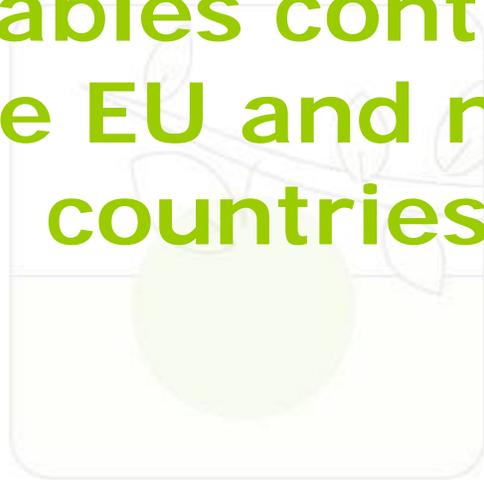


# Transboundary co-operation on Rabies control between the EU and neighbouring countries



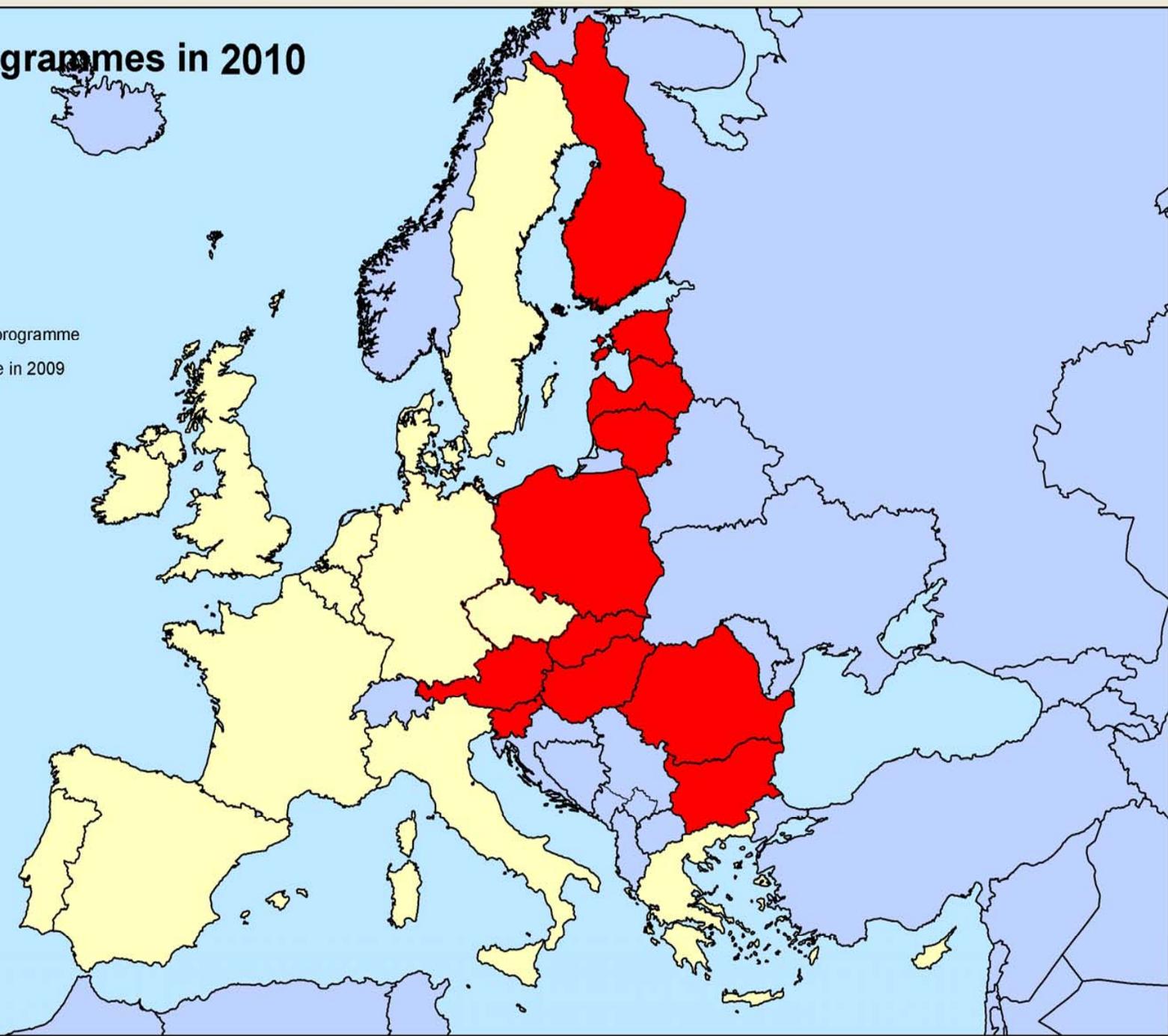
# Rabies

- A serious public health threat
- EU has dedicated important resources to combat the disease

# Rabies programmes in 2010

## Legend

- EU MS no rabies programme
- Rabies programme in 2009



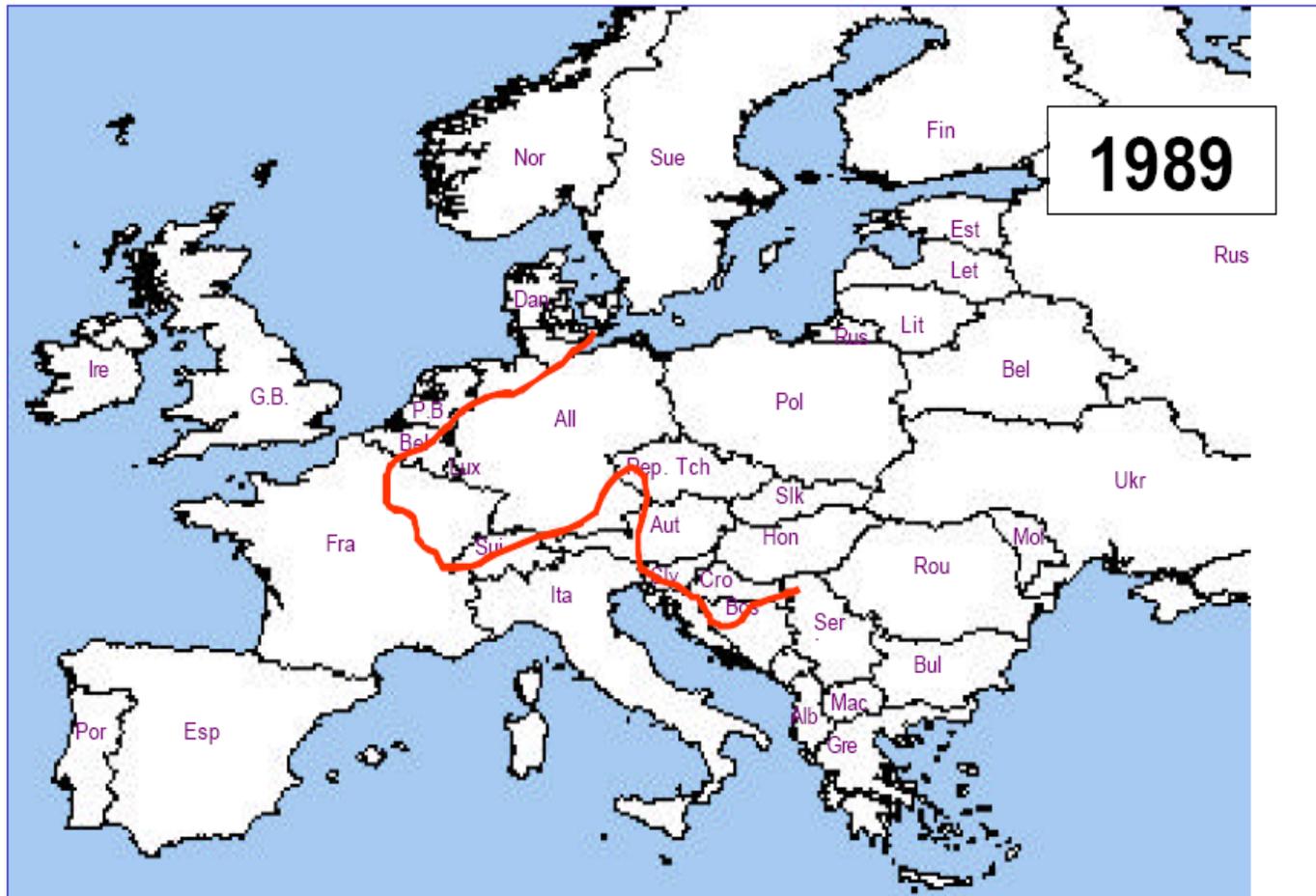
# Co-financed programmes in EU Member States

50% of the costs incurred by the MS:

- ✿ For carrying out the laboratory tests
- ✿ For purchasing and distribution of vaccine plus baits

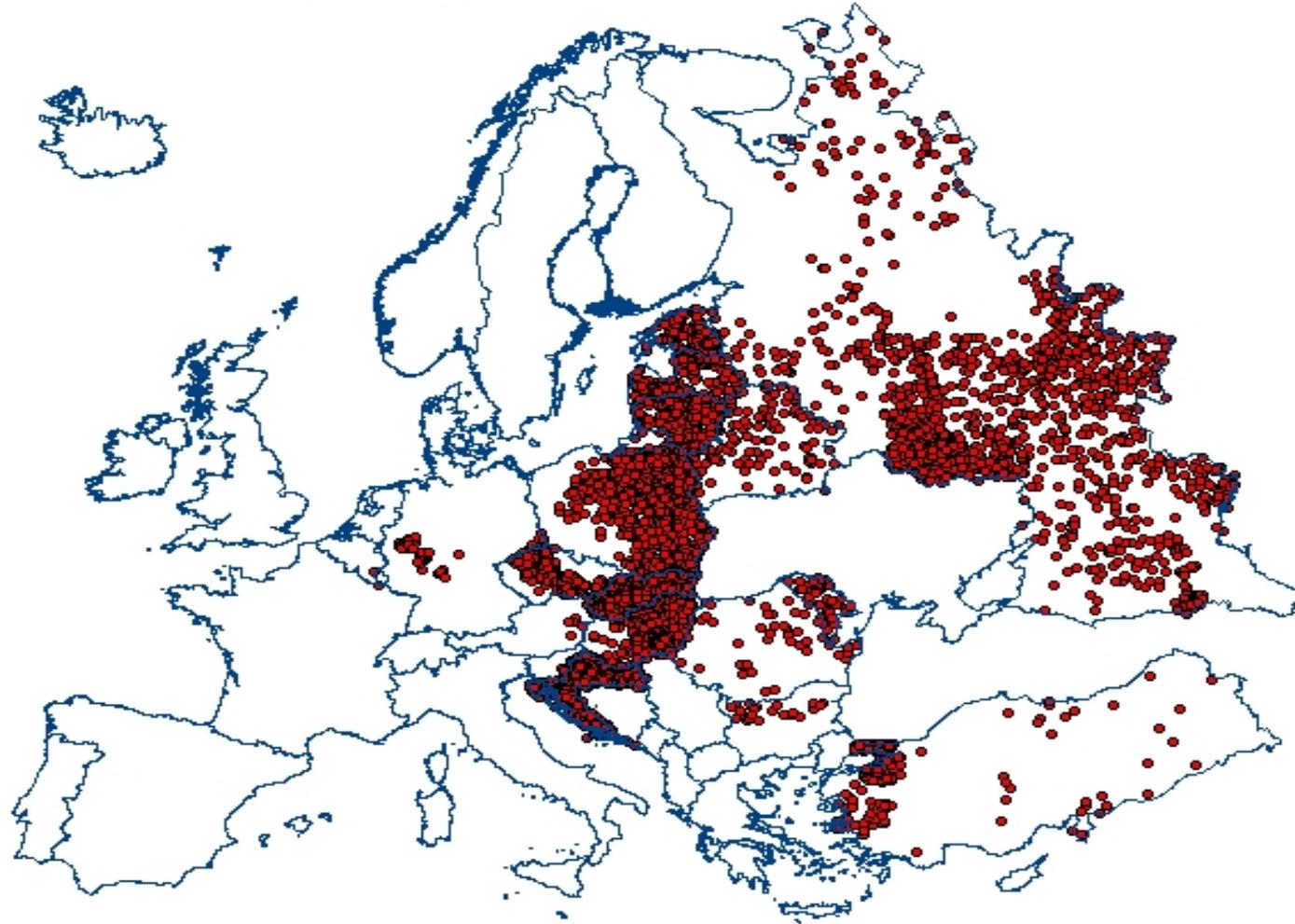
# Rabies front in 1989

(Maps WHO Rabies bulletin Europe)

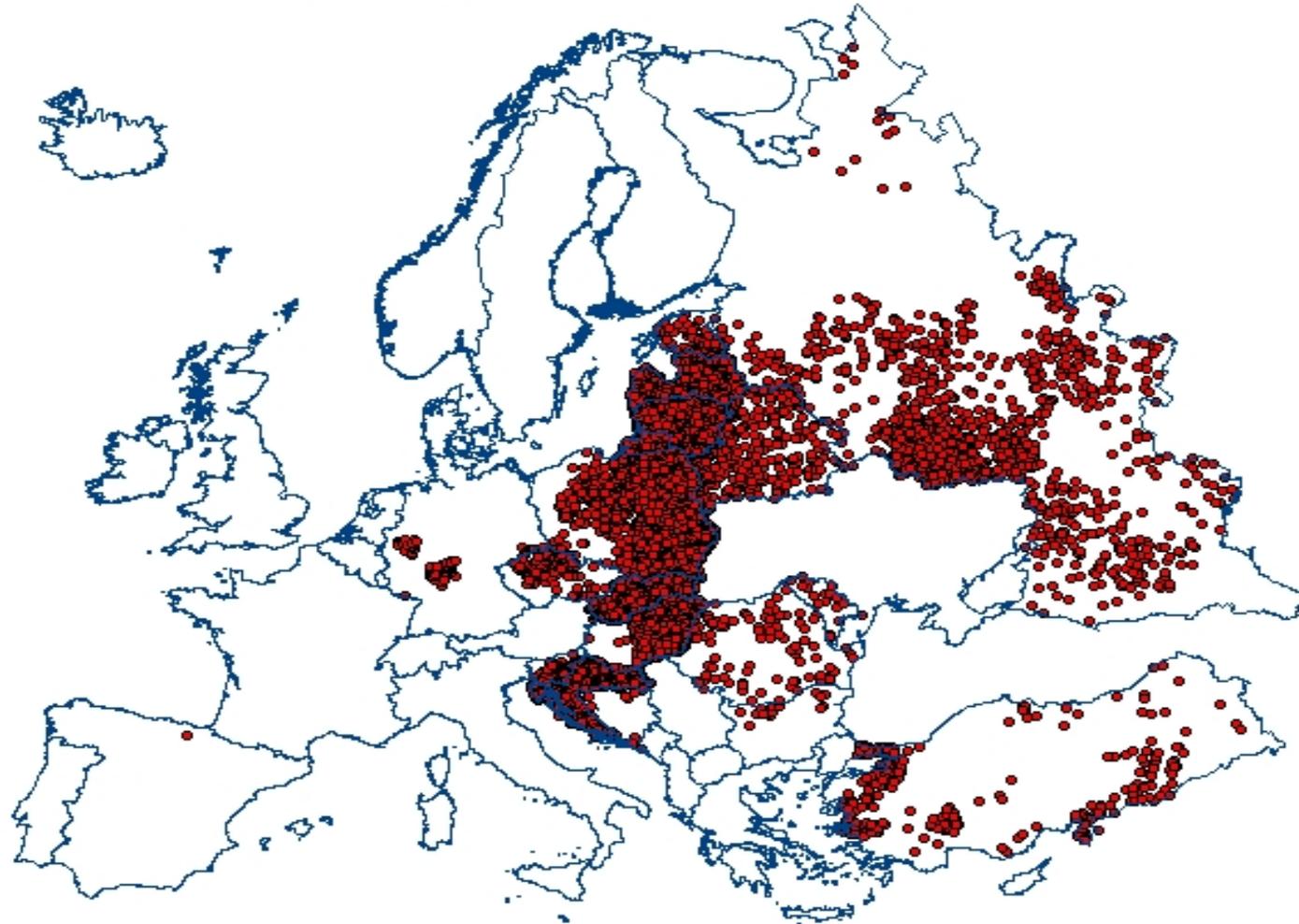




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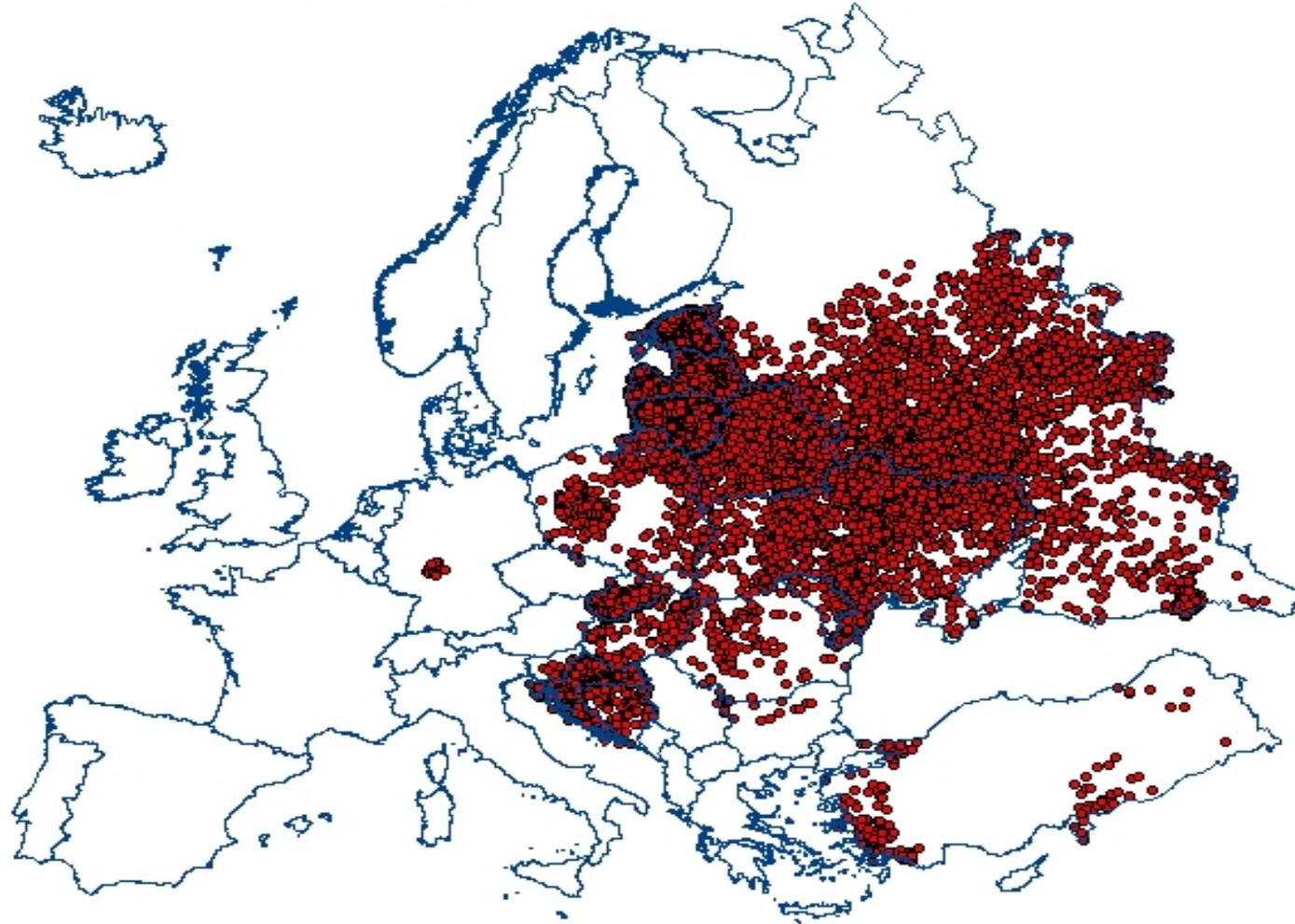


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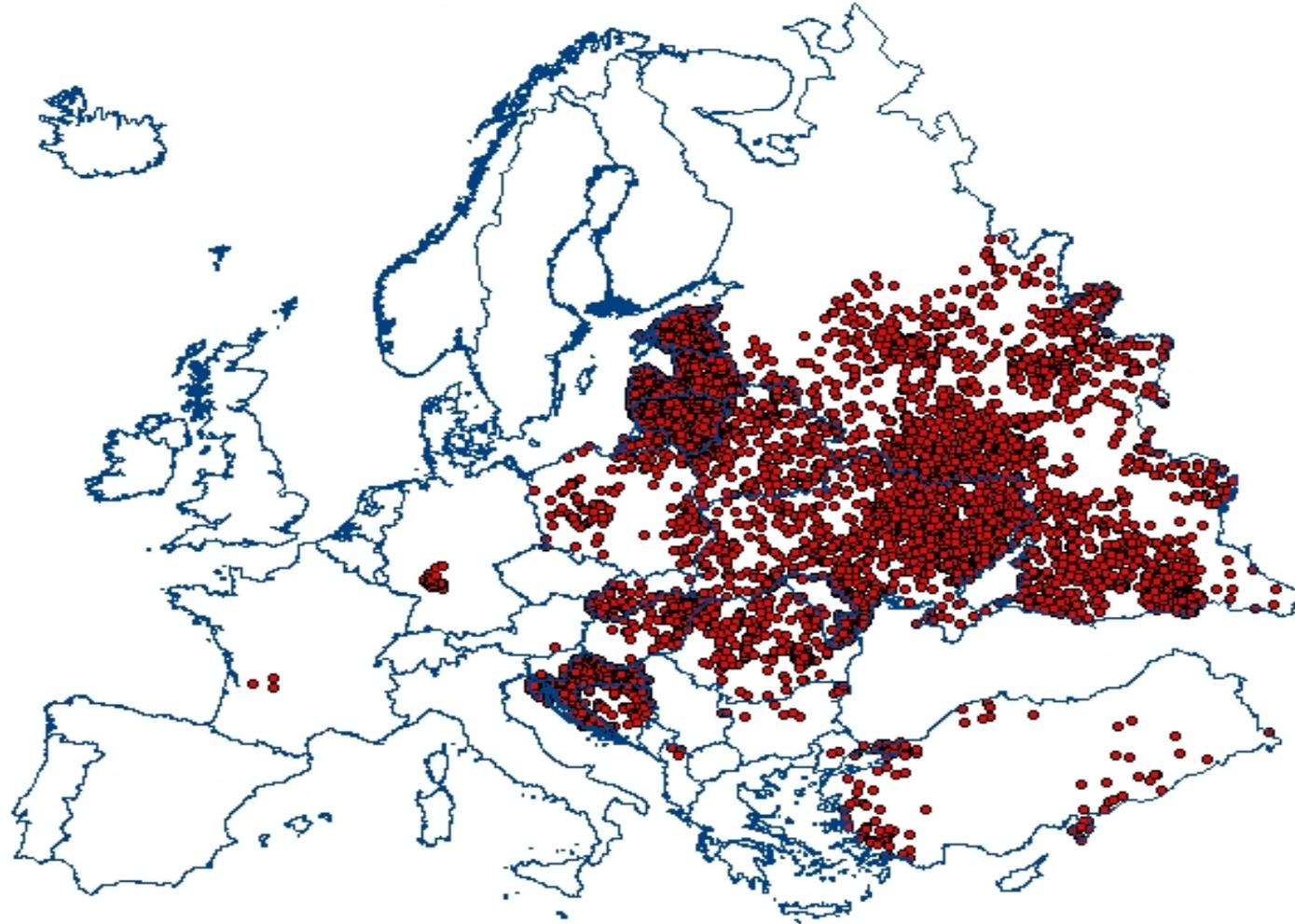




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# Rabies - Regional approach

- Certain EU areas close to eradication
  - Wildlife reservoir – Does not respect borders
- action also in bordering countries needed

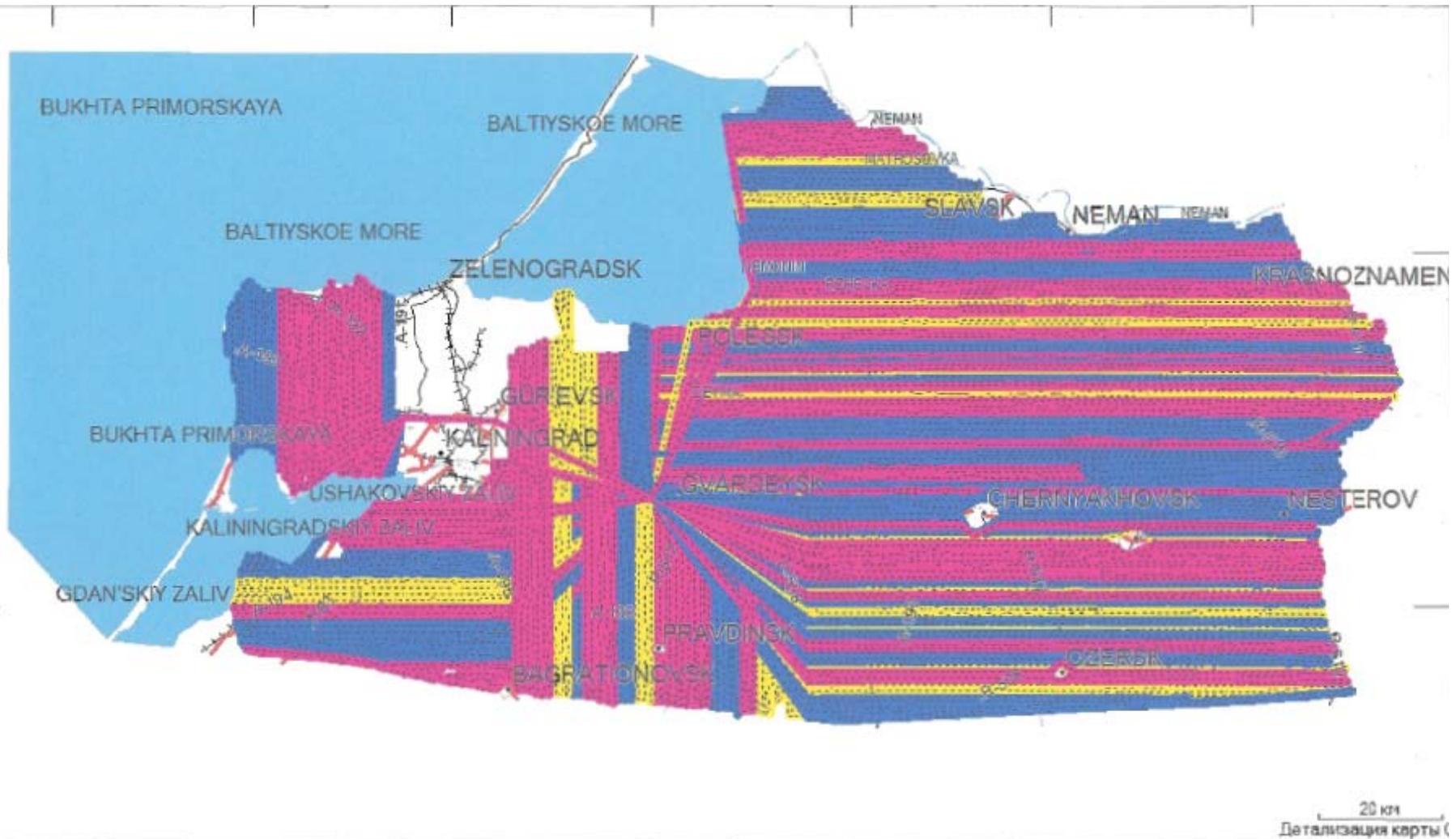
# Rabies - Regional approach

- Kaliningrad region of the RF
- Borders with Russia, Belarus, Ukraine
- Western Balkans

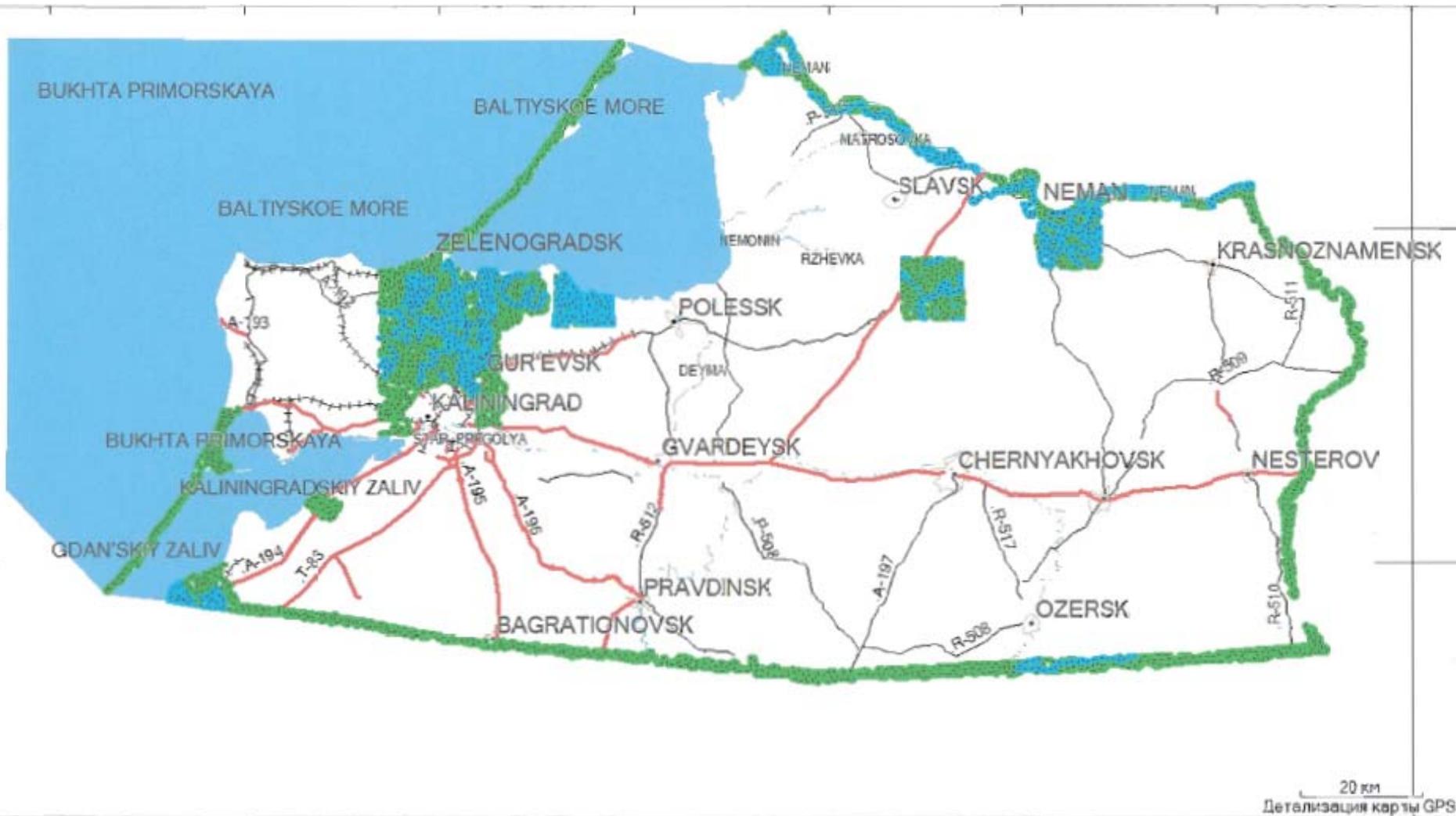
# Rabies - Regional approach

- **Russia – Kaliningrad**
  - Cooperation started in 2007 through Lithuania
  - Since July 2009 direct financing (grant) approved for 3 years
  - 100% of purchase and distribution of vaccine baits
  - 1.8 million €

# Kaliningrad: Aerial distribution autumn 09



# Kaliningrad: Manual distribution autumn 09



# Rabies - Regional approach

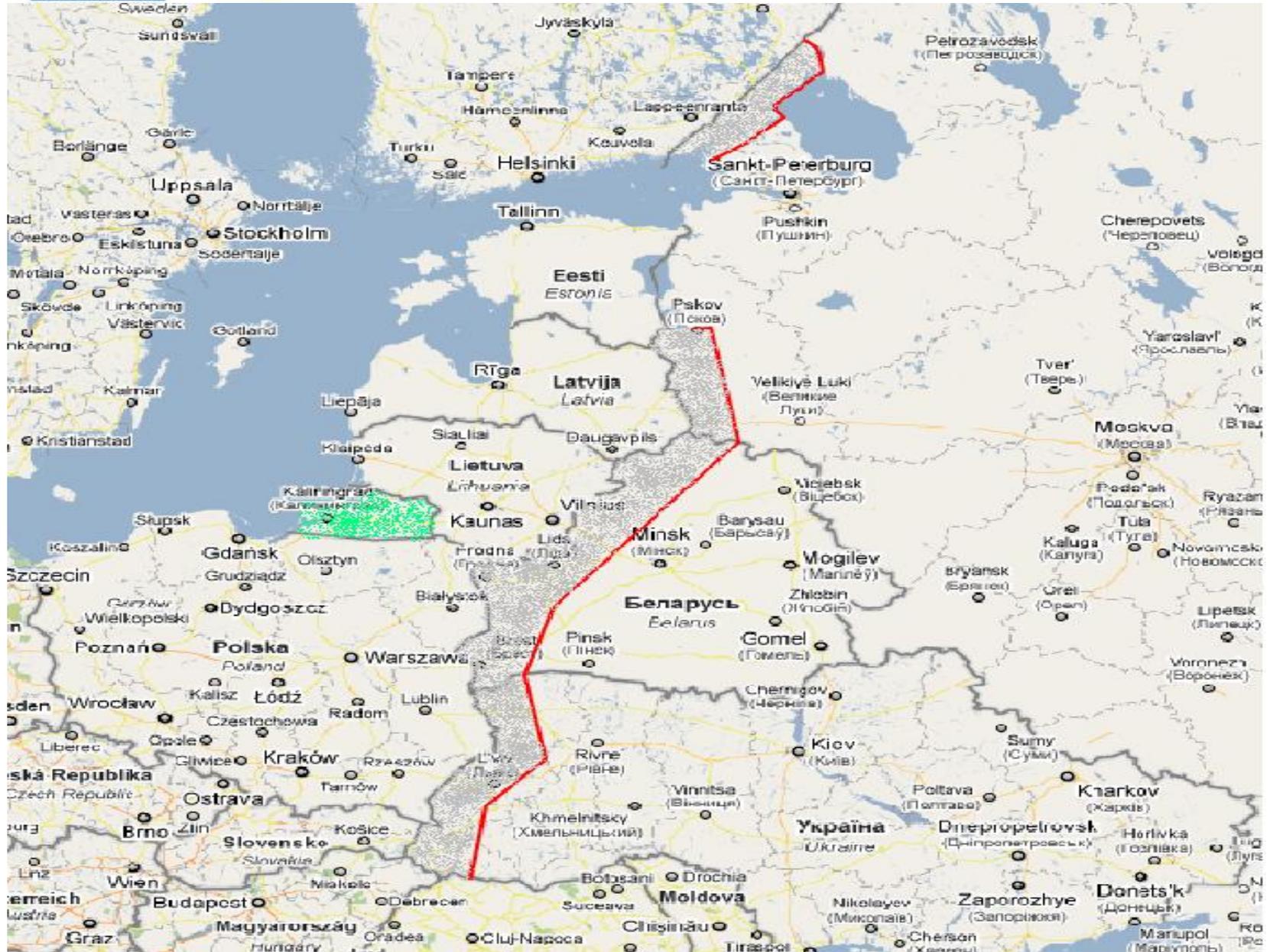
- Russia (rest of bordering areas),  
Ukraine, Belarus:
  - Ideal is that a whole country/region eradication approach is followed.
  - Vet fund cannot finance areas away from the EU borders

# Rabies - Regional approach

- Russia (rest of bordering areas),  
Ukraine, Belarus:
  - Discussions to create an EU co financed vaccination zone along the borders
  - Unlikely to be able to finance directly through EU vet fund as in Kaliningrad (legal basis)
  - Therefore the activities should be financed through the annually approved programmes of the Member States



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# Rabies - Regional approach

- Western Balkans:

- Project to combat Rabies and CSF
- EU Enlargement Funds (IPA)

# Training activities - Rabies

- Georgia – March 2010 (TAIEX)

- Ukraine – July 2010 (BTSF)

Thank you for  
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