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**International coordination and cooperation  
Meeting global needs \***

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# International coordination and cooperation

## *Meeting global needs*

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# Background on New Zealand

- 4.2 million people
- 270,000 sq kms land area
- 68% European, 15% Maori, 9% Asian, 7% Pacific Islanders, 1% other
- Parliamentary elections every 3 years
- 2 official languages – English and Maori



# Background on New Zealand

- First Maori (indigenous people) in NZ – 700 years ago
- First European explorers - 1642 & 1769
- New Zealand economy – agricultural exports, tourism
- 1/3 of NZ is protected conservation areas





New Zealand does  
not have many  
close neighbours

Australia is our  
nearest partner for  
business and trade



# Lots of collaboration

- Because of our size and location, we collaborate with countries across the Pacific region on projects
- Working with Australia gives us access to a larger infrastructure
- For many Pacific island countries, working with NZ gives them access to our larger infrastructure



# Partnership with Australia



ANZLIC - the Australia  
New Zealand Spatial  
Information Council  
and the CRC SI -  
Cooperative Research  
Centre for Spatial  
Information  
are two of our key  
partnerships with Australia



**ANZLIC**  
the Spatial Information Council



# Spatial market place

- Single, consistent platform
- Internet-based hub of location-based data products, services and processes
- Drive efficiencies, productivity and innovation
- Easier to publish, discover and use information



**Spatial marketplace**  
Demonstrator project





# Natural events - *challenges of our location*

- NZ on Pacific rim – prone to natural events
- Need to coordinate across Pacific for management of natural events
- Many low lying islands across Pacific - climate change also a concern





Collecting  
building  
attributes



# Advantages of collaboration

- **Collaboration =**  
giving support, and getting support



Japanese rescue team in Christchurch after the February Earthquake

NZ rescue team in Japan after their March Earthquake



# International cooperation

- NZ plays an active part in international geospatial associations
- Actively participating helps NZ contribute to meeting global challenges
- eg IHO, IAG, ICA, FIG, ISCGM



# Summary

- NZ is isolated, but not alone
- International cooperation needed to meet global challenges
- Making information available nationally contributes internationally as well
- NZ is playing its part - sharing experience, making geospatial information available



# Upcoming events for NZ:



## Surveying and Spatial Sciences Conference

21 – 25 November 2011, Wellington

<http://sssc2011.org>

## 4<sup>th</sup> Digital Earth Summit 2012

2 – 4 September 2012, Wellington

[www.digitalearth12.org.nz](http://www.digitalearth12.org.nz) (yet to go live)



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**Thank you**

