Abstract

TITLE: National Mapping Agencies in the City

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The presentation focuses on Cities, Position and role of NMA’s, AMS as an example and offering some Closing remarks.

Cities are important also from a GEO point of view. The majority of the problems (even the global ones) are solved locally.

Historically the position on the National Mapping Agencies (NMA’s) is to be there for the nation. There is a shift towards crossing borders, to look at Europe as a whole. Examples include the cooperation of the INSPIRE Directive.

The AMS, Amsterdam Institute for Advanced Metropolitan Solutions, is an ambitious scientific institute located in Amsterdam. In this institute science, education, government, business partners and social organisations work together to create solutions for the complex challenges a city like Amsterdam is facing. Now and in the future.

Social media will help to make a smart city (i.e. Flickr).

Closing remarks:

- The cities are spatial hotspots
- For NMA’s they can serve as “laboratory” for new developments
- If successful, they can be extrapolated to the nation or even Europe