

Digital Earth needs Spatial Citizenship



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Setting Europe's Digital Agenda

The Digital Agenda is the EU's strategy to help digital technologies, including the internet, to deliver sustainable economic growth... [More about this site](#)

Sign the Declaration in support of the Connecting Europe Facility

Beam me to my meeting!

Better Internet for Children and Young People

Your views on Europe's Digital Future

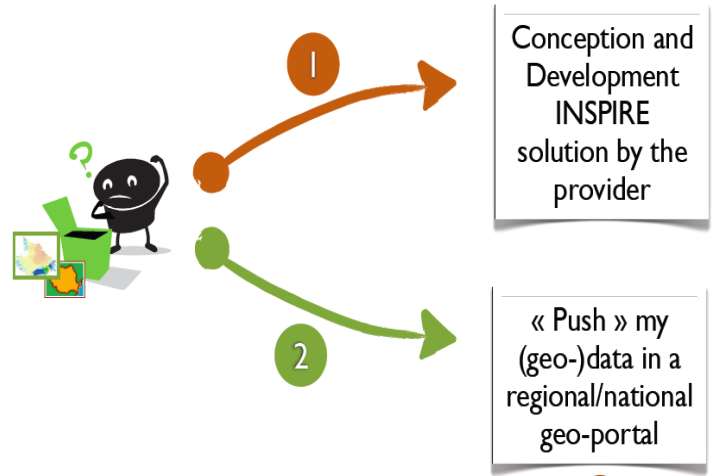
Do you want faster & better broadband connections in Europe?
If you do, please sign the Declaration!

European open data portal

<http://open-data.europa.eu/open-data/>

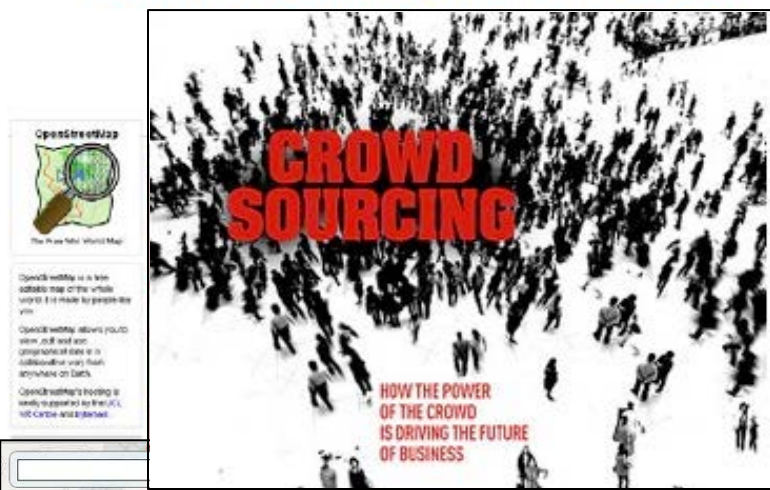


- a web site dedicated to the geodata access
- Functionalities to navigate within my data





Citizens as prosumers producers + consumers of data



Explore Authoritative Information

- Aftershocks
- Lifelines
- Operational Information

Shared Social Content

Show All | Show Last 24 Hrs

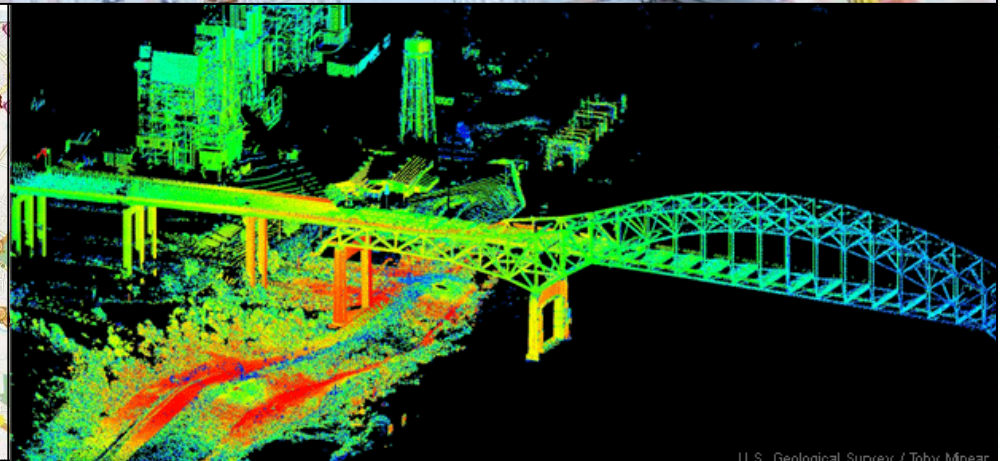
- Ushahidi
- YouTube (36)
- Tweets
- Flickr (192)
- Shared Content

Select A Feature Type And Place It.

Web Link Photo Video Netter

Live earthquake in Christchurch

Live earthquake in Christchurch



Big Data can provide new insights...

...keyword use...



Customer behaviour,
calling/browsing habits,
their social network...



...personal profiles...



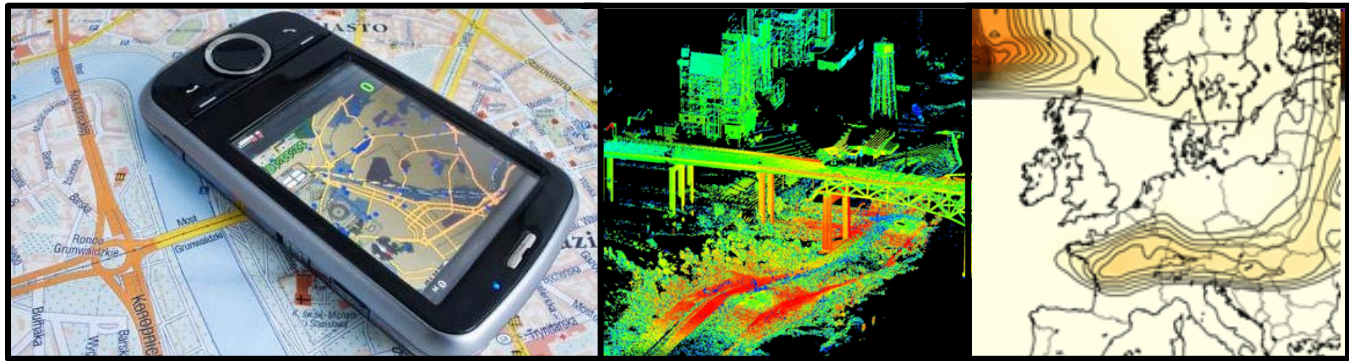
...sensor data
and metrics...



... location, travel
destinations...



...opportunities to move beyond
traditional visualisation and
analytics !



Digital Earth



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Digital Earth



IMAGINE

... that any citizen of the planet, linked through the Internet, could freely access a virtual world of information and knowledge resources...

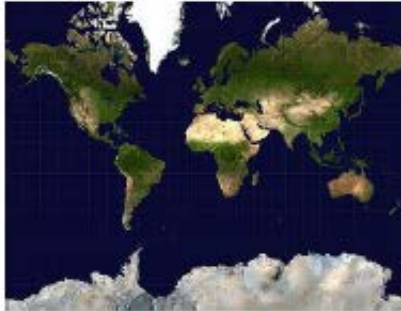
... it could allow us to model the world, respond to manmade or natural disasters or collaborate to address long term environmental challenges ...

Concept of Digital Earth ...

Gore A (1992; 1998), The Digital Earth: Understanding Our Planet



The concept is now well established



Mercator



globe from space



Landsat WRS

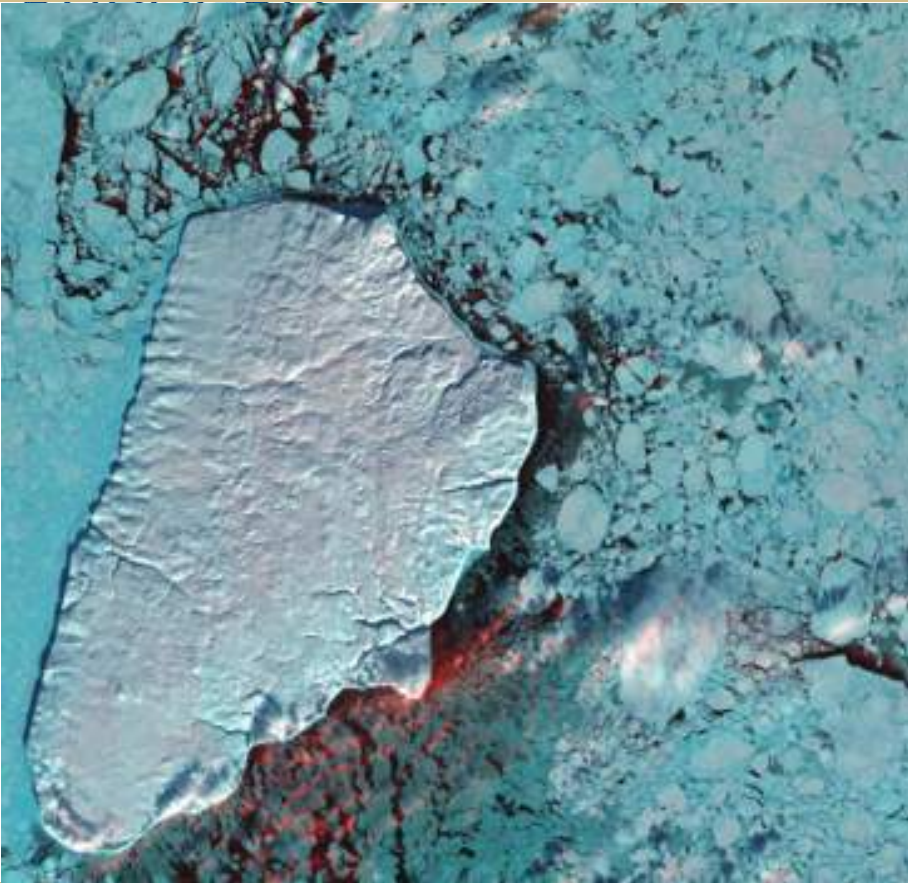


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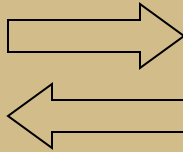
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on a globe

Developing rapidly and pervasively

Digital Earth provides crucial links between nature and society



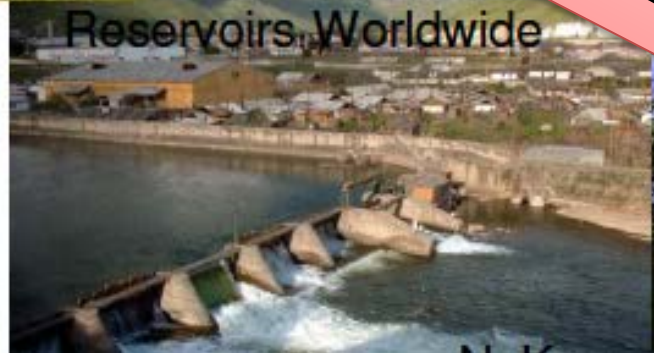
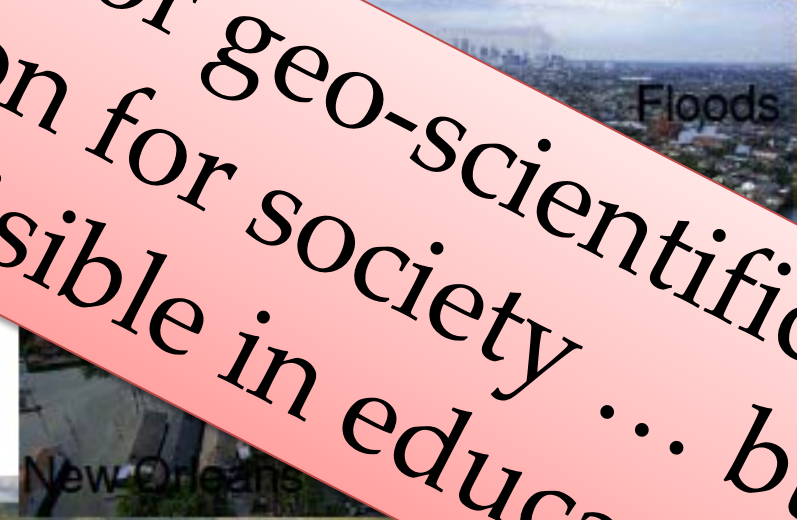
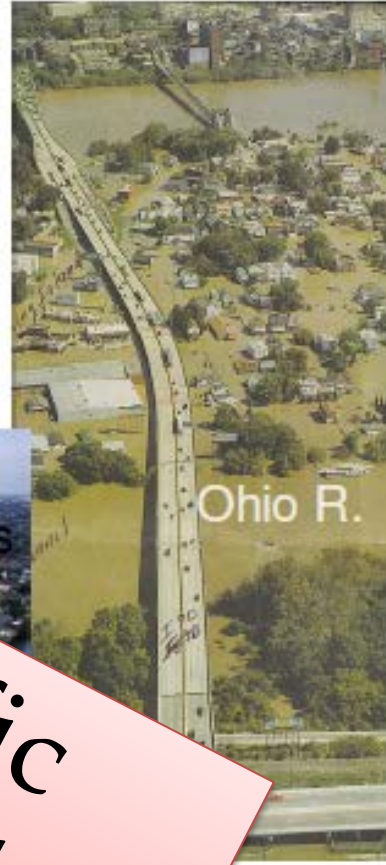
Nature: Physical equations
Describe processes

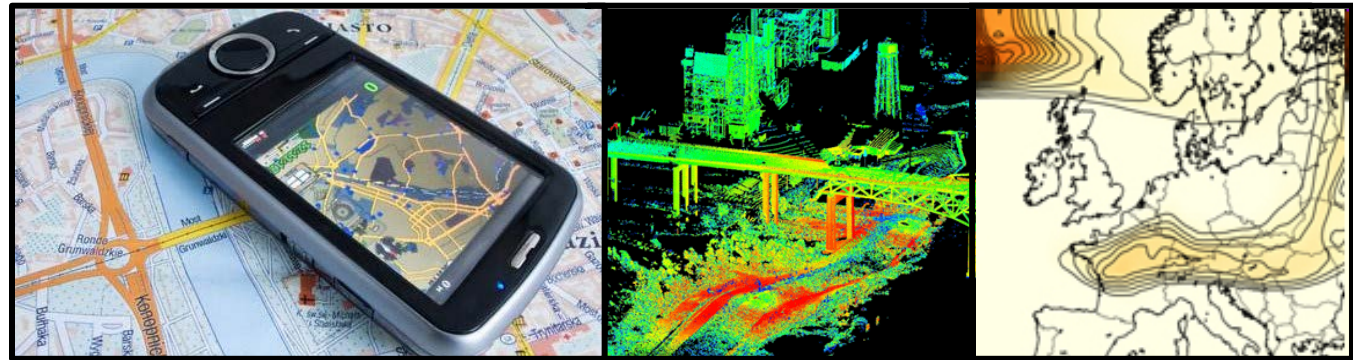


Society: Decisions on how to
Use the Earth's resources

Managing our planet

A need for geo-scientific information for society ... but almost invisible in education





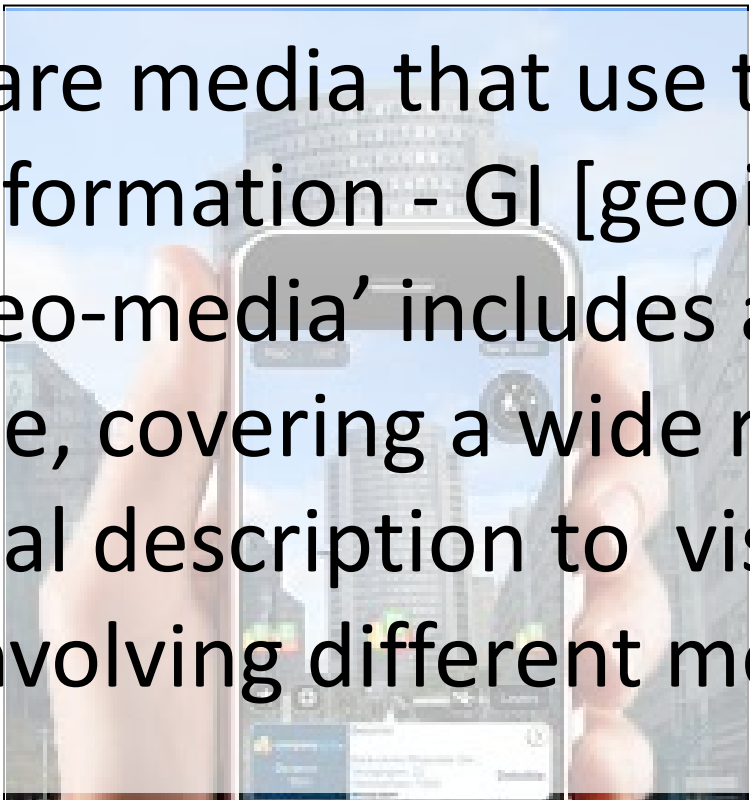
Connecting geo-media to the education needs of Europe

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Geo-media

“... are media that use the spatial localisation of information - GI [geoinformation].
... ‘geo-media’ includes all representations of space, covering a wide range of outputs from verbal description to visualisation
... involving different media (Source: Gryl, Jekel & Donert 2010)



Gryl I, Jekel T and Donert K (2010), Spatial Citizenship, p 2-12, In Jekel T, Donert K and Koller A (eds.) Learning with GeoInformation V, Berlin, Wichman Verlag



Working Digital Earth



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89 partners - 23 countries
 researchers, SMEs, large companies, NGOs,
 universities, teacher training organisations,
 public bodies, schools, professional
 associations, Ministries

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Needs Analysis: Main issues

- Infrastructure issues: soft- hard-ware,
- Low knowledge of teachers, low confidence
- No time in the curriculum, curriculum too full
- Not in teacher training curriculum
- Decision makers unaware of importance
- No guidelines what students should be able to do



(Needs Analysis, digital-earth.eu Project, 2011)

Need 1: support for grassroots actors – teachers and educators

Need 2: target key decision makers – politicians (EU /national), Ministries, ICT coordinators, curriculum developers, geospatial industry etc.



Project outcomes

- **Shared** resources, ideas and activities
- Introduced **new concepts** - geographic (geo-)media – spatial citizenship
- Created a cross-border **infrastructure** (Centres of Excellence)
- Raised **awareness** – politicians, industry, decision makers, education
- Connected with major **European initiatives** – Digital Agenda - Open Data – Europe 2020 – New skills, new jobs



Digital-earth.eu Project outcomes



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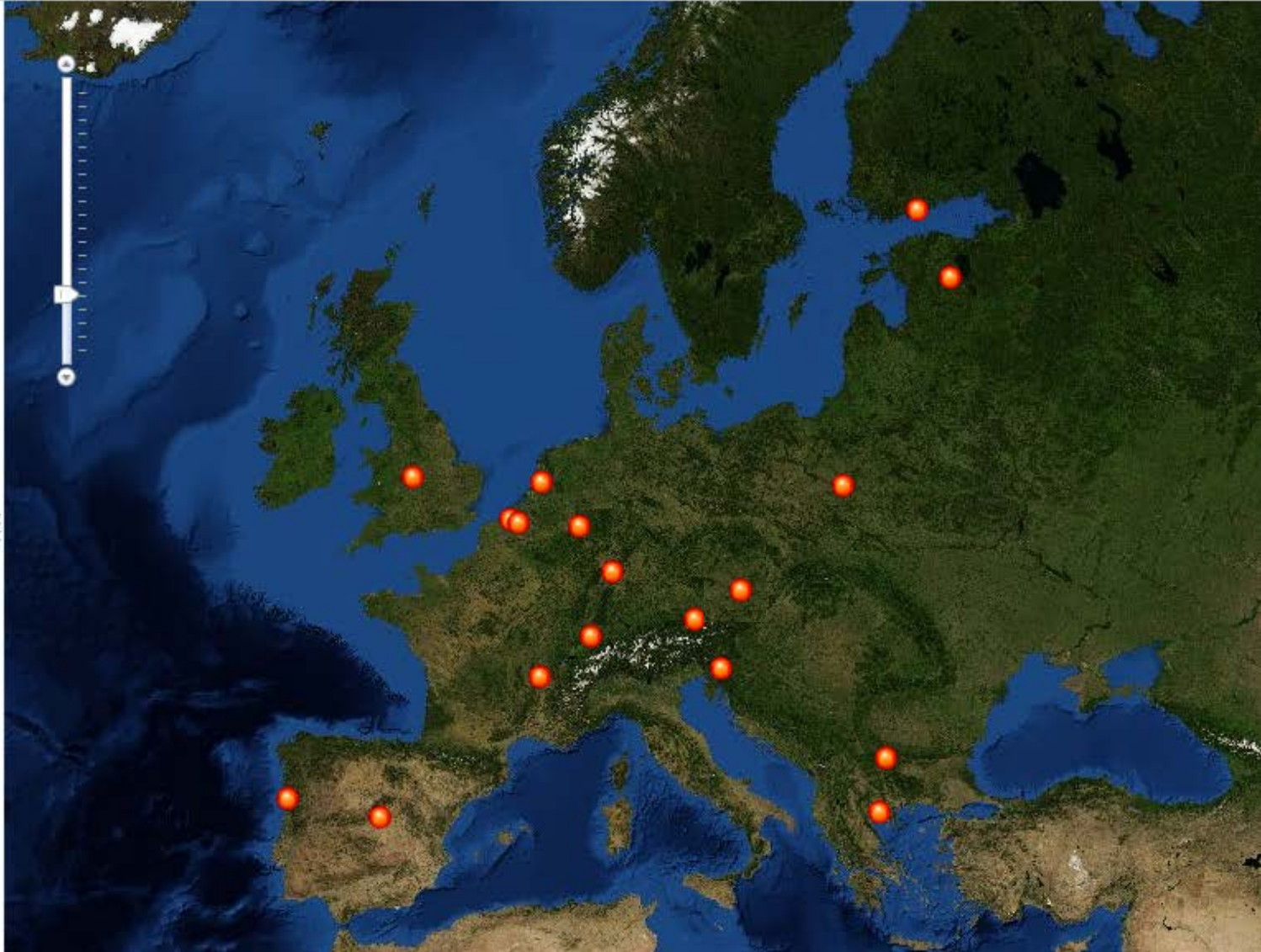
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Legend

Centres of Excellence



<http://bit.ly/12nB4Ad>



01.05.2013 – 31.10.2014

YouthMap 5020: „Entwicklung einer Kartenapplikation für Salzburg für und durch Kinder & Jugendliche“

This project develops a youth-specific web-based map for Salzburg based on ArcGIS online. Pupils from 6 partner schools participate the entire application development process and bring in their specific requirements.



FFG

FFG “Talente Regional”

Project-Nr.: 839717

<http://www.ffg.at/2-ausschreibung-talente-regional-gefoerderte-projekte>



EUROGEO

GIS-Station, Heidelberg, Pedagogical University

Attendance:

over 4.800 participants in **220 events**, ...

360 teachers / trainee teachers

110 student teachers

3700 students with 241 accompanying teachers

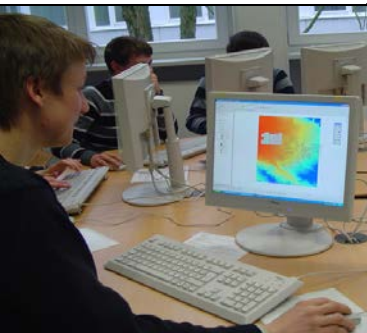
Coverage:

Participants from **241 educational institutions**

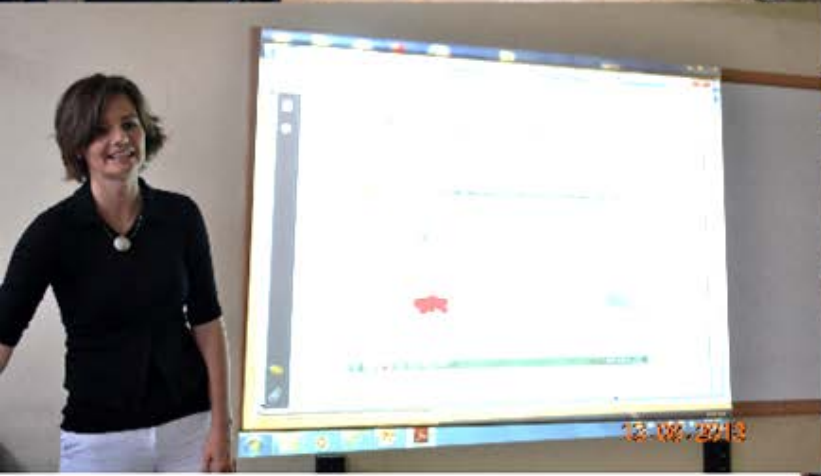
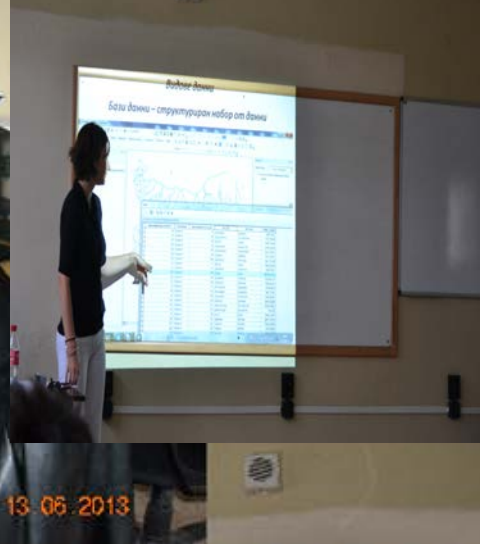
Spread in **further schools** through participating trainee teachers

Course offering:

For **all types of school and teacher training**



Bulgarian Centre GI Analytics, SME





GRID Warszawa



digital-earth.eu
centre of excellence

EduInkubator 2013

Program imprezy

Zgłoś swój udział

Informacje organizacyjne

Kontakt

Szukana fraza...



EDUINKUBATOR 2013

Twoje źródło edukacyjnych inspiracji

18 października 2013 r., Warszawa



Rejestracja trwa do 16 października (środa).

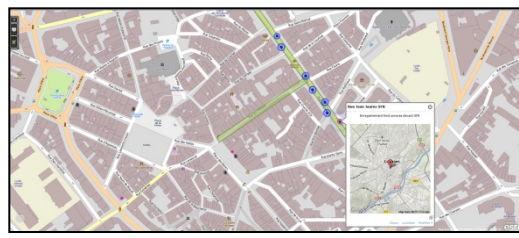
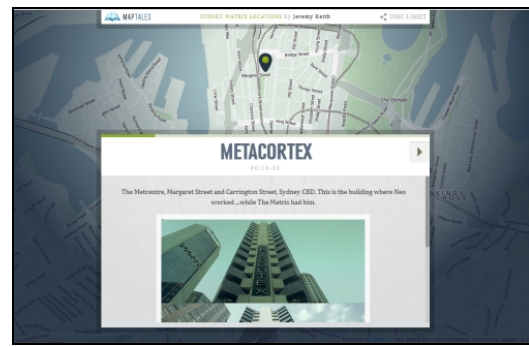
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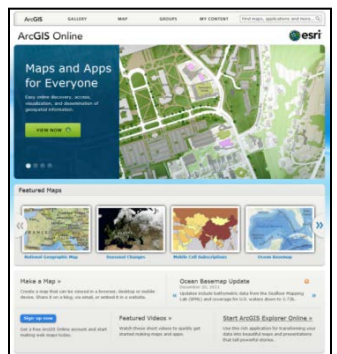
Geoliteracy
Using geolocation for creating tales

Tactileo
Using mobile devices to learn

Sonic mapping:
Using audio data for creating maps



Collaborative mapping:
Using AGOL for creating collaborative maps



Learning with Games: Introduce serious gaming into the learning process





Digital Earth: the future



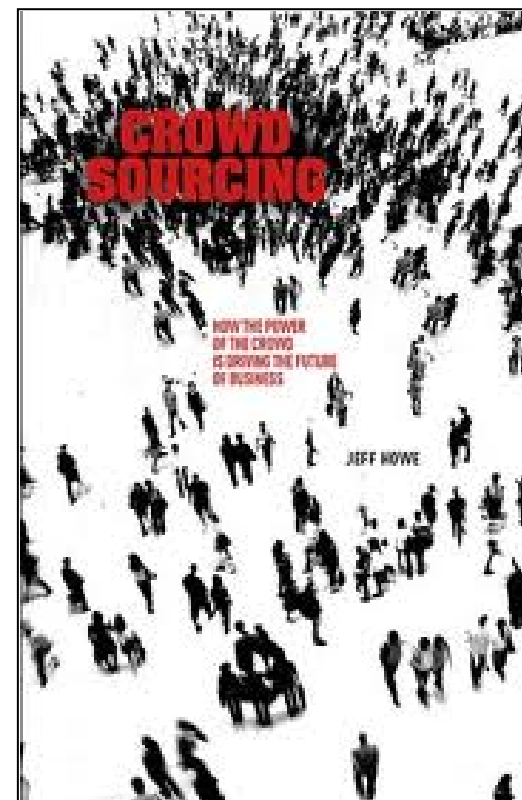
- Research with Centres of Excellence
 - *H2020 proposals*
- Further networking
 - *School on the Cloud*
- Industry / Policy Partnerships
 - *Founder members of European Citizen Science Association*
 - *UNEP 'Eye on Earth' stakeholder group*
 - *ESRI - ArcGIS Online for organisations*



Digital Earth: the future in education



- New projects / initiatives
 - *Spatial Citizenship*
 - *Crowdsourcing*
 - *Citizen Science*
 - *Hazards Education*
 - *Spatial Planning*
 - *Teachers as leaders*
 - *Geo-VET*





education for spatial citizenship

Spatial Citizenship – Connecting Society with Geo-Media



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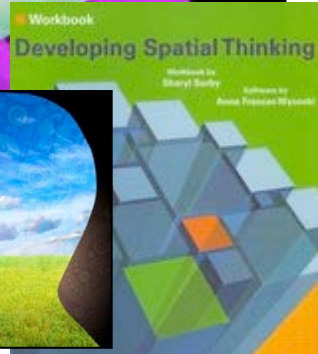
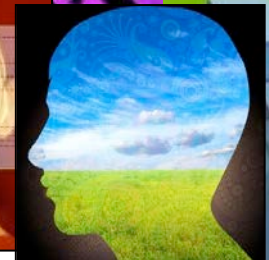
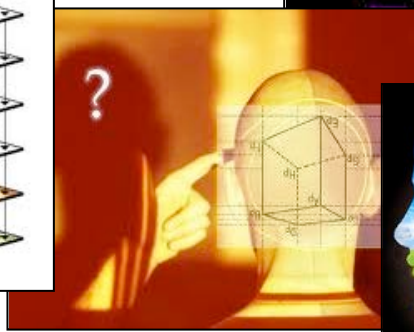
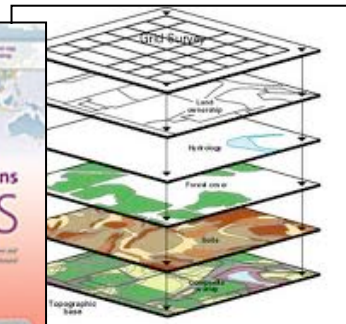
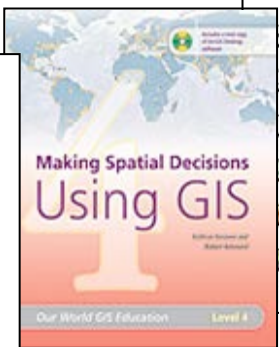
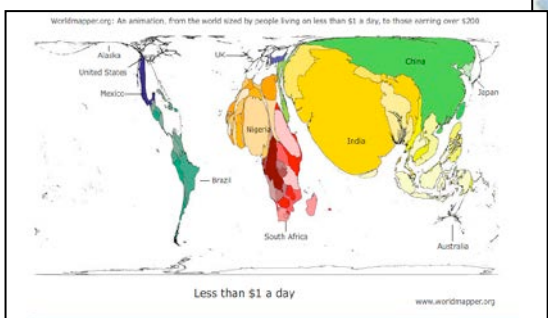
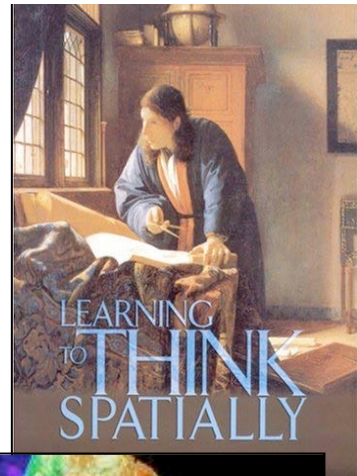




Spatial thinking



- way of mind, to help navigate the **world** - visualisations
- how we **use/organise** space around us
- crucial to **solving problems**, big & small





Spatial Citizenship

SPACIT - EDUCATION FOR SPATIAL CITIZENSHIP
www.spatialcitizenship.org

CITIZENSHIP

Citizens of a country have many rights and responsibilities. They share an awareness of belonging and common values.

FROM TEACHERS TO STUDENTS

SPACIT offers training material, skills, knowledge and attitudes to support students in using geo-media to actively contribute to their society.

ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP

Active citizens take responsibility and initiative in areas of public concern.



Spatial Citizenship

**SPACIT
EDUCATION FOR
SPATIAL CITIZENSHIP**

The SPACIT project helps with the understanding the links between society, space, technology and education.



GEO-MEDIA

Communication with geo-media means communicating through the availability of user-friendly web mapping tools.

TRANSFORMATION OF SPACES

Spatial citizens are appropriating different spaces; they are attaching different meanings to different geographical locations and materials in order to prepare for their own actions.

SOCIAL NETWORKS

Users can easily produce their own geo-media content and share it web-wide through different social networking softwares.

SPATIAL CITIZENSHIP

With the use of geo-media citizens become spatially aware and are able to question existing perspectives of certain spaces.

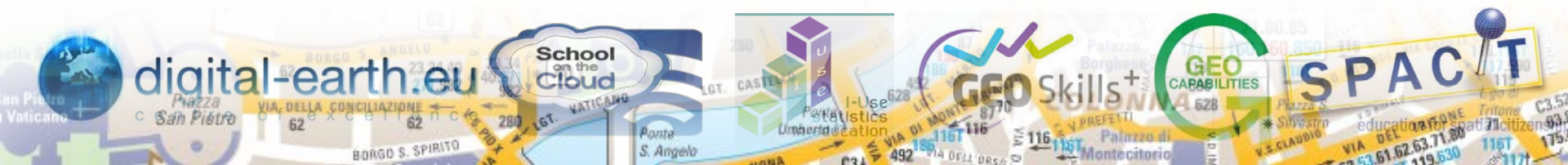




SPACIT – the project (2010-2014)



- **Objectives**: SPACIT aims at providing **teachers** with the relevant education to support active **Spatial Citizenship** in the **classroom**.
- **Main Target Groups**: in-service and pre-service **teachers** and **teacher trainers**, **leaders** and **decision makers**





SPACIT – the project (2010-2014)



Main Outputs:

online **reader** on the geoinformation society, technological basics, its social implications and economic effects for individuals;

a **competence model** and **curriculum** for an increased participation in the geoinformation society through Spatial Citizenship;

materials for teachers to actively learn / teach Spatial Citizenship skills and competences to pupils.



Spatial Citizenship Education

- **connect citizenship to relevant technologies** and the increasing availability of open geo-media
- increase **participation through new geo-media channels**
- introduce the **spatial perspective** and the **positive uses of geo-media**

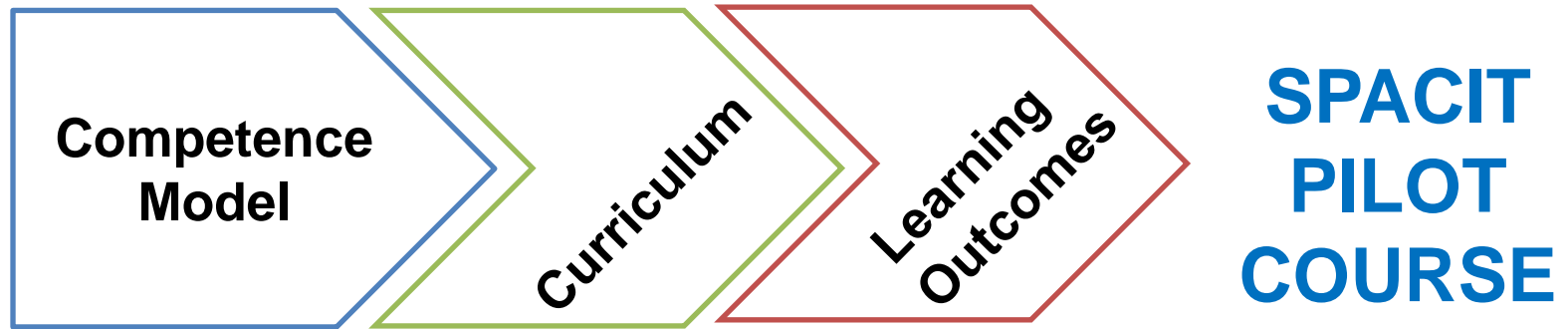


- Definition of the **competences** – i.e. Knowledge, Skills Attitudes of a ‘**spatial citizen**’
- Used a **3-step process**:
 - (i) existing **literature analysis**;
 - (ii) filling the **matrix** of competence dimensions with **KSA**;
 - (iii) extending the analysis to **known competence models** (e.g. European Qualifications Framework for Lifelong Learning) and neighbouring domains.
- **Interdisciplinary approach** : subject-specific + more general skills from other disciplines
- **Competence fields**: Technology to handle spatial information; Reflection/Reflexivity on geo-media; Communication, participation and negotiation through spatial representations.

Gryl, I., Schulze, U. & Kanwischer D. (2013) . Spatial Citizenship: the Concept of Competence. In: Jekel, T., Car, A., Strobl, J. & Griesebner, G. (eds.): GI_Forum 2013. Berlin: Wichmann.



The Curriculum

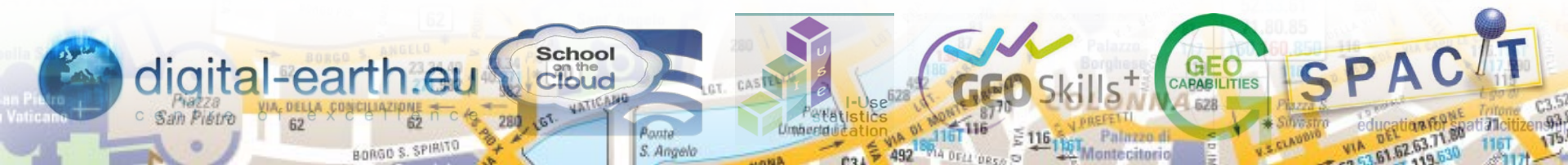
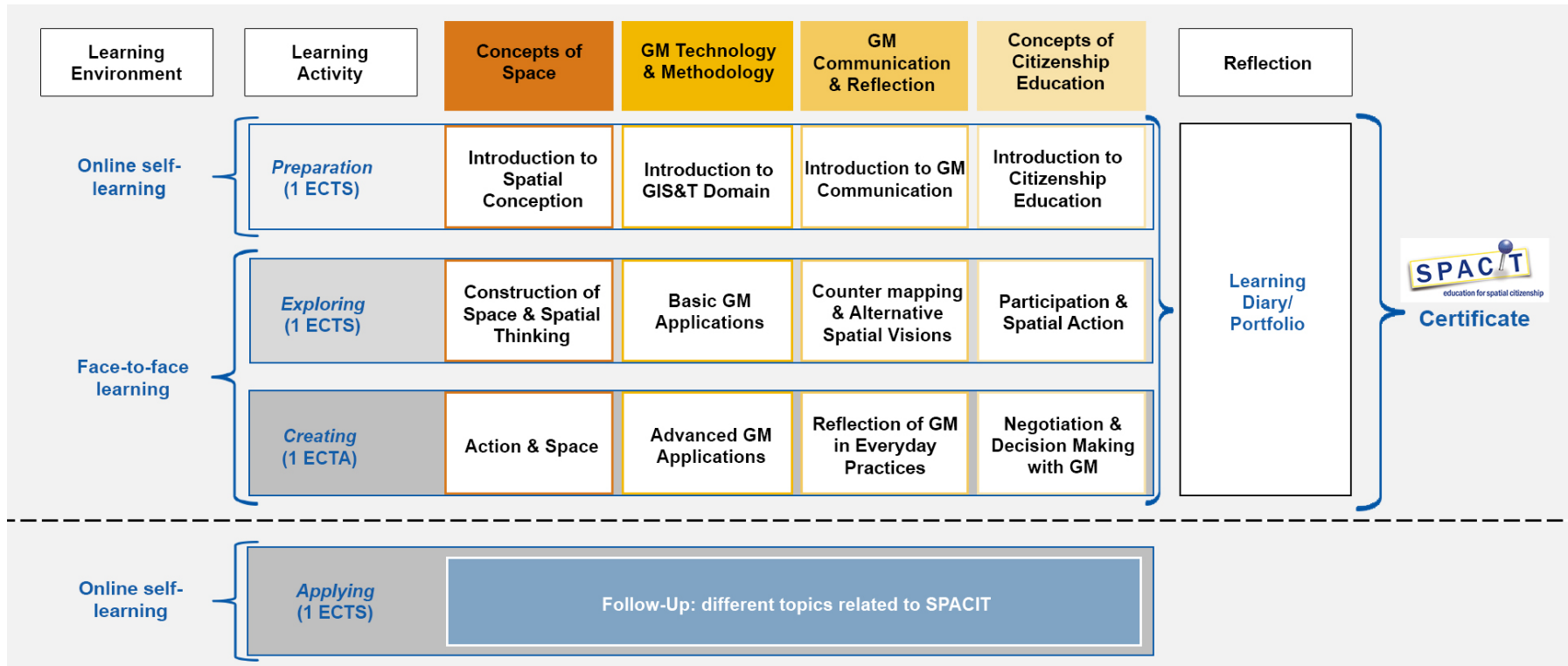




COURSE DEVELOPMENT

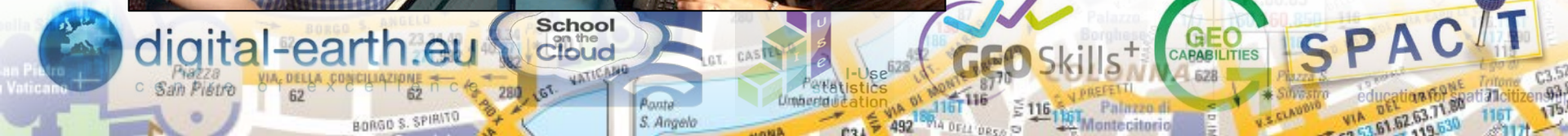


The Flexible Curriculum





PILOT COURSE



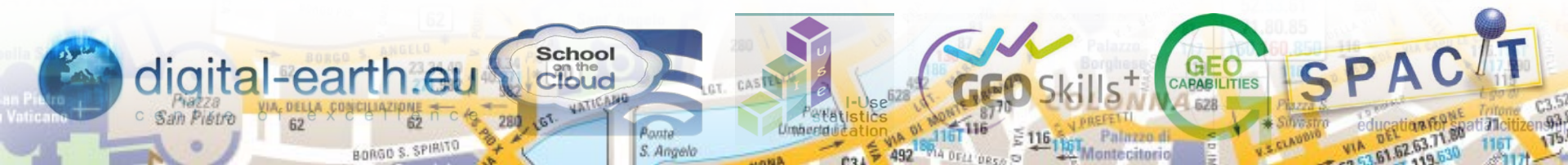
The Course

- Online-offline blended learning
<http://www.spatialcitizenship.eu>
- 4 learning modules;
- Flexible learning paths
- Available soon



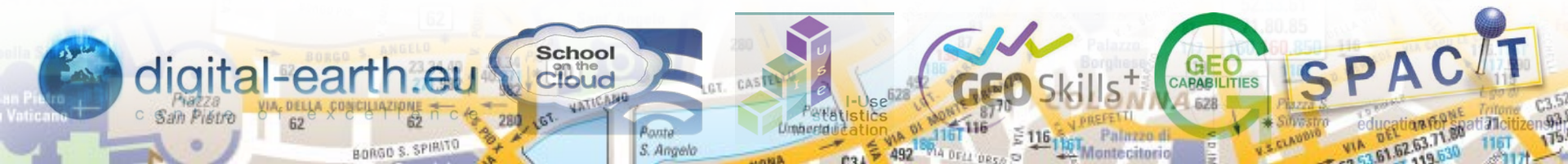
Four Modules

- Concepts of Space
- GM Technology & Methodology
- GM Communication and Reflection
- Concepts of Citizenship Education



Module 1: Concepts of Space

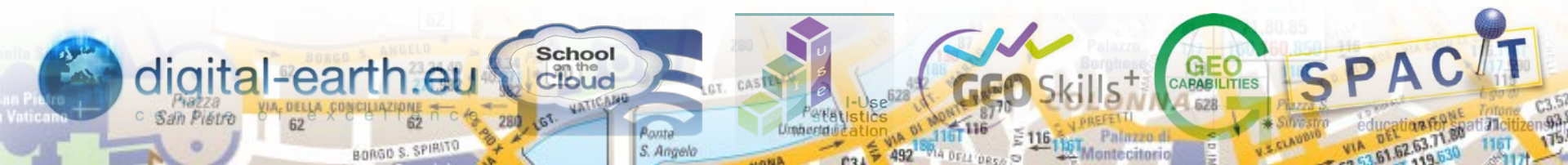
- Introduction to Spatial Conceptions
- Construction of Space & Spatial Thinking
- Action and Space





Module 2: Geo-Media (GM) Technology & Methodology

- Introduction to GM
- Exploring GM for citizenship education and spatial thinking
- Applying GM in the classroom



Module 3: Geo-Media Communication & Reflection

- Communicating with Geo-Media
- Expressing alternative spatial visions
- Critical reflection on Geo-Media



- Understanding the links between society, space, technology and education
- Pilot course aimed to evaluate and improve SPACIT materials for online and F2F versions
- **Introducing the SPACIT approach in formal curricula in secondary education**



<http://www.innovativelearning.co.uk/2014/11/11/finlandcurriculum2014/>

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Finland confirms: Geography and GIS essential in renewal of the core school curriculum

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Does anyone doubt that Finland continues to give their youngsters the best education in the world? Now they are introducing geographical studies throughout their core basic curriculum. This blog introduces the changes and suggests some aspects of geo- that have become so important in Finnish school education

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Finland confirms: Geography and GIS essential in renewal of the core school curriculum

The Future of Learning and Teaching in the Cloud


A manifesto for Europe: building geospatial capacity

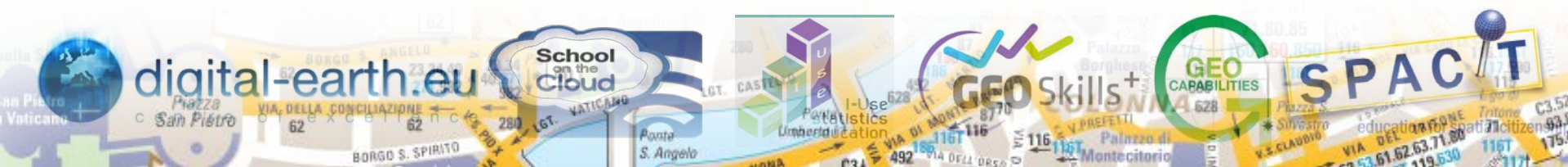
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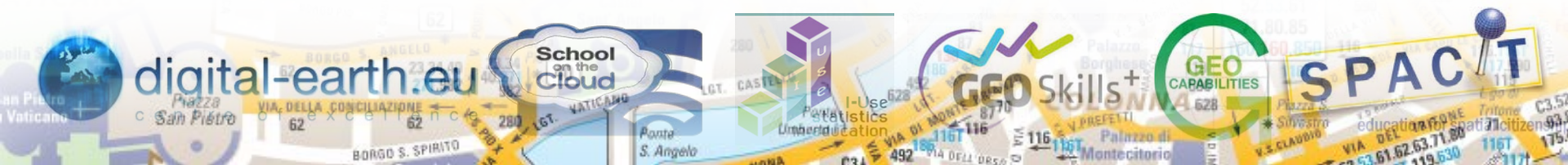


- Watch out for the SPACIT materials!
www.spatialcitizenship.org
- Watch out for SPACIT courses on EUROGEO

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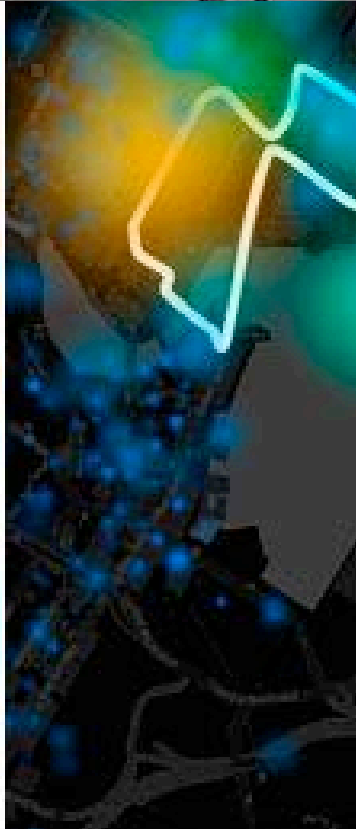
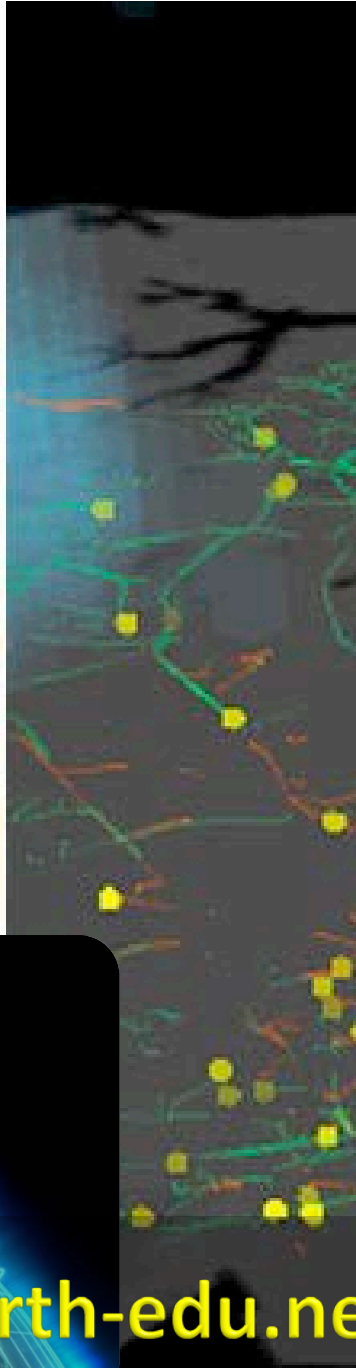
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-  Geo-cube: a #geographical journey #geoed #edtech <http://t.co/SveYdcaloH> about 1 hour ago

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