

More Use of Open GEO Data (by using W3C Standards for GEO data) by PDOK

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SUMMARY

PDOK, Public Services on the Map, is known as a very successful and open GEO-data platform, being a part of the National Spatial Data Infrastructure. This central platform has an organizational structure, an infrastructure with data and frameworks of legislation and standardization where customers can make use of products and services. The fact that the Open GEO data originates from Public Administrations offers information certainty.

With knowledge of the Dutch Digital Government and insight into the aspects of PDOK it becomes clear what contribution this central platform makes to society. The comment is that the users are mainly geo-experts and not the whole society.

In order to strengthen PDOK's contribution to the Dutch Digital Government, the use of Open Geo-data will also have to be addressed outside the geo-domain. . By offering geo datasets through W3C standards in addition to the OGC standards the reach and the use of geo data, will be increased. By using the W3C standards in particular, you ensure that GEO data is easier to use for non-spatial specialists, other developers.

The adaptation of the W3C standards and expansion of PDOK's product and services portfolio is conditional, but is it really that simple?