

Info-day on 'Copernicus' data and services: Northern Greece event

30 November 2021

Municipal Library of Thessaloniki

An info-day on the European Union's Earth Observation Programme '[Copernicus](#)', is being organized by the BEYOND Center of Excellence of the National Observatory of Athens (NOA) in collaboration with PRAXI Network/FORTH, at the Municipal Library of Thessaloniki on the 30th November 2021.

The info-day aims to raise awareness in the Region of Northern Greece and inform the relevant players about the Copernicus EU Programme. The action aims to reach all the potential Greek recipients (intermediate or end users) of Copernicus. It aims particularly to demonstrate the emerging opportunities from using Copernicus to new groups of people, previously not aware of it but potentially very interested. Examples of uptake actions, success stories and discussions on 4 different EO thematic (Disasters, Energy, Food Security, Epidemics) will be included. Additionally, a special workshop on the 'Sustainable Agriculture' thematic will be offered to public authorities' representatives. In this workshop, the participants will learn in practical level the value and opportunities offered by Copernicus towards public services.

'Copernicus' is the European Union's Earth observation programme, looking at our planet and its environment to benefit all European citizens. It offers information services that draw from satellite Earth Observation and in-situ (non-space) data. European citizens, ranging from policy makers, researchers, commercial to private users, as well as the global scientific community can benefit in many ways from the data and information provided by Copernicus. Indeed, Copernicus supports a variety of applications in several non-space domains, which potentially impact businesses and organisations in day-to-day activities and operations.

The event is being organized in the framework of the [FPCUP](#) (Caroline Herschel Framework Partnership Agreement), [e-shape](#) (H2020) and the [EMPROS](#) (EPAnEK 2014-2020) Projects.

We are honored to invite you to speak at the Thessaloniki info-day, sharing your valuable experience in the usage of Copernicus data & services.

Preliminary Agenda

09:00 – 9:30	Welcome Session, Registration -Konstantinos Gioutikas, Vice Governor of Environment and Development at Region of Central Macedonia -Representative, Municipality of Thessaloniki *tbc* -Dimitrios Petrovits, Vice-Governor of East Macedonia and Thrace region -Manolis Pleionis, National Observatory of Athens -Apostolos Dimitriadis, Foundation Of Research and Technology
09:30 – 9:45	Opening remarks
09:45 – 10:05	Introducing FPCUP: Objectives and Actions Dimitra Tsoutsou, PRAXI Network
10:05 – 10:20	Capacity building and Implementation of Copernicus and EO services Dr. Charalampos (Haris) Kontoes, National Observatory of Athens
10:20 – 10:50	<i>Coffee Break</i>
10:50 – 12:50	Thematic panel presentations on the usage of Copernicus satellite data form Public, Local and Regional authorities, as well as enterprises •Disasters -Dr. Charalampos (Haris) Kontoes, National Observatory of Athens -Christos Papapostolou, Regional Unit of Evros -Dr. Stefanos Stefanidis, Omicron SA •Energy -Ilias Fountoulakis, BEYOND/NOA -Spyros Tsalageorgos, DRAXIS Enviromental SA •Sustainable Agriculture -Ilias Tsoumas, BEYOND/NOA -Nikos Tziolas, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki -George Zanakis, Corteva Agriscience Hellas SA •Epidemics -Danai Pervanidou, National Public Health Organization -Sandra Gewehr, Ecodevelopment SA -Evangelia Agathangelidou, Region of Central Macedonia

12:50 – 13:30	Open Round Table Discussion
13:30 – 14:30	<i>Light Lunch</i>
14:30 – 15:30	Workshop – Sustainable Agriculture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From space to your land parcel A presentation of the Agrowth/Resagri platforms from Cotton Producers in Orchomenos -Ilias Tsoumas, BEYOND/NOA -Giannis Zannias, Agriculture Cooperative of Orchomenos