Opening Address

Exchange Forum on Land Administration for Sustainable Economic Development

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geospatially managed data make the difference

Economy

Land Administration

Business
Growing Population

Source: UN population division
Two Speed World

Growth of real GDP / Source: IMF, Haver Analytics, Morgan Stanley Research forecast
The Global Balance

Economies' share of world GDP, %

Source: AT Kearney; Bloomberg; BP; dotMobi; Fortune; IMF; UBS; UN; World Bank; World Steel Association; WTO
The Importance of Land Information

 Guarantee ownership and security of tenure
  Reduce land disputes

 Provide security for credit
  Develop and monitor land markets

 Protect state lands
  Support land and property taxation

 Facilitate land reform
  Improve urban planning and infrastructure development

 Support environmental management
  Statistical data ... you simply can’t manage without measuring progress
The Driver for Computerisation

2.2 billion internet users in 2011

33% of world’s population

+1.9 billion additional users in last decade
The Role of Computerisation for Land Administration

- Automated processes
- Standardisation in collection and processing
- Avoidance of duplications
- Decreased cost
- Simplified access
- Better quality
- Analysis over time
- Growing the user community
- Faster information flow
Towards Actionable Information

- Land Administration
- Resource Management
- Infrastructure Management
- Public Safety Management

Constant flow of updated information to gain quality and efficiency.
Leaders must understand the importance of GIS

... not simply talking about geospatially enabled data

... but also building dynamic GIS applications

... available across all agencies

... open for all data to come ... imagery, 3D, ...
The geospatial community must focus on making GIS dynamic through a continuous flow of updated information that is linked to (near) real-time actions...

...enabling decision makers to make faster and better decisions for the world economy!
I wish you a very fruitful meeting and an enjoyable stay in Amsterdam!