



## Vectorworks Joins Open Geospatial Consortium

Global Design and BIM Software Provider Will Serve as Technical Member of International Consortium

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# Vectorworks, Inc. Joins the Open Geospatial Consortium to Contribute to GIS and BIM Standards

**Columbia, MD (July 19, 2021)**—Today, global design and BIM software provider, [Vectorworks, Inc.](#) announces its official membership in the [Open Geospatial Consortium \(OGC\)](#), a global resource for geospatial information and standards. As a technical member, Vectorworks will offer its experience and expertise in connecting BIM and GIS workflows to the OGC.

“Joining the OGC is a milestone that not only shows our commitment to standards for BIM and location data, but also demonstrates how we’re

continually progressing to advocate for the needs and standards of the AEC and landscape industries,” said Vectorworks CEO Dr. Biplab Sarkar. “Together with the 500-plus businesses and organizations this partnership brings, we look forward to discussions with innovative thought leaders on emerging tech trends, open geospatial standards and the future of BIM and GIS that will define solidified and streamlined principles for the industries.”

Through their member-driven consensus process, OGC serves as the leading authority on geospatial standards, ensuring that location information is findable, accessible, integrable and reusable. Vectorworks global architecture, landscape architecture and planning customer-base, along with the use of geospatial data across BIM and BIM for landscape workflows, are leading priorities for the company. As such, together with the OGC, Vectorworks will participate in discussions that ensure interoperability of geospatial data within design and BIM projects.

“I’m happy to welcome Vectorworks to our collective global, problem-solving community of geospatial experts and users that is the OGC,” said OGC CEO Dr. Nadine Alameh. “A key part of the mainstreaming of geospatial is the integration of information between the AEC and geospatial information environments in the architecture and landscape architecture industries. Vectorworks’ commitment to such an integration across BIM workflows based on international open standards and best practices cannot be timelier and more impactful to the Consortium and the community overall.”

Read about OGC’s mission and vision [here](#) and learn more about their newest member by visiting [vectorworks.net](http://vectorworks.net).

## **About OGC**

The Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC) is a collective problem-solving community of experts from more than 500 businesses, government agencies, research organizations, and universities driven to make geospatial (location) information and services FAIR - Findable, Accessible, Interoperable and Reusable. The global OGC Community engages in a mix of activities related to location-based technologies: developing consensus-based open standards and best-practice; collaborating on agile innovation initiatives; engaging in community meetings, events, and workshops; and more. OGC's unique standards development process moves at the pace of innovation, with

constant input from technology forecasting, practical prototyping, real-world testing, and community engagement. OGC bridges disparate sectors, domains, and technology trends, and encourages the cross-pollination of ideas between different communities of practice to improve decision-making at all levels. OGC is committed to creating an inclusive and sustainable future. Visit [ogc.org](https://ogc.org) for more info on our work.

## **About Vectorworks, Inc.**

Vectorworks, Inc. is an award-winning design and BIM software provider serving the architecture, landscape architecture and entertainment industries in 85 countries. Creating intuitive software since 1985, we've become the preeminent software built to manage the entire design process. Globally more than 685,000 users are creating, connecting and influencing the next generation of design with Vectorworks on Mac and Windows. Headquartered in Columbia, Maryland, with offices in the UK, Canada and Australia, Vectorworks is a part of the [Nemetschek Group](#). Learn how we empower designers to create experiences that transform the world at [vectorworks.net](https://vectorworks.net) or follow @Vectorworks.

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Publicly listed since 1999 and quoted on the MDAX and TecDAX, the company achieved revenue amounting to EUR 596.9 million and an EBITDA of EUR 172.3 million in 2020.

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