



# University of Leicester

## About us



MINISTRY OF EDUCATION,  
YOUTH AND SPORTS



INVESTMENTS  
IN EDUCATION  
DEVELOPMENT

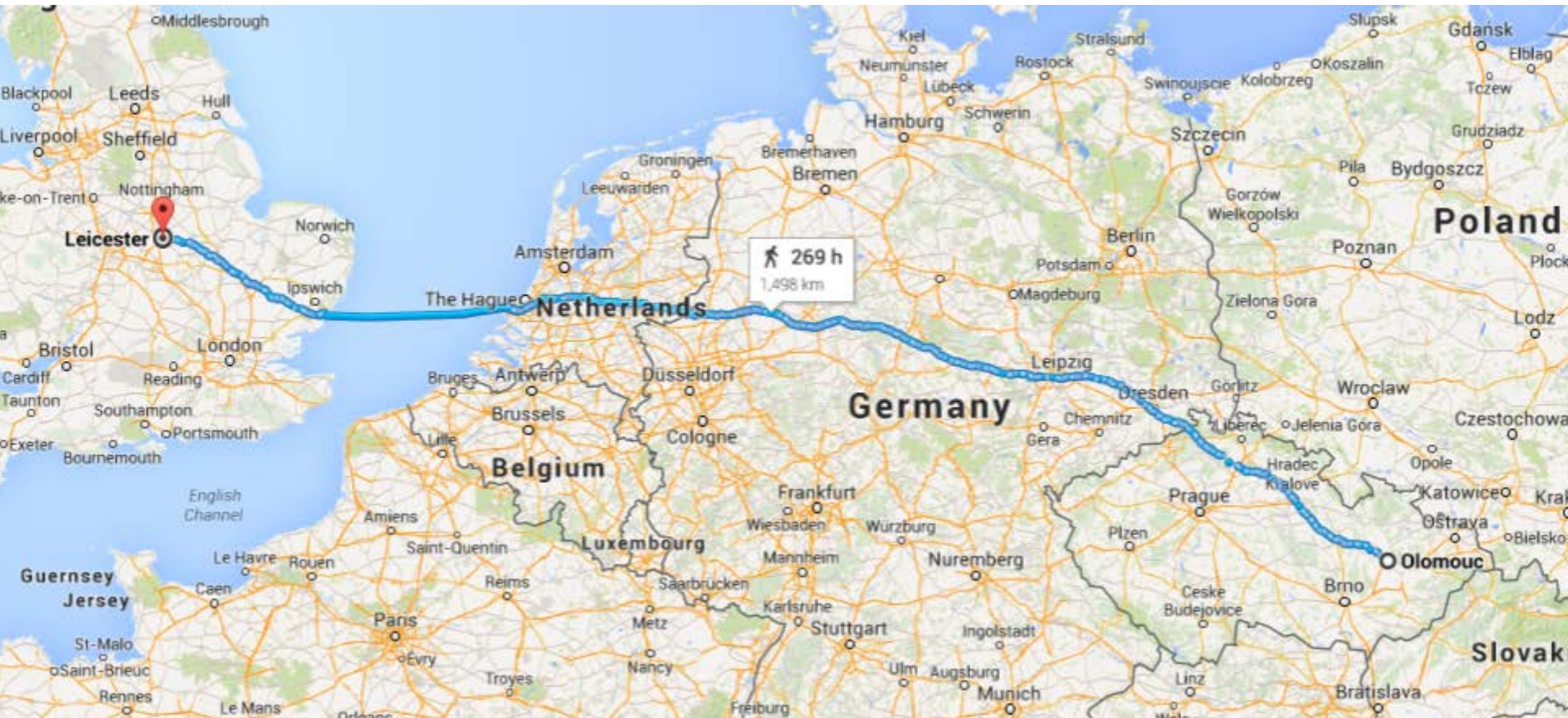
# Prof. Heiko Balzter





# Where is Leicester?

## 269 hours walk from Olomouc



# Leicester

- Leicester is bursting with bars, clubs, pubs and restaurants.
- The Curve, Phoenix Square Digital Media Centre and De Montfort Hall are the big event venues.
- Leicester enjoys the annual Caribbean Carnival and the Diwali celebrations, reputed to be the biggest outside India. The annual Comedy Festival is held in the city each February.
- The New Walk Museum, Guildhall Museum, Jewry Wall Museum, Abbey Pumping Station, Newarke Houses Museum, National Space Centre and the University of Leicester Botanic Gardens are the main visitor attractions.





GRAND

HOTEL

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FOOD & TAKEAWAY CENTRE

HOTEL

Living Shop

WE SPECIALISE IN...

FIELD

Electric Light

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- Leicester City Football Club
- Leicester Tigers Rugby Team
- Red Leicester Cheese
- Leicester Market
- National Space Centre





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The story of the  
search for England's last  
Plantagenet king...

# Richard III

## The King under the Car Park







- King Richard III, the last Plantagenet king, died during the decisive Battle of Bosworth on 22 August 1485 aged 32 years.
- He had fought with his adversary Henry Tudor, who succeeded as King Henry VII.
- Richard III was buried in Greyfriars Priory, which was dissolved in 1538.
- Richard III's grave was lost for hundreds of years and rediscovered in September 2012 by the University of Leicester's Archaeology Department.





RICHARD III  
KING OF ENGLAND  
KILLED AT  
BOSWORTH FIELD  
IN THIS COUNTY  
22ND AUGUST 1485

Buried in the  
*Church of The Grey Friars*  
in this Parish



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**The University of Leicester is a world-class, research-intensive University featuring in the top 2% of the world's universities in the QR league tables.**





**Founded in 1921 and gained its Royal Charter in 1957, Leicester is one of Britain's older universities. It prides itself in the synergies between excellent research and teaching.**





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**Citation levels place Leicester amongst the top 1% of universities in the world and are the 7<sup>th</sup> highest in the UK.  
It has over 20,000 students and 3000 employees.**



**DNA genetic fingerprinting was discovered here and over 90% of academic staff are research active.**





# About the University

- The **University of Leicester** is a centre of excellence in Earth observation research
- Leading the National Centre for Earth Observation (Prof. Remedios), EMBRACE, a regional hub of the Satellite Applications Catapult (Prof. Monks) and the European centre GIONET (Prof. Balzter)



# About the Department for Geography

- Research groups on Physical Geography, Human Geography and Geographic Information Systems
- Renowned for world-quality interdisciplinary research on human/environment systems
- 24 academic staff, 10 research staff, 60 PhD students, 30 MSc students, >330 undergraduates
- Houses the Centre for Excellence in Teaching and Learning, SPLINT



# About the Centre for Landscape and Climate Research

- One of three centres of excellence established in the University in 2012 in open competition
- Aims to understand interactions of the water cycle with ecosystems across multiple spatial and temporal scales
- Research on pressures from climate change and land use change on ecosystem services
- New facilities
- Projects include GIONET, GIO-Land, GLOBBIOMASS, NEWTON, FORESTMAP, NCEO, CENTA & CASE



# Staff and students

- 25 affiliated academic staff from different departments
- 5 honorary research fellows and industrial fellows
- 7 research staff
- 28 PhD students
- Masters students and undergraduate dissertation students
- Nuffield research students and volunteers
  
- [www.le.ac.uk/clcr](http://www.le.ac.uk/clcr)



# GIONET - European Centre of Excellence in Earth Observation Research Training





# International summer schools in Earth Observation at Leicester

- 2007: METIER
- 2009: CARBOAFRICA
- 2012: GIONET
- 2013: Erasmus
- 2014: Erasmus



# Our funders



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