

# The European Network on Soil Awareness Steps into the Future

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**E**uropean

**N**etwork on

**SOIL**

**A**wareness

Goals:

to increase soil awareness in Europe  
and  
to bring together all people who are  
interested in soil awareness

Established in 2009

Collaboration with:

- ELSA  
European Land & Soil Alliance
- Working Group  
Soil Awareness and Education  
of the EU Soil Bureau Network
- National soil organisations
- Regional and local networks
- International partners



# European Network on Soil Awareness

- Networking – from the local to the European scale (incl. bi- and trinational activities)
- Contact persons in all EU countries needed
- Internet platform
  - Who is doing what where?
  - Which material on soil awareness is existing there?
  - Who is the contact person?
- Meeting every second year



# European Network on Soil Awareness



# How to get from the European scale to the local scale and vice versa?





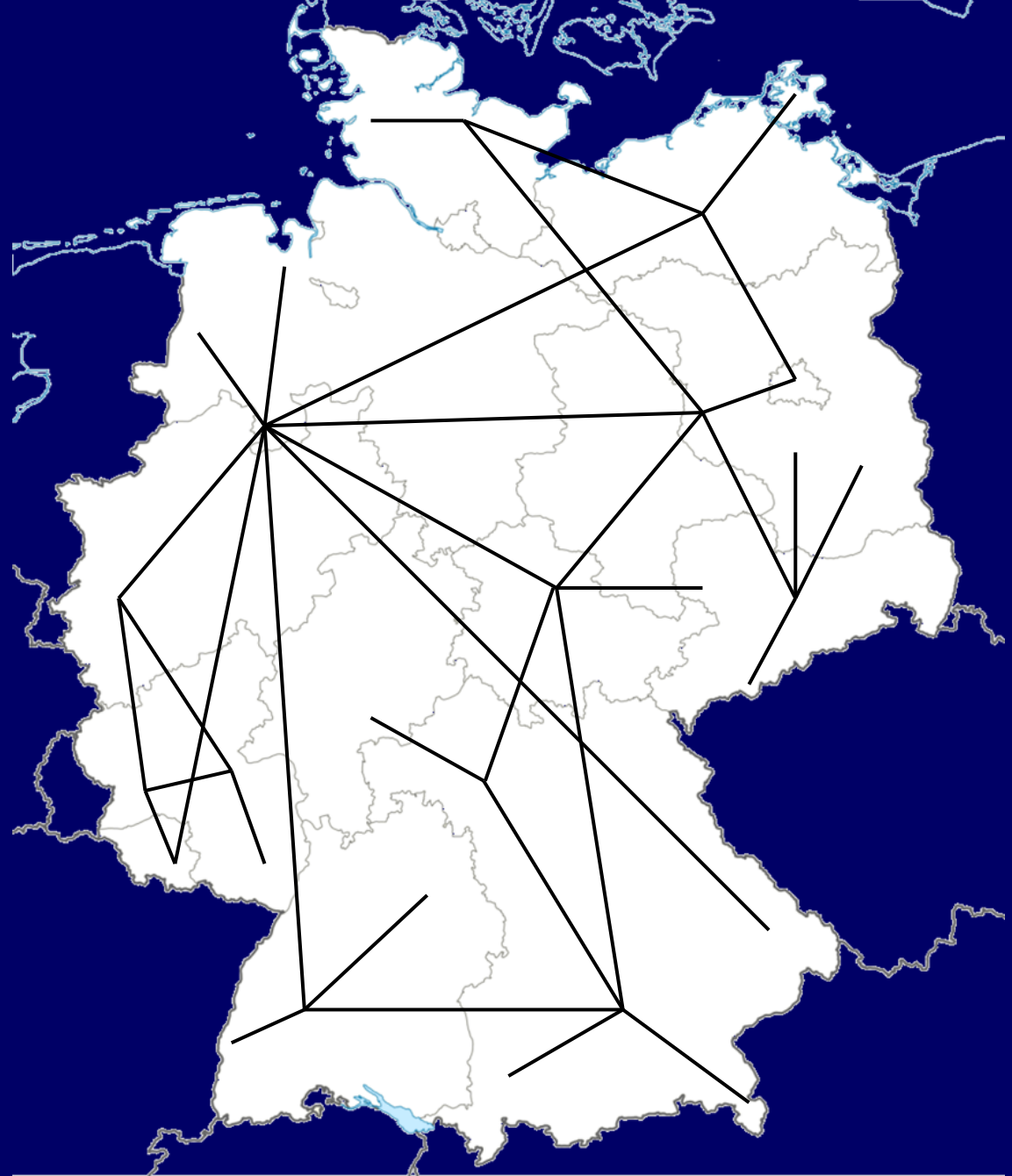
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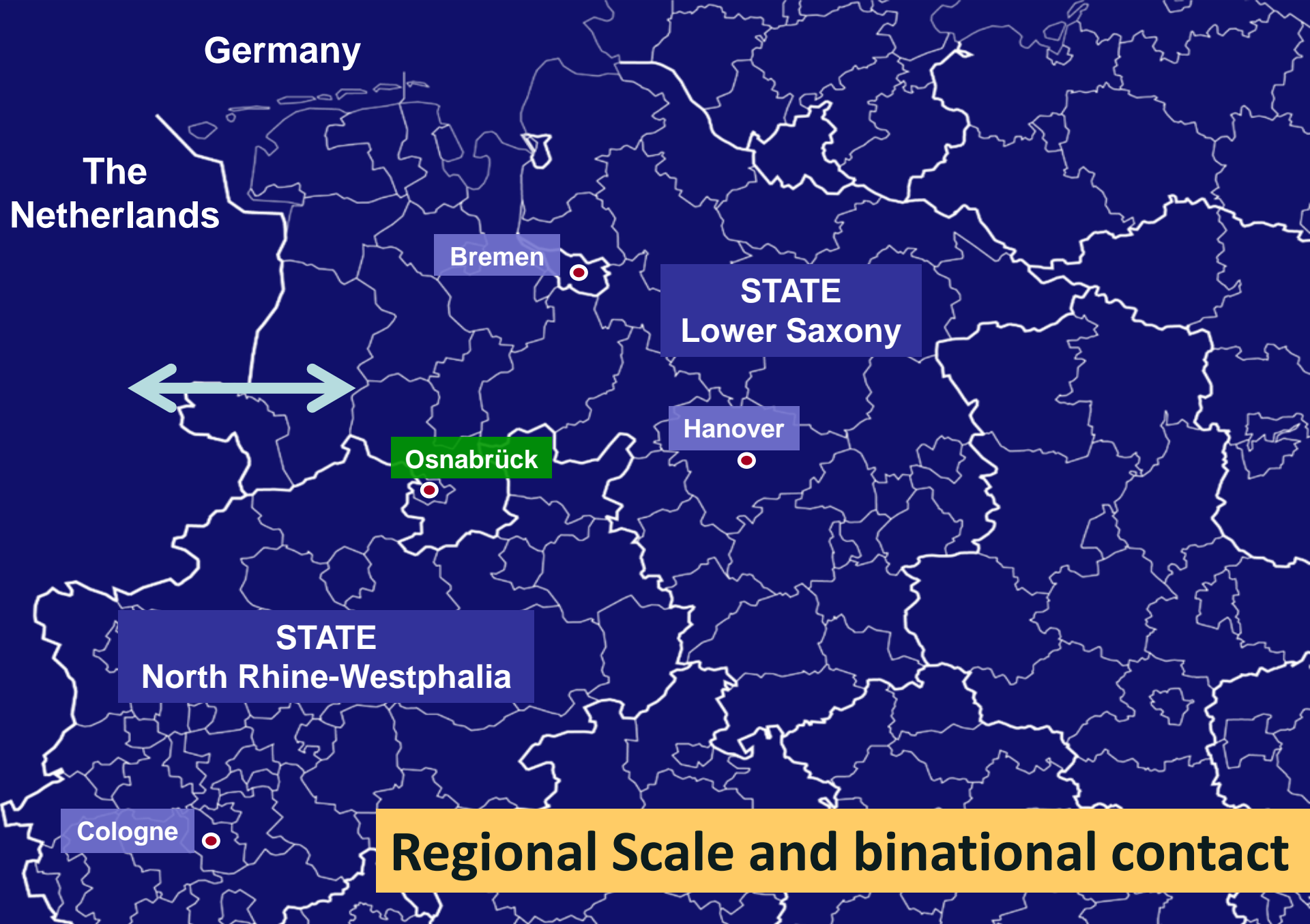


German Soil Science Society  
[www.dbges.de](http://www.dbges.de)

Other Organisations

**National scale**  
Example Germany





**Regional Scale and binational contact**



**STATE**  
**Lower Saxony**

Vrees  
Learning outside school

**COUNTY**  
**EMSLAND**

**COUNTY**  
**OSNABRÜCK**

Administration  
Department Soil Protection

[www.kalkriese-varusschlacht.de](http://www.kalkriese-varusschlacht.de)



Museum Kalkriese

**COUNTY**  
**STEINFURT**

Administration  
Department Soil Protection

**TOWN**  
**OS**

[www.naturpark-terravita.de](http://www.naturpark-terravita.de)

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Lienen  
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Noller Schlucht  
Learning outside school

**STATE**  
**North Rhine-Westphalia**



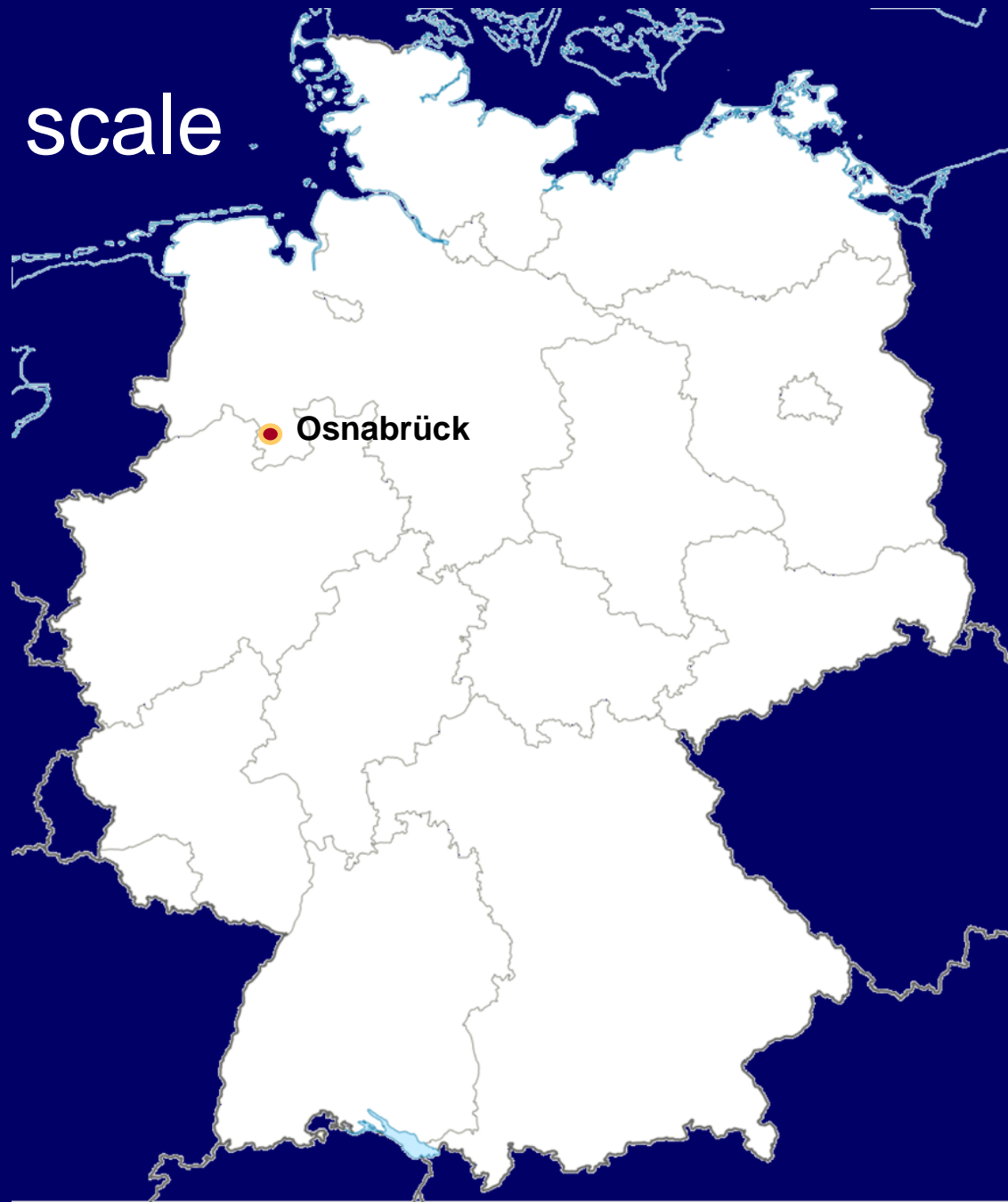


# Learning outside school

## Example „Vrees“ in Lower Saxony, Germany connected to a Regional Environmental Centre



# Local scale





University of Applied Sciences  
[www.hs-osnabrueck.de](http://www.hs-osnabrueck.de)



Hochschule Osnabrück  
University of Applied Sciences

University



[www.geographie.uos.de](http://www.geographie.uos.de)

**TOWN OSNABRÜCK**  
**Soil awareness network**

Administration  
Department Environment

Schools

ELSA

Museum

[www.osnabrueck.de/mas](http://www.osnabrueck.de/mas)



# Hi, let's work together !



# Goal of the Meeting in Tulln

- To meet colleagues in order to initiate more local, regional and national networks
- To find more key persons for different countries
- To look at interesting things to raise soil awareness and to discuss how to use it
- To learn from the long experience on raising soil awareness in Austria
- One more thing....



# Outreach and Education

Movie on soils and soil protection in preparation

A movie is an excellent tool to reach our target groups like children or policy makers.

Please, answer the following questions today:

What is the most important topic related to soil protection for you?

What do you think is the most important topic related to soil protection for the citizen?



# Let's work together now...



...allover in Europe...





...and let's have fun !

