



The « GMES & Africa » process

State of play

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European Commission Fast Track Service Land within the GMES initiative in FP-7



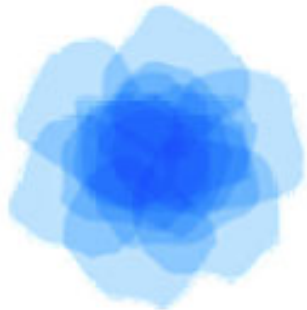


- **The Lisbon process**
- **Drafting organization**
- **Reviewing organization**
- **Timetable**





- **Approved at the Lisbon Summit in Dec. 2007**
- **Belongs to the 8th EU-Africa partnership (science, information technology and space) of the 2008-10 EU-Africa action plan**
- **Identified as an early deliverable at the College to College meeting of 1st Oct. 2008**



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The Lisbon Process on “GMES and Africa”

Lisbon, December 7th, 2007



- **Deepening the dialogue** with the African users and between the African and European policy makers
- Leveraging on **existing** relevant **initiatives** and projects
- Establishing a **long term partnership** among European and African stakeholders.





- **identification of European and African users communities and stakeholders**
- **mapping exercise of activities, infrastructure, capacities and programmes**
- **an efficient approach for a long-term Europe-Africa dialogue**
- **Elements and strategy for GMES services based on pre-existing systems in Africa**



- prioritization of requirements and actions
- Identification of gaps
- **identification of suitable programmes**
- and funding instruments and schemes
- governance and data access policy issues
- **timetable for long term future actions**





- The European Commission will work together with the Commission of the African Union to prepare a **draft *Action Plan for "GMES and Africa" partnership at the end of 2008***
- The European Commission will maintain a **close dialogue and consultancy with the EU Member States and ESA, as well as with other European stakeholders in GMES (EUMETSAT, relevant EU institutions, etc.)** and with the current and upcoming EU presidencies;
- the Commission of the African Union will maintain a **close dialogue and consultancy with its Member States and with the other African counterparts and institutions (Regional Economic Communities, relevant African institutions, etc.)**, as well as with user and providers communities as appropriate,





- **Leaders of 8th partnership: EC/DEV and AUC/HRST**
- **Also deeply involved:**
 - France (8th partnership) and Portugal (specifically for GMES-Africa)
 - DG AIDCO, ENTR and JRC
 - ESA, EUMETSAT
 - AUC/REA and AUC/Infrastructure
 - RECs, AMCOST, UNECA
- **Document drafting:**
 - Pairs of experts for each thematic area (1 African and 1 European)
 - Text edition and executive summary by HRST and JRC
- **Reviewing:**
 - Via Internet consultation + GMES GAC + 8th partnership for EU
 - 5 regional workshops, AMCOST, AMCEN, AMCOW, (internet consultation), 1 final workshop
- **Final edition by coordination team (all above-mentioned involved institutions)**





- **"CAPACITY-BUILDING FRAMEWORK"**
- **POLICY AND INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK**
- **"INFRASTRUCTURE FRAMEWORK"**
- **Natural disasters**
- **Food security and rural development**
- **Long-term management of natural resources**
- **Water resource management**
- **Impacts of climate variability and change**
- **Marine and coastal areas**
- **Conflicts and political crises**
- **Infrastructures and territorial development**





- **Lisbon process: Dec 2007**
- **Joint EU-Africa informal meeting: Accra Oct 2008**
- **Start consultancy / drafting: Ispra March 2009**
- **Draft 0 consolidated: June 2009**
- **Reviewing process: July – Dec 2009**
- **Final edition: early 2010**
- **Submission to EU-Africa partnership instances: March 2010**
- **Submission to joint Troika: April 2010**
- **Final approval by EU-Africa Summit, Sirte-Libya, end 2010**





■ Funding:

- Multi-source
- Not only, but also GMES (core service!)
- Not only EU int. cooperation
- EU Member States
- Europ space agencies (ESA, EUMETSAT) re. GEO's "data democracy"

■ Partnership → dialogue (see ISRSE33 session on Af.)

- Not "GMES and Africa", but GMES by Africans for Africans
- Building on African capacities rather than capacity building
- No GMES Europe one-stop shopping, but incorporate African space capacities

■ Implementation

- There will be a strong cooperation framework, but:
- How much time after the Summit?





Thank you!

