

Increasing the spatial resolution of MERRA-2 reanalysis data for energy system modeling

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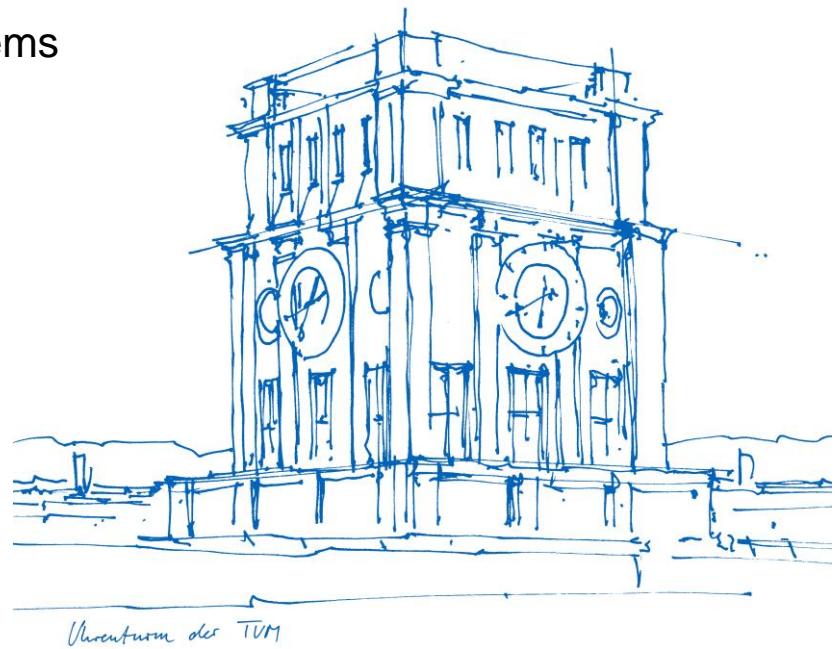
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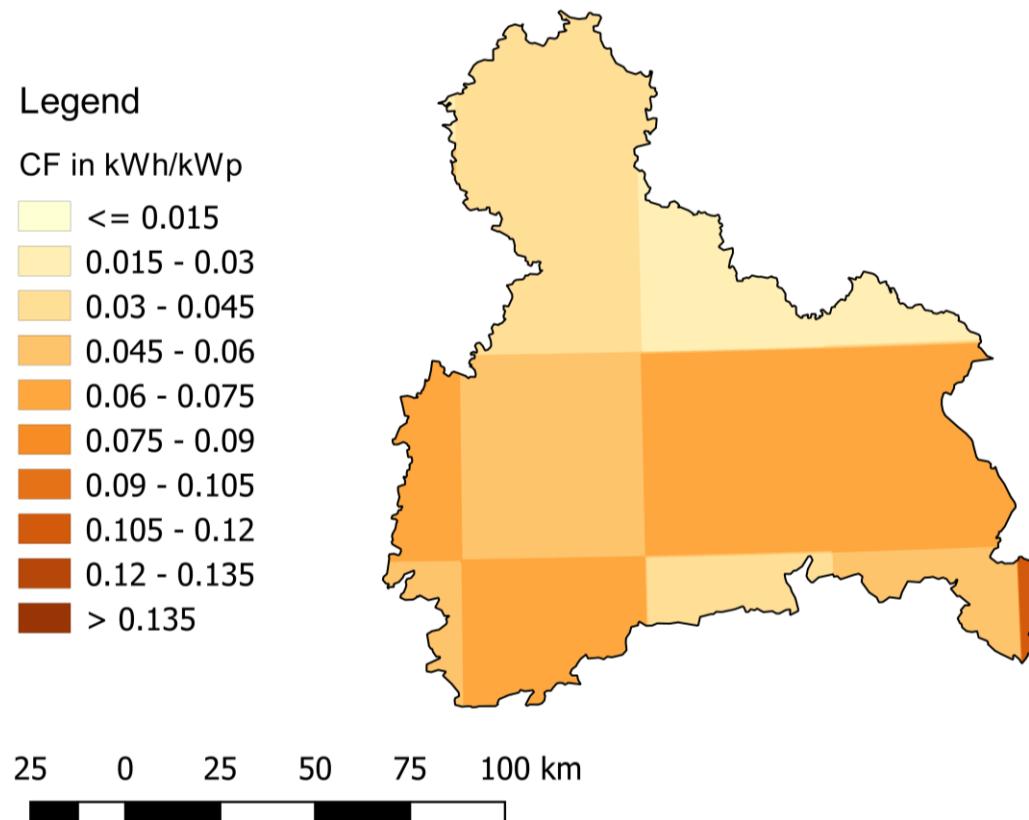


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MERRA-2 resolution

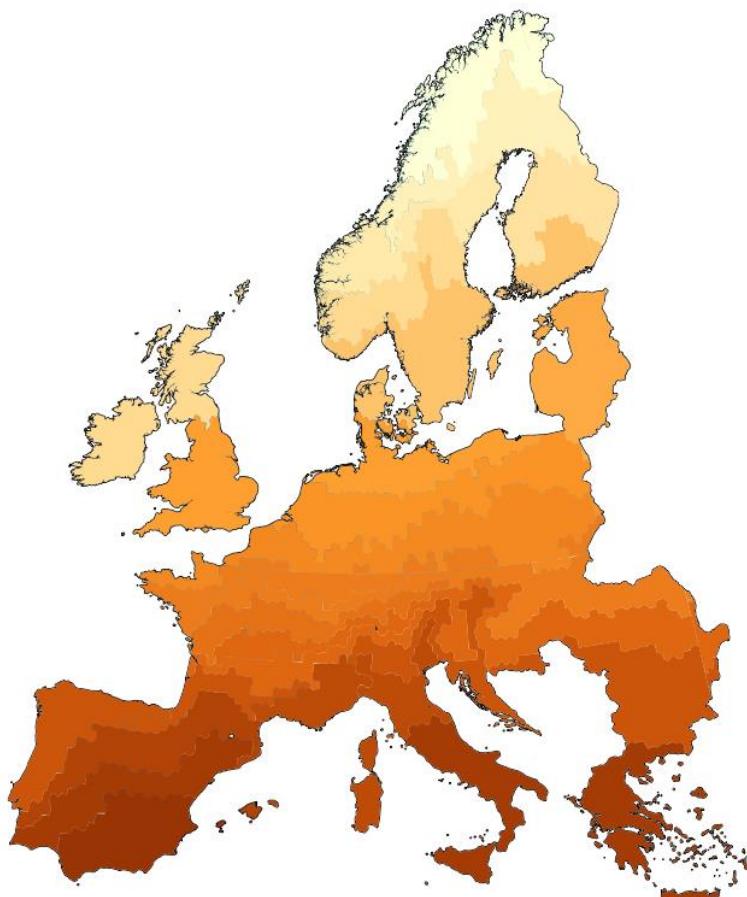


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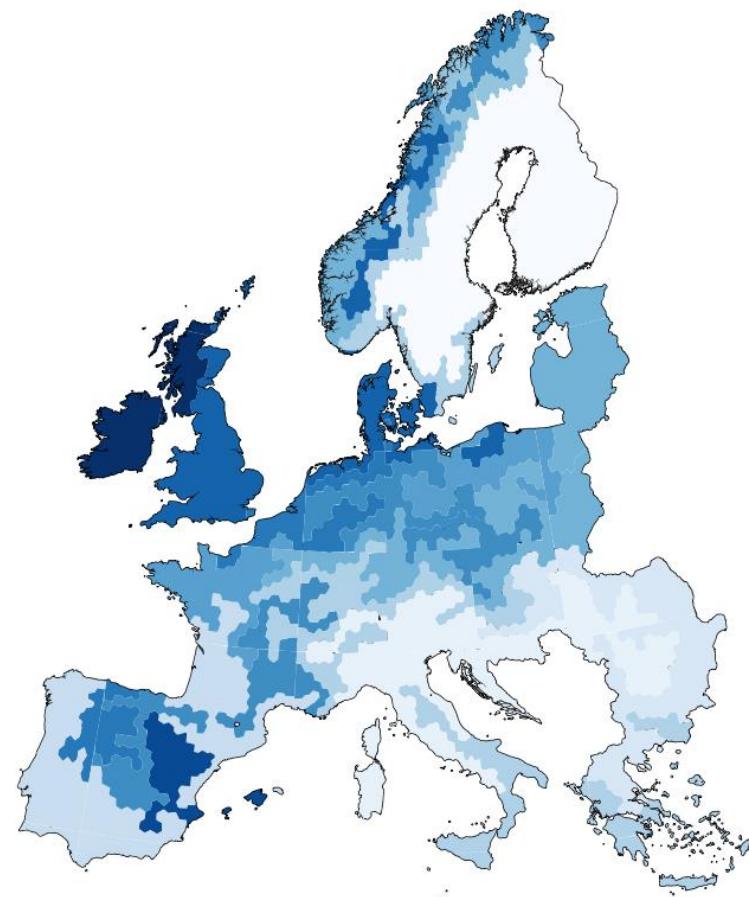
What existing models can do



What existing models **cannot** do

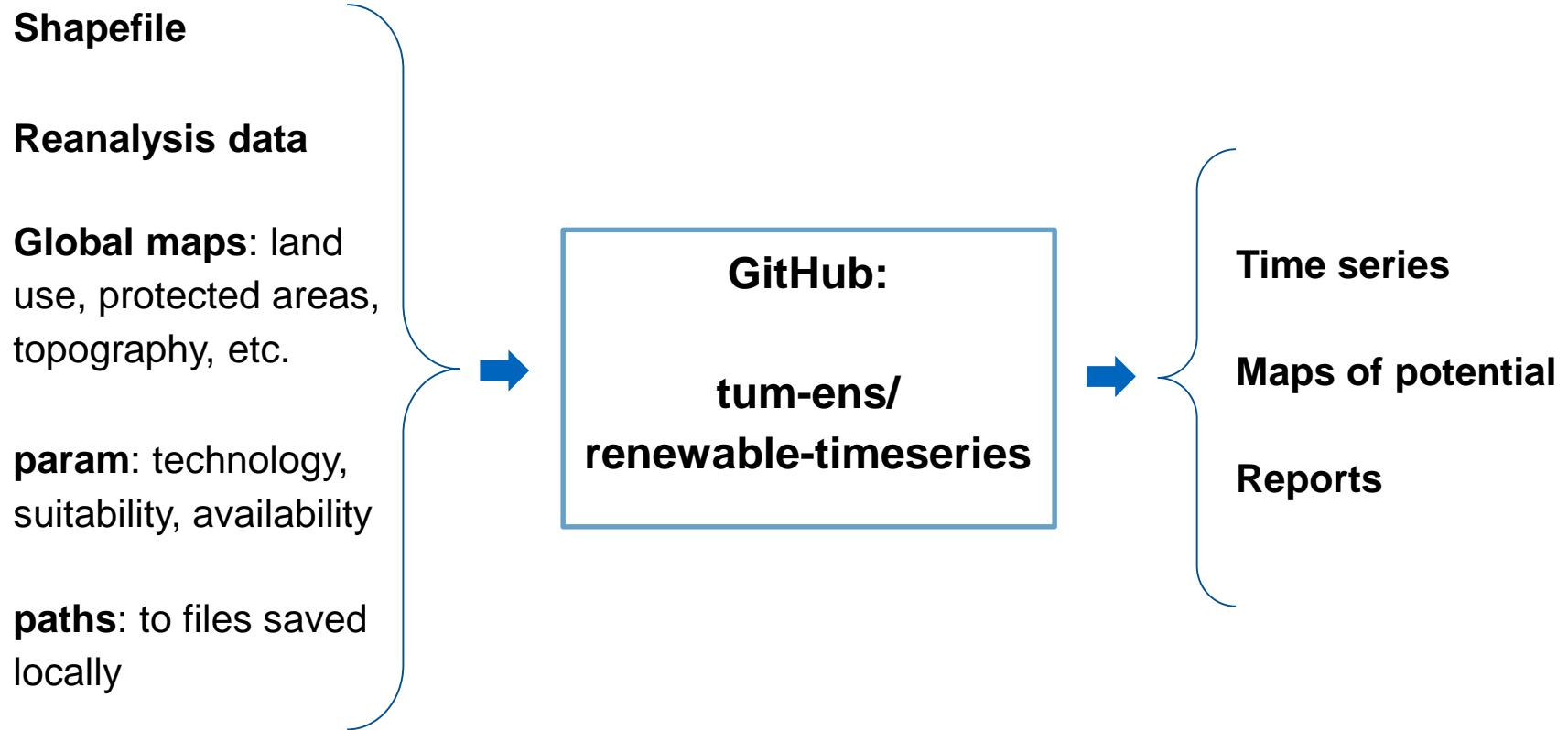


Regions with homogeneous solar PV
potentials within Europe



Regions with homogeneous wind
potentials within Europe

How the tool works



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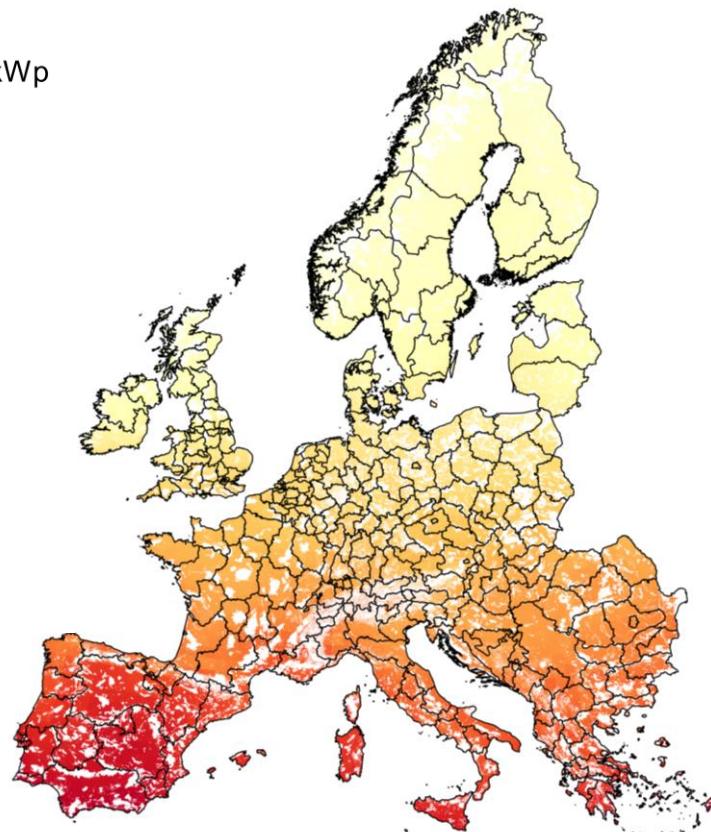
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if __name__ == '__main__':
    paths, param = initialization()
    generate_weather_files(paths)
    generate_landsea(paths, param)    # Land and Sea
    generate_landuse(paths, param)    # Landuse
    generate_bathymetry(paths, param)  # Bathymetry
    generate_topography(paths, param)  # Topography
    generate_slope(paths, param)      # Slope
    generate_population(paths, param) # Population
    generate_protected_areas(paths, param) # Protected areas
    generate_buffered_population(paths, param) # Buffered Population
    generate_wind_correction(paths, param) # Correction factors for wind speeds
    for tech in param["technology"]:
        calculate_FLH(paths, param, tech)
        masking(paths, param, tech)
        weighting(paths, param, tech)
        reporting(paths, param, tech)
        find_locations_quantiles(paths, param, tech)
        generate_time_series(paths, param, tech)
```

How the results look like

Legend

FLH in kWh/kWp

	0
	830
	897
	964
	1031
	1098
	1165
	1232
	1299
	1366
	1433
	1500



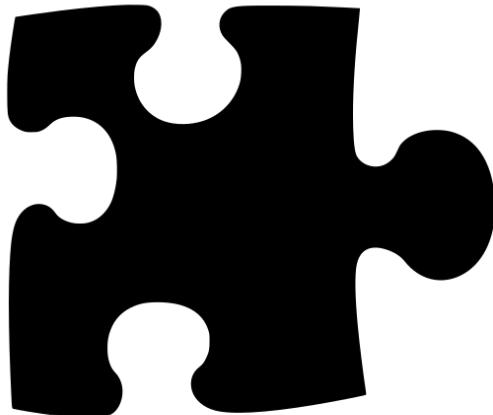
PV potential of Europe

Parameter

Parameter	Value
Available_Area_km2	15431
FLH_Mean_MW	1756
FLH_Median_MW	1818
FLH_Max_MW	4260
FLH_Min_MW	41
FLH_Mean_Masked_MW	1831
FLH_Median_Masked_MW	1856
FLH_Max_Masked_MW	4260
FLH_Min_Masked_MW	120
FLH_Std_Masked_MW	378
Power_Potential_GW	2686
Energy_Potential_TWh	4716
Energy_Potential_Weighted_TWh	210
Energy_Potential_Weighted_Masked_TWh	197

Wind potential of Germany

GitHub:
tum-ens/
renewable-timeseries



Modeling:

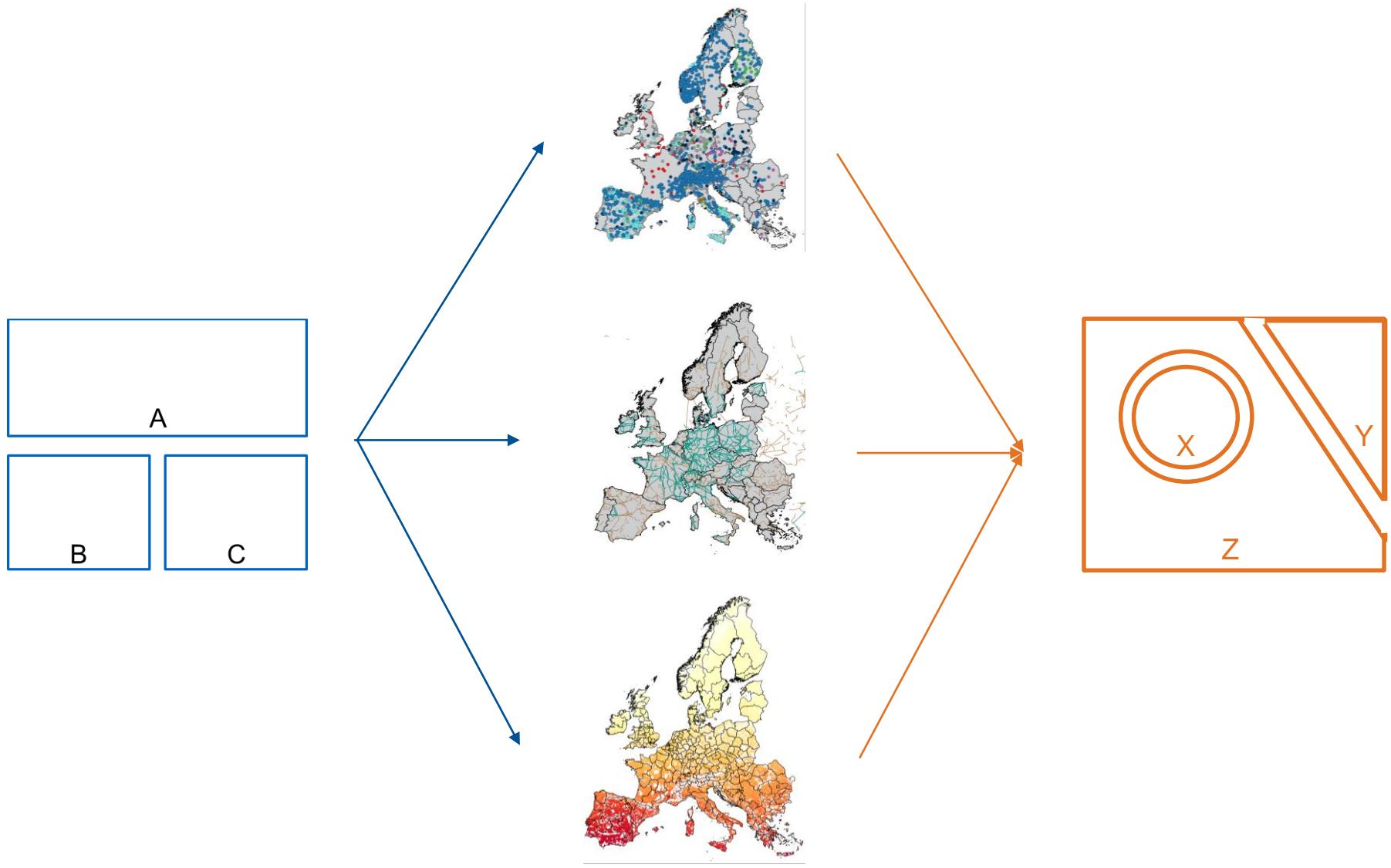
- Generation of time series and potential limits for small regions (cities)
- Generation of time series and potentials for any user-defined regions

Policy/Society:

- Impact of constraints and policy choices on potentials

Back up

The big picture



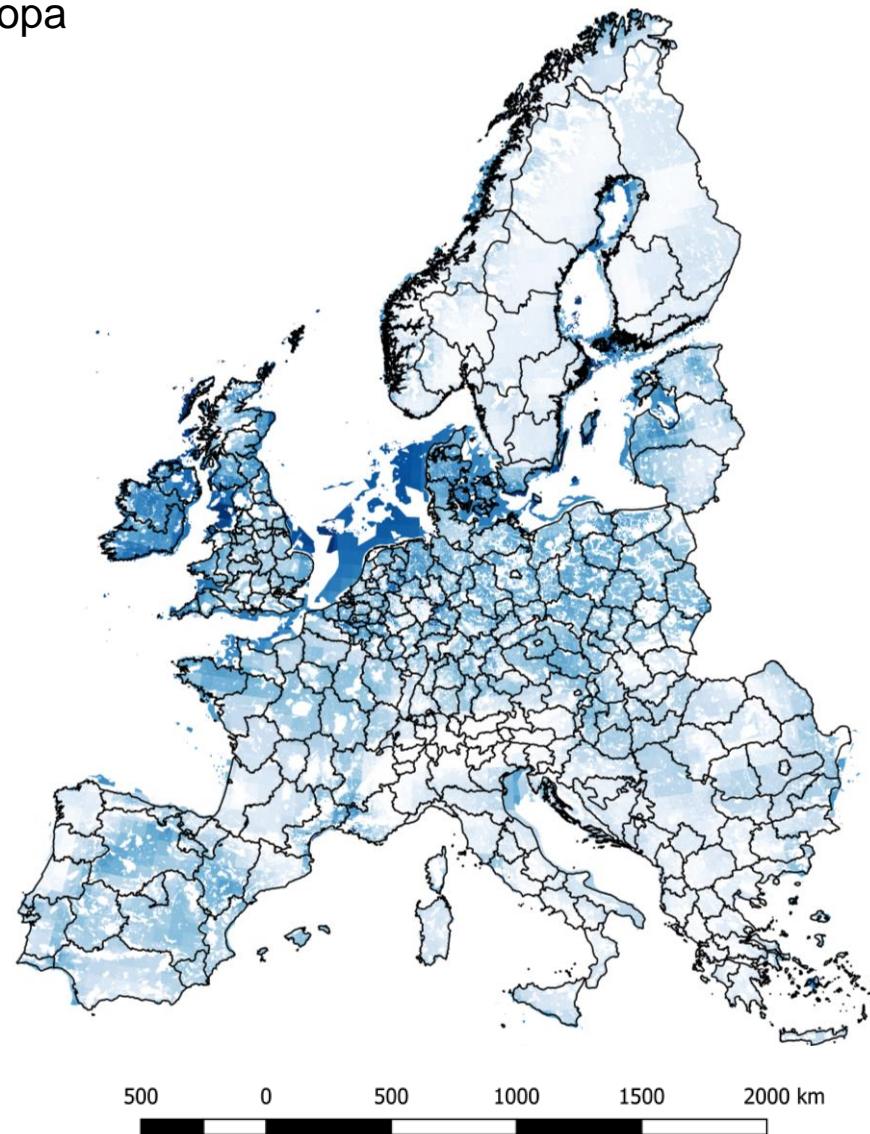
Wetterdaten

Windpotenzial für Europa

Legend

FLH in kWh/kWp

- 0
- 500
- 1000
- 1500
- 2000
- 2500
- 3000
- 3500
- 4000
- 4500
- 5000



Landnutzungskarte

Legend

- Land use types
- Water
 - Forest
 - Shrubland
 - Savanna
 - Grassland
 - Permanent wetland
 - Cropland
 - Urban
 - Cropland/Natural vegetation
 - Snow/Ice
 - Barren/Sparsely vegetated

