

# Implementing the INSPIRE Directive through the Creation of a GeoServer

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### Full title: *European Network of Best Practices for Interoperability of Spatial Planning Information*



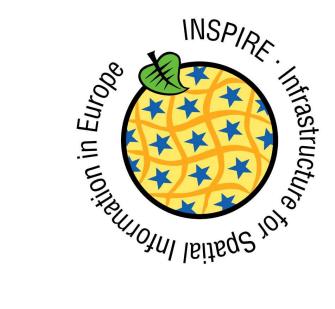
### A **Community programme to make digital content** in Europe more **accessible**, usable and exploitable.



### **INSPIRE:** The Information Highway Solution?

#### **INSPIRE is a Framework Directive**

- lays down general requirements
- detail provided through Implementing Rules



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#### **Conceptual process**

Data – Information – Knowledge – Action

The Data Cycle is suffering from DRIPS

**Data – Rich – Information - Poor Syndrome** 

Will INSPIRE alone help the lay the way?

Access is still restricted but has to change – various legislations have been enacted or are coming into force – Århus-DP-FoIA, INSPIRE

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#### **INSPIRE Directive**

- Implementation rules standardisation
- National Data Infrastructure
- Metadata
- Spatial Structures
- Data Services
- Discovery Services



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#### Why INSPIRE for the Domains: Space, Environment & Social?

#### **Environmental Needs**

- <u>Better information</u> needed to support policies
- Improvement of existing <u>information</u> <u>flows</u>
- Revision of approach to reporting and monitoring, moving to concept of <u>sharing</u> of information

#### **Situation**

- Lack of co-ordination across borders and between levels of government
- Lack of standards incompatible information and information systems
- Existing data not re-usable fragmentation of information, redundancy, inability to integrate

#### **Environmental data**

90% is linked to geography

**INSPIRE** 

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#### The INSPIRE Infrastructure

"infrastructure for spatial information" means

- metadata, spatial data sets and spatial data services;
- **network services** and technologies;
- agreements on sharing, access and use;
- coordination and monitoring mechanisms, processes and procedures.

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#### **Two Categories of Data**

#### The first category (annex I and II data):

- geo-referencing data
- have the status of "multi-purpose" spatial or basic data
- place high demands on harmonisation

The second category (annex III data):

- environmental data
- are needed in order to monitor and improve the state of the environment including air, water, soil and ...
- limited demands on harmonisation

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#### Annex I

Coordinate reference systems Geographical grid systems Geographical names Administrative units Transport networks Hydrography Protected sites

Annex I I Elevation Addresses of properties Cadastral parcels Land cover Orthoimagery Annex III Statistical units census Buildings Soil Geology Landuse Human health and safety Governmental services and environmental monitoring facilities Classified sites (industry and agriculture) Population distribution – demography Area management and .... zones Natural risk zones Atmospheric conditions Meteorological geographical features Oceanographic geographical features Sea regions **Bio-geographical regions** 

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#### **DATA-SHARING AND RE-USE**

Discovery services View services Download services Transformation services E-commerce services Additional services free of charge free of charge charging is possible free of charge to be available charging is possible

Community portal National portals

The Commission The countries (not mandatory)

based on a service oriented architecture

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#### **Metadata: Progress – MEPA and other Agencies**

- Malta is highly advanced in the implementation of the metadata process:
  - There are two processes being employed:
    - Using an excel-based input tool
    - Using an online editor created by JRC
      - http://www.inspire-geoportal.eu/inspireEditor.htm
    - Going one step further...
      - The metadata tool is also being used for non-spatial datasets (Tabular)

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#### **Implementation Phase: where are we now?**

- Preparatory phase (2004-2006)
  - Co-decision procedure
  - Start of preparation of Implementing Rules
- Transposition phase (2007-2009)
  - Directive entered into force 15 May 2007
  - INSPIRE committee starts its activities 26 June 2007
  - Continuation of preparation of Implementing Rules
  - 2nd meeting of the INSPIRE committee on 14 May 2008
  - Transposition into national legislation by 15 May 2009
  - Adoption of Implementing Rules by Comitology
  - Implementation phase (2009-2013)
    - Implementation and monitoring of measures
    - Continuation of preparation of Implementing Rules
    - Adoption of Implementing Rules by Comitology

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### **Excerpt from Roadmap (adoption)**

Milestone date	Article	Description
2007-05-15		Entry into force of INSPIRE Directive
2008-05-15	5§4	Adoption of IR for the creation and updating of metadata
2008-11-15*	21(4)	Adoption of IR for monitoring and reporting
2008-11-15*	16	Adoption of IR for discovery and view services
2009-05-15*	16	Adoption of IR for download services
2009-05-15*	16(a)	Adoption of IR for coordinates transformation service
2009-05-15*	17(8)	Adoption of IR governing the access rights of use to spatial data sets and services for Community institutions and bodies
2009-05-15	9(a)	Adoption of IRs for the interoperability and harmonisation of spatial data sets and services for Annex I spatial data themes
2009-05-15	24§1	Provisions of Directive are brought into force in MS
2010-11-15*	16	Adoption of IR for schema transformation and "invoke spatial data services" services
2012-05-15	9(b)	Adoption of the IR s for the interoperability and harmonization of spatial data sets and services for Annex II and III

\* = date proposed by Commission

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### **Excerpt from Roadmap (Implementation)**

Milestone date	Article	Description
2010-05-15	21§1	Implementation of provisions for monitoring
2010-05-15	6(a)	Metadata available for spatial data in Annex I and II
2010-11-15*	15	The EC establishes and runs a geo-portal at Community level
2010-11-15*	16	Discovery and view services operational
2011-05-15*	16	Download services operational
2011-05-15*	16(a)	Coordinates transformation services operational
2011-05-15	7§3, 9(a)	Newly collected/ restructured Annex I spatial data sets available
2012-11-15*	16	Schema transformation and "invoke spatial data services" services operational
2013-05-15	6(b)	Metadata available for spatial data corresponding to Annex III
2014-05-15	7§3, 9(b)	Newly collected/restructured Annex II/III spatial data sets available
2016-05-15	7§3, 9(a)	Other Annex I spatial data sets available
2019-05-15	7§3, 9(b)	Other Annex II and III spatial data sets available

\* = date proposed by Commission



### **Metadata Implementing Rules**

- Result of extensive collaborative work between Drafting Team, Commission, and stakeholders through 2005-07
- Proposal for a Regulation unanimously approved by INSPIRE Regulatory Committee on 14/5/2008
- European Parliament completed its scrutiny on 18/6/2008
  - Adoption Summer 2008

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### **IRs on Network services**

- An INSPIRE Architecture is proposed to integrate INSPIRE services, e-commerce and DRM components,
- INSPIRE services shall be Web Services (W3C) using the SOAP protocol to exchange messages, and WSDL language to describe the services

INSPIRE Services	Based on:	IR Status
Discovery services	OGC Catalogue service, with the ISO Application Profile : OGC CS-W 2.0 ISO AP	Draft IR has been reviewed by SDIC / LMO
View services	Web Map Service : ISO 19128 WMS 1.3	=> Final draft: July 2008
Download services	<ul> <li>OGC Web Feature Service (ISO 19142),</li> <li>OGC Web Coverage Service,</li> <li>HTTP File download</li> </ul>	Draft IR to be reviewed by SDIC / LMO => Final draft: TBD
Transformation services	Functions of a Web Processing Service (OGC WPS): - Coordinate transformation services - Schema transformation services	Draft IR for a SDIC / LMO review 2008 => Final draft: TBD First draft in 2008
Invoke services	- Chaining services : BPEL (Business Process Execution Language form OASIS)	First draft in 2008

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### Data and service sharing

### **Directive:**

- Discovery, View (excluding large dynamic data) free of charge [Article 14]
- Data exchange for reporting obligations at most cost recovery + 'reasonable' ROI [Recital 23]
- Other charges between public authorities kept to a minimum (to ensure quality and supply) + 'reasonable' ROI [Article 17(3)]

"compatible with the general aim of facilitating the sharing of spatial data sets and services between public authorities"

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### What does it all mean?

- INSPIRE is a Directive which mandates Member States to provide their public authority datasets and services so that they can be used more easily by other public organisations in the country concerned, in adjacent countries if required, and by the EC itself for policy making, reporting and monitoring.
- It is a set of principles and rules that each country must now choose how to implement - it will not necessarily need legislation.
- Datasets will, by set dates, be capable of being discovered, viewed, and downloaded (where allowed) through common interfaces. Exactly how these services should be provided (other than the EC's own geo-portal) is left to individual countries.
- There is no requirement for new data collection, though it will be necessary for future data collection to comply with standard specifications now being drafted.
- It is required that metadata and, for the most part viewing services, will be available free of charge, but there is specific allowance for intra-governmental agreements for the use of data – even if they involve a charging regime.
- There is a general aspiration to 'remove obstacles'
- it will be achieved by public authorities following Implementing Rules (IRs) that will specify standard metadata, data specifications, data sharing, and interoperable services. Member States will monitor and report on progress

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### **The INSPIRE transposition - Malta**

- Member State Report 2010 Source: Matthew Gatt MITA
- The Directive has been transposed into Maltese Legislation under the provisions of the Development Planning Act and brought into force by Legal Notice on the 22nd December 2009.
- The Malta Information Technology Agency (MITA) has been designated as the competent Authority in terms of the implementation of the Directive and the National Spatial Data Infrastructure in Malta.
- The administrative implementation of the Directive will be largely driven by the existing ICT governance structures of MITA.
- The technical implementation of the Directive is based on accelerating the preparatory work carried out by the Malta Environment and Planning Authority through the commissioning of an INSPIRE compliant geoportal with associated services.

# INSPIRE Spatial Data Themes $\int_{Plan 4}^{1} \sqrt{1} \sqrt{2}$

Annex I	Annex III	
<ul> <li>Coordinate reference system</li> </ul>	•Statistical units	
•Geographical grid systems	•Buildings	
•Geographical names	•Soil	
•Administrative units	•Land use	
	<ul> <li>Human health and safety</li> </ul>	
•Addresses	<ul> <li>Utility and Government services</li> </ul>	
•Cadastral parcels	<ul> <li>Environmental monitoring facilities</li> </ul>	
•Transport networks	<ul> <li>Production and industrial facilities</li> </ul>	
•Hydrography	<ul> <li>Agricultural and aquaculture facilities</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Population distribution – demography</li> </ul>	
•Protected sites	<ul> <li>Area management/restriction/regulation zones</li> </ul>	
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	•Natural risk zones	
	<ul> <li>Atmospheric conditions</li> </ul>	
•Annex II	<ul> <li>Meteorological geographical features</li> </ul>	
•Elevation	<ul> <li>Oceanographic geographical features</li> </ul>	
•Land cover	•Sea regions	
•Orthoimagery	<ul> <li>Bio-geographical regions</li> </ul>	
•Geology	<ul> <li>Habitats and biotopes</li> </ul>	
acology	•Species distribution	
	•Energy resources	
	•Mineral resources	



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## Work done by FTZ

- Metadata Plan4All, INSPIRE phases
- Data Specification Plan4All, INSPIRE phases
- Network Services Used Plan4All
- Monitoring and Reporting Ongoing
- Data and Service Sharing Geoserver

## Metadata profile



### Design spatial planning metadata profile

Deliverable number	D 7.1
<b>Dissemination level</b>	Public
Delivery date	30 April 2011

Tools available:

INSPIRE Metadata Editor availability of an xml tool that read the outputs was created through a project entitled "Institution Building in the Environment Sector", (Transition Facility Programme for Malta - 2006).

The metadata search facility was made available through <a href="http://www.ambjent.org.mt/">http://www.ambjent.org.mt/</a>.

INSPIRE Metadata Editor http://www.inspire-geoportal.eu/index.cfm/pageid/342

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Plan4All Metadata Documentation

Plan4All Portal – for both creation and storage <a href="http://www.plan4all.eu/catalogue/">http://www.plan4all.eu/catalogue/</a>

Created both an xml and an xls version Plan4All metadataprofiles guidance document (D3.2.2\_Plan4all\_Metadata\_Profile\_-\_Final\_version\_revised.doc)

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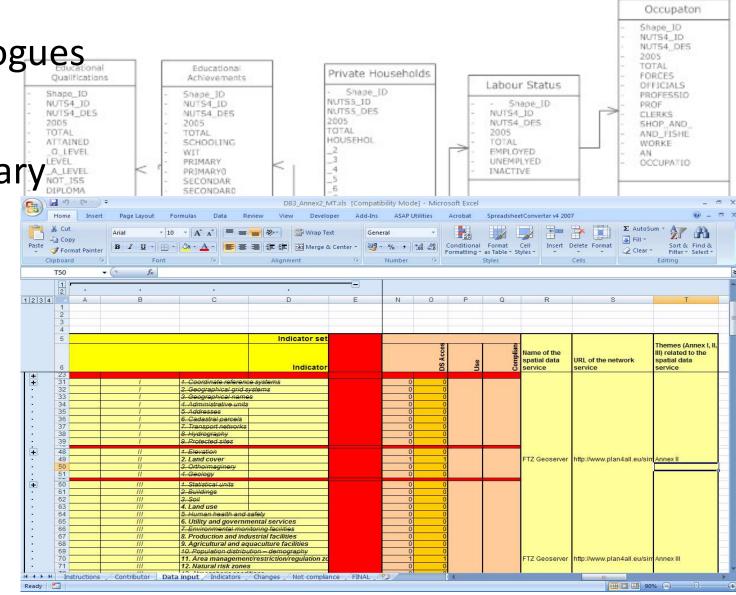
## Data Models

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### Design data models were created by the Consortium

- Feature Catalogues
- UML Models
- Plan4all Glossary Diploma

- Verification & Testing
   Processes were
   carried out:
  - Data input
  - Indicators
  - changes



# Geoportal - Deployment

Deploy data and metadata on local and regional level

### **Publication**

Plan4all Geoportal and Regional Geoportal

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#### General description of source data

Land Cover Mapping in Malta : 1990 – 2000 – 2006

The layer used for Plan4All is based on the CLC2006 map includes 19 categories landcover types

The mapping exercise was based on the analysis of different data sources, mainly remotely-sensed data employing Landsat TM7 data pertaining to the National Mapping Agency at MEPA including base maps, orthoimagery, thematic data and insitu surveys.

Document creation and metadata; available from the EEA CDR website .



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#### Scheme

The scheme used for Land Cover was that identified by the Plan4All guidelines and the Application Schema was the "Land Cover" Schema.

As most of the attributes were not included in the original CLC2006 map, new datasets had to be integrated in order to follow this schema.

#### **Object type**

Object type was in Mapinfo (.tab) polygon format which had been verified by the EEA LandCover Topic Centre validation team on 22/6/2007.



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Code list as per Plan4All schema

Note that the attribute names are truncated due to the transformation from MapInfo (.tab) to ESRI (.shp) format.

Attributes	Schema Codelist
INSPIREID	InspireID
GEOMETRY	Geometry
SOURCE	Source
CLASSIFICA	Classification
BEGINLIFES	beginLifespanVersion
ENDLIFESPA	endLifespanVersion
CLASSIFIO	classificationLink

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### Deploy data and metadata on local and regional level

### **Code list** *as per new INSPIRE Data Specifications V2. June 2011*

Attributes	Schema Codelist
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#### **Transformation method**

Note that the attribute names are truncated due to the transformation from MapInfo (.tab) to ESRI (.shp) format.

All data was already in a spatial format and additional features not in the original dataset were added through SQL querying in order to conform to the data requirements for the Plan4All transformation output.

The main problem envisaged in the transformation was that most attributes had to be given a "string" type. In addition, during conversion to shp format, the attribute headings were truncated due to ANSI conversion protocols.



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#### **Spatial transformation process**

The spatial transformation was more complex due to the fact that Malta holds all its data in a truncated ED50 format which required the following steps in order to be converted to the final required projection:

- •Restoration of the truncated 4 in Northings and 39 in Eastings;
- •Reprojecting to WGS84: EPSG: 36233;
- •Conversion to shp format from .tab format;
- •Colour schemes are lost in the transition and need to be recreated in the geoserver.

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#### **Transformation scheme**

The transformation scheme used was based on the following process:

•Data is gathered from the agency serving as custodian for that layer;

- •The metadata provided was analysed;
- The attributes were reviewed for their compatibility with the Plan4All requirements;
  New attributes were added and the cells were populated as per Plan4All codelists;
  The layer was then converted to conform to the spatial requirements for eventual uploading to a geoserver.

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Area		SOURCE	Source
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#### Web Map Client

The webmap client used was geo server (<u>http://ftzgeo.org:8080/geoserver/web</u>)

The following steps were employed:

•Data was saved in the relevant folder through ftp transfer;

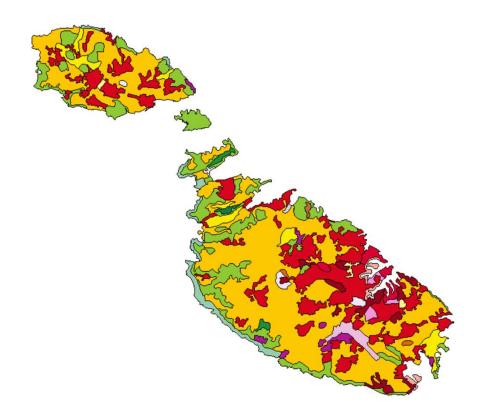
- •Maps were structured through Stores, Layers and colour schemes;
- •Since all maps lost their fill content (colour) during the transformation process, two colour schemes were created using sld for use through the map portal.

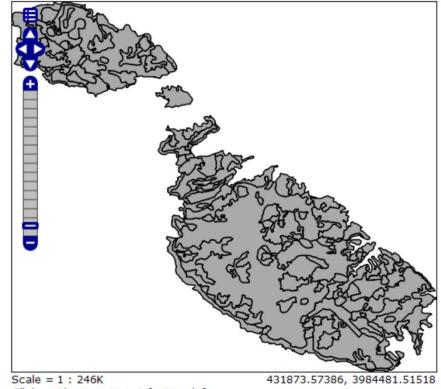
#### **Web Services**

The services offered by the system are WMS, WFS, whilst metadata services are provided through a link to the Plan4All metadata service where these files were stored in both xml and xls formats.



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Click on the map to get feature info

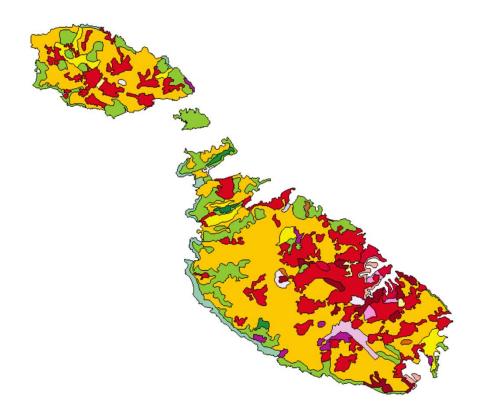
**Original CLC Colour Scheme** 

Initial GeoServer Output

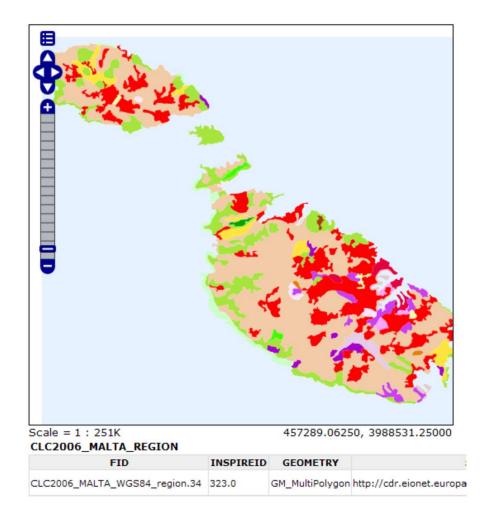




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Original CLC Colour Scheme



Final GeoServer Output

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### Publication

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URBAN ATLAS	HSRS geoportal is a package of applications which allows to work with maps in	Commission is holding its first Innovation Convention
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