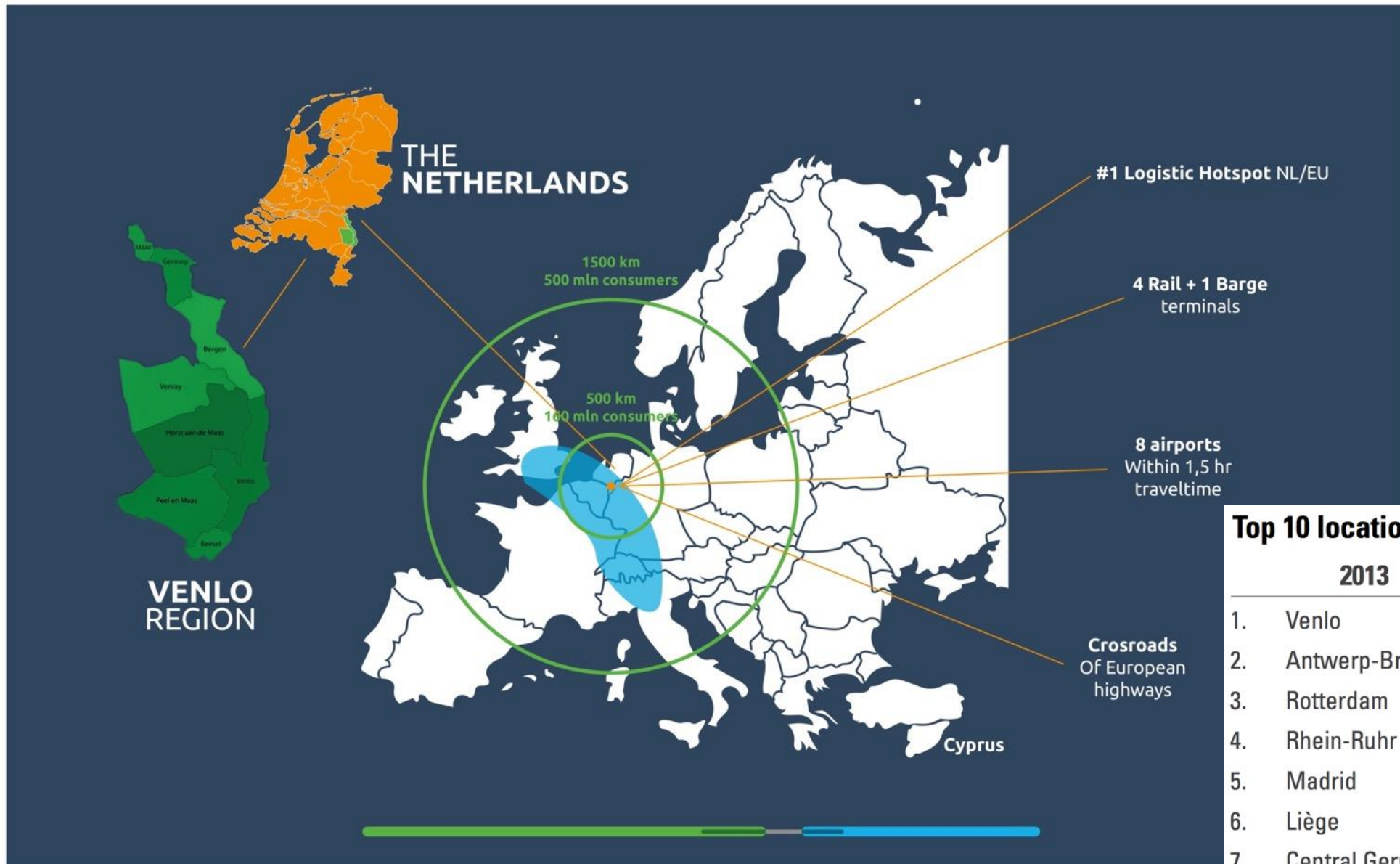




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Top 10 locations in Europe

	2013	2018
1.	Venlo	Venlo
2.	Antwerp-Brussels	Rotterdam
3.	Rotterdam	Antwerp-Brussels
4.	Rhein-Ruhr	Rhein-Ruhr
5.	Madrid	Pan-Regional Romania
6.	Liège	Ile-de-France
7.	Central Germany	Madrid
8.	Pan Regional Romania	Liège
9.	Ile-de-France	Frankfurt am Main
10.	Düsseldorf	Central Germany

The **Venlo region** in the middle of the “**Blue Banana**”, the highest concentration of people, industry and money in Europe.

Trendsportal Noord-Limburg video

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aRjXtyso61M>

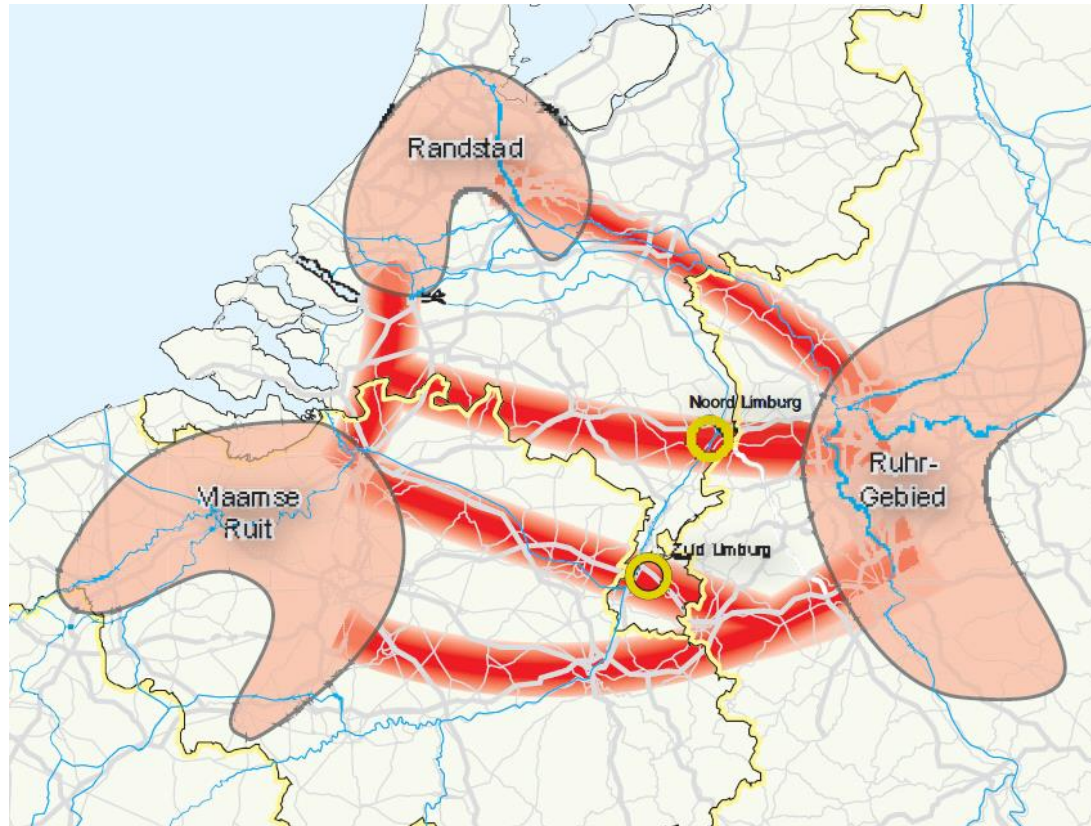




Lessons learned

1. Voluntary co-operation!
2. Sense of Urgency!
3. Co-creation requires patience!
4. Belief!

Venlo Region Inland-PORT



Randstad (NL)

- ▶ 7,1 million inhabitants
- ▶ 3,8 million jobs
- ▶ 270 billion GRP

Flemish Diamond (B)

- ▶ 4,0 million inhabitants
- ▶ 1,9 million jobs
- ▶ 170 billion GRP

Rhein Ruhr Metropol (D)

- ▶ 11,6 million inhabitants
- ▶ 5,7 million jobs
- ▶ 360 billion GRP

Urban Nodes Session Venlo

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Participants of urban nodes **high lighted Venlo as an interesting practice** for other urban nodes because of:

- the added value and crucial function in the logistics urban area scale
- the crucial role in the functional logistics area with effects on a functional and national scale as well as on a TEN-T-scale
 - For example: It was an eye opener for Pireaus that Venlo is actually the inland port of Rotterdam
- the governance aspects: functional and voluntarily co-operation and governance (between the 8 municipalities and the port authorities of Rotterdam and Duisburg)

Conclusion: the Venlo Region has a crucial role on the different scale levels and for TEN-T.



Vital Nodes - Urban Nodes workshop in Venlo

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jCYP8L8lxOs>





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