Establishing a national registry of real estate cadastre in Montenegro

Integrating existing cadastral records into a national registry of real estate cadastre continues to be a priority in Montenegro with significant progress being made in 2016.

Currently 69 per cent of real estate cadastre has been incorporated into the new register, including all cadastral alphanumeric data and 10 per cent of historical Census data. In addition, 21 per cent of all data has been prepared for public display to facilitate the creation of real estate cadastre. The work is being completed by the Real Estate Administration (REA), a state authority within the Ministry of Finance. REA is focused on providing accurate and reliable ownership and rights records, as well as spatial information for cadastral parcels and buildings. It plays a key contribution to the spatial data infrastructure, data from which is available as web services to comply with both European and national legislation.

During 2016, REA has also worked in cooperation with colleagues from Norway to create a new cartographic data model for Montenegro. The goal was to create unique model for different cartographic data themes within REA’s jurisdiction. Work involved analysis of the available specifications and data model for inclusion in EuroGeographics products, with activities now focusing on the spatial units registry as well as data collected in the development project TK 25 000.

As part of the regional IMPULS project to harmonise data in accordance with the INSPIRE specifications, REA has completed work on administrative units, orthophotos and altitude of the terrains, and has started on the harmonisation of geographical names.

REA’s responsibilities for the delivery of data and services are set out in the draft law on spatial data infrastructure prepared in 2016. These include cadastral plans, property rights, digital elevation models, digital orthophotos and topographic maps. The land registry data is available at www.nekretnine.co.me/me/Katastarski_podaci.asp with the REA Geoportal accessed via www.geoportal.co.me. Anyone can view data online using the free web application and viewer; a user account is required to access data, which cannot be used for official purposes, over web services.

Priorities for REA continue to be the completion of a real estate cadastre for whole country, creation of an address registry, further work on improving cartographic data base, work on a utility cadastre and development of the National Spatial Data Infrastructure (NSDI).