

## European Satellite Center (EUSC) - Hungarian Space Office (HSO) – Hungarian Association for Geo-Information (HUNAGI) Conference on the possibilities of Co-operation

Budapest, 8 January 2004  
in the Ministry of Informatics and  
Communication



**Co-Chairmen:** Dr. Előd Both, Director, HSO and Dr. Gábor Remetey-Fülöpp, Secretary General, HUNAGI



**EUSC representatives:** General Fernando Davara and Mr. Giulio Prisco

### Programme

9.00: Welcome speech by **Mr. Zsolt Sikolya**, President of HUNAGI  
Summary of recent space research events by **Dr. Előd Both**, Director, HSO  
Introductory lecture by **Dr. Gábor Remetey-Fülöpp**, Secretary General, HUNAGI  
Welcome address of **General Fernando Davara**  
Presentation by **Mr. Giulio Prisco**, Head of GeoMatics and Application Development Division, EUSC

10.00: Lectures given by the representative experts of institutions (university research groups, independent companies, national organizations, ministry department):

- Department of Water and Environmental Management, University of Debrecen
- Geological Institute of Hungary
- TTTC Ltd.
- Department of Lands and Mapping, Ministry of Agriculture and Regional Development
- Bekes Ltd.
- Central-European Land Knowledge



Centre (CelkCenter)

- Department of Surveying & Geoinformation at Sopron, University of West Hung.
- Remote Sensing Centre of the Institute of Geodesy & Cartography and Remote Sensing



- J-COM Euro Hungary Ltd.
- Analogic Computers-Inc.

13.00: Discussion, conclusions

### THE EUROPEAN UNION SATELLITE CENTRE

The European Union Satellite Centre (EUSC) is an Agency of the Council of the European Union dedicated to the exploitation and production of information derived

primarily from the analysis of earth observation space imagery in support of Union decision-making in the field of "second pillar", the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP).

The establishment of the EUSC is considered by the Union as an essential asset for the strengthening of CFSP (and of the European Security and Defense Policy -ESDP- as part of CFSP), especially in the crisis monitoring and conflict prevention function.

The Centre was created by a Council Joint Action on 20 July 2001, and it is operational as from 1st January 2002, under the political supervision of the Political and Security Committee and the operational direction of the Secretary-General.

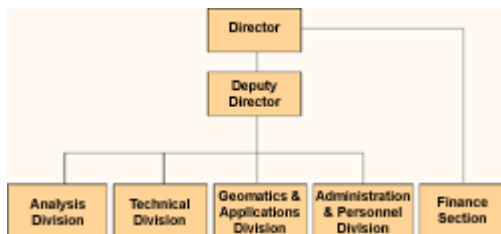
The Centre, which has own legal personality in order to carry out its function, also conducts research and development projects. The Centre also carries out training activities for expert personnel in the fields of Digital Geographic Information Systems and imagery analysis.

It is located in Torrejón, in the vicinity of Madrid, Spain



STAFF

The Centre's structure comprises a Directorate office that oversees 4 divisions and one section. The Deputy Director supports the Director in his function.



The EUSC team is composed of 68 nationals from many of the 15 EU member states. They are all professionals with wide experience in a variety of fields (such as imagery analysis, research, informatics, etc.), closely related to the mission and activities of the Centre.

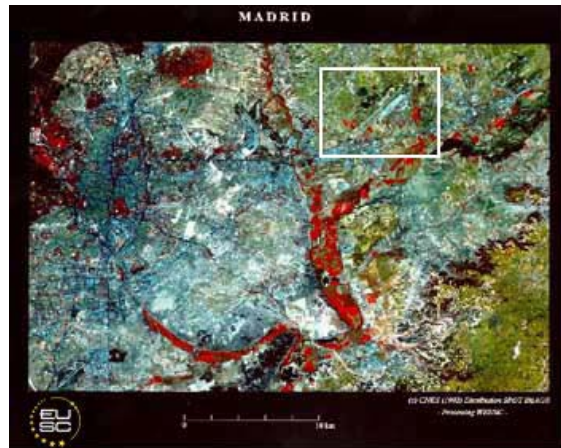
The EUSC also employs experts on a temporary basis, who are seconded by the Member States or the Commission. These staff are employed for periods not exceeding 1 year

in order to familiarize themselves with the activities and functioning of the Satellite Centre.

This measure is also applicable to Third States that have agreed to the provisions laid out in the Annex to the Council Joint Action.

The EUSC may also, on occasion and upon specific requirements, employ temporary staff

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