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GEO-CRADLE: Coordinating and integrating state-of-the-art Earth Observation Activities in the regions of North Africa, Middle East, and Balkans and Developing Links with GEO related initiatives towards GEOSS

GEO-CRADLE networking event in Chişinău, Moldova Tuesday 3 January 2017, 11:00-13:00



Organised by the National Observatory of Athens, GEO-CRADLE Project Coordinator

Kindly hosted by the State Hydrometeorological Service of the Republic of Moldova



AGENDA:

- 11:00-11:10 Welcome by Mr Valerii Cazac, Chief of the Department of Hydrology
- 11:10-11:30 Presentation of the State Hydrometeorological Service of Moldova and its three departments: Meteorology, Hydrology, Environment Quality Monitoring, by Ms Violeta Balan, First Deputy Director of the State Hydrometeorological Service
- 11:30-12:00 GEO-CRADLE contribution towards inventorying of capacities and user needs, gap analysis, maturity indicators and priorities, addressing regional challenges (in the fields of adaptation to climate change, improved food security and water extremes management, better access to raw materials and energy) and implementing GEOSS & Copernicus, by Ms Alexia Tsouni, GEO-CRADLE Project Coordination Team
- 12:00-12:20 Q&A
- 12:20-12:30 Presentation of the GEO-CRADLE survey of the regional Earth Observation (EO) capacities, by Ms Alexia Tsouni, GEO-CRADLE Project Coordination Team
- 12:30-12:45 Registration of capacities on the GEO-CRADLE survey in terms of space/air-borne/in-situ EO monitoring networks and infrastructure, as well as modelling and EO data exploitation facilities and skills
- 12:45-13:00 Open discussion

VENUE:

State Hydrometeorological Service, 134 Grenoble str., MD-2072, Chişinău, Republic of Moldova

REGISTRATION IS NECESSARY – please register here:

<https://www.eventora.com/en/Events/geo-cradle-networking-event-chisinau>



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25 Partners, 3 Continents, 1 Team

► **GEO-CRADLE** brings together a highly-complementary team combining a strong background in GEO-related coordination activities with proven excellence in the field of Earth Observation:

- Leading research institutes and universities
- Highly-esteemed international associations
- Service Providers with strong regional presence

PROJECT OBJECTIVES

GEO-CRADLE seeks to establish a multi-regional coordination network that:

- ✓ Promotes the uptake of EO services and data in response to regional needs
- ✓ Supports the effective integration of existing Earth Observation Capacities in the region
- ✓ Facilitates the engagement of the complete ecosystem of EO stakeholders in the region
- ✓ Enhances the participation in and contribution to the implementation of GEOSS and Copernicus in North Africa, Middle East and the Balkans

PROJECT STRIVES TO:

Enhance the current knowledge of existing EO capacities in the region (**Survey**),

Facilitate the cooperation between EO stakeholders (**Networking platform and several events**),

Identify the gaps and the maturity level and boost the maturity of the different countries in the region,

Enable the exchange of EO data (**Regional Data Hub**),
Showcase concrete ways of tackling regional challenges related to four thematic areas (**Feasibility studies**),
Propose a roadmap for the implementation of GEO, GEOSS and Copernicus in the RoI.



Survey

Take part in our ongoing survey into the Regional Earth Observation Capacities.



Pilot Activities

Follow our pilot activities in four thematic areas: Adaptation to Climate Change, Improved Food Security & Water Extremes Management, and better Access to Raw Materials & Energy.



Networking Platform

Become part of the GEO-CRADLE Earth Observation Community and engage with other EO stakeholders in the Balkans, North Africa and Middle East.



DataHub

Access, search and share Earth Observation Data for the three regions.

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