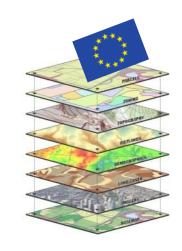


# Creation of pan-European geospatial datasets Experiences in real life

Joint EuroSDR & EuroGeographics Workshop on Geodata Discoverability



# GISCO – The Geographical Information System of the Commission



- Permanent service of the European Commission (Eurostat)
- Role: Answers needs of European Commission, Eurostat and the ESS for geographical information at EU/national/regional levels.
  - Provision of GIS (reference) data, services and software,
  - Support cartographic and spatial analysis activities,
  - Coordinates commission-wide GI activities,
  - Stimulate the use of GIS to support commission activities,
  - Support activities on the integration of statistical and geospatial information.

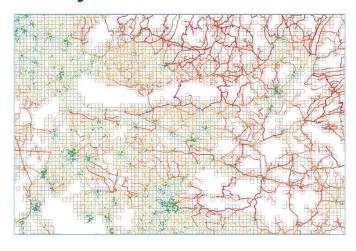


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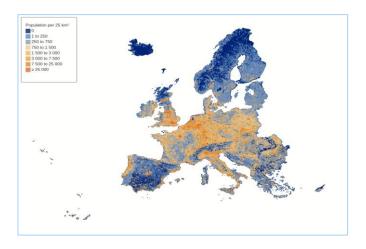
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#### analyse

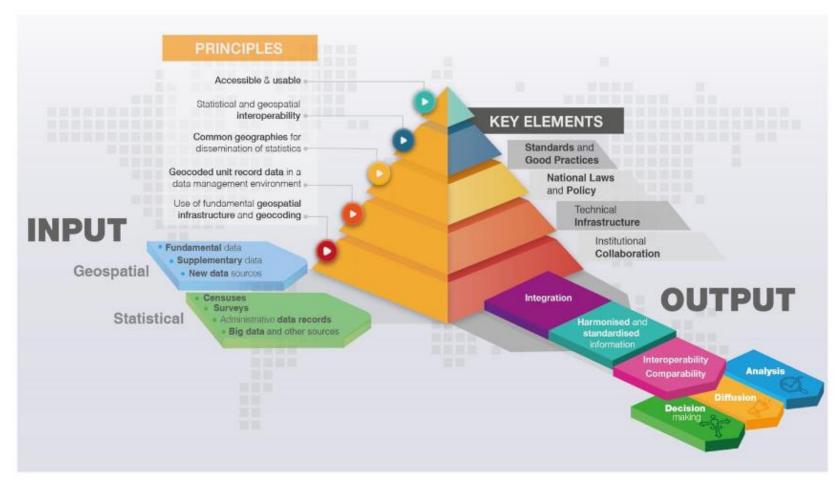


#### visualise





# Global Statistical Geospatial Framework





# Eurostats Workprogramm 2022

To bring Europe closer to citizens and regions, Eurostat will continue to make use of georeferenced data by systematically integrating and mainstreaming geospatial information into statistical production and **collecting more geospatial data, with a special focus on the core geospatial datasets** (3). This will allow for more detailed regional and local level statistics in areas such as demography, economy, environment, energy, transport and agriculture.

#### Management plan 2022

**EURC** 

(3) These are as defined by the Commission inter-service group on Geographic Information (COGI): administrative units, statistical units, buildings, cadastral parcels, addresses, transport networks, land parcel information system, postal codes, utility and governmental services.



# Establishing pan European Datasets Workflow

Analysis / Dissemination

#### **Computer Systems**

**INSPIRE** Geoportal





Kohesio: discover EU projects



#### **Human Intelligence**

**Local Contacts** 

Reports



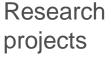


NSI/NMCAs

Social media







Analysis in Incoming WIKI
Import into Database
QAQC Cycles,
Integration, Generalisation,
Topological Checks,
Feedback with MS

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**Majority of work** 





GISCO ReferenceDB

<u>Website</u> <u>Tercet</u>

Services: <u>Download</u>,

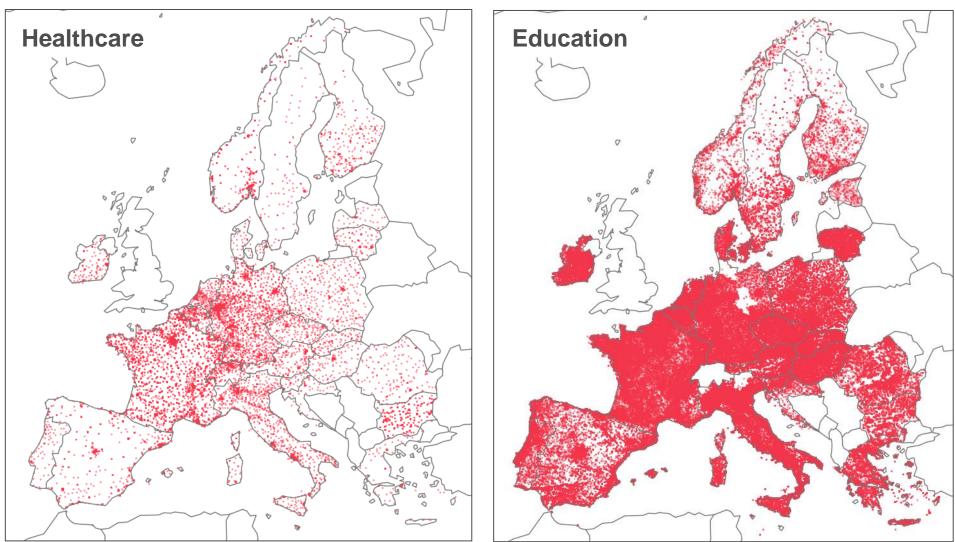
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<u>OGC-API</u>



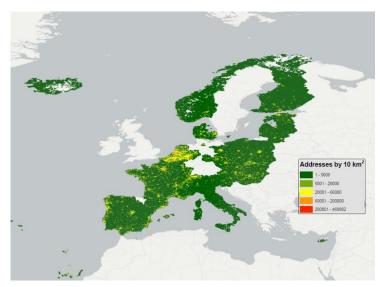


# Data & systems: Utility services, examples





# Data & systems: GIS reference data – AD-BU-CP-AU–TN



Addresses

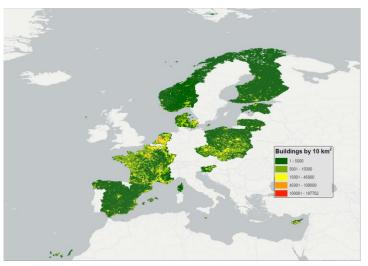
Transport Networks

tackles the issue of nonvalidated data Address data entry (1 – 10 - 100 rule)

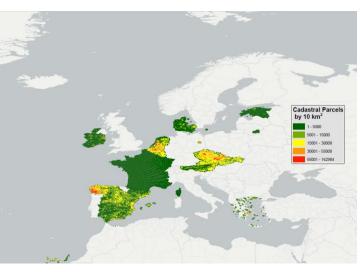
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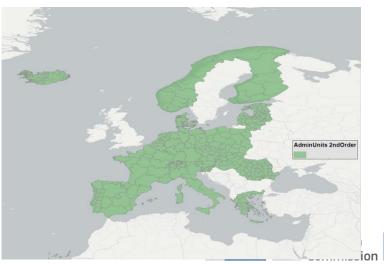
If your areas is gray and you want to contribute estat-gisco@ec.europa.eu



**Building Units** 



Cadastral Parcels



**Administrative Units** 

### **Observations**

Data exists but are not documented in Metadata systems (neither European or MS ones) or directly *hidden*.

Several datasets with various specifications exits for the same theme maintained by different organisations? Who is the master?

Dispersed datasets per country without a central authority

Depending on organisations - Administrative hurdles / Lock down mentality – not user centric

Officially data do not exists, but commercial datasets exists for the same area.

Outdated (temporally) and semantically reduced data (e.g. content)

 Requirement: Data are documented in INSPIRE/ EuropeanDataPortal/National Portals

Requirement: Coordination inside the MS

Requirement: Central Access/Distribution Point

Requirement: Data Access for EC

Requirement: Public Administration data MUST exists and be accessible

 Requirement: update data at least once a year, full attributes

### Conclusions

- Eurostat works on a range of topics for pan-European data sets
- Depending on the datasets a) European Databases are created or b) datahub pointing back to MS resources to provide services internally/externally
- Annual updates envisaged In general good feedback iterations with data providers as they see their data used and can improve..... takes time + resources (e.g. funding available via REGIO/CONNECT/ESTAT)
- Progress is hampered by e.g. a) documented and available datasets, b) stability of services, c) performance of services or d) at point of use restrictions due to financial demands.
- Code of conduct for Geospatial Data is required



# Thank you



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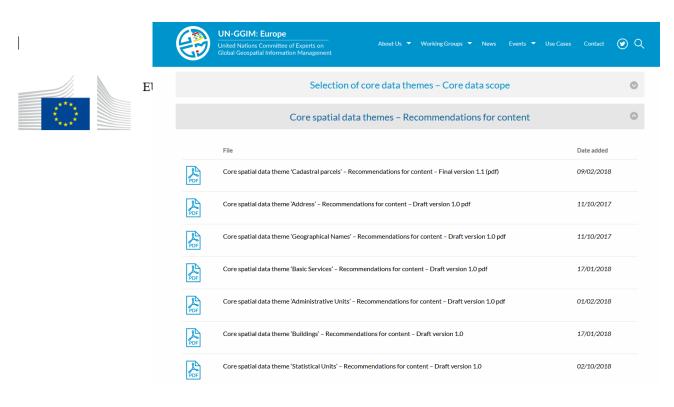


# EC Geospatial Data Requirements

Internal EC Consensus document outlining the EC needs for geospatial data

(Document for information and not approval)

...to provide a consolidated and consistent overview of the European Commission user needs and set out cross-cutting and domain specific requirements of the European Commission for EU wide geospatial information and data products from Member States in support to Sustainable Development and other EU policies....



**Priority Geospatial Datasets for the European Commission** 



### General Requirements for data themes

- Unique and persistent identifier
- full geographic extent of the territory
- at the scale ~1: 5000-10.000
- update frequency (incremental) should be once a year or better
- INSPIRE mechanism of life-cycle attributes and versioning.



