
From: [REDACTED] (COMM)
Sent: jeudi 22 juillet 2021 16:51
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED] (COMM); [REDACTED] (COMM)
Subject: RE: Questions about EFAS warnings, data access (space)

Dear [REDACTED],

You can use information we give you "on background" without quoting the Commission.
Please note that you can use the information below off the record (you can attribute this information to a Commission source/official).

Thank you,
[REDACTED]

Off the record (you can attribute this information to a Commission source/official).

EFAS notifications are not aimed at warning the public as the notifications contain expert information that should be combined with the more detailed forecast information of the EFAS map viewer and the relevant available national and local information to provide the best possible basis for decision making. Therefore, EFAS notifications are targeted solely to expert audience and are to be interpreted by local authorities having a mandate to issue warnings to the public and also necessary knowledge to properly interpret them in the context of the specific conditions of the local environment and particularities of the event.

To respect the national mandate for warnings including the single one voice principle, EFAS Flood notifications and other related forecast information in near real time cannot be shared publicly unless the relevant national authority decides to share the information.

For your information:

EFAS forecasts are available after an embargo of 30 days. The archived EFAS notifications are available in a monthly summary (example see here https://www.efas.eu/en/notifications?field_month_value=05&field_year_value=2021) as well as in a table in the Appendix of the bimonthly published EFAS bulletins (example: https://www.efas.eu/sites/default/files/efasBulletins/2021/EFAS_Bimonthly_Bulletin_Apr_May2021_0.pdf)

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@golem.de>
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 7:47 PM
To: [REDACTED] (COMM) <[REDACTED]@ec.europa.eu>
Subject: Re: Questions about EFAS warnings, data access (space)

Dear [REDACTED]

On Tue, 20 Jul 2021 16:11:00 +0000

[REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@ec.europa.eu> wrote:

> On background (no quote/attribution)

I am a bit unsure what to do here.

"On background" usually means in journalism that you're giving information to a journalist that the journalist can use, but shouldn't share where he got this information from.

But what you're giving me is a statement why your institution does not share data. It is hardly possible to "use" that information without attributing it.

Can you give me any statement on this matter that I can attribute/quote?

- > EFAS notifications are not aimed at warning the public as the
- > notifications contain expert information that should be combined with
- > the relevant available national and local information to provide the
- > best possible basis for decision making. For this reason and to
- > respect the national mandate for warnings, EFAS Flood notifications
- > and other related forecast information cannot be shared publicly
- > unless the relevant national authority decides to share the
- > information.

Furthermore:

Your webpage says: "Certain information is not made available to the public for security reasons." (I already quoted this in my original mail.)

What you wrote me sounds very different from what is on your web page. So: Which one should I consider to be correct?

- > Concerning the links. Please see here:
- > For the data request form:
- > <https://effis.jrc.ec.europa.eu/apps/data.request.form/>
- >
- > For the data access page:
- > <https://effis.jrc.ec.europa.eu/applications/data-and-services>

Ok. Don't you want to fix the broken links on your webpage?

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