



Towards a Harmonised Geothermal Information Platform: Introduction to the INSPIRE Directive and its Implications

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- What is INSPIRE?
- Who is it made for?
- What is behind?
- How does geothermal energy fit into all this?



What is INSPIRE ?

It is a European **directive** that came into force in **2007** and will be fully implemented by **2019**.

It aims to create a European Union (EU) **spatial data infrastructure**. This will enable the **sharing** of environmental **spatial information** among public sector organisations and better **facilitate public access** to spatial information across Europe.

A European Spatial Data Infrastructure will assist in **policy-making** across boundaries. Therefore the spatial information considered under the directive is **extensive** and includes a great variety of **topical and technical themes**.



INSPIRE Principles

- Data should be collected only once and kept where it can be maintained most effectively.
- It should be possible to combine seamless spatial information from different sources across Europe and share it with many users and applications.
- It should be possible for information collected at one level/scale to be shared with all levels/scales; detailed for thorough investigations, general for strategic purposes.
- Geographic information needed for good governance at all levels should be readily and transparently available.
- Easy to find what geographic information is available, how it can be used to meet a particular need, and under which conditions it can be acquired and used.



Who is INSPIRE made for?

- Citizens who are interested in their environment
- Policy makers
- Environmental domain experts
- Scientists
- □ For those who are interested in any of the 34 themes

ANNEX I

1 Coordinate reference systems

2 Geographical grid systems

3 Geographical names

4 Administrative units

5 Addresses

6 Cadastral parcels

7 Transport networks

8 Hydrography

9 Protected sites

ANNEX II

1 Elevation

2 Land cover

3 Orthoimagery

4 Geology

INSPIRE Spatial Data Themes

ANNEX III

1 Statistical units

2 Buildings

3 Soil

4 Land use

5 Human health and safety

6 Utility and governmental services

7 Environmental monitoring Facilities

8 Production and industrial facilities

9 Agricultural and aquaculture facilities

10 Population distribution and demography

11 Area management / restriction / regulation zones & reporting units

12 Natural risk zones

13 Atmospheric conditions

14 Meteorological geographical features

15 Oceanographic geographical features

16 Sea regions

17 Bio-geographical regions

18 Habitats and biotopes

19 Species distribution

20 Energy Resources

21 Mineral Resources

What is Behind?

Infrastructure for Spatial Information in the European Community

Conceptual background

European Commission

International and Industrial Standards

INSPIRE

Common Datamodel for all 34 INSPIRE Themes

Technical Background

- OGC Web Services (WMS, WFS, WCS ...)
 - discovery, view, download, …
- Harmonized Datasets



All European member states and more than 3000 institutions

Metadata in INSPIRE





How does geothermal energy fit into INSPIRE?



INSPIRE Consolidated UML Model - Generated 18 December 2012 (r4380)



Themes : Public Package

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Project:

Advanced:

Annex III. contains:

- Area Management Restriction & Regulation Zones
- Energy Resources
- **Environmental Monitoring Facilities**
- Mineral Resources



How does geothermal energy fit into INSPIRE?

INSPIRE spatial object types (feature level metadata)

Annex II. Geology, Hydrogeology, Geophysics:

Geological environment: *GeologicFeature, Aquifer, Aquitard…* Exploration related information: *Borehole, Geophysical survey*...

Annex III. Energy Resources:

Spatial extent and Geothermal potential data: RenewableAndWasteResource, RenewableAndWastePotentialCoverage

Annex III. Environmental Monitoring Facilities:

Monitoring of Temperature, pressure, chemical composition: EnvironmentalMonitoringFacility, EnvironmentalMonitoringNetwork...



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Observation metadata and results

Observations and Measurements (ISO-19156)

Detailed information on measurements: SamplingFeature, Process, Result ...

GML coverage Model:

Curves, Profiles, Maps, Volumes: *CurveCoverage, SurfaceCoverage, RectifiedGridCoverage, ReferenceableGridCoverage...*

SWE, SensorML: Data, Data, Data ...







Geological map MappedFeature



Seismic Profile GeophProfile

Observation & Measurement



- featureOfInterest
- responsible
- phenomenonTime
- resultTime
- observedProperty

OM_Process

p.e: fieldObservation seismicDataAcq. geochemicalAnal. pumpingTest temperatureLogging productionRateMeas

Result

p.e: geological map seismicSection chem.Composition temperatureLog productionRateLog

GML, SensorML, SEG-Y, LAS, JPG, any other...



Metadata INSPIRE XML Borehole, BorholeLog



Geothermal Well RenewableAnd-WasteResource











Conclusions

- 1. INSPIRE provides full featured spatial object types for exploration, production and monitoring phase to share high level metadata about geothermal objects
- 2. Observation and Measurement standard makes it possible to :
 - a) encode any kind of measurements in a common way
 - b) being able to read and understand deep technical details
 - c) describe processes and distribute results
- 3. Using harmonized datasets and OGC web services will ensure that:
 - a) partners can access each others data seamlessly
 - b) data remain available to web service based future technologies
- 4. European Member State partners fulfil their leagal obligations

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Thank You for the Attention



