## FOSS4G 2016 Now Open for Registration



This year, Bonn, Germany will host FOSS4G's twelfth edition. FOSS4G is the annual global event of the Open Source Geospatial Foundation (OSGeo). From 24-26 August, FOSS4G 2016 will bring together developers, users, policy- and decision-makers and observers from a broad spectrum of global and European organisations and fields of operation. With the rapidly growing interest in open source geospatial solutions, not only worldwide but in particular in Europe, the organisers anticipate a record audience for FOSS4G 2016 of around 1000 attendees.

The participants will represent governmental bodies, NGOs, corporations, small and medium-sized companies and academic institutes from across the world. FOSS4G Bonn offers an excellent opportunity for technological dissemination, commercial networking and

social interaction on the crossroads of geography, geospatial IT, open source, open data and open standards.

The conference programme boasts keynote speakers from European programs such as INSPIRE and Copernicus and from organisations like ESA and the European Commission. In the various conference tracks, the attendees have a choice of sessions with best practices, case studies and demo's; most of which allow for a high degree of interaction.

## **Building Bridges**

Till Adams, conference chair, stated that the theme of this year's edition is 'Building Bridges'. The conference organisers' aim is to firmly link open spatial IT with sectors such as open data, remote sensing, land information and disaster management. Through workshops, presentations, code sprints and other interactive sessions, a constructive dialogue and future collaboration, further awareness will be encouraged.

An overview of the conference programme, additional information about the venue etc. is available at <u>www.2016.foss4g.org</u>. Registration details with 'early bird' discount <u>are available here</u>.

FOSS4G is organised by the Open Source Geospatial Foundation (http://osgeo.org), which was founded to support and build the highestquality open source geospatial software. The foundation's goal is to encourage the use and collaborative development of community-led projects, data development and education. OSGeo.org is the international umbrella for well known and widely used projects such as QGIS, GeoServer, MapServer, PostGIS and OpenLayers.

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