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Understanding Spatial Relationships

Examining the Web Processing Server (WPS) Specification

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# Editorial

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## Editorial

### Our New Publication

Welcome to Volume 1 of our brand new journal! This new publication celebrates the many successes in the general open source and geospatial communities as well as those particular to the Open Source Geospatial Foundation (OSGeo)<sup>1</sup>.

The goal of the journal is to update, inform and educate all kinds of readers. It will cover project related news updates, case studies, tutorials and more. In particular, it will help capture OSGeo project updates and their plans for the future.

This volume was planned to replace and expand the retired GRASS-News<sup>2</sup> publication – which provided strong technical tutorials and community interaction. This new journal will continue to include GRASS related information along with many other projects - regardless of whether they are inside or outside of OSGeo's umbrella.

### Call For Articles

You can help by providing articles or ideas for publication in the next volume. There is also room for

more editors, layout designers and reviewers. To get involved complete the Journal feedback form<sup>3</sup> on the OSGeo website.

The next volume will continue to have a broad approach to the types of articles it publishes, including programming tutorials, introducing new projects, describing case studies, project updates, and more. Articles are grouped into areas by content type (e.g. tutorials, news, studies, etc.) which will help expose readers to a variety of domains and tools.

It has been a pleasure to work with the rest of the editorial team and contributing writers. Their hard work in finding content, writing articles, collating material, proofing and formatting has helped bring forth some very interesting material in a very short period of time. Needless to say, I'm looking forward to Volume 2 later in the year. Hopefully just in time for the **OSGeo FOSS4G annual conference**<sup>4</sup>.

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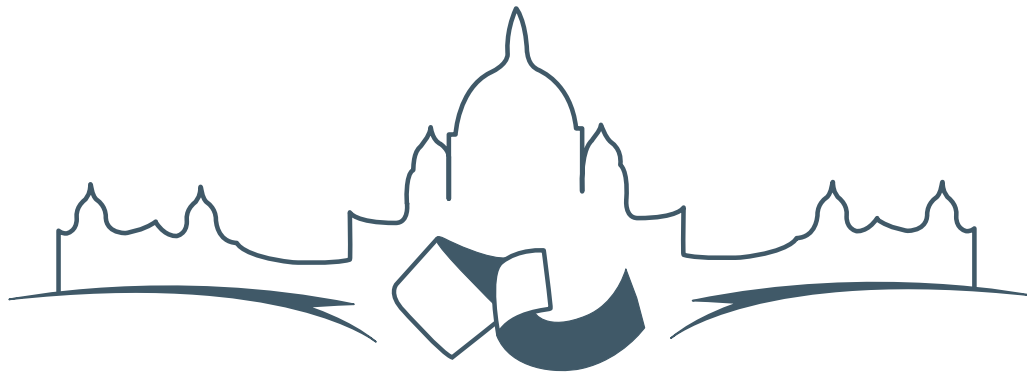
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## 2007 FREE AND OPEN SOURCE SOFTWARE FOR GEOSPATIAL (FOSS4G) CONFERENCE

VICTORIA CANADA  SEPTEMBER 24 TO 27, 2007

# FOSS4G - Conference Registration Open

We are pleased to announce that online registration for the 2007 Free and Open Source Software for Geospatial conference (FOSS4G 2007) is now open. FOSS4G 2007 is the annual event bringing together the people and companies who create, use, and support open source geospatial software. Register now online.<sup>5</sup>

Register prior to the July 27th Early Bird Deadline to save on your registration fees! Take advantage of the opportunity FOSS4G 2007 offers to network with fellow geospatial data professionals, renew old acquaintances and make new ones.

For up-to-date information, registration and/or to submit a presentation, please visit the conference website.<sup>6</sup>

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We hope to see you in Victoria, Canada in September!

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