



bringing clarity

Earth Observation Laboratory



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Who are we?

- Founded 2008
- Heritage in climate science
- Intuitive cloud-based tools and applications
- Corporate Sustainability and Earth Observation



The "landscape" of applications with which we can learn about environmental challenges is becoming richer:

continuing instrumentation of the physical world through the proliferation of sensors



broadening of access to high performance analytics



Earth Observation



Although 100 years old - EO introduces whole new classes of sensors

As it becomes more affordable its use will grow

Generates large amounts of (big) data

Initial uses are somewhat specialised -

Public sector, academia, NGOs - environment-related domains

But potential uses are significantly broader –

Private sector – manufacturing, distribution, finance...

Other public sector and academia – health, social sciences



Common challenges





Practitioners are specialists in their fields, but often lack the technology to support their skills and knowledge.

Creation of valuable content from large and growing volumes of EOderived data needs easy to use, scaleable-data management.

Making results persist prominently, and helping /influencing policy makers and the public requires engagement on their terms. We developed a large scale collaboration platform for spatial data content, to

Make EO data easily available and usable by a broader range of people, particularly non-expert users

Enable swift, low cost collaboration between partners on EO-related projects

Bring EO (and other RS data) to more and different users - for example in the corporate world, for supply chain analysis, climate-related risk assessment, asset location, forecasting, and so on...

Our solution



A cloud-based spatial content management system

- Manages data at scale
- Simple browser-based interaction
- No special software or technical knowledge
- Multiple collaborative applications
- Analysis and understanding
- Publication and sharing



Move EO data management forward:

Fragmented Incomplete Offline Version confusion Siloed Incompatible Obsolete Organised Complete Connected Controlled Accessible Queryable

Research Benefits

Proposal:

Allocating

resources to

engagement?

Check effectiveness of engagement and communication

Initial:

Intermediate:

Enabling relevant, simple access? Building capacity?

Make outputs easily usable

Increase impact of research

Improve collaboration with partners

Help commercialise outputs

Connect to policy makers and business

Attract research funds

Conception: Considering stakeholders and how to engage?

Attract new students



Post project: Maintaining relationships? Disseminating for impact?

Capturing learning?

Final:

Effectively sharing? Capturing and communicating impact?



Forests 2020 is a major investment by the UK Space Agency to help protect and restore up to 300 million hectares of tropical forests by improving forest monitoring in six partner countries through advanced uses of satellite data.



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A team of researchers from the University of Leicester, led by Professor Heiko Balzter and accompanied by Roselin Rodríguez García, Technical Co-ordinator of the GEF-Ambio El Ocote Conservation Project, visited Mexico in February as part of a UK Space Agency international partnership space programme (IPSP) project to Advance the Application of Earth Observation to Forests.





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