

## **WP4 : Operation and logistics**

This activity will start after the first annual SC meeting, once a few potential aircraft models have been selected in WP3. Experienced aircraft operators will establish criteria for the selection of an aircraft operator and a data management operator for the COPAL aircraft. The criteria will include experience in airborne operation for research, available facilities, personnel and infrastructures. The call will be distributed to the members of the consortium and to the EUFAR operators for them to offer a service as aircraft operator, data management operator or both. The proposals will be submitted to the SC and the GB for evaluation. Once the COPAL aircraft has been selected by the GB at its second year annual meeting, the proposals will be refined for the GB to select an aircraft operator and a data management operator at the 3<sup>rd</sup> GB meeting. During the fourth year of the project, the selected operators will finalize their offer for the COPAL Agreement section on aircraft and data management operations.

<b>Work package number</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Start date or starting event:</b>						<b>M1</b>						
<b>Work package title</b>	SUPP : Operation and logistics													
<b>Activity Type</b>	SUPP													
<b>Participant id</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	<b>Total</b>	
<b>Pmonths per beneficiary</b>	4	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	2	0	<b>16</b>	

### **Objectives:**

Selection of an aircraft and a data management operator for the COPAL aircraft

### **Description of work :**

#### Task 4.1 : Selection of the aircraft operator in COPAL.

During the first year of the project, criteria will be established for the selection of an aircraft operator. The call for proposals will be distributed to the COPAL and EUFAR consortia. Proposals, including costs for aircraft operation, will be evaluated at the second year SC and GB meetings. Once an aircraft model is selected by the GB at its second year annual meeting, the proposals will be refined for the GB to proceed with the selection of the aircraft operator at its 3<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting. The offer for service as aircraft operator will be finalized by the selected operator which will contribute the COPAL Agreement section on aircraft operation.

#### Task 4.2 : Selection of the data management operator in COPAL.

During the first year of the project, criteria will be established for the selection of a data management operator. The call for proposals will be distributed to the COPAL and EUFAR consortia. Proposals, including costs for data management operation, will be evaluated at the second year SC and GB meetings. Once an aircraft model is selected by the GB at its second year annual meeting, the proposals will be refined for the GB to proceed with the selection of the data management operator at its 3<sup>rd</sup> GB meeting. The offer for service as data management operator will be finalized by the selected operator which will contribute the COPAL Agreement section on data management operation.