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The National Council for Geolocated Information

The National Council for Geolocated Information (CNIG) **coordinates and supports the development of geolocated information in France**. It brings together in a single forum **the wide range of geodata stakeholders in France**: ministries, public institutions, local authorities, private companies, professional associations, trade unions, and citizen organizations, enabling them to meet, make decisions, and collaborate together. In 2025, more than **700 people** contributed to the work of the various CNIG commissions.

WHY A CNIG ?

Geolocated data are more essential than ever for understanding territories and guiding public policies. Therefore, building increasingly precise and widely shared databases is essential.

In a world where all of us, public and private stakeholders, as well as individuals, are both users and producers of data, establishing governance frameworks that preserve the **sovereignty of our data** is essential to ensuring a fair and balanced democratic system.



The CNIG is chaired by **Bertrand Monthubert**, university professor, president of OPenIG, president of Ekitia, and co-chair of the expert working group on data governance of the Global Partnership on AI (GPAI).

The CNIG is an advisory body attached to the minister responsible for sustainable development. The General Commission for Sustainable Development (Research and Innovation Service/Ecolab) is responsible for managing its operating budget and providing its permanent secretariat. Pierre Laulier serves as Secretary General, and Benoît Morando as Deputy Secretary General.

MISSIONS

- 1 Provide** the Government and Parliament with technical expertise on geolocated information that can support public policies.
- 2 Organize** consultation and coordination among data producers at all scales.
- 3 Develop standards**, guidelines, and recommendations for the production, diffusion, use, and processing of geolocated datas.
- 4 Promote exchanges**, foster innovation, support the geolocated information ecosystem in France, and serve as a forum for forward-looking discussions.
- 5 Promote communication**, awareness, capacity building, and skills development related to geolocated information.

VALUES

The CNIG is a forum for exchange and consultation **open to everyone**. The minutes of the sessions are **public** and published on the CNIG website. Participants disclose their affiliations and interests.

Transparency

Expertise

Openness and
collaboration

ORGANISATION

The CNIG is organized into 3 divisions comprising 7 commissions and nearly 30 working groups:

- **Innovation and Foresight Division**: identifies the topics that will shape the CNIG's work and relies on three commissions (Needs and Uses, Europe and International, Business Models).
- **Territorial Coordination Division**: organizes coordination among geolocated data stakeholders and promotes collaboration between them on shared projects.
- **Expertise Division**: develops standards, advisory reports, and guidelines through the Standards Commission, the Rules and Quality Commission, the Geopositioning Commission, and the National Commission on Geographical Names

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