

Infrastructure for spatial information in the European Community (INSPIRE)

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The European Parliament adopted the resolution drafted by Frederika BREPOELS (EPP-ED, BE) and made some amendments to the Commission's text, many of which are intended to clarify the definitions and the structure of the legislation. There are more precise definitions for many terms such as "spatial data services". Furthermore:

- a new recital states that the preclusion of restrictions of a financial nature at the point of use does not prevent public authorities that produce spatial data sets and services from receiving financial compensation from the public authorities that use these spatial data sets and services;
- in order to protect intellectual property rights held by public authorities in respect of spatial data, the data made available through the view services mentioned in the text may be in a form preventing their re-use for commercial purposes, and a click-licence may be included to restrict the use that can be made of the data;
- a new clause provides that the establishment of common licences shall not unnecessarily restrict possibilities for re-use of data and use of services and shall not be used to restrain competition;
- some additions are made to Annex III.