



# The OECD Laboratory for Geospatial Analysis

## Who we are

The **OECD Laboratory for Geospatial Analysis** (The Geospatial Lab) is a community where researchers and policymakers come together to share knowledge and collaborate to better use geo-spatial data for policymaking. It cuts across institutions and scientific programs to create long-lasting policy and research networks that integrate geospatial information, statistical data and spatial modelling.

The Geospatial Lab is hosted by the **OECD Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities** (CFE). CFE supports through comparative statistics, policy analyses and capacity building, national and local governments to unleash the potential of entrepreneurs and small and medium-sized enterprises, promote inclusive and sustainable regions and cities, boost local job creation and implement sound tourism policies.

## Partnership network

The OECD Geospatial Lab offers an interdisciplinary and diverse network, including economists, geographers, mappers, data scientists, and planners from academia, think-tanks, statistical offices, the policy arena, and the private sector. These partners, together with the OECD's Regional Development Policy Committee and Working Party on Territorial Indicators, form the core compendium of the Lab.

## What we offer

The Geospatial lab aims to enhance harmonisation, test new approaches, as well as develop and disseminate policy relevant analyses using geospatial information, broadly defined. The lab's functions leverage the OECD's unique role in shaping policies together with governments and policy-makers, and CFE's long-running expertise in place-based analysis, spatial statistics, and urban and regional economics.

The lab offers

- a platform where partners can exchange research and expertise concerning geospatial analysis, providing crucial exposure and visibility within the broader community;
- a bridge connecting researchers with policy-makers, granting researchers influence in the policy arena while advancing data-driven policymaking;
- a common ground for cooperation amongst researchers and policymakers that allows for collaboration to conduct joint projects, share data, and obtain funding for future research, among other benefits.

## Selection of Lab-related Projects

[Cities in the World. A New Perspective on Urbanisation](#)

[Service Delivery in Rural Areas](#)

[OECD Regions and Cities at a Glance](#)

... and more to come

## CONTACT

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