

# GSDI Coastal/Marine SDI Best Practice Webinar – the Presenters

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Joep Crompvoets holds a PhD degree from Wageningen University that focused on the worldwide development and impact of national spatial data clearinghouses. Joep is employed at KU Leuven Public Governance Institute (Belgium) with a chair on 'Information Management in the Public Sector' and is Secretary-General of EuroSDR - a European spatial data research network linking national mapping agencies with research institutes and universities for the purpose of applied research in spatial data provision, management and delivery. He is also the academic representative on the Board of Directors of the Global Spatial Data Infrastructure (GSDI) Association. Joep has been involved in several projects related to the development of the INSPIRE Directive and SDIs around the world and has written numerous publications dealing with SDIs, GIS, and e-governance.



## **Jade Georis-Creuseveau, Research fellow, French National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS)**

The implementation of SDIs in Natural Resource Management has been the focus of the career of Jade Georis-Creuseveau. She spent her first ten years in the professional sector working in this area. This experience led her to complete a PhD at the European Institute of Marine Studies (France). Her thesis focused on SDI usage among coastal and marine organizations. Currently, she is a Research fellow at the French National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS). Her research focuses on the Information Governance for Sustainability/Environment by the analysis of spatial data infrastructures and volunteered geographic information. Several key questions drive her research: Who are the SDI users? What do they do with available data? What are their needs? The framework of her experimental domain is coastal and marine management in France and at the international level. Jade is a member of several working groups focusing on (marine and coastal) geographical information usage: AFIGEO, GDR MAGIS ... Contact: [jade.georis-creuseveau@univ-brest.fr](mailto:jade.georis-creuseveau@univ-brest.fr) and [jade.georis-creuseveau@cnrs.fr](mailto:jade.georis-creuseveau@cnrs.fr)

