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Management of Natural Resources, DG RTD I.4 GEO European Project Workshop

3-4 September 2008, Brussels, Belgium

Dear Sir/Madam,

The European Commission is pleased to announce and invite you to attend the GEO European Projects Workshop which will take place in Brussels on 3-4 September 2008

The aim of the Workshop is to review European Commission projects on Earth Observation funded through the Framework Programme of Community Research with various stakeholders and take this opportunity to consolidate their contribution to an integrated Earth Observation approach in Europe. It is expected that the workshop will contribute to, on one hand, developing the collaboration between the projects, and on the other hand, analysing the draft GEO 2009-2011 Work Plan with a view to contributing to its design and to better embedding the present and future European projects in the GEO Work Plan.

The workshop will in particular be a good opportunity to enhance the cooperation between Earth Observation related activities conducted by the diverse Commission services and clarify the complementarities between those activities.

The event is also an occasion for presenting relevant ideas in this field of research and for developing new research and implementation tasks which could be proposed for inclusion in the GEO 2009-2011 Work Plan.

A plenary presentation of the projects is foreseen, and in addition, a poster session is organised which will allow to present more details on each of the projects. We therefore wish to kindly ask all project representatives to submit an electronic version of the posters by July 25th. All the presentations and posters which will be presented during the two day event will be published on the Europa website after the workshop.

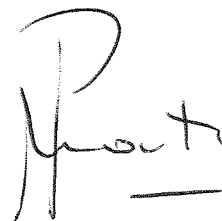
In the meantime we would appreciate it if you could confirm your availability for participating at this Workshop by sending back the attached registration form by July 11th 2008 to Mrs. Florence Bérout e-mail Florence.Beroud@ec.europa.eu and/or Nicoleta-Ariana Nastaseanu; e-mail: Nicoleta-Ariana.Nastaseanu@ec.europa.eu. Should you personally be unable to attend, we would kindly ask you to nominate someone else from your project or your team to attend this meeting on your behalf.

There will be no registration fee although participants will have to pay their own travel, subsistence and accommodation costs. If applicable, these can be claimed from project budget. More information on the Workshop (agenda, list of participants, venue and after the workshop, presentations, statements, etc.) will be published on the website http://ec.europa.eu/research/environment/geo/article_2446_en.htm.

Further Information:

For questions about the workshop please contact:

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