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**Report on website
content determination**

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Introduction

The GeoERA Information Platform project (GIP-P) has a number of web pages under the general GeoERA website <http://geoera.eu> just as all other GeoERA projects do. This document describes the structure of these web pages.

Target group

The target user groups for the GIP-P's web pages are the scientists working on the other GeoERA projects; other scientists interested in the results of GeoERA; software developers who may utilize the services that will be provided by the EGDI platform (www.europe-geology.eu) (which the end product of the GIP-P); employees at national, regional and EU-wide public and private institutions with a general interest in GeoERA, etc. The information on the web pages must therefore primarily be of a not too technical nature, but software developers shall be able to find out where to find further, more detailed information.

Visual identity and interface

On the website we have a visible Page Title, GeoERA Information Platform Project (GIP-P) with the GeoERA logo on the left corner, that the end-user must associate with us. It is important that all the dissemination products show a recognizable visual identity (not only logos, but text fonts and colors) that must be present on templates, presentations, posters, brochures and any other presence on media, besides our GeoERA website.

Above the menu bar the social networks (Twitter and LinkedIn) icons.

Abstract

The GIP-P website will continuously be updated and content will evolve from general ones about next events, description of the tasks lying ahead, partners involved, etc. and gradually turning into informing about the results of the project. The platform must illustrate the added value that originates from the resulting platform being common to all GeoERA projects thereby connecting all databases in a big geoscience information system.



Having accounts on Twitter and LinkedIn will let us reach different stakeholders with the same news, made accessible also from the website. All public deliverables will be available on the website to give public access to them.

The last sections of this report explain the structure of the web pages which reside on the common GeoERA website (egoera.eu) and gives examples of the texts that might appear there. In addition to the content described below there is already one entry page with an abstract describing the project in broad terms, a list of participants and an overall budget.

Further details (currently “Project website”)

Content in this section will be describing in more details which components the project has developed, who these are being included in the results of the other GeoERA projects, how developed services can be utilised by external partners, which measures have been taken to harmonise data across projects, how data can interact between projects, etc.

The developed results will to a high degree be illustrated by implementing specific versions of the EGDI web GIS viewer.

Deliverables

This section will include the progress of the GIP-P through its formal deliverables. Until now we have accessible online the following documents:

[D1.3, Project Progress Meeting Minutes no. 1.](#)

[D2.2.1, Requirements to the GIP-project by the three other themes.](#)

[D10.1, Development of Questionnaire with Scientific Support.](#)

[D11.1, Communication Manual.](#)

Work Packages

Work package 1

Objectives

The purpose of work package 1, Coordination, is to lead, manage, coordinate and monitor the progress of the project, and ensure that the project reach the objectives fixed for the work described in the Grant Agreement and that WP leaders and partners respect the



schedule and deliverables. Lead: GEUS. Contact [Jørgen Tulstrup](#).

Work package 2

Objectives

The main objective of WP 2, User Requirements, is to precise and ensure that the requirements of the projects are understood by the participants, and identifying the common elements across them and define adequate improvements to GEOERA INFORMATION PLATFORM PROJECT (GIP-P), keeping contact with the partners if needed, to guarantee that the guidelines are implemented correctly. Lead: RBINS. Contact: [Pierre-Yves Declercq](#)

Work package 3

Objectives

The aim of WP3, Standards and interoperability issues, is to detect the best data models and services needed for exchanging and stocking the data. Previous data models from GEOERA INFORMATION PLATFORM PROJECT (GIP-P) will be squeezed in order to develop better solutions, by developing a validation system to align the data and services provided by the projects. Lead: ISPRA. Contact: [Carlo Cippoloni](#).

Work package 4

Objectives

On WP4, Semantic harmonisation issues, lead by GBA, GeoERA will develop vocabularies, Linked Open data and SKOS/RDF technologies destined to combine information across borders, especially considering the different terms and languages from scientists on a pan-European project like GeoERA. Another objective of this WP is to support the participants in making their data and services more useful through these technologies. Contact: [Martin Shiegl](#)

Work package 5

Objectives

Architecture is the WP5, focused on building a clear and functional architecture for data and services comprised on GEOERA INFORMATION PLATFORM PROJECT (GIP-P), performing the best practices from W3C and OGC. Lead: BRGM. Contact [François Tertre](#).

Work package 6

Objectives

The User oriented, WP6, leads the actions for focusing the different targets of GeoERA in



order to provide them the best options to extract the most and best information from it. This WP is lead by GEUS. Contact: **Martin Hansen**.

Work package 7

Objectives

The WP7, Developments, lead by GeoZS, will provide the central components including the central database, the metadatabase and harvesting systems to collect data from both national and regional levels. This package also will decide which data will be stored in the central database and which will be accessed directly from local levels depending on the requirements stated. Contact: **Andrej Vithelic**.

Work package 8

Objectives

WP8 is oriented to generate the data provider support, integrating and disseminating their data, information, interpretations and models in a standards-based and interoperable manner through GEOERA INFORMATION PLATFORM PROJECT (GIP-P). In order to do that, WP8 could develop specific support tools, establish channels or activities, including cookbooks, buddy systems, mentoring networks, eLearning and training workshops for ensuring the appropriate use of functionalities of the Platform. Lead: UKRI. Contact: **Patrick Bell**.

Work package 9

Objectives

As GeoERA tries to be a long-term project, this WP, Sustainability issues, will work on inside practices for developing a governance model and on a external level by looking for sustainable funding mechanisms, including Horizon 2020/FP9, European Open Science Cloud, JR... In doing so, organizers could be sure about the survival of the platform. Lead: GEUS. Contact: **Jørgen Tulstrup**.

Work package 10

Objectives

The WP10, IPR and data policy issues, will look out for the correct and efficient use of GeoERA in terms of being legally free to used or licensed. The aim of this WP is to prevent that there are no constraints for offering or storing the results of the project on Open Access, gathering the information on the issues about open access with no blockages. Lead: UKRI. Contact **Chis Luton**.

Work package 11

Objectives

The aim is optimize the dissemination of the project results during and beyond the duration of the project as well as to maximize its impacts on the different agents involved. WP 11 will focus in developing and implementing a comprehensive communication strategy plan that will define the project multiple receivers and the most suitable channels to reach them. WP 11 will support the communication of the research and innovation inside GeoERA in an understandable way for both scientific and non-scientific audiences. Lead: IGME-ES. Contact: **Manuel Maria Regueiro González-Barros**



Budget and participants

This sections reflects the name of the 24 participants from the different Geological Surveys, the total budget for the project and the contributions from the partners in detail.



Recent GIP-P Posts

This area will be reserved for updating news about the advances on GIP-Project as a repository for media, end-users, scientific partners...