



# Assessing aviation emission impacts on local air quality at airports and routes towards regulation

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# Genesis (1 of 6 projects)

LC-MG-1-1-2018: InCo flagship on reduction of transport impact on air quality

- A) Low-emission oriented driving, management and assistance (UCARES)
- B) GREEN VEHICLE index
- C) Sensing and monitoring emission in urban road transportation system (CARES)
- D) Characterising and quantifying particulate matter from shipping (SCIPPER)
- E) Measurement of airborne pollutants emissions from aircraft (AVIATOR)
- F) In-vitro and in-vivo assessment of health effects of ultrafine nanoparticles (TUBE)



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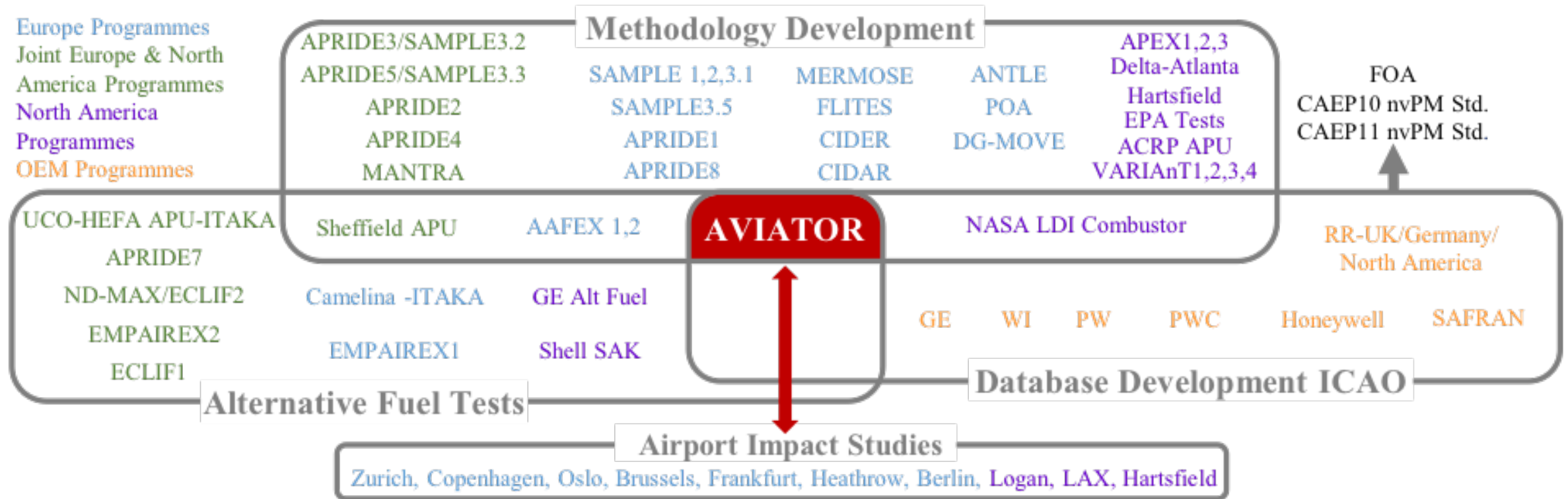
# Context

- Air Quality is an increasingly important issue for the aviation industry.
- Impact - possible health implications for communities who live close to airports.
- Historical focus has been on NO<sub>x</sub>. But gathering momentum to examine UFP (ultrafine particulate) and SVOC (semi-volatile organic compounds (e.g. brown carbon)).
- Concern over volatile PM and emission of PM precursors.
- Connection between engine emissions and LAQ measurements.



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# Building on existing knowledge and understanding



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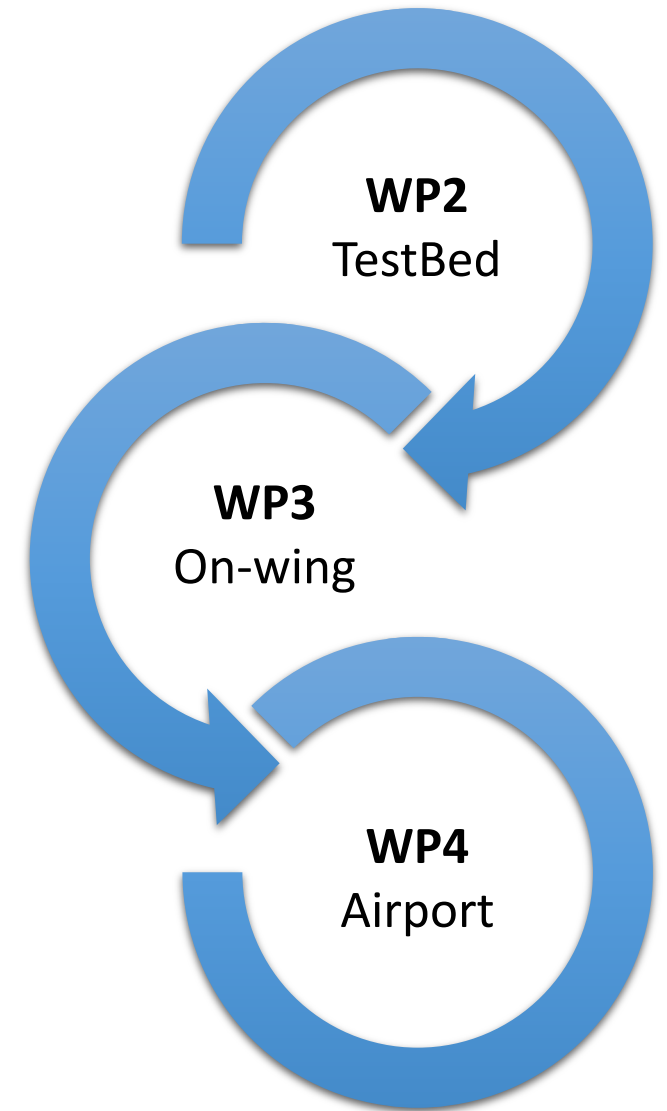
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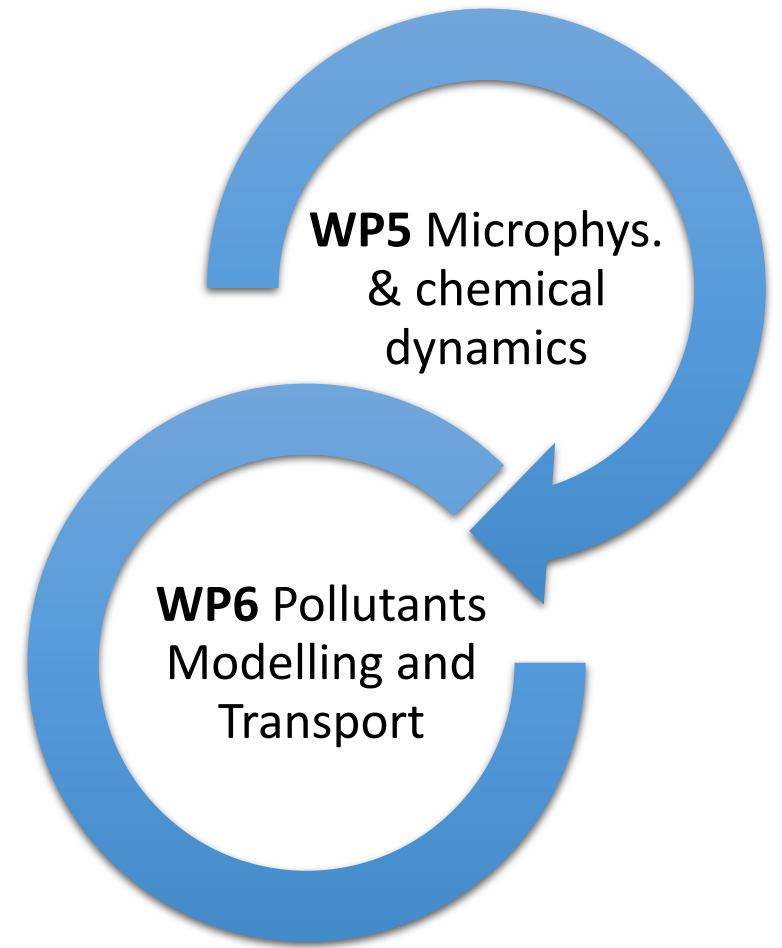
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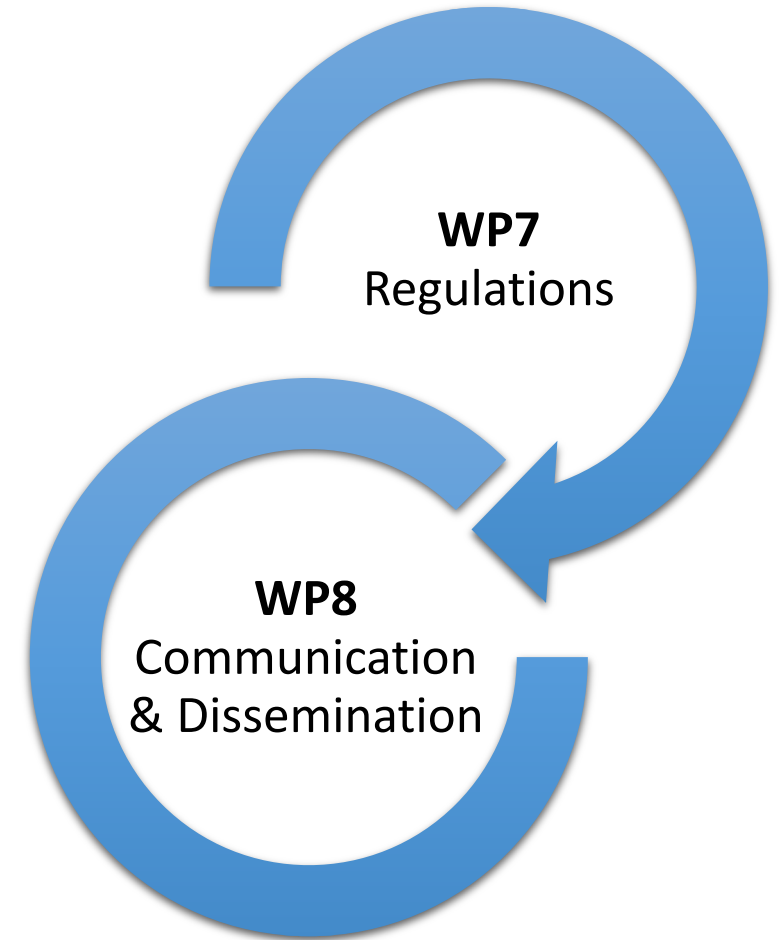
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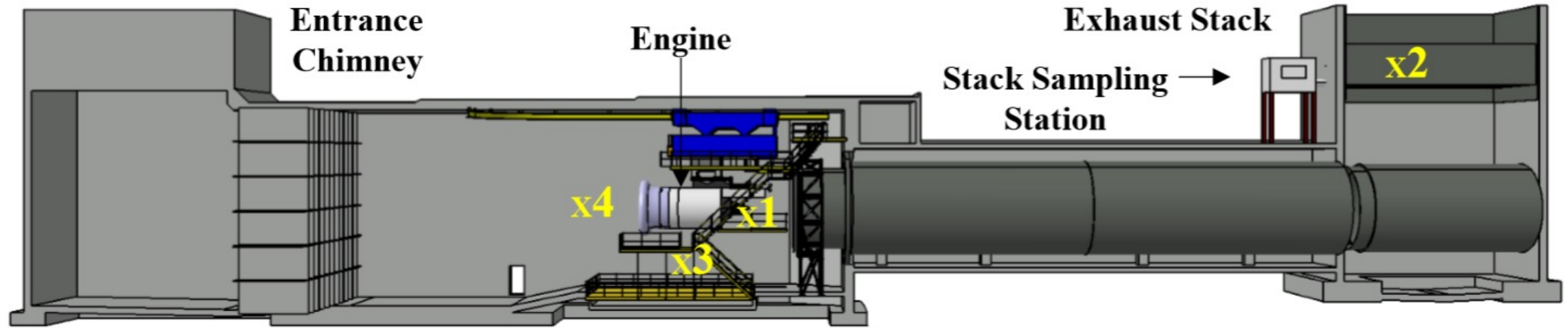
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# WP2: Test-cell engine exit and in-stack plume measurements



## **x3** BREATHER SYSTEM (Dedicated)

Non-refractory speciated PM mass conc.

Total PM number conc.

### Off line analysis

Total PM mass conc.

Chemical composition

## **x1** COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEM (Dedicated)

vPM mass and composition

Total PM mass and VOC composition

SOA gaseous precursors)

VOC gas composition

Smoke

Total PM number & size dist.

Gases: UHC, CO<sub>2</sub>, CO, NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>

**x4** Background

T

P

RH

### EASA Reference System (>10 nm)

nvPM number conc.

nvPM mass conc.

### Off line analysis

Total PM mass conc.

Chemical composition (morphology)

## **x2** BASELINE SYSTEM (Piggyback & Dedicated)

Total PM number conc. (>7 nm)

PM size dist. (>5 nm)

nvPM number conc. (>7 nm)

CO/CO<sub>2</sub> conc.

nvPM mass conc.

nvPM size dist.

### Off line analysis

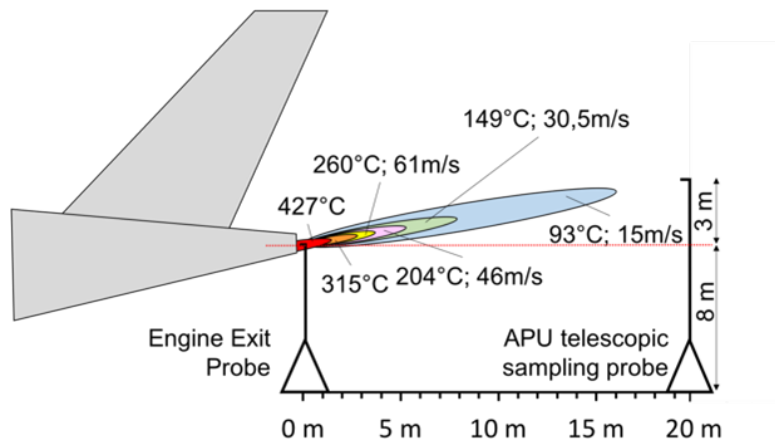
Total PM mass conc.

Chemical composition (morphology)

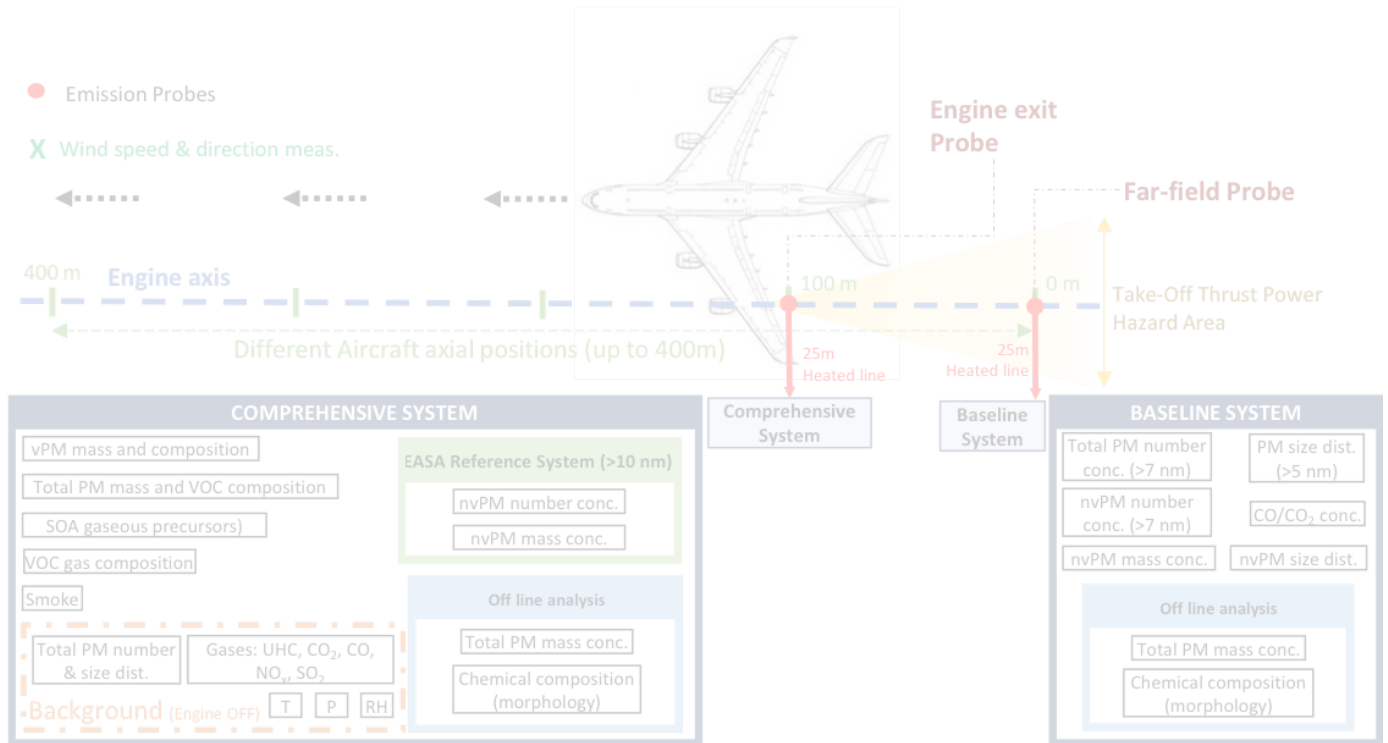


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To develop sampling probes for the measurement of main engine and APU exhaust plume evolution during on-wing engine tests.



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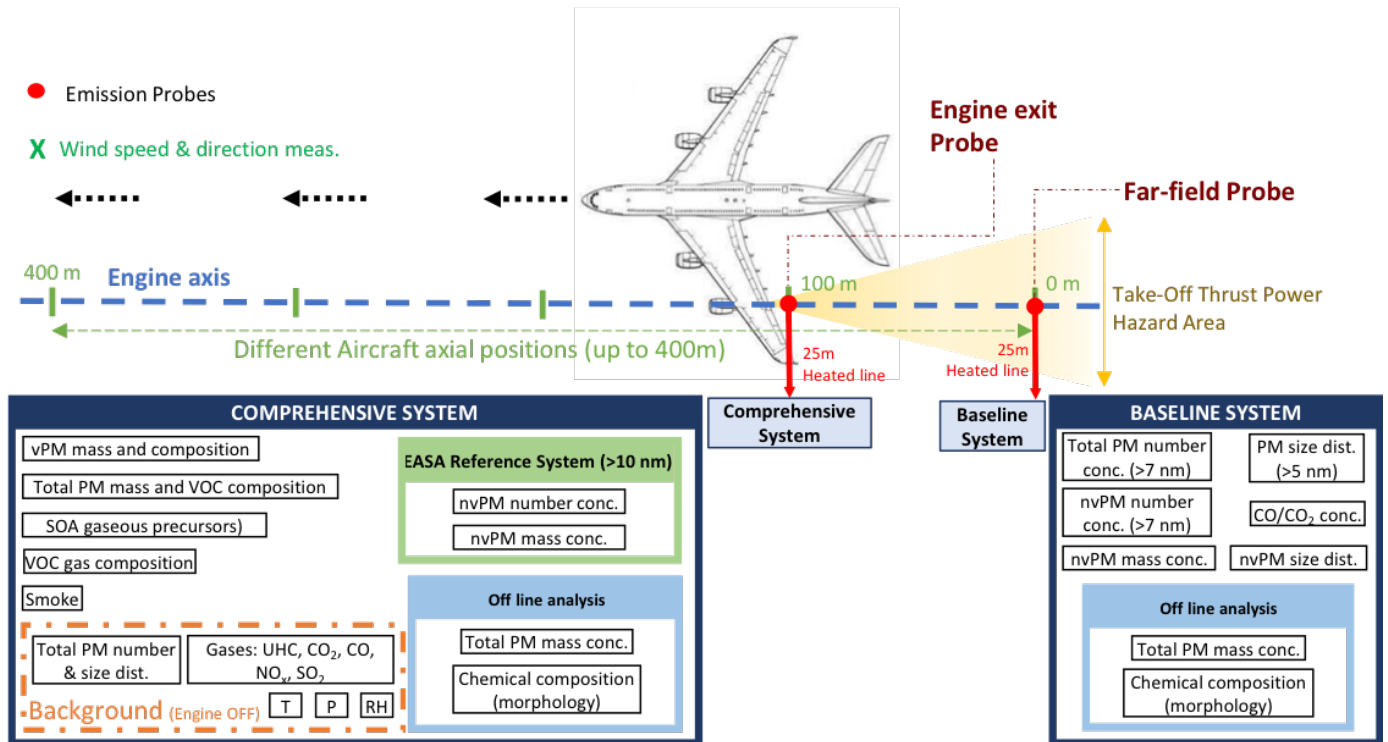
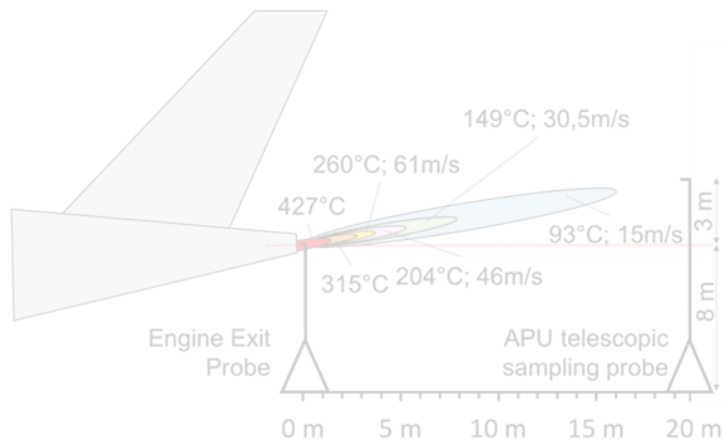


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# WP4: Ambient measurements and sensor network development

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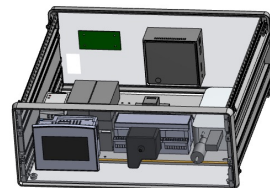
**Comprehensive / High-resolution system for monitoring ambient air quality** (winter and summer):

- Aerosol:
  - Composition, size, total number and mass
  - BC, EC, OC
  - Scattering and absorption
  - Meteorology
  - Offline filter analysis (TD-GC-MS)
- Standard gases (O<sub>3</sub>, CO, CO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>)
- VOCs (PTR-ToF-MS)

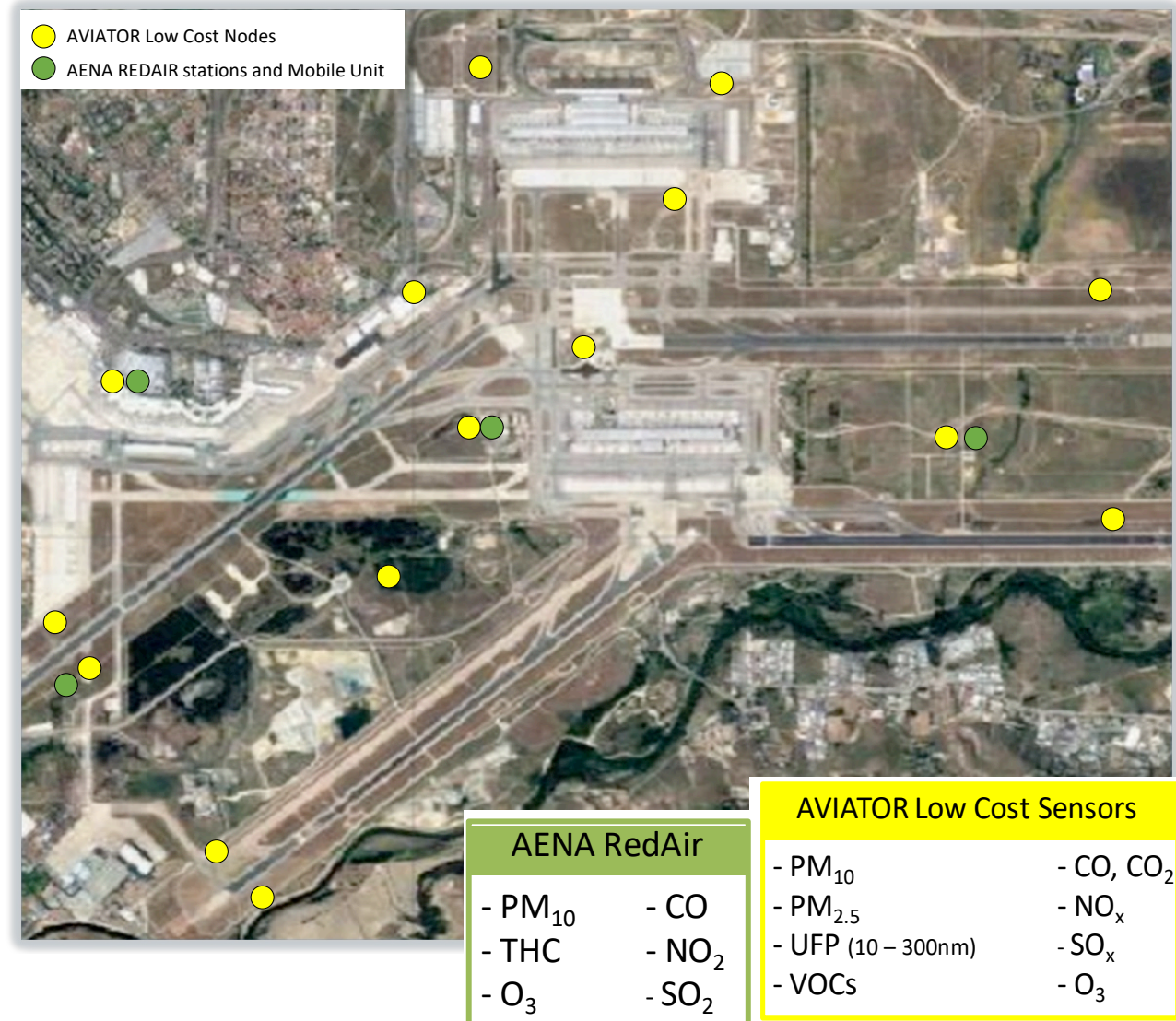
## ZURICH & COPENHAGEN

- Compliment on-going research at both airports.
- Provide data of climatically different airports.

**Low-cost sensor network**  
(around 15 nodes)



Low-cost sensor proposal





# WP5: Modelling of plume microphysics, chemistry and dynamics

## CFD intra-engine box model (ETS):

**PROVIDES** exhaust concentrations

**REQUIRES** engine and aircraft specifications, and ambient conditions

## MADE3 chemical box (DLR):

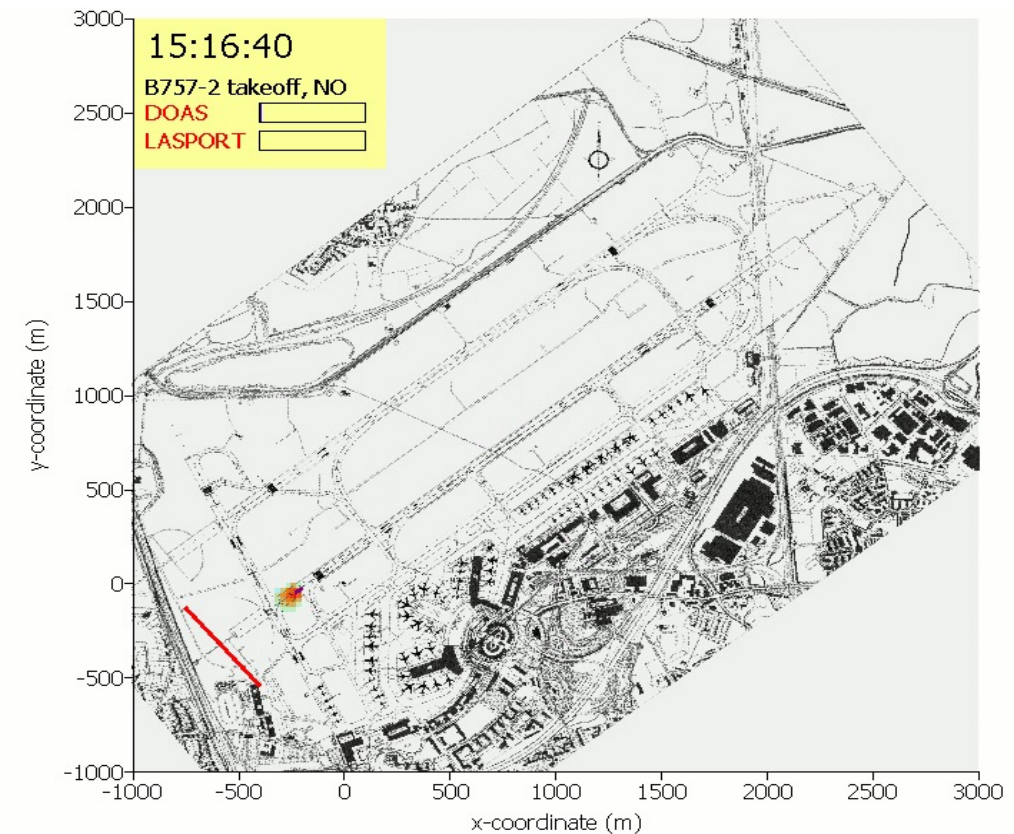
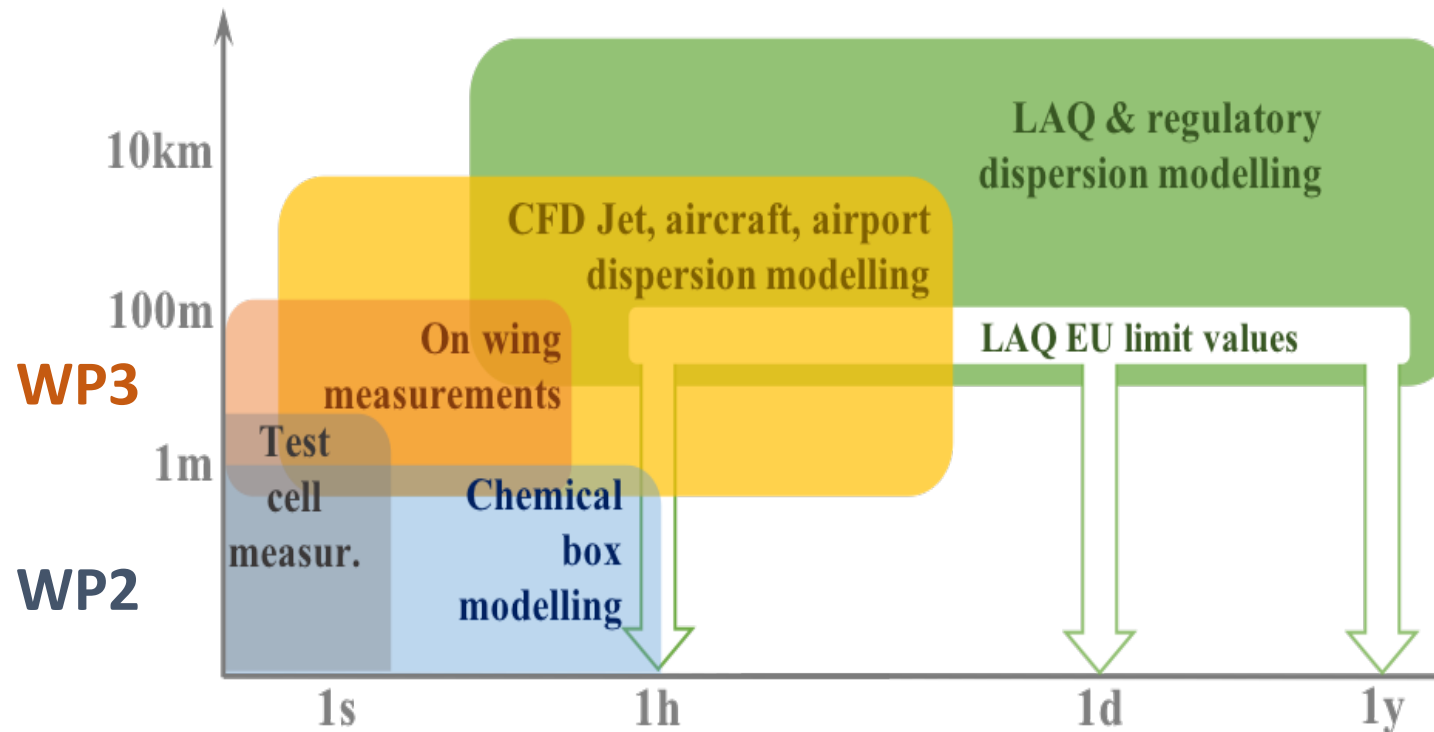
**PROVIDES** EIs and conversion rates for vPM and nvPM

**REQUIRES** ambient conditions, exhaust concentrations

## LASPORT (JC) / CEDRE (ONERA/INTA):

**PROVIDES** concentration maps at and around airports.

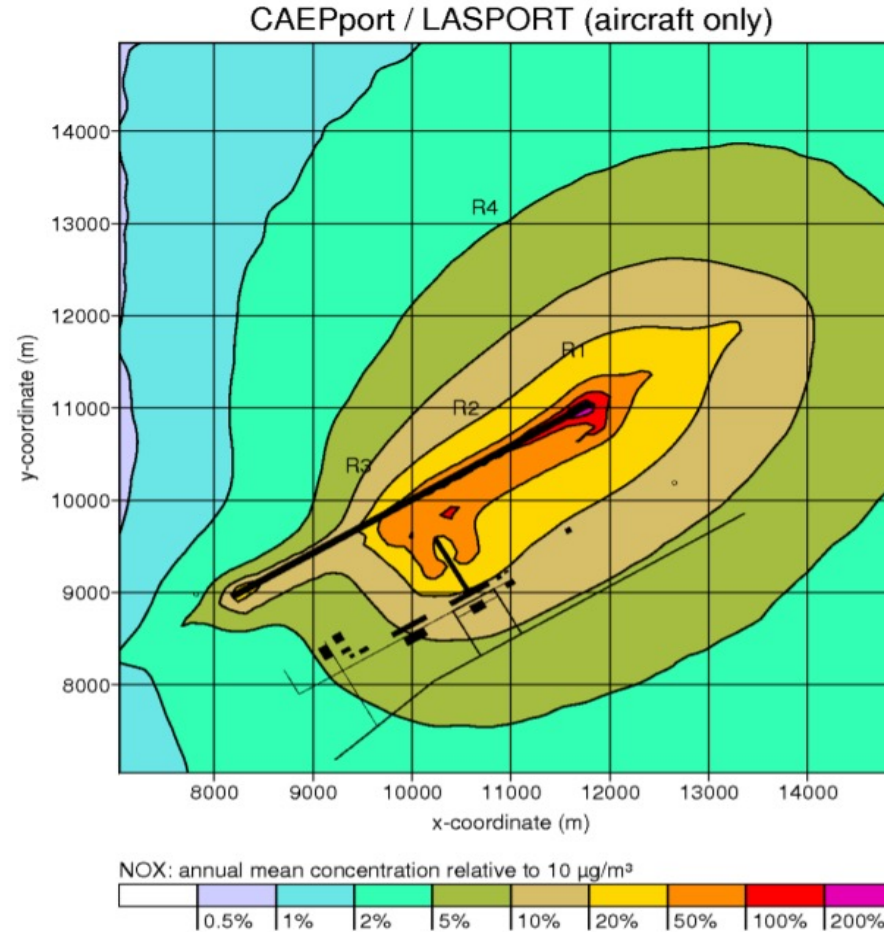
**REQUIRES** EIs and conversion rates.



# WP6: Pollutant modelling and transport in and around airports

## Objectives

- Assess dispersion modelling in and around the airport.
- Assimilate description of the interaction of engine, airframe, airport operations and boundary surface.
- Enhancement of dispersion models used in regulation and research.



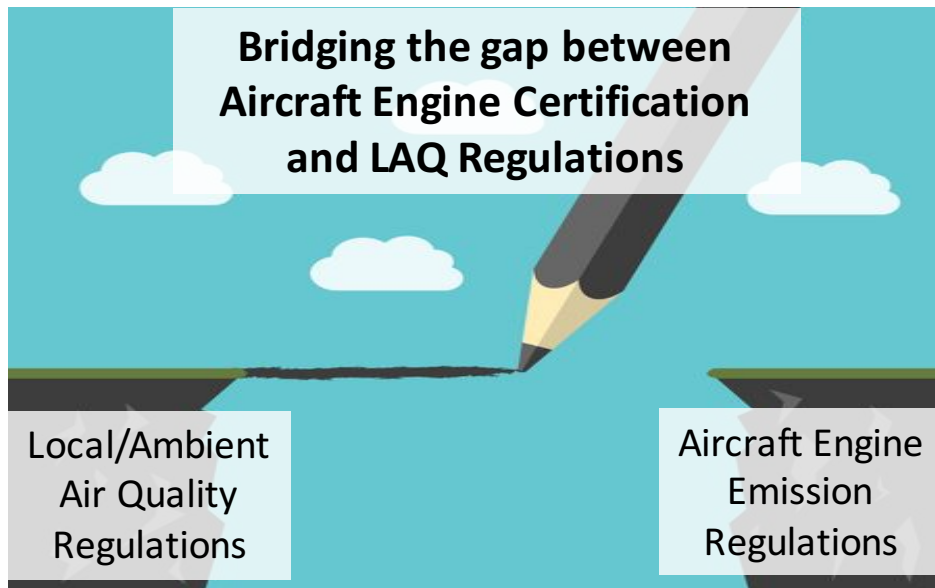
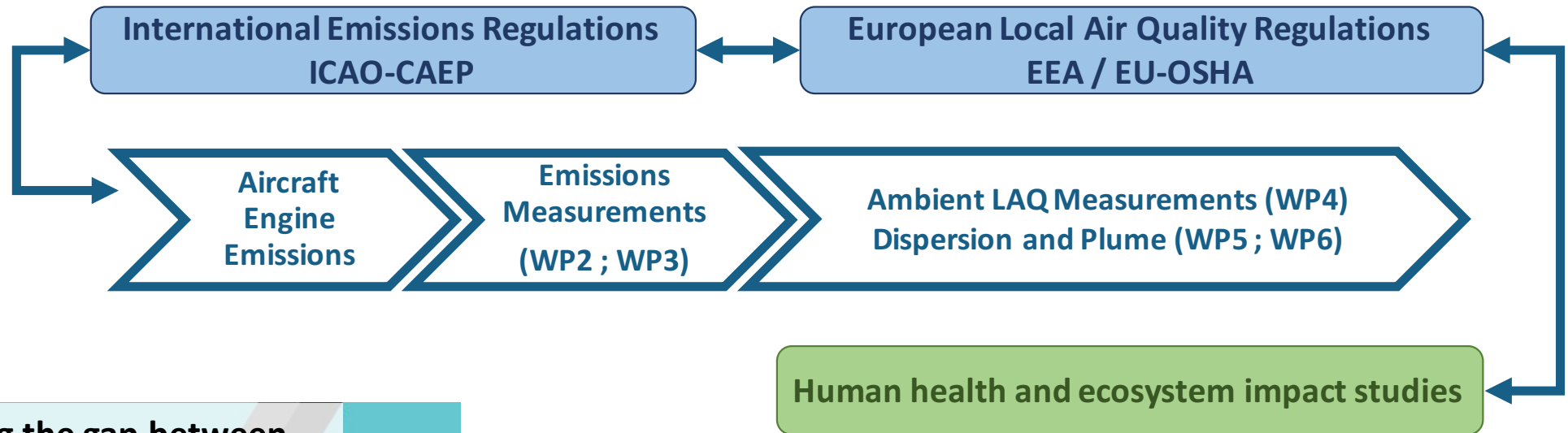
## Method

- Airport model setup
- Emission and dispersion calculation
- Cross-comparison of modelled and measurement data
- Validate / improve model parameterisation



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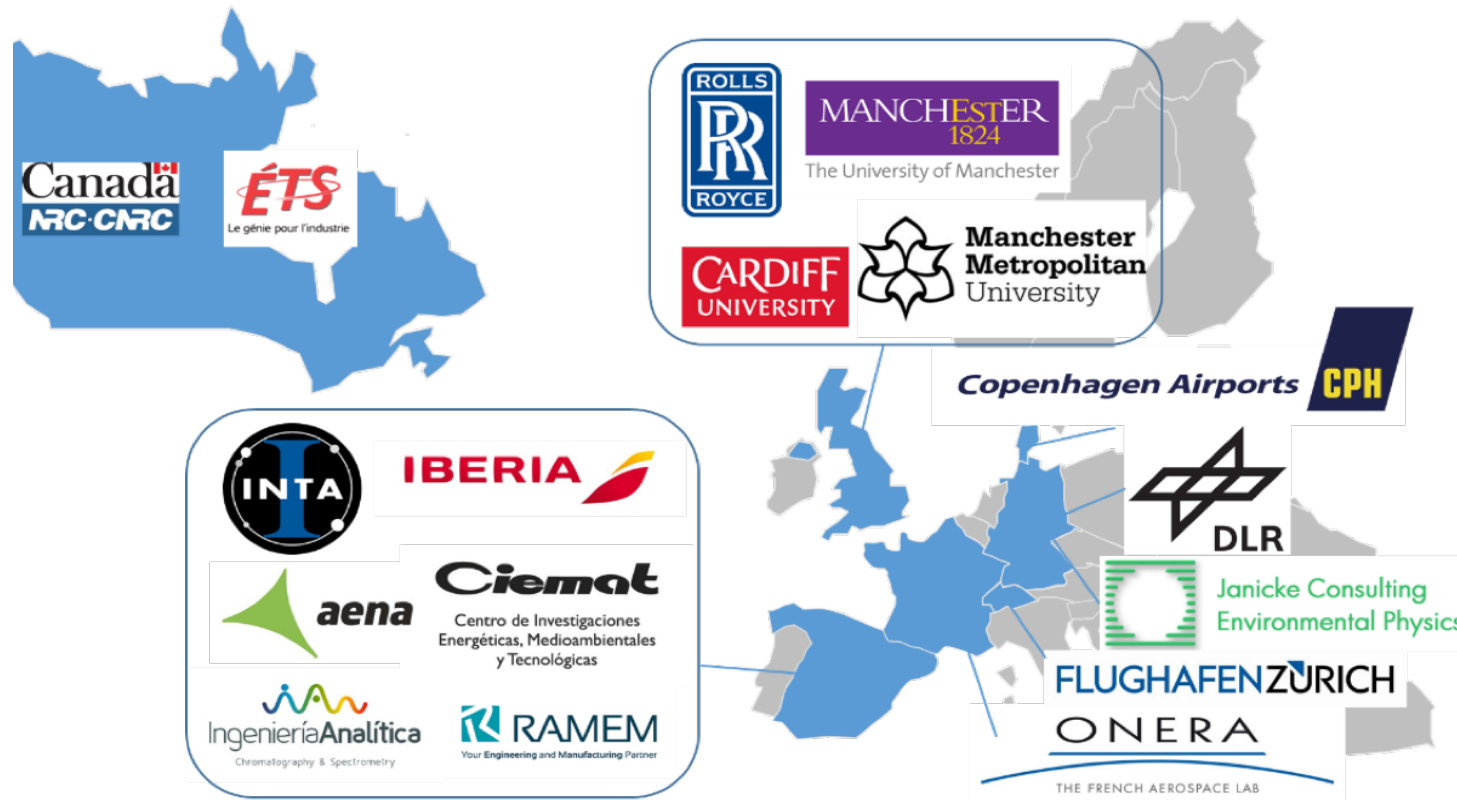
# WP7: Regulation



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# Thank you for your attention

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