



# AGID

Agenzia per l'Italia Digitale

Direttore Generale

To: Vasile Craciunescu and Msilikale Msilanga  
OSGeo Conference Committee Co-Chairs

**Subject: Letter of support for FOSS4G 2022 LOC**

Dear Mr. Craciunescu, Dear Mr. Msilanga,

We are pleased to express our support to the bid submitted by the Italian Local Organizing Committee to organize the FOSS4G 2022 in Florence.

The Agency for Digital Italy (AgID) is the technical agency of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers in charge of ensuring the achievement of the Italian digital agenda objectives and contribute to the diffusion of information and communication technologies, with the aim of fostering innovation and economic growth.

In this context, specific tasks concern, on one side, regulating and encouraging the development and the (re)use of the PAs open source solutions and, on the other side, improving the discoverability, the interoperability, the availability and the sharing of the public information resources, including geospatial data and services.

Consequently, AgID is actively engaged and interested in the topics covered by the event, discussed at national level by the local GFOSS community over the years with successful key events we have attended and followed closely.

We strongly value the importance of this event in Italy for raising awareness and sharing knowledge, experiences and best practices around the use of free and open source for geospatial.

We are also convinced that FOSS4G 2022 in Italy will be a successful event, thanks to the capabilities of the LOC and also to the venue, in Florence, the city of the Renaissance, which also sounds like a wish for a more healthy future.

In case Florence's application would be successful, AgID will support the event by disseminating information via our communication channels and participating with our speakers, if required.

Yours Sincerely,

Francesco Paorici





IL PRESIDENTE

Sassari, 15.4.2021

To

**Vasile Craciunescu**

**Msilikale Msilanga**

Co-Chairs  
OSGeo Conference Committee

Dears,

The Italian Association of Cartography is happy to support the realization of the **FOSS4G** conference in Florence.

The circulation of free geographical information, is important for everyone and is an objective pursued by our Association.

Our members are happy to support this proposal and are confident that the city of Florence will offer the right atmosphere to ensure the success of the event.

Best regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Giuseppe Scanu'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial 'G'.



Associazione Italiana di Telerilevamento  
Membro Associato ISPRS Federata ASITA  
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To: Vasile Craciunescu  
Msilikale Msilanga  
OSGeo Conference Committee Co-Chairs

7.04.2021

Topic: **letter of support to the application of GFOSS.it to organize FOSS4G 2022**

Dear Sirs,

Having learned of the application by Associazione Italiana per l'Informazione Geografica Libera (GFOSS.it), OSGeo local chapter, to organise the FOSS4G 2022 Conference in Firenze, Italy, the Italian Society of Remote Sensing (AIT) is pleased to lend its support.

AIT aims to develop and disseminate remote sensing culture, disciplines and applications since 1986, through actions aimed to:

- gather people interested in research, development and applications
- promote and coordinate initiatives to expand and apply methods/technologies
- foster the exchange of knowledge and the collaboration between members
- support the dissemination through conferences, working groups, international thematic courses
- represent and take care of scientific and cultural interests in Remote Sensing for institutions, agencies, companies, associations in Italy and worldwide

Taking the aforementioned actions into account, we very much value the importance of FOSS4G conferences for the development of new uses of remote sensing open data and for raising awareness of the remote sensing capabilities.

In case GFOSS.it's application would be successful, we would be happy to promote the conference amongst our members and participate ourselves.

Yours sincerely,

Livio Rossi  
AIT President

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**To: Vasile Craciunescu e Msilikale Msilanga,**  
Co-Chairs della OSGeo Conference Committee

**Letter of support for Florence FOSS4G2022**

Dear Mr Craciunescu, dear Mr Msilanga,

Having learned of the application by the OSGeo Italian chapter to organize the FOSS4G 2022 Conference in Florence (Italy), we are pleased to lend our support to this request.

AMFM GIS Italia is a non-profit association with a scientific and educational purpose related to Geographic Information. Its main goal is to favor the dissemination of standardization, communication and sharing methodologies and processes, aimed at facilitating the exchange of data and interoperability between different systems involved in the management of services and infrastructures on the territory.

AMFM GIS Italia members are from public entities, private companies and universities and are supporters and promoters of initiatives at national and European level. The association is a Copernicus Relays network member, a founding member of the Italian Federation ASITA and a member of the European organization EUROGI, and promotes and organizes conferences, seminars, and exhibitions of open source solutions for geospatial data and information.

We understand and appreciate the value of the initiatives carried out by the OSGeo community and are delighted to support the FOSS4G 2022 LOC application. We strongly believe this is a unique opportunity to host the global Open Source community and look forward to being involved and giving our contribution.

Yours truly,

Fisciano (SA), April 6 2021

Prof. Monica Sebillio  
AMFM GIS Italia President



*Il Direttore Generale*

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To Vasile Craciunescu e  
Msilikale Msilanga,  
OSGeo Conference Committee Co-Chair  
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*Dear Sirs,*

Having learned of the application by GFOSS.it to organise the FOSS4G 2022 Conference in Florence and we are pleased to lend our support to this request.

Arpa Lazio is the Local Environmental Protection Agency of Lazio Region in Italy, we treat a lots of data regarding the environmental matrixes like soil, water and physical agents that requires the use of Open Source GIS system to obtain an economical satisfactory and reliable data representation.

We are users and potential providers of open data and we have a working group which is dedicated to this topic. We appreciate the importance of these conferences for the development of new uses of space data to tackle societal challenges. We use open source software for some of the geospatial processing and visualization activities regarding environmental themes and appreciate the improvements this brings.

As representing the public administration we also appreciate the opportunity of FOSS4G conferences present for raising awareness of the capabilities of the sector and exchanging on issues of mutual interest.

In case Florence's application would be successful, we would be happy to promote the conference amongst our members and participate ourselves with our scientific contributions.

Yours sincerely,

*Dott. Marco Lupo*

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Torino, li 12.04.2021

To the kind attention of  
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Vasile Craciunescu  
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Subject: Italy's candidature for FOSS4G 2022.

Dear OSGeo Conference Committee,

as Head of the Natural and Environmental Risks Department of Regional Agency for Environmental Protection of Piedmont Region (Arpa Piemonte), I confirm the strong interest of our Agency in the FOSS4G 2022 hosted in Italy.

Free and Open Source, and geo-spatial software play a relevant role in environmental monitoring and research performed by the Agency and specially for the Natural and Environmental Risks Department. Many institutional activities are daily operated using exclusively a FOSS and FOSS4G approach, to collect, to process and to disseminate geographical data efficiently, increasing environmental awareness knowledge at regional and national level.

For this reason, Arpa Piemonte strongly support Italy's candidacy for the FOSS4G 2022 event.

With best regards.

Head of Natural and Environmental  
Risks Department  
Ing. Secondo BARBERO

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**To: Vasile Craciunescu e Msilikale Msilanga  
Co-Chairs della OSGeo Conference Committee**

Subject: letter of support for Firenze's candidacy to the International Conference of Free and Open Source Software for Geospatial (FOSS4G 2022);

We are pleased to support the candidacy of Firenze presented by the Geographic Association for Free Geographic Information ([www.GFOSS.it](http://www.GFOSS.it)) to the OSGeo Conference Committee.

The Regional Agency for the Protection of the Environment of Sicilia (ARPA Sicilia), uses and develops activities in which we also use free and open source solutions for geospatial studies, modeling, georeferenced maps, etc. Furthermore, as members of the National Environmental Protection System (SNPA), we collaborate and participate in the "Copernicus"<sup>1</sup> project.

We therefore appreciate the activity of the Italian Association for Free Geographic Information and we believe that identifying Florence as a location for FOSS4G 2022 would be a great opportunity to further develop collaborations between researchers.

**The Director of the UOC  
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**Camera di Commercio  
Firenze**  
*dal 1770 la casa delle imprese*  
**The President**

Florence, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021

To the kind attention of  
OSGeo Board of Directors

## **RE: Free and Open Source Software for Geospatial (FOSS4G) 2022**

Dear Board of Directors,

as President of the Florence Chamber of Commerce, it is with great pleasure that I would like to extend my warmest invitation to hold in our town the

### **Free and Open Source Software for Geospatial (FOSS4G) 2022**

Florence has a long tradition as a privileged conference destination, thanks to its unique charm and the quality of its meeting facilities, which has already been experienced during the many large international events it has hosted in the past.

Furthermore, Florence is one of the most beloved cities in the world: the cradle of Renaissance, the town of Michelangelo's David and the Uffizi Gallery, surrounded by a charming and magic atmosphere that has always a strong appeal on many visitors coming from all over the world, and for those ones who wants to experience an unforgettable meeting.

We are sure that Florence could meet all participants' expectations, and we look forward to this upcoming event with great enthusiasm, extending our hopes that this proposal will become a reality.

With my very best regards,

The President  
Leonardo Bassilichi



Date: 08.04.2021

To: Dr. Vasile Craciunescu  
Dr. Msilikale Msilanga  
Co-Chairs OSGeo Conference Committee

**Subject: Letter of support for Florence as host city for FOSS4G 2022**

Dear Sirs,

we are pleased to have the opportunity to express our support for the bid submitted by the Florence Local Organizing Committee to the OSGeo Conference Committee.

The Institute of BioEconomy of the National Research Council of Italy is a primary user of geospatial data and Open Source technologies in various research and training initiatives.

We are glad to promote all the initiatives that converge toward a broad application of the principles of Open Sciences.

We consider that commissioning Florence to host the FOSS4G 2021 would be an excellent opportunity to expand communication lines between scientists, practitioners, SMEs, public bodies, and international organizations engaged in this area of expertise, towards a more open and sustainable future for geospatial data.

From our side, we are available to collaborate with the Florence Local Organising Committee and to promote the event as better as possible in Italy and within our international network of collaborations. Members of our CNR-IBE and CNR would certainly participate in the conference process and the actual event.

Sincerely,

Dr. Giorgio Matteucci  
Director of CNR-IBE



*To the Co-Chairs of the OSGeo Conference Committee  
Vasile Craciunescu  
Msilikale Msilanga*

Perugia, March 24 2021

Subject: Italy's candidature for the FOSS4G 2022

Dear Co-Chairs of the OSGeo Conference Committee,

As director of CNR IRPI, I confirm institute's interest in having the FOSS4G 2022 held in Italy, and more precisely in Florence.

Free and Open Source GeoSpatial software plays an important role in the research activities of CNR IRPI. Researchers of our institute publish every year dozens of papers based on the use of Free and Open Source GeoSpatial Software and libraries and, often, develop specific codes that are then released under open licenses. CNR IRPI has also organized at least one international conference on the topic in 2016 (<http://www.irpi.cnr.it/en/conference/iv-open-source-geospatial-research-and-education-symposium-ogrs2016/>).

For the above reasons, it's my great pleasure to support Italy's candidacy for the FOSS4G 2022 and we commit to promote the event by participating with scientific contributions to the sessions.

Kind regards

DIRECTOR CNR IRPI

Eng. Tommaso Moramarco

To the kind attention of  
OSGeo Board of Directors

Object: Free and Open Source Software for Geospatial (FOSS4G) 2022.

Dear Board of Directors,

it is with great pleasure that I would like to extend my warmest invitation to hold in our city the **Free and Open Source Software for Geospatial (FOSS4G) 2022**.

With its tradition of excellent hospitality and its outstanding conference venues, hotels and services, Florence offers a memorable setting for your events.

The opportunity to organize the **Free and Open Source Software for Geospatial (FOSS4G)**, will strengthen Italy's thriving research community in this field. In the name of the Municipality of Florence I personally support the event with great commitment and I do look forward to a positive outcome for the bid.

I am confident that the choice of Florence will ensure that this conference is a great success.

Sincerely,

Cecilia Del Re



Florence, 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Sesto Fiorentino, 12.04.2021

To: Vasile Craciunescu  
Msilikale Msilanga  
OSGeo Conference Committee

**Subject: Letter of support for Florence FOSS4G 2022**

Dear Sirs,

We gladly support the bid submitted by the Florence Local Organizing Committee to the OSGeo Conference Committee.

The Consorzio LaMMA (Consortium Laboratory of Monitoring and Environmental Modelling for sustainable development) a public consortium between Tuscany Region Government and the Italian National Research Council (CNR), extensively uses open-source technologies, in various research and operational activities. We believe in the open-source and open data principles and we support all initiatives in these directions. Thus, we understand and appreciate the value of this movement and we consider that commissioning Florence to host the FOSS4G 2021 would be an excellent opportunity to open lines of communication between the operational applications and this area of expertise.

We strongly support and promote open source and open data initiatives. We are excited to learn of such a proposal to host an IT global conference in Florence-Italy and we consider that it would be beneficial for all involved parties.

Sincerely,

Bernardo Gozzini  
Sole Director



Il Vice Presidente

Roma li, 13 aprile 2021  
Prot. 126/21/CPSG

**To:** Vasile Craciunescu  
Msilikale Msilanga

OSGeo Conference Committee Co-Chairs

**Topic:** letter of support to the application  
of GFOSS.it to organize FOSS4G 2022

Dear Sirs,

Having learned of the application by Associazione Italiana per l'Informazione Geografica Libera

(GFOSS.it), OSGeo local chapter, to organise the FOSS4G 2022 Conference in Firenze, Italy, CISIS-CPSG is pleased to lend its support.

CISIS is a non-profit public association of the Italian Regions and Autonomous Provinces, constituted in order to guarantee an effective coordination of IT, geographic and statistical information, as well as to ensure the best connection between Regions and Autonomous Provinces, the State and Local Authorities.

It is one of technical body of the Conference of Presidents of the Regions and Autonomous Provinces for everything related to IT, geographic and statistical information and the technical interlocutor for the central bodies of the State (ISTAT, AgID, Ministries, etc.).

The Permanent Committee for Geographical Systems (CPSG) within CISIS has the task of linking and constituting a unifying moment for issues related to geographic information systems.

The ordinary activity of the CPSG is mainly dedicated to the action of support and advice to the Regions and Public Bodies for the management and use of Technical Specifications concerning the production and management of geographical data, for the definition of models and formal control of data.

Free and Open Source GeoSpatial software as well as geoOpenData play an important role in the daily activities of CISIS-CPSG, so we consider that hosting the FOSS4G 2022 in Florence would be a unique opportunity for the worldwide Open Source community to meet and share significant and valuable experiences among academics, public bodies and companies.

From our side, we are available to cooperate with the Florence Local Organizing Committee and to promote the event as better as possible in Italy and within our international network.

Il Vice Coordinatore CPSG  
Gian Bartolomeo Siletto



Il Vice Presidente del CISIS  
Umberto Trivelloni



Date: April 9th 2021

Vasile Craciunescu and Msilikale Msilanga  
**OSGeo Conference Committee Members**

**SUBJECT: LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR FOSS4G-FLORENCE 2022**

On behalf of the gvSIG Association, I would like to express my full support for the Associazione Italiana per l'Informazione Geografica Libera (GFOSS.it), OSGeo local chapter team, to bring the global FOSS4G event to Florence, Italy, in August 2022.

***The gvSIG Association is one of the largest professional network of open source geomatics, and represents a new model of development based on knowledge sharing, solidarity and cooperation.*** At gvSIG we support a professional development model of Free Software in the field of geomatics. The gvSIG Association's mission is to evolve the gvSIG project, to ensure software quality, to guarantee the existence of professional services (support, consultancy, etc.) and finally the sustainability of the project. To this end, the Association is responsible for coordinating efforts and ensuring consistency of growth and dissemination.

The ***gvSIG project proudly became an official project of OSGeo back at the end of 2015, and we fully realize the importance of the OSGeo community.*** It is therefore wonderful to see that the community spirit will continue in 2022, led by the ***local Florence team and its focus on community – not only software, but the critical business development around it.***

I personally look forward to being involved in sharing the gvSIG passion at FOSS4G 2022 in Florence, Italy! See you there!

Thank you,

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Alvaro Anguix  
**CEO of gvSIG Association**



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## Endorsement to the application of GFOSS.it to organize FOSS4G 2022

April 12, 2021

To the kind attention of the OSGeo Conference Committee,  
in particular Vasile Craciunescu and Msilikale Msilanga,

The Italian Linux Society (ILS) is pleased to endorse the bid of the *Associazione Italiana per l'Informazione Geografica Libera* (GFOSS.it) – OSGeo local chapter – to organize the FOSS4G 2022 Conference in Florence, Italy.

As Italian Linux Society – the national association promoting and disseminating Linux and Free and Open Source Software since 1994 – we have always been committed into coordinating and supporting events, conferences and providing Linux technical support. We advocate digital freedoms, ethical technologies and Open standards by coordinating and supporting dozen local user groups widespread throughout the Italian territory.

Taking the aforementioned actions into account, we acknowledge and support the work of the Local Organizing Committee of FOSS4G 2022 bid – especially Luca Delucchi and Stefano Campus – for the awareness about new uses of Open Data with ethical technologies and the diffusion and protection of Free and Open Source software for geographic information.

In case GFOSS.it's bid to host FOSS4G 2022 will be accepted, we will be very pleased to participate and promote the conference among our community.

Yours sincerely,

Valerio Bozzolan – Italian Linux Society board



OSSERVATORIO ASTROFISICO DI ARCETRI

The Director  
Dr. Maria Sofia Randich

Firenze, April 14, 2021

To the kind attention of:  
Dr. Vasile Craciunescu  
Dr. Msilikale Msilanga  
OSGeo Conference Committee

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Subject: Letter of support

Dear Dr. Craciunescu and Dr. Msilanga,

I am happy to have the opportunity to express the strong support of INAF-Osservatorio Astrofisico di Arcetri to the application of the Italian OSGeo Local Chapter to organize the 2022 edition of the International Conference Free and Open Source Software for Geospatial (FOSS4G) in Florence, Italy.

The Osservatorio Astrofisico di Arcetri is one of the 16 research institutes that are part of the Istituto Nazionale di Astrofisica (INAF), the most important Italian research body for the study of the Universe. INAF promotes, realizes and coordinates research in the field of astronomy and astrophysics, cooperating with universities and public-private organizations at national and international level. In particular, the broad variety of activities carried out at INAF-Osservatorio Astrofisico di Arcetri also include the analysis of big sets of astronomical data and the development of instrumentation dedicated to observing the sky and celestial objects. These activities certainly represent a close link to the OSGeo community.

Indeed, I am sure that many of the participants in the FOSS4G 2022 conference would very much interested in talking to our researchers and visiting our institute. Therefore, not only we are supporting the application to organize the conference in Florence; but, we will be indeed happy to welcome the interested participants and to organize group visits to the Observatory during the conference period.

With best regards,

Dr. Sofia Randich

To: Dr. Luca Delucchi

FOSS4G 2022 Conference Local  
Committee Chair

lucadeluge@gmail.com

Dear Sir,

Having learned of the application by "Associazione Italiana per l'Informazione Geografica Libera" (GFOSS.it), local chapter of OSGeo, to organise the FOSS4G 2022 Conference in Florence, Italy, we are pleased to lend our support to this request.

ISPRA is the Italian Institute for the Environmental Protection and Research and coordinates the National System for Environmental Protection with an overall work force of almost 11,000. ISPRA is also the coordinating structure for INSPIRE Directive, coordinates the National Environmental Information System and is one of the national mapping agencies. We are both providers and users of open geospatial data and tools.

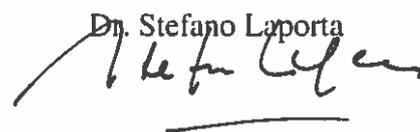
In this respect we would be pleased to mobilise our efforts in support of the Conference as we very much value the importance of these conferences for the development of new uses of spatial data to tackle societal challenges and for ecological transition.

In case Florence's application would be successful, we would be happy to promote the conference amongst our networks and to collaborate and participate ourselves.

Yours sincerely,

Il Presidente ISPRA

Dr. Stefano Laporta



To:

Vasile Craciunescu  
Co-Chair  
OSGeo Conference Committee

Msilikale Msilanga  
Co-Chair  
OSGeo Conference Committee

Bolzano, 6th April 2021

### Letter of Support for Firenze FOSS4G 2022 Candidature

Dear Mr. Craciunescu,  
Dear Mr. Msilanga,

on behalf of NOI AG/S.p.A, I'm pleased to support the Associazione Italiana per l'Informazione Geografica Libera (GFOSS.it) bid to host Free and Open Source Software for Geospatial conference 2022 in Firenze.

NOI AG/S.p.A. is a local entity with the aim to improve innovation, research and development investment in South Tyrol. The Unit Tech-Transfer Digital of NOI AG/S.p.A. tries to achieve this goal promoting the use of Open Source Software, Open Standards and, of course, Open Data.

For this reason, from over 20 years, NOI S.p.A. is organizing the South Tyrol Free Software Conference (SFScn, <https://www.sfscon.it/>), a well known international conference on Open Source and Open Data that attracts thousands of enthusiasts every year.

NOI AG/S.p.A. and the SFScn organization team are looking forward to support the FOSS4G conference and its well renowned community in Firenze in 2022.

Patrick Ohnewein  
Head of Unit Tech-Transfer Digital



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110.740.000 €

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## Endorsement to the application of GFOSS.it to organize FOSS4G 2022

April 12, 2021

To the kind attention of the OSGeo Conference Committee,  
in particular Vasile Craciunescu and Msilikale Msilanga,

onData APS is pleased to endorse the bid of the *Associazione Italiana per l'Informazione Geografica Libera* (GFOSS.it) – OSGeo local chapter – to organize the FOSS4G 2022 Conference in Florence, Italy.

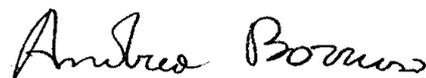
As onData we promote the opening of public data to make it accessible to all. Some of our members have professionally dealt with geographic information and we had the pleasure of meeting and interacting with the GFOSS association and with several of its members through a stimulating discussion on the themes of geographic information and #public data.

Taking the aforementioned actions into account, we acknowledge and support the work of the Local Organizing Committee of FOSS4G 2022 bid – especially Luca Delucchi and Stefano Campus – for the awareness about new uses of Open Data with ethical technologies and the diffusion and protection of Free and Open Source software for geographic information.

In case GFOSS.it's bid to host FOSS4G 2022 will be accepted, we will be very pleased to participate and promote the conference among our community.

Yours sincerely,

Andrea Borruso - Presidente Associazione onData APS



Prot. n. 310/2021

Lì, 15 aprile 2021

To your kind attention

Vasile Craciunescu e Msilikale Msilanga  
Co-Chairs della OSGeo Conference Committee

Subject: FOSS4G 2022 candidacy.

With reference to your note dated 22.3.2021, we hereby confirm the support of this Professional Order for the Italian candidacy of Florence as the seat of the next FOSS4G in 2022.

It is also the intention of this Order to proceed with the subsequent dissemination and advertising of the event to its members.

On this occasion we send cordial greetings.

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The President  
of the Order of Architects P.P.C. of Grosseto  
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e della Tutela del Territorio  
e del Mare*



**To** Vasile Craciunescu  
and  
Msilikale Msilanga  
Co-Chairs OSGeo Conference Committee

**Subject:** Letter of support for Firenze FOSS4G 2022 LOC

Dear Sirs,

We are happy to have the opportunity to express our support to the Local Organizing Committee FOSSAG 2022, for the nomination of Firenze as the headquarters of the next Free and Open Source Software for Geospacial Conference (FOSS4G) in 2022.

We use open source software for some of the geospatial processing and visualization activities in our research projects. Thus we understand the values of the open source community and we share its principles.

We would strongly support the FOSS4G 2022 in Firenze.

With kind regard,

dr. Simonetta Dalla Corte  
Director f.f.



REGIONE TOSCANA



Giunta Regionale  
Assessore Economia, Attività Produttive,  
Politiche del Credito e Turismo

To the kind attention of  
OSGeo Board of Directors

Florence, 8th March 2021

Object: Free and Open Source Software for Geospatial (FOSS4G) 2022.

Dear Board of Directors,

the Regional Government of Tuscany would be honoured to host the Free and Open Source Software for Geospatial (FOSS4G) 2022. We would be proud to share our historical heritage, culture, tradition, art treasures and landscapes with the participants of this prestigious conference.

Situated in Italy's centre, Florence is a springboard for sightseeing in Tuscany and throughout the country. The gentle countryside is renowned for its beautiful rolling hills, its olives and vineyards, villas and castles. There is no conference setting in the world that can give delegates the joy and satisfaction of Florence and Tuscany.

Hoping that our destination will be selected, we look forward to welcoming you in our beautiful Region.

Best regards,

L'Assessore  
Leonardo Marras

*Leonardo Marras*  
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## RETE TOSCANA PROFESSIONI TECNICHE

Prot. 02/21

Firenze 19/04/2021

Dear Sirs  
*Vasile Craciunescu e Msilikale Msilanga*  
Co-Chairs della OSGeo  
Conference Committee

Organization: OSGeo Conference Committee

Subject: Letter of support for Firenze FOSS4G 2022

The RTPT (Rete Toscana Professioni Tecniche -Tuscan Network of Technical Professions: Architects, Engineers, Geologists, Surveyors, Foresters, Agricultural Experts and Industrial Experts) is are happy and excited to have the opportunity to express our support for the bid submitted by the Firenze Local Organization Committee to the OSGeo Conference Committee.

The professionists are supporters the principles of free and open source solutions.We also develop free software and collaborate in its development.

We strongly belive in the valuable result of volunteering. The open source are fondamental for the professionists and for the professional work.

We use open source software for some of the geospatial processing and visualization activities. Thus, we understand the values of the open source community and we share its principles.

Yours truly

Coordinator RTPT  
(Dott. Arch. Alessandro Jaff)



To: Vasile Craciunescu  
Msilikale Msilanga  
OSGeo Conference Committee Co-Chairs

Prot. N. 1. Torino, 12.04.2021

**Topic: letter of support to the application of GFOSS.it to organize FOSS4G 2022**

Dear Sirs,

Having learned of the application by Associazione Italiana per l'Informazione Geografica Libera (GFOSS.it), OSGeo local chapter, to organise the FOSS4G 2022 Conference in Firenze, Italy, the Italian Society Photogrammetry and Survey (SIFET) is pleased to support this initiative and proposal.

SIFET is a non-profit association with a scientific and educational purpose related to geomatics, it is a founding member of the Italian Federation ASITA and a member of the ISPRS (International Society of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing), and promotes and organizes conferences, seminars, and exhibitions of geomatics, even including open data, open source tools and other FOSS solution applied to geomatics.

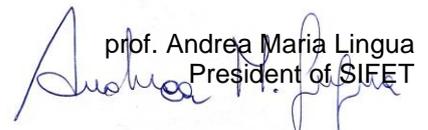
SIFET aims to develop and disseminate culture, disciplines and applications since 1951, through actions aimed to:

- gather people interested in research, development, professional activities and applications
- promote and coordinate initiatives to expand and apply methods/technologies
- foster the exchange of knowledge and the collaboration between members
- support the dissemination through conferences, working groups, international thematic courses
- represent and take care of scientific and cultural interests in Geomatics for institutions, agencies, companies, associations in Italy and worldwide

Taking the aforementioned actions into account, we very much value the importance of FOSS4G conferences for the development of new uses of open data in geomatics domain and , the use of open source tool for geomatics application.

In case GFOSS.it's application would be successful, we would be happy to promote the conference amongst our members and participate ourselves.

Yours sincerely,

  
prof. Andrea Maria Lingua  
President of SIFET



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The Rector

Vasile Craciunescu and  
Msilikale Msilanga  
OSGeo Conference  
Committee Co-Chairs

The University of Florence is pleased to be an organising partner of the FOSS4G 2022 world event and will gladly make available the premises of the Centro Didattico Morgagni for the workshops, in compliance with the regulations in force aimed at COVID-19 risk reduction.

Luigi Dei

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# UNIVERSITÀ DI PISA

Il Rettore

*Prof. Paolo M. Mancarella*



Vasile Craciunescu and Msilikale Msilanga ,  
OSGeo Conference Committee Co-Chairs

Subject: Letter of Support to FOSS4G 2022 conference in Florence

Dear Sirs,

the University of Pisa is proud to support GFOSS.it, the OSGeo local chapter, for the FOSS4G 2022 international conference in Florence.

As a national non-profit association for the social promotion of the free geographical software, GFOSS.it has been fostering the free geographical software and geographic open data through several local and national events. In particular, the FOSS4G Italia has become the most relevant meeting on Free and Open Source Software for Geospatial, attracting professionalists, institutions and open source software communities.

We strongly boost Open source and Open data initiatives as a contribution to the progress of our community and we believe that the FOSS4G 2022 conference in Florence would be a unique opportunity for the worldwide Open Source community to meet and share significant and valuable experiences among academics, public bodies and companies.

Looking forward to meeting you in Florence,

Yours sincerely,

Paolo Mancarella  
Rector of the University of Pisa



IL RETTORE  
PROF. SANTO MARCELLO ZIMBONE

To the attention of Vasile Craciunescu and  
Msilikale Msilanga

Co-Chairs of the OSGeo Conference Committee

**Letter of support for Florence FOSS4G2022 LOC**

Dear Vasile Craciunescu and Msilikale Msilanga,

We are happy to have the opportunity to express our support for the bid submitted by the Florence Local Organizing Committee to the OSGeo Conference Committee.

At the Mediterranean University of Reggio Calabria we use open source software for some of the geospatial processing and visualization activities, including teaching activities. Thus, we understand the values of the open source community and we share its principles.

We would strongly support a global FOSS4G 2022 in Florence. It would be a unique opportunity to engage with the world wide Open Source community that we will not miss.

Yours truly,

Il Rettore

Prof. Santo Marcello Zimbone

Milan, 12 April 2021

SUBJECT: Support for the Firenze bid to host FOSS4G 2022

Dear Vasile Craciunescu & Msilikale Msilanga,

**Wikimedia Italia – Associazione per la diffusione della conoscenza libera (WMI)** is an association active in the field of culture whose purpose is free knowledge.

With reference to the initiative in question, the undersigned **Maria Iolanda Isabella Pensa, C.F. PNSMLN75M41Z133G**, as the legal representative of **Wikimedia Italia - Associazione per la diffusione della conoscenza libera (WMI)**, the Italian **OpenStreetMap Local Chapter**, with registered office in Milan, via Bergognone 34 confirms its interest to support the bid submitted by the Firenze Local Organizing Committee to host FOSS4G 2022, to the OSGeo Conference Committee.

Wikimedia Italia appreciates the work of “Associazione Italiana per l'Informazione Geografica Libera” - GFOSS.it in the Open Source Geospatial field and expresses the support for the Firenze bid to host FOSS4G 2022.

Maria Iolanda Isabella Pensa



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