

# **L'Observation de la Terre au service de la décision l'expérience du RO post Mathieu Haiti**

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## **L'expérience du RO dans le cadre CEOS, et la naissance du RO Démonstrateur au niveau global**

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CEOS represents the civil Earth Observation programs of more than 30 of the world's leading space agencies

**Mission:** promote exchange of data to optimize social benefits and inform decision making for securing a prosperous and sustainable future of humankind.

**Key Stakeholders:** national governments, the intergovernmental Group on Earth Observations (GEO), and organizations participating in treaties and global programs affiliated with the United Nations (UN).

Ensures the **coordination of disaster-related activities** undertaken by the CEOS Agencies and acts as an interface between CEOS and the community of stakeholders and users involved in risk management and disaster reduction





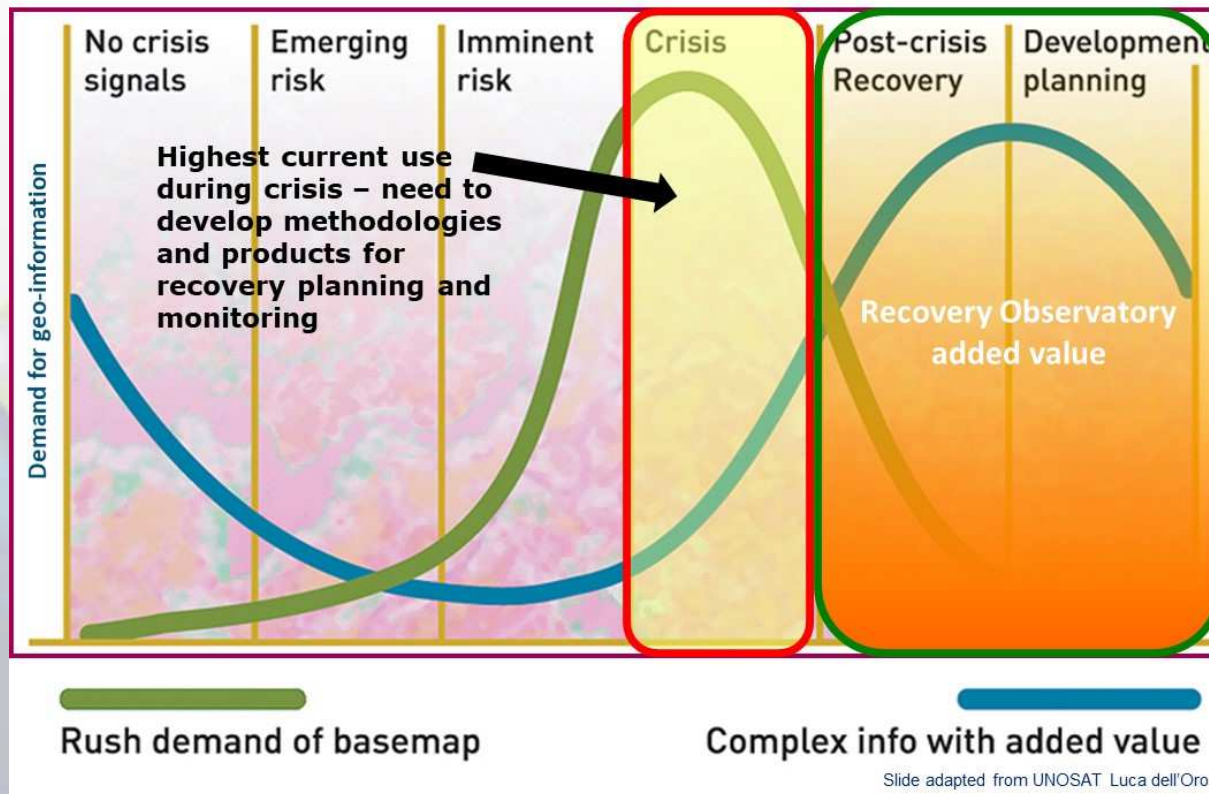


## WG on Disasters, some achievements



- Global Observation Strategy (2020 updated)
- Ensured the appropriate inclusion of satellite EO in the “**Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030**”, through participation in the Sendai process;
- Supported DRM outreach and evaluation of DRM activities;
- Developed a series of concrete actions:
  - Flood, Volcano, Seismic, Landslide projects
  - **Recovery Observatory project**
  - Geohazard Supersites and Natural Laboratories
  - GEO-DARMA (Data Access for Risk Management)

- **Recovery Observatory (RO)** proposed by CNES at the **first WG Disasters meeting** in 2013 !
- Earth Observation was already part of “response” in DRM cycle, but there was little contribution to “post-crisis”.





## RO Objectives



- Demonstrate in a high-profile context the **value of using satellite Earth Observations to support Recovery** from a major disaster:
  - near-term (e.g. PDNA process, rapid assessments); and
  - long-term (e.g. major recovery planning and implementation, estimated to be about 3 years).
- Establish institutional **relationships between CEOS and stakeholders from the international recovery community.**
- **Work with the recovery community** to define a sustainable vision for increased use of satellite Earth observations in support of recovery.
- **Foster innovation** around high-technology applications to support recovery.



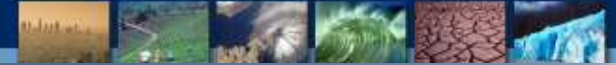
# ROOT & CEOS approval



- **ROOT - Recovery Observatory Oversight Team:** created in 2013 with representatives from the **satellite data providers**, the **international recovery stakeholder community** (UNDP, WB/GFDRR,...) and **value-added providers**.
- The ROOT was co-chaired by the French Space Agency **CNES**, and the Global Facility for Disaster Reduction and Recovery (**WB/GFDRR**).
- It developed the **Recovery Observatory proposal**, approved by CEOS SIT in 2014
- It managed all the **preparatory activities** before the triggering on Haiti :
  - Characterization of RO product list
  - Work on RO scenarios
  - Development of basic RO infrastructure (DotCloud)
  - Establishing demonstration products in Malawi and Nepal in 2016
  - Monitor international events for potential triggering



# RO Triggered on Haiti

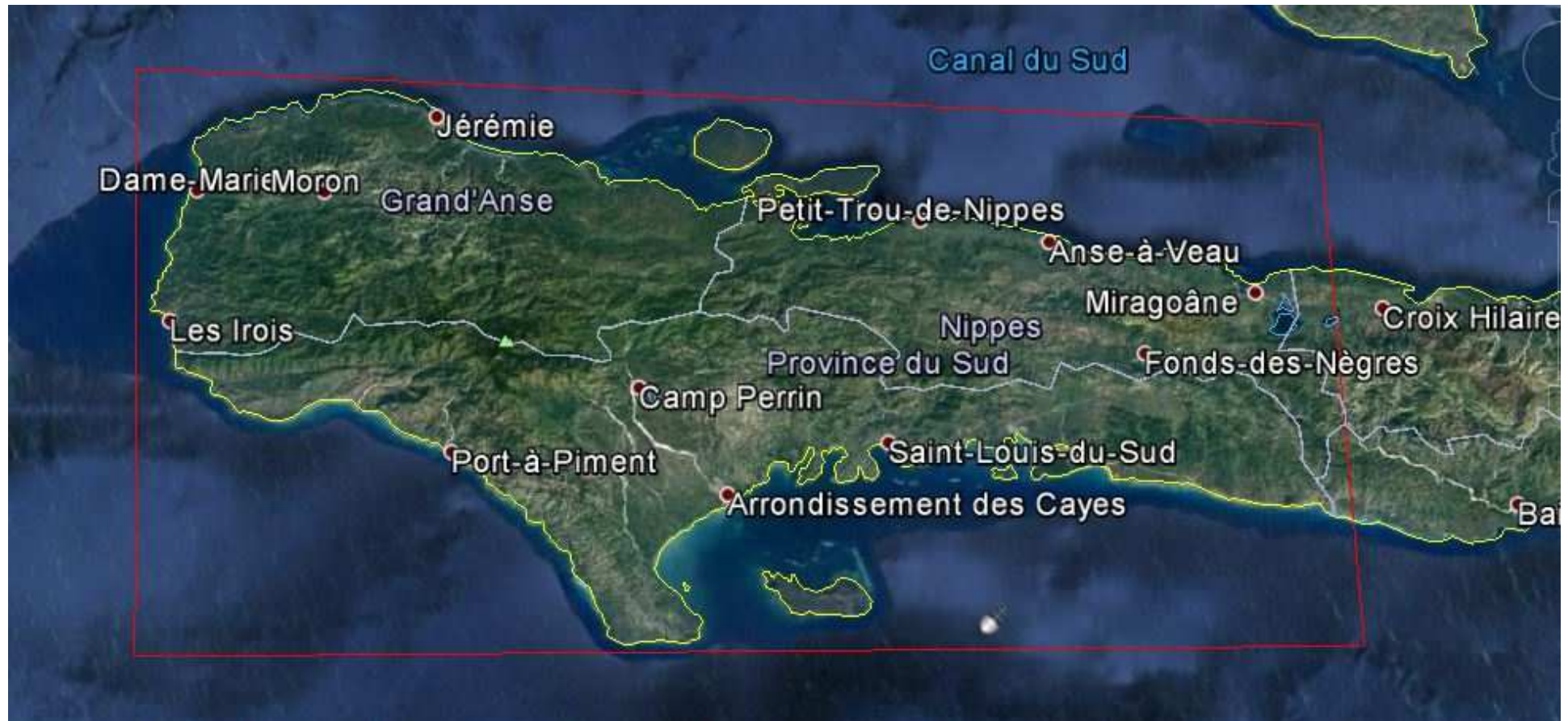


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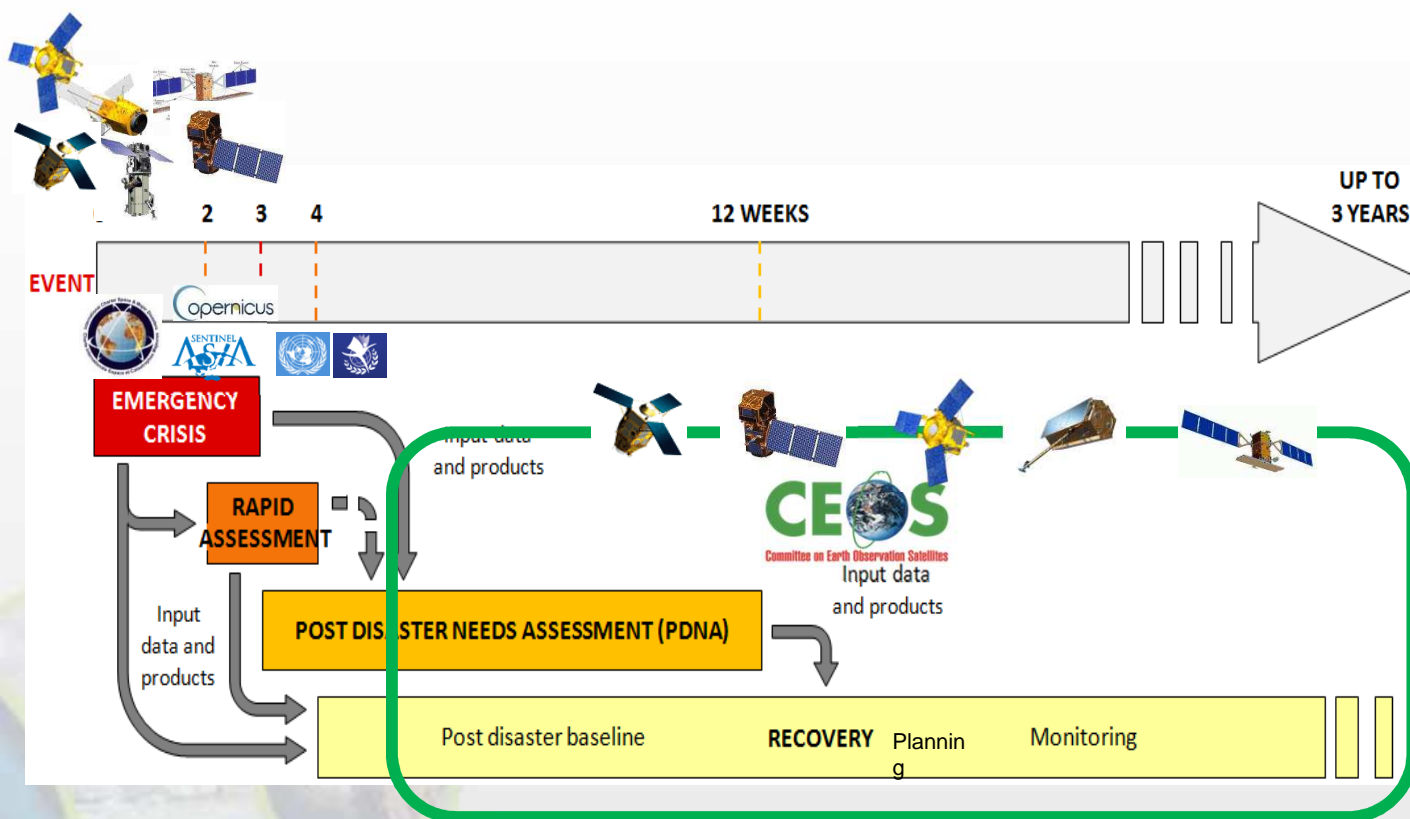
- **Triggering of the RO Pilot decided by CEOS Chair in consultation with CEOS Principals, December 22, 2016**, after significant impact of Hurricane Matthew in Southwest Haiti (October 2016);



# Haiti RO post Matthew covers three departments: Grand'Anse, Sud, and Nippes







**“Recovery Observatory” Pilot** : exploratory project for helping reconstruction planning and monitoring during the whole recovery process (3 years)

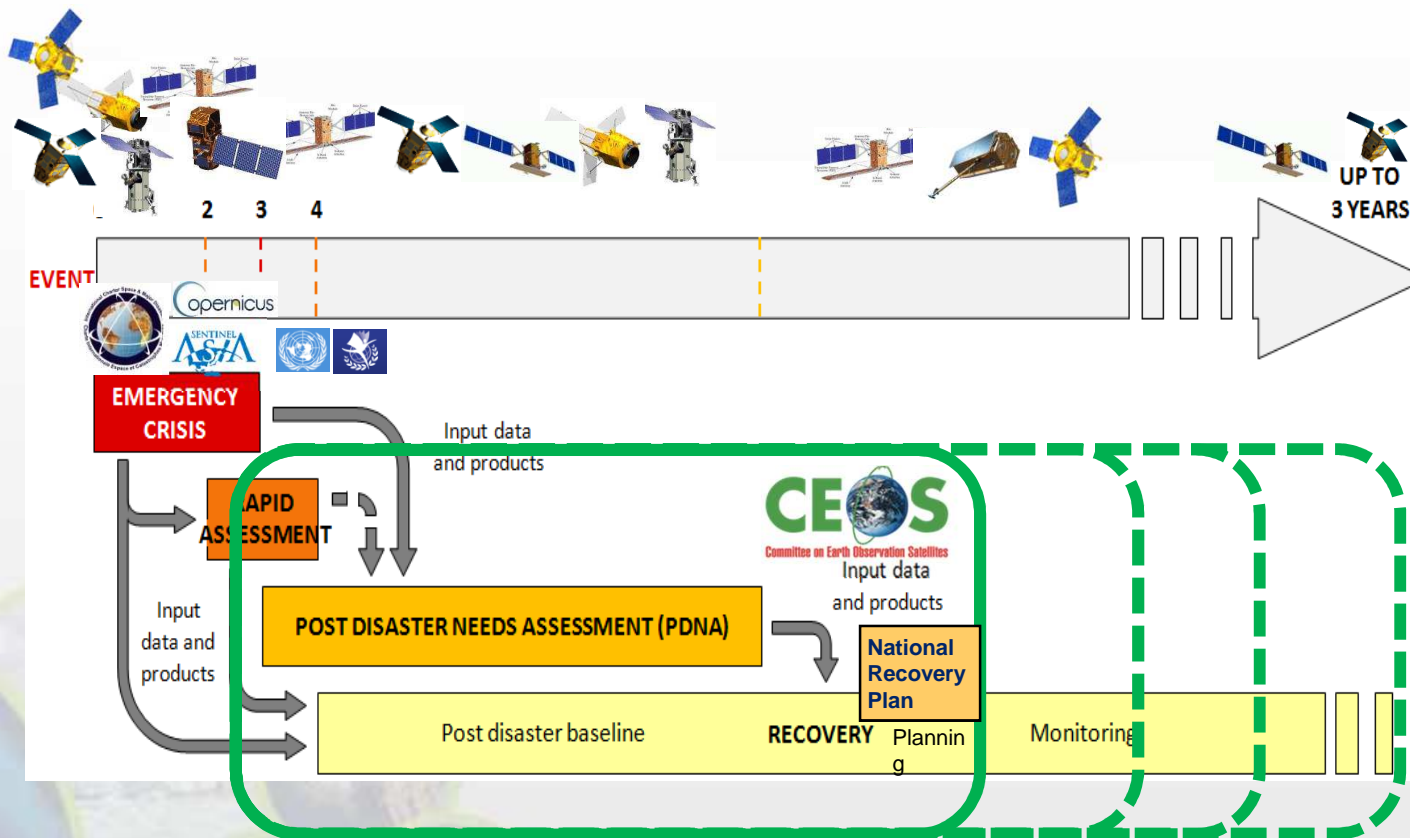




# Lessons Learned from Haiti RO Pilot



- Need for **predefined procedures** between RO, Charter / SentinelAsia/ Copernicus and PDNA, and with data providers for data licensing
- Need for clear **end-to-end approach** from Event through to National Recovery Plan
- Need for **clear relay to Local Users** through international stakeholders
- Need to **define at outset value-adding approach** and determine level of effort (sliding scale of benefits)
- Need to **document RO product methodology** and develop **technology transfer procedure**
- Benefit of **using existing technology platforms** and **decisionmaking mechanisms**
- Need to identify funds to ensure **local Capacity Development** (ad hoc)
- Need to **fast-track roll-out** and plan for **legacy strategies** at outset



**“Recovery Observatory”** : a concept for helping Rapid Assessments & PDNA, Recovery planning & Recovery monitoring  
**RO Demonstrators** mainly focused on PDNA / Rapid Assessment



# Haiti Recovery Observatory (RO) Pilot transition to RO Demonstrator

*Presented at CEOS SIT#35 and Plenary2020*



**Based on lessons from Pilot (2017 – 2020) completed, Demonstrator will:**

- **Deliver a use and utility report** reviewing and evaluating the timely contribution of EO data/products at several scales
  - **Characterizing impacts on livelihoods, environment and security**
  - **Assessing general and sectoral needs**
    - *Post-Disaster Needs Assessments (PDNAs) with UN Development, EU, World Bank and others for reconstruction and rehabilitation*
    - *Global RApid-post-disaster Damage Estimation (GRADE) approaches with governments and other stakeholders for reconstruction*
  - **Determining extent and scale of damage and losses**
    - *Complement Charter observations to complete damage assessment and support recovery planning (3-6 months)*
- **Complete 1 RO Test than 3-5 ROs over 3yrs**
  - **Communicate results to CEOS agencies and stakeholders**



## Maps and analysis at various scales

- **Mid-scale** (10m) overviews of changes in land use and cover updated every 10 days for 6 months
- **High-resolution** hot-zones and lifelines, infrastructure, transport, residences, camps ...updated every 1 to 2 months
- **Integrate essential ancillary data:** terrain validation data, aerial and drone data, statistics, cartography, ....





# RO Demonstrator



- Review/assess **use of EO satellites** in **past Post Disaster Needs Assessments** (PDNAs) – report in 2020 (based on interviews)
- Work with **UNDP, World Bank/GFDRR, and EU** to include satellite-derived information products in PDNAs and GRADE assessments
- Contributions from stakeholders (under discussion WB/GFDRR, UNDP, EU) and CEOS partners (data and value-adding resources: ASI, CNES, CSA/CCMEO, DLR, EC Copernicus, ESA)
- **1<sup>st</sup> RO demonstrator test late 2020** using ESA's EO Clinic ;  
**3 to 5 demonstrations** over 2021-2023 (~ 3 years)
- **RO demonstrator activations** extend Charter observations to complete damage assessment and support Recovery planning (~ **3-6 months**)
- **Report to CEOS Plenary** (2023) and to other partners and make recommendations for sustainable on-going use of satellites

**RO Demonstrator approved in principle** March 2020 (CEOS WG Disasters and Strategic Implementation Team (SIT#35); Implementation Plan fall 2020)



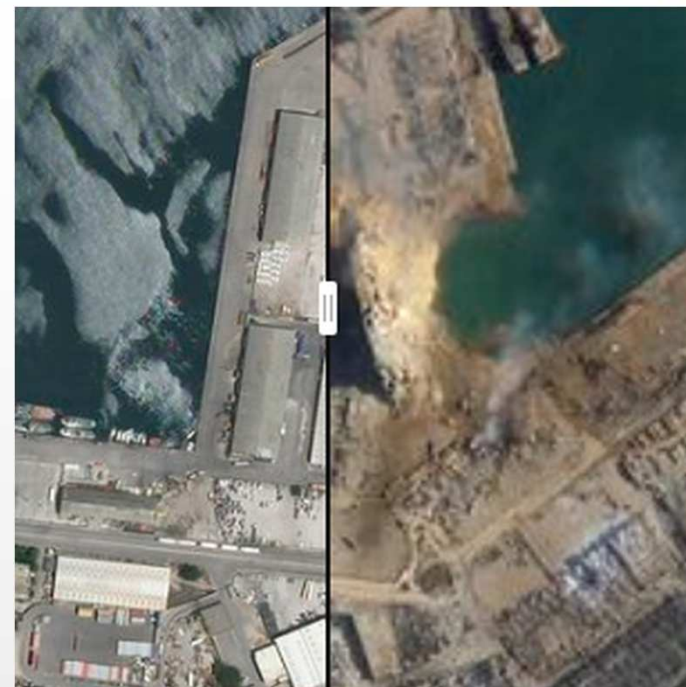
# RO Demonstrators



- **First RO Demonstrator :  
Request on Beirut Blazes recovery**

Aim : monitor the implementation of the Reform, Recovery and Reconstruction framework (3RF) in Beirut area, during a 18 months duration.

Further to EU proposal, the tripartite (WB, UNDP, EU) technical team responsible for the preparation of the 3RF have agreed to add the use of satellite services.



- **Possible triggering on Eta/Iota impact on Honduras (and other areas)**

Request from CEPREDENAC, being analyzed





## Space Agency prospective



- Demonstrated the **value of satellite Earth observations** to support major post disaster:
  - Satellites can be a very useful tool to **fill data gap** where **no other information are available** and to get **synoptic information** over large areas.
  - Satellite can provide information (together with other data set) in a wide **range of thematic products** relevant for recovery (short and long term)
- **RO Pilot: First CEOS project focused on Recovery** phase with large participation and interest from space agencies
  - Demonstrated **need of coordination** between space agencies resources (i.e. coordinated acquisitions, capacity building, etc..)



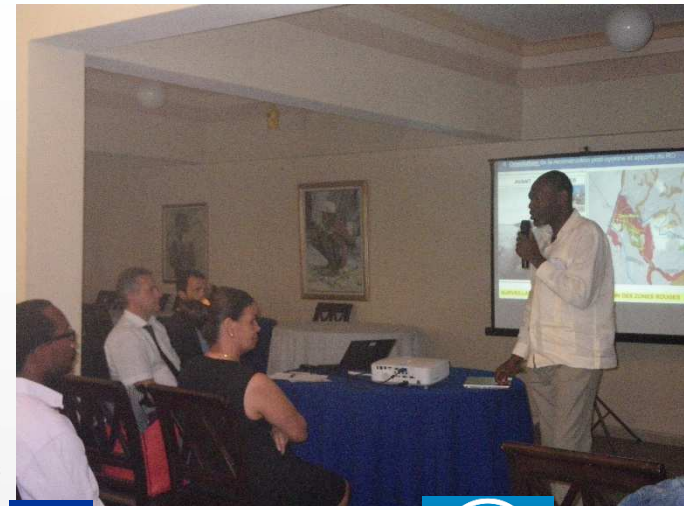


## Space Agency prospective



- Implemented a **worthy model of collaboration** with Haitian partners that could be reproduced:
  - **Users** had **critical role** in the definition and in the management of the project (user driven approach, coconstruction)
  - Developed methodologies based on **free and open data and software** to ensure sustainability also after the end of the project
  - Consequent **capacity building** and **academic conferences** program
- Opened the challenge to establishing a **generic capacity to support major disaster recovery**

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