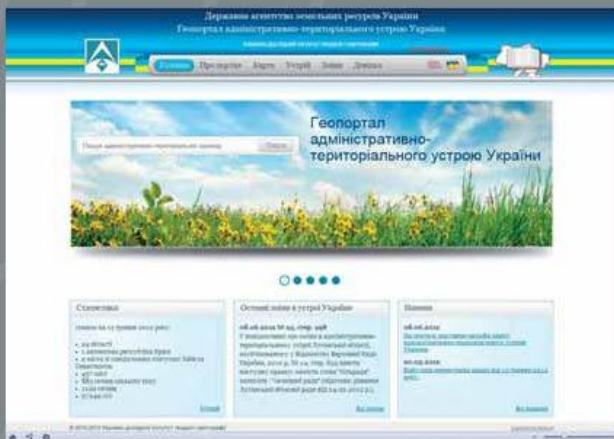


A YEAR OF CHANGE AND OF PROGRESS IN THE UKRAINE

Surveying, mapping and cadastral activities in the Ukraine have seen significant changes during the past year.



As a result of Presidential decrees, the Ministry of Agriculture and Food is now responsible for surveying and mapping policy whilst the coordinating activities associated with installing, registering, using and storing geographic names have been assigned to the State Agency for Land Resources of Ukraine.

Legal and technical support for the national SDI is creating a national standard for the Ukraine Geographic Information Reference Model which harmonises with the appropriate ISO 19101. The sectoral standards of geographic information were also developed and approved according to ISO 19100.



E-maps for the territory of the Ukraine, including national, regional and individual cities, are supported by the implementation of the Ukrainian research mapping network web server. These services are used by the majority of the Ukraine's web portals, enterprises and citizens and the geoportals implemented during 2012 will facilitate broad access to official information and a transparent and timely exchange of geospatial data for users.