



WP1	Start Month: 1
Management	End Month: 53

Month	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	25	27	30	33	36	39	42	45	48	51	53	
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WP1																			
1.2																			
1.3																			
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Objectives for the period

WP1 is devoted to coordination and management of ECOPOTENTIAL, and assured smooth progression and effective achievement of project results, facilitating communication among the partners.

The objectives for the period are:

- Provide strategic guidance, ensure interdisciplinary and efficient exchange between the WP Leaders as well as provide support for all administrative and financial matters.
- Monitor the progression of the different scientific Tasks with the help of the Consortium Coordination Team.
- Organize/supervise the annual General Assemblies and the CC meetings.
- Manage the project website, and promote dissemination and exploitation of the main project results in scientific and user-oriented contexts in collaboration with WP12.
- Support the implementation of the Data Management plan.
- Promote the activities of the Ecosystem Community of Practice.
- Ensure a link to GEO/GEOSS, and particularly GEO ECO.
- Organizing a final conference at the end of the project in the framework of GEO.

Summary of activities and results by Task and contribution by Partners

Task 1.1 (Lead: CNR). Project coordination. Assures strategic guidance, interdisciplinary exchange and internal communication within the Consortium, and with the Advisory Board and the European Commission

CNR (CNR-IAC and CNR-IGG) has assured strategic guidance, scientific coordination and management of the project with the support of UBT and, when needed for specific tasks, of other partners. CNR has assured also the interdisciplinary exchange and the internal communication in the partnership.

This included:

- The coordination and supervision of the scientific advancements of the project.
- The project management (technical and financial) including the submission of the deliverables and the continuous reporting on the EU portal, and the communications with the Advisory Board and the European Commission.
- The organisation of the IV General meeting and General Assembly (Rome, 20-24 May 2019).
- The internal communication and information exchange in the partnership (teleconferences, mailing lists, meetings of the Consortium Coordination Team).
- The management of ethical issues, including the management of personal data and the compliance with GDPR (D1.8).

UBT has continued its contribution to the supervision of the scientific advancement of the project and to the coordination of the project. This included the participation in relevant events. In some cases, the project co-coordinator represented the project coordinator during these events.

**Task 1.2 (Lead: CNR). Management of the project website and web-based communication**

CNR has assured the maintenance and update of the internal communication tools and of the website (CNR-IGG, CNR-IIA and CNR-IAC), and the release of the newsletters including the update of the personal data management policies in order to be compliant with the GDPR regulation.

Internal communication tools include:

- The thematic mailing lists (CCT, WPs, Researchers, Protected Areas contacts).
- The teleconference platform.
- The cloud communication platform (messages and file sharing). Useful announcements and information for all partners have been shared on such platform, including e.g. programme of events, info regarding the General Meeting, files for the reporting, the publication of scientific papers, conference programmes announcements.

The update of the website included:

- The release of news on occasion of major events of interest.
- The upload of project's deliverable, scientific papers, outreach material.
- The update of contents (e.g. WP descriptions and results).
- The updates needed to guarantee the compliance with GDPR regulation and security of the website and of the newsletter's CMS.

Task 1.3 (Lead: CNR). Data management plan (DMP).

During the third period the implementation of the DMP continued with the help of all partners, following guidelines from the EU, LTER-Europe, LifeWatch ERIC and GEO/GEOSS. Short-term and long-term strategies for data storing have been adopted. Open access and open data policies have been enforced by the management team, providing a continuous assistance to the partners.

Task 1.4 (Lead: CNR) Link with GEO/GEOSS and creation of an Ecosystem Community of Practice

CNR has assured the liaison with other projects and initiatives such as eLTER, LifeWatch ERIC, SWOS, ERA PLANET, GEO GNOME, and the support to GEO ECO (coordination of the initiative) and to EuroGEO, strengthening the European participation in GEO. ECOPOENTIAL has led the creation of an Ecosystem Community of Practice composed by scientists and Protected Areas staff, as well as a Community of Practice within the GEO ECO initiative (D1.6 and D1.7).

CNR has taken part in major events such as the EuroGEO project's annual worksop (Geneva, Sept 2018 and Lisbon, July 2019) and to the GEO plenary meetings 2018 (Kyoto) and 2019 (Canberra), to the ESA Living Planet Symposium (Milan, May 2019), contributing with the organisation and/or chairing of workshops, presentations and round tables.

Seven CNR ECOPOENTIAL scientists are members of the GEO Italian delegation and of the GEO Program Board. CNR has organised the final conference with GEO and a back-to-back GEO ECO meeting (Geneva, GEO headquarters, Oct 24th and 25th 2019) (D1.9), where seven CNR scientists from the institutes IIA, ISAC, IAC, IGG took part together with many other partners of ECOPOENTIAL.

UBT contributed to maintaining and strengthening links to GEO/GEOSS and EuroGEO through contributing to and participation in relevant events (e.g. workshops and meetings in Rome and Geneva held in autumn 2018). It is also part of GEO ECO, the GEO Global Ecosystem Initiative.

UBT also works on the transition from ECOPOENTIAL to future initiatives as a partner in the follow-up H2020 project e-shape, and participated in the E-SHAPE kick-off meeting on 9–10 May 2019 in Cannes, France.



Deliverables:

N.	Title	Due	Contributors
D1.6	Recommendations for the activities of GEO/GEOSS and GEOGNOME	M38	CNR
D1.7	Report on the GEO Ecosystem Community of Practice	M51	CNR, DELTARES
D1.8	Final report on ethical issues	M48	CNR, NIOZ
D1.9	Final GEO conference	M52	CNR

Milestones: No milestone scheduled for the period.

Tasks

Active tasks: T1.1, T1.2, T2.3, T2.4

Table 1.1: Contribution of partners to tasks

	T1.1	T1.2	T1.3	T1.4
P1-CNR	D1.8			D1.6 D1.7 D1.9
P7 – UBT				
P31 – DELTARES				D
P35 - NIOZ	D			

- => Task Leader
- => Contribution to the task
- D => Listed as authors of a task deliverable