

A topographic map of Europe and its surrounding regions, including parts of North Africa, the Middle East, and Iceland. The map uses a color gradient from green (low elevation) to brown and tan (high elevation) to show terrain. The title text is overlaid on the map.

Europe's Geography

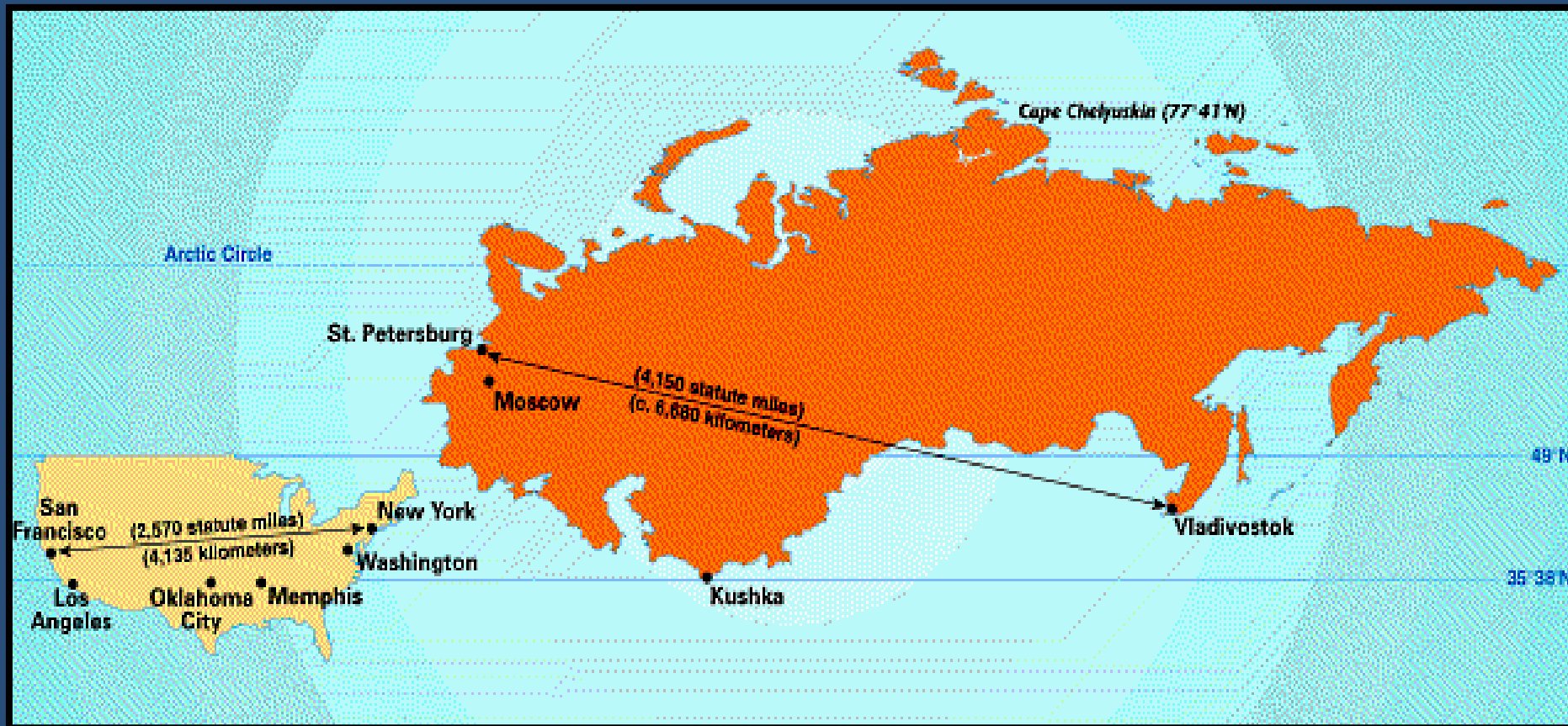
Europe's Geography

- You will be creating both Physical and Political maps of Europe.
- You will also be writing down important notes about specific locations in Europe
- But first... a quick reminder!
- <https://www.brainpop.com/socialstudies/geography/mapskills/>

Europe's Latitude Vs. North America



Former USSR area VS. USA area



Satellite Image of Europe



3,800 square miles

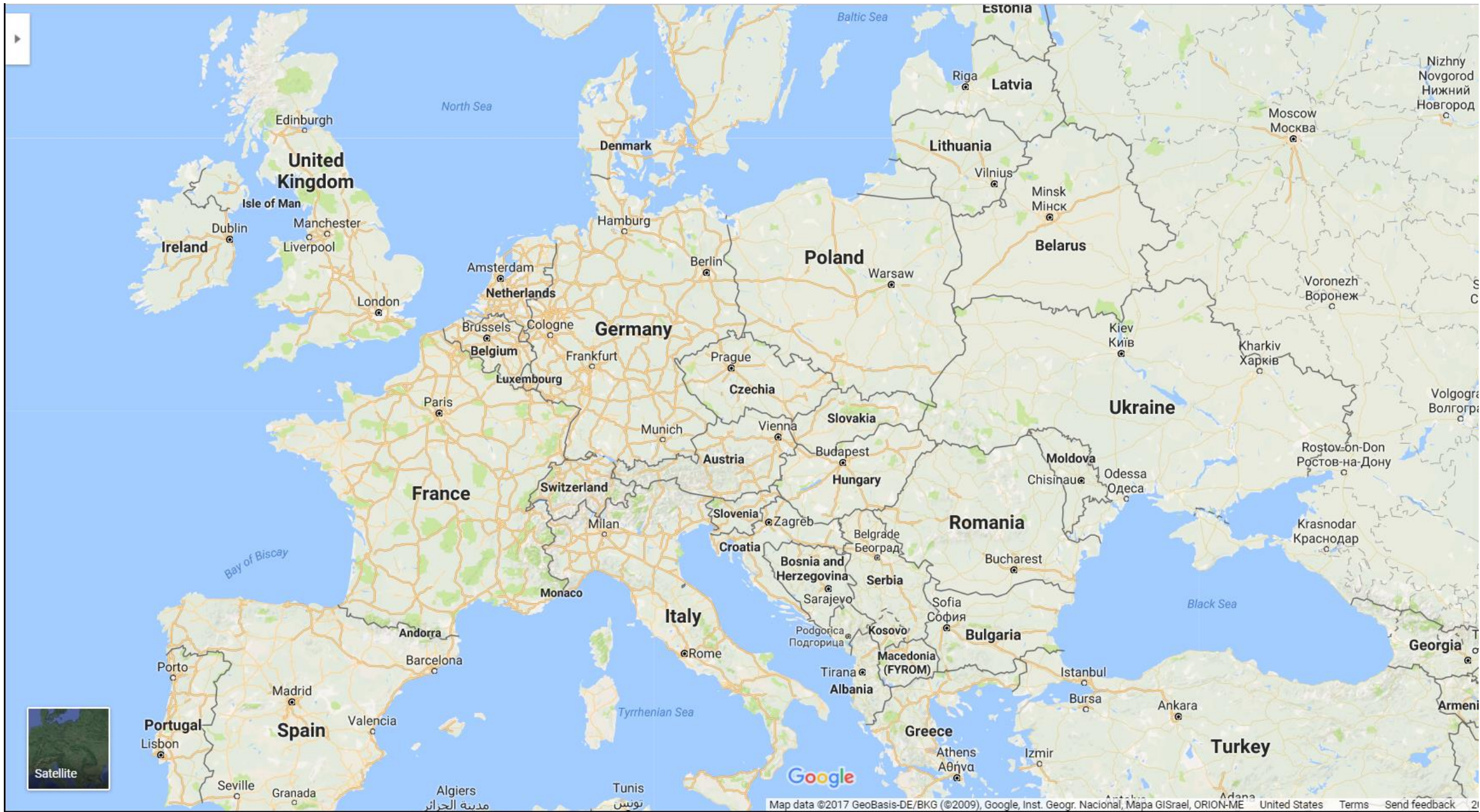


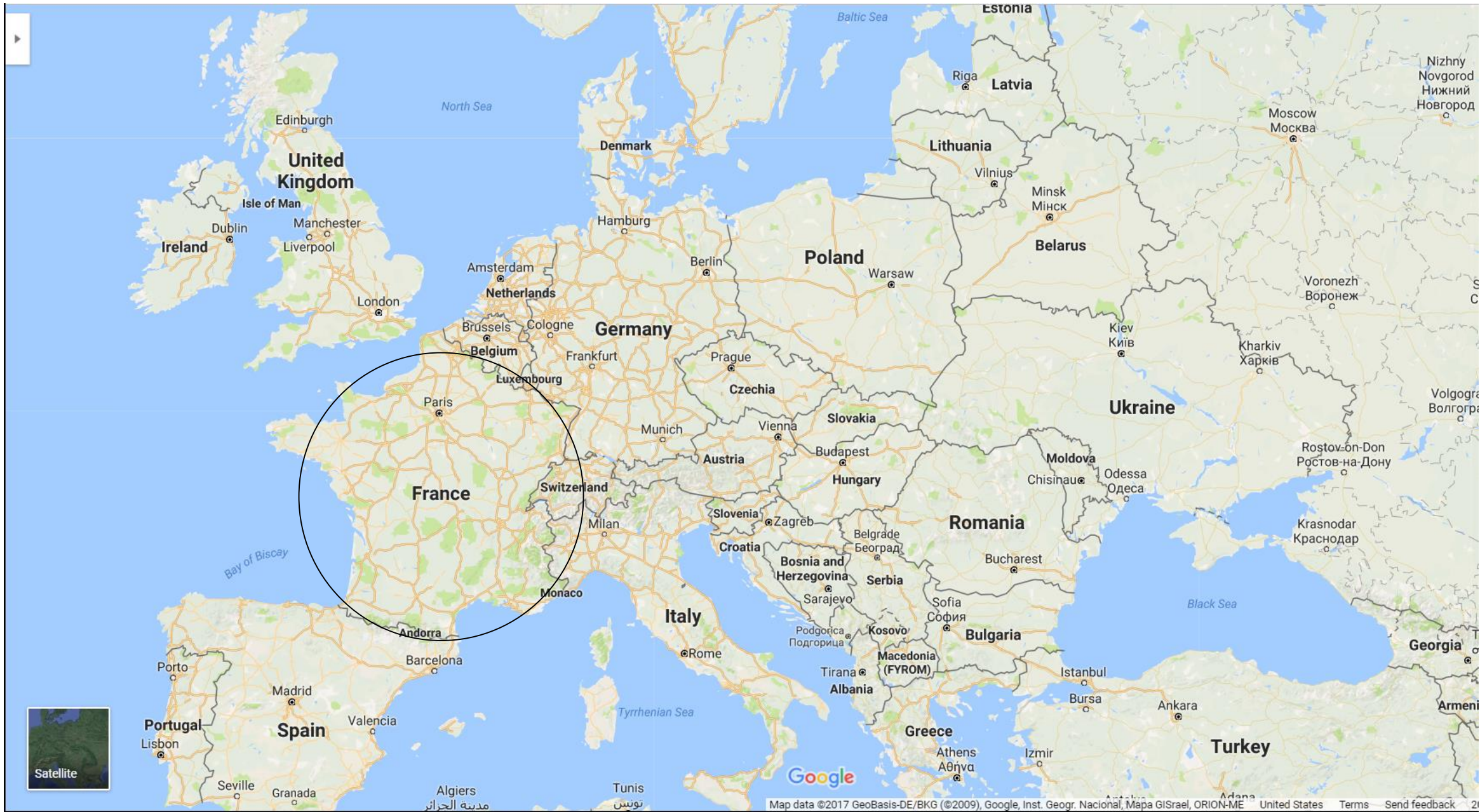
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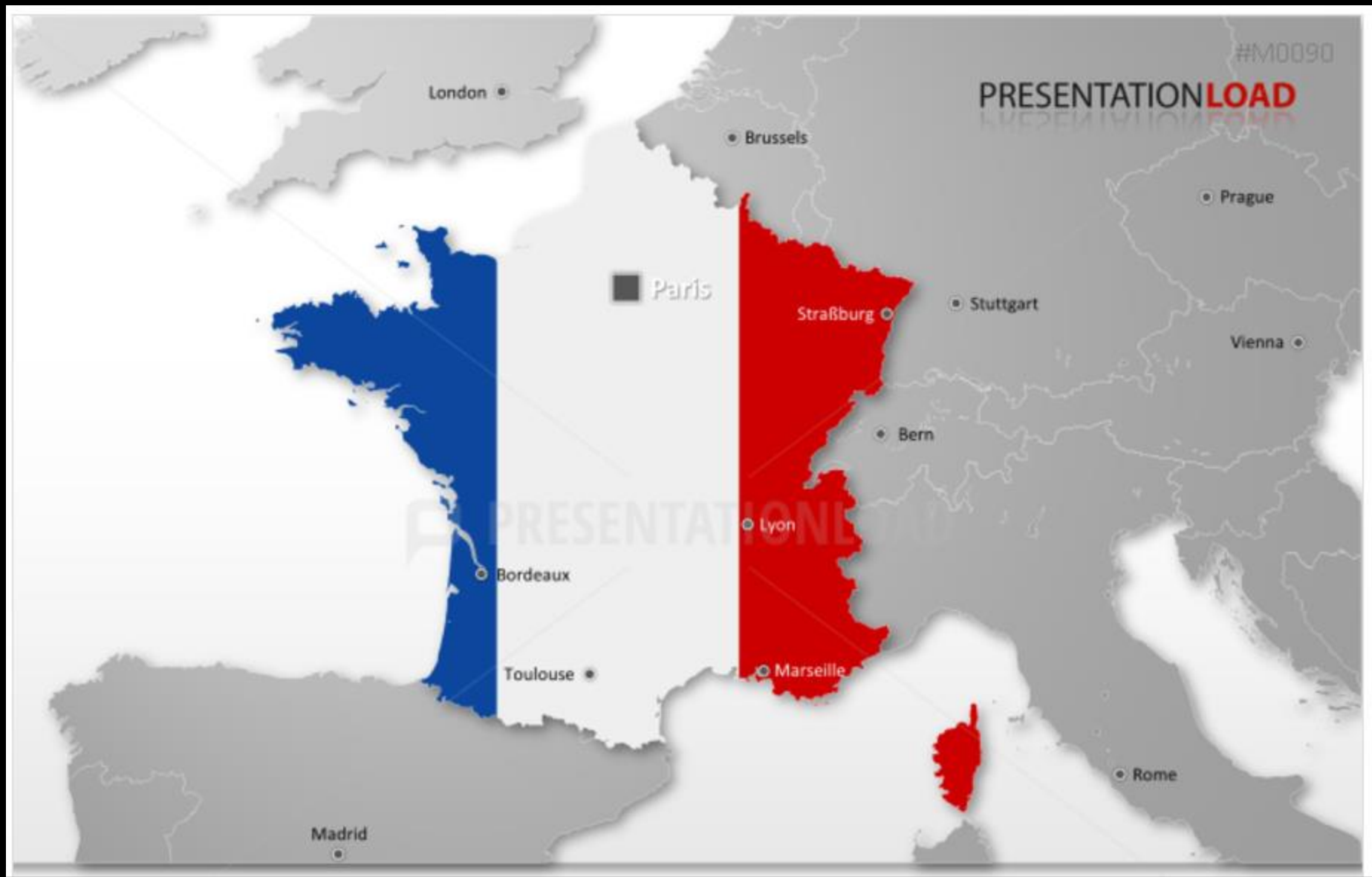




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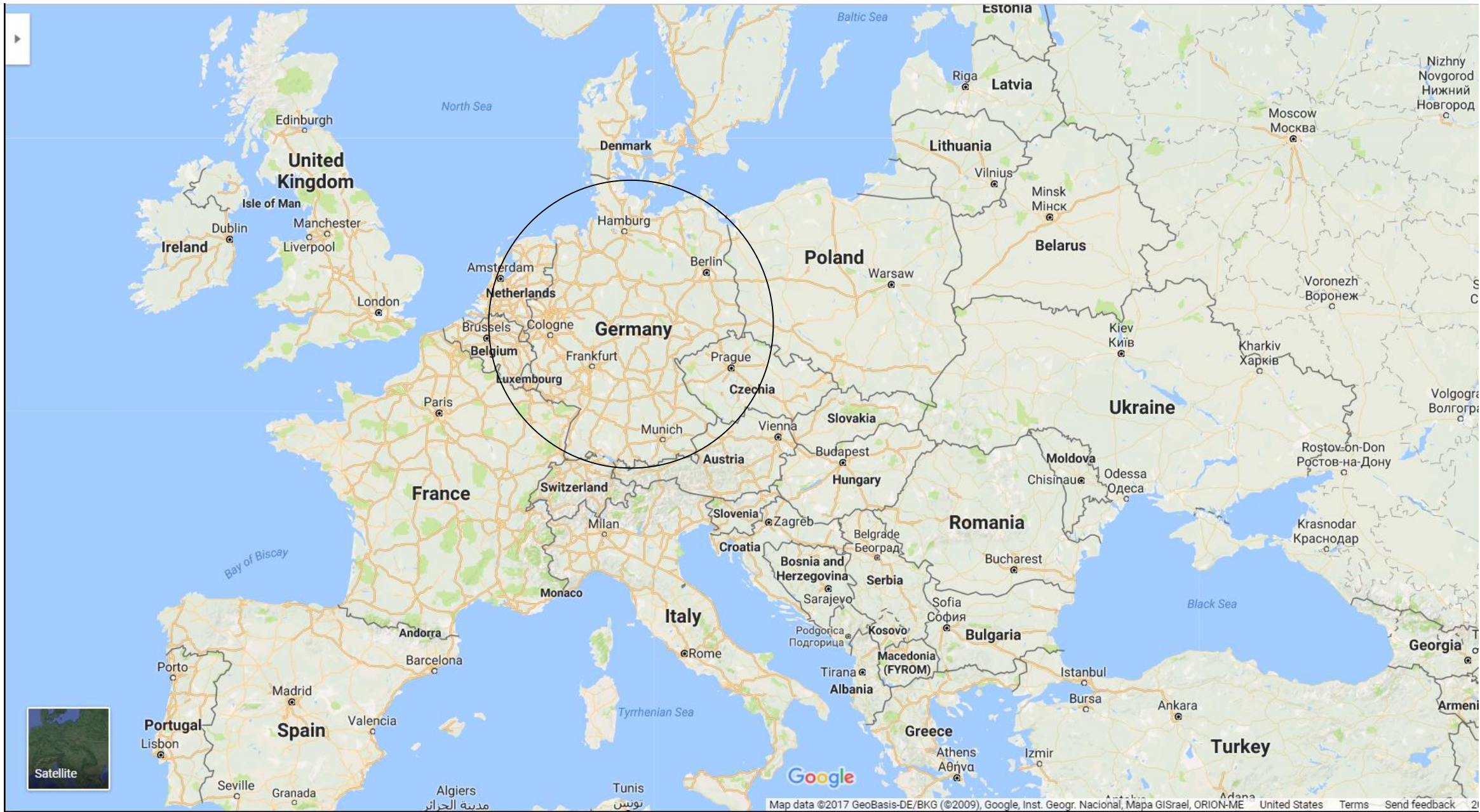






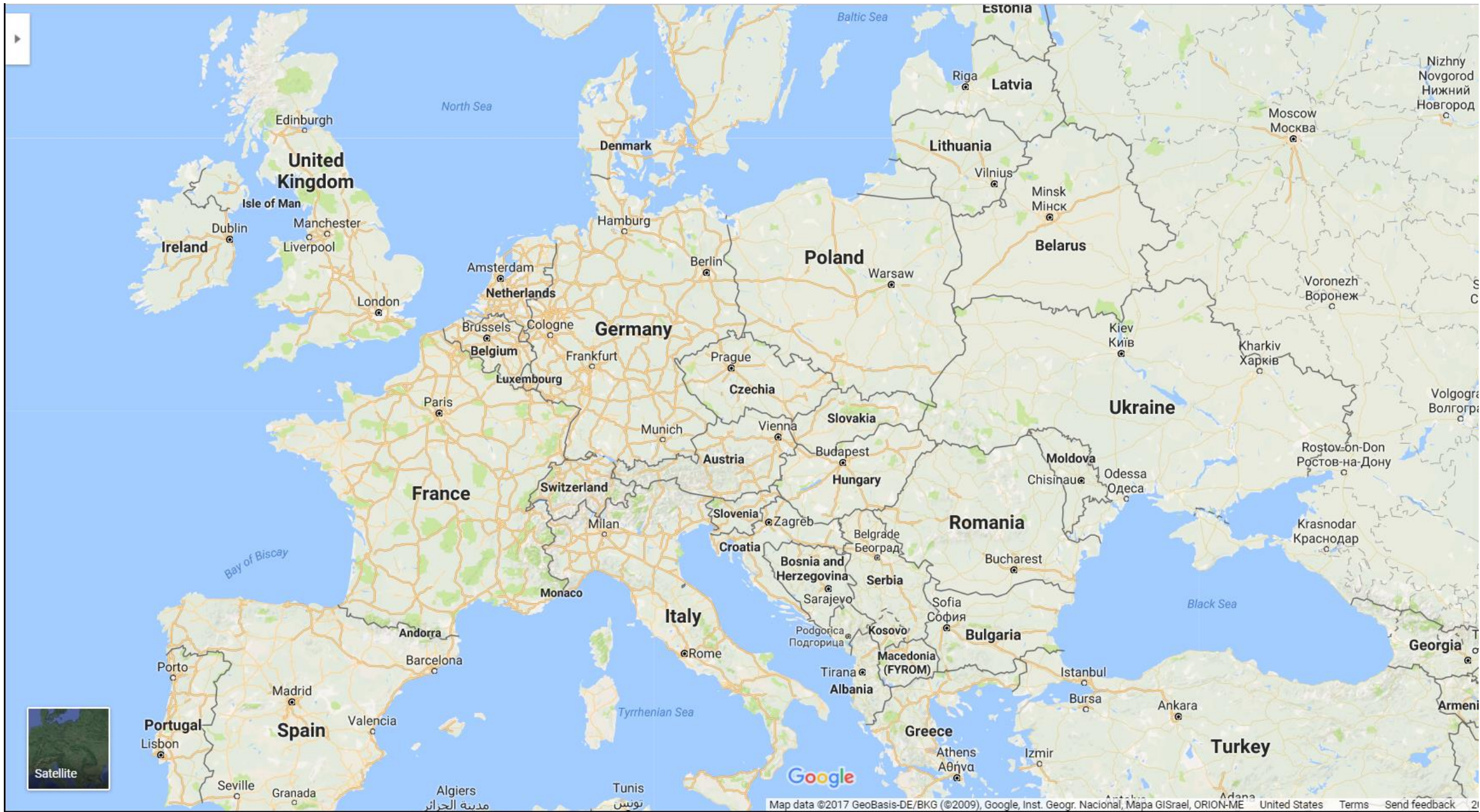
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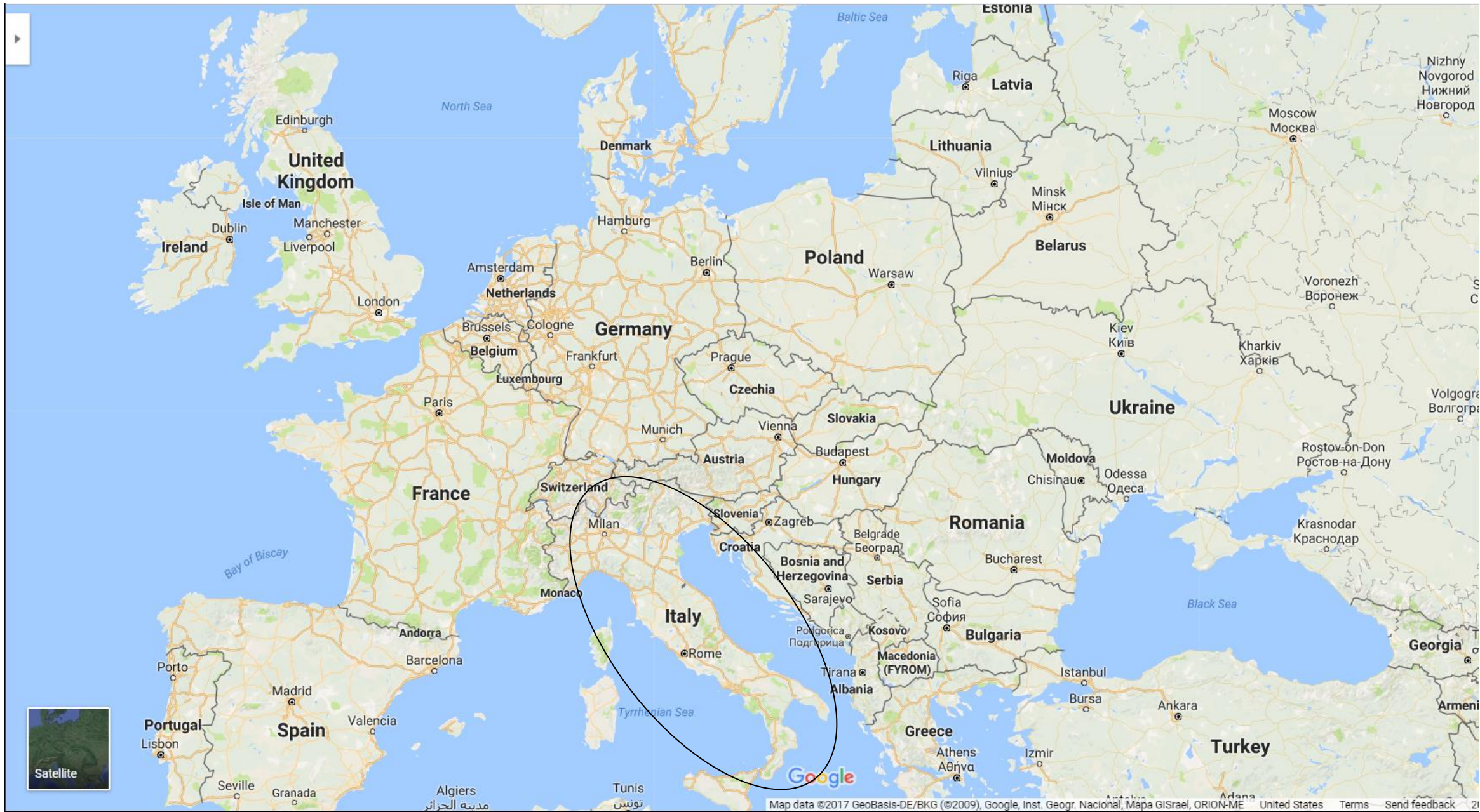






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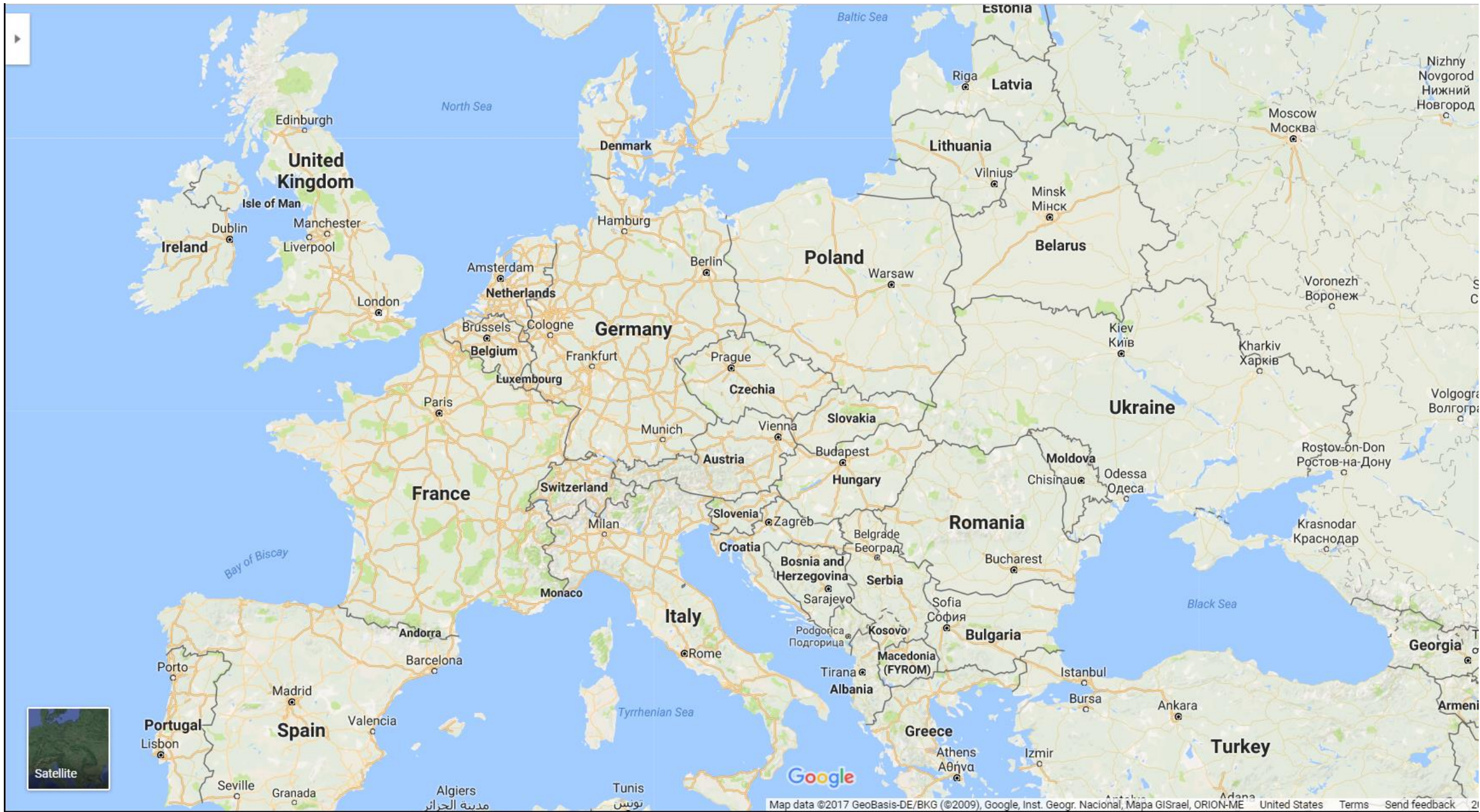
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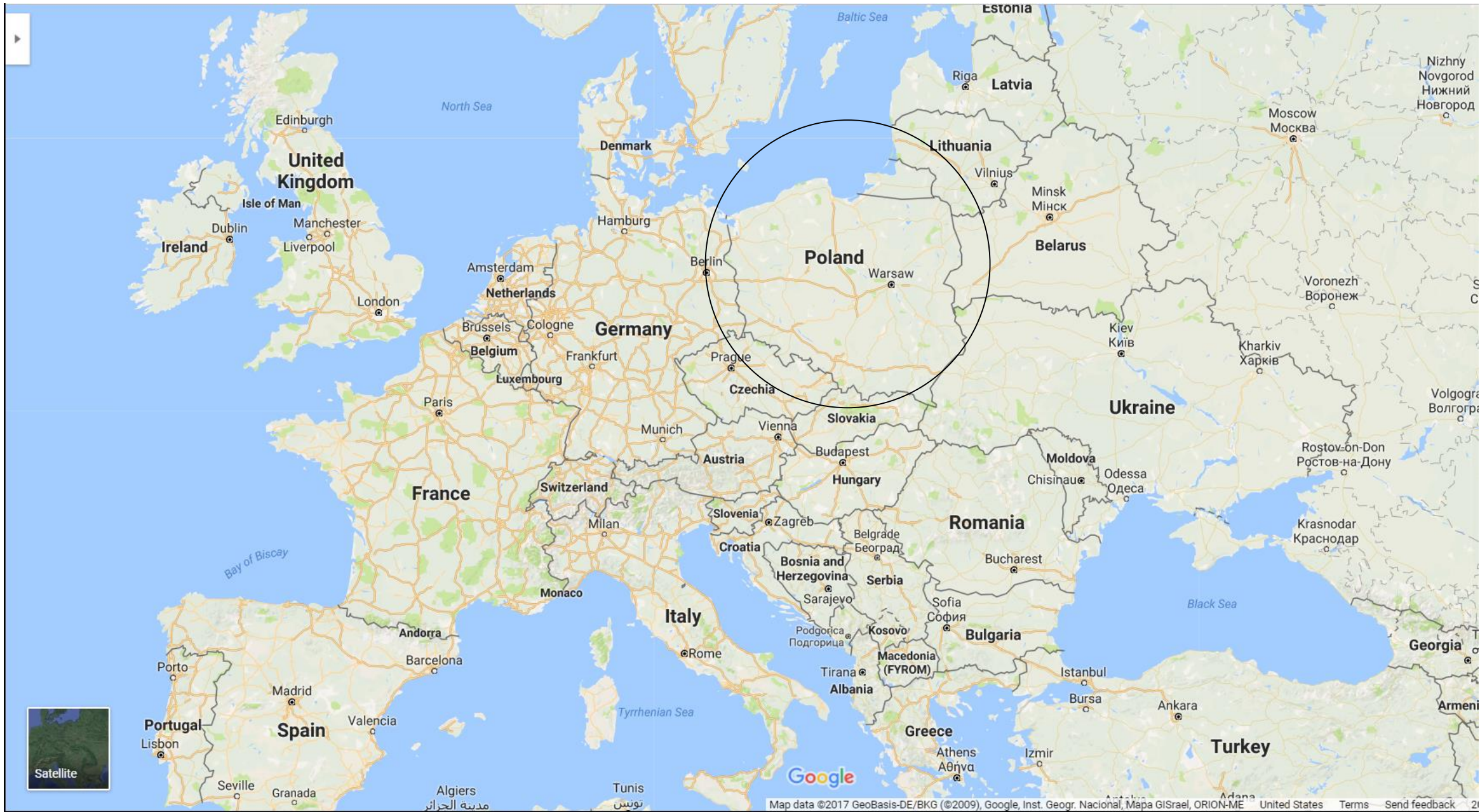






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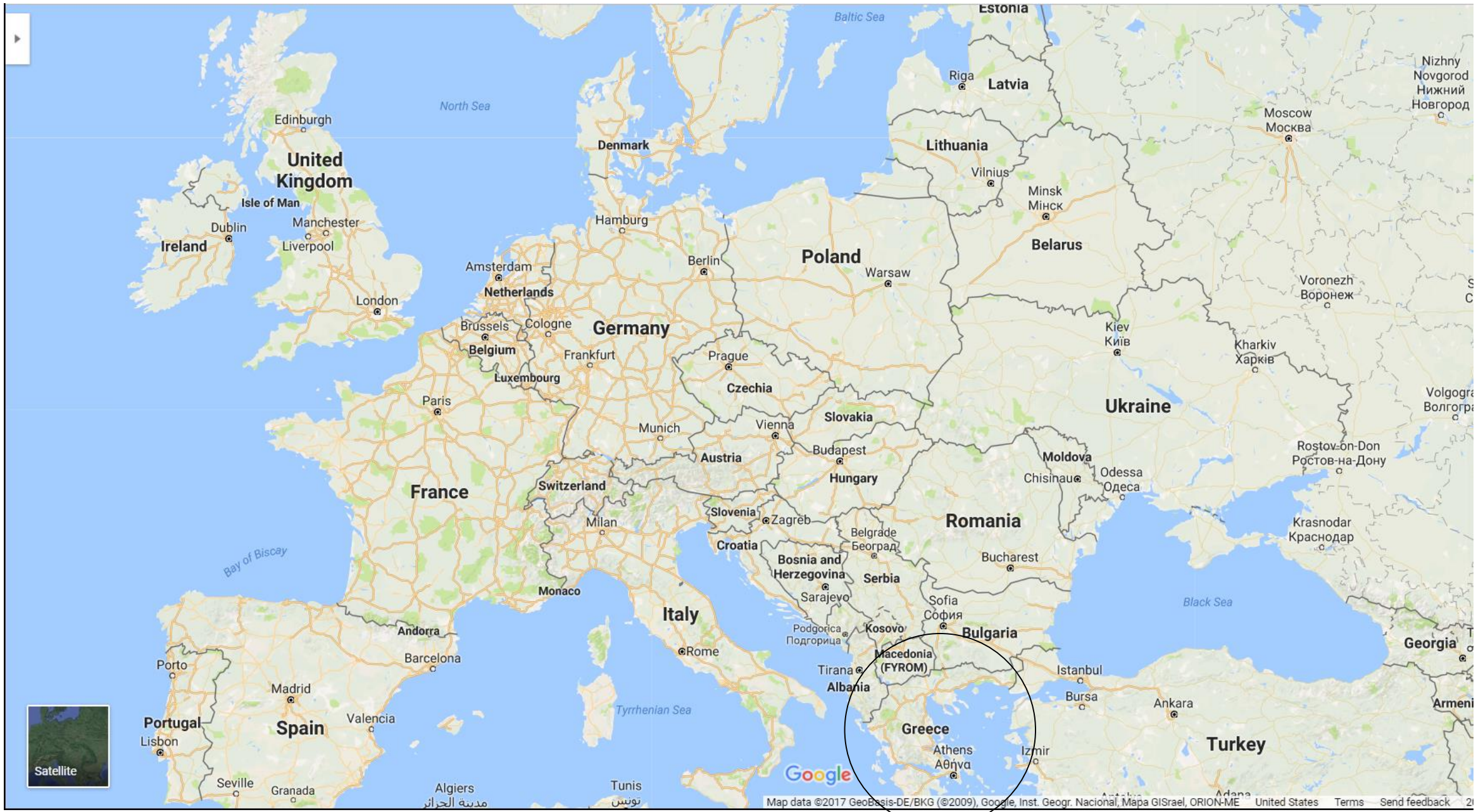


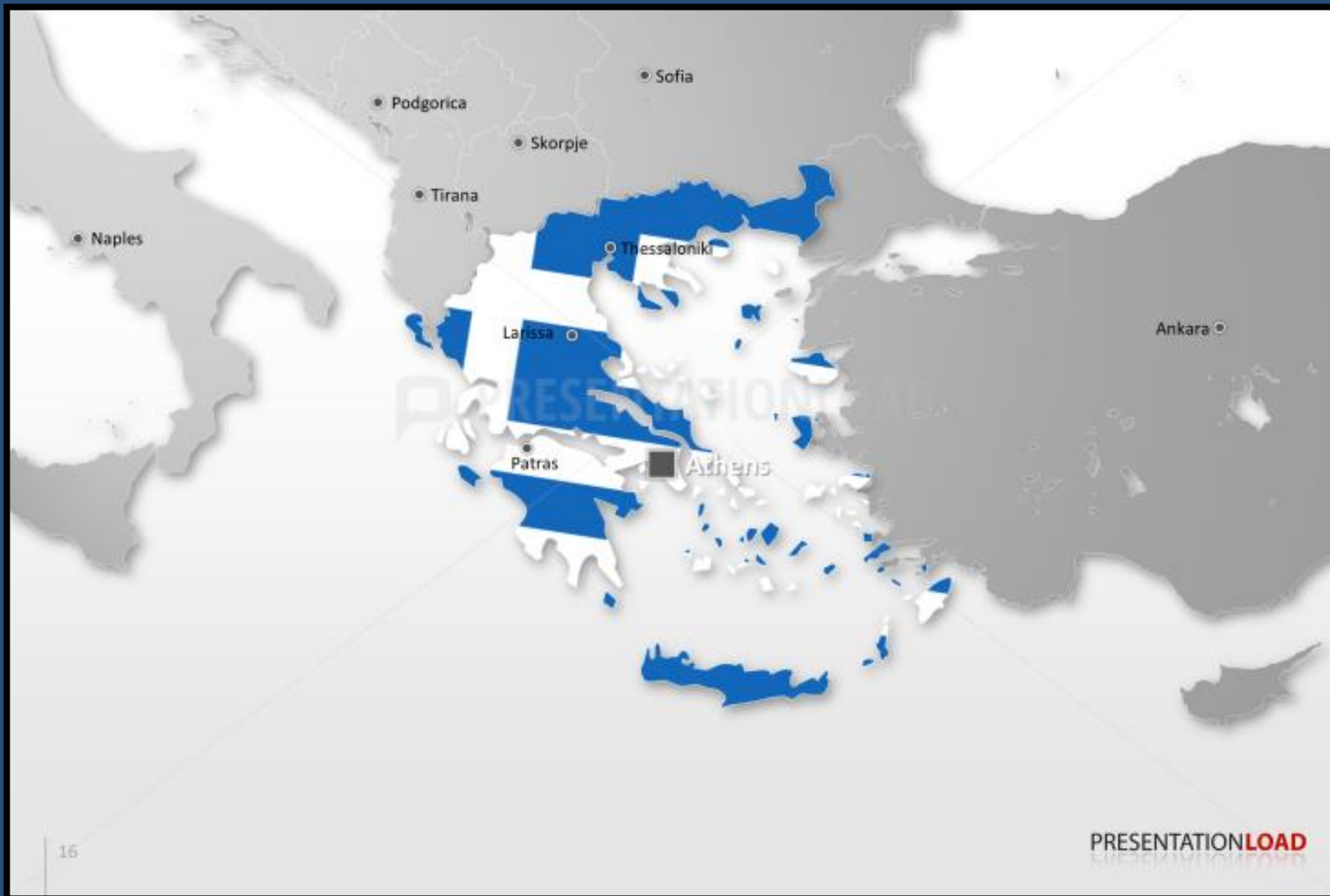




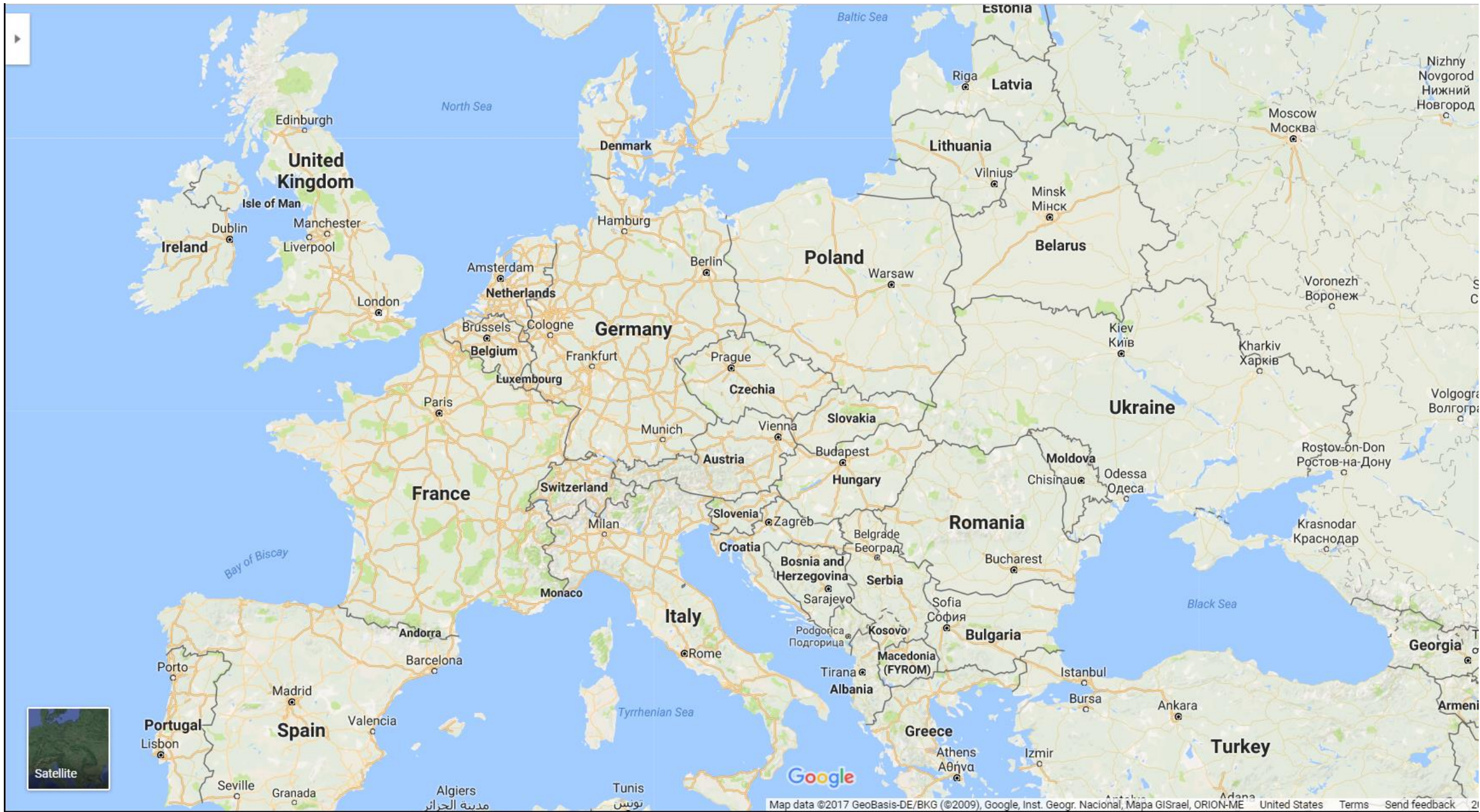
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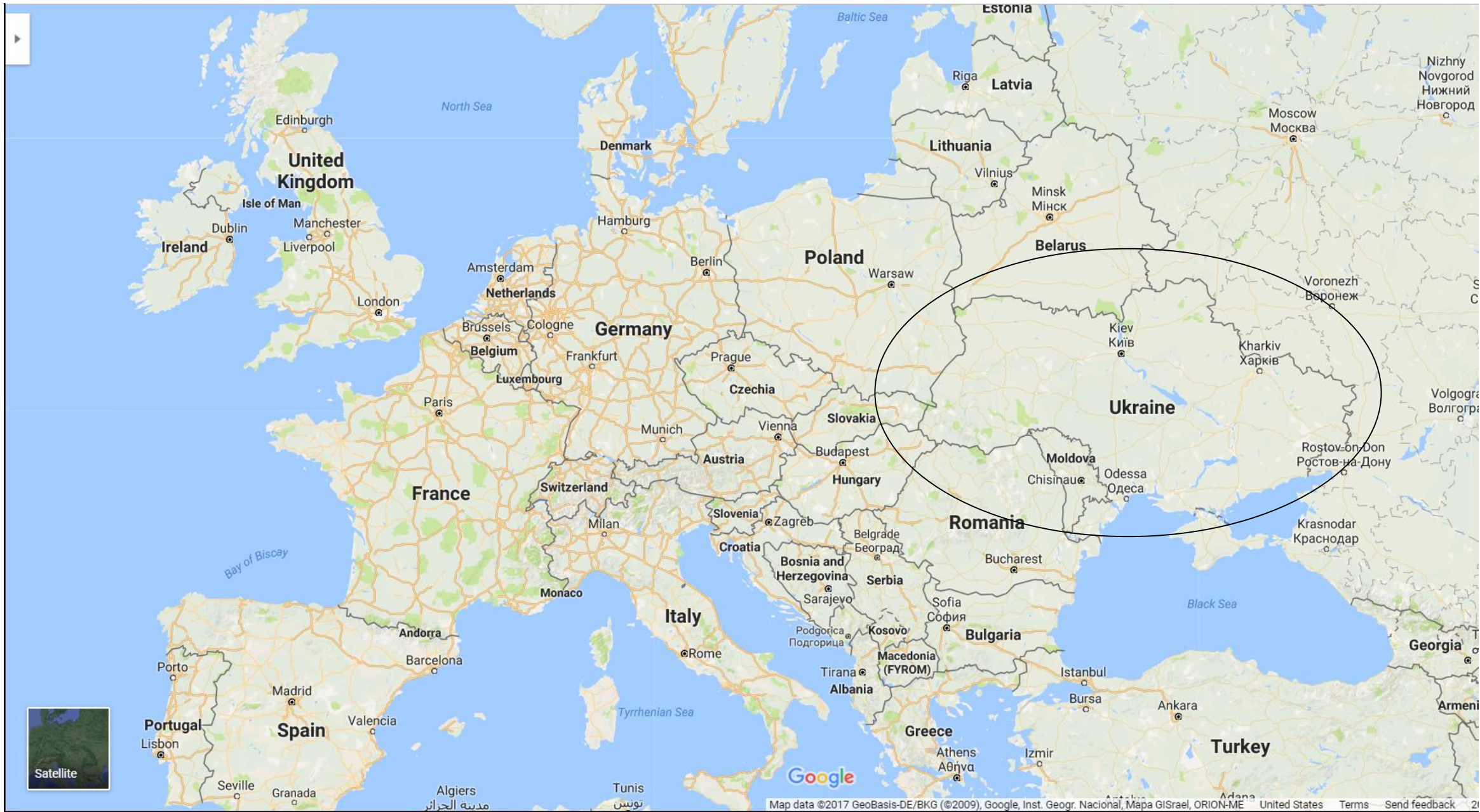


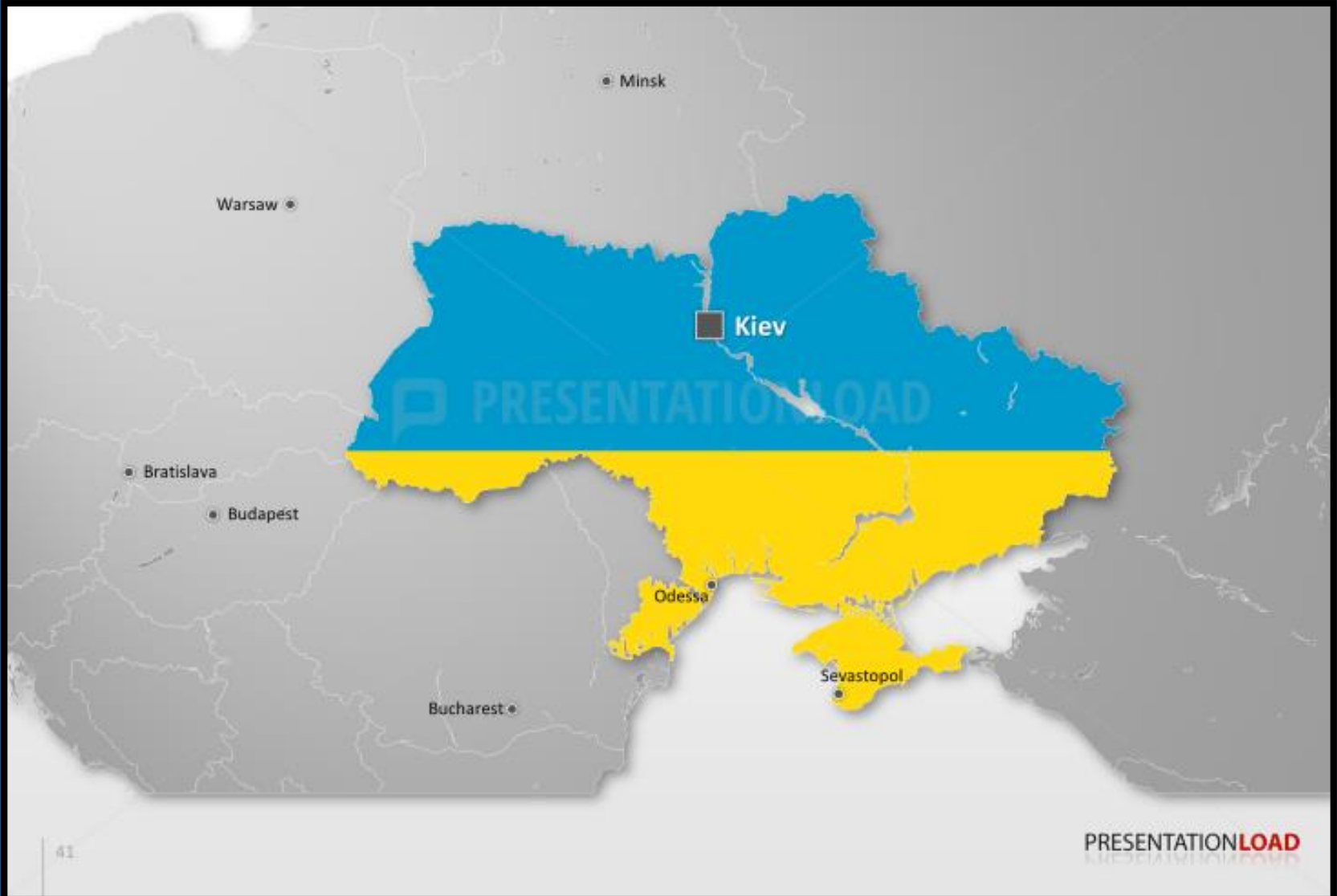




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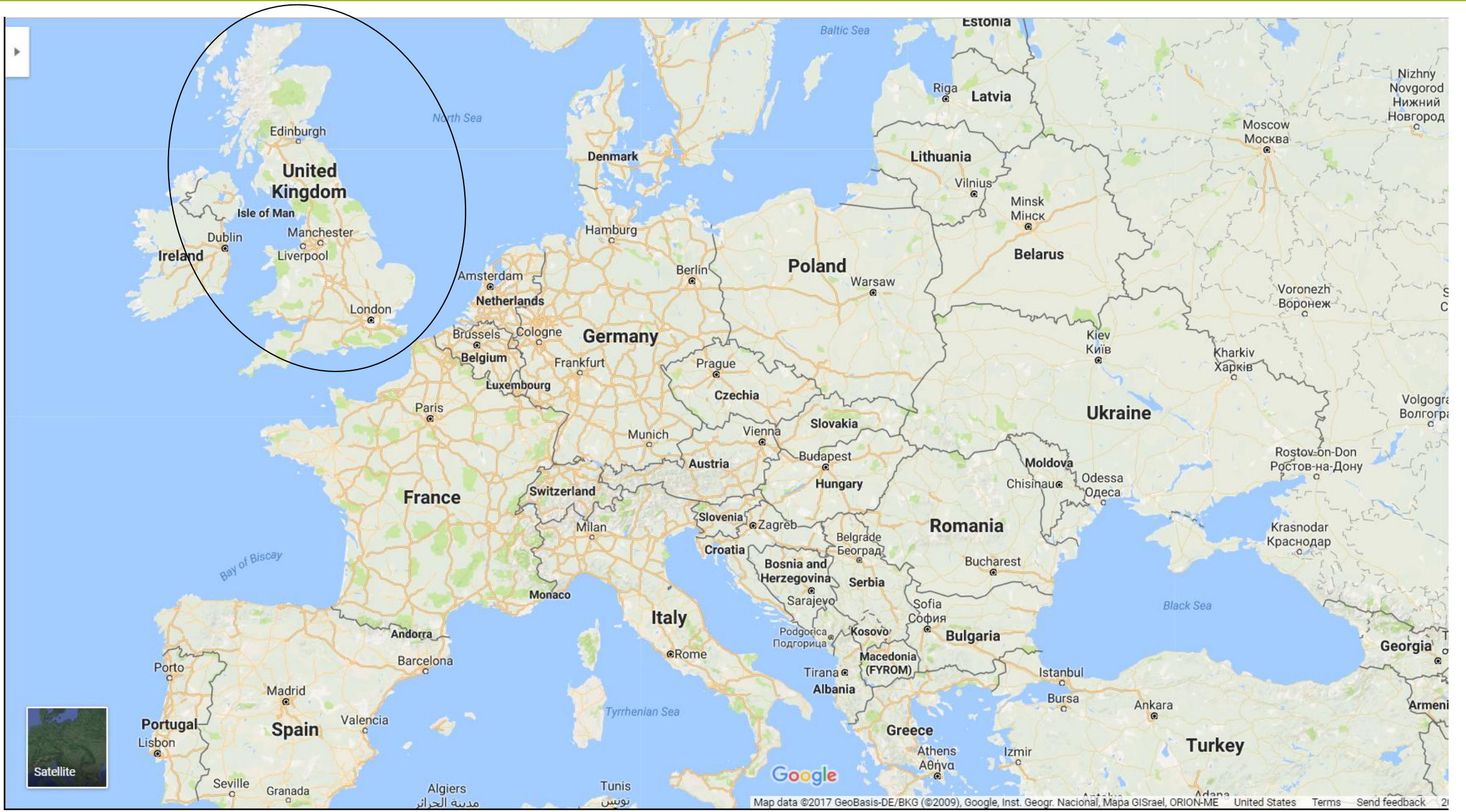






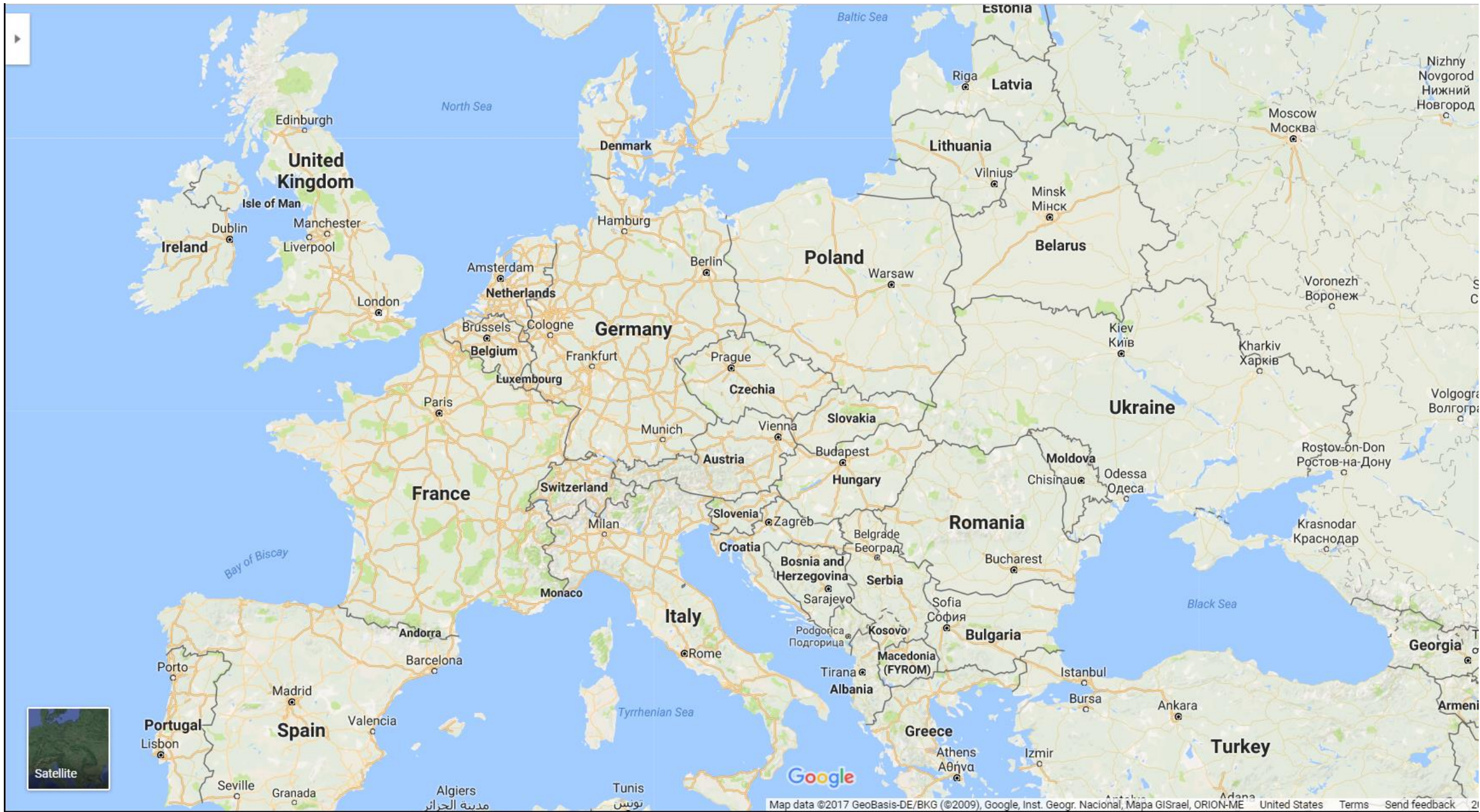
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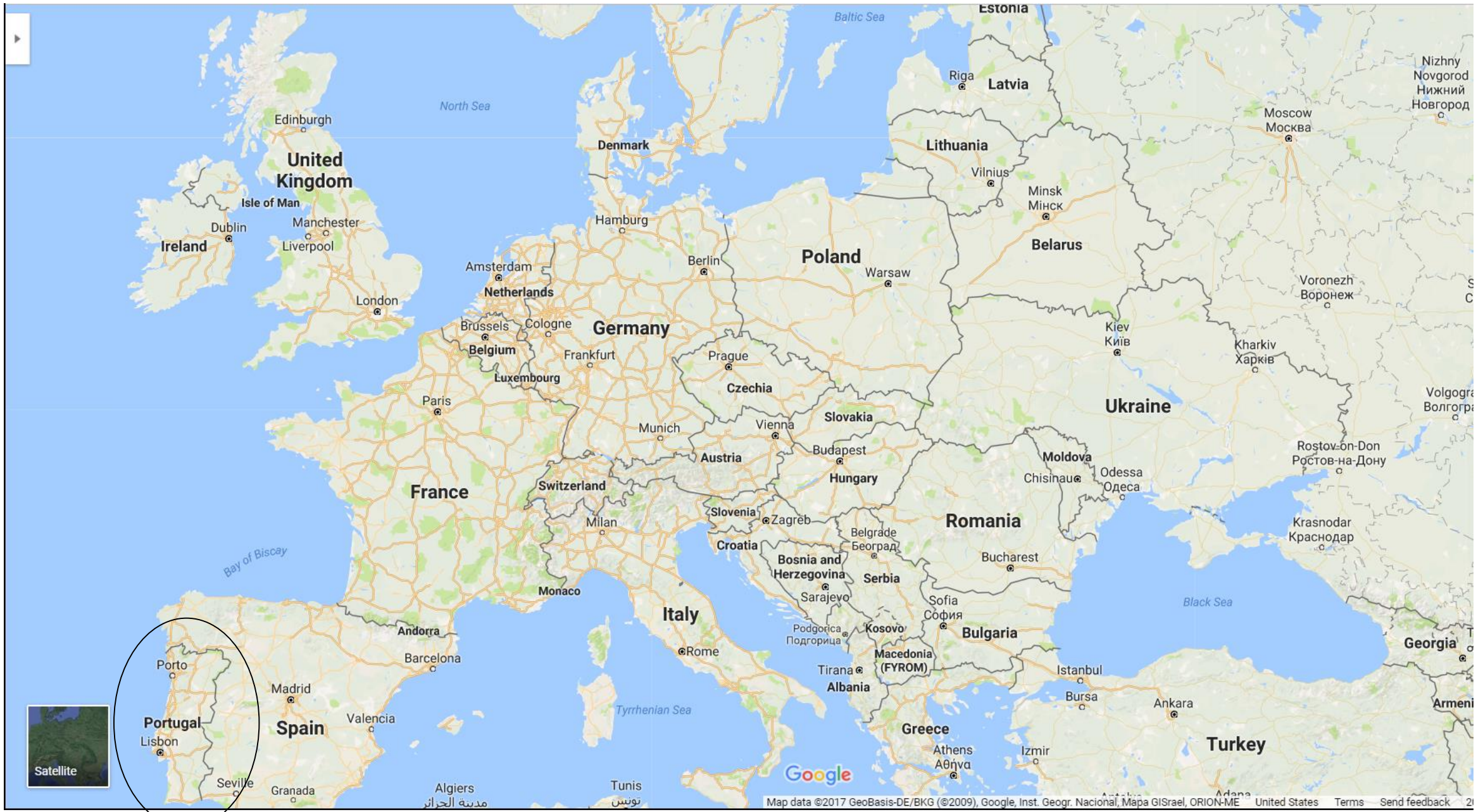






Portugal







Bodies of Water

Rhine River

- The Rhine River starts in Switzerland in the Alps mountain range.
- It flows northwest through Germany, France, Luxembourg, and the Netherlands.
- It's the longest river in Germany.
- The Rhine is an important waterway for shipping industries, as well as a major water source for farms and factories.







Danube River

- The Danube River begins in Germany and flows east across 10 countries for a total of 1,770 miles.
- It is the 2nd largest river in Europe. (The Volga River is first.)
- It has played a vital role in the development of central Europe in terms of trade and cultural diffusion.



**Biking Along
the Danube**



**Where Buda
& Pest Meet**



Flows through the **12 countries** of Germany, Austria, Slovakia, Hungary, Serbia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Slovenia, Bulgaria, Romania, and the Ukraine.









Volga River

- The Volga River is the longest river in Europe.
- It is about 2,300 miles long.
- The river flows through central Russia and into the Caspian Sea
- It is widely regarded as the national river of Russia

The Volga River



 The longest river in Europe --> 2,300 miles.



English Channel

- The English Channel is a narrow body of water that separates the United Kingdom from the European mainland (specifically, from France).
- It is 350 miles long.
- The English Channel was and still is an important waterway for trade.









The Chunnel

- The Chunnel is a tunnel that runs underneath the English Channel and connects Britain to France.
- The Chunnel, an underground railway, was opened under the channel in 1994.
- At its lowest point, it is 250 feet deep
- At 23.5 miles long, the tunnel has the longest undersea portion of any in the world.

United
Kingdom

Dover

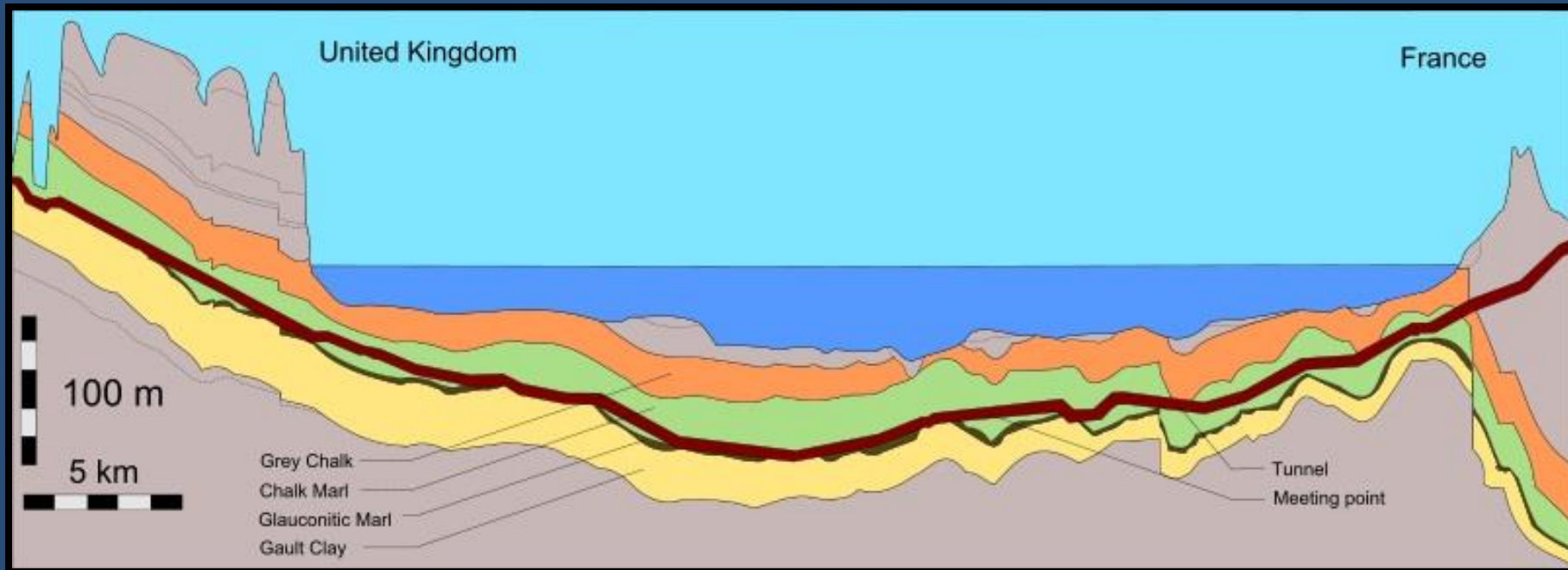
Folkestone

Channel Tunnel

Calais

France





Mediterranean Sea

- The Mediterranean Sea is the crossroads for 3 continents: Europe, Africa, and Asia.
 - The name means “in the middle of the earth” (it’s surrounded by land).
- It surrounds Italy and has a dry, warm climate.
- This sea covers an area of 965,000 square miles and is the world’s largest inland sea.
- It has been an important center for trade and cultural exchange for thousands of years.



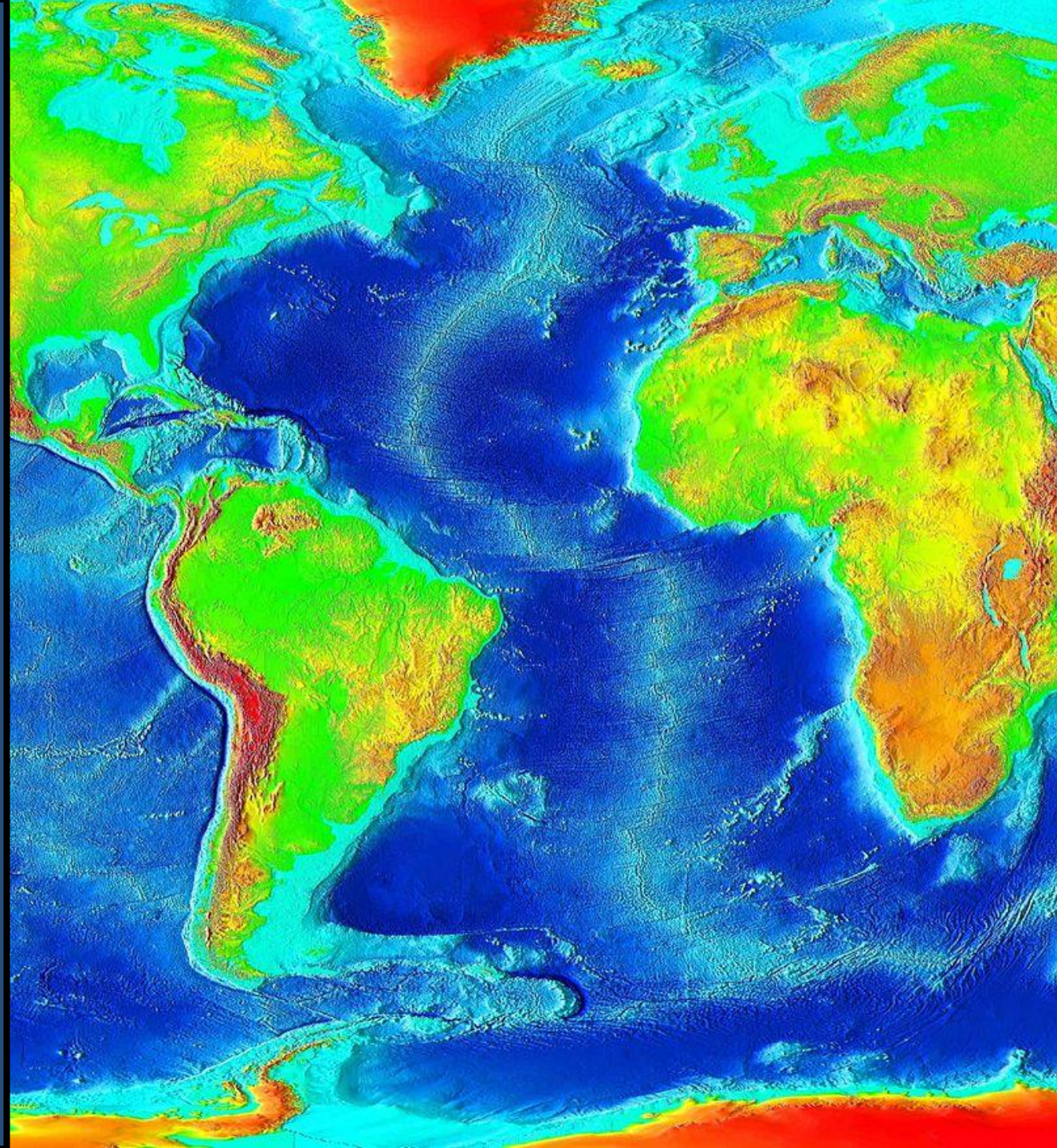




Atlantic Ocean

- The Atlantic Ocean is the second largest of the world's oceans.
- It covers approximately 20 percent of the Earth's surface and about 29 percent of its water surface area.
- It separates the "Old World" from the "New World".
- It is located in between the Americas and Europe/Africa.





North Sea

- The North Sea has provided waterway access for commerce and conquest.
- Many areas have access to the North Sea because of its long coastline and the European rivers that empty into it.





Land Features

The Alps

- The Alps are a mountain range located in Austria, France, Germany, Switzerland, Italy, Slovenia, and Liechtenstein.
- They extend for almost 700 miles!
- The Alps are a major tourist destination.







Pyrenees Mountains

- The Pyrenees are a mountain range that form the natural border between France and Spain.
- They extend for roughly 270 miles.





Ural Mountains

- The Ural Mountains are considered to be the natural boundary between Europe and Asia.
 - They actually divide Russia between the continents: $\frac{1}{4}$ of Russia is in Europe and $\frac{3}{4}$ of the country is in Asia.
- They extend for almost 1,500 miles!
- The Ural Mountains are among the world's oldest mountain ranges.
- They have huge deposits of gold, nickel, silver, platinum, coal, iron, and other minerals.







Iberian Peninsula

- The Iberian Peninsula includes the countries of Spain and Portugal.
- The Pyrenees Mountains form the northern border and separate the Iberian Peninsula from the rest of Europe.





European Plain

- The European Plain stretches from the Atlantic in the west to the Ural Mountains in the east.
 - It extends for 2,000 miles.
- It is the largest mountain-free landform in Europe.
- The European Plain contains rich farmland and is a successful agricultural area.



