



# Representation

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# PLAN

- I. The **range of policy issues** we encounter in Policy KEN
- II. The **ways of influencing** policy and legislation



# I. The **range of policy issues** we encounter in Policy KEN

- All the European policies that impact members
- European institutions give **more and more importance to geospatial information**
  - Copernicus Program → zoom in next slide
  - Geospatial information for transports
    - In medium term: Autonomous vehicles - Services offered by Galileo
  - Digital Single Market → Neil: PSI Directive; Copyright Directive
  - Cadastral issues → Amalia: GDPR
  - INSPIRE



# Zoom on the Copernicus Programme

- Copernicus
  - European Union's Earth Observation Programme, looking at our planet and its environment
  - Aim: meeting **needs for geospatial information from EU public policies** (climate, environment e.g. water, risk management, agriculture, etc.)
- Budget > 600 M€ per year
- Offers information services based on satellite Earth Observation and in situ (non-space) data
- Produces **more and more detailed geospatial data**
  - Since 2015: Ortho-imagery VHR 50 cm resolution – pan-European coverage
  - Project 2018: Pan-European DEM – 10 metres resolution
  - Project 2018: Large scale land cover and land use data (CLC2G)

## II. The **ways of influencing** policy and legislation

# What should EG & members do to position themselves in European policies?

- Vision with 3 levels to be a credible actor
  - European level
    - EG spokesman, ambassador → Unique voice to dialogue with EU Institutions
    - EG is well placed in Parliament and Commission
  - National level
    - Positions need MS support in Council
- European Institutions ask for **Convergence and Coordination of NMCA**s
  - Interoperability, harmonisation, coherence
  - E.g. emergency management, autonomous vehicles



## Zoom on the Copernicus Experience

- Position at National level
  - Many Member States work with “Mirror Groups” of Copernicus governance groups
    - Gather all national competent public entities
    - Relevant places for NMCA to support their respective governments in the matter of geospatial information for public policies
  - NMCA are encouraged to contact their national representatives in Copernicus to bring such support
- Position at European level
  - EuroGeographics has direct contacts with
    - Commission DG Grow in charge of Copernicus
    - Delegated agencies like EEA and ESA

# Thank you for your attention

**Next:**

- Neil Sutherland to pickup Digital Single Market topics
- Questions from the audience