

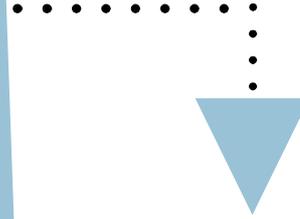
The First ERIG Workshop on Education, Research, and Innovation in GNSS

March 27-28, 2007





A word from the Workshop Committee



Dear Colleagues,

It is a great pleasure for us to invite you to participate in the First ERIG Workshop, which will take place in Aalborg, Denmark on March 27-28, 2007.

The start of the workshop is planned such that you can reach Aalborg within the same day from all relevant starting positions, and timely enough to be welcomed by the Rector of Aalborg University, Dr. Finn Kjærdsdam at 17:00.

The workshop is planned to close at 13:30 on the following day.

For your information you can find the registration form and information about hotels, local transportation, etc. in the next pages.

Please visit the web-site www.gps.aau.dk/misc/erig for future information including the final programme which will be uploaded in due time.

We strongly recommend you to book flight as soon as possible as there is a heavy traffic between Aalborg and Copenhagen and as you properly know - as earlier you book, the cheaper your ticket will be.

You are most welcome to contact Professor Kai Borre (borre@gps.aau.dk) for further information.

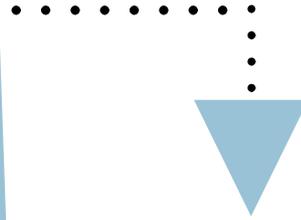
We look forward to seeing you in Aalborg.

Best regards

Professor Kai Borre, Aalborg University
Pascal Campagne, FDC Director of Strategy
Gill Joy, ERIG project manager



ERIG



ERIG is a project funded under the 6th Framework Programme of the European Commission and managed by the European GNSS Supervisory Authority (http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/energy_transport/galileo/sa/index_en.htm).

This study aims to provide recommendations to the European Institutions to improve and facilitate GNSS related Education, Research, Innovation and Technology Transfer in order to optimize the socio and economic outcomes of the Galileo programme.

The study work will involve two iterations of information gathering, analysis and comparison. This information will be derived from several tasks, in particular by:

- Establishing the current situation and capability within Education, Research, Innovation and Technology Transfer
- Analyzing the interactions between Education, Research and Innovation/ Technology transfer in the GNSS/navigation domain and how they might be developed to deliver social and economic benefits
- Comparing the situation with other technologies and services that have been through similar growth cycles
- Comparing the situation with other geographical areas outside of Europe

Two workshops are planned in the frame of these activities:

- This first workshop in Aalborg University to discuss and provide a critical review of the data collection and analysis performed so far
- The second workshop in FAF Munich University (October 2007) to present the results of the whole study and to review the recommendations proposed before delivery to the European Institutions.

The ERIG project is coordinated by ESYS plc in partnership with COWI, FAF Munich, FDC, Nottingham University, ISMB, The 425 Company, AAU, University of Porto, ENAC and UWMO.



PROGRAMME OVERVIEW



One of the challenges of ERIG is to better understand the dynamics between Education, Research and Innovation (ERI) in GNSS. We have sent you an invitation to this workshop as we believe you can make an important contribution.

The ERIG project has completed its initial data collection task for ERI activities in Europe. It is vital that we now consult with relevant experts to validate our findings and start to explore what they tell us about the current situation. Your ideas will be invaluable for moving the project forward in the right direction.

The workshop programme has been devised to maximise opportunities for discussion amongst different stakeholders:

Tuesday, March 27

The workshop will start around 17:00 with introductions from our hosts in Aalborg and an overview from the Galileo Supervisory Authority to explain how the results of the ERIG project will contribute to their strategic plans.

In order to set the scene for the next day's discussion, there will be a short presentation about the ERIG project, its specific aims and what has been achieved so far - with opportunities to ask questions afterwards.

Wednesday, March 28

Start 08:30. The three areas of ERIG - Education, Research and Innovation - will be discussed, each beginning with a presentation of the team's findings to date regarding existing activities and capabilities. (Background data to be published online in advance also).

We look forward to all feedback from participants, including suggestions for missing data, views on the strengths and weaknesses of ER&I and reasons for this, proposals for further analysis of European data, ideas for the next stage of data collection (comparison with North America and Pacific Rim), examples of good practice from the GNSS sector (or other sectors) .. and more.

The project will develop resource kits, based on our findings, to help foster education and research in GNSS. A short session will take place later in the morning to explore and agree the priority audiences for such kits.

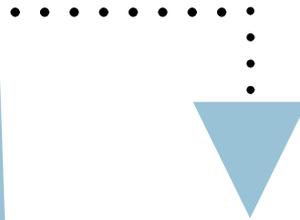
To conclude the workshop, there will be a short plenary session bringing together all the feedback and agreed actions from the two days looking forward to the next stage of ERIG. Close 13:30.

Please consult the ERIG website where a more detailed agenda will be published soon.

[Http://www.esys.co.uk/erig](http://www.esys.co.uk/erig)



GENERAL INFORMATION



Date: March 27-28, 2007

Venue: GammelTorv 10, 9000 Aalborg, Denmark

Registration:

Please e-mail to Rikke Klemmensen (rdk@es.aau.dk) the registration form.

Deadline for registration: March 5, 2007

How to get to Aalborg:

For flights from Copenhagen to Aalborg see www.scandinavian.net

The relevant flights for Aalborg depart from Copenhagen Airport, Terminal 1 on 11:15, 12:30, 15:00, and 16:10.

Alternatively, intercity trains leave directly from Terminal 3 to Aalborg every hour. Train tickets can be purchased in Terminal 3 at the ground floor. The stairs to the train platform are next to the ticket office. The ride takes 4 and a half hours.

From the Nordic countries there are ferry connections to Hirtshals, Hanstholm and Frederikshavn. The travel time from each of the three terminals to Aalborg is about one hour.

Transportation to downtown:

The distance from Aalborg Airport to the recommended hotels (and the meeting venue) is 7 km. A taxi costs about 90 DKK, tip included. The price is shown on the meter.

The meeting venue is in walking distance from the hotels.

Hotels recommended:

We recommend two hotels where you can get a special reduced price if you mention the ERIG workshop in connection with your reservation:

- Park Hotel <http://www.park-hotel-aalborg.dk/>
- Hotel Hvide Hus <http://www.hotelhvidehus.dk/page4.aspx>

Map of Aalborg:

<http://www.aalborg.city-map.dk/city/db/410508000002/14883/Aalborg.html>

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