



CP-IDEA

PERMANENT COMMITTEE FOR
GEOSPATIAL DATA INFRASTRUCTURE
OF THE AMERICAS

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Achievements of
2009 – 2013 Term

Products developed and already delivered:

SDI Manual for Americas - A guideline in a very practical and realistic approach with a special chapter about Economic and Social Impacts, and Benefits in SDI. In this manual we have many useful cases and examples from the Americas and other regions. The manual contains also a glossary and a template for registering Best Practices by the countries. It was done in English and will be translated to French, Spanish and Portuguese.

Diagnosis on relevant topics of geospatial information management and development of SDI in countries of the Americas - 2011

Made from a 76 questions questionnaire answered by 20 of the 24 PC-IDEA countries. It contains a Best Practices list, teaching Institutes, geo-technology courses, several analysis, comparisons with the 2008 questionnaire, and conclusions.

Diagnosis on relevant topics of geospatial information management and development of SDI in countries of the Americas - 2013

Made to measure the developments achieved from 2011 to 2013.

Both diagnosis were made in Spanish, English and Portuguese.

In the Standards and Technical Specifications area PC-IDEA produced the following documents:

- **Standards Framework Implementation Overview** – Standards conceptual document;
- **“CORE Standards” Proposal** - A standards proposal document with respect to the fundamental data themes and the transversal themes;
- **Geospatial Data Model** – Technical Modeling Standard of Geospatial Data;
- **Plan of Courses and Strategy for Implementing it;**
- **Diagnosis about the Innovations on the National Mapping Agencies in the Americas** - Document with a survey, analysis and conclusions about the 24 PC-IDEA countries, such as: description of the local Institutions, governmental relations and hierarchy, production scope, kinds of products, legal framework, innovations, and relations with the national SDI.

All this material is available in the PC-IDEA website: <http://www.cp-idea.org>

New website

- List of links to other websites, which are related to PC-IDEA;
- Documentation of meetings and events held;
- Standards Database – a repository of documents concerning standards and technical specifications that make up the “normative core” recommended by PC-IDEA and others;
- Training Observatory – a tool developed to share skills among PC-IDEA members, in a sustainable way in time and pointing to the needs and issues relevant to the region. It aims to connect the supply and demand for workshops, courses and academic programs focused on producers and users of geospatial information, as well as decision makers;
- SDI Observatory – a gateway to documents and best practices related to SDI and geospatial information;
- Working Area – a virtual space of PC-IDEA in www.cptidea.pbworks.com for collaborative work of the countries that are part of the Permanent Committee.



PC-IDEA and UN-GGIM Initiative

The United Nations Initiative on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM) aims at playing a leading role in setting the agenda for the development of global geospatial information and to promote its use to address key global challenges. It provides a forum to liaise and coordinate among Member States, and between Member States and international organizations and, it is strongly supported by the Regional Committees like PC-IDEA.

PC-IDEA recognizes the importance of the UN-GGIM Initiative, which aims to set a high level forum, coordinated by the member countries, for global geospatial information management. PC-IDEA was glad with the opportunity of actively contributing to the process of building this initiative and its corresponding UN Committee of Experts.



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