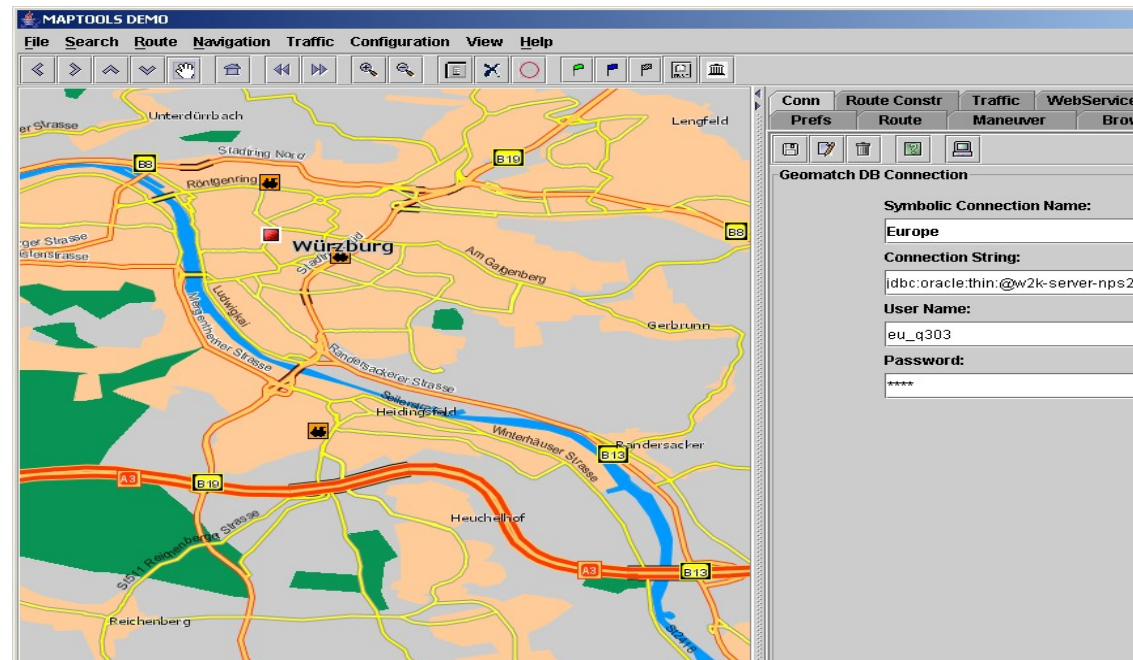




The Way Ahead -

Towards a “EuroRoadS Forum” based on a new European standard



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Exploitation plan

Aim -

- Promote the future **take-up** and **exploitation** of EuroRoadS results

Objectives and tasks -

- Promote EuroRoadS take-up
 - In data supplier community - CEDR, EG
 - In customer community - ERTICO
 - By European Commission - INSPIRE
- Ensure continuity of basic support services for suppliers + users
 - Provide user support, help desk, bug reports...
 - Documentation: best practice examples, supplier & user guides
- Establish quality certification & compliance testing procedures
- Specification maintenance
 - Bug fixes, enhancements, extensions
- Promote standardisation of EuroRoadS results
- Dissemination & liaison:
 - Web site, newsletters, conferences, project links, R&D requirements...



Options for exploitation

- “EuroRoadS Forum”
 - start with core of existing consortium partners
 - extend network with new suppliers + customers
 - framework for support & promotion activities
- Central services for Forum members
 - support for extending data offer
 - operate metadata server
 - maintain web portal
 - marketing & commercial services
- Specification maintenance & development
 - fix bugs, minor improvements
 - new features & extensions
 - maintenance of specification documents
 - promote development of software tools



Options for exploitation

- Standardisation
 - assemble project team
 - prepare draft standard documents
 - promote application of standards
- Quality management
 - promote quality improvement programmes
 - operate certification scheme: specify criteria, test compliance
- Liaison activities
 - INSPIRE - focus for road data
 - links with other projects, national initiatives
- Deployment support
 - “Easy-to-use” toolkit: “idiot’s guide”, handbook, checklist, examples of best practice
 - helpdesk: single contact point, expert advisers



Options for an “MoU”

- **Start with commitment of core group**
 - key decision makers
 - agree aims, terms of MoU
- **Supplier group**
 - confirm minimum data supply, “early adopters”
 - define central support services
 - support for standardisation
 - commitment to extend supplier network
 - simplify commercial aspects
- **Customer group**
 - engagement of “reference groups”
 - priority access to data and support services
 - undertake to help improve & promote specifications



Options for a “EuroRoadS Forum”

- Open membership
 - suppliers, users, governments, etc.
 - decision-making: Management Group
- Suppliers group
 - promote extension of coverage, data types, services
- Users group
 - focus for service requests, feedback
- Key tasks
 - promote MoU
 - quality scheme
 - draft standardisation inputs
 - regular meetings, dissemination, liaison with CEDR, EuroGeographics, ERTICO etc.



Thank you !

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