

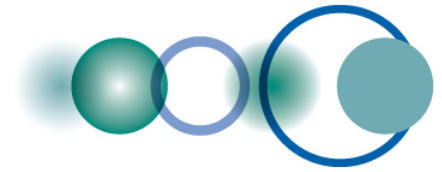
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DA 07-04

AR 07-02 (Sensor Interoperability)

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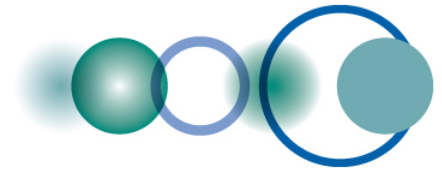
DA 07-04

- Highlights of 2007
 - Massive contribution by CEOS, with active development of a flood use case
 - Growth in number of active participants
- Plans for 2008
 - Continue CEOS use case
 - Sensor Web Workshop



AR 07-02

- AIP Sensor Interoperability Session
 - Co-hosted by Task DA 07-04
 - Standardisation on sensor descriptions in Space Agencies
 - One of the gaps that has not been fully explored in the pilots is the integration of sensors in the architecture



GEOSS Sensor Web Workshop

- May 15-16, 2008
- @GEO Secretariat, Geneva, Switzerland
- No fees, but registration required
- Invitation and agenda online:

<http://www.earthobservations.org/meetings>



KEY FACTS

1.1 DATE & TIME

May 15-16, 2008
Thursday 9-16h, Friday 9-16h

1.2 LOCATION

GEO Secretariat
7bis, avenue de la Paix
Geneva, Switzerland

1.3 REGISTRATION

Please register per email as number of participants is limited to 50. Please send an email to ingo.simonis@igsj.eu.

1.4 ACCOMMODATION

Geneva offers a wide range of hotel accommodation. Please see <http://www.geneva.com> for details.

1.5 REGISTRATION FEES

The workshop is free of charge.

1.6 INFORMATION

For further information, please contact Ingo Simonis at ingo.simonis@igsj.eu.

GEOSS Task DA 07-04

GEOSS Sensor Web Workshop

GEOSS has the objective to continuously monitor the state of the earth in order to increase knowledge and understanding of our planet and its processes. Being a system of system, GEOSS has to master the challenge of integrating heterogeneous systems across institutional and political boundaries. Timely delivery of earth observation data is a key aspect in identifying potential natural and human threats, such as tornados, tsunamis, wild fires, or algae blooms.

Data from in-situ or remote sensing devices forms the basis for analyzing gradual processes, such as increasing drought, water shortages, or rising sea levels. The Sensor Web presents a paradigm in which the Internet is evolving into an active sensing macro instrument. Based on internationally adopted standards, the Sensor Web accomplishes the necessary requirements to ensure interoperability among its various components. Sensor Web software components and services work interactively in arbitrary application domains.

The Workshop is jointly organized by GEO-Task DA07-04 and the European Commission

through two integrated projects focussing on in-situ sensor works: SANY (<http://sany-ip.eu>) OSIRIS (<http://www.osiris-fp6.eu>).

Forming the Foundation Layer Build the Sensor Web

The aim of the Sensor

Workshop is to

- ♦ discuss scenarios and cases to improve interoperability between sensor data providers and consumers
- ♦ identify standards and practices that should be part of the GEOSS Information Infrastructure Architecture
- ♦ learn about the Sensor Web concept, its potential role within GEOSS
- ♦ explore the capabilities of a strong Sensor Web within GEOSS
- ♦ discuss about the various approaches, applications, technologies used within sensor networks.

Endorsed by the GEO Secretariat and the Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC), GEO Task DA07-04 and the European Commission invite everybody interested in sensors, sensor works, information logistics infrastructures to participate in this event.



Program

	May 15th	May 16th
8-9	Registration	Registration
9-10.30	Welcome & Introduction Presentation of DA 07-04 and introduction to the basic concepts of the Sensor Web and OGC's Sensor Web Enablement. Presentation by the European Commission of its current cluster of sensor network research projects with focus on disaster management.	Working Groups We will split in working groups to discuss interoperability issues in sensor networks, new approaches to integrate existing and future Sensor Networks, alignment of Sensor Web and GEOSS.
10.30-11.00	Coffee Break	Coffee Break
11.00-12.30	Sensor Web Research & Open Source Technologies Presentation of Open Source Technologies for the Sensor Web by 52°North (http://www.52north.org). Research projects present their ideas, achievements and perspectives of the Sensor Web.	Working Groups We will split in working groups to discuss interoperability issues in sensor networks, new approaches to integrate existing and future Sensor Networks, alignment of Sensor Web and GEOSS.
12.30-14.00	Lunch	Lunch
14.00-16.00	Presentations by Participants Participants have the option to give short (10min) presentations about their current work, interesting scenarios or use cases, or identify standards and best practices for the GEOSS Information Infrastructure Architecture.	Presentation of Results The working group results will be presented and discussed.