

Review of: "Analyzing the nexus between Spatial Data Infrastructure Development and e-Government"

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The paper provides an account of the historical evolution of Spatial Data Infrastructure (SDI) in Zimbabwe and endeavors to elucidate the progression of the e-Government infrastructure within the nation. In conclusion, the author proffers a set of recommendations aimed at enhancing the efficacy of the SDI in that country.

The paper addresses a subject of substantial importance to the fields of geoscience and public administration, offering the potential to augment the dissemination and accessibility of public information for the populace of Zimbabwe. Nevertheless, it is evident that the article necessitates substantial improvements.

The absence of pertinent references in the bibliography, which ought to have been consulted, includes but is not limited to the following:

- Mapping Sciences Committee (1993). Towards a coordinated spatial data infrastructure for the nation. National Academy Press, Washington, DC;
- Maguire, D. J. & Longley, P. A. (2005). The emergence of geoportals and their role in spatial data infrastructures. Computers, environment and urban systems, 29, 3-14; and
- Longley, P. A., Goodchild, M. F., Maguire, D. J., & Rhind, D. W. (2015). Geographic information system and Science. 4th ed. England: John Wiley & Sons, Ltd.

The Introduction chapter lacks clarity regarding the research problem and fails to provide the necessary contextualization of the research topic, which is noticeably absent in this chapter.

In Chapter 3, it is mentioned that the "...initiative to establish a functional spatial data infrastructure (SDI) in Zimbabwe began in the late 1980s...", yet it is essential to note that the terminology was coined only in 1993. This suggests that the author may need to conduct a more thorough review of the relevant literature.

I recommend a comprehensive review of the final paragraph of Chapter 3, as it appears to be missing key elements in the text.

Chapter 4 commences with a confusing writing style that hinders the reader's understanding of the intended message.

Chapters 5 and 6 require more detailed elaboration.

These adjustments will enhance the overall quality and coherence of the manuscript.

