

NEREUS

09/01/2013 Meeting in Helsinki



NEREUS-Presentation

1) NEREUS in a nutshell

- 2) Examples of project mobilized on NEREUS-platform
- 3) Outlook 2013

25 Full Members (regions) + 38 Associate Members

Abruzzo (I) Andalusia (Spain) Apulia (I) Aquitaine (F) Azores (Portugal) Baden-Württemberg (D) Midi-Pyrenees (F) Basilicata (I) Bavaria (D) Brandenburg (D) Brittany (F) **Brussels** Capital (B) Castilla y Leon (Spain) East Midlands (UK) Free Hanseatic City of Bremen (D)

Guyana (F) Hesse (D) Lombardy (Italy) Madrid (Spain) Mazovia (Poland) Molise (Italy) Piedmont (Italy) Veneto (Italy) Wallonia (B)

New member: Lazio (Italiy)





Main Elements

NEREUS

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Advocate for regions on matters of space uses

Direct channel to European regions and its stakeholders Dynamic Platform



In a nutshell

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- Earth Observation/GMES
- Global Satellite Navigation (GNSS) Galileo EGNOS
- Telecommunication
- Technologies from Space Exploration



NEREUS History

- March 2006: Conference "the role of Europe's regions in GMES"
- April 2006: Graz conference "A Market for GMES in Europe and its regions"
- December 2007: Signature of Political Charta by 23 European regions
- April 2008: Founding NEREUS a.i.s.b.l.
- February 2009: Establishment of permanent NEREUSsecretariat in Brussels



NEREUS Rationale

- Space technologies play a key role in supporting the economic growth, industrial competitiveness, scientific research and innovation and a sustainable development of the European Regions
- The NEREUS-network was created with the aim to close the existing gap between the space technologies end-users and institutional actors of European Space policies at regional level



Space Uses

- Today we are constantly using space based services - There are more than 30.000 applications and services deriving from space exploitation
- EO/GMES and Galileo/EGNOS offer manifold uses at regional level (NEREUS-publications)
- Cross sectorial-uses of space services/cross fertilisation between space sector and other industry sectors is essential



Core mission NEREUS

Spreading use of space technologies at regional level

Stimulating the development of space applications

Awareness raising/Promotion for potential of space and its benefits for regions and their citizen



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NEREUS Strategic Objectives

- An advocate for the regions in matters of space policy
- A key source of information on space matters in Europe for its members
- A direct channel to the regional community its citizens, enterprises, actors, researchers, networks etc.



Voice of European regions - Advocate of Regions for matters of space uses

Examples:

- Position Papers e.g. two NEREUS-position papers with the respect to the future funding of Europe's space programs, in particular GMES
- NEREUS input to report by MEP Marian Jean Marinescu Proposal for a regulation on the implementation and exploitation of European satellite navigation systems (vote scheduled for 19/12/12)

Added value of regions

Regions unite in their territory actors of innovation triangle (industry, SME, academia, research organisations)

Regions host different economic and business communities (non-space sector and space sector)

Regions support and host innovation stimulating structures (such as business parks, clusters, networks, etc.)

Regions as regional/local level close to the citizen



Channel to and from regions

- Sharing experiences and accessing situation at regional level:
- In 2012 Mini-study report: "Smart Specialization in Space:

The economic potential of space technology and downstream services for Europe's regions"

- Study of the Italian regions "*Territorial satellite technologies: the NEREUS network's Italian experiences*"
- NEREUS/ESA initiative « Growing the use of GMES »



Promotion of regional space activities

With the objective to spread a wider awareness and understanding of space services NEREUS produces tools that showcase regional space activities

- ⇒ NEREUS-Publications
- ⇒ NEREUS-Video
- ⇒ NEREUS-exhibition
- ⇒ Currently: Joint NEREUS/ESA-GMESpublication

network of european regions using space technologies

EO/GMES

67 regional GMES-uses from 47 different regions covering 17 Members States

Reference book for policy makers to understand the social and economic benefits derived from the use of GMES in Europe



Voice of European regions - Advocate of Regions for matters of space uses

- Parliament Debate and festive launch event of NEREUS/ESA-GMESpublication on 10/10/2012
- Among the invited speakers ESA-Director Volker Liebig, MEP Glante, Prodi, A. Patriciello, Head of EC-GMES-Bureau Schulte-Braucks, enduser representatives, Prof. Wells
- 114 registered participants
- Covered on ESA-website and more info on NEREUS-website





NEREUS-Platform

For its members NEREUS wants to provide a platform for:

- Information and knowledge exchange
- Sharing experiences
- Networking and building strong partnerships
- Mobilising convincing projects and activities



Platform for interregional cooperation

- NEREUS offers platform to pool inter-regionally resources and competences to be fitter for large scale European activities
- NEREUS supports its members when mobilizing projects
- NEREUS supports partner search of potentially interested consortia
- NEREUS informs about EU-funding programs and calls
- NEREUS promotes projects of its partners
- NEREUS disseminates project results of its partners



Core Areas of Cooperation





Dynamic Platform to mobilize projects

- Joint NEREUS/ESA-initiative
- DORIS_NET grew its network of RCO's
- THE ISSUE (5 NEREUS-Partners)
- ERASMUS
- BRESAT and SABER initiatives: Thematic Networks on Broadband
- 2013: Madame Curie, SME

THE ISSUE

- THE ISSUE: Traffic- Health-Environment- Intelligent Solutions Sustaining Urban Economies –
- Funded within the EC Regions of Knowledge project of the EU FP-7-program
- Consortium comprises research clusters from 5 NEREUS-regions (East Midlands, Molise, Mazovia, Midi-Pyrenees and Aquitaine Regions
- Creation of a vibrant partnership of regional research clusters to bring together and coordinate already-existing and projected RTD programmes relevant to "THE" both within the clusters and more widely in the broader European research community



ERASMUS-Project Proposal (1)

 12 day masters level summer school to train students from partner institutes in the principles of Earth observation with applications to land, atmospheric and ocean monitoring



ERASMUS-Project Proposal (2)

- Co-ordinating Institute: University of Leicester, UK
- Partner Institutes: 1) Universidade dos Açores, Portugal. 2) Escuela Técnica Superior de Ingeniería de Sevilla, Spain. 3) Università degli Studi della Basilicata, Italy. 4) Politecnico di Milano, Italy. 5) Université de Rennes 1, France. 6) Université Rennes 2, France. 7) Institute Telecom Telecom Bretagne, France. 8) Université de Bretagne Occidentale, France



ERASMUS-Project -Objectives

- Increase student awareness and exposure to Earth observation research and industry, including practical experience of specialist software and tools for the analysis of satellite data
- Encourage interdisciplinary and collaborative approaches to solving Earth observation problems in different market and social sectors.



Outlook 2013 (1)

NEREUS strives to stimulate the development of space applications and to enhance dialogue/exchange among different actors of Value chain and potential end-user e.g.

- \rightarrow Planned thematic WSs on
- a) Space Uses & Civil Emergencies,
- b) Space Uses for Maritime Purposes and
- c) Space Uses and & Agriculture



Outlook 2013 (2)

- Awareness raising towards different societal target groups
- NEREUS-exhibition (poster presentations, video and publications) moves across member regions – We wish to grow the NEREUS-exhibition with objects explaining/demonstrating space uses and interactive material (see call)
 - http://www.nereus-regions.eu/sites/all/events/SpaceExhib2012/Space%20Exhib._2012_call.pdf
- Develop further relevant promotion/info-tools



INVITATION

We are an open network and invite all European Regions to explore the potential the use of space technologies might have for them! Come and join!



Thank you for your attention