

# Joint MedRIN and SCERIN Virtual Capacity Building Workshop on Earth System Observations - Draft AGENDA

*Focus on Ecosystem health, droughts, and wildfires in the context of climate change*

Time (EST) (EET)		<b>June 15, 2021</b> <i>Agenda Lead &amp; Introductions: Jana Albrechtova (SCERIN)</i>
7:30	14:30	Registration and equipment tests, PR talks viewing; on-your-own play talks 1-6; Q on the Chat, A 11:30
8:00	15:00	Opening: Logistics (Clay Oboth, START), Workshop Goals and Agenda (Jana Albrechtova, SCERIN)
8:15	15:15	Welcome address: Nikolaos Papaioannou, Rector, Aristotle University
		The role of Lab of Forest Management and Remote Sensing (Ioannis Gitas, Aristotle University) The role of Aristotle University in the Region (George Zalidis, Aristotle University)
8:40	15:40	NASA LCLUC Update (Garik Gutman, NASA Headquarters, Washington, DC)
9:00	16:00	GOFC-GOLD and the Regional Networks (Krishna Vadrevu, NASA/MSFC)
9:20	16:20	MedRIN Status, Goals (Gitas/Ambrosia/Hadjimitsis, MedRIN Coordinators)
9:35	16:35	SCERIN Status, Goals (Albrechtova/Campbell/Kupkova, SCERIN Coordinators)
9:50	16:50	Q & A for plenary talks, from the Chat (Lucie Kupkova)
10:00	17:00	Break (10 min, PICTURE)
10:10	17:10	<b>Healthy Soils (Luca Montanarella, Joint Research Center, EU) invited</b>
10:30	17:30	<b>Space Technology to the Power of Hundreds (Agnieszka Lukaszczyk, Planet) invited</b>
10:50	17:50	Q & A for invited talks
11:00	17:00	Joint issues/ activities for MedRIN* & SCERIN (Vince Ambrosia, MedRIN; Petya Campbell, SCERIN). * Questions for survey (Vince) – survey and outcomes on day 3 (Vince/Kyriacos)
11:20	18:20	Discussion of M&S joint activities; Q & A from the Chat (Leads: Vince & Petya, ALL)
11:30	18:30	Discussion of PR talks; Q & A on the Chat (Leads: Lucie/Petya; ALL)
12:20	19:20	Objectives for Day 2, Closing of the day (Jana, Garik, Diofantos, Ioannis, John, Petya, Vince)
12:30	19:30	Adjourn

Time (EST) (EET)		<b>June 16, 2021</b> <i>Agenda Lead &amp; Introductions: Ioannis Gitas (MedRIN)</i>
7:30	14:30	Registration and equipment tests (optional)
8:00	15:00	Viewing of PR talks: on your own play talks 7-13; Q on the Chat, A at 11:20/18:20
8:30	15:30	<b>Current status of the Landsat program (Jeff Masek, GSFC/NASA) invited</b>
<i>Young LCLUC Investigators: Projects in partnership with GOFC-GOLD RINs (10 min each)</i>		
8:50	15:50	<b>SCERIN: Agricultural productivity and yield (Sergii Skakun and Natalia Kussul) invited</b>
9:00	16:00	<b>MedRIN: New research fire demo (Aaron Sparks, Imen Bouhamed, Stefanos Papaioordanidis, Chariton Kalaitzidis and Ioannis Gitas) invited</b>
9:10	16:10	Discussion: Expert and Young Investigator talks Q & A from Chat (Petya)
9:25	16:25	Introduction of the first-time participants (new members present 1-2 min flash talk, MedRIN and SCERIN; Leads Ioannis & Clay)
9:40	16:40	Break (10 min, PICTURE)
9:50	16:50	MedRIN RS hot-topics by Country (flash talks by country, 3-5 min. each, Lead Vince) <i>Cyprus, Egypt, France, Greece, Israel, Italy, Jordan, Malta, Turkey</i>
10:30	17:30	SCERIN RS hot-topics by Country (flash talks by country, 3-5 min. each, Lead Petya) <i>Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Ukraine</i>
11:10	18:10	Break (10 min)
11:20	18:20	Discussion: Country hot topics Q&A from Chat and Audience (Vince/Petya) PR talks Q&A (Lucie/Ioannis)
12:20	19:20	Objectives for Day 3, Closing of the day – Jana, Garik, Petya, Lucie
12:30	19:30	Adjourn

Time (EST)	Time (EET)	June 17, 2021	Agenda Lead & Introductions: <i>Jon Padgham</i> (START)
7:30	14:30	Registration and equipment tests (optional)	
8:00	15:00	Viewing of PR talks on your own; Q&A on the Chat, Moderators <i>Lucie/Petya and Ioannis/Vince</i>	
8:30	15:30	<b>Fire in the context of climate change (Jesus San Miguel, Joint Research Center, EU invited)</b>	
8:50	15:50	Parallel working sessions of SCERIN and MedRIN (breakout session, summaries/reports)	
SCERIN		Considerations for the collaborative paper on main trends and driving forces of agricultural land use / land cover changes in Central and East Europe (Greg Taff, WRI, Washington, DC)	
		Discussion of future SCERIN activities, working groups, collaborations, meeting location (Ukraine and Bulgaria, Petya)	
MedRIN		Discussion of future activities, working groups, collaborations, meetings and locations (Lead Vince)	
10:00	17:00	Break (10 min)	
10:10	17:10	MedRIN reporting (tasks and follow-up activities), future venues	
10:30	17:30	SCERIN reporting (tasks and follow-up activities), future venues	
11:00	18:00	Discussion: M&S reporting Q and A (Vince/Petya)	
11:30	18:30	Live Participants Survey* & Report of Outcomes (Leads: Kyriacos Themistocleous)	
12:00	19:00	Closing of the day and workshop (PICTURE, Ioannis/Vince, Jana/Lucie/Petya, Garik, Jon)	
12:30	19:30	Adjourn	

\*Real time survey of the joint topics MedRIN and SCERIN can address together

Dates & timing	6/15/21, 6/16/21, 6/17/21	
	start	end
EST	8:00	12:30
CET	14:00	18:30
EET	15:00	19:30

Talk Type	Color code
Pre-recorded	
Live	

Links to:

Biographical information:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1AHSZ95ANeTGkieOa6kLkm7scei7bO5SbrlhZAmPqf-A/edit>

Pre-recorded research highlights (PR Talks): [Pre-Recorded Research Highlights | GOFC GOLD \(umd.edu\)](#)

**Agenda Talks:** The invited talks on the AGENDA in grey are pre-recorded talks. Link to the [Pre-recorded agenda talks](#)

The items in green will be live. During the workshop, 'live' Agenda Leads will introduce the speakers (1 min/person), and our START hosts will play the talks.

**Pre-recorded Research (PR) highlights, not included as talks in the Agenda:** The participants are invited to provide Pre-recorded Research (PR) talks (title, authors, and abstract ≤200 words). Format: 1-5 slides, 5 min/talk (template will be e-mailed upon registration). The PR talks will be due on June 7 to Clay and will be posted on-line 1 week before the meeting and will be available after the workshop at the GOFC-GOLD web site. All PR talks will be viewed on-your-own. Talks 1-4 will be played on Day 1 and 5-8 on Day 2, and questions will be directed to the authors during the discussions.

**MedRIN and SCERIN RS Country hot topics (Day 2):** survey of the current remote sensing 'hot topics' by country. The presentations include coordinated summaries by country of the top 3-5 RS priorities with inputs by the participants. The format is one flash talk by country (3-5 min. each).

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