**INITIAL ACTION PLAN FOR**

**THE NETWORK OF COPERNICUS ACADEMY MEMBERS**

Please complete this form electronically and send it by email to support@copernicus.eu with *Copernicus Academy [Name of your organisation] – Initial Action Plan* in the subject by Monday 20th February 2017.

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<th>Network Member description</th>
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<td>Name of organisation</td>
<td>Faculty of Geodesy, University of Zagreb</td>
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**Scope of the Initial Action Plan**

The “Initial Action Plan” describes how the Copernicus Academy Member intends to tackle the core tasks, as well as other tasks if desired, as outlined in the Copernicus Academy Members’ “Roles and Responsibilities”. For each of the actions, where applicable, please also include:

- A preliminary timeline if applicable
- Description of external support needed
- Any details on multidisciplinary of courses/activities
- Envisaged relation/engagement with other Universities, Research Institutions, Associations, Downstream Service Providers and other relevant entities
- Foreseen practical outcomes of the activities envisioned
- Any planned user engagement actions and ways to address real users’ needs and how these are reflected in the outcomes

**Planned dedicated publications and reference training lectures (if any)**

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<th>Short description</th>
<th>The final thesis is required for every Master’s program. This is the also the case at our University. At the end of the final year, every student is obligated to write a Master thesis with some topic. Some of them are related with remote sensing but currently not many of them use Copernicus data, applications or any materials. Starting from next year, we plan to suggest and develop more Copernicus related Master thesis.</th>
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<td>Some of the Master thesis are done in partnerships with other institutions and private companies. Developing Master thesis with Copernicus related data and materials, will increase dissemination of Copernicus related material within those institutions and private companies.</td>
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<td>Written Master thesis with Copernicus related data</td>
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**Integration of Copernicus-related materials in existing courses**

**Short description**
Currently, on some courses like “Geoinformation modeling” and “Spatial data analysis” we use learning materials not related to Copernicus. We plan to revise those courses, starting from next semester, to integrate Copernicus learning materials and available data into some of the learning materials. Partial integration of some of the Coperinicus learning materials into existing courses will raise awareness about existence of Copernicus project as well as available data and techniques.

**Envisaged date(s) if applicable**
End of 2017.

**External support needed if applicable (yes/no with brief explanation)**
No.

**Any details on multidisciplinary actions**

**Envisaged relation/engagement with other actors**

**Foreseen practical outcomes**
Revised learning materials for applicable courses with Copernicus data.

**Any planned user engagement actions**

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**Scholarships for theses and vocational trainings (if any)**

**Short description**

**Envisaged date(s) if applicable**

**External support needed if applicable (yes/no with brief explanation)**

**Any details on multidisciplinary actions**

**Envisaged relation/engagement with other actors**

**Foreseen practical outcomes**

**Any planned user engagement actions**

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**Sharing of best practices and research outcomes (if applicable)**

**Short description**

**Envisaged date(s) if applicable**

**External support needed if applicable (yes/no with brief explanation)**

**Any details on multidisciplinary actions**

**Envisaged relation/engagement with other actors**

**Foreseen practical outcomes**

**Any planned user engagement actions**

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**Supporting innovative products (if applicable)**

**Short description**

**Envisaged date(s) if applicable**

**External support needed if applicable (yes/no with brief explanation)**

**Any details on multidisciplinary actions**

**Envisaged relation/engagement with other actors**

**Foreseen practical outcomes**

**Any planned user engagement actions**

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**Knowledge culture activities (if any)**

**Short description**

**Envisaged date(s) if applicable**

**External support needed if applicable (yes/no with brief explanation)**

**Any details on multidisciplinary actions**
| Envisaged relation/engagement with other actors |  |
| Foreseen practical outcomes |  |
| Any planned user engagement actions |  |

**Planned engagement and relationships with other network and institutions**

| Short description | As a part of some existing research project like “Geospatial monitoring of green infrastructure by means of terrestrial, airborne and satellite imagery” and “Advanced forest environmental services assessment” which all include other research institutions (Forestry institute), we plan to use Copernicus data and applications within projects activities. |
| Envisaged date(s) if applicable | From 2017 |
| External support needed if applicable (yes/no with brief explanation) | No |

**Other activities (if any)**

| Short description |  |
| Envisaged date(s) if applicable |  |
| External support needed if applicable (yes/no with brief explanation) |  |