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When Openness Meets Privacy: The Czech Land Registry Case

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Legal Framework

- Legal framework: Act No. 256/2013 on Cadastre of Real Estates:
  the Cadastre of Real Estate is **a public register**…

- Everyone has the right to access the cadastre, make copies, extracts… **anonymously**

- The only exception applies to
  - Certificate of Ownership for the Entire Territory of the State
  - Data from the collection of documents
  - Data on property prices

obligation to prove identity



Legal Framework

- Public administration bodies carry out information activities in a way that does not endanger the activities of the intelligence services.
- The administrator of the public administration information system provides
  - the Ministry of the Interior,
  - the Police of the Czech Republic,
  - intelligence services,



upon their request, with **records of data provision and use** for the purpose of implementing data protection measures, including records containing non-public or restricted data.

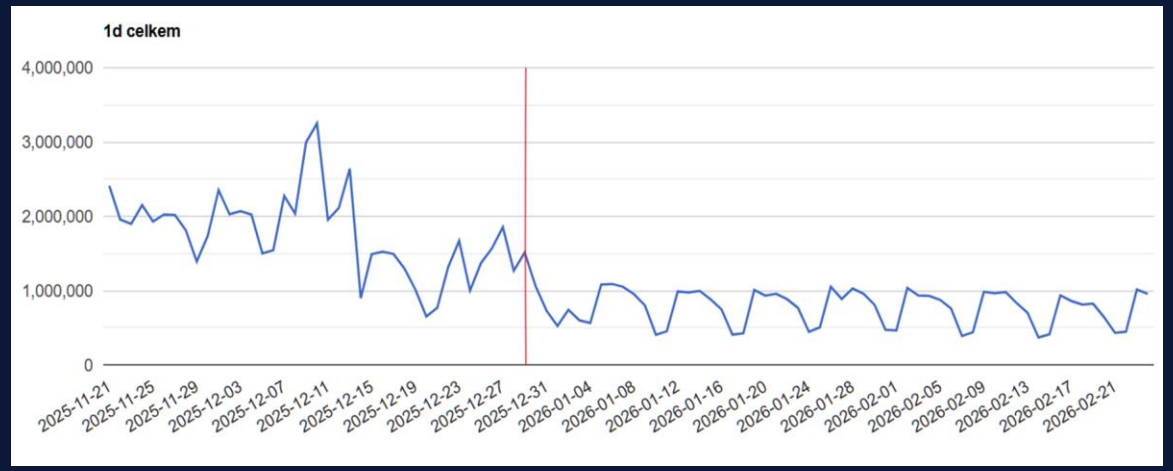
Personal Data Protection

- Office for Personal Data Protection





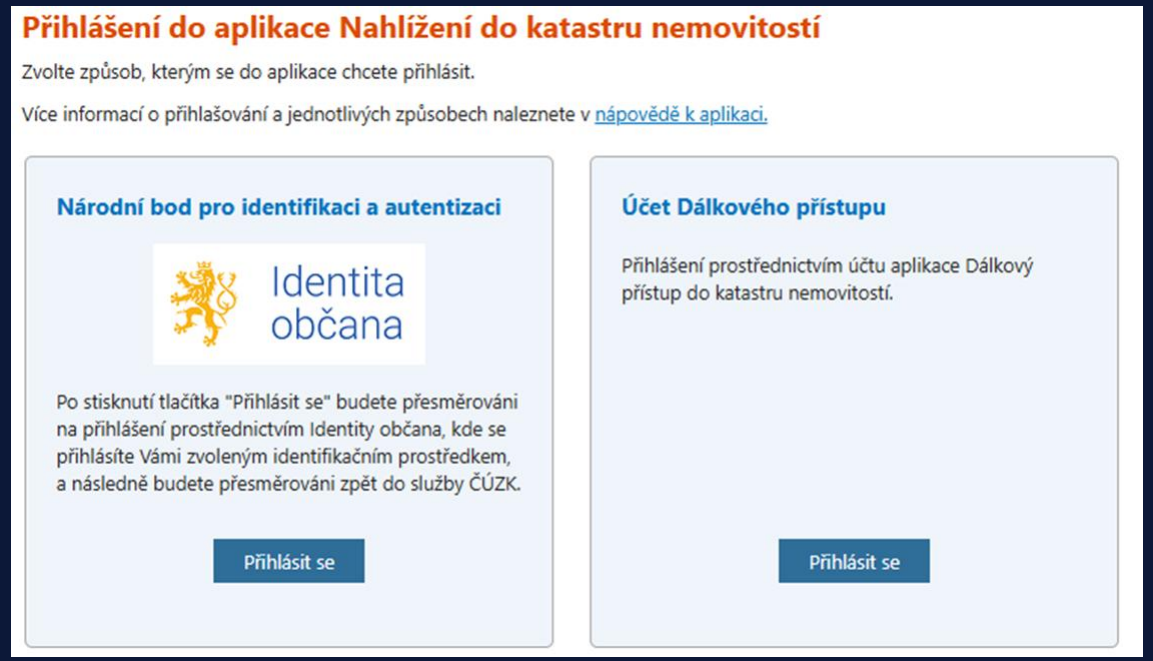
- Data mining
  by automated computer programs and bots



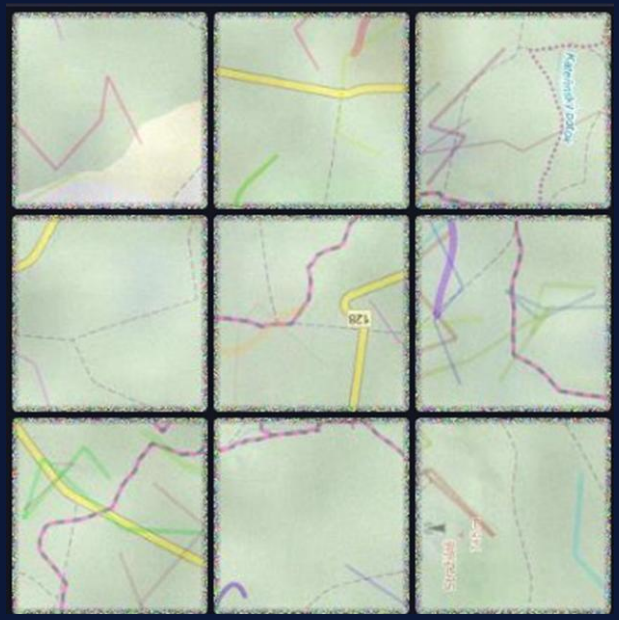
Openness vs. Privacy

- **Logging via Citizen Identity** – Bank Identity, eID card, NIA ID, the eGovernment Mobile Key

a Digital Gateway to Government Services

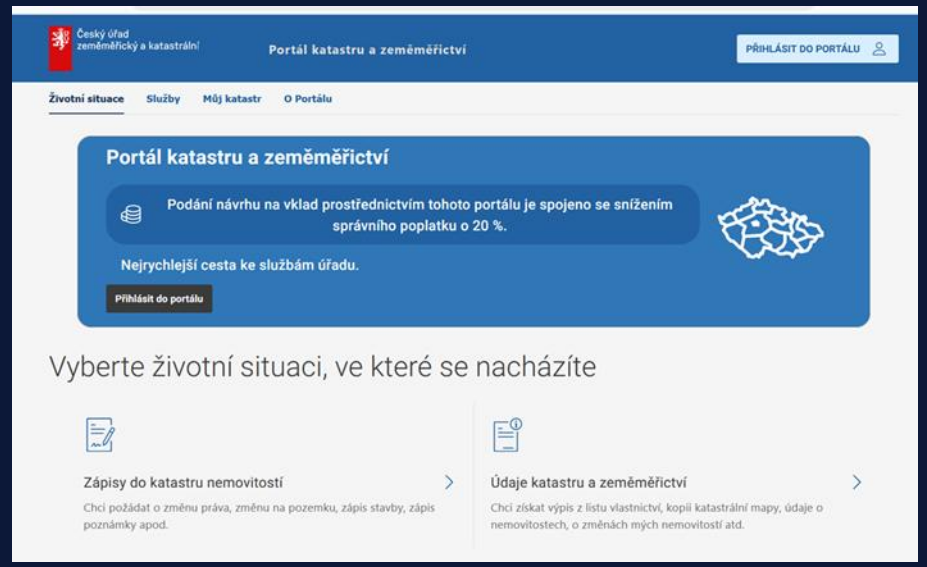


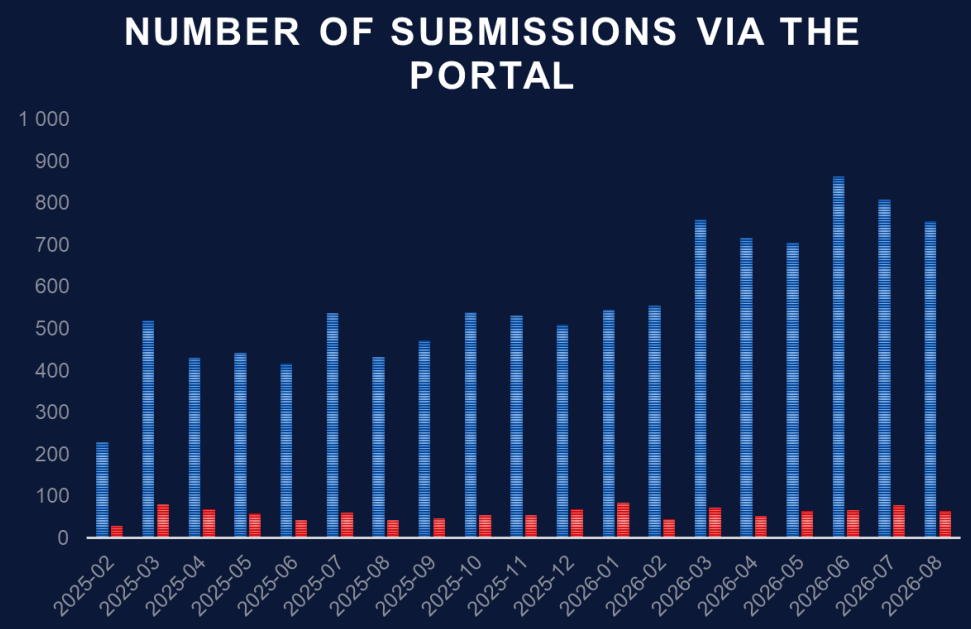
- **CAPTCHA** (a security test)



Openness vs. Privacy

- **Cadastre and Surveying Portal** (since 2025)





- Submissions require documents in electronic format (bearing a valid recognized electronic signature and a time stamp; authorized conversion of a paper document into electronic form is also an option).
- The administrative fee is reduced by 20% for online submissions.

Openness vs. Privacy

The Cadastre Act amendment (being prepared) – data provision:

- Cadastre data excluding data on persons, legal relationships and price information (open data) – **no verification of identity**
- Data provided after **verification of identity** - standardized outputs containing data on persons and legal relationships
- Data provided after **verification of identity** and **stating the legal basis** - a Certificate of Ownership for the Entire Territory of the State, data from the collection of deeds and price data
- Data provided after **verification of identity** and **proving a legal interest** - descriptive data and data from proceedings protocols in a different scope and structure than that allowed by ISKN information system (special outputs)

Conclusions

- **Prioritizing** electronic data provision and working toward complete open data access
- **Balancing** the essential demands of public interest with individual privacy rights
- **Securing** personal data processing through rigorous audit trails and data mining prevention
- **Enabling** de-anonymization strictly for crime prevention, detection, and anti-money laundering efforts



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Thank you for your attention.

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