

# AGILE 2008

## Pre-conference workshop

Multi- and Interdisciplinary Research on  
Spatial Data Infrastructure Development



# Organisation

- AGILE Initiative

- Before Working Groups
- Initiative

- Workshop, publication, project, ...

- Initiating members of AGILE

- K.U.Leuven
- Vrije Universiteit Brussel

- Seconding member of AGILE

- ITC, Enschede



# Context and background

- SDI and SDI assessment are key research topics in GI Science
  - Need for multi- and interdisciplinary research
- Major research initiative in Flanders
  - SPATIALIST project
- Ongoing research and interest
  - Work at ITC, Wageningen, T.U.Delft, ..., Melbourne, ...
  - INSPIRE
  - European projects and networks like eSDI-Net+



# Objectives

- Explore and discuss multi- and inter-disciplinary aspects of SDI development
- Help to define key research questions of the different disciplines
- Contribute to the definition of a European research agenda on GI

# Outcomes?

- Report of this workshop
  - Discussions, suggestions, conclusions, ...
- Scope for ...
  - A joint paper?
  - A follow-up workshop?
  - ...

# Agenda

- Session 1 – 9:00-10:30
  - Welcome and introduction
  - 3 presentations
  - Break: 10:30-11:00
- Session 2 – 11:00-12:00
  - 3 presentations
- Session 3 – 12:00-12:30
  - “The Missing links” – Zorica Nedovic-Budic (University of Illinois)
  - Lunch: 12:30-14:00

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- Session 4 – 14:00-14:30
  - “What have Hood and Jackson ever done for us? Persuasive arguments versus explanatory theories in SDI development” - Yola Georgiadou (ITC, The Netherlands)
  - Break: 14:30-15:00
- Session 5 – 15:00-16:30
  - Breakout sessions – 2 groups
- Session 6 – 16:30-17:00
  - Plenary, wrap-up
- Ice-breaker AGILE 2008: 19:00-...



# Who are you?

- Quick 'tour de table' – 30" each
  - Name
  - Institute / organisation
  - Field of activity
  - Your interest in SDI and multi- and interdisciplinary research
  
- Don't leave the room without giving your business card !



# Keep in mind during the day ...

- What are the key questions to be answered in order to develop a successful SDI?
- What are the best approaches to analyse them?