



**SKPOS®**

## National report of Slovakia

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# SKPOS stations infrastructure

## Status in November 2022

16 years

of continuous operation

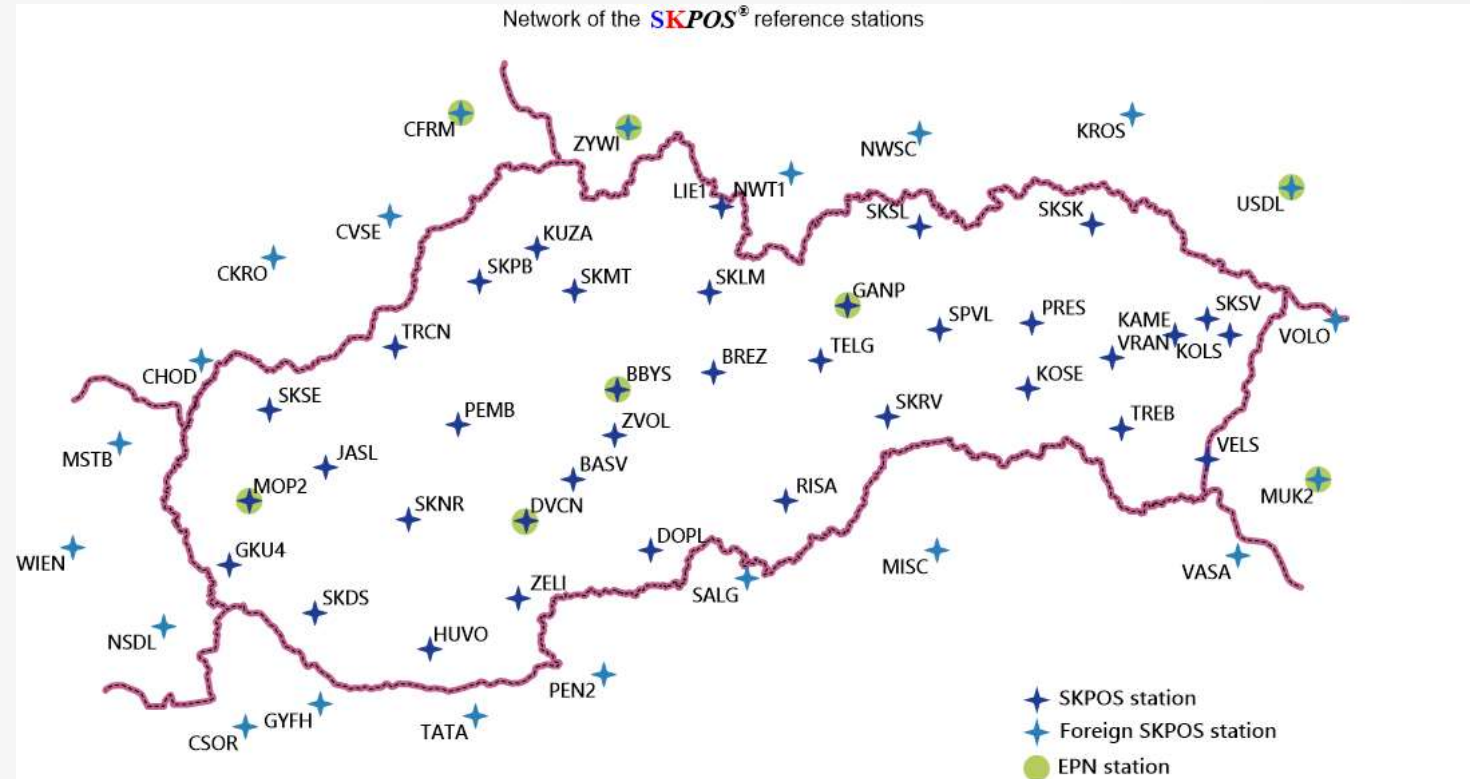
2 500+

active users

35+21

reference stations

GPS, GLONASS,  
Galileo, BeiDou



Trimble  
NetR9



Trimble  
Alloy



Zephyr Geodetic 2  
Zephyr Geodetic 3



Choke Ring



# SKPOS stations infrastructure

- DVCN - new EPN station from 2022-02-20
  - pillar monumentation + InSAR reflector
  - GPS+GLO+GAL+BDS+QZSS+SBAS
- EPOS contribution
  - stations GANP, BBYS





# SKPOS stations infrastructure

October 2022

## ■ Station relocation

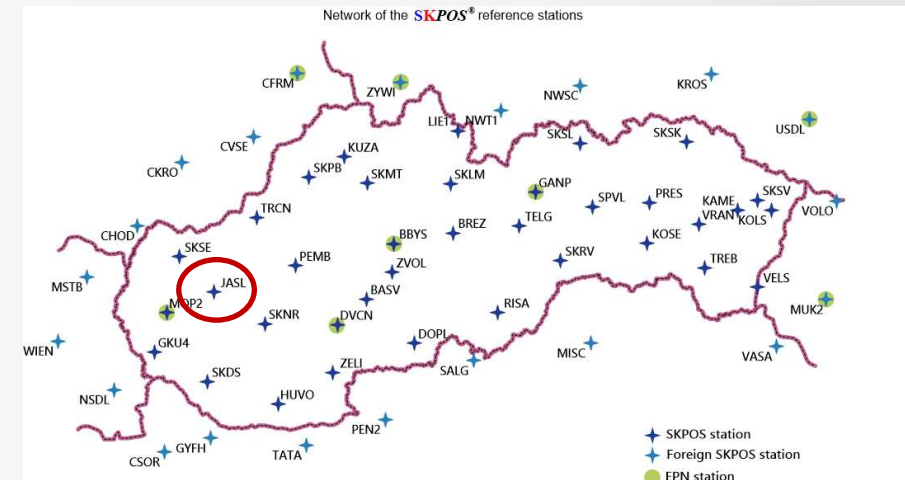
- reinforced-concrete pillar instead of roof monumentation



JABO



JASL





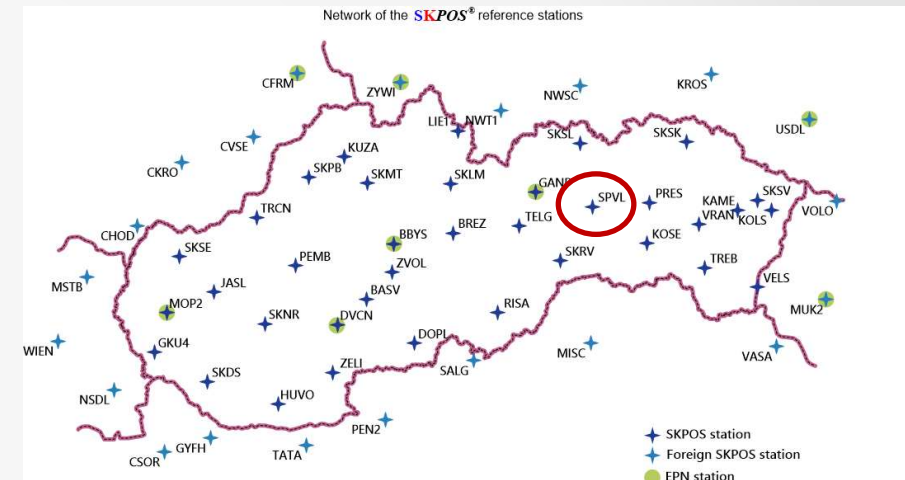
# SKPOS stations infrastructure

November 2022

- New station
  - reinforced-concrete pillar



SPVL





# SKPOS stations infrastructure

December 2022

## ■ Station relocation

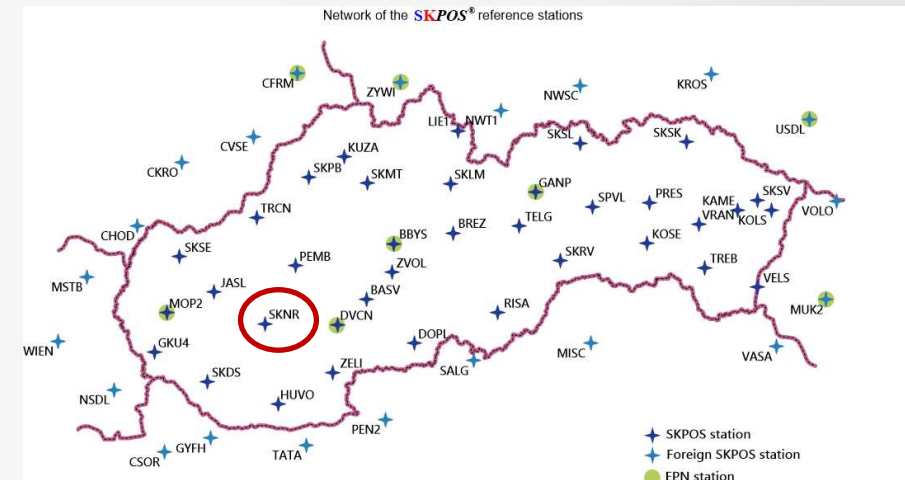
- reinforced-concrete pillar instead of roof monumentation



SKNR



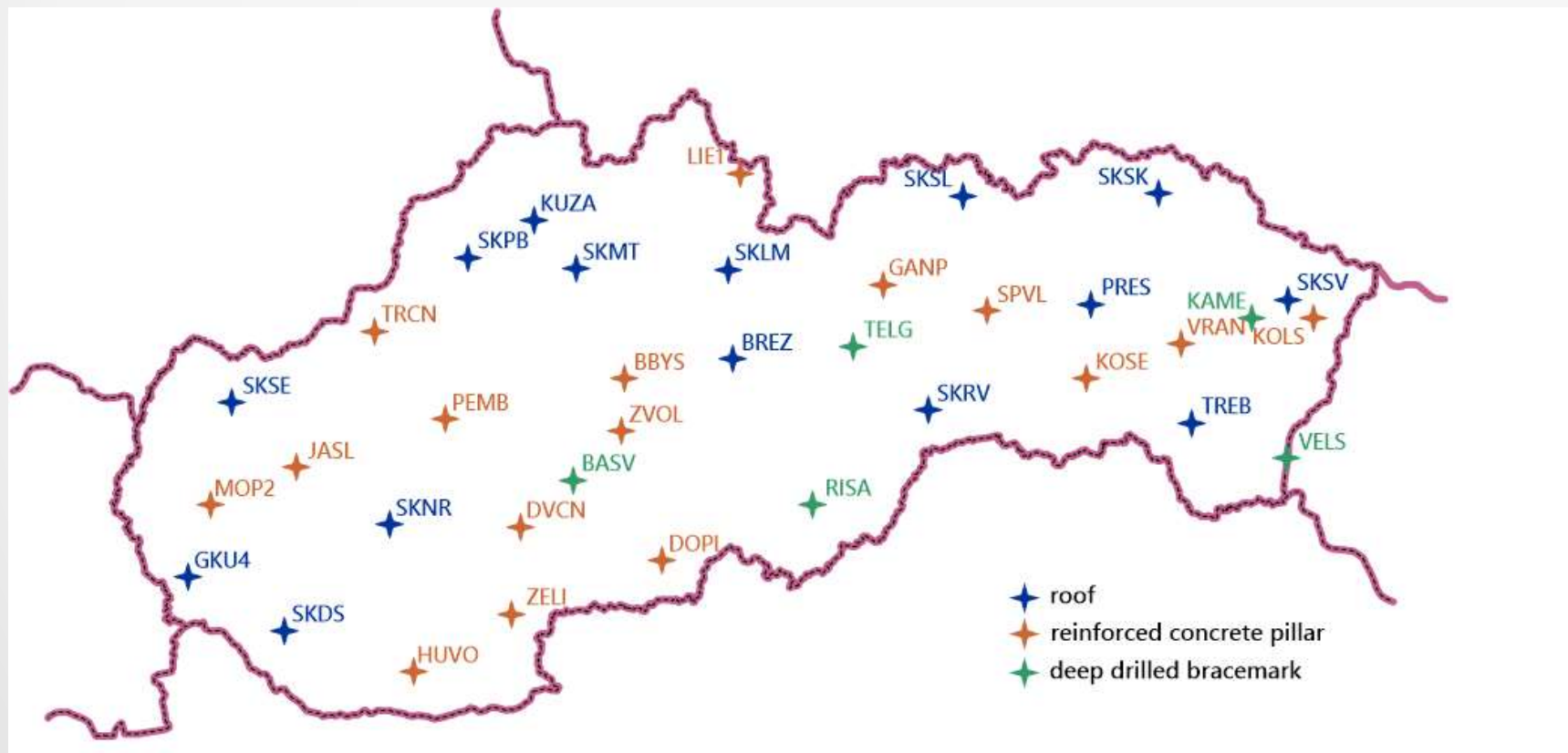
NTRA





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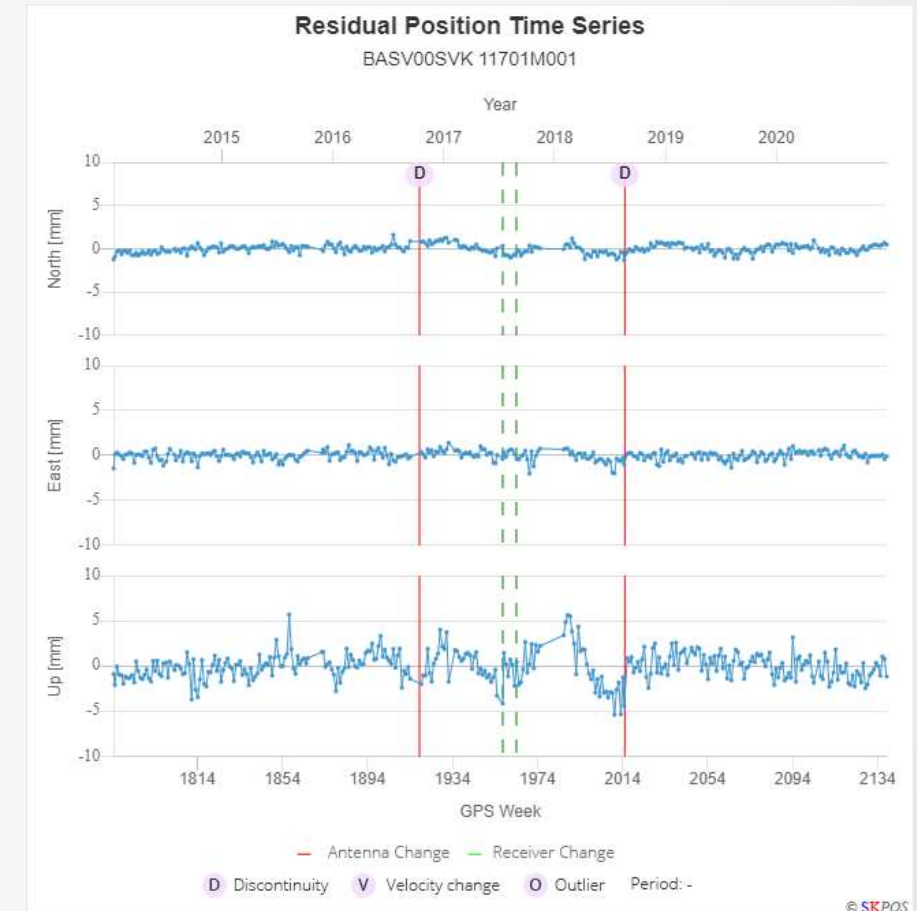
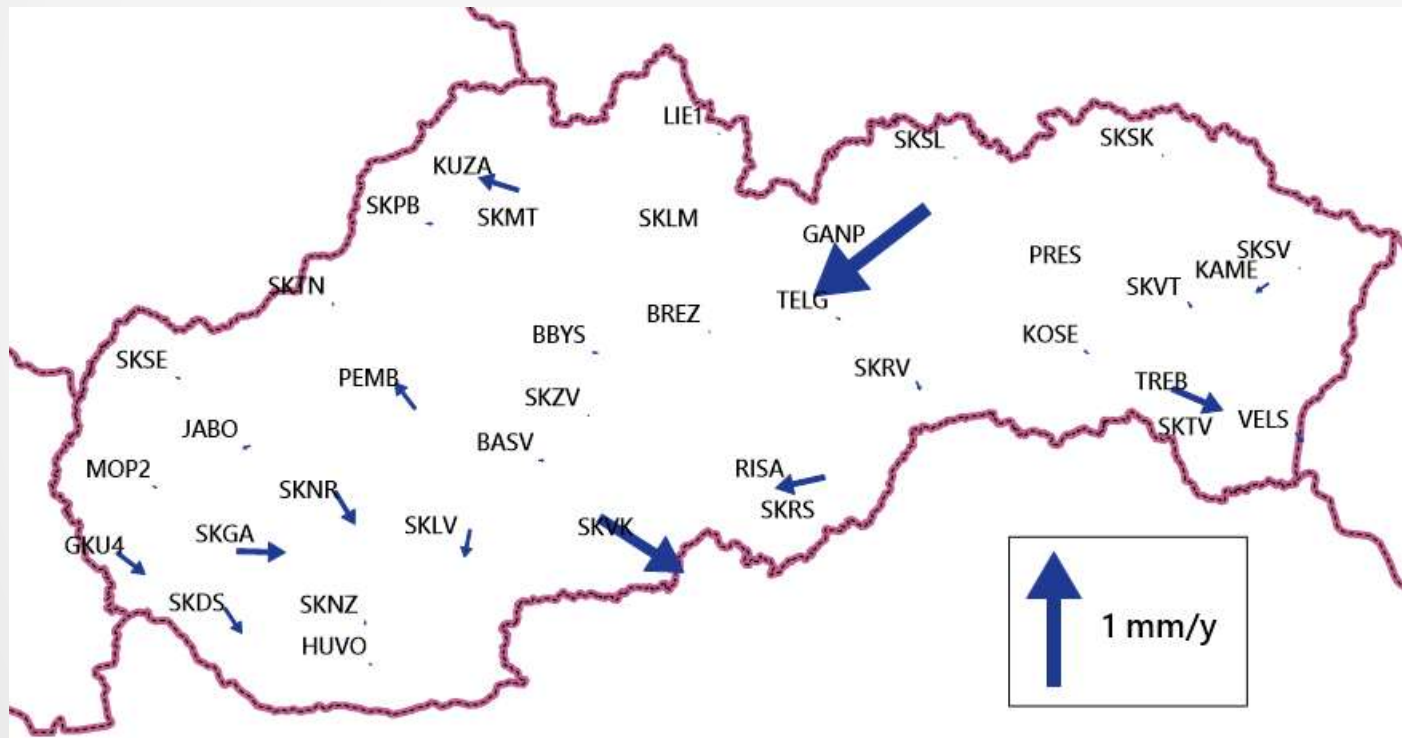
- 21 of 35 slovak permanent stations (60%) have monumentation suitable for geokinematics





# Multi-year solution 2007 – 2020

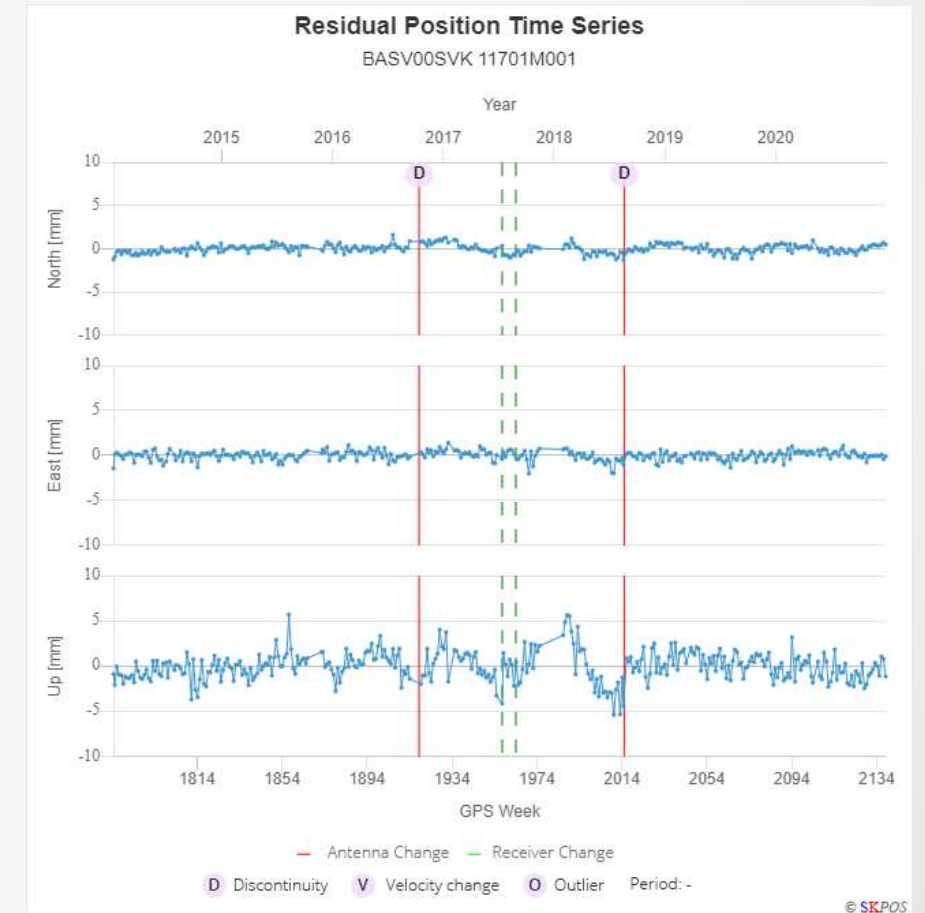
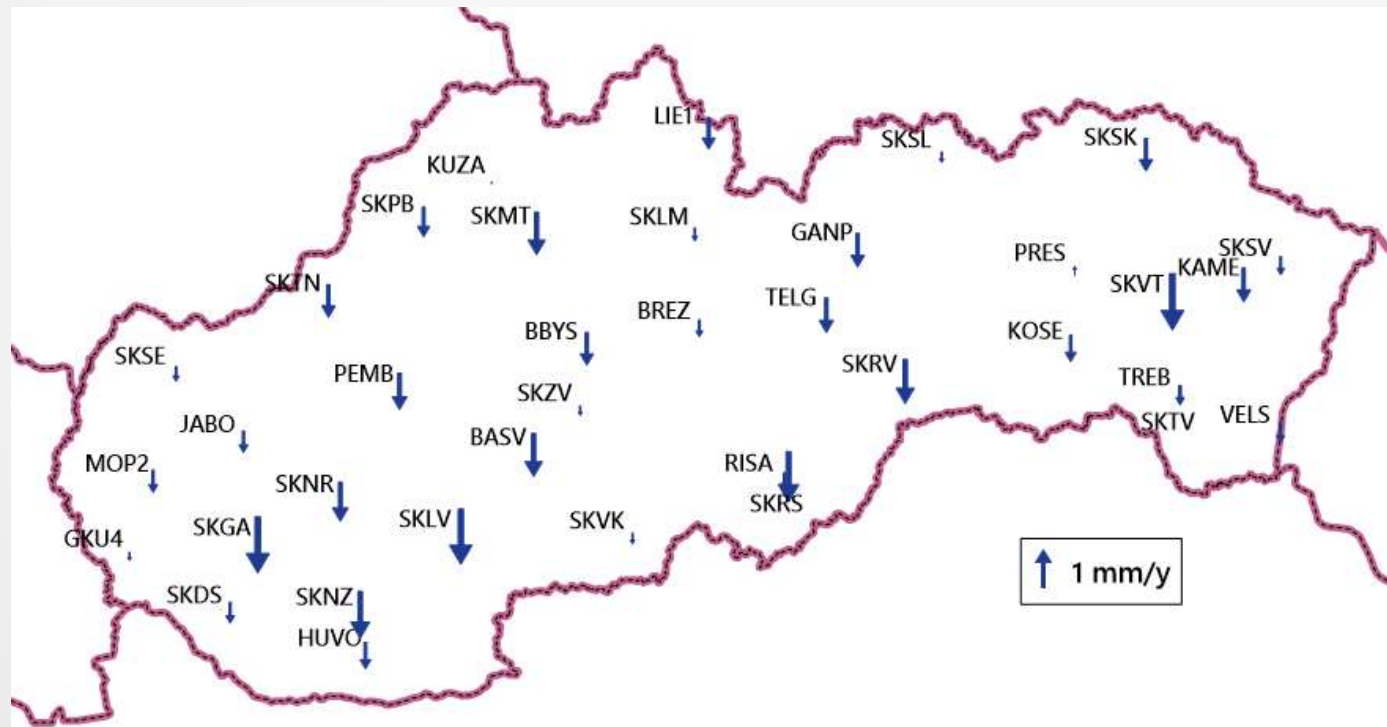
## Horizontal velocities





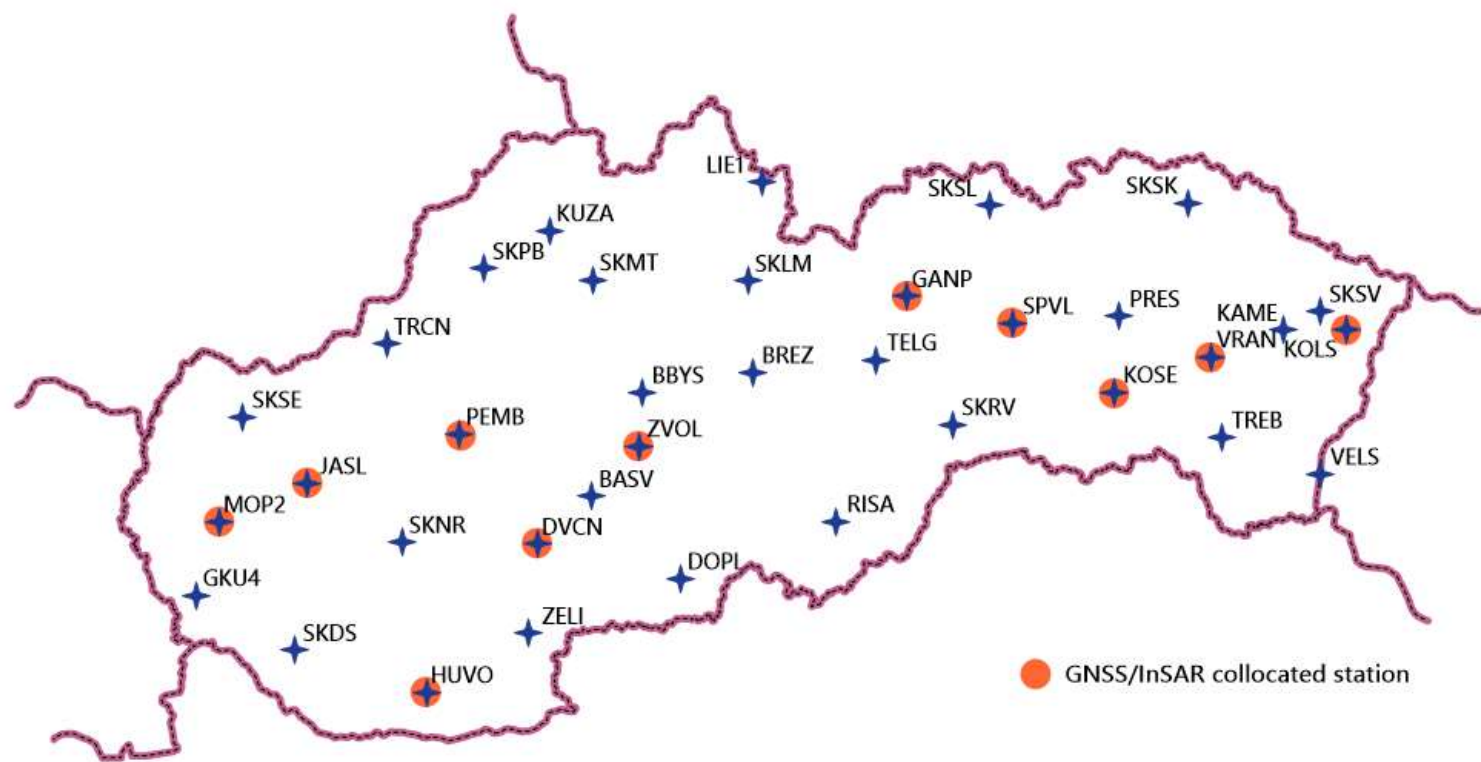
# Multi-year solution 2007 – 2020

## Vertical velocities





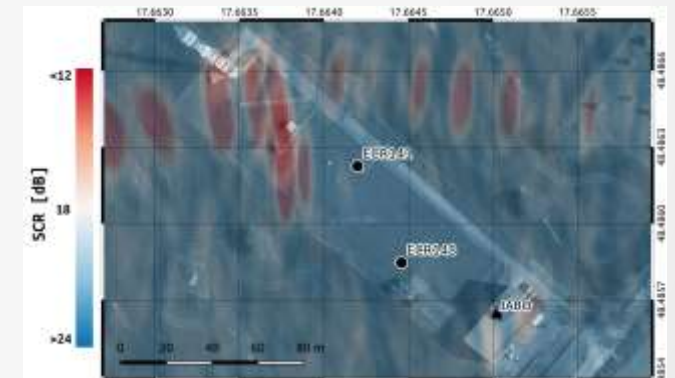
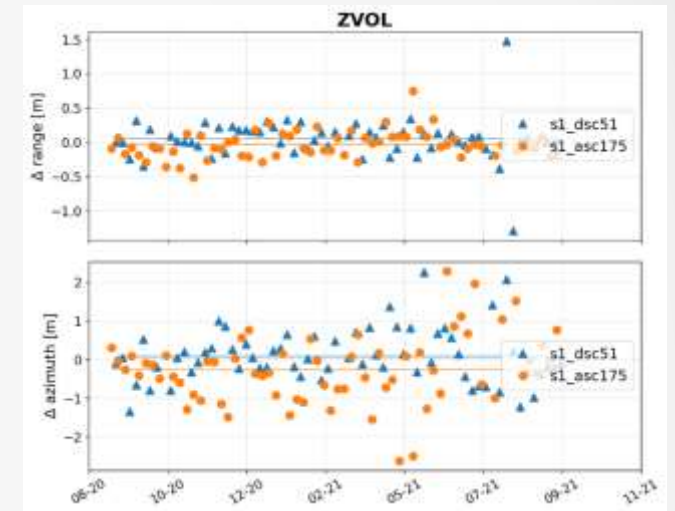
# SKPOS GNSS/InSAR collocation





# SKPOS GNSS/InSAR collocation

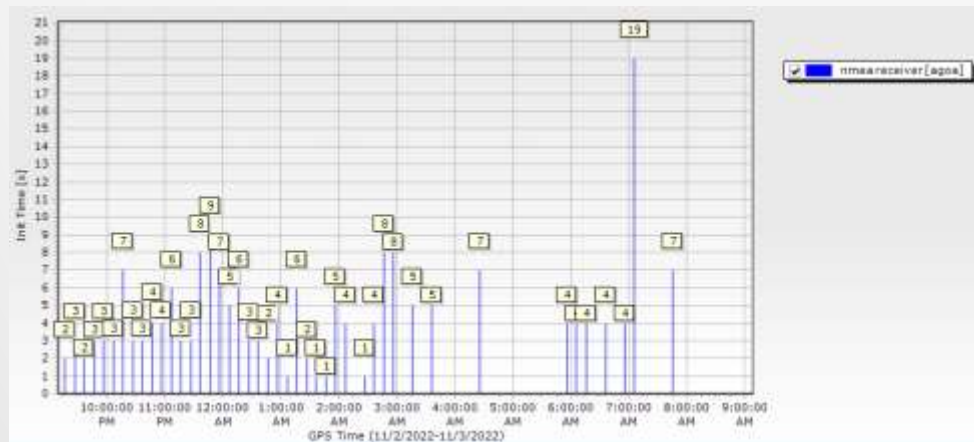
- Collocations helps us to monitor station surroundings stability
- InSAR = new geodetic technique
  - we plan to provide precise coordinates of InSAR reflector phase centers (like coordinates or heights of benchmarks)
  - InSAR reflector coordinates will enable to do correct absolute referencing of InSAR images to ETRS89
  - results from referenced InSAR image processing will be used e.g. for vertical monitoring of Slovakia etc.
- usage of InSAR technology is done in cooperation with Slovak University of Technology





# Physical monitoring station

- 2013  
Quality monitoring based on virtual stations
- 2020  
New physical monitoring station SUT2
- 2022  
Relocation of monitoring station SUT2 → AGOA





# SKPOS Infrastructure

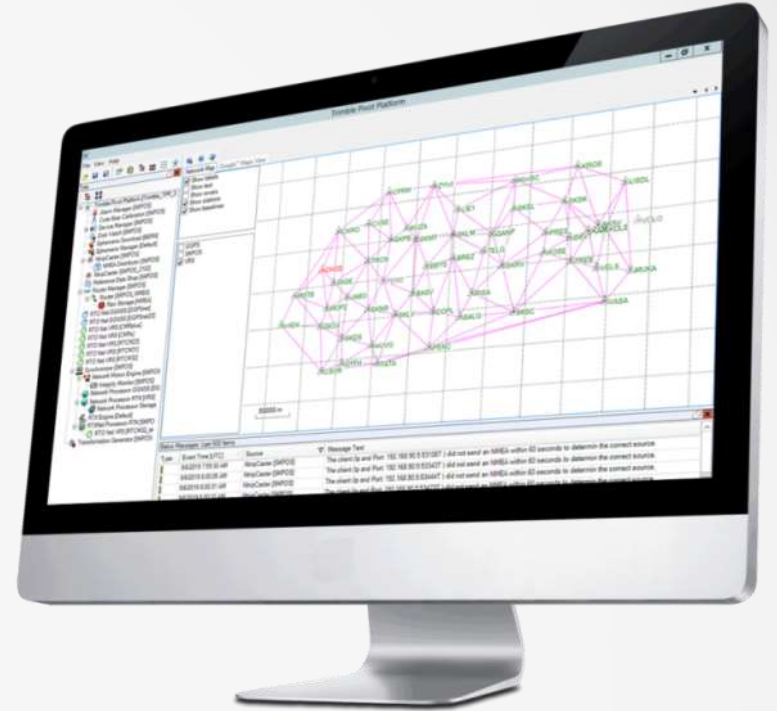
- Control software:



- Version 4.72


- Receivers firmware

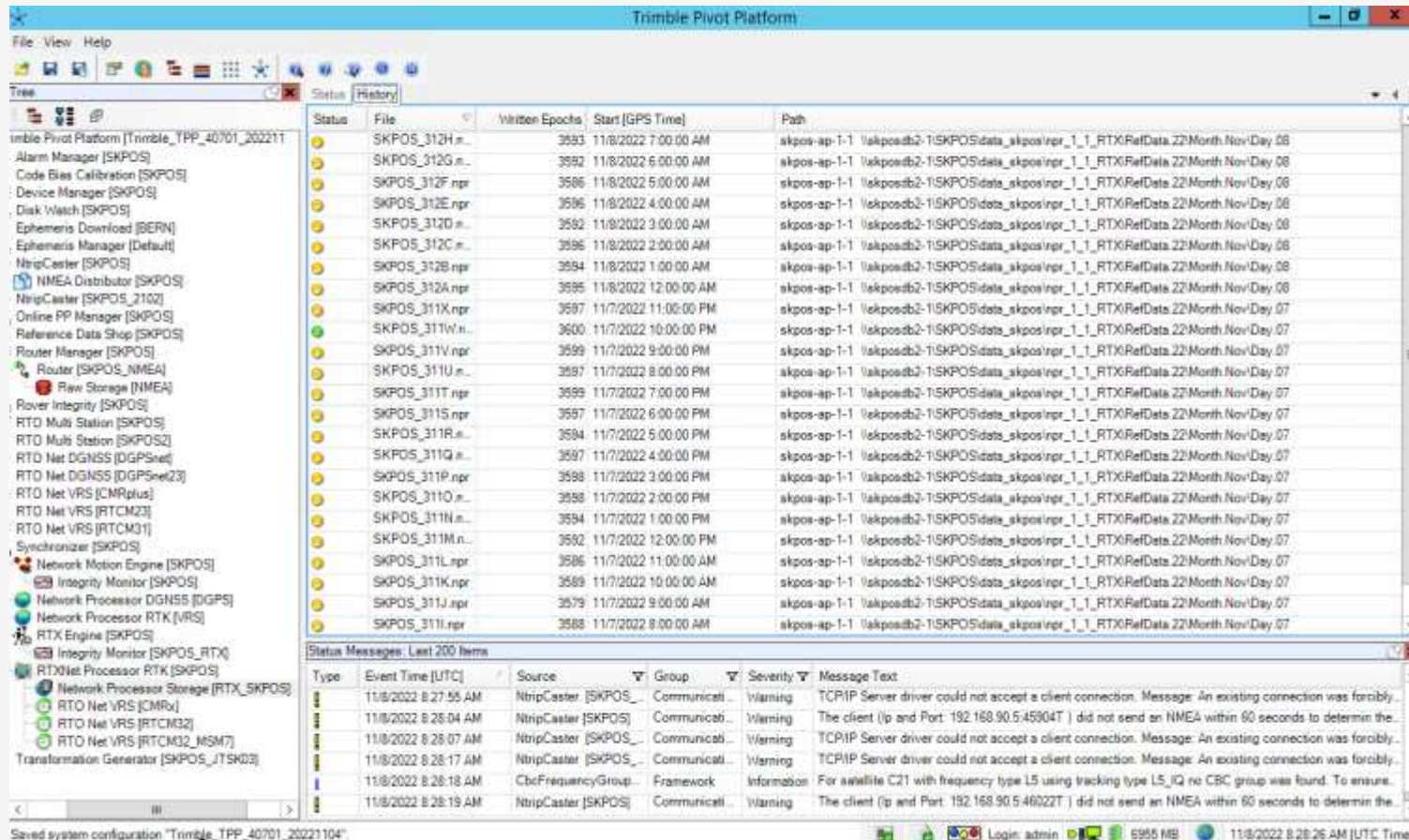
- Alloy: 6.15
- NetR9: 5.55





# SKPOS Infrastructure

- Control software  **Trimble Pivot Platform**
  - Problem with missing epochs in npr files



The screenshot displays the Trimble Pivot Platform software interface. The main window shows a list of files and their associated data. The columns are: Status, File, Written Epochs, Start [GPS Time], and Path. The files listed include SKPOS\_312H.npr, SKPOS\_312G.npr, SKPOS\_312F.npr, SKPOS\_312E.npr, SKPOS\_312D.npr, SKPOS\_312C.npr, SKPOS\_312B.npr, SKPOS\_312A.npr, SKPOS\_311X.npr, SKPOS\_311W.npr, SKPOS\_311V.npr, SKPOS\_311U.npr, SKPOS\_311T.npr, SKPOS\_311S.npr, SKPOS\_311R.npr, SKPOS\_311Q.npr, SKPOS\_311P.npr, SKPOS\_311O.npr, SKPOS\_311N.npr, SKPOS\_311M.npr, SKPOS\_311L.npr, SKPOS\_311K.npr, SKPOS\_311J.npr, and SKPOS\_311I.npr. The status messages at the bottom indicate communication issues with the NtripCaster [SKPOS] and the TCPIP Server driver.

Status	File	Written Epochs	Start [GPS Time]	Path
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Status Messages: Last 200 Items

Type	Event Time [UTC]	Source	Group	Severity	Message Text
Warning	11/8/2022 8:27:55 AM	NtripCaster [SKPOS]	Communicati...	Warning	TCPIP Server driver could not accept a client connection. Message: An existing connection was forcibly...
Warning	11/8/2022 8:28:04 AM	NtripCaster [SKPOS]	Communicati...	Warning	The client (Ip and Port: 192.168.90.5:45904T) did not send an NMEA within 60 seconds to determin the...
Warning	11/8/2022 8:28:07 AM	NtripCaster [SKPOS]	Communicati...	Warning	TCPIP Server driver could not accept a client connection. Message: An existing connection was forcibly...
Warning	11/8/2022 8:28:17 AM	NtripCaster [SKPOS]	Communicati...	Warning	TCPIP Server driver could not accept a client connection. Message: An existing connection was forcibly...
Information	11/8/2022 8:28:18 AM	CbcFrequencyGroup	Framework	Information	For satellite C21 with frequency type L5 using tracking type L5, IQ no CBC group was found. To ensure...
Warning	11/8/2022 8:28:19 AM	NtripCaster [SKPOS]	Communicati...	Warning	The client (Ip and Port: 192.168.90.5:46022T) did not send an NMEA within 60 seconds to determin the...

Save system configuration "Trimble\_TPP\_40701\_20221104".

Login: admin 5995 MB 11/8/2022 8:28:26 AM [UTC Time]



# SKPOS portfolio

## Data formats – content - charges

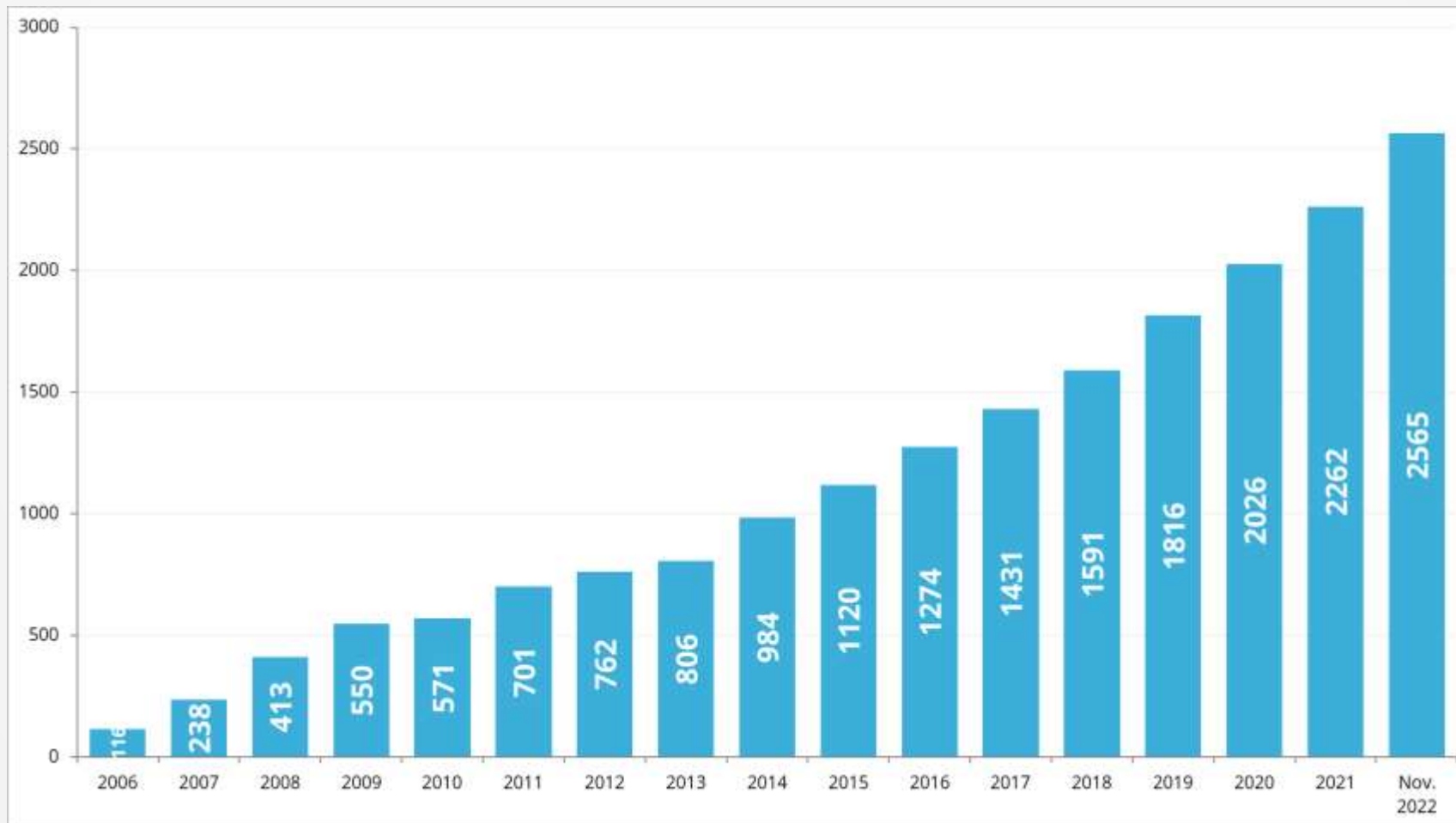
**Only network solution (Network RTK in VRS concept) is provided.  
No single RTK!**

Package	Content	Duration	Format	Flat rate
SKPOS_mm	RINEX 1000 h	year	RINEX 2.x, 3.x	50 €
SKPOS_cm (year)	RTK unlimited + 50 h RINEX	year	RTCM 2.3, 3.1, RTCM 3.2, CMRx, CMR+	50 €
SKPOS_cm (month)	RTK unlimited	month	RTCM 2.3, 3.1 RTCM 3.2, CMRx, CMR+	19 €
SKPOS_dm	DGNSS unlimited	year	RTCM 2.1, 2.3	20 €



# Number of users

- Number of users: 2565 (Nov. 2022)





# Maximum simultaeous logins

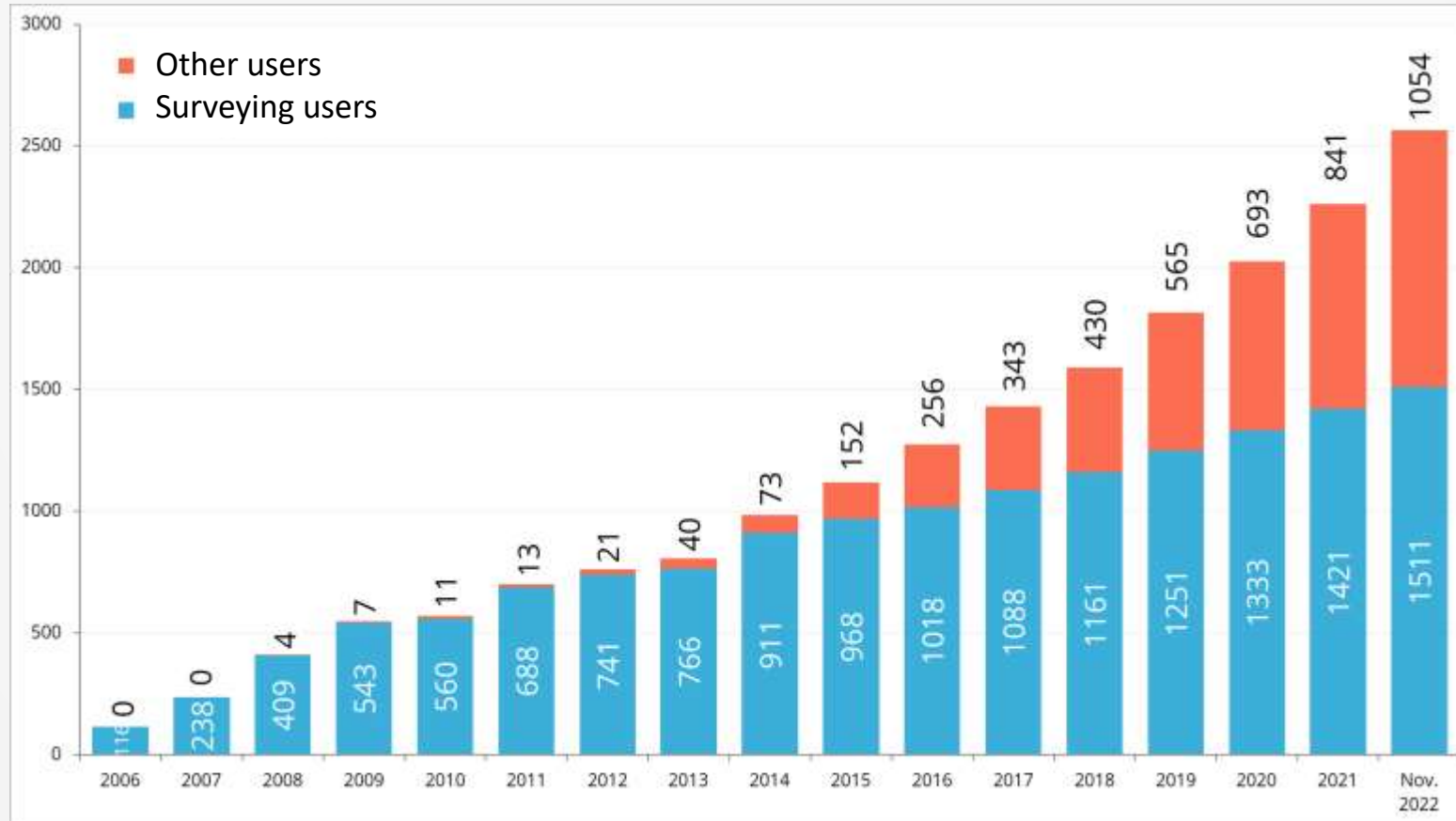
- Maximum 622 simultaneous logins (2022-10-12)





# Type of users

- Since 2017 more new SKPOS users were from non geodetic field





# Coordinate reference frame

- ETRS89 (ETRF2000) epoch 2008.5
- 7 Helmert transformation parameters to national system S-JTSK (JTSK03)
- Shift-grid transformation from S-JTSK (JTSK03) to S-JTSK (JTSK) – Nadcon, NTv2
- All valid geodetic reference system are standardized = have EPSG codes from February 2018

Reference system	EPSG Code
S-JTSK (JTSK) East-North	EPSG:5514
S-JTSK (JTSK) South-West	EPSG:5513
S-JTSK (JTSK03) East-North	EPSG:8353
S-JTSK (JTSK03) South-West	EPSG:8352
...	



# CORS coordinates keeping up to date

- 2021 – 2nd SKPOS multi-year solution (2007-2020) computed
  - accepted by EUREF GB at EUREF 2022 Symposium in Zagreb as a new Class A – EUREF Densification for Slovakia
  - reference frame and epoch remain the same to keep transformation parameters to S-JTSK consistent

**ETRS89 (ETRF2000) at epoch 2008.5**



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**REPORT OF COMPUTATION  
OF THE SKPOS MULTI-YEAR SOLUTION  
AS EUREF DENSIFICATION FOR SLOVAKIA**

For the validation to the EUREF Governing Board

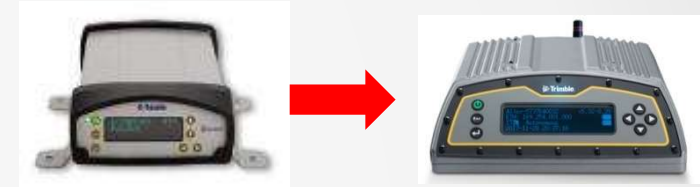
Authors: Martin Ferián, Ľudmila Džuráková, Karel Smolík,  
Miroslav Roháček, Miroslav Steinhilber

Bratislava  
2021



# Tenders

- New 4 Trimble Alloy receivers
  - Plan to replace 4 Trimble NetR9 for Trimble Alloy each year
- Tender for provider of network connection for reference stations
  - next year we probably change the provider
  - tender must be done every 4 years







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**Thank you for your attention**

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