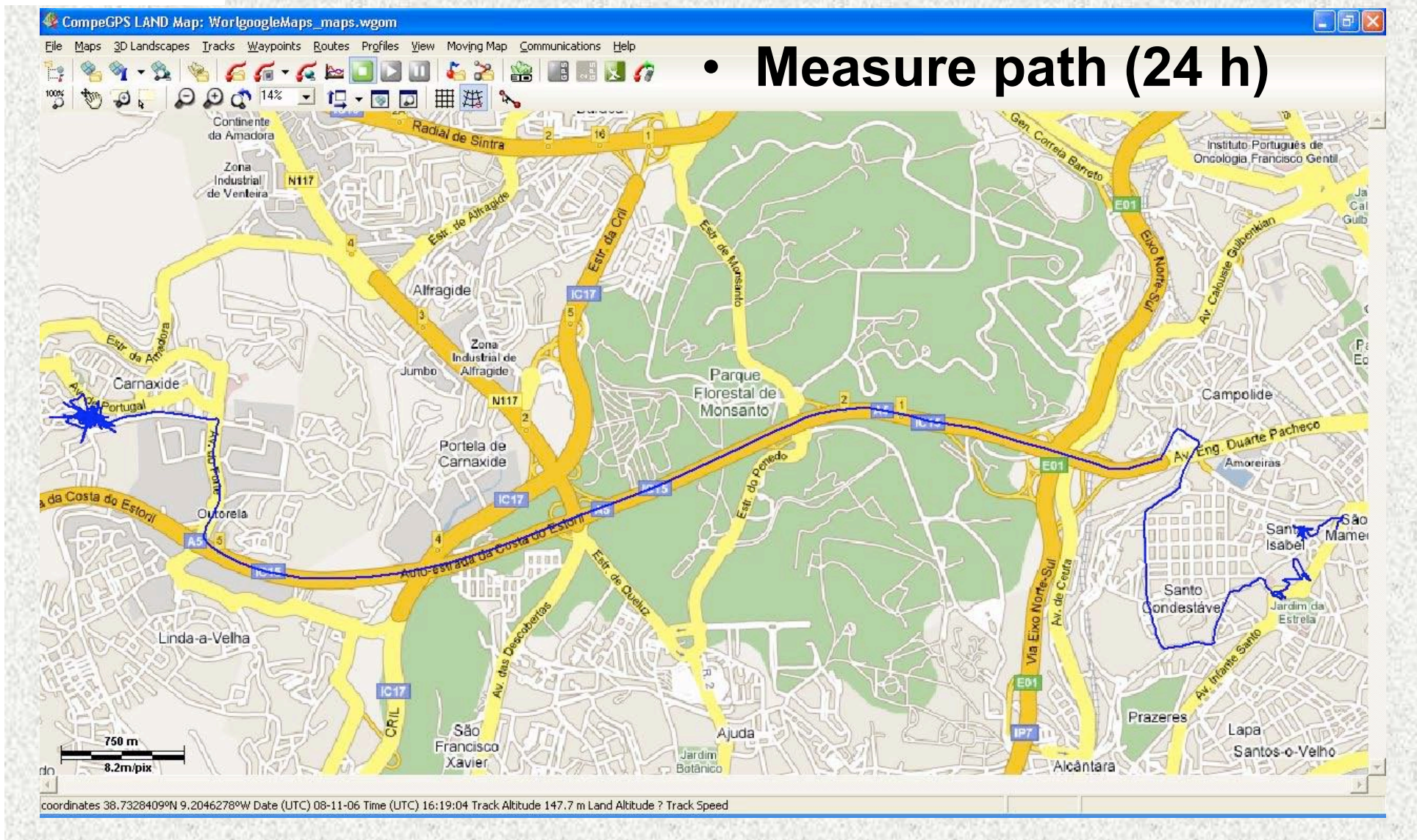




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• Measure path (24 h)





Preliminary Evaluation - December 2006

- Kitchen - burned pan
- Tobacco
- Traffic (school exit rush hours)
- Indoor vs Outdoor (ex. Forest)
 - **Preliminary Feedback:**
 - Students (rigorous protocol, creativity, weight)
 - Teachers (curricula integration, extra burdens)
 - Parents (support - few exceptions, curiosity, electricity costs)

» **FUNDING DELAYS !**



Formal Institutional Support:

- Secretary of State for Education, Portugal
- Secretary of State for Environment, Portugal
- IES-Joint Research Centre, European Commission

Funding:

- Ciência Viva – Ministry of Science, Technology and Higher Education - **funding POCI**

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HighSchools Participating: (Portugal)



- Escola Secundária de **Ponte de Lima**
- Escola Secundária de Rocha Peixoto, **Póvoa do Varzim**
- Escola Secundária Maria Amália Vaz de Carvalho, **Lisboa**
- Escola Secundária Pedro Nunes, **Lisboa**
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