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General introduction of the organisation

The Ministry of Environment and Water is the Hungarian government body working on all national environment and water related issues. These are law making, international co-operation, regulation, control etc.

Importance of the SDI from the organisation' viewpoint

Most of our data is spatially related and we introduce more and more GIS based services such as the National Environmental Information System, thus the Ministry relies very much on SDI.

Role of the organisation in the NSDI

The MoEW collects, processes and disseminates various environment, water and nature conservation related data. This means that in the NSDI we are on one side data providers and on the other side we are users of various base maps.

Mandated responsibilities related to the EU INSPIRE Annex I-III data**Annex I:**

- Hydrography
- Protected sites

Annex III:

- Environmental monitoring facilities
- Area management/restriction/regulation zones and reporting units
- Natural risk zones
- Bio-geographical regions
- Habitats and biotopes
- Species distribution

Participation in the Hungarian SDI development with flashback

The MoEW is participating in the NSDI committee and developing services for SDI.

Ongoing major activities in the development /use of SDI

The National Environmental Information System is in the testing phase, Nature Conservation Information System is under development. Both databases are connected to GIS technologies.

Major international relations:

The MoEW is the National Focal Point of the EEA (European Environmental Agency) and is participating member of the UNEP GRID Network.

Collaboration on international (including cross-border) projects in the SDI context:

Corine Land Cover (CLC2006) together with FÖMI

Real/Expected use of SDI as enabling tool in the Climate Change, National Sustainable Development and Information Society context by the organisation:

- National Environmental Information System interconnectively works with geographical coordinates, data and administrative documents.
- Development of Nature Conservation Information System