The ISO/TC 211 Multi-Lingual Glossary of Terms has been compiled from International Standards developed by ISO/TC 211. Its purpose is to encourage consistency in the use and interpretation of geospatial terms. It is being made freely available to all interested people and organizations.

The repository for the ISO/TC 211 Glossary of Terms is an MS Excel workbook. The English language version of the Glossary occupies the workbook’s second spreadsheet. The multi-lingual capability has been implemented by adding a further spreadsheet for each additional language.

Every record in the glossary includes a term, its definitions and a reference to an authoritative source document. Abbreviations, examples and notes are also included where available.

Corresponding terminology records on different spreadsheets are linked through a unique identifier (Term_ID).

At present, the Glossary is available in the following languages.

- Arabic  (684 Terminology Records)
- Chinese  (479 Terminology Records)
- Danish  (206 Terminology Records)
- Dutch  (76 Terminology Records)
- English  (1064 Terminology Records)
- Finnish  (482 Terminology Records)
- French  (479 Terminology Records)
- German  (617 Partially Translated Terminology Records)
- Japanese  (151 Terminology Records)
- Korean  (936 Terminology Records)
- Malay  (318 Terminology Records)
- Polish  (251 Terminology Records)
- Russian  (479 Terminology Records)
- Spanish  (1047 Terminology Records including term equivalents)
- Swedish  (681 Translated Terminology Records)

Translations into other languages will be published as they become available.

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