

GORWIND

Advisory Board Meeting

**People's opinions on the project
Status, preliminary results and next
steps in WP4**

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Wind resource ...

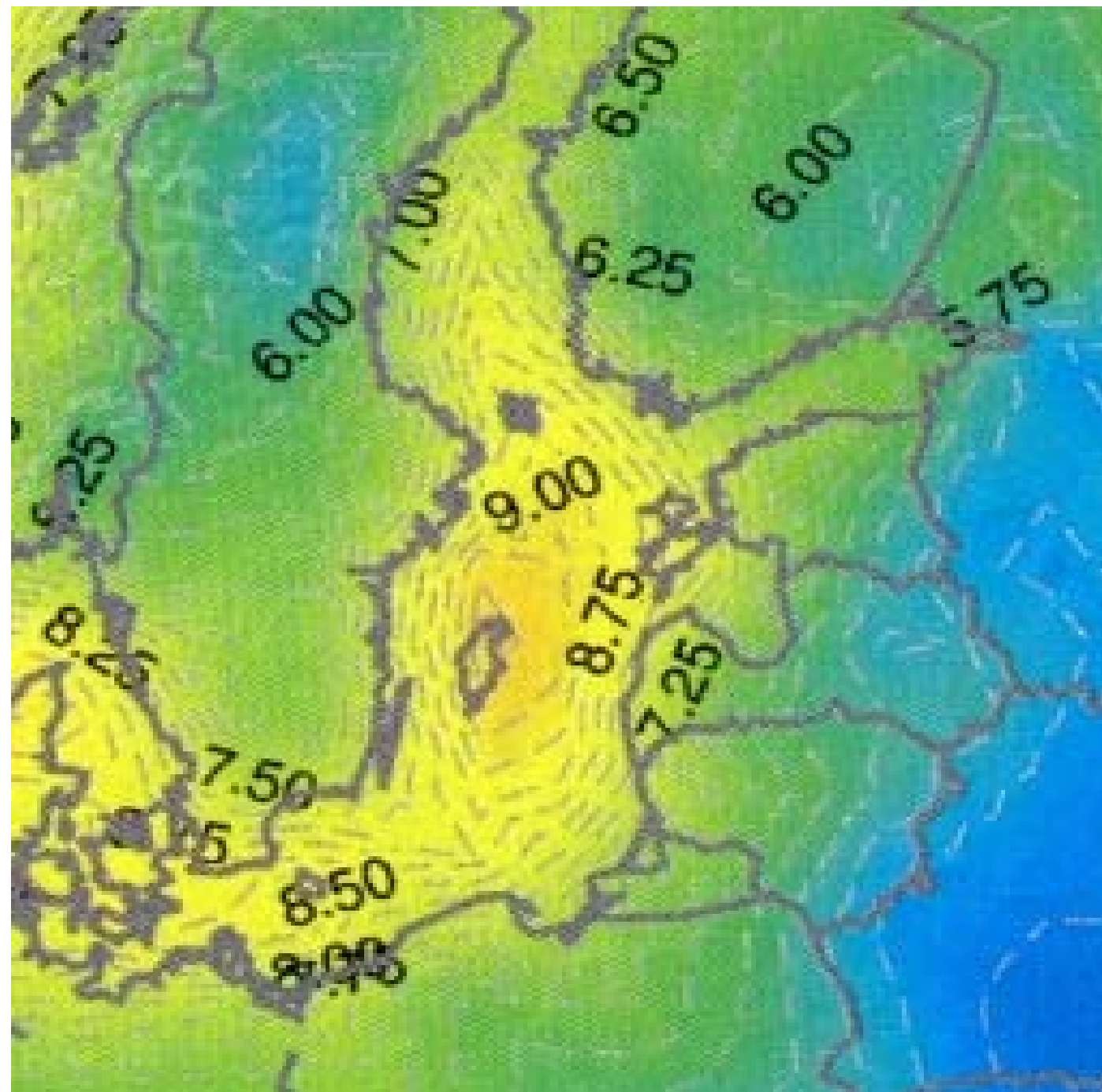
+ Natural limitations

+ Legal restrictions

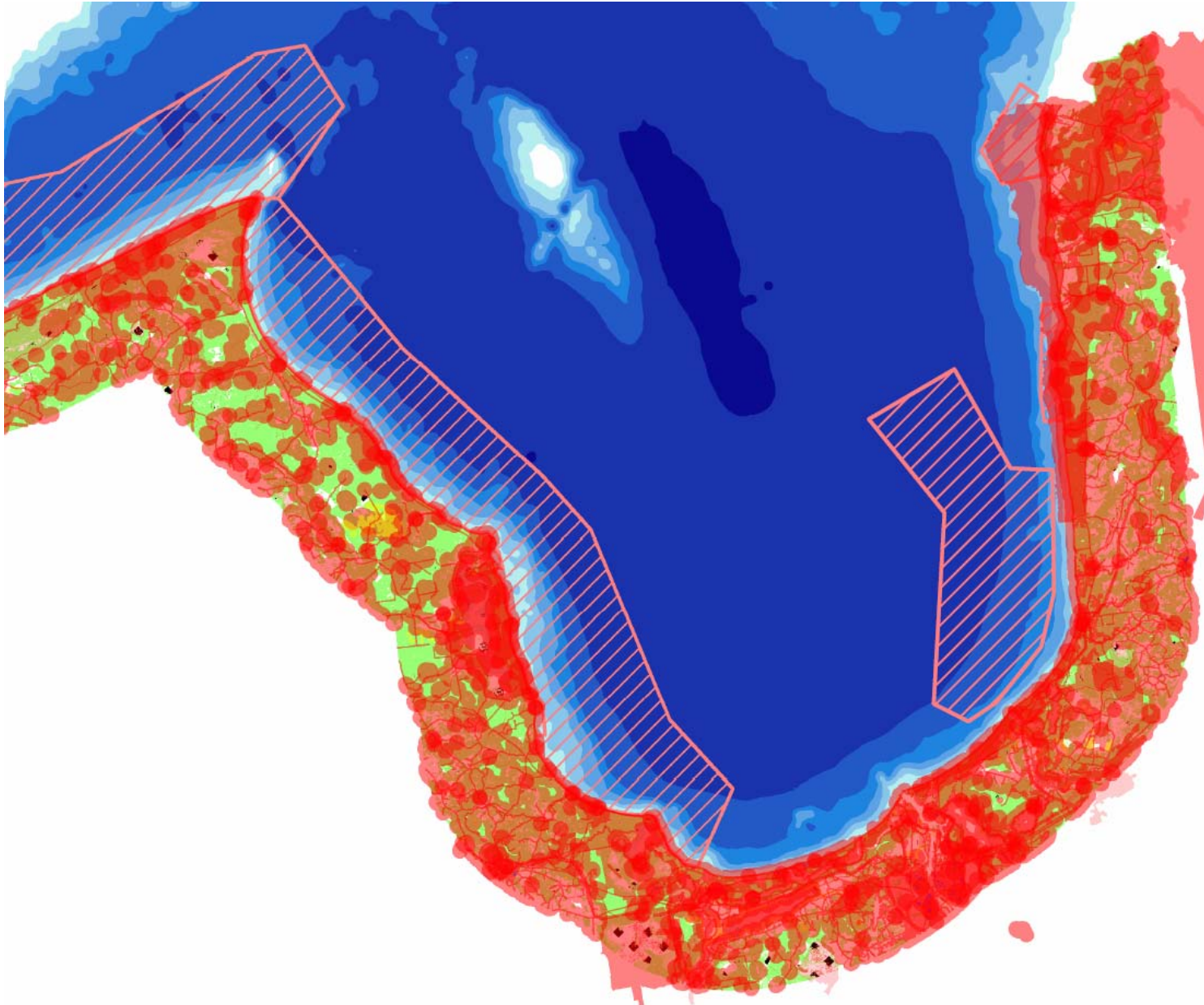
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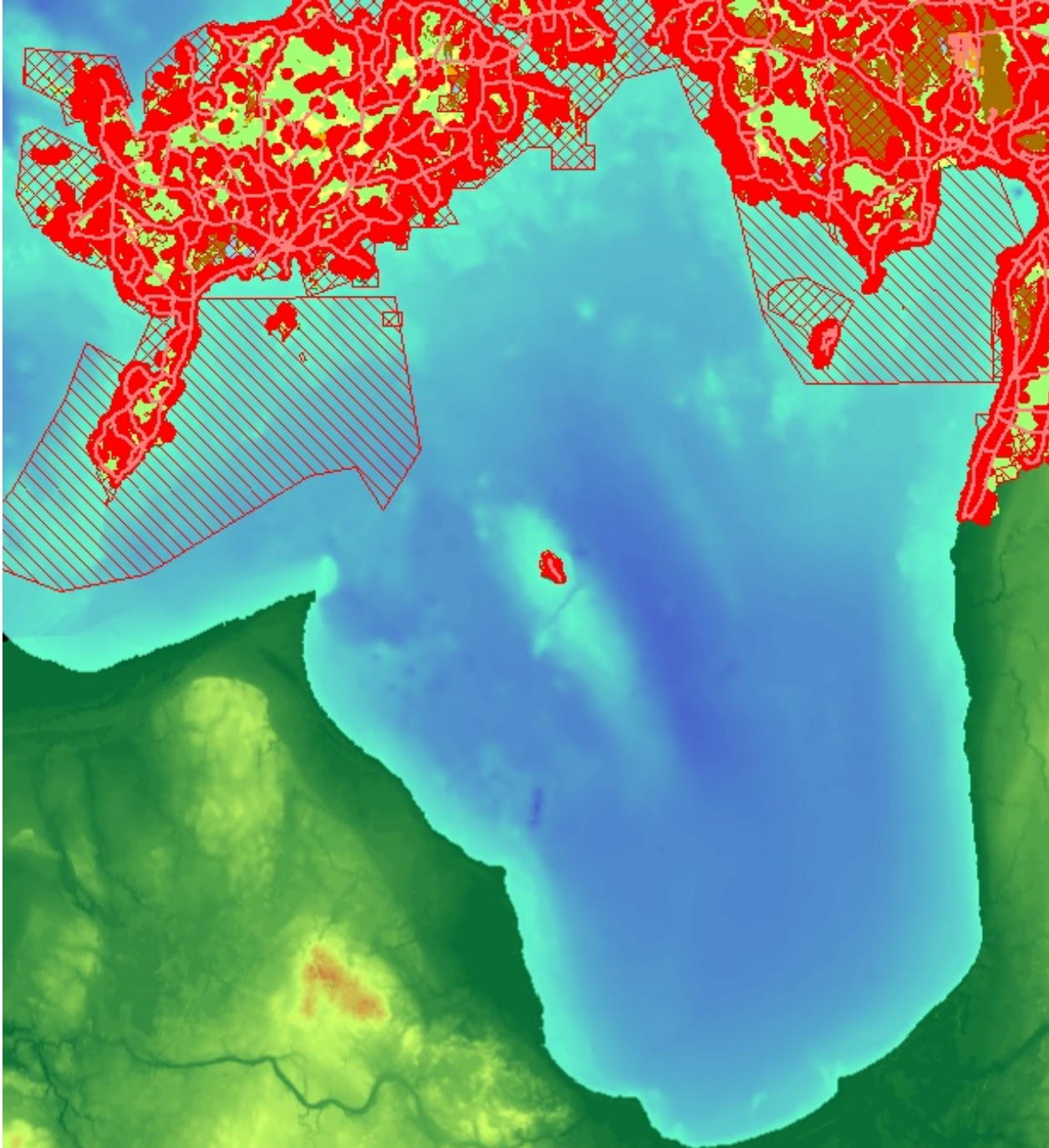
= Suitability rate



Legal restrictions on land in Latvia...

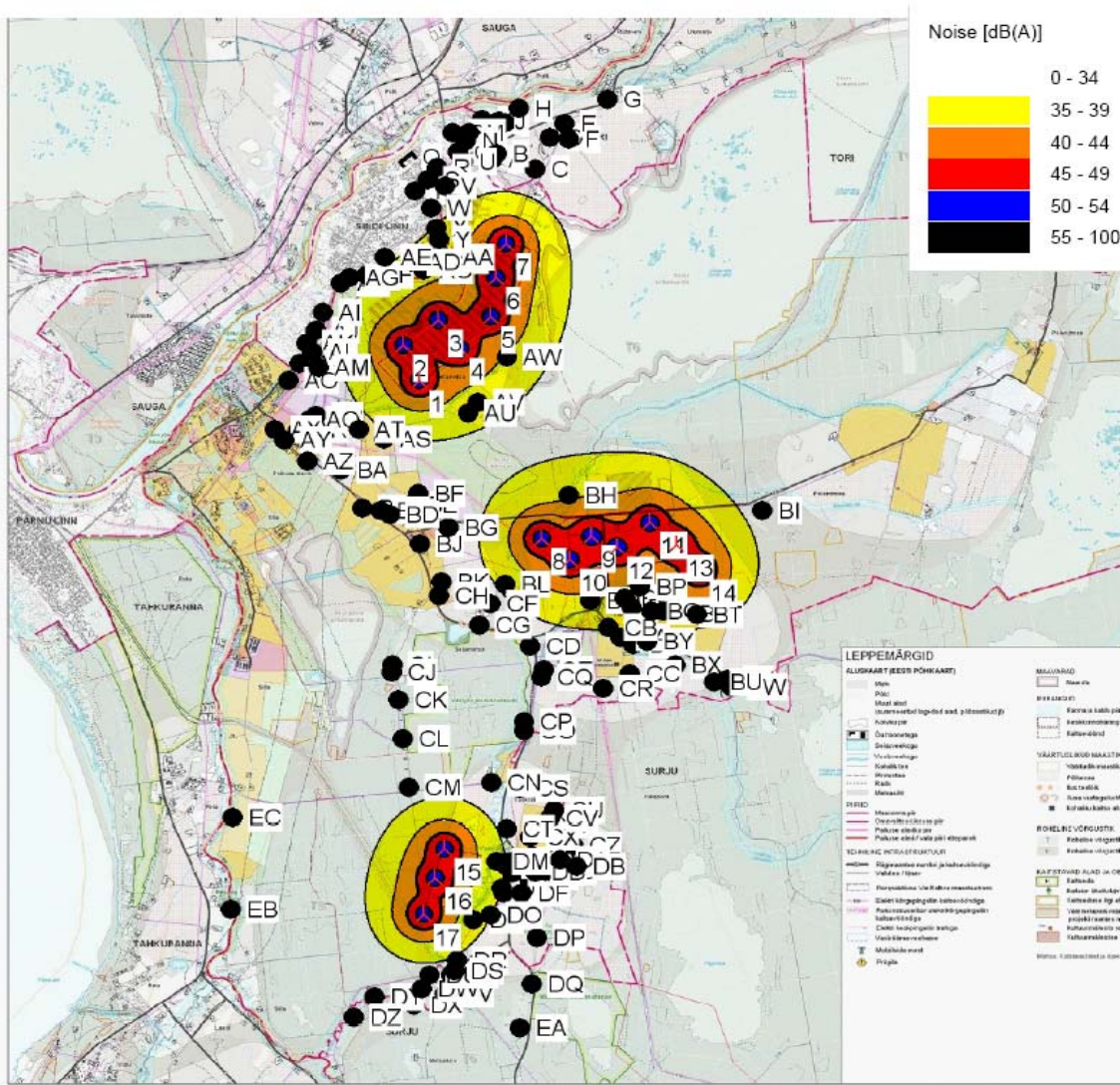


Legal restrictions on land in Estonia



Almost no space for
wind farm
development in
coastal zone, only
few stand-alone wind
turbine sites
available

Noise level around wind farms



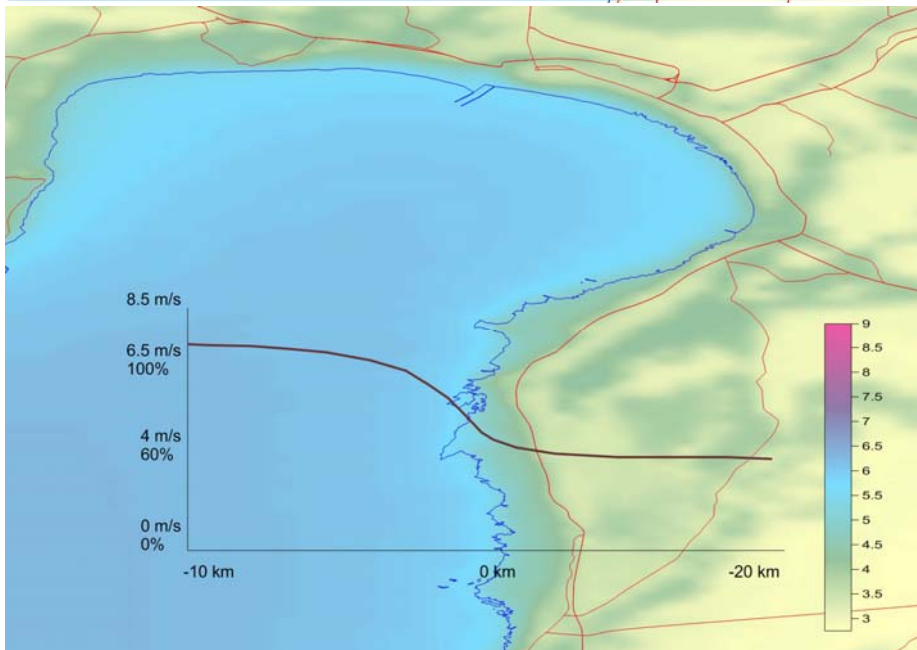
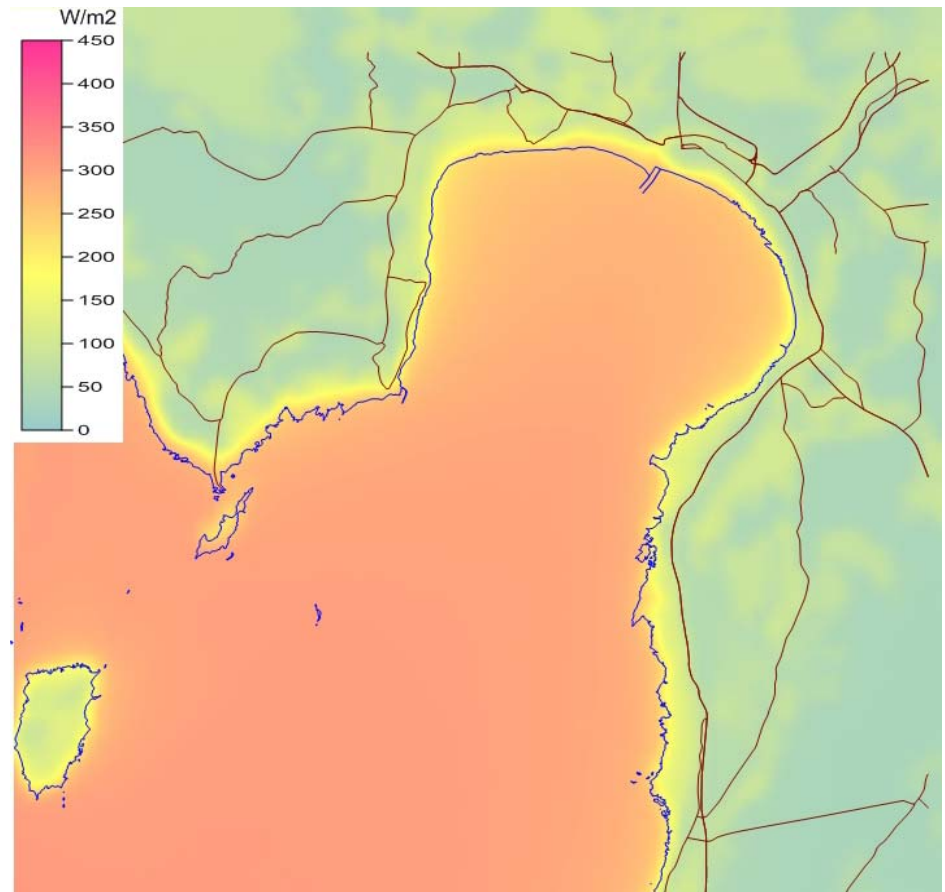
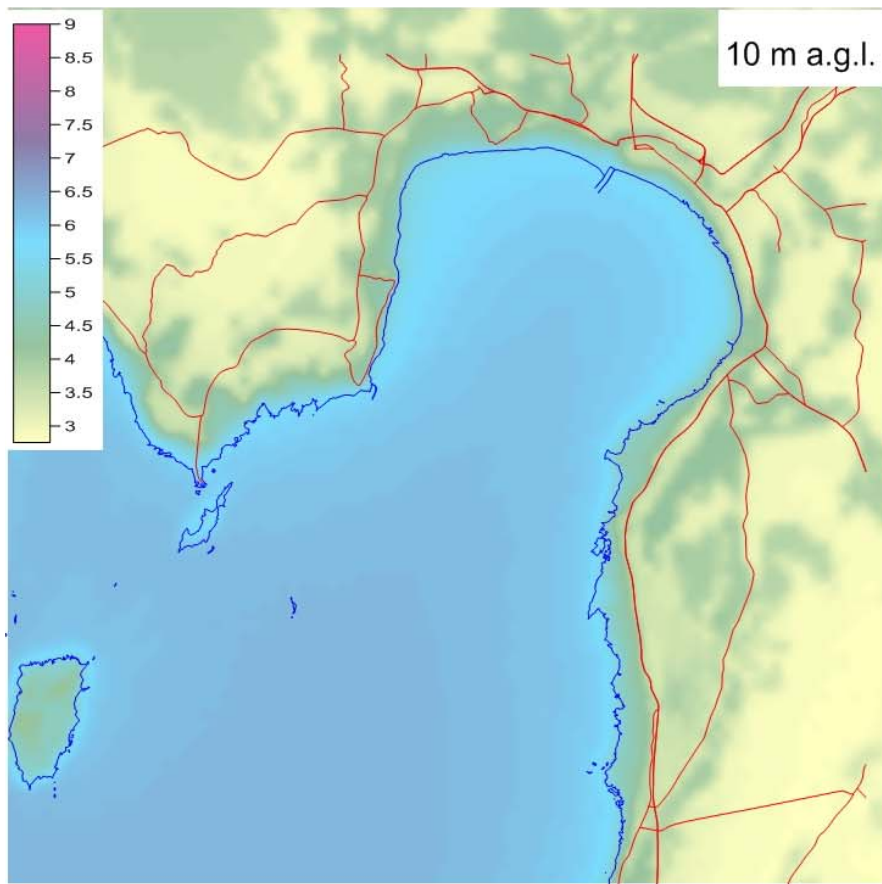
Until April 4. 2011 noise level regulations were similar in EST and LAT.

As a good practice it was to guarantee 40 dB(A) or lower noise level, now the level is defined individually by each local government and it can be 50% stricter than normative level.

In offshore wind farms higher number of days with inversion is characteristic and those noise propagation is increased.

Map: PaikuseTP, Print scale 1:100 000, Map center LEST92 East: 540 797 North: 6 468 055
Noise calculation model: ISO 9613-2 General. Wind speed: 8.0 m/s

Height above sea level from active line object
35.0 dB(A) 40.0 dB(A) 45.0 dB(A) 50.0 dB(A) 55.0 dB(A)



Wind energy in off-shore is nearly 40% higher than on coast but...

Distance to the power grid connection point

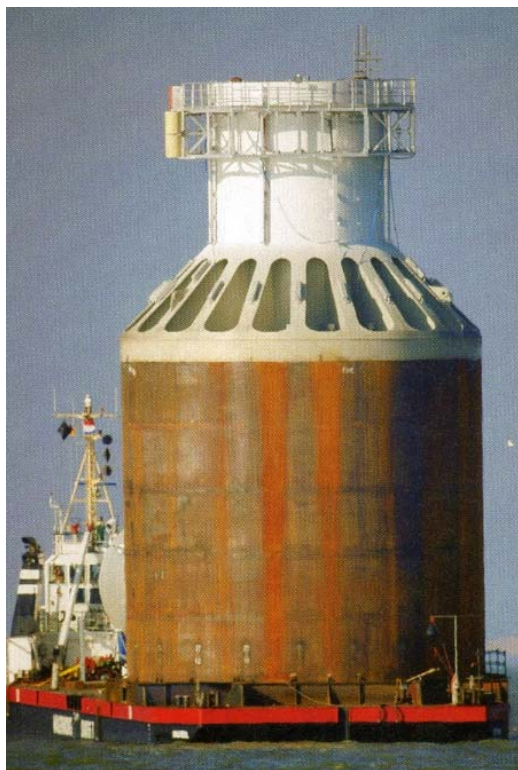
Current situation



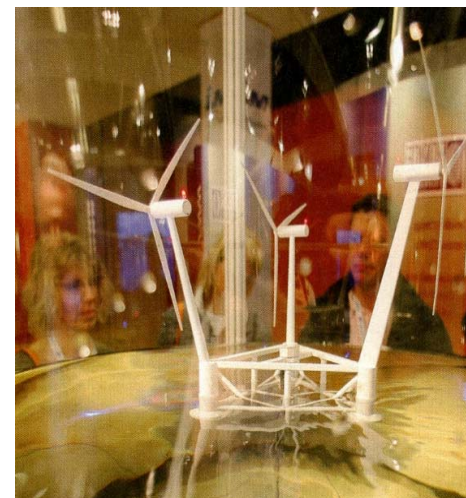
Prospektiv



Water depth (5-30 m)

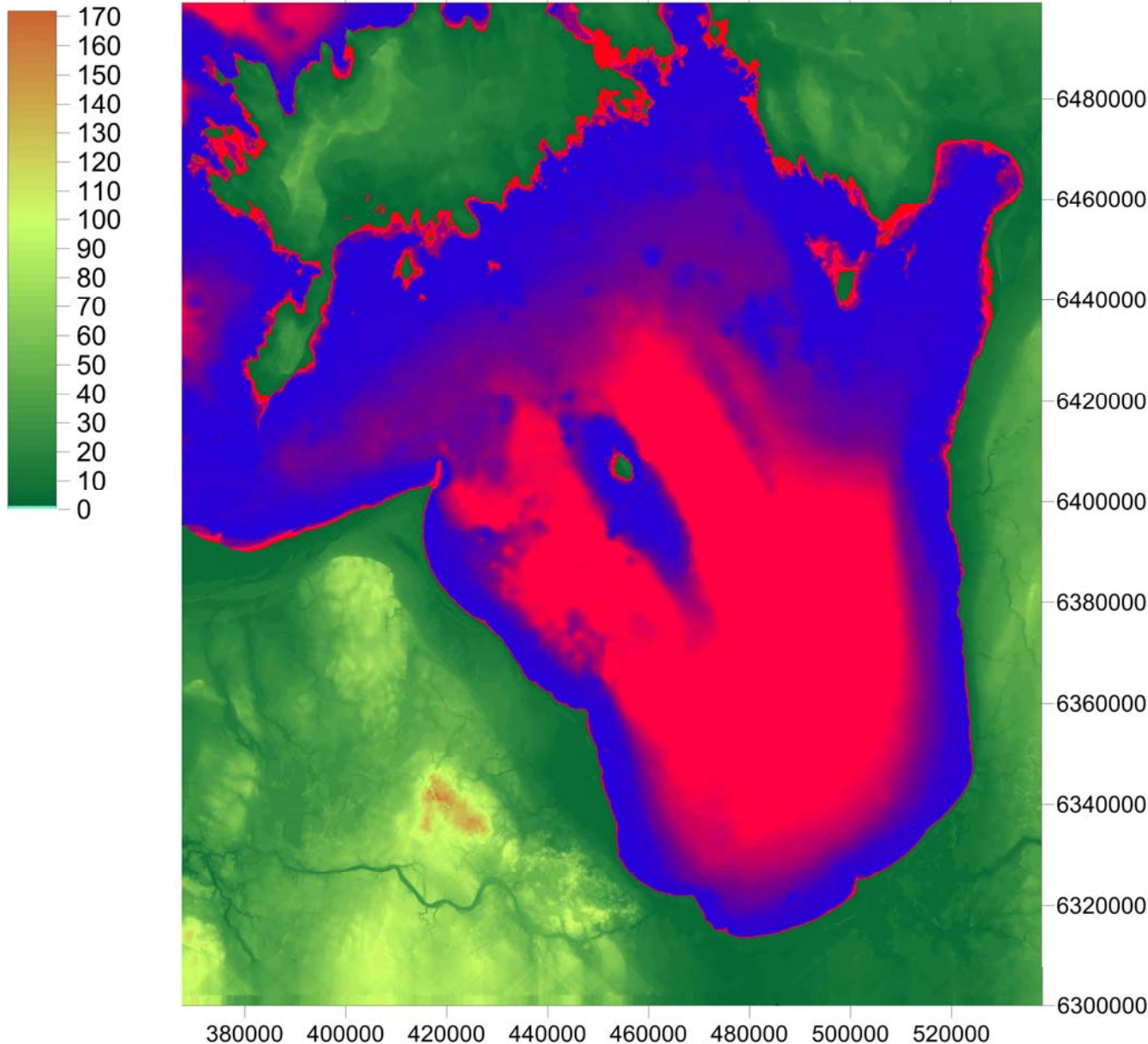


- Currently maximum depth for off-shore wind turbine with fixed foundation < 45 m (*Beatrice, UK*);
 - Floating wind turbine test-model in 220m (*Hywind, NOR*)
- ... but not in ice conditions like in *Gulf of Riga*



Water depth suitability for offshore wind farm development

0% 50 100 50 10 0%



Water depth is one of the most critical limitations:

very shallow water <1.5 m is not accessible for installation ships and barges;

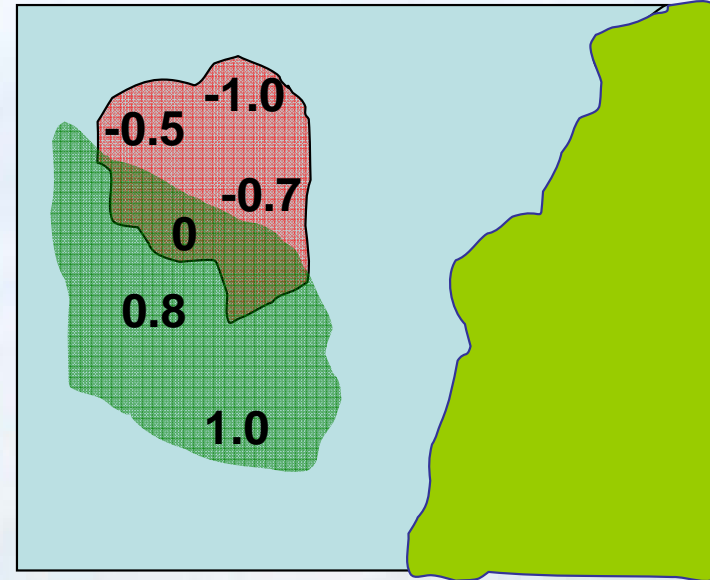
deeper than 35 m water is too costly to develop, especially in ice-covered waterbodies.

- **How far should be the wind farm?**
- **How big can be the wind farm?**
- **In which landscape do we accept the wind farm?**



Wind turbines at
5 km distance
Vestas V-80 (2MW)

- Questionnaire:
 - how far is acceptable?
 - how many is acceptable?
 - where is acceptable?



- Probability (acceptability) mapping
 - Areas not accepted by local inhabitants
 - Areas accepted by local inhabitants

Visualization

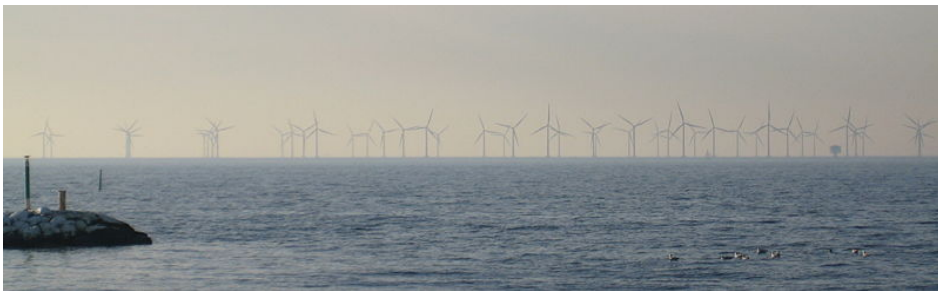
a) Local (coastal and marine) landscape types defined in Latvia and Estonia;

b) Visualization of wind farms in specific landscapes;

Distance from wind farm;

Size of wind farm;

Landscape of wind farm area

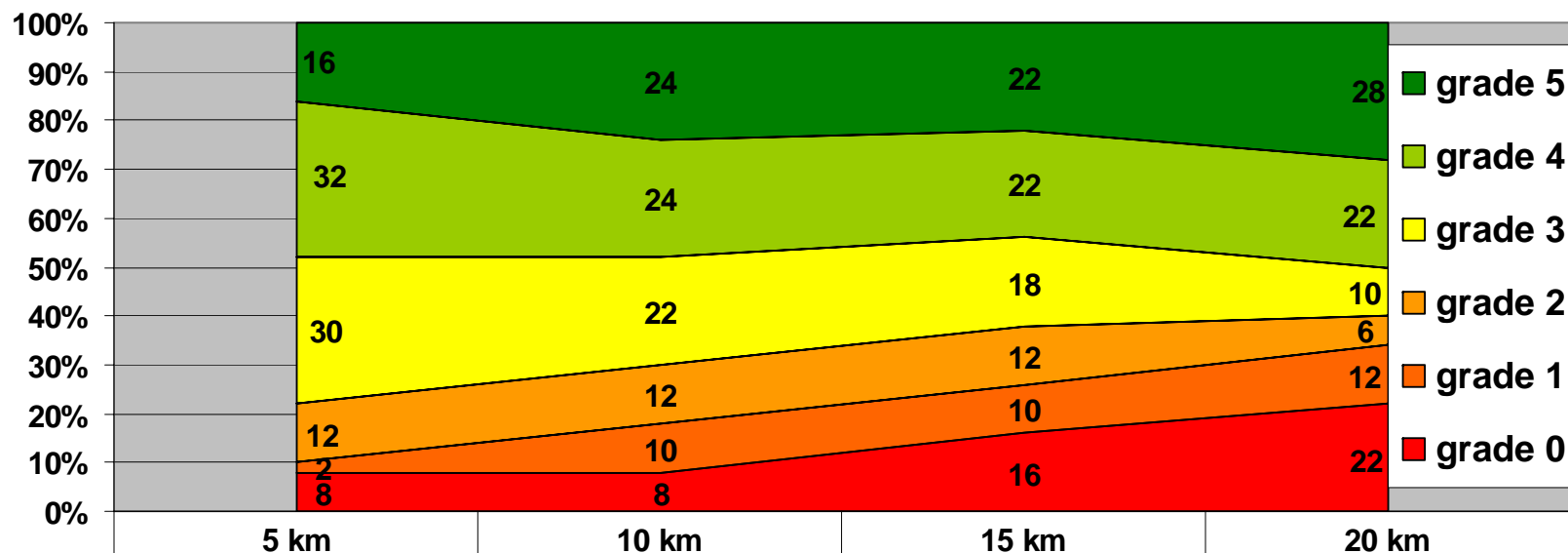


Visualization





5km → 20km



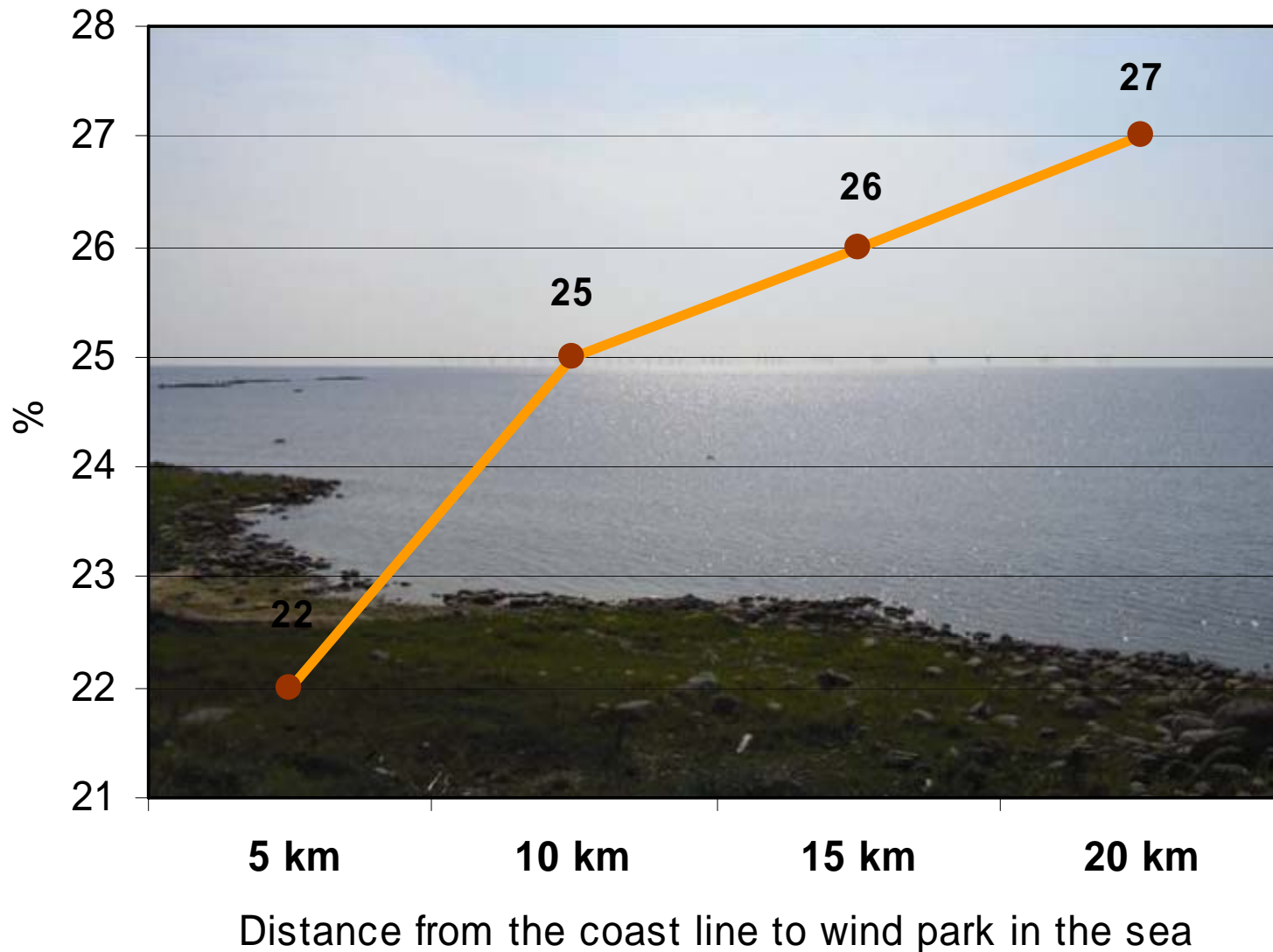
Very much

grade 5	16	24	22	28
grade 4	32	24	22	22
grade 3	30	22	18	10
grade 2	12	12	12	6
grade 1	2	10	10	12
grade 0	8	8	16	22

Not at all

How far off-shore should go?

Share of people totally agree with specified distance of off-shore wind farm in Latvia

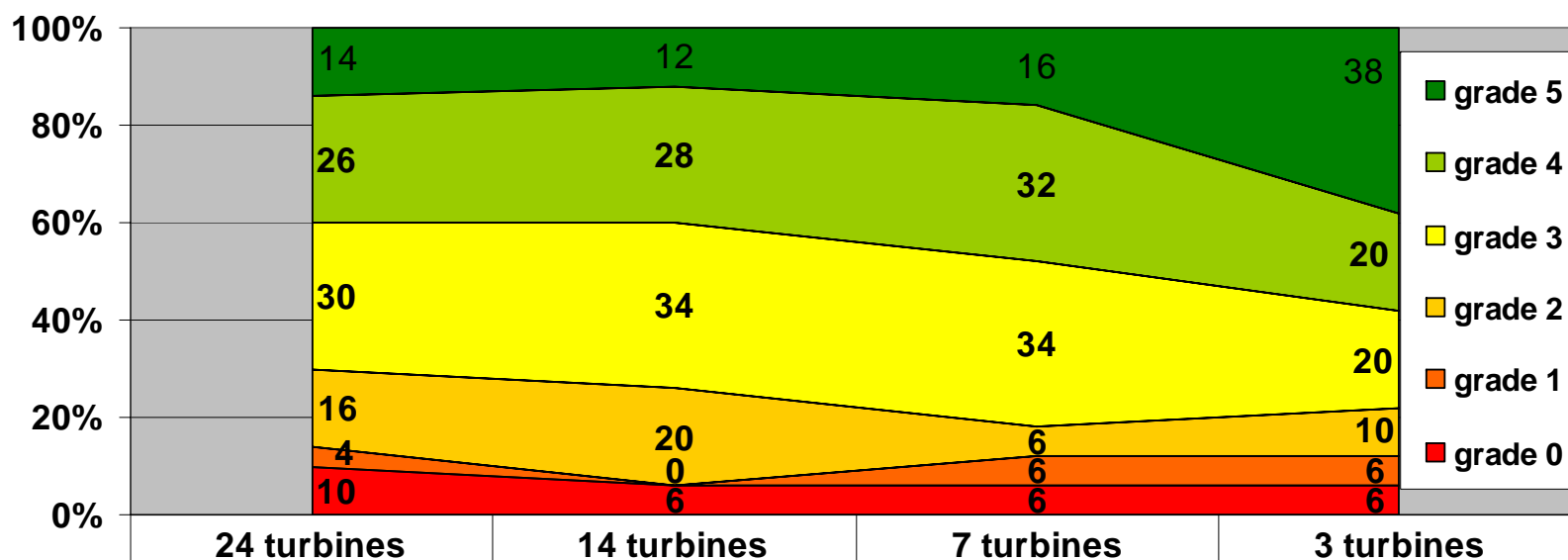




24 → 3
turbines



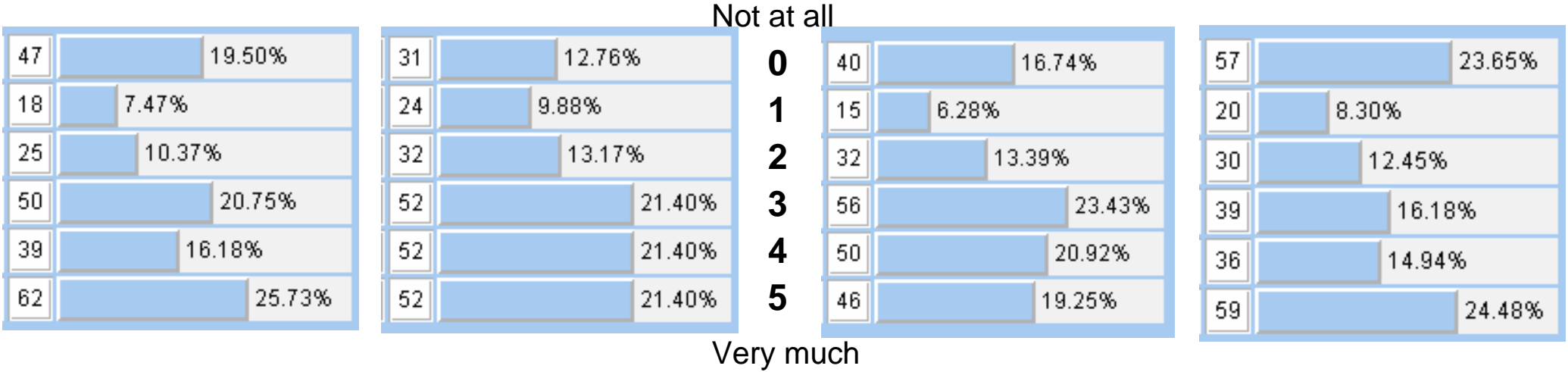
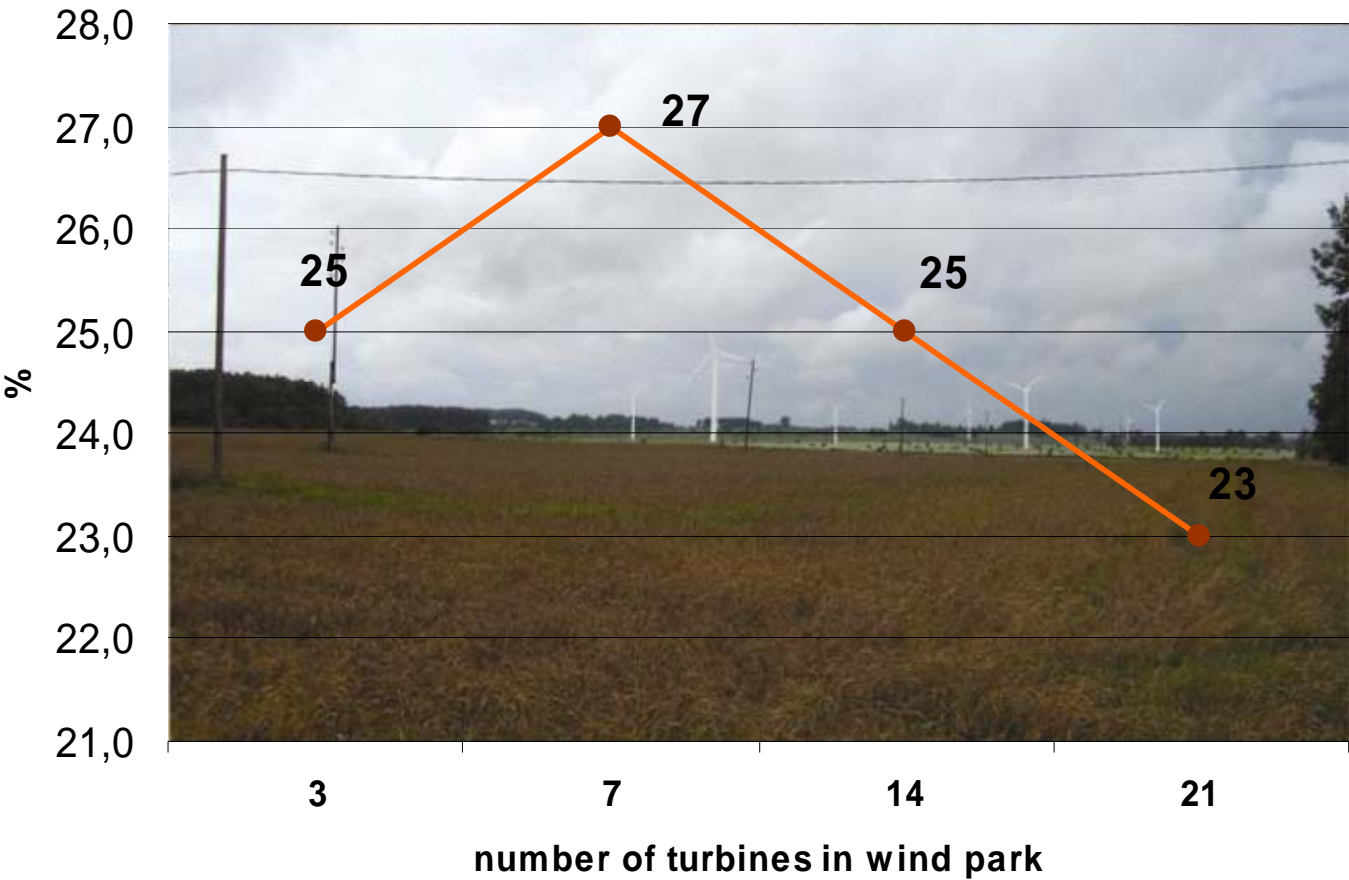
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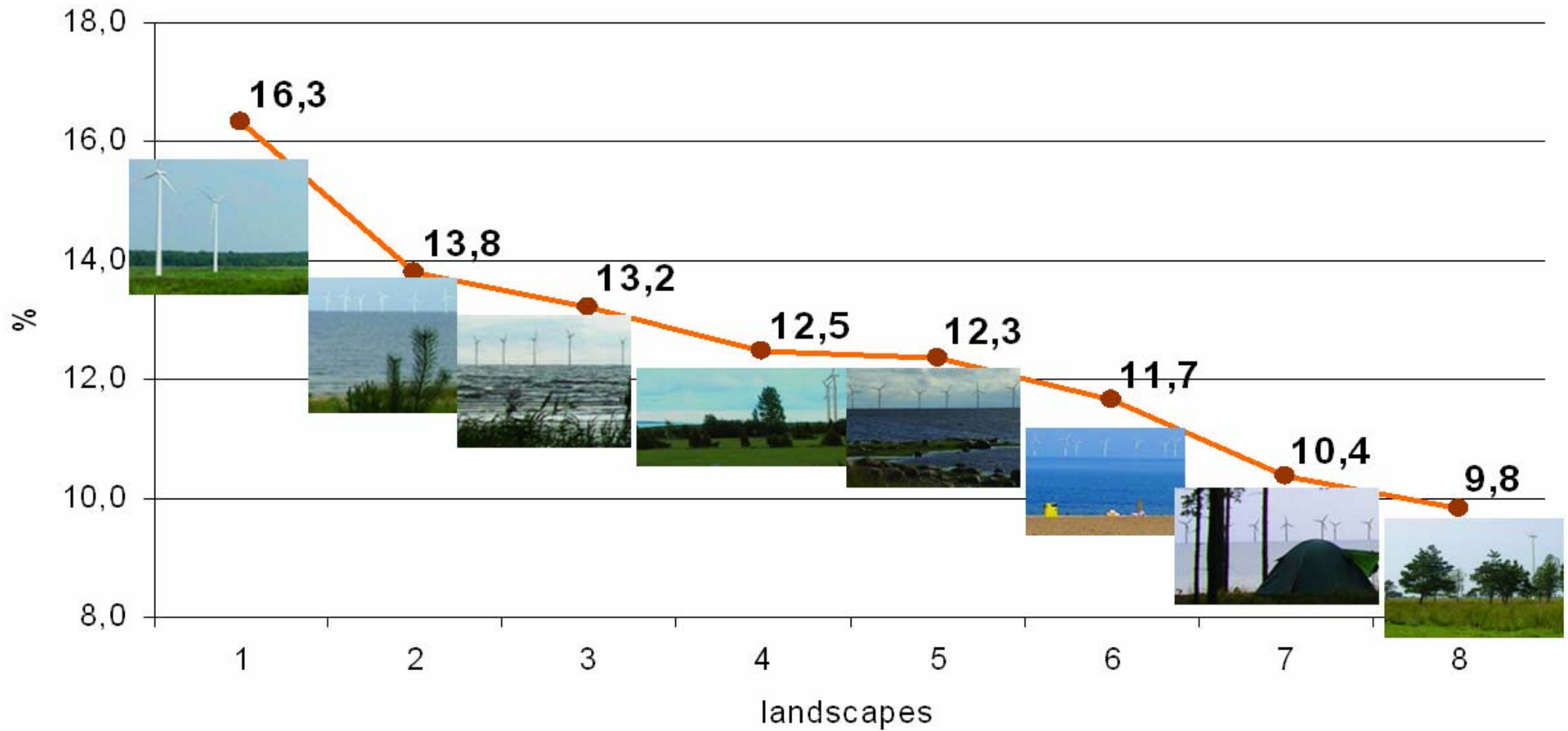
Not at all

How many wind turbines?

Optimal size of wind park



The most suitable landscape for wind parks



Landscape preferences



	Estonia	Latvia
0	8 %	32 %
1	14 %	15 %
2	16 %	8 %
3	28 %	17 %
4	24 %	15 %
5	10 %	15 %

	Estonia	Latvia
0	4 %	19 %
1	8 %	10%
2	6 %	12 %
3	36 %	21 %
4	26 %	19%
5	20 %	18%

Landscape preferences



	Estonia	Latvia
0	2 %	6 %
1	4 %	6 %
2	0 %	10 %
3	36 %	16 %
4	46 %	29 %
5	12 %	31 %

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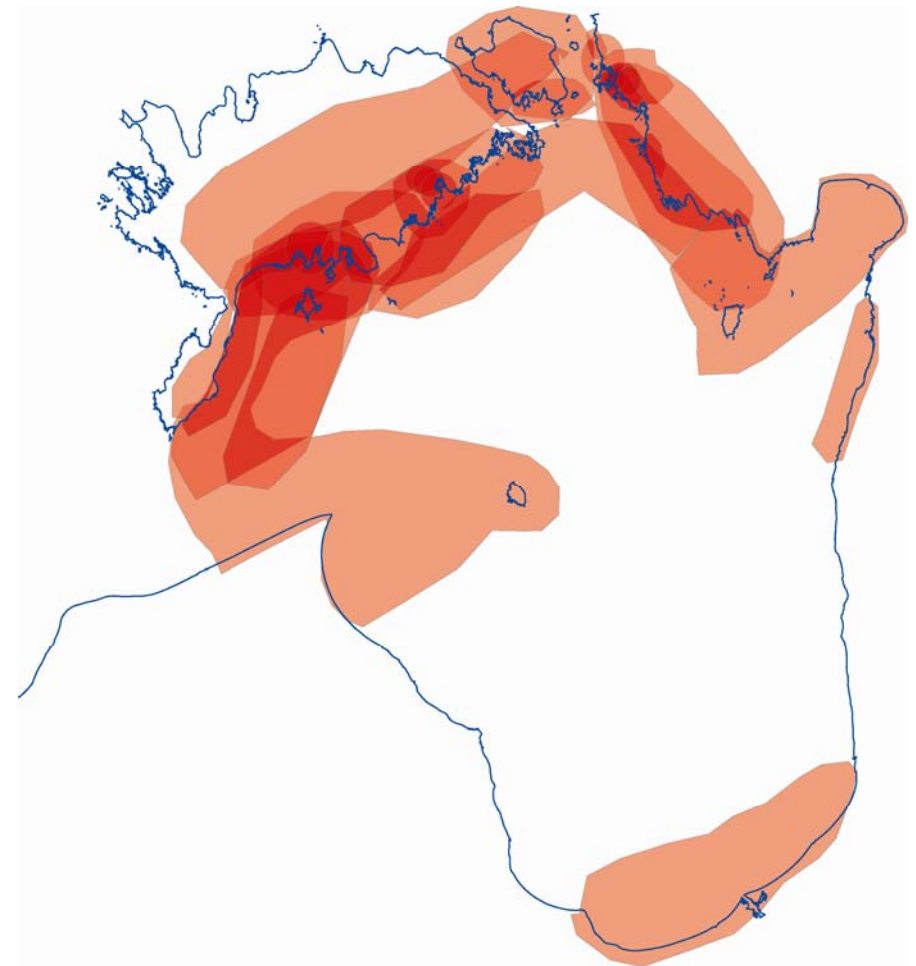
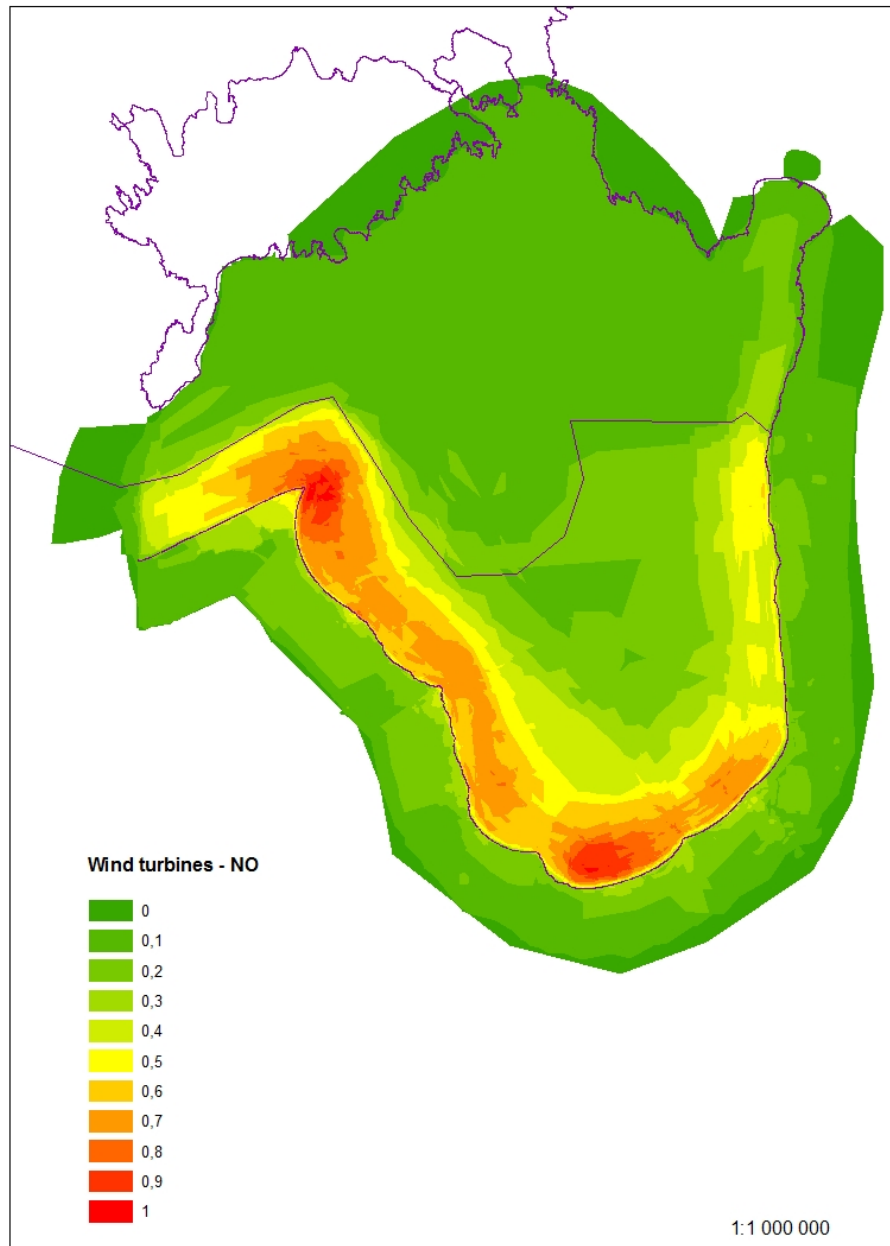
Landscape preferences



	Estonia	Latvia
0	14 %	25 %
1	16 %	9 %
2	14 %	10 %
3	24 %	20 %
4	20 %	17 %
5	12 %	19 %

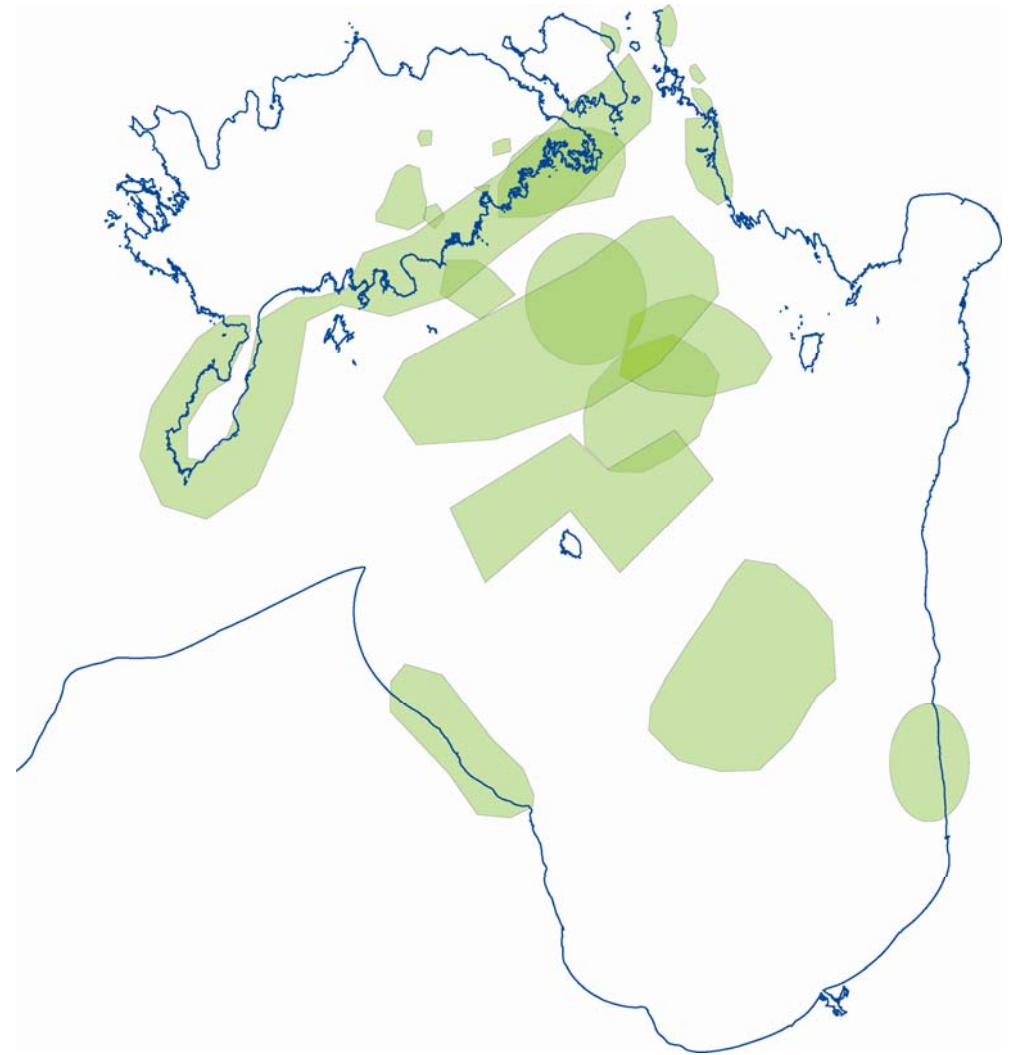
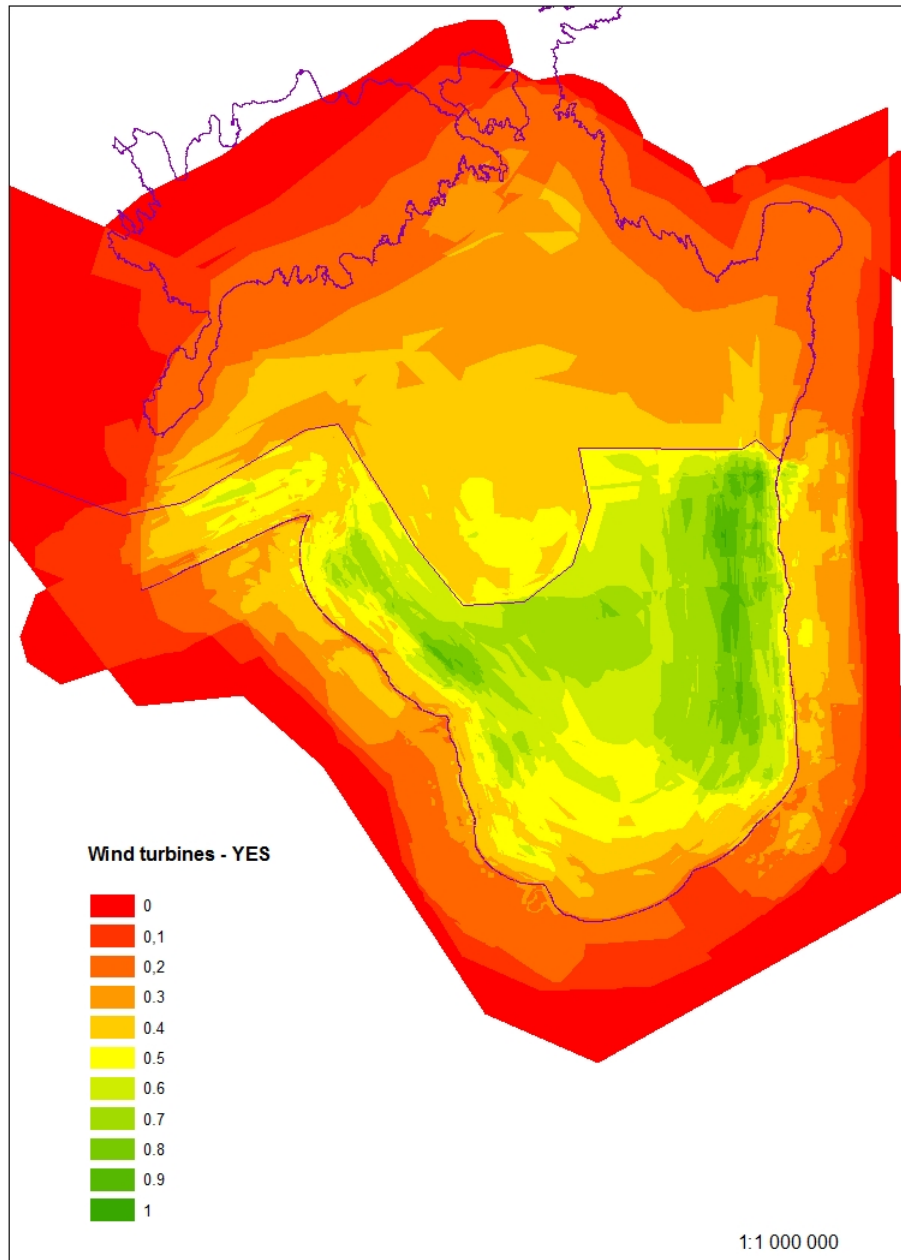
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0	6 %	18 %
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4	30 %	19%
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Public rejectance to offshore development



Examples of areas of public rejectance based on questionnaires

Public acceptance to offshore development



Examples of areas of public acceptance based on questionnaires

Other aspects on wind energy

Willingness to pay for wind energy:

No: 84%

Yes: 16%

Should government support wind energy:

No: 24%

Yes: 76%

NIMBY: 41% have some degree of syndrome, it is more present among younger people.

What makes people to accept wind turbines?

Free electricity for neighbouring people (84%) but also 46% require compensation for local government

Next step --->

data syntesis and GIS analysis

Wind resource ...

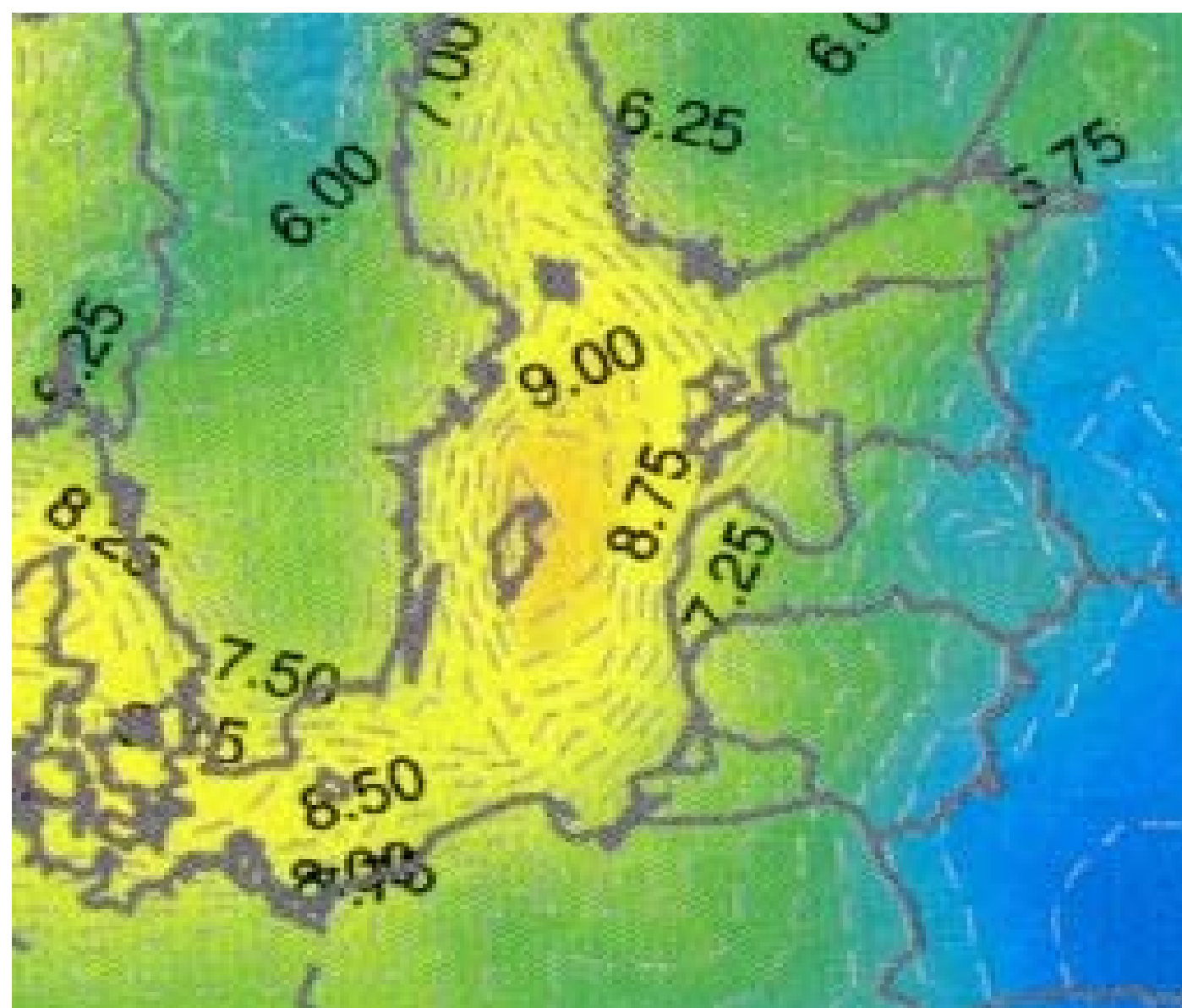
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On-line questionnaires

- In Estonian:

<http://kwiksurveys.com?u=arvamusuuring>

- In Latvian:

- http://www.kwiksurveys.com?s=OKKNML_6c433347

- In English:

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