

Institute for Nuclear Research and Nuclear Energy  
Bulgarian Academy of Sciences

**BEOBAL**

**BEO Centre of Excellence**

**BEO Centre of Excellence  
Research Capacity Improvement for  
Sustainable Environment and  
Advanced Integration into ERA**

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**FP6 Project**



# **BEOBAL prehistory**

INRNE astrophysical &  
environmental research

**OM2**

INRNE – CERN

INRNE – HMO

**NUSES**

IES

NPI

ITU

IRMM

**HIMONTONET**

INRNE complex  
environmental monitoring

**BEO Moussala**

**BEO IEC**

**BEO Centre of Excellence**

INRNE – JRC

INRNE – JINR

IRE INRNE – IAEA



# **BEOBAL – 3 main conceptual Pillars**

1. System approach to  
Nuclear Science, Environment and Society
2. Long – Term Development of  
Strategic Cooperation and Integration
3. Enhancement and Development of  
New Organisational Structures in  
European Context with  
Regional Accent



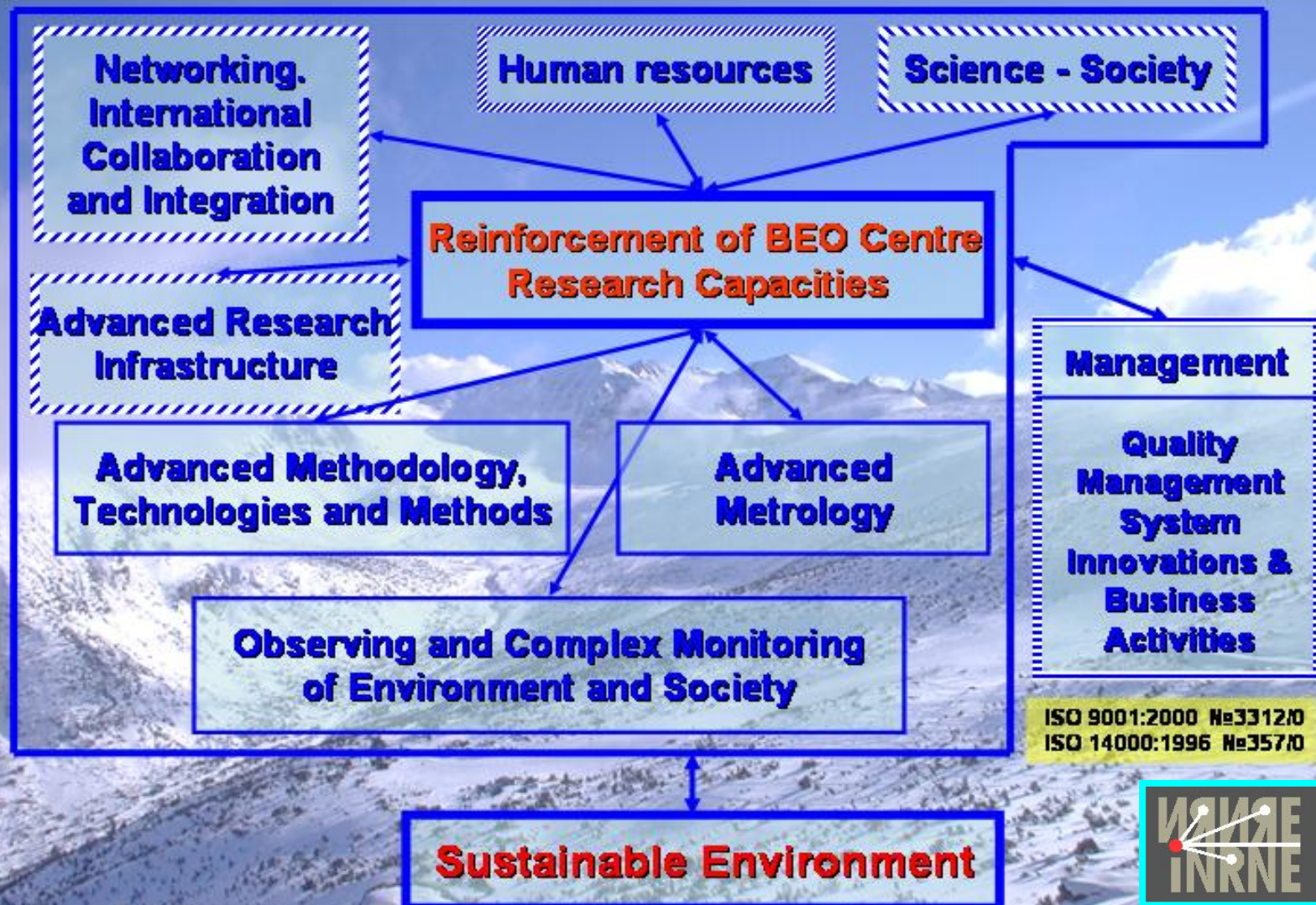


# BEOBAL – 1st Pillar

Advanced Technologies  
and Methods

International Collaboration  
and Cooperation

Advanced  
Metrology

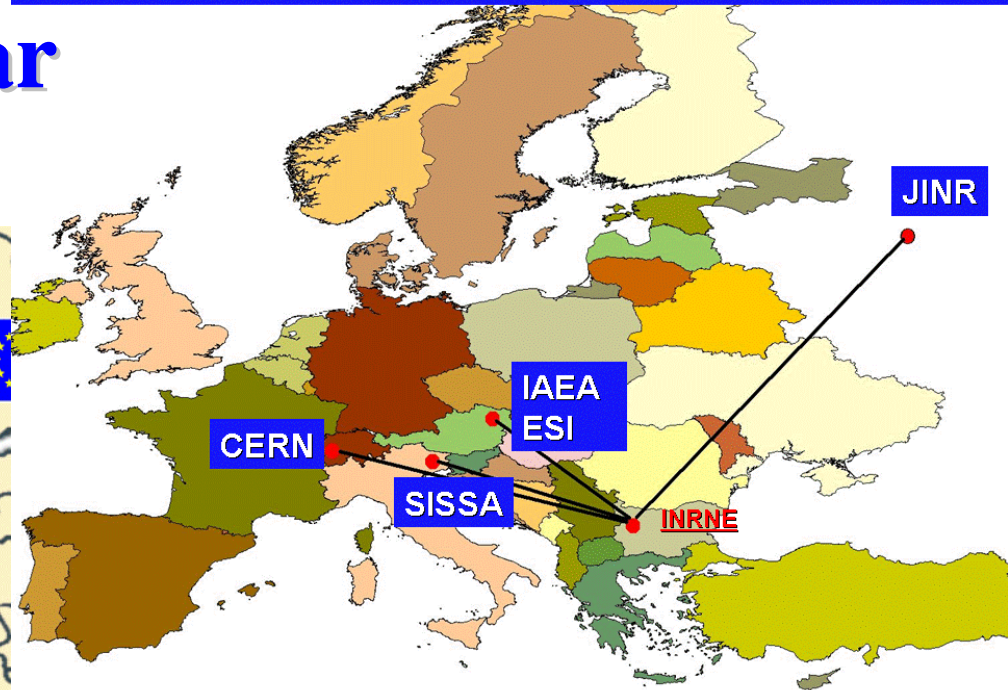




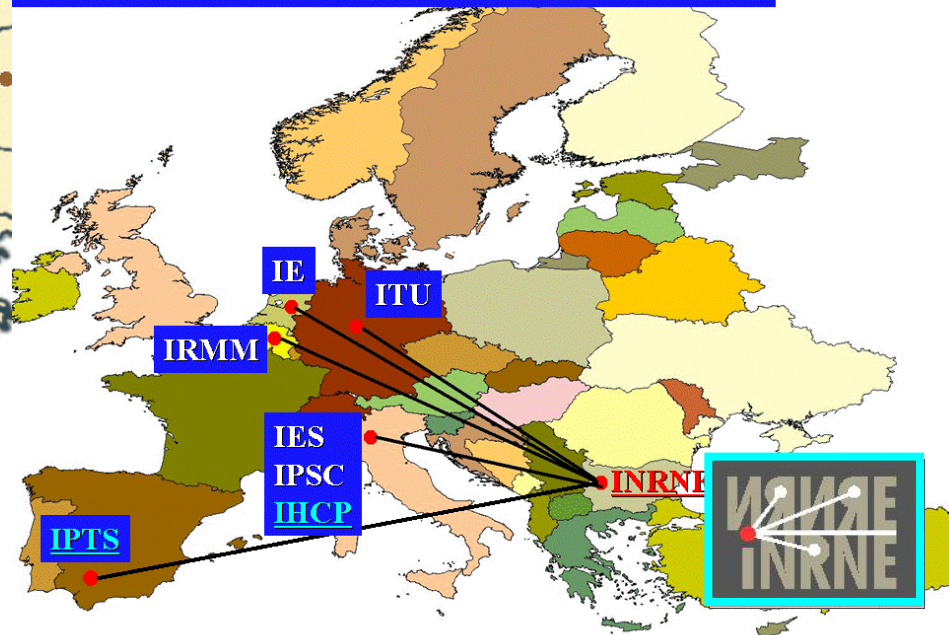
# BEOBAL – 2nd Pillar

## European HMO

Global Change &  
Climate Research  
Natural Hazards &  
Technological Risks  
Aerospace &  
Terrestrial Environment  
Management Aspects &  
Future Projects Discussion



## INRNE – JRC Scientific Connections





# BEOBAL – 3rd Pillar



BEO Moussala and  
BEO INRNE

Radio Analytical Methods

Radio Chemistry &  
Pharmacy

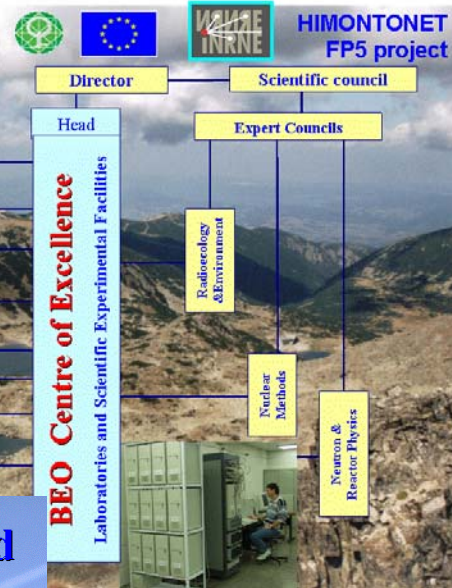
Radioecology

X-ray - Fluorescent Analysis

Neutron Generator

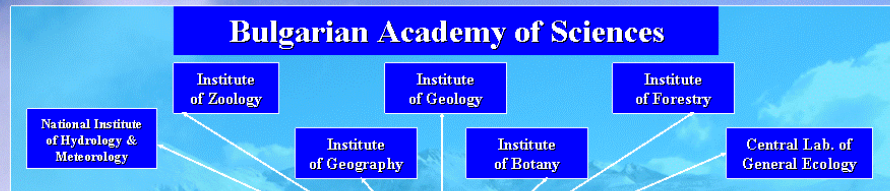
Neutron Data

Control Laboratory of  
Radiation Protection



**BEO IEC**

**BEO Integrated  
Environmental Centre**



**South-West University  
Blagoevgrad**

**Sofia University**

Faculties of  
Chemistry,  
Physics, Biology

**American University  
Blagoevgrad**

**INRNE  
BEO Centre**

**Plovdiv University**

**Reference Points**

BEO Moussala  
Almiza  
Parangalitsa  
Hotovo  
Kallakra  
Chernomir

**Schoumen University**

**JRC**

**Balkans**

**BG**

**BEO  
IEC**

**BEO  
CoE**

**INRNE**

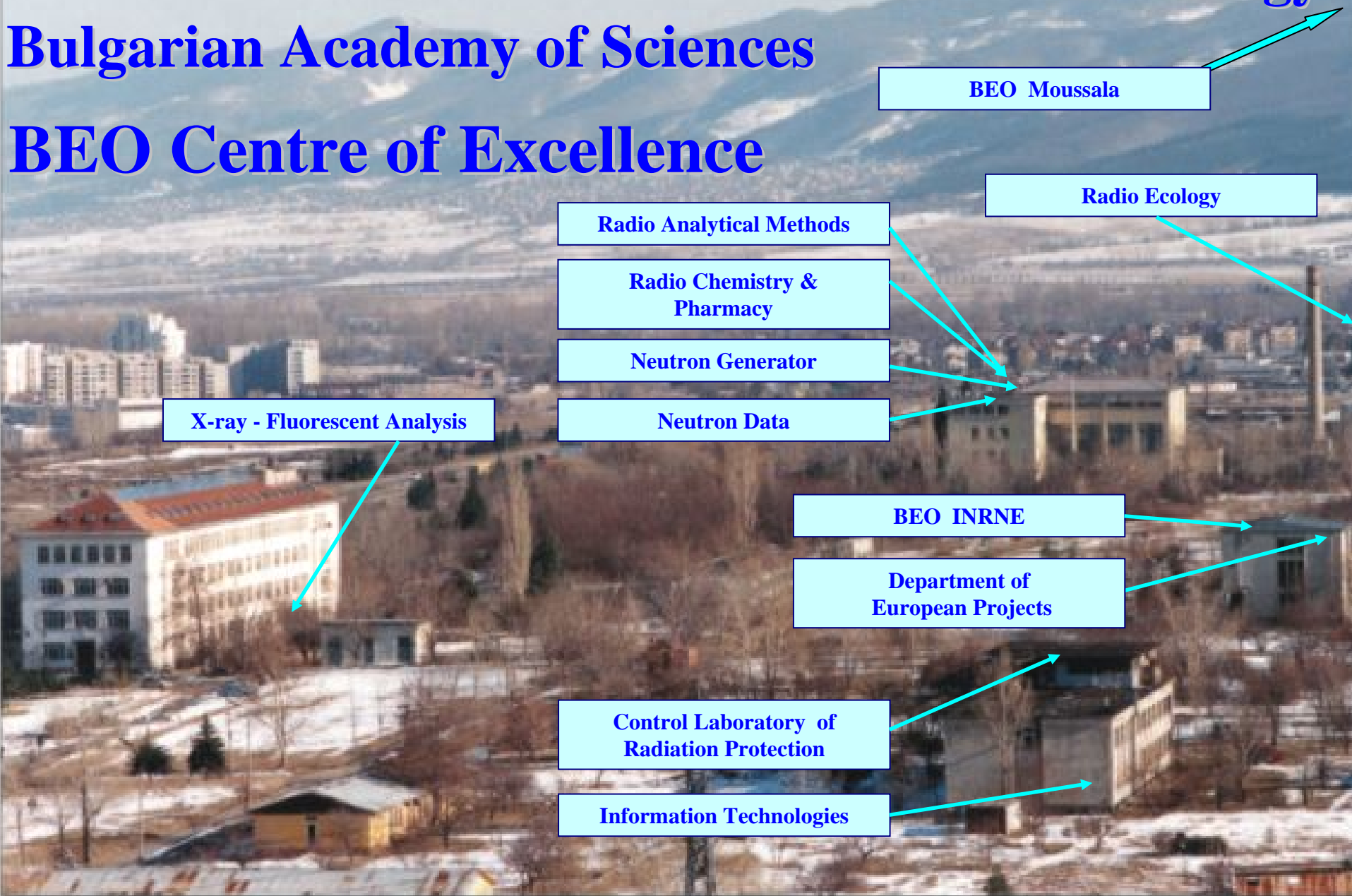
**ERA**



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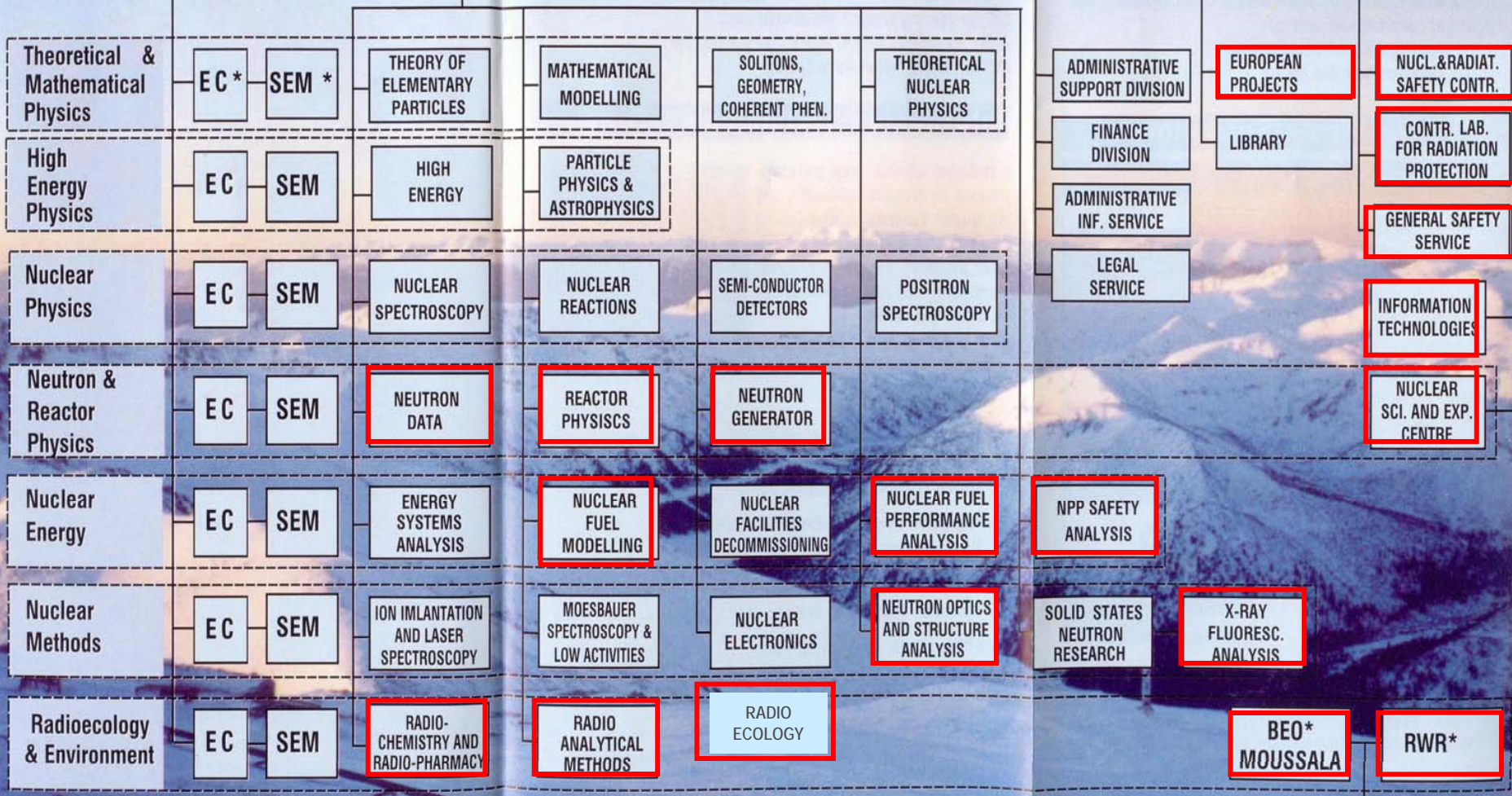
## SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL

## DIRECTORATE

### LABORATORIES

### INSTITUTE COMMON DEPARTMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

### SCIENTIFIC EXPER. FACILITIES



\* EC - Expert Council; SEM - Seminar; BEO - Basic Environmental Observatory; RWR - Radioactive Waste Repository



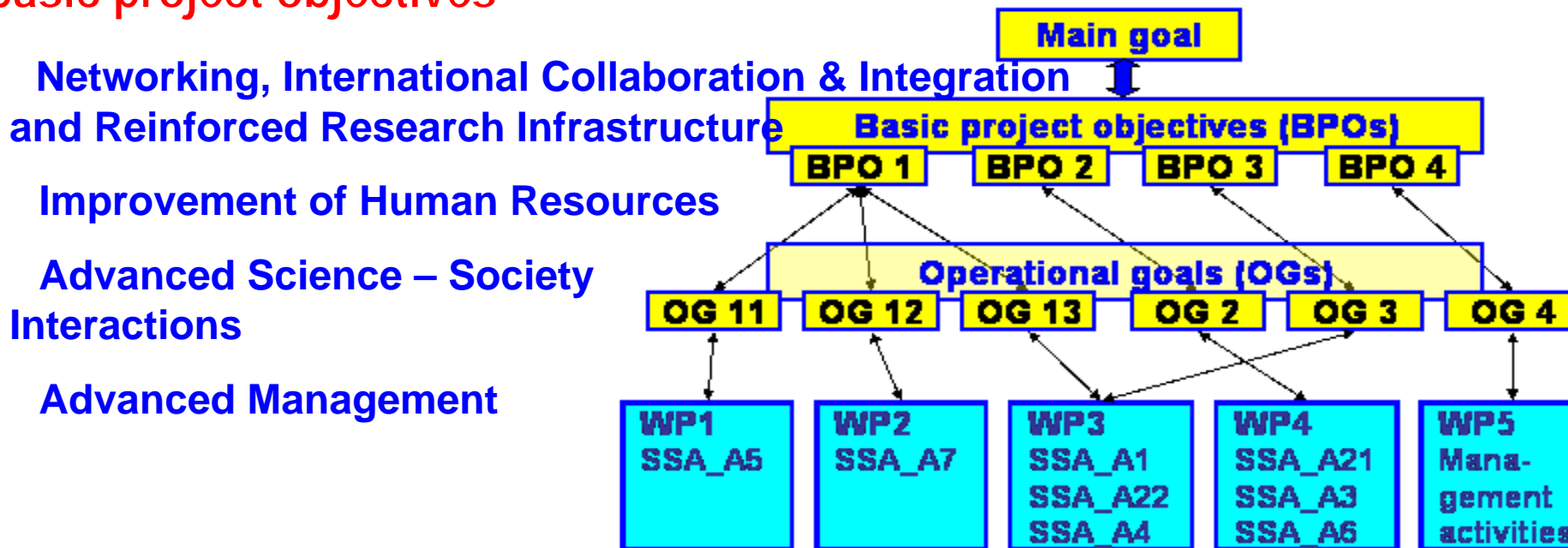
# BEOBAL – Objectives



## Main Goal

Reinforcement of the BEO Centre of Excellence Research Capacities, and by this way the respective S&T potential of INRNE and Bulgaria for advanced **Sustainable Environment** studies, devoted to the main Global change and ecosystems observing problems, using sophisticated information technologies and advanced **Integration in ERA**, in their institutional, national, regional and European aspects

## 4 basic project objectives



# BEOBAL – Operational Goals



## *A. The Networking, International Collaboration & Integration and Reinforced Research Infrastructure contains:*

- 1. Diversification, broadening and enhancement of international collaboration and cooperation*
- 2. Reinforcement of S&T equipment and systems of BEO CoE directed to enhancement of the research infrastructure of European importance*
- 3. The implementation and development of advanced methodology, technology, methods and advanced metrology in the field of Global change and ecosystems and their regional and European projections and components.*

## *B. Improvement of Human Resources includes advanced Human Resources long-term management*

## *C. Advanced Science – Society Interaction Policy*

## *D. Application and development of advanced Management system*



# BEOBAL – SSA Tools Kit



**SSA\_A1:** Networking with other research centres in Member States (MS) or ACCs: organising exchange of personnel and of results and joint experiments;

**SSA\_A2:** Visiting fellows (teachers and/or researchers):

**SSA\_A21:** Hosting scientists from abroad for teaching, training

**SSA\_A22:** Hosting scientists from abroad for research activities

**SSA\_A3:** Training in MS or ACCs for Ph.D. students and/or post-doctoral researchers: sending scientists from the centre for short stays, to laboratories abroad, either for specialised training or to carry out a specific research experiment;

**SSA\_A4:** Workshops, conferences: in order to diffuse and to exploit research results;

**SSA\_A5:** Study visits of the researchers from the Centre to other institutions in MS or ACCs in order to prepare cooperative activities and/or joint RTD proposals;

**SSA\_A6:** Hiring of new young researchers to reinforce human potential;

**SSA\_A7:** Upgrading and/or renewal of S&T equipment

# BEOBAL – Partners



N	Organization	Country	Role
1	Institute for Nuclear Research and Nuclear Energy, Sofia	Bulgaria	<i>Executor and Co-ordinator</i>
2	JRC EC, Joint Research Centre	Belgium	<i>Cooperative Partner</i>
3	Institute for Transuranium Elements, ITU, JRC EC, Karlsruhe	Germany	<i>Scientific Collaborator (SC)</i>
4	Institute for Environment and Sustainability, IES, JRC EC, Ispra	Italy	<i>SC</i>
5	Institute for Reference Materials and Measurements, IRMM, JRC EC, Geel	Belgium	<i>SC</i>
6	Mt. Cimone Environmental Research Station, HMO MC	Italy	<i>SC</i>
7	Testa Grigia Research Station HMO TG	Italy	<i>SC</i>
8	UFS Schneeferner hause, Zugspitze, HMO ZS	Germany	<i>SC</i>
9	High Altitude Research Station Jungfrauoch and Gornergrat, HMO JFJ	Switzerland	<i>SC</i>
10	Sonnblick Observatorium, HMO SB	Austria	<i>SC</i>
11	Nuclear Physics Institute, Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague, NPI	Czech Republic	<i>SC</i>
12	National Institute of Nuclear Physics, INFN, Torino sect.	Italy	<i>SC</i>
13	Institute of Nuclear Sciences, Ege University, Izmir, INS	Turkey	<i>SC</i>
14	ALOMAR Observatory, ALOMAR	Norway	<i>SC</i>
15	Meteorological Observatory Hohenpeissenberg, Deutscher Wetterdienst, MOHP-DWD	Germany	<i>SC</i>
16	Lomnitský Štit Observatory, LS	Slovakia	<i>SC</i>
17	Norwegian Institute for Air Research, Polar Environmental Centre, Tromsø, NILU	Norway	<i>SC</i>
18	Institutes and Universities from BEO IEC	Bulgaria	<i>SC, Users</i>
19	European organization for nuclear research, CERN	Switzerland	<i>SC</i>
20	<a href="#">Vinca Institute for Nuclear Science, Belgrade</a>	Serbia, Serbia and Montenegro	<a href="#">User</a>
21	<a href="#">Centre for Ecotoxicological Research, Podgorica</a>	Montenegro, Serbia and Montenegro	<a href="#">User</a>
22	<a href="#">Institute of Nuclear Physics, Tirana</a>	Albania	<a href="#">User</a>
23	<a href="#">Institute of Physics, Scopie</a>	Former Yugoslavian Republic of Macedonia	<a href="#">User</a>



**Networking.** *Diversification, broadening and **enhancement of international collaboration** and cooperation. **Operational goal A1** (Networking, International Collaboration & Integration and Reinforced Research Infrastructure)*

Work package number	WP1	Start date or starting event:					1
Activity Type	Activities specific for the Support Action; <b>SSA_A5</b>						
Participant id	1						
Person-months per participant:	50						

**Objectives** *Networking. Diversification, broadening and enhancement of international collaboration and cooperation* towards to reach real European integration first of all with big European and world institutions like JRC, CERN, IAEA, WMO, IIASA, UNESCO with accent on correspondent European centers of excellence and especially improving the level of the regional collaboration. Other objective is facilitating of communication between BEO centre and centers that have similar scientific interest

**Task 1.1. (1,26) Study visits for preparing joint activities and RTD proposals in the field of:**

**Task M 1.2. (1,30) Review and assessment of project results and progress towards the objectives. Formulation of respective management feedback measures.**

# BEOBAL – Work Packages Structure



*Reinforcement of S&T equipment and systems of BEO CoE*

**Operational goal A2** (Networking, International Collaboration & Integration and Reinforced Research Infrastructure)

Infrastructure	Workpackage number	WP2	Start date or starting event:				1
	Activity Type	Activities specific for the Support Action; SSA_A7					
	Participant id	1					
	Person-months per participant:	190					

**Objectives** Reinforcement of S&T equipment and systems of BEO CoE directed to **enhancement of the research infrastructure** of European importance, connected with: global change observing, ecosystems monitoring, technological and natural risks (study, early detection and control) widely using new information technologies and platforms. The improving of systems for **observing and complex monitoring** in attempt to realize adequate management towards to reach sustainable environment. **Improving BEO Moussala to a regional GAW station**, creating and improving by this way South - East European part of this network, joining ERA.

## **Description of work**

**Task 2.1. (1,15) Upgrading of gas concentration detector systems:** *Gas analyzer for SO<sub>x</sub> (Sulfur oxides); Gas analyzer for NO<sub>x</sub> (Nitrogen oxides); Gas analyzers for O<sub>3</sub> (Ozone); Gas analyzer for CO (Carbon monoxide)*

**Task 2.2. (1,15) Installing of aerosol instruments according GAW requirements** *PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2,5</sub> device for aerosol measurements; Cascade impactor for particle size distribution for range 16 μm – 0.06μm; Integrated nephelometer for determination of integral light-scattering coefficient of aerosol*

**Task 2.3. (1,16) Installing of systems for cosmic particles, radioactivity detection and complex environment monitoring** *Gamma background detector; Neutron detector; Muon telescope; Rn low level analyzer; α-spectrometer, small portable field devices sets*

**All needed for execution of these tasks training and qualification are included in packages WP4 and WP3**

**Task 2.4. (1,6) Upgrading of computer network of BEO CoE, meteorological observing system and emergency power supply system.** *Modernization of basic servers, computers and providing tools for flexible control and detection devices and systems; upgrading of the system for uninterruptible emergency power supply.*

**Task M 2.5. (1,30) Review and assessment of project results and progress towards the objectives. Formulation of respective management feedback measures.**



# BEOBAL – Work Packages Structure



*Advanced methodology, technology, methods, metrology, observing and complex monitoring. Science – society interactions.* Operational goal A3, (Networking, International Collaboration & Integration and Reinforced Research Infrastructure), Operational goal C (Advanced Science – Society Interaction policy)

Workpackage number	WP3	Start date or starting event:				1	
Activity Type	Activities specific for the Support Action: SSA_A1, SSA_A22, SSA_A4						
Participant id	1						
Person-months per participant:	200						

**Objectives:** *Implementation and development of advanced methodology, technology, methods and advanced metrology, observing and complex monitoring* in the field of Global change and ecosystems and their regional and European projections and components including: impact and mechanisms of greenhouse gas emissions and atmospheric pollutants from all sources on climate, ozone depletion and carbon skins, towards to improve predictions and forecasts; operational forecasting and modeling, global change observing systems; especially environmental radioactivity, monitoring and assessment of technological and natural hazard and risks. *Advanced metrology development and implementation* in the field of global change observing, environmental radioactivity and radioecology, radiochemistry and radionuclide analysis, based on the close collaboration with JRC institutes. *Observing and complex monitoring* of Global change processes and ecosystems in attempt to realize adequate management towards to reach sustainable environment. *Advanced Science – Society Interaction policy* towards to reach not only dissemination of the obtained research results but to succeed in the active communication and dialogue with the public organizations, government and NGOs.

*Improving responses to socio-economic needs of the country.*

Task 3.1. (1,29) Networking with other research centers (exchange of personnel and of results and joint experiments) for execution of joint experiments and exchange of results

Task 3.2. (1,28) Visiting fellows (hosting scientists from abroad for research activities)

Task 3.3. Conference activities

Task 3.4. (2,29) Publication activities

Task 3.5. Other science communication activities

Task M 3.6. (1,30) Review and assessment of project results and progress towards the objectives.

Formulation of respective management feedback measures.

## Conference Activities

Three levels of conference activities are planned:

- 3.3.1. (7) **Methodological and coordination workshop**, Bulgaria, October 2005
- 3.3.2. (22) **Project conference** “*Global Changes, Environment and Sustainable Development of the Society*”, UFS, Schneefernerhause, Zugspitze, Germany, 2nd half of 2nd year
- 3.3.3. (27) **Conference – Informational Days**, “*South – East Europe Environment – Collaboration, Cooperation, Integration in ERA*”, INRNE, BEO CoE, Bulgaria, Sofia, 1st half of 3d year

***Improvement of Human Resources.*** Operational goal B (Advanced Human Resources long-term Management)

Work package number	WP4	Start date or starting event:				1		
Activity Type	Activities specific for the Support Action: <b>SSA_A21, SSA_A3, SSA_A6</b>							
Participant id	1							
Person-months per participant:	194							
<b>Objectives:</b> <i>Advanced Human Resources long-term management</i> reaching and preserving European qualification level and creating the best home for young scientist, additionally attracting young scientist from other countries								
<b>Task 4.1. (5,23) Visiting fellows - hosting scientist from aboard for teaching and training activities</b> <b>Task 4.2. (4,26) Training for Ph.D. students and/or post-doctoral researchers: short stays, in laboratories abroad, for specialized</b> <b>Task M 4.4. (1,30) Hiring of young researchers other special measures and activities</b>								



# **BEOBAL – Work Packages Structure**

## **Training Seminars**



**Prof. Klaus Luetzenkirchen, ITU, JRC** “ In situ measurements for complex environmental monitoring using portable equipment”, 1 year;

**Prof. Maria Betti, ITU, JRC** “ Application of radio – analytical methods in environmental studies”, 11 year;

**Dr. Leonard Barrie, WMO,**“ Application of advanced methods and techniques for climate and global change studies”, 1 year;

**Dr. Marc De Cort, IES, JRC** “Systems for monitoring and reporting of environmental radioactivity”, 1 year;

**Dr. Uwe Wätjen or Dr. Philip Taylor, IRMM, IRC,** "Radionuclide analysis and standardization. ISO17025 standard for calibration labs, dealing with uncertainty of measurements “, 1 year;

**Dr. Chris Jones, CERN, IT,** “GRID technologies application in environmental and global change studies”, 1 year;

**Dr. Weingarten, CERN, SD,** “Environmental monitoring and complex safety”, 11 year

# BEOBAL – Work Packages Structure



*Project management - Reinforcement of S&T capacity management. Project implementation plan. Project quality management system.*

Operational goal D (application and development of **advanced Management system**)

Work package number	WP5	Start date or starting event:				1	
Activity Type	Management activities						
Participant id	1						
Person-months per participant:	72						

**Objectives:** *Advanced Management system directed to a sophisticated and pragmatic complex approach to science management* - from Quality and Environment management ISO certified system and a new, active and aggressive business approach to scientific research and applications, to regional aspects of technology and innovation generation, transfer and implementation and complex use of all available financial instruments.

## **Description of work:**

**Task 5.1 (1,30) Overall project management. Project management bodies meetings. Reporting to EC and communication with FP6**

**Task 5.2 (1,30) Project progress measurement and management feedback. Project quality management.** Review and assessment of project results and progress towards the objectives. Formulation of respective management feedback measures

# BEOBAL – Milestones List



MS. no.	Milestone name	WP no.	MS Date (proj. month)
1. M1.1.	Preparation of cooperative activities	1	26
2. M1.2.	Preparation of joint projects	1	26
3. M1.3.	Definition of joint work program with JRC	1	9
4. M1.4.	Preparation of bilateral cooperation with HMO based on work contacts with European HMO's existing since the previous EU project HIMONTONET. Preparation of joint cooperative agreement. The M1.5 is devoted to the preparation of cooperative activities, in the most of the cases they have to be based on joint projects with thematic correlated with the main fields of BEOBAL proposal. Special attention will be paid to the development of joint work programme with JRC.	1	11
5. M1.5.	Preparation of joint cooperative agreement. The M1.5 is devoted to the preparation of cooperative activities, in the most of the cases they have to be based on joint projects with thematic correlated with the main fields of BEOBAL proposal. Special attention will be paid to the development of joint work programme with JRC.	1	15
6. M2.1	Installation of muon telescope.	2	5
7. M2.2.	Installation of neutron detector, surface about 5 square meters. M2.2, M2.10. Represent the two stages of the installation.	2	10
8. M2.3.	Replacement of gamma background detector for low dose rates	2	7
9. M2.12.	Feed back of gas concentration detector systems	2	25
10. M2.13.	Feed back of aerosol instruments.	2	26
11. M.3.2	Visiting fellows from MS which are leading experts from JRC or European HMO's towards to support the improvement of the staff qualification level and the final implementation and feed back of the additional new devices and detector systems. Conference events. Project exploitation and dissemination described in the WP	3	28
12.M.3.3	Training courses realization is devoted to improve the research level and capacities of BEO CoE staff.	3	4,22,27
13. M 4.1.	Short stays for special training towards to improve the qualification level and capacities of BEO CoE staff.	4	23
14. M 4.2.	Execution of hiring young researchers supporting action is one of the most important supporting actions of BEOBAL project.	4	26
15. M 4.3.		4	30



# BEOBAL – Deliverables List 1



Del. no.	Deliverable name	WP no.	Lead participant	Estimated per. - months	Nature	Dissemination level	Delivery date (proj. month)
1. D1.1	Realisation of 21 scientific visits in partners institutes	1	1	2	R	PU	26
2. D1.2	Preparation of cooperative activities	1	1	15	R	PU	26
3. D1.3	Preparation of at joint RTD proposals	1	1	25	R	RE	26
4. D1.4	Deepening of international collaboration, networking and integration.	1	1	6	R	RE	15
5. D1.5	Joint activities with Balkan institutions	1	1	1	R	PU	11
D1.6	<i>Assessment of project progress</i>	1	1	1	R	PP	monthly
6. D2.1	Installing gas concentration detector systems.	2	1	57	D	PU	9
7. D2.2	Installing aerosol instruments.	2	1	50	D	PU	15
8. D2.3	Installing devices for cosmic particles and radioactivity detection	2	1	74	D	PU	13
9. D2.4	Upgrading of computer network of BEO CoE,	2	1	5	R	PU	6
10. D2.5	<i>Assessment of project progress</i>	2	1	4	R	PP	monthly

# BEOBAL – Deliverables List 2



Del. no.	Deliverable name	WP no.	Lead participant	Estimated per.- months	Nature	Dissemination level	Delivery date (proj. month)
12. D3.2	Networking: Exchange of personnel (15 person months with 9 institutes)	3	1	58	R	PU	29
13. D3.3	Visiting fellows (hosting scientists from abroad for research activities) – 17 visits from 11 institutes	3	1	52	R	PU	28
14. D3.4	Publications	3	1	20	O	PU	27
15. D3.5	Project web site	3	1	5	D	PU	2
16. D3.6	TV and radio activities	3	1	4	D	PU	27
17. D3.7	Publications in popular journal and newspapers	3	1	4	D	PU	27
18. D3.8	Public activities – public lectures and expositions	3	1	6	D	PU	27
19. D3.9	Report on raising public participation and awareness		1	3	R	PU	30
D3.10.	<i>Assessment of project progress</i>	3	1	3	R	PP	monthly
20. D4.1	Visiting fellows – 7 courses from 4 institutes	4	1	60	R	PU	23
21. D4.2	Specialised for Ph.D. students and/or post-doctors – 12 short stays in 6 institutes	4	1	59	R	PU	26
22. D4.3	Supporting hiring 6 - new young researchers	4	1	72	R	PU	30
D4.4	<i>Assessment of project progress</i>	4	1	3	R	PP	monthly
23. D5.1	<i>Assessment of project progress and quality management</i>	5	1	72	R	PP	monthly
TOTAL				706			

# BEOBAL – Management



## Executive Board

## Steering Committee

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**WP2  
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**WP3  
Responsible**

**WP4  
Responsible**

**WP5  
Responsible**

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**Cosmic ray station Moussala  
1959 - 1983**



**BEO Moussala  
1999**

## **Historical dates**

**1932 - Inauguration of Meteorological Station on peak Moussala.**

**1959 – Opening of Cosmic Ray Station on peak Moussala.**

**1983 - Destroy of Cosmic Ray Station (fired).**

**1993 - Start of Bulgarian-French project OM2 for monitoring and management of high mountain ecosystems.**

**1999 – Inauguration of Basic Environmental Observatory (BEO) – Moussala.**

**2002 - Creation of BEO Centre of Excellence**

**2002-2003 – HIMONTONET and NUSES FP5 projects**

**2005 – BEOBAL FP6 project**