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Geographical names information system

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Summary***

Geographic names have been used for and appointed to various lands since the time of our ancestors and continue to be used today. Geographic names are considered as cultural assets that reflect our history and cultural development for they contain the thoughts, desires and lives of our ancestors. To efficiently manage these geographic names, a geographic name management system was developed in 2003 and the latest information technologies have been applied to enhance the system so that it is efficient and accessible to the public. The newly developed geographical names management system is provided through the web page of the National Geographic Information Institute (http://jimyeong.ngii.go.kr), the Land Portal (http://www.land.go.kr) and the linked open data (LOD) (http://data.ngii.go.kr).

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