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Hello EO Capacity Building Community!

One month into 2024, EOTEC DevNet is immersed in activities with our Communities of Practice (CoPs) to foster collaboration on Earth observation-related capacity building. Here's what's happening...

On our 2024 to-do list

Upgrading the flood tools tracker

With continued support from the <u>CEOS</u>
<u>Systems Engineering Office</u>, we are revamping the <u>flood tools tracker</u>. An overview of proposed changes will be posted in the <u>Flood Working Group on our member platform</u> in mid February.

Join the discussion there!

Insights on needs assessment

Volunteers from EOTEC's four regional CoP task teams are working on best practice guidance on EO related needs assessment. Join the effort by adding resources to our <u>matrix</u> or join the team by emailing <u>secretariat@eotecdev.net</u>.

Ramping up drought work

While we explore cooperation with existing drought initiatives on a shared working group, EOTEC needs help now expanding our <u>drought tools matrix</u>. It will form the basis of an online tracker similar to the flood tools tracker. Please add your preferred drought resources!

Building our communities

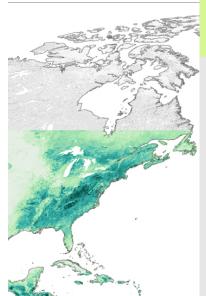
Communities of Practice are the heart of EOTEC! Help us reach our 2024 goal of doubling community participation by sharing EOTEC info with your network and bringing at least one EO colleague to the next set of meetings.

Share your feedback, start a conversation, and meet new colleagues on our member platform.

<u>Create an account</u> today.

Get to know our leadership:

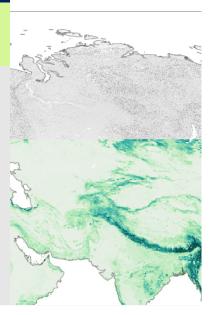
Fabiola Yépez Rincón, Americas Region CoP Task Team Lead



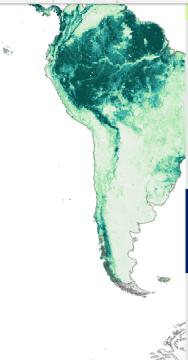


Recently awarded the <u>prestigious 2024</u>
<u>Premio Mujer Tec</u> by the Monterrey
Institute of Technology and Higher
Education (Tec de Monterrey), Dra. Fabiola
is a Research Professor and Head of the
Department of Geomatics at the
Universidad Autónoma de Nuevo León.
Along with her EOTEC work, she also
heads SELPER Mexico and SELPER
International, and co-leads the ISPRS
Disaster Management Working Group.
Fabiola shares her passion for science and
collaboration in this interview.





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Mekong Drought and Crop Watch An interactive, webbased drought tool in the Lower Mekong region. It provides decisionmakers and growers with drought monitoring, analysis, and forecasting, and crop yield estimation

FANFAR, Operational
Flood Forecasting and
Alerts in West Africa
An open source tool
providing flood forecasts
and alerts to flood
managers and others via
web visualization, SMS,
e-mail, and application
programming interfaces
(API).

CADRI Disaster Risk
Reduction Capacity
Assessment Tool
Enables users to design,
plan and implement
capacity diagnosis
missions related to
disaster and climate risk
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In case you missed it...

- January flood working group <u>highlights</u> with <u>spotlights</u> on:
 - o Global flood inundation mapping with Pakistan case
 - New WMO digital tool for national met/hydro services in Africa
 - o On-demand forecasting for water: OPENCoastS platform
- EOTEC's first global use case on flood extent tools

Open Science Webinar

The CEOS WGCapD is featuring Open Science at webinars March 19 at 15:00 UTC and March 20 at 3:00 UTC.
Registration link coming soon.

Connect with EOTEC

- UN-SPIDER 2024 Conference on EarlyWarnings4All
- European Geophysical Union 2024

EOTEC events

- March 20/21: Regional Task Team meetings
- April 17/18: Flood Working Group meetings Register here



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