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## The Production of Global **G**eospatial **R**eference **I**nformation (**GRI**) from the countries perspective. Case of Spain



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# Geospatial Reference Information (GRI): Key points

- It provides an unambiguous location for a user's data
- It enables merging (aggregating) of data **from various sources**
- It provides a geographic framework or context to allow others to better understand the spatial information that is being presented
- It is subject to a regular data maintenance regime (defined life cycle )
- It is provided by an **authoritative source** with a mandate (responsibility), for its maintenance and availability → NMCA

✓ FGDC, 2005; Rase et al., 2002



## Criteria regarding **GRI**:

- Official (Authoritative)
- Reliable
- Accuracy corresponding to level of requirements
- Sustainable
- Consistent at all level (National, European and Global)



# Definition of core data GRD (→ UN GGIM Europe) “draft”

*“authoritative data from UN Member States that satisfy minimal needs of cross border, European and Global level”*

- **This means:**

- sustainable **data mastered** by countries,
- data which users can **trust**,
- data upon which thematic data and users own **data can be based**,
- data with **temporal and historical dimension**.

- Meant to address **supranational requirements** with homogeneous specifications and content at pan-European level

- However **core data: skeleton** also used at **local and national level**

- **Core data** will address national requirements and they are **minimal** in the sense that they are common to European Countries



# Geospatial Reference Information (GRI)

## → Characteristics

### ➤ GRI Structure:

- **Bottom-up** approach
- **Integrated** production system: Bottom-up (from National to Global) with Top-down approach (from Global to National)
- **Collaborative** Maintenance of databases (open production including VGI)

### ➤ GRI Contents:

- Orthoimagery, DEM, Geographic Data Sets, Land Cover/Use  
...





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# core Geospatial Reference Information (GRI)

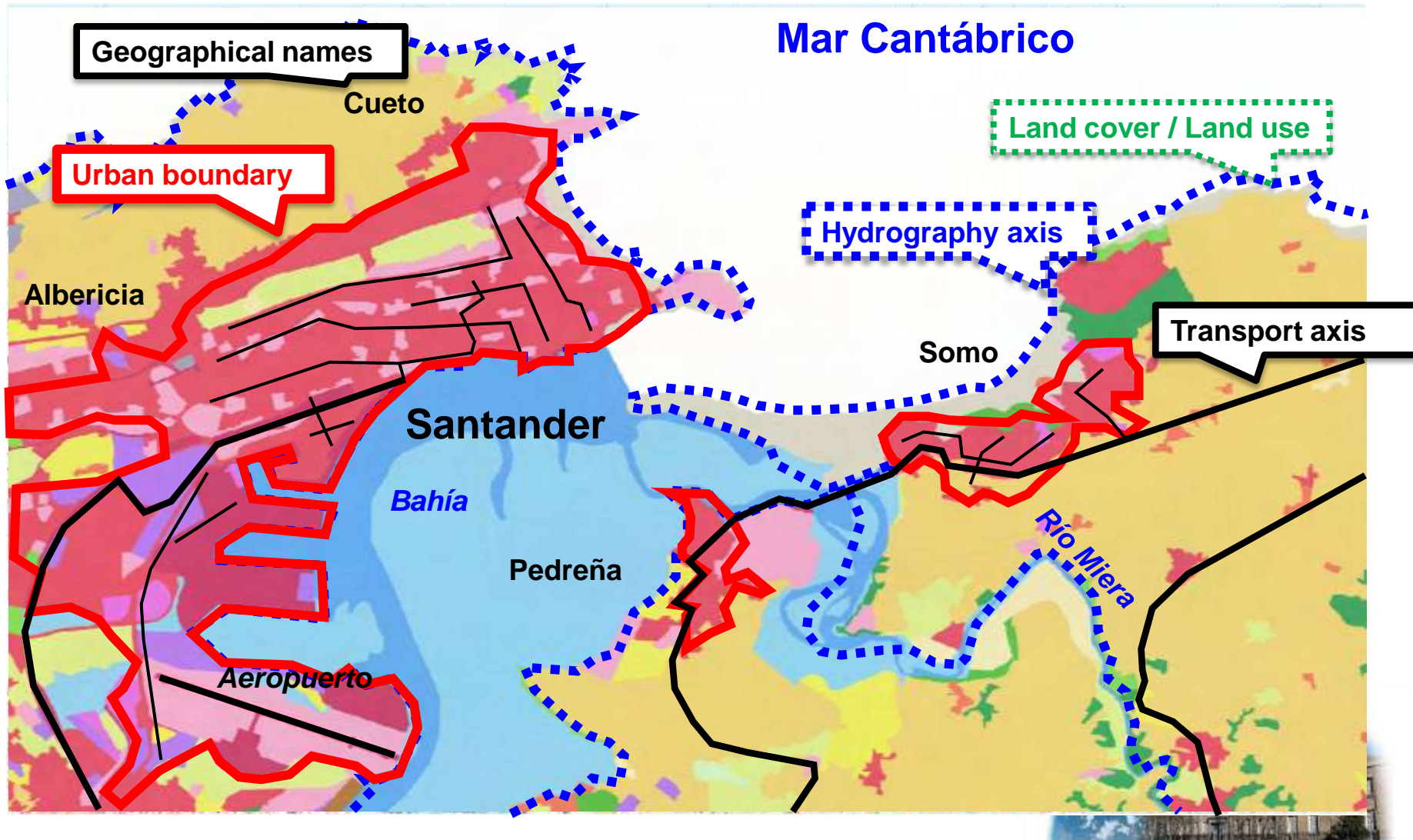
## cGRI Core Data Sets:

- The **minimum** geographic data base necessary for all different applications and activities (skeleton of territory).
- These **Core** Data Sets are essential for all Countries and specially for Developing Countries
- **Contents of coreGRI** defined by each Member States regarding *National / Continental / **Global** needs:*
- + **Automatically** obtained as possible
- **Fundamental Geographic Data Sets (cGRD = cGRI) ?**

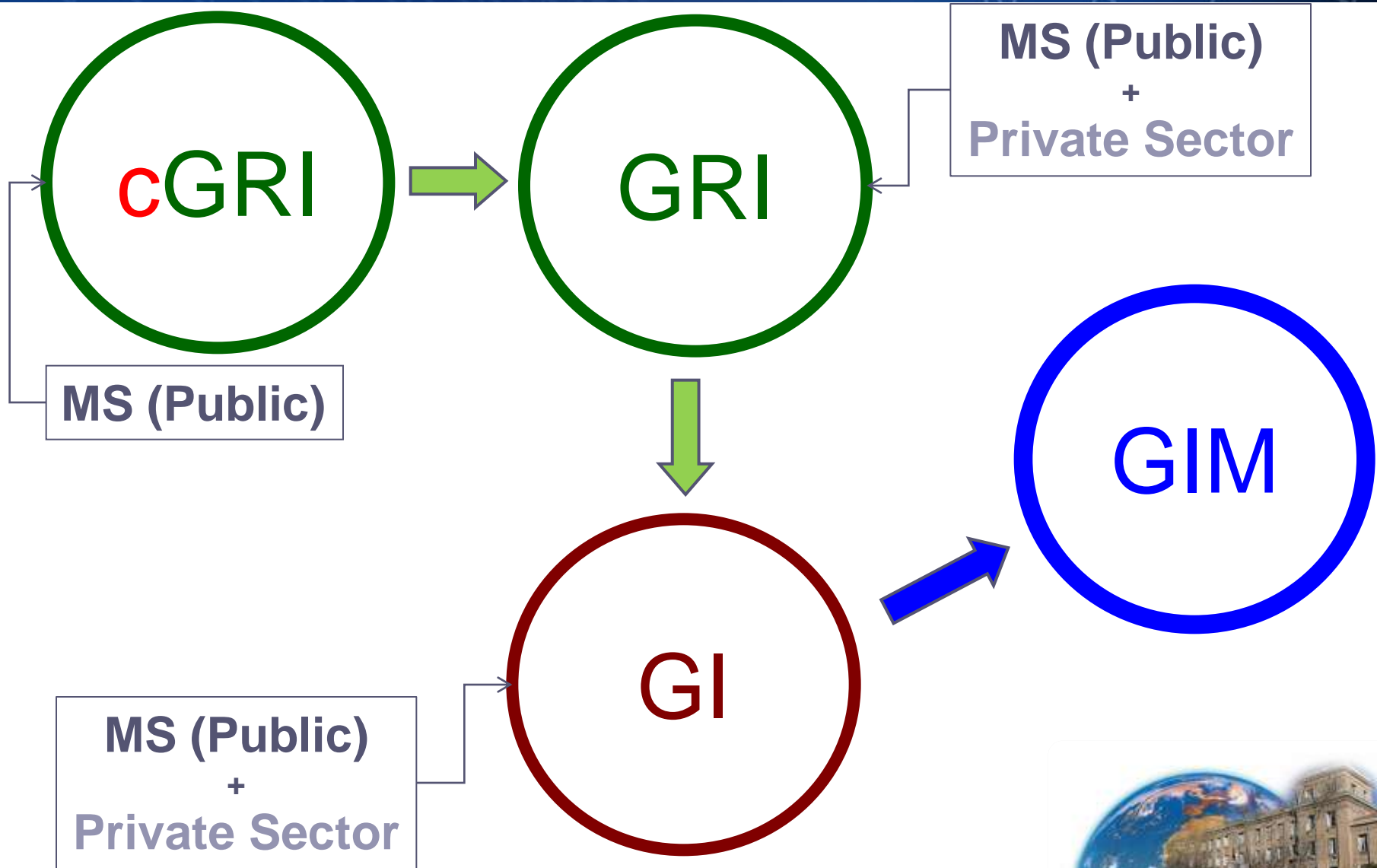


# Geospatial Reference Information : coreGRI

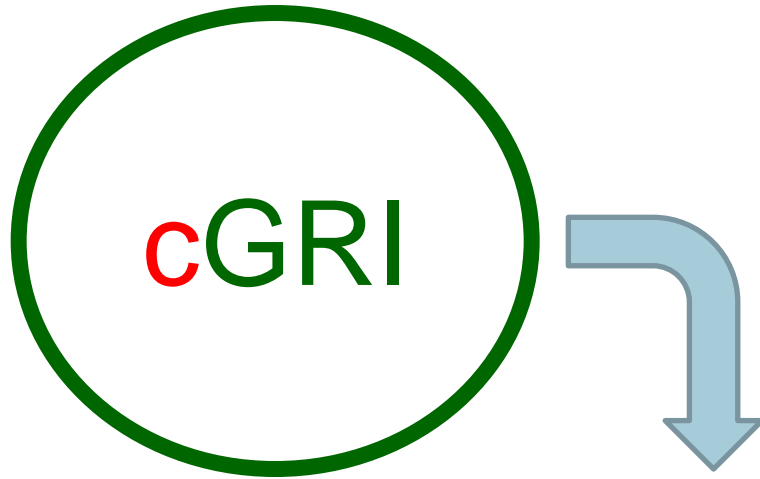
coreGRI , example: Basic geometry and attributes



# Geospatial Reference Information (GRI) and coreGRI



# Geospatial Reference Information (GRI) and coreGRI



- ✓ **Not subjective**
- ✓ **Accurate** (at **maximum level** allowed by current technology).
- ✓ Same **skeleton** at all levels of information (National, Continental, Global) → **consistent**
- ✓ **Automatically** obtainable (within the current technology)
- ✓ **Funded** by Member States ?



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# Geospatial Reference Information (GRI) and **coreGRI**

- **coreGRI** makes possible to define the **transition** from centralised access (top-down) to decentralised access (bottom-up)
- **coreGRI** could (should) be initiated by Member States
- If the content of **coreGRI** is defined, it is possible to schedule the **transition** of :
  - Temporal planning
  - Volume of offered data
  - Actors involved
  - Budget level

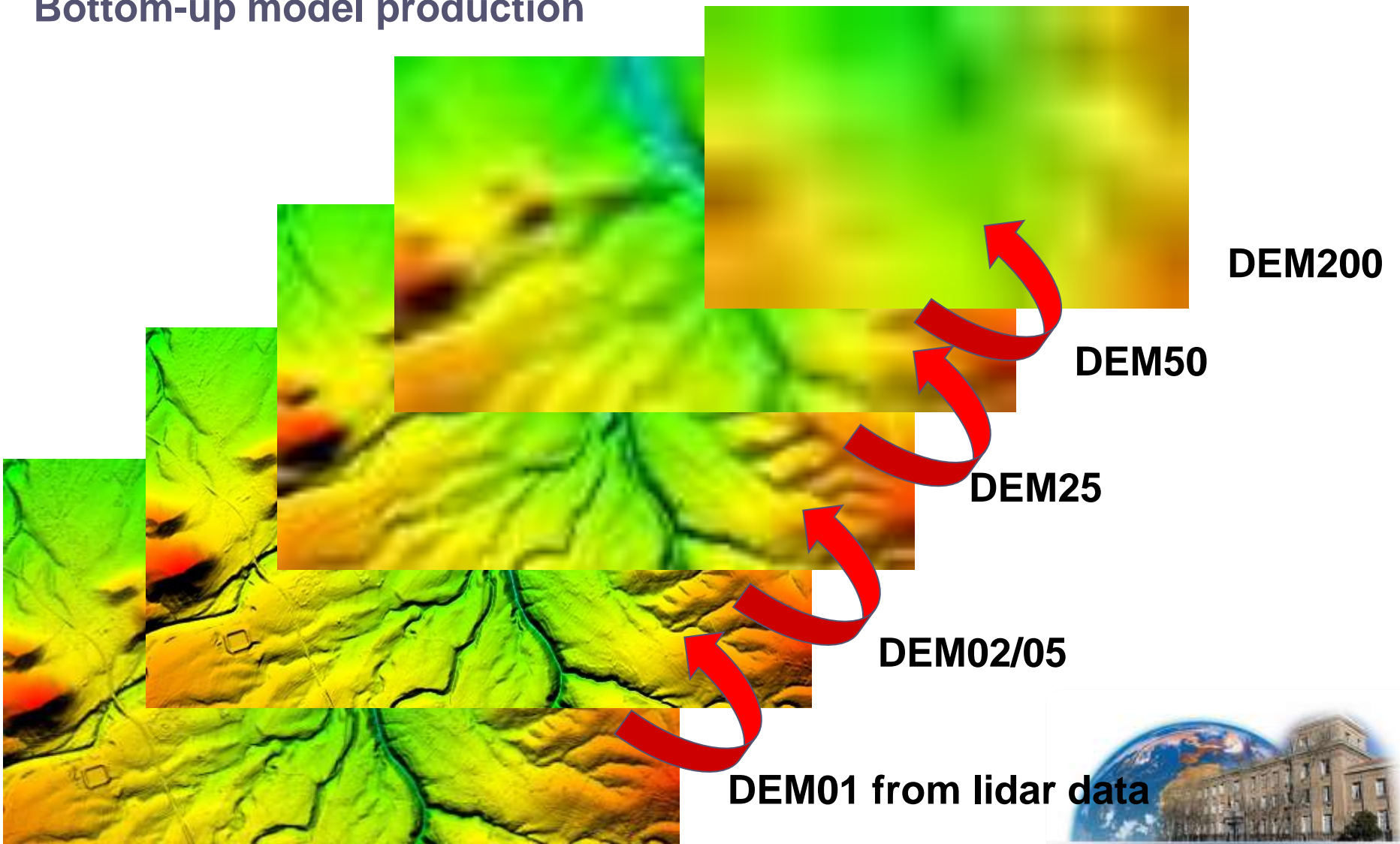
***UN GGIM could facilitate this transition***





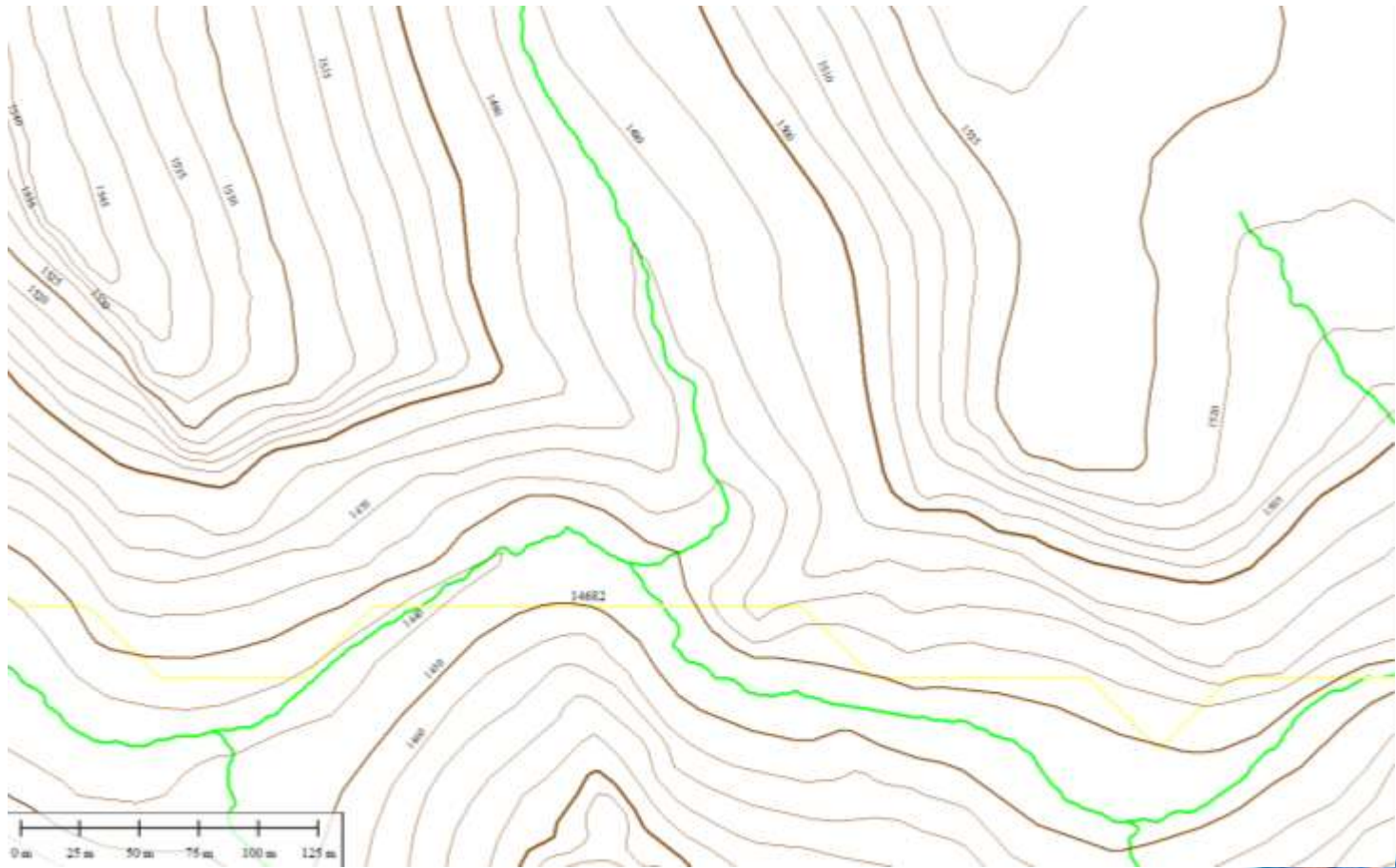
# DEM Model Production (example)

## Bottom-up model production





# e.g: LIDAR-DEM-HYDRO and Contour Lines → consistency

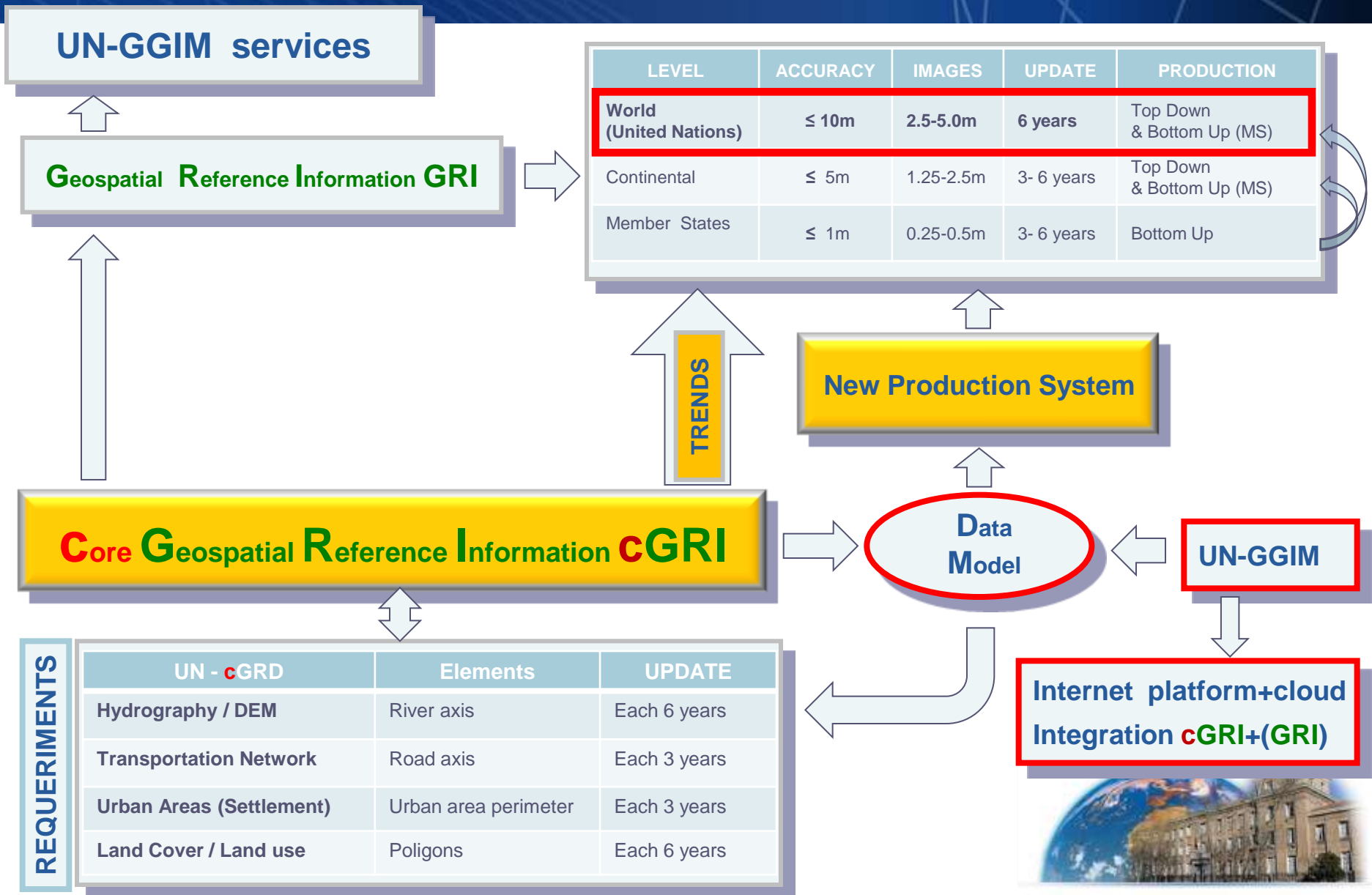


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## **GRI** Production System in Spain (stakeholders involved):

**National Mapping Agency** (*Instituto Geográfico Nacional*)

+

**National Administration** (*others Departments*)

+

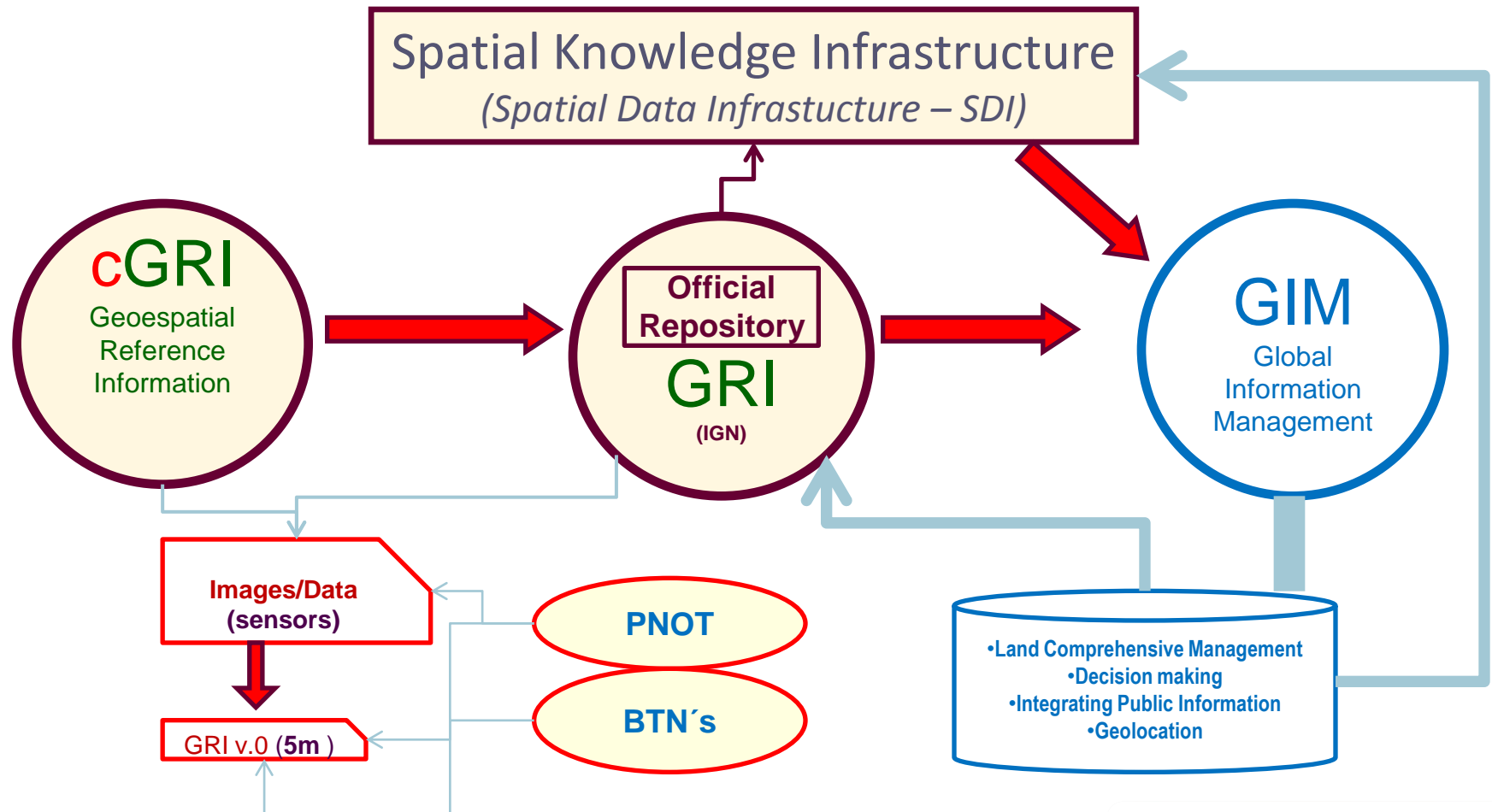
**Spanish Regional Governments** (*Comunidades Autónomas*)

+

**Private sector**



# Geospatial Reference Information (GRI)/coreGRI → Spain



**PNOT:** National Plan for Land Observation

**BTN's:** Existing Topographical Data Set's



# New Production System of Geospatial Reference Information (GRI)

- First step → National Plan for Land Observation (PNOT)
- Second step → **cGRI** (...automatically extracted)
- *Third step* → **GRI**





# 1<sup>st</sup>. National Plan for Land Observation (PNOT):

## 1.1.- National Aerial Orthophoto Program (PNOA)

Encourages intergovernmental cooperation for the production Digital Images and Information at high resolutions  
(shared budget, property and uses)



# 1.1.- National Aerial Orthophoto Program (PNOA):

## → PNOA IMAGE

scales (**e**) → resolution (**s**)

me= maximum error at 95% (**cl**)

$s_v$ = pixel size visualization  
 $s_c$ =pixel size for restitution

e	me(m)	$s_v$ (m)	$s_c$ (m)
1:25.000	<b>5</b>	2,50	1,25
1:10.000	<b>2</b>	1	<b>0,50</b>
1:5.000	<b>1</b>	0,50	0,25
1:1.000	<b>0,20</b>	0,10	<b>0,05/0,10</b>



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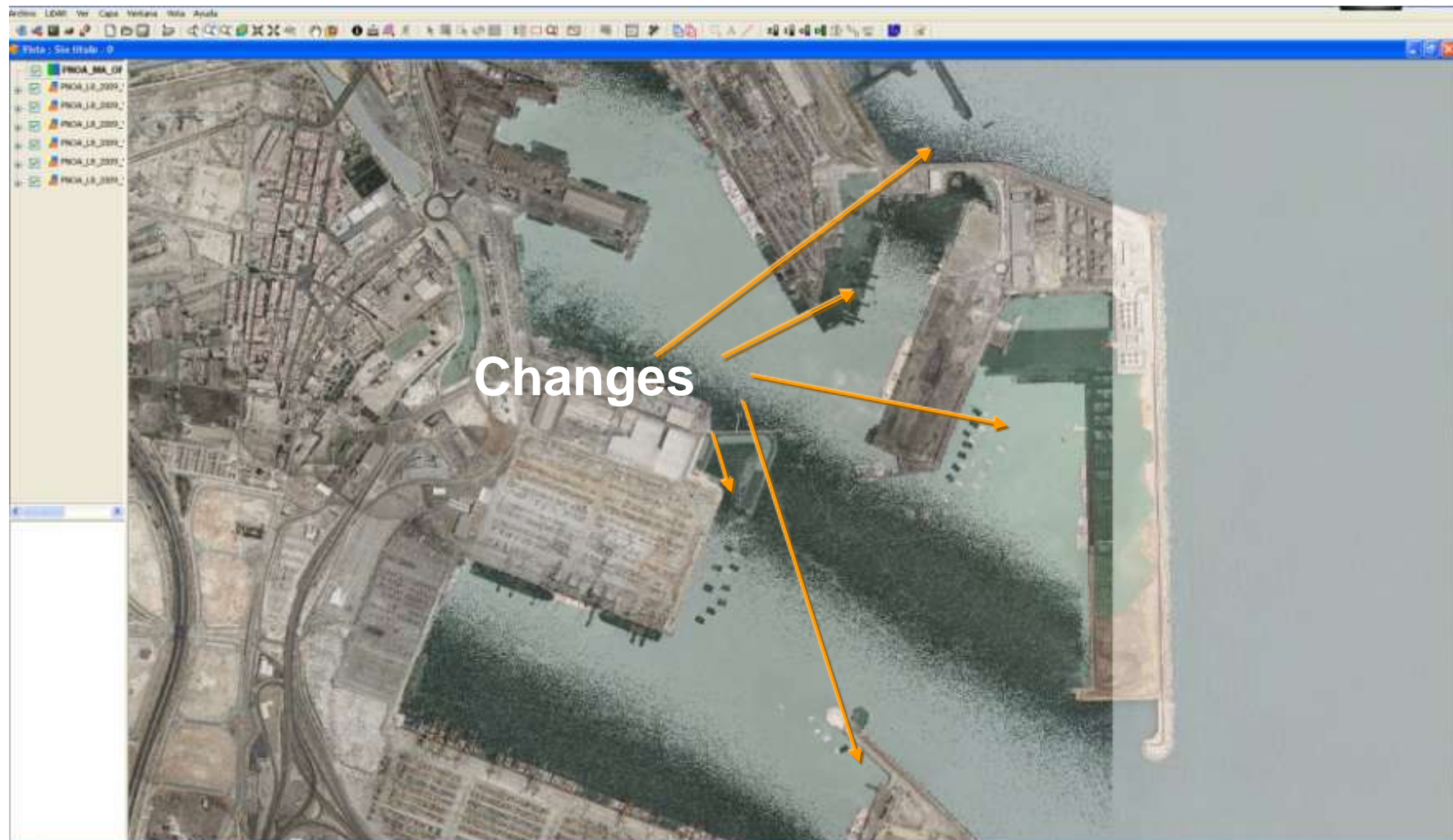
## → PNOA LIDAR

### Technical specifications and products:

- Average density of 0.5points/m<sup>2</sup>
- Side coating  $\geq 15\%$
- me  $\leq 30\text{cm}$  (95% CL)
- Covering all Spain



# PNOA LIDAR → e.g: Automatic change detections



# 1<sup>st</sup>. National Plan for Land Observation (PNOT):

## 1.2.- National Remote Sensing Program (PNT)

Provides regular satellite imagery at low, medium and high resolution  
(*pixel size: >100, 10-100, 1-10m, <1m*)  
for all Public sector  
(buy once and use free of charge for all Public bodies)





# 1.2.- National Remote Sensing Program (PNT)



## 2.1.- Land Cover and Land Use Information System (SIOSE)

Produce in collaborative system (*Regional and Central Administration*) a periodical **Land Cover and Land Use** Information System at 1:25.000 scale (GIS) every three years

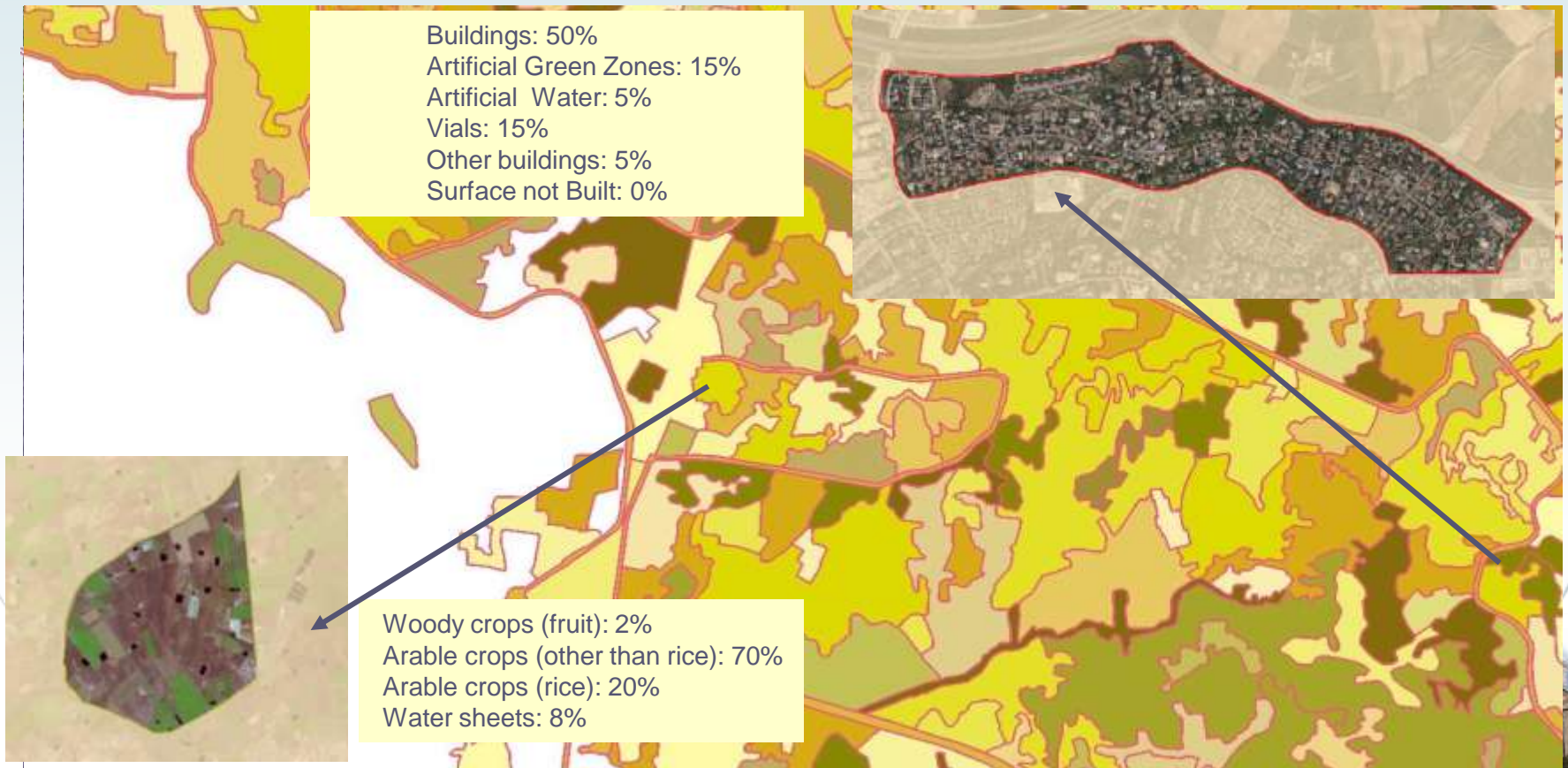




# 2.1.- Land Cover and Land Use Information System (SIOSE)

## Production Methodology

Polygons from 2 at 0.5Ha



PNOA mosaic, píxel size 25cm

SPOT mosaic, píxel size 2.5m

# Old Production System IGN/Spain



... until now the production of Geographic Information was dedicated for **final** geographic products

## Problems:

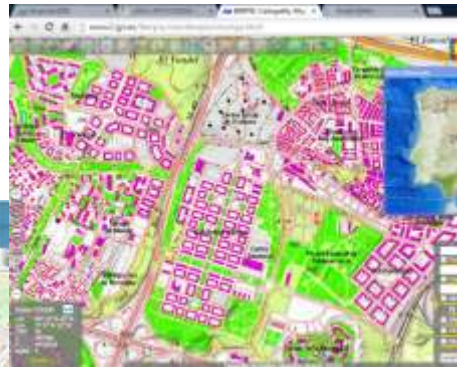
- Same issues common to several products (**duplicate information**)
- Updating: temporal and geographical **desynchronization**
- **Complex extraction** of GRI: duplication, differences of scale, etc.





# New strategy of Production System IGN/Spain

- \* **First**, from the **existing** Geographical Products:  
maps, topographical data sets, specialized data sets, ... → **GRI (v.0; 5m)**

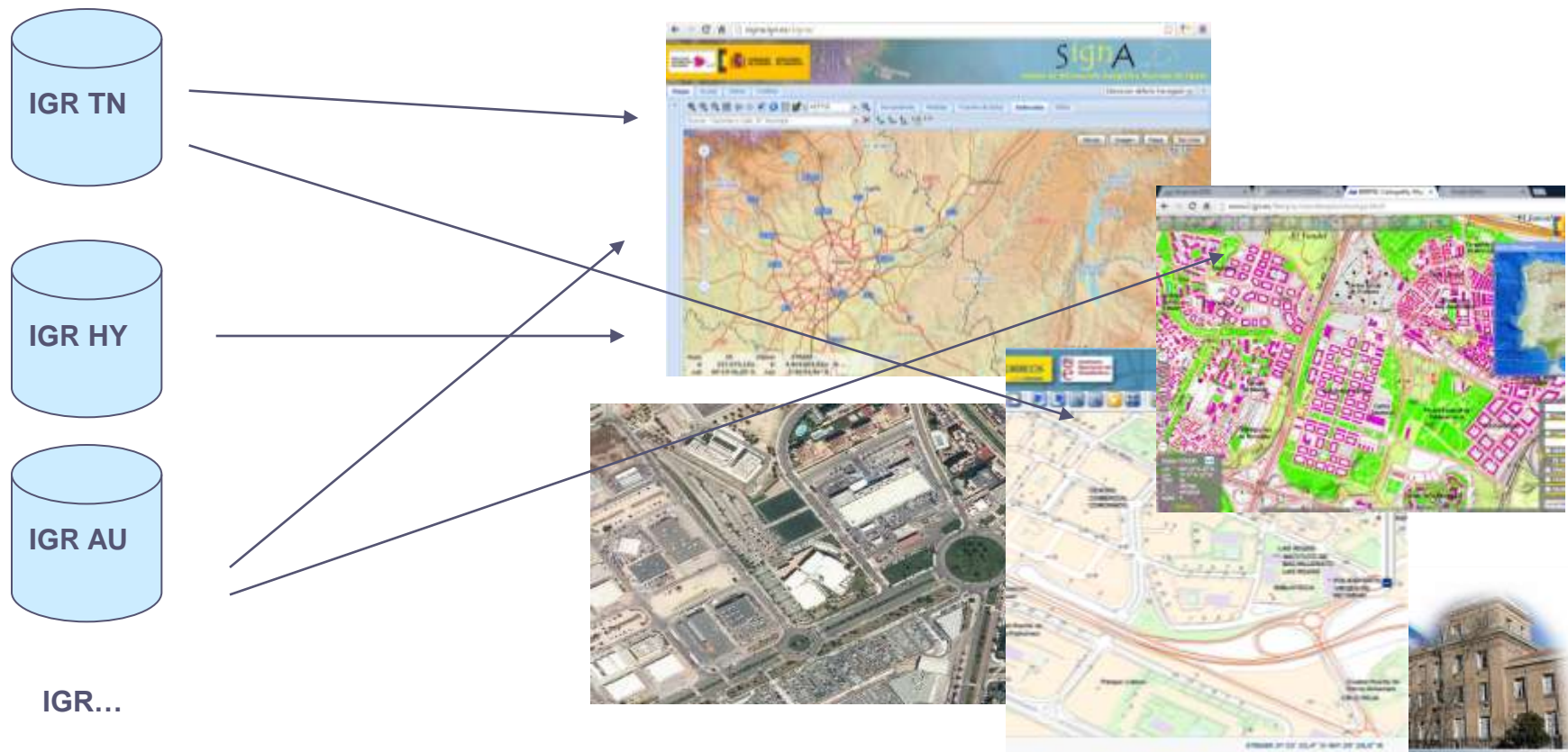


TN	HY	AU	GN	...
X	X	X	X	
		X	X	
X			X	



# New strategy of Production System IGN/Spain

- \* First, from the existing Geographical Products:  
maps, topographical data sets, specialized data sets, ... → **GRI (v.0 - 5m)**
- \* **Secondly**, update **GRI (v.0)** by automatic extraction → **GRI (v.1 - 1/2m)**
- \* **Third**, from **GRI (v.1)** → Geographical Products









## 2.3.-Transportation network: automatic extraction process

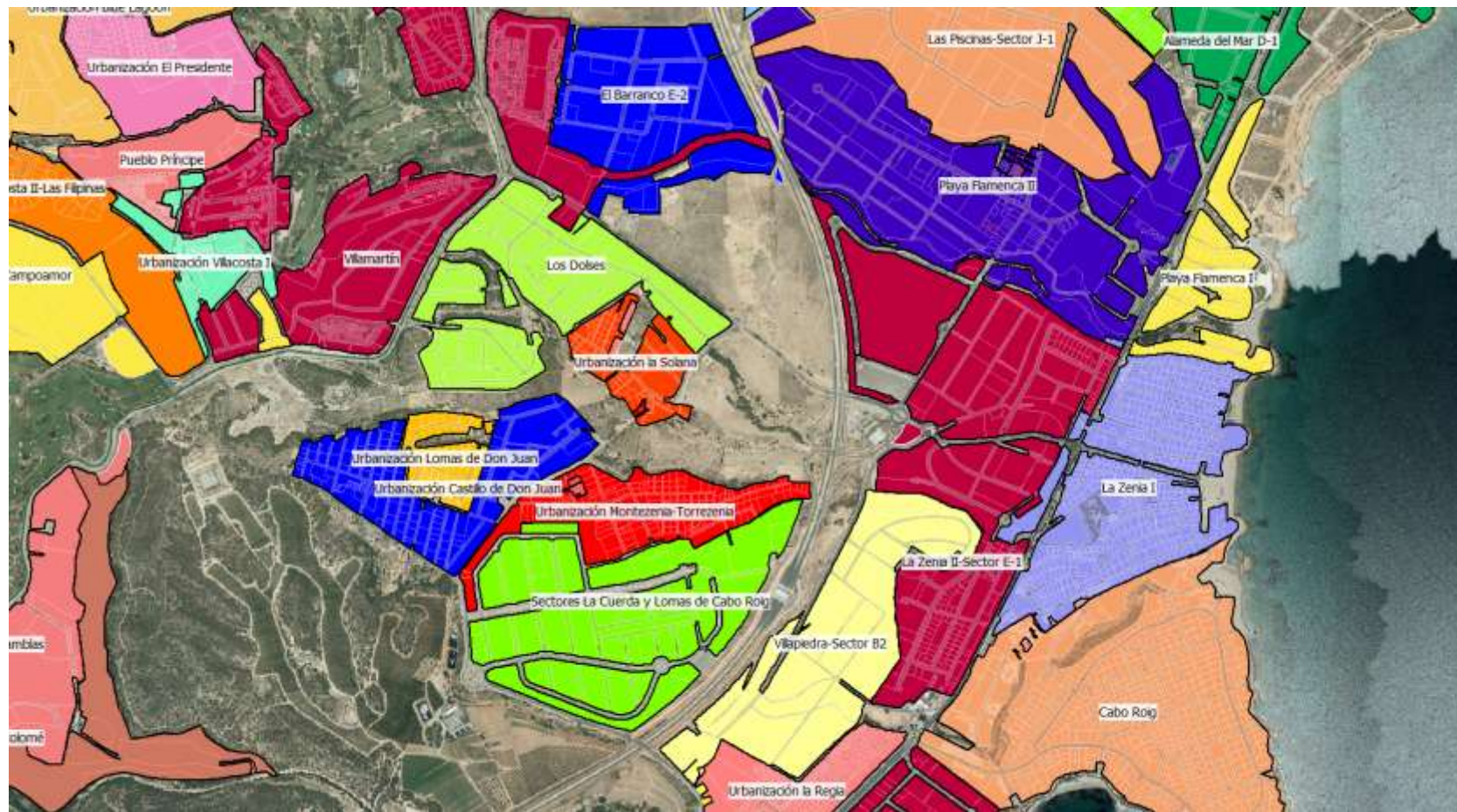


**Vectoring axis**





## 2.4.- Urban/rural areas: automatic extraction process





# Budget 2015

IGN	→ 49%
Central Administration (other Departments)	→ 29%
Regional Administration	→ 22%



# GRI Production System in Spain

## → Benefits

- Used the **same GRI for everyone** (same and unique “skeleton” for land)
- **Avoid duplicities**
- **More efficient Geospatial Information Management (GIM)**
- **Reliable, guaranteed information from Member States (MS)**
- **Great economic savings (+60%)**
- **Intellectual Property of GRI corresponds to MS:**
  - optimal Data Policy for the user (i.e: free of charge)



# National Plan for Land Observation (PNOT) Spanish Project



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# Global production system from Member States: Benefits

## ■ at Global level

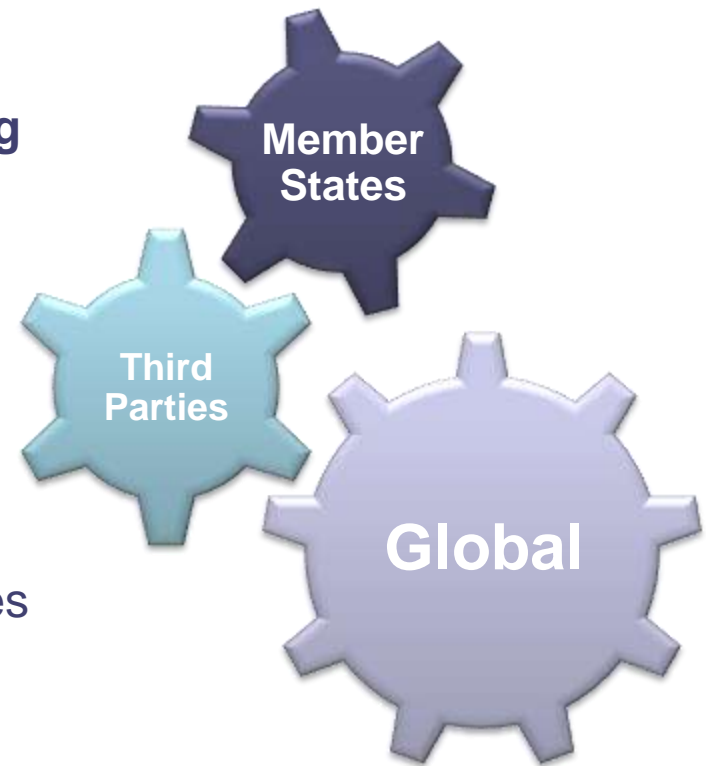
- **Official national data** used for Continental and Global responses
- **Data comparable** between levels, **avoiding misunderstanding**
- **Cost reduced**, avoiding new production of data

## ■ for Member States

- **Official national data** used for Global responses
- **New users and new business perspectives**
- **Sustainability of the production**

## ■ for third parties

- Business in the **data integration** and **homogenization (harmonization)**



# Conclusions:

- The National Mapping Agencies (**B-U**) together with other Continental/Global organizations (**T-D**), could provide a **common system** for Land Observation and **GRI** (and services) useful for Public Administrations and general users.
- **Member States** must produce the **GRI** or at least the **coreGRI** ,in continuous updating and sustainable manner.
- The **definition** of the **GRI** or **cGRI** (*Fundamental Geographical Data Sets*) and **production processes** could be a **priority** for all actors involved.
- The **timetable** and **total/annual costs** must be known and previously **assumed** by all agents involved.



# Thank you

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