

Sustainable mega-events: A look at some of the solutions related to organisation of the Olympic Games

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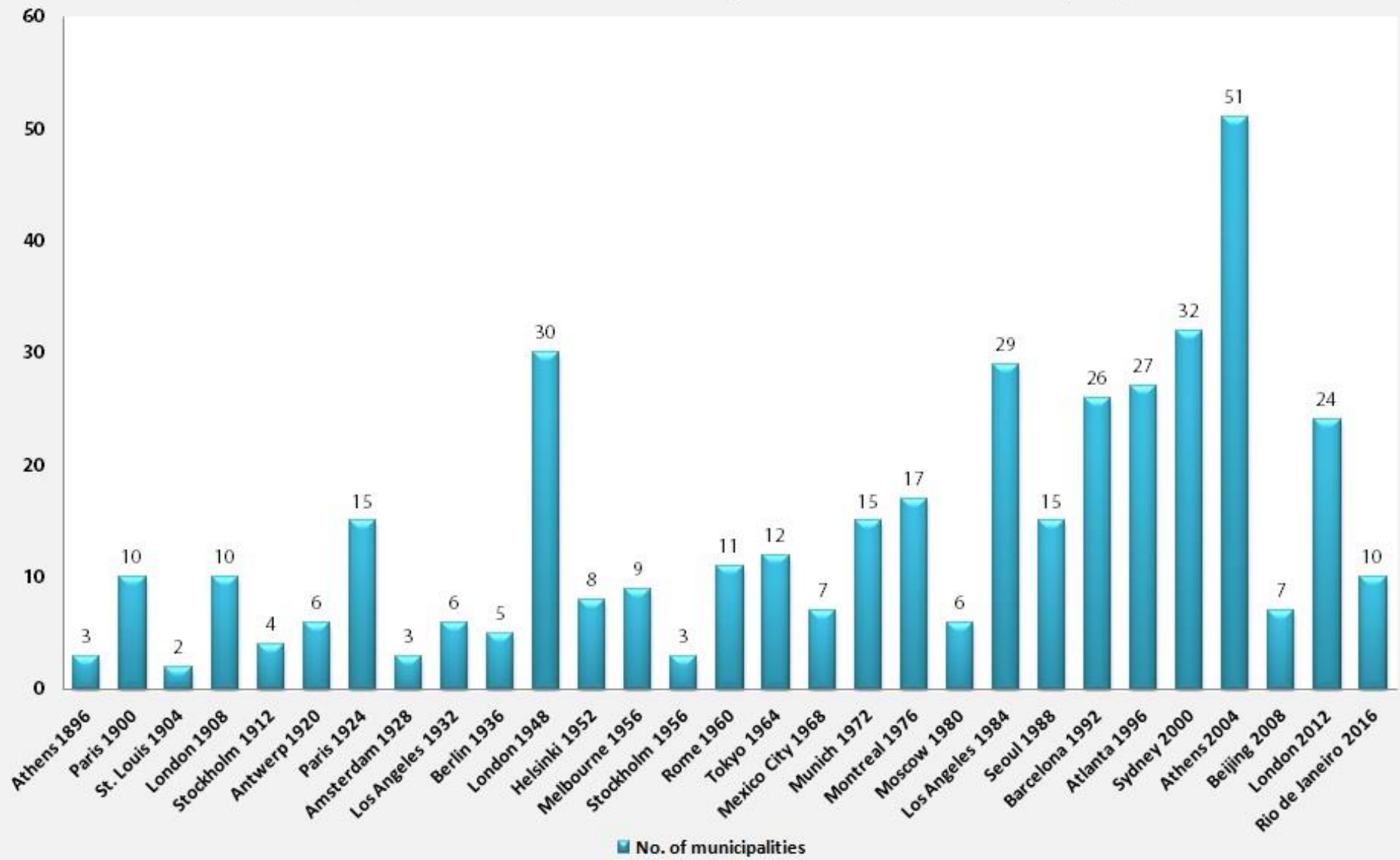
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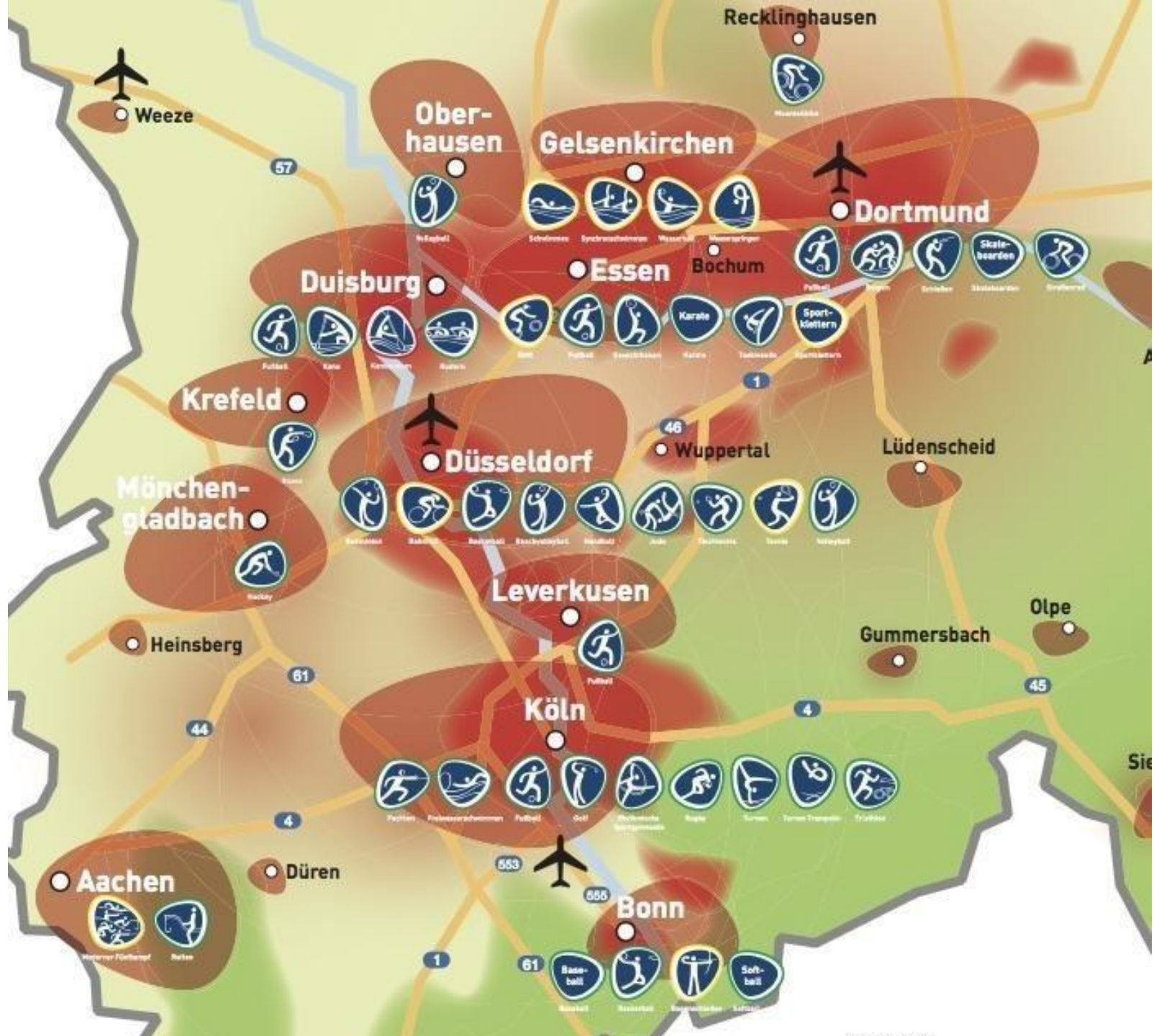
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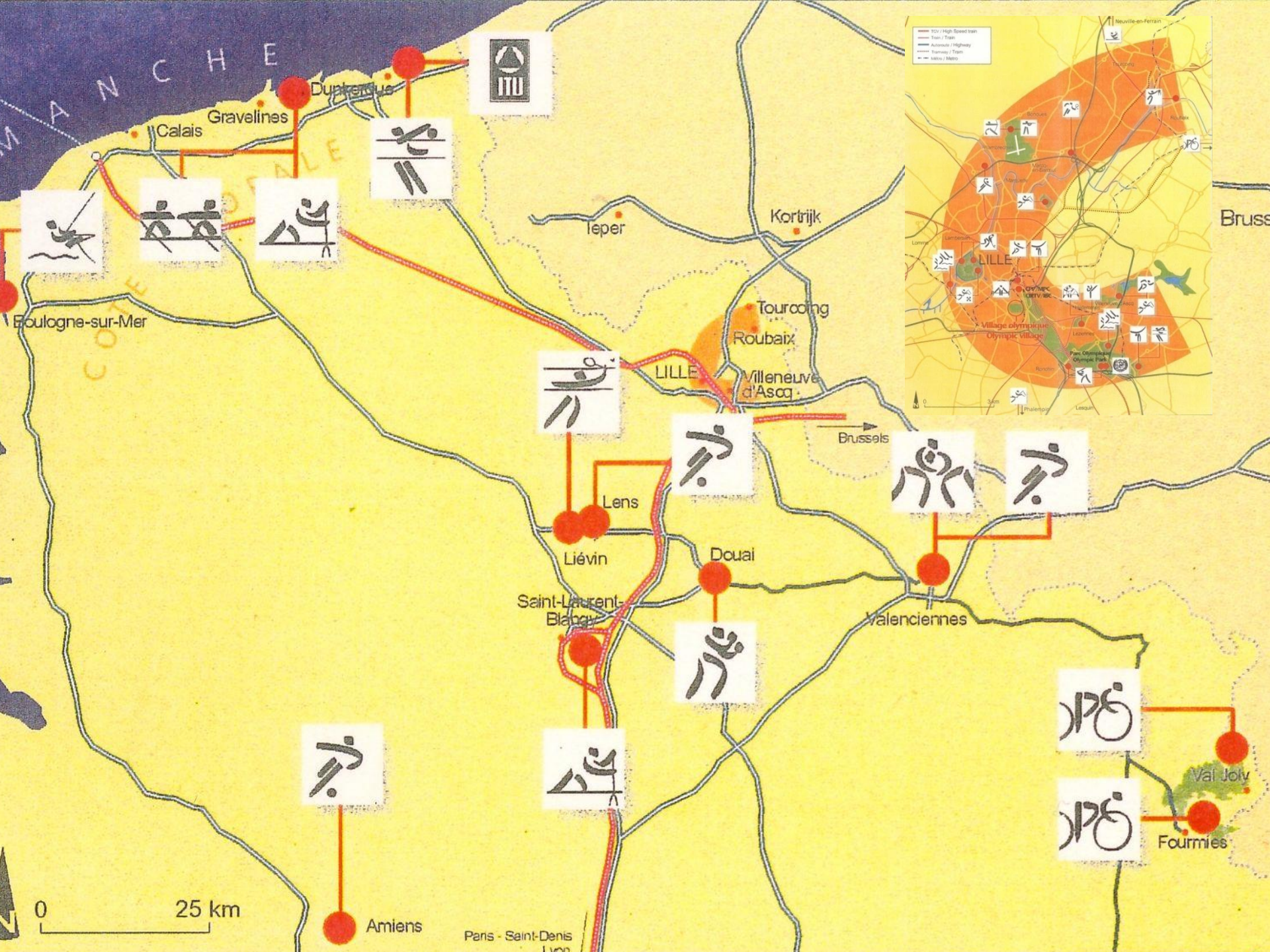
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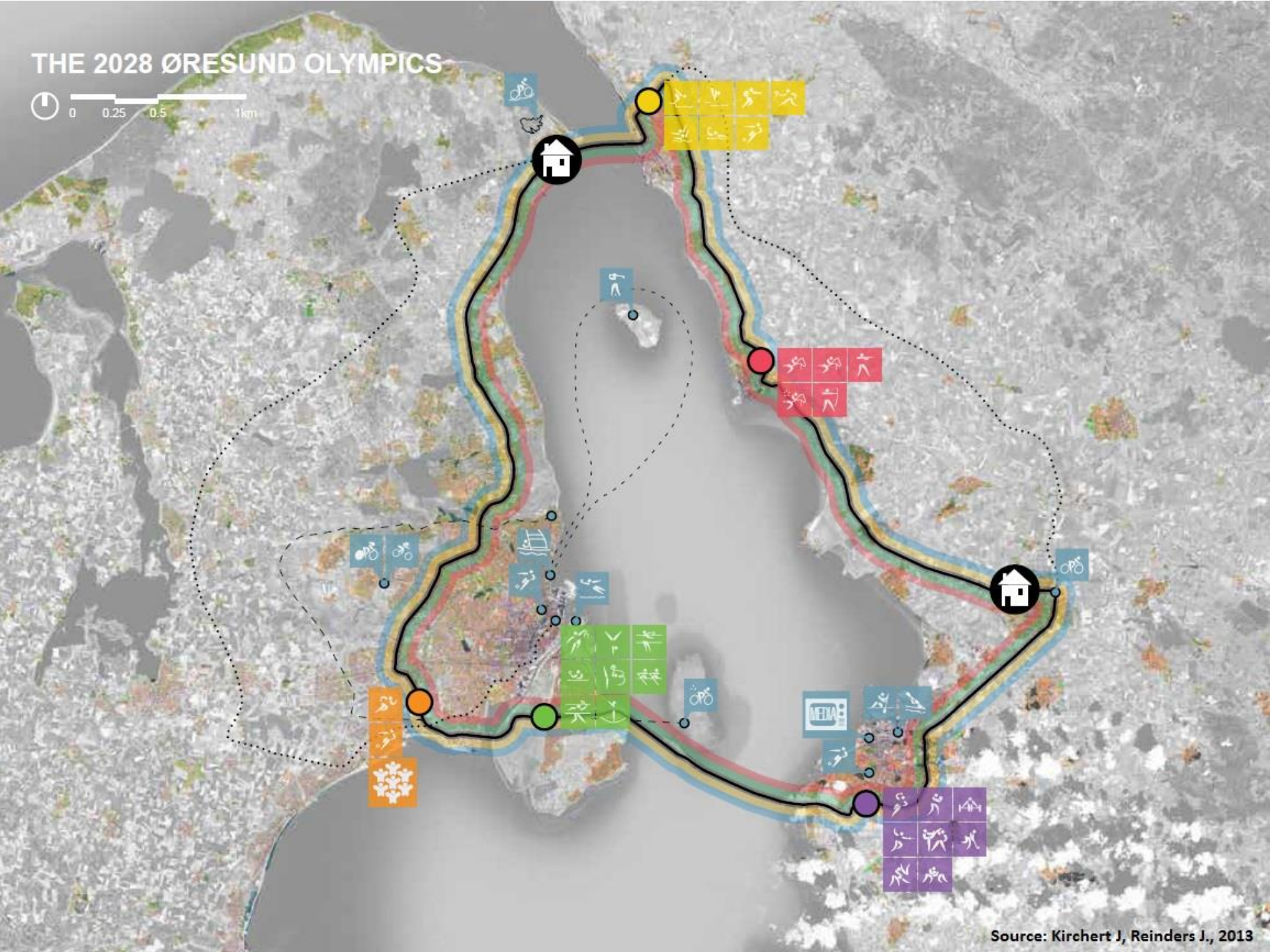
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It might save money, but it would cost the world dearly in other ways.

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After the Soviet Union invaded Afghanistan in December 1979, Andrei Sakharov, one of the world's greatest nuclear scientists and a Nobel Peace Prize-winning dissident, told Western reporters that he supported an international boycott of the Moscow 1980 Summer Games. On January 22, 1980, Sakharov was ordered into internal exile. His arrest was one of the events that precipitated a boycott by 65 nations, including the U.S.

By the time that Russia hosted another Olympics, the Sochi 2014 Winter Games, it was a changed place. Yet Russia and Sochi were met with much of the same criticism as hosts as the U.S.S.R. and Moscow were in 1980. An escalation of human-rights violations preceded both events, which were attended by security procedures that were at once troubling and insufficient.

Making the case for a permanent home for the Olympic Games

With all eyes on Rio, many wonder if the tradition of selecting Olympic host cities needs to end.

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You may have noticed that Rio de Janeiro is having certain economic problems at present. This is not entirely to do with the city hosting the current Olympics to be sure. The vast scandal concerning Petrobras is having an effect, the manner in which Brazil's boom has been cruelly ended and the country slipped into recession has hurt too. But all too often hosting the Olympics is thought of as a way of boosting the economy of a city. And it isn't, it's a cost. Maybe it's a cost that should be carried for the greater glory of the local politicians or whatever but it's not an economically rational thing to do. Thus it might well be a good idea for us to find a permanent place to establish the every four year jamboree and stop this system of one or another place wasting billions upon billions rebuilding the necessary infrastructure every time.

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The Olympics are here, and I'm not sure how to feel about it. On the one hand, I'm thrilled that a South American city is hosting the Olympic Games for the first time. People around the world will have the opportunity to explore Rio de Janeiro's many marvels. In an age of fear and loathing, the Parade of Nations and spectacle of countries competing peacefully is most welcome. Brazilians living through political and economic crisis may likewise appreciate the chance to revel in their country's successes for a change.

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International Olympic Committee President Thomas Bach **declared** last month that with the renovated port and new hotels Rio would be in better shape for having hosted the Olympics. Sure, and the Oklahoma City Thunder will be better off without Kevin Durant.

Rio is an extreme example of what happens to almost all cities that host the summer Olympics. These days hosting the summer Games runs between **\$1.5 billion and \$20 billion**. With some good fortune, hosting may produce \$4.5 billion in revenue—yielding a deficit of \$5 billion to \$10 billion. Not a favorable financial balance in the short run.

Give the Olympics a Home

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Let's just pick one country to host the Olympics permanently

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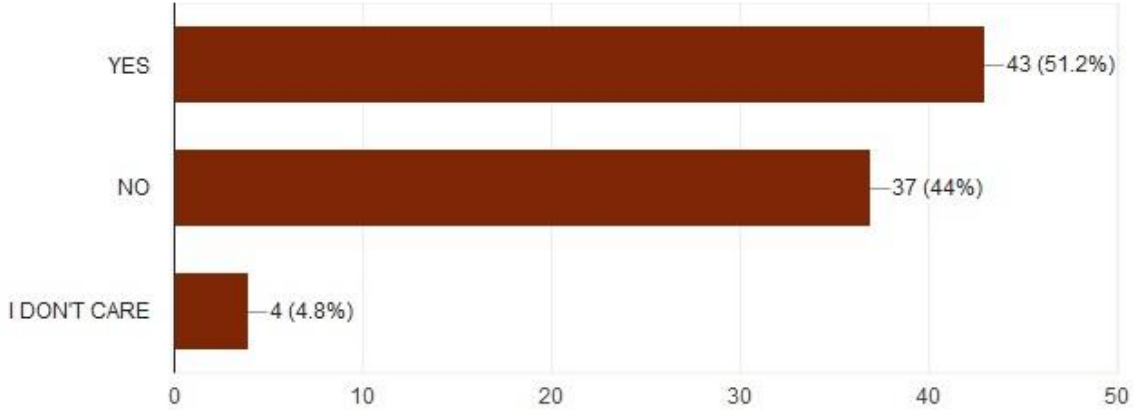
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Don't bail out Greece; just give it back the Olympics

Commentary: It's time to give the Olympics a permanent home

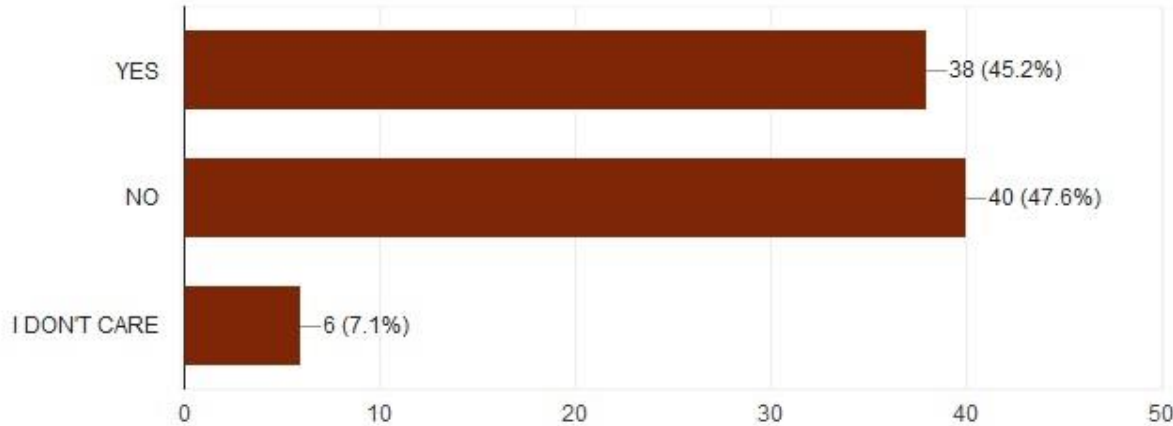
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