



FP7-SPACE 2013-1 - Grant n° 606983

ERMES first annual meeting
March 26–27, 2015
Valencia, Spain
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Agenda

Objectives and General Structure of the meeting

The first ERMES annual meeting will be held in Valencia on 26/27 March 2015.

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The meeting will have two main objectives:

- 1) To describe the project objectives and preliminary results to present-day and potential ERMES end-users, and to collect feedback from them regarding ERMES preliminary results and their expectations/suggestions/specific requests regarding what ERMES is going to provide them in the two “demonstration” years
- 2) To analyze the current status of the project, identify problems and criticalities and define adequate time-lines and action lists towards the completion of Milestone III of the project (Service Setup – Month 15) and the first Interim Report Meeting

The first day of the meeting will be dedicated to a “open” meeting with present and potential users, authorities and general public. The morning will be dedicated to the presentation of the project, its preliminary results and the tools ERMES will provide to the User to collect field data and visualise/analyse ERMES product. The afternoon will be dedicated to Users’ presentation (i.e expectation and interests), constitution of the User Board and discussion with users to collect their feedback.

The second day of the meeting will be restricted to partners. In the first part, WP and Task leader will report on the current status of their work, activities towards Milestone III and potential problems and issues. In the second part, future activities related to WP 8 and WP 9 will be discussed. Finally, a restricted management board session will focus on specific coordination/management topics, and on wrapping-up the results of the meeting.

Day 1 - 26/03/2015

Day 1 – “Open day” with public, authorities and users

MORNING

Session 1: Registration and welcome 08:45 – 9:30

- Welcome from the organizer
- Welcome from authorities
- Welcome from Project Coordinator (Mirco Boschetti)

Session 2: Opening session: crop modelling and remote sensing for agro-monitoring 9:30 – 10:00

- Remote sensing of agriculture: Experiences towards operational Monitoring Systems (Francesco Holecz)
- Crop modelling: from farming support to regional yield monitoring (Roberto Confalonieri)

Session 3: The ERMES Project and its services – Part 1 10:00 – 10:45

- Project objectives, structure and status (Mirco Boschetti)
- The ERMES Regional Rice Service : providing information for monitoring the rice crop season (Lorenzo Busetto)

- **Coffee Break**

Session 3: The ERMES Project and its services – Part 2 11:05 – 11:40

- The ERMES Local Rice Service: providing information to support management of rice farms (Mirco Boschetti)
- Future perspectives from the Sentinel mission (Mirco Boschetti)

Session 4: ERMES instruments for data acquisition, access and analysis 11:40 – 13:00

- Smart applications for in field measurements: Pocket LAI and Pocket Nitrogen (Roberto Confalonieri)
- Web and mobile applications for ground information collection and ERMES products visualisation and analysis (Sven Casteleyn)

Lunch

AFTERNOON

Session 5: ERMES End users and their expectations **14:00 – 15:10**

- Regional Users
 - DEMETER (GR), Ente Nazionale Risi (IT), Regione Lombardia (IT) (To be confirmed)
 - Local Users
 - Carlo Franchino (IT), Christos Plastiras (GR), Santos Ruiz (ES) (To be confirmed)
- International Users
 - IFAD (Moses Abukari)

Session 6: User Board Meeting **15:10 – 17:20**

lead by DEMETER

- What does it mean to be a ERMES user ?
 - What is provided and what is “requested” (SLA and EID)
- Self-presentation of participants
- Open Discussion on the following topics:
 - Feedback on foreseen products/services
 - Specific and Desiderata regarding ERMES products/services to be taken into account for ERMES year 2
 - Data to be collected in field using the Smart App or through web portal
 - Information we are willing/able to provide (e.g., info for pest management, fertilization management, etc.)
 - Definition of satisfaction criteria to be used/considered in the service evaluation
 - From data to useful information: how to bridge the gap !
 - How to involve more users: suggestions from Users !
 - Other

Coffee Break

21:00: Social Dinner

Day 2 - 27/03/2015

Day 2: Technical Project meeting - restricted to partners

Morning Session

Session 1: Coordinator Recap **09:15 – 09:35**

- Analysis of first year of work and criticalities for M14 (Milestone III)
- Analysis of Reviewer suggestions and criticalities to be addressed
- First year of demonstration and “Obligations” for M18 (Interim Review Meeting)

Session 2: WPs status and foreseen activities for 2015: requirements, issues and problems – Part 1 **09:35 – 10:50**

- WP3: Users' requirements and services' evaluation - Dimitrios Katsantonis
- WP5: Geo-product from space-borne and in-situ data processing and integration – Javier Garcia-Haro

Coffe Break

Session 2: WPs status and foreseen activities for 2015: requirements, issues and problems – Part 2 **11:05 – 12:30**

- WP6 - Geo-information from crop modeling and EO product assimilation
(Roberto Confalonieri)
- WP7 - Geo-services for information management: Integration and Communication
(Sven Casteleyn)
- WP10: Market analysis and business model development (Francesco Holecz)
- WP11: Dissemination and promotion (Spyros Vizantinopoulos)

Lunch

Afternoon Session

Session 3: Plan for Demonstration and validation: Expected work and responsibilities **13:30 – 15:00**

- WP9: Service demonstration (45 min)
- WP8: Scientific and technical validation of product and services (45 min)

Session 4: Management board meeting **15:00 – 17:30**

(lead by IREA)

- Actions towards improving User involvement
- Feedback from partners on coordination activities in year 1: criticalities and suggestions
- Analysis of problems and criticalities reported by WP/task leaders during the meeting

Coffee break

- Financial aspects
- Agreement on Action Lists towards Milestone 3 and Interim Review Meeting
- Other Issues
- Open Discussion

Session 5: Wrap-up and conclusions **17:15 – 17:30**