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Invitation to the State of The Map (SOTM) and FOSS4G Thailand 2023 Conference

Dear Sir/Madam,

FOSS4G (Free and Open-Source Software for Geoinformatics) is a workshop on developing and promoting open-source software packages for geoinformatics since 2004, with the goal of disseminating the usage of open-source software for geospatial applications. The Open-Source Geospatial Foundation (OSGeo) has officially hosted the FOSS4G Conference in several countries throughout the world, including Asia, Africa, Europe, and America, and co-hosted with geospatial agencies in those regions. The goals of the FOSS4G conference are to promote and to network the engagement between developers and users, as well as Free and Open-Source software for geospatial, including geospatial open data and big data, to implement geo-information technology applied within their own country. As the same pathway as the Open Street Map (OSM) community, create an open geographic database and maintain it through a community of volunteers via open collaboration. The OSM'ers organize annual State of the Map meetups to build community, share tools and research, and network with each other toward the shared goal of improving the map. This year, 2023, associated with State of the Map Asia (SotM-Asia), the first parallel conference and workshop are initial to empower open spatial data unitization to everyone.

As representatives of the organization committees, we appreciate inviting you to join and share your experiences at the event.

Best regards,

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