Integration of Authoritative and Volunteered Cultural Landscape Information

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SUMMARY

Cultural heritage information provides incentives for touristic valorisation and concepts for strengthening regional identification. It can also influence political decisions in defining significant cultural regions worth of protecting from industrial influences. In that way cultural landscape information allows citizens to influence the statewide development of cultural landscapes in a democratic way. Based on official data sets from public administrations, information about cultural assets can be extended and enhanced by interested participants. Such a collaborative approach allows governing authorities to manage and supervise official data, while public participation enables affordable information acquisition. The paper demonstrates, in which way permanent public access to cultural landscape information according to the ideas of open government data and citizen participation can be realized. At the same time, the presented solution takes the need of state authorities into account, which require clear notification of the significance of the presented information.

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