







# WP8 Virtual Research Environments and Cross-disciplinary Activities

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## ITINERIS Italian Integrated Environmental Research Infrastructures System











## WP8: Main participating infrastructures























**WP8: Main participating institutions** 

- CNR-IGG
- CNR-IRET-FI
- CNR-IRET-LE
- CNR-IRET-Montelibretti
- CNR-IBE-FI
- CNR-IMAA
- CNR-ISMAR-Lerici
- OGS-OCE Trieste supporto tecnico-modellistico di CNR ISTI











### WP8: What we do

The activities of WP8 use data, information and knowledge generated by the individual RI to create a system of Virtual Research Environments (VRE), and provide services where RIs from different domains are harmonized to deal with scientifically and societally relevant topics.

This systemic approach will support the Italian role in several RIs and help taking a leading role to address complex, multi-disciplinary challenges.









# What is a Virtual Research Environment?

An e-Science online environment favouring collaborations and shared solutions to answer specific scientific and/or management questions that require an ensemble of data, analysis tools, modelling solutions and graphical tools, in the spirit of the open science principles.

VRE

Researchers can upload/download and share knowledge, contributing to the construction of the VRE. Users can access to a simplified version of the VRE to tackle specific issues





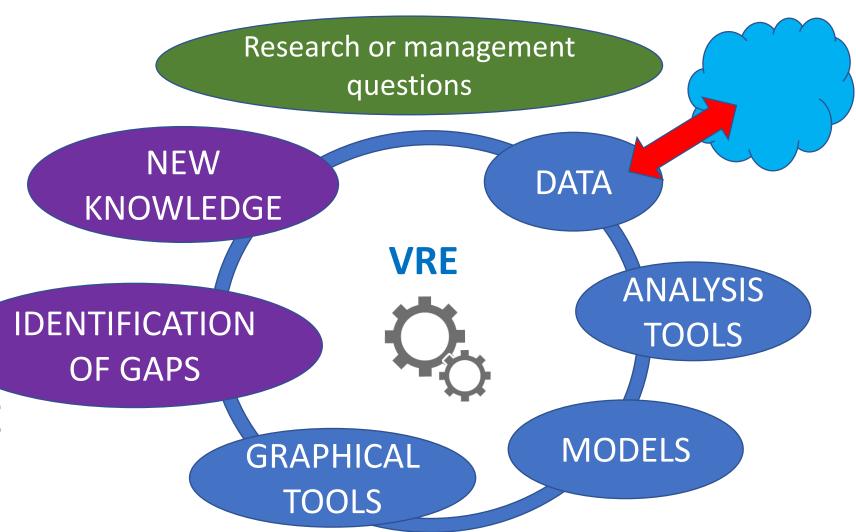






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Approaches:
LifeWatch ERIC VRE
D4Science VRE











- 8.1 Virtual Research Environment for Critical Zone services (CZ VRE).
- Addresses Critical Zone processes, soil, groundwater, droughts in face of climate and environmental change.
- (Matia Menichini and Brunella Raco, CNR-IGG, LifeWatch ERIC)
- 8.2 Virtual Research Environment for aquatic biomass services (**BIOMASS VRE**). Addresses the response of aquatic ecosystems, and in particular of the standing biomass, to environmental change. (Alberto Basset, CNR-IRET-LE, LifeWatch ERIC)
- 8.3 Crop, Plants and Pests VRE (**CPP VRE**). Addresses crop production, plant phenology, pest and disease spread, and cropping system management. (Dario de Nart and Marcello Donatelli, CREA, AnAEE ERIC)











- 8.4 Essential Variables VRE (**EV VRE**). It will build a VRE based on the Essential Climate (ECV) and Biodiversity (EBV) Variables produced by observatories and field campaigns. (Alessandro Oggioni and Paolo Tagliolato, CNR-IREA, eLTER RI)
- 8.5 Aerosol-biosphere Virtual Research Environment (**AERO VRE**). It will include information on aerosol types and the desert dust; atmospheric boundary layer properties, to support research activities on the atmosphere-biosphere-geosphere continuum. (Lucia Mona and Nikolaos Papagiannopoulos, CNR-IMAA, ACRIS ERIC)
- 8.6 Carbon cycle VRE (**CARBON VRE**). It will provide services on the main carbon reservoirs (atmosphere, oceans, terrestrial biosphere and geosphere) and on direct anthropogenic emissions.
- (Gabriele Guidolotti and Andrea Scartazza, CNR-IRET-Montelibretti, ICOS ERIC)











- 8.7 Virtual Research Environment on indicators of climate change (**CLIMA VRE**). It will gather climatic variables from different domains for providing proper indicators. (Marcello Magaldi and Carlo Mantovani, CNR-ISMAR-Lerici, JERICO RI)
- 8.8 Virtual Research Environment VRE on downstream effects of environmental change (**DOWNSTREAM VRE**). It will address the nexus of climate and environmental change effects, carbon, and Earth System response. (Alessandra Giorgetti and Cosimo Solidoro, OGS-OCE, ECORD and Atlas)
- 8.9 Virtual Research Environment on isotopic information (**ISOTOPE VRE**). It will create a national VRE service to retrieve information and analysis tools to fill the gaps in the current ability to analyze isotopes from different matrices. (Samuele Agostini and Eugenio Trumpy, CNR-IGG, LifeWatch ERIC)

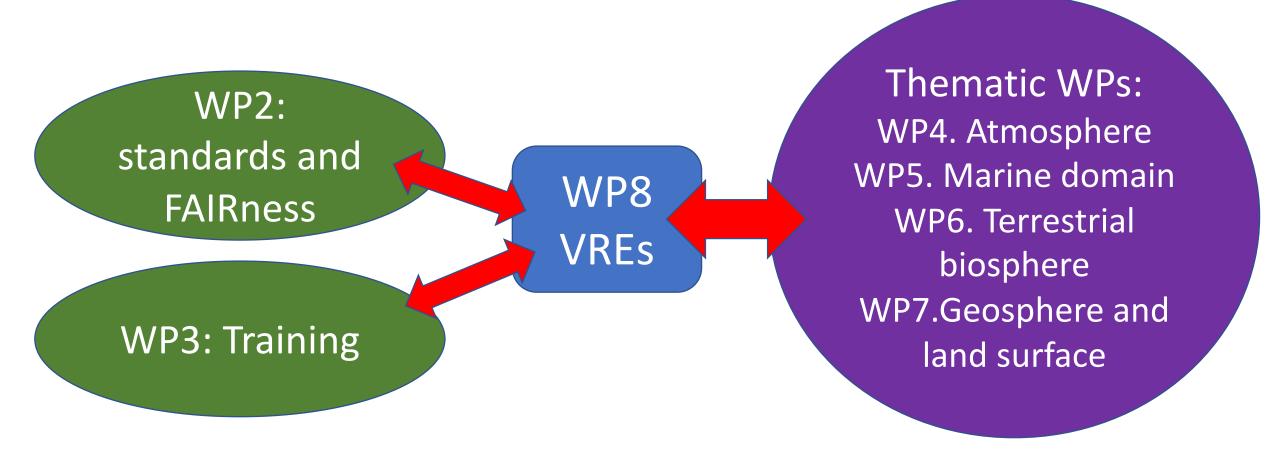








### **WP8: interactions with other WPs**











## **WP8: Networking activities**







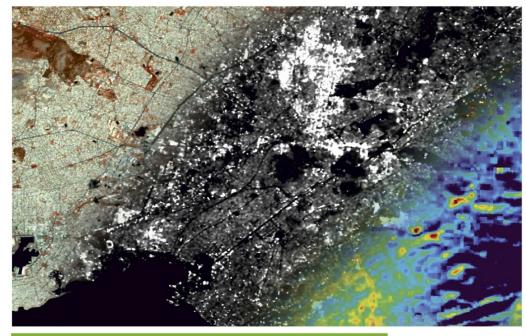












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