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## EULF deliverables

The '**EULF Strategic Vision**' provides a shared vision and rationale for the European Union Location Framework, defines its scope and highlights the governance and implementation approach.

The '**Assessment of the conditions for a EULF**' provides an assessment of the state of play in the five focus areas of the EULF, and the need for EULF action in these areas.

The '**EULF Blueprint**' contains recommendations, guidelines, methodologies and best practices in the EULF focus areas.

The '**EULF References**' provides inventories, links and supplementary information related to the EULF.

The '**EULF Roadmap**' consists of a high level implementation plan for the EULF.

The '**EULF pilots**' are a series of pilot studies in various policy areas (e.g. transport, marine and energy), to both validate and contribute to the EULF.

## An action supported by ISA

This activity is supported by the European Commission's ISA programme. ISA stands for interoperability solutions for European Public administrations.

## Why ISA?

Administrative procedures have a reputation for being lengthy, time-consuming and costly. Electronic collaboration between Public administrations can make these procedures quicker, simpler and cheaper for all parties concerned, in particular when transactions need to be done cross-border and/or cross-sector. ISA supports such electronic collaboration. Through its more than 40 actions it provides tools, services and frameworks for the Modernisation of Public administrations in Europe, across e-borders and sectors.

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## European Union Location Framework (EULF)

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# Delivering savings, growth and better services through “location-enabled government”

## Business need

Coherent and committed action is required to remove barriers and realise the potential of location information in e-Government, focusing on the needs and expectations of users. A harmonising initiative is needed in order to guide alignment in policy and implementation, and to ensure that best practices are followed, mistakes are not repeated, and collaboration occurs where it is needed, building on the Infrastructure for Spatial Information in the European Community (INSPIRE). This is the role of the EULF.

## EULF Vision

“More effective e-services, savings in time and money, and increased growth and employment will result from adopting a coherent European framework of guidance and actions to foster interoperable cross-sector and cross-border sharing and use of location information.”

## EULF Focus Areas

The EULF (the “framework”) consists of a series of outputs and actions to improve interoperability and the use of location information in e-Government services, based on five focus areas.



### Policy and strategy alignment:

focus on policies where location information plays a significant role.



### e-Government integration:

focus on integration of location information within the G2G, G2B and G2C processes.



### Standardisation and interoperability:

focus on the use of geospatial and location-based standards and technologies.



### Return on investment:

focus on actions to minimise costs and maximise benefits for government, businesses and citizens.



### Effective governance and partnerships:

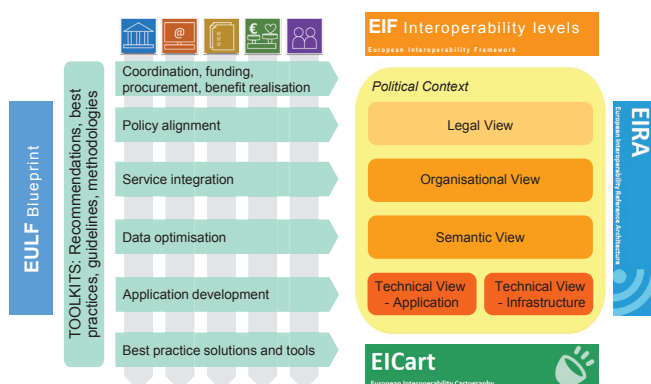
focus on ensuring that all stakeholders are involved, as contributors, as well as consumers.

## EULF Benefits

The integrated use of location information in governmental processes will deliver a wide range of benefits, not only to public administrations themselves, but also to society in general. This has been confirmed in various studies, including a survey carried out by the EULF project. The EULF project will monitor the impact and outcomes resulting from its activity, and will target actions aimed at removing barriers and delivering benefits.

Beneficiaries	Benefits	Delivered through
Government	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cost and time savings</li> <li>More effective policy development</li> <li>Improved policy outcomes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>location-enabled, simplified processes, re-usable components, increased on-line take-up of services</li> <li>better evidence, more coherent policy</li> <li>location-enabled policy implementation</li> </ul>
Citizens and businesses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Better services</li> <li>Cost and time savings</li> <li>Increased growth and employment</li> <li>More open and transparent government</li> <li>Increased citizen engagement</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>location-enabled, avoiding duplication</li> <li>location-enabled, designed around user needs</li> <li>easier to create new, innovative, products and services</li> <li>easier to access location data</li> <li>location-enabled participatory services</li> </ul>
Research and academia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>More innovative and authoritative research</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>easier to access data, richer data sources</li> </ul>

## EULF Blueprint



The EULF Blueprint incorporates a set of recommendations, guidelines, best practices, specifications and methodologies in each of the focus areas to define an effective approach for location-enabling e-government. A series of ‘toolkits’ will be developed that describe HOW TO undertake key tasks relevant to the use and interoperability of location information in e-government. The Blueprint content will be based on stakeholder priorities and will be tested through a series of pilots.

The EULF addresses all four levels of the European Interoperability Framework (EIF) – legal, organisational, semantic, and technical. The EULF Blueprint will give a location focus to the European Interoperability Reference Architecture (EIRA) and contribute solutions to the European Interoperability Cartography (EICart), both of which are being developed within the ISA programme to help implement the EIF.