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ABSTRACT

A cadastral database is a vital tool for recording and accessing detailed information

about land ownership, boundaries, and property rights, essential for land management

and urban planning. Efficient spatial data handling, involving Geographic Information

Systems (GIS), ensures accurate mapping and real-time updates of land parcels.

However, the establishment and maintenance of a cadastral database face significant

challenges, particularly in terms of cost and capabilities. The high costs of acquiring,

updating, and managing spatial data pose significant challenges, particularly for

developing regions. The aim of this research is to show that open-source platforms are

more advantageous than commercial software for managing the cadastral system. In

order to achieve the aim, there is two objective which is evaluate the reducing costs of

commercial software versus open-source software to address the high cost issue and

investigate the spatial data capabilities of open-source and commercial software. To

achieve the first objective is by reviewing and existing research and for the second

objective were using the Qgis2web and ArcGIS online to compared the capabilities of

the tool's functionalities. Based on this research, the results indicate that reducing costs

while maintaining tool functionality and capabilities can be achieved using open-

source software. The study also finds that open-source tools provide a cost-effective

solution without compromising on the features and functionality needed for managing

cadastral spatial data.

Keywords: open source, costing, commercial, ESRI, QGIS, ArcGIS

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