



### **Večletni program katastrskih izmer v Republiki Hrvaški** **Multi-Year Program of Cadastral Surveys in the Republic of Croatia**

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The lack of up-to-date and accurate records of real property in the Republic of Croatia hampers spatial planning, environmental protection, implementation of infrastructure projects, agricultural development, and the realization of strategic investments and projects financed by European Union funds. To systematically address this issue, on 1 October 2021, in line with the Croatian Government 2020–2024 Program, the Croatian Parliament adopted the Multi-Year Program of Cadastral Surveys of Construction Areas for the 2021–2030 Period, worth €401 million, led by the State Geodetic Administration.

The main activity of the Program is the renewal of the cadastre and land registers for approximately 600,000 hectares of land and real property in construction zones, to harmonize data and ensure the availability of updated information to citizens and institutions. Cadastral surveys include precise geodetic surveying, collection of documentation, data processing, preparation of reports, presentation and official confirmation, based on which land register entries are created, a new land register is opened, and the new cadastral documentation is implemented. Access to updated cadastral and land registry data is publicly available through the "Uređena zemlja" (Organised Land) portal.

The cadastral surveys and land registers renewal under the Multi-Year Program have been carried out in accordance with a new concept defined by amendments to the State Survey and Real Property Cadastre Act and the Land Registration Act. Specifically, collaboration between geodetic and legal experts in the field has made it possible to create enumeration sheets containing preliminary elements of land registry entries, which in many cases eliminates the need for legal proceedings in land registration processes. Among the challenges of implementing the Program, besides adjusting the legal framework, key issues include: the need for additional human resources, upgrading of IT systems, and providing professional support to the contractors.

Given the scope and importance of the project, a comprehensive communication campaign has been developed at both national and local levels. The national campaign has an educational role, emphasizing the project's benefits for society and the economy, as well as the importance of active citizen participation. Local campaigns, on the other hand, provide specific information about surveys being conducted in certain areas, including details about public forums, instructions for citizens, and more. Communication channels include media (print, electronic: radio, television), the internet, advertising, and the project website: [visegodisnjiprogram.dgu.hr](http://visegodisnjiprogram.dgu.hr)

With the completion of the Multi-Year Program's activities, a return on investment is expected in the form of accurate and up-to-date official records of the cadastre and land registers, and consequently – legal certainty and better real property management, increased economic competitiveness, an improved business environment, and the attraction of new investments, all contributing to sustainable spatial and economic development of the

Republic of Croatia. Furthermore, the digitalization and accuracy of land data are also an important step toward a modern e-governance and more accessible public services for citizens.

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