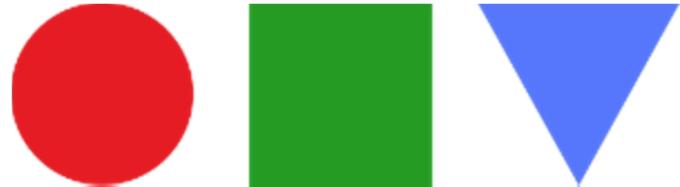


OpenEarth

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OpenEarth en Political Mashup winnen Dataprijs 2012

De Nederlandse Dataprijs gaat dit jaar naar Political Mashup (Dataprijs humaniora en sociale wetenschappen) en OpenEarth (Dataprijs exacte en technische wetenschappen).



De prijswinnaars vlnr: Maarten Marx (Political Mashup) en Thijs Damsma, Gerben de Boer en Mark van Koningsveld (OpenEarth) – Foto: Bart van Vliet

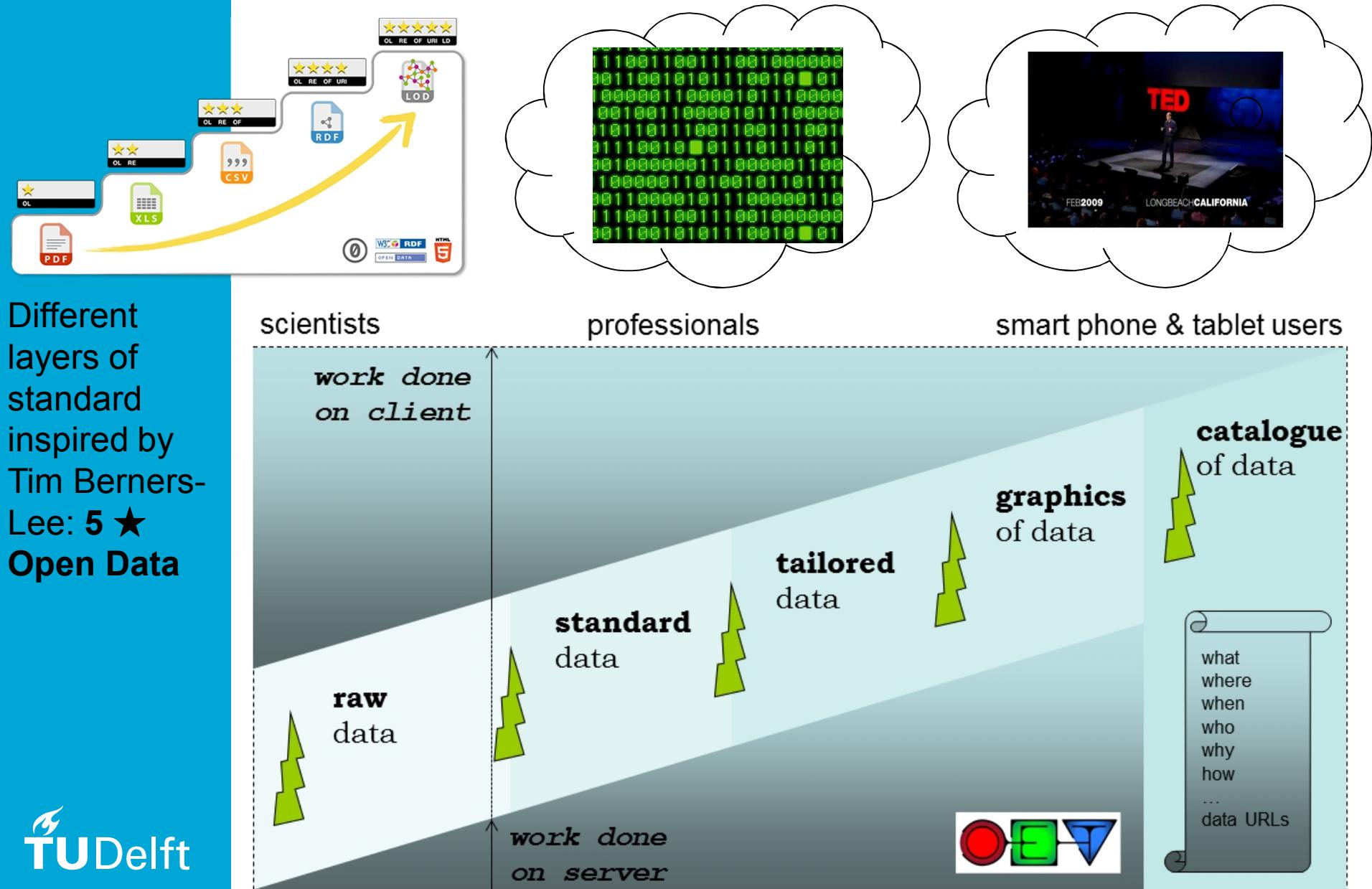
Symposium Connecting data for research - 19 October 2015
2nd round of break-out sessions - *Session I: Working with GIS-data*



OpenEarth is een open source initiatief dat data, modellen en gereedschappen in waterbouw wil delen. Een flink deel van het budget van waterbouwkundige en kustverdedigingsprojecten gaat naar het vergaren en het beheren van data over stromingen en waterstanden, zo weten de onderzoekers. Maar als het project eenmaal is afgesloten, gebeurt er meestal verder niets met die gegevens. OpenEarth wil daar verandering in brengen door een onderdak te bieden voor de bestanden. Onderzoekers kunnen hier hun data opslaan, hosten en ter beschikking stellen van anderen.

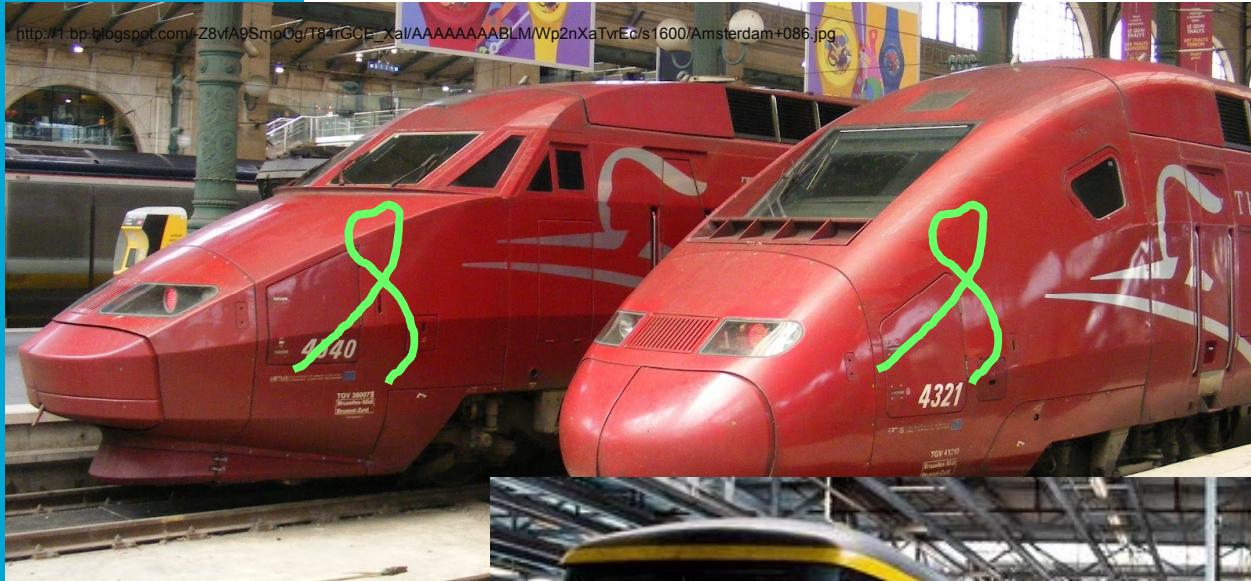
- Make **existing** data, models and tools available
 - increase efficiency of projects
 - prevent double work
 - prevent loss of previous work
 - > due to lack of archiving (no time to store)
 - > due to new bugs (no time to test)
 - make work nicer: less maintenance, more development
- **a data and source code repository**
- **a community**
 - a repository is useless without people using it
- **a philosophy**
 - a community is useless without collaboration: **cooperate!**

Repository: *web-based* standards



Repository: *proven* standards

not too
new



Use proven and existing technology, avoid being guinea pig for too new standards. Standards mature only after using them (like ERTMS).

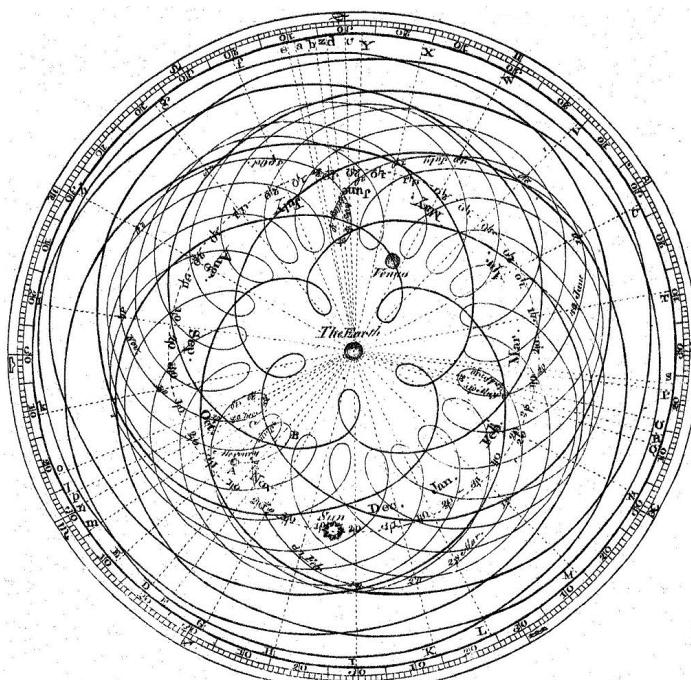


Repository: *current* standards

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Google Earth overtook all GIS sciences and standards with Google Maps and open 3D kml: use only GPS WGS84. And UTC for times.

Google Earth can handle multiple planets. Now that's useful meta-data.



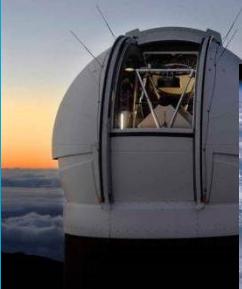
Enormous complexity of earth-centered system became simple with sun-centered one. Occams' razor at best.

A screenshot of a web browser displaying the spatialreference.org website. The search bar contains the text "amersfoort". Below the search bar, a list of EPSG reference codes is shown, each preceded by a small blue dot. The list includes: EPSG:4289: Amersfoort, EPSG:7408: RD/NAP, EPSG:7415: Amersfoort / RD New + NAP height, EPSG:28991: Amersfoort / RD Old, EPSG:28992: Amersfoort / RD New, and EPSG:62896405: Amersfoort (deg). The page also includes links for "Home", "Upload Your Own", "List user-contributed references", "List all references", and a "Search" button.

2015: list of 5 ways to map NL. Which one to choose ? None, use GPS + WGS84. The Earth is round !

Community: as large as possible

<http://nupedailynews.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/01/telescope.jpg>



SPACE



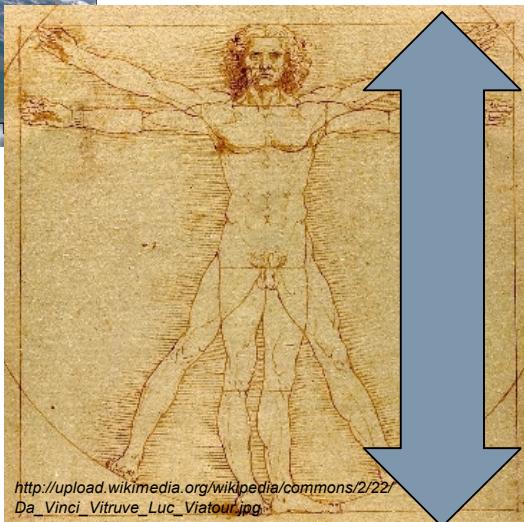
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Marine/coastal scales

6400 km:
North Atlantic
Oscillation (NAO)

gap $10^{-6} > 10^{+6}$

Water scarcity
Flood protection
Water pollution



http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/2/2f/Da_Vinci_Vitruve_Luc_Viatour.jpg

suspended
mud particle
 $64 \mu m$



CERN



TU Delft

Deltares
Enabling Delta Life

Van Oord
Marine ingenuity

2 former PhD students just started OpenEarth by combining their finished work:
Mark van Koningsveld (UT: coastal sand) & **Gerben de Boer** (TUD: marine mud)

Social network has grown to **500+ users**, incl 3rd world + Fortune 500.



Community: social media events/training

LinkedIn page for the OpenEarth community:

Deputy Head of EDA - Join the ECB as a Deputy Head of Executonal Applications Domain Division.

OpenEarth

Members (548)

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Researcher at Ho Chi Minh University of Technology
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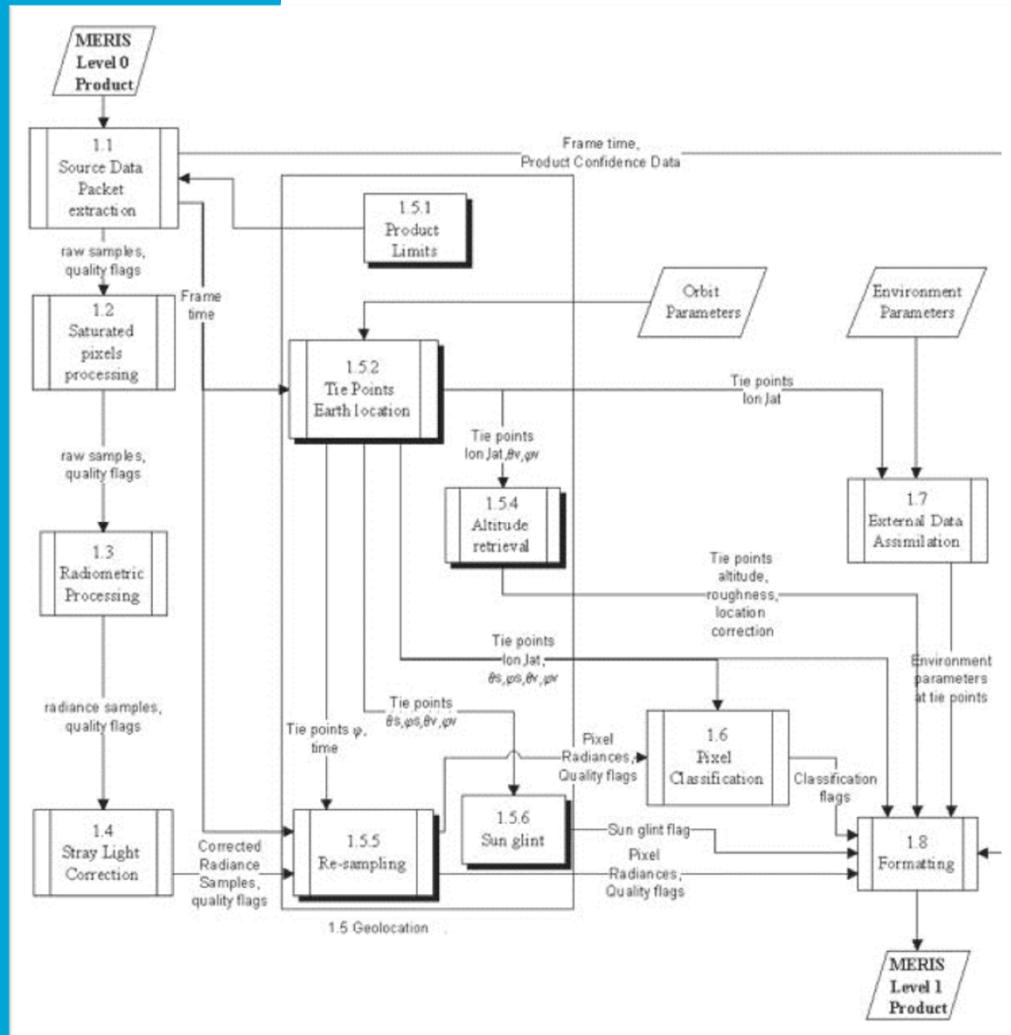
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Environmental Engineer

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Philosophy: data = raw data + tools



Real data sharing implies:

- Raw data sharing
- Software sharing

Earth observation (NASA, ESA, NOAA): $L1..L4 = f(L0, g)$

- $L0$ data = raw sensor data
- $L1..L4$ = interpretation levels
- f = open source software
- g = ancillary data (weather)

Amazon

Philosophy: version control

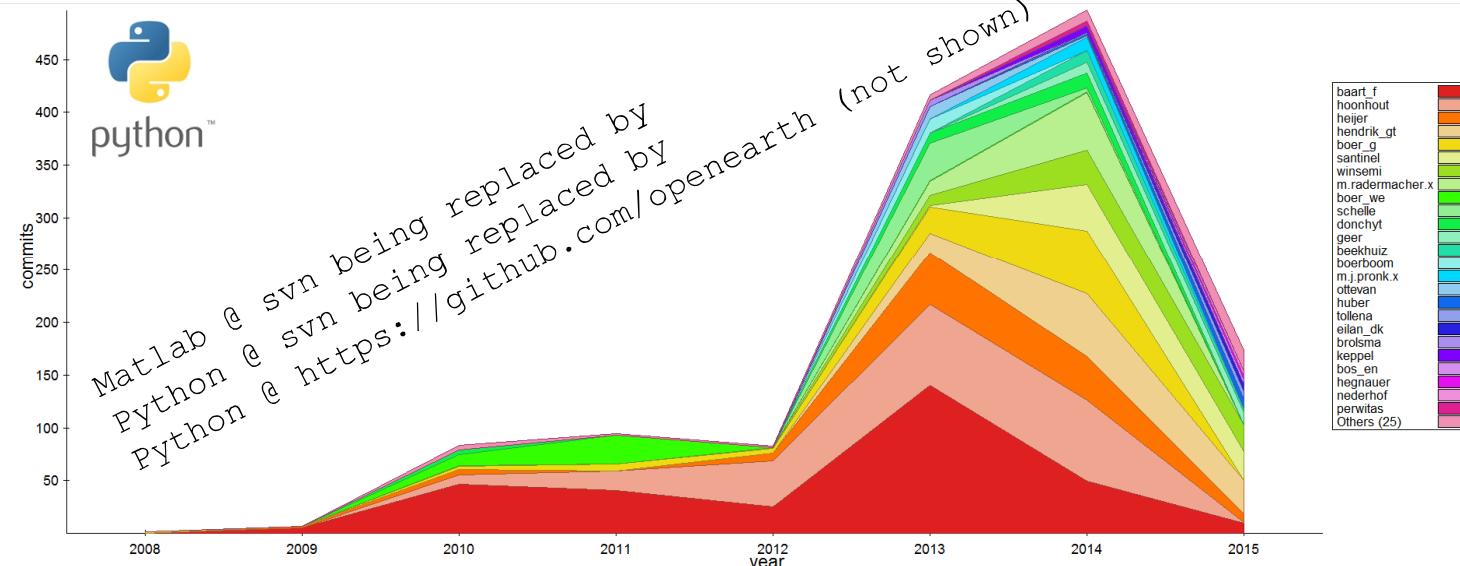
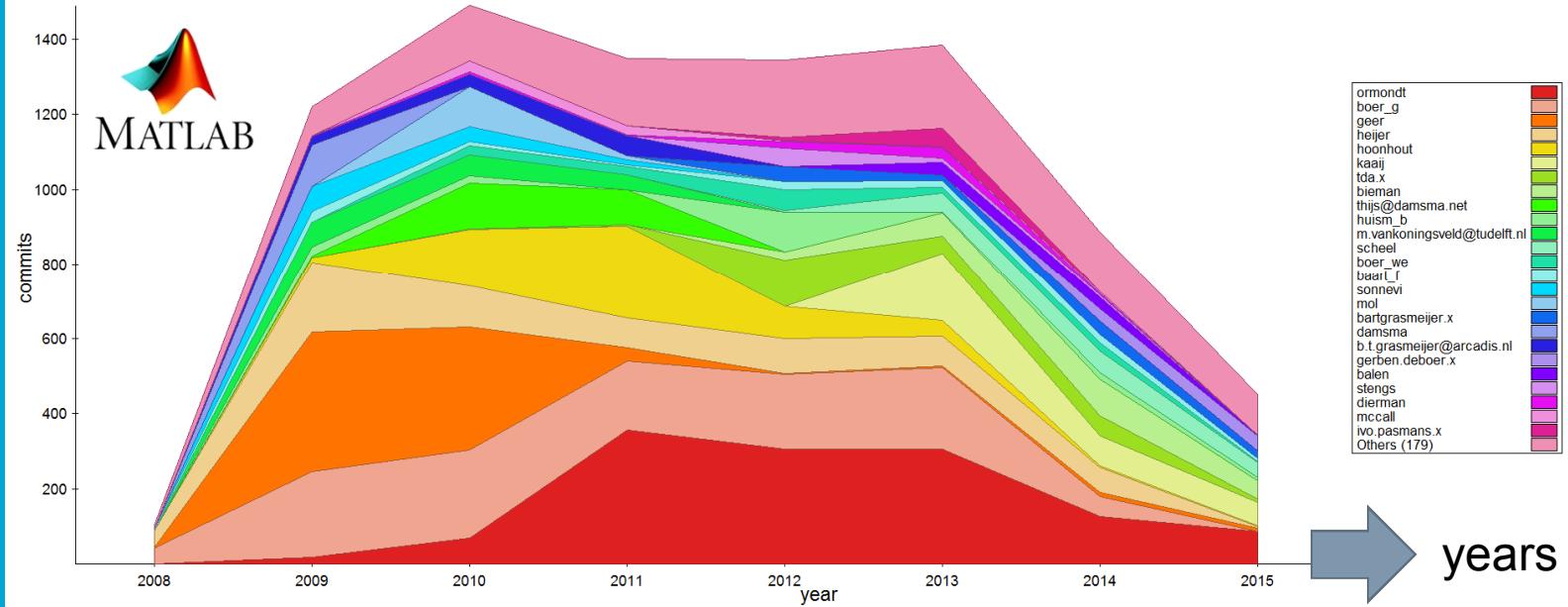


http://www.knups.nl/leuk_plaatje/56/Helaas_pindakaas.html

Source code
repository has
800+ users
and 250+
contributors.

Philosophy: shared tool versioning

Commits by date



logos ethos > PATHOS

*raw
data*

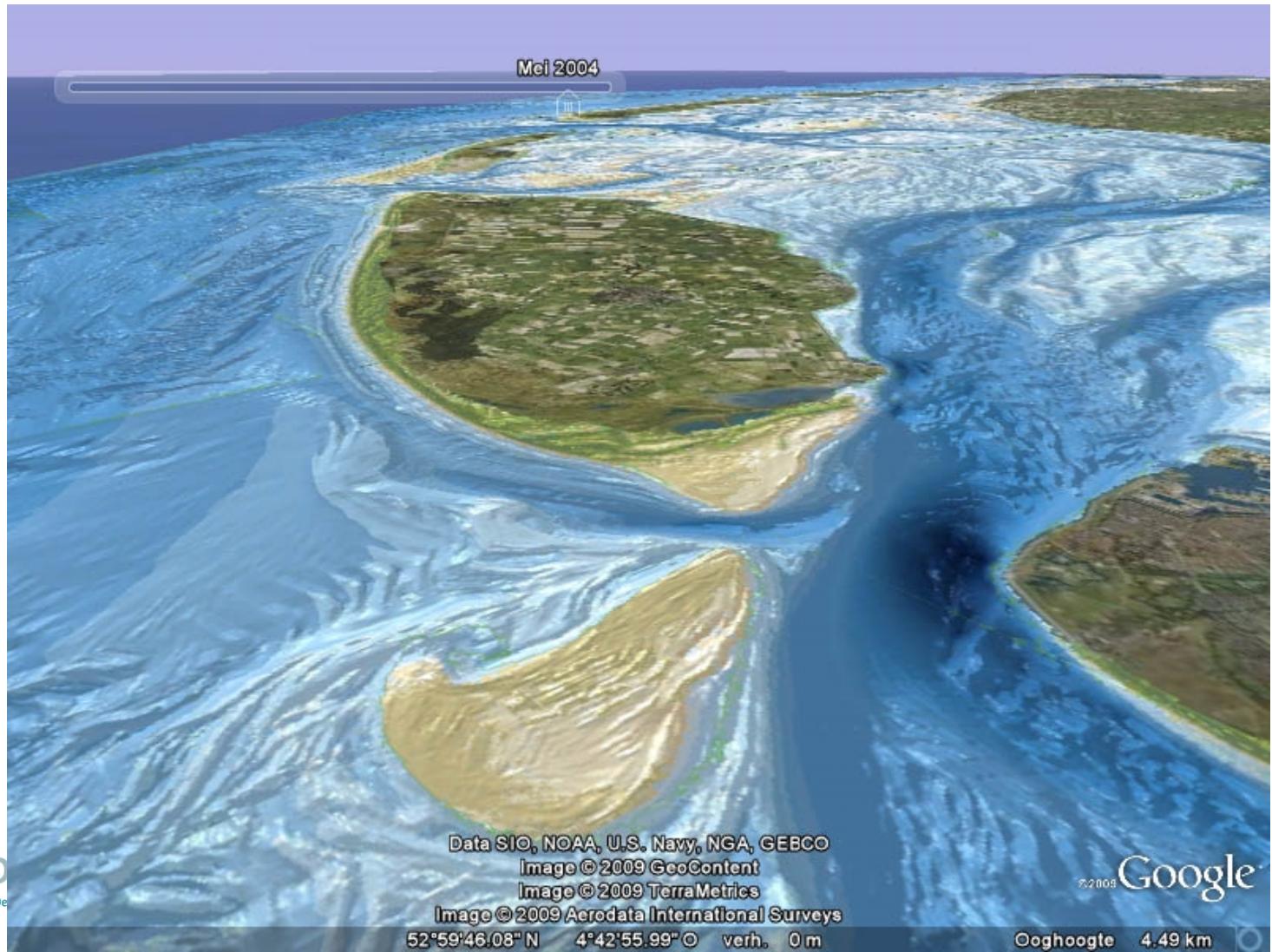


*tailored
data*





logos ethos > PATHOS: graphics



Spin-off: Van Oord

OpenEarth: A Knowledge Management Workflow for Dredging Projects 3

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OPENEARTH: A KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT WORKFLOW FOR DREDGING PROJECTS

ABSTRACT

Research and consultancy as well as construction projects often spend a significant part of their budget to set up some basic infrastructure for data and knowledge management, most of which dissipates again once the project is finished. Standing initiatives so far have not been successful in providing a proper data and knowledge management system for data, models and tools. OpenEarth (www.openearth.eu) was developed as a free and open source alternative to the current often ad-hoc approaches to deal with data, models and tools.

OpenEarth as a whole (philosophy, user community, infrastructure and workflow) is the first comprehensive approach to handling data, models and tools that actually works in hydraulic engineering practice at a truly significant scale. It is implemented effectively not only at its original founding organisations, Delft University of Technology and Deltares, but also in a number of sizeable research programmes with multiple partners (such as research programme "Building with Nature" with 19 partners from one country) and from multiple countries (such as the 3-year European Union FP7 research programme MICORE with 15 partners from 9 countries). It has been adopted as the main data management

workflow for all research programmes around the Sand Engine Delfland and was awarded the Dutch Data Prize 2012 for technical sciences by TU Delft, the data archiving institute of the Dutch technical universities, and DANS, the data archiving institute of the Dutch National Science Foundation (NWO) and the Royal Dutch Academy of Sciences (KNAW).

For data, models and tools that are truly strategic and really cannot be shared, OpenEarth stimulates the set-up of internal OpenEarth clones. This way the OpenEarth workflow will still be adopted, promoting collaboration within an organisation, while taking care of security considerations at the same time.

This article is based on and updates the OpenEarth philosophy, infrastructure and main workflow protocols as presented at WODCON XIX in Beijing, China (Van Koningsveld et al., 2010). A number of practical example

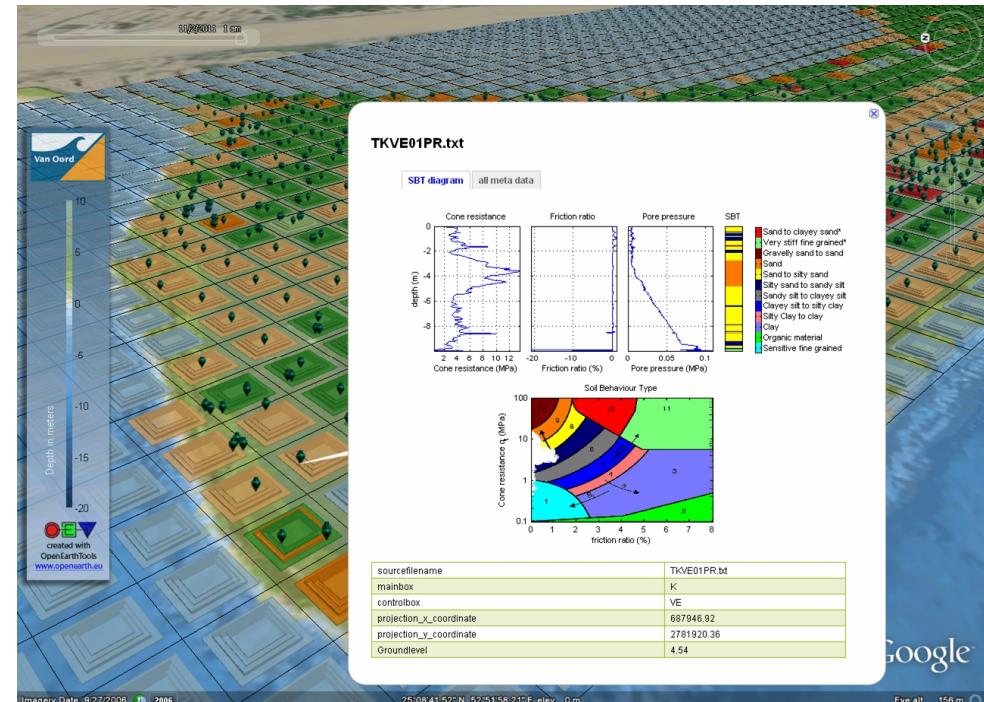
applications that have been realised to date are given to illustrate OpenEarth's potential for the dredging industry.

INTRODUCTION

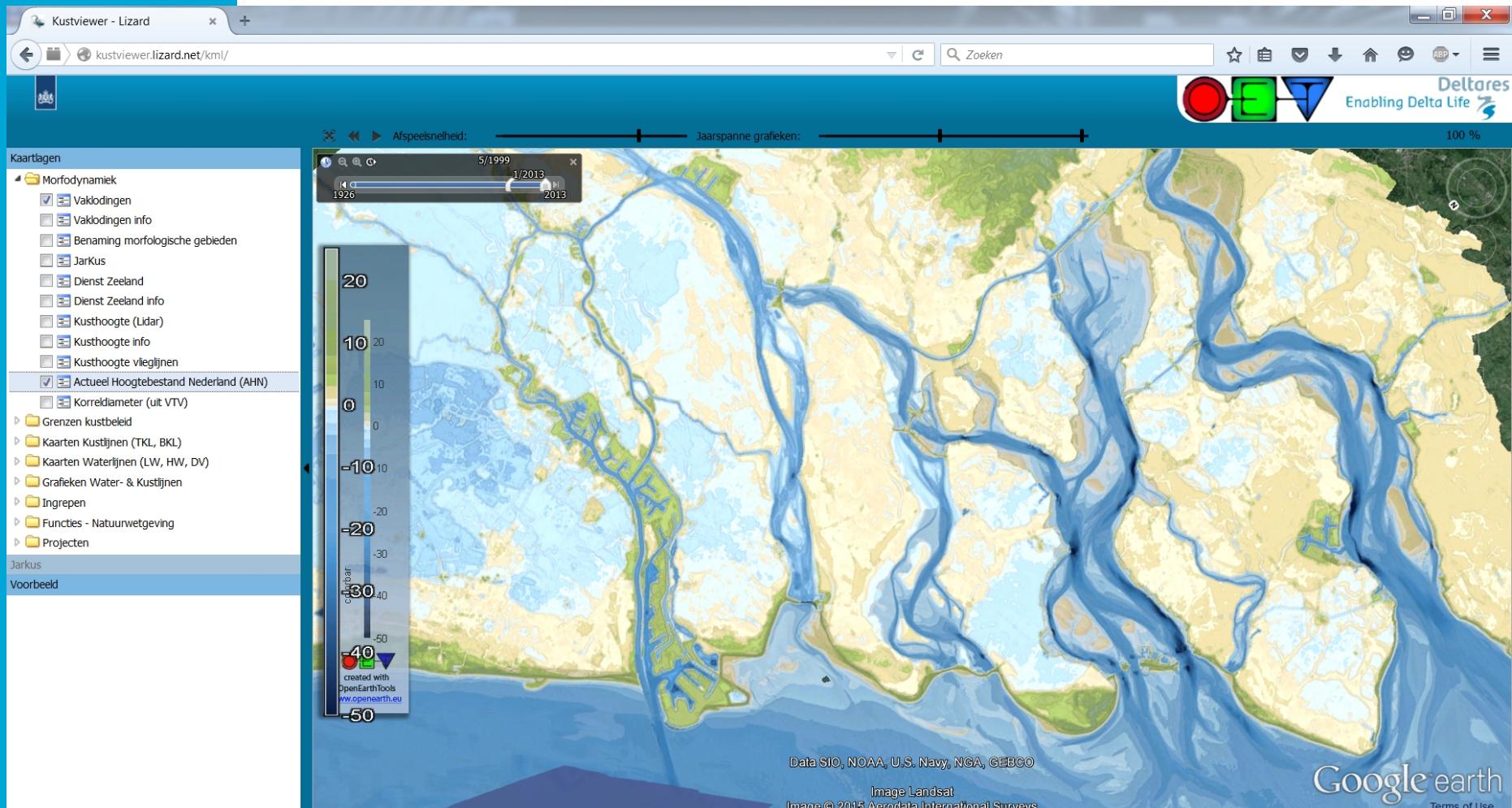
The sustainable interaction between humankind and planet Earth poses huge hydraulic and environmental engineering challenges. Confronting these challenges one-project-at-a-time, while seemingly attractive from a budget management perspective, results in grave inefficiencies in developing and archiving the basic elements that are invariably involved: data, models and tools. Hardly any project is of itself of sufficient scale to develop easily accessible and high-quality data archives, state-of-the-art modelling systems and well-tested analysis tools under version control. Research, consultancy as well as major construction projects commonly spend a significant part of their budgets to set up some basic data and knowledge management infrastructure, most of which dissipates again once the project is finished.

Internally institutions generally employ intranet services and internal networks to collaborate and exchange information. However, owing to increasing complexity, large projects nowadays are regularly executed by consortia,

Above: OpenEarth (www.openearth.eu) was developed as a free and open source alternative to the current often ad-hoc approaches to deal with data, models and tools, adopting two existing web services that are fully operational with a large community of users. OpenEarth protocol for accessing data numbers and Google Earth KML standard for accessing data graphics.



Spin-off: Rijkswaterstaat



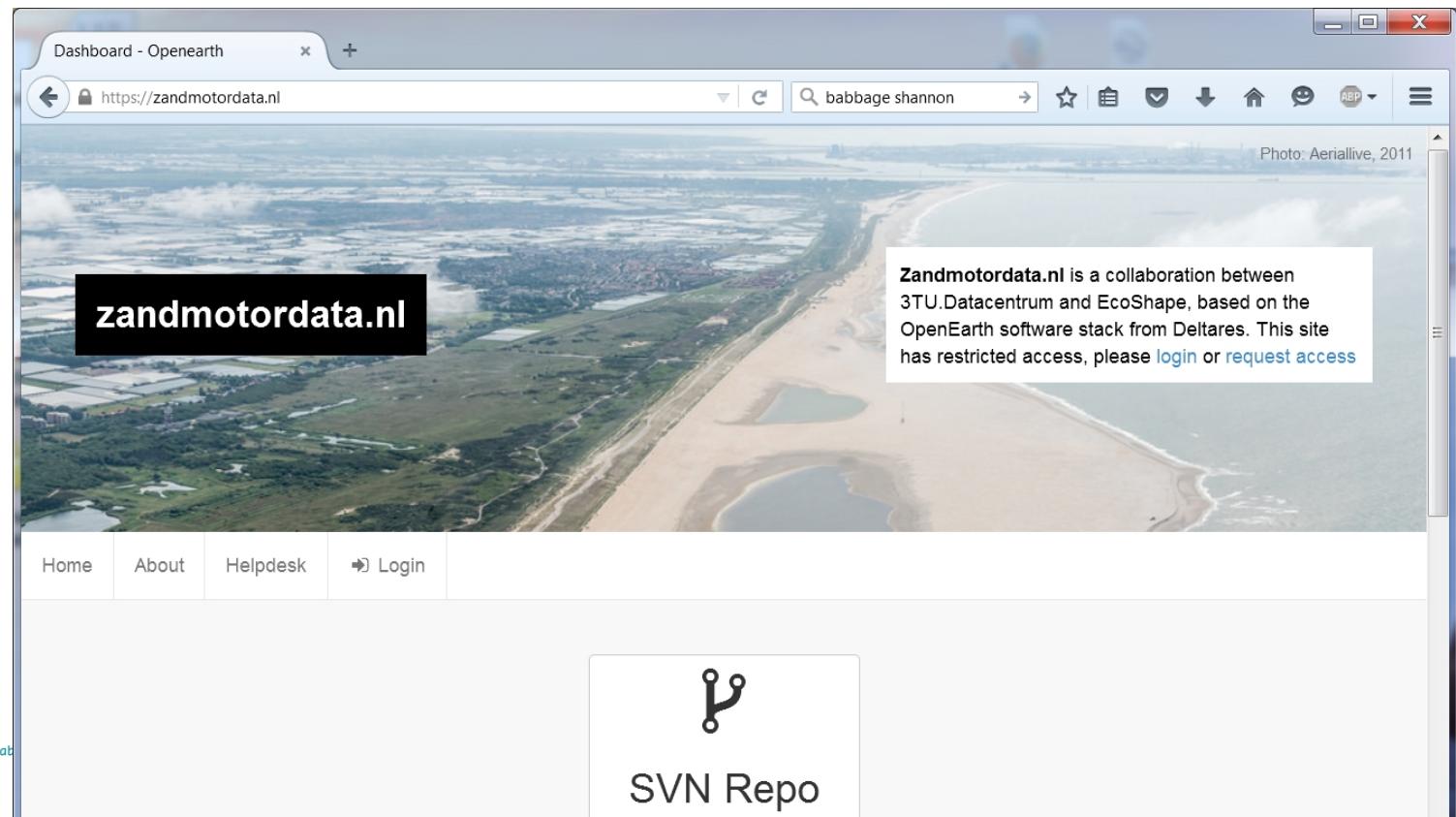
Organizational embedding

Deltares hosts OpenEarth tools + data repositories:

- Synergy with open source model communities *Delft3D, XBeach*

3TU.Datacentrum hosts Zandmotor: paid during embargo, free after

- Synergy with catalogues, DOI etc.



More information

www.openearth.nl

datacentrum.3tu.nl

www.zandmotordata.nl

kustviewer.lizard.net