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Rural proofing: looking at
policies through the rural lens.
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RUSTIK Approaches to Data Collection & Analysis



1. Gap Analysis on Data Availability

Comparative analysis on Data Availability across all LLs

Identification of missing data & data interests

Guiding the priorities for database development



2. Design & Development of RUSTIK Database & Viewer

Development of RUSTIK database

Integration processes with local databases (LLs)

RUSTIK Viewer functionalities & design



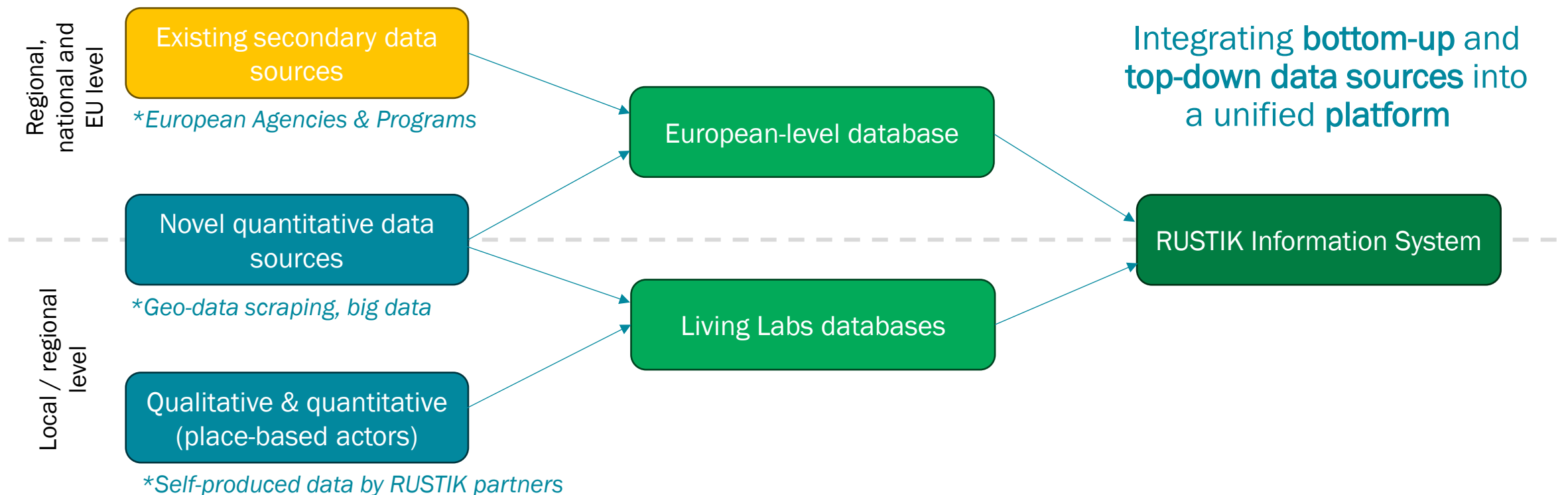
3. Trainings to Gather & Analyse (Bottom-up/Top-down) Data

Mapita's Learning Hub – Maptionnaire tool

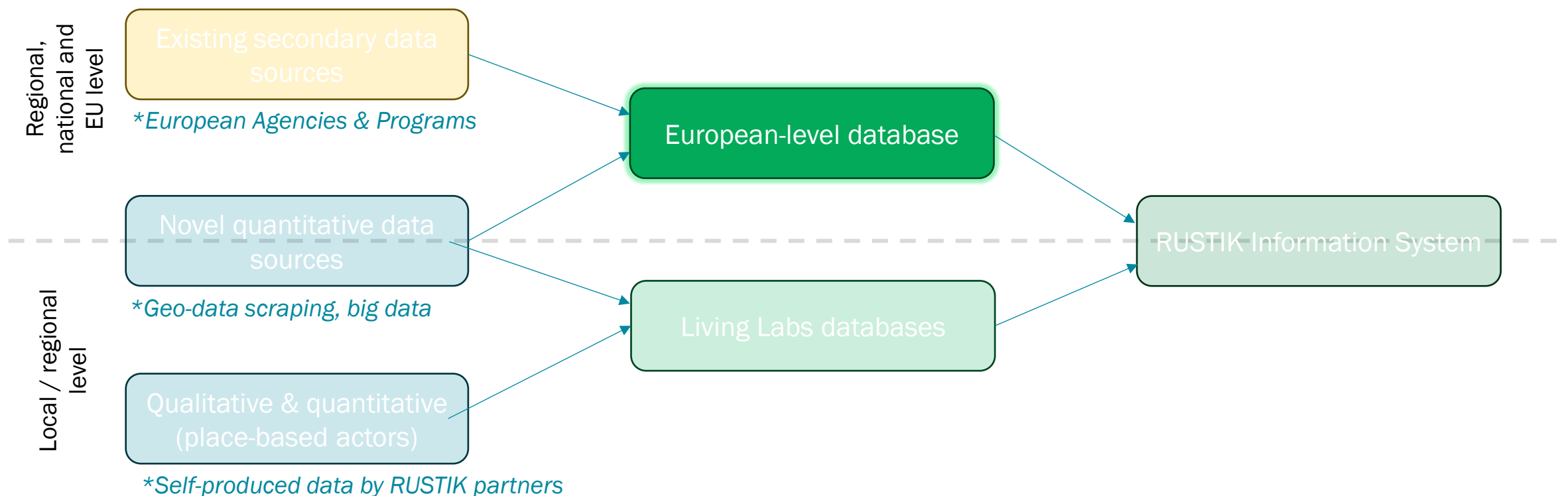
Trainings on Tools for Geospatial Analysis & Data Scraping

Trainings on how to use RUSTIK Viewer

RUSTIK Viewer: Conceptualization



RUSTIK Viewer: European-level database





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☐ General Information

☒ European-wide data

☐ Socioeconomic Transition

☐ Environmental Transition

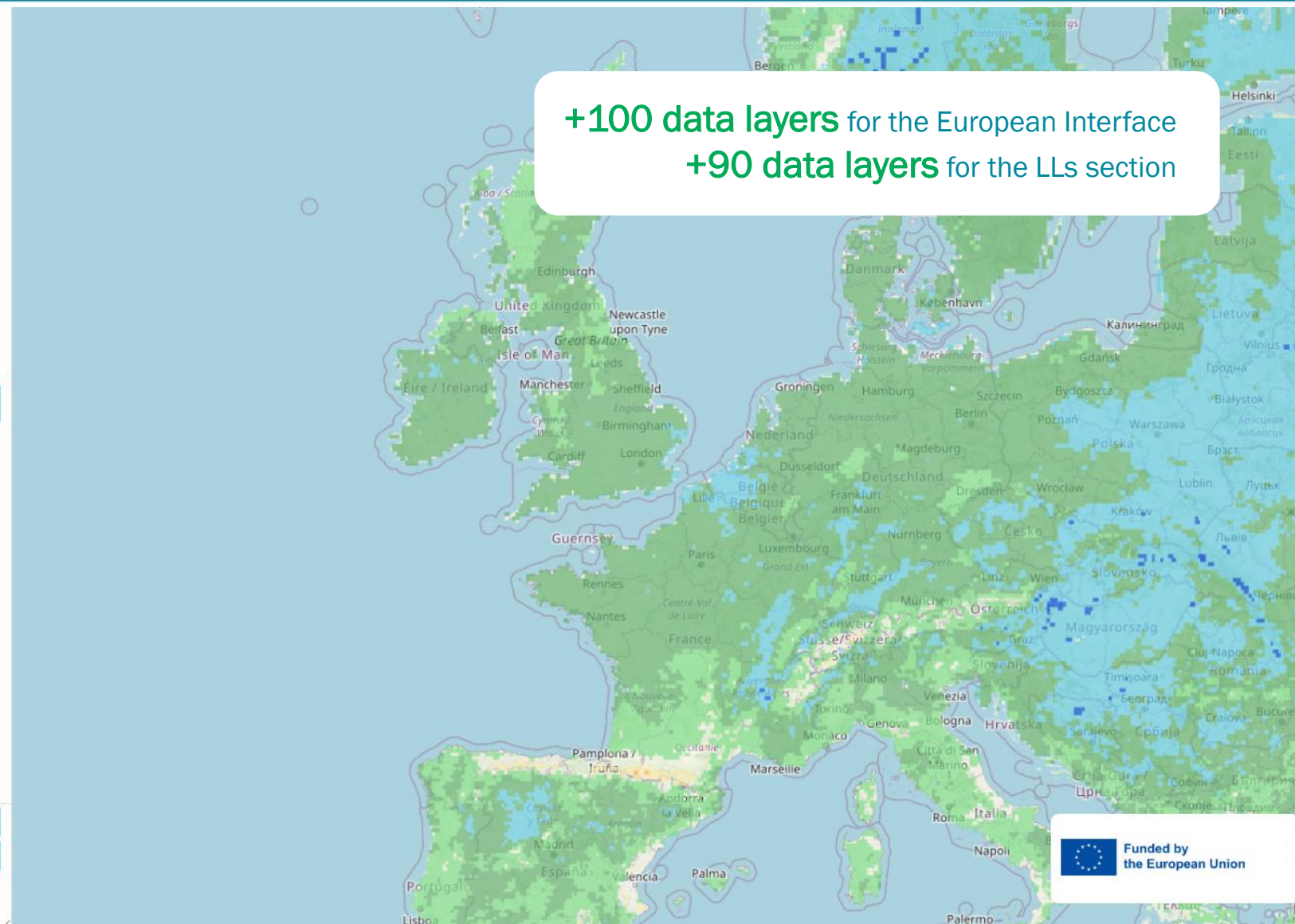
☐ Digital Transition

☐ Living labs

☐ Living lab finder

☐ Disclaimer

+100 data layers for the European Interface
+90 data layers for the LLs section



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☒ Wildfires

☒ Projected change in meteorological forest fire danger

☐ Average meteorological forest fire danger (1981 – 2010)

☐ Areas burnt by wildfires

☐ Precipitation

☐ Natural Resources and Heritage Conservation

Projected change in meteorological forest fire danger

Source: **European Environmental Agency**

Organisation: **Joint Research Centre**

Year: **2022**

Source data access: [Click here](#)

This indicator measures the projected change in meteorological forest fire danger, expressed as a percentage change in the Standardized Severity Ratio (SSR). It provides insights into the anticipated variations in fire risk due to climatic and environmental factors.

Example for the European interface:
Projected change in meteorological
forest fire danger (EEA, 2022)



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☒ Hospitals

☒ Points of Interest - Hospitals

☐ Grid for Hospitals Availability

☐ Share Overlaid Accessibility to Hospitals

☒ Distance to Hospitals

☒ Doctors

☐ Points of Interest - Doctors

Distance to Hospitals

Source: **Profecy**
Organisation: **ESPON**
Year: **2021**
Source data access: [Click here](#)

The distance from a hospital, expressed in meters, is indicated.

Example for the European interface:
Distance to Hospitals (ESPON
Profecy, 2021)



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1- Provision of **ecosystem services** (water quality/quantity, energy, biodiversity, landscape, etc.).

Indicators describing each of the 5 concepts of Rural Functions



Indicator	Source
1. Forest Proportion of Land (%)	Joint Research Centre – LUISA (2018)
2. Built Proportion of Land (%)	Joint Research Centre – LUISA (2018)
3. Agricultural Proportion of Land (%)	Joint Research Centre – LUISA (2018)
4. Projected change in meteorological forest fire danger	European Environmental Agency (2022)
5. Average meteorological forest fire danger 1981-2010	European Environmental Agency (2022)
6. Areas burnt by wildfires	European Environmental Agency (2022)
7. Projected changes in heavy precipitation in winter	European Environmental Agency (2020)
8. Projected changes in heavy precipitation in summer	European Environmental Agency (2020)
9. Drought Frequency Change 2041-2071 RCP 4.5	European Environmental Agency (2023)
10. Drought Frequency Change 2041-2071 RCP 8.5	European Environmental Agency (2023)
11. Forest Type (raster 20 m and 100 m), 3-yearly	Copernicus Global Land Service (2018)
12. Tree Cover Density (raster 10 m and 100 m), 3-yearly	Copernicus Global Land Service (2018)
13. Small Woody Features (vector raster 5 m and 100 m), 3-yearly	Copernicus Global Land Service (2018)
14. Dominant Leaf Type (raster 10 m)	Copernicus Global Land Service (2018)
15. Natura 2000 Protected Areas	Copernicus Global Land Service (2018)
16. Emerald Protected Areas	Copernicus Global Land Service (2018)

Indicator	Source
17. Mountain Areas	Copernicus Global Land Service (2018)
18. Grassland (raster 10 m and 100 m), 3-yearly	Copernicus Global Land Service (2018)
19. Grassland Change 2015-2018 (raster 20 m)	Copernicus Global Land Service (2018)
20. EU-Hydro River Network Database 2006-2012 (vector)	Copernicus Global Land Service (2018)
21. Water and Wetness status 2018 (raster 10 m and 100 m), 3-yearly	Copernicus Global Land Service (2018)
22. Riparian Zones Land Cover/Land Use (vector), 6-yearly	Copernicus Global Land Service (2018)
23. Riparian Zones Land Cover/Land Use Change 2012-2018 (vector), 6-yearly	Copernicus Global Land Service (2018)
24. Normalised Difference Vegetation Index 2016-present	European Environmental Agency (2018)
25. Plant Phenology Index 2016-present (raster 10 m), daily	European Environmental Agency (2018)
26. Vegetation Indices Quality Flag 2016-present	European Environmental Agency (2018)
27. Leaf Area Index 2016-present (raster 10 m), daily	European Environmental Agency (2023)
28. Air quality of Ozone [$\mu\text{g}^*\text{d}/\text{m}^3$]	European Environmental Agency (2023)
29. Air quality of PM10 [$\mu\text{g}^*\text{d}/\text{m}^3$]	European Environmental Agency (2023)
30. Air quality of PM2.5 [$\mu\text{g}^*\text{d}/\text{m}^3$]	European Environmental Agency (2023)
31. Solar Production	Joint Research Centre (2023)
32. Onshore Production	Joint Research Centre (2023)
33. Hydropower Production	Joint Research Centre (2023) ⁸

2- Innovative infrastructures & services
(schools, transports, healthcare services,
broadband networks, etc.).

Indicators describing each of the 5
concepts of Rural Functions



Indicator	Source
1. Primary Schools. Points of Interest, Grid, and Accessibility (three separate layers)	ESPON Profecy (2022)
2. Secondary Schools. Points of Interest, Grid, and Accessibility (three separate layers)	ESPON Profecy (2022)
3. Hospitals. Points of Interest, Grid, and Accessibility (three separate layers)	ESPON Profecy (2022)
4. Doctors. Points of Interest, Grid, and Accessibility (three separate layers)	ESPON Profecy (2022)
5. Pharmacies. Points of Interest, Grid, and Accessibility (three separate layers)	ESPON Profecy (2022)
6. Tran Stations. Points of Interest, Grid, and Accessibility (three separate layers)	ESPON Profecy (2022)
7. Banks. Points of Interest, Grid, and Accessibility (three separate layers)	ESPON Profecy (2022)
8. Retail Shops. Points of Interest, Grid, and Accessibility (three separate layers)	ESPON Profecy (2022)
9. Cinema. Points of Interest, Grid, and Accessibility (three separate layers)	ESPON Profecy (2022)

Indicator	Source
10. Commercial Activities. Points of Interest	Open Street Maps (2024)
11. Culture. Points of Interest	Open Street Maps (2024)
12. Health. Points of Interest	Open Street Maps (2024)
13. Industry. Points of Interest	Open Street Maps (2024)
14. Nature and Forestry. Points of Interest	Open Street Maps (2024)
15. Restauration. Points of Interest	Open Street Maps (2024)
16. General Services. Points of Interest	Open Street Maps (2024)
17. Sports and Leisure. Points of Interest	Open Street Maps (2024)
18. Touristic Assets. Points of Interest	Open Street Maps (2024)
19. Touristic Information. Points of Interest	Open Street Maps (2024)
20. Access to high-speed mobile network	Joint Research Centre (2023)
21. Access to high-speed fixed network	Joint Research Centre (2023)

3- Provision of high quality & accessible
land-based products (agriculture, forestry,
energy, etc.).

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9. Urban Atlas Land Cover/Land Use (vector), Europe, 6-yearly	Copernicus Global Land Service (2018)
10. Urban Atlas Land Cover/Land Use Change (vector), Europe, 6-yearly	Copernicus Global Land Service (2018)
11. CLC+Backbone 2018 (raster 10 m), Europe, 3-yearly	Copernicus Global Land Service (2018)
12. Coastal Zones Land Cover/Land Use (vector), Europe, 6-yearly	Copernicus Global Land Service (2018)
13. Coastal Zones Land Cover/Land Use Change 2012-2018 (vector), Europe, 6-yearly	Copernicus Global Land Service (2018)
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4- Distributed and diversified production systems (new economic activities)

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8. Touristic Assets. Points of Interest	Open Street Maps (2024)
9. Touristic Information. Points of Interest	Open Street Maps (2024)
10. Unemployment Proportion	JRC / DG Regio (2022)
11. Agriculture Sector Workers Proportion	JRC / DG Regio (2022)
12. Construction Sector Workers Proportion	JRC / DG Regio (2022)
13. General Service Workers Proportion	JRC / DG Regio (2022)
14. Tourism capacity in rooms per LAU2	JRC / DG Regio (2022)
15. PIB per capita	JRC / DG Regio (2022)

5- Social capital / cultural assets & cooperative institutions

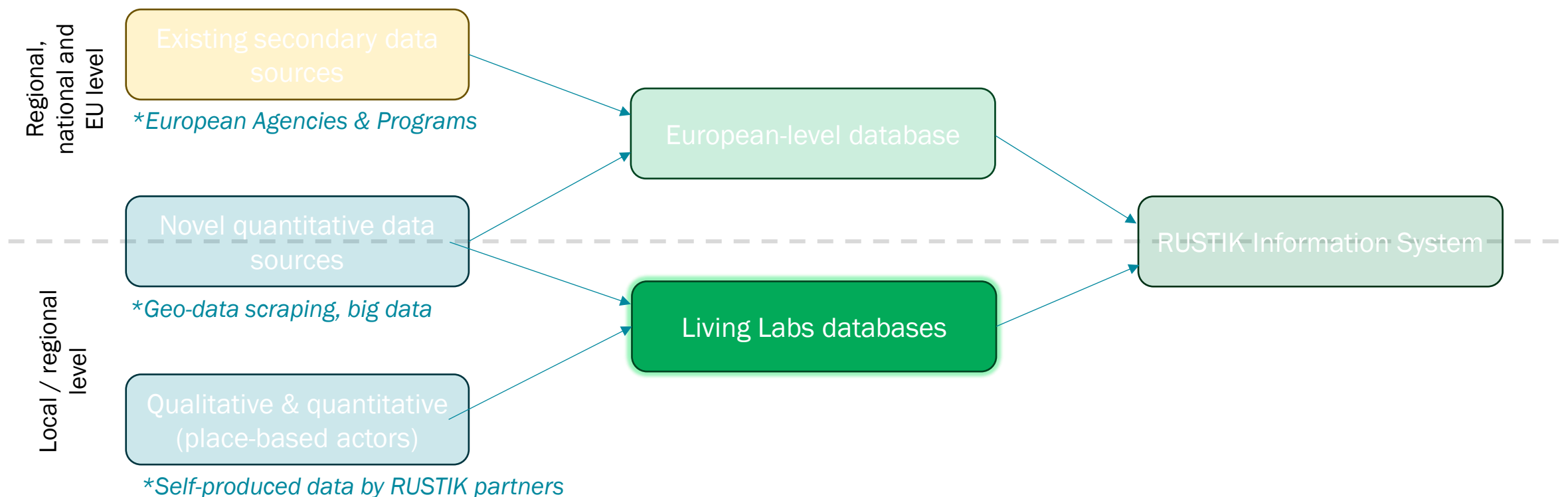
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Indicator	Source
1. Population (1981, 1991, 2001, 2011, 2021)	Eurostat (1981-2021)
2. Population growth 1981-2021	Eurostat (1981-2021)
3. Density	Eurostat (2021)
4. Density Growth 2011-2021	Eurostat (2011-2021)
5. Women employment proportion	Eurostat (2022)
6. Women and men unemployment difference	Eurostat (2022)
7. Female Disadvantage Index (FemDI)	DG Regio (2021)
8. Female Achievement Index (FemAI)	DG Regio (2021)

Indicator	Source
9. Crude rate of net migration	Eurostat (2021)
10. Migration population proportion	Eurostat (2021)
11. Cinema. Points of Interest, Grid, and Accessibility (three separate layers)	ESPON Profecy (2022)
12. Culture. Points of Interest	Open Street Maps (2024)
13. Tertiary education level (25-64)(%)	Eurostat (2022)
14. Secondary education level (25-64)(%)	Eurostat (2022)
15. Early school leaving (18-24)(%)	Eurostat (2022)
16. Quality of Government Index	University of Gothenburg (2021)

RUSTIK Viewer: Living Labs database



Local Data from RUSTIK Living Labs



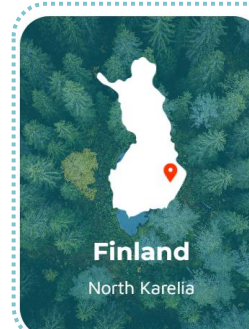
~ 10 indicators

- Employment
- Businesses
- Public facilities



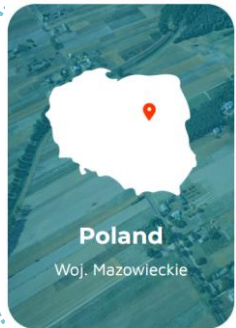
~ 20 indicators

- Agricultural support and CAP payments
- Agricultural activity
- Tourism and local economy



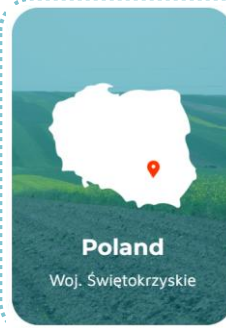
~ 3 indicators

- Population over 65 years
- Population with foreign mother tongue



~ 30 indicators

- Demographics
- Enterprises by type



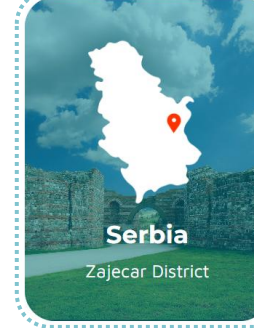
~ 5 indicators

- Demographics
- Working population



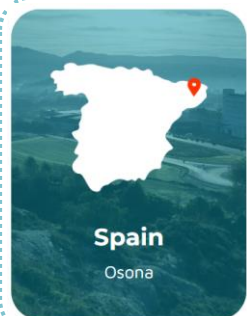
~ 1 indicators

- Educational migration



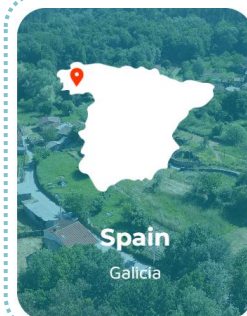
~ 80 indicators

- Demographics
- Agricultural structure and productivity
- Farm market orientation and diversification



~ 30 indicators

- Quality of life (environmental, social, and economic indicators)



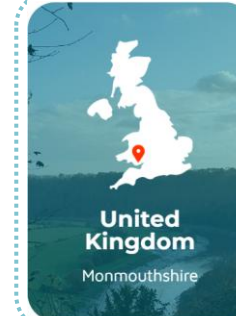
~ 10 indicators

- Land ownership and structure
- Spatial Planning (model settlement)



~ 1 indicator

- Rural broadband connection and performance



~ 15 indicators

- Population dynamics
- Destination of movers
- Community perception and social cohesion



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☒ Service Accessibility

☒ Cultural Point of Interest

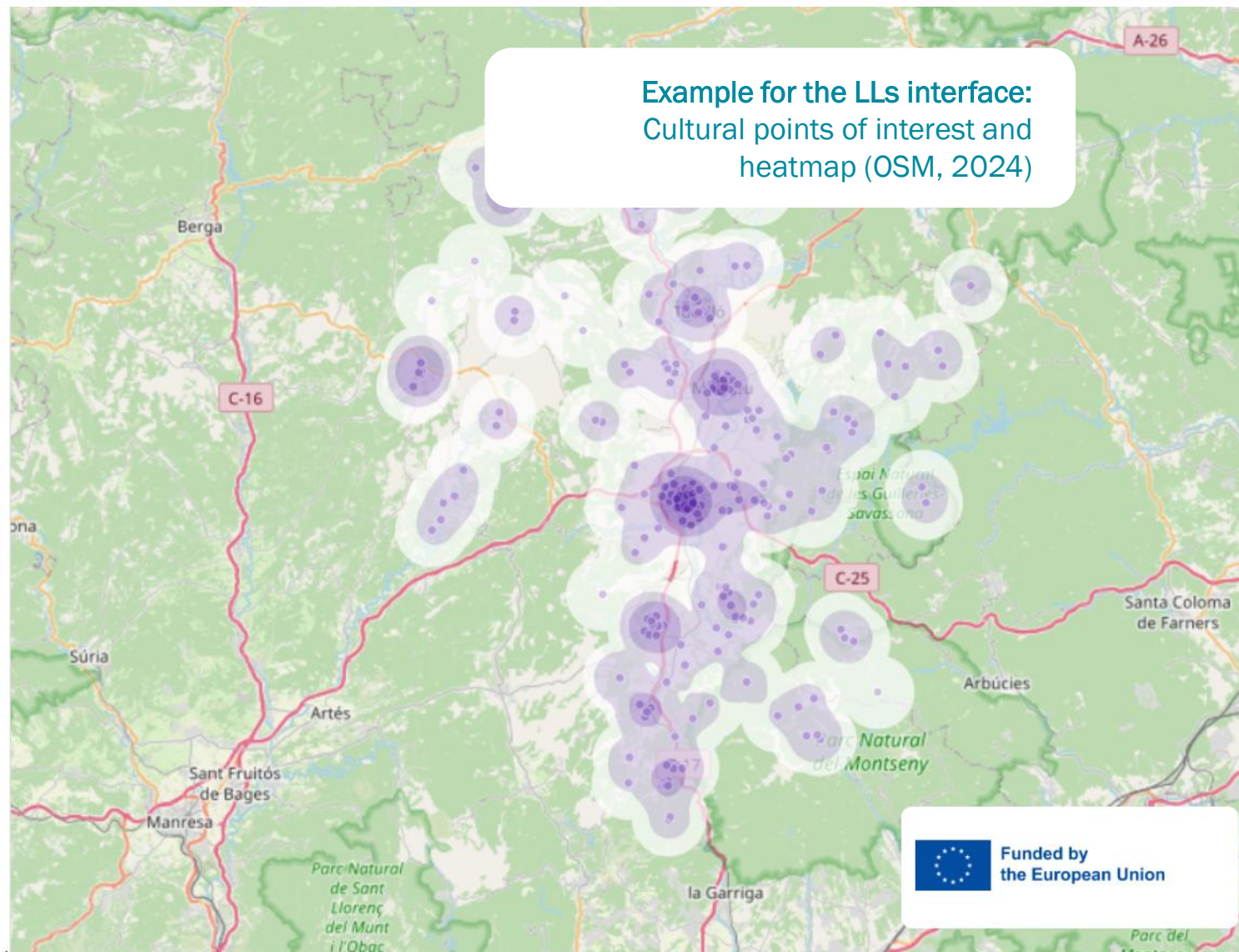
☒ Cultural Heatmap

☐ Administrative Point of Interest

☐ Administrative Heatmap

☐ Tourism Point of Interest

Example for the LLs interface:
Cultural points of interest and
heatmap (OSM, 2024)



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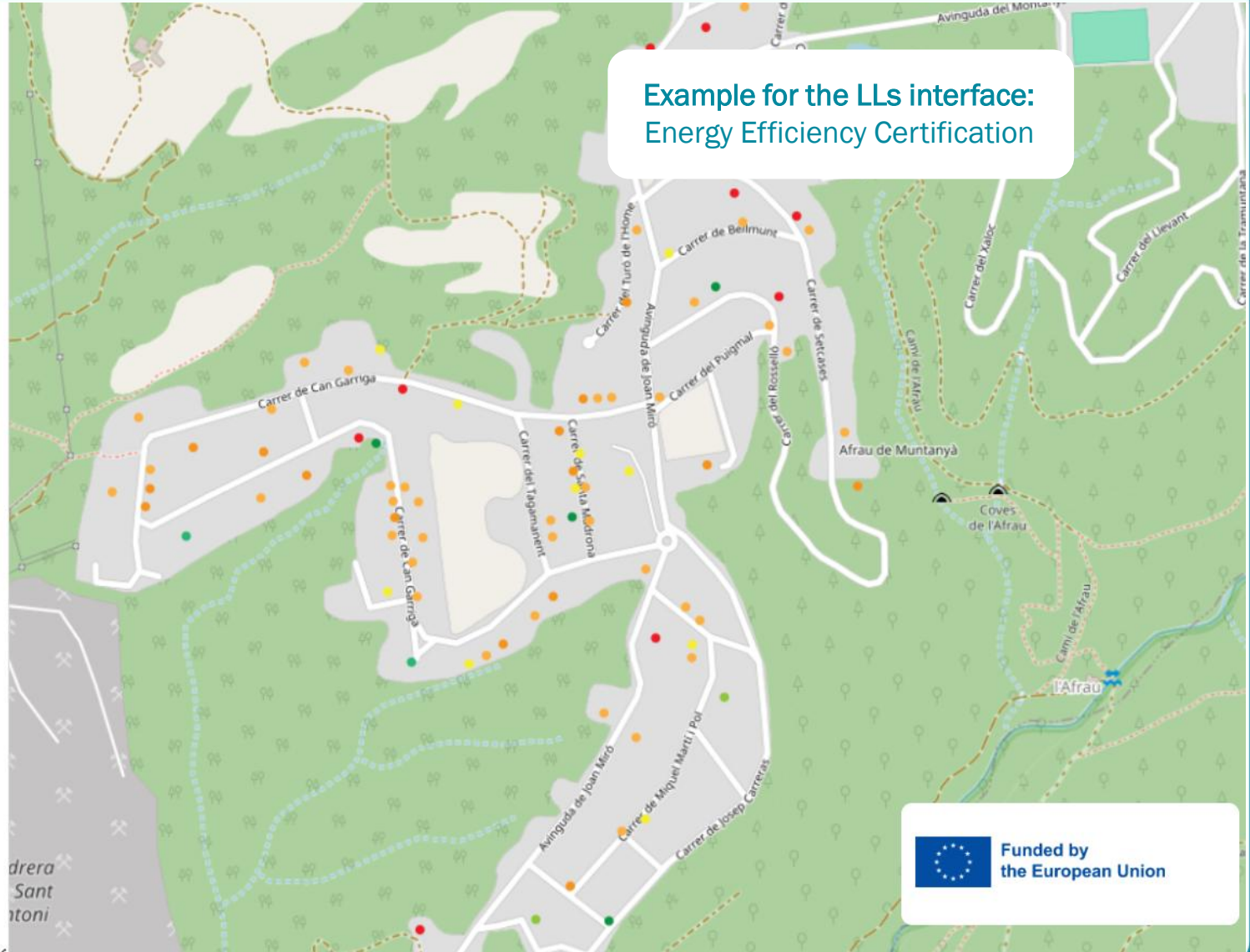
 Energy Efficiency Certification

☐ Commercial Vitality

☐ Green public space proximity☐ Acoustic pollution

Osrednjeslovenska (SI)

► ☐ Parma and Piacenza (IT)



Example for the LLs interface: Energy Efficiency Certification



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Acoustic Pollution



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