

# Introduction: collaborative custodianship

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### **Selected publications**

#### SDI-Open

- With ICA Commission on Open Source Geospatial Technologies
- SDI-Open 2015 proceedings
- SDI-Open 2017 presentations

#### Academic SDI

- The Academic SDI Towards understanding spatial data infrastructures for research and education
- SDI implementations at universities and research institutes

#### SDI model

- A spatial data infrastructure model from the computational viewpoint
- Extending the formal model of a spatial data infrastructure to include volunteered geographical information
- An initial formal model for spatial data infrastructures

#### Standards

- Standards Wiki
- World of spatial metadata standards (book)
- Spatial Database Transfer Standards: Current International Status (book)



## An infrastructure is...

the fundamental facilities and systems
serving a
country, city, or area

www.dictionary.com

the basic facilities, services and installations
needed for the functioning of
a community or society
www.wiktionary.org

the basic, underlying framework or features of a system or organization

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## A spatial data infrastructure is...

the fundamental facilities, services, systems and installations that provide a country, city or area with spatial data required for the functioning of society Based on www.dictionary.com, www.wiktionary.org

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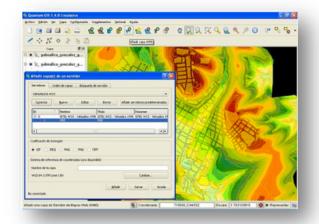
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### A spatial data infrastructure should strive for invisibility so that users can...



find spatial data access spatial data use spatial data











# To realize a spatial data infrastructure...

...someone has to produce and maintain the spatial data...



## Custodianship

#### **Definitions**

- Custodian (SDI Act No 54 of 2003)
  - organ of state that captures, maintains, manages, integrates, distributes or uses spatial information
- custodian (dictionary.com)
  - a person who has custody; keeper; guardian
  - a person entrusted with guarding or maintaining a property; janitor



## Custodianship

Better definition?

- custodian
  - organ of state entrusted with guarding or maintaining a(n authoritative) spatial dataset



## Custodianship

organ of state entrusted with guarding or maintaining spatial dataset

Very often, organizations have to collaborate to produce and maintain a spatial dataset...



## Collaborative custodianship

#### **Definition**

 when organizations entrusted with guarding or maintaining a spatial dataset collaborate to achieve this



# Examples from SDIs



### South African SDI

SDI Act (No 54 of 2003)

### **Collaborative maintenance**

16(1) Data custodians may exchange spatial information in terms of a *collaborative* maintenance agreement providing for regular updating of base data sets within an agreed period.

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## **South African SDI**

#### List of proposed Base Dataset Coordinators and Custodians

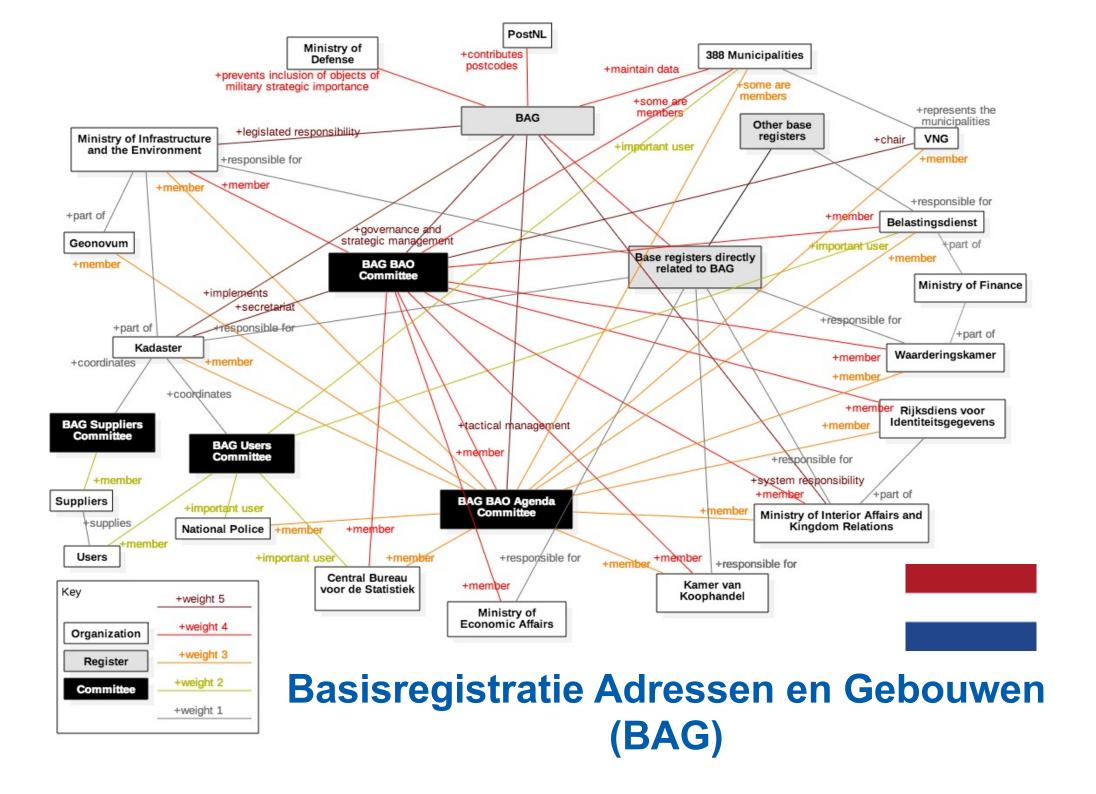
(As per the study conducted by the CSI Data Subcommittee in 2012)

| Theme                | Dataset                   | Custodian  | Recommended Base Dataset Coordinator     |
|----------------------|---------------------------|--|--|
| Administrative       | National Boundaries       | Municipal Demarcation Board                          | Municipal Demarcation Board (MDB)        |
| Boundaries           | Provincial Boundaries     | Municipal Demarcation Board                          | info@demarcation.org.za                  |
|                      | District Municipality     | Municipal Demarcation Board                          | Tel: +27 12 342 2481/2                   |
|                      | Local Municipality        | Municipal Demarcation Board                          | www.demarcation.org.za                   |
|                      | Metropolitan Municipality | Municipal Demarcation Board                          |  |
|                      | Magisterial districts     | Department of Justice                                |  |
|                      | Voting districts          | Independent Electoral Commission (IEC)               |  |
|                      | Wards                     | Municipal Demarcation Board                          |  |
|                      | Traditional Boundaries    | Provincial Department of Traditional Affairs         |  |
|                      | Tribal Authorities        | Department of Traditional Affairs                    |  |
| Imagery              | Aerial photography        | National Geo-spatial Information (NGI)               | National Geo-spatial Information (NGI),  |
|                      | (0.35m - 0.5m)            |  | Department of Rural Development and Land |
|                      | Satellite Imagery         | South African National Space Agency (SANSA)          | Reform (DRDLR)                           |
|                      |                           |  | www.ngi.gov.za                           |
|                      |                           |  | Tel: +27 21 658 4302                     |
| Roads                | National                  | National Geo-spatial Information (NGI)               | Department of Transport (DOT)            |
|                      |                           | South African National Roads Agency Limited (SANRAL) | Tel: +27 12 309 3657                     |
|                      |                           | National Roads Agency (NRA)                          | www.transport.gov.za                     |
|                      | Main, Secondary, other    | National Geo-spatial Information (NGI)               |  |
|                      |                           | Provincial Government                                |  |
|                      |                           | Local Authorities                                    |  |
|                      | Streets                   | Provincial Government                                |  |
|                      | -                         | Local Authorities                                    |  |
| Social<br>Statistics | Place name                | Statistics South Africa (Stats SA)                   | Statistics South Africa (Stats SA)       |
|                      |                           | National Geo-spatial Information (NGI)               | info@statssa.gov.za                      |
|                      |                           | Provincial Government                                | Tel: +27 12 310 8600                     |
|                      |                           | Local Authorities                                    | http://beta2.statssa.gov.za              |
|                      | Formandian Asses          | SA Geographic Names Council                          |  |
|                      | Enumeration Areas         | Stats SA   | 4  |
|                      | Small areas               | Stats SA   | 4  |
|                      | Dwelling frame            | Stats SA   |  |
|                      |                           | Eskom  Department of Water and Sepitation (DWS)      |  |
|                      |                           | Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS)             |  |

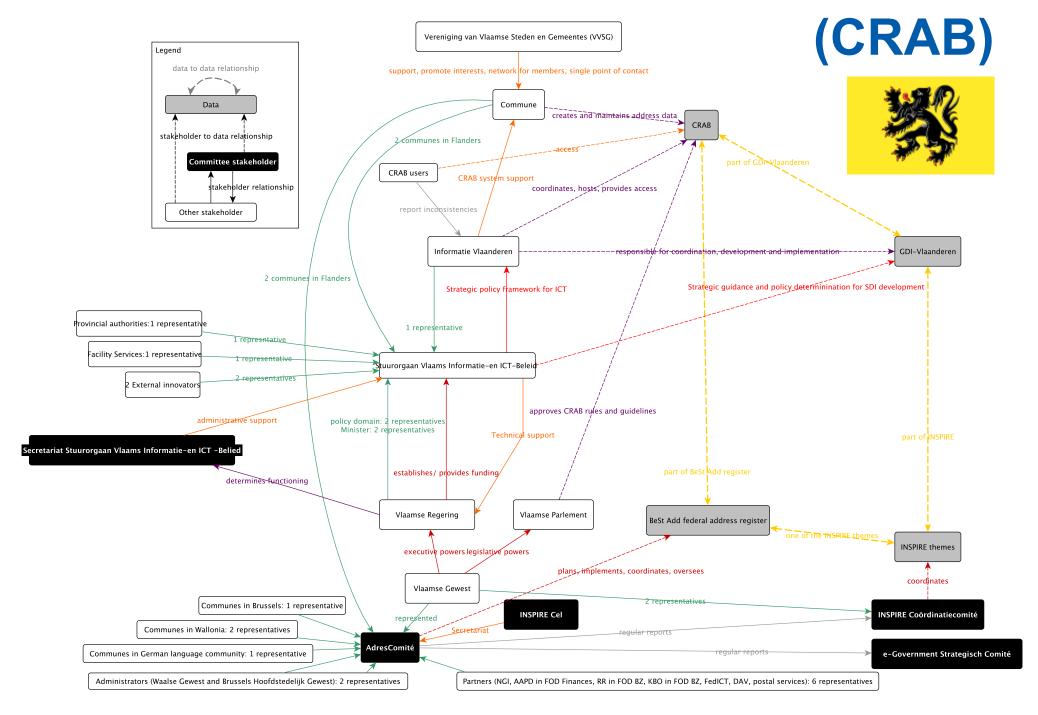




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| Land use     | Land use  | National Geo-spatial Information (NGI) National department                    | National Geo-spatial Information ((NGI)), Department of Rural Development and Land |
|              |   | Provincial Government   | Reform (DRDLR)   |
|              | 1   | Local Authorities   | Tel: +27 21 658 4302   |
| Land Cover   | Land Cover  | National Geo-spatial Information (NGI)  | www.ngi.gov.za   |
|              |   | National department Provincial Government                                     |  |
|              |   |   |  |
|              | Land parcel beinderice                              | Local Authorities   | Chief Currous Coneral (CCC)  |
| Cadastre     | Land parcel boundaries                              | Chief Surveyor General (CSG)  | Chief Surveyor General (CSG) Tel: +27 12 326 8050                                  |
|              |   | Provincial Surveyors General  |  |
|              |   | Department of Agriculture Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF) Local Authorities     | www.csg.dla.gov.za   |
|              | Doods register attributes                           | Deeds Office  | _  |
|              | Deeds register attributes Water courses streams and |   | Department of Water and Capitation (DWC)   |
| Hydrology    |   | Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS)                                      | Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) Tel: +27 12 336 8387                      |
|              | rivers  | National Geo-spatial Information (NGI) Local Authorities                      |  |
|              |   |   | www.dwa.gov.za/default.aspx  |
|              | Drainaga natworks                                   | Catchment Management Agencies (CMA)  Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) | -  |
|              | Drainage networks catchments                        | , ,   |  |
|              | Water bodies (e.g. dams,                            | Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS)                                      |  |
|              | lakes)  | National Geo-spatial Information (NGI)  |  |
|              |   | Local Authorities   |  |
|              |   | Catchment Management Agencies (CMA)   |  |
|              | Water resources: boreholes                          | Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS)                                      |  |
|              | groundwater   | Catchment Management Agencies (CMA)   |  |
| Geodesy      | Trigonometrical Beacons                             | National Geo-spatial Information (NGI)  | National Geo-spatial Information (NGI),  |
|              | Town Survey Mark Schemes                            | National Geo-spatial Information (NGI)  | Department of Rural Development and Land   |
|              |   | Local Authorities   | Reform (DRDLR)   |
|              | Benchmarks  | National Geo-spatial Information (NGI)  | Tel: +27 21 658 4302   |
|              |   | Local Authorities   | www.ngi.gov.za   |
|              | TrigNet GNSS Base station<br>network                | National Geo-spatial Information (NGI)  |  |
|              | Geoid Model   | National Geo-spatial Information (NGI)  | 1  |
| Conservation | Conservation Areas and                              | Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA)                                     | Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA)  |
| Areas        | Protected areas                                     | Provincial Government   | callcentre@environment.gov.za  |
|              |   | Local Authorities   | Tel: +27 86 111 2468   |
|              |   |   | Tel: +27 12 310 3911   |
|              |   |   | www.environment.gov.za   |



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## This workshop

Can collaborative cloud mapping contribute to / facilitate / realize collaborative custodianship?



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