



GEOSTAT 4, Project Meeting, 30 October

Venue/time:

On-line meeting, 30 October, 12-13 CET.

Participants

Amelia Wardzińska-Sharif, Anna Slawinska, Arnaud Degorre, Franck Cotton, Hanna Brenzel, Igor Kuzma, Ingrid Kaminger Jennika Leino, Jenny Linnerud, Jerker Moström, Jon Folkedal, Julien Gaffuri, Jørn Kristian Undelstvedt, Marianne Vik Dysterud, Marina Backer Skaar, Magne Bugten, Mervi Haakana, Nikolaos Roubanis, Outi Ahti-Miettinen, Pekka Latvala, Rossano Figueiredo, Simen Sommer, Tapio Kytö, Thomas Burg, Timo Aarnio, Tuuli Pihlajamaa, Vilni Verner Holst Bloch

The purpose of the meeting

A monthly GEOSTAT4 project group meeting to review the situation of the work packages and to inform members about ongoing matters.

Agenda and notes

Announcements

The manager of this project Rina Tammisto is absent at the moment, hence as the chair of this meeting will be Mervi Haakana.

Notes of the previous meeting

Notes of the previous meeting are ready for comments by the 6 November. The notes can be found from [here](#).

WP output reviews

WP5, EFGS 2020 webinar, Amelia Wardzińska-Sharif

The EFGS 2020 conference was arranged as a two-day webinar using Microsoft Teams platform. Amelia Wardzińska-Sharif noted that the webinar went very well technically, and participants have been pleased with the content as well. There were over 300 registered participants from 60 countries. 300 is the limit in Teams but fortunately all of them did not participate at same time, so the sessions worked fine. In the webinar there were loads of interesting presentations and conversations. In the end of the webinar a General Assembly of EFGS was held. The president of the EFGS, Janusz Dygaszewicz, announced then that he will step down from this duty. The selection process will start soon. Amelia noted that she will start writing the report of this webinar. The report will be one of GEOSTAT4 project outputs.

Nikolaos Roubanis put into words the thoughts of others and thanked Amelia and Statistics Poland for the great job of organising this webinar. It is not an easy task because of the large group of participants and presenters. Nikolaos noted also that his managers have been very pleased with this webinar as well.



Jerker Moström noted that by the technical side the webinar was also very successful, only some small issues appeared, but otherwise everything went well. Jerker inquired what kind of observations Amelia made of organising this kind of on-line webinar? Amelia said that it depends mostly of the nature of the webinar and how formal it is. There is quite a lot of more work with a formal webinar because usually all the plannings need to be approved by the higher quarters before any work can be done. That always takes more time too. Also official invitations and reminders need to be conducted as well as for example, the registration systems. A more informal event is much quicker and easier to set up. Amelia also noted that it would be good to try to involve the participants somehow. For example, in this webinar Hannes Reuter asked a question and gave the participant 30 sec time to write an answer. That was a nice way to keep touch with the audience.

WP2, Good practice cases, Jerker Moström

One of the tasks in the work package 2 was to go through the previous GEOSTAT projects to gather good practice cases, suitable templates, guides and other documents to provide guidance for implementing the GSGF-Europe. Now this material is gone through and over 70 documents were found. The documents are classified by the GSGF principles they concern and sorted by the nature of the document (process description, method etc.). The next step is to study these documents to see which are still valid, which need to be updated or is there something relevant missing. The aim is also to plan how to attach them as the output of this project and how they should be published in the website. Jerker noted that during this work some questions may rise for other project members, for quite a many of this group use to work in the previous projects as well.

Current situation in work packages (+Planner tasks)

WP1, Mervi Haakana

The work with big data and non-traditional data have continued. The first draft of the document "List of the steps to produce GSGF Europe document" (T1.1.1.6) is now produced and will be discussed in the WP1 meeting on Monday 2.11.

WP2, Jerker Moström

Next the group will have some brainstorming about the business cases and geocoding. A meeting about how the collected business cases will be presented will also be arranged.

WP3, Thomas Burg

The work to identify the quality indicators has begun. Thomas noted that there are three documents uploaded in the Teams. One is a template to describe a quality measure or indicator and two are examples based on this template and describe some chosen indicators. The project group is invited to familiarize these documents and test the template. Comments and conversation about the templates and any possible quality indicators are welcomed by the end of November.

WP4, Anna Slawinska

The EFGS webinar material and presentations are published in the website. Anna suggested that if anyone is participating or knows any interesting events,

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they could inform her to add them in the calendar on the website. This way others could find them too.

WP5, Amelia Wardzińska-Sharif

The webinar report will be produced as an output for the project.

WP6, Igor Kuzma

The strategy map was presented in the general Assembly and some comments already received. The members of EFGS were given time to comment by the end of the year but no big changes are expected. It will be discussed in the EFGS steering committee as well.

Igor also presented the new versions of the logo and asked the members to vote for it in the Teams by the end of next week.

Other issues

Nikolaos Roubanis thanked Mervi for leading the meeting and reminded that he and Julien Gaffuri will help whenever needed.

Next project meeting

The next meeting will be on 7 December.