



Establish the connection of Citizen Observatories resources with central catalogue

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Challenge Aim

- ➤ Citizen Observatories → community-based environmental monitoring and information systems
- > Fragmented landscape of related activities
- Enable the integration of the H2020 Citizen Observatories (i.e. LandSense, GroundTruth2.0, GROW, SCENT) datasets with the NextGEOSS catalogue as an approach to connect citizen science into GEOSS.



Background

- The use of mobile devices and low-cost portable sensors coupled with data analytics, quality assurance and modelling approaches pave the way for citizens to have an active role and voice in environmental decision making.
- Citizen-science campaigns conducted across different European regions and beyond, leading to the collection of valuable environmental information i.e. land cover/land use, soil parameters, water & air quality parameters, phenological observations, disaster resilience
- Connection with H2020 WeObserve Communities of Practice (www.weobserve.eu/cops/)









- ❖ Analysis of existing infrastructure and endpoints that enable machine-to-machine access to resources.
- Compilation of a template /online questionnaire for documenting data and resources involving community-based environmental monitoring citizen science projects.
- Implementation, testing and deployment of a data harvester for a part of SCENT citizen-science data, aiming to constitute a prototype for the ingestion of citizen-science resources (metadata) into a centralised catalogue.
- ❖The implemented harvester is also available in github: https://github.com/NextGeoss/ckanext-nextgeossharvest/wiki/17.-Harvesting-Scent-products

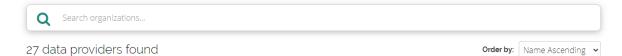




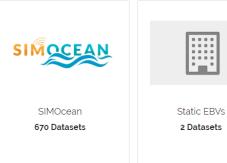
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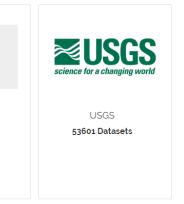
NextGEOSS engages the main providers of earth observation data, including Copernicus Collaborative Ground Segments and Core Services. The data hub draws upon resources provided by public, commercial, and research institutions working with satellite, aerial, and in situ measurements.

The following data providers are currently integrated in the NextGEOSS system:







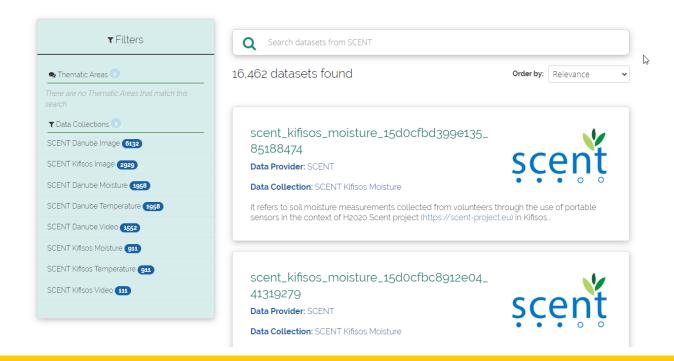




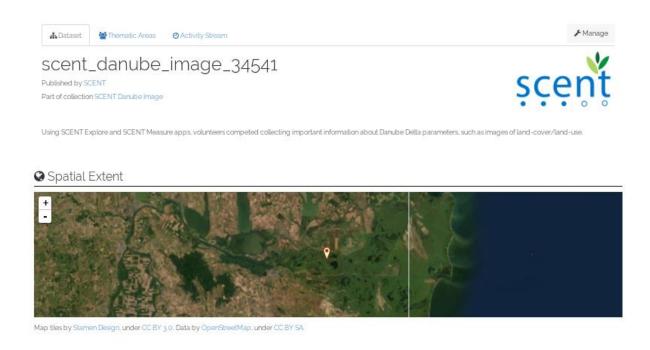
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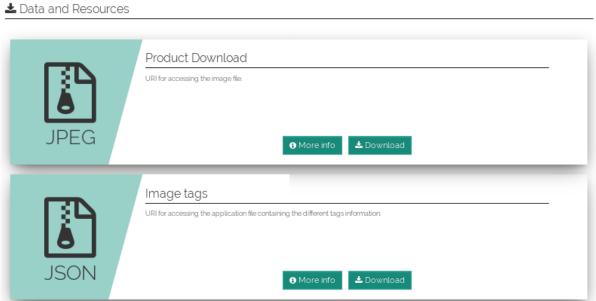


Scent is a European Union research project funded under the Horizon 2020 programme. The project runs between 2016 and 2019 and comprises 10 partner organisations across 6 countries. The project demonstrates the huge potential of citizen observation and monitoring of the environment. A people-led online observation movement captures land-cover use and changes through user-friendly tools and technologies. The Scent Toolbox The Scent Toolbox is a crowd-sourcing platform, gaming applications, an authoring tool, an intelligence engine and numerical models, allows citizens, policy makers and other users to freely use Scent technologies to contribute to the aims of the project











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Conclusion

Main benefits:

- Maximise the value of citizen-science data by facilitating the discoverability and usability along with EO and other in-situ data;
- > Deterring factor towards creating silos of resources;
- Promoting the use of open solutions and common standards for data sharing;
- Facilitate uptake of citizen-science resources as part of SDGs monitoring and implementation processes;
- >Applicable methodology for other existing Citizen Observatories data.