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▲ EUFAR FP7 News

The EUFAR FP7 project has started on October 1st 2008 for 4 years (01/10/2008-30/09/2012). The contract is about to be signed. More information about EUFAR FP7 is available [here](#)

▲ The EUFAR Office is looking for new members

The EUFAR office plans to hire 4 more employees in the first quarter of 2009:

- ▶ For the N8-EC activities, a web developer/webmaster. See job description [here](#).
- ▶ For the N6-SP activities, a "standards and protocols" engineer. See job description [here](#).
- ▶ For N9-SST and Management activities:
 - ▶ a scientific assistant. See job description [here](#).
 - ▶ a technical assistant. See job description [here](#).

The interviews are planned between January 12th and 23rd, 2009. Please advertise these job offers broadly.

▲ EUFAR meetings

▲ EUFAR Future Expert Working Group meetings

All EUFAR members registered in the EWG mailing lists will be informed of the dates and location of these meetings in due course:

- ▶ **1st Expert Working Group meeting** from February 10th to 12th 2009, in Warsaw (Poland), hosted by the Institute of Geophysics, University of Warsaw:
 - ▶ **on leaders roles and plans for FP7**. The main objective is to discuss the responsibilities of the EWG leaders, the procedures to organize a workshop, and the plans for specific workshops in FP7.
 - ▶ **kick-off meeting to plan a textbook on "Airborne Measurements – Methods and Instruments"**. The main objectives are to plan and discuss the contents of a textbook on "Airborne Measurements – Methods and Instruments".

▲ Previous EUFAR meetings

All meeting reports are available at www.eufar.net (Select Search / Documents from top menu; Select "Meeting" in "Links with specific subject"; Choose your meeting).

- ▶ **EUFAR FP6 - 8th Management Committee meeting**: held in Exeter (UK), on September 22nd-23rd 2008, hosted by the Met Office. There were 17 participants. The objective was to make the assessment and conclusions regarding EUFAR in the 6th Framework Program.
- ▶ **EUFAR FP7 - 1st General Assembly**: held in Exeter (UK), on September 23rd-24th 2008, hosted by the Met Office. There were 38 participants. This was the kick-off meeting of the EUFAR FP7 project.
- ▶ **EUFAR FP7 - 1st SAC meeting**: held in Exeter (UK), on September 24th 2008, hosted by the Met Office. There were 6 participants.
- ▶ **EWG on Active Remote Sensing from Aircraft** held in Paris (France), on September 4th-5th 2008, hosted by Service d'Aéronomie, Institut Pierre Simon Laplace at University Pierre et Marie Curie. There were 24 participants. The objective was a presentation of the state of the art developments of airborne active instruments (lidar and radar) dedicated to Earth observation from aircraft.

- ▶ **EWG plenary meeting about “Current Issues in Airborne Research”** held in Toulouse (France), on September 8th-9th 2008, hosted by Météo-France. There were 16 participants. The main objectives of the meeting were to report on the EUFAR FP6 activities, to prepare plans for the future of the EWG and to prepare the table of contents and suggest authors for the high-level textbook about airborne measurements that will be written during the course of EUFAR FP7.

▲ Transnational Access / Education & Training

▲ Some statistics:

- ▶ Transnational Access: 58 projects have been submitted in FP6, of which 38 have been accepted, 20 have been rejected (16 during the selection procedure; 4 do not fit the eligibility criteria).
- ▶ Education&Training– Transnational Access: 16 projects have been submitted, of which 8 have been accepted and 8 rejected (7 during the selection procedure; 1 does not fit the eligibility criteria).
- ▶ Education&Training- Join an existing campaign: 16 applications have been received, of which 8 have been accepted and 8 rejected (7 during the selection procedure; 1 does not fit the eligibility criteria).

EUFAR FP6 Transnational Access program is now closed. The new TA application will be soon available.

▲ Achieved Transnational Access campaigns:

44 projects were flown. Since the last newsletter, 5 more projects were flown:

- ▶ AEROSALT: Processes governing the saltwater spatial distribution in the Quaternary aquifers of the Mediterranean coastal areas.
Scientific theme: Hydrogeological characterization of the saltwater/freshwater interface in Mediterranean coastal environments.
This campaign took place from 16/09/2008 to 28/09/2008 in Languedoc-Roussillon (France) and was flown with the GTK-3in1Twin Otter.
- ▶ AEROLIT: Evaluation of Airborne Geophysical Instruments for coastal sedimentology studies.
Scientific theme: Coastal sedimentology.
This campaign took place from 16/09/2008 to 28/09/2008 in Languedoc-Roussillon (France) and was flown with the GTK-3in1Twin Otter.
- ▶ ArcDAT: Arctic pollution: deposition, ageing and transport.
Scientific theme: Pollution transport to the Arctic atmosphere.
This campaign took place from 30/06/08 to 14/07/08 in Kangerlussuaq (Greenland) and was flown with the SAFIRE-ATR 42.
- ▶ ALPRIV: Modelling meltwater production, hydrogeomorphology and ecological processes in an alpine proglacial river system.
Scientific theme: Modelling meltwater production, hydrogeomorphology and ecological processes.
This campaign took place from 28/07/08 to 31/07/08 in Austria and was flown with the Metair-DIMO.
- ▶ MESOVAR: Sub-Mesoscale Variability and Diffusion in Low Wind Speed Conditions.
Scientific theme: Dynamics of the intrinsic sub-mesoscale variability in the atmospheric boundary layer under low wind speed conditions.
This campaign took place from 11/09/08 to 12/09/08 in Kutina (Croatia) and was flown with the CNR-ISAFoM-ERA.

▲ EUFAR article in The Parliament Magazine

The article about the EUFAR network published in The Parliament Magazine is now available [here](#) on page 23.

▲ COPAL new logo



▲ COPAL website

The COPAL webpages are now online. To read them, click on the COPAL logo in the left menu.

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- ▶ **COPAL 1st Steering Committee meeting:** held in Exeter (UK) on September 25th-26th 2008, hosted by the Met Office. There were 21 participants. The objective was to make an overview of the progress in each workpackage for the first reporting period and to make recommendations to the Governing Board.
- ▶ **COPAL 1st Governing Board meeting:** held in Toulouse, France, on October 8th-9th 2008, hosted by Météo-France. There were 19 participants. The objective was to examine the decisions made by the Steering Committee for approval and to make recommendations to the Steering Committee about actions to be taken during Year 2 for a good implementation of the contract.

▲ Best wishes

The EUFAR/COPAL team will be out of office during Christmas period. Looking forward to meeting you all next year, we wish a Merry Christmas and Season's Greetings.

Best wishes,

The EUFAR/COPAL Office



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