

2010 INSPIRE Conference Workshop Proposal

1. Title

INSPIRE Essentials; Back to basics

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3. Workshop Description and Goals

INSPIRE is a term with which most people in the industry are familiar. But being familiar with something and understanding what it means are two different things entirely.

Recent research¹ has shown that many organisations don't fully understand what INSPIRE means for them or what steps are needed in order to achieve compliance. In fact, less than 25%² of the people who have taken our survey could correctly identify mandated organisations from a list of examples.

This interactive workshop, taken from the accredited³ Snowflake Software training course - 'INSPIRE Essentials', offers a comprehensive introduction to INSPIRE and provides a level of understanding that sets delegates up for the rest of the conference. Anyone who wants to start from the beginning or who needs to understand the requirements of transforming and publishing data to conform to the requirements of the INSPIRE Implementing Rules should attend.

As well as a comprehensive introduction, the instructor will also touch on:

- Publishing data to INSPIRE harmonised data specifications
- Publishing and transforming data into INSPIRE data specifications (including tools)
- Making data accessible via INSPIRE download services

¹ INSPIRE Quiz <http://www.proprofs.com/quiz-school/story.php?title=inspire-framework-quiz>

² 24.58% of participants correctly answered question 2 from the survey

³ INSPIRE Essentials full training course is accredited with 4 AGI CPD points

- Publishing data and services into SDIs and providing view services

Although not a necessity, delegates may find a laptop beneficial as the instructor will cover some of the key online resources for INSPIRE. Additionally, delegates will receive handouts at the end.

4. Workshop Topics

1. Aims and objectives of INSPIRE
2. Benefits for data providers and users
3. How INSPIRE will work
4. Timescales for development of Implementing Rules and compliance
5. Next steps – specifications, harmonisation, download and view services

5. Workshop Instructors/Speakers

Debbie Wilson, Business Consultant and INSPIRE Trainer, Snowflake Software (unconfirmed)

6. Intended Audience

Interested participants who are new or reasonably new to INSPIRE as well as GIS professionals /managers/data and systems architects and software engineers who need to understand the requirements of transforming and publishing data to conform to the requirements of the INSPIRE Implementing Rules.