Citizen science – results of the ENVIBASE project

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Outline

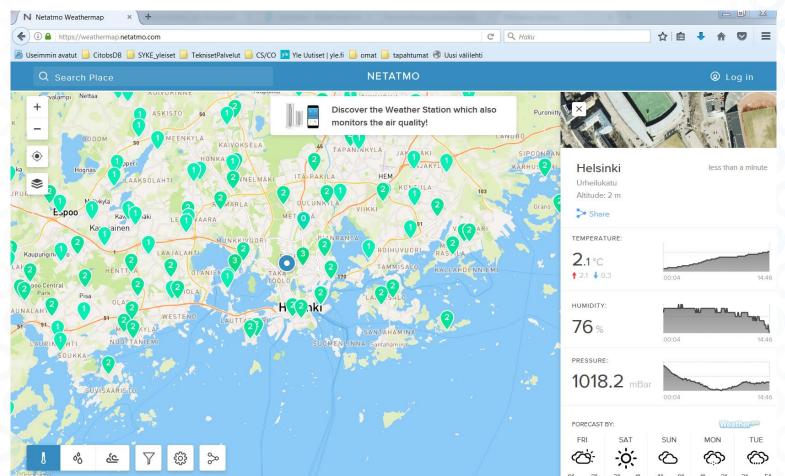
- ENVIBASE project
- What are Citizen Observations and Citizen Science?
- Järviwiki water related observations in lakes and sea
- Talviseuranta "Winter monitoring" and Citizen Observations
 - Example for other WFD related monitoring
- CitobsDB the common database for Citizen Observations data in SYKE
- "Citobs approach to Citizen Observations"



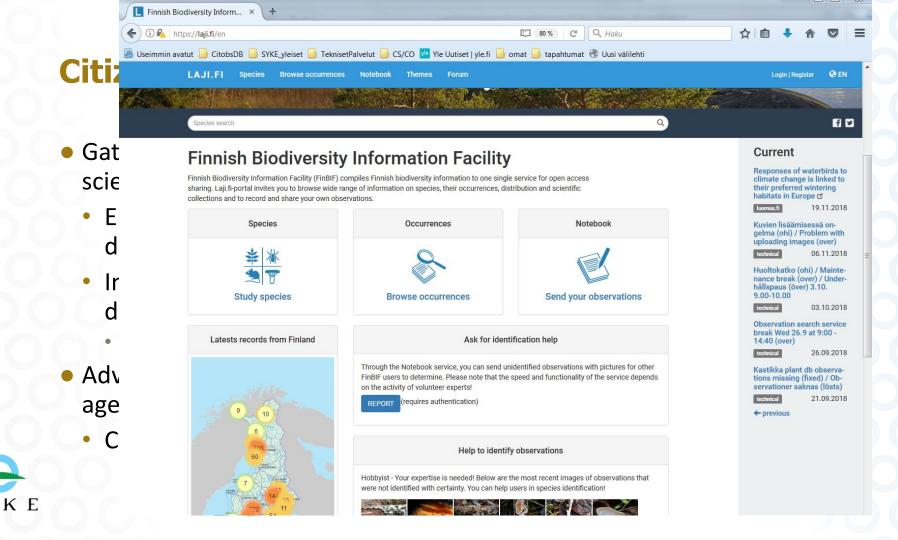
ENVIBASE project 2015-2018

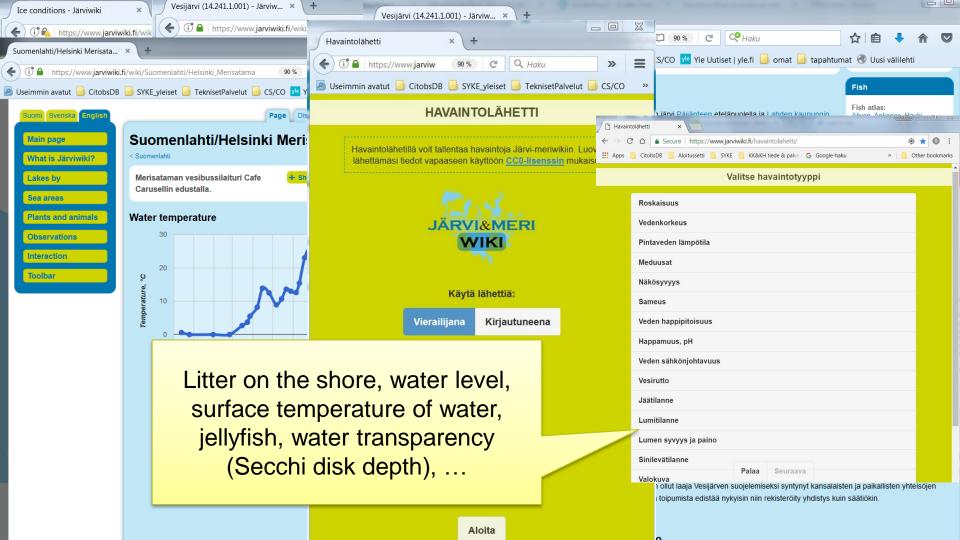
- Enhanced GIS- and remote sensing infrastructure for environment
- National Satellite Data Centre (NSDC)
- Finnish Biodiversity Information Facility (FinBIF)
- Utilisation of citizen observations in environmental monitoring
 - (→ CitobsDB, Citizen Observations / Citizen Science)
- Enhanced management and sharing of research datasets (CKAN)
- Finnish Environment Institute (SYKE), Finnish Museum of Natural History (LUOMUS) and Finnish Meteorological Institute (FMI); 7.3 M€









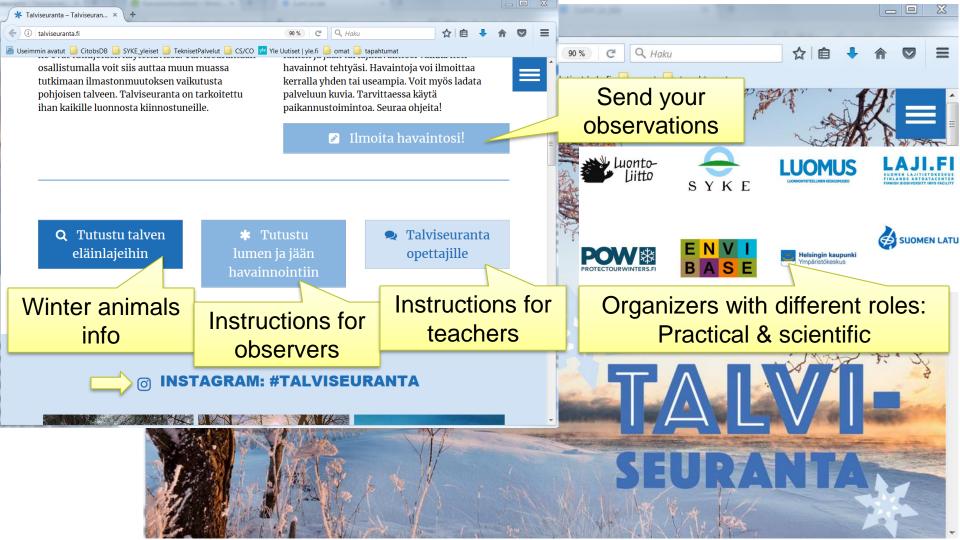


Platforms and campaigns

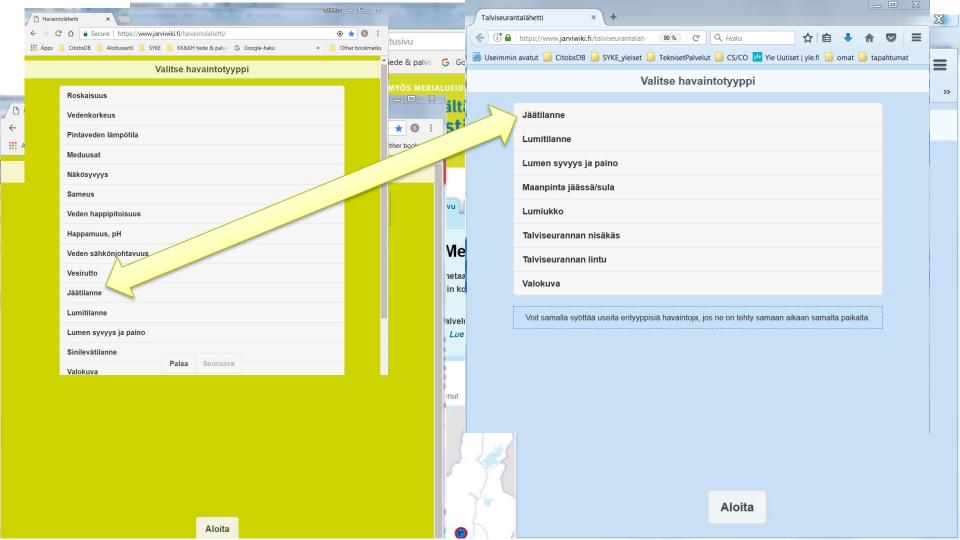
- Järviwiki is the SYKE Citizen Science platform
 - Submission of observations with "Havaintolähetti", a mobile phone optimized web page
 - Lots of Wiki functionality
- Other platforms are available
 - Tailor-made apps for different fields of interest
 - Survey123 on ESRI ArcGIS Online etc for "generic" functionality
 - SYKE CitobsDB for cross-platform functionality
- Citizen observations are mainly a communications and coworking challenge, not so much a technical one
- Campaigns to manage public communications:
 - Talviseuranta, "Winter monitoring"

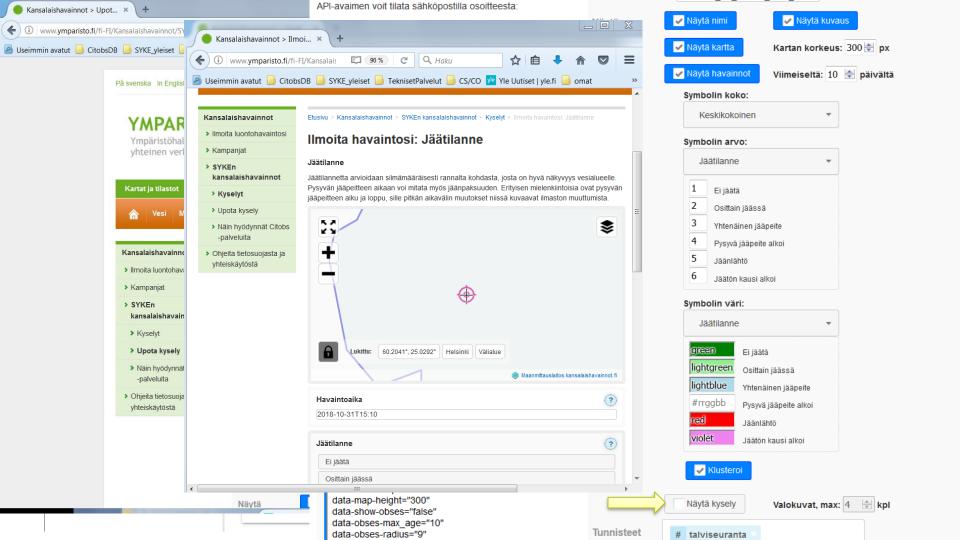


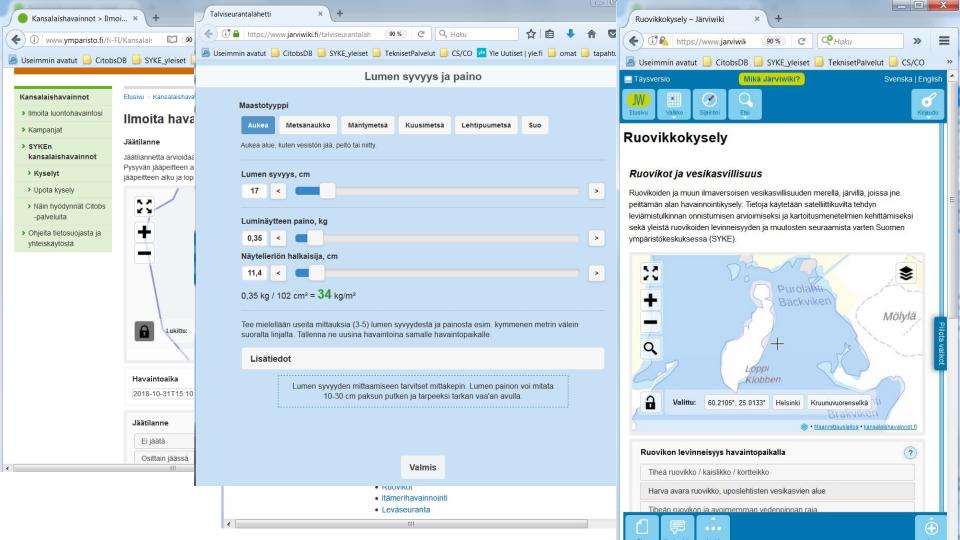
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CitobsDB database with Open311 interface & open/closed data interfaces

Extended Open311 Web interfaces (WMS/WFS) for CO gathering for valid open data CitobsUI Management for **CitobsDB** Open311 & CitobsDB CitObsOper Closed internal quality management

Common guestionnaires for different applications and services to gather (Citizen) observer data to common data base(s): CitobsDB technology

All gathered observed information can be checked and disseminated as open (or processed further as confidential) data from one service.

Checking / rejecting observations

Managing nonopen data

Citobs general architecture to coordinate and focus observer activities

Citizen observer data gathering system interface(s)

- JärviWiki/Havaintolähetti
- Talviseurantalähetti
- Citobs Open311 Widget

Co-operating organizations assist:

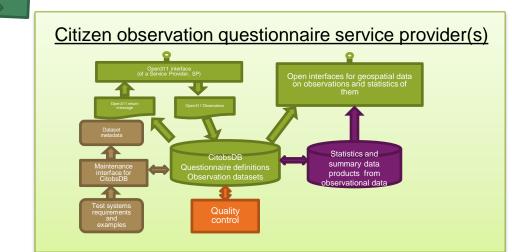
Requests to observe:

"Notifications"
Other observer
communication

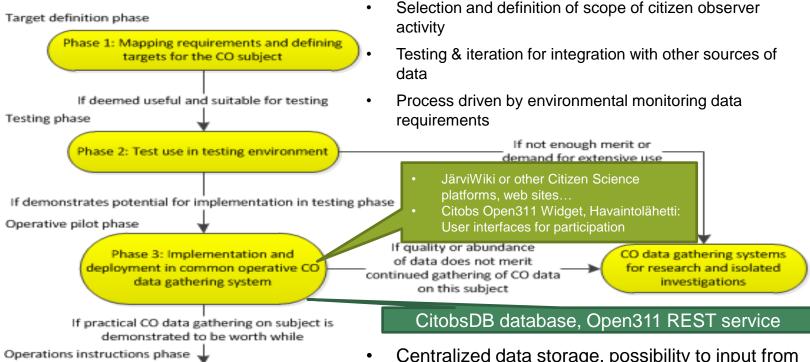
Citizen
observers
(CObs)

Monitoring interest definition datasets:

From were & what topics the CO organizers need more information NOW



Citizen Observation definition process

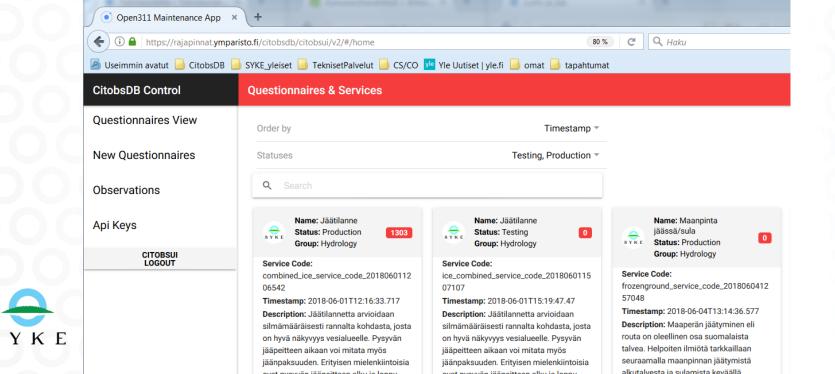


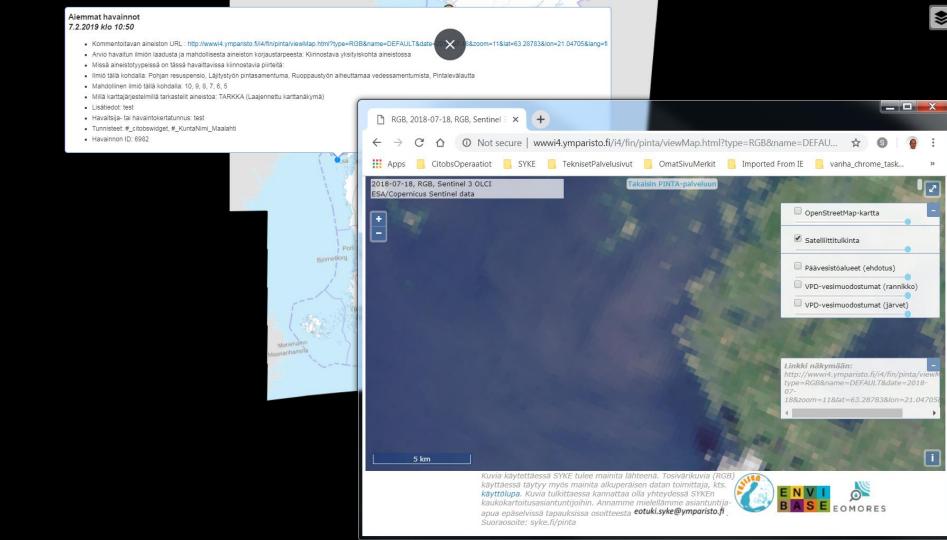
Participation and/or automation? Rules or spontaneous interest?

Phase 4: Finalisation of deployment and instructions

- Centralized data storage, possibility to input from different end user services: Co-operation of observer groups
- Observer motivation, activity organization: Less technical, merely human communications challenge

"Citobs approach to Citizen Observations": Citobs is essentially an interface service editor, Widgets as a quick method of publishing UI for observers, ANY topic of Citizen Observations





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Thank you! Kiitos! Questions?

