

The evolution of environmental data sharing in Europe: an INSPIRE perspective

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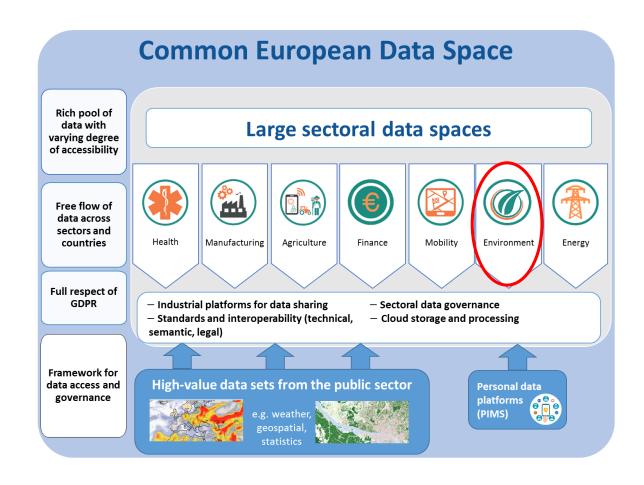
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European strategy for data

- Envisions the creation of a European single market for data.
- Highlights the problems to address:
 - data availability (licensing), sharing, interoperability, quality, governance, infrastructure & technologies, skills & data literacy, cybersecurity
- Envisages the establishment of:
 - a common EU data space
 - sectoral data spaces





Open Data Directive

- Requires that specific datasets from the public sector are made available:
 - free of charge & under open licenses
 - in machine-readable formats, via APIs & bulk download



- These are named high-value datasets & are defined in 6 thematic areas:
 - geospatial
 - Earth observation and environment
 - meteorological

- statistics
- company and company ownership
- mobility



INSPIRE

High-value datasets (HVD)

- Impact assessment study contracted by DG CNECT to identify potential HVD in the 6 thematic areas
- 1. Methodological framework to identify:
 - 6 macro-categories of value: climate change and environment, economic, innovation and AI, public services and public administration, re-use, social
 - 32 categories of value
 - 126 quantitative and qualitative indicators
- 2. Identification of datasets in scope:
 - analysis of relevant EU legislation & implementation status
 - interviews with Member States responsible organisations & stakeholders
 - focus groups with experts
 - prioritization of datasets



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- 3. Micro-level analysis of HVD and recommended policy options:
 - current state of play of the provision of identified datasets in each Member State
 - recommended measures for publication
 - expected costs to adapt to such measures: infrastructural, data transformation, operational, other
 - proposal of two policy options (lower-intensity and higher-intensity)
- 4. Macro-level impact of policy options:
 - comparison of policy options through Multi Criteria Analysis
 - cost estimation of policy options
 - modelling the impact of policy options



Next steps

- Finalization of:
 - impact assessment
 - implementing act on a list of high-value datasets (Q1 2021)
- Expectations for each thematic area:
 - list of high-value datasets
 - publication measures:
 - openness: license
 - accessibility: format(s), APIs & bulk download
 - documentation: metadata
 - quality: update frequency, granularity
 - data model: key attributes



Implications for INSPIRE & GO-PEG

- Expected impact on INSPIRE (& the Green Deal data space) is substantial:
 - increased availability & consumption of INSPIRE datasets
 - implementation driven by real demand & tangible use cases
 - harmonisation is key
 - open data requirement added to INSPIRE requirements
 - increased/easier accessibility of INSPIRE datasets
 - alternative data encodings
 - standard-based APIs (incl. OGC APIs family)
- Contribution of GO-PEG is fully in scope.



INSPIRE modernisation & good practices

- Evolution of INSPIRE:
 - based on new technologies, standards, data sources, approaches, etc.
- Good Practice library on the IKB
- Procedure for endorsement:
 - 1. initiation
 - 2. submission as good practice candidate
 - outreach
 - 4. submission as a good practice
 - feedback
- Candidate good practices examples:
 - OGC API Features
 - OGC SensorThings API



https://inspire.ec.europa.eu/portfolio/good-practice-library

Thank you!





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