

GEOSTAT 4, Project Meeting, 2 September

Venue/time:

On-line meeting, 2 September 2021, 11-12.30 CET.

Participants

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The purpose of the meeting

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

Agenda and notes

General & Topical project's issues, Rina Tammisto

The EFGS 2021 Conference takes place already in the next week and there will be three presentations concerning this project:

- GEOSTAT 4: The GSGF in Europe / Rina Tammisto, Mervi Haakana
- GEOSTAT 4 - The role of quality for geospatial statistics /Thomas Burg
- Integrating Spatial and Statistical Data in the Web Environment /Pekka Latvala

The amendment that was prepared for the project budgeted was not needed after all. This decision came from Eurostat. However, the changes planned on the amendment will be carried out in this project:

- Changes in working days (FI, AT, PL)
- Changes in travel expenses (FI, SE, AT, NO, PL, DE)
- Changes in subcontracting (PL, DE)
- Change in scheduling (WP3)

(There were no changes for SI, FR and PT)

The project deadlines are approaching, we are now on the M20 of M27. First deadlines for deliverables of WP1, WP2, WP3 and WP6 are on the end of the November and all deliverables should be ready by the end of February 2022. The project ends in the end of April 2022.

The GSGF Europe will consist of the GSGF Europe Document, GSGF Europe: GEOSTAT User Guide and GSGF Europe: GEOSTAT Information Service. All this material will be available within the EFGS.info -website. The former name of the GEOSTAT Information Service was Information System but this was decided



to change because the term *System* can be understood as a physical system and in this project, we are not building any systems. The term *Service* is there for more suitable. This suggestion was supported.

To rate these materials ready, there are a few issues to be taken care of. The use of terms and abbreviations should be checked and align throughout the documents as well as the correct English language. We have a new visual design and templates for documents, and they should be used in all deliverables. We have a publishing strategy which will guide the publishing, but the consortium should be committed to the material to be published. Before that, all the material should be given to other WPs for commenting. Some consulting with other groups is already arranged, for example, with the GSGF Europe advisory group and EFGS SC and the new president.

It was also suggested that to promote the GSGF Europe, an introductory video could be made and present on the website. This suggestion was supported too.

Status of work & schedule

WP1, Mervi Haakana

The WP1 schedule has been updated and some task deadlines moved a bit further, but all tasks should be ready by the end of January 2022. The autumn will be busy, but the situation is good.

As noted earlier, the GSGF Document writing process is ongoing. The GSGF User Guide is in progress too and the plans made in WP4 are supporting this work. Requirements and recommendations including the matrix about user aspects, Specific requirements for geospatial statistics based on survey data and big data, Review of the eight frameworks and links to the GSGF and Implementation of the common architecture documents are ongoing. Some documents, like Organisational, legal and other nontechnical aspects around the implementation of the GSGF, Confidentiality issues and Definition of terms are almost finished and may need your comments for which requests have been sent. A stand-alone paper about Point-based foundation based on previous GEOSTAT work will be done this autumn.

WP2, Jerker Moström

The work to review and consolidate existing and finalise additional use cases and guidance is on progress and cooperating with WP4. The Proof-of-concept for a Table Joining Service was tested before summer and improved according to the feedback.

Other tasks are not progressed with the same pace but the studies about geo-enabled samples frames/OGC DGGS vs national grids and business cases are starting again.

The training material and the whole concept for training need to be planned and decided what kind of output is needed.

WP3, Ingrid Kaminger

Sudden changes to WP3 resources have appeared and this causes some extra planning. The output deadlines have also been postponed.

In the task D3.1 a presentation of the Proposal for geospatial enhancements of the ESS Quality Assurance Framework (QAF) was given for the WG Quality on 2nd June. Major challenge is the different vocabularies and terms in use of the quality-people and the geo-people and how they understand each other. A more intense discussion is planned for the autumn.

Work with recommendations for geospatial quality reporting is ongoing and

several possible quality indicators are evaluated.

The task D3.3 Quality checklist related to geospatial processing and an example of completed checklist has not yet started but is planned to start in September.

WP4, Anna Slawinska

The accessibility of the EFGS website is verified.

The EFGS 2021 Conference speakers and abstracts have been updated on the dedicated subpages. Other news, events and information concerning the project are updated when needed.

The Web publishing strategy is been planned further in Miro. The strategy includes specifications of the deliverables and other material and web paths. There are some open questions, for example, what kind of filters should be used in the search function? How the quality issues should be presented, in a separate subpage or within other sections? The WP leaders are encouraged to check and update the status of the materials. In the annex of GSGF Europe Document there are terms defined. It is recommended that everyone writing any documents which will be deliverables of GEOSTAT4 project should check current terminology and use the terms already defined if possible. Suggestions for missing terms or possible changes should be proposed.

WP5, Hanna Brenzel, Kathrin Gebers

The technical testing for the conference is ongoing at the moment and everything seems good so far. A few cancellations have come from the speakers and there for some changes for the program has been made.

WP6, Igor Kuzma

The new version of the Strategy map is ready and with that, the development plan as well. Discussions are coming in the autumn.

The challenge with the graphical design is between GEOSTAT and EFGS, should there be something to separate them from each other or are the templates usable for EFGS too? At the moment there are templates for documents and presentations under work. Some themes or pictures are been added.

Consortium meetings in the autumn of 2021

The following meetings are booked:

- 5 October 2021 at 13-15
- 2 November 2021 at 13-15
- 30 November 2021 at 13-15
- 14 December 2021 at 13-15

Other issues

No other issues.