

# "What's new in INSPIRE"

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## INSPIRE Directive – Where are we in 2019?

in force since 2007



<https://inspire.ec.europa.eu/inspire-roadmap>

- Coherent legal framework is in place
- New Geoportal – single access point to EU SDI is in place

2005 - 2014

2007 - 2021

2014 - ...



## INSPIRE Directive – Better regulation, Refit, Mid-term evaluation (2014-2016)



Main results from "Commission stock taking exercise":

- MS data access & use **simplification** = **New INSPIRE GEOPORTAL, Tools, Pilots**
- Better Regulation in e-reporting = **re-use** of INSPIRE = **Priority data sets for e-reporting**
- Revision of Monitoring and Reporting Decision
- Revision of EC Regulation on spatial data and service interoperability



<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/fpfis/wikis/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=268249090>



## INSPIRE – State of Play

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### Agenda

- INSPIRE Data accessibility & usability
  - MIWPs 2019.2, 2017.2, 2017.3
- Priority data sets for e-Reporting
  - MIWP 2016.5
- Validation & conformity testing
  - MIWP 2017.4
- New INSPIRE Monitoring & Reporting
  - MIWP 2018.1
- Capacity building, Community Forum, Conferences
  - MIWP 2016.4
- Short, long term INSPIRE activity, visions, UN SDGs



## New INSPIRE GEOPORTAL

Officially launched 18.9. 2018 during the INSPIRE Conference 2018

- **Single access point** to EU Spatial Data Infrastructure
  - Harvests data (Metadata) from 36 national catalogues
  - 150 000+ data sets described (by Metadata)
  - 30 000 + data sets viewable (by View services)
  - 24 000 + data sets downloadable (by Download services)
- Based on the concept of "**THEMATIC VIEWS**":
  - **User-centric** = easy to use – set of predefined thematic views.
  - **Data sets-centric** = main goal is to get the data!!
  - **Provide clear & reliable overviews** of INSPIRE data sets availability.



<http://inspire-geoportal.ec.europa.eu/>

## Improving MS data accessibility and usability MIWP 2019.2

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- INSPIRE Geoportal WS (Ispra 23-24.1)
  - Mobilizing the MS MD catalogue admins. (common planning)
  - Common understanding of Geoportal (backend, frontend systems + National SW environments)
- New system for harvesting of MS data (launched 31.3.)
  - MS in full control of the harvesting process
  - From "pull" to "push" method
- INSPIRE Resource Linkage Checker (beta version from 3.6.)
  - Checking linkages for MD (not yet harvested, harvested)
- Simplification of data x service linking – test (on-going)

### More info:

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/fpfis/wikis/display/InspireMIG/Action+2019.2%3A+Improving+accessibility+of+data+sets+through+network+services>

## Alternative encodings for INSPIRE data – MIWP 2017.2

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### Objectives:

- Define alternative encoding rules
- Emphasis on viewing/analysis in mainstream GIS
- Submit results as good practice

Results - the work of the sub-group is being completed



### Outcomes:

- GeoJSON encoding rules (generic)
- Several model transformation rules
- GeoJSON encoding rules for simplified AD and EF (incl. observations)
- Glossary
- Examples
- Template for further encoding rules

**More info:** <https://github.com/INSPIRE-MIF/2017.2>

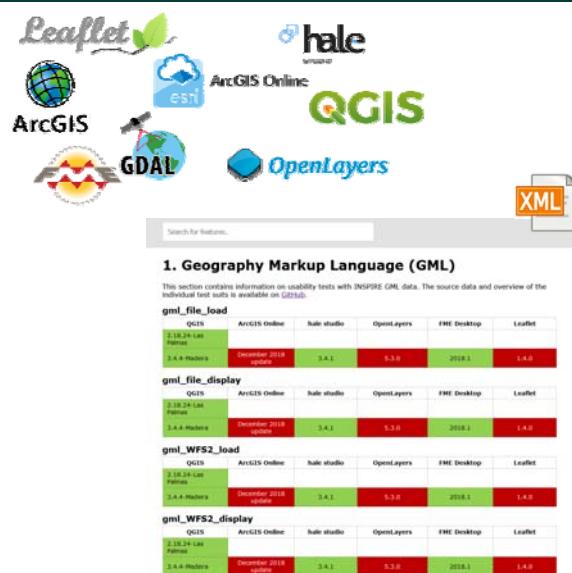


## Improved client support for INSPIRE data MIWP 2017.3

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### Objectives:

- Identify usability issues
- Analyse issues
- Event with Vendors
- Roadmap



### Outcomes:

- Preparation of test data
  - extended, enriched GML for AD, EMF
- Preparation of 9 ETL Tests
- Testing / Results of tests

**More info:** <https://inspire-mif.github.io/canisue/>

## Priority List of eReporting data sets MIWP 2016.5. Action

Work Programme 2016-2020

### 4 Core Tasks:



T1: Manage and update the priority list of eReporting datasets

T2: Make **data available as-is**: identify datasets, document metadata, make metadata and data available on the **EU geoportal** by providing network services

T3: Common and **interoperable European data models** per reporting obligation/data flow that are fit for purpose for the envisaged use case.

T4: Monitor the availability of **pan-European data sets**

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/fpfis/wikis/display/InspireMIG/Action+2016.5%3A+Priority+list+of+datasets+for+e-Reporting>



## 2017.4 Validation & conformity testing

- Development of new Abstract and Executable Test Suites (**ATS, ETS**):
  - Metadata TG v. 2.0
  - View Services (WMS, WMTS)
  - Download Services (WCS, SOS)
- Development of new functionality of the **ETF Validator**:
  - improvement proposals status: <https://github.com/orgs/etf-validator/projects/2>
- **Helpdesk** support:
  - status of currently open requests:  
<https://github.com/inspire-eu-validation/community/issues>



## MIWP 2018.1 - Streamlining the monitoring and reporting for 2019

### Policy context

- A proposal for a EC Regulation on the "*alignment of reporting obligations in the field of environment policy*" was adopted on 31 May 2018
  - The adoption of the alignment proposal is replacing the tri-annual implementation report by an annual update of the summary report (country fiche)
- New *INSPIRE Reporting Decision* (adopted in August 2019)
  - The aim is to simplify & streamline monitoring and reporting, support better comparison of the implementation progress across Member States
  - Reduces the amount of indicators from 48 to 19 calculated based on the metadata for spatial data sets and spatial data services already created and published by Member States



### Capacity building, collaboration platforms, conferences

<https://inspire.ec.europa.eu/>

#### • On-line collaborations

- INSPIRE Community Forum / Thematic Clusters:  
<http://inspire.ec.europa.eu/forum>
- Good practises, implementation examples:  
<https://inspire.ec.europa.eu/inspire-tools>

#### • Free SDI trainings

- Geospatial Knowledge Base (GKB) Training Platform:  
<https://www.geo-train.eu/>
- INSPIRE web site / knowledge base: <https://inspire.ec.europa.eu/>



## INSPIRE Knowledge base

<https://inspire.ec.europa.eu/>

### Inspire Helsinki 2019

22–24 October, Finland



<https://www.inspire-helsinki-2019.fi/>

Technical INSPIRE event organized around:

- Technology workshops and hands on
- 4 selected data challenges
- Forward looking – inspiring invited talks



<https://inspire.ec.europa.eu/conference2020>



## INSPIRE 2019-2022



### Short term:

#### Build a basic EU capacity for sharing spatial data to build on

Finalise on-going work on:

- IR updates (Interoperability, M&R)
- Geoportal & validation tools – improving MS data usability
- Simplification of network services to support existing and emerging technology
- Showcase the usage of priority data sets and wider core data sets in European and National use cases
- Data sharing and licensing



## INSPIRE 2022-2030



**Long term:**

### INSPIRE 2030 - towards a spatial data ecosystem for sustainability



- 2022 – INSPIRE Directive evaluation activity
  - Explore options to align/merge with other digital initiatives/legal acts (e.g. Access to environmental information Directive, Open data and PSI Directive ...).
  - Enlarge the scope, including another partners (CNECT, GROW, DIGIT).
  - Create a package of measures (legal and non-legal) and a new multi-annual work programme to implement them.



## INSPIRE & UN SDGs



### UNGGIM: Europe

#### Working Group Core Data

- The working group has selected the following 14 INSPIRE themes as core data: GN, AD, AU, CP, TN, HY, EL, LC, OI, SU, BU, AM, LU, US (Basic government services)
- The concept of core data goes beyond the requirements of INSPIRE and aims at harmonising the quality of geospatial information in terms of scale, semantics, mandatory attributes, and temporal coherence.

#### Working Group Data Integration

- INSPIRE data for calculation of indicators



# Thank you



Questions?

*Make it work together*



**"INSPIRE has been a pioneer of European digital society and economy"**  
- by Roberto Viola, Director General DG CONNECT – during INSPIRE Conference 2017 (6-8.9.2017)