

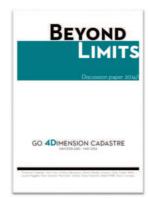
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## Dimension Cadastre – Beyond Limits

- · Think Tank active since 2012:
- aim is to identify the current trends in the geoinformation field and to develop a strategy for the cadastre;
- Swiss cadastral system is well advanced: digital, well conceptualized, close to full coverage, legally comprehensive;
- issues in Switzerland are mainly organizational (federalist environment) and structural;
- a first result of the Think Tank is a
   Discussion Paper published in May 2014
   → identify trends and developments
  - → open eyes and minds of professionals



available in 4 languages (<a href="https://www.cadastre.ch/vision/">www.cadastre.ch/vision/</a>)

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### **U** Changing World

- from drawing board and pencil to computer technology
- from terrestrial measurements to photogrammetry and GNSS
- · from analogue to digital
- · from paper maps to databases to knowledge bases
- · technology push vs. citizen pull
- trend from written word to imagery
- · social media



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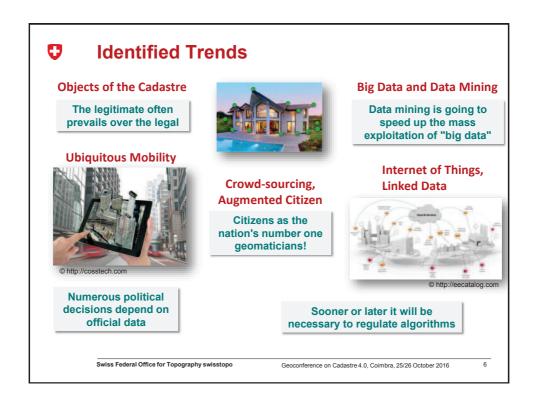
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#### **1.** Positioning instead of field surveying

Algorithms and positioning will do the job  $\rightarrow$  the end of classic land surveying. There won't be a need for surveyors in the future anymore in order to get measurements done, no need for "heavy" interventions in the field with instruments; the job may be done – in real-time – by drones or other virtual representations (imagery, calculations, etc.).

We need a strategic vision: Who does what in the future? What legal basis will be required? How can we share responsibilities between administrative levels and between public and private sectors?

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# 2. Private property & public property – the basis for a common asset

Land is more than just a privately or publicly owned property. It is also a "source of knowledge": the history of its use, specific features from the past and present, limitations, and future projects. By linking such information, new knowledge can be gained.

➤ Land will be more than just the object to be surveyed. The awareness that land can tell a story – to be read and interpreted – can lead to a reorientation of the cadastre.

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# 3. The parcel will have a unique identifier and some sort of «intelligence»

If an IP address (URI) is assigned to each parcel, it becomes conceivable to also include a smart chip in each parcel. That would make it possible to link the parcel – in real time – with different information, such as weather data, seismic hazard, geological information, pollen data, noise pollution etc.

➤ The traditional, isolated parcel is to become a cell in a living landscape.

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Cadastre 2034 – A 10-20 Year Strategy for developing the cadastral system



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# Social and economic context today and tomorrow

Third Industrial Revolution (Rifkin, 2013):

- drastic changes in **communication technology** in terms of connectivity, speed, and volume
- drastic changes in the **energy** production and consumption, more decentralized solutions, Internet of energy
- increased participation, closer cooperation between producers and consumers, decentralization:
  - examples: open data, AirBnB, Uber, Wikipedia, sharing platforms (car, bikes, etc.), handicraft web (etsy.com), Tripadvisor, Facebook, Twitter, eBay, booking platforms, OpenStreetMap, etc.
  - · music industry and bookselling trade did undergo revolutions
  - finance sector: bit coin, digital transactions, mobile payments (Apple Pay, Android Pay, etc.)
  - supply is not happening any longer from a few central supply points, but will be much more decentral with shorter distances and closer contact between suppliers and consumers

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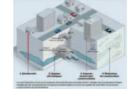
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#### **Five Dimensions for a Cadastre**

- 1st Dimension (points)
  - · control points as the basis
- 2nd Dimension (area)
  - cadastral surveying has been conducted in 2D so far; the 3rd dimension has been treated separately
- 3rd Dimension (volume)
  - 3D-Cadastre, documentation of facts also in 3D; the focus, however, will probably be more on the underground



- 4th Dimension (historization, simulation, projection)
- <u>5th Dimension</u> (anticipation)

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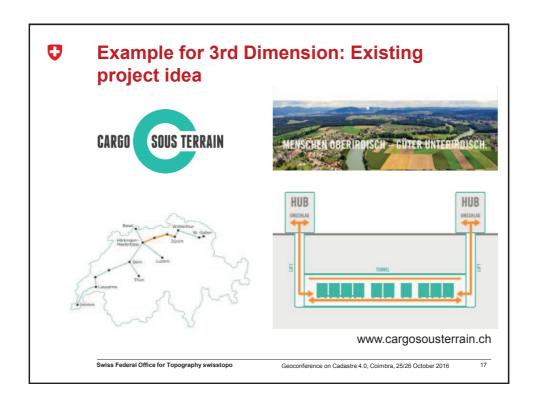
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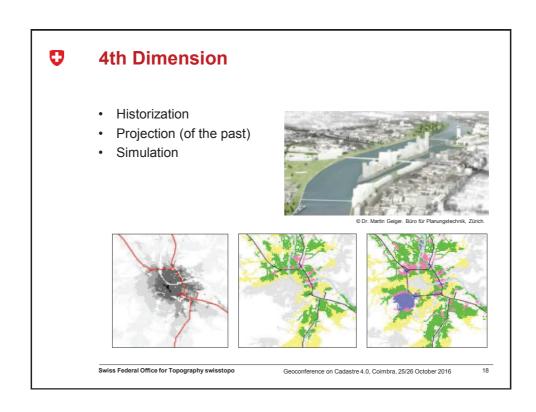
# Example for 3rd Dimension: Intensive use of underground

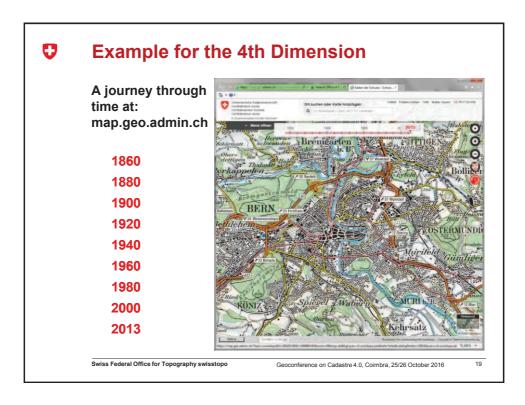


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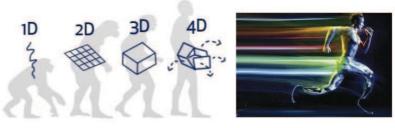






## **5**th Dimension (dimension of anticipation)

- the 5th dimension can be understood as a derivation from the 4th dimension, i.e. anticipation or the ability to **predict** an event or a result;
- tools such as «Big Data» and «Data Mining» are instrumental;
- in that sense, anticipation is more than just the projection of the past into the future.



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## **U** Examples for the 5th Dimension

Social and economic developments can be made visible with «Big Data» und «Data Mining» in a way not possible before:

- news about earthquakes spread quicker via Twitter than via the official channels;
- · next music hits can be detected via social media;
- unusually frequent activities of BlackBerry employees on LinkedIn gave hints to economic difficulties of the company;
- our mobile phones are permanent sensors that help to monitor and improve traffic flow;
- an increased number of requests on real estate portals for particular areas can give hints to where people may want to live, and can be taken into account for land-use planning.

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### **♥** "Ecosystems"

A whole new way of setting up value chains.



Existing examples:

- · Sales platforms: IKEA
- App stores: App Store (iOS), Google Play, Windows Store, etc.
- Map services: Google Maps, Apple Maps, Bing Maps, Here, MapBox, etc.
- · what about public SDIs, NGDIs?

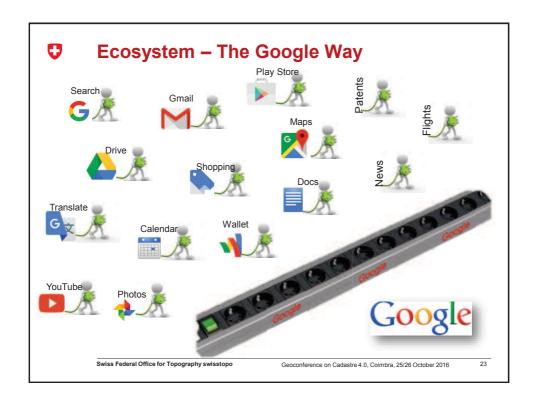
The basic idea is to provide an infrastructure / platform, where market participants can "plug-in" their services.



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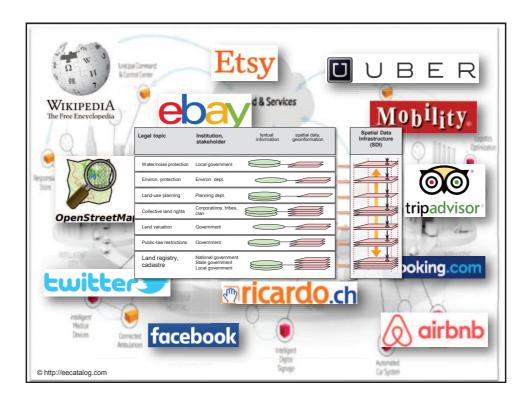


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#### Conclusions

- · Our societies are entering the era of the digital economy;
- · the social and political context is developing rapidly;
- cadastral systems are systems of documentation: they
  document facts (rights and restrictions) about land and real
  estate, and are at the same time a core element of national
  geodata infrastructures.

#### Open questions:

- How do cadastral systems fit into such trends and developments as mentioned before?
- How can/should they position and develop themselves?
- > The aspect of the five dimensions might be a guiding principle.
- ➤ In regard to the emerging "ecosystems", we may have to rethink the structures of our value chains.

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