1. General Project Information		
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	□ Other:	
	Provide ROR ³ identifier when possible:	

¹ "Project number" refers to the institutional project number. This question is optional since not every institution has an internal project number different from the GrantID. Applicants can only provide one project number.

² Funder(s) GrantID refers to the number of the DMP at the funder(s), here one can specify multiple GrantIDs if multiple funding sources were used.

³ Research Organization Registry Community. https://ror.org/

Please provide a short project description

The overall objective of this project is to significantly innovate the scientific literature on 'urban polycentricity'. The general idea underlying urban polycentricity is fairly straightforward: the term is used to refer to territories that have multiple, proximately located (sub)centers and are characterized by balanced development. This general idea is, however, also vague and arguably at the root of much confusion. The urban polycentricity literature can therefore be envisioned as a series of attempts to develop more precise specifications, and is characterised by the following three notable features: (1) theoretical frameworks are often developed in a preconceived scalar context; (2) it is conceptually and empirically skewed to the North American, European, and increasingly Chinese context; and (3) analytical frameworks tend to be built from scratch, often using slightly different datasets and measurement frames. The project will address some of the ensuing challenges by (1) developing a more decentered and flexible theoretical framework that (2) speaks to ongoing debates about comparative urbanism and (3) responds to growing calls for broadly accessible research tools that speak to urban and regional scientific planning praxis. Cross-cutting and complementing this tripartite objective, there is also a transversal objective: the project aims to provide a concrete and operational contribution to epistemologically pluralist approaches to urban and regional research.

2. Research Data Summary

List and describe all datasets or research materials that you plan to generate/collect or reuse during your research project. For each dataset or data type (observational, experimental etc.), provide a short name & description (sufficient for yourself to know what data it is about), indicate whether the data are newly generated/collected or reused, digital or physical, also indicate the type of the data (the kind of content), its technical format (file extension), and an estimate of the upper limit of the volume of the data⁴.

				ONLY FOR DIGITAL DATA	ONLY FOR DIGITAL DATA	ONLY FOR DIGITAL DATA	ONLY FOR PHYSICAL DATA
Dataset	Description	New or Reused	Digital or	Digital Data Type	Digital Data	Digital Data	Physical Volume
Name			Physical		Format	Volume (MB, GB,	
						TB)	
Global Human	Geographical	☐ Generate new data	□ Digital		☐ .por	□ < 100 MB	N/A
Settlement	distribution of	□ Reuse existing data	☐ Physical	☐ Experimental	☐ .xml	□ < 1 GB	
Layer	population			☐ Compiled/	☐ .tab	⊠ < 100 GB	
				aggregated data	⊠ .csv	☐ < 1 TB	
				Simulation data □ a a a	☐ .pdf	□ < 5 TB	
				☐ Software	☐ .txt	□ < 10 TB	
				☐ Other	.rtf	□ < 50 TB	
				□ NA	☐ .dwg ☐ .tab	□ > 50 TB □ NA	
					☐ .gml	□ INA	
					⊠ other: vector		
Global	Geographical	☐ Generate new data	□ Digital		□ .por	□ < 100 MB	N/A
Population Data	distribution of	⊠ Reuse existing data	☐ Physical	☐ Experimental	☐ .xml	□ < 1 GB	
(Oak Ridge)	population			☐ Compiled/	☐ .tab	⊠ < 100 GB	
				aggregated data	⊠ .csv	□ < 1 TB	
					pdf	☐ < 5 TB	
				☐ Software	☐ .txt	☐ < 10 TB	
				☐ Other	☐ .rtf	□ < 50 TB	
				□NA	☐ .dwg	□ > 50 TB	
					☐ .tab	□NA	
					☐ .gml		

⁴ Add rows for each dataset you want to describe.

					☐ NA		
Night-time Light emissions Data (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration)	Geographical distribution of light emissions	☐ Generate new data ☑ Reuse existing data	⊠ Digital □ Physical	 ☑ Observational ☐ Experimental ☐ Compiled/ aggregated data ☑ Simulation data ☐ Software ☐ Other ☐ NA 	 □ .por □ .xml □ .tab ☑ .csv □ .pdf □ .txt □ .rtf □ .dwg □ .tab □ .gml ☑ other: vector □ NA 	□ < 100 MB □ < 1 GB □ < 100 GB □ < 1 TB □ < 5 TB □ < 10 TB □ < 50 TB □ > 50 TB	N/A
CO ₂ emissions data (Fossil Fuel Data Assimilation System)	Geographical distribution of CO ₂ emissions	☐ Generate new data ☑ Reuse existing data	⊠ Digital □ Physical	 ☑ Observational ☐ Experimental ☐ Compiled/ aggregated data ☑ Simulation data ☐ Software ☐ Other ☐ NA 	 □ .por □ .xml □ .tab ☑ .csv □ .pdf □ .txt □ .rtf □ .dwg □ .tab □ .gml ☑ other: vector □ NA 	☐ < 100 MB ☐ < 1 GB ☑ < 100 GB ☐ < 1 TB ☐ < 5 TB ☐ < 10 TB ☐ < 50 TB ☐ > 50 TB ☐ NA	N/A

GUIDANCE:	
METHOD. EXAMPLES OF DATA TYPES: OBSERVATIONAL (E.G. SURVEY RES COMPILED/AGGREGATED DATA ⁵ (E.G. TEXT & DATA MINING, DERIVED V. STRUCTURED TEXT OR MARK-UP FILE XML, .TAB, .CSV), TEXTUAL DATA	LI SAMPLES,). DATA TYPE: DATA ARE OFTEN GROUPED BY TYPE (OBSERVATIONAL, EXPERIMENTAL ETC.), FORMAT AND/OR COLLECTION/GENERATION SULTS, SENSOR READINGS, SENSORY OBSERVATIONS); EXPERIMENTAL (E.G. MICROSCOPY, SPECTROSCOPY, CHROMATOGRAMS, GENE SEQUENCES); ARIABLES, 3D MODELLING); SIMULATION DATA (E.G. CLIMATE MODELS); SOFTWARE, ETC. EXAMPLES OF DATA FORMATS: TABULAR DATA (.POR., SPSS, (.RTF, .XML, .TXT), GEOSPATIAL DATA (.DWG,. GML,), IMAGE DATA, AUDIO DATA, VIDEO DATA, DOCUMENTATION & COMPUTATIONAL SCRIPT. DIGITAL THE DATA PER DATASET OR DATA TYPE. PHYSICAL VOLUME: PLEASE ESTIMATE THE PHYSICAL VOLUME OF THE RESEARCH MATERIALS (FOR EXAMPLE THE AND PRESERVED DURING THE PROJECT AND/OR AFTER).
If you reuse existing data, please specify the source, preferably by using a persistent	Global Human Settlement Layer: https://ghsl.jrc.ec.europa.eu/ Global Population Data: https://landscan.ornl.gov/
identifier (e.g. DOI, Handle, URL etc.) per	Night-time Light emissions Data: https://sos.noaa.gov/catalog/datasets/nighttime-lights/
dataset or data type.	CO ₂ emissions data: https://ffdas.rc.nau.edu/
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Are there any ethical issues concerning the	☐ Yes, human subject data
creation and/or use of the data	☐ Yes, animal data
(e.g. experiments on humans or animals, dual	☐ Yes, dual use
use)? If so, please describe these issues further	⊠ No
and refer to specific datasets or data types	If yes, please describe:
when appropriate.	
Will you process personal data ⁶ ? If so, briefly	☐ Yes
describe the kind of personal data you will use.	⊠ No
Please refer to specific datasets or data types	If yes:
when appropriate. If available, add the reference	
to your file in your host institution's privacy	- Short description of the kind of personal data that will be used:
register.	- Privacy Registry Reference:

 $^{^{\}rm 5}\,\mbox{These}$ data are generated by combining multiple existing datasets.

⁶ See Glossary Flemish Standard Data Management Plan

Does your work have potential for commercial	☐ Yes
valorization (e.g. tech transfer, for example spin-	⊠ No
offs, commercial exploitation,)?	If yes, please comment:
If so, please comment per dataset or data type	
where appropriate.	
Do existing 3rd party agreements restrict	☐ Yes
exploitation or dissemination of the data you	⊠ No
(re)use (e.g. Material/Data transfer agreements,	If yes, please explain:
research collaboration agreements)?	
If so, please explain to what data they relate and	
what restrictions are in place.	
Are there any other legal issues, such as	☐ Yes
intellectual property rights and ownership, to be	⊠ No
managed related to the data you (re)use?	If yes, please explain:
If so, please explain to what data they relate and	
which restrictions will be asserted.	

3. Documentation and Metadata

Clearly describe what approach will be followed to capture the accompanying information necessary to keep **data understandable and usable**, for yourself and others, now and in the future (e.g. in terms of documentation levels and types required, procedures used, Electronic Lab Notebooks, README.txt files, Codebook.tsv etc. where this information is recorded).

The research papers that will be published will detail all relevant and necessary information in a transparent manner that allows for maximum reproducibility. The website that is at the core of this project will document the necessary background information, guidelines, and terms regarding data formatting, sources, and (re)use in a separate page spelling out the 'terms of usage'.

Will a metadata standard be used to make it easier to find and reuse the data ?	☐ No
If so, please specify which metadata standard will be used. If not, please specify which metadata will be created to make the data easier to find and reuse.	The tangible output of this project will consist of (1) the research papers and (2) the cartographic web environment. As for (1) we will report the metadata in line with 'good practices' and in line with the journal standards. As for (2) we will opt for an internationally accepted standard for metadata such as DublinCore or the DataCite Metadata Schema.
REPOSITORIES COULD ASK TO DELIVER METADATA IN A CERTAIN FORMAT, WITH SPECIFIED ONTOLOGIES AND VOCABULARIES, I.E. STANDARD LISTS WITH UNIQUE IDENTIFIERS.	

	4. Data Storage & Back-up during the Research Project
Where will the data be stored?	Cross-referencing our project's needs with KU Leuven's Storage Guide analysis (https://icts.kuleuven.be/storagewijzer/en), the best solution for this project is to use KU Leuven's 'File Storage' system. File storage is all data storage where data is stored and managed as files within folders. This storage is located in the central KU Leuven data centers and is delivered as standard in volumes of 1 TB or more. Smaller volumes, from 100GB, are possible. File storage is offered via the SMB protocol. This is a highly scalable and flexible solution, as the chosen performance level and volume size can be adjusted to our needs at any time.

How will the data be backed up? What storage and backup procedures will be in place to prevent data loss? Describe the locations, storage media and procedures that will be used for storing and backing up digital and non-digital data during research. Refer to institution-specific policies regarding backup procedures when appropriate.	Using the central storage infrastructure of KU Leuven as set out above, secure storage and regular backups of files is ensured. Additional back-ups on local (external), password-protected drives will be made on regular time intervals.
Is there currently sufficient storage & backup capacity during the project? If yes, specify concisely. If no or insufficient storage or backup capacities are available, then explain how this will be taken care of.	 Yes No If yes, please specify concisely: Sufficient storage & backup capacity during the project is ensured because KU Leuven`s File Storage System adopts a continuous pro-active monitoring approach.
How will you ensure that the data are securely stored and not accessed or modified by unauthorized persons? CLEARLY DESCRIBE THE MEASURES (IN TERMS OF PHYSICAL SECURITY, NETWORK SECURITY, AND SECURITY OF COMPUTER SYSTEMS AND FILES) THAT WILL BE TAKEN TO ENSURE THAT STORED AND TRANSFERRED DATA ARE SAFE. 7	Data-at-rest encryption is provided as standard on all new volumes.

⁷ Source: Ghent University Generic DMP Evaluation Rubric: https://osf.io/2z5g3/

What are the expected costs for data storage
and backup during the research project? How
will these costs be covered?

Currently, KU Leuven bills €251.83 per year for this service. These costs can be covered by the project, and the PI will cover this from miscellaneous research budgets after the project has formally finished.

	5. Data Preservation after the end of the Research Project
Which data will be retained for at least five years (or longer, in agreement with other retention policies that are applicable) after the end of the project? In case some data cannot be preserved, clearly state the reasons for this (e.g. legal or contractual restrictions, storage/budget issues, institutional policies).	All data that was generated throughout the project will be retained for at least a 10-year period.
Where will these data be archived (stored and curated for the long-term)?	These data (and the cartographic web environment) will be integrated in the Department's web environment so that it remains fully operational beyond the scope of this project.
What are the expected costs for data preservation during the expected retention period? How will these costs be covered?	Currently, KU Leuven bills €251.83 per year for this service. Expected costs for data preservation during the expected retention period costs will be cover by the PI from miscellaneous research budgets after the project has formally finished.

	6. Data Sharing and Reuse
Will the data (or part of the data) be made available for reuse after/during the project? Please explain per dataset or data type which data will be made available.	 ✓ Yes, in an Open Access repository ☐ Yes, in a restricted access repository (after approval, institutional access only,) ☐ No (closed access) ☐ Other, please specify:
NOTE THAT 'AVAILABLE' DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN THAT THE DATA SET BECOMES OPENLY AVAILABLE, CONDITIONS FOR ACCESS AND USE MAY APPLY. AVAILABILITY IN THIS QUESTION THUS ENTAILS BOTH OPEN & RESTRICTED ACCESS. FOR MORE INFORMATION: https://wiki.surfnet.nl/display/standards/info-eu-repo/#infoeurepo-AccessRights	We will strive to make as much data available at the end of the project as possible. As for the data generated in as part of the current work package 1, the mapping of PURs described will be integrated in the cartographic web environment and will be shared for download and reuse.
If access is restricted, please specify who will be able to access the data and under what conditions.	N/A
Are there any factors that restrict or prevent the sharing of (some of) the data (e.g. as defined in an agreement with a 3rd party, legal restrictions)? Please explain per dataset or data type where appropriate.	 Yes, privacy aspects Yes, intellectual property rights Yes, ethical aspects Yes, aspects of dual use Yes, other No If yes, please specify:
Where will the data be made available? If already known, please provide a repository per dataset or data type.	Besides our aim to make available the relevant data for download within the cartographic web environment, we aim to publish our data in an Open Access repository.

When will the data be made available?	Upon publication of research results.
THIS COULD BE A SPECIFIC DATE (DD/MM/YYYY) OR AN INDICATION SUCH AS 'UPON PUBLICATION OF RESEARCH RESULTS'.	
Which data usage licenses are you going to provide? If none, please explain why.	Data from the project that can be shared will be made available under a creative commons attribution license (CC-BY 4.0), so that users have to give credit to the original data creators.
A DATA USAGE LICENSE INDICATES WHETHER THE DATA CAN BE REUSED OR NOT AND UNDER WHAT CONDITIONS. IF NO LICENCE IS GRANTED, THE DATA ARE IN A GREY ZONE AND CANNOT BE LEGALLY REUSED. DO NOTE THAT YOU MAY ONLY RELEASE DATA UNDER A LICENCE CHOSEN BY YOURSELF IF IT DOES NOT ALREADY FALL UNDER ANOTHER LICENCE THAT MIGHT PROHIBIT THAT. EXAMPLE ANSWER: E.G. "DATA FROM THE PROJECT THAT CAN BE SHARED WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE UNDER A CREATIVE COMMONS ATTRIBUTION LICENSE (CC-BY 4.0), SO THAT USERS HAVE TO GIVE CREDIT TO THE ORIGINAL DATA CREATORS." 8	
Do you intend to add a PID/DOI/accession	☐ Yes
number to your dataset(s)? If already available, please provide it here.	If yes:
INDICATE WHETHER YOU INTEND TO ADD A PERSISTENT AND UNIQUE IDENTIFIER IN ORDER TO IDENTIFY AND RETRIEVE THE DATA.	ii yes.
What are the expected costs for data sharing?	No costs are expected
How will these costs be covered?	

⁸ Source: Ghent University Generic DMP Evaluation Rubric: https://osf.io/2z5g3/

7. Responsibilities	
Who will manage data documentation and metadata during the research project? Who will manage data storage and backup during the research project?	The researcher working on the project will manage data documentation and metadata during the research project, supervised by the project's PI. The researcher working on the project will manage data storage and backup during the research project, supervised by the project's PI. That said, data storage and backup is de facto outsourced to KU Leuven's central policies.
Who will manage data preservation and sharing? Who will update and implement this DMP?	The researcher working on the project will manage data preservation and sharing during the research project, supervised by the project's PI. The PI will manage update and implement this DMP