OPEN SOURCE AND OPEN DATA FOR GI POLICIES, ENABLING TOOLS AND APPLICATIONS

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EUROGI interview with Mr Roberto Viola, Deputy Director General, Directorate General for Communications Networks, Content and Technology, European Commission
... We trust that the opportunities to innovate with geospatial information will largely increase thanks to the recent revision of the Directive on the re-use of Public Sector Information (PSI Directive) – the legal cornerstone of Open Data initiatives in Europe.
... The new rules, to be implemented on the national level by July 2015 will put in place a genuine right to re-use public information so that all public data should soon become re-usable by default and at no or a much lower cost.
The Directive will therefore impact national cadastres (land registers), and many of them may need to revisit their charging policy. This in turn, should considerably increase the supply of Geographic Information to the market.