# **Collaborative Ground Segment Agreement**

 On the 13<sup>th</sup> October Ireland became the 13<sup>th</sup> state to sign the Copernicus Space Component Collaborative Arrangement.

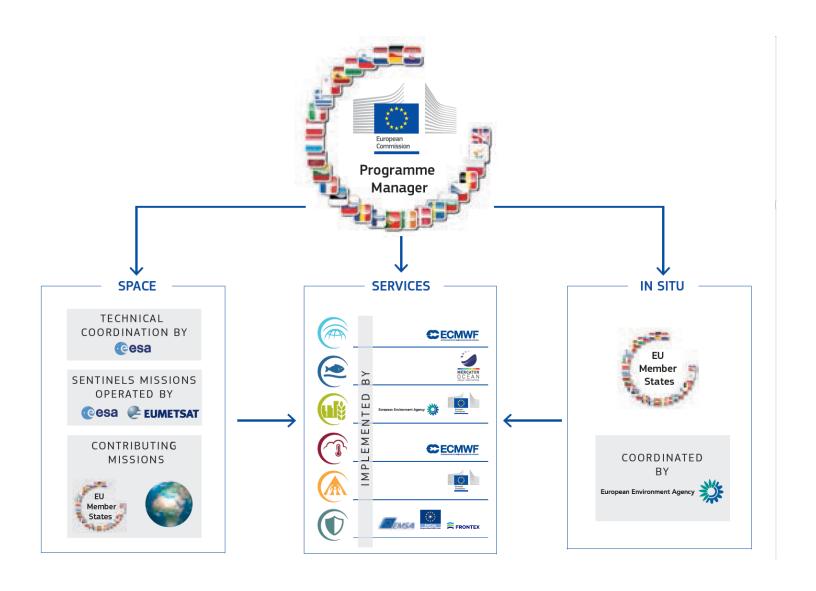




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- the Collaborative Ground Segment Arrangement will facilitate Sentinel data exploitation in Ireland
- it ensures that ESA provides technical advice on setting up data acquisition and dissemination
- and makes data processing and archiving software available for national initiatives on a free and open basis

# **Copernicus Overview**



### **Copernicus Organisation/Structure**

<u>Space:</u> ESA & EUMETSAT <u>Services:</u> Entrusted Entities



Coordination/Management: Copernicus Committee & User Fora

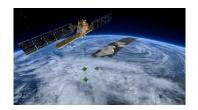


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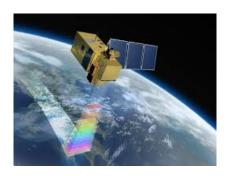
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- User Fora

#### **Sentinel Satellites**

Sentinel-1 is a European <u>radar imaging satellite</u> first launched in 2014.



 Sentinel-2 is an Earth observation mission developed to perform terrestrial observations in support of services such as forest monitoring, land cover changes detection, and natural disaster management.



#### **Sentinel Satellites**

 Sentinel-3A is a European earth observation satellite dedicated to oceanography first launched on 16 February 2016.



 Sentinel-5 Precursor is an <u>earth atmosphere observation</u> satellite developed to close the gap in continuity of observations between Envisat and Sentinel-5





#### **Sentinel Satellites**

- EirHUB will be established soon.
- Copernicus Data tap from ESA will then open
- Repository of full data sets for Ireland and a number of other locations will then be established locally
- EOEP4 Data Mining Tools will be made available to users to explore and use data

#### **Copernicus Open Access Data-hubs**

• Copernicus satellite image data can be accessed directly through portals such as Copernicus's Open Access hub (<a href="https://scihub.copernicus.eu/">https://scihub.copernicus.eu/</a>) which facilitates access to Sentinel-1, Sentinel-2 & Sentinel-3 data.



- The European Commission (EC) has launched an initiative to develop Copernicus **Data and Information Access Services (DIAS)** that will facilitate access to Copernicus data and information from the Copernicus services.
- Various European Member States are also active in developing their own National EO hubs.

Copernicus provides value added information outputs through six thematic services; Land, Marine, Atmosphere, Emergency, Climate and Security, detailed below. These services are generally open and freely accessible by all except for those services that may be restricted for example, security sensitive applications.

More information: http://www.copernicus.eu/main/services



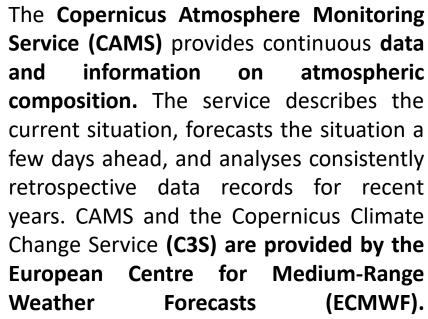
The Copernicus Land Monitoring Service (CLMS) provides access to up-to-date information on land-use and land-cover products and on related variables, such as the vegetation state or the water cycle. It operates at global, pan-European, and local levels. CLMS is provided by the European Environment Agency (EEA) for the Pan-European and local components, and by the European Commission Joint Research Center (JRC) for the global land component. <a href="http://land.copernicus.eu/">http://land.copernicus.eu/</a>



The Copernicus Marine Environment Monitoring Service (CMEMS) is the one-stop-shop for marine data It provides state-of-the-art analyses and forecasts daily, which offer an unprecedented capability to observe, understand and anticipate marine environment events. CMEMS is provided by Mercator Océan (the French centre for analysis and forecasting of the global ocean).

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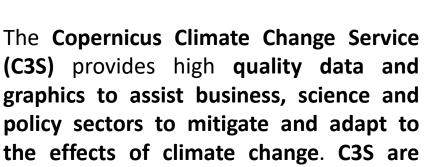
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The Emergency Management Service (EMS) supports players in the field of crisis management. It addresses disasters caused by natural hazards as well as manmade hazards and humanitarian crisis. Only authorized users can trigger the service, but everybody can assess maps. EMS is provided by the European Commission Joint Research Centre (JRC).

http://emergency.copernicus.eu/





http://climate.copernicus.eu/

provided by ECMWF.



The Copernicus service for Security applications aims to support European Union policies by providing information response to Europe's security **challenges**. It improves crisis prevention, preparedness and response in the areas of surveillance, maritime border **surveillance** and support to EU external action. The Copernicus Security Service will be provided respectively by FRONTEX for Border Surveillance, by the European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA) for Maritime Security and by the European Satellite Center (SatCen) for Support to External Action.

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### **Copernicus Academy & Relay**

There are two inter-connected initiatives in Ireland; <u>Copernicus Relay</u> and <u>Copernicus Academy</u> that will help support Copernicus related activities. These two initiatives have been merged into one structure in order to enable more effective coordination.



Clearinghouse for Copernicus and EO, raise awareness of Copernicus, providing guidance on data-access, information services, technologies, funding-calls, networking events, commercial opportunities, business activities as well as Startup support.



Address the educational, training, research and academic networking aspects -as these relate to Copernicus activities in Ireland. Example include; EO skills-development, specific EO training courses, promoting EO research, national capacity building, developing linkages with other EU Academies, educational institutions and EO end-user communities.

Further information: <a href="http://eonet.ie/">http://eonet.ie/</a>

### **Opportunities**

User Fora EO Scientific Advisory Committee

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