

Round table on Global Navigation Satellite System

Topic: Regional approaches to the European GNSS Programmes (EGNOS, GALILEO)

The technology of Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS) is currently being used in a wide range of sectors. The European GNSS programmes, EGNOS and GALILEO, have been seen as investments allowing Europe to take a substantial share of GNSS market. Today, EGNOS is operational but it is necessary to stimulate new ideas for satellite navigation applications and to increase the use of GNSS services. Therefore, EGNOS and GALILEO offer an important opportunity for European regions to cooperate and to strengthen the international competitiveness of Europe. Regions could provide “the drive and the market for space applications and offer a tangible mechanism to ensure the take up of GALILEO/GNSS applications and services for EU economic and societal benefit.”

This Round Table will discuss the current situation of the European GNSS programmes development, taking into particular account the main causes of an apparent lack of applications, and will address the role of the European Regions as key players in the area of downstream services. The main aims are:

- To examine, from a regional point of view, the current status of the European GNSS programmes and the conditions needed for the development of GNSS applications and services
- To examine the institutional capacity of the European Regions in the area of GNSS technologies, applications and services, also concerning market development support
- To individuate the cooperation opportunities among the Regions
- To present some regional successful cases

The round table will bring together representatives of European institutions, Regions, research centers and industries

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