

Minutes

Webinar on Spatial Data Infrastructure (SDI)

Organiser:	Michael Assouline (EEA)
Date:	9 September 2019 - 11:00- 12:30
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Objective of the webinar:	This was a webinar requested by Tunisia as a technical assistance for building capacity in using Spatial Data Infrastructure (SDI) and upload of shapefiles.
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Background

The first webinar on the spatial component was delivered in the context of the H2020 reporting process.

Objective was to complete the data call launched to collect spatial information from the countries.

The webinar aimed at providing technical assistance for the upload of spatial layers in the GeoNodeSDI which is the spatial data infrastructure developed by INFO/RAC.

The webinar was open to all the national focal points of ENI SEIS, member of the national team in charge of uploading data in the GeoNodeSDI.

Items on the agenda

1. Opening of the meeting and tour de table (5')
2. Objective of the meeting (5')
3. Presentation of the spatial layers distributed to Tunisia (15')
4. Upload of the spatial layers in the GeoNodeSDI and population of the metadata catalogue (demo) (45')
5. Description of the advanced functionalities such as the use of web services from external information systems (10')
6. Technical assistance and next steps (10')



Content

The meeting started by a general overview of the agenda by stressing the hands on type of technical assistance.

Tour de Table was used to check the microphones and introduce all the participants.

Webinar started with introducing the manuals that have been distributed to all the countries during the second data call in February 2018 and the “geotemplates” that need to be updated in the context of the H2020 reporting exercise, which include administrative units, coastline, hydrological basins and coastal cities.

Tunisia informed all the participants about the recent nomination by the Minister of Environment (2nd of July 2019) of Mr Adel Radhouani INFO/RAC national Focal Points responsible for the spatial component of the H2020 data reporting and as ENI SEIS data reporter.

INFO/RAC asked Tunisia to provide an official list of nominees for accreditation of data reporter/manager and privileges.

INFO/RAC presented the GeoNodeSDI with a practical approach with necessary steps to upload shapefiles by taking into account the administrative units. Several key elements were presented in the upload phase such as the metadata catalogue.

Unfortunately, due to maintenance, the geo viewer was not available as well as the geometries editing mode.

Tunisia presented different administrative delimitation that are used: governorate, delegations and sectors that have been adopted by the Statistical Office. The last level does not have written delimitation now. In the context of the wastewater, Tunisia collects data at governorate level.

The EEA invited Tunisia to start with the geotemplate and to update the administrative units and coastal cities. This goes beyond the technical aspects, as it requires a strong coordination within the national team.

Lessons learned during the technical assistance in Morocco were presented to Tunisia as good example of automatisisation of data from SDIs.

Next steps

Following the webinar, Tunisia communicated that the national team has met with Mr Kaabi and decided that Mr Mohamed Cherif Fourti, GIS specialist at OTEDD together with Monsieur Adel Radhouani, National Focal Point of INFO/RAC will collaborate on the update of the spatial data and upload on the SDI.

