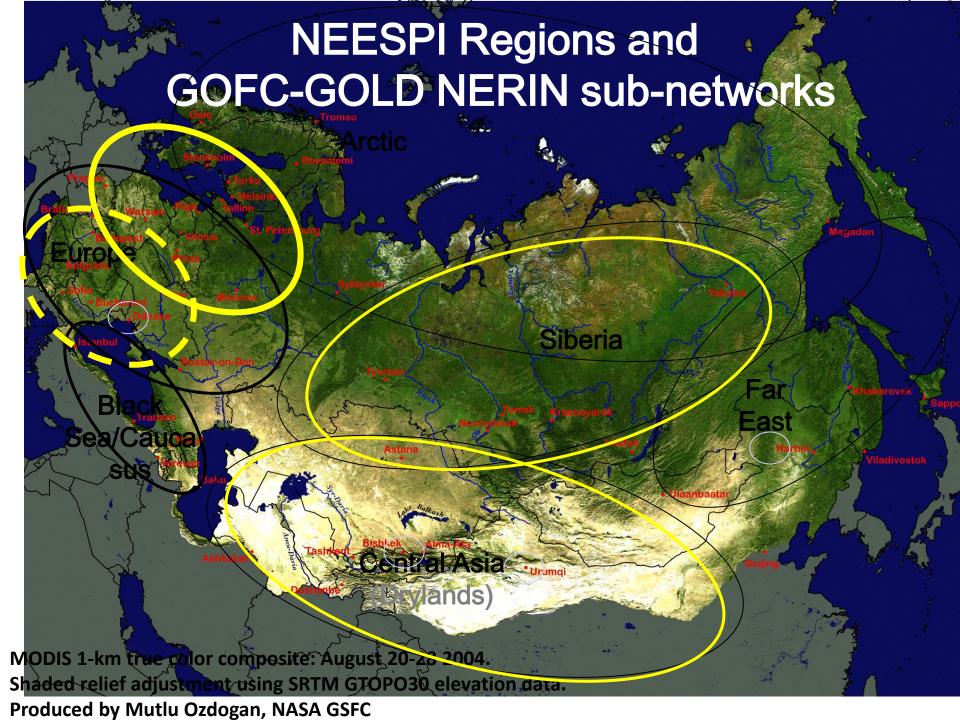




EASTERN EUROPE PROVIDES A PERFECT 'NATURAL EXPERIMENT'

LCLUC/NEESPI/GOFC-GOLD Meeting

- First LCLUC regional meeting for boreal/temperate zone, specifically central and NE Europe (Baltics)
- Can be used as a starting point for new projects
- Analyze successes and learn lessons
 - Important for regional collaborations
 - Existing GOFC-GOLD networks: Russia, Central Asia
 - Regional network for the Baltic-Eastern Europe region: BEERIN?
 - Need actions items
 - report based on the presentations and plans for improving the structure and for future meetings (under GOFC-GOLD)
 - Article to the NASA EO newsletter on the LCLUC/GOFC-GOLD meeting
 - Special issue?



Future Steps

- NASA LCLUC Solicitation for 2011 is available (on the web)
 - Synthesis of LCLUC regional studies (expect several on NEurasia)
 - Vulnerability, Impacts, Adaptation for wetlands
 - LCLUC will have a call in ROSE-2011 (focus TBD)
- Continue NEESPI support for another 4-5 yrs
 - Help with coordination/management of regional data
 - NASA-NEESPI Project Scientist
 - International (regional?) Project Office
- Next MAIRS-LCLUC on tropics
 - Location South East Asia (Vietnam?), Dec'11-Jan'12
- Enhance the social science component

Learning Experience

- This meeting was supposed to serve as the venue for exchange of data, ideas, plans
- Training an important component of each LCLUC international regional meeting in neighboring Latvia
- Human interactions
- Personal Notes
 - Impressed by knowledge of English of ALL participants
 - Impressed by excellent diverse representation of the Central European/Baltics region
 - Missing actors: Poland, Belorussia, Ukraine, Lithuania, Sweden
 - Excellent hosts, beautiful reception, field trip and dinner sponsored by ScanEx
 - I learned a lot







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