

# LandSense: A Citizen Observatory and Innovation Marketplace for Land Use and Land Cover Monitoring

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### Overview

**ASSESS** current practices, user requirements and barriers of present Land Use and Land Cover (LULC) technologies and illustrate the potential extension of such applications from the incorporation of *in-situ* citizen observatories.

**Build** the LandSense engagement platform for the collection, integration, management, and contextualized presentation of LULC information by key stakeholders (i.e. extending existing technology and adopting citizen-driven observations).

**Deliver** four innovative and scalable LULC services - LandSense Campaigner, Farmland Support, Change Detector, and Quality Assurance & Control - and implement a strategy detailing the sustainable exploitation of these technologies post-project.

Demonstrate the quality, confidence and added value of in-situ citizen-driven observations and citizen engagement for improved LULC monitoring via three demonstration cases covering different themes.

**Promote** the uptake of LandSense technologies, solutions, and products for large-scale LULC monitoring across the EU and beyond through the LandSense Services Incubator comprised of key stakeholders from various sectors.

### **Impacts**

**Reduce** the costs of *in-situ* data collection for LULC calibration/validation activities and offer a significant spatial-temporal extension to the *in-situ* component of the GEOSS and Copernicus initiatives.

**Empower** citizens via a range of activities from data collection to knowledge exchange with stakeholders, using LandSense tools for collaborative mapping, opinion surveys and informed decision-making.

**Enhance** the implementation of local and global policy objectives, while engaging citizens to contribute to environmental multi-level governance in terms of increased transparency, accountability and responsiveness.

**FOSTEr** an innovation community in the area of *in-situ* monitoring for LULC by coordinating with ongoing and forthcoming citizen observatories to align activities, interests and networks.

**Increase** Europe's role in the business of *in-situ* monitoring through the development of four scalable services and the creation of an innovation marketplace for sustainable market uptake.



## **17** Partner Institutions

### 9 Countries

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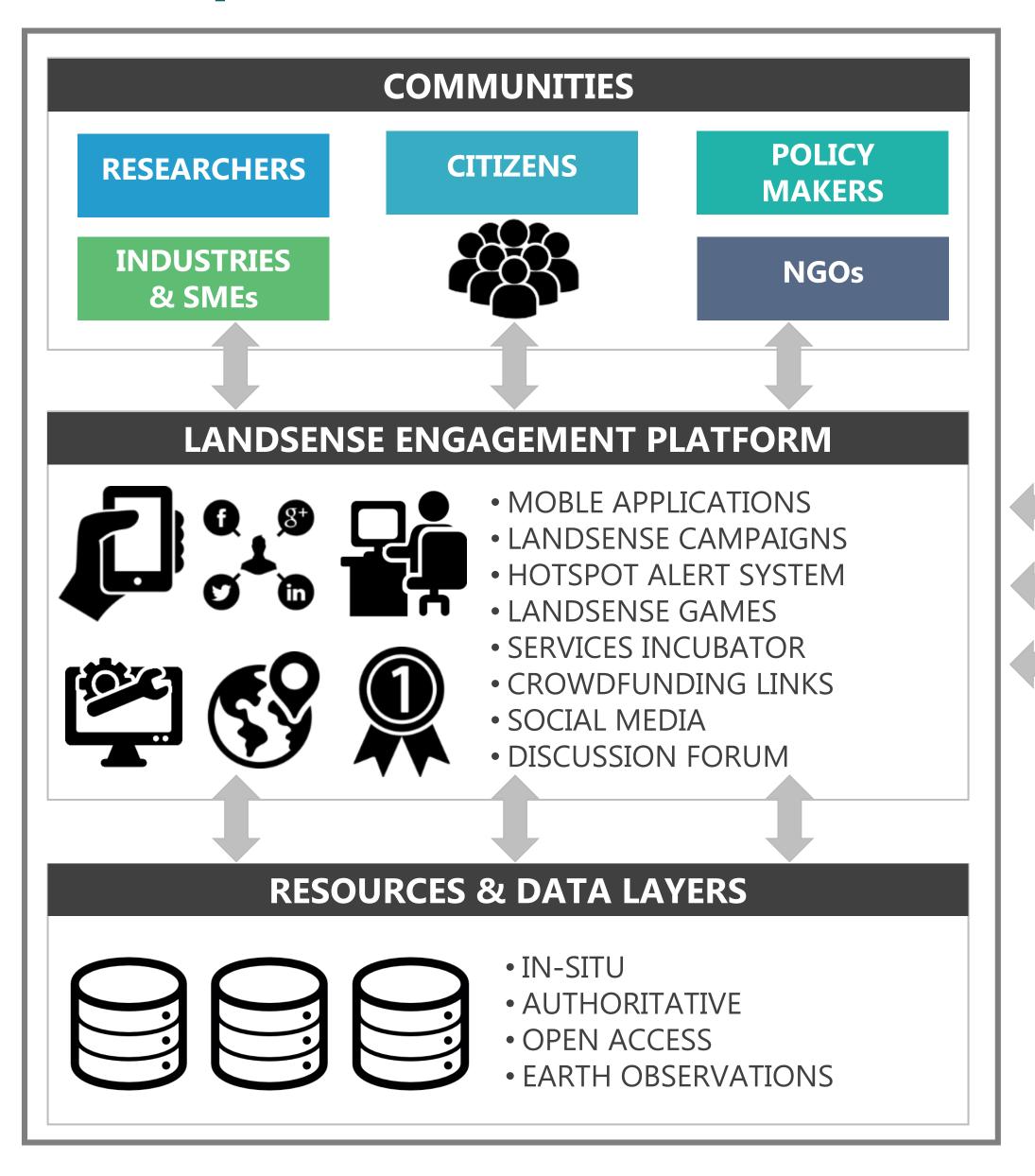
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## Concept









### Complementing authoritative data sources

- Reducing costs on professional surveying
- Optimizing workflows of mapping agencies
- Improving urban greenspace monitoring







- Creating an ecosystem of EO-based services
- Improving agriculture policy compliance





- Adding LULC data into biodiversity databases
- Reducing habitat degradation and deforestation
- Opening up EO-data for forest monitoring



