



Mr. Jeff McKenna OSGeo VP Conferences Suite 200 30 Rosemount Ave Ottawa, ON K1Y 1P4 Canada

Dear Mr. McKenna,

We are very pleased to present this letter of support for Barcelona's bid to host the FOSS4G conference in Barcelona for 2010, on behalf of the Institut Cartogràfic de Catalunya.

Since its foundation in 1982 the Institut Cartogràfic de Catalunya (ICC) has spent all its efforts offering a public service to the citizens of Catalonia as a mapping agency. This service is based on the innovative technical knowledge as guarantee of a permanent fight against obsolescence. Producing accurate geoinformation and services, as well as developing to the maximum own productive techniques, have been the synergic movement that different areas of the ICC have carried out since 1982.

The research vocation of the ICC has been, and keeps on being, the development of tools, processes and innovative operational methods to improve the obtaining, processing, management and distribution of geoinformation.

Barcelona is great choice for all foreign people attending the meeting: a beautiful Mediterranean city with a highly developed conferencing and technological infrastructure, which will make, no doubt, a successful meeting of FOSS4G. At the same time, Barcelona offers an exciting range of unique social events and touring options. In addition, it would be an excellent opportunity for all Catalan and Spanish companies and open source contributors to be so close to them.

The Institut Cartogràfic de Catalunya looks forward to welcoming members of the open source spatial community to Barcelona, Catalonia, in 2010.

Yours sincerely,

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Director

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