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TO

OpenAR initiative

SUBJECT

Support to OpenAR initiative

DATE

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The Open Source Geospatial Foundation (OSGeo), is a notforprofit organization whose mission is to support and promote the collaborative development of open geospatial technologies and data. The foundation provides financial, organizational and legal support to the broader open source geospatial community.

One of the goals of the Open Source Geospatial Foundation is to ensure interoperability by supporting open standards and formats, as they are key components for an inclusive mapping community. I hereby confirm OSGeo interest and support for the Open AR-Cloud Initiative (https://open-arcloud.org/).

The Open AR-Cloud Initiative seek to enable new ways of interacting with each other, with information, with new forms of content, with our past and our future and the physical world around us. Open AR-Cloud Initiative will work in building a core scaffolding/substrate of a shared AR experience where virtual objects can appear and persist in the same physical place for all users on all AR-platform is often referred to as the "AR-cloud". Superspace can be experienced as an integral part of our surroundings, allowing us to interact with it in a way that is more direct, intuitive and familiar to us. Since Superspace is also free of the limitations of time and matter it opens up infinite possibilities.

The internet and the web brought us an abstract space for the digital world, sometimes called cyberspace. Needless to say, the internet has transformed our society extensively on multiple levels. The AR-cloud enables a new form of virtual space attached directly to the physical world around us. It might have the potential to fundamentally change the world.

Sincerely,

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