

# People are exposed, people can help: do we meet their expectations?

Alena Bartonova, NILU

with contributions from the Citi-Sense consortium

[www.citi-sense.eu](http://www.citi-sense.eu)

# The title

- People are exposed (to air pollution)
- People **can** help (by contributing their observations)
- Do we meet "people's" expectations?
  - What are users expectations, and what participation modalities can we expect?
  - Technological supply - meets demand?
  - Product supply - meets demand?
- And what is in it for "us"? Seizing technological opportunity to improve data, sci understanding, management - governance, and life quality

# CITI-SENSE

## Development of sensor-based Citizens' Observatory Community for improving quality of life in cities

*Starting date:* 01/10/2012

*Duration:* 48 months

*Budget:* 12M€

*Call:* FP7-ENV-2012.6.5-1 Developing community-based environmental monitoring and information systems using innovative and novel earth observation applications



CITI-SENSE project  
Grant agreement n°: 308524



# CITI-SENSE Objective

To develop "Citizen's Observatories" to empower citizens to

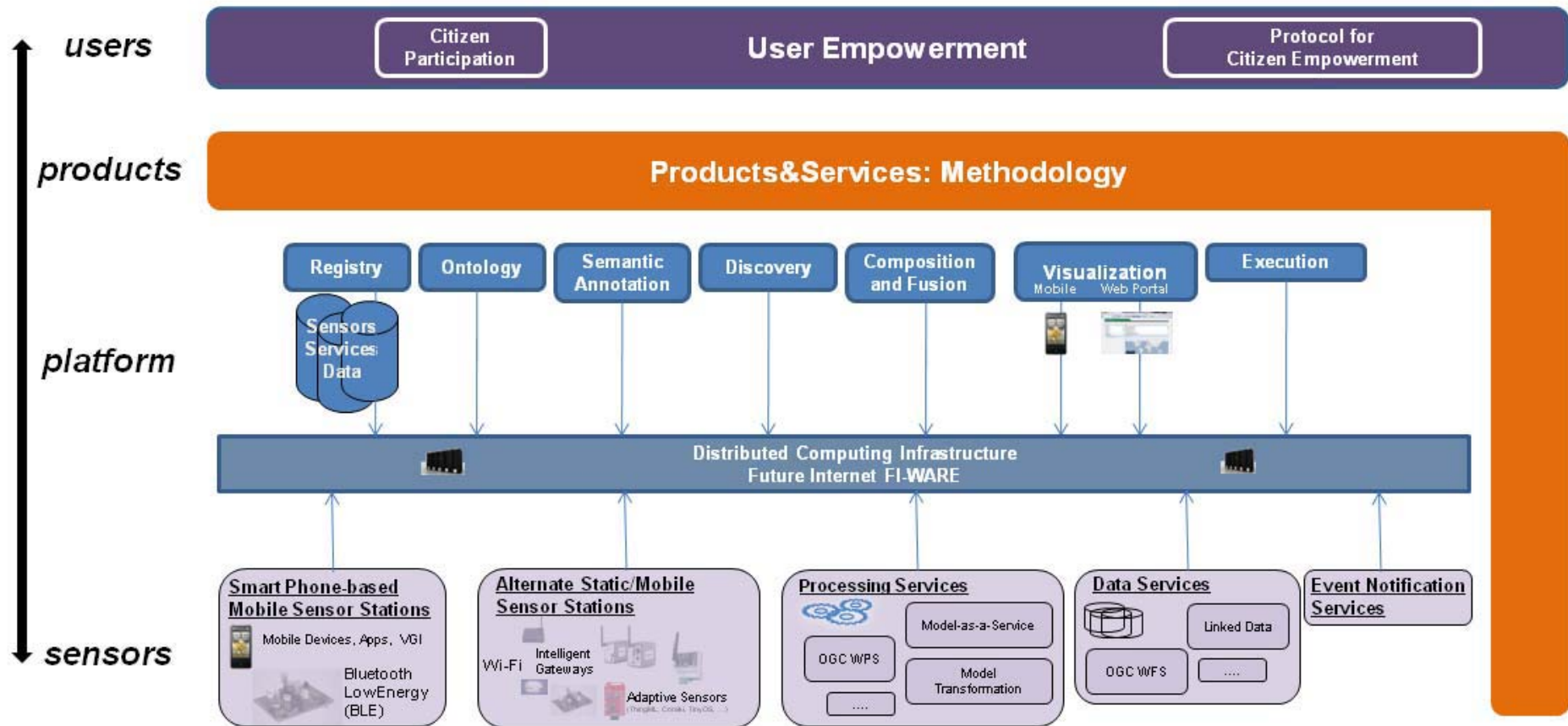
- Contribute to and participate in environmental governance
- Support and influence community and policy priorities and associated decision making
- Contribute to Global Earth Observation System of Systems (GEOSS)

**Citizen's observatories** – *communities of users that will*

- *Share technological solutions, information products and services, and community participatory methods,*
- *Using appropriate communication solutions,*
- *Thus complementing established environmental data and information systems and improving local env. decision making.*



# CITI-SENSE Concept



# El Environment (CREAL)

- **Aim:** Empowerment (health improvement, AQM), awareness and behaviour change; exposure info
- **Users:** citizens, administration, (public) info systems, research
- **Focus:** outdoor air and personal exposure
- **Own measurements:** primary gases + PM, PAH
- **Other data:** Monitoring networks, position
- **Platforms:** mobile (bus, car, bike); static (dense sensor network)
- **Products:** combination with external data and tools

# El indoor schools (NAAF)

**Aim:** Enable improvement of the school environment

**Users:** School administration & staff, students

**Other use:** Screening/monitoring database

**Focus:** indoor environment (w/outdoor info)

**Own measurements:**

- Dedicated sensor pack as a basis (CO, CO<sub>2</sub>, temperature, VOC, other)
- Health and well being observatory
- Cleaning practices

**Products:** Web interface, mobile app, database and data access, warnings, advice on indoor environment





# El Public spaces (Tecnalia)

**Aim:** Empower citizens to contribute to better urban planning (protect public spaces)

**Users:** Citizen's movements, planners

**Focus:** Visual, acoustic and thermal comfort, UV irradiation, urban well being

**Own measurements:** UV, acoustic and thermal comfort, primary gases, photos

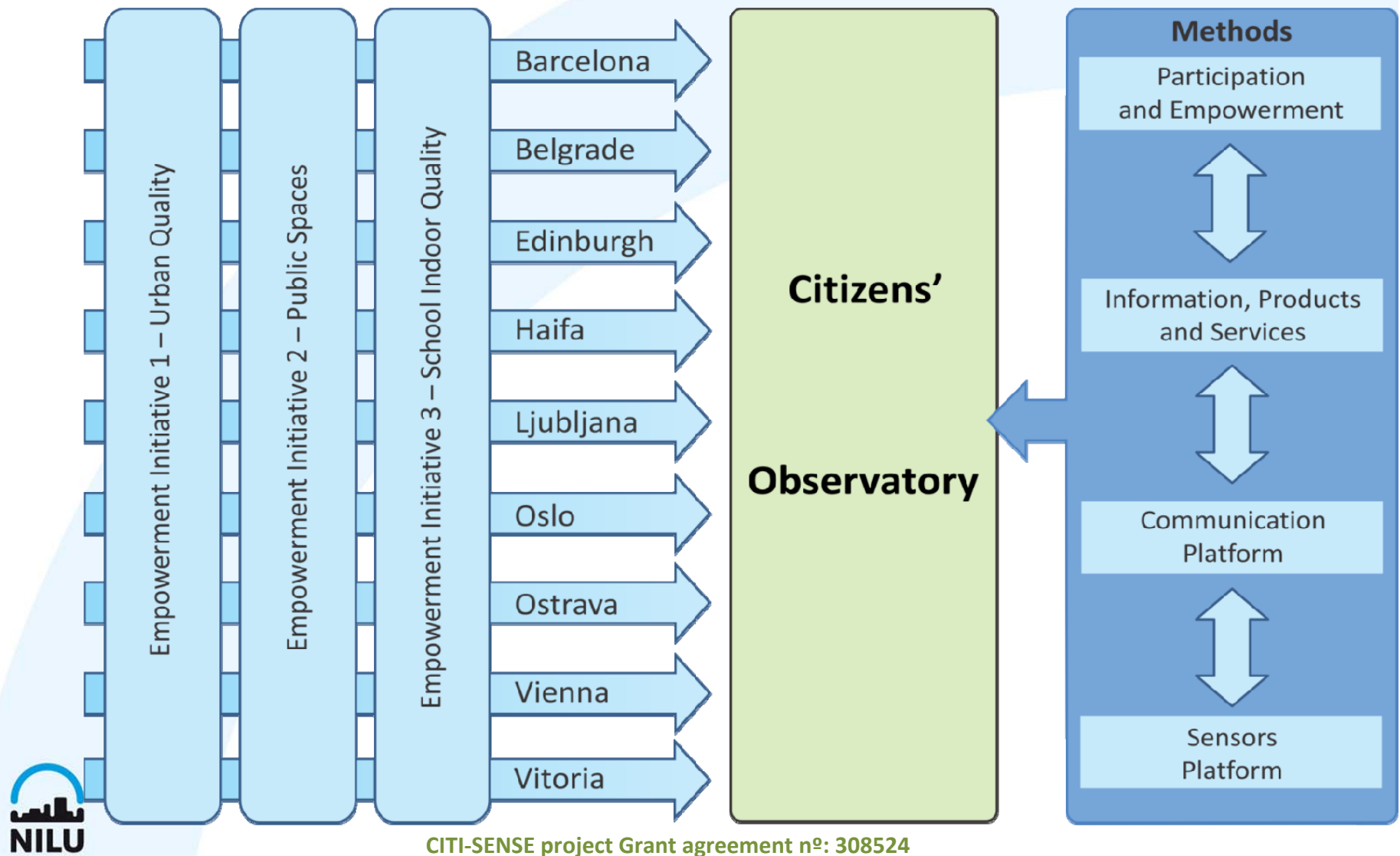
**Other data:** monitoring networks

**Platforms & products:** Mobile phones, apps

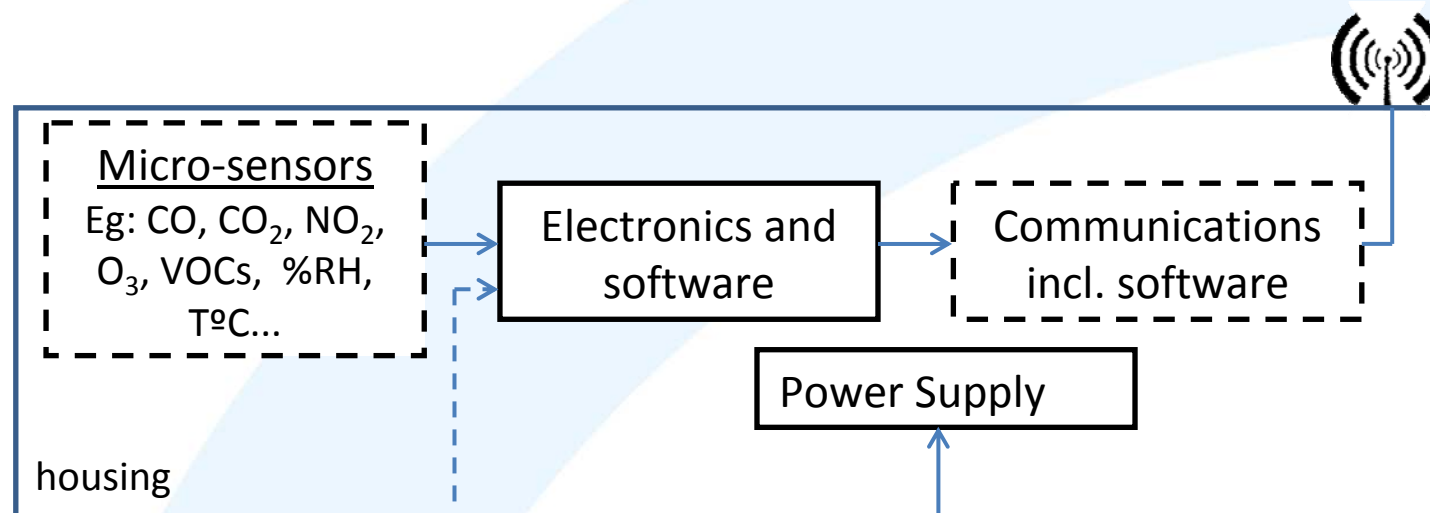




# CITI-SENSE Implementation



# Sensor platforms (CRIC)



Examples of static platforms



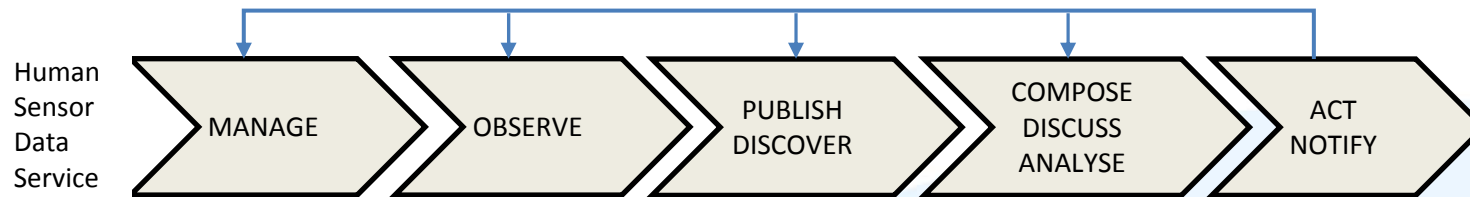
Geotech



AirBase

“Platform” implies a degree of flexibility, within limits, for example:

- Ability to use a range of micro-sensors
- Ability to offer different communication channels: GSM/3G mobile network, Wi-Fi network, Local Area Network (LAN)/Ethernet, etc.
- Some flexibility in power supply, and housing arrangements



## GEOSS/INSPIRE/Member State Common Infrastructures

### Registries

Components  
& Services

Standards &  
Interoperability

Best Practices

User Requirements

Vocabularies

### GEO Portals

Discovery Service

Discovery & View  
Application

Metadata editor

GEOSS  
Clearinghouse

## CITI-SENSE Observatory

Citizen  
Participation

User Empowerment  
Social media

Protocol for  
Citizen Empowerment

Web Apps, Mobile Apps, GEO-PORTALS, REPORTING

CITI-SENSE Products and Services

### Business Process Tier

**Registers:**  
Ontologies  
App Schemas  
.....

User & Rights Management

Workflow Management & Orchestration (Service Chaining)

Uncertainty  
Handling &  
Provenance

Semantic  
Annotation,  
Mediation &  
Discovery

Data  
Composition &  
Fusion Services

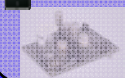
Visualisation &  
Portrayal  
Services

Model  
Transformation  
& Model-as-a  
Service

### Sensor Platform Tier

#### Smart Phone Mobile Sensors

Mobile Devices, Apps, VGI



Bluetooth  
Low Energy  
(BLE)

#### In situ/Mobile Sensors

Wi-Fi

Intelligent  
Gateways



Adaptive Sensors  
(ThingML, Contiki, TinyOS, ...)

### Data Access Tier

OGC Web Services  
(WFS, WCS, SOS)

Event Services  
(WS-N, SAS, SES)

Linked Data  
Services

Download  
Services

# Information products and services (NILU)

Why: provide quantified environmental data products on air pollution to users at their level of interest – timely, upscaled from street level, locally specific

Quantification: numerical values with errors (data without errors info are useless)

Other: metadata, aggregation level

Error analysis – data assimilation and fusion

# Engaging with the society (IOM)

Building the bridge between what the user wants  
and what we can provide

Keep "people issues" at the centre of this work

Learn what works and what does not (and why)

Managing the dialogue

# Citizen's observatory

- Internal exchange mechanism
- External data exchange mechanism
- User management ++
- Public interface to own "products"
- Dissemination

# CITI-SENSE Timeline

**Year 1:** Develop specifications and pilot cases  
(0-6,7-12)

**Year 2:** Implement pilot cases, prepare Citizens'  
Observatory

## Review

**Year 3:** Implement Empowerment Initiatives,  
recruiting for Citizens' Observatory

**Year 4:** Methodology assessment and central  
platform





# What have we learned (M5)

- What are users expectations, and what participation modalities can we expect?
- Technological supply - meets demand?
- Product supply - meets demand?

Users – diverse community, local situation determines interest and modalities, perhaps little in common except special groups; both expectations and involvement will vary

Technological demand does not match supply (yet), combinations of methods and technologies needed; ICT requirements daunting but a lot in progress

Air quality: much driven by legislation, good grip on what the managers need. The role and potential for, and of, the public and publicly contributed data is as yet unknown (limited evidence, to be expanded on)

# CITI-SENSE Partners

Nº	Partner short name	Country	Nº	Partner short name	Country
1	NILU	Norway	15	U-Hopper	Italy
2	PVDH	Netherland	16	CREAL	Spain
3	NAAF	Norway	17	IEM	Czech Republic
4	Technion	Israel	18	VINCA	Serbia
5	CVUT	Czech Republic	19	JSI	Slovenia
6	QU	Australia	20	SINTEF	Norway
7	AirBase	Israel	21	TECNALIA	Spain
8	CRIC	Spain	22	KITC	Republic of Korea
9	GAC	Czech Republic	23	UCAM	United Kingdom
10	IOM	United Kingdom	24	DNET	Serbia
11	IBATUZ	Spain	25	SNOWFLAKE	United Kingdom
12	S&C	Spain	26	Geotech	United Kingdom
13	Alphasense	United Kingdom	27	Obeo	Norway
14	UBIMET	Austria			



# CITI-SENSE Work Packages

- WP2 Empowerment Initiative 1 – Urban Quality (CREAL)
- WP3 Empowerment Initiatives 2 & 3 – Public Spaces (Technalia/NAAF)
- WP4 Citizens' Observatories (NILU)
- WP5 Participation and Empowerment (IOM)
- WP6 Information Products and Services (NILU)
- WP7 Communication Platform (SINTEF)
- WP8 Sensor Platform (CRIC)
- WP9 Dissemination, Exploitation, Training (S&C)
- WP1 Management and Administration (NILU)



[www.citi-sense.eu](http://www.citi-sense.eu)

[alena.bartonova@nilu.no](mailto:alena.bartonova@nilu.no)

**THANK YOU**

