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Support to Maps4Society

Dear Mr Versluis,

It is with great interest that we learned about your initiative to develop a consortium Maps4Society. From our role as user of data in engineering services and -projects, it is important that data is available and new practical applications are developed.

Witteveen+Bos is a company based in the Netherlands that provides consultancy and engineering services in the fields of infrastructure, water, the environment, spatial development and construction. Our multidisciplinary approach to projects is the distinctive feature of the way we work. Witteveen+Bos provides services in the fields related to the topics of your initiative and is actively involved in projects where large amounts of (geo)data are collected and transformed to intelligent information using statistical and mathematical techniques.

Our expertise, our mission and importance of promoting applied research are strong reasons that Witteveen+Bos wants to support Maps4Society. Maps4Society is an important initiative that will be a crucial enabler for the Dutch industry to improve and extend their business. It will allow us to play a leading role in the research and innovation into open, shared, and linked location data and how it can be used in many fields of application. We are especially interested in the mentioned applications for 'object life cycle management (building and construction)' and 'water management', because this is strongly connected to the engineering services we provide.

We support your consortium and your programme because we see the importance of continued research on data acquisition, sharing and use. For the programme we intend an in-kind contribution. We offer our practical experience and will participate by being actively involved in the programme. In return Witteveen+Bos would like to be given the opportunity to have detailed and frequent updated insights into the results, as well as to be given the

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opportunity to actively participate in (some parts) of the project and possibly co-author publications.

Further specification of our support to Maps4Society will take place during future elaboration of this proposal, if selected.

Yours sincerely,

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