



Globalization and Economic Statistics

Challenges and Opportunities in turning point detection

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Main points

- Challenges
 - Evergreen
 - Newly emerged (includ. COVID)
- Opportunities

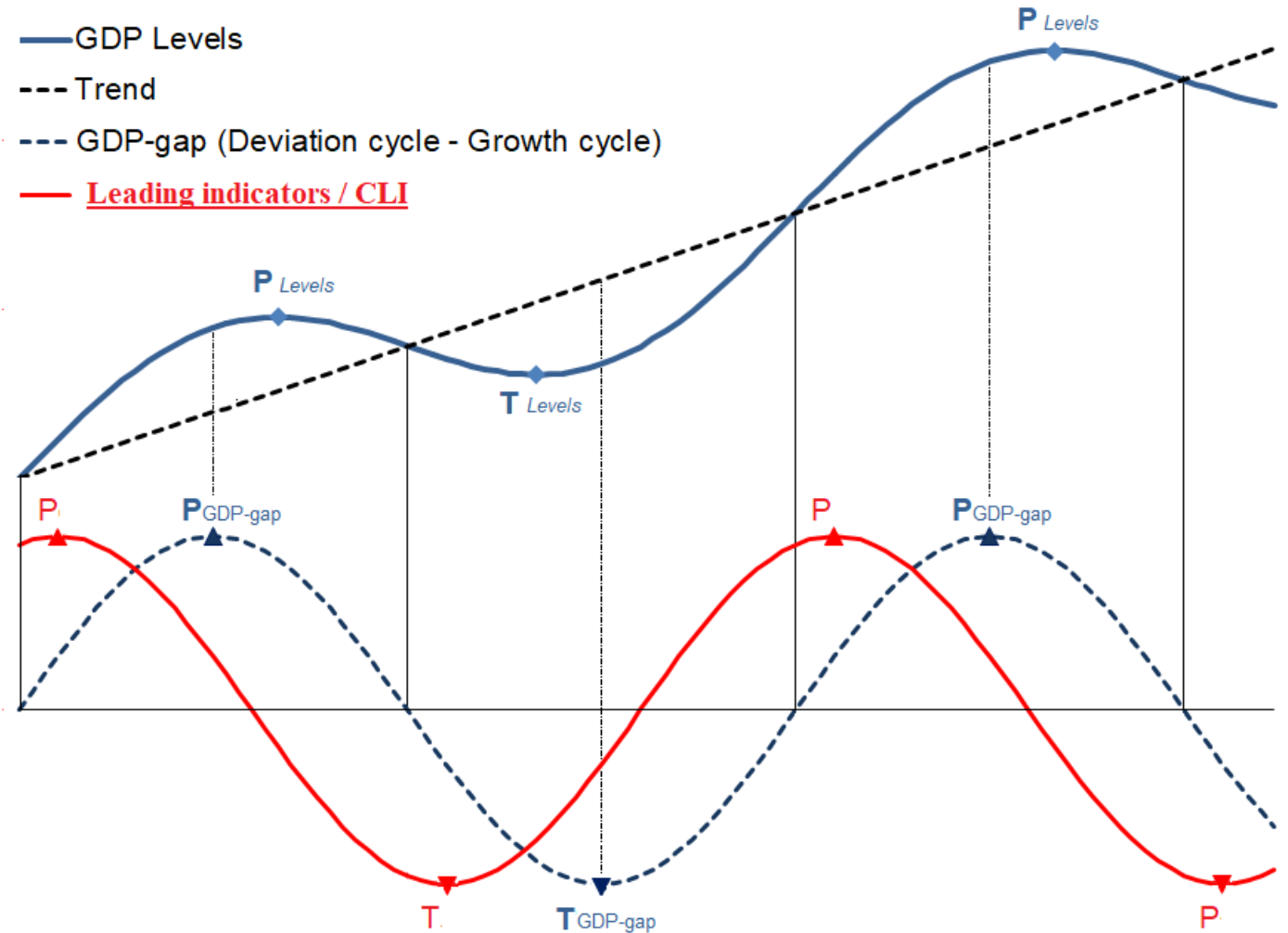


CHALLENGES



Leading indicators selection: criteria

- Similar cyclical patterns
- ANTICIPATE turning points and fluctuations
- Practical considerations
 - Timely
 - Monthly
 - Long series
 - Small revisions





Technology & strategies



- Just in case (JIC) -> Just in Time (JIT)
- International supply chains/Load Sharing (ILS)
- Faster production cycle;



Domestic vertical integration vs. fragmentation of global production chains across borders



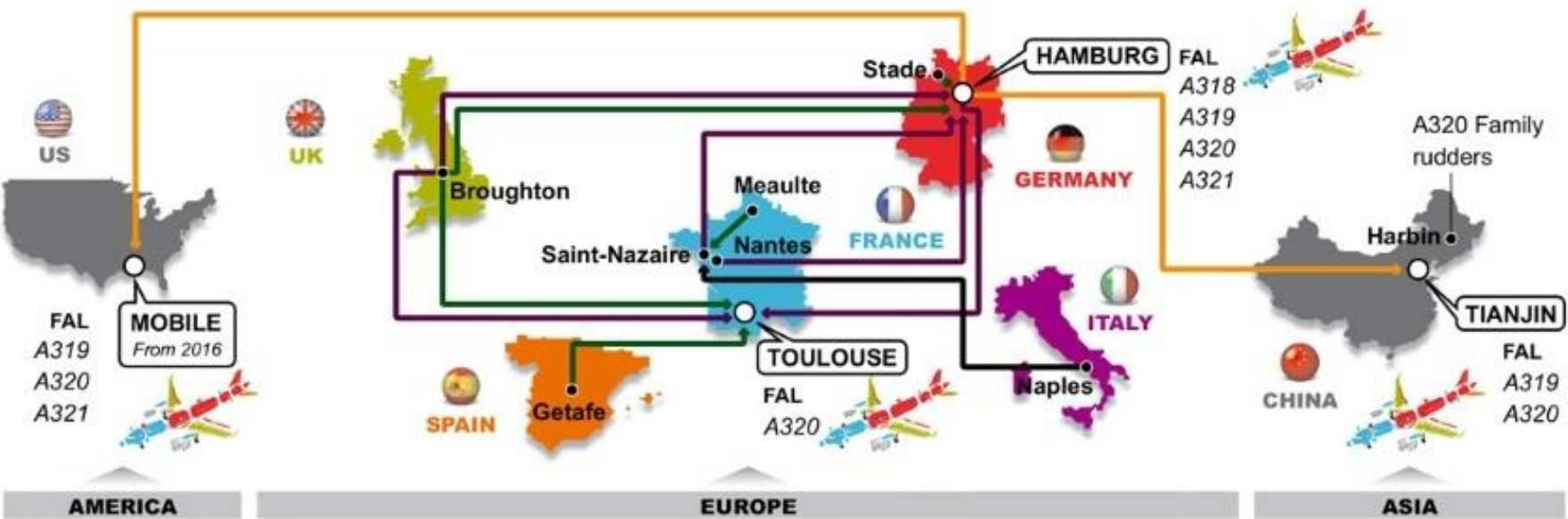
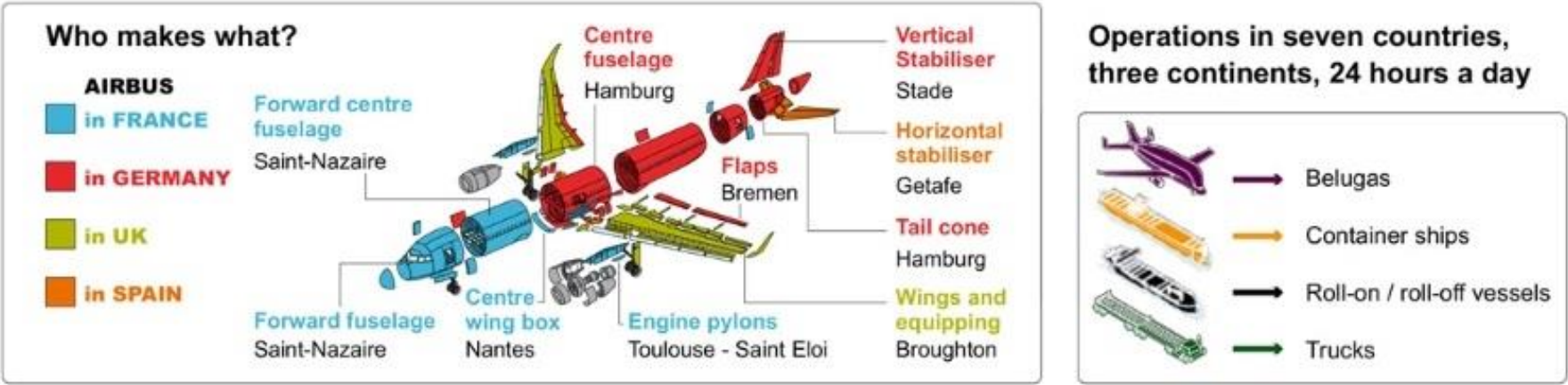


International production network

Worldwide final assembly lines

Components crossing the borders several times

A320 Family workshare + transport





Trade in services

Need for granular & timely data





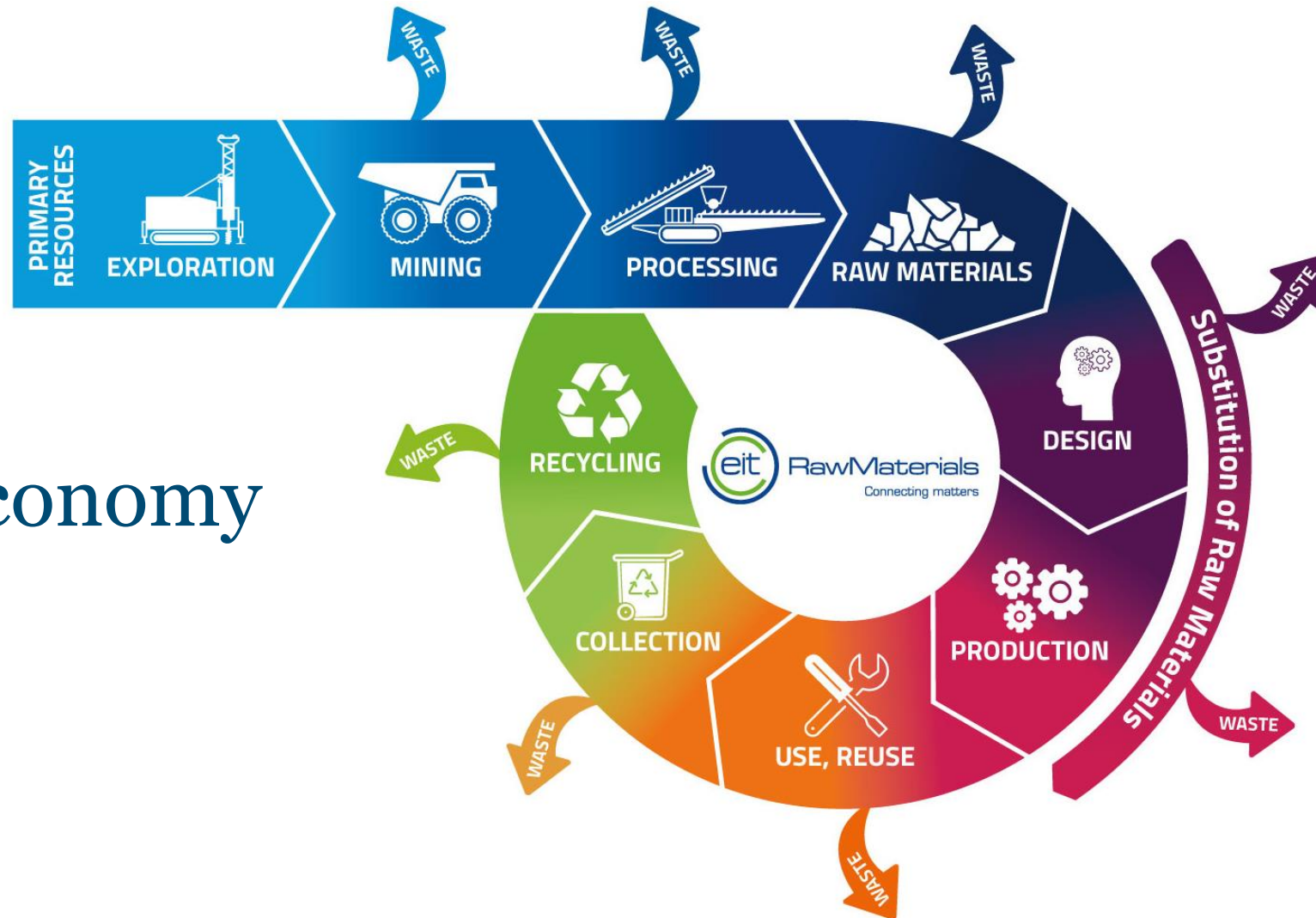
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Climate change

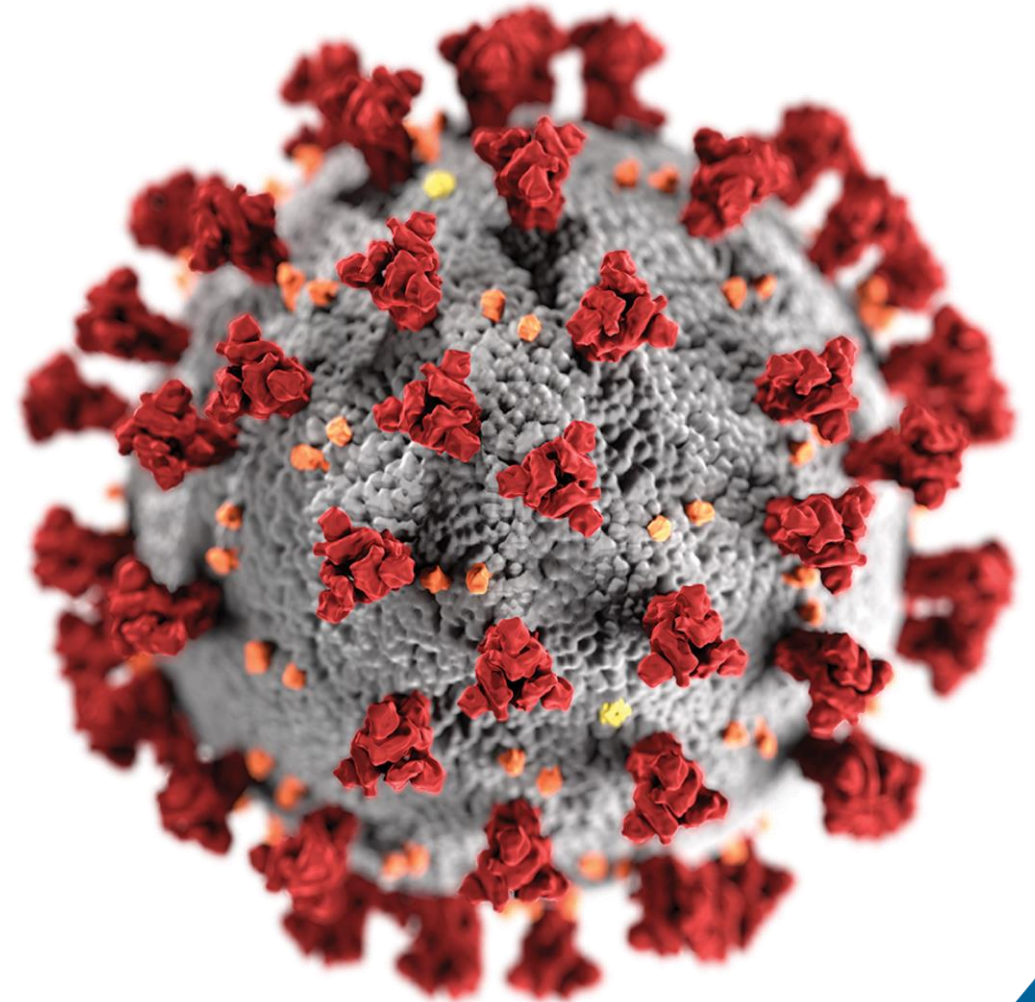
Circular economy





COVID -19

- High frequency
 - *Monthly/Weekly GDP*
- Timeliness
- Granularity



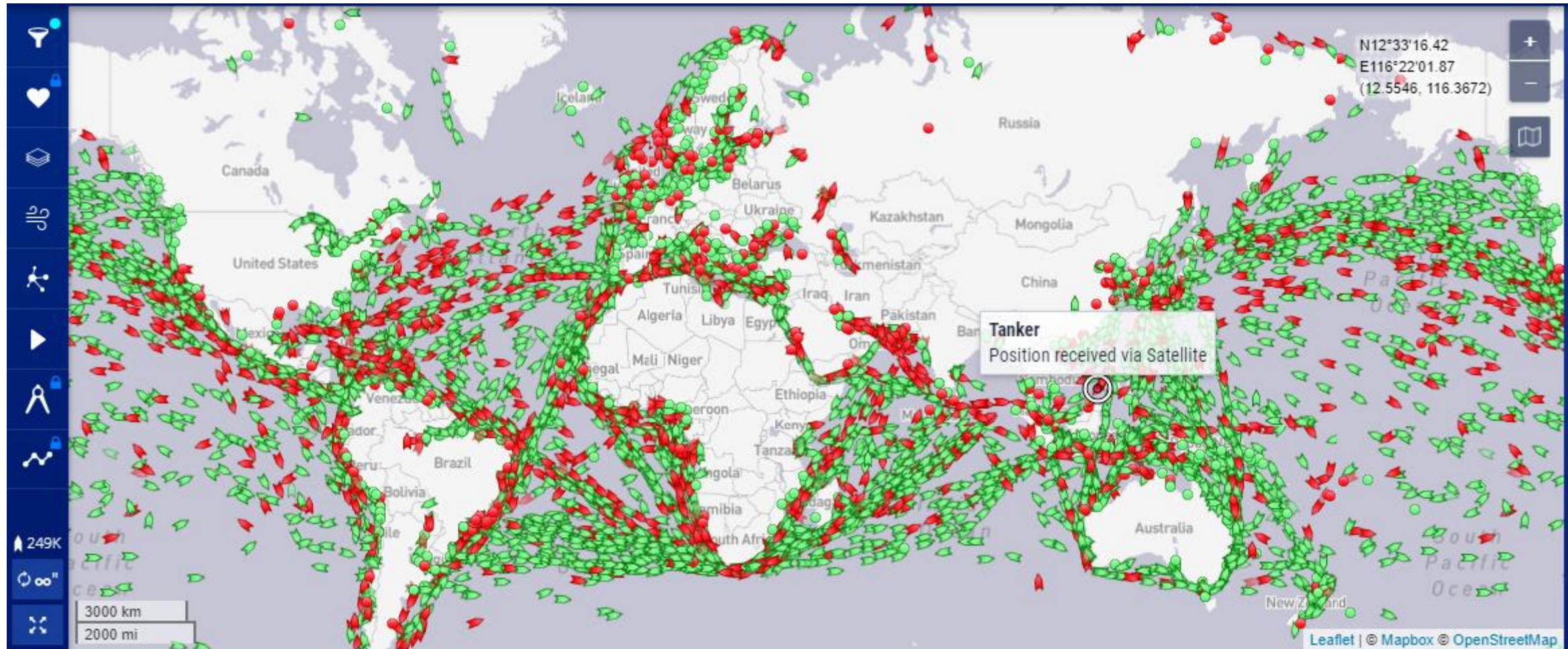


OPPORTUNITIES



Enhance the use of new data source and methods

Global maritime transport





Global databases (Outreach to non-G20)

Cement: production and consumption





Opportunities: let's be ambitious?

- Explore new source and techniques
- Increase international cooperation
 - Go beyond borders and boundaries
 - Global databases
 - Outreach to non-G20
 - Avoid duplication!
- Cross fertilisation (across domains)
- High frequency, Timeliness, Granularity
- Prioritisation of data needs for policy



Thank you for your attention

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