


INTRODUCTION TO SPATIAL DATA INFRASTRUCTURES IN EUROPE

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About the course


- Z8210 Introduction to spatial data infrastructures in Europe
- Language: English
- Extent and intensity: 2/0, 5 credits
- Type of Completion: k (colloquium)
 - an academic seminar
 - theory as well as practice
 - broad discussion
 - each student will present one topic (from the list advertised by the teacher) during the course



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About the course


- Assessment methods
 - assessment of student's presentation;
 - assessment of student's activity during discussion throughout the semester.



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Syllabus


1. Motivations and benefits of the European spatial data infrastructures (ESDI).
2. Metadata as the founding stone for linking between ESDI components.
3. Discovery processes, searching for spatial data and Web services.
4. View processes, preview of discovered spatial data.
5. Download processes, ordering and download of desired data.
6. Data models, understanding the UML diagrams and other formalised descriptions.
7. Map compositions on the Web, OGC Web Map Context.
8. Data sharing, use limitations and other licensing issues.



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Literature

- **required literature**
 - CRAGLIA, M. et al. 2012. Digital Earth 2020: towards the vision for the next decade. In *International Journal of Digital Earth*, Volume 5, Issue 1. 20 pages.
 - <http://inspire.ec.europa.eu>
 - NOGUERAS-ISO J., MURO-MEDRANO P.R., ZARAZAGA-SORIA F.J. *Geographic information metadata for spatial data infrastructures :resources, interoperability and information retrieval*. 1st ed. New York: Springer, 2005. xxi, 263 p. ISBN 3-540-24464-6.
- **recommended literature**
 - ANNONI A., CRAGLIA M., EHLERS M., GEORGIADOU Y., GIACOMELLI A., KONEČNÝ, M., ÖSTLAENDER N., REMETÉY-FULOPP G., RHIND D., SMITS P., SCHADE S. A European perspective on Digital Earth. *International Journal of Digital Earth*, Abingdon, Oxon, UK: Taylor and Francis, 2011, July 2011, 4/4, p. 271-284. ISSN 1753-8947. doi:10.1080/17538947.2011.582888.
 - *UML modeling languages and applications :UML 2004 Satellite Activities, Lisbon, Portugal, October 11-15, 2004 : revised selected papers*. Edited by Nuno Jardim Nunes. 1st ed. New York, NY: Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg, 2005. xiv, 294 s. ISBN 3-540-25081-6.
 - KAMBA V. *Tvorba systémů a komponent podle specifikace UML*. Brno, 2002. 61 CD.



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1. MOTIVATIONS AND BENEFITS OF THE EUROPEAN SPATIAL DATA INFRASTRUCTURES

Why European spatial data infrastructures?

- Initiative/legislation/framework to **discover** available spatial data, to evaluate their suitability for the purpose and to know the conditions applicable to their use.

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Why such emphasis on discovery process?

- Have you ever heard about the PSI directive?
 - DIRECTIVE 2003/98/EC OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 17 November 2003 on the **re-use of public sector information**
- **How could be any information re-used when we do not know that it exists?**

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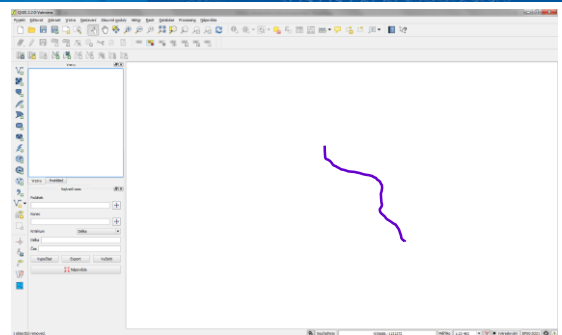


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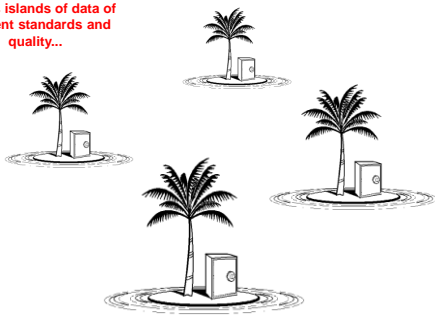


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“Spatial data islands”

EU has islands of data of different standards and quality...



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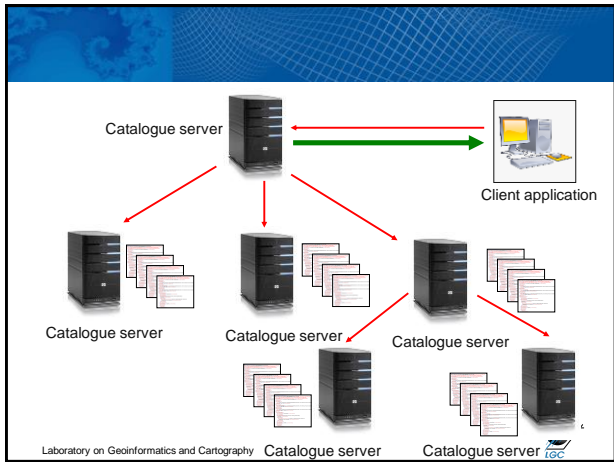
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Why European spatial data infrastructures?

DISCOVERY SERVICE FOR SPATIAL DATA AND SERVICES

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Why European spatial data infrastructures?

(UK) - Commercial Land and Property

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For which themes may I search?

Annex I

1. Coordinate reference systems
2. Geographical grid systems
3. Geographical names
4. Administrative units
5. Addresses
6. Cadastral parcels
7. Transport networks
8. Hydrography
9. Protected sites

Annex II

1. Elevation
2. Land cover
3. Orthoimagery
4. Geology

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For which themes may I search?

Annex III

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Statistical units 2. Buildings 3. Soil 4. Land use 5. Human health and safety 6. Utility and governmental services 7. Environmental monitoring facilities 8. Production and industrial facilities 9. Agricultural and aquaculture facilities 10. Population distribution — demography | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. Area management/restriction/regulation on zones and reporting units 12. Natural risk zones 13. Atmospheric conditions 14. Meteorological geographical features 15. Oceanographic geographical features 16. Sea regions 17. Bio-geographical regions 18. Habitats and biotopes 19. Species distribution 20. Energy resources 21. Mineral resources |
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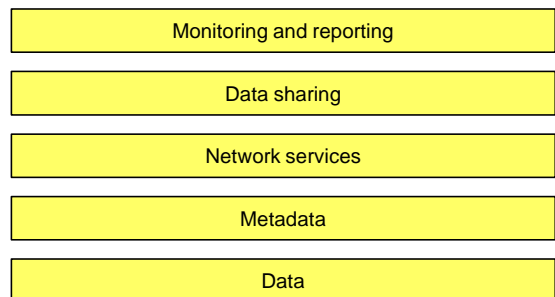
INSPIRE spatial data themes

- Exactly those themes that any student should choose and present its content to the audience.

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Building blocks of any spatial data infrastructure



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Who is obliged to create such SDI building blocks in the European Member States?

- So-called Legally Mandated Organisations (LMOs)
- Generally defined by the European directive 2007/2/EC
 - English version: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:32007L0002&from=EN>
 - Versions for all 24 official European languages: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX:32007L0002>
- In detail written in the appropriate legislation of each Member State, such as Zákon č. 123/1998 Sb. (CZ) or Zákon č. 3/2010 Z.z. (SK)

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Which data shall be published under INSPIRE?

- Fulfilling the following conditions (see Article 4)
 - they relate to an area where a Member State has and/or exercises jurisdictional rights;
 - they are in electronic format;
 - they are held by or on behalf of any of the following:
 - (i) a public authority, having been produced or received by a public authority, or being managed or updated by that authority and falling within the scope of its public tasks;
 - (ii) a third party to whom the network has been made available in accordance with Article 12;
 - they relate to one or more of the themes listed in Annex I, II or III.

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