Why Interoperability of Data Is So Challenging?

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SUMMARY

The dreams of interoperability of data has been expressed since the beginning of digitalization. Still this an issue in many occasions. Why the progress is so slow?

There has been developments within each domain as well as worldwide, European level and in national levels. The geographic information domain has been ahead in this work. Nowadays the influence and the pressure to search the profits of interoperability within the national public sector level has increased on lot. This brings new challenges for the geographic information domain.

This paper describes situations which has been recognized in practice while trying to promote the interoperability of public sector data in the national level in Finland. The viewpoint is the new Finnish reference architecture of geographic information.