



Ref no	Project title		Nature SDI Plus: Best Practice Network for SDI in Nature Conservation					
Name of legal entity	Country	Overall project value (EUR)	Proportion carried out by legal entity (%)	No of staff provided	Name of client	Origin of funding	Dates (start/end)	Name of consortium members, if any
	GREECE	2.800.000 €	6% 168.000€	3	European Commission	eContentplus program	01/12/2008 – 31.07/2011	GISIG (lead)
Detailed Description of the Project						Type of services provided		
<p>This is an International funded project on Data Harmonization according to INSPIRE DIRECTIVE</p> <p>EPSILON INTERNATIONAL SA is the Greek project partner and National coordinator.</p> <p>Nature SDI Plus (http://www.medisolae-3d.eu/) is an international project funded by the European Commission under the eContentplus program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NATURE-SDIplus aims, through state-of-the-art methodologies and best practice examples, to improve harmonisation of national datasets and make them more accessible and exploitable. Therefore, it contributes to the INSPIRE implementation with specific reference to a cluster of data themes on nature conservation (as per the INSPIRE Annexes): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Protected sites (Annex I); Bio-geographical regions, Habitats and biotopes, Species distribution (Annex III). <p>To this end, NATURE-SDIplus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Involves National stakeholders and collects datasets. It is up to the National Coordinators (EPSILON for GR) to coordinate with National Stakeholders the collection of Data whilst other data will be sought during the project by exploiting the potentiality of the network in terms of new members and the recruitment of new data providers. Collects Best Practices on interoperable datasets for nature conservation. Interacts with INSPIRE Drafting Teams both to tune the adopted solutions according to INSPIRE specifications and to support the Implementation of the Directive at network level. Improves and stimulates exploitation and the re-use of information on nature conservation. 						 <p>SDI/ INSPIRE (in general): Collect existing data layers related to nature conservation in Greece. Harmonize collected layers according to INSPIRE Implementation Rules for Annexes I, Annexes III</p> <p>SDI/ INSPIRE Teaching & Training National Stakeholders on producing & using harmonized Data for Protected sites, Bio-geographical regions</p> <p>SDI/ INSPIRE Legislation & Policy: support the Natura 2000 Network: the "Habitats" and "Birds" Directives (92/43/EEC and 79/409/EEC respectively)</p> <p>SDI/INSPIRE: Awareness Raising on the use of INSPIRE directive towards Data Interoperability</p> <p>SDI/INSPIRE: Capacity Building by delivering back to stakeholders harmonized National Databases</p> <p>SDI/INSPIRE: Dissemination of project knowledge via project conferences/ workshops in Greece in cooperation with VestaGIS</p>		