

EUROGI SIGNS 3DOK CHARTER

On behalf of EUROGI President Mauro Salvemini signed the 3DOK Charter. He did this with one of the initiators of the 3DOK Charter, Hervé Halbout. The third dimension (3D) concerns both land management on a day-to-day basis as well as the understanding of development projects, consultation between local authorities, councilors and the local population and above all helps in decision-making. Amongst the Originators of the Charter are Swisstopo and IGN France, the Swiss Society of Engineers and Architects, the SOGI and Géo-Vision Avenir; Halbout Consultants. In the meantime over a 100 organisations have signed the charter.



EUROGI President Mauro Salvemini and Hervé Halbout after the signing of the 3DOK Charter Photo: René Sonney

This ethic charter promotes 3 important principles:

1. Principle of credibility
2. Principle of transparency
3. Principle of 3D network development and training

The subject relates to institutional players (public and part public authorities) and several industry bodies: architects, surveyors, engineers, town planners and landscapers.

It is advantageous, for all those dealing with 3D, that all data used in preparing a representation of the "site" satisfies a certain number of demands accepted by all parties.

For public authorities in particular, it is inconceivable for communication or consultancy material to be used that only corresponds partially to the reality of the site and its integration into the highway infrastructure, the urban fabric and the landscape.

The Institutional contracting authorities, as well as industry professionals, must be able to work with this technology on a long-term basis. In order to answer such fundamental questions, it is considered important to define the scope, objectives and criteria for 3D use and representation and for this to be the subject of an ethics charter, which is at the same time the benchmark and common denominator for those involved in the field of 3D.

For more information see <http://www.3dok.org/en>

EUROGI

The European Umbrella Organisation for Geographic Information (EUROGI) is a non-aligned, non-profit pan-European organisation which aims at promoting the widespread and effective usage of Geographical Information. Its direct membership involves representation from 17 countries, and includes private sector companies and other pan-European organisations involved in GI matters. Through its national members EUROGI has representation of over 6500 organisations across Europe. It was established in 1994 arising from an initiative of the European Commission which at the time saw the need for a combined European voice on Geographical Information matters. Its initial years were seed funded by the Commission but it has subsequently been financially independent. Further information about EUROGI can be found at www.eurogi.org.