

## **KIC-T Project Overview**

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# Mitigating climate change as a result of urbanisation

- Populations in cities are increasing
- Huge demand for a high quality of life in urban areas.
- Restricted by limited resources, such as food, energy and water, lack of sustainable strategies to preserve these resources.
- Need to combat the negative impact urbanisation has on climate change
- The KIC-T project will present climate data on an interactive platform, outlining mitigation and adaptation strategies and promoting more informed decision-making.





### **Smart Sustainable City Systems [1]**

- City infrastructures need to more sustainable
- SO: infrastructures need to be designed smarter
- &: infrastructures need to be operated smarter





### Climate Change-Aware Urban Planning

- KIC-T project enables the re-use of current and future modelling tools and data by creating plug and play standards
- Provides an open and scalable means of assisting cities with climate-change aware urban planning.
- By utilising an innovative, web-based portfolio of assessment tools, accessible to communities and stakeholders
- Project funded by Climate-KIC, network of European partners
- Each of whom plays an invaluable development role
- Technology will assist analysis of environmental impacts
- More informed decision making for city planners, designers and communities
- Putting sustainability at the forefront of urban planning



### **Project Participants**





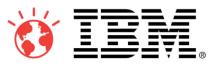
Understanding our world.





- 4 x EU States: France, Netherlands, Switzerland, UK
- 3 x Academic: BCU, ETH Zurich, TNO
- 3 x SMEs: Aria, GreenHill, SBC
- 3 x Cities: Birmingham, Utrecht, Zurich
- 2 x Corporates: ESRI R&D, IBM





















- KIC-T will create an integrated environment
- Data from cities; simulation and models of city systems and a variety of visualisation tools accessed and combined by "plug and play" mechanisms
- Standards will be developed and implemented by the project technical partners
- Provide a future framework within which models created for a specific purpose can be repurposed by the "plug-in" standards created for data, models and visualisation tools.
- Repository for city systems models and simulations
- Repository for city data
- Gateway to local and remote execution environment





### **Smart Sustainable City Systems [2]**

- Modelling and Simulation
- Daisy-Chaining of Models
- Portability and Reuse of Models and Data Sets



# COMPLETE PICTURE PARTNER - Data - Model - Visualisation

- ARIA Air Pollution
- TNO Noise Pollution, Traffic etc.
- ETHZ Microclimate and Economic
- BCU Energy
- GREENHILL Sustainability
- SBC Visualisation
- ESRI-Arc GIS (MQTT to Arc GIS, as to IBM IOC)

### ARIA – Air Pollution Web services Road Map

#### Without KIC-T

ARIA City – Desktop version

- plug-in for ESRI ArcMap
- 3 urban scale-air quality models inside
- 2 new licenses in 2014 (+2 others ~90%)

### With KIC-T

Web services development

- to be plugged to any heavy (3D) web client (ESRI, IBM,...)
- can be plugged to light web client (in house for example)
- to be provided to customer with a web client (not just the API)
- Feedback from desktop version users: the required machine resources by the models can be too large. HPC/Cloud computing connected to a web API would be useful. ARIA have already completed one financial transfer from one of the desktop version users to run their calculations on ARIA's HPC.







# TNO – Noise Pollution, Traffic etc. Utrecht Case Study

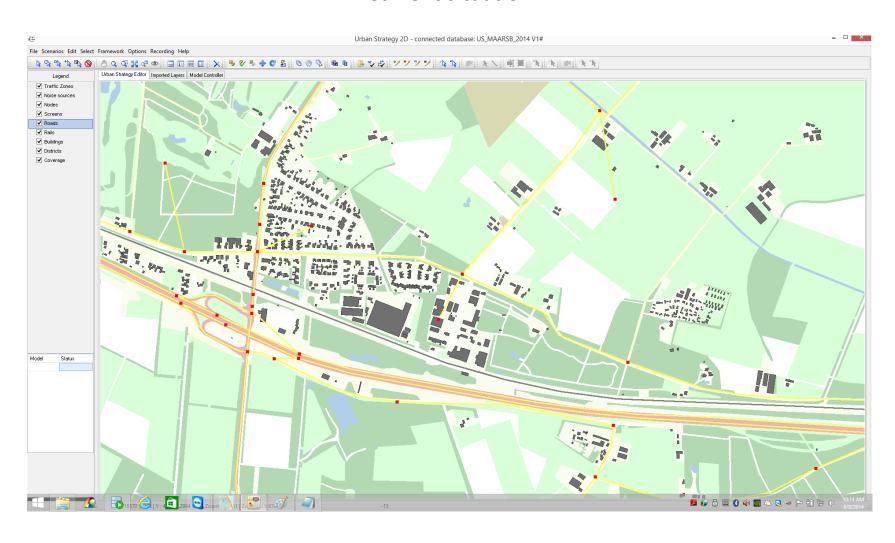
The province is interested in

- an environmental assessment of the Maarsbergen area (noise, air pollution).
- knowing the benefits of the KIC-T platform and its applications with respect to their MKP-Maptable.
- they would like to know how KIC-T could be coupled to their own environmental assessment method (MKP- maptable)
- the solar potential of the plan





# **US2D Map view**







## **US3D** view

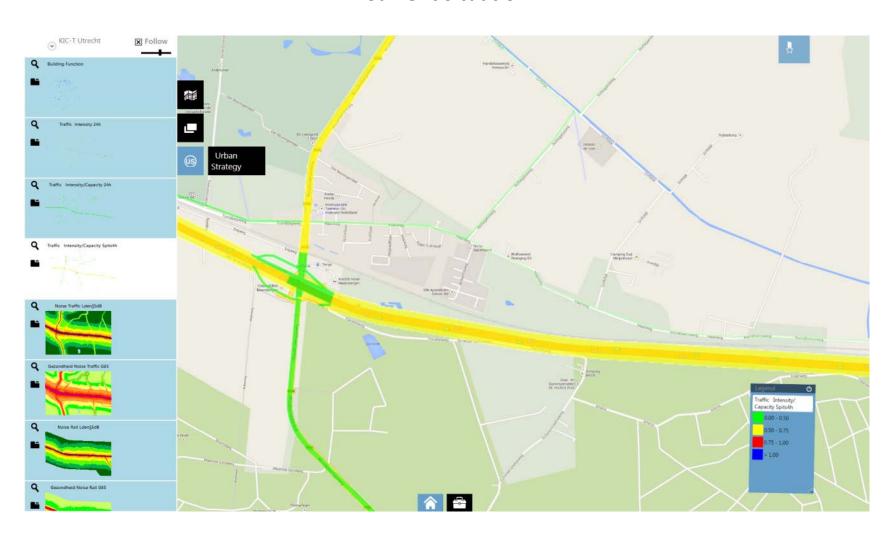
#### Future situation





# Traffic congestion (I/C)

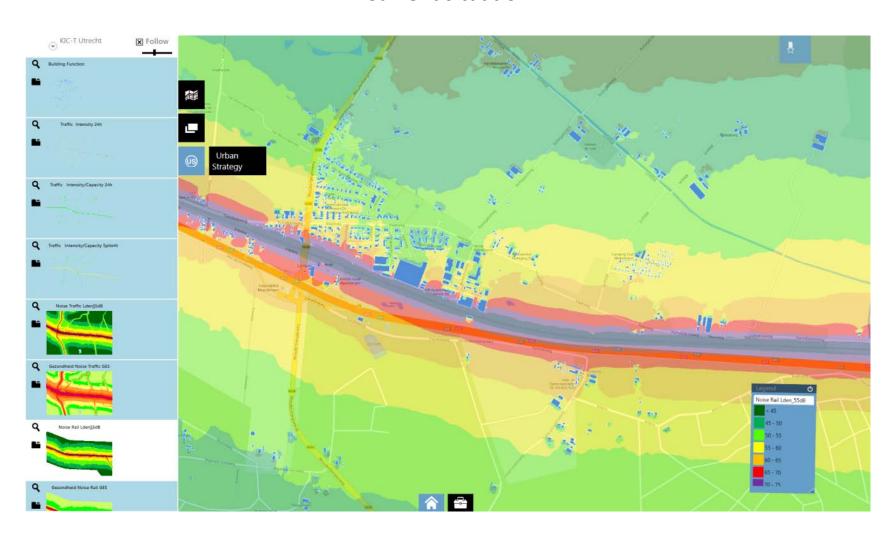








# Noise Pollution Rail(L<sub>den</sub>)







# Noise Pollution Traffic (L<sub>den</sub>)















# Solar power production (PV)

#### Future situation



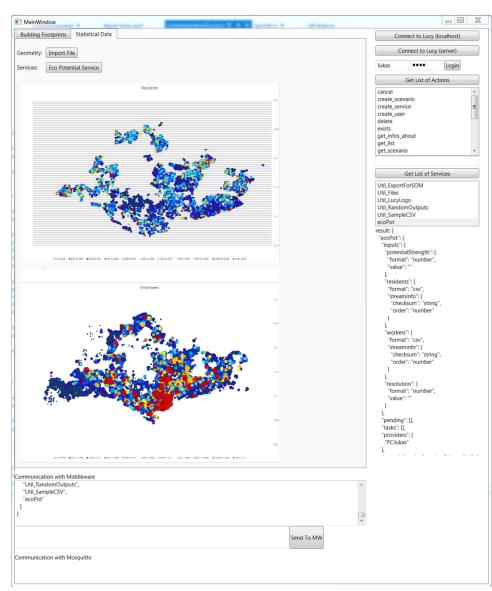


### **ETHZ – Microclimate and Economic**

### Stakeholders workshop - Zurich

LUCY, ETH – tools

Urban Scale Economic
Distribution Model

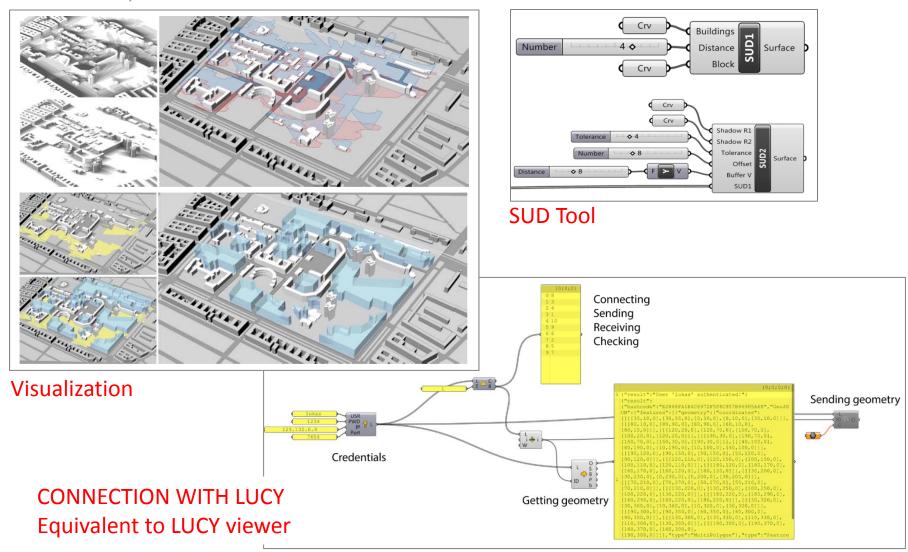


**LUCY VIEWER** 



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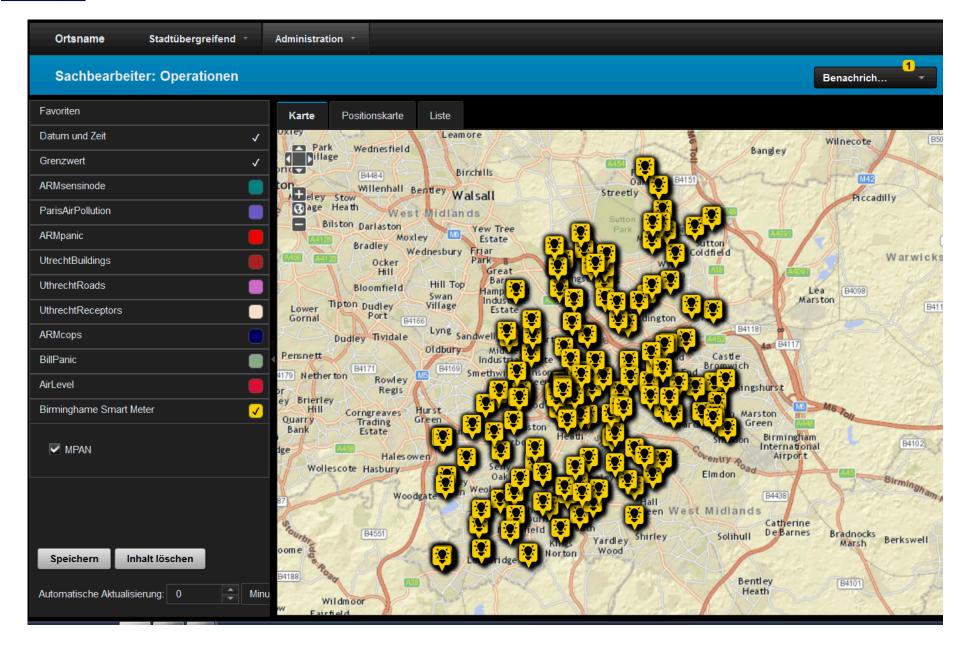




### **Birmingham City University - Energy**

- Deliver the technical elements Birmingham Case Study
- Focus Eastside in collaboration Birmingham City Council
- One of the three city partners supporting the project
- Energy data from BCC public buildings to the IOC interface
- Making energy data available to other partners
- Creation of web-services so other partners "call" to access
- Complements work being done in Zurich by ETH and SBC and work being done in Utrecht by TNO and ARIA
- Different elements of sustainable city modelling and visualisation







- Assist Greenhill to "wrap" the ADEPT spreadsheet model so it can be accessed via a web-browser
- Both to input data specific to a building to be simulated and to visualise the results from the ADEPT tool
- Either via a simple web-browser interface created by BCU or by, exposing the output data through a web-service
- Allowing the ADEPT output data to be consumed programmatically by other partners' tools.
- BCU creates set of generic methods using standard webservices
- Decouple the input of data to and the output of data from the Greenhill model, currently an MS Excel spreadsheet.
- Basic prototype created , demo to BCC mid September



Decisions at your fingertips.

## **SMARTERBETTER**CITIES

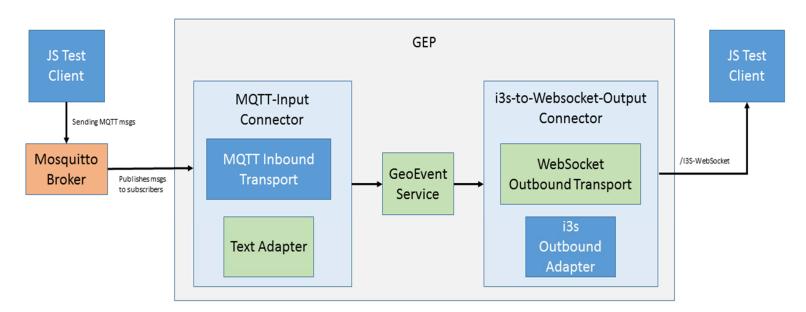




# **ESRI-Arc GIS** & IOC Integration



- Goal: Scalable 3D visualisation of time-enabled geospatial data sets
- Why: Identify patterns, make data accessible to descision makers



- MQTT InboundTransport
  - connects to MQTT broker
  - Sends data to adapter
- Text Adapter
  - Transforms the data to geoevents
- i3s Outbound Adapter
  - Receive geoevents
  - Transforms geoevents to i3s feature data
- WebSocket Transport
  - Provides the i3s feature data via WebSocket

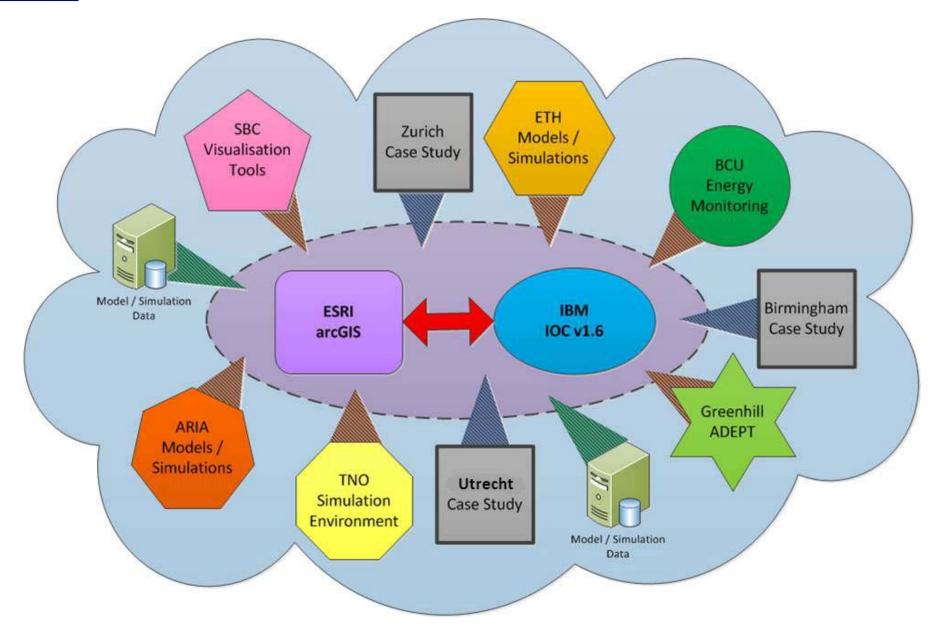




### The Integration Challenge

- Many public-funded projects have developed discrete modelling and simulation tools for cities
- Generally not designed for re-use with different data in different cities or for inter-operation
- So simple way to re-use / re-purpose existing tools to leverage previous project outcomes
- Need mechanisms, standards and platform to ensure future re-usability and inter-operation
- "Plug & Play" city data, models and simulations









### **KIC-T Planned Outcomes**

- Future-proof & extensible modelling / simulation hosting environment for cities
- Defined "containers" for models & simulations
  - Model "containers" and Execution "plug-through"
  - Data "plug-ins" and Visualisation "plug-ins"
- Data repository for city-data
  - Data & meta-data & standards for "data plug-ins"
  - "City Mash" data fusion
- Validated by 3 City Case Studies
- Prototype sustainability applications marketplace