



Letter of support - MAP4 SCIENCE

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Dear professor Van Oosterom,

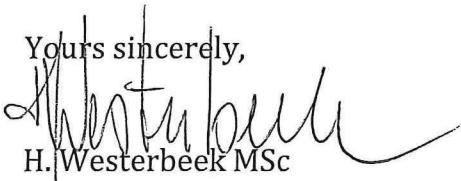
The foundation Geo Employment market Foundation (Stichting Arbeidsmarkt Geo (SAGEO)) was instituted and financed by governmental employers, private companies, the professional body GIN and all educational levels. For further information: www.sageo.nl. SAGEO's founders and partners foresee that geo information is one of the main future enablers for improvement of social and economical conditions in the Netherlands and in Europe.

Key purpose of SAGEO is solving the problem of the mismatch on the geo-labour market between supply and demand of well-trained and well-educated staff by:

- Promotion. Our GoGeo-campaign aims at interesting young people for geo-studies. For further information: www.gogeo.nl
- Renewal/modernisation of education. SAGEO's function is being a catalyst by bringing parties to the table to discuss improvement of education related to the dynamic demands of the labour market.
- Cooperation. SAGEO initiated the development of a marketplace of stages, jobs, guest lectures a.o. for students, educational institutes and employers. www.geoplaza.nl and www.geoplaza.eu are under construction.

We support your consortium and your application because we consider that the large scale facility Maps4Science will cause an important spin-off for geo-education at all levels, will stimulate governmental organisations to improve the knowledge and skills of their geo-departments and will offer chances to private companies to develop products and services on the "first wave" of the developments of geo-science and geo-technology.

Yours sincerely,



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