Abstract

From Maps to Information Systems
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It has been said that two-thirds of a GIS is information systems. Spatial information--maps--serves as only part of the input and output of a GIS. That said, the real power and benefits of GIS are not solely map production but rather business process improvement through systems integration. Recent technical advancements using Web Services, system level database interoperability, and application level integration afford tremendous opportunities to extend, integrate, and spatially enable legacy and other business applications. These technologies create new forms of business process improvement and functionality. This session, which is suitable for those awash in digital data or just beginning the modernization process, will cover the concepts, tools, and techniques to take advantage of the power of the IS in GIS.

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