









# Earth Observation for coastal protection in Benin and Togo

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#### Rationale for project

- Increase experience in the integration of EO information in the planning and monitoring process of public and private entities.
- Improve the infrastructure and qualification of users for the evaluation of the data and preparation of relevant and specific information.
- Utilize the potential of EO data, esp. Copernicus programme, for planning, decision making and monitoring of projects in Africa.
- Increase the knowledge and awareness of decision-makers and technical staff in municipalities, administration and ministries.





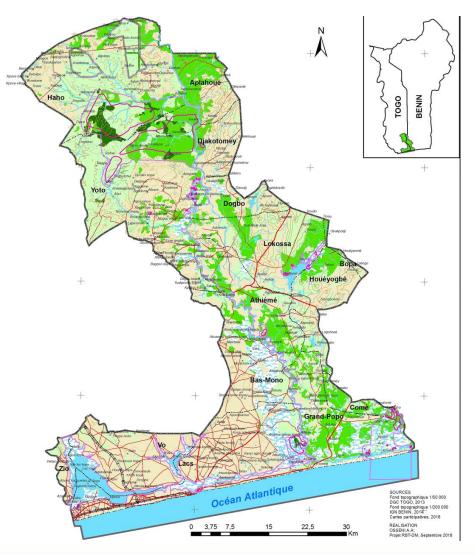
#### Aim of the project

 Development and testing of a pilot application with the use of earth observation based on a concrete problem (e.g. land use change, loss of biodiversity, coastal change, monitoring of fisheries) in the Biosphere Reserve Mono.





Transboundary UNESCO Biosphere Reserve Mono Delta in Benin and Togo







#### Possible topics of planned EO application

- Water quality, esp. pollution phenomena,
- Coastal erosion
- Fisheries management,
- Land use and management,
- Degradation of mangroves



Source: www.copernicus.eu



#### Previous steps

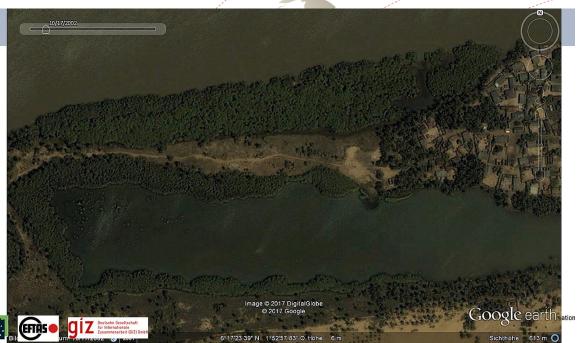
Development of a proposal for EO pilot project in coastal and marine protection in cooperation with on-going project in Africa

- Fact finding mission to analyse EO options for pilot project in Benin in October 2017
- Workshop with main stakeholders in Grand-Popo in November 2017



#### Next steps

- Detailed description of application and the requirements to fulfill needs of local population
- Specification of technical requirements for the pilot application
- Tarining of the partner institutions
- Development of an application according to requirements
- Testing of application and adaptation





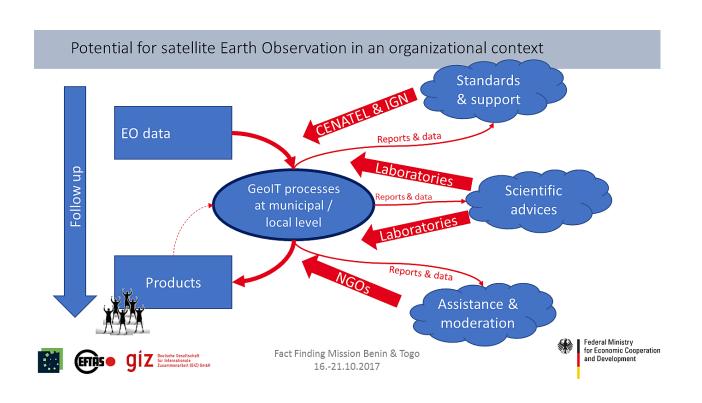
## Example: Mangrove monitoring







#### Proposal for integration of EO in Benin







### Thank you for your attention

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