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Abstract

The Future Role of Governments for the Future Geospatial Information Societies

World governments and societies will be increasingly tested by complex urban challenges. These challenges also represent untapped potential for substantial growth - if we could leverage on the emerging technologies and new sources of geospatial information. To realize this potential, governments will clearly need to make critical policy and investment decisions. But first, these decisions need to be better understood. What is the role of the government in the management and provision of geospatial information? Some thoughts and ideas will be shared and discussed on the future roles of the governments in shaping the next era of geospatial information societies.