

# Press release08

# Launch of the TeRRIFICA Crowdmapping tool

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# Collaborative efforts to adapt and mitigate the effects of climate change

"Climate change is the defining challenge of our time. Mitigating its impacts and adapting to changes already taking place or impossible to avoid will require fundamental changes to societies and behaviours all over the world — as well as scientific breakthroughs, both technological and social" (Climate Change Adaptation – Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, European Commission). It is in this context the Territation project has emerged and launches the Territation.

The TeRRIFICA crowdmapping tool is an online platform through which the population, by pooling their efforts, can help build a map that highlights a region's main climate threats. The tool is based on a voluntary survey, in which participants are asked to indicate places on the map that they consider significant concerning certain aspects of climate change: air temperature, water and wind circulation and air and soil quality. They can be negative examples, i.e. areas in the region in which the adverse effects of climate change are already apparent or examples of good adaptation or mitigation actions that have a positive impact on the environment. Participants are also asked to recommend solutions for improving the places regarded as negative. They may add comments that illustrate the significance of the place or problem. The goal is to cocreate a map that indicates the actions, which both the administrations and population might consider a priority on the fight for fostering competence for climate change adaptation and mitigation in Europe.







This crowdmapping tool is built to collect experiences and opinions when the local environment climate change effects come alive. European citizens are invited to put a mark in this interactive map of their region and are asked to explain why they decided to mark this place.

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## The six TeRRIFICA Pilot regions:

Territory Territory operates in six pilot regions throughout Europe: in the metropolitan area of Barcelona, in capital and major cities like Belgrade, Poznan and Minsk, in the agricultural region of Vechta and Cloppenburg, and rural regions like Brittany, Normandy and Pays de Loire with certain similarieties in geography and climate (Spain-Serbia, Poland-Belarus, France-Germany). The pilot regions have been carefully chosen to compose a significant panorama of the future adaptability of the results, measures, actions, recommendations and any output from the Territory project. Each region or city has its own characteristics and features, contributing relevant aspects to the project's landscape as a whole. Through workshops and regional and international summer schools in these pilot regions, Territory makers, and will develop adequate solutions together with them. Each Territory pilot region has its own language version of the crowdmapping tool:

- Belarus Belarusian <a href="http://belklimat.terrifica.eu">http://belklimat.terrifica.eu</a>
- France French <a href="http://climatoscopie.terrifica.eu">http://climatoscopie.terrifica.eu</a>
- Germany German http://klimakarte.terrifica.eu
- Poland Polish <a href="http://mapujklimat.terrifica.eu">http://mapujklimat.terrifica.eu</a>
- Serbia Serbian http://belgrade.terrifica.eu
- Spain Spanish <a href="http://cambioclimatico.terrifica.eu">http://cambioclimatico.terrifica.eu</a>
- Catalan <a href="http://canviclimatic.terrifica.eu">http://canviclimatic.terrifica.eu</a>
- International version English http://climatemapping.terrifica.eu

# How will the pilot regions proceed with the results collected in the map?

Stakeholders will participate in the identification of regional needs and priorities by putting a mark on the map. The data obtained by the crowd mapping will be combined with free data collections (e.g. OpenStreet-Map or official data sets) and valued to answer local issues and review the obtained results. By providing their mark on the map, participants support the visualization of social robust information on climate change. The information collected will be used to develop climate change adaptation and mitigation opportunities and roadmaps for climate action in the regions in an attractive stakeholder group tailored manner.

We are looking forward to jointly co-creating climate friendly regions!







# **Territalis:**

Editing functions: <a href="https://youtu.be/dTLHcRWoPeg">https://youtu.be/dTLHcRWoPeg</a>
Basic functions: <a href="https://youtu.be/Q8fufqKIR48">https://youtu.be/Q8fufqKIR48</a>

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### Other links and useful information:

General information leaflet – Terrifica project

### What is TeRRIFICA?

The EU funded project TeRRIFICA (Territorial Responsible Research and Innovation Fostering Innovative Climate Action) aims to influence climate change mitigation and adaptation policies and foster competence for climate change adaptation and mitigation in six European regions with a specific focus on Responsible Research and Innovation and the co-creation of knowledge.

In a trans-disciplinary partnership, TeRRIFICA involves six European countries, bringing together three research institutions, three non-profit organisations, one public association of universities and one public institution for science promotion. TeRRIFICA is led by WILA Bonn (Bonn, Germany) and the TeRRIFICA consortium is composted by the Rhine-Waal University (Kleve, Germany), the Education for Sustainable Development Association (Minsk, Belarus), the Center for the Promotion of Science (Belgrade, Serbia), the University of Vechta (Germany), the Adam Mickiewicz University (Poznan, Poland), Sciences Citoyennes (Paris, France) and the Catalan Association of Public Universities (Barcelona, Spain). The project is funded by the Horizon2020 programme of the European Commission.

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