EO requirements gathering preliminary findings

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Requirements and input



Requirements from researchers and institutes

Input from suppliers

Dedicated webinars, meetings, workshops



Conference participation



Champion users interviews



Online surveys

Conference participation and workshops OCRE Open Clouds for Research Environments

- OCRE F2F meeting, Utrecht, Nederland, 12 March
- EGU, Wien, Austria, 1-5 April Oral presentation and User Workshop
- Living Planet Symposium 19, Milan, Italy, 13-17 May Agora and poster session, F2F meetings
- **EXPANDEO**, Bruxelles, Belgium, 20 June
- EARSeL, Salzburg, Austria, 1-4 July
- Phi Week, Frascati, Italy, 9-13 September
- ISDE 11, Florence, Italy 24-27 September













Online Surveys - Questionnaires





11 questions

15 questions

Online Surveys – 1 question Polls



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#OCRE poll for #researchers and users of #EarthObservation #Cloud Services: How much of your #research is based on #EO #satellite #data processing or derived information?

Give us your inputs on the services you would like to see in the #EOSC: bit.ly/2QddSa1 #GIS #mapping



Champion users interviews



- 18 people contacted
- 13 interviewed from 8 different domains



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PRELIMINARY RESULTS

Other key findings 1/2



- 40% Do not trust in "black box" services
 - Algorithms employed should be recognized by the scientific community
- Processing datasets can employ up to 50% of the research time
 - Cloud massive parallelization and locally available datasets may boost researcher performance
- Copernicus Sentinel data is a must but is not the only data needed for research:
 - Services integrating different data sources (ESA, NASA, in-situ) are needed
- Not all researchers are IT experts
 - Services which provide easy algorithm execution at scale are welcome
- Researchers publish their results and collaborate
 - Data sharing is important service to ensure reproducibility of experiments

Other key findings 2/2



- Vendor lock threat
 - Use of standard API for common services (e.g. lunch a processing service, search a catalogue,...)
- IPR protection concern
 - T&C and technical measure to avoid unauthorised access to user data and algorithms
- Data provenance/certification
 - Offering of pre-generated EO derived information should be well documented
- EO based research is extremely variegated
 - Wide array of different technical capability needed
 - Specific services depends on the research domain

Identified technical capabilities



Data Processing Services



User Algorithms Hosting

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Data Analytics

Data Sharing/Publication



Interactive development





Powered by a scalable collocated processing environment - DIAS

Processing platforms



- Hosting of pre-developed algorithms
- The platform might instantiate or deploy computing resources to process new tasks and eliminate them once complete (ideally to reduce costs)
- The platform provides an API to invoke the services
- The platform should be able to interconnect services with data and computing resources
 - The EO service provider can provide services that could run independently on the platform below
- Dataset search/selector based on:
 - Mission
 - Area of interest (visualized, or delimited by polygon)
 - Sensing time
 - Data type
- Enable efficient migration to DIAS







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Thank you

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