

To:
Rijkswaterstaat
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Date: 27 March 2013
Subject: Support to Maps4Society

Dear Mr. Versluis,

With great interest we learned about your initiative to develop a consortium Maps4Society. As the business association for Geo-IT companies in the Netherlands, with more than 100 associate members, we would like to support your initiative and consequently your consortium.

Maps4Society is an important initiative for GeoBusiness Nederland because it is a crucial enabler for companies to improve and extend their research and development activities. Maps4Society will enable the Netherlands geo-community to reach and keep a top-level position in a broad range of science domains in an international playing field. It will allow us to achieve a leading role in research and innovation into open, shared, and linked location data and how it can be used for the development of new and innovative applications.

Maps4Society will ultimately be very beneficial for the entire Netherlands science community and geo-information sector, including Universities, Research and Government organizations and private companies.

GeoBusiness Nederland is prepared to facilitate the consortium through setting-up and maintaining the link and dialog with its member companies in order to enable utilization and support for Maps4Society.

On behalf of GeoBusiness Nederland, with best regards,



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