

GEOSTAT 4, Project Meeting, 5 October

Venue/time:

On-line meeting, 5 October 2021, 13-15 CET.

Participants

Rina Tammisto, Aldina Piedade, Anna Sławińska, Anti Santaharju, Arnaud Degorre, Clément Guillo, Franck Cotton, Hanna Brenzel, Igor Kuzma, Ingrid Kaminger, Jennika Leino, Jenny Linnerud, Jerker Moström, Jon Folkedal, Julien Gaffuri, Jørn Kristian Undelstvedt, Karin Hedeklint, Kathrin Gebers, Maria Wurster, Marianne Vik Dysterud, Marie-Hélène Kerouanton, Marina Backer Skaar, Mervi Haakana, Oliver Mueller, Outi Ahti-Miettinen, Pasi Piela, Pekka Latvala, Rossano Figueiredo, Tapio Kytö, Timo Aarnio, Tuuli Pihlajamaa

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 issues

September was the month 21 of the 27 months of this project, so deadlines for the deliverables are getting closer. The first deliverables should be ready by the end of November.

There will be some personnel changes in this project. Project secretary Jennika Leino will be changing the employer in the beginning of November, so this is her last consortium meeting. Jennika says that the work in this project has been a great opportunity to learn new things and, most of all, to meet and work with all these wonderful people. Jennika got a lot of congratulations and nice notes from the project group.

Some discussions of covering the project secretary duties have been made with Karin Hedeklint from Statistics Sweden.

The EFGS president selection is finished, and the project group was very happy to hear that the new EFGS president is Ingrid Kaminger from Statistics Austria! Ingrid was warmly congratulated for this position.

EFGS 2021, Kathrin Gebers and Hanna Brenzel

The EFGS 2021 virtual conference was held in the 7th and 8th of September. There were 353 registered in the conference and 218 participants from all over the world. The conference was a success and got good feedback. Team Germany was warmly thanked for the successful conference. The arrangements worked well and although there were a lot of presentations and plenty of information, the conference formed a harmonious whole.

Rina Tammisto pointed out a few interesting cases, for example, a study about Geospatial ethics from the UK, Australian solution for Linked Open Data, a case from Finland about the Statistical Geospatial networks and discussion about the

quality. These are examples of topics worth of studying more.
The report of the conference will be delivered later.

GSGF Reference Architecture, Antti Santaharju

The GSGF Reference Architecture consultation was open during last summer. A few comments were received from this project, from Eurostat and from other stakeholder. The question is, should we ask for more feedback or is there enough point of views covered already? The documents are currently modified according to the feedback and some further discussions are needed, for example about the conceptual diagram.

Jerker noted that the content of the documents is very relevant and asked if there is already a plan how to present this information on the EFGS website?

Most of the architectural documents are Excel sheets and diagrams but in addition to that, there is a document describing how the architecture was formed and explained the content. The challenge is that each country and statistical office has their own solution, so the architecture has to be left in a quite general level. The goal is to get this proposition for a reference architecture to be accepted widely.

Status of work & schedule

WP6, Igor Kuzma

The PowerPoint template is already in use and the master version of can be found from the WP6 folder in Teams. The background theme is changeable, and it therefor can be adapted also for EFGS purposes. The word template is currently been tested and it was agreed that the previous Geostat project final reports can be used as test material.

WP4, Anna Slawinska

The EFGS 2021 conference material (abstracts and presentations), have been published under the conference subpages in the EFGS website and additionally GEOSTAT4 presentations from the conference have been published on the GEOSTAT4 subpage. Anna thanked the WP leaders for updating the publishing strategy in the Miro platform. There are still a few cases to be solved, for example, how the quality issues should be published and how the content should be filtered.

A way to express the status of language proof-reading is added, as well as a table to fill with terms that should have pop-up boxes on the web documents.

WP3, Ingrid Kaminger

The quality indicators are been finished and indicator calculation is in progress. Some test of their functionality has been made and the project group is welcomed to test them further. The GSGF, GSBPM and Quality Dimensions have been compared with the ISO quality elements.

WP2, Jerker Moström

The work with use cases and good practices is ongoing. In the EFGS conference were identified some new interesting potential use cases to be added to the repository of use cases or good practices. These don't generally need to be from the consortium so still, if anyone hears of any good cases, they are welcomed.

The work with the training material is starting soon but more ideas are welcomed. There is no time for very large actions, but ideas can be collected to be actualised by EFGS or even Eurostat in the future. It was agreed that conversations between this work and WP1 and the user guide work is good to have to find the ways to cooperate when needed. Some material, like the architectural documents, in WP1

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is by itself sort of a training material but training and promoting the material is needed.

WP1, Mervi Haakana

The consultation for the GSGF document has been started and the link to the document was sent. The project consortium is also welcomed to comment, there is time until the 14th October.

It is important to use the same terms throughout the deliverables of the project and everyone is advised to use the Terms and Definitions document to compare them. A support group has been started to help with this and Anna is the leader of it.

Consortium meetings in the autumn of 2021

The next consortium meetings will be in:

- 30 November 2021 at 13-15
- 14 December 2021 at 13-15

Other issues

No other issues.