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**AGEO**

Platform for Atlantic Geohazard Risk Management

**AGEO Final Conference**

Lisbon, LNEC, April 19-20, 2023

**Theme:**  
**Geohazard risk management  
in the Atlantic area**

**AGEO Project - Platform for Atlantic Geohazard Risk Management**

The Platform for Atlantic Geohazard Risk Management (**AGEO**) is a project funded by the **Interreg Atlantic Area** programme, which aims to explore new forms of engagement between civil society and local authorities on risk management systems. The participation of individuals from outside professional organizations is widely recognized as a key factor to build resilience towards geohazards. It is nevertheless imperative to explore new forms of deepening such participation where both citizens and risk managers generate, use and share different forms of hazard-related information.

Five pilot sites located in Canary Islands (Spain), Causeway Coast (Northern Ireland), Lisbon (Portugal), Madeira Island (Portugal) and Brittany (France) were selected for the creation of Geohazard Citizen Observatories.

AGEO also intends to encourage the local use of innovative Earth observation products and services provided by European data infrastructures, in particular Copernicus, which will support geohazard risk management.

**AGEO partners:**



**Target audience**

The programme of the conference is primarily designed to:

- AGEO project participants, pilots’ representatives, and project relevant stakeholders;
- Government agencies and municipalities, including practitioners-oriented stakeholders dealing with the full disaster cycle;
- Experts on geohazards, risk management, risk communication, and European spatial data infrastructures;
- Policymakers taking part in the science-policy interface and policy cycle;
- Civil society organizations such as professional associations, informal groups, and community members;
- Business or industry stakeholders, such as media and insurance industry.

**Conference venue**

The conference and the final project meeting will be hosted by Laboratório Nacional de Engenharia Civil (National Laboratory for Civil Engineering, **LNEC**) that is located in Lisbon, Portugal.

**Organising committee**

The conference chair is Dr. Laura Caldeira, President of the Board of Directors of LNEC. The Organizing Committee of the conference and accompanying events comprise LNEC, Lisbon University (IST) and Lisbon Municipality (CML) experts.

**Conference language**

The official language of the AGEO Final Conference will be English.

**Registration**

The participation in the AGEO Final Conference is free of charge but registration is required. The deadline for registration is April 12, 2023. Lunch for non-Ageo partners shall be at the participants’ discretion and expense (several restaurants are available in the vicinity).

Please make your registration here:



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## Conference programme

### Day 1 - April 19, 2023

- 09:15 - 09:35 Opening Session
- 09:35 - 12:00 Session I
- Improving geohazards risk management**
1. AGEO Project
  2. Communication and dissemination in citizens' science
  3. Education and training on geohazards
- 10:25 - 10:50 Coffee Break**
4. European spatial data infrastructure to improve risk management
  5. Tools to enable citizens to monitor and survey geohazards
  6. Including citizens' observatories and Earth Observation Data in risk management
- 12:00 - 12:50 Keynote lecture 1
- The perspective of Civil Protection on citizens' observatories**  
*Montserrat Román (Servicio de Protección Civil y Atención de Emergencias del Gobierno de Canarias)*
- 12:50 - 14:15 Lunchtime**
- 14:15 - 17:15 Session II
- The experience of five pilots in the Atlantic Area**
1. Canary islands rockfalls (Spain)
  2. Madeira island (Portugal)
  3. Lisbon multihazard (Portugal)
- 15:45 - 16:05 Coffee Break**
4. Vulnerability to coastal risks in Brittany (France)
  5. Causeway Coast (Northern Ireland, UK)
- 17:15 - 18:05 Keynote lecture 2
- Sustainability of citizens' observatories for risk management**  
*Anna Hicks (British Geological Survey)*
- 18:05 - 18:15 Presentation of the AGEO project Book
- 20:00 **AGEO Consortium Dinner**

### Day 2 - April 20, 2023

- 09:20 - 10:10 Keynote lecture 3
- Contribution of citizen science to improve disaster risk reduction**  
*David Alexander (Institute for Risk & Disaster Reduction, University College London)*
- 10:10 - 12:40 Session III
- Workshop + Round Table** with Coffee Break
- Citizens' Observatory: a tool to engage citizens on Geohazards Risk Management**
- Participation of Keynote Lecturers and Moderators
- The workshop aims to become a room for debate on Citizens' Observatory tool and its potentialities to promote citizens' risk knowledge and greater involvement on Geohazard Risk Management.
- 12:40 - 12:50 Conference closure
- 12:50 - 14:20 Lunchtime**
- 14:20 - 17:00 Conference technical visit
- Lisbon observatory hands-on experience**

