

INTEGRATED GALILEO REFERENCE NETWORK FOR POSITIONING AND ENVIRONMENT MONITORING

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FINAL PRESENTATION

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INGRIM IS ABOUT TO

(1) REALIZE A COMPLETELY NEW HEIGHT REFERENCE INFRASTRUCTURE

- ♦ Traditional leveling benchmarks → **MULTI-TECHNIQUE** stations with **MULTIPLIED** application opportunities;
- ♦ exploiting **multi-GNSS** and InSAR (Galileo & Earth observation)

(2) DEFINE AND REALIZE THE SEMI-KINEMATIC HEIGHT REFERENCE

- ♦ == virtual height reference surface for converting spatial coordinates into the local frames
- ♦ static world → (semi)-kinematic HEIGHT REFERENCE, modeling the ground motion from a given reference epoch

(3) PROPOSE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MULTI-GNSS HEIGHTING

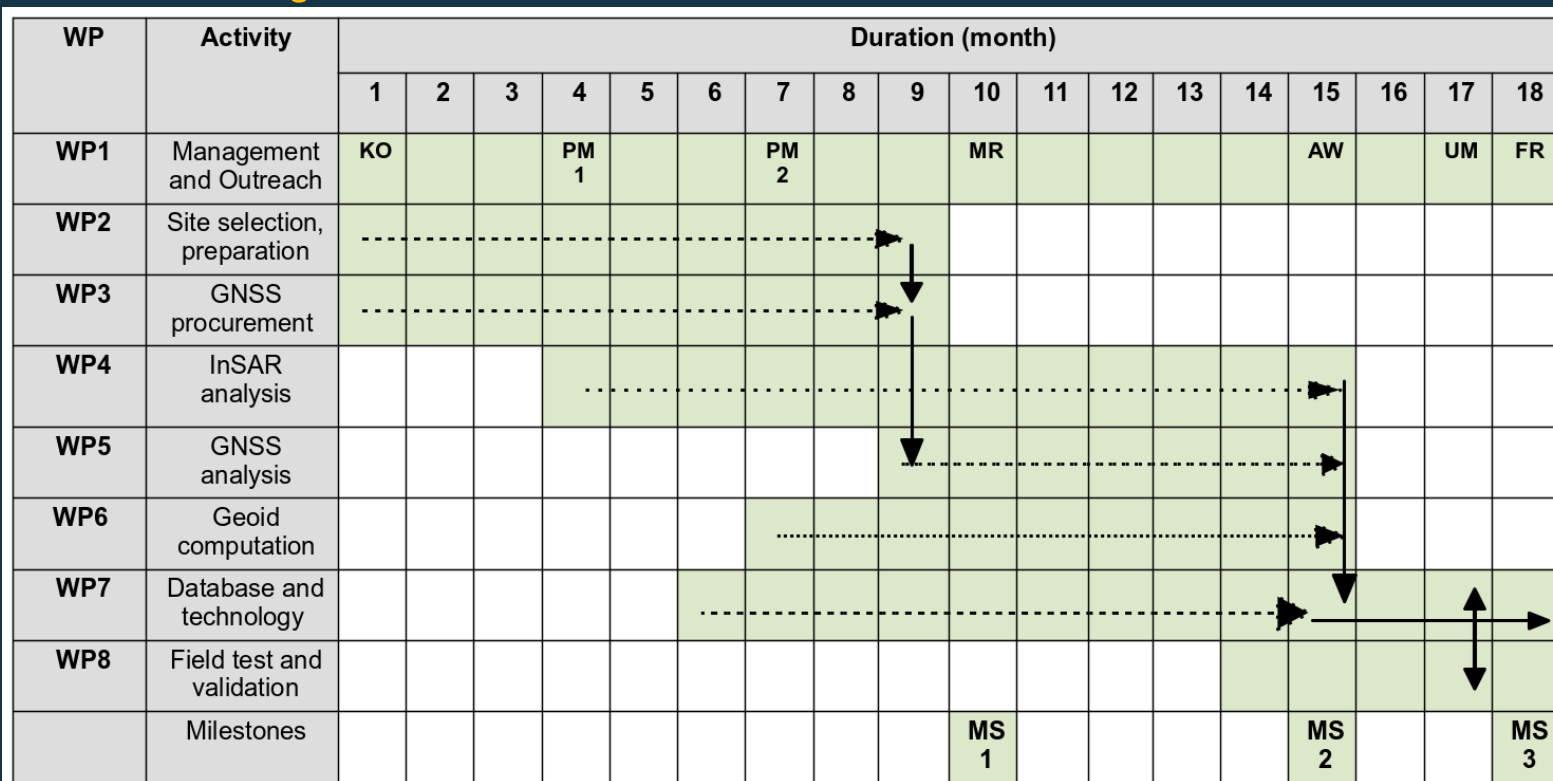
- ♦ Traditional leveling → **GNSS heighting** (on medium term);



GANTT-DIAGRAM

August 2022

February 2024



+3
months

Legend: Critical Path (CP) —————>

Parallel actions>

KO: Kick Off meeting; MR: Mid-term report; AW: Assessment Workshop;

UM: User Group Meeting; FR: Final report; PM1-2: Progress meetings

MS 1-3: Milestones



WORKPACKAGES

WP1 - PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND REPORTING

WP2 - SITE SELECTION AND PREPARATION

WP3 - STATION INSTALLATION & GNSS PROCUREMENT

WP4 - InSAR ANALYSIS

WP5 - GNSS ANALYSIS

WP6 - GEOID DETERMINATION

WP7 - TECHNOLOGY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

WP8 - FIELD TESTS AND VALIDATION

THE WORK IN ALL WP_s HAD BEEN SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED!



WP2 - STATION BUILD PROCESS



MBAJ



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WP2 - STATION BUILT

MKEK



MKKH



MPOG



MSZE



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WP3 - station procurement

7 monuments and 5 multi-GNSS equipment

- The call for tender was published on 11 November 2022
- Deadline for submission: 25 November 2022
- Contract signature 19 January 2023
- **Contract winner: Leica Geosystems Hungary**
- **Contracted price: 77 470 000 HUF**

According to the actual EUR / HUF exchange rate it was 12 kEUR over the planned budget, therefore it had to be covered by LTK

- **Contracted equipment: LEICA GR50 receiver and LEICA AR20 antenna**



INGRIM STATIONS IN GNSSnet.hu



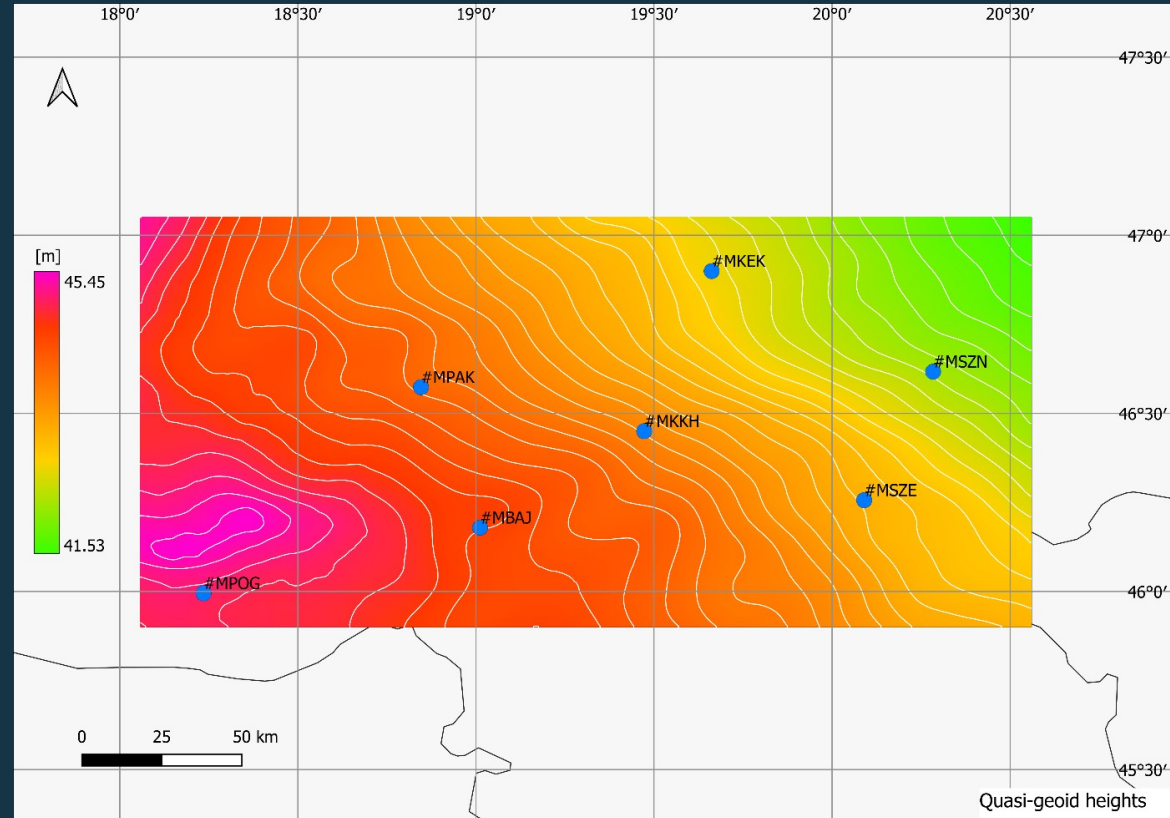
WP6-Geoid computation

- Dedicated new gravimetric geoid based on Radial Basis Function approach
- Integration with existing GPS/leveling data measured in **2014** to remove reference frame biases.

This date defines the epoch!

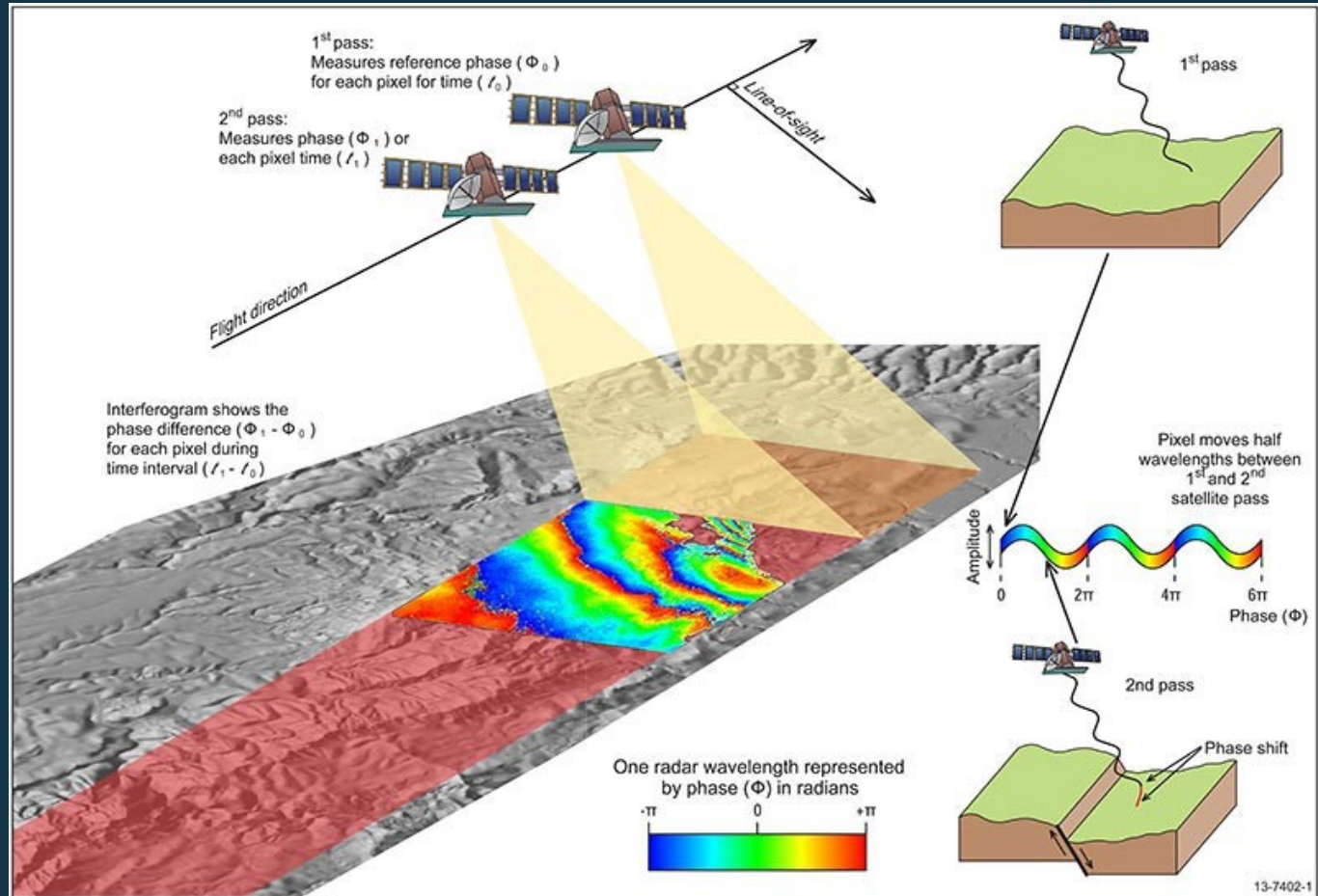
- Represents the static part of the height reference

$$H(\text{lev}) = h(\text{ell}) - N(\text{hr})$$

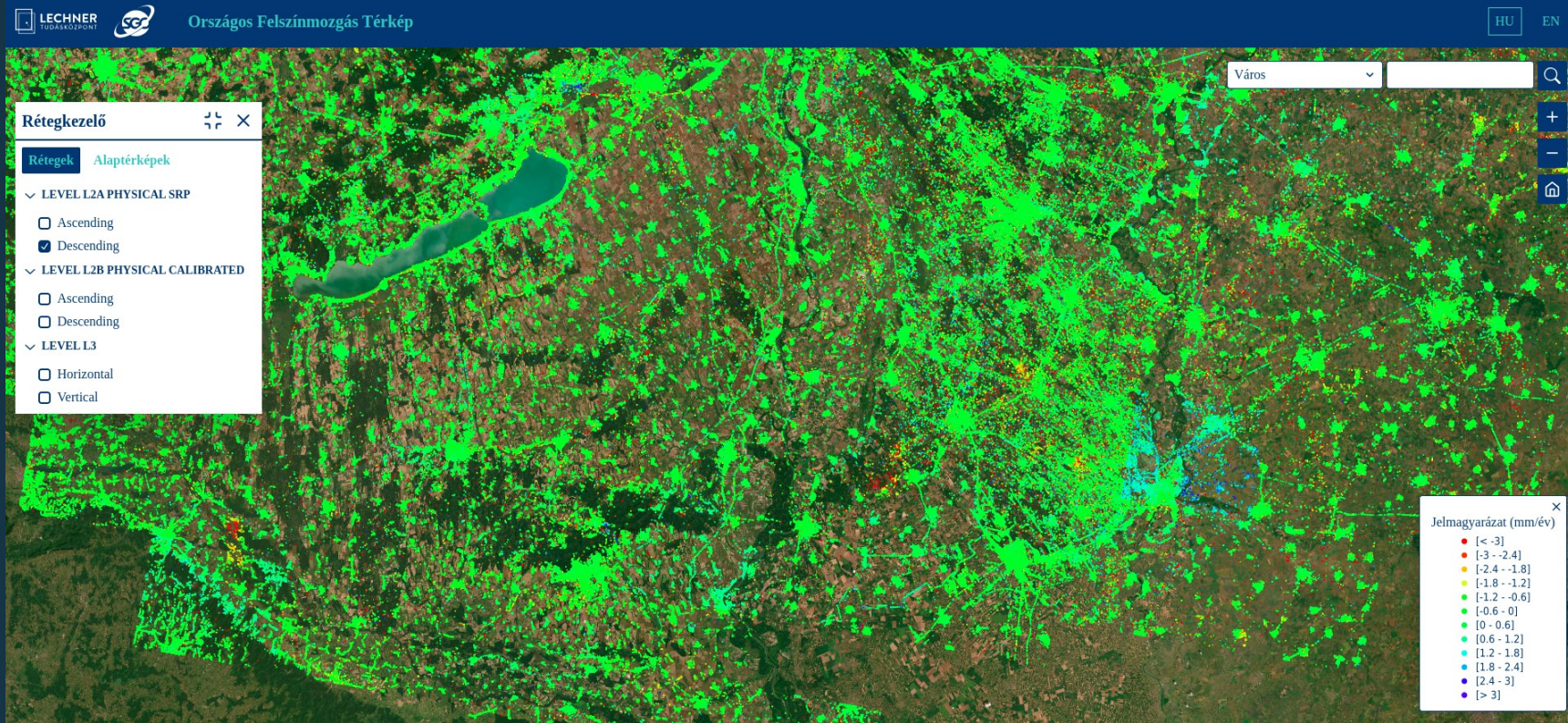


WP4 - InSAR ANALYSIS

- **data:** satellite emits and observe reflected radar signal from Earth surface;
- Interferometric signal phase processing - mm precision;
- Sensing ground motion (see EGMS by EEA);
- Relative technique, needs GNSS velocities;
- Copernicus Sentinel-1a-b mission data (2015-)



WP4 - InSAR ANALYSIS



Detected “line of sight” ground motion

WP5 - multi-GNSS analysis

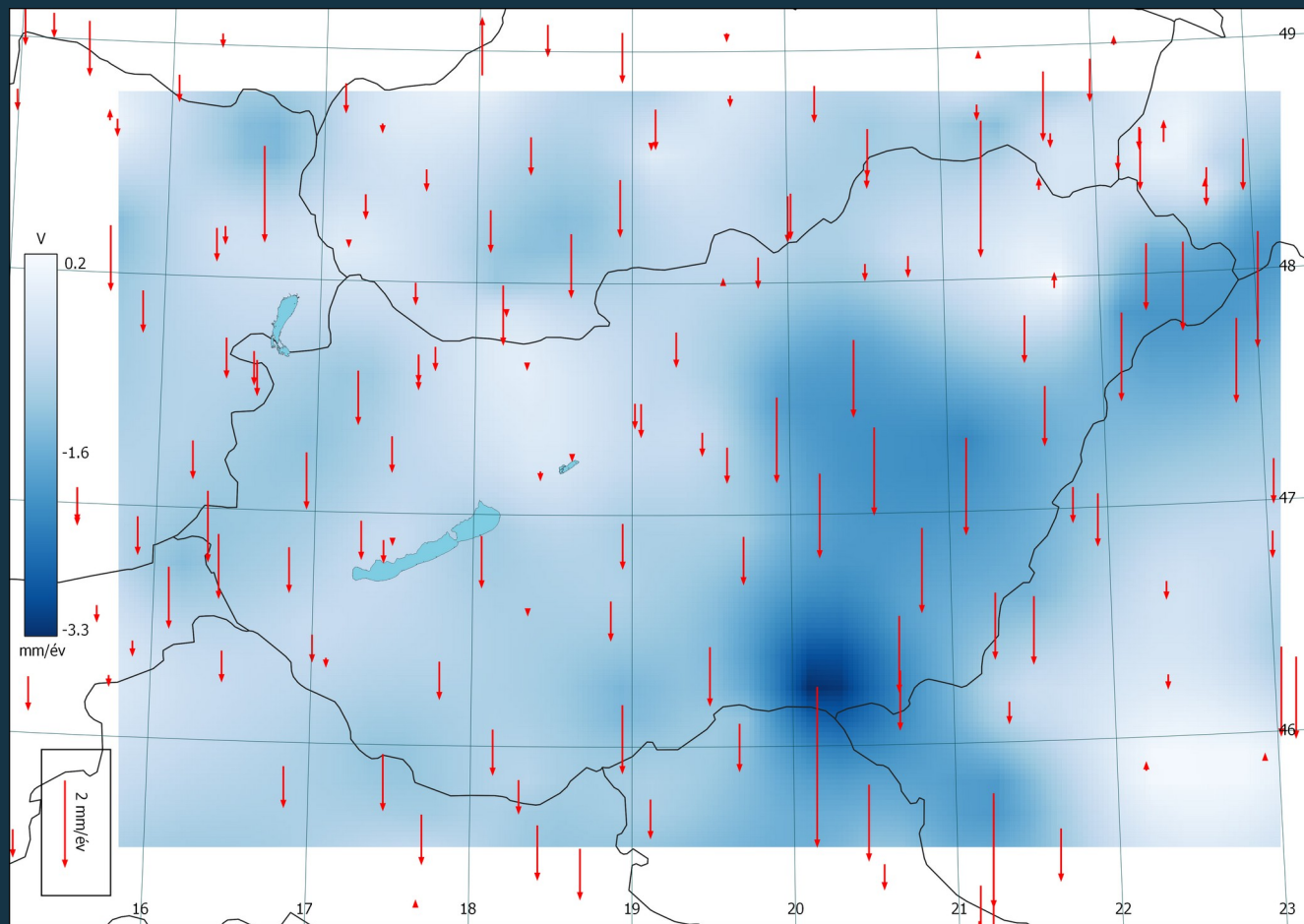
GNSS RTK service and scientific analysis

- Processing of GNSS real-time streams and RTK correction delivery
 - networked RTK: GNSMART2 - **sw fully operational**
 - single baseline corrections
- Post-processing of RINEX GNSS data for science
 - BERNESE 5.4 - **fully operational**
 - reprocessing of historic data
 - **kinematic station data for reference velocity modeling**



WP7 /1: GNSS velocity model

- Velocity grid generated from existing historic GNSS data (actual INGRIM data still cannot be used - "too young")
- Grid based on the European scale EPND solution (SGO product)
- Extended LS Collocation with smoothing
- Also serve as background model for the InSAR analysis
- Only for InSAR reference



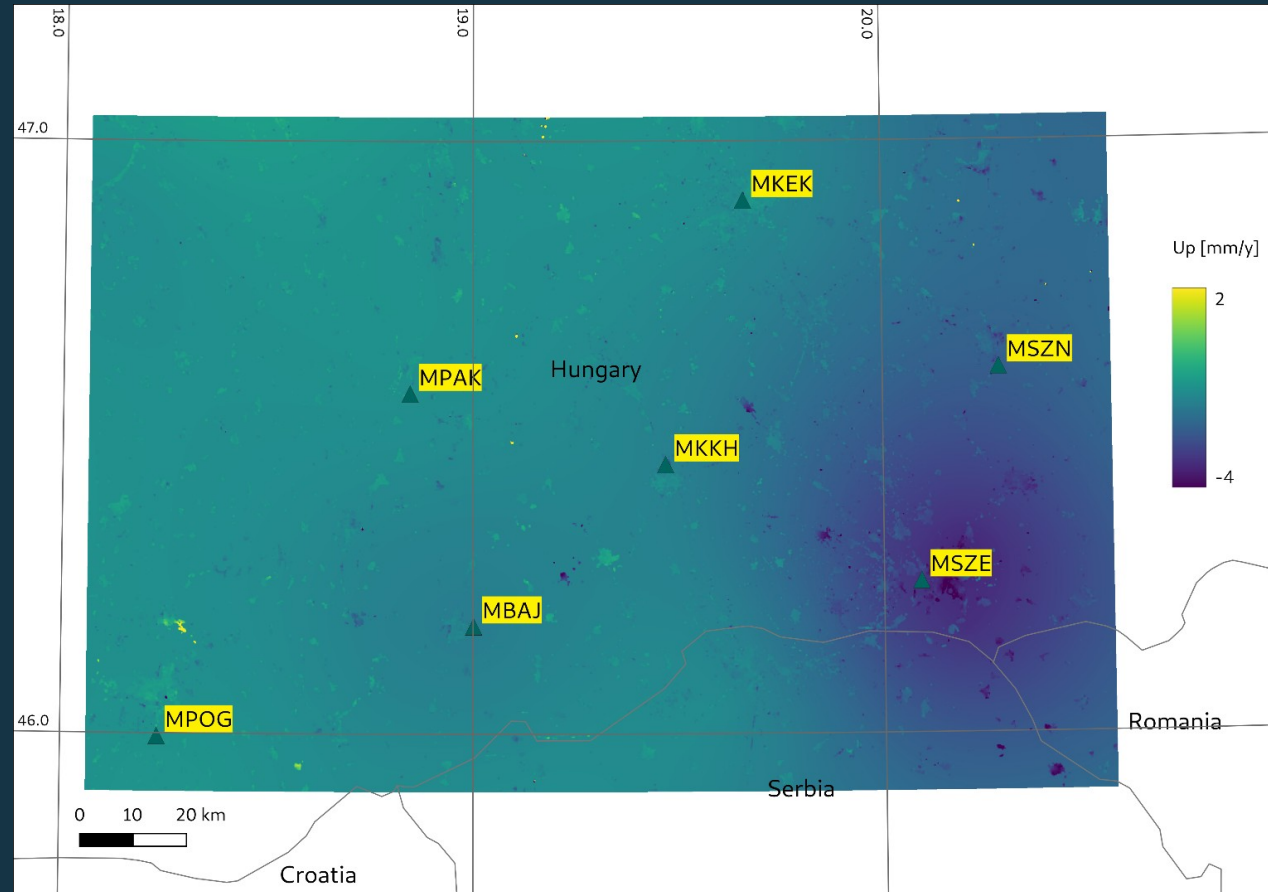
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Hybrid height reference grid:

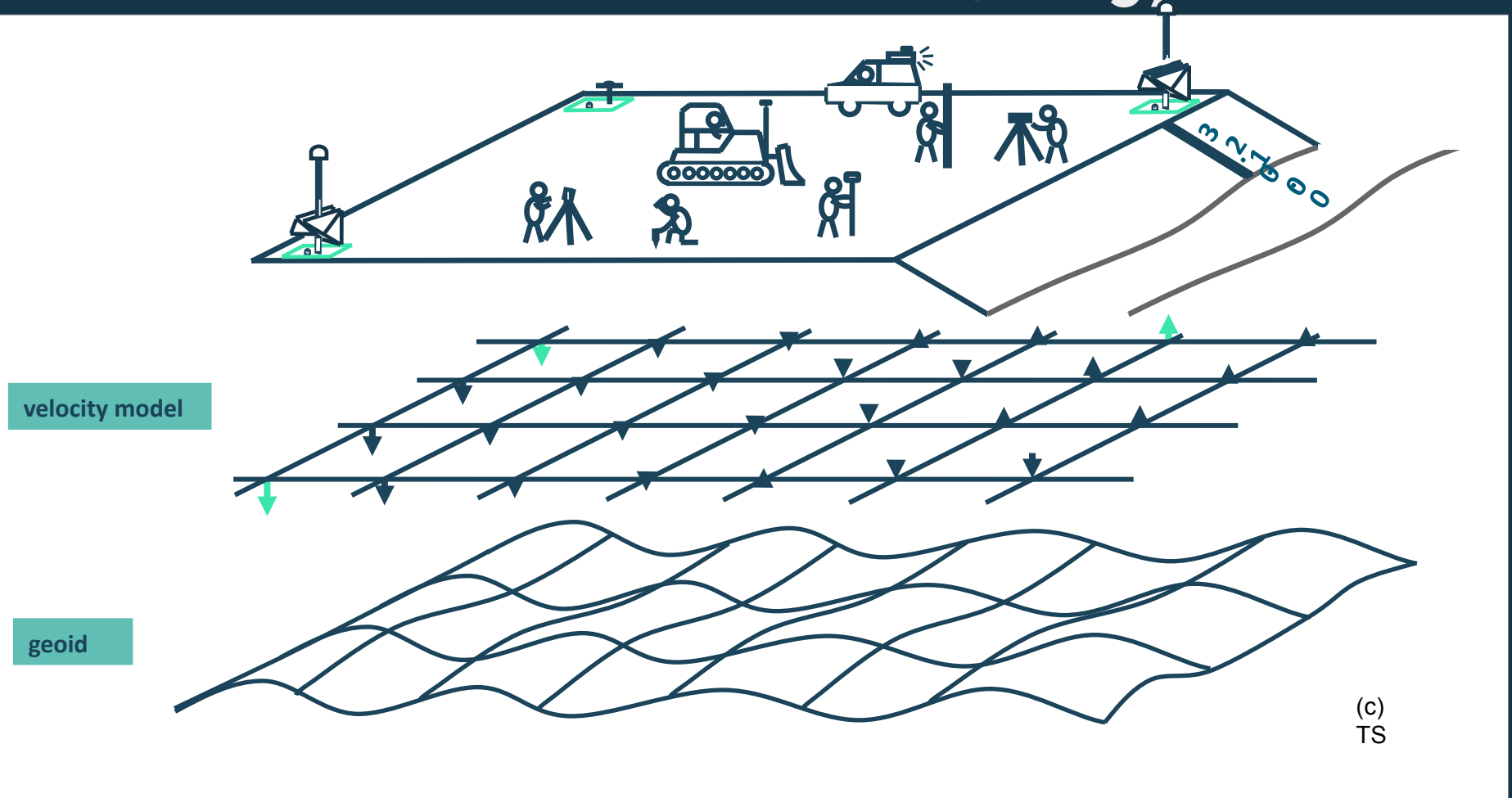
- static part from the geoid
- epoch dependent component from GNSS/InSAR velocity grid:
 $\text{grid}: t_0 + (t - t_0) \times V$
- **t_0 is 2014** from geoid GPS leveling combination
 - semi-kinematic solution:
annual grid update

$$H(\text{lev}) = h(\text{ell}) - N(\text{hybridHR})$$

Key: epoch harmonization



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WP8-Field tests and validation

Two campaigns + in situ measurements

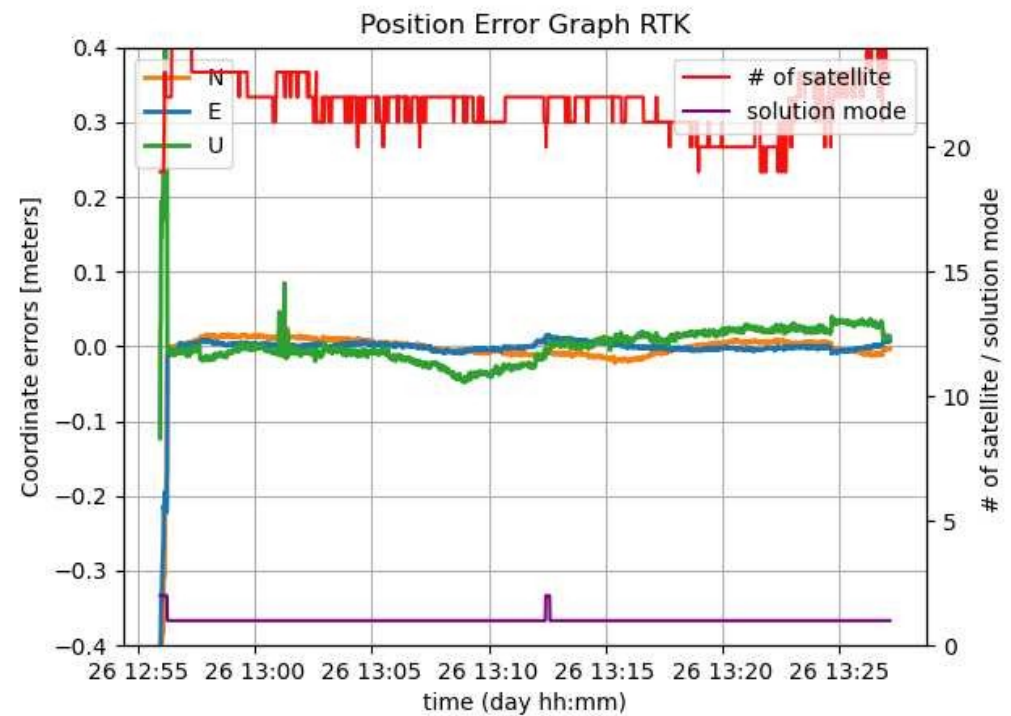
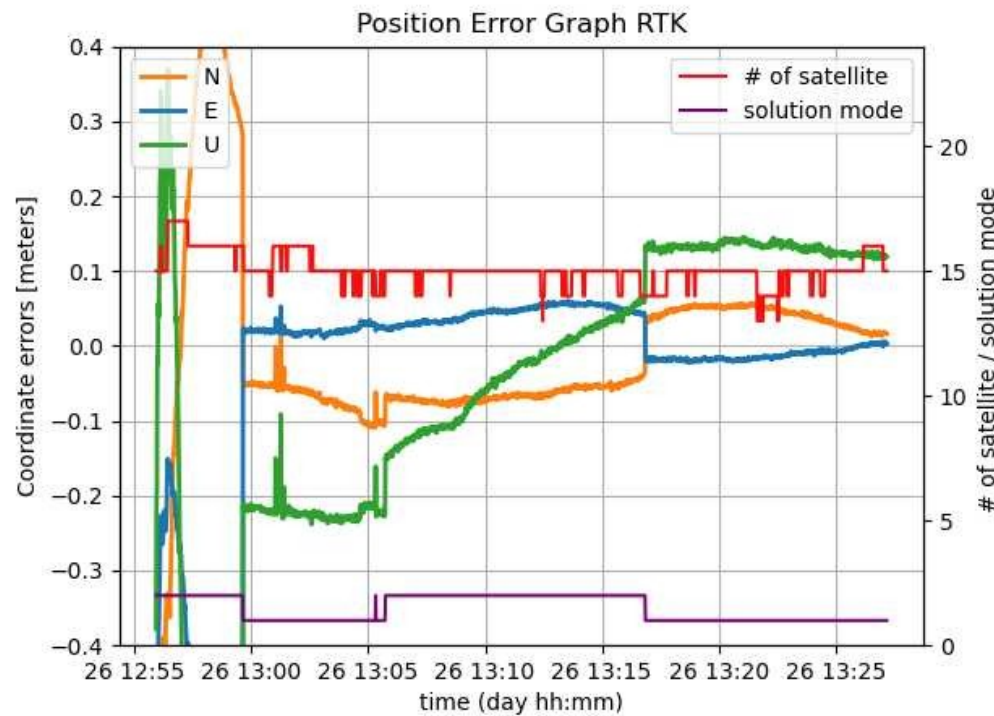
- static measurements, covered the full pilot area
 - 4 multi-GNSS equipment, 50+ benchmarks,
 - centered antenna setup, 45 min measurement periods,
 - RINEX postprocessing.
- RTK campaign
 - 18 points in Szeged city,
 - 3 minutes standard RTK sessions, repeated for checking;
 - eccentric measurements



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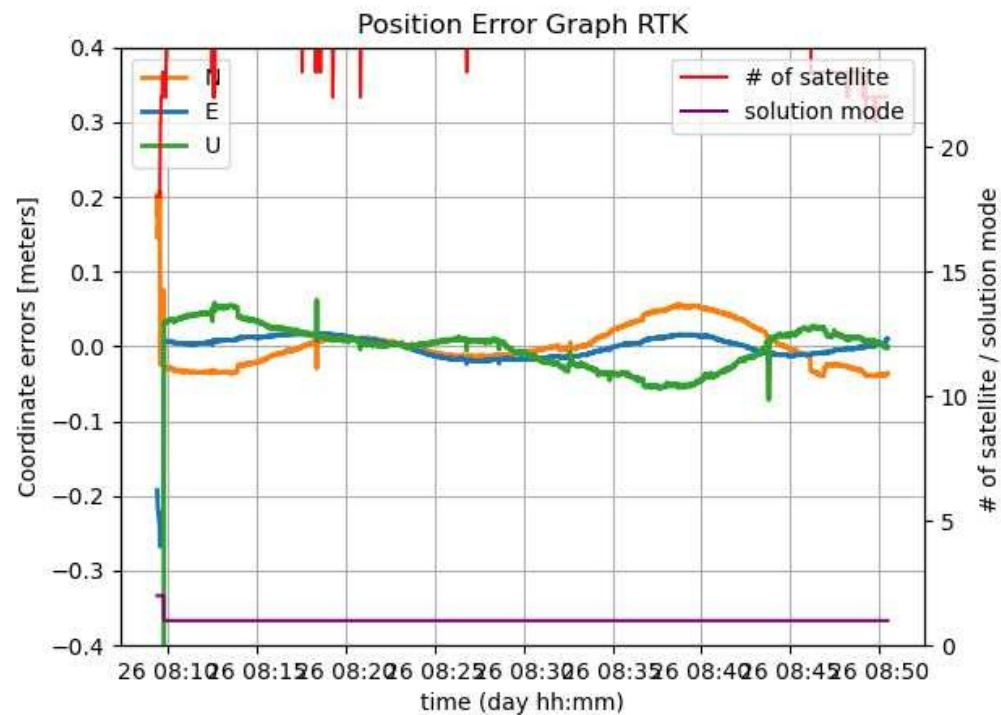
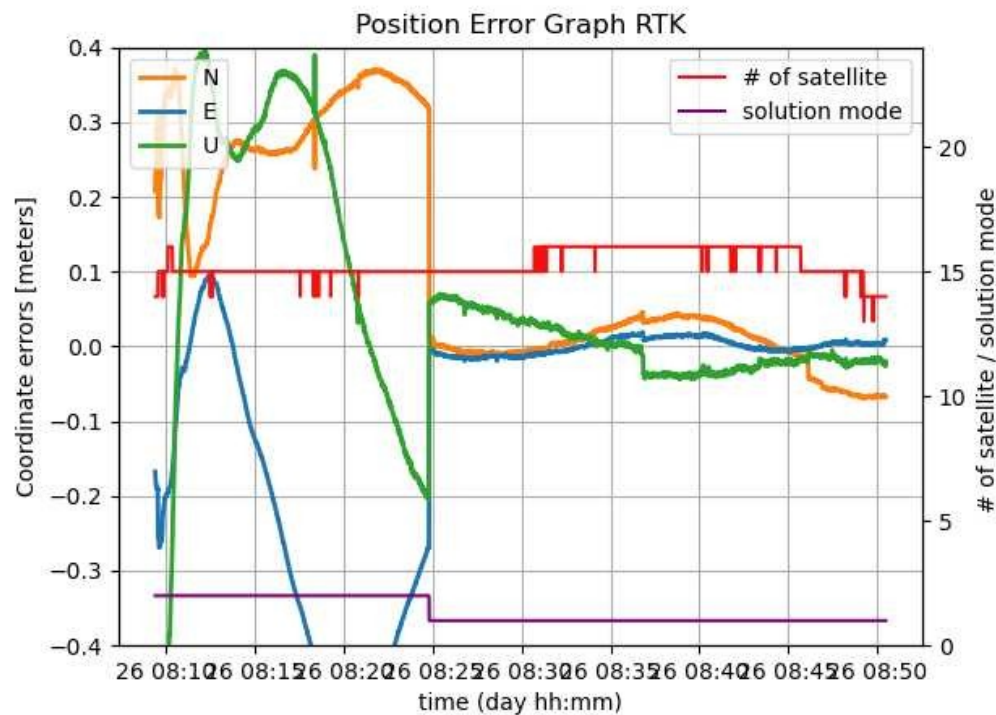
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 - outliers above 6 cm were removed;
 - improved agreement and better statistics with the INGRIM model

GNSS vs multi-GNSS



Positioning performance with RTKlib in difficult environment

GNSS vs multi-GNSS



Positioning performance with RTKlib in open environment

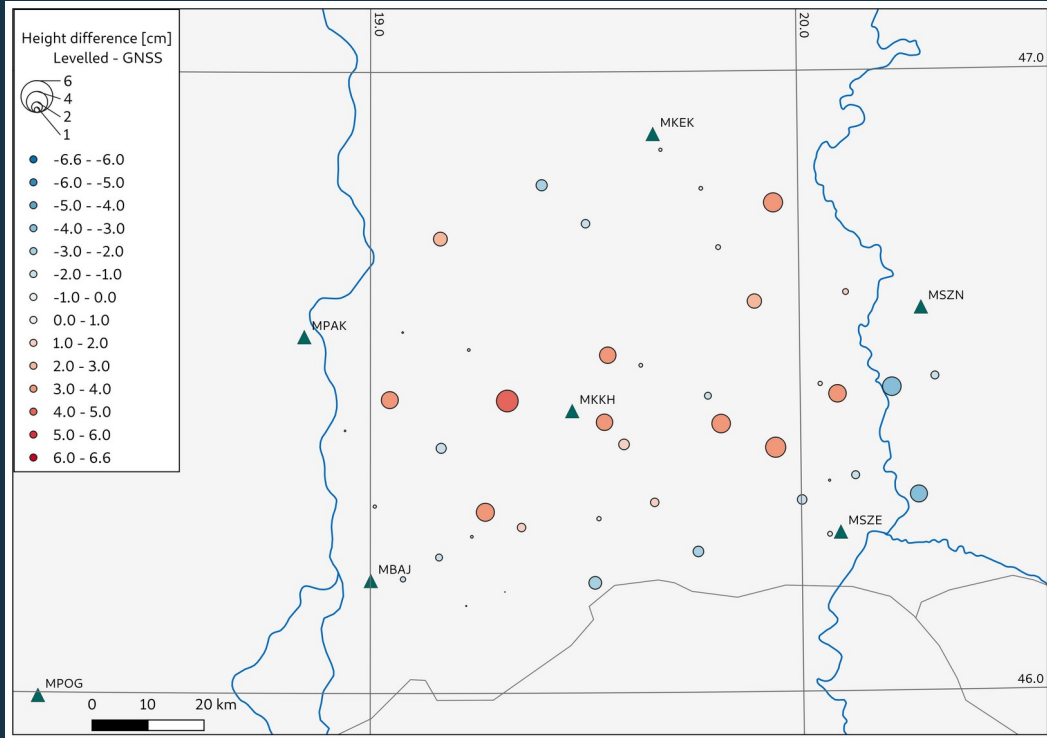
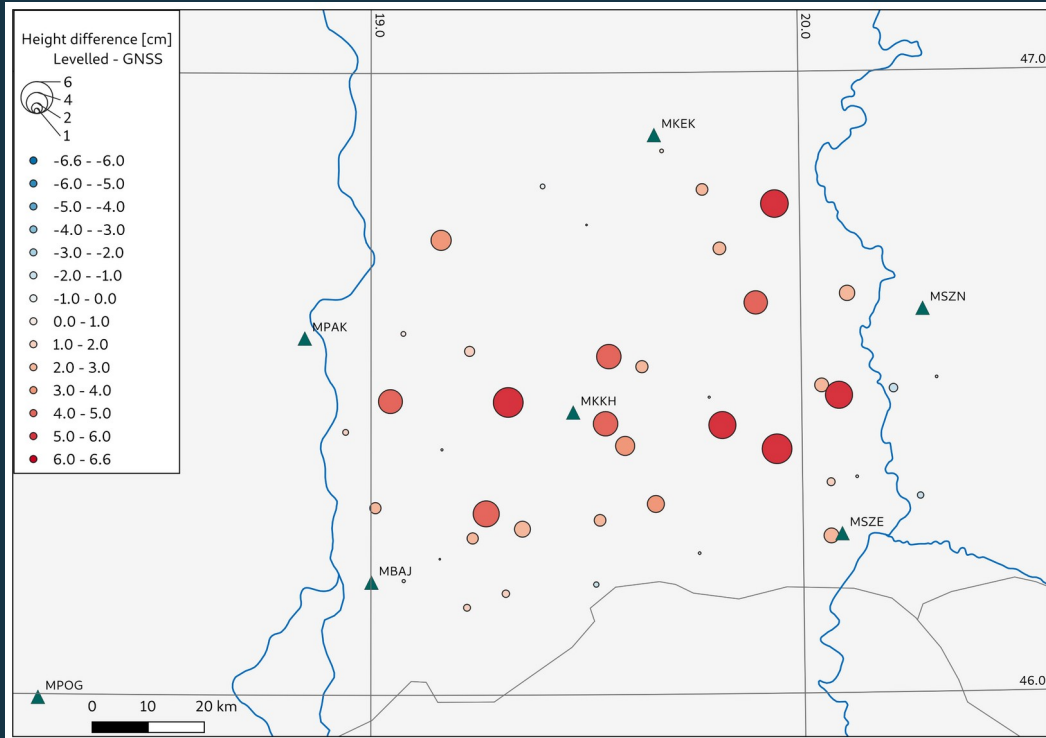


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Static field campaign



Height differences of official book-kept values and “measured ones”

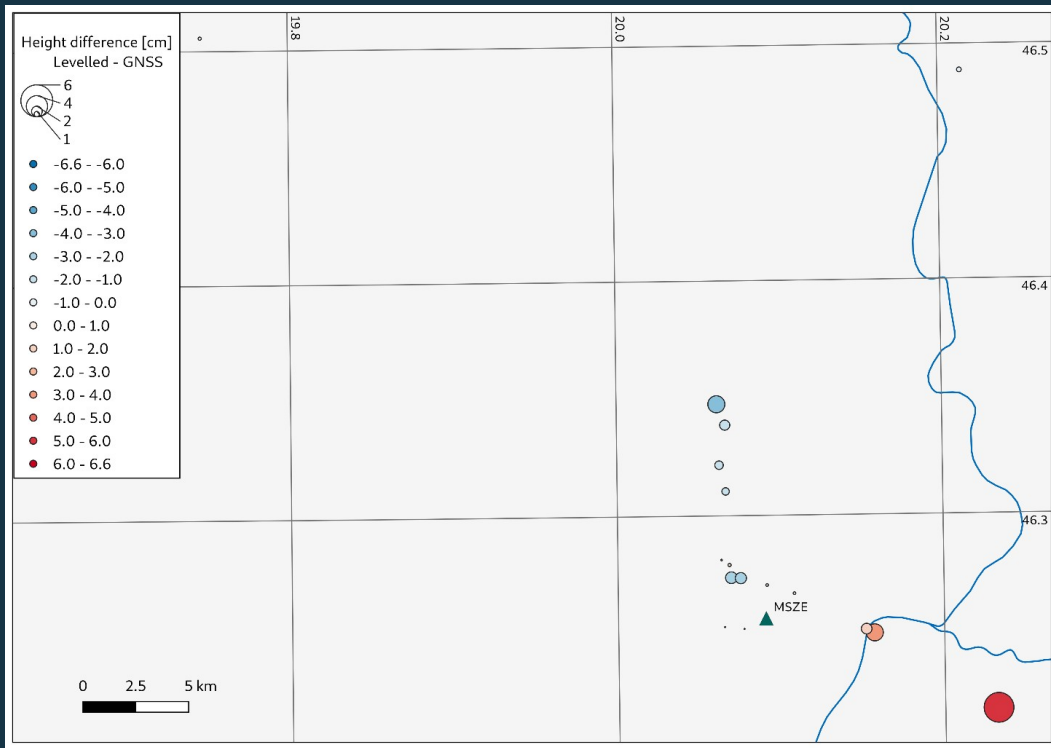
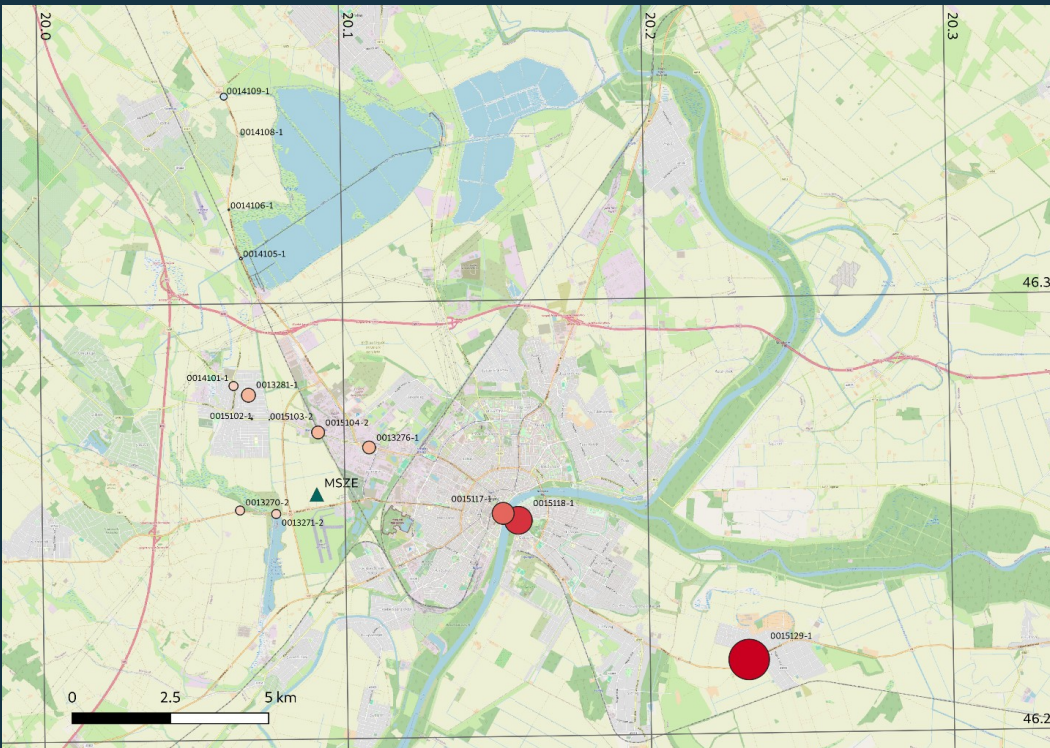
Standard transformation

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RTK campaign



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SUMMARY_1

- INGRIM was a challenging, full scale project topic and task definitions, but completed successfully;
- All hardware elements operational and serving the geodetic practice, it is a resilient background for multi-GNSS RTK positioning;
- We defined and realized a completely new, modernized, space technology-supported height reference system and its option for long term maintenance;
- The solution is highly rely on Galileo and also on Copernicus (Sentinel), flagships of ESA programs;



SUMMARY_2

- The solution had been tested and its reliability was proved;
- INGRIM was a pilot, it is partially rely on existing background information (e.g. GNSS velocity field), the new components could be used in the coming years;
- The INGRIM approach was accepted by the decision makers and its national scale extension is in progress (3 more years to go);
- The **ESA support is very much acknowledged** as it was an ESSENTIAL help to make the idea real and pushed the decisionmakers!



THANKS FOR YOUR ESSENTIAL SUPPORT!



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