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Re.: FOSS4G 2010 in Barcelona, Spain

Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

Camptocamp would like to express heartily its support to the initiative of Mr. Lorenzo Becchi and his committee to organize FOSS4G 2010 in Barcelona.

After taking place in other continents for the last two years, the outlook to have the conference organized in Europe would honor the Open Source community and would follow through the organization by Alliance Group of the Think Tank conference in Europe and its promising results¹.

The project initiated by Mr. Becchi is very promising and the selected place, Barcelona, capital of Catalogne, benefits from all advantages a « first class » European city can provide: active, culturally rich and perfectly connected to the international transportation network.

Camptocamp, a true representative of Open Source Geoinformatics, encourage this project that would help promote Europe's competencies and abilities to bring together the Open Source Geoinformatics community. Europe could be seen as the spearhead of Open Source. Indeed, a European report from UNU-MERIT explicitly illustrates the European Commission's interest for FLOSS.² Likewise, another report from the European Commission invites administrations to migrate toward Open Source software.³

Lastly, as the co-organizer of FOSS4G 2006 in Lausanne, Switzerland, we are convinced that this project is viable and we are absolutely certain his realization will influence positively the cohesion of Open Source in Europe.

Yours faithfully,

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¹http://www.technorati.com/posts/_Q6HAzG9L3GTBMT6W1nUExLLYMPvpkIkMZO35aBVecc%3D
²<http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/ict/policy/doc/2006-11-20-flossimpact.pdf>
³<http://ec.europa.eu/idabc/en/document/7701>