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Why is it important to have coordinated EO activities at regional level and what are the key challenges you see?

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Enhance coordination of activities at Regional level

ROAD MAP WHY, WHERE, HOW ensure SUSTAINABILITY

capacity	enhance knowledge of existing capacities
cooperation	facilitating networking & cooperation actors Coherence netween programmes synergies & cross-fertilisation
uptake	areas of common interest tackling regional challenges define Support actions

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Identification of common need and regional priorities:

- coordination & governance
- insufficient stakeholder & community engagement
- alignment/linkages between research and uptake

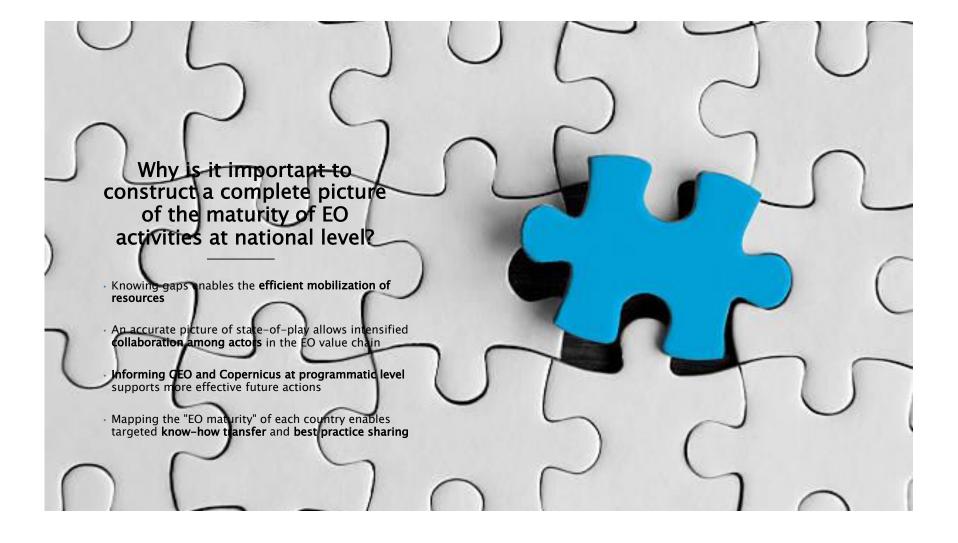
Provide **clear vision**, **mission**, case for support in the region Clarify long term **goals and objectives** Identify potential stakeholders Initiate **relationship** with stakeholders and creates 'buy in' Analyse possible sources and **fundraising** plan Propose intermediate analysis and follow-up Suggest uptake and commercialisation Anticipate dissemination

Recommend **sustainability** into the **ROADMAP**

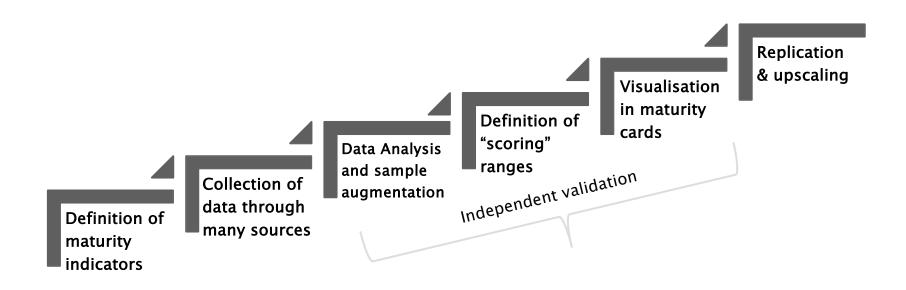
GEO-CRADLE has been coordinating activities across three continents and introducing new methodologies to support capacity building. Which lessons learned should be shared, scaled up and replicated?

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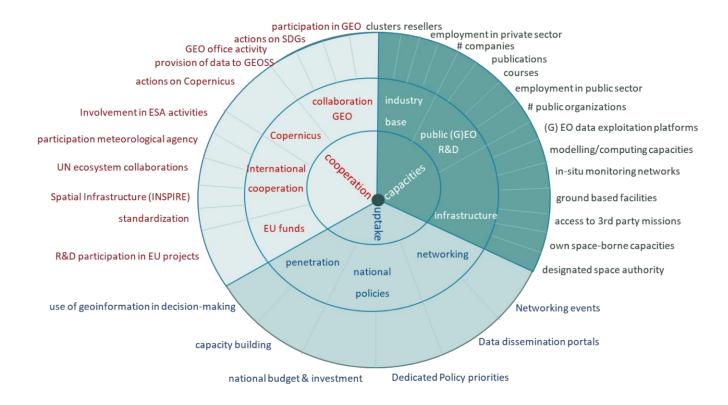




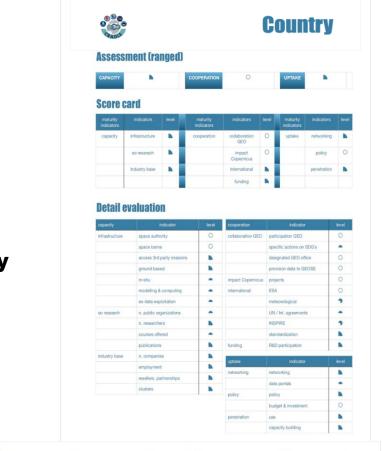
Introducing the novel "EO Maturity indicators" methodology



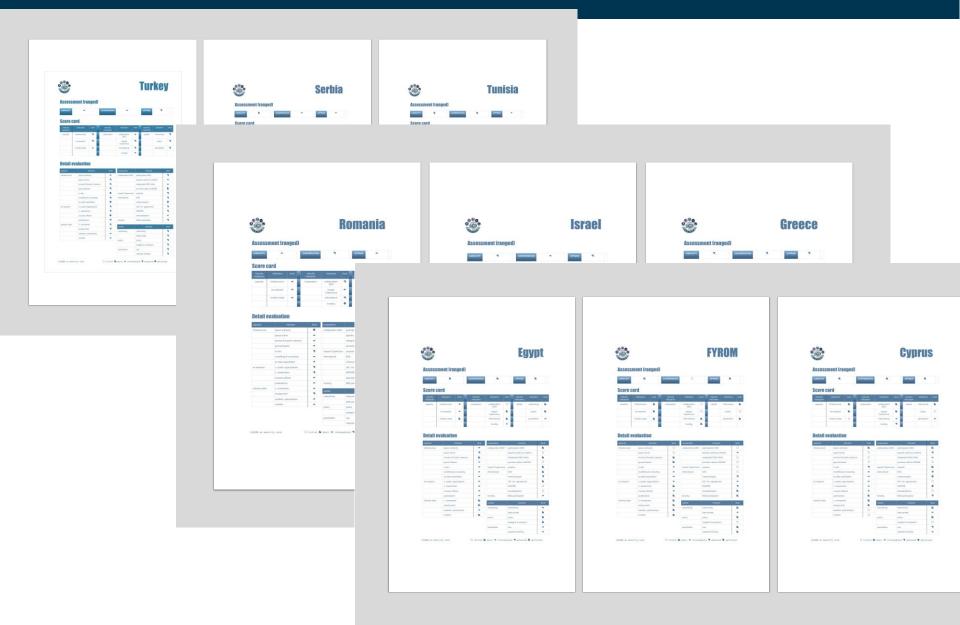
We have defined several "measurable" indicators across 3 main categories



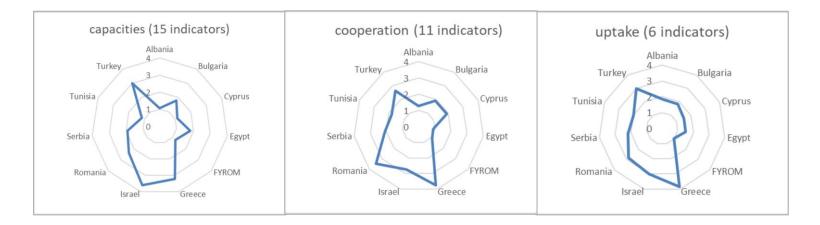
This allowed us to produce maturity cards as our "canvas" for the visualisation of EO maturity per country



○ initial ▶ basic ● intermediate ● advanced ● optimized



The results provide valuable insights



- Countries with a designated Space authority (Space agency or other) and tight links to ESA tend to have better coordinated capacities
- Countries with long-term involvement in Copernicus or GEO tend to rank higher in cooperation and uptake

Conclusions and next steps

- The implementation of the EO Maturity Indicators methodology across 11 countries in the BAMENA region has allowed us to gain valuable insights into EO activities
- The relatively simple indicators can constitute a useful tool and a provide a "common language" in support of decision-making, investment and international cooperation
- The simplicity has been appreciated by country partners, experts and other key stakeholders (e.g. GEO secretariat)
- Limitations have been clearly identified primarily with regards to collection of data
- Overcoming these limitations and enhancing the methodology with parallel approaches (e.g. benchmarking) will be the focus of future updates (i.e. under EuroGEOSS)