Web Mapping for Education

The latest version of the EDINA Digimap service has gone live. The service is a co-operation of Cadcorp and the EDINA National Data Centre. Launched in 2000, the EDINA Digimap service specialises in the delivery of a number of geographical data resources over the Internet to over 150 academic institutions. National digital map data ranging from Ordnance Survey (OS) products to geology, marine and historical maps can be accessed by staff and students free at point of use.

Based on Cadcorp's web mapping software GeognoSIS, the service also utilises a number of licences of Map Modeller, Cadcorp's desktop GIS.

The new Cadcorp software has enabled EDINA to build an updated Digimap service resulting in faster response, greatly improved stability, cleaner-looking maps and improved print functionality together with cost and time savings. It replaces other legacy software used by EDINA and forms the basis of a wider application service providing map data services to the academic community.

Tim Riley, Digimap development programme manager at EDINA said, "The quality of Cadcorp’s software combined with their proactive professional approach meant we could satisfy all the requirements for the replacement of the complex GIS which underpins our Digimap service. The result provides outstanding quality maps quickly and seamlessly; the performance and scalability exceeded our expectations. The Cadcorp team went out of their way to make this project a success and we look forward to working with them again as we extend the facilities Digimap offers in the future."