



# PROCEEDINGS AND PRESENTATIONS

## 29 OCTOBER 2021



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Ivar Oveland, Norwegian Mapping Authority

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Anders Nesse, Norconsult Information Systems, Norway

## Setting-up the Scene

*Chair: Astrid Hvattum, Head of Business Intelligence and Innovation, Geodata, Norway*



Astrid is a dedicated technology optimist, business developer, strategic advisor and technology blogger. She is a Head of Business Intelligence and Innovation at Geodata – a Norwegian company, which by Astrid's words, "lives and breathes four dimensions."

Setting-up the scene, Astrid commenced the day with an inspirational introduction emphasising her firm belief that anything and everything is possible if we put our minds into it and that specifically Spatial Data and Technology are key elements in reaching a sustainable future.

She underlined that we need to

- Have technology, information, applications, and solutions
- Understand local specifics and changes that occur over time
- Connect our efforts to our governments' goals, visions and aspirations
- Show how spatial data can help to understand impacts and to becoming data-driven
- Demonstrate endless possibilities geospatial provides, especially when driven by crises
- Convince that geospatial provides dynamic evidence for data-driven decision-making

New technologies provides us with exiting possibilities of getting "a lot for less":

- Airborne imagery and machine learning combined gives us an up-to-date overview and occurred changes show changes
- Raster analytics and Artificial Intelligence can take you even further
- Lidar-data can show us what the naked eye cannot see
- Drones can document and we can map – live, in detail, and in three dimensions

Astrid pointed out that we would need to reach out to the public to engage, to interact, and to get accurate information on what is happening and where. It is important to use difference sources for collecting and spreading the information – for example, crowd sourcing or social media as a source of information in emergencies.

At the same time, it will be increasingly important to establish and implement national and international standards, to create trust in the data we provide, and to be able to work towards common goals in the international society. We need to create standards that makes it possible to compare apples and apples – even if the data comes from different sources and countries.

We have created and collected data for decades. Now, we need to think about how we can connect the dots and make a digital copy of our surroundings. The most important is not if this digital copy is perfect from day one, but if and how it can grow and show what is already in place with information about quality. How it evolves over time through an always updated, dynamic, and visualized representation of your data.

Astrid concluded stating that her goal was for all participants to be inspired, so after these three day they would get ideas for new possible values and partnerships, new potential buyers and users, new ways of attracting employees, new ways of collecting data and a good plan for the future.

## Keynote: Spatial Knowledge Infrastructure

*Dr. Lesley Arnold, CEO, Geospatial Frameworks, Australia*



Dr Lesley Arnold is Director Geospatial Frameworks Australia. She works with governments to develop strategies, policies and implementation plans for spatial information reform, open data initiatives and spatial innovation globally.

Lesley currently works with the United Nations and World Bank supporting countries to strengthen their geospatial information management capabilities towards implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and is one of the lead authors of the UN-GGIM Integrated Geospatial Information Framework.

She is currently a Board of Director of AuScope and the Australia Urban Research Innovation Network (AURIN), and is President-elect and Board Member of the Surveying and Spatial Sciences Institute, Australia.

Lesley has worked with several committees to achieve incremental change including the Intergovernmental Committee on Surveying and Mapping (ISCM) Australia to develop Cadastre 2034 strategy and the Elevation and Depth 2030 Strategy.

Lesley continued the inspirational picture drawn by Astrid and talked about a paradigm shift required for spatial data enabling infrastructures to achieve a Spatial Knowledge Infrastructure (SKI) and in particular knowledge on-demand. She noted that this was a paradigm shift from current SDI technologies that are based on Web 2.0 technologies and data delivery; to an enabling environment based on Web 3.0 technologies that enable knowledge inferencing.

Lesley started with a very technology focus. She told about research conducted by the Cooperative Centre for Spatial Information (CRCSI) (now FrontierSI) where they experimented with Sematic Web technologies and integrated data on the Web, under its spatial infrastructure program with over ten PhDs and Post Docs, and industry partners. The Program looked at all aspects of SDI data supply chains and developed a vision for the SKI - a network of data analytics, expertise and policies that assist people, whether individually or in collaboration, to integrate in real-time, spatial knowledge into everyday decision-making and problem solving".

Lesley touched upon what is necessary to achieve this vision of knowledge on-demand for decision-making. She pointed out that this relies on government engagement, higher technical skill levels and some required prerequisite technologies, such as linked data formats, automated workflows and ontologies. She stated that we are now in an SDI/SKI hybrid environment, where access to machine-actionable data is becoming a reality and proof of concepts developed. There is still much to do to achieve the envisaged SKI to move beyond current SDIs.

In conclusion, Lesley provided a fuller picture using the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (IGIF) as the means for digital transformation. She called upon participants to start creating and exposing data as linked data, as well as linkable metadata so that it can be



found by machines. According to Lesley, this will lead to innovation potential, particularly in the open source community. There is free and open source software, such as Protégé, that can be used to develop ontologies and you can build on and adapt the many existing ontologies that already exist. Visit W3C and GitHub to find out more. [https://www.w3.org/wiki/Lists\\_of\\_ontologies](https://www.w3.org/wiki/Lists_of_ontologies).

The link to the CRCSI research poster is here <https://www.crcsi.com.au/assets/Resources/CRCSI-Program-3-overview.pdf> and more papers can be found in the CRCSI Library here <https://www.crcsi.com.au/library/>. The white paper on SKI is located here <https://www.crcsi.com.au/assets/Program-3/CRCSI-Towards-Spatial-Knowledge-Whitepaper-web-May2017.pdf>.

# Spatial Knowledge Infrastructure

## Knowledge On-demand

A future enabled by machine actionable data

**DR LESLEY ARNOLD**

Specialist in Governmental Geospatial Information Policy and Practice



Where do I buy a  
GIS and which  
one is the best?

Find  
Download  
Process  
Fix errors  
Overlay  
Analyse  
Transform  
Curate  
Display





Count me out!

There must be a  
simpler way?



I'll just ask Siri or  
Google!

# On-demand Revolution

Consumer experiences happen in seconds



Information and services are pushed out via a digital mesh of applications - layered on top of existing digital infrastructure networks.



curbside



GasBuddy

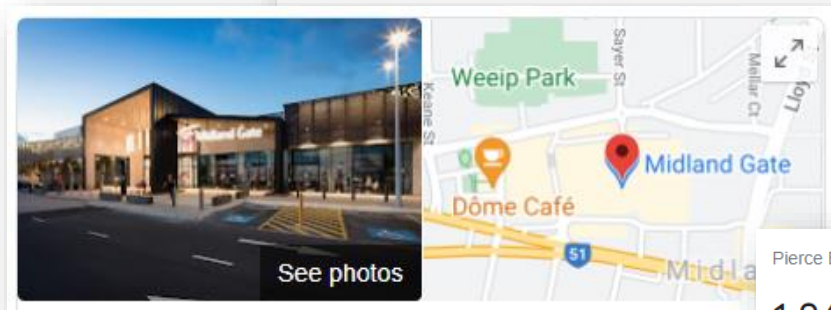




1 Australian Dollar equals

# 0.75 United States Dollar

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Taxi, Weather, Shopping, Fitness, Homebuyer, Gaming, COVID -19.

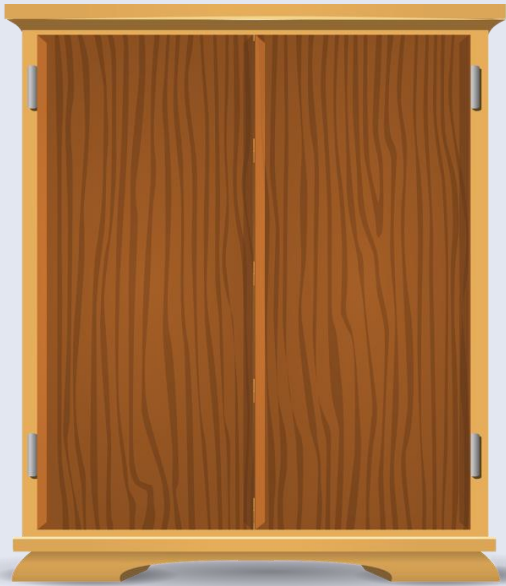


Can't get answers to  
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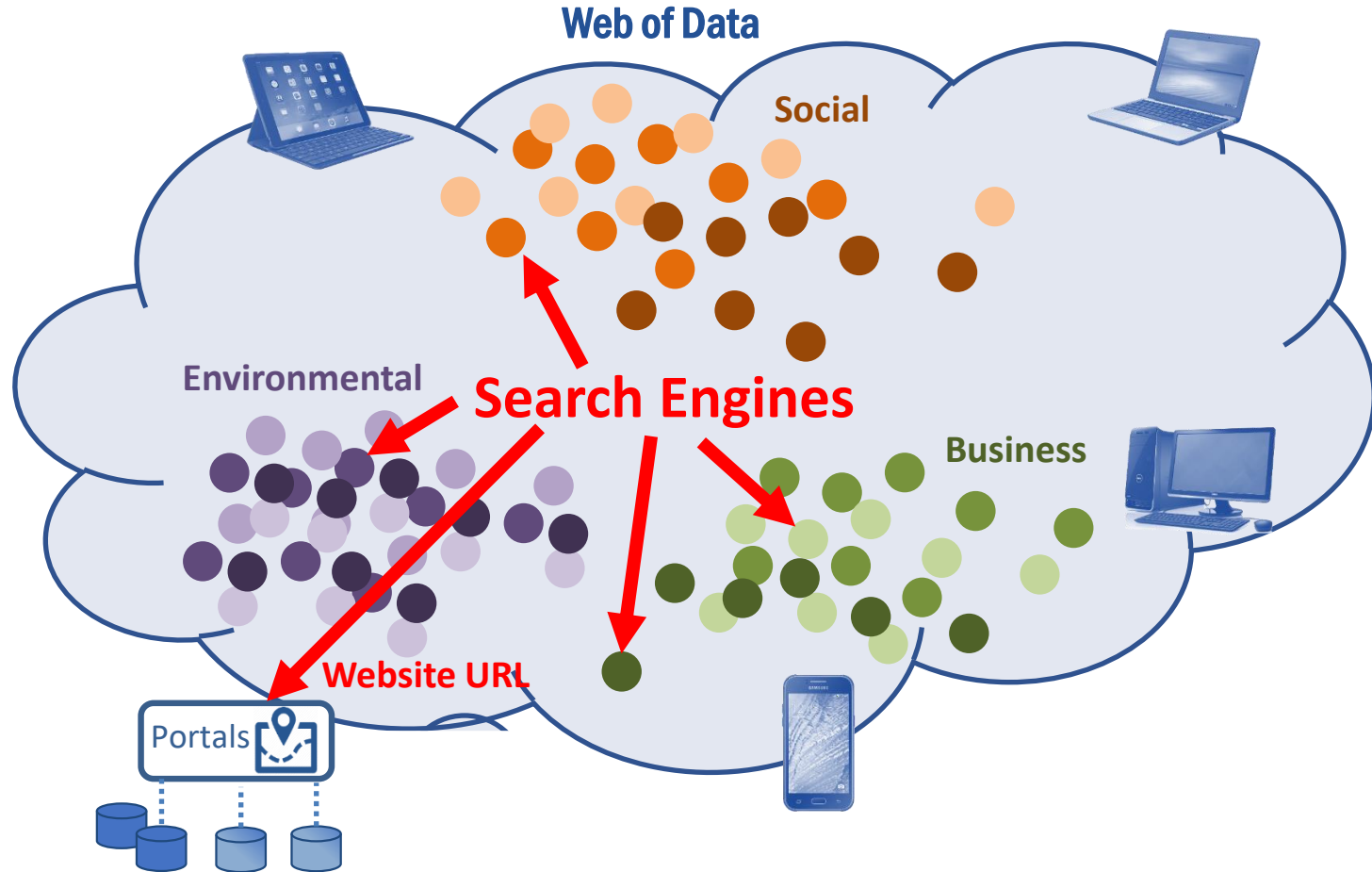
### Open Query Apps

Virtual assistants –  
Siri, Cortana, Alexa

# SDI – Not Machine Actionable

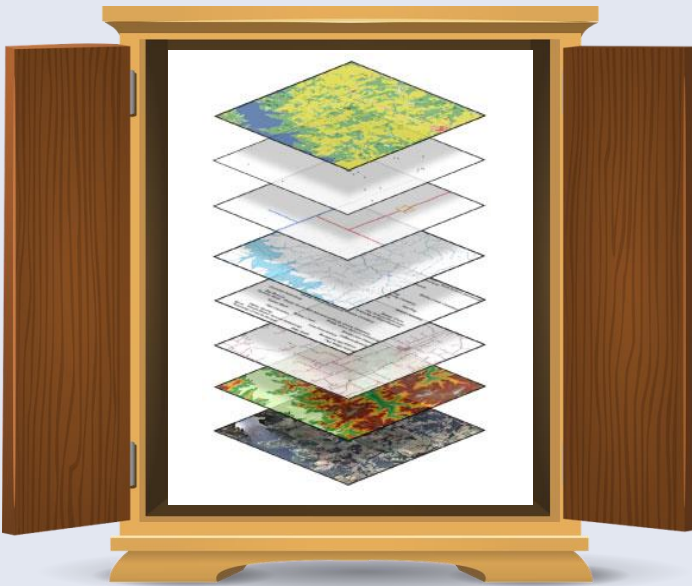


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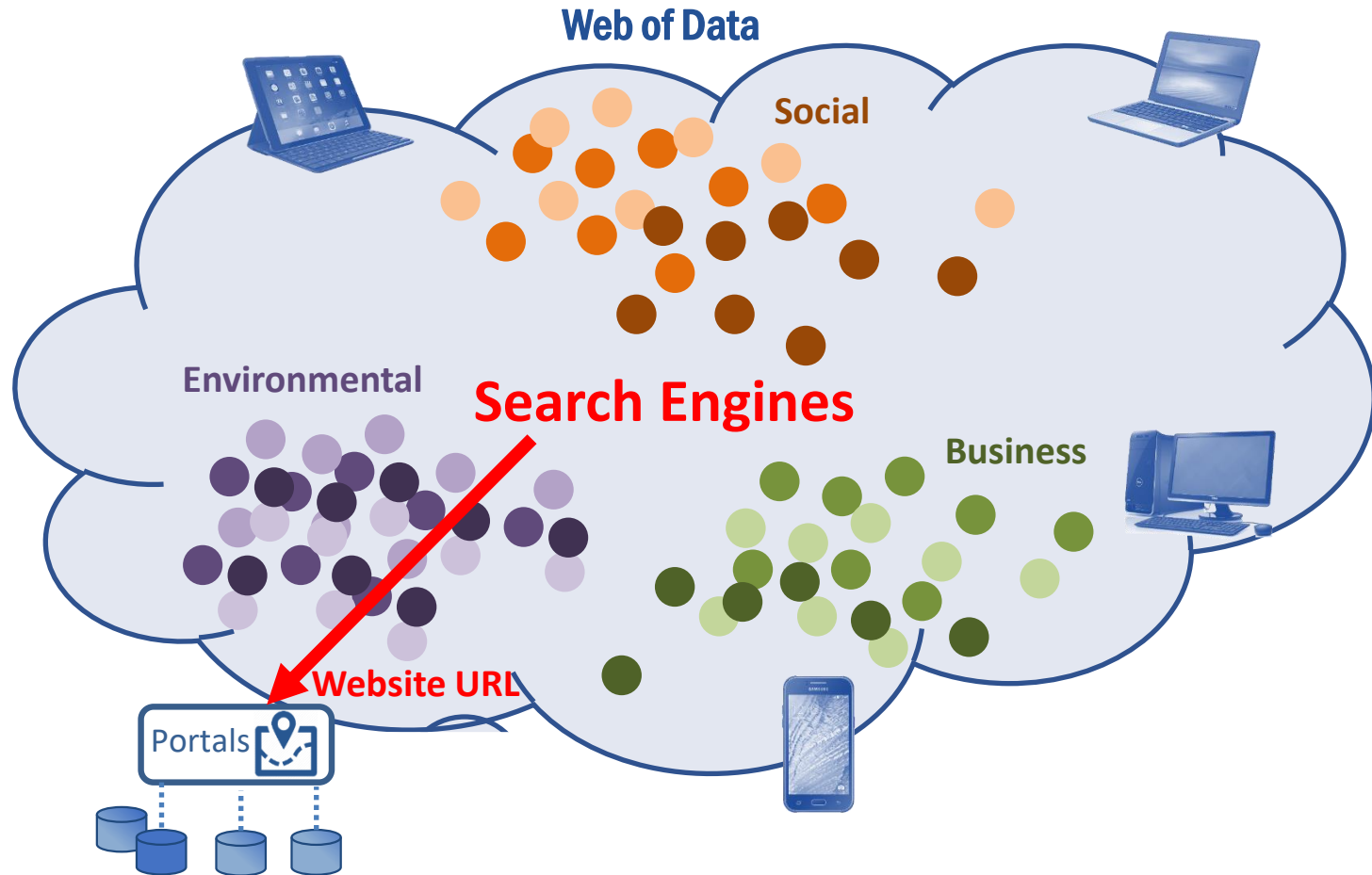


Search Engines Can't Find Data

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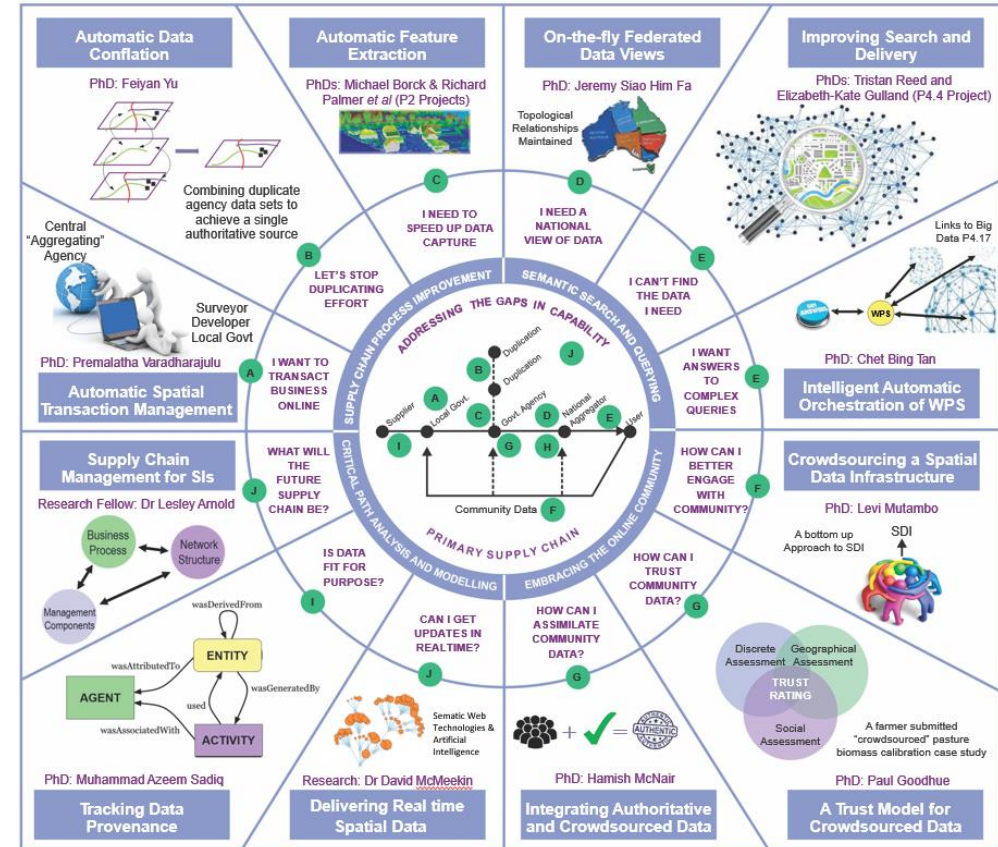
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**If you could redesign an SDI what would it look like?**

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- Spatial Infrastructure Program
- Move beyond capability of SDIs
- Experimented with Semantic Web Technologies and integrated data on the Web

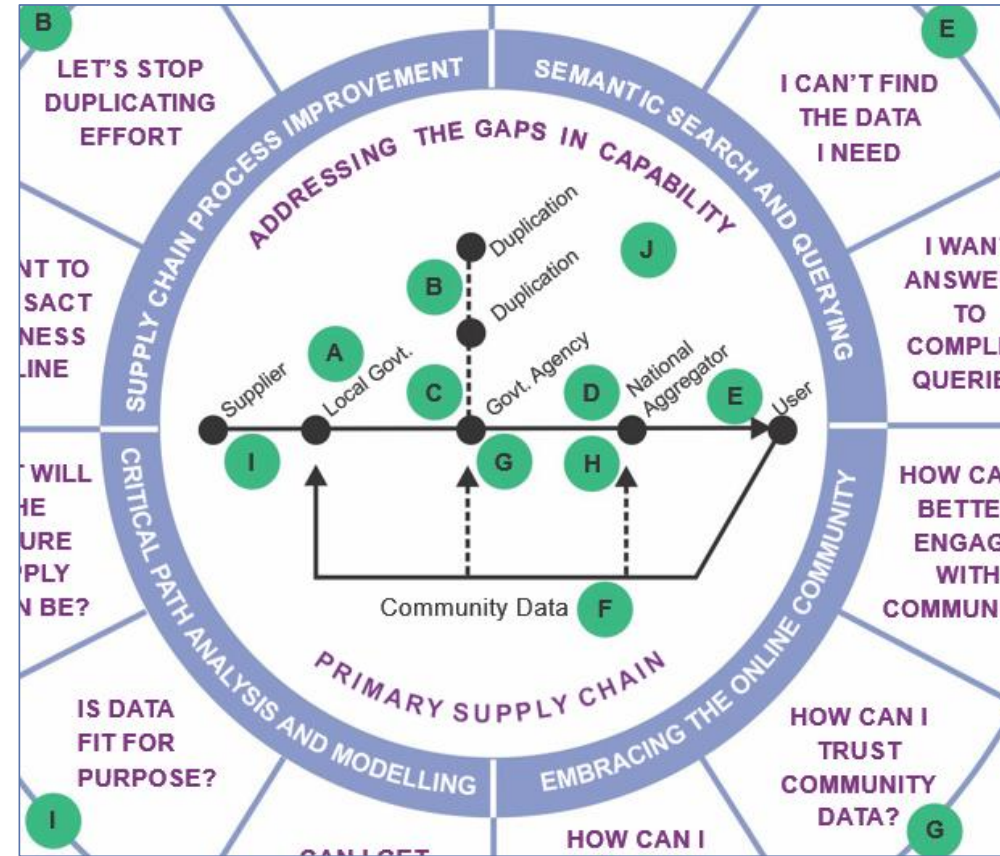
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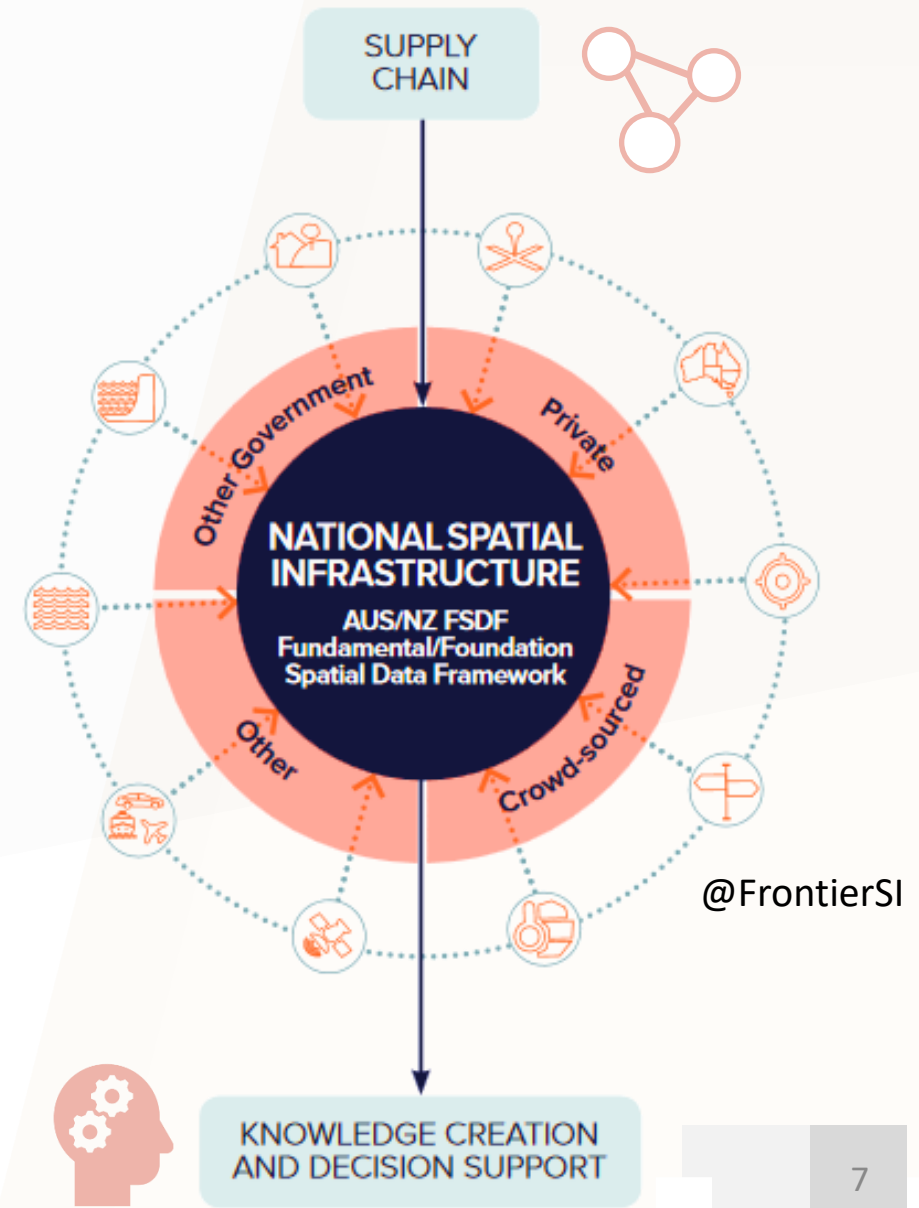
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# Spatial Knowledge Infrastructure

## Vision Statement

“a **network of data analytics**, expertise and policies that assist people, whether individually or in collaboration, to **integrate in real-time** spatial knowledge into **everyday** decision-making and problem solving”



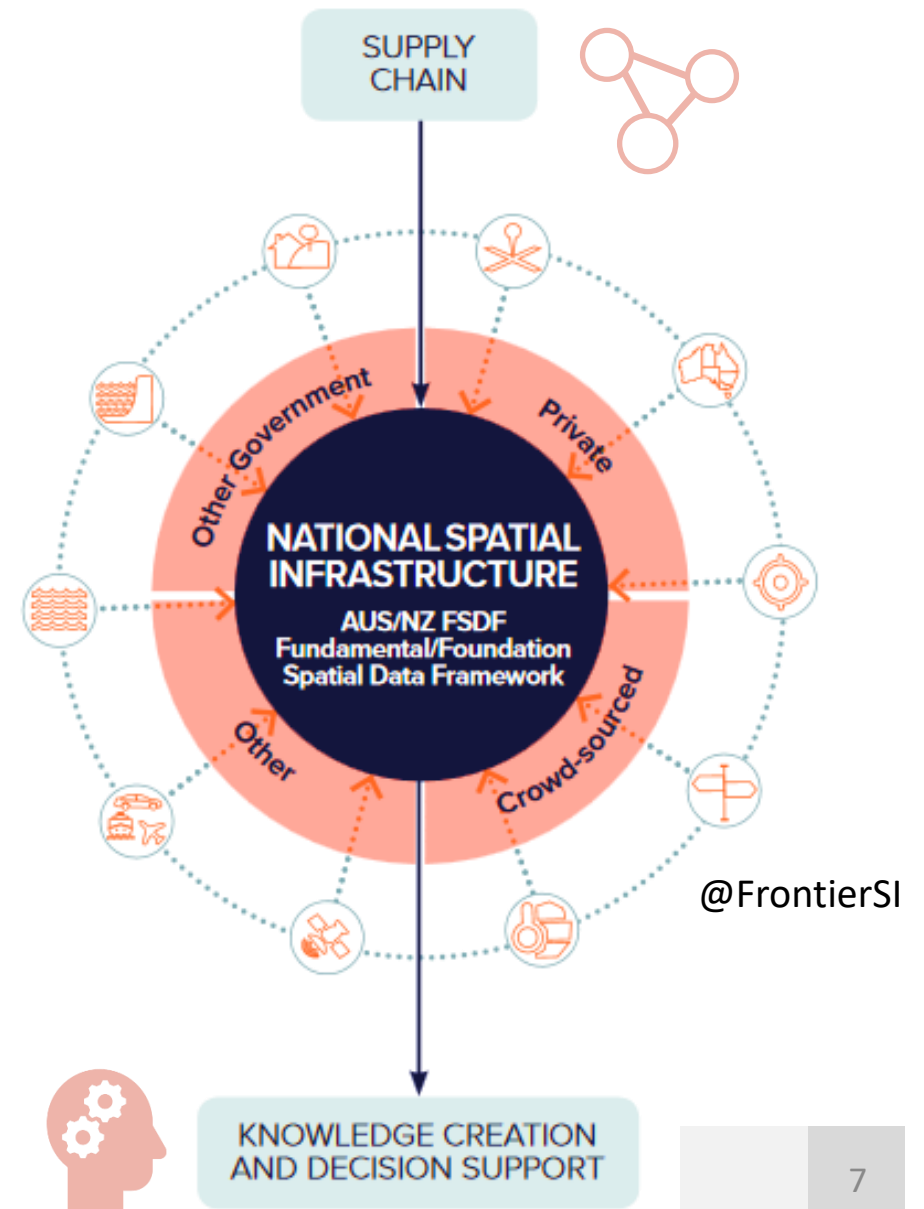
# Paradigm Shift

Spatial Data  
Infrastructure = Web 2.0



Spatial Knowledge  
Infrastructure = Web 3.0  
Semantic Web

SKI is a fundamental change in approach and challenges our underlying assumptions on how we manage, share and use GI.



# Semantic Web

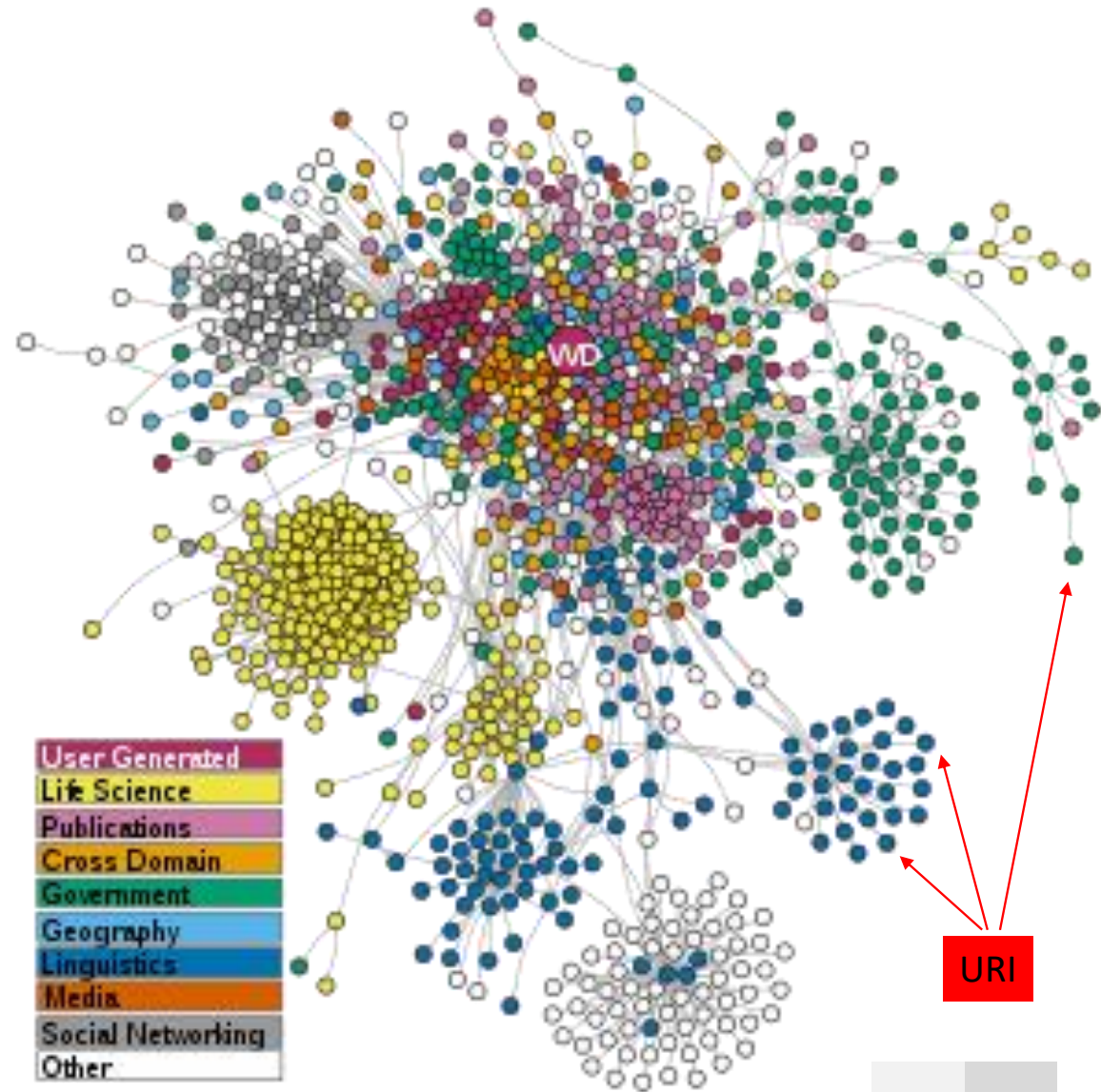
Is a vision of the Web of Data where everything is connected.

Linked Data is the means to achieve this vision.

- Sematic Web is the what!
- Linked Data is the how!

Linked Data has an address called a URI (Unique Resource Identifier).

Countries are now developing Linked Data Registries.



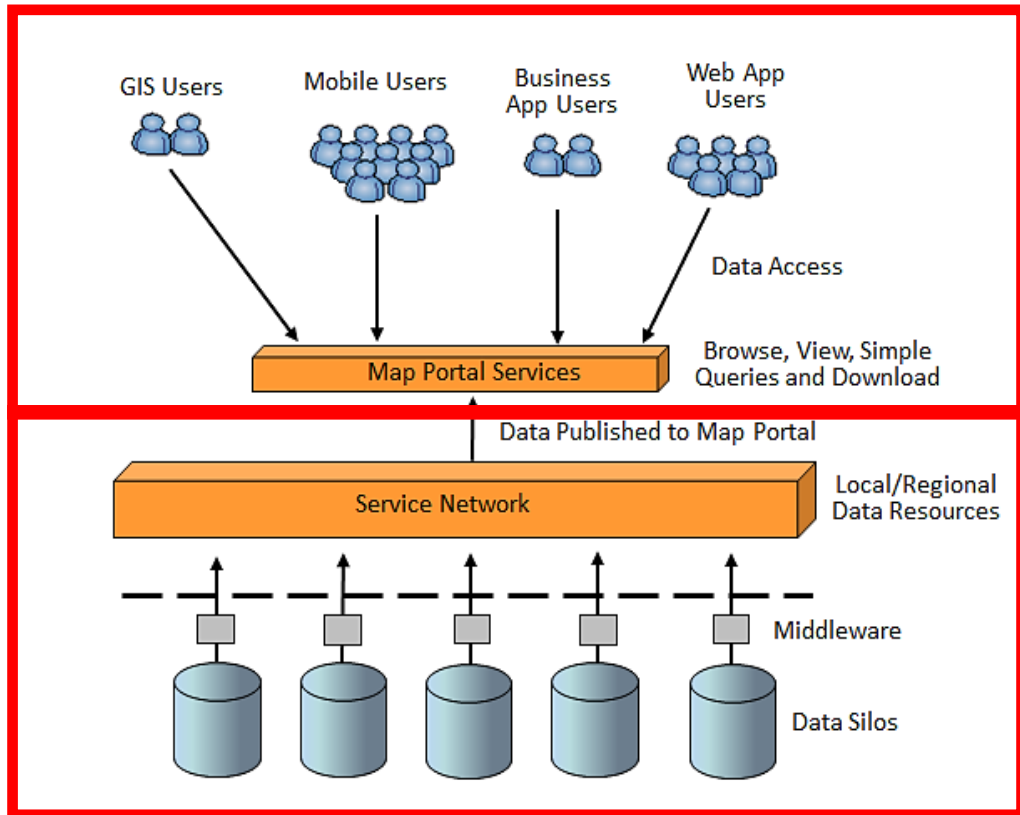
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**SKI builds on current SDIs.**

**We can transform SDIs to make it easier for machines to connect the dots.**

# SDI

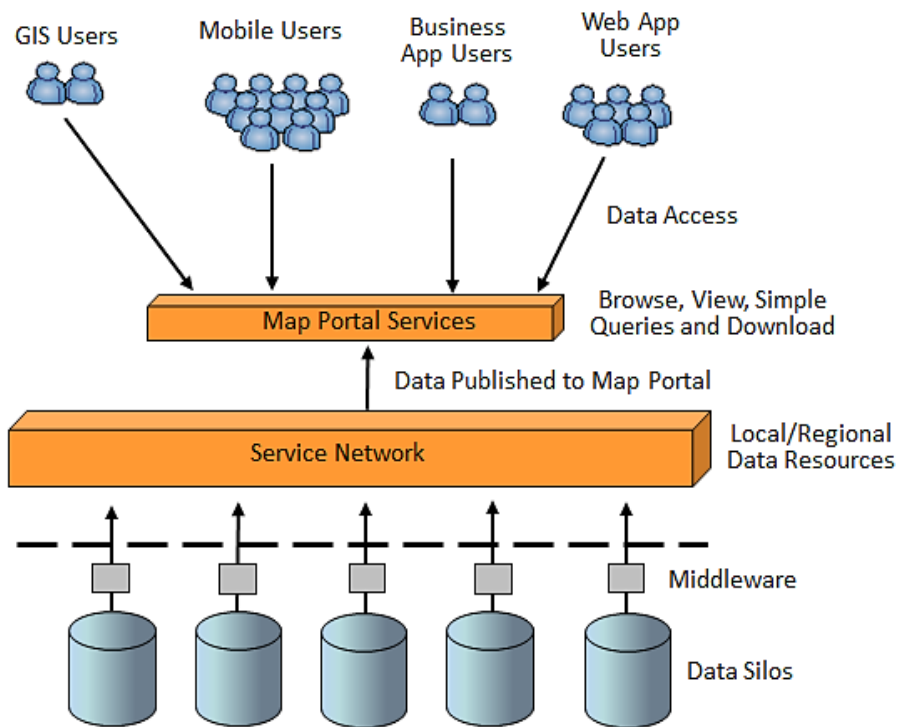
## Enabling infrastructure



Human-accessible Data

# SDI

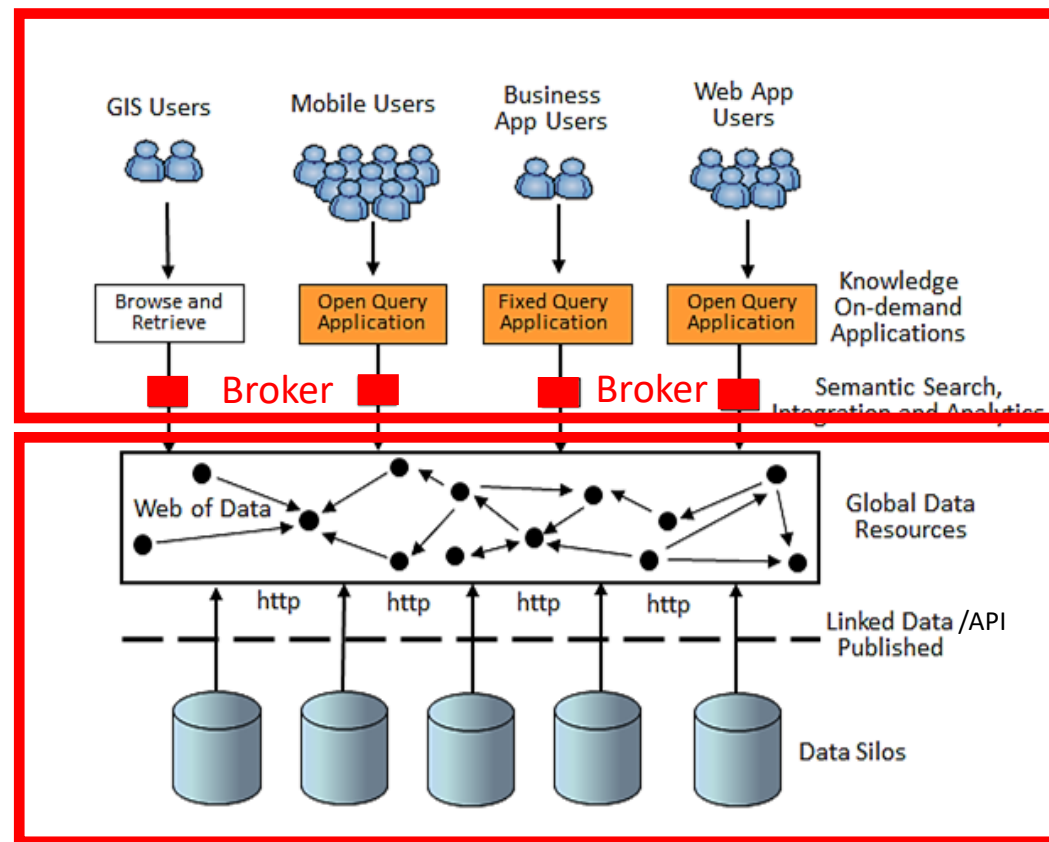
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# SKI

Enabling infrastructure



Machine-accessible Data

## Applications Environment



All sorts of **smart** applications – real-time conflation service, federation service, smart search, smart flood models, smart processes.

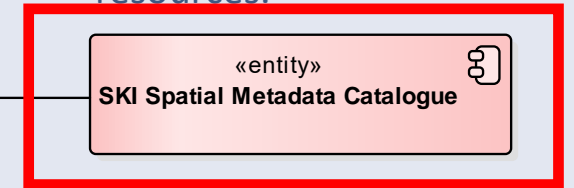
## SKI Architecture

Mediator between resources and application.

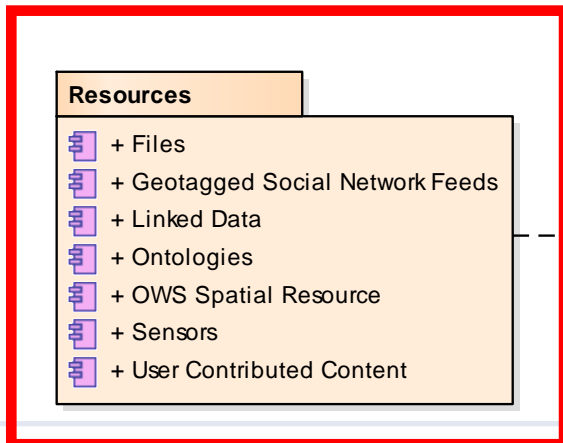
Direct question to resources and retrieves, assembles and returns a response.



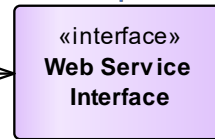
Stores machine readable information about spatial resources.



## Data Resources



expose



access

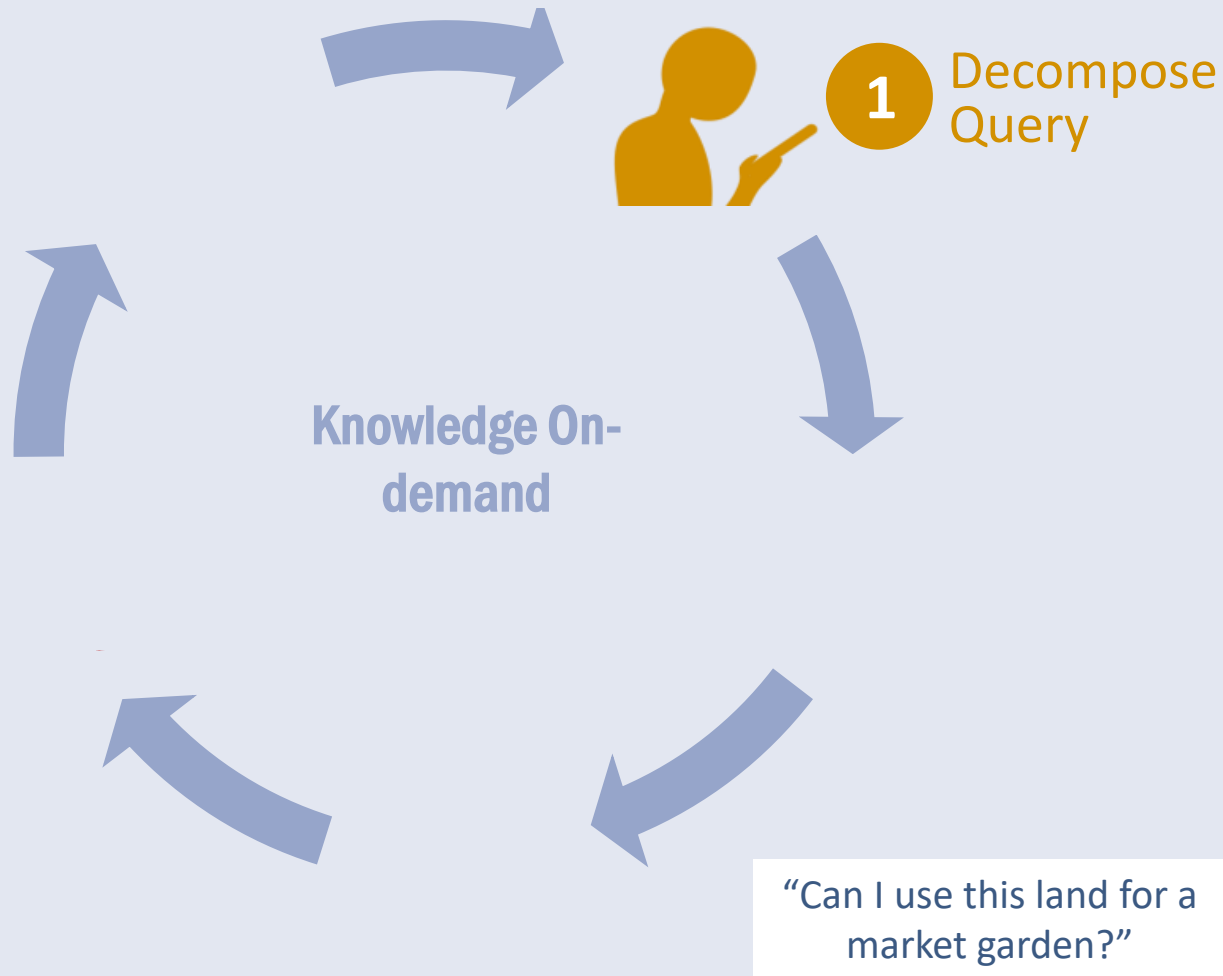
SKI Architecture paper @ <https://doi.org/10.1111/tgis.12656>

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Slide courtesy Dr Ivanova

**The ultimate aim is Knowledge On-demand?**



“Can I use this land for  
a market garden?”



## Natural Language Processing



Which...?

Where is...?

Difference between...?

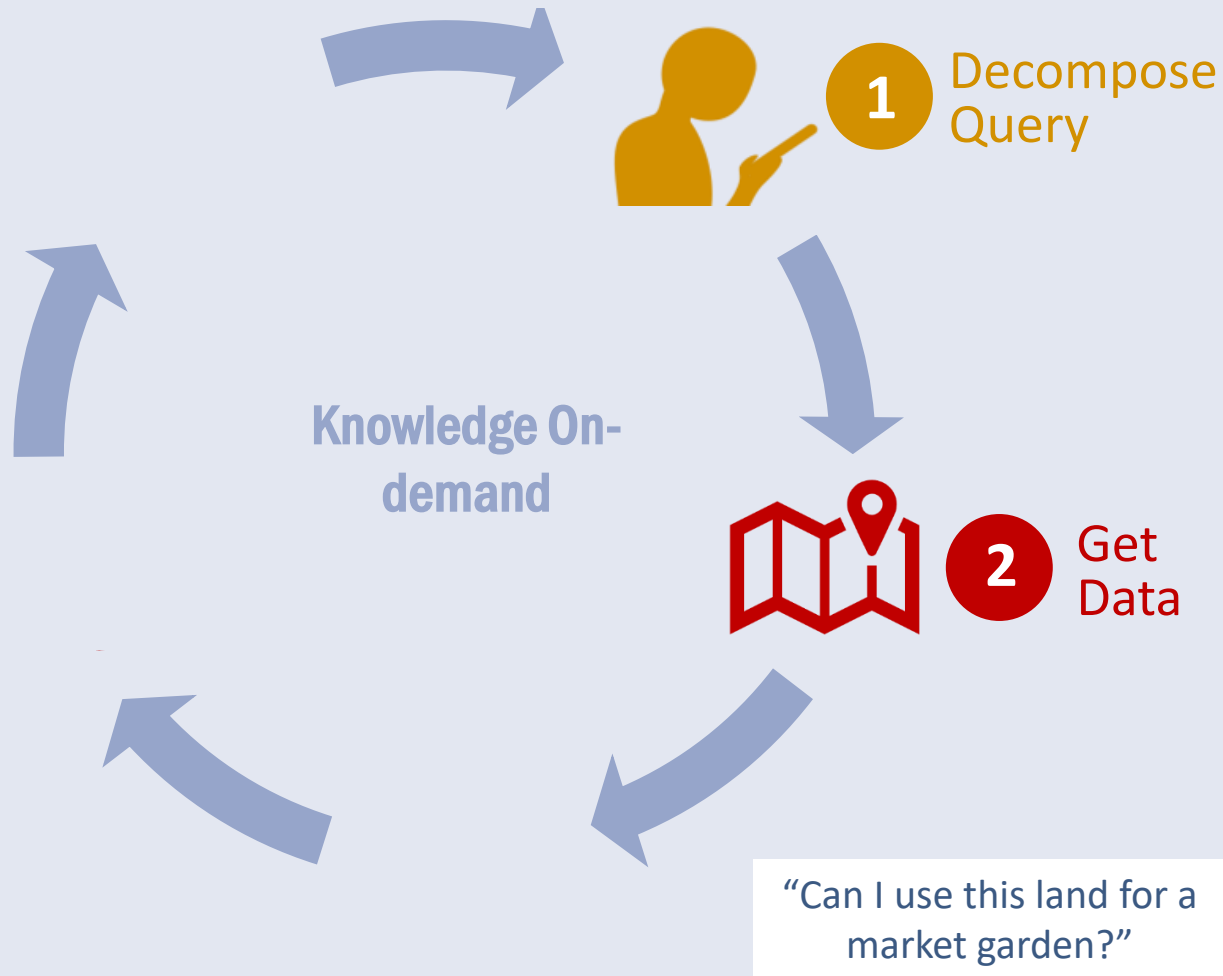
How far.....?

Best location...?

Land use for....?

Risk of flood here....?

How much....?



## Semantic Search and Spatial Filtering

**Search** for subject

Flood, crop yield, soil, address, water restrictions etc

Rights, Restrictions and Responsibilities on (RRR) on Land.

**Filter** for Location

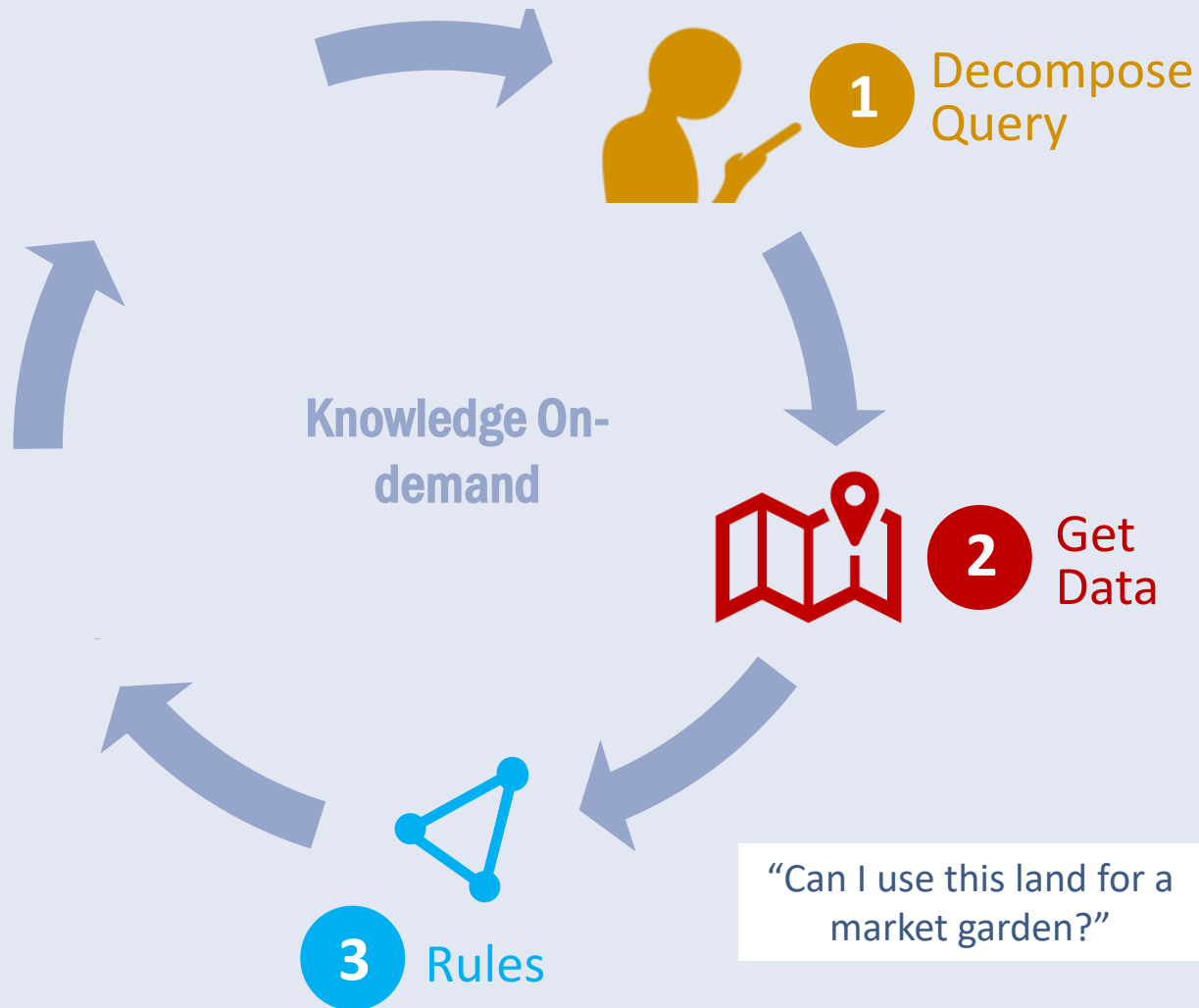
Where I am...

Where I am going to...

Where they are...

Somewhere else...

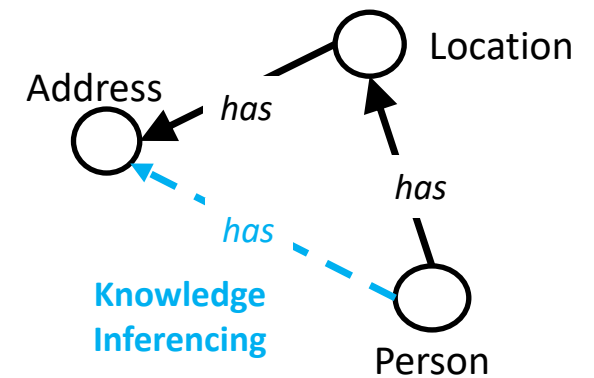
**Get** the URI address for the data

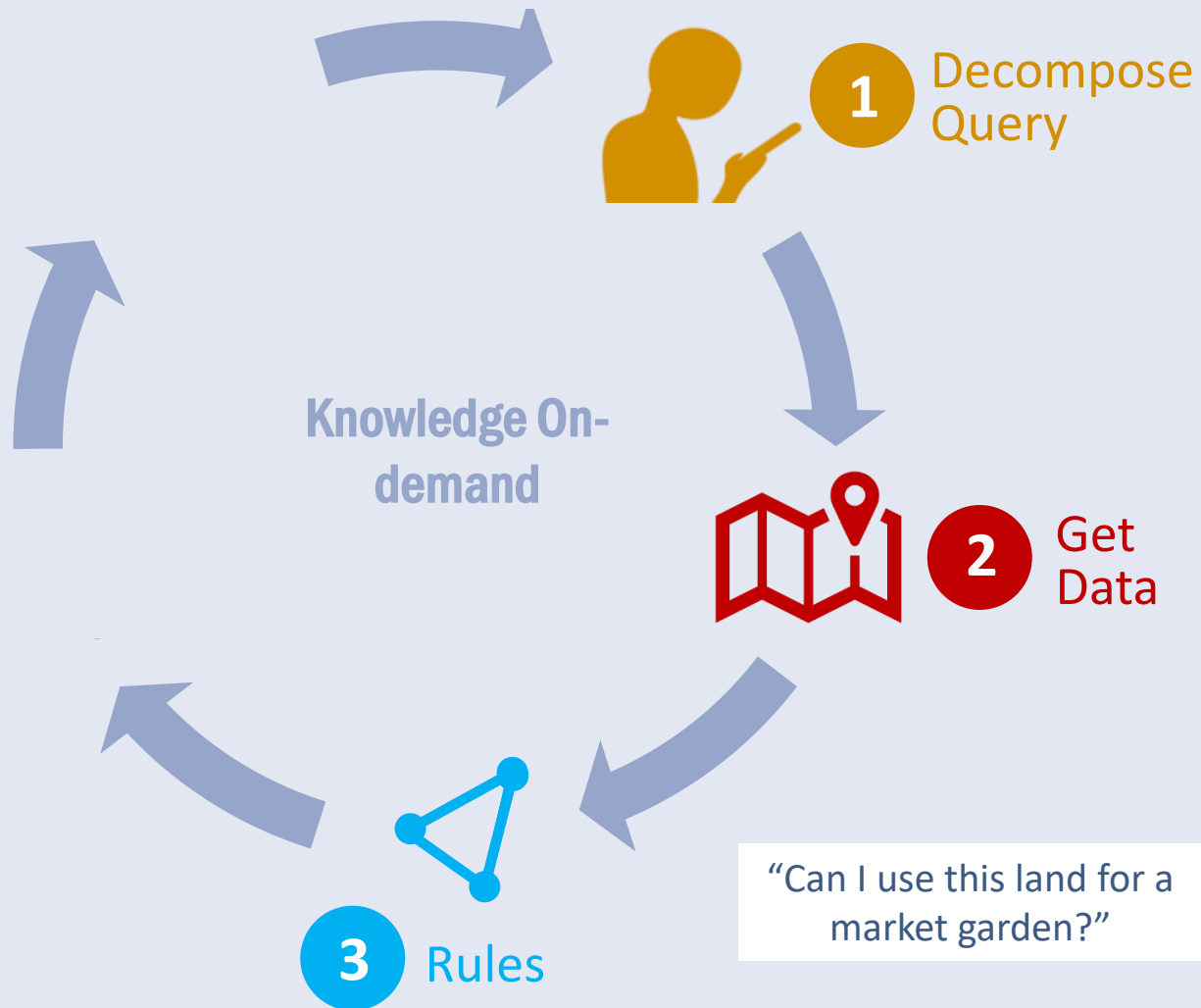


## Domain Ontology and knowledge Graphs

**Data Model** that explains how each element in the knowledge domain relates.

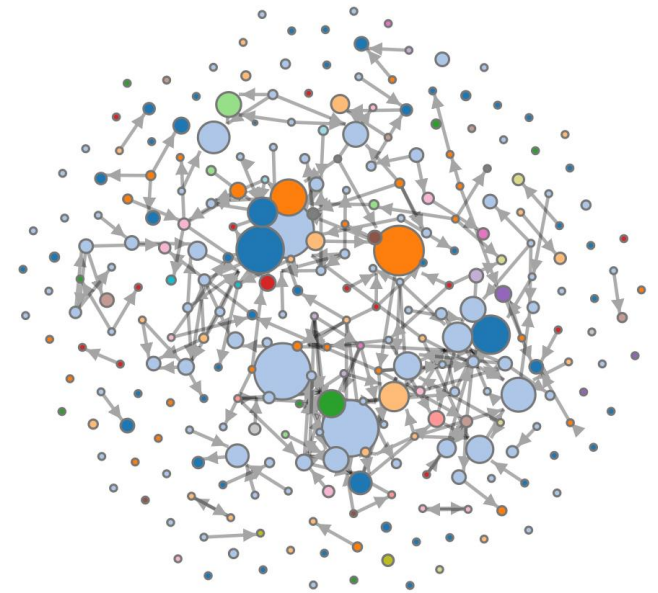
It sits outside a database as opposed to within.

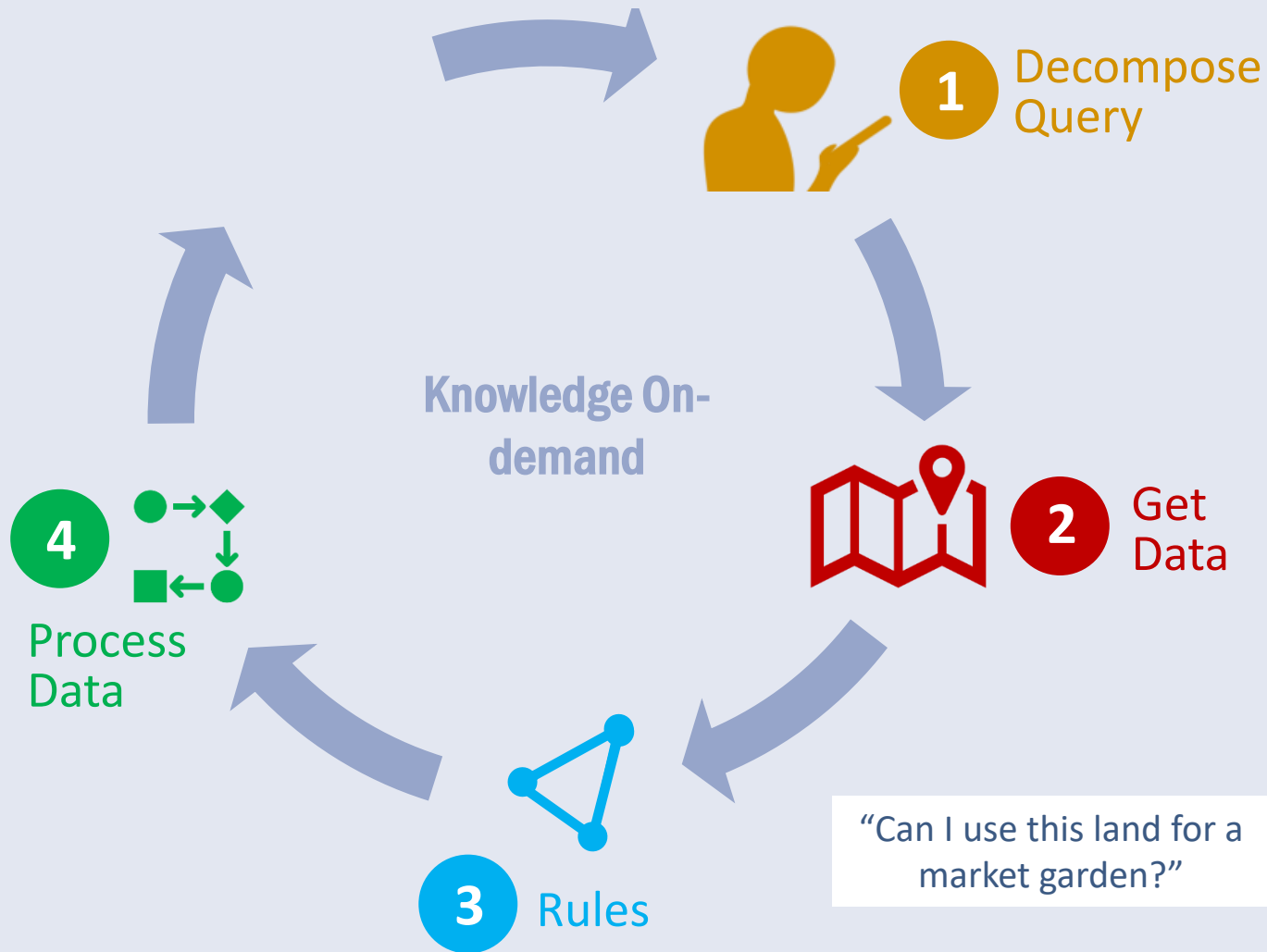




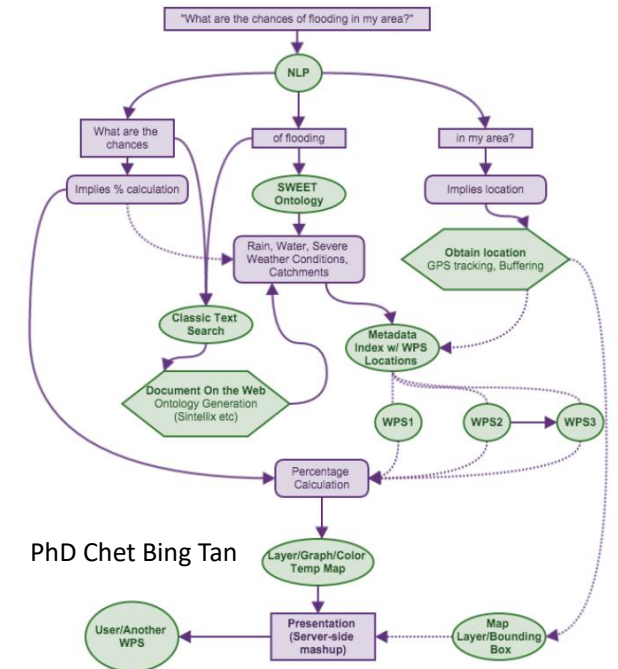
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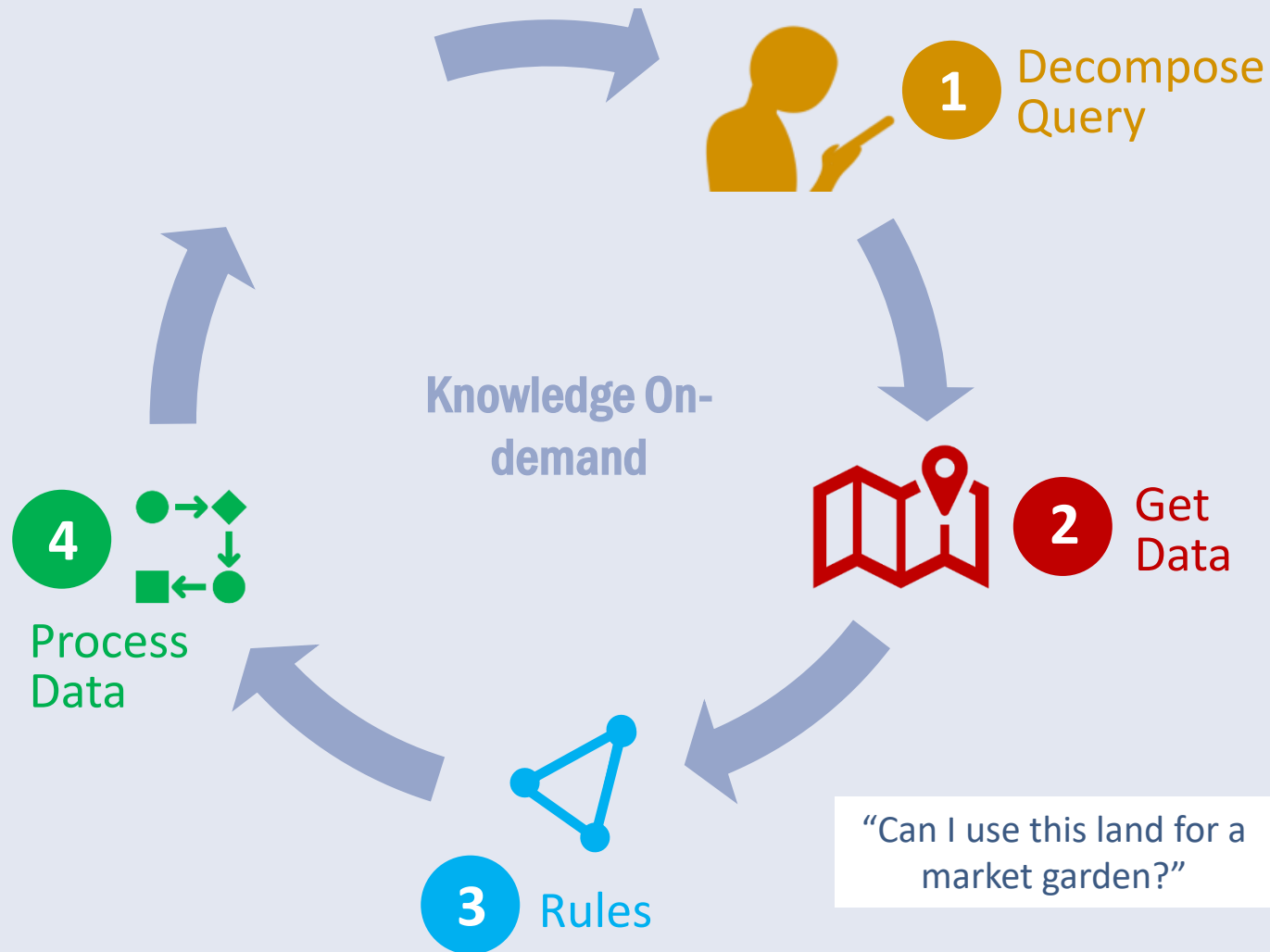
Model + Data = Knowledge Graph



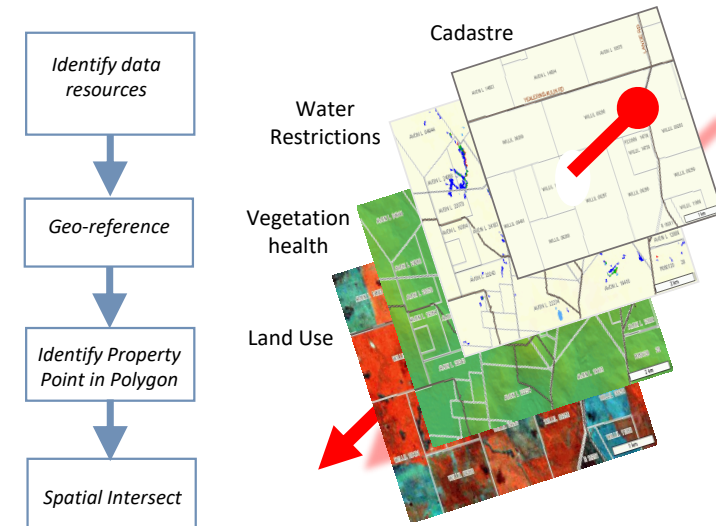


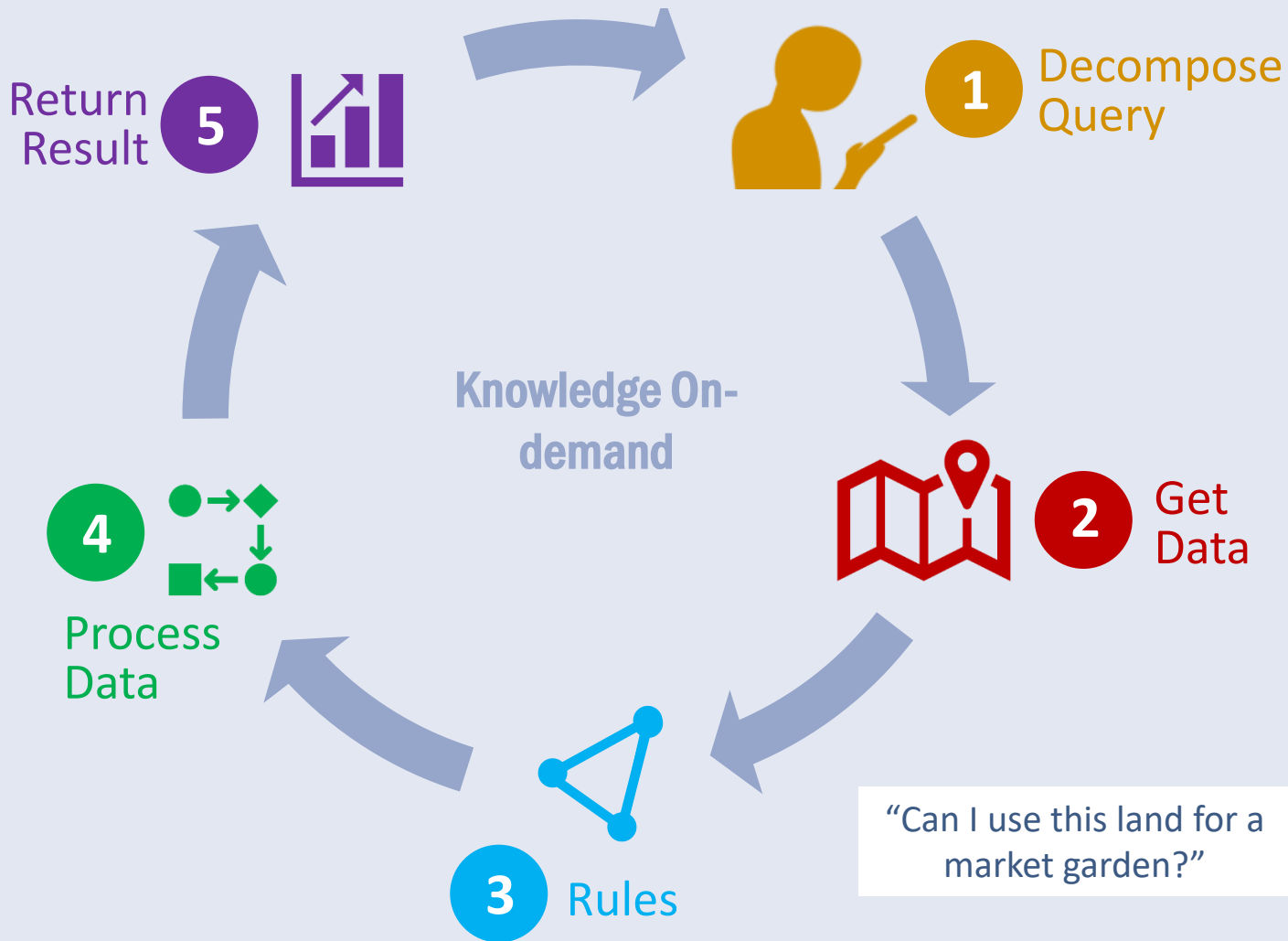
## Repeatable Spatial Analytics Workflow - Key to monitoring SDGs





## Repeatable Spatial Analytics Workflow

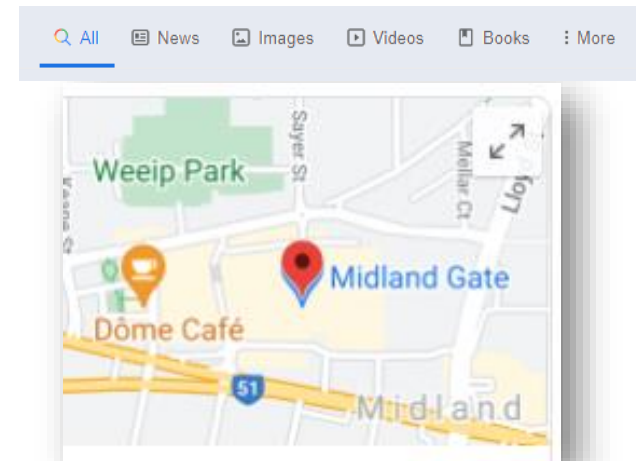




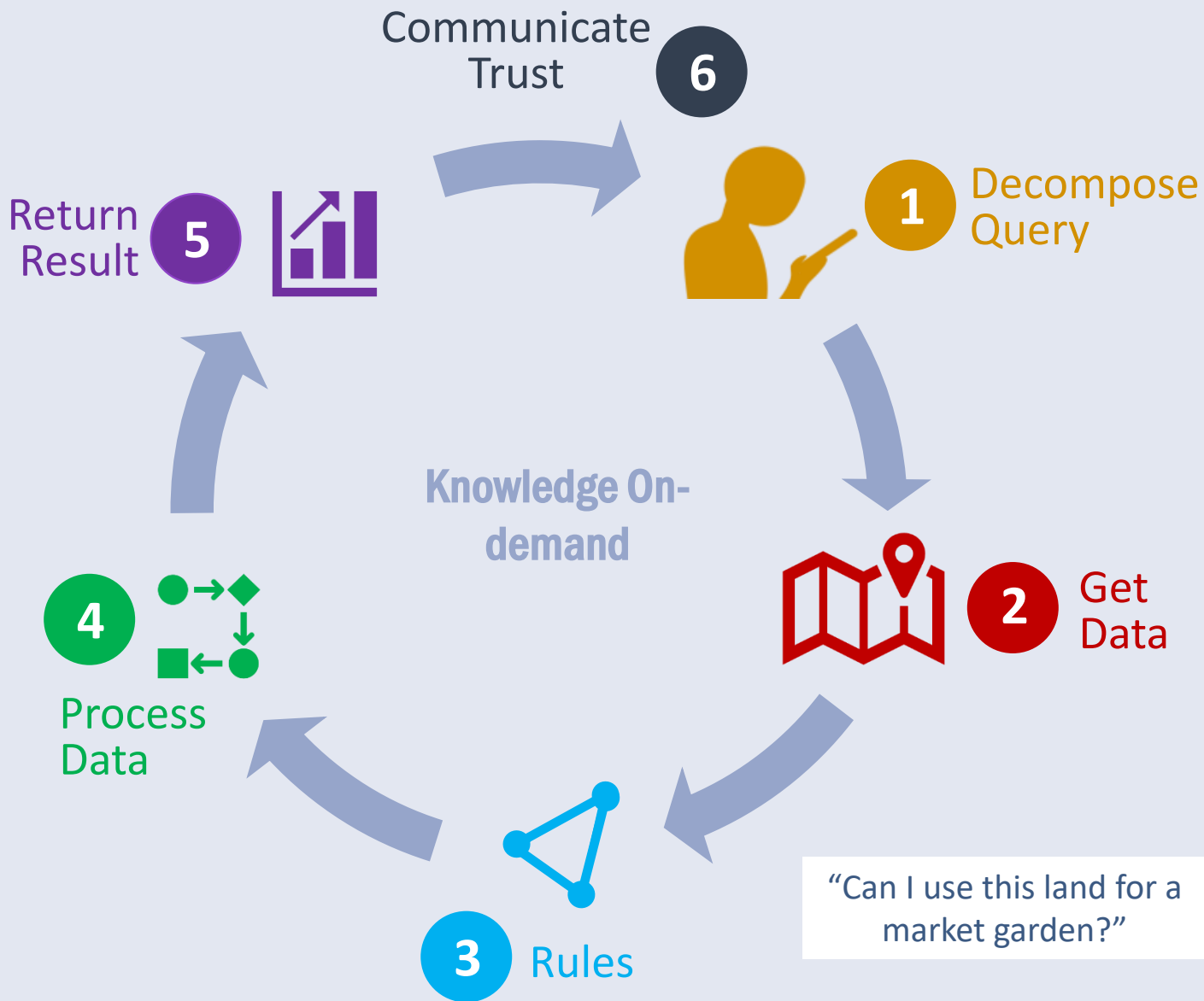
# Return Results



Text, map, graph, drawing,  
image, number/value, speech.



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## Rank and Rate Answer



Provenance Metadata

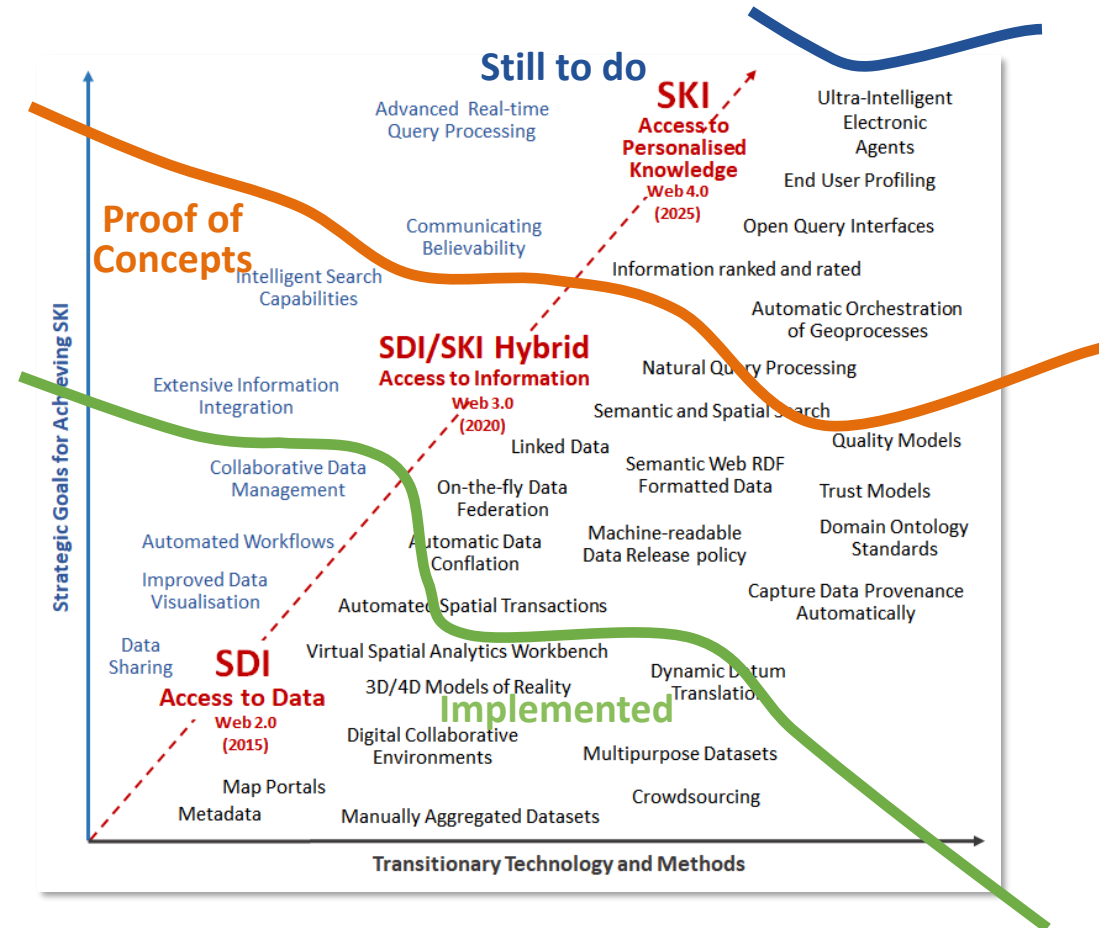
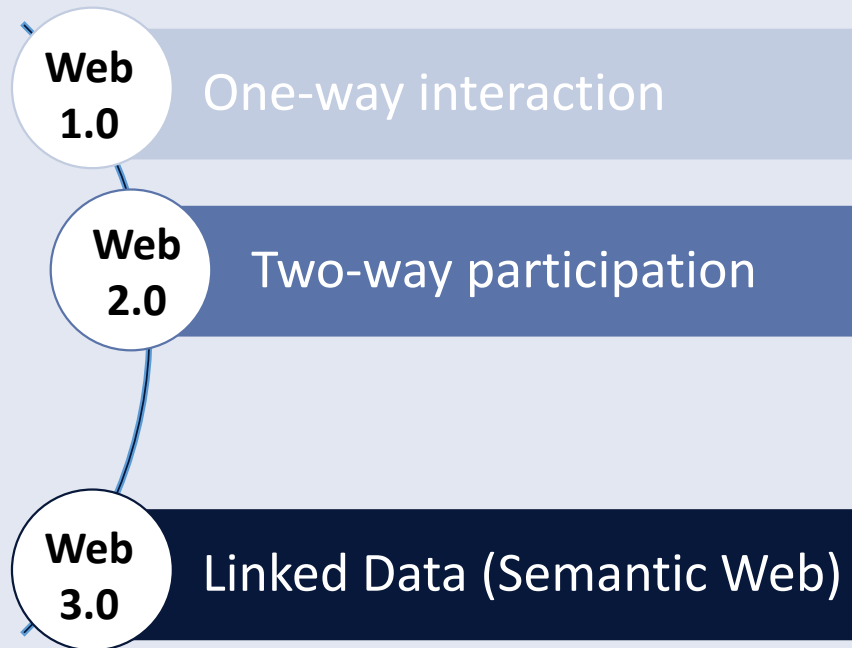
1	★ ★ ★
2	★ ★ ★ ★
3	★
4	★ ★ ★

Rank = relevance  
Rate = quality

**How close are we to Knowledge On-demand?**

# The Web

## 3 Stages of Evolution

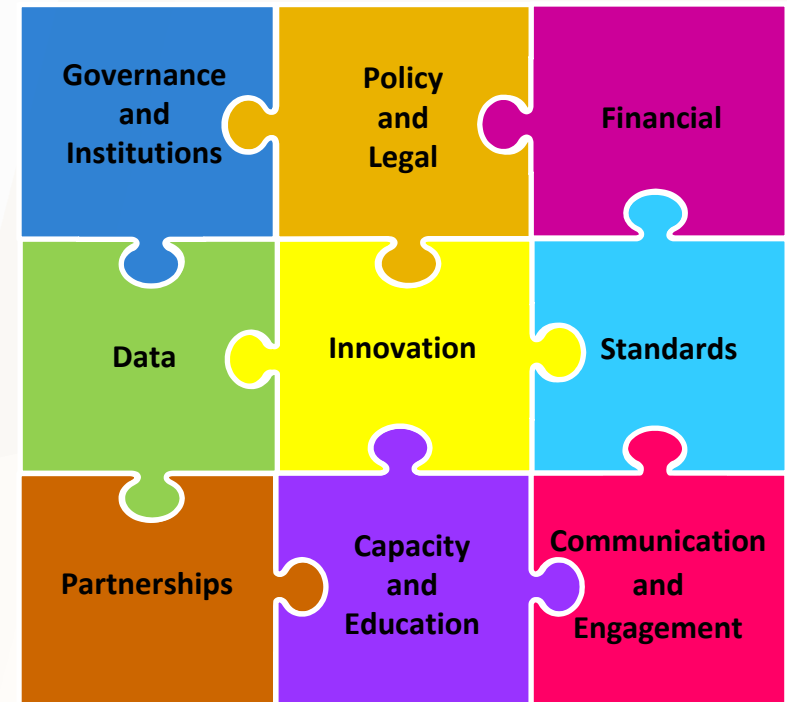


**The focus to-date has been on technology only.**

# Integrated Geospatial Information Framework

- Expose – Linked Open Data, Ontologies, Vocabularies, Linkable Metadata
- Value proposition and socio-economic benefits
- Global governance and partnerships
- Machine-actionable Standards - W3C, ISO
- Encourage start-up innovations
- Teach Semantic Web Technologies
- Data ethics - policies

IGIF = strengthen integrated geospatial information management and deliver knowledge on-demand

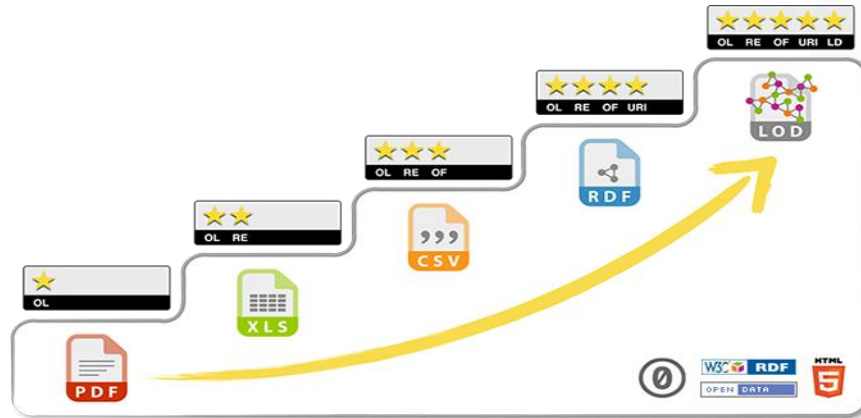


**What can you do now?**

# Data

Exposing data as Linked Data and linkable metadata.

Create innovation opportunities




5-star Linked Open Data

<https://5stardata.info/en/>



# Standards

Develop Ontologies



<https://protege.stanford.edu>



Existing Ontologies

[https://www.w3.org/wiki/Lists\\_of\\_ontologies](https://www.w3.org/wiki/Lists_of_ontologies)

GitHub

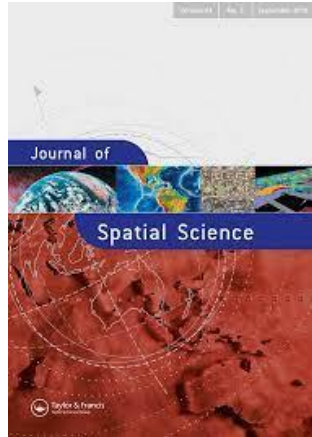
Lets move beyond SDIs  
Our future depends on the decisions we  
make today!

**Thank you**

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## MORE INFORMATION



### Knowledge on-demand: a function of the future spatial knowledge infrastructure

Lesley Arnold, David McMeekin, Ivana Ivánová and Kylie Armstrong



### From spatial data to spatial knowledge infrastructure: A proposed architecture

Ivana Ivánová, Jeremy Siao Him Fa, David A. McMeekin, Lesley Arnold, Rob Deakin, Mathew Wilson

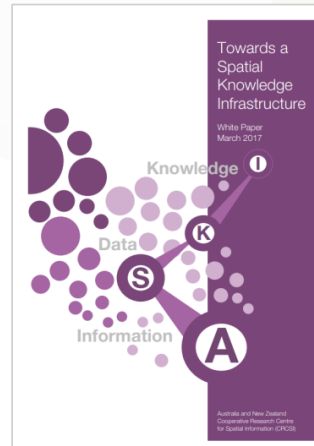


### eCPD: From SDI to SKI: Putting knowledge in the hands of citizens

at Online via Zoom

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### White Paper: Towards a Spatial Knowledge Infrastructure

Matt Duckham, Lesley Arnold, David McMeekin, Kylie Armstrong, Darren Mottolini.



## Transforming National Mapping & Cadastre with Deep Learning

*Nick Land, Business Development Manager, National Mapping & Cadastre, Esri*



Nick is a senior manager at Esri with over 20-year experience working in the field of survey, mapping, cadastre, land registration, GIS, LIS, and SDIs. Before joining Esri, Nick was Executive Director of EuroGeographics – the European Association representing National Mapping, Cadastre and Land Registry Authorities. Prior to this, he was a Director at Ordnance Survey – Great Britain's national mapping agency.

In his current role at Esri, Nick's focus is on maximising the value of GIS in support of national mapping, cadastre and SDIs, including INSPIRE implementation.

In his presentation, Nick talked about artificial intelligence and how it can be applied to the work of the National Mapping and Cadastre Agencies - NMCAs, and in particular how it can be used to modernise map production. In the world of technology, we see many incremental changes and developments and then we see some bigger changes. The topic of Artificial Intelligence is one of those potential game changes for NMCAs.

Nick went through the challenges facing NMCA – from budget constraints and growing users' demands to increasing competition from alternative data providers and outdated architecture. These challenges are forcing NMCAs to think about their mission and their vision. Nick suggested that this mission is evolving. Still, they have a core mission is Delivering High Quality Authoritative Data. The challenge is to make this data as actual and as correct as possible. Many NMCAs are appointed geospatial data coordinators, underpinning National Geospatial Infrastructure, becoming centres of Geospatial Information Excellence, and showing where and how geospatial data play its important part.

Further, Nick demonstrated how AI could improve the map production, especially in the commencing stage of the mapping workflow – collection of data and identification of changes to various data features. Nick touched upon difference aspects of Deep Learning related to AI applications for mapping updates. He presented examples from Ordnance Survey Ireland, Cyprus, the Netherlands, Great Britain, and Kuwait. These use cases showed that use of AI/DLS allows NMCA to be more responsive, to improve data quality, to save time and money, to expand internal capacity and maximize return on investment.

In conclusion, Nick stated that

- Deep Learning and the use of Artificial Intelligence is delivering a real benefit now. It is going to be better and better, but it is clearly a very useful tool when it comes to change-detection and feature extraction.
- It is an iterative and incremental approach for gradual quality improvement and you have to be focused on your specific use case.
- Training data is an absolute key in the process, but we must see deep learning is one of the tools in the overall GIS toolbox.



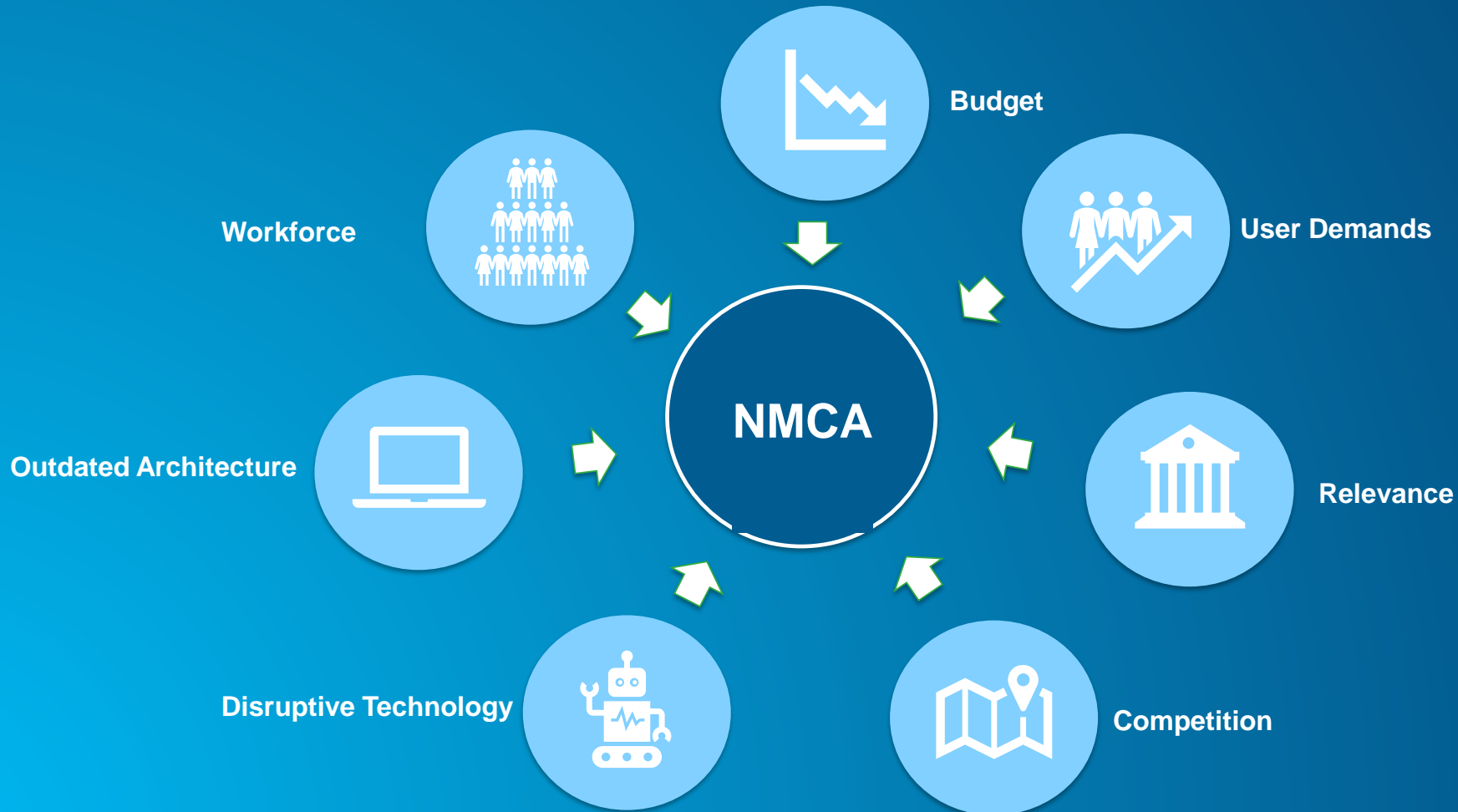
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# Challenges Facing National Mapping & Cadastre Agencies (NMCAs)



# National Mapping & Cadastre Agencies

## Vision & Mission



### Delivering High Quality Authoritative Data

- Real World; Near Real Time
- Easy to Find, Access & Use
- From 'Data' to 'Geospatial Services'



### Underpinning National Geospatial Infrastructure

- National Security
- Crisis Management
- Economic Growth
- Environmental Protection
- Climate Change
- Sustainable Development



### A Centre of GI Excellence

- Customer & Partner focused
- Providing 'answers to questions'
- Innovative & Collaborative

*Underpinning Sustainable Development with Geospatial Information ...*

# Map Production End to End Workflow

GIS Capabilities

Collect



Manage



Produce



Share

Imagery & Remote  
Sensing  
3D  
GeoAI  
Editing

QA & QC  
Workflow  
Management

Generalisation  
Cartography  
Spatial Analysis  
Data Science

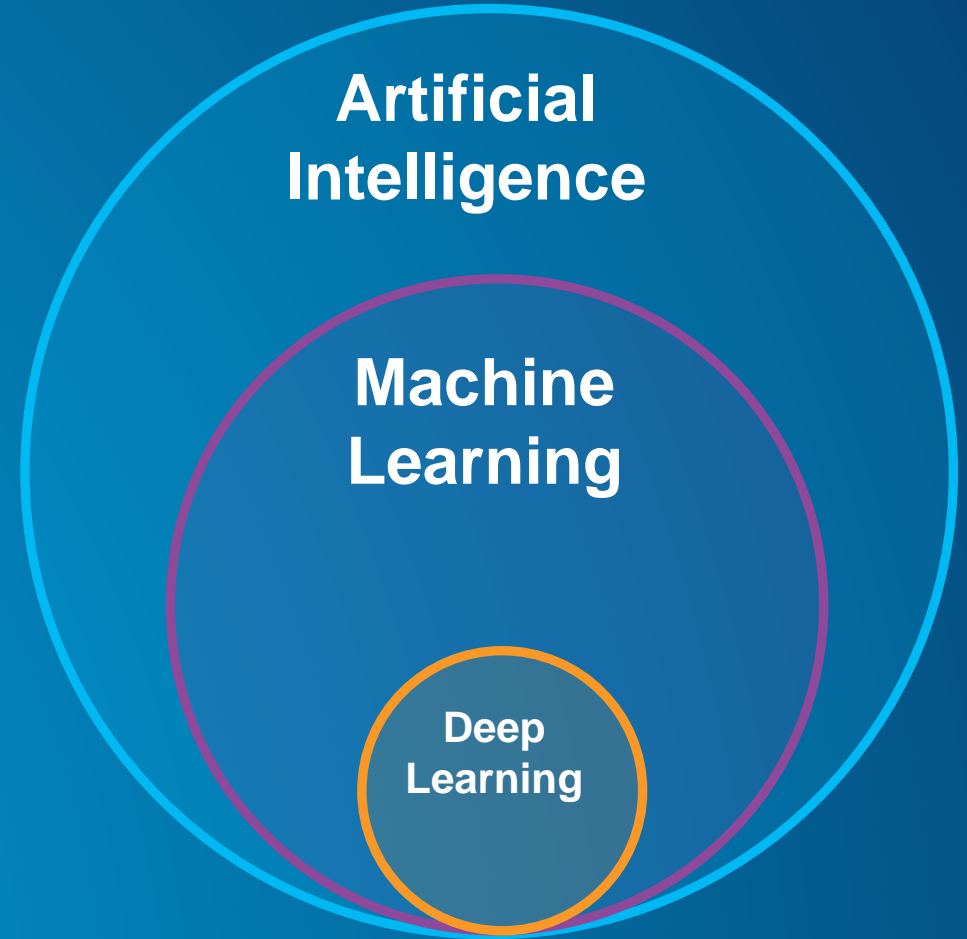
Series Mapping  
Web Apps & Services  
Portals  
SDI



*Transforming with Automation ...*

# Why is AI State of the Art?

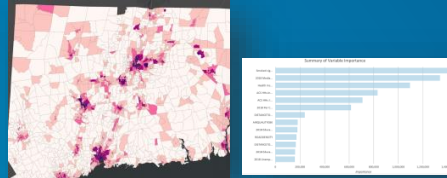
- Advances in AI
- Compute power (cloud)
- Availability of (big labelled) data
- Accessible
- **Automation** of workflows



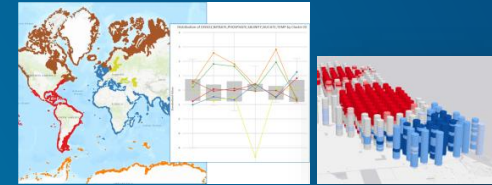
# What Can Machine Learning Do?



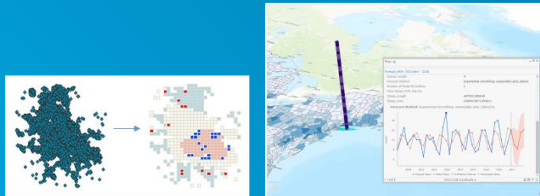
Extract features from  
Imagery & LiDAR



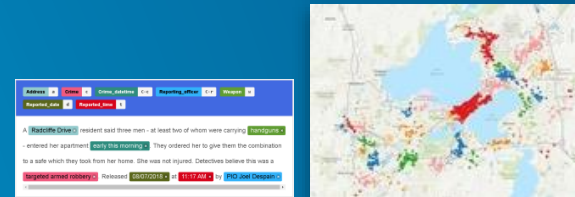
Make predictions



Find patterns & clusters



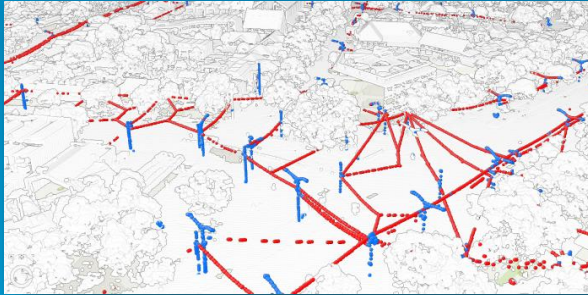
Detect anomalies



Extract insights from  
unstructured text

# Feature Extraction from LiDAR

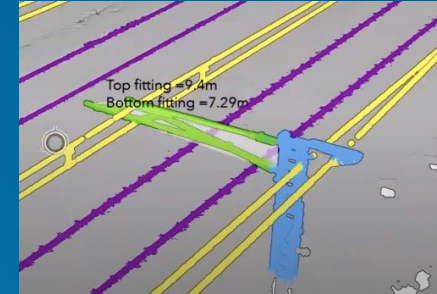
Utility poles and lines



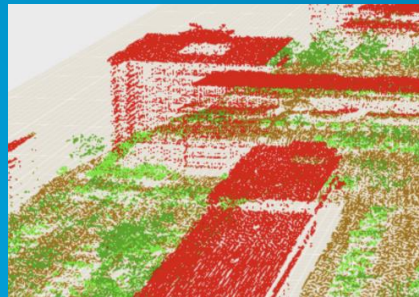
Streetlights



Rail assets



Buildings



Encroachments and trees



# Object Detection, Pixel Classification, Object Classification from Imagery

Building footprints



Roads



Land cover



Parcel boundaries



Palm trees



Oil pads



Swimming pools

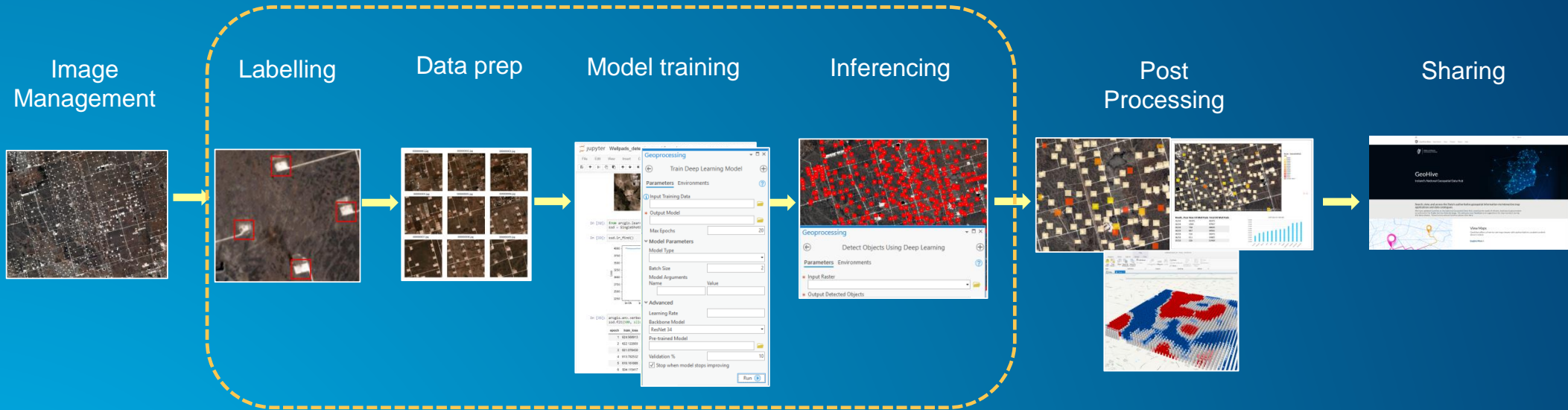


Damaged structures



*DL will detect what you can see in the imagery .....*

# Deep Learning Workflow



## For Wide Range of Data Types

- Aerial
- Motion imagery
- Satellite
- Bathymetry
- Radar
- Point cloud
- Lidar
- Drone

## Implementing Many Tasks

- Object classification
- Object tracking
- Object detection
- Scanned maps
- Pixel classification
- Image translation

# Deep Learning Workflow

## Pre-trained Models



### Eliminates:

- Imagery requirements for model training
- Labelling requirements
- Training AI models
- Massive compute requirements

Building Footprint Extraction - USA

Land Cover Classification (Landsat 8)

Deep Learning Package By [esri\\_analytics](#)

Windows and Doors Extraction

Deep Learning Package By [esri\\_analytics](#)

Deep learning model to extract windows and doors in building data displayed in 3D views. This model was trained using the Open Images Dataset.



# Applying DL

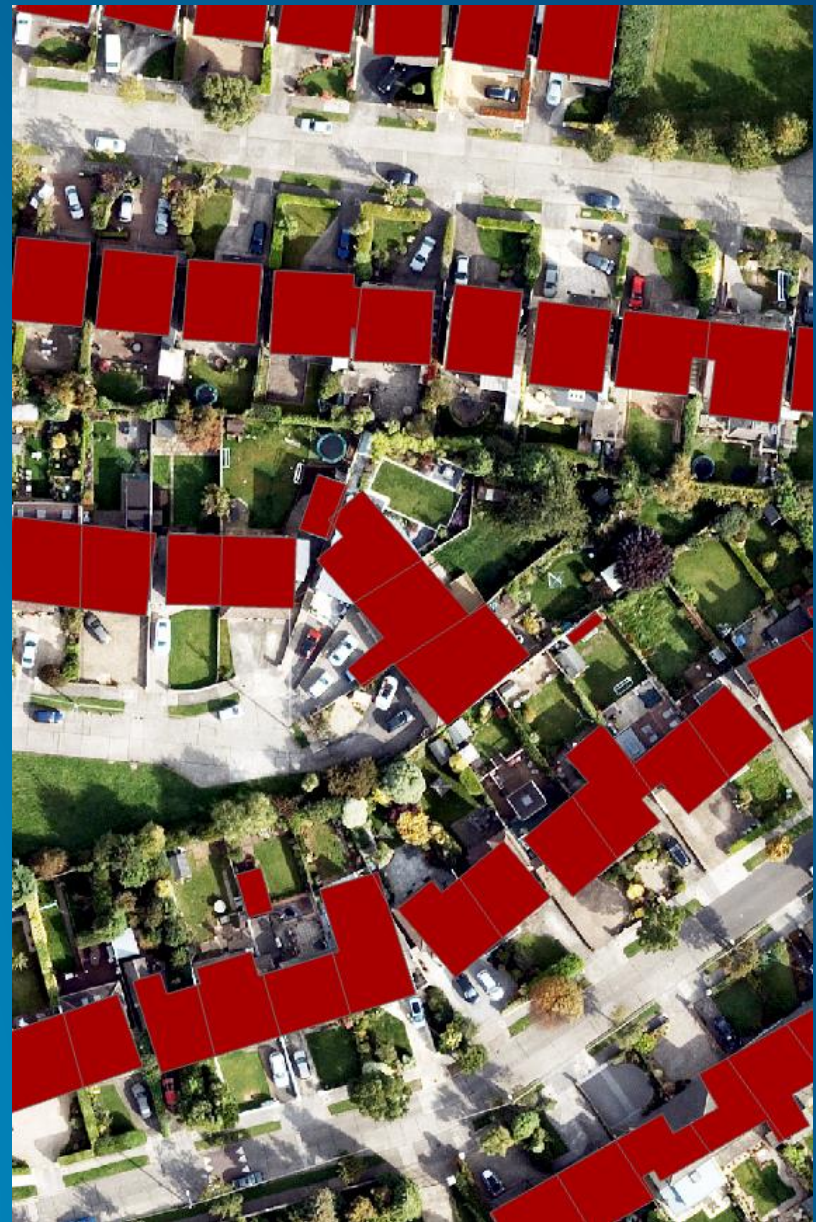
Ordnance Survey Ireland

# Ordnance Survey Ireland (OSi)

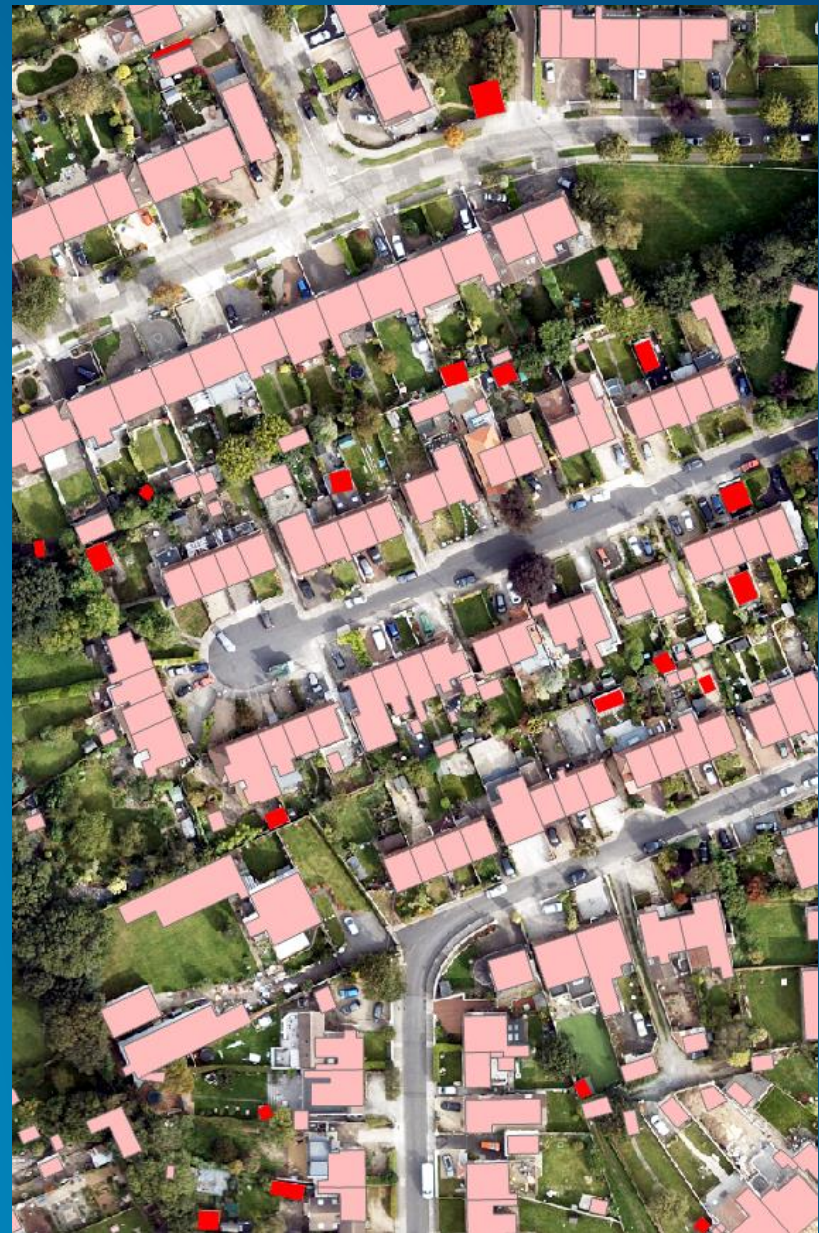
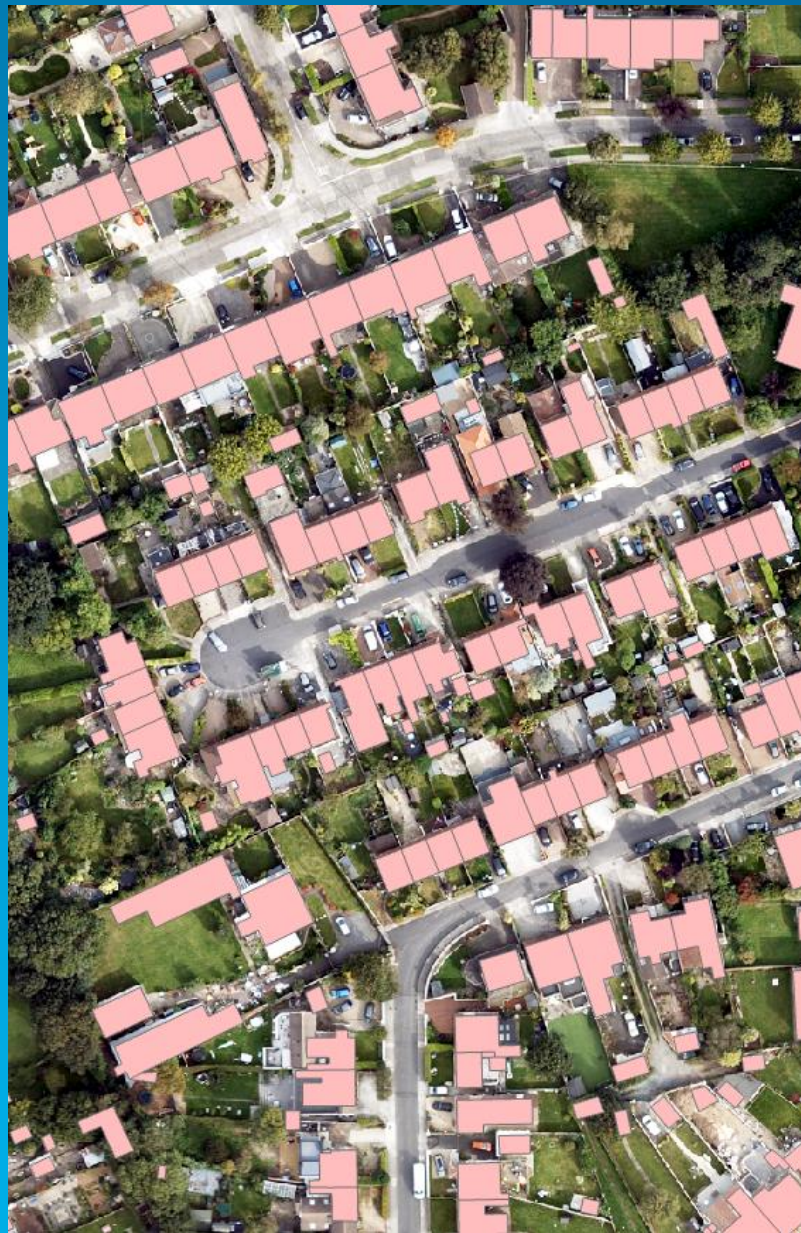
- Update & Quality Improvement of Prime2
- PoC with “Out of the box” capabilities
- New Imagery Strategy













### Details

Form ID	Building General
English Name	Dundrum South
Irish Name	
Way Segment	a2f23485-ec8c-4565-a62a-92c3c4749b47
Building Number	
Status	In Use

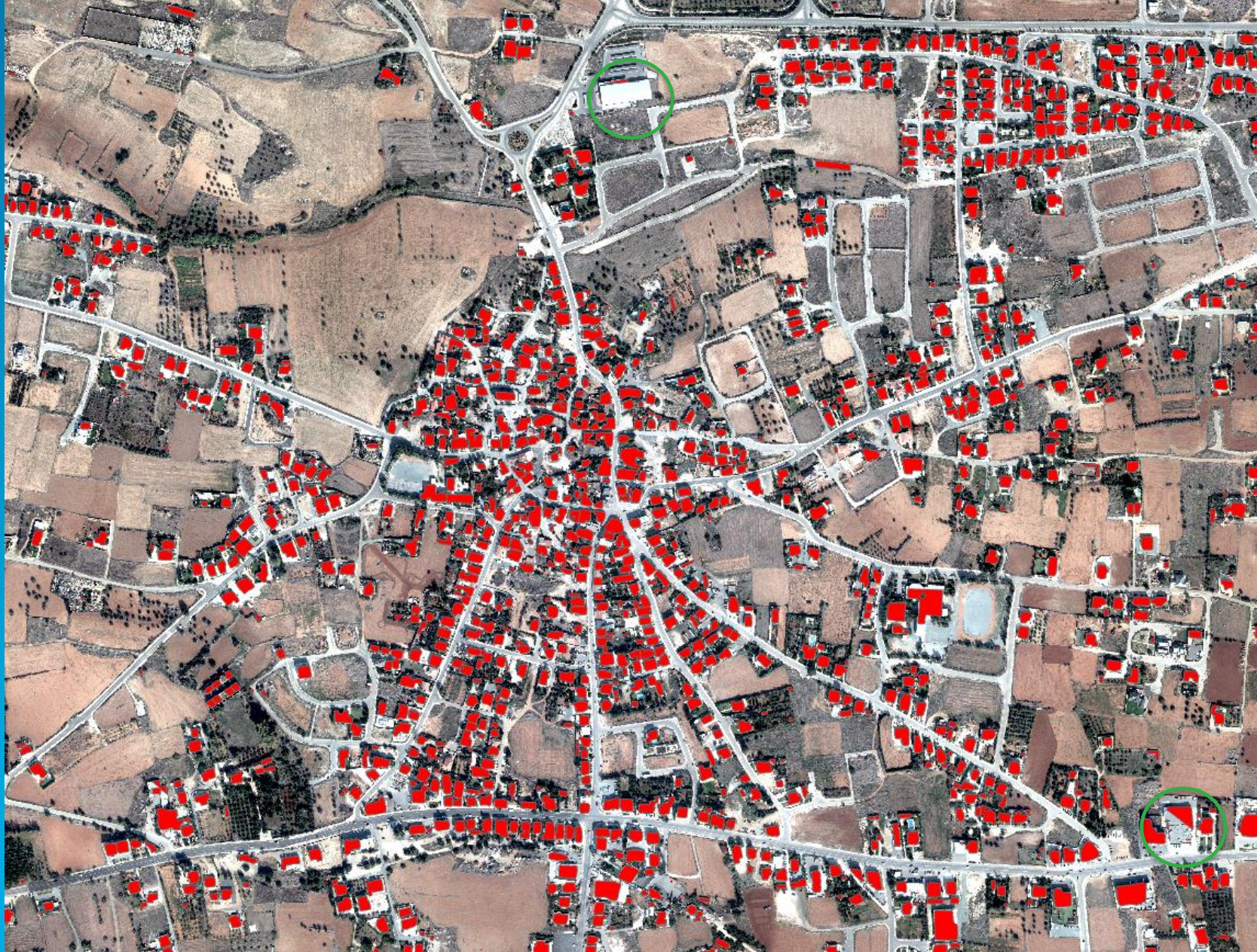
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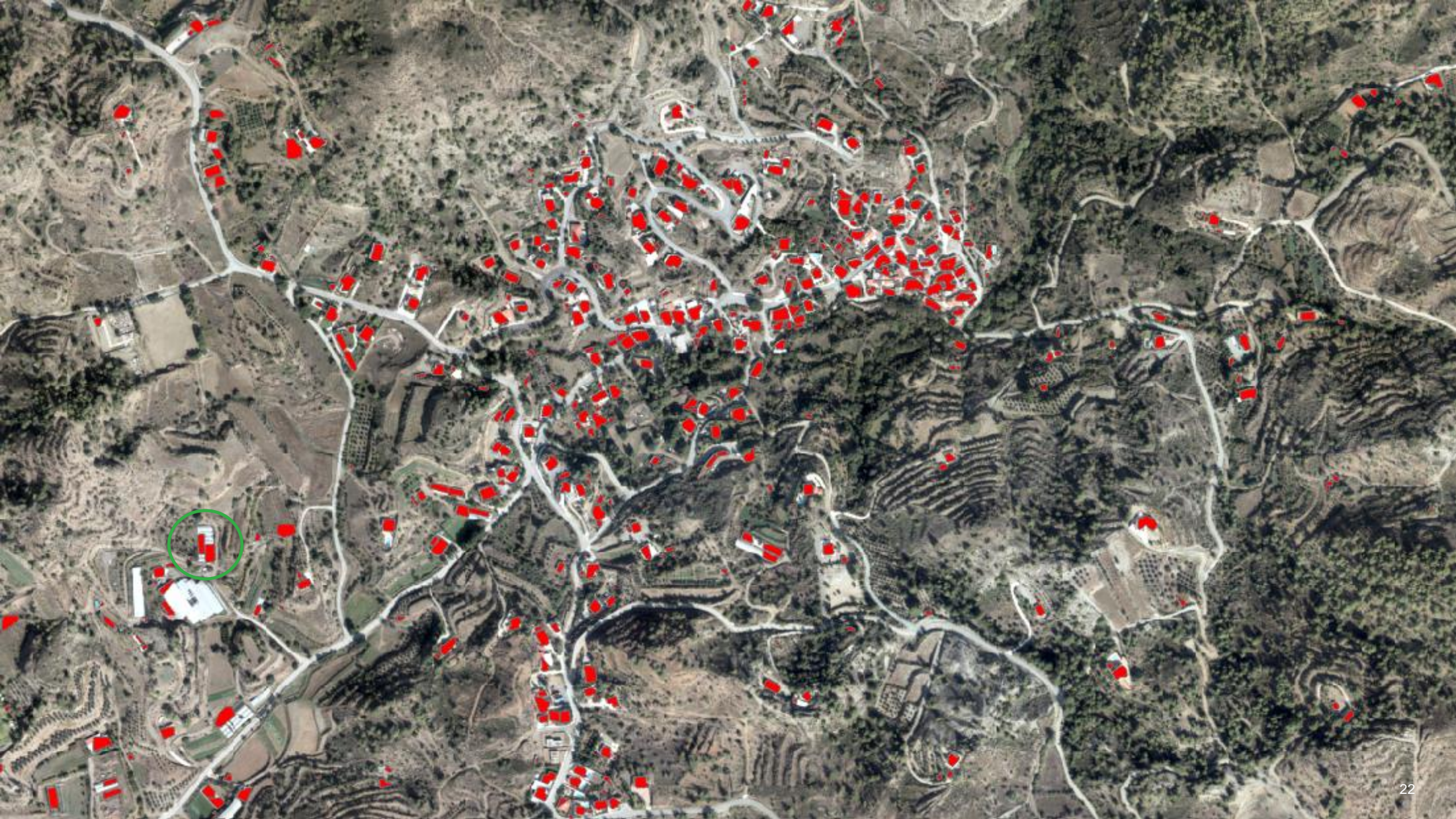
# Applying DL

DLS Cyprus

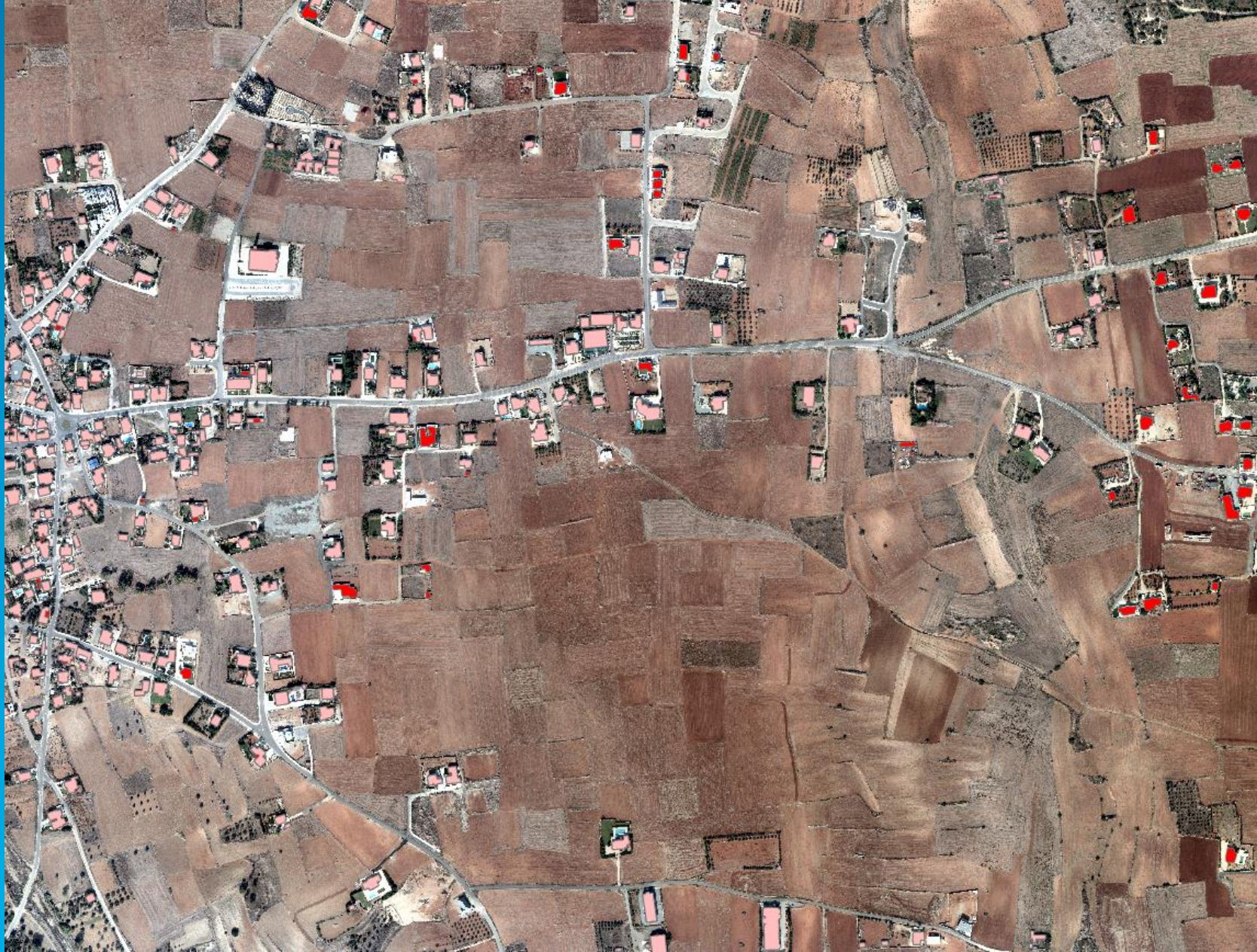












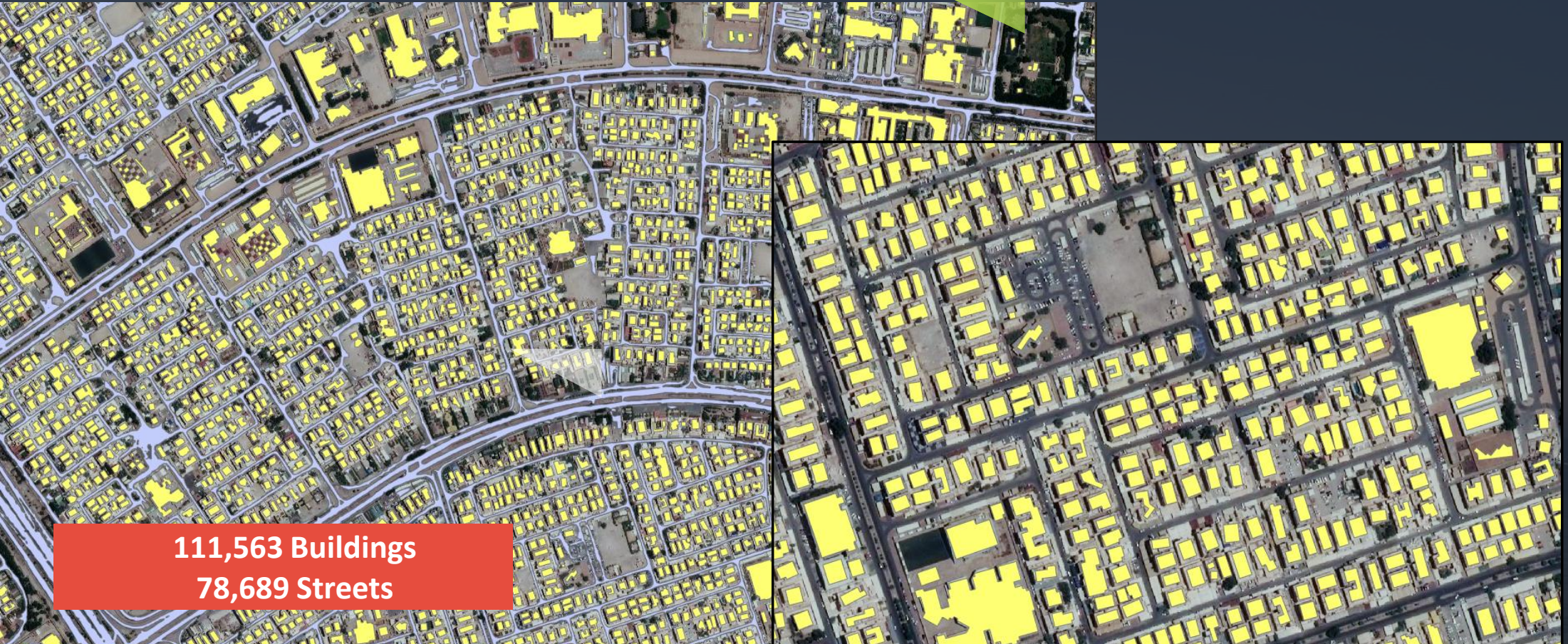


# Applying DL

PACI Kuwait

# Output

From 120 days > 1.5 hours processing; 5 Days QC  
97% Accuracy

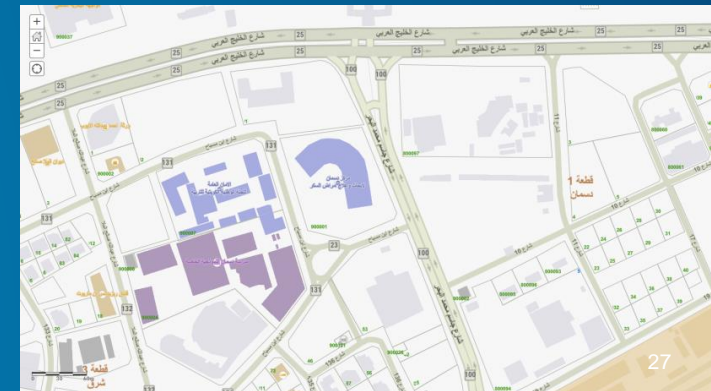


111,563 Buildings  
78,689 Streets

# PACI Kuwait and GeoAI



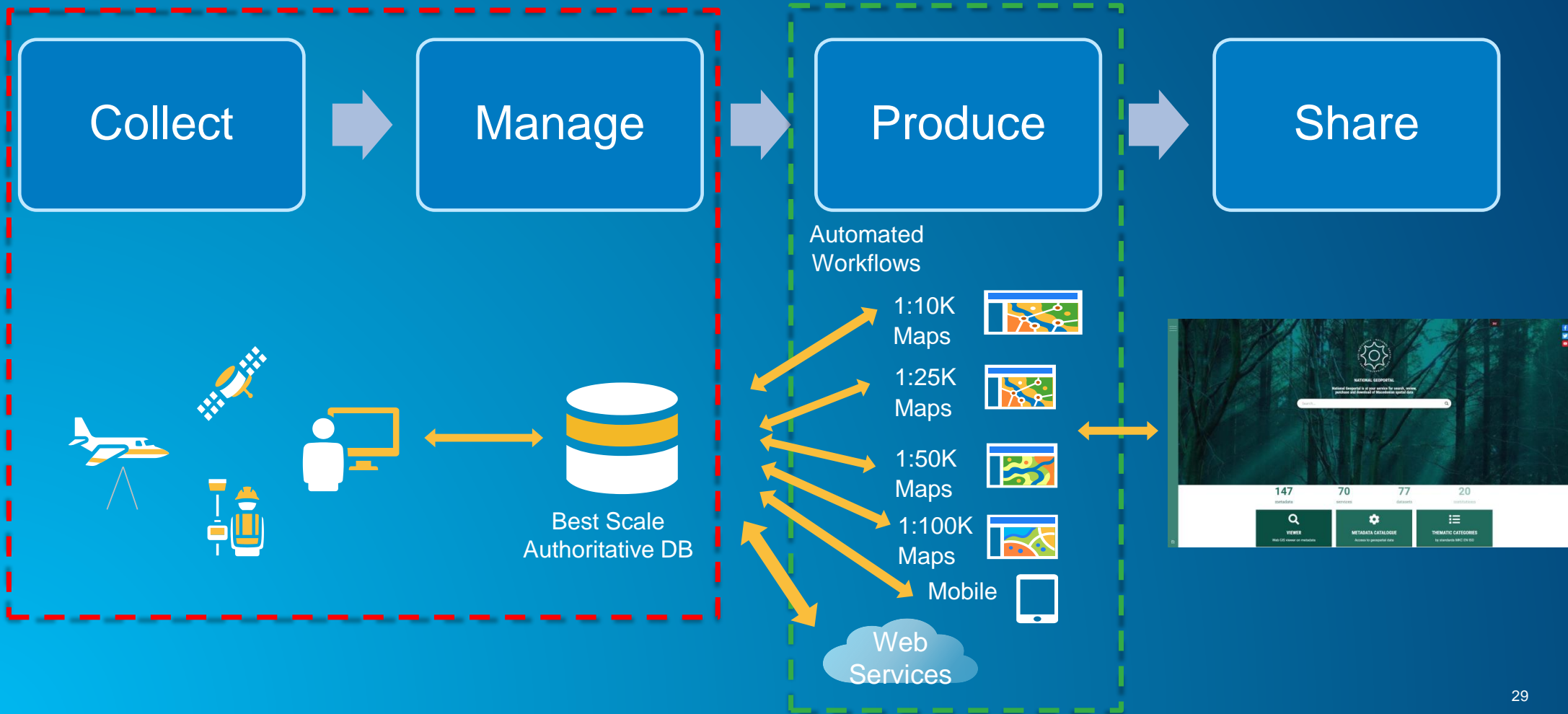
- More Responsive
- Improved Quality
- Savings in Time and Money
- Expanded Internal Capacity
- Maximized Return on Investment





# From Data to Product

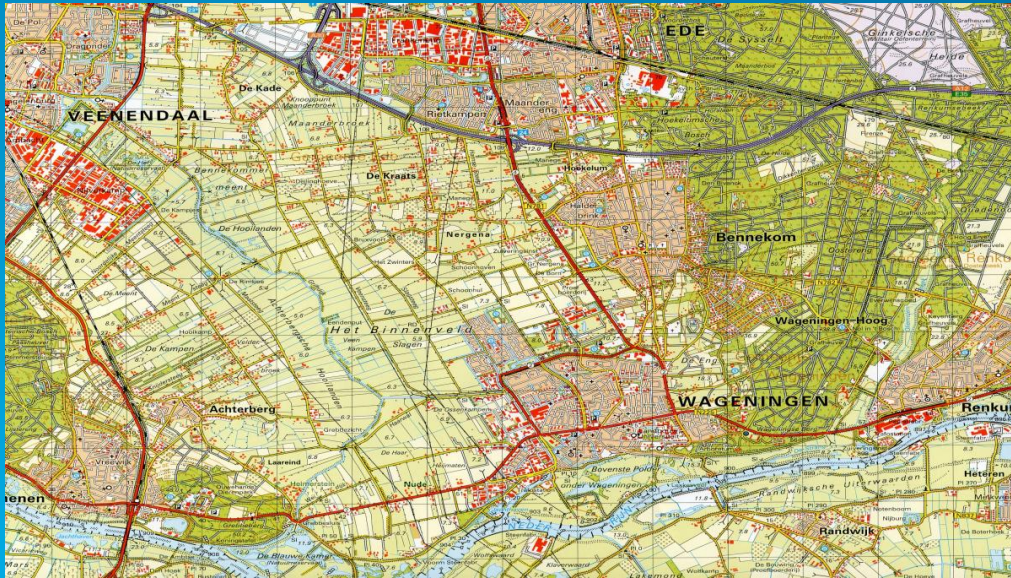
# Map Production End to End Workflow



# Automated Map Production

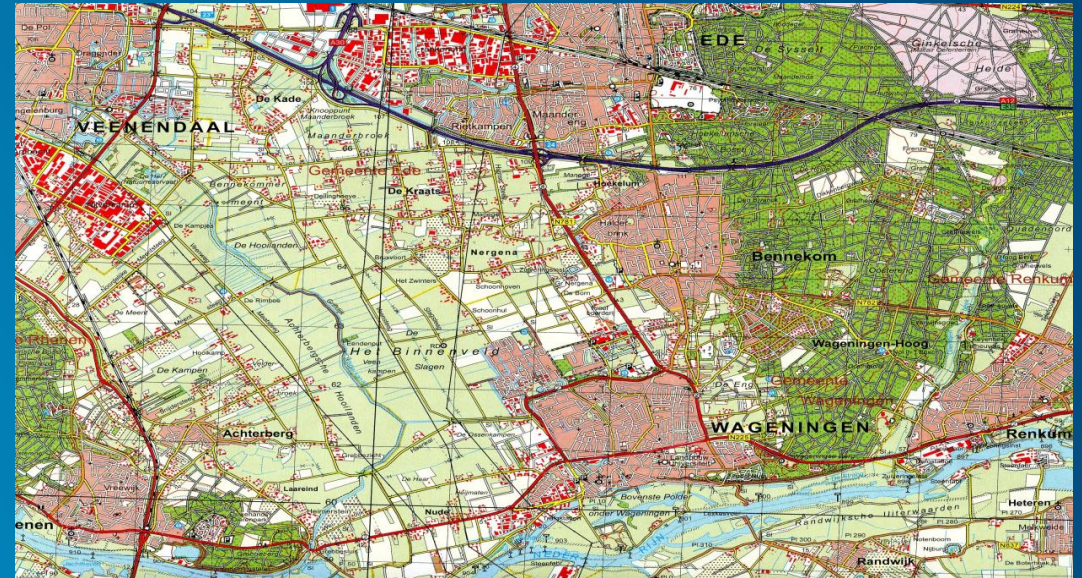
Dutch Kadaster: 1:10k > 1:50k, 1:100k, Multi-scale Web Mapping

Original map



25 man/years effort  
6 year update cycle  
0% automation

New map

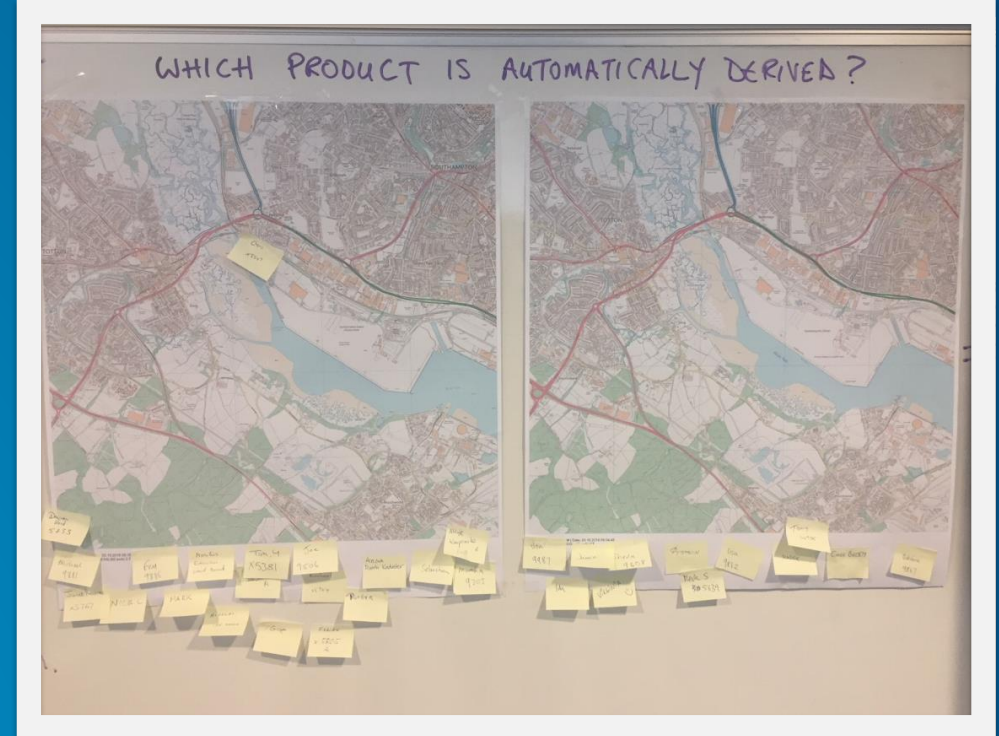


3 weeks production time  
1 year update cycle  
100% automated  
75% cost reduction

# Automated Map Production

Ordnance Survey GB: 1:1,250 > 1:10,000

- 100% Automation of Derived Products
- Improved product currency
  - from 3 years to 3 months
- 20 staff cartographers redeployed
- “Good enough”



*“These are not insignificant financial savings but actually the real benefits come through to the customer through enhanced product quality and currency”*

- Neil Ackroyd, Chief Executive Officer (Acting), Ordnance Survey Great Britain

## In Summary ....

- DL is delivering benefits now
  - Change detection & feature extraction
- Iterative, incremental, approach for each Use Case
- Training data is key
- DL is one tool in the GIS tool box





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## Precision Agriculture

*Marc Tondriaux, Chairman, European Association of Remote Sensing Companies*



Marc Tondriaux has been working in the Space sector for more than 35 years after 7 years spent as a telecom engineer at the French Telecom Research Centre. He joined Matra Espace in 1985 for the validation of the SPOT 1 control centre and has continued working for this company, which became Matra Marconi Space, and then EADS Astrium and Airbus. He has been given different responsibilities, including Director of the Ground Systems Division and then of the EO Services Directorate during 11 years, gathering and managing Spot Image and the various Infoterra subsidiaries created in 6 European countries, launching and managing the development of the Spot6/7 investment program. He left Airbus in 2014, just before his retirement, for co-creating the TerraNIS company, specialised in EO services for Agriculture, Viticulture and Environment, which gathers now 20 employees, and where he is still President.

Marc Tondriaux joined the EARSC Board of Directors in 2017, where he took the responsibility of coordinating the working groups dealing with Small Companies Support, and with Applications for Local and Regional Institutions, in line with the actions he had started with the creation of the Eugenius SME's association of EO services providers. During the Annual General Meeting of EARSC in June 2021, members voted the composition of the new Board of Directors who nominated Marc Tondriaux as Chairman.

Marc presented European Association of Remote Sensing EARSC, which is an association founded in 1989 and dedicated to helping European companies in the Earth Observation downstream sector. Nowadays, EARSC has 133 members from 24 countries.

Marc stated that agriculture is the second important sector in Europe for use of Earth Observation applying Precision Agriculture. He explained the objectives of using Precision Agriculture are firstly, to achieve efficient yielding results in changing environmental and climate conditions, and secondly, to develop sustainable practices, with preservation of the natural resources, biodiversity, and the environment. These objectives can be achieved by extracting valuable information from a variety of imagery data captured by satellites, drones and airplanes. In conclusion, Marc provided several examples of Earth Observation application to the agriculture sector.



# Precision Agriculture and Earth Observation

Presentation to Kartverlet conference

29<sup>th</sup> of October 2021

Marc Tondriaux, EARSC Chairman

EARSC

European Association  
of Remote Sensing  
Companies

**133** members from  
**24** countries in Europe



# EO European Industry at a glance

- 6th survey on the state & health of the EO services industry, prepared by EARSC with the support of ESA
- 2nd survey in new series of annual updates
- Direct research on over 600 companies; survey sample of 150 companies



**713 Companies**  
up from  
572 (+24%\*)



**11,600 Employees**  
up from  
9800 (+17%\*)

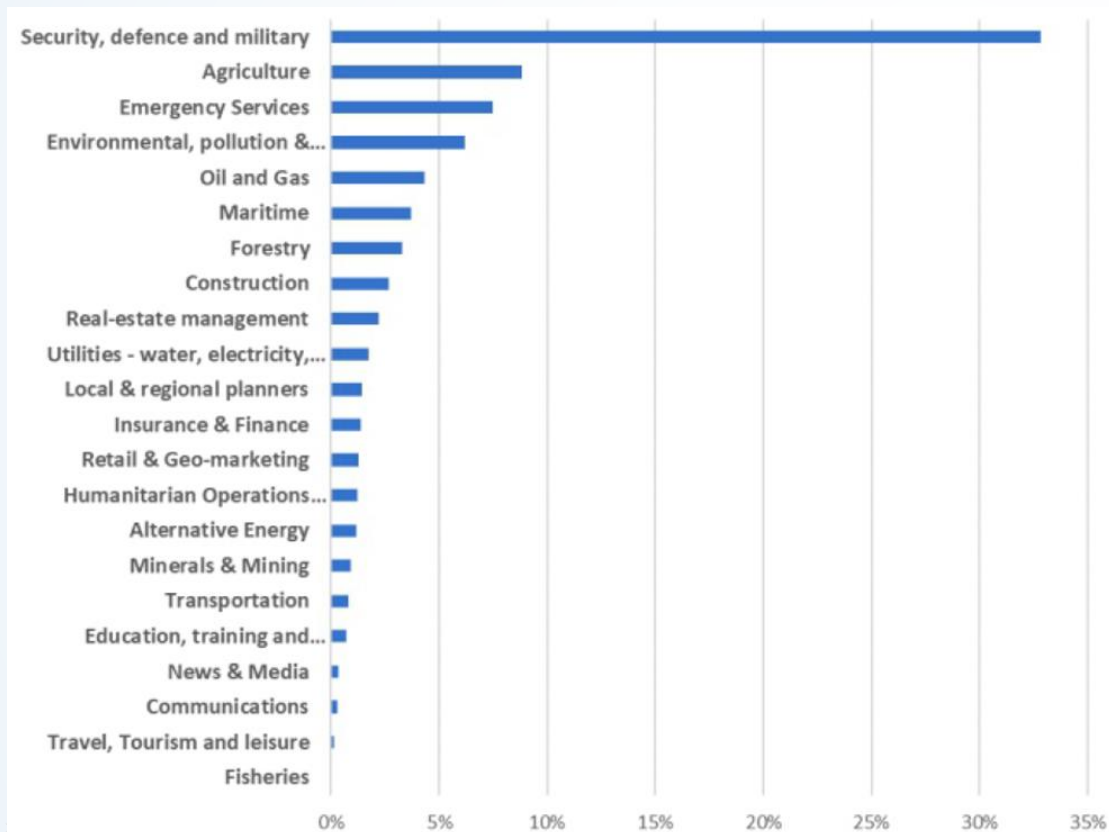


**€1.71b Revenues**  
up from  
€1.38b (24%\*)



**>10% CAGR\*\***  
Sustained

# EO European Industry at a glance



Agriculture is the 2nd EO applications sector for in Europe (with about 140 M€ pa).

That includes CAP monitoring and Precision Agriculture, with very different market penetration levels, pending on the countries (from less than 1 to more than 10%)

# Precision Agriculture: what and why?

## *What?*

Precision Agriculture (PA) consists in the application of the “right treatment in the right place at the right time” (\*)

That applies to various “intrants” used in the fields (fertilizers, pesticides, water, ...) but also to the various practices (sowing, cleaning, pruning, harvesting,...)

## *Why?*

Precision Agriculture provides recognized means to support the farmers in:

- Achieving efficient yielding results even in case of degradation of weather conditions due to climate changes effects ( droughts, flooding,...).
- Developing sustainable practices, with preservation of the natural resources and biodiversity, and of the environment.

(\*)Gebbers and Adamchuk, Precision Agriculture, 2010

# Precision Agriculture: how?

PA involves several means and tools, more or less sophisticated, pending on the targeted application:

- Observation sensors: Satellites (30cm to 10 m), Drones or Airplanes, often supported by fields scouting.
- Image processing tools: to extract valuable information from the images. They can be :
  - simple reflectance indices combining different spectral bands values (NDVI for vegetation monitoring, NDWI for water, ...),
  - or more sophisticated algorithms for biophysical parameters extraction ( f Cover, LAI, Chlorophylls contents, ...).
- Agronomic models, specific to the type of monitored crops, which allow to compare the observed parameters values with “optimal values” at the crop development time, and to identify and quantify the missing elements ( nitrogen, water, pesticides, ...).
- Localization means (GPS/ Galileo receivers, connected to the tractors or the machines), allowing to “modulate” the application of the products inside the observed parcels.
- And, when available, soils sensors and meteo stations.

# Precision Agriculture: types of applications and of commercial prices (with satellites sensors)

Benefits for the farmers:

Operational and commercial services available now :

- Crop growth monitoring: periodic observations ( 1 image per day or per week) to identify heterogeneities or growth anomalies. *Some euros / hectares.*
- Assessment of the fertilization ( mainly Nitrogen) or pesticides needs with intra-parcels modulation. *From 3 to 12 euros /has, pending on the accuracy of the models and pixels.*
- Assessment of the water needs ( Hydric stress detection, support to irrigation). *Some euros/ has*
- Yielding prediction thanks to historical backgrounds.

*Early identification of problems at sowing, of pests infections or soils deficiencies*

*Fertilizers savings ( up to 30% with Variable Rate Application technics)*

*Saving in irrigation costs ( up to 20%)*

*Support to stocks and commercialization,*

# Precision Agriculture: future applications

## Under development or validation phases:

- Estimation of the fertilization brought by intermediate crop cover practices
- Evaluation and quantification of the overall carbon budget linked to a farm exploitation
- Identification and evaluation of the “biodiversity” performances of a farm exploitation

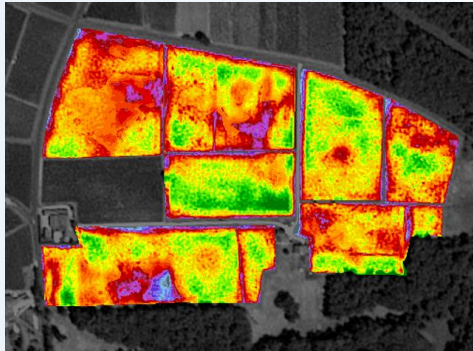
## Benefits:

*Minimize additional chemical products*

*To prepare a “carbon market” for farming economy*

*Could become a support to the future CAP declarations.*

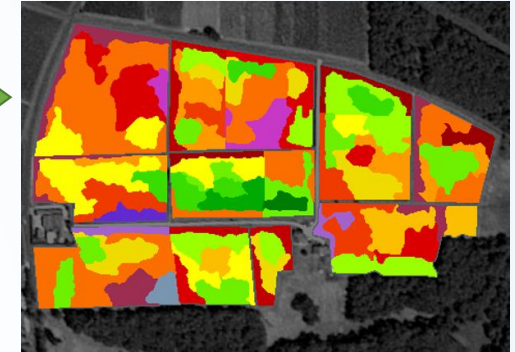
# Examples of products



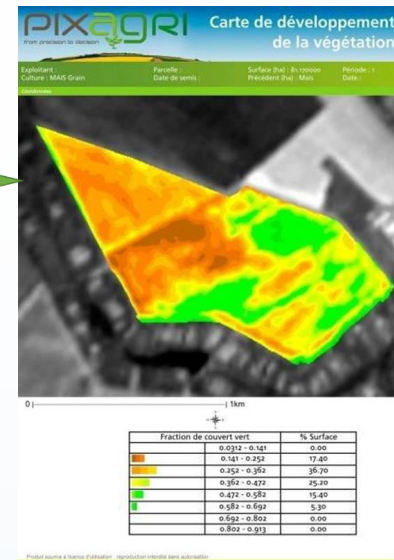
Vines vigor values in a vineyard (f Cover based)



The same parcels with identification of 6 zones for fertilization

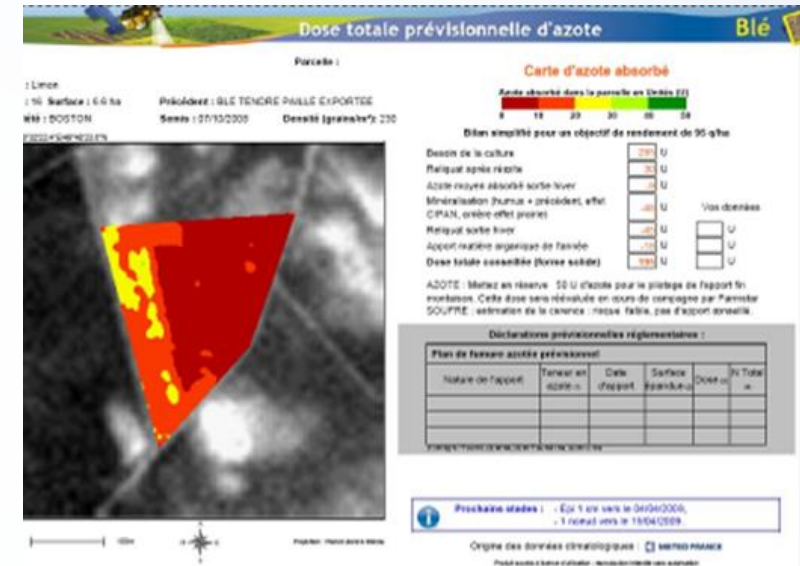
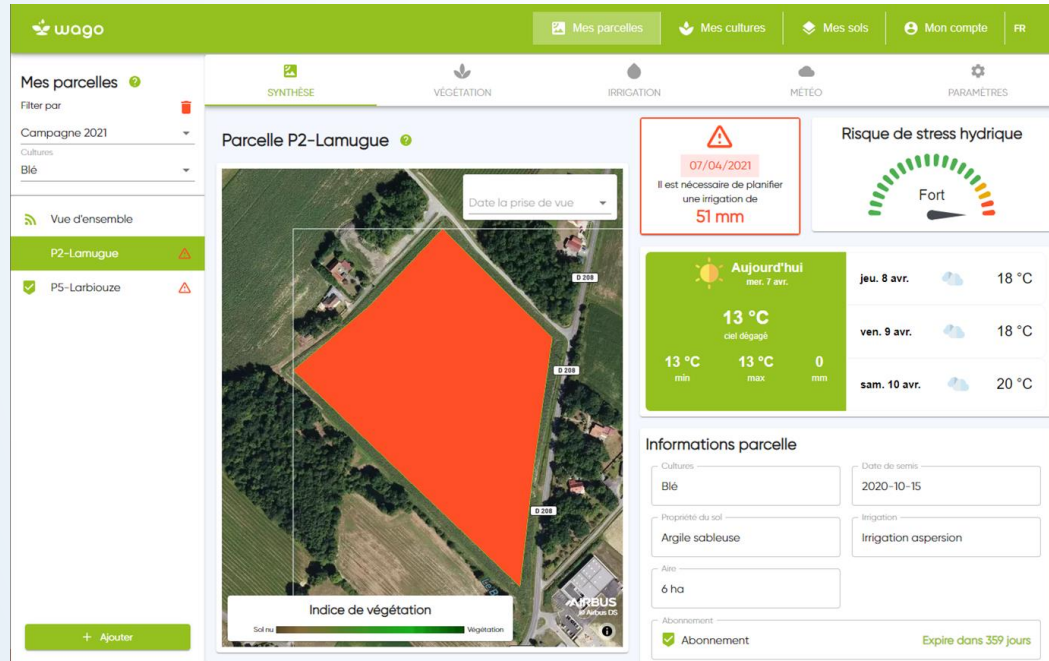


Detection of growth anomalies within a parcel of maize



# Examples of products

Geo referenced map for modulating the nitrogen application inside a field



Recommandation for water irrigation in a parcel with estimation of hydric stress

# Other examples of EO application to the Agriculture sector

1. For the monitoring of the Common Agriculture Policy: support to the National Payment Agencies for declarations verifications.
2. For the Agri-Insurance actors: risks assessment for “index” insurance or post crisis damages estimation for “classical” insurance (over cultivated fields, grasslands or forestry)
3. For the different institutions, trading actors, NGOs...: overall assessment of agriculture areas and yielding capacities at regional, national, or continental levels.
4. ....

# Thank You

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## High Precision Satellite Imagery

*Rene Griesbach, Regional Manager Presales, Planetlabs, Germany*



Rene Griesbach is the Regional Director Pre-Sales for Europe, Middle East and Africa at Planet Labs Germany GmbH in Berlin. He studied "Aerial Photogrammetry" and "Remote Sensing" and holds a Ph.D. in Aerospace Imaging from the Siberian State Academy for Geodesy. In his career, he lead aerial and marine survey projects in Germany, Nigeria and the Emirate of Sharjah (UAE), before he joined RapidEye AG to develop satellite data applications in 2007. In this role, Rene worked in and managed a number of application research projects under the EU FP7/Horizon2020 and Interreg programs, funded by German Space Agency DLR, German Development Aid Agency GIZ, by ESA and others. Later, RapidEye AG was acquired by BlackBridge AG and then by Planet Inc.

Today, he and his team of engineers consults Planet customers worldwide in the most effective use of satellite imagery for agriculture, forestry, hydrography, energy, infrastructure, business intelligence and other domains.

Rene was delighted to share his insights on new technology and use of satellite imagery, and what it could bring to different users.

He started with an introduction of his company's mission "to image the whole world every day, making change visible, accessible and actionable." Rene stated that precision imagery is satellite imagery suitable to create a model of the Earth, which is precise in time, location and information content provided. He went through various products offered by Planetlabs. They have recently developed a new sensor SuperDove to be more compatible with public data from Sentinel-2. They are also pioneering advanced techniques to harmonize, clean, inter-calibrate, and fuse data streams from multiple sensors to produce consistent, comprehensive, and sensor-agnostic data, applying an adapted version of the Cubesat-Enabled Spatio-Temporal Enhancement Method (CESTEM). The offered technology is applicable in many areas – Defence and Intelligence, Energy and Infrastructure, Civil Government, Finance and Business Intelligence, Agriculture, Mapping, Emergency Management, Forestry, Insurance, etc. Data provided by Planetlabs has a fully API based data access. It supports OGS standards like WMS/WMTS/XYZ and it provides integration directly into ArcGIS Pro and QGIS.



# High Precision Satellite Imagery

+ Rene Griesbach, Planet Labs Germany GmbH

Zion National Park, Utah, USA – March 21, 2017



# Planet Mission

To image the whole world every day, making change visible, accessible and actionable.



What means high precision imagery?

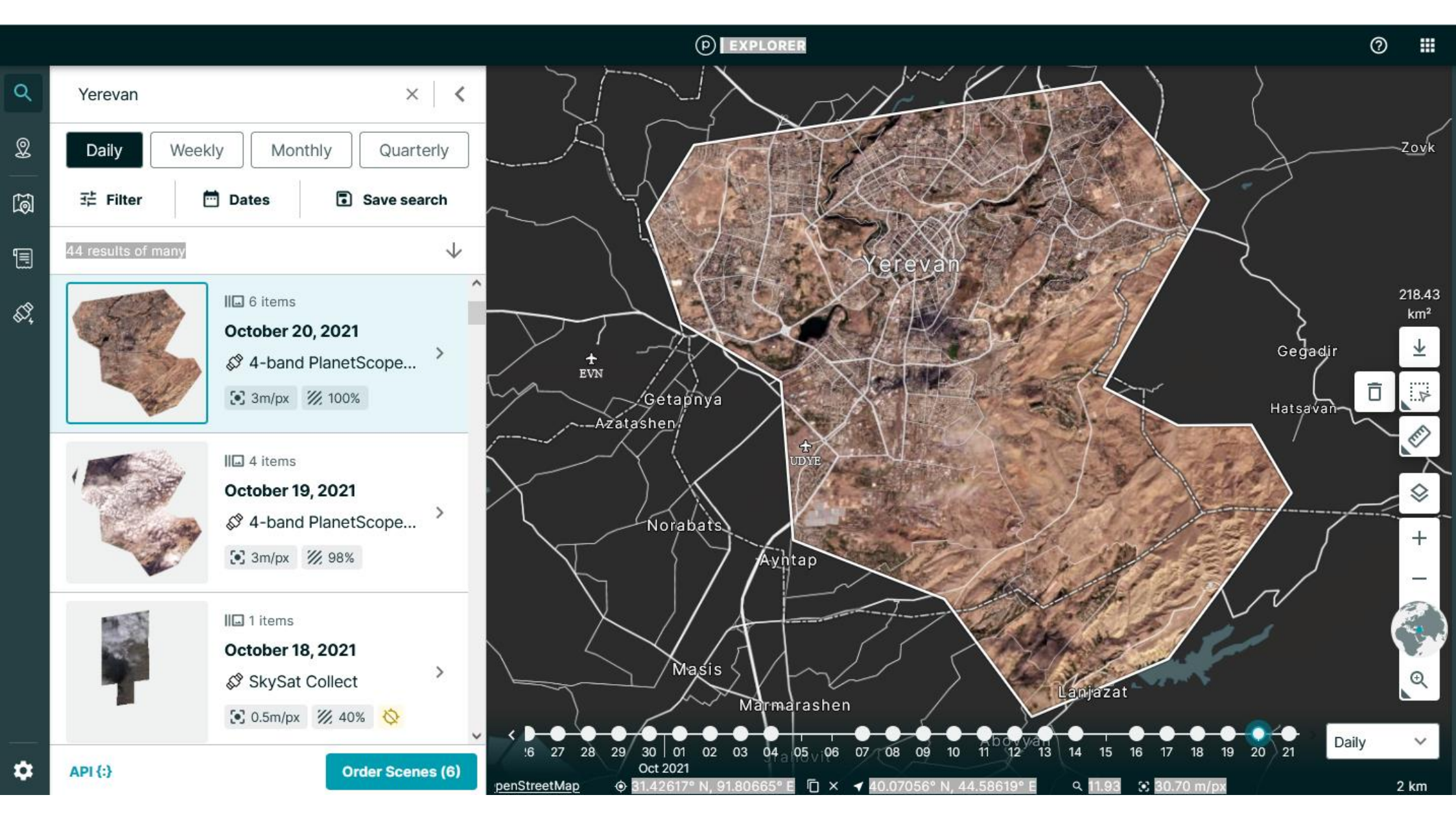
Satellite imagery suitable to create a model of the Earth, which is precise in time, location and information content provided.



... precise in time .....

PlanetScope provides an almost full image of the Earth's landmasses every 24h, available 6-16h after sensing in your internet browser







... precise in location .....

All Planet imagery is aligned to a worldwide network of Ground control Points and a precise DEM, allowing for object recognition with better than 10m (RMSE) accuracy everywhere in the world

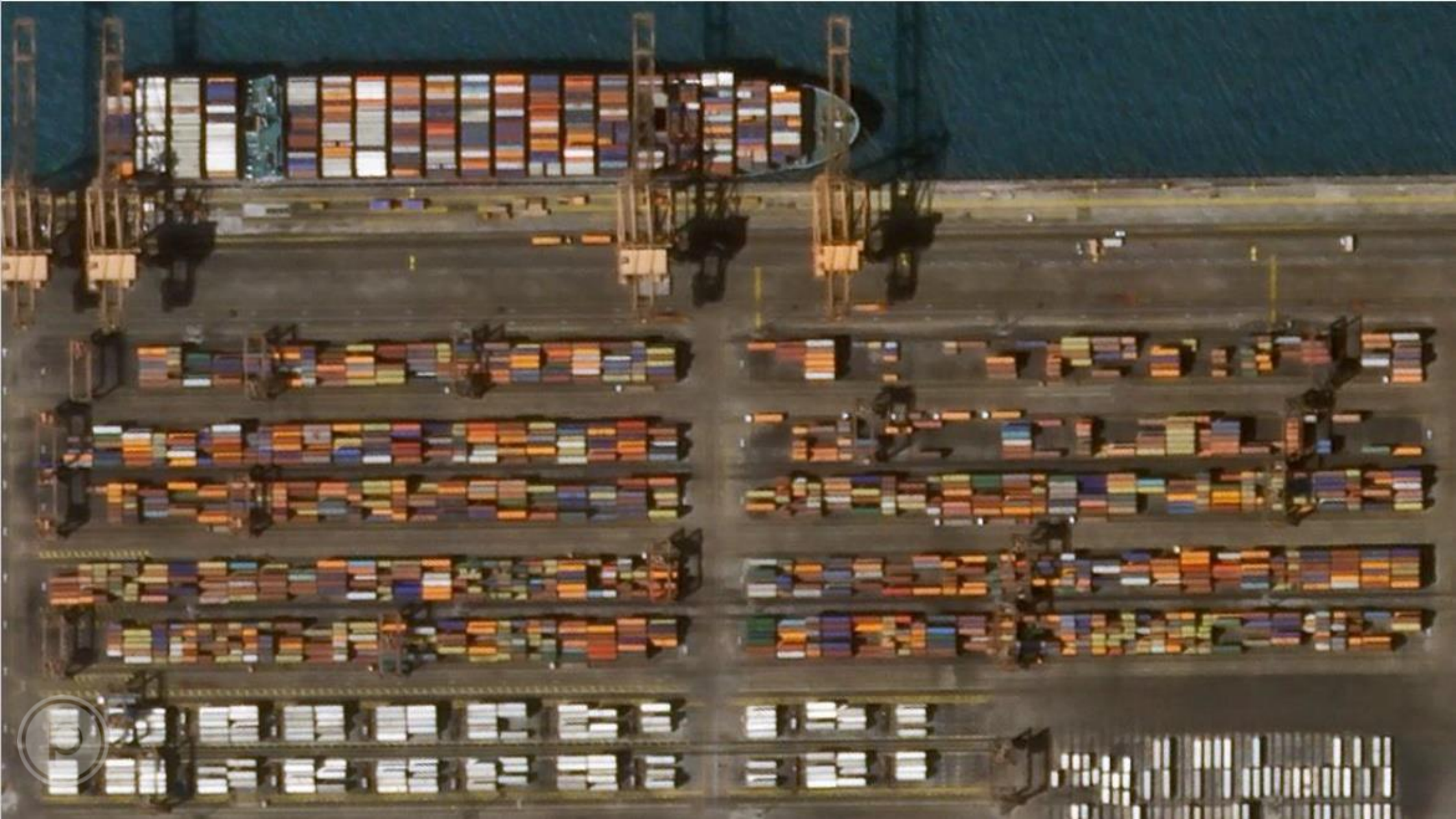


... precise in information content

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- 8 spectral bands
- Harmonization to Sentinel-2
- Removal of atmosphere disturbances
- Up to 0.50 m resolution





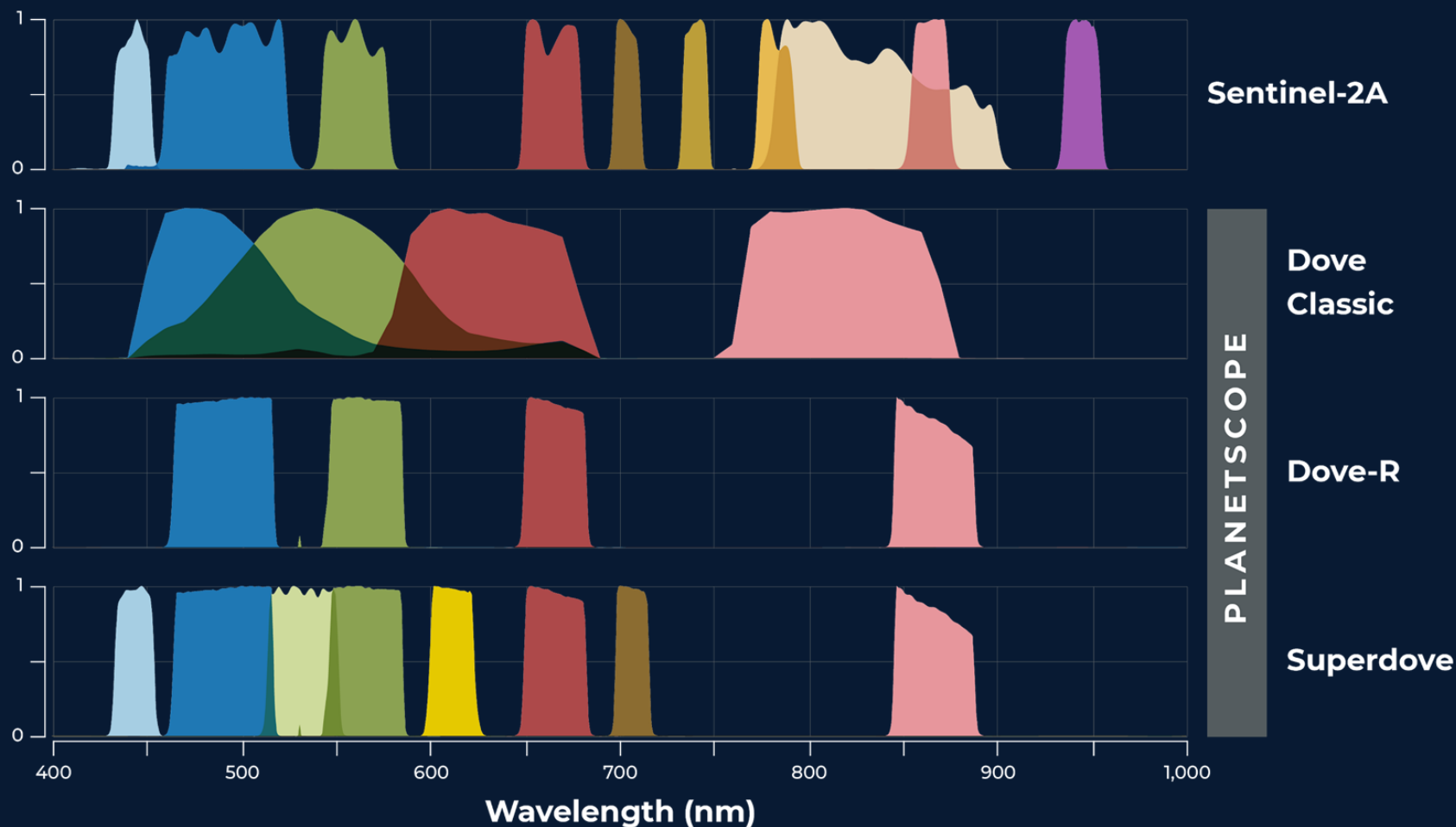


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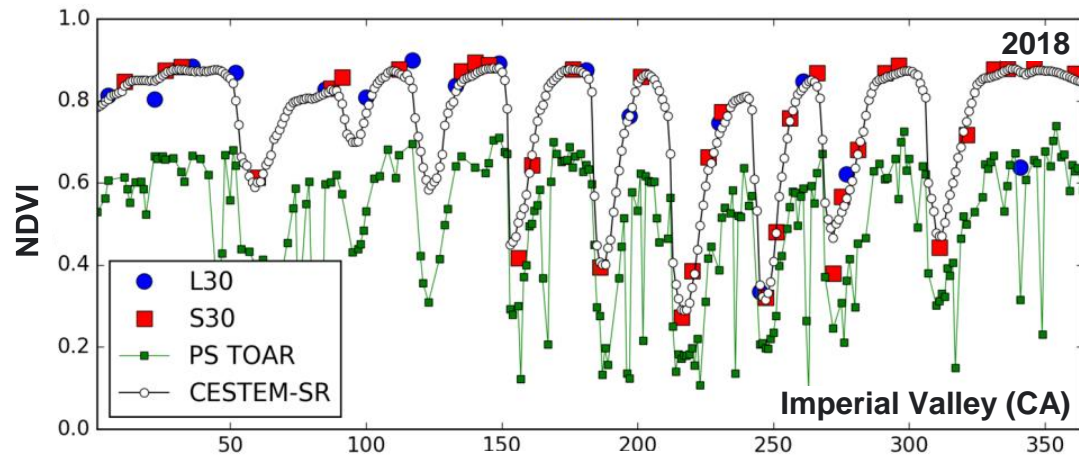


# ENHANCED SPECTRAL COMPATIBILITY WITH PUBLIC DATA



# Planet Fusion: the future of time-series data

**CESTEM:** CubeSat-Enabled Spatio-Temporal Enhancement Method

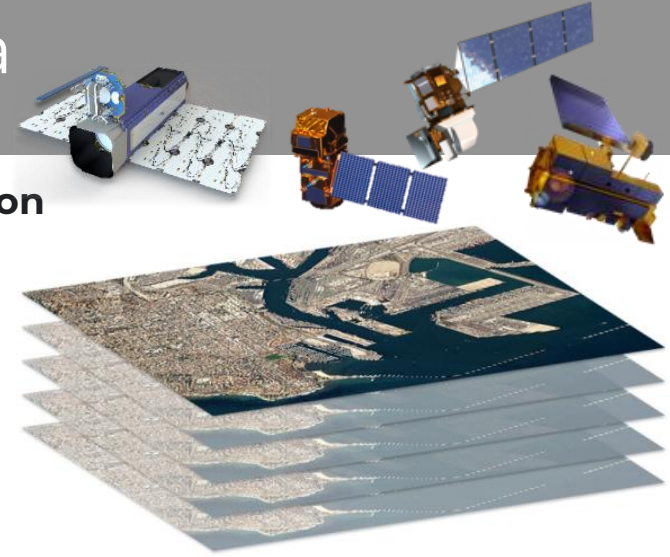


Daily (gapfree) tracking of vegetation dynamics



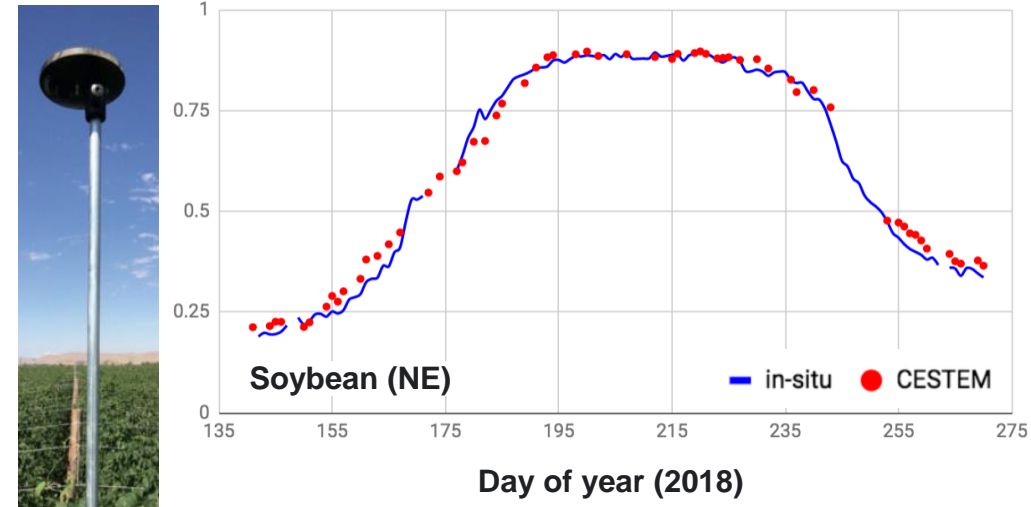
## Sensor data fusion

PlanetScope  
LANDSAT-8  
Sentinel-2  
Sentinel-1  
MODIS  
Sentinel-3  
VIIRS



Harmonized stacks that are more than the sum of the parts

## NDVI phenology validation





DEFENSE & INTELLIGENCE



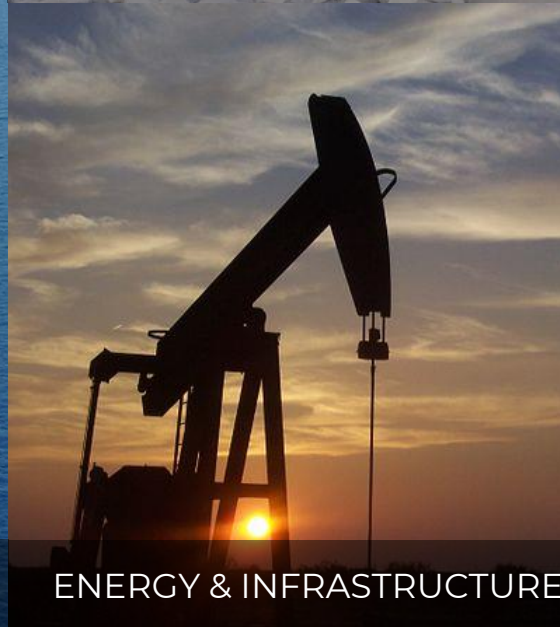
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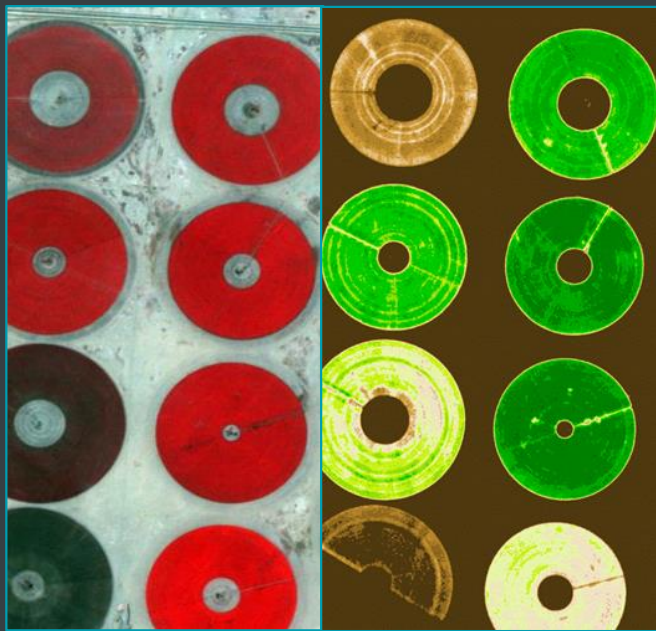


FINANCE & BUSINESS INTELLIGENCE



# Digital Agriculture

Increase productivity by enabling access to ...



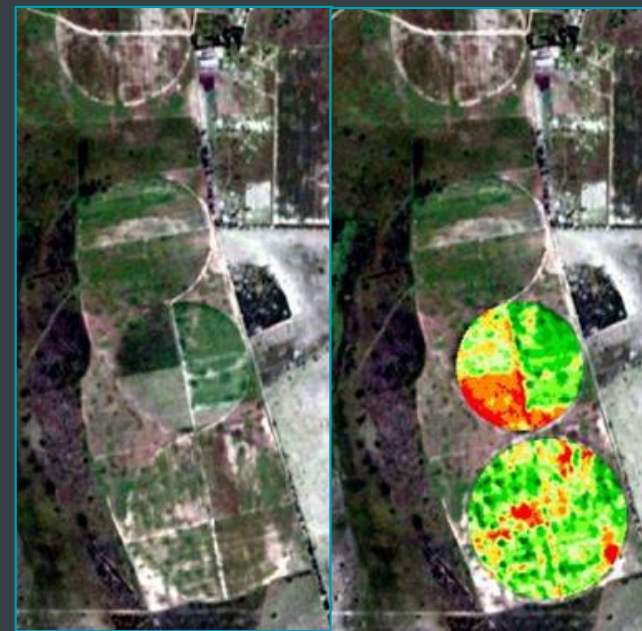
## KNOWLEDGE

Planet's high-cadence multi-spectral data reveals sprinkler issue patterns timely and provide immediate actionable insights



## TECHNOLOGY

Accurate and timely spatial insights into crop growth dynamics on field level is key for using precision farming technology effectively.



## FINANCE

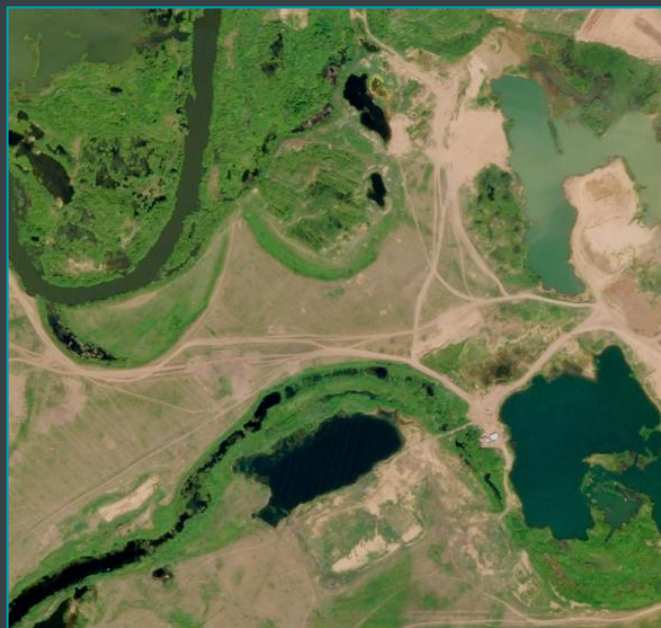
Up-to-date insights into crop performance enables financial institutions to better understand risk and helps to put remote farmers on the financial map.





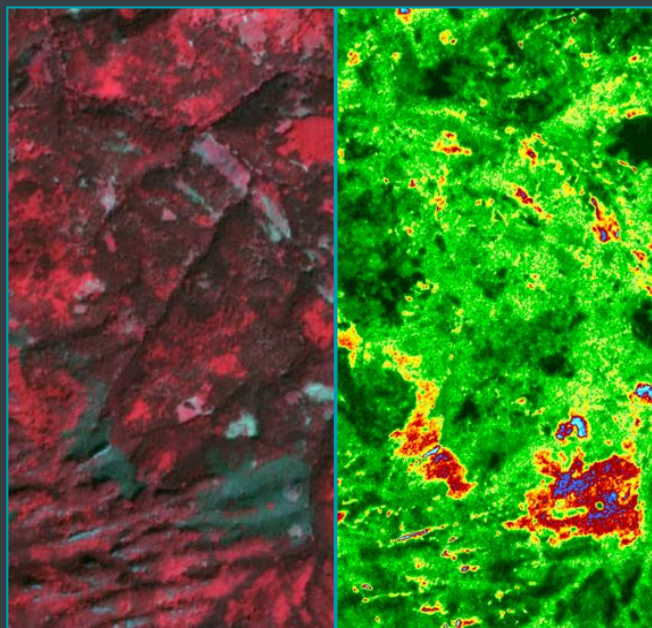
# Environment and Natural Resource Management

Precise, Timely and Reliable Insights



WATER BODY MONITORING

Understand how land is being used  
and how it changes over time



FOREST HEALTH

Detect anomalies and understand  
spatio-temporal dynamics of  
infestations



WATER MONITORING

Detect oil spills and map their  
extend on a daily or sub-daily basis



# Defence & Intelligence

Gain Situational Awareness of Daily, Global Change



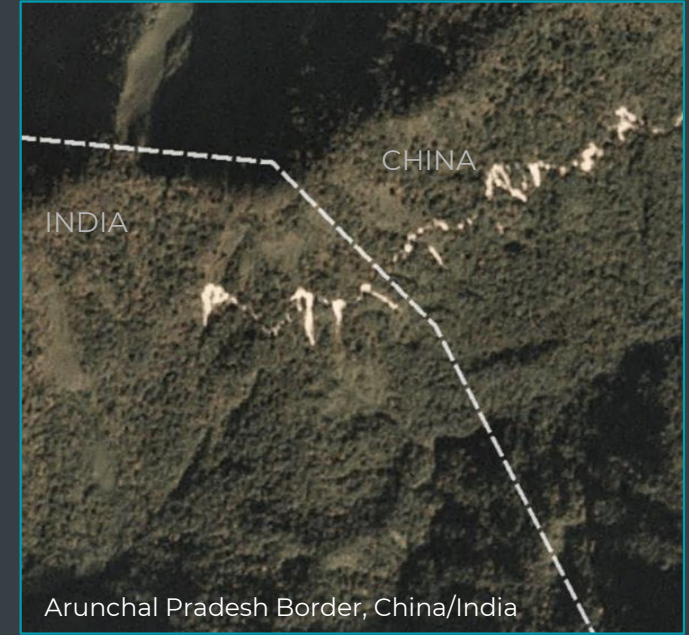
## SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

High-cadence coverage and rapid data delivery provide transparency into situational events as change occurs.



## NEAR-DAILY MONITORING

Rapid revisit allows you to see change over time, and increases the likelihood of securing imagery of strategically important assets.



## BORDER SECURITY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY

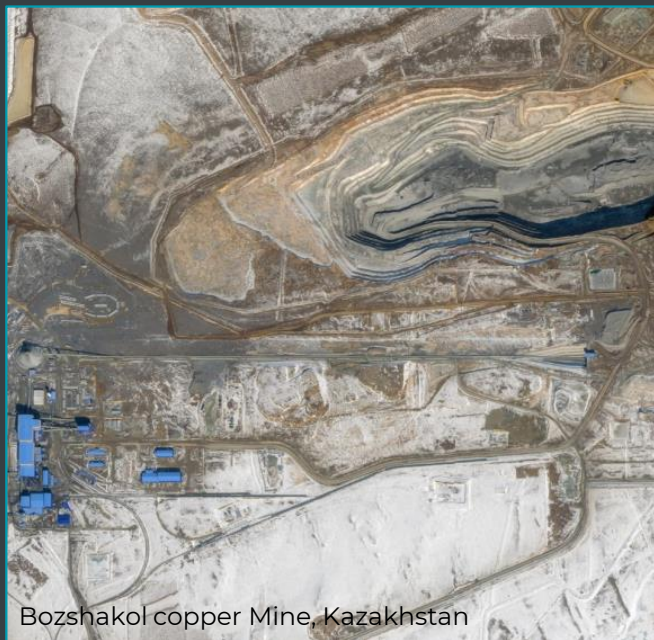
High temporal cadence coupled with global coverage helps allow consistent, monitoring of borders, promoting security and territorial integrity





# Energy Infrastructure, Mining and Commodities

Monitor in near real-time



## MINING

Monitor mining activities and their impacts on the environment.  
Detect illegal activities.



## ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE

Manage commodities through infrastructure monitoring, such as wind farms



## COMMODITIES

Assist in resource management and environmental protection activities.

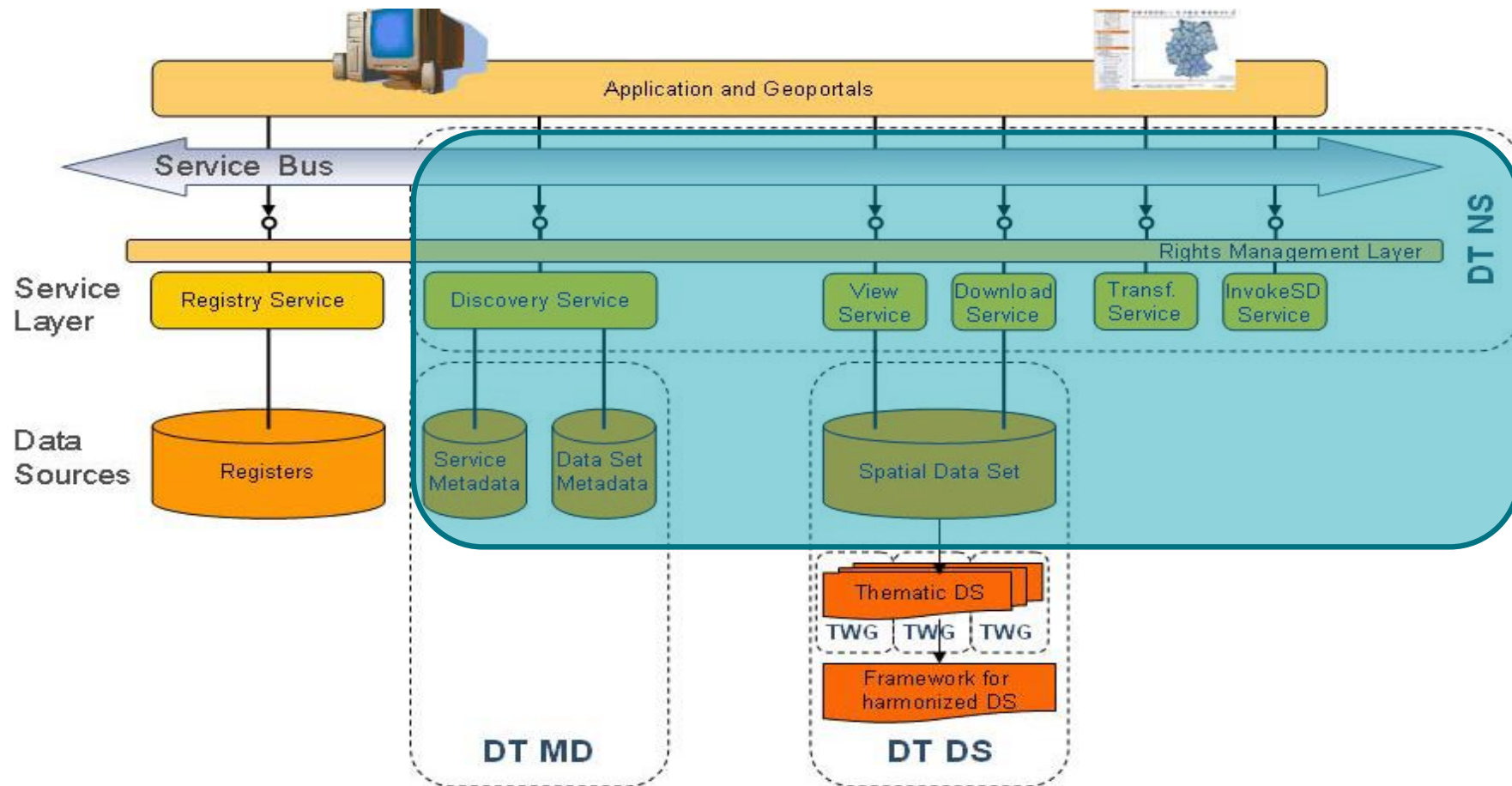


# Planet Data and National Spatial Data Infrastructure

- Fully API based data access
- Worldwide daily data availability
- Support of OGS standards (WMS/WMTS/XYZ)
- Integration in ArcGIS Pro and QGIS



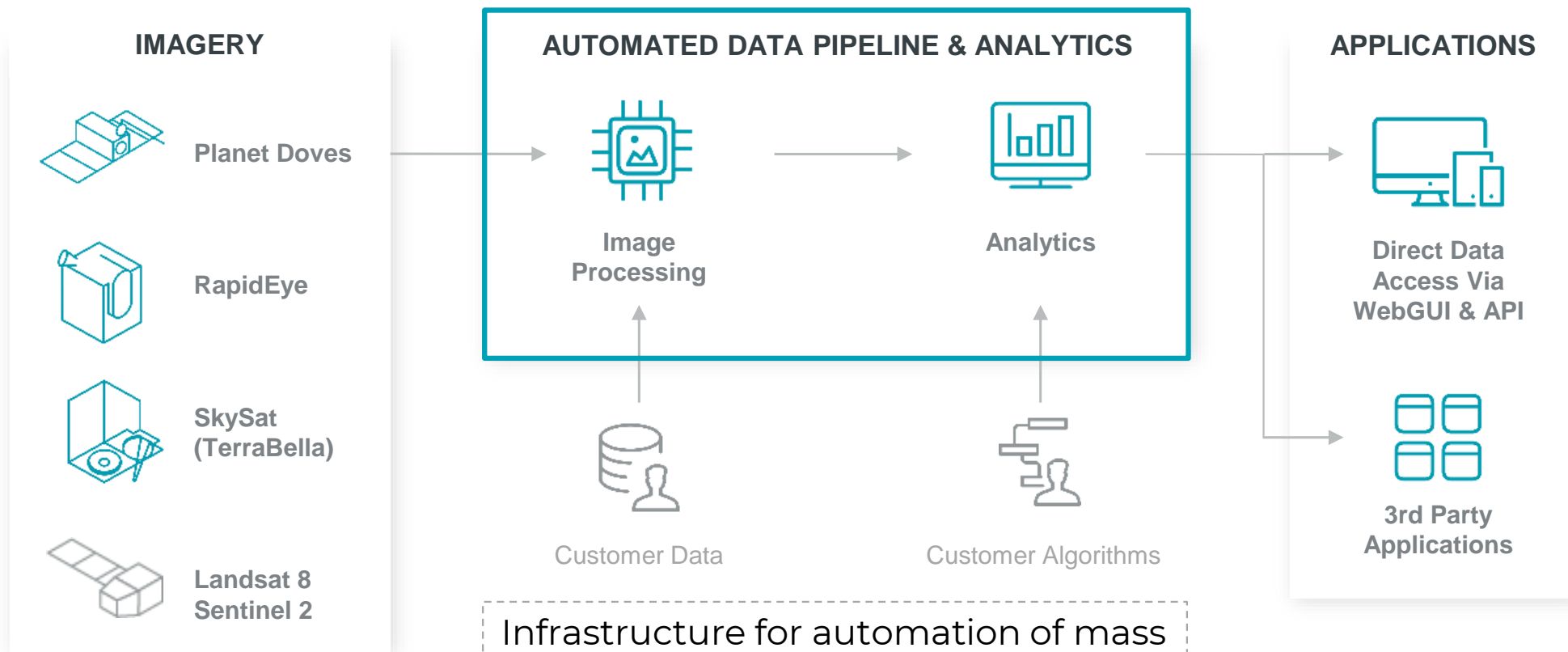
# Service Oriented Architecture - SOA





# PLANET'S PLATFORM

Faster access to data & analytics



Infrastructure for automation of mass data handling, in the fields of image processing and image based analytics.

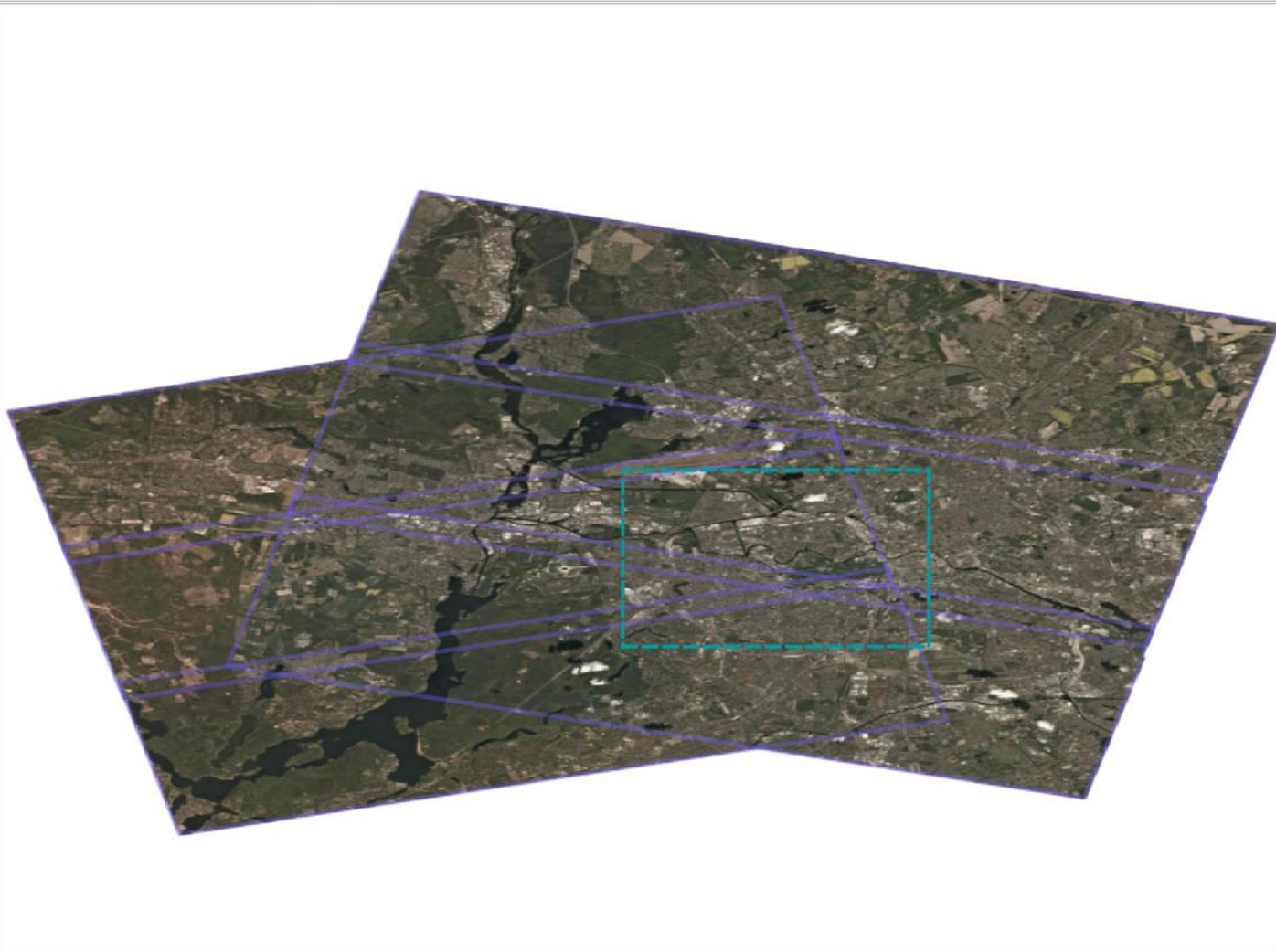


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  - C:\
  - P:\
  - GeoPackage
  - SpatialLite
  - PostGIS
  - MSSQL
  - Oracle
  - DB2
  - WMS/WMTS
  - XYZ Tiles
  - WCS
  - WFS
  - OWS
  - ArcGisMapServer
  - ArcGisFeatureServer
  - GeoNode

Layers

- ✓ Daily PSScene4Band Scene Ma...
- ✓ Footprints
- ✓ Image previews



Planet Explorer

Daily Imagery Search

▼ Area of interest

Extent Draw Selection

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▼ Filters

Sources

- ✓ PlanetScope 4-band SkySat
- PlanetScope 3-band RapidEye Basic
- RapidEye Ortho Tile Sentinel-2 Tile
- SkySat Collect PlanetScope Ortho Tile
- Landsat 8

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## Planet Vision for NSDI

- Democratic access to daily updated satellite data for educated decision making
- You cannot manage what you don't see
- Way forward is Government wide Flat-Rate access



## Base Principles for Government Flat-Rates to Planet Data

Unlimited view Access to daily 3m data via webbrowser from every workplace

Large download volumes for experienced users in all departments

Large budget for flexible tasking 0.5m SkySat data via tasking interface

Access right management by government organization



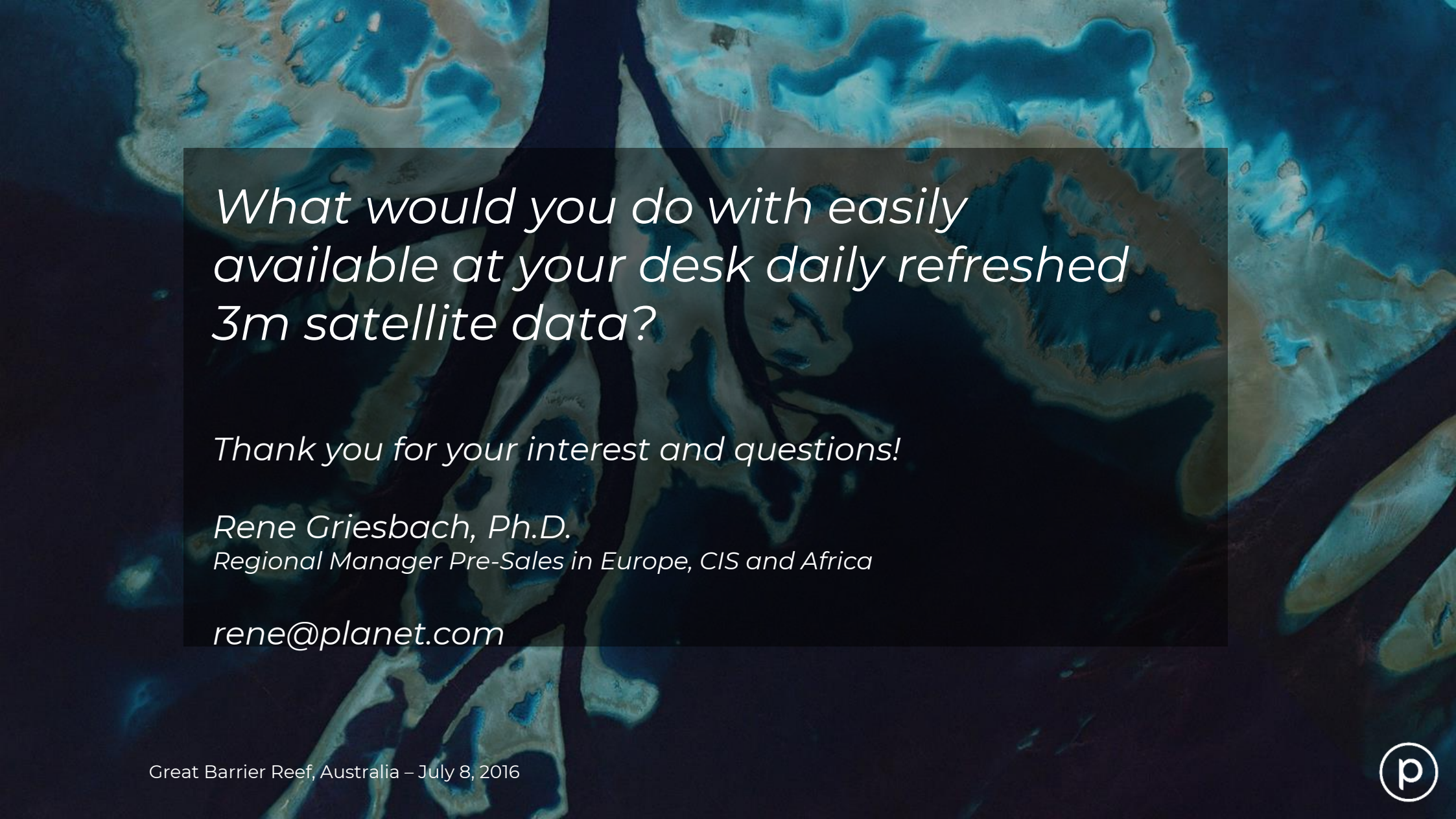
## Base Principles for Government Flat-Rates to Planet Data

Optional inclusion of education sector or start-up scene

License for internal non-commercial use

Lump sum payment upfront per year

Flat-Rate supply implemented for Afghanistan (currently on hold) and in discussion with Kazakhstan, Germany (tendered), EU and other

A satellite image of the Great Barrier Reef in Australia, showing the intricate patterns of the coral reefs and the surrounding ocean. The image is used as a background for the text.

*What would you do with easily  
available at your desk daily refreshed  
3m satellite data?*

*Thank you for your interest and questions!*

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## Smart City Platform Enabling Digital Twin: Helsinki 3D+ project

*Jarmo Suomisto, City of Helsinki, City Executive Office, Finland*



Jarmo Suomisto is a manager of Helsinki 3D+ and responsible of creating, maintaining and delivering virtual models over the whole city. Jarmo has been working for over 25 years with 3D and GIS in building design and city planning. He has practical understanding of the great potential of 3D.

Jarmo is an architect by education possessing a Master of Science degree in Civil Engineering from Helsinki University of Technology.  
<https://www.linkedin.com/in/jarmo-suomisto-08231aa6@Helsinki3D>

Helsinki 3D+ project integrates new technology and workflows for processes and city services. The project is a 2020 and 2016 "Year in Infrastructure Award" winner and 2019 "London Tech Fest" Main Award winner. [www.hel.fi/3D](http://www.hel.fi/3D)

Jarmo started with presenting the 3D+project team and a history of Helsinki 3D project, which has started 36 years ago.

Call for urban digital twin was based on the strategic goal to efficiently manage city resources using 3D as a tool to create better life through better services:

### **Better understanding – Better decision – Better city – Quality of Life.**

Helsinki Smart Digital Twin 2021 has two production lines City GML Semantic Model and Reality Model. Combined both models, it forms an open innovation platform which is open for downloading and further use.

Jarmo underlined that integrating the twin platform into city processes has many benefits – economic, environmental and societal. City of Helsinki uses motto "Digitally first" to all city processes and programmes, such as "Safe City", "Carbon Neutrality" and other.

Jarmo told about Helsinki strategic plan called "The most functional city in the world", which has one of the goals to become a carbon-neutral city by 2035. Heating was identified as a major factor of greenhouse gas emissions (56%).

[https://www.hel.fi/static/liitteet/kaupunkiymparisto/julkaisut/esitteet/HNH2035\\_en\\_summary\\_14022019.pdf](https://www.hel.fi/static/liitteet/kaupunkiymparisto/julkaisut/esitteet/HNH2035_en_summary_14022019.pdf)

They created Energy and Climate Atlas using 3D+ platform, to monitor heating surfaces, structure and other attribute data of over 80000 buildings – over 1 million surfaces, to calculate and predict heating effects and plan renovation programs.

Another application created with Helsinki Smart Digital Twin 2021 is GeoEnergy potential, which provides information for depth down to 300 meters.



Elaborating on the meaning of technology, Jarmo argued that technology determine only 25%, but 75% is other things – new way of thinking and innovative behavioral changes.

In response to the question on what cost and benefits are, Jarmo said that social return is more important. The achieved results do have real value to people. On cost-side, the investment was about 1-3 million euro during last six years. If you want to start a similar project, you should think analyze your resources – human and financial; what kind and type of model would suit your use case; and apply step – by – step approach.

Helsinki 3D+ website [www.hel.fi/3D](http://www.hel.fi/3D)

Helsinki Energy and Climate Atlas <https://kartta.hel.fi/3d/atlas>

Open Energy Atlas data in Helsinki Region Infoshare <https://hri.fi/fi/dataset/helsingin-3d-kaupunkimalli>

Energy and Climate atlas video clip (no audio) <https://youtu.be/Cr-M1bla7K0>

Heat Demand Prediction of Buildings Using a 3D City Model Presentation by Enni Airaksinen <https://youtu.be/J6r-cCL25O0>

3D City Models and Minecraft Helsinki as open data in Helsinki Region Infoshare [https://hri.fi/data/en\\_GB/dataset/helsingin-3d-kaupunkimalli](https://hri.fi/data/en_GB/dataset/helsingin-3d-kaupunkimalli)

Helsinki 3D+Youtube channel <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCC5zVtGUdLXRI354lghLLqg/videos>



# Helsinki 3D+ Urban Digital Twins

Jarmo Suomisto



Helsinki



Project Manager/ MSc (Civ.Eng)

Kari Kaisla



3D Specialist/ MSc (Civ.Eng)

Enni Airaksinen



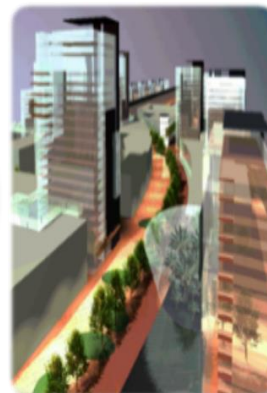
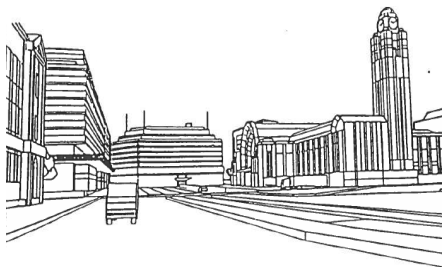
Project Manager/ Architect/MSc (Civ.Eng)

Jarmo Suomisto

Helsinki 3D+ Mayors office / Strategies / Data and Analytics Team

Helsinki

# 36 Years of 3D Helsinki



**OGC**<sup>®</sup>  
Making location count.



City Model try-outs

Urban Development Models

Entire City 3D CAD

Urban simulators

New Models

Co-innovation

**1980**

**1990**

**2000**

**2010**

**2020**

3D workstations

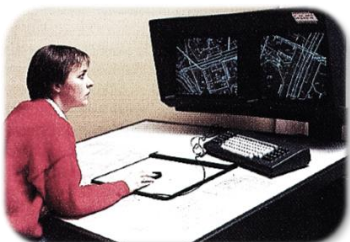
Architectural competitions

Real Time simulator

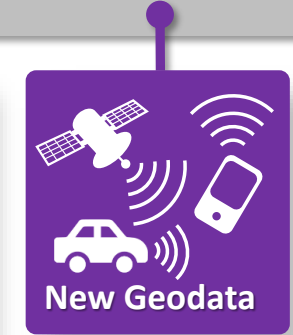
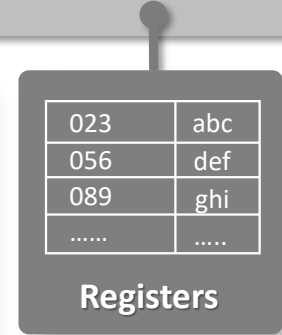
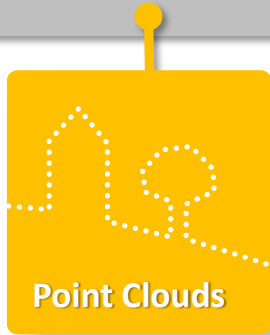
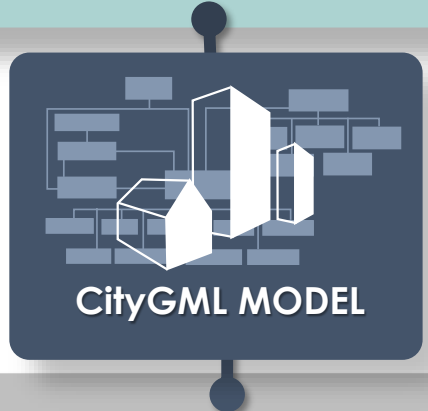
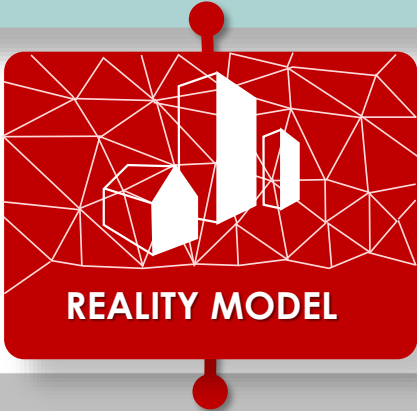
Helsinki 3D+

Energy Atlas

Digital Twin



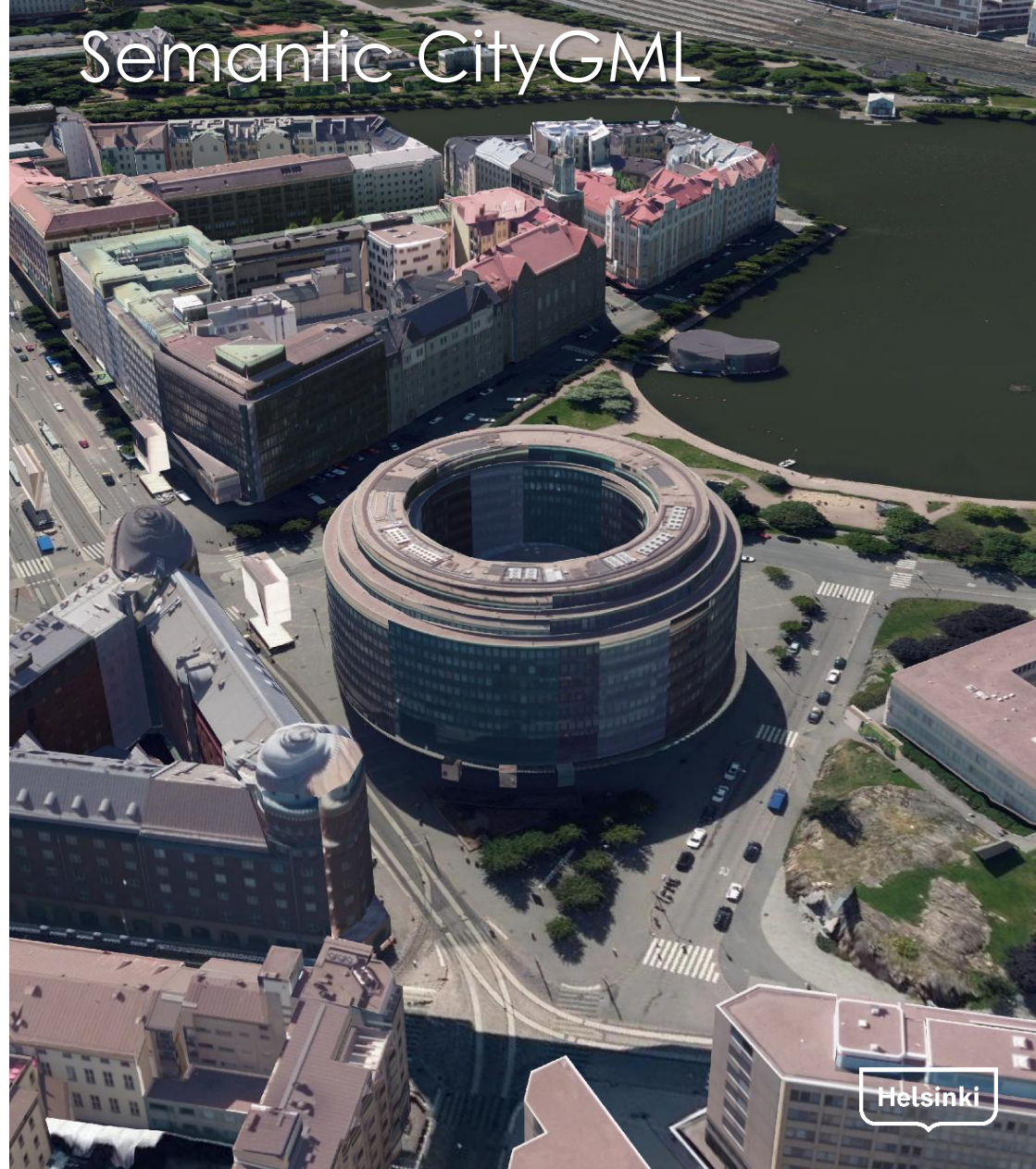
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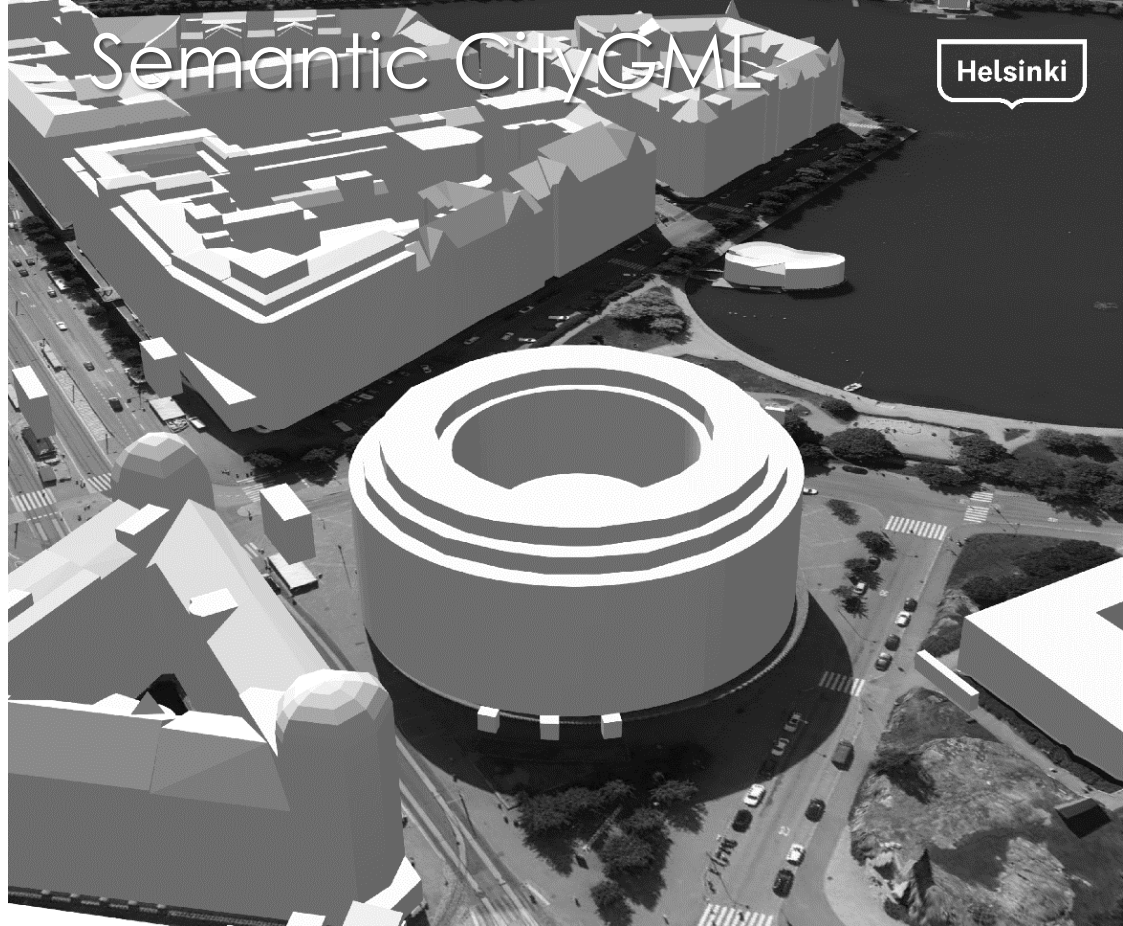
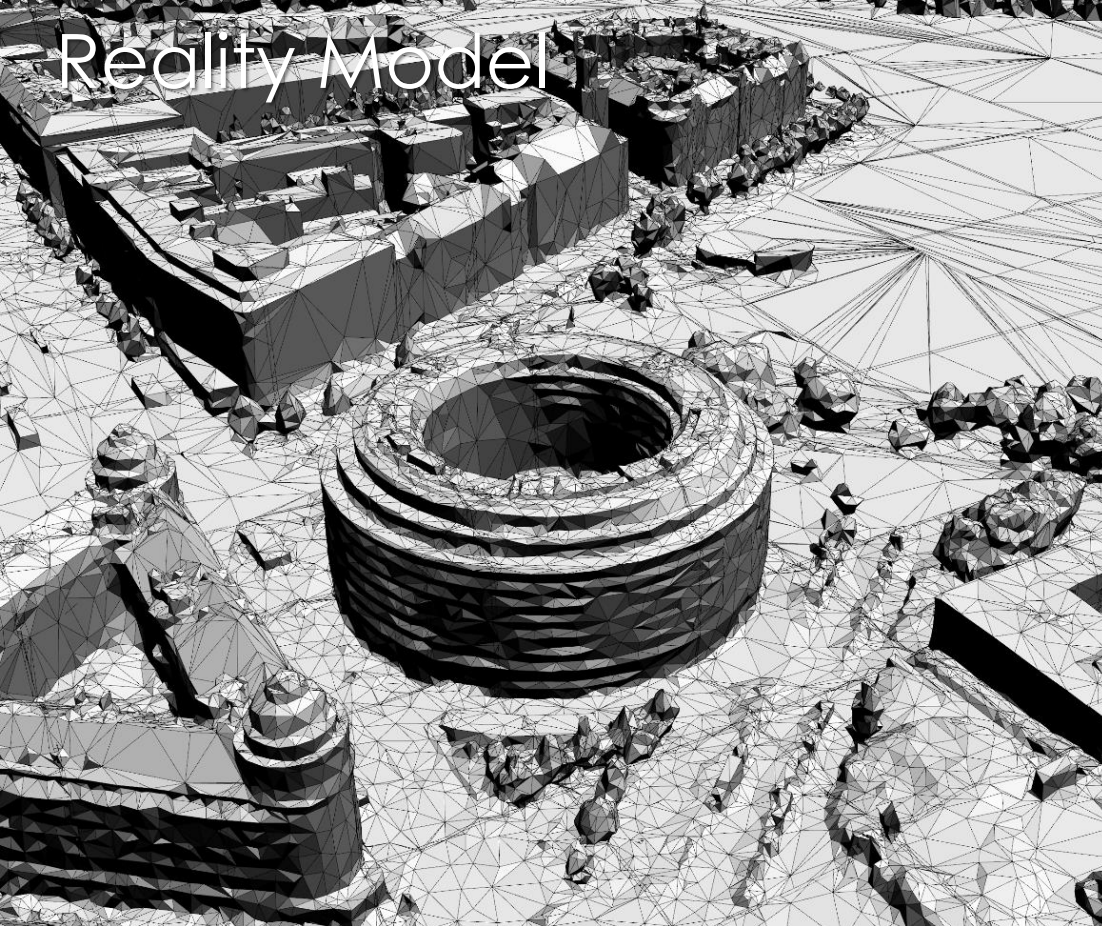


Reality Model



Semantic CityGML

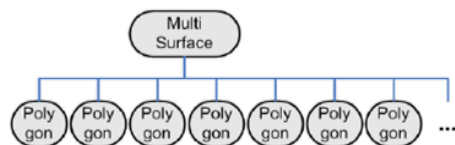




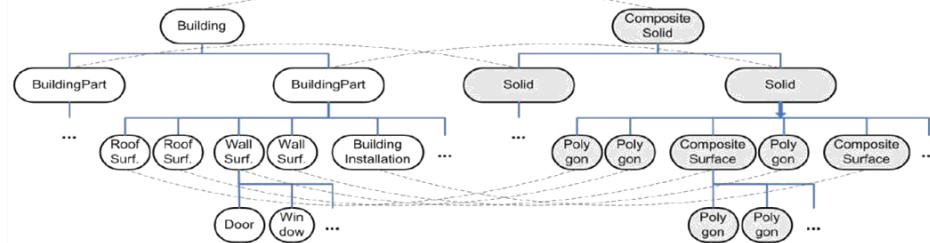
Semantics



Geometry



Semantics



# Reality Model + CityGML



# Reality Model + CityGML



# Digitally first

Helsinki

**The Urban digital twin:** an entity of co-operating datasets and systems.  
Awareness of data sources allows the combination and further processing.

*City model  
Geospatial data  
Registers*



*Sensor data, simulations & plans*

**Digitally first:**

*Plan the full life cycle before building  
Simulated impacts before changes are made*

**Better understanding → Better decisions → Better city → Quality of life**



# Levels of operation

STRATEGIC GOALS



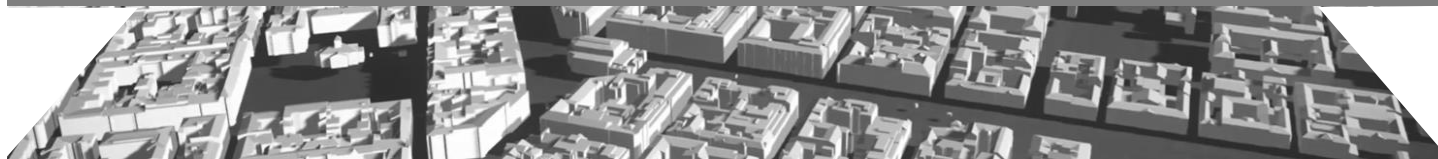
OPEN DATA



PROCESSES & SERVICES

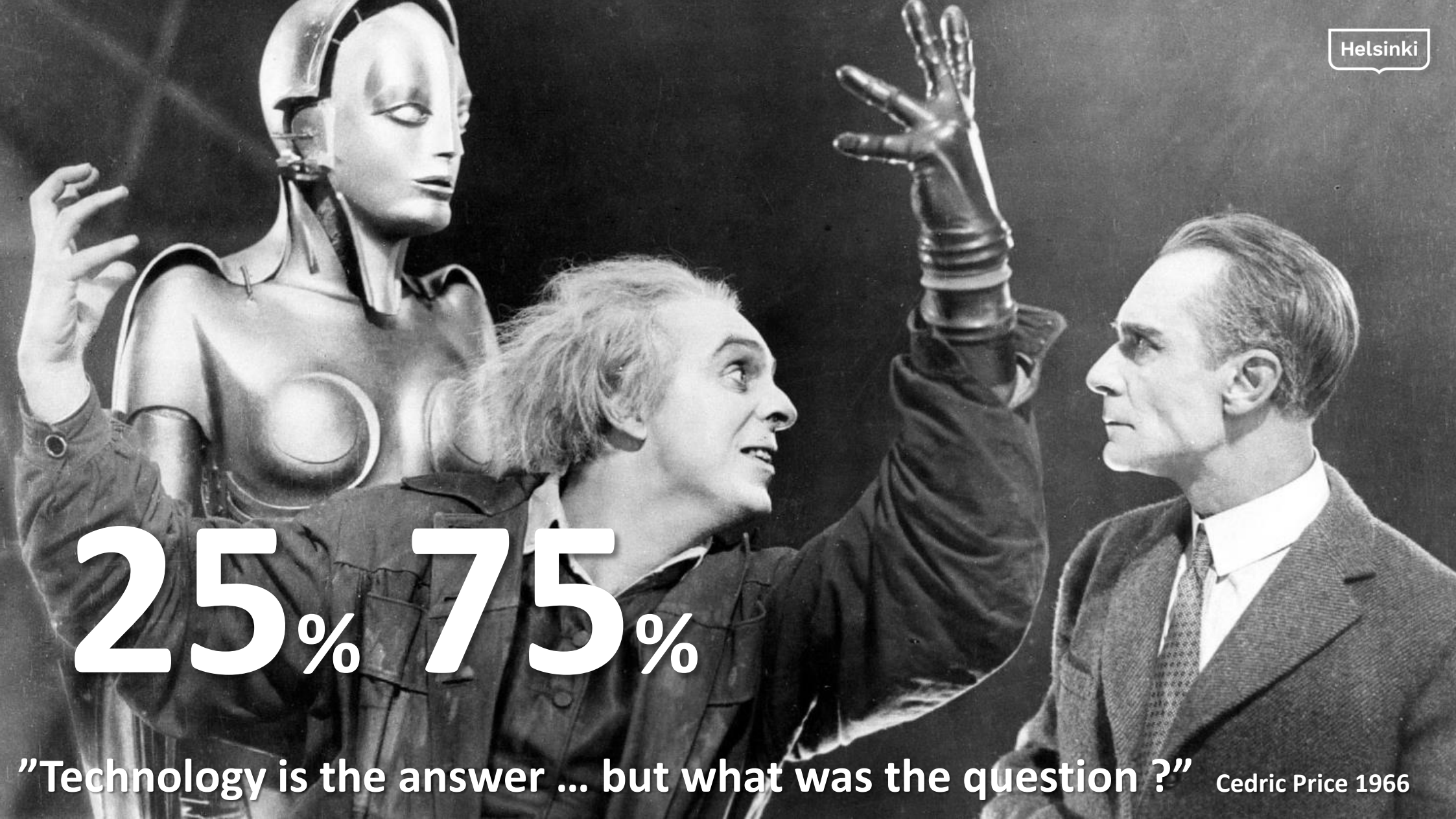


3D MODELS



DATA





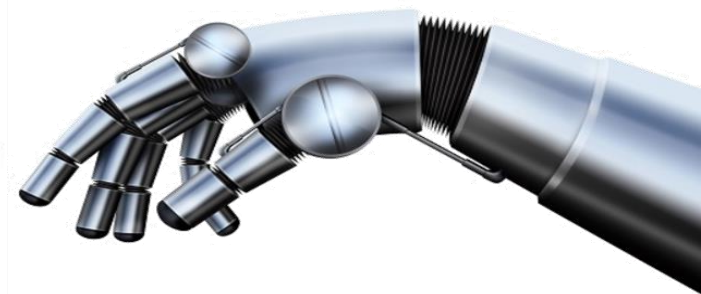
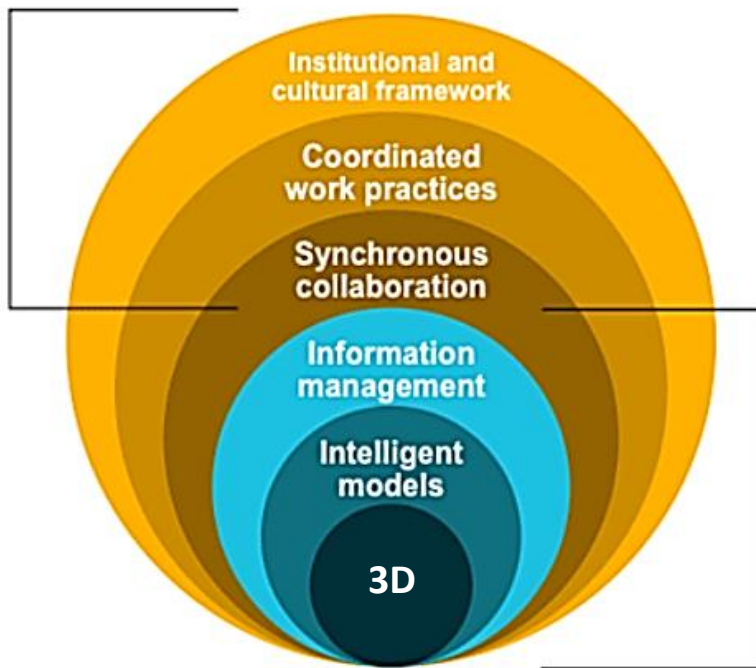
25% 75%

"Technology is the answer ... but what was the question ?" Cedric Price 1966



Social parts

75%



Technical core

25%

# The Most Functional City in the World

Helsinki City Strategy 2017–2021



Helsinki



## Hallitulla rytmimuutoksella nopeampaan ja ketterämpään toimintakulttuuriin

Elinkeinoelämän tavoitteena on, että yksityisen sektorin työpäivämäärä kasvaa pitkällä aikavälillä vähintään yhtä nopeasti kuin euroalueen Maria 01 -alueen kasvuvykympäisyys. Suurimma osa kaupunkien kasvusta tulee innovaatio- ja liiketoimintakenttien kasvusta. Terveystieteiden tutkimuskeskukset ja innovaatio- ja liiketoimintakeskukset ovat tärkeitä osa-alueita.

Helsinki on vakaa ja vakaallinen, turvallinen ja luotettava. Kaupunki jatkaa osien toimintamallien kehittämistä ja ketterää lausumien käyttöä. Kaupunki on vahva ja ketterä. Kaupunki on vahva ja ketterä. Kaupunki on vahva ja ketterä.

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Maailman toimivain kaupunki  
Helsinki City Strategy  
2017–2021



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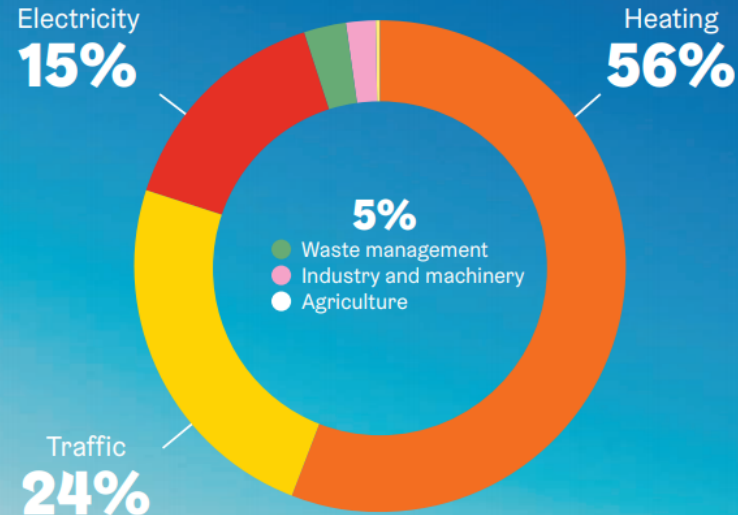
# Making Helsinki carbon-neutral

The goal of Helsinki City Strategy 2017–2021 is to create a carbon-neutral Helsinki by 2035. When this goal is reached, operations taking place in Helsinki will no longer warm up the climate. The Carbon-neutral Helsinki 2035 action plan describes how Helsinki can get on the right track in terms of reducing emissions.

Becoming carbon-neutral requires that greenhouse gas emissions are reduced by at least **80%** from the levels of 1990. The remaining **20%** will be compensated for by Helsinki taking care of implementing emission reductions outside the city or, for example, increasing the number of carbon sinks. The City's emission calculations take emissions generated inside the city limits into account. The calculations do not include emissions generated outside Helsinki, such as those from air travel, food produced elsewhere or goods and services purchased outside the city.

Significant progress has already been made with continuous climate work. In 2017, Helsinki's emissions were **24%** smaller than those in 1990, even though the number of residents had increased by 150,000. Per resident, the emissions were calculated to be approximately **42%** smaller. However, in order to make Helsinki carbon-neutral, the emissions have to be reduced even more and faster than before. A carbon-neutral Helsinki is being created in collaboration between the residents, the City, businesses and organisations.

The formation of Helsinki's greenhouse gas emissions.



Total 2,668 kt CO<sub>2</sub>e (2017). Source: HSY, 2018.

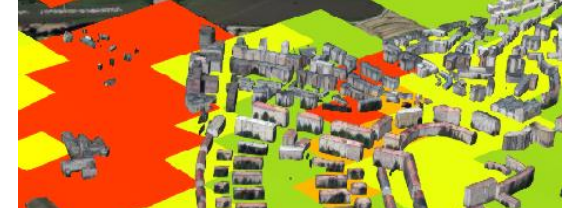
## Carbon-neutral Helsinki 2035

More than  
140 procedures in the Carbon-  
neutral Helsinki 2035 action plan

Helen Oy's development  
programme

The City and Helen Oy create the conditions for a carbon-neutral Helsinki. Procedures by residents, the government, businesses and other organisations are also required.

Image: Jussi Hellsten, City of Helsinki Material Bank

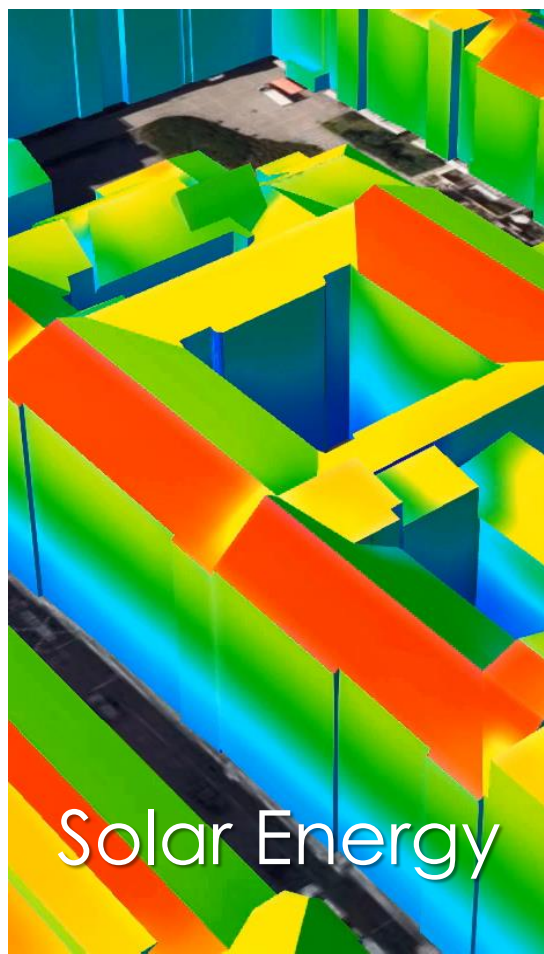


# Helsinki Energy and Climate Atlas

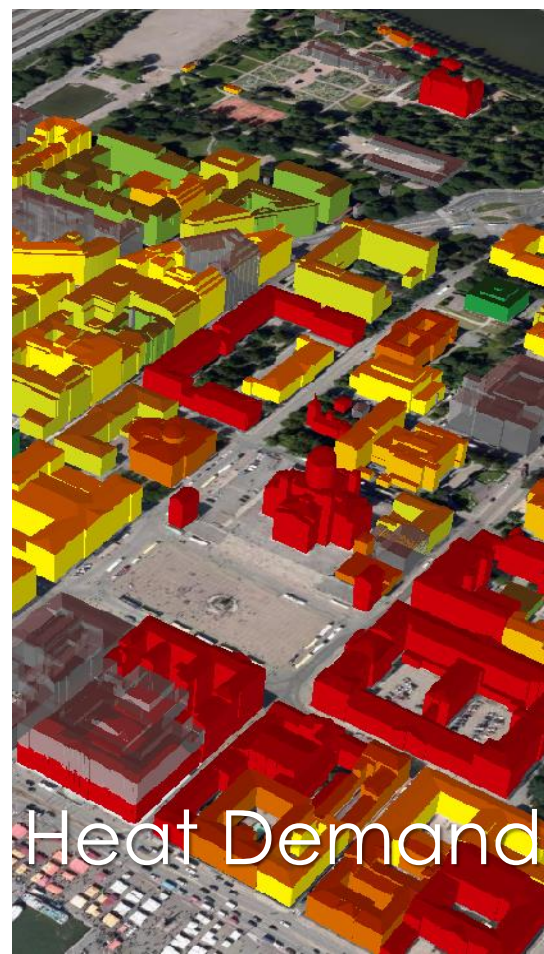
[hel.fi/3D](http://hel.fi/3D)



Energy Data



Solar Energy



Heat Demand



Geo Energy

**Perustietoa rakennuksesta**

Katuosoite : Kalevankatu 22

RATU : 628

VTJ-PRT : 103056057X

Käyttötarkoitus : Asuinrakennus (Muut kerrostalot)

Rakennuksen korkeus : 19.47 m

Kerroksia : 5

Kerroskorkeus : n. 3.9 m

Kerrosala : 4301 m<sup>2</sup>Bruttoala : 4640 m<sup>2</sup>Tilavuus : 16650 m<sup>3</sup>

Rakennusaine : Tiili

Rakennusvuosi : 1881

**Energiatietoja**

Lämmitystapa : Vesikeskuslämmitys (Kauko- tai aluelämpö)

**Korjaustietoja**

Ikkuna-/ovi-/porttimuutos : Kaupunkikuvallinen lausunto (Rakennuslupa: 17-1571-KL 4)

Ikkunoiden uusiminen

**Suojeltu rakennus****Laskennallinen kulutus (kWh/brm<sup>2</sup>/vuosi)**

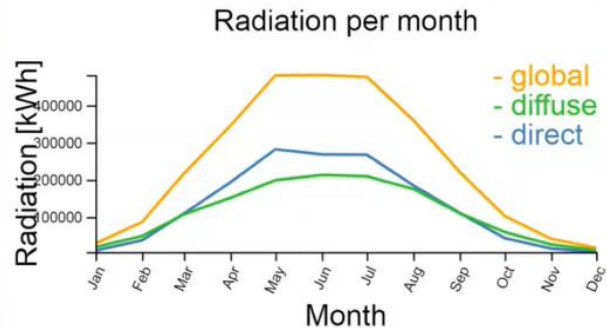
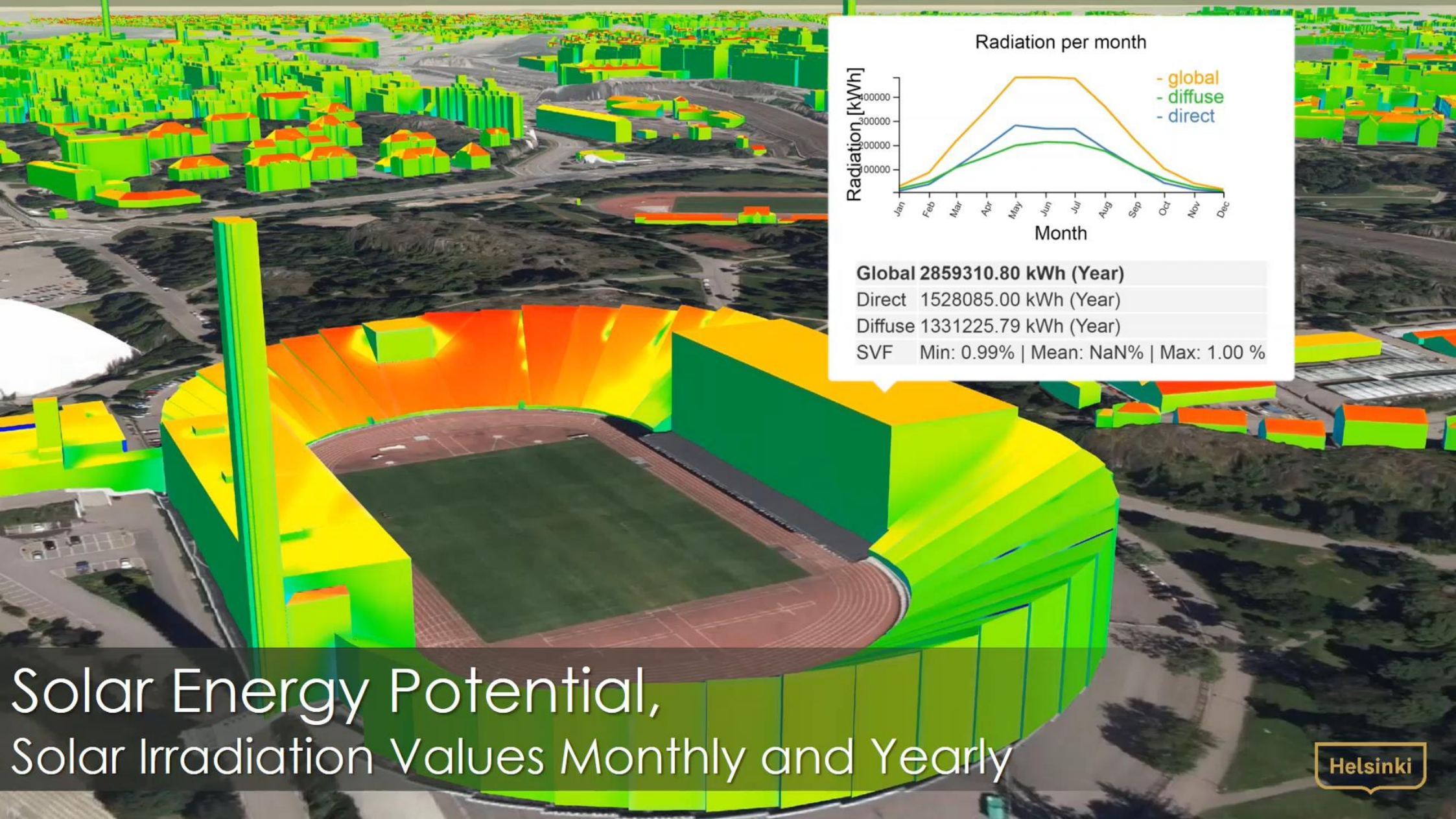
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Kiinteistösähkö : 12

Käyttäjäsähkö : 40

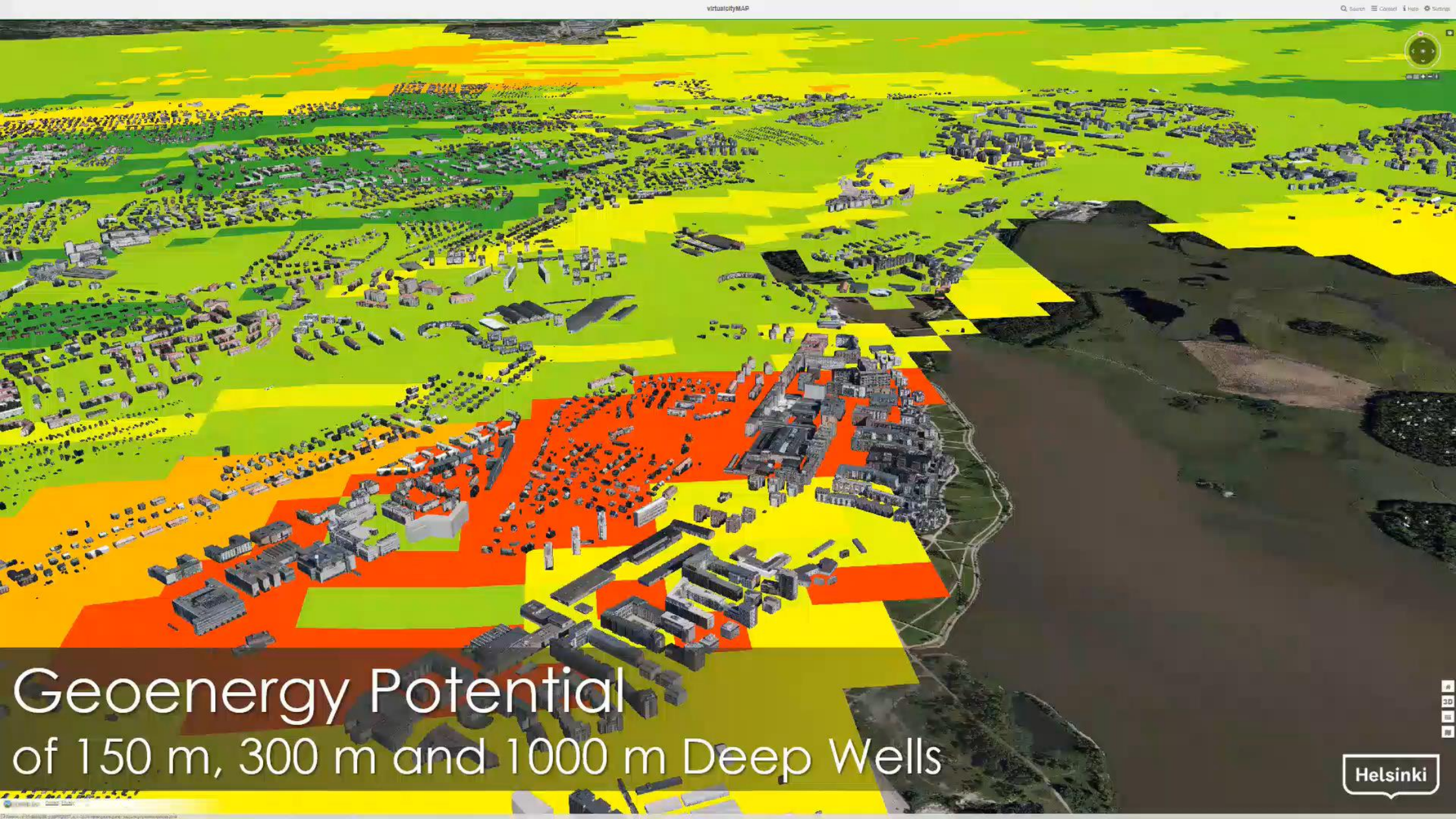
# Energy Data, Renovation History and Real Consumption Data



Global	2859310.80 kWh (Year)
Direct	1528085.00 kWh (Year)
Diffuse	1331225.79 kWh (Year)
SVF	Min: 0.99%   Mean: NaN%   Max: 1.00 %

Solar Energy Potential,  
Solar Irradiation Values Monthly and Yearly





# Geoenery Potential of 150 m, 300 m and 1000 m Deep Wells

# The Kalasatama Digital Twins Project

The final report of the KIRA-digi pilot project



# MINECRAFT



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# 3D+

Helsinki

## Thank You

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Youtube Helsinki3D+



# Links

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- Helsinki 3D+ Youtube channel <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCC5zVtGUdLXRI354lghLLqg/videos>

## Geospatial for Finance Industry

*Christophe Christiaen, Oxford University Sustainable Finance Programme, United Kingdom*



Christophe is the Data, Innovation and Impact Lead within the Oxford Sustainable Finance Programme, developing innovation strategy and partnerships for the UK Centre for Greening Finance and Investment as well as the Spatial Finance Initiative, which he co-founded.

He also created and runs the Satellite Applications Catapult's Sustainable Finance value stream, stimulating geospatial technology innovations for the financial services market. At the Catapult, he has worked across numerous national and international technology innovation projects in strategy advisory capacities and supported multiple technology start-ups and SMEs with the commercialisation of their products.

Previously Christophe held roles at the European Space Agency, working as a business analyst and at Henkel, working across credit management and sales controlling. Christophe holds an MSc in Business Engineering from the University of Antwerp, specialising in finance, accountancy, and environmental economics.

Christophe is the data and innovation lead at the UK centre for Green Finance and Investment and co-founder of the spatial finance initiative. He set out a convincing case for a huge opportunity for geospatial in the finance sector. Green finance is a hot topic, with investors increasingly wanting to channel funds to sustainable projects. This is not only because of environmental concerns, but also growing evidence that such projects financial outperform those made in projects likely to be adversely affected by climate change. Further, many governments are setting up mechanisms to force financial institutions to report on climate related risks in regulating their fitness to operate. This type of reporting relies on good, granular data and existing sources,

based on self-disclosure, are often very general, historical, and non-standard, making objective comparison difficult. Geospatial data, particularly from earth observation, answers this need – it reflects the real world, is detailed enough to identify individual assets, offers global coverage and rapid refresh.

Christophe highlighted many use cases, including monitoring global supply chains, underpinning the carbon credit market and measuring greenhouse gas emissions of individual power plants. He also explained that often the outputs of analysis are spreadsheets that can be easily fed into existing financial analytics, rather than as geographical visualizations. In summing up and subsequent discussion, he explained that financial services sector spends and estimated USD33 billion per annum on data and the proportion spent to support ESG (Environmental, Social and Governance) decisions was increasing rapidly. A wide range of future applications is still emerging, which geospatial and EO professionals were well placed to exploit by working together.

# GEOSPATIAL FOR FINANCE INDUSTRY

**Spatial Finance: Next Generation Climate  
and Environmental Analytics for Resilient  
Finance**

Christophe Christiaen  
29<sup>th</sup> October 2021

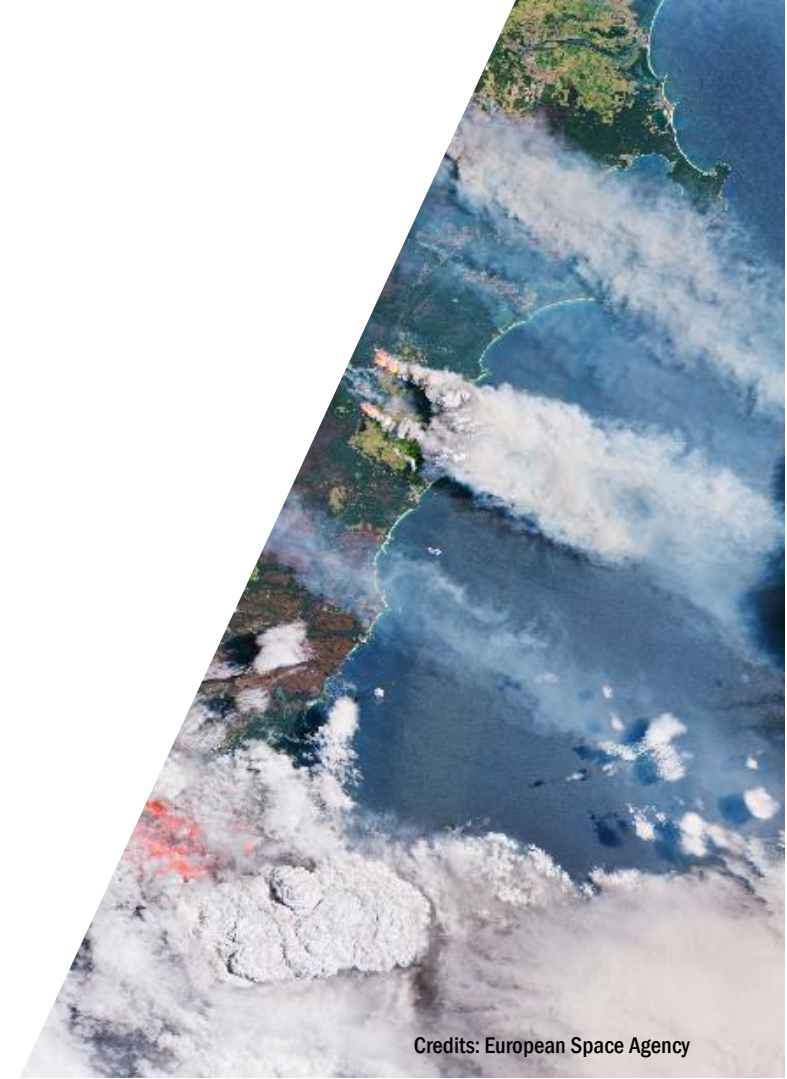
# MARKET DEVELOPMENTS

**Green/Sustainable Finance** is about:

- Aligning the financial system with global sustainability = Greening Finance
- Financing the transition to global sustainability = Financing Green

Interest in green finance is growing rapidly, driven by:

- **Financial considerations**
- **Regulation and policy**
- **Customer and consumer preferences**



Credits: European Space Agency

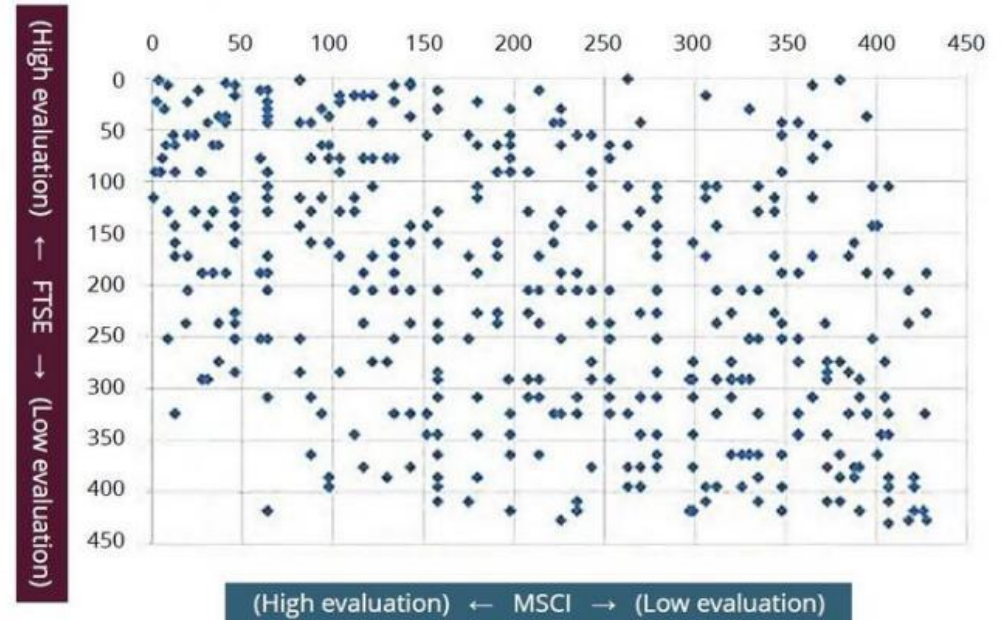
# DATA CHALLENGE

Main source of data on a company's sustainability performance is its voluntarily reported information or 'disclosures'.

This comes with various challenges:

- Information is **self-disclosed** and typically compiled top-down
- ESG reporting is not mandatory, which means **not all companies report**
- ESG reporting not standardised, which means **data is not comparable**
- Annual reporting means ESG **data is outdated** once released

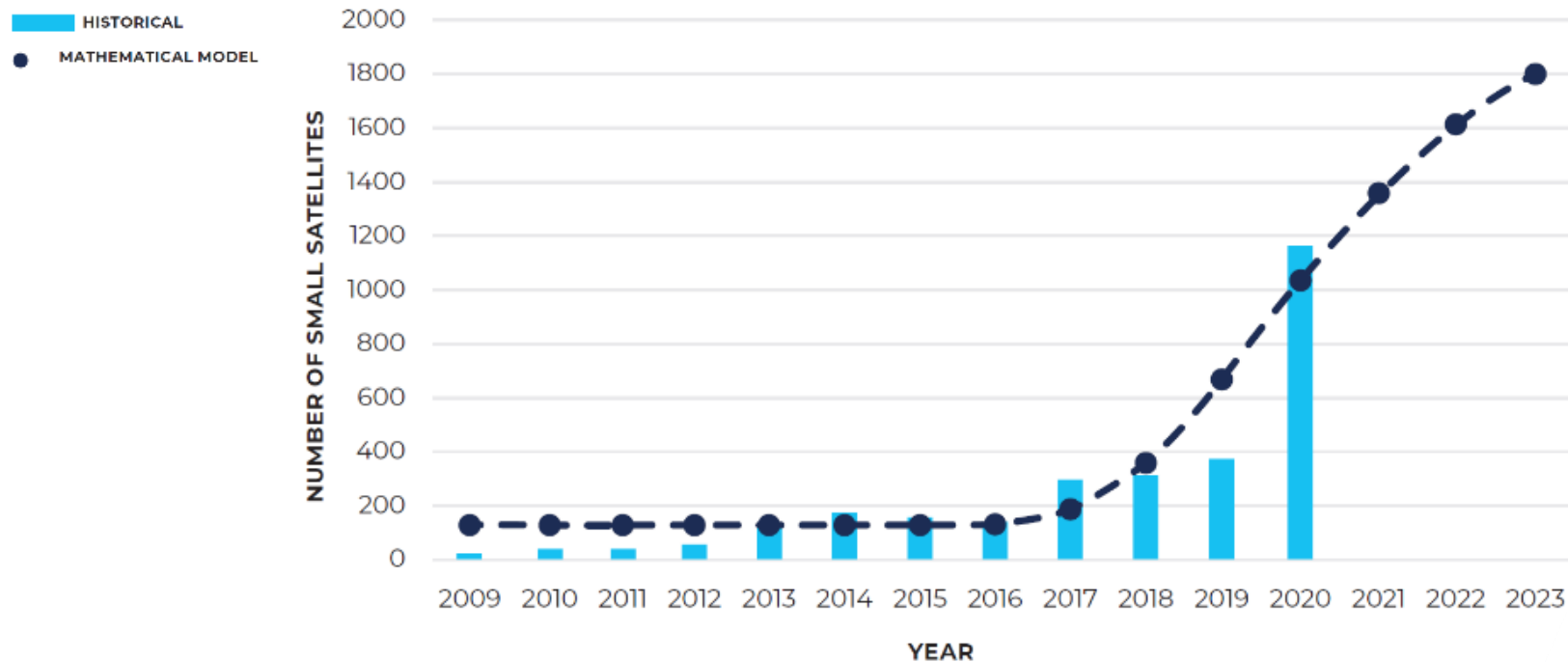
Figure 1 – Comparison of ESG scores from FTSE



Source: CLSA, GPIF

# TECHNOLOGY ADVANCEMENTS

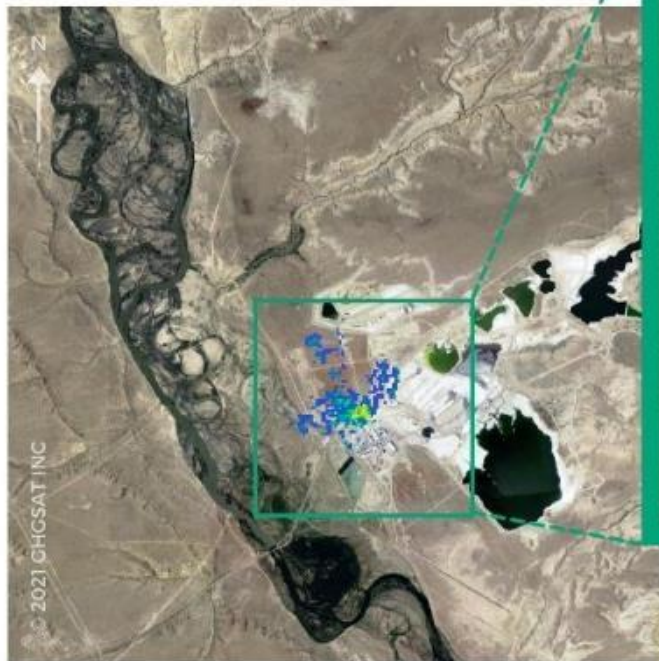
Number of Small Satellites Launched



# TECHNOLOGY ADVANCEMENTS

## Satellite CH<sub>4</sub> Measurement

Underground Trona Mine - Wyoming, USA



BACKGROUND ©2021  
GOOGLE MAP DATA  
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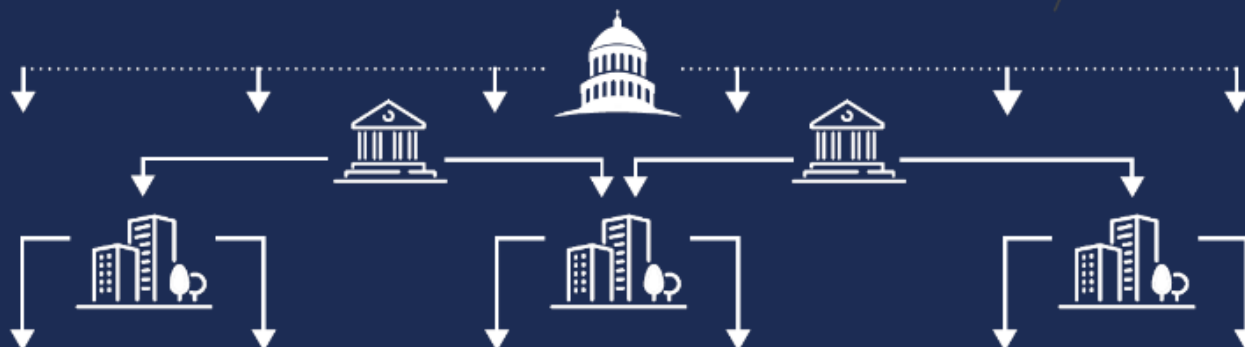
Credits: GHGSat

# SPATIAL FINANCE AND ASSET-LEVEL DATA

**GOVERNMENTS**  
regulate and create  
policies across all  
sectors

**INVESTORS** own  
companies

**COMPANIES** own  
exposed assets



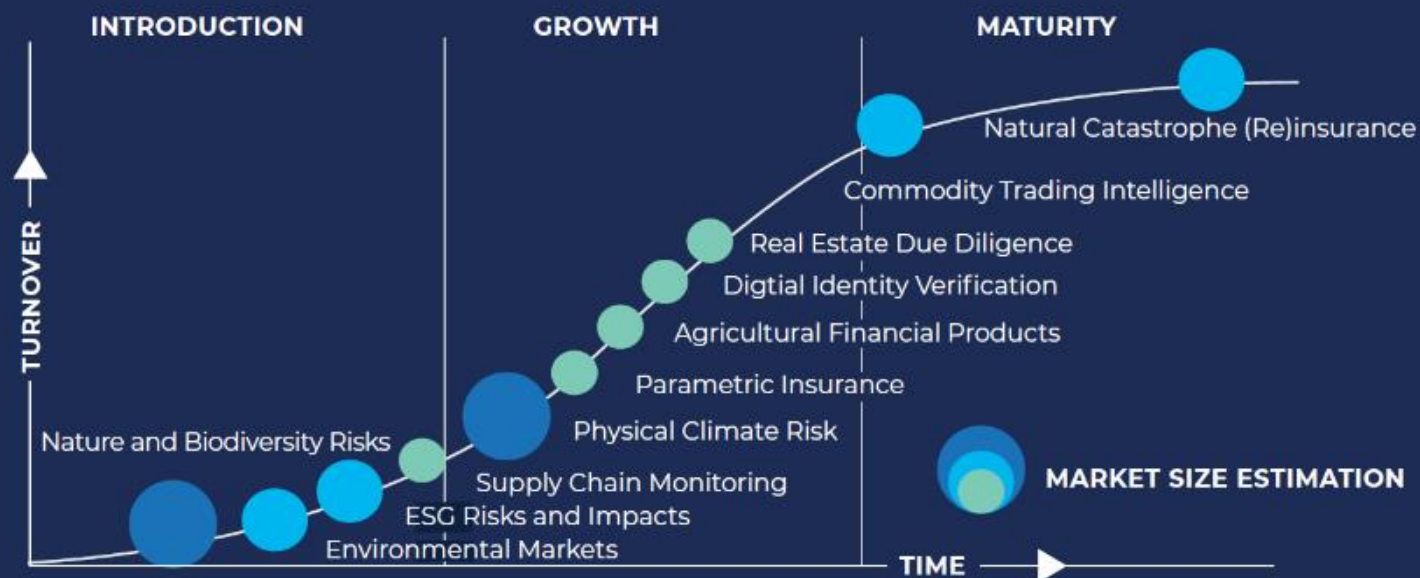
**ASSETS**, both  
built and natural,  
are exposed to  
different climate  
risks, impacts and  
opportunities



**OBSERVATIONAL DATA**  
E.g. GHG emissions, climate  
hazard, air pollution

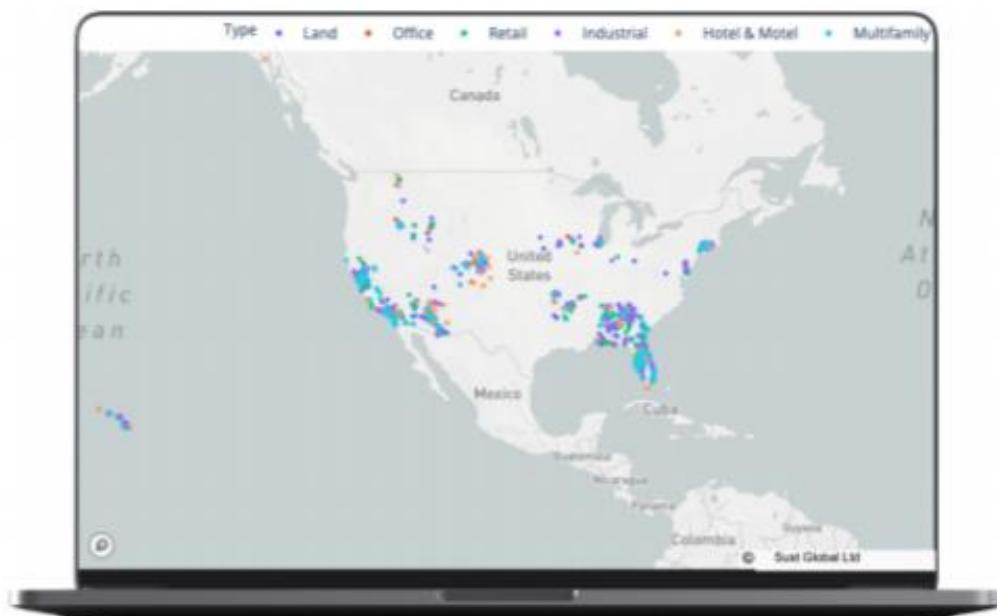
**ASSET DATA**  
E.g. location, ownership,  
production type, capacity, age

# SPATIAL FINANCE APPLICATIONS



# SPATIAL FINANCE APPLICATIONS

## PHYSICAL CLIMATE RISK

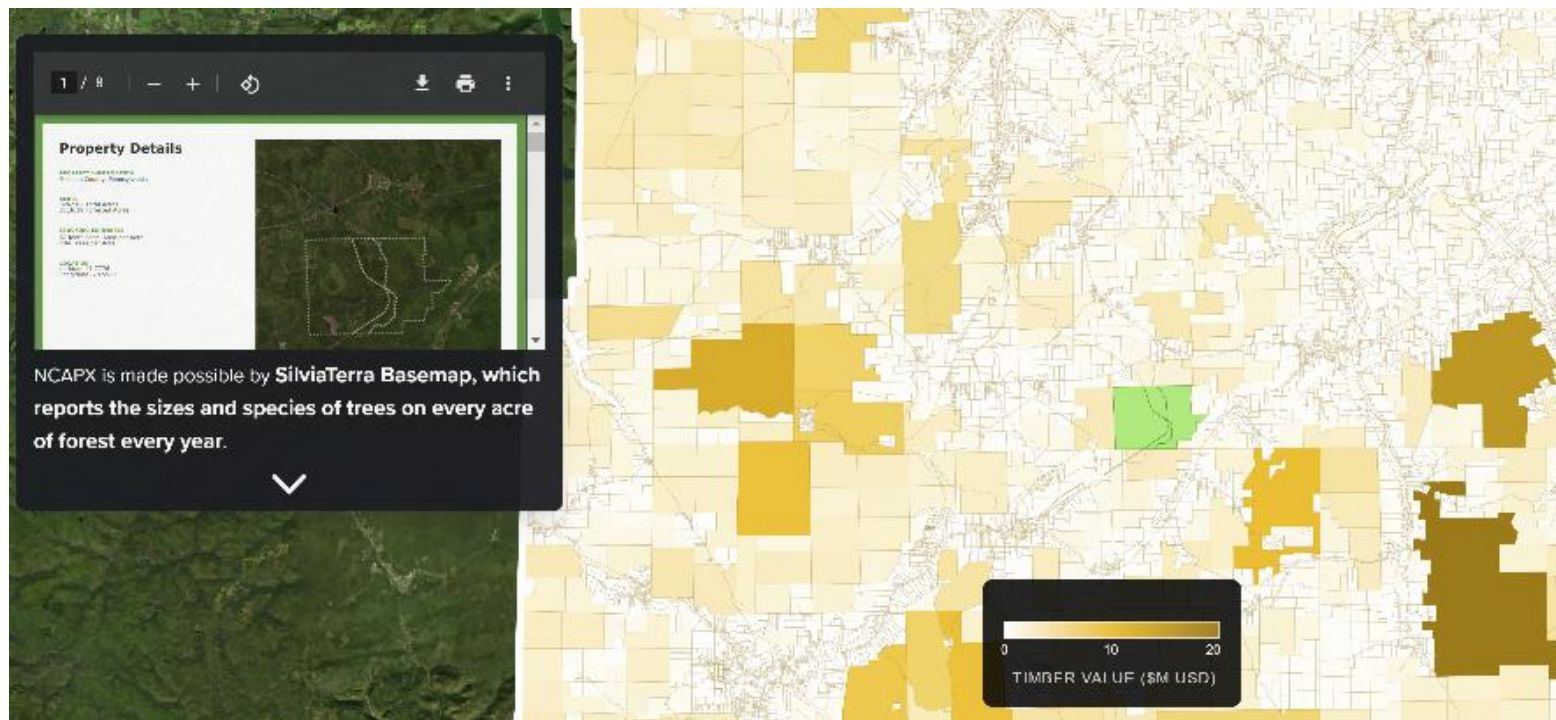


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	1158 Babcock Road, San Antonio, TX	29.477348	-98.537858	Acquisition	0.260518	0.033333	0.000000	0.000000	975000	0.760518	Fire	1.013989e+06
	3180 Fir Feather Road, Bryan, TX	30.035896	-96.367807	Acquisition	0.172863	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	800000	0.172863	Fire	5.545443e+05
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	149-168 Frederick Street And 168 And 164 North...	41.047781	-73.521722	Acquisition	0.001694	0.000000	0.000000	0.461538	731000	0.461538	Cyclone	1.359538e+06
	282-228 West Dakota Avenue, Fresno, CA	36.786723	-119.814324	Refinance	0.270836	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	750000	0.270836	Fire	8.193119e+05
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Credits: Sust Global

# SPATIAL FINANCE APPLICATIONS

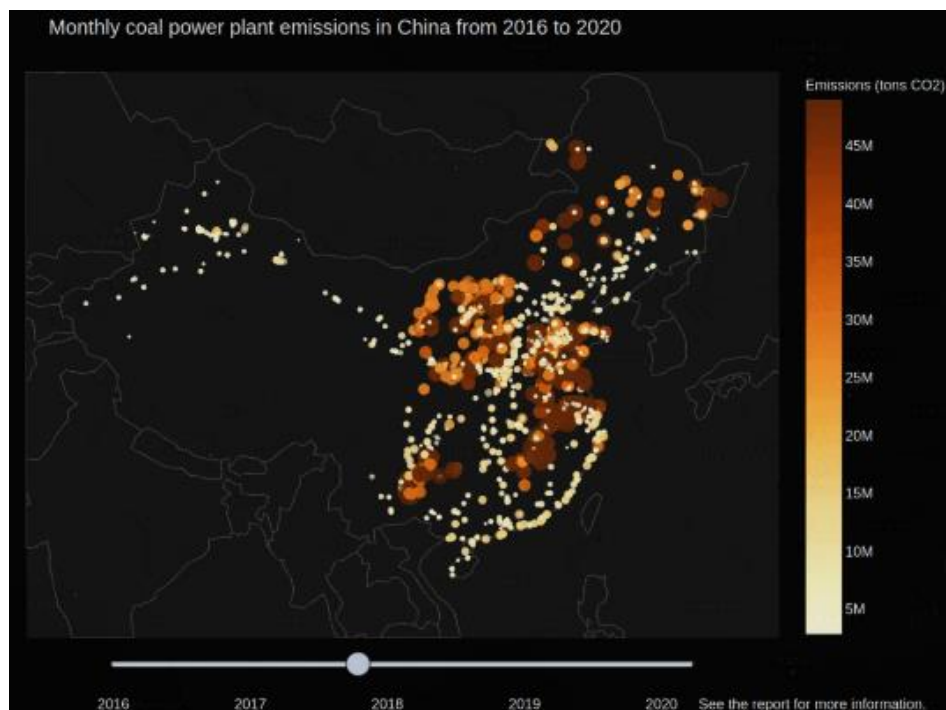
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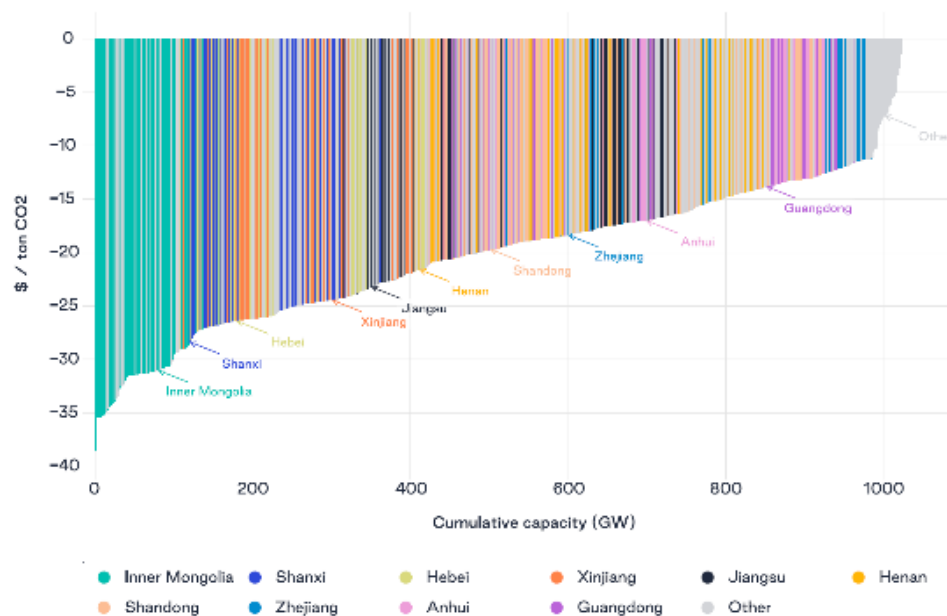
# SPATIAL FINANCE APPLICATIONS

## EMISSIONS MODELLING



Credits: TransitionZero

Figure 8. Unit level marginal abatement cost to replace existing coal by province



Source: TransitionZero analysis

# DIGITAL FOOTPRINT OF GLOBAL ECONOMY



New Plant



Known Plant



False Positive

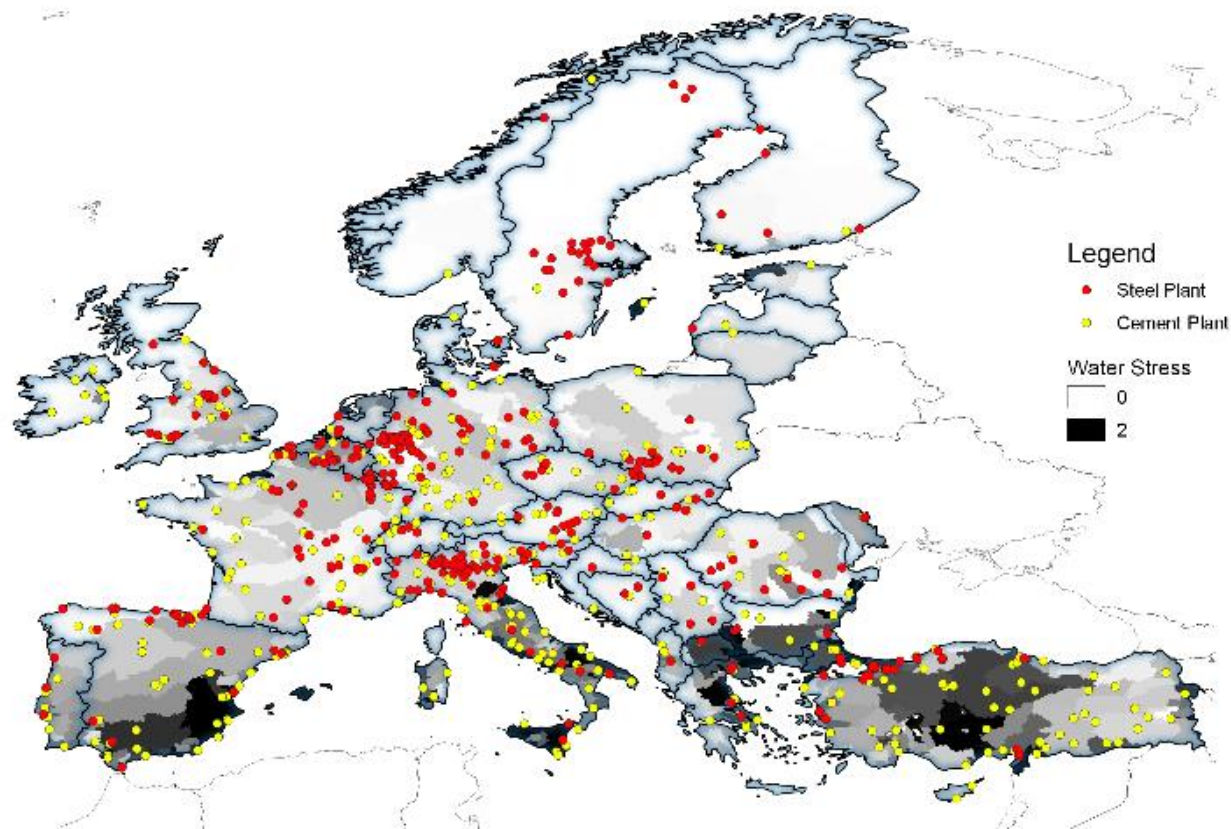
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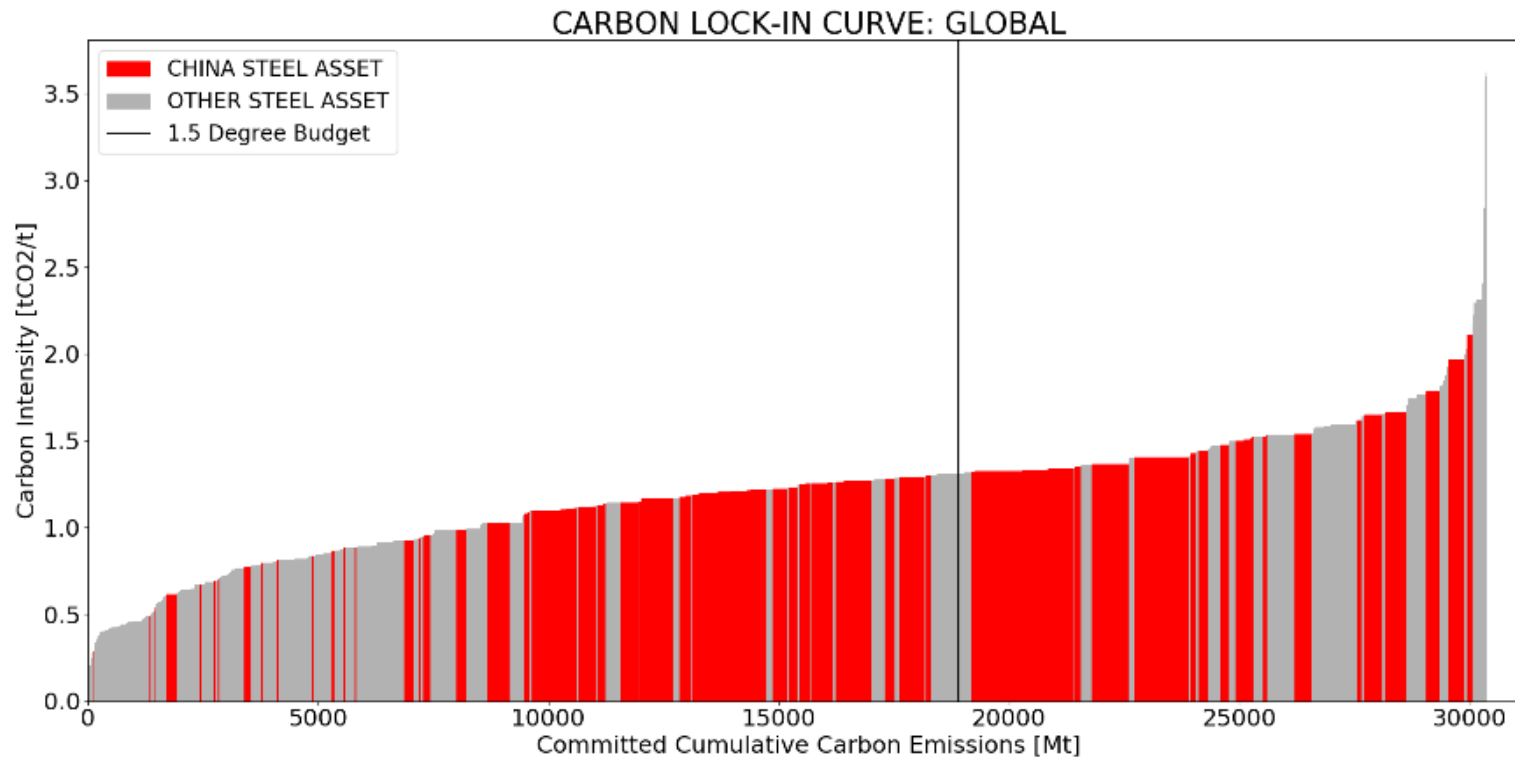
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# PHYSICAL CLIMATE RISK

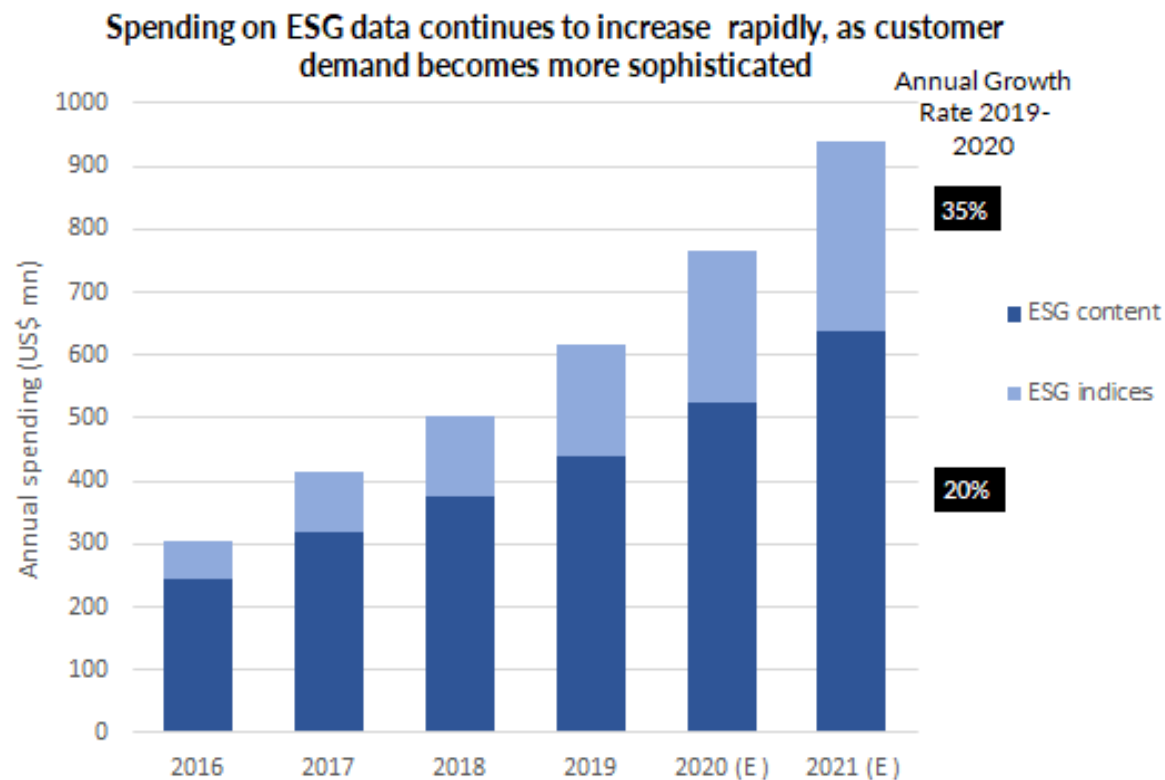


# TRANSITION CLIMATE RISK – CARBON LOCK-IN CURVE



34.6% of CHINA crude steel producing assets incompatible SR 1.5°C  
29.7% of CHINA crude steel capacity incompatible SR 1.5°C

# MARKET OPPORTUNITY



Source: Opimas

# FUTURE OF SPATIAL FINANCE

## FUTURE USE CASES

Liability Risk Assessment

Disclosure Verification

Mission-Aligned Investing

Policy Implementation  
Monitoring

## FUTURE DATASETS

Mobility and Transport Data

IoT Sensor Data

National Statistics

Unknown Unknowns

## FUTURE APPLICATIONS

Geospatially Enabled Smart  
Contracts

Near-real Time ESG Risk and  
Impact Dashboards

Predictive Analytics

# THANK YOU

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## KartAI Project

*Ivar Oveland, Norwegian Mapping Authority*



Ivar Oveland holds a PhD from the Norwegian University of Life Sciences where his major subject was in the borderland between robotics, geomatics and building information models.

He worked 13 years in the private airborne LIDAR industry. Today, he works at the Norwegian Mapping Authority with projects related to research and development.

Ivar is the lead researcher on this project, a joint initiative involving public and private sector partners and funded by the Norwegian regional growth fund. It aims to improve the quality of the cadastre through crowd sourcing. The problem for municipal government is that although the volume of building applications is decreasing, the costs of processing them is increasing. Further, there are known issues with the quality of the cadastre, which is acute in the north and west of Norway.

The potential solution is to better integrate data sources (aerial imagery, topographic basemaps and LiDAR); develop automated machine learning to identify buildings that are missing or wrongly classified and through an active dialogue with landowners to verify results from applying machine learning. The project will run from 2021 to 2023 and offers a very high cost-benefit return.



*Digital, Democratic and  
Automatic quality  
enhancement of the cadaster*



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**Citizen involvement  
creates better data and a  
better data democracy**



## Carly Citizen Robot



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- How to store data from different sources?
- What is the best database/storage architecture for artificial intelligence (AI).
- How do we reuse training data and AI models?

- how do we find building objects from the different data sources?
- How do we establish/estimate the reliability for each building objects?

- How do we create a proactive, fully digital citizen dialogue?
- What motivates residents to participate?

- Should the cadaster be updated automatically?
- How do we ensure the quality of data from uncertain sources?

# MOTIVATION



The number of building application is declining(-11%) ↓  
Municipal operating expenses are increasing(+15%) ↑

SSB (<https://www.ssb.no/natur-og-miljo/statistikker/fysplan>)



Data sources are processed individually and not combined  
Increase cost benefit ratio for mapping projects

Raising the quality of the cadaster provide great potential

The digitization process requires an accurate cadaster and national map database



## MAIN GOAL :

The main goal is to streamline the building application processing performed by the municipalities.

This will be done by increasing the quality of the cadaster and national map databases based on automated processes that include proactive dialogue with residents / landowners.





## SUB-GOALS:

1. Identify buildings from multiple data sources such as laser data, aerial images, ortophoto and crowd-sourcing. Focus on buildings below 50 square meters.
2. Support the building application process by providing more accurate information.

This gives:

- \* Efficient case processing
- \* Better decisions





**A collaboration :**



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Kartverket



UiA Universitetet  
i Agder

**Financially supported by Regional Research Fund Agder,  
Norway.**

**The project runs from 2021 to 2023**

**The intension: open source**

# PROJECT GROUP

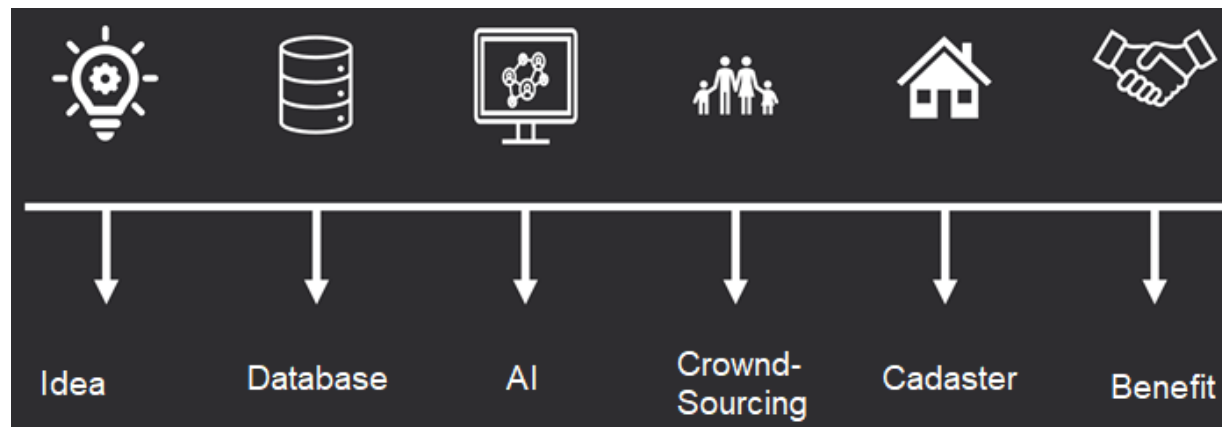


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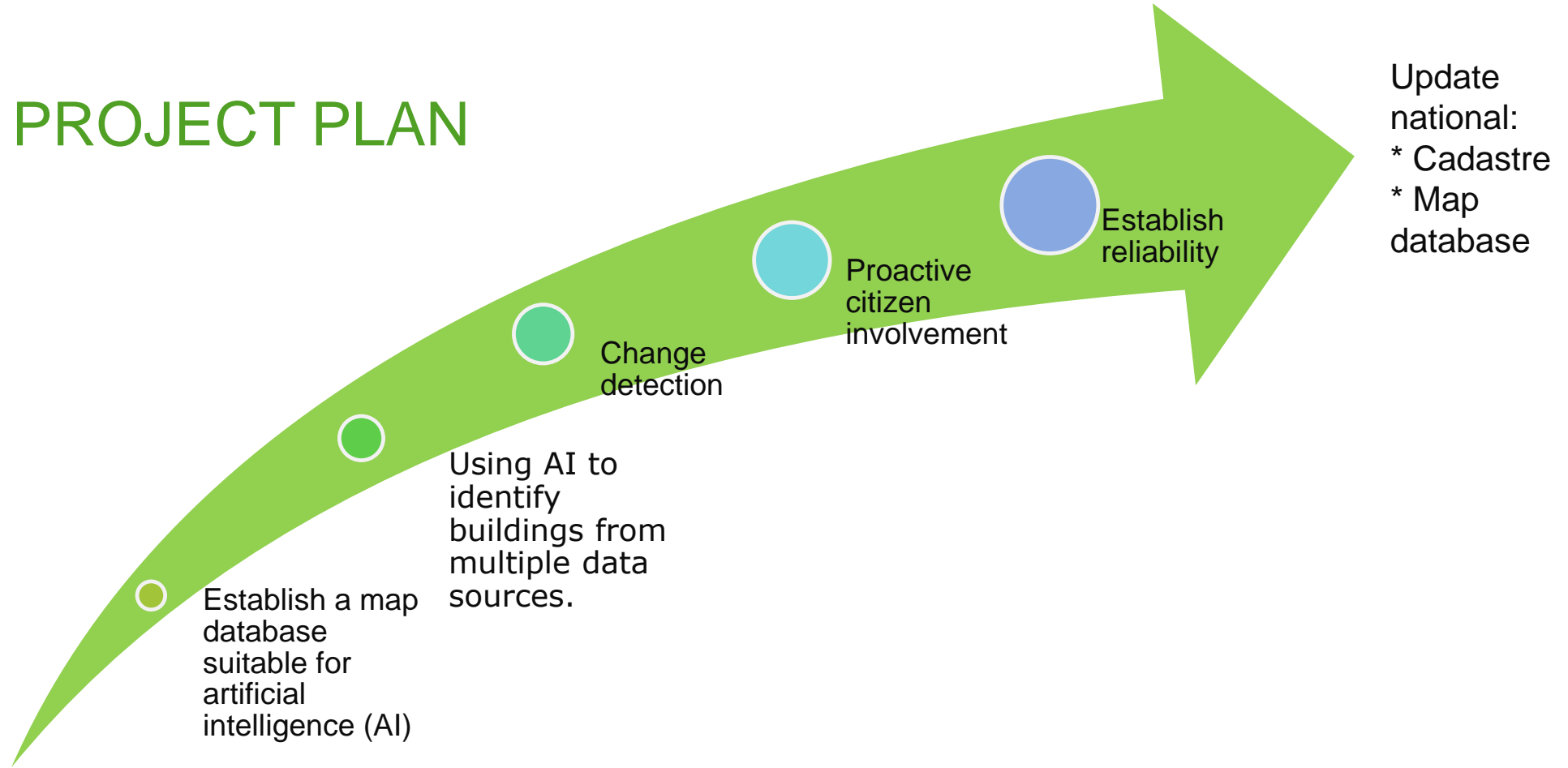


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# PROJECT PLAN



# KartAi senario:

Existing building



Extension



New building



Demolished building



# KartAi senario:

Existing building



Extension



New building

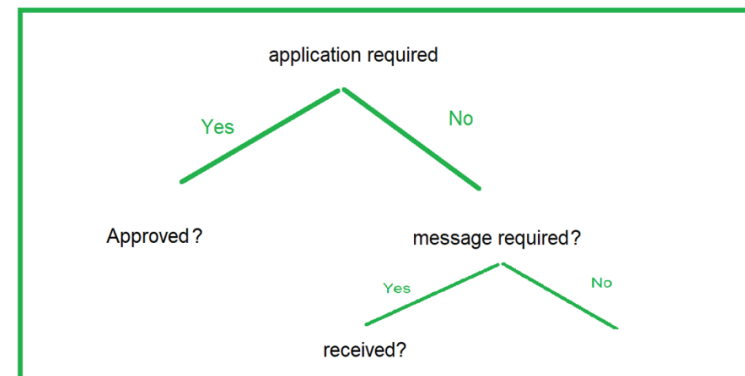


Demolished building



## Why:

The amount of buildings (m<sup>2</sup>) on the property may influence the building application.



# IDENTIFY BUILDINGS FROM MULTIPLE DATA SOURCES

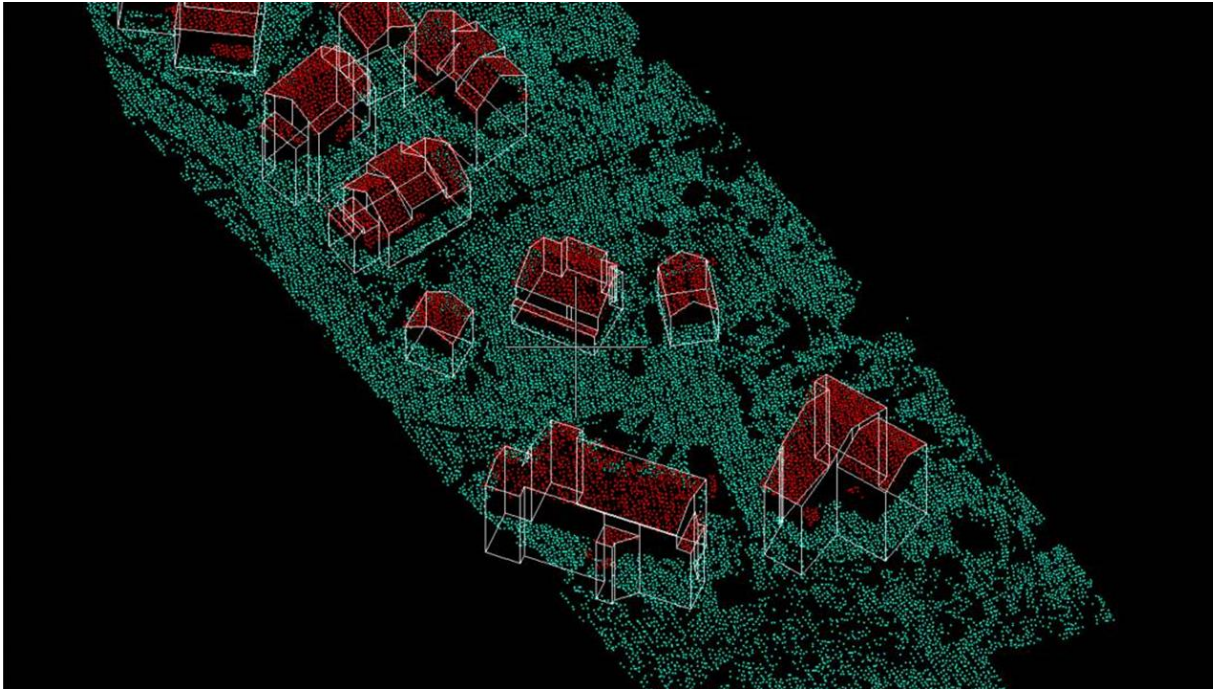
Different data sources establish whether the building exists

<b>Cadaster</b>	<b>National Map Database</b>	<b>Arial Images</b>	<b>Ortophoto</b>	<b>Lidar</b>	<b>Public respond</b>
Yes/no	2016: yes/no	2016: yes/no	2016: yes/no	2020: yes/no	yes/no
date	2017: yes/no	2017: yes/no	2017: yes/no		
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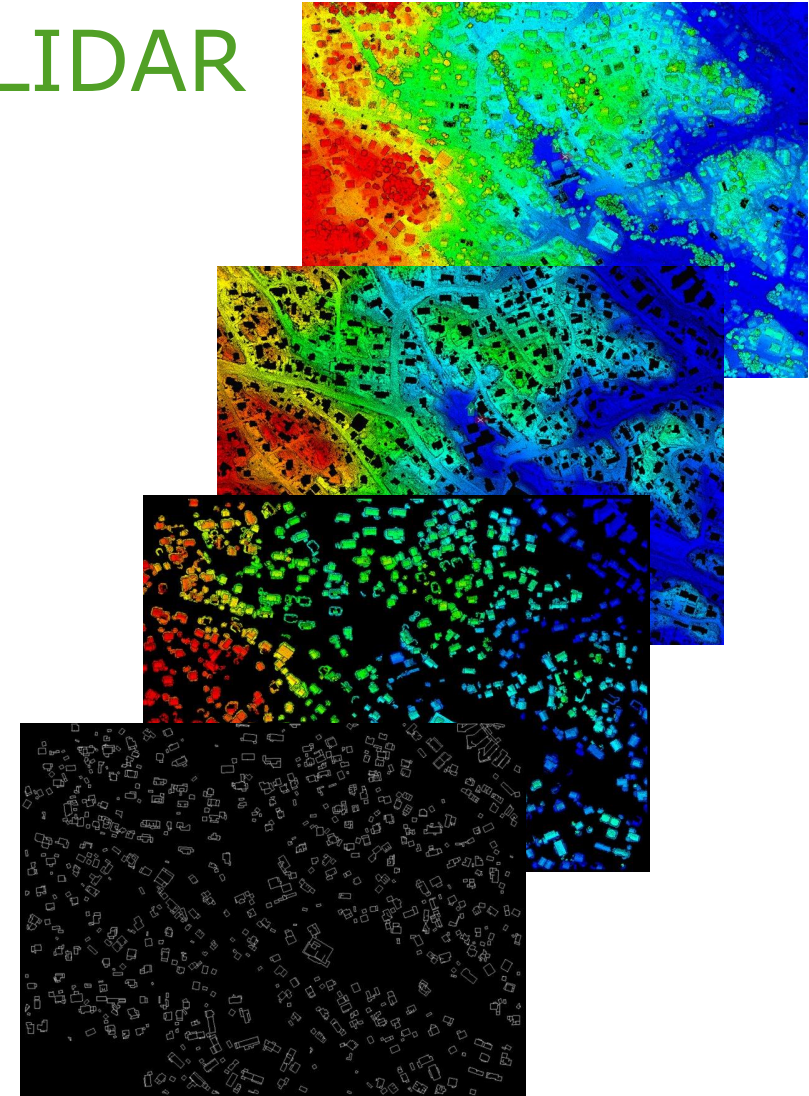
Independent observations are used to estimate reliability

# IDENTIFY BUILDINGS USING LIDAR

Software: Tscan, Terrasolid



3D building objects from Lidar (5 point/m<sup>2</sup>)



# IDENTIFY BUILDINGS USING IMAGES

Software: Argis Pro, Image analyst, Esri



Project area :580 buildings. 90 missing, 2 false

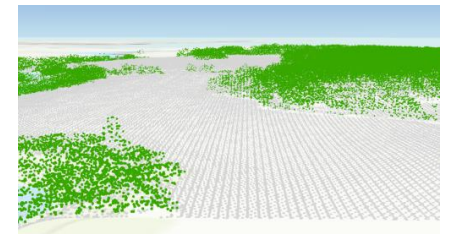
ESRI - AI models:



Building Footprint Extraction model



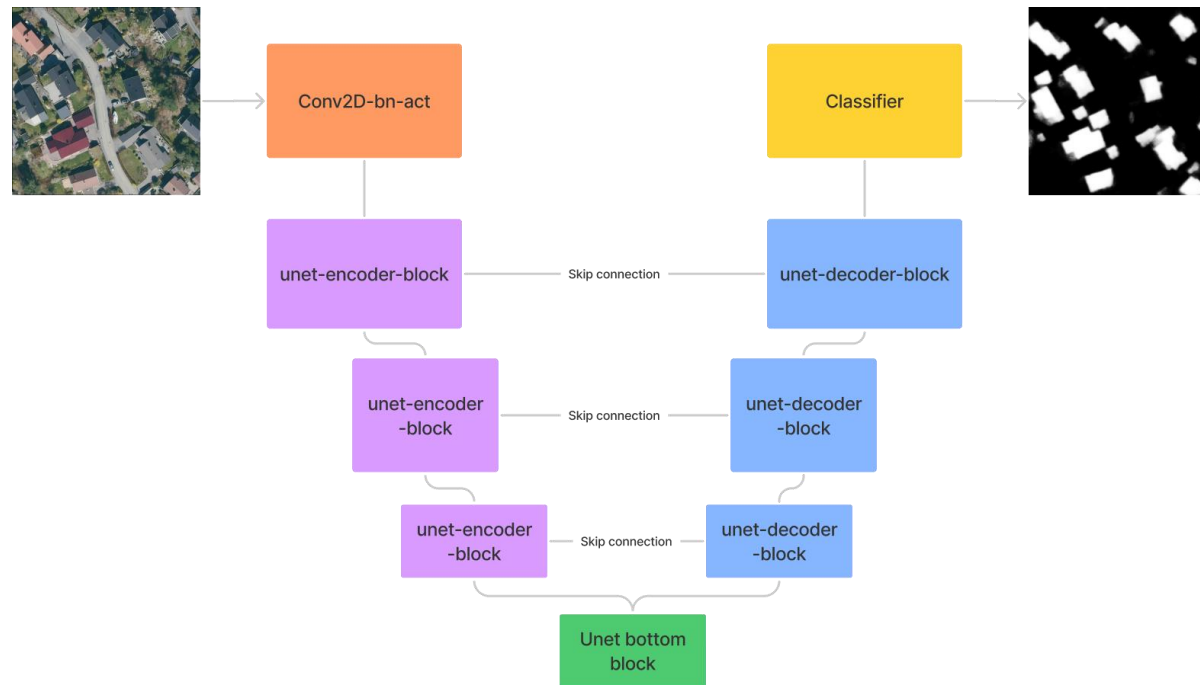
Landcover Classification model



Tree Point Classification model

# IDENTIFY BUILDINGS USING IMAGES

Develop our own training and AI model:



# IDENTIFY BUILDINGS USING IMAGES

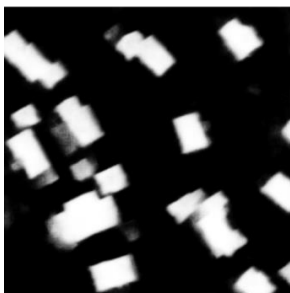
Ortophoto



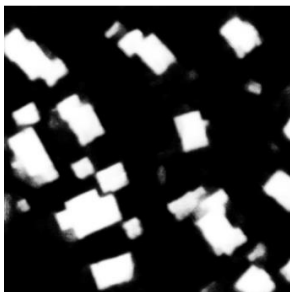
National map database



AI result using  
the map  
database  
directly



AI result using  
the adjusted  
map database



# IDENTIFY BUILDINGS USING IMAGES



Training



Validate

Evaluate

# IDENTIFY BUILDINGS USING IMAGES

How we extent our training dataset:



Black spot tile:  
More than 40%  
of the pixel with  
a building  
prediction  
between 0.3 -0.7

Include areas with poor prediction into the training dataset, continues until the overall prediction converges.

# IDENTIFY BUILDINGS USING IMAGES



# IDENTIFY BUILDINGS USING IMAGES AND LIDAR



Ortophoto



Ortophoto + Lidar



Difference

# DIFFICULTIES



No buildings



multiple cadastre units in  
the same building

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# KARTAI

## Start trening av modell

Velg datasett:

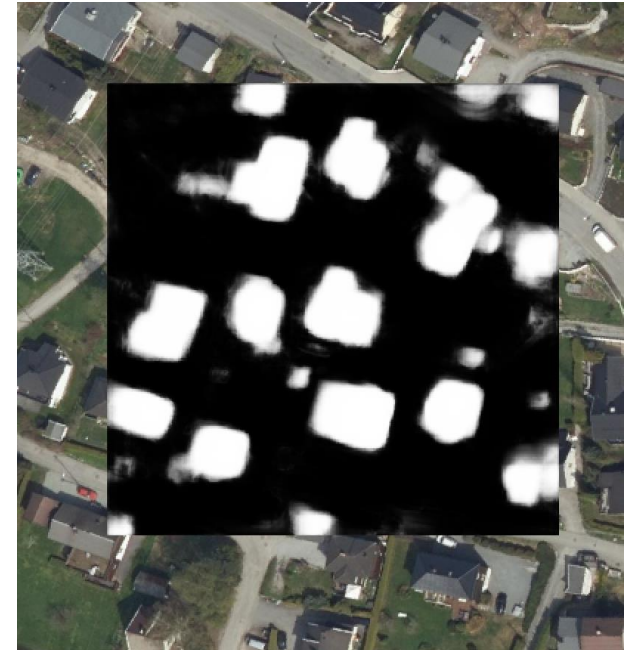
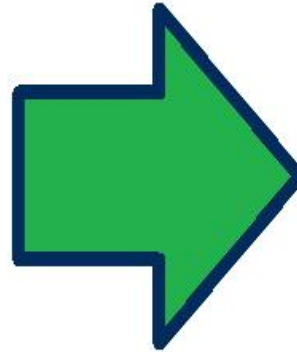
building\_area ▼

Velg modell:

unet ▼

Velg navn på modellen du skal trene

Start trening



*Online service: the public can evaluate whether the artificial intelligence finds the buildings on the property (EU:general data protection regulation).*

# Change detection

## Building Object

- ID
- Building observations ID
- Geometry
- Reliability
- Status
  - Scenario
  - Cadastre
  - Map

Event sourcing

## Building observations



2015



2017



2018



Map database

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Cadastre



LiDAR



Crowd sourcing

# KARTAI

## Summary

A research project for raising the quality of the property register (cadaster) and the National Map Database using artificial intelligence (AI).

Combining multiple data sources into a common architecture:  
Cadaster, map database, laser, aerial images, ortophoto, laser and crowd sourcing.

The goal is to help, automate and streamline building application processing in the municipalities and support the national digitalization process.



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## Hybrid Approaches for Sustainable Base Mapping

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Anders Nesse is a Geomatics expert and advisor at Norconsult AS, a Norwegian based engineering company with more than 5 000 employees.

Anders graduated in 1990 with his Master of Science degree in Photogrammetry and Surveying. He has more than 30 year of experience in photogrammetric mapping from public and private sector. He has worked in projects on implementation of modern mapping techniques in the Nordic countries, Europe, Asia, Africa, and former Soviet states as Georgia, Kyrgyzstan and Moldova.

Anders has been an expert advisor on many mapping projects on developing countries, so he knows a lot about the practicalities of base mapping. He described the hybrid approach as using the best of many different acquisition techniques now available to minimise cost and maximize value. Aerial capture using fixed wing aircraft, he views as still giving the best value for creating the base, with 20cm accuracy as sufficient for most purposes, with photogrammetry as the key technique for integrating data from different platforms.

His shopping list was:

- Satellite images for vegetation, change detection, climate change
- Drone data for update individual buildings and infrastructure
- Multi-head aerial cameras for 3D city modelling (oblique and vertical)
- LiDAR for elevation, forestry, calculation of biomass
- Handheld tools (smartphones) for micro area change.

His top tip was to keep the data model simple and to look carefully at comparative acquisition costs, he quoted the recent example from Kyrgyzstan, where in one day using a conventional aircraft, they had acquired data for a strip of country 125Km wide.



# Hybrid Approaches for Sustainable Base Mapping

Anders Nesse

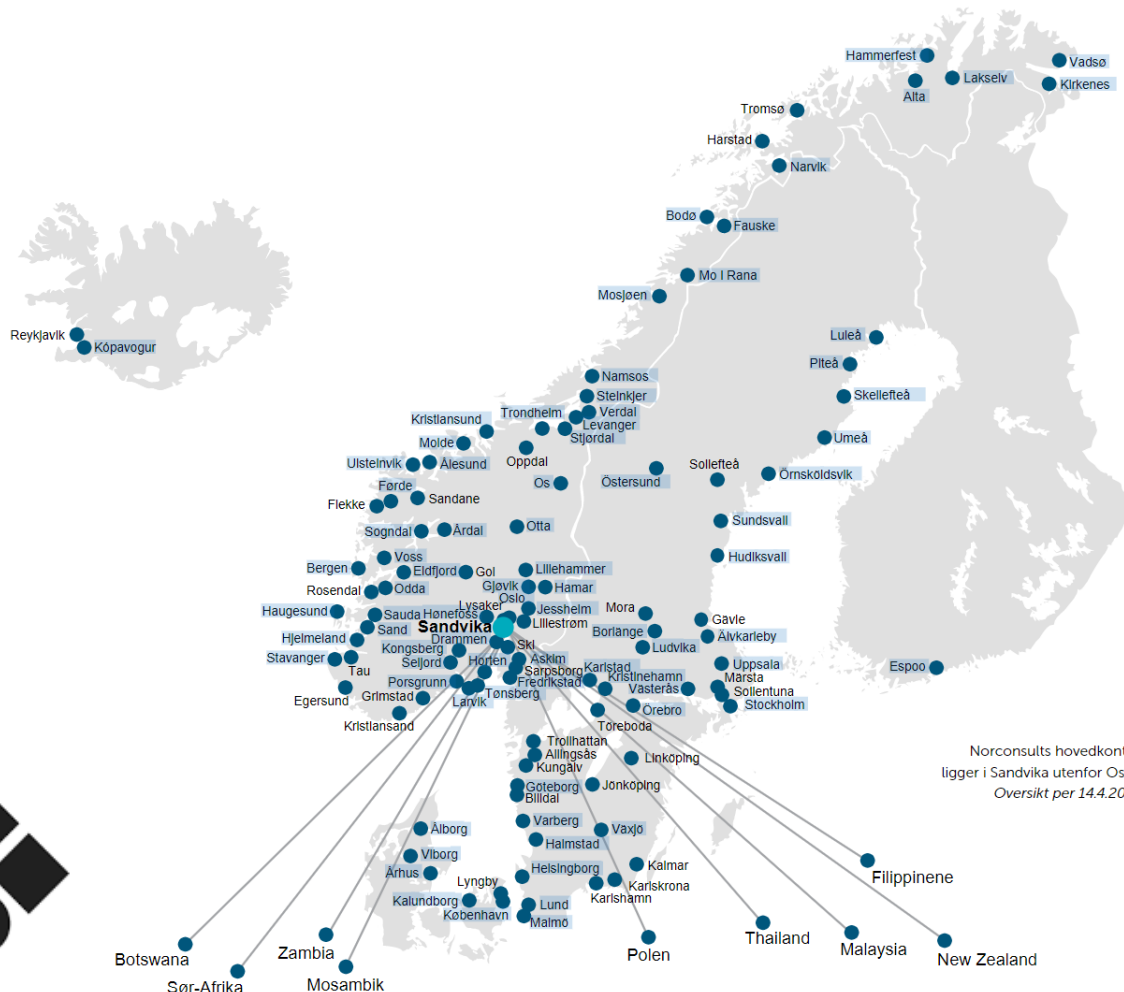


# 92 offices five continents

- Norway 53
- Sweden 22
- Denmark 4
- Iceland 1
- Outside nordic 12

5.100 employees per  
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# The Terms *Hybrid* Approaches for **Sustainable Base Mapping**

## ► Hybrid

- *of mixed character; composed of different elements*

## ► Sustainable

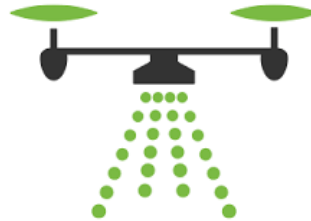
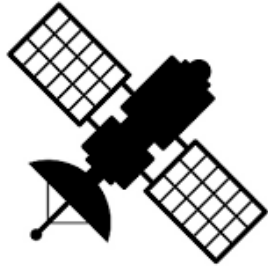
- *able to be maintained at a certain rate or level and able to be upheld or defended*

## ► Base Mapping

- Scale/resolution,
- Levels, themes, quality



# Hybrid - Mixed character, composed of different elements



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# Sustainable – Maintained and upheld, certain rate/level

Good coordination need good and updated coordinates



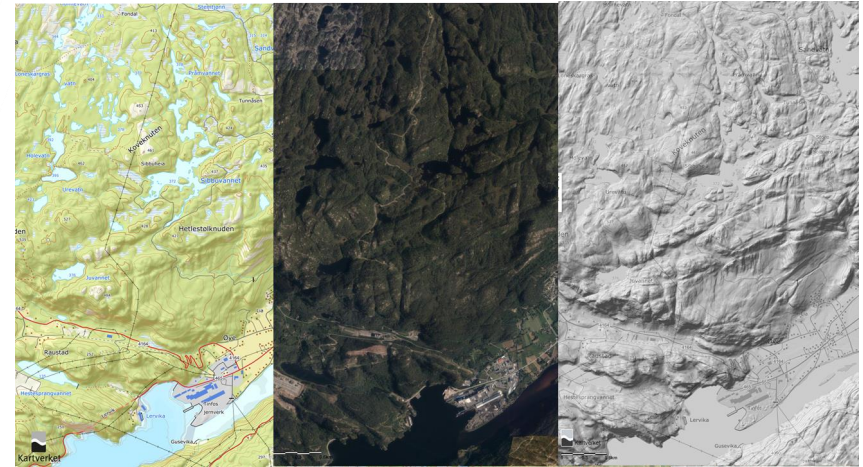
 **SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS**



# Base Map

## ► What is a base map? Typical layers for a basemap:

- roads,
- buildings,
- Water and rivers,
- Infrastructure, powerlines
- parcels, cadastre,
- boundaries (country, county, city boundaries),
- digital elevation model,
- aerial or satellite imagery, orthophotos.
- .....



# Aerial Images

- ▶ The main source for base maps.
- ▶ Information, accuracy, stereo and mono data collection

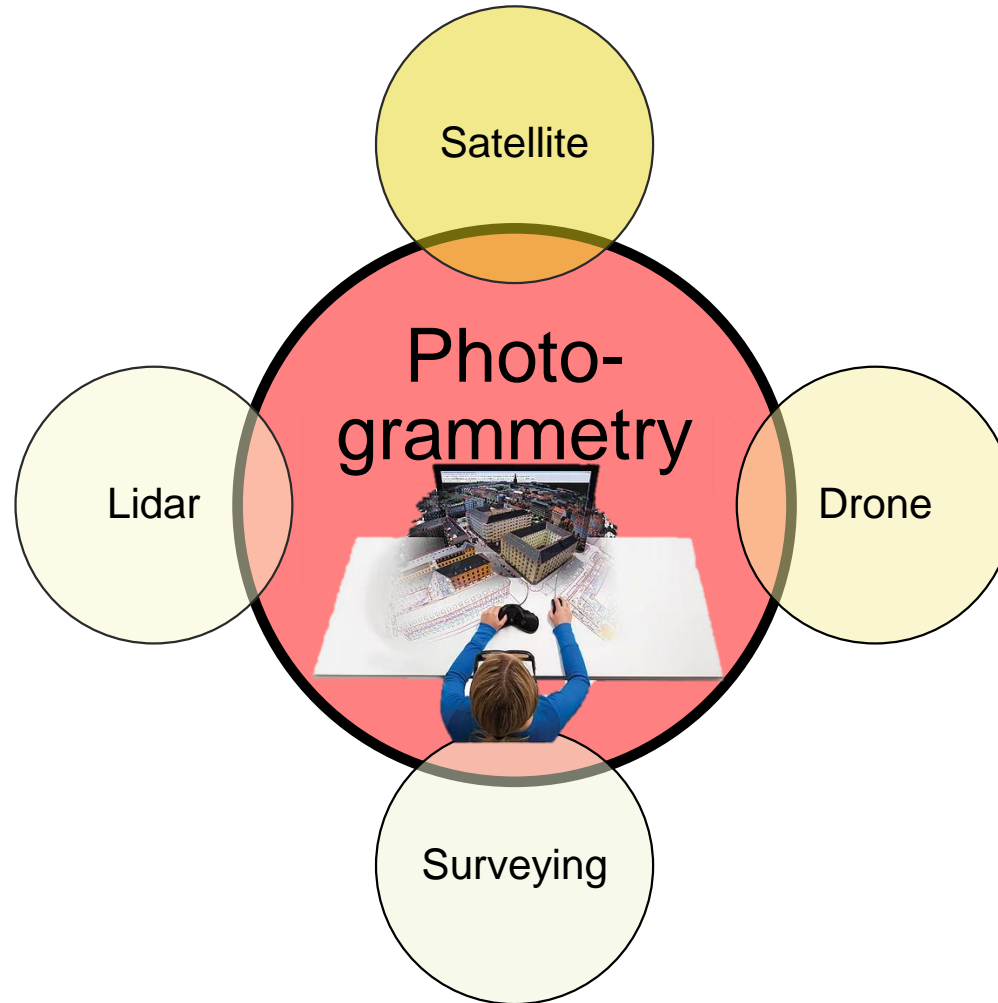


FERSKE OG HISTORISKE: Norge i bilder gjør det mulig å sammenligne gamle og nye bilder fra hele Norge. Skjermdump: Norgebilder.no, Drammen 1939 og Drammen 2014.

# Base Map

- ▶ “Bang for the bucks”
- ▶ Methods
  - ▶ How to produce the data needed to the accuracy and details we require to a reasonable price
  - ▶ Automatically VS manual mapping
- ▶ Sustainable
  - ▶ Update methods and frequency

# Base Mapping



# Base Map from Aerial Images, the backbone of all maps

- ▶ Traditional line mapping from photogrammetry is the **basic method** for production of maps.
- ▶ Difficult to produce automatically
- ▶ Feature collection in Stereo and Mono
- ▶ Expensive to maintain
- ▶ How to maintain the basemap cost effective?
  - ▶ Satellite images for vegetation, change detection, climate changes...
  - ▶ Drone data for update buildings, infrastructure...
  - ▶ Multihead aerial cameras for city modeling
  - ▶ Lidar data for elevation data, forestry, calculation of bio mass...
  - ▶ Handheld tools for smaller changes

# Base Map

- ▶ **LOD**, level of details.
- ▶ complexity

3D Mesh Model of Munich captured with Leica CityMapper-2



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Dataset: Sentinel-2 L2A

Show L1C

Date: 2021-07-01

Timespan

True color

Based on bands 4,3,2

False color

Based on bands 8,4,3

NDVI

Based on combination of bands  $(B8 - B4) / (B8 + B4)$

False color (urban)

Based on bands 12,11,4

Moisture index

Based on combination of bands  $(B8A - B11) / (B8A + B11)$

SWIR

Based on bands 12,8A,4

NDWI

Based on combination of bands  $(B3 - B8) / (B3 + B8)$

NDSI

Based on combination of bands  $(B3 - B11) / (B3 + B11)$

Scene classification map

Classification of Sentinel2 data as result of ESA's Scene classification algorithm.

Custom

Create custom visualization

Free sign up for all features

Powered by Sentinel Hub with contributions by ESA

v3.11.2

A satellite map visualization of a mountainous region. The terrain is rugged with numerous snow-covered patches and a large, dark, irregularly shaped lake in the center. A road labeled 'Stallhogartunneln' runs along the bottom right edge of the map. The map is displayed in a dark theme with a black background. The interface includes a search bar at the top right with the text 'Go to Place' and a vertical toolbar on the right side with various icons for map interaction.

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Lot 70.52274, Lon 23.94857, 300 m

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# Base Map

- ▶ What do we need?
- ▶ to what LOD, what accuracy, time?
  - ▶ A «rich» datamodel?
  - ▶ A reduced datamodel?
- ▶ To what cost?
- ▶ How to get it.

# Base Map

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
55	Layer	BUILDING	Geometry type	Medium	Href	A-std	B-std	C-std	Accuracy class XY	Accuracy class Z	Definitions	Minimum size			
56	5000	RoofArea	A			M	M	M	N/A	N/A	RoofArea for graphical visualization. Legal objecttypes for establishment of RoofArea: RoofOutline-A, RoofOutline-B, RoofOutline-C, FictitiousOutlineBuilding				
57	5002	RoofOutline	L			M	M	M	2	3	The external delimitation of the roof surface of the building.	Object larger than 10 m2			
58	5004	BuildingWithoutWalls	L			M	M	M	2	3	Building with few or no walls (e.g roof in petrolstation, busshelter etc) Freestanding or connected to 5002, if connected to 5002 compile as closed polygon.	A-std > 5 m2 B/C-std > 10 m2			
59	5005	FoundationWallOutline	L			M	M	M	1	2	The external delimitation of the building along its foundation wall (building under construction)				
60	5006	Ruin	L			M	M	M	1	2	Delimitation of demolished, or partly demolished building	Larger than 10 m2			
61	5051	StaircaseBuilding	L		B	M	M	N/A	3	3	Stairs which constitute the access to buildings and staircases up against buildings. Connects to 5002/5004. Height reference on step-level, not railing. Compile as closed polygon	Stair longer than 1 m from roofedge in A- and 3m in B-std.			
62	5061	Veranda	L		T	M	M	N/A	3	3	Building appendage which includes veranda, balcony and loading-ramp. Height reference: Top of railing. Compile as closed polygon (identical to 5002/5004 where connected to these outlines)	Area > 2 m² shall be compiled in A (calculated from roof edge).Area > 6 m² shall be compiled in B (calculated from roof edge).			
63	5062	Terrace	L		B	M	M	N/A	3	3	Platform on ground-level for recreational use not connected to building-Height reference floor of terrace. Compile as closed polygon.	Area > 10 m² shall be compiled			
64	5066	BuildingBridge	L		B	M	M	N/A	3	3	Bridge connected to a building used as access to buildings and bridges between buildings. Used for buildings which is not farming works buildings. In the latter case BarnBridge must be used. Compile as closed polygon (identical to 5002/5004 where connected to these outlines)				
65	5067	BarnBridge	L		B	M	M	N/A	3	3	Access platform to a farming building. Height reference on walkable/drivable level, not on railing if present. Compile as closed polygon (identical to 5002/5004 where connected to these outlines)				
66	5082	RidgeLine	L			M	M	N/A	2	3	Ridgeline on buildings. 5002/5004/5083/5084 is connected in 3D to Ridgeline	RoofRidge must be collected for all buildings, dormers, building extensions and buildings without walls.			
67	5083	BuildingLine	L			M	M	N/A	2	3	Buildingline describing breaklines on roof-surface. Must be connected in 3D to 5002/5004 and 5082/5084 if present				
68	5084	RoofLeapTop	L			M	M	N/A	2	3	Roofleap describing highest level if leap is present on main roof-surface. Must be connected in 3D to 5002/5004 and 5082/5083if present.	If height-difference is > 1m in A-std and >2m in B-std			
69	5089	RoofLeapBottom	L			O	O	N/A	2	3	Roofleap representing bottom-level in height on main roof-surface. Must be connected in 3D to 5002/5004 and 5082/5083if present on same level, and in 2D to objects on higher level. Identical in xy to 5084. Used to build 3D-models.				
70	5086	BuildingLine2	L			M	O	N/A	2	3	Buildingline describing outline of free-standing protruding objects inside roof-edge, also describing breaklines inside the object if present. Connected in 3D to 5085/5087 if present.	Compile if volume of protruding object is >5m3			
71	5085	RidgeLine2	L			M	O	N/A	2	3	Ridgeline on free-standing protruding objects inside RoofOutline. In A-std 5086/5087 is connected in 3D to Ridgeline				
72	5087	RoofLeapTop2	L			M	O	N/A	2	3	Roof leap representing highest level if present on free-standing protruding objects inside roof-edge. Connected in 3D to 5085/5086 if present.	If height-difference is > 1m			
											Roofleap representing bottom-level in height on freestanding protruding objects.				

