



A Roadmap for Implementation (D R A F T)

GMES appears essentially as a public infrastructure for the benefits of European citizens and therefore requires adequate public investments. Therefore leadership by the public sector is required.

The success for effective and user-accessible GMES services relies on a well identified and balanced governance structure for GMES. Member states should reflect on the set up of corresponding national data interfaces.

The fast-track services led by the European Commission should be open to all member states. Additional services in the field of air quality monitoring and security should be actively envisaged.

The European Commission is invited to lead the debate in the context of the INSPIRE Directive on data access policies and standards definition. It should also support the integration of these assets at the political level while ESA should lead the technical implementation.

GMES is likely to be well suited for Public-Private Partnerships (PPP), the terms of which will necessarily vary according to the assignment in question. Respective models have to be developed and validated.

Insufficient awareness for GMES makes it necessary to encourage an active participation of all stakeholders in the future development and application of GMES. Grassroots information campaigns on available services and cost-benefits appear necessary throughout Europe.

The regional dimension is central to the definition and use of GMES services. The creation of a Permanent European Space Regions Conference will be key to the development of GMES markets.

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