

Session 17: GEO capacity development, contribution to SDGs and realization of regional impacts derived from GEO European Projects - AURA ROOM

Start Time	Title of the presentation	Speaker and affiliation
Part 1. Setting the scene		
09:00	GEO capacity development, contributions of GEPs related to capacity building and knowledge sharing.	Andiswa Mlisa - GEO SECRETARIAT
09:10	Engagement of stakeholders and networking.	Evangelos Gerasopoulos - National Observatory of Athens
09:20	GEO-CRADLE dissemination activities promoting GEO and Copernicus in the regions.	Eleni Christia - National Observatory of Athens
09:30	Implementing GEOSS through GCI	Paola de Salvo - GEO Secretariat
09:40	Methodological aspects for assessing regional maturity and setting up regional action plans for addressing priorities and needs.	Mónica Miguel-Lago - EARSC
09:50	Questions	
Part 2: Brainstorming session (working in groups)		
10.00 - 10.45	a) What is the best way to contribute to GEO capacity development (through GEPs and beyond GEPs) for the coming 10 years GEO implementation plan? Moderator: Andiswa Mlisa, GEO Secretariat. b) What is the best way for GEO capacity development to contribute to the SDGs (through GEPs and beyond GEPs)? Moderator: Mark Noort, HCP International. c) Geographical diversification of GEO capacity development, knowledge and data sharing: what factors need to be taken into account and what is the best approach (through GEPs and beyond GEPs)? Moderator: Paola De Salvo, GCI.	
10.45-11.15	Coffee Break	
11.15	Brainstorming session (working in groups) - Continuing	
	Wrap-up from group discussions to the Plenary.	Group Moderators
Part 3: Regional experiences and assessing solutions (panel discussion with regional stakeholders)		
11.30	Case studies that are promoted as priorities in GEO-CRADLE; can they potentially be linked to EO market uptake at regional level and which is the expected impact for the regions.	Lefteris Mamais - National Observatory of Athens
11.40-13.00	Panel discussion & Wrap-up of the session: Jerome Bequignon - ESA, Afri Alliance - Uta Wehn, Hesham El- Askary - CEDARE, Haris Kontoes - NOA, GEO-CRADLE Project Coordinator.	Moderator: Lefteris Mamais - National Observatory of Athens