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ACTION 2020-2-21: COPERNICUS FOR CULTURAL HERITAGE



Copernicus Academy and the Italian Network

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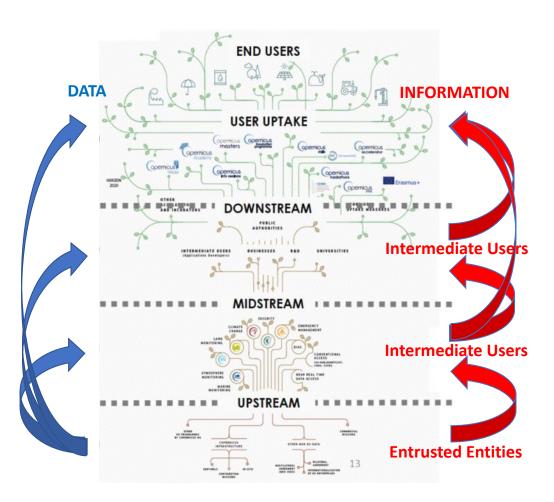
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COPERNICUS STRUCTURE AND ITS 4th COMPONENT: the User Uptake





It is the **structure of an Earth Observation Program** like Copernicus, organized in the sequence of its different Components, that shows how inescapable and fundamental it is to reach and engage "end users" through the **User Uptake** final Program Component

However, only in **2014**, for the first time, the **activities aimed at raising awareness, training and dissemination are explicitly dictated and funded** and precisely through the Regulation (EU) No. 377/2014, which establises the Copernicus Program in continuity with the GMES Program.

This was even though, already from the experience developed in GMES, it was clear that the combination of **the lack of activities aimed at raising awareness among users** of the usefulness of what Copernicus makes available to them and **the need to acquire a minimum of basic geomatics and computer literacy** in order to proactively access and benefit from it, has been the **main obstacle** to the widespread use, in particular, of the information produced by the Program.





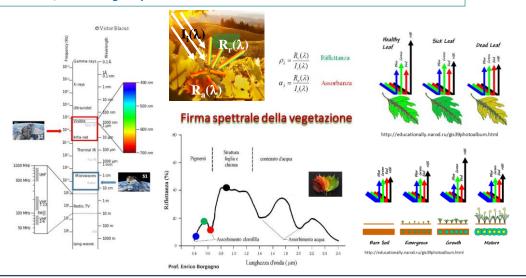
CRITICAL ELEMENTS FOR COPERNICUS DEPLOYMENT





... know some fundamentals, frameworks and how to use Geoinformation platforms ...

... know some principles of remote sensing related to the electromagnetic spectrum and what links its bands to synthetic indices representative of physical, chemical, and biological phenomena ...









THE COPERNICUS USER UPTAKE: The Relay and Academy European Networks

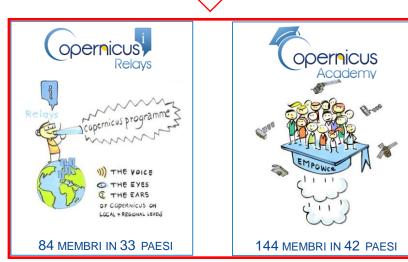


A structured process of informing and educating users on what Copernicus was producing and making freely available, including to the enterprise, was initiated by the EC and MS, with the User Uptake Strategy in 2016.

(CUF-2016-73)

USER SUPPORT (2018)





(84) In order to promote and facilitate the use of Earth observation data and technologies by national, regional or local authorities, SMEs, and scientists and researchers, dedicated networks for the distribution of Copernicus data, including national and regional bodies such as Copernicus Relays and Copernicus Academy, should be promoted through dissemination activities among users. (REGULATION (EU) 2021/696)

the Relays, to inform, listen and assist locally both public administrations and enterprises

the Academies , to inform, educate, train and coach end users, including potential ones





THE COPERNICUS ACADEMY EUROPEAN NETWORK



The decision to establish a European Copernicus Academy Network was based on three key considerations:

- ✓ in almost all User Uptake measures, along with information, training plays a significant role;
- ✓ Involving and training implementers and users, as well as future Copernicus designers, as soon as possible with respect to the EO, GI and ICT principles, methods, tools and services is the most effective and lasting way to achieve User Uptake objectives in the medium and long term;
- only by introducing innovative elements in educational pathways and training and instructional processes will it be possible to promote new professional profiles, and/or modify existing ones, to respond to emerging business and/or corporate processes connected with or affected by EO.





Therefore, in addition to universities, polytechnics and other academic bodies, public and private entities, that have among their institutional tasks, or in their business mission, the implementation of educational and training activities, are admitted to the European Network of Copernicus, Academy.

Such activities are aimed at students, teachers and researchers, as well as civil servants, professionals and entrepreneurs, namely potential Copernicus Users



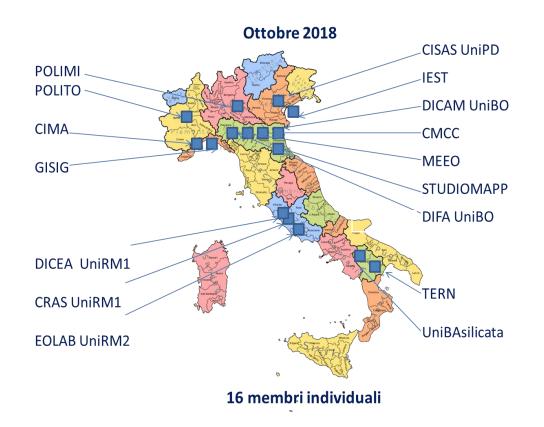






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- ✓ promoting and supporting in a synergistic and coordinated manner the activities carried out by the national Copernicus Academies;
- ✓ ensuring their collective representation and participation in UFN activities;
- ✓ ensuring relationships, including operational ones, between the
 Copernicus Academy's own activities and those promoted within
 European Strategic Actions, such as the Green Deal, or national
 and/or other European Programs such as Erasmus+ and Horizon.

the National Network, like the European one, in addition to focusing on the introduction and utilization of what Copernicus makes available within the existing educational activities at each of the individual Academy members, aims at the realization of events, new educational and training processes, even outside the official academic ones, according to shared formats.

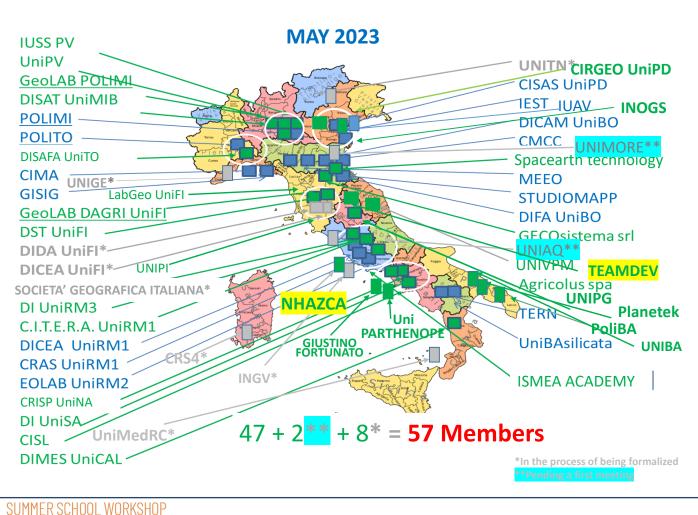




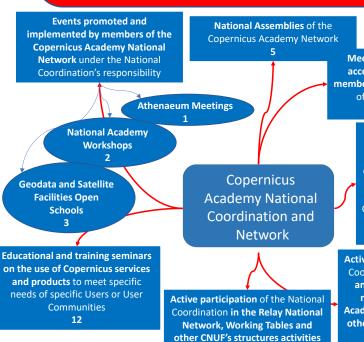


THE COPERNICUS ACADEMY NATIONAL NETWORK: its growth and events





Overall, from 2018 to April 2022, it can be estimated that about 130 events, including massive ones, , attended by more than 1500 participants, were held within the National Network.



Meetings to promote and/or accept the admission of new members to the European Network of Copernicus Academies

> Meetings to promote and coordinate the organisation and implementation of events to be carried out together with members of the Copernicus Academy National Network and/or of other CNUF Networks and/or of the CNUF itself

Active participation of the National Coordination in events promoted and realised autonomously by members of the Copernicus Academy National Network and/or other members and/or structures of the UFN





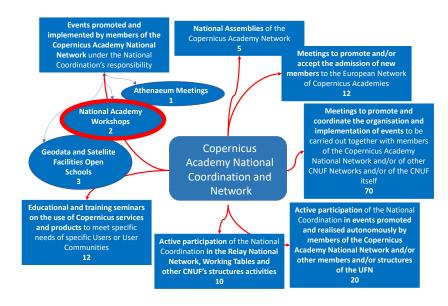


Entrusted Entities and Academy National Workshops

Generally, a Copernicus Academy National Workshop foresees the participation of the EU Commission and the European Entrusted Entities in charge of the Copernicus Core Services to be promoted, the Copernicus National Delegate end the National Copernicus Academy Coordination as a network of the National User Forum as well as the local Copernicus Academy member with whom the event is organized and implemented.

The event:

- ✓ morning session is usually dedicated to some general presentations as well as
 to some others more focused on the Workshop topics
- ✓ afternoon session is opened to all participants to tangibly see and experience how to use the Core Service tools, products and information explained and made available by Entrusted Entities, possibly along with those of downstream services developed by the local Copernicus Academy member.













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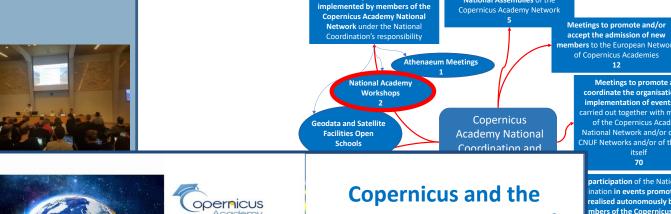
The Academy National Workshop at the Politecnico di Torino on **Copernicus Climate Change Service (C3S)**

30th of May 2019

more than 170 participants

ECMWF

To promote further Academy National Workshops, Entrusted Entities are needed to be willing to participate in designing



collaborazione con lo User Forum e la Rete

Events promoted and

Smart Management of Urban Areas

18th and 19th of November 2020

... more than 200 participants ...

ECMWF & JRC





National Assemblies of the





and implementing them with us.





The event aims to promote a comparison between our Country's manufacturing capabilities and the needs of both the market and scientific research; it intends to make National User Forum participants aware of technological advances, help industry understand application needs, and improve competitiveness in future Copernicus Program space infrastructure development programs.

It will promote an exchange of ideas on future developments of such infrastructure and the services to "observe our planet and environmental changes for the benefit of all European citizens«, that rely on it.











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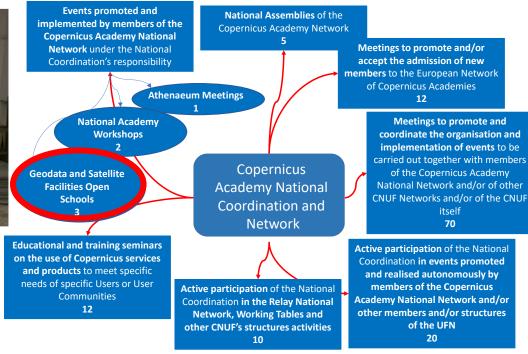
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By 2025, a further six Open Schools, already financed under the FPCUP WP2020, will have to be implemented in the fields of agriculture, aquaculture and urban and coastal management











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ISMEA Copernicus Open Schools 2022 in Campania

Promoted by ISMEA as part of the National Rural Network and organised with the support of the Campania Region, ARPA Campania, the University of Neples "Federico II" and CREA

Focused on the specific theme of Earth Observation applied to the management of the carbon cycle and the irrigation resource within an agricultural district.

Delivered from remote to over 50 participants, including agricultural consultants and professionals

The enterprises Airespace an Planetek participated in the event

ISMEA Copernicus Open Schools 2022 in Veneto

Promoted by ISMEA within the framework of the National Rural Network and organised with the support of the Veneto Region, the Veneto Agriculture Agency, Arpa Veneto, the University of Padua and CREA

Focused on the specific theme of risk management in agriculture

Delivered in presence, by invitation, to over 40 Consultants and Professionals in Agriculture

The enterprise Planetek participated in the event

GeoData and Satellite Facilities Open Schools 2021 in Perugia

Organised with the support of Agricolus S.r.l., Arpa Umbria, the University of Perugia and ISMEA

Focused on the specific theme of Agriculture 4.0 and Environmental and Business Sustainability.

Delivered remotely, as well as to the local user community, to over 200 participants in total

The enterprises eGeos, Planetek, Agricolus and BlueLife participated in the event

GeoData and Satellite Facilities Open School 2019 in Asti

Organised with the cooperation of the University of Turin and the support of local administrations, AGEA and ARPA Piemonte, as well as the companies eGeos, Planetek and Agricolus

Focused on the specific topic of Viticulture 4.0 and management of the Unesco site "Langhe Roero e Monferrato".

Delivered in presence to 25 participants expressed by the local user community

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the role of the National Copernicus Academy Network in developing training pathways for the implementation of the National Recovery and Resilience Plan

In fact, the National Recovery and Resilience Plan (PNRR) manifests in a large part of its missions, as well as many other strategic programs promoted by the EU, the usefulness and necessity of the integrated use of EO, GGI and ICT methods and tools to produce high value-added, public utility and/or market information through particularly innovative infrastructure and operational services.

A SURVEY AMONG THE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL NETWORK to know and assess which educational and training activities on OT, GGI and ICT exist at each of them and if what is produced by Copernicus, is used in these activities and therefore ...

Methodology used to pursue this general objective:

... **DEFINITION** on the basis of the results of the previous **SURVEY of a UNIFIED ENSEMBLE OF EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING ACTIVITIES**, shared and delivered jointly by the members of the Copernicus Academy National Network that, as far as possible, uses the **EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES ALREADY AVAILABLE.**









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The current individual educational offerings among Copernicus Academy members (2021):

308 teaching activities of which:

40 of Level I

164 of Level II

59 of Level III

45 unclassified

1514 University Course Credits

12868 hours of educational activities

Activities carried out by academic members:

- Università di Padova: 40

Politecnico di Torino: 24

Politecnico di Milano: 24

- Università di Roma "La Sapienza": 23

- Università di Bologna: 20

Università di Firenze: 16

Università di Pavia: 14

Università di Perugia: 14

Università della Basilicata: 13

- Università Politecnica delle Marche: 11

Activities carried out by non-academic members:

- GISIG: 29 (Association and activities developed within the EO4GEO project partnership)
- Istituto Nazionale di Oceanografia e Geofisica
 Sperimentale: 17 (Research Institute)
- Fondazione CIMA: 4 (Public Foundation)











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for the very short term:

Direct use of the **available educational offer**, harmonised and, as far as necessary and possible, supplemented through professionalising education and training activities also at a sub-regional scale, such as the **Copernicus GeoData and Satellite Facilities Open School**

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Relying on the available educational offer, organisation and implementation of a 'homogeneously qualifying' second-level national annual Master for the integrated use of EO, GGI and ICT methods, tools and products, also through what is made available by Copernicus

for the medium term:

the design, organisation and implementation of a **new national three years PhD** in the subjects of EO, GGI and ICT with a focus on the integration and the integrated use of their components for the development of applications, methods and tools leading to the potential implementation of operational services.











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The National Doctorate in Earth Observation (DNOT)



Dottorato di ricerca nazionale in Osservazione della Terra

Goal

- Training of **professionals with**:
 - integrated competences on EO, GGI e ICT
 - specific competences on management, administration and law
- able to:
 - scout potential users and collect their needs
 - <u>promote existing and design new EO services</u> to satisfy users needs
 - increase user competences

for PA, companies e and research ecosystem benefits

Complementary General Goal

Participation in the development of a new EO Skills Strategy at the national and European level.

Starting point

The conception, design and promotion of the National PhD within the Network started already in May 2021, together with the preparation of the Position Paper

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- Very good competences in EO, GGI, ICT at national level
- Remarkable funds from PNRR (EO, GGI, ICT key topics in 3 missions)
- Lack of a proper coordination, needed to guarantee a structured and homogeneous training
- Copernicus Academy network, active at EU and national level since
 2016 and 2018 respectively



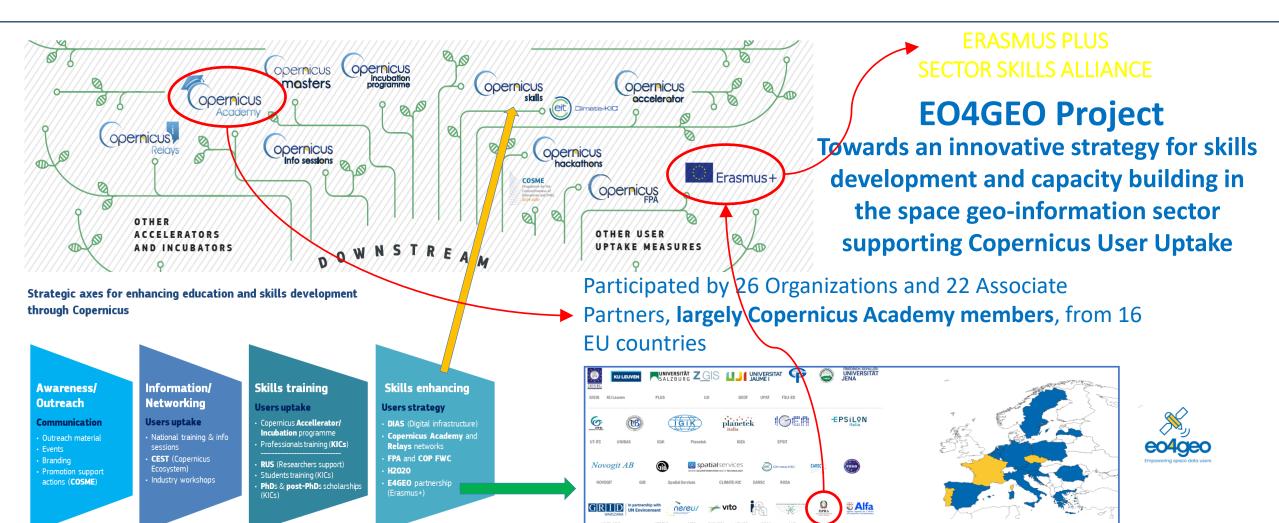








the Development of new Skills in Earth Observation















Complementary

Operational Profiles:

HR Officer / HR Administrator

· Tender and Funding Responsibles

· Contracting Responsible

Technical Profiles:

Software Develope

Fields of Work:

· profiles can appear in many

different areas of work

. EO*GI proficiency may vary

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Although the **EO4GEO Project** focused on only **three topics of** interest to Copernicus, those related to Smart Cities, Climate Change and some Cross-cutting Applications, aimed at natural and anthropogenic risk management, it identified as many as:

- ✓ **30 business processes**, "Business processes" (BPNM), found in both public and private sectors, in which EO/GI play a nonsecondary role
- ✓ More than 200 EO/GI objectives , "Tasks," both intermediate and final within these BPNMs
- More than 100 professional profiles of EO and GI, largely to be innovated and thus summarized in four categories of profiles, starting from those fully involved and committed to the EO/GI objectives of the BPNMs, "CORE profiles" to those, including administrative ones, who only need to have an idea of the role of OT/GI in the BPNM, "Complementary profiles"



BPMNs OCCUPATIONAL PROFILES COVERING EO*GI-Tasks

CORE Profiles

- Operational Profiles: · Service Provider
- EO*GI Expert / Analyst
- comprehensive scope of topics or thematic focus on specific area

Technical Profiles: GIS Software Develope

- EO*GI-Business

- RS/GIS-Section of Institutions (eg. for Environmental Solutions)

Fields of Work:

- Fields of Works Geological Agency

· EO*GI Data Manager

· Nature Conservation Authority · Water and Seweage Administration

· (Geo-)Database Expert/Architect

MANAGERIAL Profiles

· Geologist / Geomorphologist

· Sales and Pre-Sales Employee **Technical Profiles:**

· EO*GI Quality Control and Validation

· Ecologist / Habitat Mapping Expert

· EO*GI Service Operations Manager

Operational Profiles:

Project Manager

· Purchase Officer

Data Scientist

· Precision Farming

PERIPHERAL Profiles

Operational / Admin. Profiles:

- · Administration Officer
- Contract Lawyer
- Municipal Employee City / Municipality Planner
- Landscape Architect

Technical Profiles:

· System Architect / Engineer

Fields of Work:

- Road Administraion

- National Park Forest Office

Danube River Administration

Geological Agency of the Federal State Customer Contact EO*GI Data Manager EO*GI Analyst Geomorphologist/Geologist EO*GI Innovator HR Officer/HR Administrato EO*GI Service Operations Manager Geodatabases & IT Administrator EO*GI Quality Control and Validation Regional/National Nature Conservation Authority Service Provider Ecologist/Habitat Mapping Expert MM SpA (engineering company) Service Provider Customer Pre-Sales Project Manager EO*Gl Analyst IT-Administrator Service Provider - Tende Purchase Officer HR Officer/HR Administrator Service Provider Customer Pre-Sales Project Manager EO*Gl Analyst IT-administrator EO*Gl Quality Control and Validation Administration Officer GIS Analyst Business Analyst Water Management Expert System Architect Database Architect Data Scientist System Engineer Geo-Information Exper Database Expert Software Developer GIS Software Developer Danube River Administration Service Provider Stakeholder Service Provider Baltic Environmental Forum ERM Coordinato RS-Section - Institute for Environmental Solution Regional Stakeholder involved in Agriculture Monitoring, GIS Expert EO Expert Model Expert Petacciato Municipality Geological Survey Baia Archaeological park/Municipality of Pozzuoli Geological Survey Sicily Region, Etna National Park Geological Survey Municipality of Como Geological Survey of Italy Service Provider Solar (PV/CSP) farm Operators, Managers of Electricity EO Analyst Service Public de Wallonie (SPW) Coordinator SPW Technician ISSeP Technicia Service Provider - Product of Sale Stakeholder Service Provider - Project Fundings Stakeholder - Fundings City Planners (municipality) Service Provider Road Administration (municipality) lies Elderly Care Service Provider Regional Health Authorities Road Administration (Municipality) Service Provider Road Administration, Stockholm Water Service Provider Service Provider Landscape Architects City Planners Service Provider Ecologists Municipality Planners Researchers KI Region Stockholm Service Provider Project Manage State Road and Railway companies Administration Officer Stakeholder Purchase Officer GIS-Section - Institute for Environmental GIS-Expert - Local Forest Office Building Permit Officer service Provider IT Systems Architect Contract Lawyers HR Officer/HR Administrator EO*GI Analyst (biotop mapping service) EO*GI Quality Control and Validation Tomaresca Winder









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" Aggregated" participation in calls for FPCUP WPs and other European educational and training programs.











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In order to give continuity to the action and results obtained through the EO4GEO Project and enhance the existing activities within the National Network of Copernicus Academy with respect to the identification, construction and promotion of new professional profiles in EO, not only in the academic sphere, but also in upper secondary education, in particular, vocational, it has been decided to accompany and support the action of GISIG by joining the Pact for Skills with the Italian Consortium for the Copernicus Academy.

The Italian Consortium for Copernicus Academy is a public purpose, non-profit consortium of public members of the Copernicus Academy



Pact for Skills commitments define how organisations plan to take action for the upskilling and reskilling of people of working age. Commitments are made by organisations and outline the concrete actions they will implement to support the key principles of the Pact for Skills charter:

- Promoting a culture of lifelong learning for all
- Building strong skills partnerships
- Monitoring skill supply/demand and anticipating skill needs
- •Working against discrimination and for gender equality and equal opportunities









In conclusion, we can:

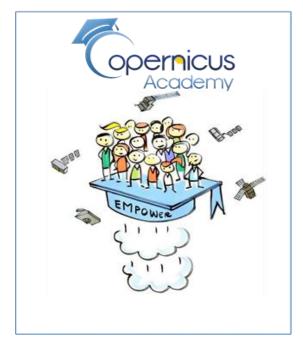


- √ say we know Copernicus if you think it is represented by its 3 components;
- ✓ make useful and effective use of all that it makes available if you understand the role
 that Geomatics and some its components such as Remote Sensing and
 Geoinformation play in Copernicus and you have any basic knowledge of these
 components;
- ✓ speak of Earth Observation services if the Geomatics approach present in Copernicus is integrated with the cognitive and methodological contributions, as well as products and services, made available by other thematic disciplines and operational areas, such as meteorology and climatology, bio, geo and social sciences, economics and many others ...

...and the European and national Copernicus Academy networks aim to fill these gaps and, through the dissemination of Copernicus, to accompany the development of new professional profiles also based on the use of EO and promote their availability on the labour market!









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