



## API4INSPIRE

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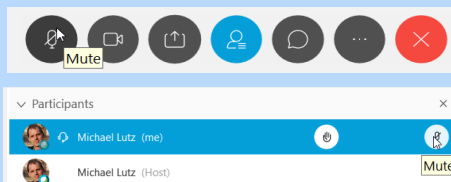
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# Welcome and some hints for participants

## Mute your mic!

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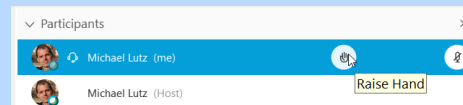
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API4INSPIRE

# Overview

- API4INSPIRE
  - Why APIs in INSPIRE?
  - Project details
- OGC API - Features
  - GeoServer Extension
  - OGC API - Simple
- OGC SensorThings API
  - FROST
- Data Nests
  - Airy Austria
  - Urban Data Platform Hamburg
  - Franco-Germanic Flow
  - Covid-19
- Use!

# Why APIs in INSPIRE?

- State-of-play

- Most of the services in the INSPIRE geoportal are based on W\*S/OWS services
- Huge interest in APIs within the INSPIRE community
- Few known implementations of APIs in INSPIRE
  - different approaches
    - encodings, documentation, standards
  - costs and benefits not very well known

- European agenda

- European Strategy for Data
  - Sector-specific data spaces
  - Connecting different actors
- Open Data Directive
  - High-Value Datasets (harmonised, documented and available through APIs)
- INSPIRE MIWP 2020 - 2024
  - Standard-based APIs are one of the means for modernising INSPIRE's technological stack

# Why APIs in INSPIRE?

## APIs provide an excellent opportunity for INSPIRE

### 1) Increase the use of the infrastructure

- INSPIRE → mainstream ICT
- Improve the discoverability through search
  - DWBP and SDWBP
    - *DWBP Best Practice 23: Make data available through an API*
    - *SDWBP Best Practice 12: Expose spatial data through 'convenience APIs'*

### 2) Leverage on grassroots standardisation

- Novel approaches at the OGC (OGC API-Features and SensorThingsAPI)
  - Hackathons
  - Multiple early implementations
  - Co-creation of specifications

# API4INSPIRE

- Implemented under the ISA<sup>2</sup> ELISE Action
  - European Location Interoperability Solutions for e-Government
- Based on demand
  - Requested by MS at the ISA<sup>2</sup> working group on geospatial solutions
- Novel approach
  - Providers on board
  - Learning from hands-on experiences
- Tasks
  - Evaluation Methodology
    - Benefits & Efforts
  - Deployment Strategies for
    - OGC API - Features
    - OGC SensorThings API
  - Deployment and API endpoints
  - Guidelines / technologies, lessons learned
  - Provide evidence for INSPIRE Good Practices with these APIs



# API4INSPIRE - Objectives of the workshop

In line with our project objectives of promoting the (future) use of APIs in INSPIRE via good practices, this workshop will:

- Explain and demonstrate OGC API - Features and SensorThings API
- Provide information on endpoints made available by this project
- Collect feedback on strengths and weaknesses of the API approach identified by:
  - Data providers
  - Users
- Identify MS willing to participate in establishing the INSPIRE Good Practices



# API4INSPIRE - Project Partners

- Fraunhofer IOSB: developers of FROST server, experts on SensorThings API
- DataCove e.U.: INSPIRE expertise
- GeoSolutions: developers of GeoServer, experts on OGC API



# API4INSPIRE - Data Providers

- Austrian Meteorological Agency (ZAMG) [AT]
- Austro Control (ACG) [AT]
- Austrian Environment Agency (UBA) [AT]
- European Environment Agency (EEA) [EU]
- City of Hamburg (CH) [DE]
- French Geological Survey (BRGM) [FR]
- Office for Biodiversity (OFB) + "INSIDE" - environmental information systems research center (BRGM+OFB) [FR]
- Environment Agency Baden-Württemberg (LUBW) [DE]



# OGC APIs

- OGC is defining a new set of services to replace the currently used OWS, that date back 20 years.
- These new services are collectively identified as OGC APIs.
- They are Web APIs, sometimes referred to as **RESTful services**.
- Each service is described by an **OpenAPI document**.
- Each of them is geared towards JSON based representations of resources:
  - Both other encodings are supported, **e.g. HTML**.
- Each service has a minimal core, and **numerous optional extensions to add functionality**.

Service Capabilities

FEATURES

1.0

IMAGES

1.0

STYLES

1.0

TILES

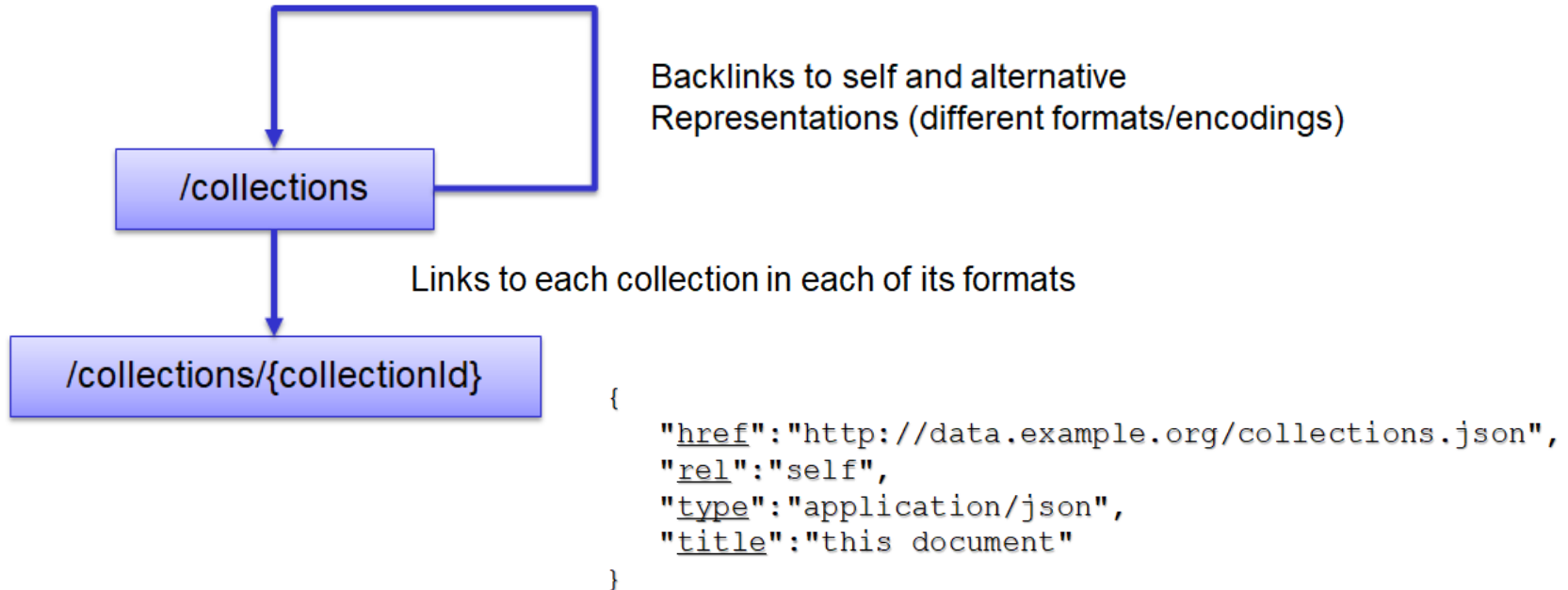
1.0

# OGC API - Common

- Can be found at: [https://github.com/opengeospatial/oapi\\_common](https://github.com/opengeospatial/oapi_common)
- **Resources:**
  - / (landing page)
  - /conformance (conformance classes implemented)
  - /api (API definition)
  - **/collections** (list of collections published)
  - **/collection/{collectionId}** (metadata of the single collection)
- Encodings:
  - HTML, **which is browsable!**
  - **JSON/GeoJSON**

# Links, links everywhere!

- All resources are linked to the others, in the various encodings:



# Very little is mandatory (and that's good!)

- **None of the encodings are mandatory**, a server could do XML or protocol buffers and still be compliant.
- If present, the usage of OpenAPI is suggested but not mandatory!
- A client could work by following links between resources, **that's the way of the modern Web!**
- How does a client work then? By checking the conformance declaration at `"/conformance"`:

```
{  "conformsTo": [    "http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi-features-1/1.0/conf/core",    "http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi-features-1/1.0/conf/oas30",    "http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi-features-1/1.0/conf/html",    "http://www.opengis.net/spec/ogcapi-features-1/1.0/conf/geojson"  ]}
```

# OGC API - Features

- Can be found at: <https://github.com/opengeospatial/ogcapi-features>
- In addition to OGC API (OAPI) core:
  - **/collection/{collectionId}/items (features)**
  - **/collection/{collectionId}/items/{itemId}**
- Only supported CRS are:
  - CRS84 (WGS84 lon/lat)
  - CRS84h (WGS84 lon/lat/height)
- No mandated schema, features can be anything:
  - Simple (SF-0)
  - Complex (SF-1, SF-2e)

Extensions! Some are already in the making:

📁 cql

📁 crs

📁 transactions

📄 README.md

# OGC API - Features



## GeoServer Feature Collections

This document lists all the collections available in the Features service.

This document is also available as [application/x-yaml](#), [application/json](#).

### eposb:Borehole

- **Title:** Borehole
- **Geographic extents:**
  - 41.325, -5.15, 51.118, 9.624.
- Data as [HTML](#). Collection items are also available in the following formats:
- Queryables as [HTML](#).

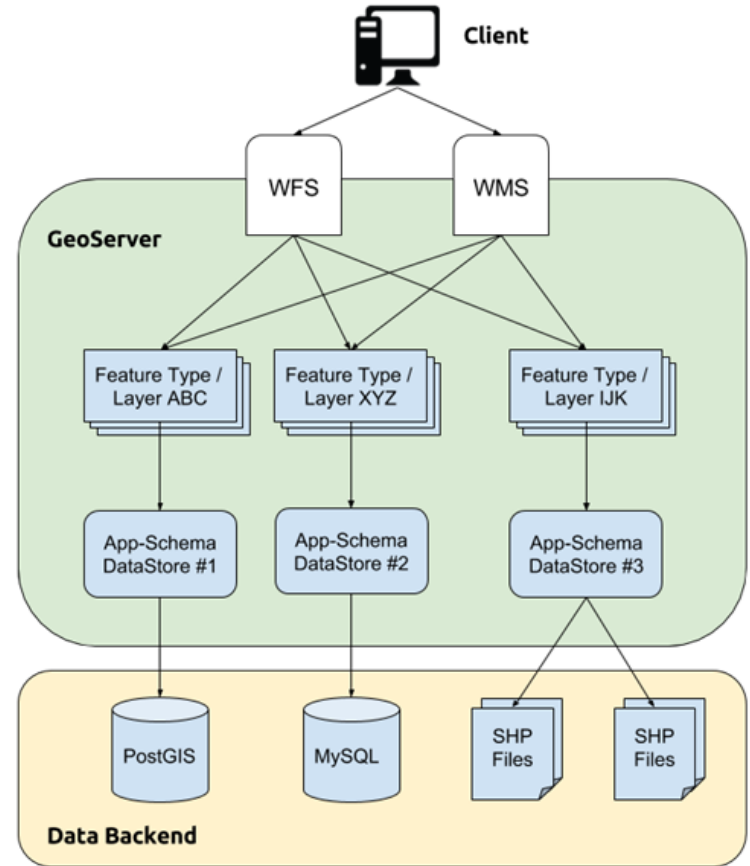
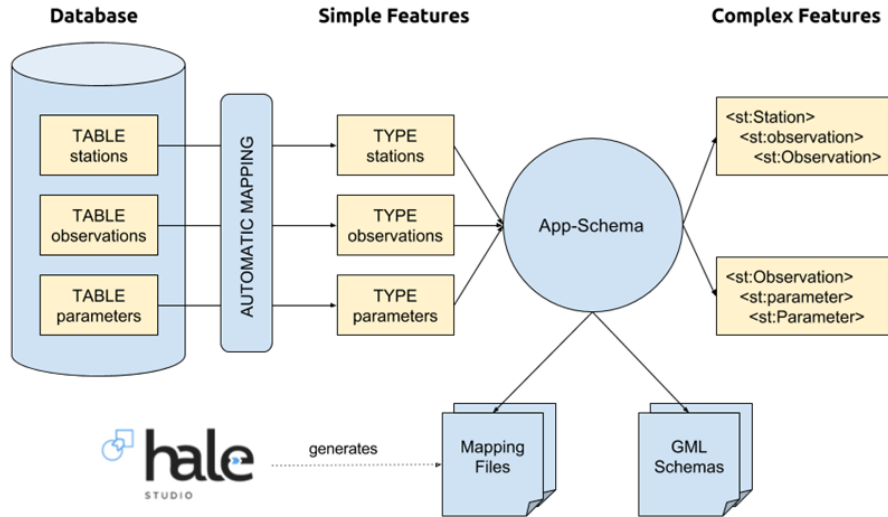
### gsmlp:BoreholeView

- **Title:** BoreholeView
- **Geographic extents:**
  - -64.656, -21.388, 139.535, 87.933.
- Data as [HTML](#). Collection items are also available in the following formats:
- Queryables as [HTML](#).

```
{
  type: "FeatureCollection",
  features: [
    {
      type: "Feature",
      id: "0001000001",
      geometry: {
        type: "Point",
        coordinates: [
          [
            [
              [
                [
                  [
                    [
                      [
                        [
                          [
                        ]
                      ]
                    ]
                  ]
                ]
              ]
            ]
          ]
        ]
      },
      properties: {
        "@featureType": "Borehole",
        identifier: {
          value: "BSS000AAAA",
          "@codeSpace": http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2616
        },
        type: {
          "@href": http://vocabulary.odm2.org/samplingfeaturetype/borehole/,
          "@title": "borehole"
        },
        sampledFeature: [
          {
            "@href": https://sweet.jpl.nasa.gov/2.3/realmEarthReference.owl#EarthLithosphere,
            "@title": "Lithosphere"
          }
        ],
        shape: {
          "@dataType": "shape",
          Point: {
            type: "Point",
            coordinates: [
              [
                [
                  [
                    [
                      [
                        [
                          [
                        ]
                      ]
                    ]
                  ]
                ]
              ]
            ]
          }
        },
        custodian: {
          "@dataType": "Custodian",
          custodian: {
            "@dataType": "CI_ResponsibleParty",
            organisationName: "BRGM",
            role: {
              "@codeListValue": "custodian",
              "@codeList": http://www.isotc211.org/2005/resources/CodeList/gmxCodeLists.xml
            }
          }
        }
      }
    }
  ]
}
```



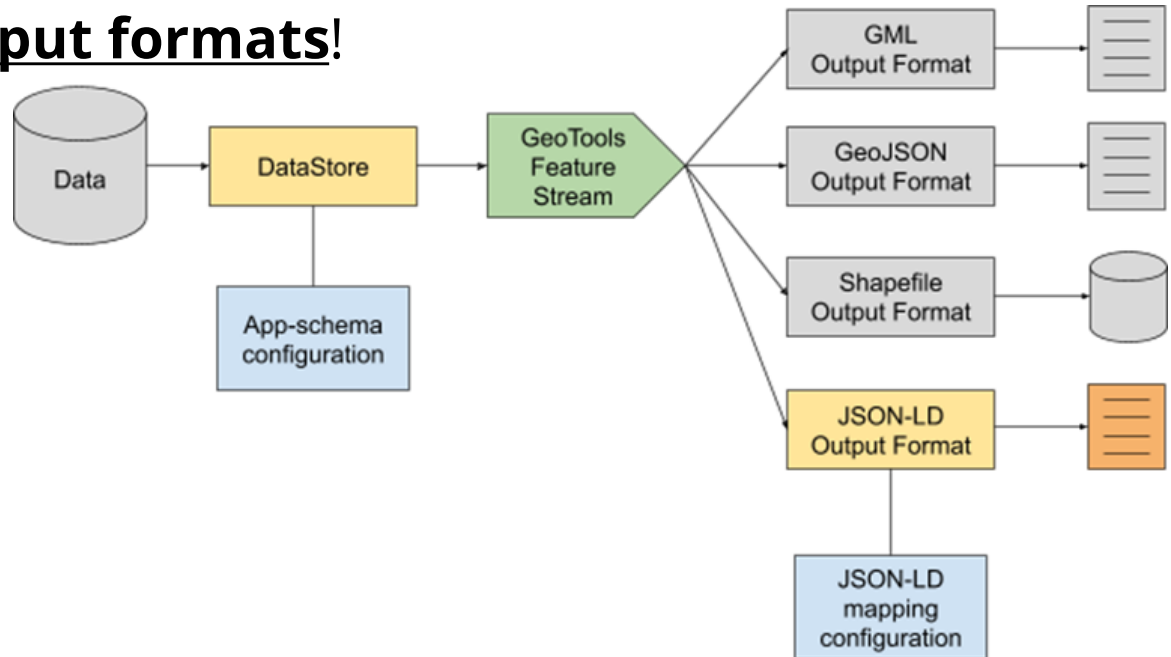
# GeoServer Extensions



# GeoServer Extensions

- One mapping between the data and a target schema

➡ **Multiple output formats!**



How to get rid of the mapping between **the data** and **target schema**?

# GeoServer Extensions

Why not use  
templating  
instead of  
mappings?



What You  
See Is What  
You Get!

```
"geometry": {
  "@type": "Point",
  "wkt":
    "$${strConcat('<http://www.opengis.net/def/crs/OGC/1.3/CRS84>',toWKT(xpath('eposb:bholeHe
adworks/gwml-wellconstruction:BoreCollar/gwml-wellconstruction:collarLocation'))}"
},
"__sam:sampledFeature": {
  "@id": "https://sweet.jpl.nasa.gov/2.3/realmEarthReference.owl#EarthLithosphere",
  "name": "Lithosphere"
},

"eposb:lifeCycleInfo": {
  "$source": "eposb:lifeCycleInfo/eposb:LifeCycleInfo",
  "@type": "LifeCycleInfo",
  "eposb:updateDate": {
    "@type": "time:Instant",
    "time:inXSDDateTime": "${eposb:updateDate/gml:TimeInstant/gml:timePosition}"
  },
  "status": {
    "@id": "${eposb:status/@xlink:href}",
    "name": "Validé"
  },
  "eposb:creationDate": {
    "@type": "time:Instant",
    "time:inXSDDateTime": "${eposb:creationDate/gml:TimeInstant/gml:timePosition}"
  }
},
"eposb:locatedOnAdminUnit": {
  "@id": "${eposb:locatedOnAdminUnit/@xlink:href}",
  "name": "SANGATTE"
},
}
```

# GeoServer Extensions

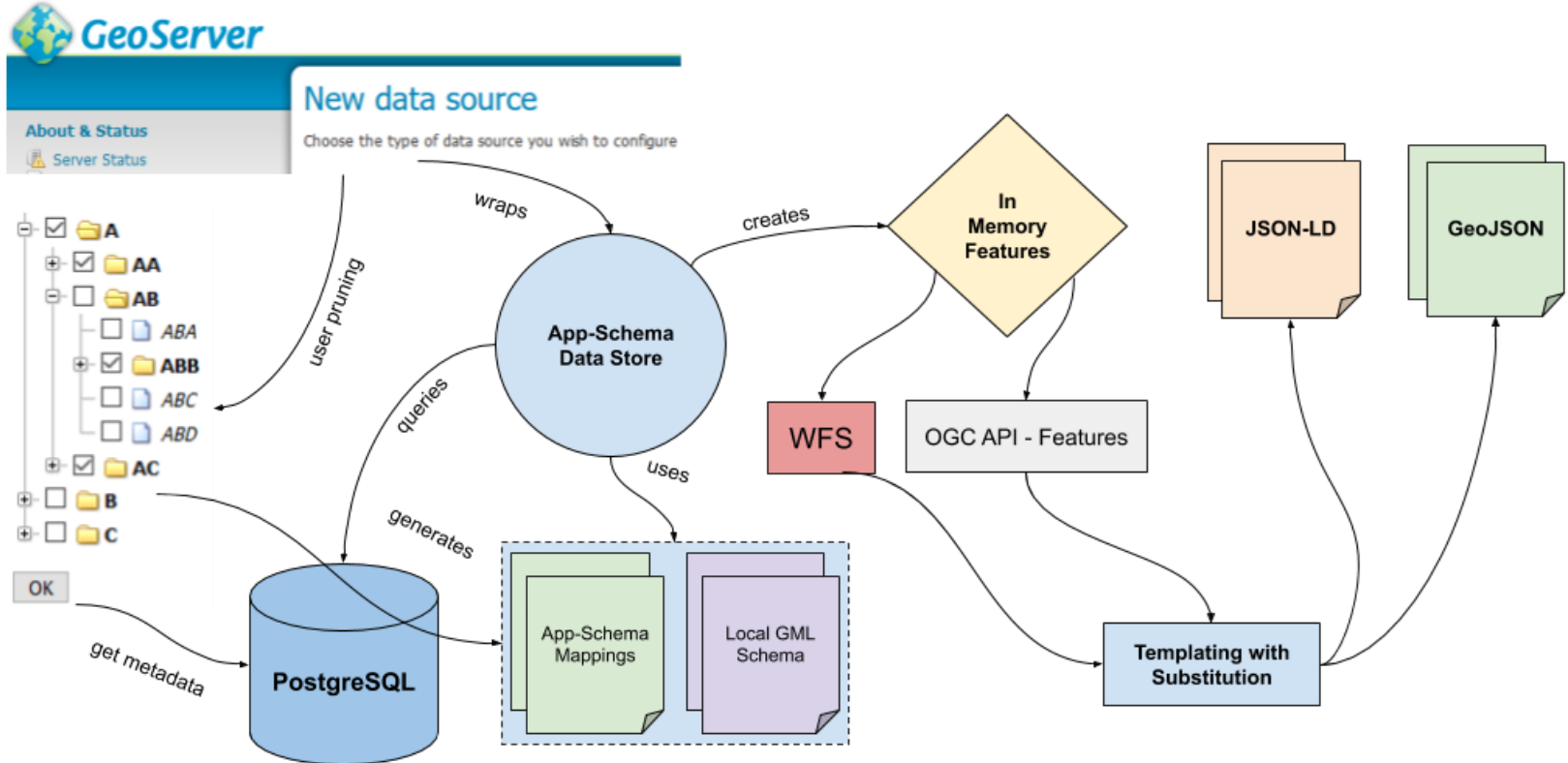
```
▼ geometry: {  
  "@type": "Point",  
  wkt: "<http://www.opengis.net/def/crs/OGC/1.3/CRS84>POINT (1.35559927237556 51.1020179771059)"  
},  
▼ "sam:sampledFeature": {  
  "@id": https://sweet.jpl.nasa.gov/2.3/realEarthReference.owl#EarthLithosphere,  
  name: "Lithosphere"  
},
```

## Filtering using CQL is supported:

[http://.../geoserver/ogc/features/collections/eposb:Borehole/items?f=application/ld+json&limit=50&filter=features.gsmlp:boreholeLength\\_m.o:m:amount>83&filter-lang=cql-text](http://.../geoserver/ogc/features/collections/eposb:Borehole/items?f=application/ld+json&limit=50&filter=features.gsmlp:boreholeLength_m.o:m:amount>83&filter-lang=cql-text)

```
▼ "eposb:lifeCycleInfo": {  
  "@type": "LifeCycleInfo",  
  ▼ "eposb:updateDate": {  
    "@type": "time:Instant",  
    "time:inXSDDateTime": "2008/12/357 05:41:34"  
  },  
  ▼ status: {  
    "@id": http://id.eaufrance.fr/nsa/390#XXX,  
    name: "Validé"  
  },  
  ▼ "eposb:creationDate": {  
    "@type": "time:Instant",  
    "time:inXSDDateTime": "1998/03/70 11:55:17"  
  }  
},  
▼ "eposb:locatedOnAdminUnit": {  
  "@id": "6262774",  
  name: "SANGATTE"  
},
```

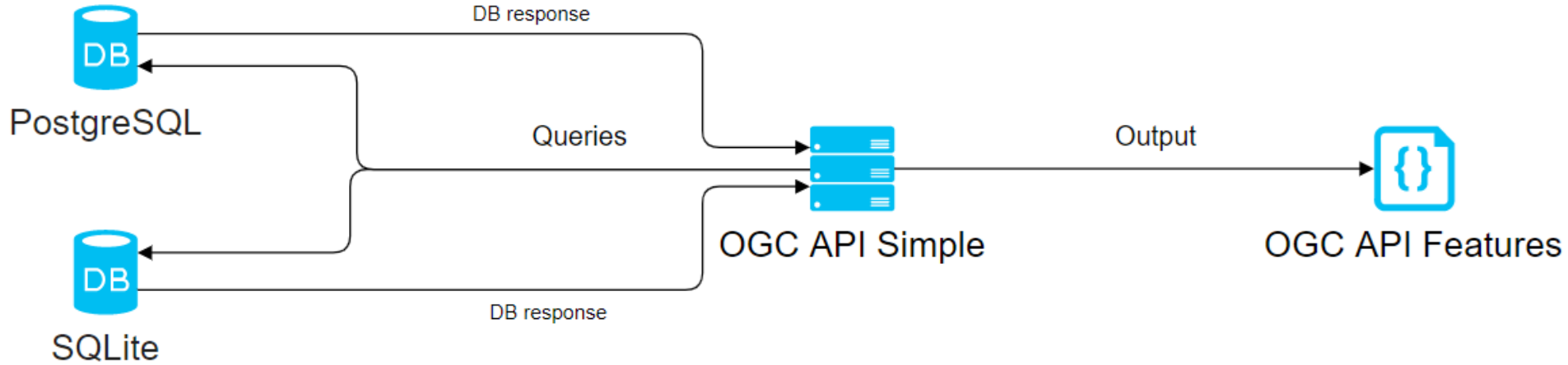
# GeoServer Extensions



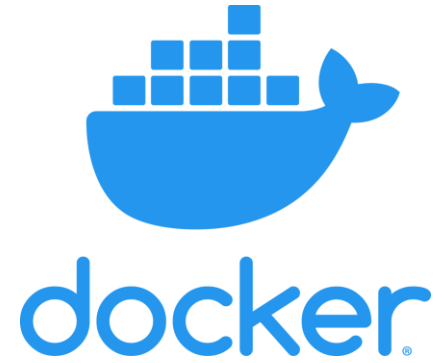
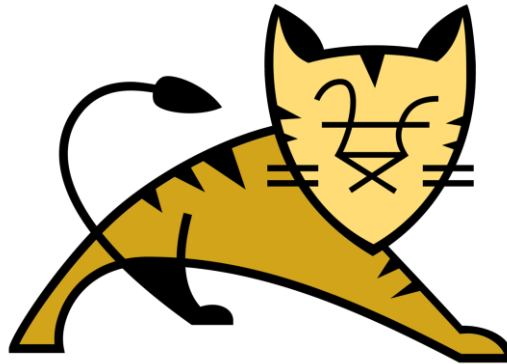
# OGC API - Simple

- Who are we?
- Order:
  - implement the OGC API for simple features
  - according to the OGC API Core specification from October 2019
- Tasks:
  - REST API
  - JSON + GeoJSON
  - Admin Panel

# OGC API - Simple



# OGC API - Simple





OGC API Simple

localhost:8080/ogcapi/simple/

Home

Login

# OGC API Simple

Conformance declaration

Feature Collections

## API definition

The API definition provides a machine processable description of this service API conformant to OpenAPI 3.

It is available as [application/json](#) and [text/html](#)

## INSPIRE

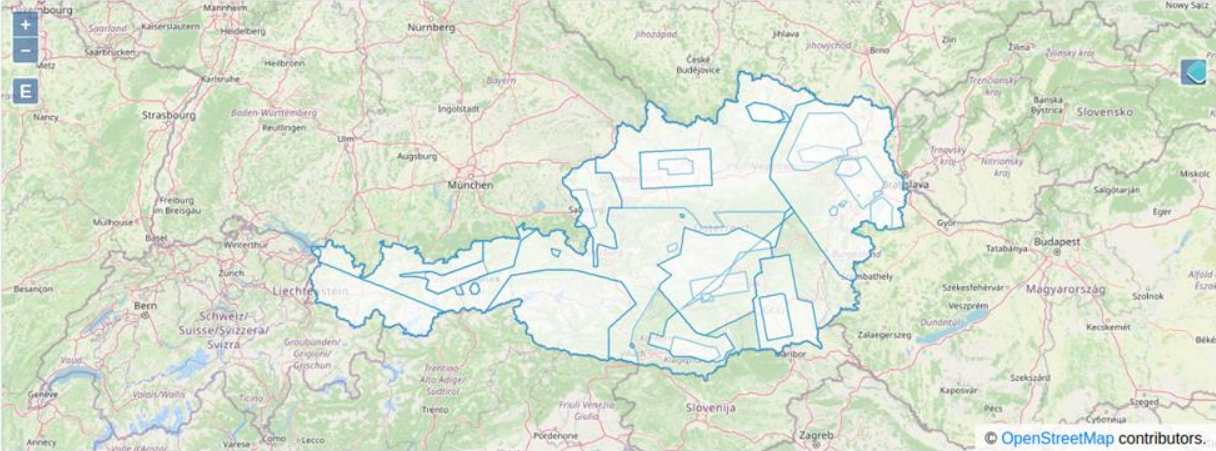
With supporting text below as a natural lead-in to additional content.

INSPIRE Website

## What is the OGC API?

The OGC API is a REST API in which environmental data is provided.

OGC API Specifications



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#	Collection	Show in map
2	insp_airspacearea	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4	insp_designatedpoint	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	insp_runwayarea	<input type="checkbox"/>

OGC API Simple

localhost:8080/ogcapi/simple/dashboard

Log out

api

HomeOptions

Dashboard

Connector properties

Connector management

Change admin password

INSP

#

☒ Exclude

Collection name

1

insp\_aerodrometype

☒

insp\_aerodrometype

2

insp\_airspacearea

☒

insp\_airspacearea

3

insp\_conditionofairfacility

☒

insp\_conditionofairfacility

4

insp\_designatedpoint

☒

insp\_designatedpoint

5

insp\_runwayarea

☒

insp\_runwayarea

6

insp\_tn\_air\_acg\_features

☒

insp\_tn\_air\_acg\_features

New collection name

New collection name

Assign collection name

Write SQL

Collection name

Write and execute sql here

#

Column name

☐ Exclude

Property name

1

statename

☐

2

geodatenstelle

☐

3

ds\_md\_fileidentifier

☐

4

annex\_theme

☐

5

featuretype

☐

6

localid

☐

New property name

New column name

Assign name

OGC API Simple

localhost:8080/ogcapisimple/dashboard

...


☆

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📄

🌐

☰

 /api

Home Options

Logout

INSP

#	Table name	<input type="checkbox"/> Exclude	Collection name
1	insp_aerodrometype	<input type="checkbox"/>	insp_aerodrometype
2	insp_airspacearea	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	insp_airspacearea
3	insp_conditionofairfacility	<input type="checkbox"/>	insp_conditionofairfacility
4	insp_designatedpoint	<input type="checkbox"/>	insp_designatedpoint
5	insp_runwayarea	<input type="checkbox"/>	insp_runwayarea
6	insp_tn_air_acg_features	<input type="checkbox"/>	insp_tn_air_acg_features

New collection name

New collection name

Assign collection name

#	Column name	<input type="checkbox"/> Exclude	Property name
1	statename	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2	geodatenstelle	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3	ds_md_fileidentifier	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4	annex_theme	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5	featuretype	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6	localid	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

New property name

New column name

Assign name

Write SQL

Collection name

Write and execute sql here



## Feature Collections

- [This document as JSON](#)

### 1: insp\_aerodrometype

Links:

- [The feature collection as JSON](#)
- [The items as JSON](#)
- [The items as HTML](#)

### 2: insp\_airspacearea

Links:

- [The feature collection as JSON](#)
- [The items as JSON](#)
- [The items as HTML](#)

### 3: insp\_conditionofairfacility

Links:

- [The feature collection as JSON](#)
- [The items as JSON](#)
- [The items as HTML](#)

### 4: insp\_designatedpoint

Links:

- [The feature collection as JSON](#)
- [The items as JSON](#)
- [The items as HTML](#)

### 5: insp\_runwayarea

Links:

- [The feature collection as JSON](#)
- [The items as JSON](#)
- [The items as HTML](#)

### 6: insp\_tn\_air\_acg\_features

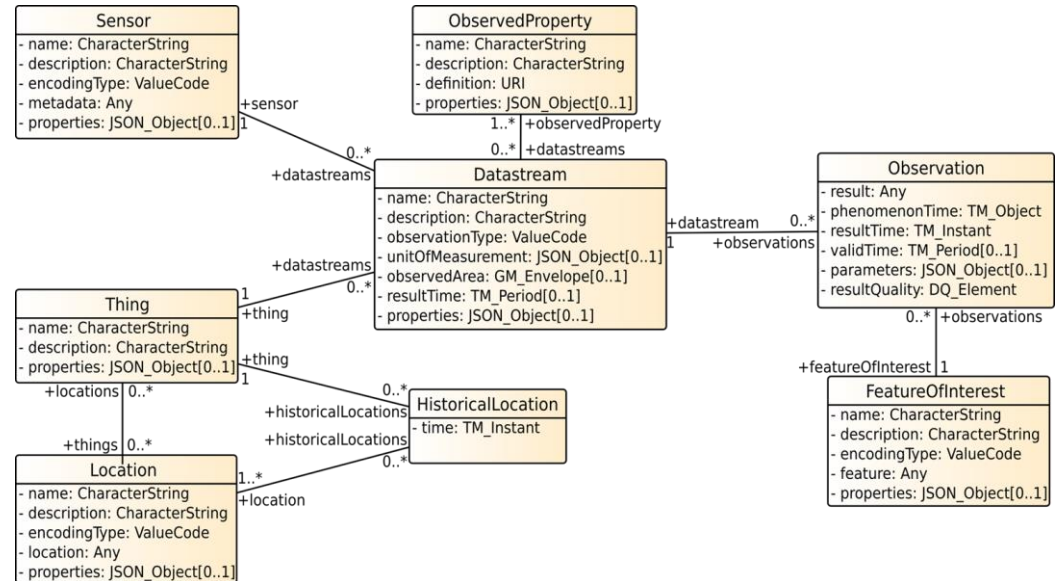
## ▼ collections:

```
▼ 0:
  id: "insp_aerodrometype"
  links:
    ▼ 0:
      href: "http://localhost:8080/ogcapisimple/collections/insp_aerodrometype"
      rel: "self"
      type: "application/json"
      title: "this document"
    ▼ 1:
      href: "http://localhost:8080/ogcapisimple/collections/insp_aerodrometype"
      rel: "alternate"
      type: "text/html"
      title: "this document as html"
    ▼ 2:
      href: "http://localhost:8080/ogcapisimple/collections/insp_aerodrometype/items"
      rel: "items"
      type: "application/json"
      title: "this document as html"
  ▼ 1:
    extent:
      spatial:
        bbox:
          ▼ 0:
            0: 9.530749083
            1: 46.372300139
            2: 17.160778722
            3: 49.020714833
      id: "insp_airspacearea"
    links:
      ▼ 0:
        href: "http://localhost:8080/ogcapisimple/collections/insp_airspacearea"
        rel: "self"
        type: "application/json"
        title: "this document"
      ▼ 1:
        href: "http://localhost:8080/ogcapisimple/collections/insp_airspacearea"
        rel: "alternate"
        type: "text/html"
        title: "this document as html"
      ▼ 2:
        href: "http://localhost:8080/ogcapisimple/collections/insp_airspacearea/items"
        rel: "items"
        type: "application/json"
        title: "this document as html"
  ▼ 2:
    id: "insp_conditionsfairfacilitu"
```

# OGC SensorThings API

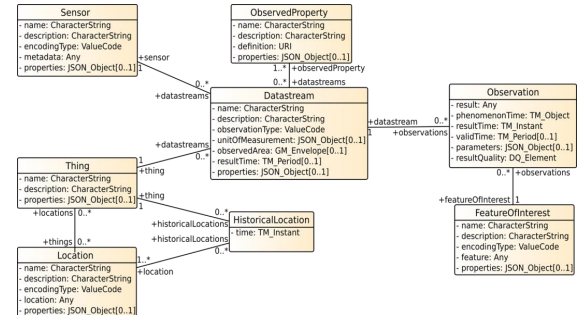
The successor to SOS

- REST + JSON + Full Editing
- Sensible Data Model
  - Extendible properties
- Powerful Queries
  - Across the entire data model
  - Composable response data
- Scalable
  - Thousands of stations
  - Millions of observations
- Understandable
  - Follow the links to *all* data



# OGC STA - GETting data 1

- Index document describing the server and its extensions  
<https://server.de/FROST-Server/v1.1>
- The list of “Things” (or Sensors, Locations, Observations, etc...)  
v1.1/Things
- A single Thing  
v1.1/Things(42)
- The list of Datastreams for Thing 42  
v1.1/Things(42)/Datastreams
- The Thing for Datastream 123  
v1.1/Datastreams(123)/Thing



# OGC STA - GETting data 2

- On every list:
  - Pagination with \$top and \$skip  
v1.1/Things?\$top=100&\$skip=200
  - Selecting which fields to return with \$select  
v1.1/Things?\$select=id,name
  - Filtering the entities with \$filter  
v1.1/Observations?\$filter=result gt 5
  - Requesting the total number (given the filter)  
v1.1/Things?\$count=true
  - Adding related entities with \$expand  
v1.1/Things?\$expand=Datastreams(\$expand=Observations)
    - Can be nested & combined with the other options
- More on <https://datacoveeu.github.io/API4INSPIRE/>



# OGC STA - Editing data

- Create: POST on an Entity Set  
POST v1.1/Things
- Update: PATCH or PUT on an Entity  
PATCH v1.1/Things(42)
- Delete: DELETE on an Entity  
DELETE v1.1/Things(42)
  - Also deletes dependent entities
    - Things → Datastreams
    - Datastreams → Observations
    - Things → HistoricalLocations

# FROST-Server

A complete, feature-rich implementation

- Version 1.0 & 1.1
- Extensive querying capabilities
- Extensions for CSV & GeoJSON output

- Open Source (LGPL)

<https://github.com/FraunhoferIOSB/FROST-Server>

- Java / Tomcat & Docker
- Horizontal scalability



# FROST-Server Database



- FROST-Managed
  - Best when no database exists yet
  - FROST creates and maintains the database
  - All updates through the SensorThings API
- Using Database Views
  - existing PostgreSQL database with data
  - database views to mimic the FROST tables
  - updates directly in the database

# FROST-Server Demo Servers



- Free-For-All Demo server (Read & Write)  
<https://ogctest.docker01.ilt-dmz.iosb.fraunhofer.de/v1.1/>
- European Air Quality Data  
<https://airquality-frost.docker01.ilt-dmz.iosb.fraunhofer.de/v1.1>
  - 4382 Stations
  - 17960 Datastreams
  - 260 million Observations
  - Viewer: <https://api4inspire.docker01.ilt-dmz.iosb.fraunhofer.de/servlet/is/113/>
- European Demography Data  
<http://service.datacove.eu/DemographyThings/v1.1>
  - Total population and population density
  - NUTS levels 0 to 3

More at <https://datacoveeu.github.io/API4INSPIRE/>

# Data Nests

Sets of colocated and complementary data sources exposed by the APIs under evaluation:

- **Airy Austria:** Air Transport information complemented by meteorological data
- **Urban Data Platform Hamburg:** Smart City Sensors together with road transport networks
- **Franco-Germanic Flow:** Cross-border water data, surface and ground water, quality and quantity, flood zones
- **Covid ad-hoc:** Realtime air quality, Covid-19 case data complemented by a background demography layer

# Airy Austria

Air Transport information complemented by meteorological data. This nest consists of the following data providers and end points:

- **Austro Control** is the air navigation services provider that controls Austrian airspace



WFS2: <https://sdigeo-free.austrocontrol.at/geoserver/tn-a/wfs?service=WFS&version=2.0.0&request=GetCapabilities>  
OGC API: <https://inspire.austrocontrol.at/ogcapi/ogc/features>

- **Austrian Meteorological Agency (ZAMG)** has a wide range of expertise at its disposal pertaining to all aspects of meteorological data management and provision



# Urban Data Platform Hamburg



The **City of Hamburg** has long seen the potential of Smart City technology, and been involved in diverse Smart City initiatives, successively extending their smart sensor infrastructure to an ever widening usage area.

Endpoint: <https://iot.hamburg.de/v1.0>

- Charging stations for electric cars
- Bike sharing stations from StadtRad
- Data from the Energy Campus of the Hamburg University of Applied Sciences

Future plans: A Lot!

- Traffic lights, traffic density, etc...

# Franco-Germanic Flow

- The French Geological Survey (**BRGM**) has long been involved in pushing the envelope pertaining to the possibilities of environmental data provision.
- Along with the French Office for Biodiversity (**OFB**) and their joint research center on information system (**INSIDE**), they provide access to (linked) datasets from various French Information Systems on Water, Underground Risk using



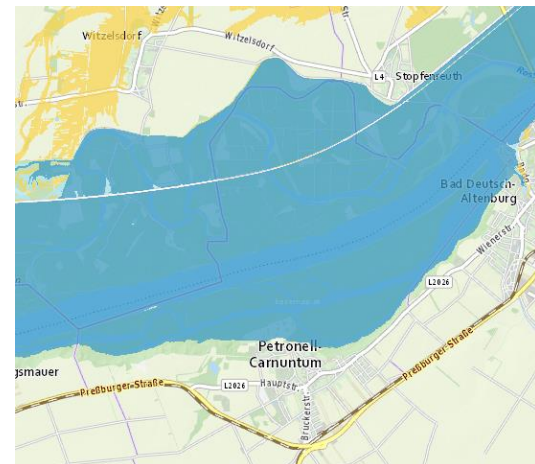
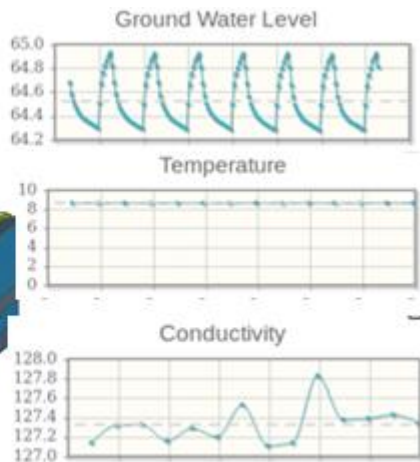
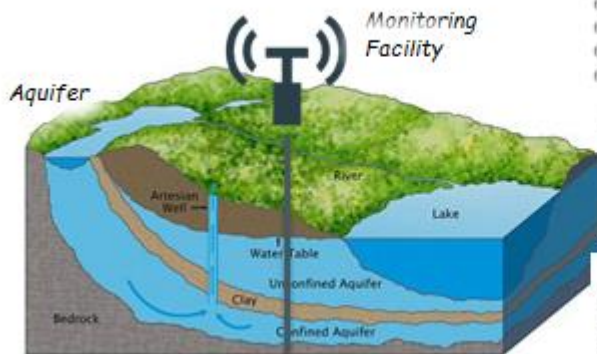
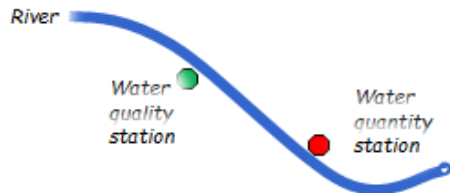
- The Environment Agency Baden-Württemberg – **LUBW** provides diverse water resources within Germany.

STA: <https://lubw-frost.docker01.ilt-dmz.iosb.fraunhofer.de/v1.1>





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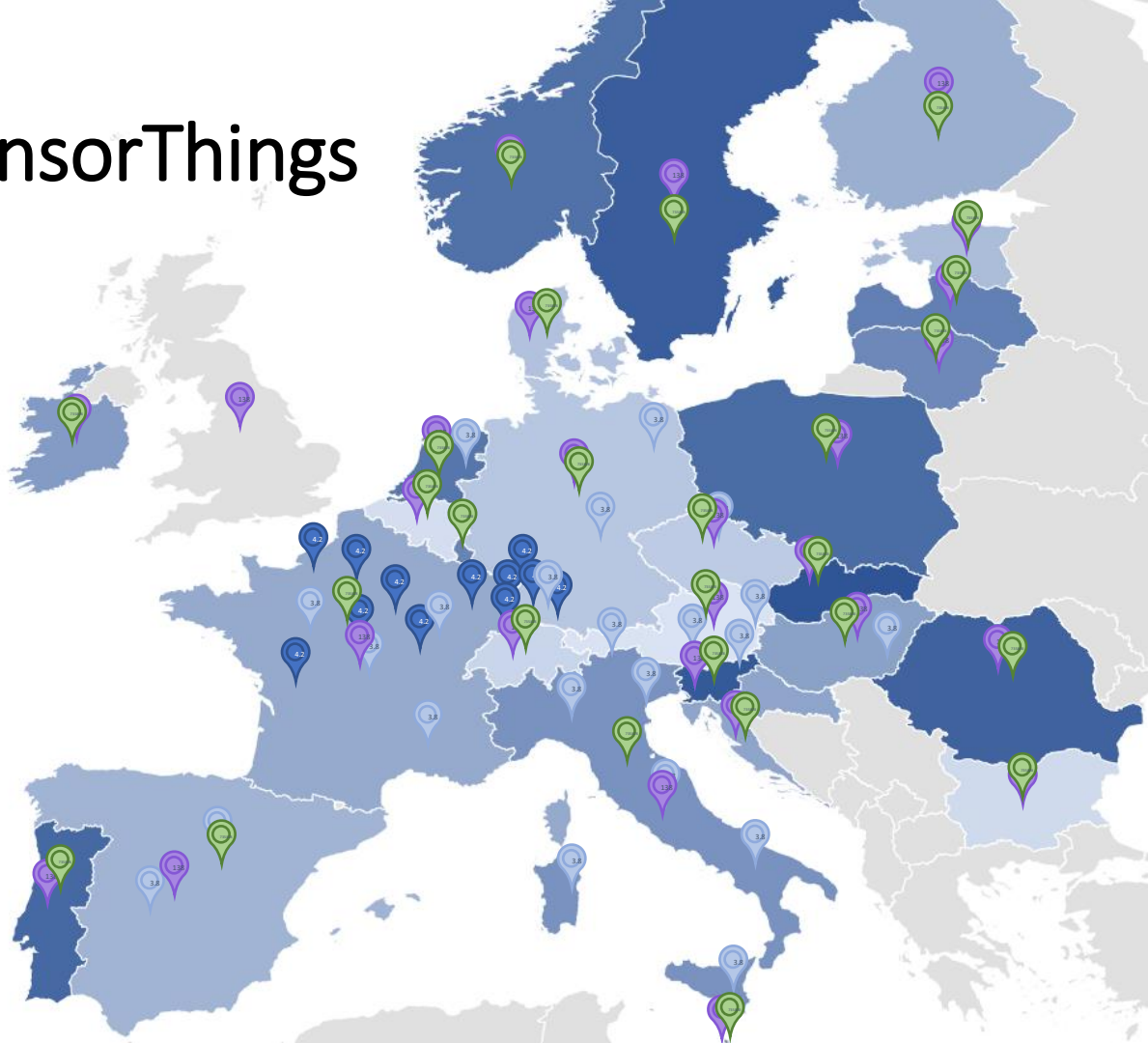
# API4INSPIRE - SensorThings

 HydroThings

 AirThings

 CovidThings

 DemographyThings



# Ad-Hoc Flows

## AirThings

- Data from Umweltbundesamt (AT) and EEA (EU)
- <https://airquality-frost.docker01.ilt-dmz.iosb.fraunhofer.de/v1.1>
- <https://api4inspire.docker01.ilt-dmz.iosb.fraunhofer.de/servlet/is/113/>

## CovidThings

- <http://covidsta.hft-stuttgart.de/server/>

## DemographyThings

- Data from Eurostat DB
- <http://service.datacove.eu/DemographyThings/v1.1>

# USE!

<https://github.com/DataCoveEU/API4INSPIRE>

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# Conclusions?

We do not provide conclusions!

Further discussion: <https://inspire.ec.europa.eu/forum/groups/profile/215867>

Further Info: <https://datacoveeu.github.io/API4INSPIRE/>

Further Events: TBD

- OGC API - GeoServer
- STA - FROST
- OGC API - Simple?
- Usage of APIs