

# HELPING DECISION-MAKING AND THE SHARING OF INFORMATION IN LITHUANIA

Local authorities, citizens and businesses in Lithuania all are benefitting from a new geo-information tool developed by the State Enterprise Centre of Registers. The Regional Geo-information Environment Service known as REGIA is based on the cadastral map but also allows the addition of other data. A third of all Lithuanian municipalities are now using the system.



Administrators can create and manage their own data layers; store and manage information including documents; and create and provide services based on geo-referenced data. They also decide whether their data should be publicly visible and who is entitled to use it.

REGIA is easy to use and requires only a computer with Internet access as all services are managed through a web browser. It operates on the cloud principle: all user-created information, recorded data and uploaded documents are stored on the REGIA servers so that they can be accessed from any computer.

Users can quickly and easily find clear information about municipal services and decisions and, using the map, can locate objects of interest. This includes

addresses, property values and the different companies, agencies and organisations operating within the municipality. The REGIA map can also be used to advertise businesses, directing users to specific goods or services. New tools are being created to enable people to communicate with local government and businesses via the service.

