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Introduction to GeOxygene

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GeOxygene (<http://oxygen-project.sourceforge.net>) aims at providing an open framework which implements OGC/ISO specifications for the development and deployment of geospatial (GIS) applications. It is a open source contribution of the COGIT laboratory at the IGN (Institut Géographique National), the French National Mapping Agency. It is released under the terms of the LGPL (GNU Lesser General Public License) license.

GeOxygene is based on Java and open source technologies and provides users with an extensible object data model (geographic features, geometry, topology and metadata) which implements OGC specifications and ISO standards in the geographic information domain.

Data are stored in a relational DBMS (RDBMS) to ensure a rapid and reliable access to the system but users do not have to worry about any SQL statements: they model their applications in UML and code in Java. Mapping between object and relational environments is performed with open source software. At present, OJB is supported and the mapping files for the storage of geographic information in Oracle or PostGIS are provided to users.

The workshop will provide an opportunity for participants to familiarize themselves with the technology and the requirements for the implementation of interoperable geospatial applications based on the GeOxygene framework. Experiments will be performed on the version 1.1 of GeOxygene, which has been released on June 12, 2006.

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