

Additional information in relation to the Call for tender "ESPON Update of Maps (2011-2014) Update of Maps and Related Data on Climate Change"

The present document, version 28 February 2014, includes the following additional information from the Contracting Authority for requests received on:

Info Request #	Reception date of information requests:
# 1	25/02/2014

Questions and answers are detailed in sections below.

NB: the present information has been sent by email to all applicants having requested the Terms of Reference of the Call for Tender until the date of this document.

Information Request # 1

Please find here below a request of information from a tenderer received on 25/02/2014 by email (tenders@espon.eu) and the complementary information provided by the Contracting Authority:

Request #1:

The objectives of the Terms of Reference (ToR) include "updating the relevant methodologies used collecting data, maps and indicators as well as by filling data gaps". Could you say if the emphasis of the project is more on updating the current datasets within the existing framework or developing a new approach?

For example in task 1 the ToR states:

"In line with the ESPON Climate project the task shall be based on the IPCC climate scenario A1B aggregating data for two time periods (1961-1990 and 2071-2100) for different climatic stimuli. The covered change indicators shall relate the climate conditions in the reference time period 1961-1990 to the climate conditions in the time period 2071-2100."

In this case, could you foresee a significant need to use more up-to-date models across a larger range of emission scenarios (beyond A1B) and different time periods (other than 2071-2100)?

Additional information from the Contracting Authority:

There is no need to consider additional emission scenarios beyond the IPCC climate scenario A1B. However, supplementary up-to-date projections from multiple climate models in addition to the projection of the CCLM climate model, taken into account in the ESPON Climate project, need to be



considered. This approach shall result in a solid, up-to-date analysis calculated only on the basis of the changes between the two time periods 1961-1990 and 2071-2100. Hence, the emphasis of the service contract shall be at the same time on the update of the socio economic and environmental data provided by the ESPON Climate project as well as the strengthening of the scientific basis by being at current state of scientific knowledge.