

# « Hackathon » Open Data Brussels – October 2014

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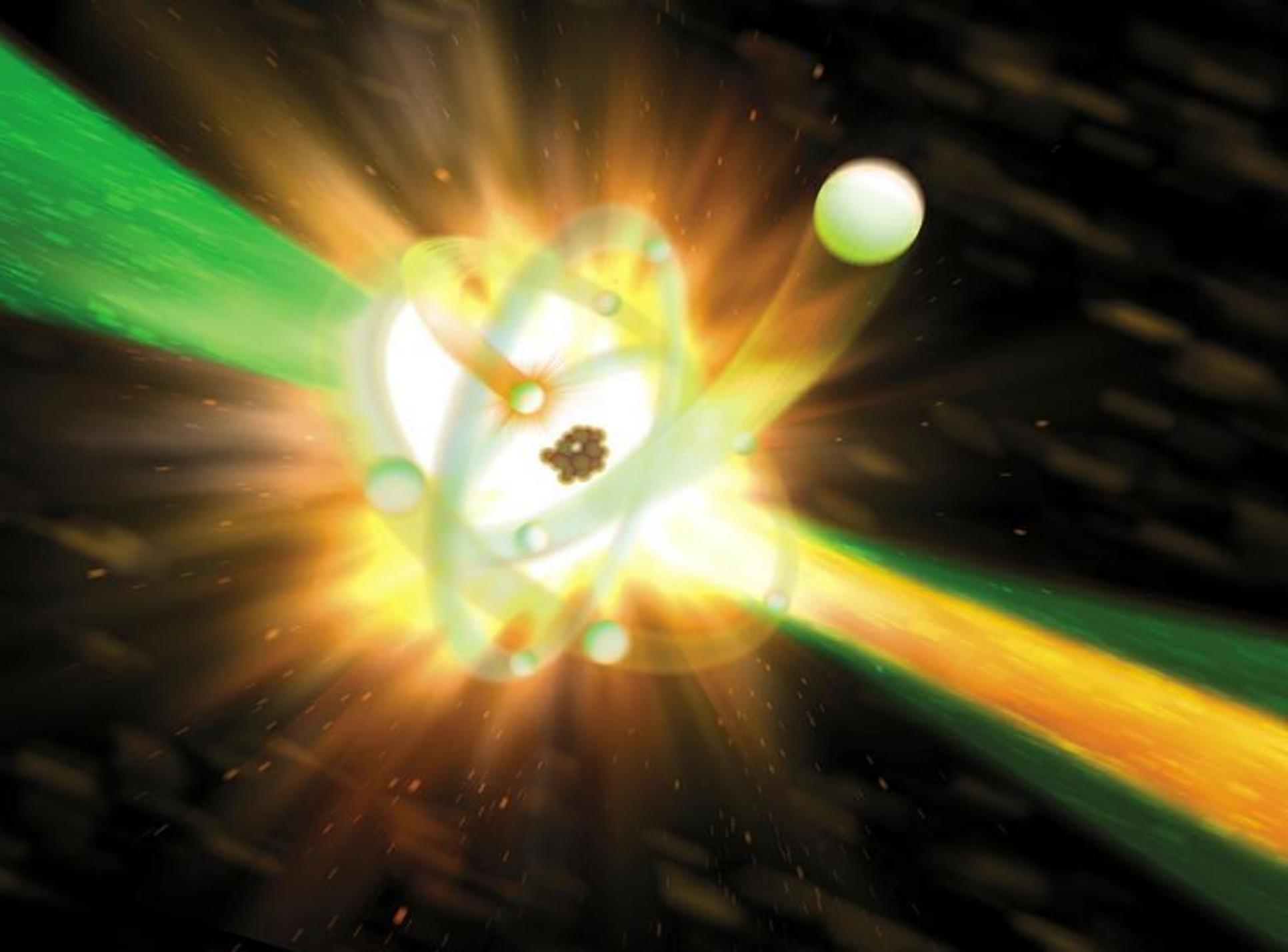
**Users Club UrbIS - 4 décembre 2014**



# Overview

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- ◉ Genesis
- ◉ Orbi et Urbis
- ◉ Hackathon ! What did you say ?
- ◉ The Force : Open Data
- ◉ Of Pictures and Numbers
- ◉ Lessons learned
- ◉ No more Greek or Latin





# City of Brussels

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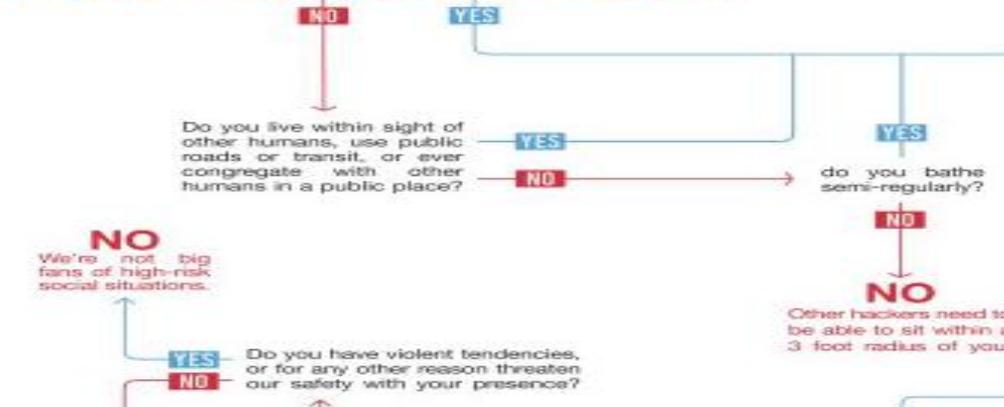
## Suggestion for open data

### Open data

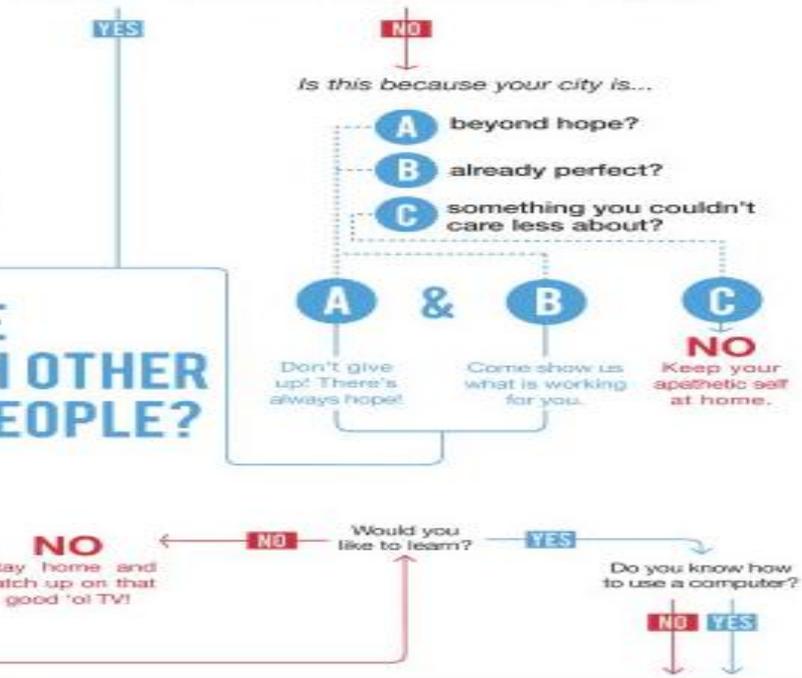
The City of Brussels makes open data or public data available via the [opendata.brussels.be](#) platform.



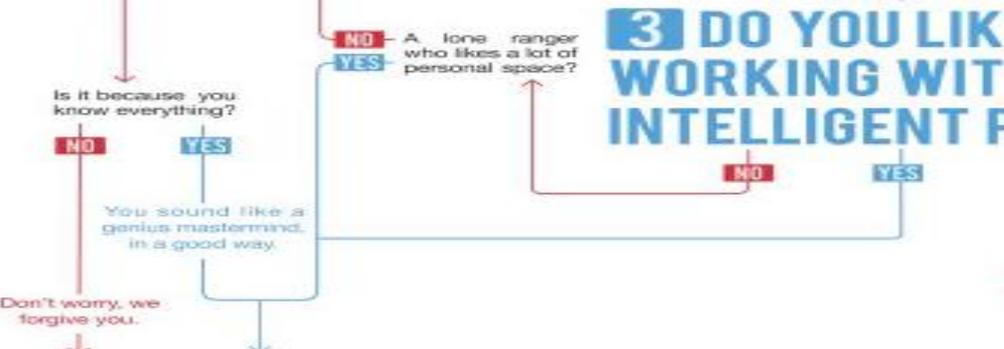
# 1 DO YOU LIVE IN A CITY?



# 2 DO YOU THINK YOUR CITY COULD BE BETTER?



# 3 DO YOU LIKE WORKING WITH OTHER INTELLIGENT PEOPLE?



# 4 DO YOU KNOW STUFF?



**YES** YOU SHOULD ABSOLUTELY COME TO A HACKATHON.





**October 17th and 18th 2014**

Global Enterprise and transforma bxl will be hosting the first Brussels Open Data Hackathon. The City of Brussels and the Brussels-Capital Region supports the event.

## UrbIS data

Le CIRB propose plusieurs bases de données cartographiques et en gère la mise à jour.



### UrbIS-Fot

Les photos aériennes correspondent aux prises de vues aériennes stéréoscopiques à grande échelle du territoire de la Région de Bruxelles-Capitale réalisées lors de survols de la Région en 1996, 1999, 2004 et 2009 et 2012.



### UrbIS-Ortho

Les orthophotoplans résultent des traitements correctifs effectués sur les photographies aériennes de 2004, 2009 et 2012, pour éliminer les déformations dues au relief et à la perspective.



### UrbIS-Topo

Les données topographiques correspondent à un ensemble de données cartographiques vectorielles à grande échelle, construites par photogrammétrie à partir de photos aériennes et par levés topographiques terrestres.



### UrbIS-Adm

La base de données administratives contient les principaux découpages administratifs du territoire de la Région de Bruxelles-Capitale, auxquels ont été associés les codes officiels.



### UrbIS-Map

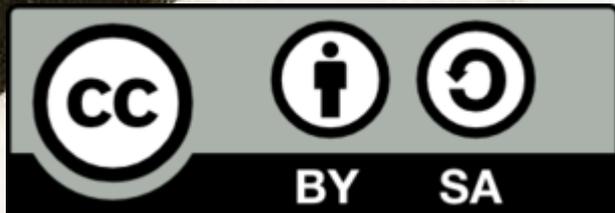
Le fond de carte (UrbIS-Map) contient un ensemble de données graphiques vectorielles qui peut servir de support cartographique pour des applications thématiques et de géolocalisation.



**François Du Mortier**  
**Sébastien Defrance**



# Open Data



More than 260 datasets. Here below is a short overview of the different data categories you may find on the platform :

- Demography, Environnement, Childhood : 18 datasets
- Government, Finance, Local Economy, Markets : 21 datasets
- Administration, People, Citizenship : 19 datasets
- City planning, Urbanism, Housing : 8 datasets
- Culture, History : 15 datasets
- Heritage, Folklore : 19 datasets

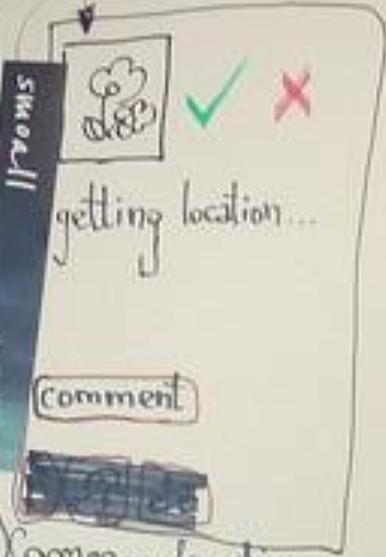


## What is a hackathon?

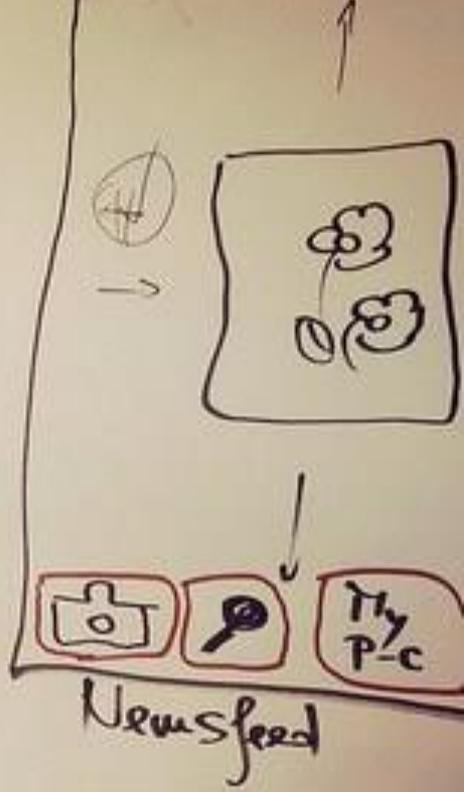
“A hackathon is an event where people get together and develop awesome projects in a short time span”<sup>1</sup>

A 24-48 hour event where people gather to solve a specific problem with like-minded individuals.

1	Project idea's title	Description	Targeted audience	Which data sets are needed
2	ECO3BXL	Search and locate trees in Brussels displaying ECO Benefits, possibility to add tree near the place you	All citizens of Brussels	Arbres remarquables de Bruxelles
3	Improving NosElus.be	NosElus is an open source app for active citizenship, acting as an observatory of the Belgian parliament	Belgian Citizens	Parliamentary questions from Belgium
4	Free WiFi Public Spots	<p>The idea is to build a mobile app (let's start with an Android one) that would give you information about:</p> <p>There should be ideally 3 different ways to visualize the data (i.e. the places):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- on a list/spreadsheet, sortable by field(s) and/or searchable by keyword(s) (the ZIP code, the street name, ...)</li> <li>- on a (Google Street? or Open Street?) map;</li> <li>- by using a basic "compass look-alike" feature, pointing the direction to follow (+ the walking distance)</li> </ul> <p>An additional feature could provide those public places (restaurants, cafes, libraries, ... offering free WiFi)</p>	Co-workers, students, tourists	wifi0 (EN) bruxelles_wifi (FR) wifi (NL)
5	Print Around	<p>With this application, users can search other users with active printers, where they can select the closest one offering the service, can choose the price per page, colour or b&amp;w, location, available time and so on.</p> <p>The one searching for the printer can see a map with all the active printers around, the price per page displayed.</p> <p>The payment method is paypal.</p> <p>At the end, and after delivering the documents, both users can make a review.</p> <p>With this app, people can save time from waiting on huge lines in copy shops and pick up documents</p>	Active workers and students	
6	No title yet	<p>This app would locate all the beauties in Brussels that usually go unnoticed.</p> <p>That's an app. you'd use when you have time on your hands to explore and wonder.</p> <p>When entering a specific perimeter around one of those beauties (that could be a statue, a monument, a building, ...)</p>	Tourists and locals who wish to explore	<p>Right now, I targeted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Arbres remarquables</li> <li>- Parcours BD</li> <li>- Parcs et Jardins publics</li> <li>- Patrimoine artistique de voirie</li> </ul> <p>...But that can be discussed!</p>
7	BikeFocus	An application that shows where bikes have either very low risk of being stolen or high risk of being stolen	Every citizen owning a bike in Brussels	<p>Location where bikes have been stolen</p> <p>Location where there is a Bike Focus</p> <p>Location where there is high "crime rate"</p> <p>Location where there is Villo bike</p>
8	UrbanFit	Je pense à une application qui permet d'analyser la typologie d'une ville en terme de "urban design": av	<p>Urban designer</p> <p>Local authorities</p> <p>Citizens</p>	URbiS data on road type
9	Beer4me	An application that lists the cafés where somebody can find his preferred bier. Search with "Orval" and	Citizens	<p>List of cafés</p> <p>List of available Belgian beers</p>
10	Sprouts	An application to send a message to people who want to know when there is a new urban permit request	<p>Citizens</p> <p>Municipalities</p>	New building permits request in Brussels



(Shoot it) camera function



Find it function





<https://storify.com/JeanYvesHuwart/hackathon-open-data-brussels>

# IS THE AIR CLEAN TODAY?



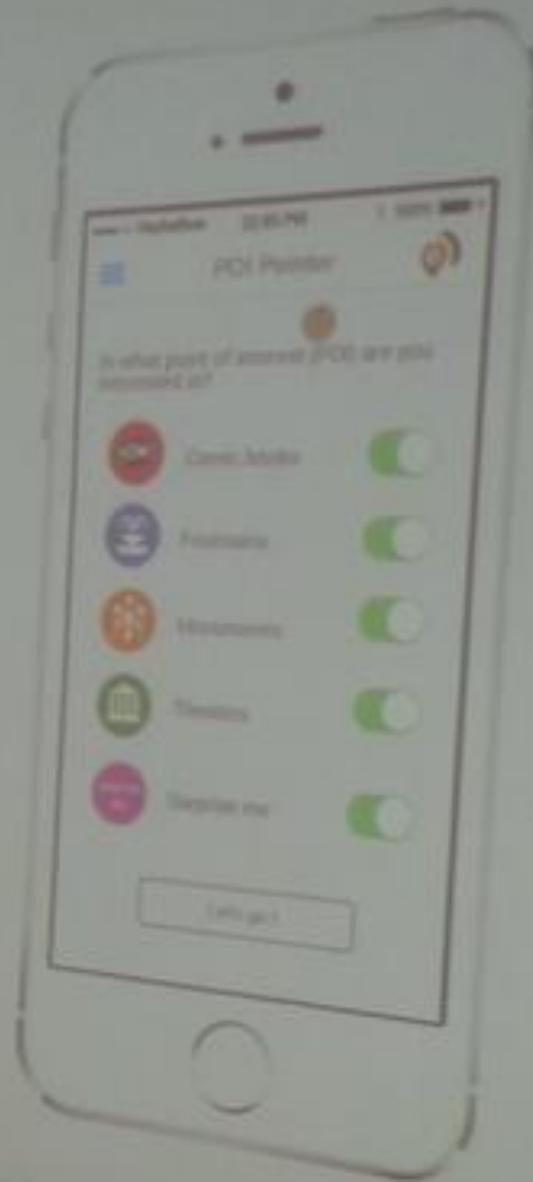
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## Scale



The Dust Barrels

One page web : Air Quality



# Smartphone Apps : Point Pointer

A collage of four male faces, each with different eye colors and facial hair, overlaid with a large, stylized number 4. The faces are arranged in a grid-like pattern, with the number 4 superimposed over them. The faces show various features: blue eyes, brown eyes, and different styles of facial hair (mustache, goatee, clean-shaven).

# Facts and figures

# WHO goes to HACKATHONS?

NEWBIES  
**30%**

went to a

**Hackathon**

for the **FIRST TIME**  
LAST YEAR



VETS

**70%**

went to a

**Hackathon**

before they were **COOL**



**11%**  
female



**89%**  
male

**2%**

over **54**

**16%**

**35** to **54**

**61%**

**25** to **34**

**21%**

**18** to **24**

**1%**

under **18**



# WHY do people go to HACKATHONS?

86%

Learning



82%

Meet People



38%

Change the world



28%

Win prizes



27%

Free Pizza



26%

Build a product



21%

Glory



20%

Find a Team



17%

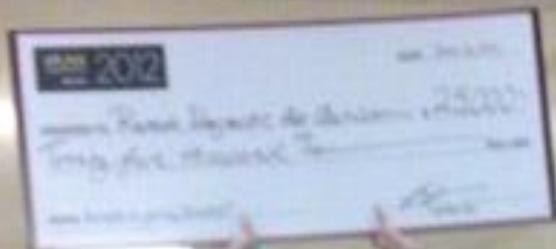
Get Hired



13%

Attract Investors





# Think of the Children!

Bruxelles
  Ixelles
  Anderlecht

Kindergarten
  Primary

Show schools on map

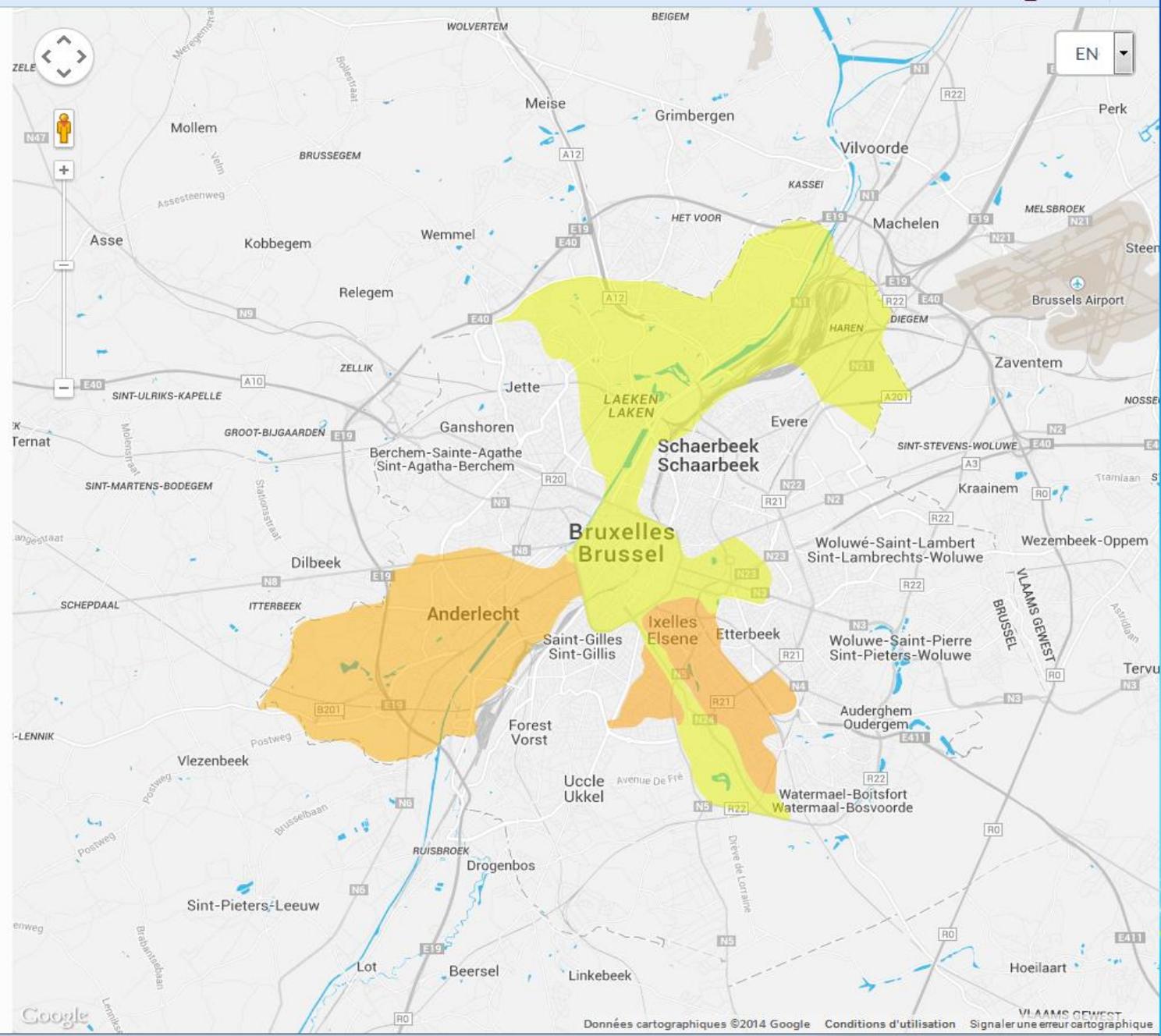
Time Travel

Slider bar

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**Show Me**

**I Feel Lucky**







**BOW : Almost there in Brussels !**

Our biggest challenge : levelling the field !





Happy End !