



# Economical, Geological and Geophysical Modelling of Estonian-Latvian Transboundary CO<sub>2</sub> storage

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## 1. Why we need transboundary storage?

- Emissions versus storage capacity
- CCS Legislation Results versus emissions and storage capacity

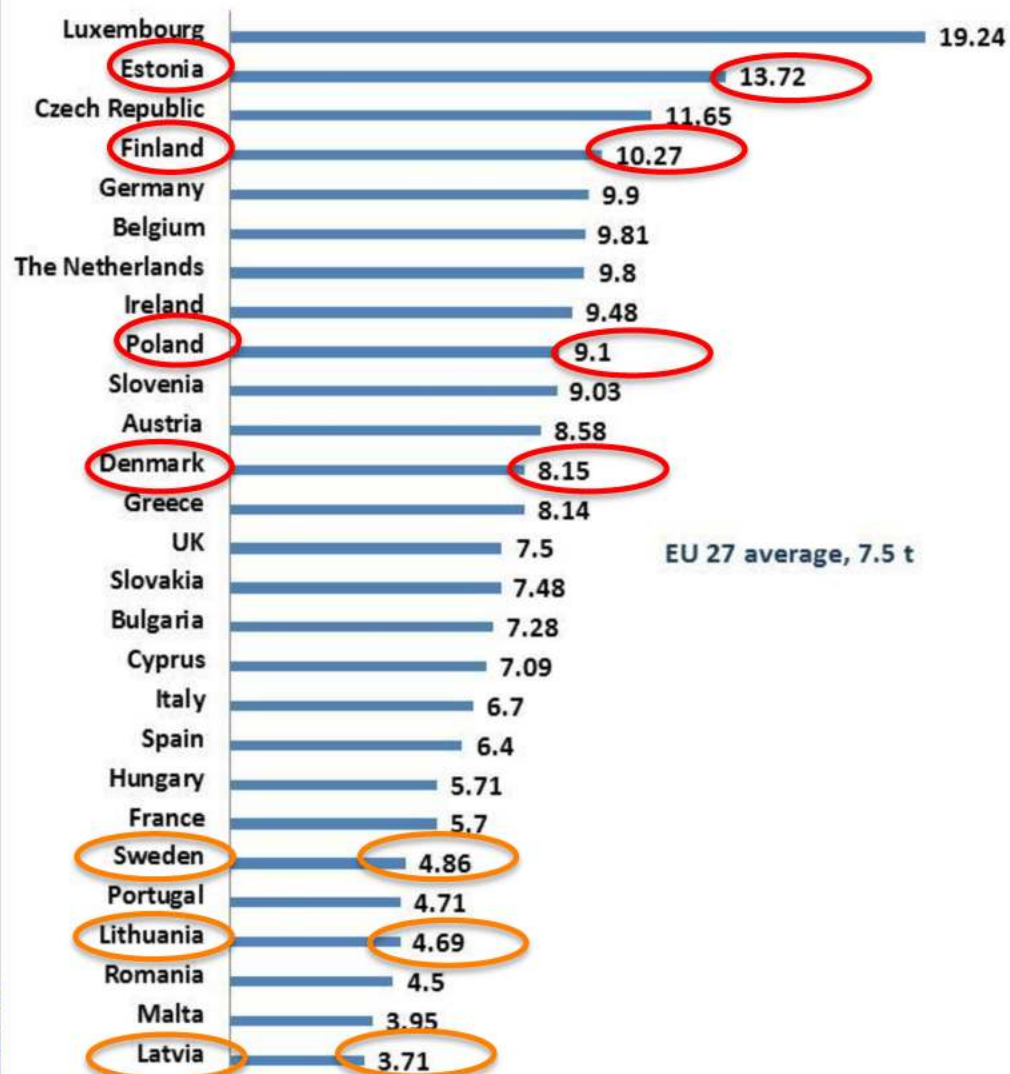
## 2. Modelling of transboundary storage and prospective structures in Latvia

- Economic Modelling of of Estonian-Latvian Transboundary CO<sub>2</sub> storage
- Detailed study and modelling of 4 prospective structures
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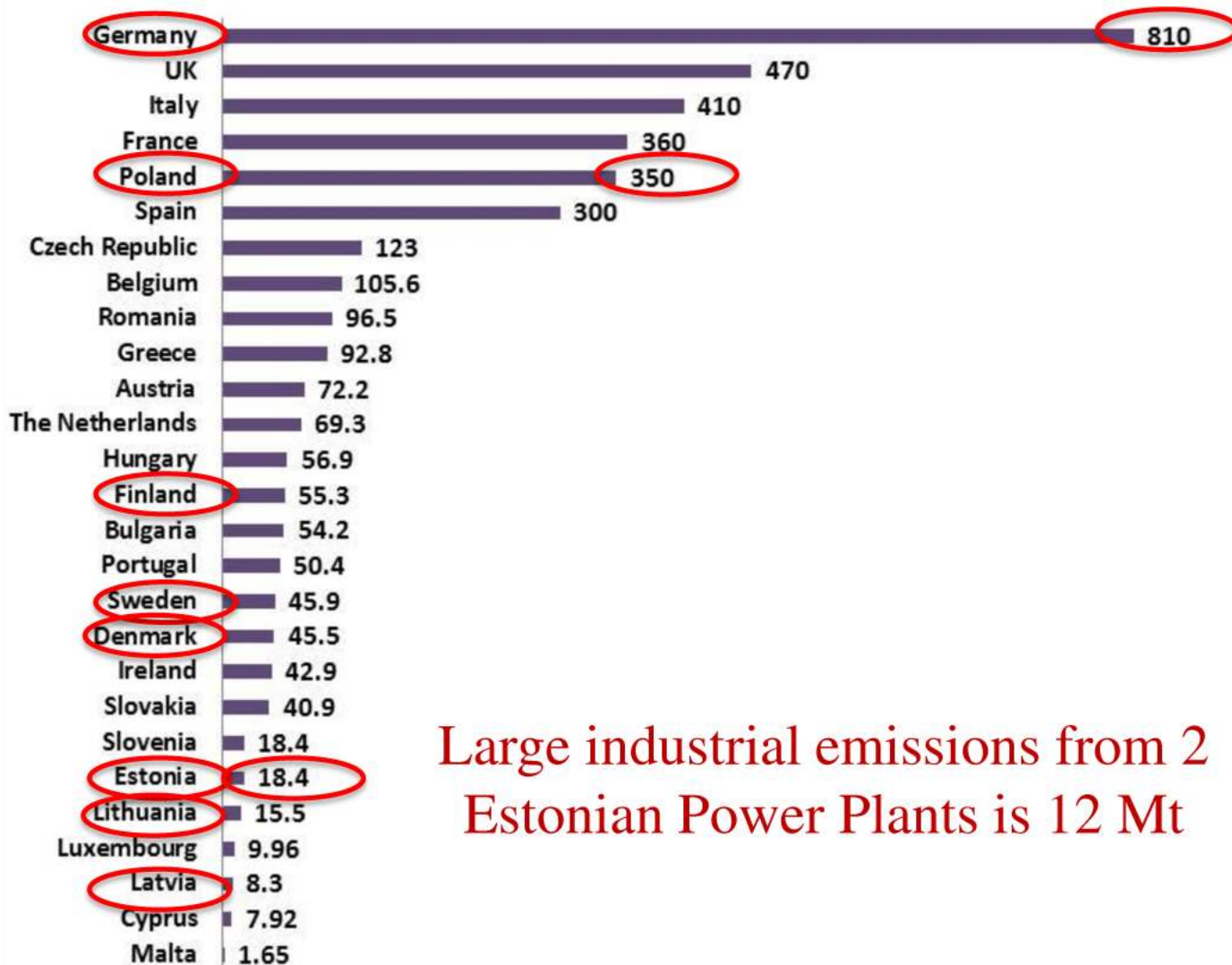
## 3. Prospects for future regional cooperation



## CO<sub>2</sub> emissions per capita in 2011 27 EU states (tonnes)



## Total CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (Mt) in 2011 27 EU states



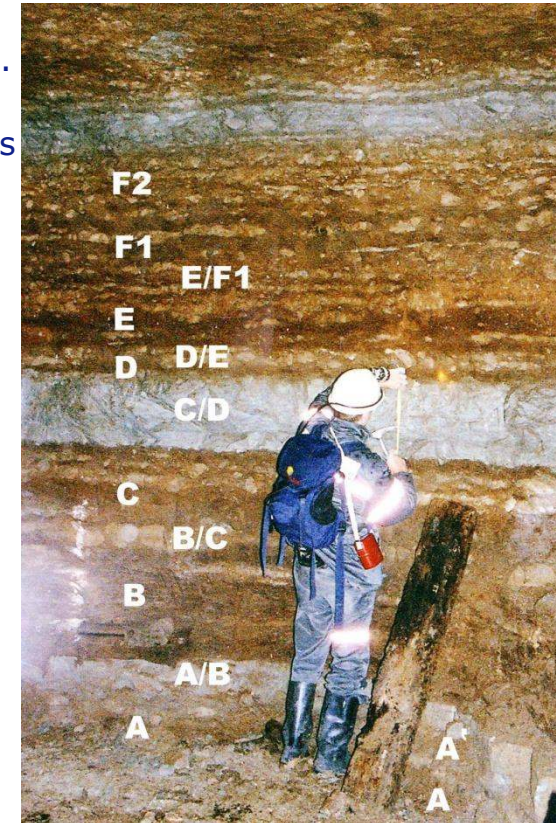
Large industrial emissions from 2  
Estonian Power Plants is 12 Mt

# Estonian oil shale (kukersite) is the main source of industrial CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

- Estonia is the largest commercially exploited oil shale deposit in the world with total reserves exceeding 7 Gt of oil shale.
- Kukersite oil shales forming the productive bed of the Estonia deposit occur in the Kukruse Stage of the Upper Ordovician (Llandeilo – early Caradocian).
- Average organic matter content in the Estonian oil shales is 36 %. The area of the Estonia deposit is about 3000 sq.km.
- At the present time extraction takes place in 2 underground mines and 3 open-cast pits
- The oil shale is used mainly for energy and shale oil production



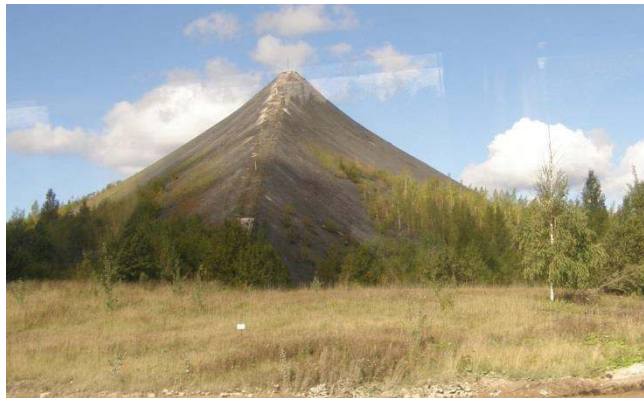
Oil shale open-cast pit



Underground mine

# Environmental problems

- During combustion of the oil-shale, local low-grade carbonaceous fuel, for energy production per every tonne of the oil shale about **860 kg of CO<sub>2</sub>** and **450-500 kg** of oil shale **ash** are formed (in case of mineral coal only 100 kg of ash is produced)
- It has been shown that instead of emitting CO<sub>2</sub> and storage of ash in the waste heaps, it is possible to bind CO<sub>2</sub> with oil shale ash-waste water suspension and use the neutralized residue in construction and mining industries.
- Implementation of CO<sub>2</sub> mineral carbonation technology can help to mitigate environmental problems at the north-east of Estonia and to cut 10-12% of emitted by Estonian power plants CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

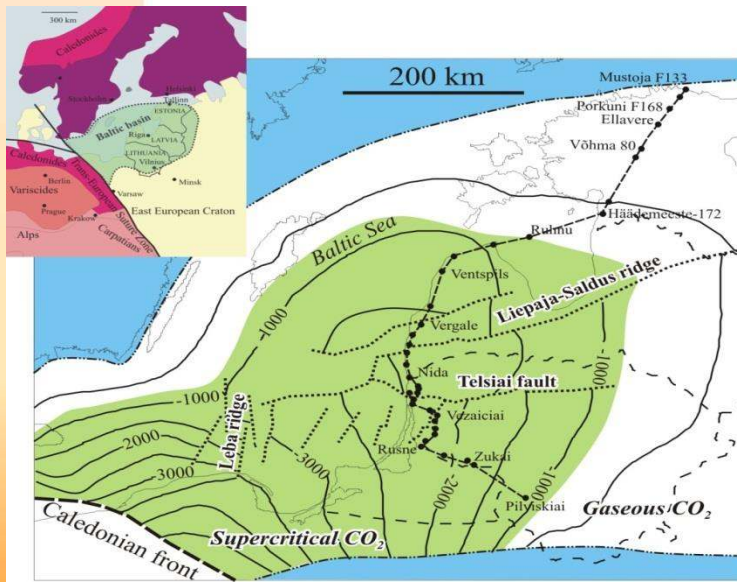


Artificial waste heap composed of semicoke and oil shale ash mixture in Kohtla-Järve region of Estonia



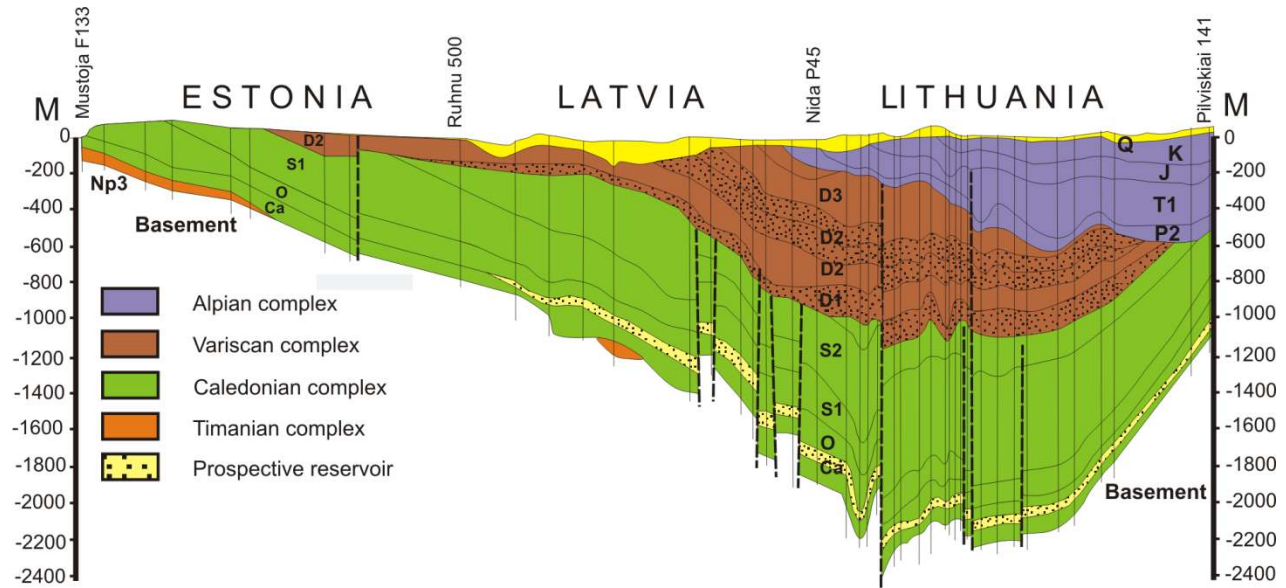
Waste water at the Estonian Power Plant, near Narva, pictured by Reet Pruul

# Storage capacity in the Baltic Region



Depths of top of the Cambrian aquifer in the Baltic basin. The P-T fields of gaseous and supercritical state of CO<sub>2</sub> ( $P = 73.8$  bars,  $T = 31^\circ\text{C}$ ) are shown. The line of the geological cross-section is indicated.

Sliaupa et al 2008



Shogenova et al 2009





# Onshore Storage Capacity in Latvia (EU GeoCapacity Project results)

Structure	Depth, m	Thickness, m	Area, km <sup>2</sup>	CO <sub>2</sub> storage capacity, Mt
Aizpute	1096	65	51	14
Blidene	1050	66	43	58
Degole	1015	52	41	21
Dobeles	950	52	67	56
Edole	945	71	19	7
Kalvene	1063	45	19	14
Liepaja	1072	62	40	6
Luku-Duku	937	45	50	40
N. Kuldiga	925	69	18	13
N. Ligatne	750	50	30	23
N. Blidene	920	40	95	74
S. Kandava	983	25-30	69	44
Snepele	970	30	26	17
Usma	975	50	20	2
Vergale	981	65	10	5
Viesatu	1020	50	19	10
<b>Total</b>				<b>404</b>



Shogenova, A., Sliupa, S., Vaher, R., Shogenov, K., Pomeranceva, R. 2009a. The Baltic Basin: structure, properties of reservoir rocks and capacity for geological storage of CO<sub>2</sub>. Estonian Academy Publishers, Tallinn . Estonian Journal of Earth Sciences **58**(4), 259-267.







Šliaupa et al 2013. CO<sub>2</sub> storage potential of sedimentary basins of Slovakia, the Czech Republic, Poland and the Baltic States Geological Quarterly, 57, 2

## Storage capacity in the Baltic Region

- Last reported capacity in the Baltic Countries (Šliaupa et al, 2013):
- Latvia onshore: 400 Mt
- Latvia offshore: 300 Mt
- Lithuania onshore: 29 Mt

Potential for EHR in the Baltic onshore and offshore:

- Lithuania: 5.7 Mt
- Kaliningrad: 26 Mt onshore and 7Mt offshore
- Poland : 7Mt offshore oil and 16 Mt for gas fields



# CCS Legislation Results versus emissions and storage capacity



## Estonia

- The **highest CO<sub>2</sub> emissions per capita** in the Baltic Sea Region and Europe
- Two largest in the Baltic Region power plants (12 Mt/y CO<sub>2</sub>)
- **No** CO<sub>2</sub> storage **capacity**
- CO<sub>2</sub> storage is **not permitted** except for research, but requirements for new power plants (300 MW) to be capture ready (not yet accepted by EC)

## Latvia

- The **lowest CO<sub>2</sub> emissions** and emissions per capita in the Baltic Sea Region and mostly in Europe
- **Significant** (compared to emissions) onshore and offshore CO<sub>2</sub> storage **capacity**
- CO<sub>2</sub> storage is **temporally not permitted** (not yet accepted by EC)



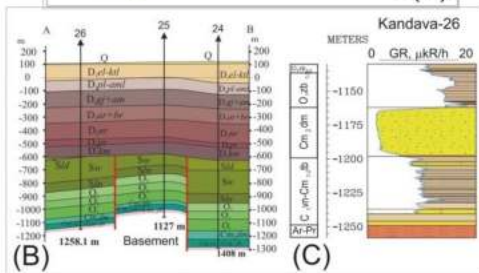
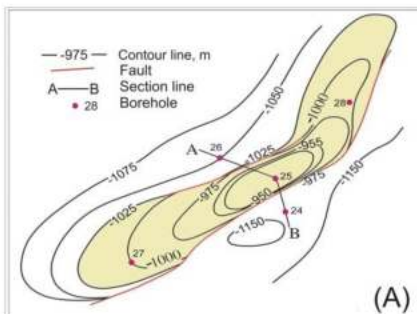
# Economic Modelling of of Estonian-Latvian Transboundary CO<sub>2</sub> storage



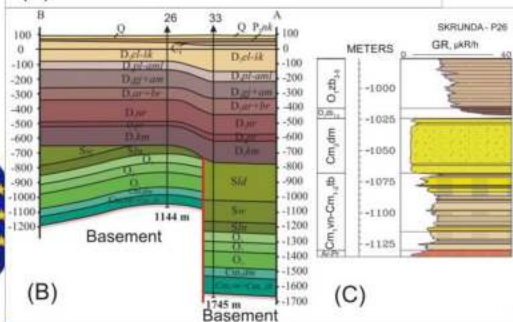
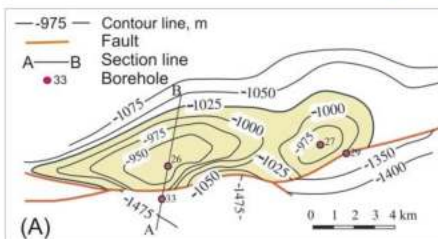
# Methods

- Data for the economic modelling were collected into the Geographic Information System (GIS) in the frame of the EU GeoCapacity project
- The GIS database includes locations of large CO<sub>2</sub> sources, potential storage sites and injection points, existing pipelines and pipeline terminals and natural sources of CO<sub>2</sub>
- The DSS was developed in the EU GeoCapacity project to evaluate the technical and economic feasibility of CO<sub>2</sub> storage in the subsurface
- The DSS uses the database of CO<sub>2</sub> emission points and storage locations in Europe (GeoCapacity GIS)
- The system is a combination of an internet application, which visualizes the data and allows the user to select sources and sinks and create a pipeline network, and a tool which performs a stochastic analysis of the costs of a CO<sub>2</sub> capture, transport and storage system.

## South-Kandava - 40 Mt CO<sub>2</sub>



## Luku-Duku – 44 Mt CO<sub>2</sub>



Results of the economic modelling of the possible Estonian-Latvian transboundary capture-transport-storage scenario showed, that cost of one tonne of CO<sub>2</sub> avoidance (37.4 €, Shogenova et al. 2011b) is corresponding to the cost calculated for European coal industry by ZEP (37 €, ZEP, 2011).

Narva plant -2.7 Mt CO<sub>2</sub> (2005)  
3.7 Mt in 2011

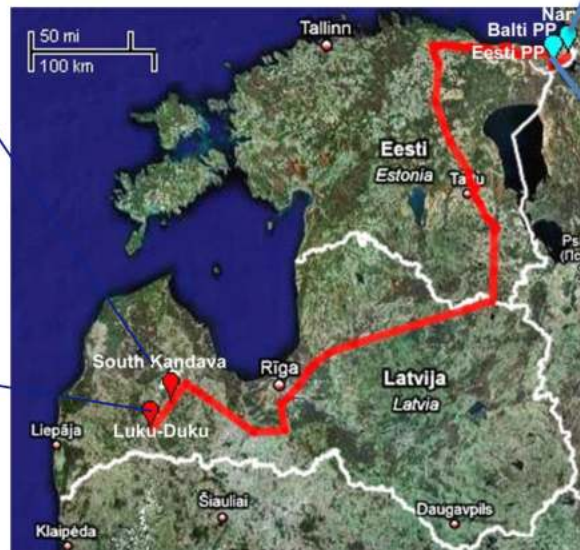


[http://www.estonica.org/en/Balti\\_power\\_plant\\_near\\_Narva/](http://www.estonica.org/en/Balti_power_plant_near_Narva/)



Photo: Postimees/Scanpix

Eesti plant -8 Mt CO<sub>2</sub> (2005)  
8.4 Mt (2011)



Source: Shogenova, A., Shogenov, K., Pomeranceva, R., Nulle, I., Neele, F. and Hendriks, C. 2011. Economic modelling of the capture-transport-sink scenario of industrial CO<sub>2</sub> emissions: the Estonian-Latvian cross-border case study. Elsevier, The Netherlands. *Energy Procedia* 4, 2385-2392.



# Summary of the input parameters for storage in the GeoCapacity Model

Sink Name	Luku-Duku	South Kandava
Sink type	aquifer	aquifer
Depth (m) (from the earth surface)	1024	1053
Current reservoir pressure (bar)	93.7	98.3
Maximum reservoir pressure (bar)	107.8	113
Reservoir radius (km)	8	5
Trap radius (km)	8	5
Reservoir thickness (m)	45	28
Porosity (%)	22	20
Connate water fraction	0.25	0.25
Net to gross ratio	0.8	0.8
Reservoir temperature (°C)	19	24.5
Permeability (mD)	300	300
Well radius (m)	0.15	0.15
Storage capacity (MtCO <sub>2</sub> )	40.2	44
Well injection rate (Mt/yr)	2	2
Storage efficiency factor in trap (%)	40	40
Number of wells	3	4
CO <sub>2</sub> concentration	20	20



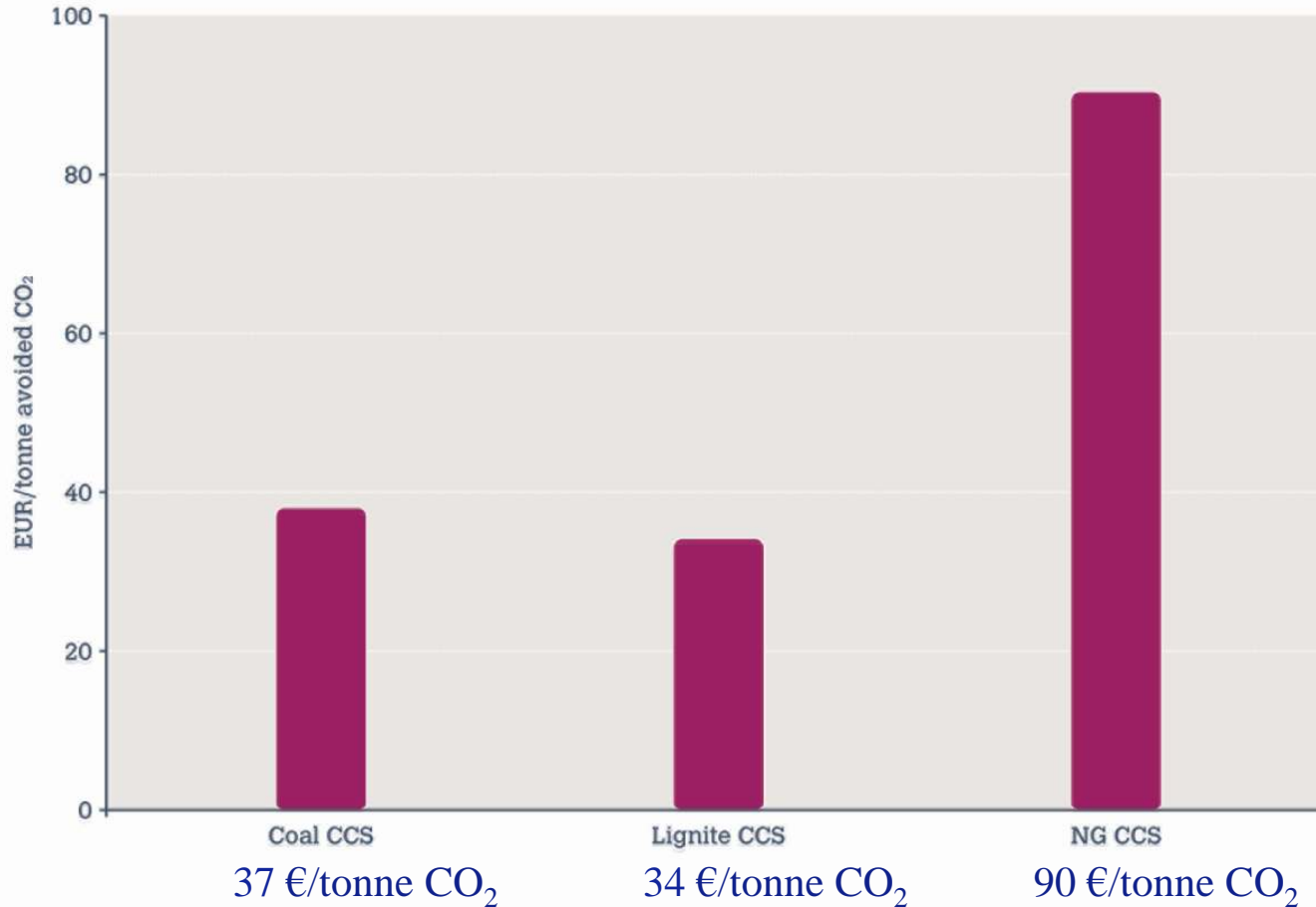


# Economic parameters of the Estonian – Latvian case study (NPV is net present value, SRC NPV is net present value for the capture costs)

<b>NPV</b>	<b>2835</b>	<b>€ million</b>	<b>NPV storage normalised</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>€/tCO<sub>2</sub>avoided</b>
<b>NPV capture</b>	<b>1928</b>	<b>€ million</b>	<b>Unit technical cost</b>	<b>37.4</b>	<b>€/tCO<sub>2</sub>avoided</b>
<b>NPV compression</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>€ million</b>	<b>Pay out time</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>Yr</b>
<b>NPV transport</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>€ million</b>	<b>SRC NPV capture 0</b>	<b>1103</b>	<b>€ million</b>
<b>NPV storage</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>€ million</b>	<b>SRC NPV compression 0</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>€ million</b>
<b>NPV normalised</b>	<b>37.4</b>	<b>€/tCO<sub>2</sub>avoided</b>	<b>SRC NPV capture 1</b>	<b>825</b>	<b>€ million</b>
<b>NPV capture normalised</b>	<b>25.5</b>	<b>€/tCO<sub>2</sub>avoided</b>	<b>SRC NPV compression 1</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>€ million</b>
<b>NPV compression normalised</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>€/tCO<sub>2</sub>avoided</b>	<b>SINK NPV storage 0</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>€ million</b>
<b>NPV transport normalised</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>€/tCO<sub>2</sub>avoided</b>	<b>SINK NPV storage 1</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>€ million</b>



Figure 2: CO<sub>2</sub> avoidance costs for possible plants commissioned in the mid 2020s – the price of EUAs required to justify building CCS projects vs. a plant without CCS from a purely economic point of view (calculated on the same basis as Figure 1)



(Source: The Costs of CO<sub>2</sub> Capture, Transport and Storage, European Technology Platform for Zero Emission Fossil Fuel Power Plants, 2011)







## Results of economic modelling

- Two largest Estonian power plants were chosen for the economic modelling of the capture–transport–sink scenario using the GeoCapacity Decision Support System (DSS) based on the GeoCapacity GIS database.
- Two anticlinal structures of Latvia, Luku-Duku and South Kandava with 40 and 44 Mt of CO<sub>2</sub> storage capacity were selected for the CO<sub>2</sub> storage.
- The estimated pipeline length required for CO<sub>2</sub> transportation is about 800 km.
- The oxyfuel capture technology is applied in this scenario. With a conservative storage capacity for 8 years of emissions, avoidance costs are rated at €37.4 per tonne of CO<sub>2</sub>
- The total cost of the project estimated by the Decision Support System using the GeoCapacity GIS is about €2.8 billion for 30 years of payment period
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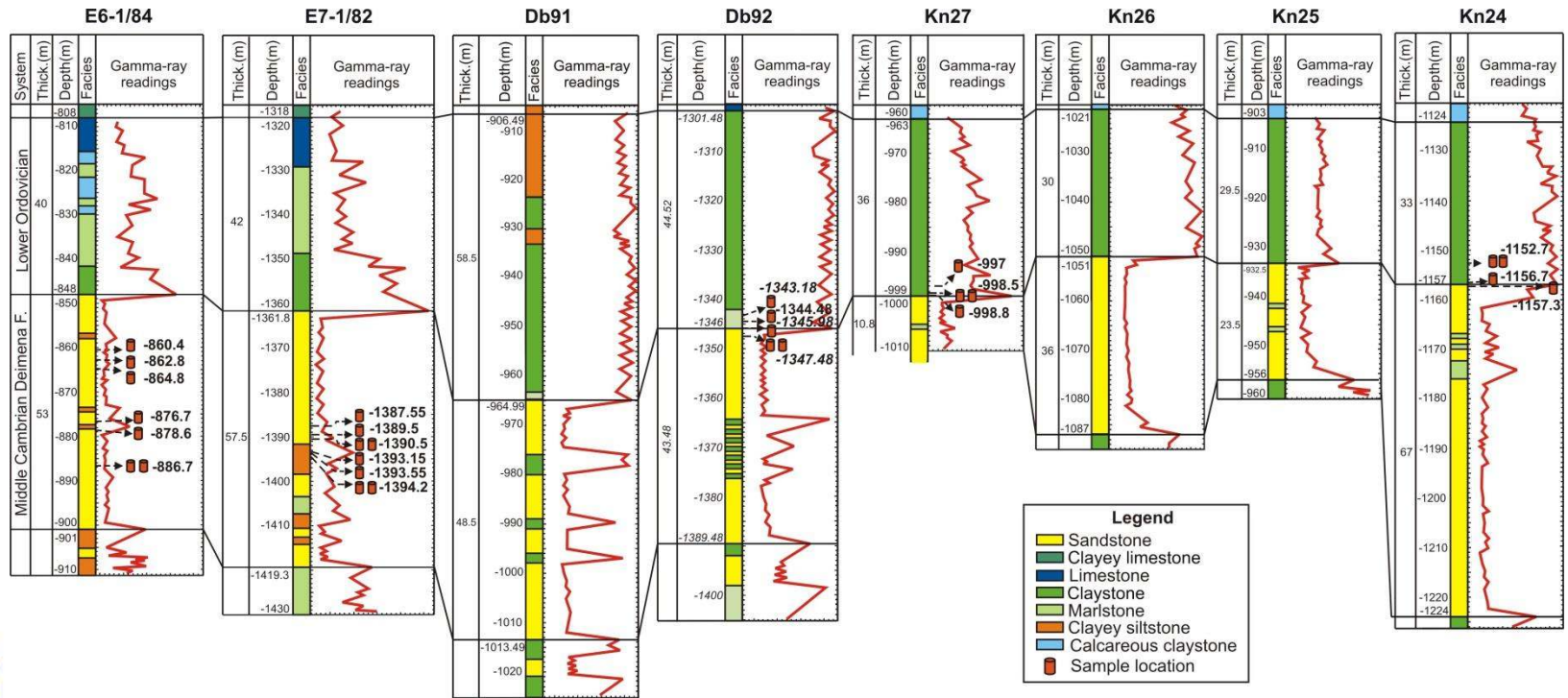
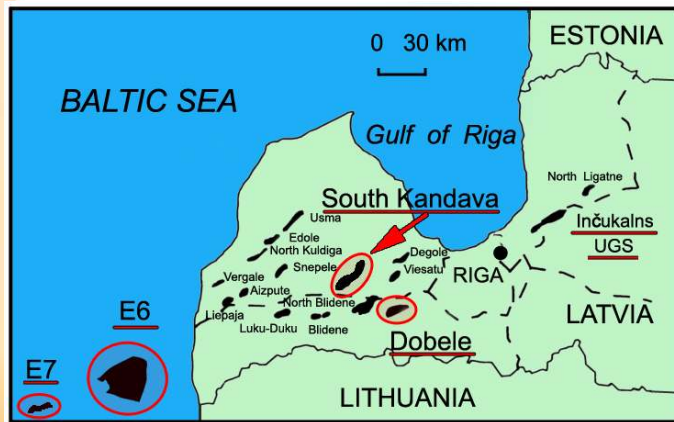


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# Detailed Study, Geological and Geophysical Modelling of Prospective Latvian structures



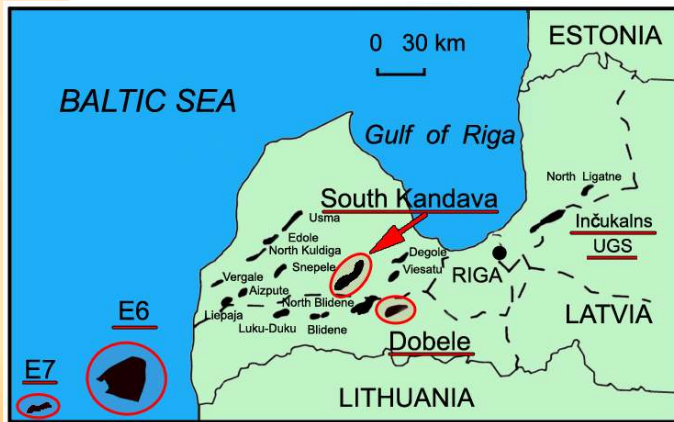
# Detailed study in Latvian onshore and offshore structures



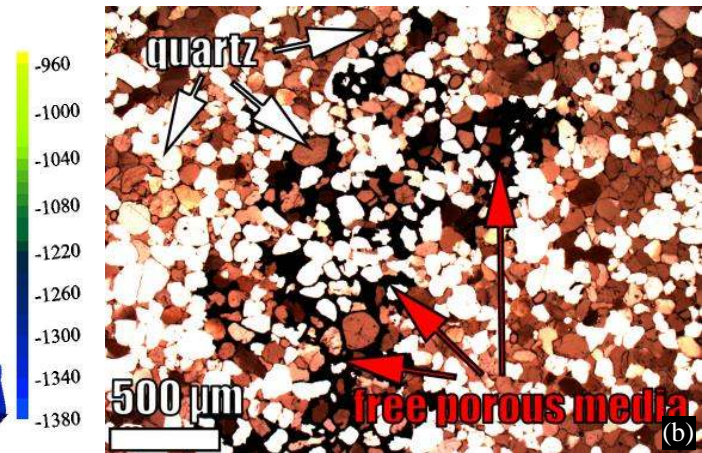
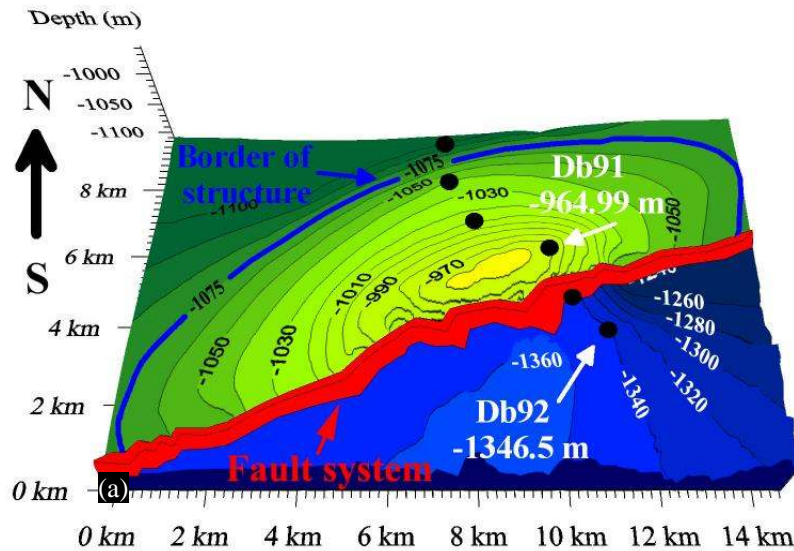
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# Onshore Structures in Latvia ongoing research and modelling



Dobele Structure: 70 km<sup>2</sup>  
CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Capacity:  
Optimistic 106 Mt  
Conservative 20 Mt  
(EU Geocapacity Project 56 Mt)

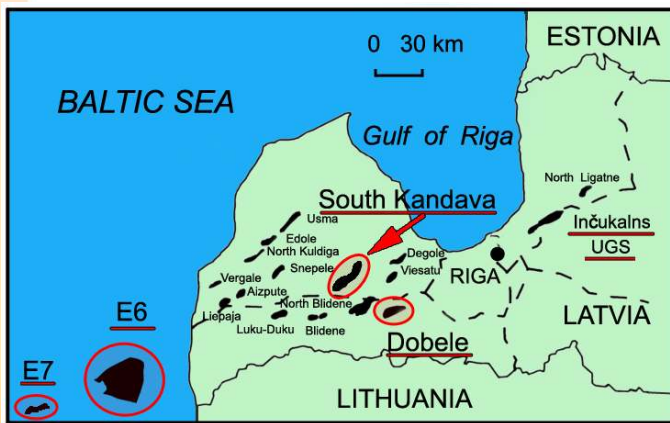


Microphotograph in polarized light of the Deimena sandstone from the well Db92 (1347.5 m). The fine-grained sandstone had 91% of SiO<sub>2</sub>, 1,5% of CaO, 3% of Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, 1% of Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> content and had good intergranual 20% open porosity

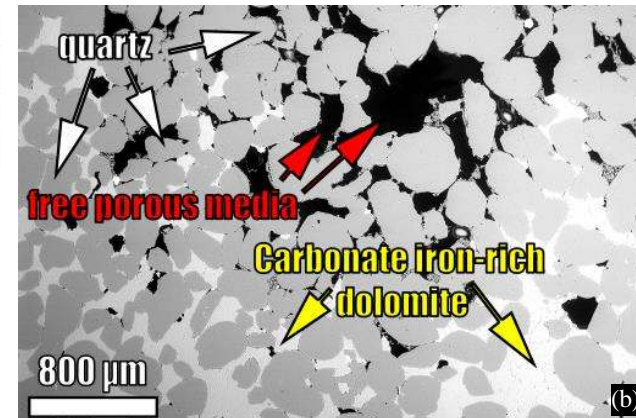
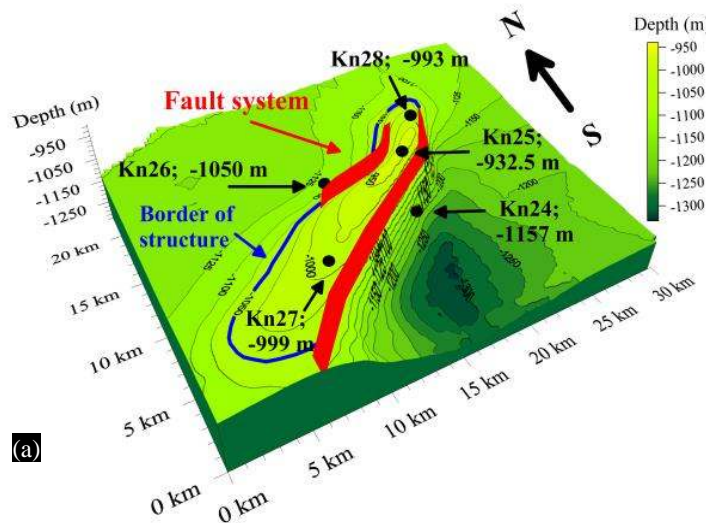
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# Onshore Structures in Latvia ongoing research and modelling



**South Kandava Structure: 97 km<sup>2</sup>**  
**CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Capacity:**  
 Optimistic 95 Mt  
 Conservative 25 Mt  
 (EU Geocapacity Project 44 Mt)

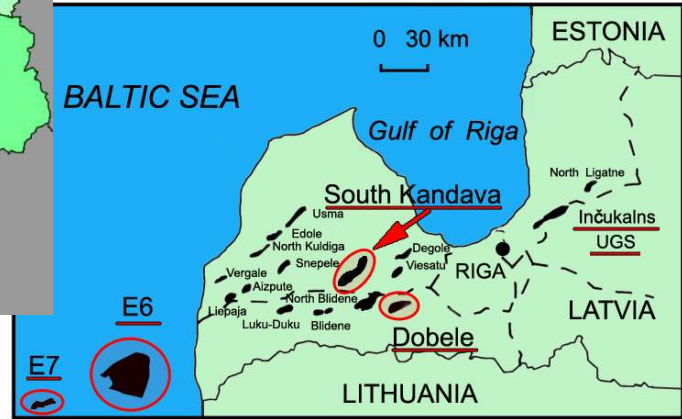
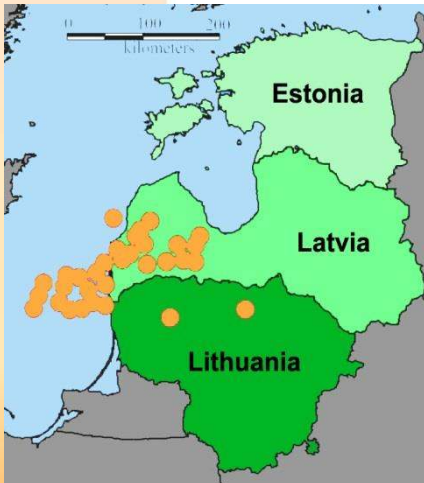


(b) SEM microphotograph of the Deimena quartz sandstone from the well Kn24 (1157.3 m). Quartz grains were almost completely cemented by carbonate iron-rich dolomite cement. It had low porosity (7%), close to 0 mD permeability and 81% of SiO<sub>2</sub>, 6% of CaO, 2% of MgO and 2% of Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> content. XRD analyzes showed ankerite as minor element in the sample

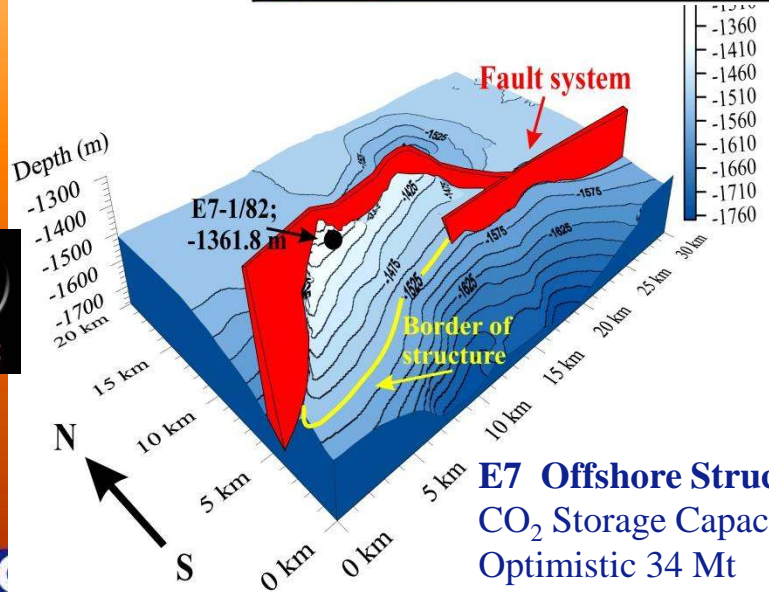
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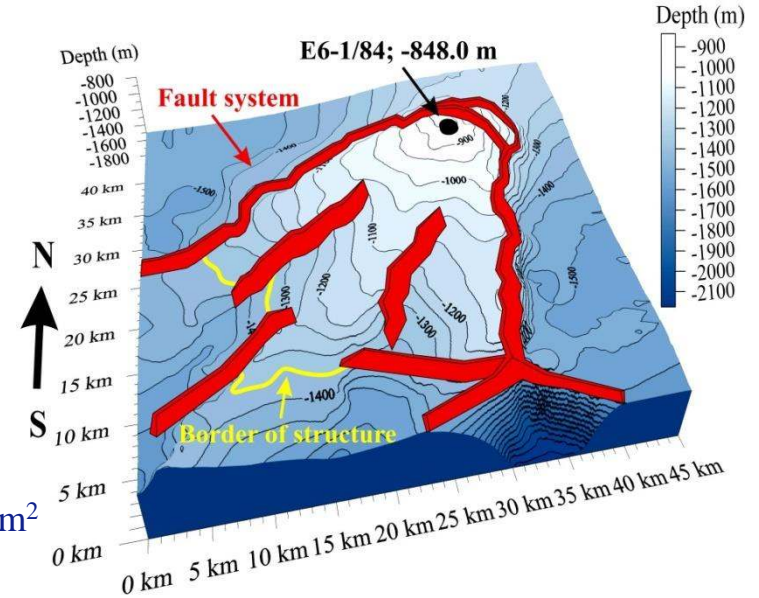
# Offshore Storage Capacity in Latvia (ongoing research) and modelling



**E6 Offshore Structure:** 600 km<sup>2</sup>  
 CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Capacity  
 Optimistic 400 Mt  
 Conservative 160 Mt



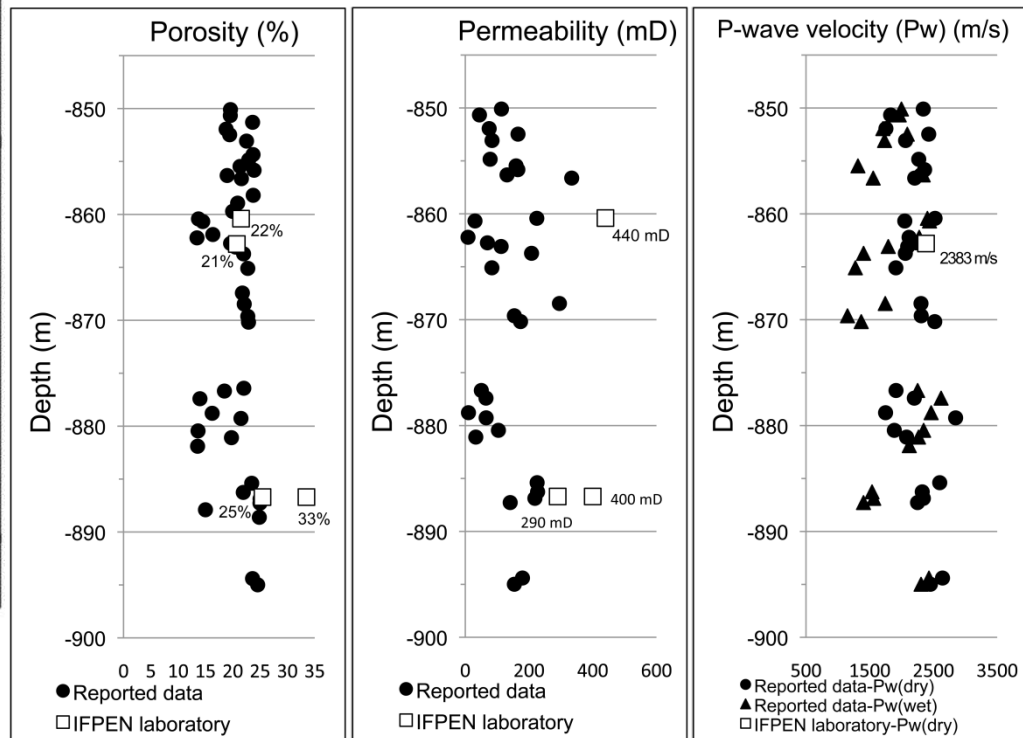
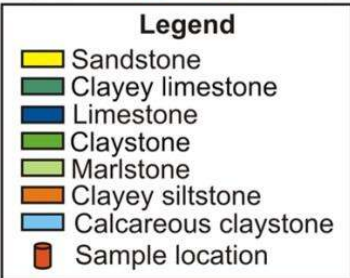
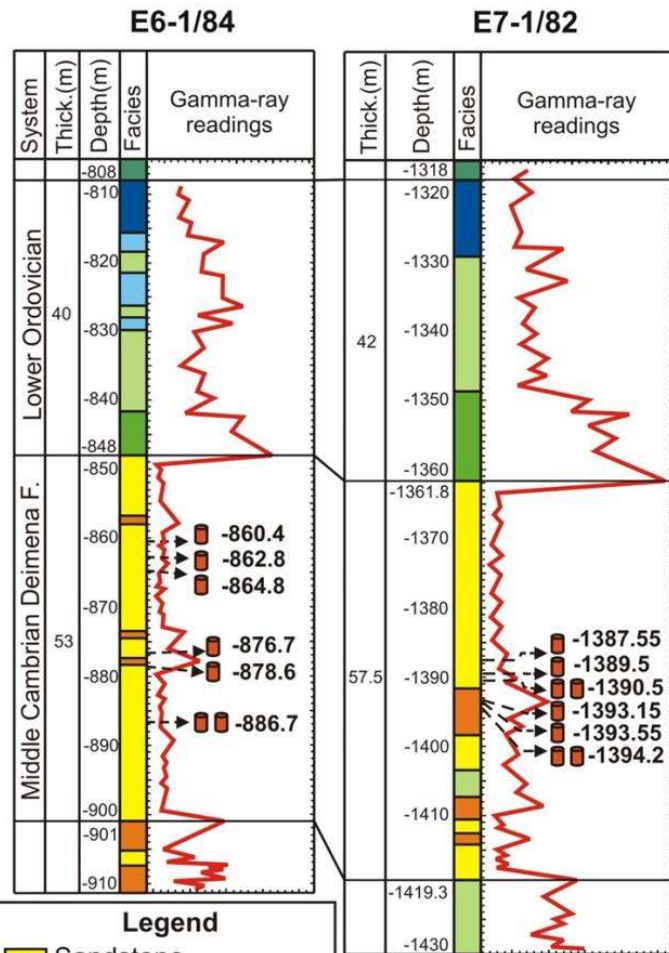
**E7 Offshore Structure:** 43 km<sup>2</sup>  
 CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Capacity  
 Optimistic 34 Mt  
 Conservative 7 Mt



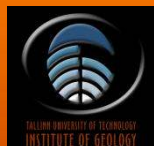
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# Detailed study of two offshore Latvian structures



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# Reservoir parameters in 4 studied structures

- Depth of the top: 850-1360 m
- Thickness 42-58 m
- Trap area 43-600 km<sup>2</sup>
- Salinity: 99-125 g/l
- Temperature 18-46 °C
- CO<sub>2</sub> density 660-900 kg/m<sup>3</sup>
- Seif optimistic: 10-20%, conservative: 4%
- Storage capacity: 34-396 Mt (optimistic), 7-160 Mt (conservative)





# Summary

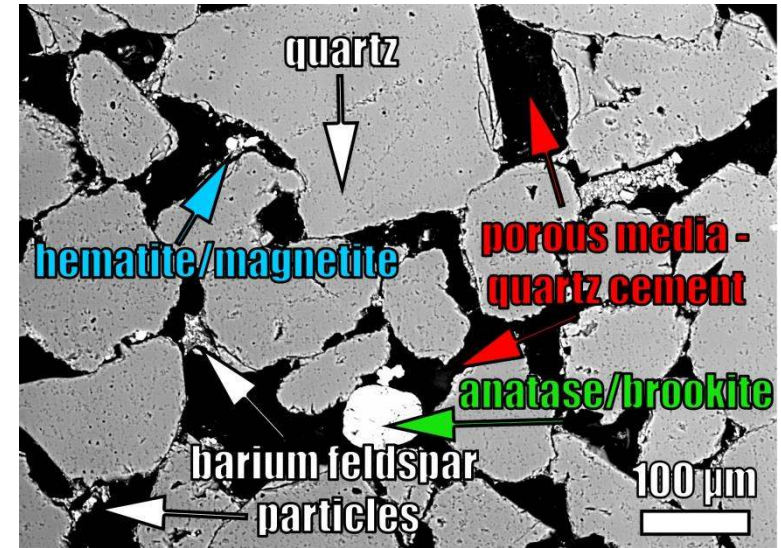
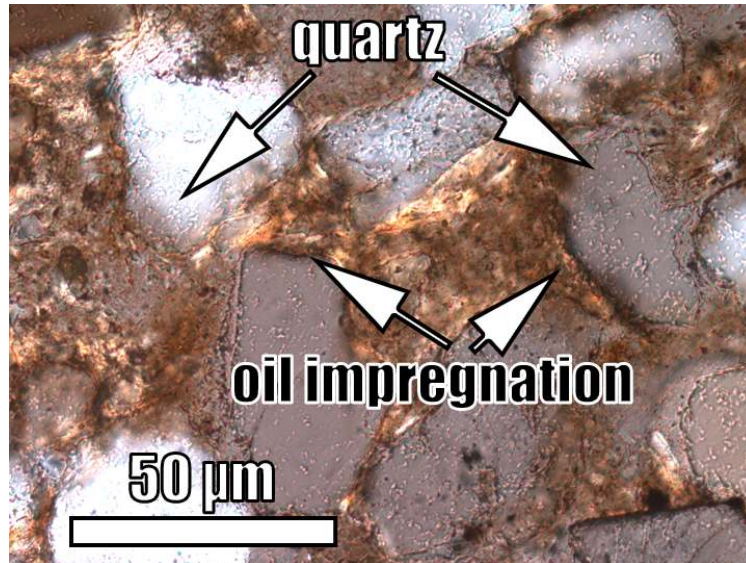
- The study was focused on the investigation of four prospective structures for geological storage of CO<sub>2</sub> in the Baltic region, specifically in the **onshore structures South Kandava and Dobeles**, and **offshore structures (E6 and E7)** in Latvia.
- Using detailed petrophysical, mineralogical and geochemical analyses of the **Middle Cambrian Deimena Formation sandstones** in these structures, their CO<sub>2</sub> storage capacity was estimated with different levels of reliability (using min-max porosity and different storage efficiency factors).
- Different storage efficiency factors and minimum to maximum porosities of the reservoir rocks were applied for conservative and optimistic estimates.
- **Offshore structure E6 was estimated as the most prospective for CO<sub>2</sub>** geological storage in the Baltic Region. Its optimistic CO<sub>2</sub> storage capacity was 265-630 Mt, and its average conservative capacity (**160 Mt**) is the largest among all the studied until now in Latvia onshore and offshore structures.
- Total capacity of four studied structures estimated using an optimistic approach was on average **630 Mt** and using a conservative approach **210 Mt**.
- Earlier capacity estimates made during the EU Geocapacity project of the Dobeles and South Kandava onshore structures are in the range of our optimistic capacities.



# Detailed study and modelling of the prospective structures in the Baltic Sea, offshore Latvia (E6)



# Example of thin-sections study from E6 offshore structure

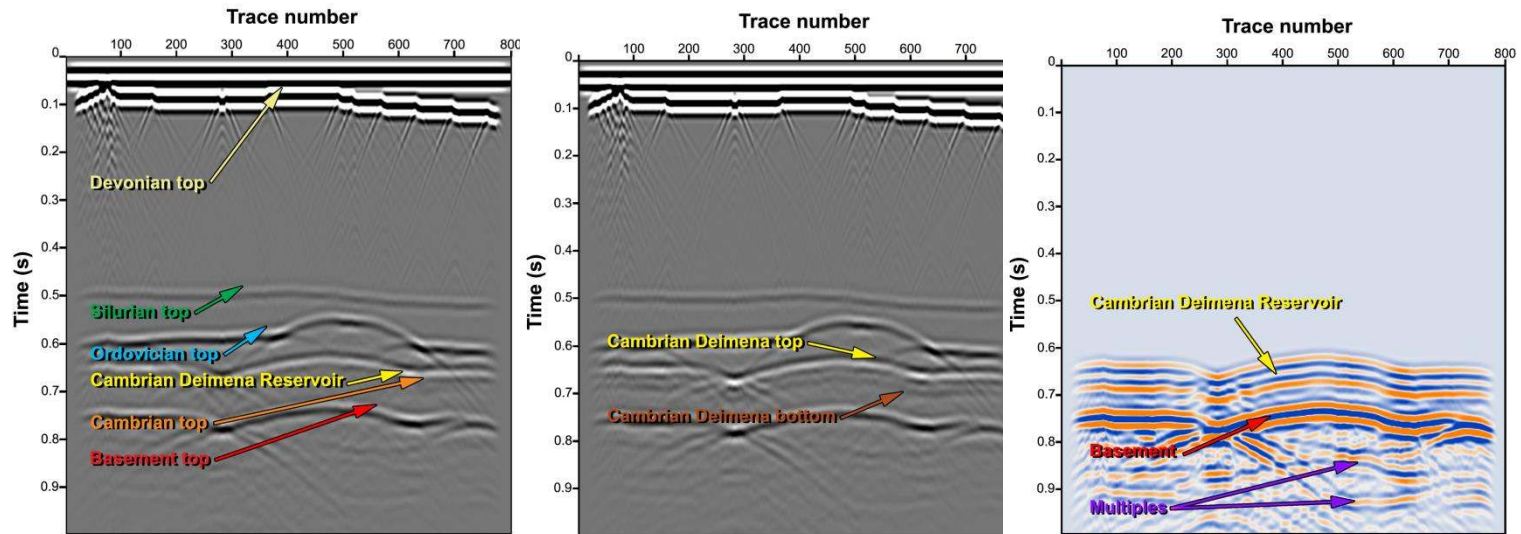


Microphotograph of thin section in cross-polarized light (a) and SEM microphotograph (b) of the Deimena sandstones from the well E6-1/84

- ➔ (a) Fine-grained quartz, carbonate and clayey cements presented in porous media were partially oil impregnated (876.7 m);
- ➔ (b) Minor amount of feldspar (sometimes barium feldspar) was found in all samples from the E6-1/84 borehole (886.7 m). Due to weak cementation this sample was broken into two parts, which had 26 and 33.5% of porosity, and 290 and 400 mD of permeability

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# Seismic numerical modelling of CO<sub>2</sub> storage in E6 offshore structure (to predict monitoring results and fate of CO<sub>2</sub> flow)



- ➔ *Examples of synthetic plane-wave (a and b) and difference sections (c). Plane-wave sections present 0% (a) and 5% (b) of CO<sub>2</sub> saturation. The seismograms are random noise-free. Approximate locations of the top of all geological formations (a) and the top and bottom of the Cambrian Deimena Sandstone Reservoir, saturated with CO<sub>2</sub> (b) are indicated. On the (c) introduced difference section of synthetic baseline (0% of CO<sub>2</sub>) and the synthetic seismic line with 5 % of CO<sub>2</sub> in the saturating fluid*

Shogenov K, Gei D., OGS-Italy. 2013. Seismic numerical modelling to monitor CO<sub>2</sub> storage in the Baltic Sea offshore structure, 2013, EAGE, London.



# 3D Geological, Lithological and Petrophysical Numerical Models of E6 Offshore Oil-Bearing Structure

K. Shogenov and E. Forlin/ OGS, Italy

- Main goal is coupled modelling of CO<sub>2</sub> plume migration within the geological storage site, estimation of geochemical, mineralogical and petrophysical changes in the host rocks and transitional cap rock-reservoir zone.
- One of the important objectives is integration of the fluid flow modelling and alteration experiment results into the 4D time-laps rock physics and seismic numerical model. The last one provides seismic monitoring tools of the CO<sub>2</sub> plume (Picotti et al., 2012).
- For 3D static structural reservoir modelling geological and reservoir engineering software JewelSuite™ (JOA Oil & Gas B.V.) was applied.
- 2 scale models were made with 500x500 m and 30x30 m gridding
- The next step to be done: flow fluid modelling using COORES software.



# Prospects for future regional cooperation

- We hope for including more countries in the Baltic transboundary scenarios
- Emission cluster would include the largest industrial Power Stations from Estonia, Finland, etc
- Storage cluster could include offshore structures in the Baltic Sea (Latvia, Lithuania, Sweden, Poland, etc) and North Sea sites as well
- Cooperation of the all Baltic Sea Region countries including Russia would be needed to create common infrastructure for CCS scenarios
- Political and public support from all Baltic Sea Region countries are needed
- Researches have to be more active in rising of public awareness, education and knowledge dissemination



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