INTEGRATION OF THE EPN AND THE DENSE NATIONAL PERMANENT NETWORKS

REPORT OF THE REFERENCE FRAME COORDINATOR

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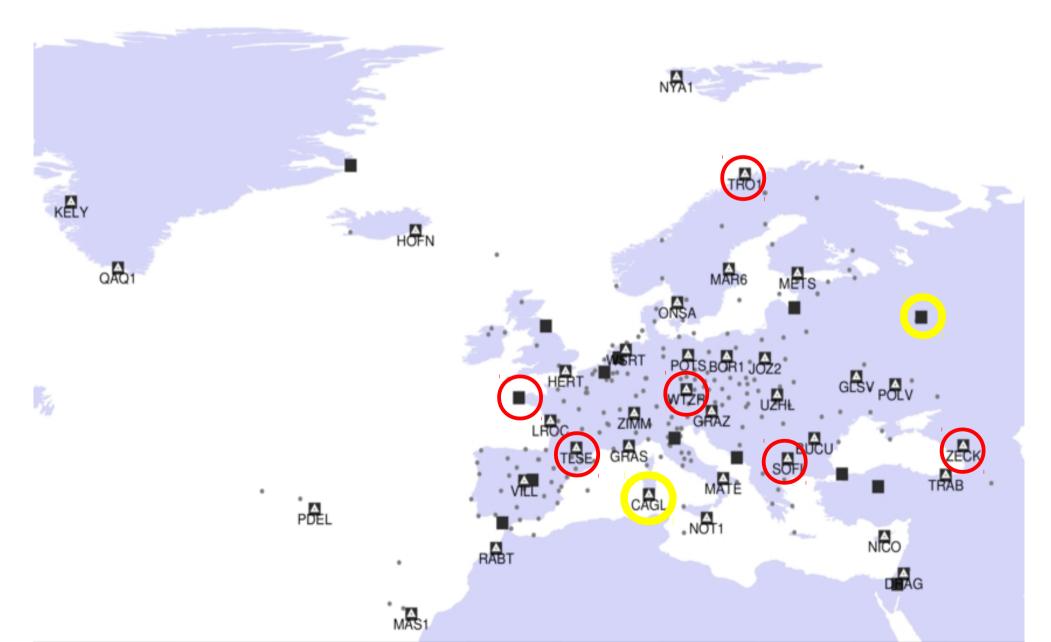
TASKS OF THE EPN REFERENCE FRAME COORDINATOR

- PROVIDE UP-TO-DATE CUMULATIVE EPN POSITION AND VELOCITY SOLUTION (15 WEEKS UPDATE RATE)
- CONTRIBUTION TO ADVISORIES, GUIDELINES ON THE OPTIMAL USE OF REFERENCE SYSTEM REALIZATIONS
- CONTRIBUTION TO THE ETRS89 MAINTENANCE ON REGIONAL AND NATIONAL LEVEL
- EPN DENSIFICATION EXPLOITATION OF THE DENSE NATIONAL GNSS NETWORKS FOR THE BETTER REALIZATION OF ETRS89

RECENT EPN CUMULATIVE SOLUTIONS

- IGS08_C1680 (igs_08.atx)
 - EUREFMail 6684 (published 2012 November)
 - re-newed webpages
- IGb08_C1710
 - IGSMail 6663 effective: 07 October 2012
 - offsets since publication of ITRF2008 (2009.5):
 BRST, SOFI, TLSE, TRO1, WTZR, ZECK
 CAGZ, MDVJ, ZIMJ JPSREGANT_DD_E / SD_E
 - updated guidelines on ETRS89 densifications
- IGb08_C1725
 - ready

EPN REFERENCE FRAME DEFINITION IGS08 to IGb08



EPN DENSIFICATION / HISTORY

- IAG Working Group on Regional Dense Velocity Fields, 2007-2011
 - collection and integration of "local" cumulative solutions
 - inhomogeneities, inconsistencies
- EUPOS Combination Centre ECC 2009
 - combination of weekly SINEX solutions from national commercial permanent networks
 - successful pilot to prove the concept
 - kernel of the recent integration
- IAG Working Group 'Unified Dense Velocity Fields' 2011-2015
 - continental extension of the ECC-combination
 - EUREF2010 symposium resolution #4
 - Letter to NMCAs still under preparation!

THE STRATEGY

- COLLECTION AND PREPARATION OF NATIONAL LONG TERM WEEKLY SINEX SOLUTIONS
 - SINEX testing ("compatibility", constraints, quality)
 - SINEX CLEANING: outlier and offset detection, elimination
 - soln harmonization with EPN

COMBINATION WITH EPN WEEKLY SINEX

- EPN as reference
- CATREF / MC approach
- Handling of different software products (GAMIT, GIPSY ...) remember the EPN "benchmark" combination test
- same reference network as for EPN cumulative

RESULTS / PRODUCTS

- cleaned national SINEX solutions,
- position and velocity estimates in ITRFyy/IGSyy/ETRFyy,
- time series plots

BENEFITS

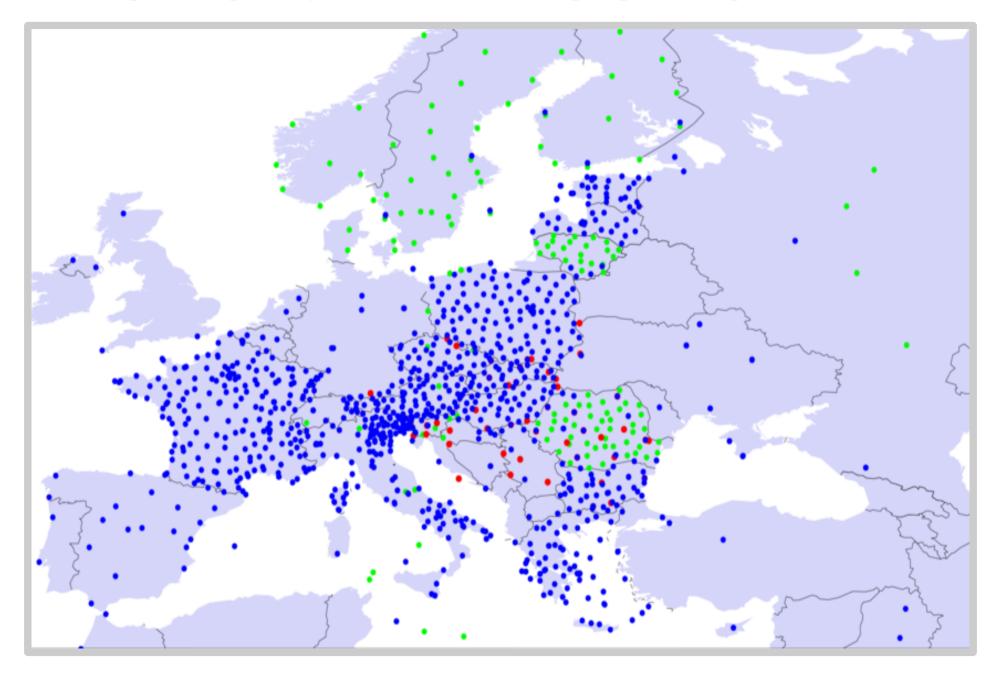
USER / PROVIDER SIDE

- independent tests of the national SINEX solutions,
- cleaned and "internationalized" (site naming) SINEX back to the user for own purposes,
- the combined solution is freed from occasional reference frame definition weaknesses,
- decreased network effect,
- high quality ETRS89 positions to test the national realization (EB),
- push forward the scientific analysis and use of the national GNSS production networks,

COMMUNITY SIDE

- creation of an absolutely homogeneous, dense ETRS89 velocity field,
- steps forward to the better realization of ETRS89, and
- possible extension of ETRS89 over the non-stable part of Europe (EPN WG)

SITES AVAILABLE AS OF TODAY



DATA AVAILABILITY - MAY-2013

ASG Poland : 1482 - 1701 repro started

EST Estonia : 1448 - 1723

GGI Latvia : 1461 - 1720

GKU Slovakia : 1408 - 1705

SGO Hungary: 1400 - 1730 repro done

AMON Austria : 1470 - 1720

MON Austria (reg) : 1107 - 1734

BUL Bulgaria : 1434 - 1720 daily GAMIT

CZE Czech R : 1565 - 1721

UPA Italy (Padova): (1422) 1623 - 1735

SGN France (glo) : 1200 - 1700 more

CEGRN C-Europe (p) : 1106 - 1734

CEGRN C-Europe (c): 1994 - 2009 biannual

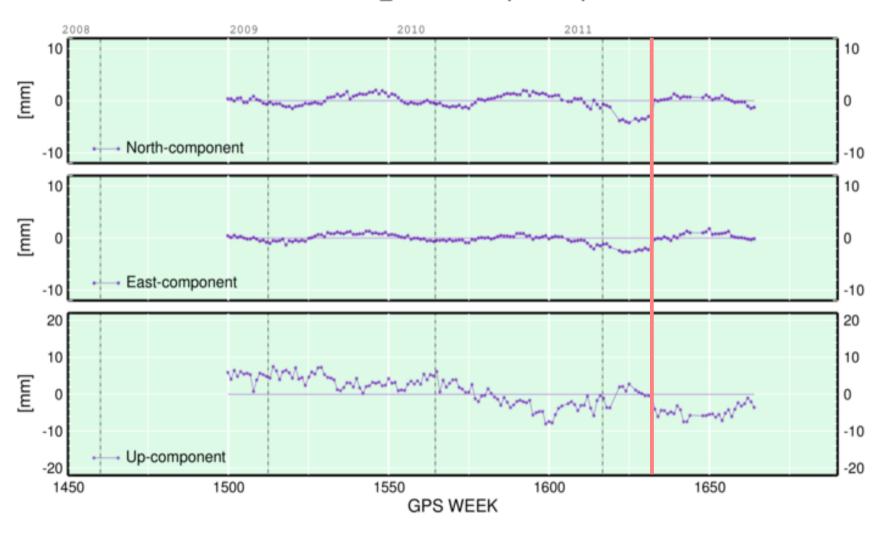
campaigns

TECHNICAL ISSUES TO BE SOLVED

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CURRENT STATUS: MIXED (ATX) solutions are used!
  IGS05 CONVERSION TO IGS08 (FROM GPSweek 1632)
     Individual calibrations are not affected!
     IGS tool should be extended
  IGS08 to IGb08 (week 1709)
   CAGZ, MDVJ - JPSREGANT DD E / SD E)
LOG FILE DATABASE MAINTENANCE!!!
 EPN is OK
  ESDB (EUPOS Station Database)
 individual STA files
SITE NAMING (4CHAR, DOMES NUMBERS)
VERIFICATION OF ANALYSIS STRATEGY (constraints)
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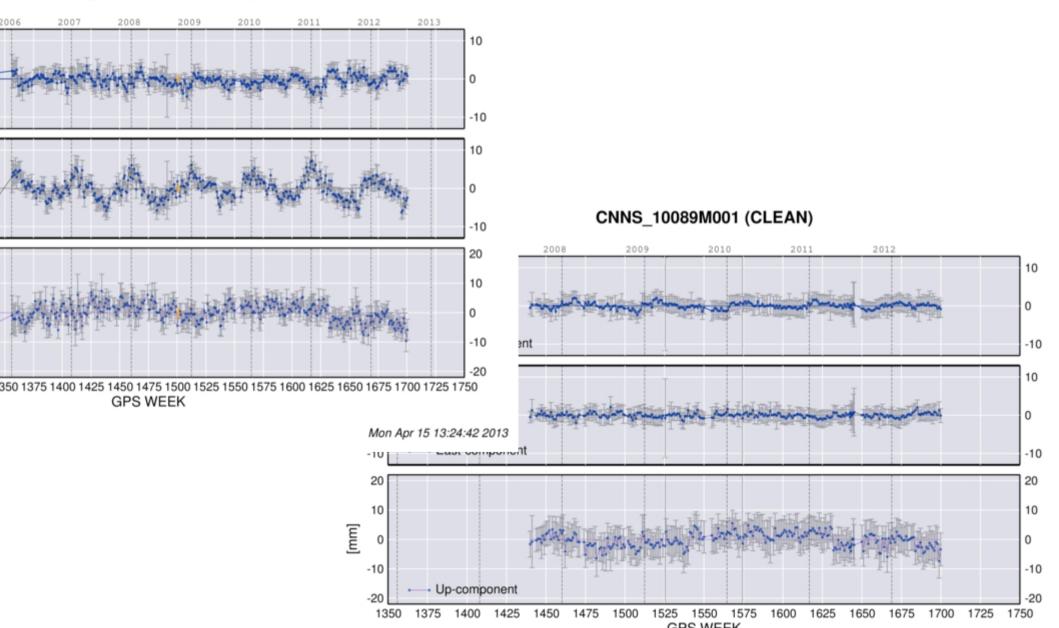
epn05.atx to epn08.atx change

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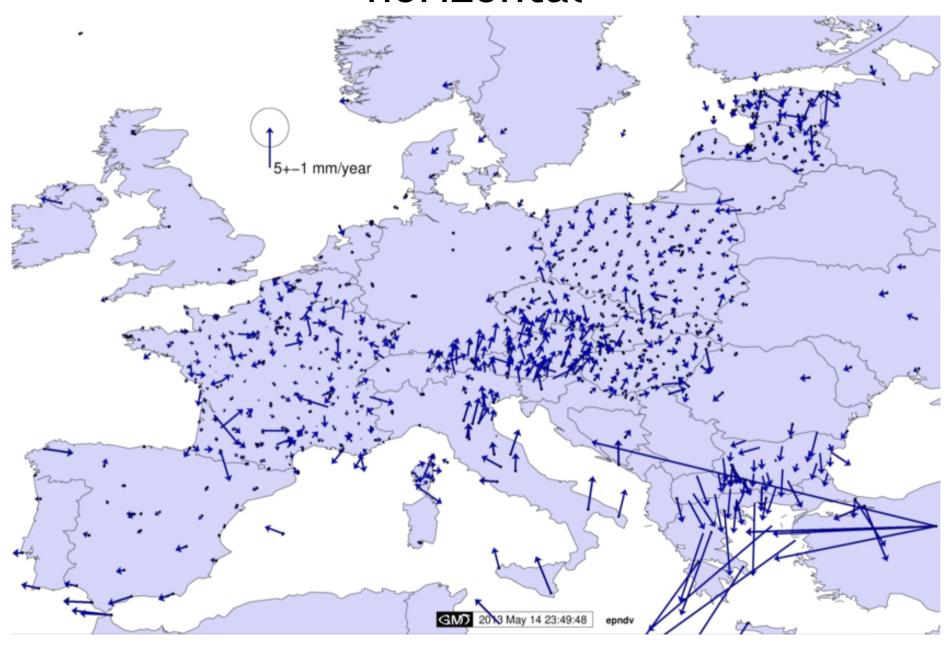


NATIONAL AND COMBINED TIME SERIES

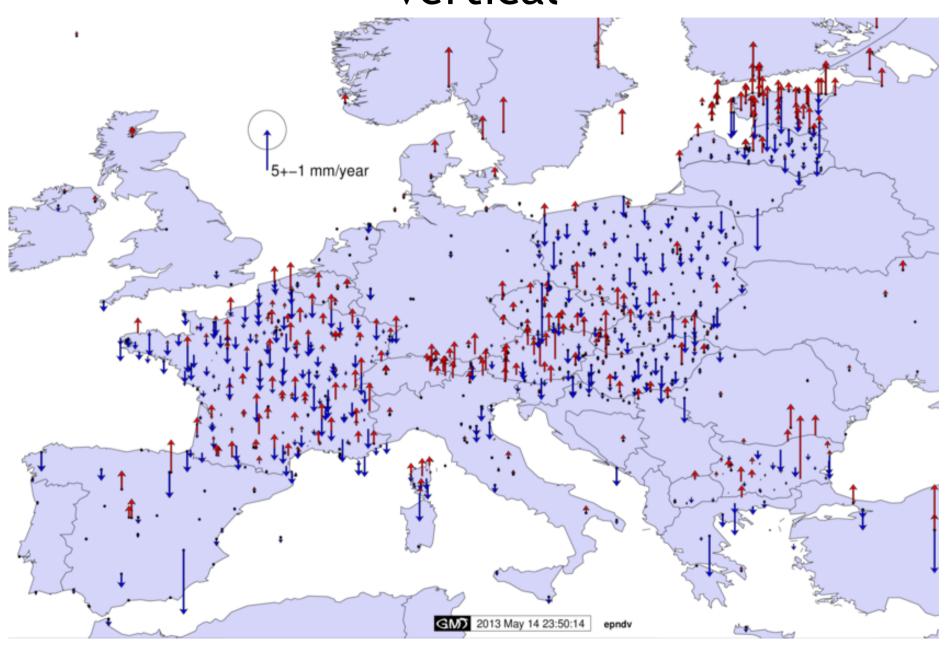
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ESTIMATED VELOCITIES horizontal



ESTIMATED VELOCITIES vertical



PHASE II ENHANCED OPERABILITY

- METADATA UP-TO-DATE MAINTENANCE
- ROUTINE PRODUCT DELIVERY
 - INPUT SINEX DATA
 - OUTPUT CLEANED WEEKLY AND CUMULATIVE SINEX
 - POSITIONS + VELOCITIES
 - TIME SERIES PLOTS

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