TerraSAR-X

Science Service System

How to submit a TSX proposal



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1. Introduction

The TerraSAR-X Science Service System is designed for the submission and evaluation of proposals beyond the TerraSAR-X project. The system allows three applications:

- For the scientific community: An overview of all accepted proposals.
- For principle investigators: The submission and tracking of a proposal.
- For evaluators: The evaluation of a proposal.

The official interface to the TerraSAR-X Science Service System is: <u>http://sss.terrasar-x.dlr.de/</u>

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For registered users only Username:	TerraSAR-X Science Service System					
Login	The TerraSAR-X Science Service System allows for the submission and evalution of proposals, as well as for the submission of reports. It is further used to monitor and track proposals and therewith help to organize the science user community of TerraSAR-X.					
Entry Points	Depending on who you are and what you like to do you have the following possibilities to proceed via the sidemenu on the left of this page:					
 > investigator > Evaluator > Coordinator User Access > Investigators Registration 	 Anybody may receive information about which proposals are accepted and read their executive summaries proposals (pre-launch) or proposals (general) Principal Investigators of TerraSAR-X data may enter and maintain their proposals and are able to submit reports. Proposals and reports should be in English. Evaluators may receive detailed information about the proposals they have been appointed to and submit their comments and rating. 					
	The pdf document: How to submit a TSX proposal gives a short description of the procedure for submitting proposals.					
Proposals Proposals Pre-launch Proposals General	Investigators will get the data for the costs of fulfilling the user request. Discounts will be applied for larger order volumes, and for dedicated research programs and institutions contributing to the TerraSAR-X mission, especially by financial or operational support. Special conditions might be applied for the AOs.					
Documentation	The current COFUR pricelist is applicable to proposals presented to the permanent submission interface.					
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✓ Impressum ✓ Print version ✓ PDF version	The download of TerraSAR-X data requires special security regulations which are described in the FAQ document. There are also some remarks on ordering in E	OWEB in it.				
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The website is divided into five parts:

- Entry Point: Links to the main page for different user types
- User Access: Registration to the science service system
- Proposals: List of approved proposals.
- Documentation: Science plan, product documentations, user license
- Data: Price list and data access. data access

If you have any problems to submit or evaluate a proposal, please contact the TerraSAR-X science coordinator (email: <u>tsx.science@dlr.de</u>).

2. Investigators

2.1. Registration

Every person who wants to submit a proposal must *register* first. After filling out the registration form the PI will receive an e-mail, which is used to confirm his e-mail address. After **verification** of the e-mail address the PI may *login* with his new credentials. After login the PI should change to the *investigator* page where he will be requested to enter his contact details as well as the contact details of his authority first.

The contact details of the PI and his authority can be maintained at any time with the corresponding link on the left menu bar. <u>Please note that the email address can not be changed by the PI.</u> In case of a new e-mail address please contact the science coordinator.

Investigators who have already registered must *login* on top of the left menue bar first before changing to the entry point.



2.2. Proposal submission

After having logged in the PI is able to submit a proposal by pressing the button 'Generate New **Proposal**'.'

In the following forms the PI is asked to give information to different aspects of his proposal:

- Cover Page with general information about the proposal.
- Team composition, innovation and contribution to mission objectives.
- Executive summary and schedule.
- Detailed description of the project, specific requirements and confidentiality.
- Data requirements

For detailed information see the description above the forms in the science service system.

If the PI applies for data of the **experimental products AO (DRA-2010)**, only the cover page and the team composition must be filled. The other aspects of the proposal are fixed.

On the last page the PI gets a review of all fields to check for consistency. To finally submit the proposal the PI must press the '**submit**' button on the review page. This step releases the proposal for the evaluation process and is the formal submission activity.

After a proposal has been initiated an ID is assigned to it and its status is set to **'entered'**. The proposal can be edited at any time by selecting the link at the proposal ID, until the *'submit'* button is pressed.

2.3. Special issues on Team composition

The team composition comprises 2 lists:

- 1. List of Co-Is
- 2. List of additional Authorized People

Besides the PI <u>every further participating institute must be represented by one person</u>. These are the Co-Investigators (Co-I). Every Co-I is allowed to have access to the TSX data. All other people who shall have access to the data (e.g. further colleagues, students) must be listed in the "List of additional Authorized People"

ATTENTION:

Every PI is obliged to keep the list of persons having access to the TSX data actual. The list can be edited at any time via the last column of the investigators proposal list.

For adding or deleting Co-Is from the proposal please contact the science coordinator.

2.4. Proposal tracking

Every PI can review and track all his proposals at any time. After login he will see a list of all proposal he has entered or submitted. The status gives information on the state of the evaluation process and the proposal status:

entered: The proposal is still in the definition process *submitted*: The proposal has been submitted by the PI. *handed over*. The proposal has been handed over to the evaluators. *approved*: The proposal is approved and accepted by the science coordinator. *released:* An EOWEB account has been initiated and the proposal has been released. *completed*: The proposal has been completed and the final report has been submitted. *finished*: The final report has been evaluated and the proposal is finished.

further status: *rejected*: The proposal has been rejected by the evaluators. *with_drawn*: The proposal is not applicable for TerraSAR-X.

All approved proposals are displayed in the list at the general proposal page with title, investigator, team members and executive summary. Therefore they are visible for everybody, except for those proposals where the confidentiality has been set to 'Y'.

The link on the ID of submitted proposals leads to the proposal documentation.

3. Evaluators

All submitted proposals will pass a fair evaluation process. The selected evaluators are DLR internal and external experts who will review the proposal for scientific benefit, contribution to the mission objectives and feasibility.

3.1. Registration

Every evaluator must *register* first. After filling out the registration form the evaluator will receive an email, which is used to confirm his e-mail address. After verification of the e-mail address the evaluator may *login* with his new credentials. After login the evaluator should change to the *evaluator* page where he will be requested to enter his contact details first.

The contact details of the evaluator can be maintained at any time with the link on the left menu bar. <u>Please note that the email address can not be changed by the Pl.</u> In case of a new e-mail address please contact the science coordinator.



3.2. Evaluation

After submission the science coordinator delegates the proposal to one or more evaluators and changes the status to '*handed_over*'. Each evaluator has to add his comments to the different aspects of the proposal by following the link on the Proposal ID. At the end a rating is required whether the proposal is accepted, accepted with modifications or rejected.

The evaluator can modify his comments at any time as long as the status of the proposal is *'handed_over'*.

4. Proposal overview

On the left menu bar of the entry page the links under '*Proposals'* provide a list of all approved proposals. The title of each proposal links to the executive summary.

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→ Evaluator → Coordinator	CAL0428	Geostatistical accuracy assessment of elevation models derived from TerraSAR-X	Paredes Hernandez, Cutberto Uriel - University of Leicester, Department of Geography			
✓ Investigators Registration ✓ Change Password	CAL0461 CAL0629	DLR Public Relation and Operator Training Comparing TerraSARX and COSMO-SikyMed outcomes for surface displacement and change detection aims in earthquake prone areas: the April 6th, 2009, Abruzzi (Central Abruzzi) central Abruzzi) central Abruzzi (Serthal Abruzzi)	Buckreuss, Stefan - DLR, Microwaves and Radar Institute Stramondo, Salvatore - Istituto Nazionale di Geofisica e Vulcanologia, Remote Sensing			
Proposals ⇒ Proposals Pre-launch ⇒ Proposals General	COA0274	PANMAX Fealurition of ship signatures in TerraSARX imagery using coastal-cerebed AIS data	Lehner, Susanne - German Aerospace Center, MF Vachon, Paris - Defence R and D Canada - Ottawa, Radar Applications and			
Documentation → AO DRA-2010	COA0340	TEST TEST	Space Technologies Marschalk, Uruula - DLR, DFD US			
✓ Science Plan ✓ Basic Products ✓ Level 1b Products	COA0388 COA0573	Investigating Dynamics, Evolution, and Polarimetric Properties of Arctic Coastal Polynyas and Sea Ice Using TerraSAR-X Data Coastal Environment Monitoring in Polar Regions using TSX Assession surfaired monimeters of advant field landforms and anthropospic structures at the Vanice Lancon inlate	Busche, i nomas - Deutsches zenzum hur Lut- und kaumfahrt (ULK) e. V., Institut für Hochfrequenztechnik und Radarsysteme Alasset, Pierre Jean - C-CORE, Radar and Vision Systems Tosi, Luis, National Besearch Council Institute of Marine Sciences			
 Experimental Products User License Agreement 	GE00290	Land subsidence, volcanic evolution and tectonic related deformation monitoring using TerraSAR-X data	Kaufmann, Hermann - GeoForschungsZentnum Potsdam, Geodesy and Remote Sensing			
→ Price List (scientific use) → EOWEB TSX-Version	GE00295	Interferometric deformation monitoring of a water management construction project in the Ruhr area	Knospe, Steffen - Clausthal University of Technology, Institute of Geotechnical Engineering and Mine Surveying			
⇒ FAQ	GE00301	TerraSAR-X data for surface monitoring while enhanced gas recovery using PS-method	Kaufmann, Hermann - GeoForschungsZentrum Potsdam, Geodesy and Remote Sensing			
7 Impressum	GE00348	Subsidence monitoring over a collapsed mine in Berezniki. Russia	Hebel, Hans-Peter - TU Clausthal, Institute of Geotechnical Engineering and Mine Surveying			
7 PDF version	GE00389 GE00415 GE00425	High resolution DInSAR monitoring of subsidence induced by aquifer exploration in the Vegas Baja and Media of the Segura river, SE, Spain Hydrologic History of the Sahara: A Framework for Archaeological Exploration Quantifying and separating textincially induced 3D surface deformation on different timescales in Crete	Lopez-Sanchez, Juan M - University of Alicante, DFISTS, EPS Fair, Tom - Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Division of Earth and Space Science Rieger, Stefanie - LMU Munich, Geologgy			
	GE00436	Radar detection of dome growth and mass wasting at Soufriere Hills Volcano	Wadge, Geoff - University of Reading, Environmental Systems Science Centre			
	GE00468	Assessment of residual coal mine subsidence and riverbank stability in an urban setting using X-band and C-band PSI.	Dehls, John - Energy Resources Conservation Board, Alberta Geological Survey			
	GE00473	Landslide detection in the Lisbon area, Portugal, by means of TerraSAR interferometric data	Nico, Giovanni - Faculdade de Ciências da Universidade de Lisboa, Departamento de Engenharia Geográfica - Geofísica e Engenia			