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The European Environmental Research Infrastructure Community as sustainable in situ contribution to EuroGEOSS

Side event, Monday 23 October 2017, 11:00 – 12:30, Continental C

The European Environmental Research Infrastructure (ENVRI) community wishes to send a strong signal to the Earth Observation community, that it is committed to contributing to the challenges laid down in the most recent GEO workplan. There are already established considerable contributions from ENVRI to many GEO Flagships, Initiatives and Community Activities, and it is important to acknowledge and build on that.

Program

- 11:00 – 11:15 Welcome and Introduction (**Werner Kutsch**, ICOS DG and ENVRIplus coordinator)
11:15 – 11:25 The European Commission Perspective (**Robert-Jan Smits**, DG RTD)
11:25 – 11:35 The GEO Perspective (**Barbara Ryan**, Director GEO secretariat)
11:35 – 12:15 Case studies (10 min each)
 - ICOS contribution to the GEO-C Initiative (**Jouni Heiskanen**, ICOS ERIC)
 - GEO BON expectations (**Laetitia Navarro**, Executive Secretary of GEO BON)
 - eILTER & IILTER contribution to the GEO Ecosystem Initiative (**Michael Mirtl**, iILTER Chair)
 - EUFAR contributions to GEO BON and the Aquawatch CA (**Ils Reusen**, VITO)

12:15 – 12:30 Discussion and wrap-up

Specific aims

The aim is to create a clear awareness on the matching between the European “supply” of data, information and knowledge to the in situ component of GEOSS through ENVRI, and GEO’s “demand” of knowledge for its Flagships, Initiatives and Community Activities. The ENVRI community wishes to acknowledge and underline the importance for Europe to play its role in supplying the necessary data and information. This will allow for GEO to satisfy the demand for these products, and to achieve its mission as stated in the Mexico City Ministerial Summit Declaration during the GEO XII Plenary in 2015 and in the most recent work programme.

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