

## Scope Document of EuroGeographics State Boundaries of Europe (SBE) Knowledge Exchange Network

### 1 KEN Name

State Boundaries of Europe Knowledge Exchange Network is shortened to SBE KEN

### 2 Main Topics covered by SBE KEN

The main topics and subject area(s) covered by the KEN are the following:

1. Issues and challenges determining boundary information and achieving (in practice) seamless pan-European coverages.
2. Methods and approaches agreeing the connecting points and lines of spatial data across national borders.
3. Best practice cases in agreeing spatial data connectivity along borders.
4. Updates of national boundaries.
5. Tools and guidance edge-matching spatial features along borders.
6. Repository of the information delivering reference boundary data for an implementation of cross-border interoperability of spatial features.

### 3 Aims and Objectives

The main purpose of the SBE KEN is to deliver boundary related information for an implementation of harmonisations of national spatial data across state borders.

The aims and objectives for the SBE KEN are:

1. Identify approaches in harmonising national spatial data between neighbouring countries and means achieving pan-European coverage;
2. Develop processes in defining the agreed lines/points for connecting (edge-matching) features along borders;
3. Collect and maintain the boundary related information including its legal definition, connecting nodes and the representative borders in spatial datasets and services (by certain level of details);
4. Share best practice in agreeing and harmonising national or regional data with the data of public authorities of neighbouring countries;
5. Provide guidance and recommendations to NMCAs on applied tools, procedures and specifications.
6. Facilitate a dialogue amongst NMCAs experts for finding solutions and dealing with issues on cross border interoperability of spatial data, provide support and advices.

### 4 SBE KEN Support Team

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(Note: all members of the Coordinating Committee must be from an organisation which is a Full member of the Association)

## 5 KEN Participation

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## 6 Work Plan for 2016 – 2017

The SBE KEN work plan for the next 18 months is the following:

There is no agreed workplan for 2016-2017. According to the past experience the SBE KEN organises an annual meeting, communicates by the basecamp, updates of the information about international boundaries are stored in swisstopo under supervision of Alain Wicht.

Therefore, the first actions are:

1. Draft the workplan;
2. Establish the Coordinating Committee;
3. Organise the meeting of SBE KEN.