

# UAV BASED SMART DETECTION & LOCALIZATION OF RADIOACTIVE AREAS

Real-time Situation Awareness for First Responders

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# **OBJECTIVES AND VISION**

Improving **decision support** for operational planning by providing **real-time situation awareness** 

- accurate 3D terrain maps of the current situation
- automatic detection and localization of radioactive sources
- contamination maps to show potential hazardous zones
- immediate visualization of results on a hand held device
  → increased personal safety



UAV, Laser scanner, radioactivity sensor, others







First responder hand held device for operational planning



# EXPLORATION OF UNCHARTED ENVIRONMENTS

- Accurate 3D Terrain maps
  - **live data streaming** to ground station while UAV flies across area
  - 3D Terrain map is **updated in real-time** based on laser measurements
- Dynamically improving
  ground model
  - New laser points always contribute to 3D terrain model
- See through vegetation
  - revealing hidden pathways
  - impassable streets
  - terrain irregularities



3D Terrain map including vegetation



# SMART DETECTION OF RADIOACTIVE SOURCE

### Generate a consistent view of 3D LiDAR and CBRNE sensors by

- fusion of all available measurements (LiDAR, radioactivity) into a
- comprehensive information set aiming to reveal position and parameters of radioactive sources



radioactive source partially obstructed

localized source



# **BENEFITS OF REAL-TIME SITUATION AWARENESS**

# Localization of a single radioactive source within a minute



### Radioactive source detection

- High quality 20k laser pts/s  $\rightarrow$  30 pts/m<sup>2</sup>
- Large scan area: 500 x 500 m
- Fast results 400s
  complete scan

### Reliable ground models

Radioactivity measurements are combined with 3D terrain maps to model contamination levels



### Contamination above ground

- Complex situations (fragmentation)
- Accuracy of localization ~ 1m
- Real-time situation awareness



Smart detection & Visualization



## PARTNER OVERVIEW – IPR MAP





- Copter + Laser scanner
- Gamma detector
- System Engineering, data analytics, data fusion, data processing, radiation source localization
- Mobile visualization
- Usability analysis
- Wireless communication optimization





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