

## **Geoforensics and Information Management for crime Investigation**

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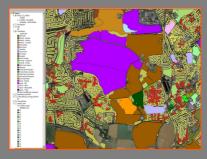
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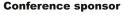
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### Aims

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### Network Initiatives

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## Spatial Databases and Communications



## Network Membership





## Stakeholder Requirements and Knowledge Transfer

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Media: Interview on ITV News



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BGS Mobile Forensics Lab



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What should be recorded at crime scenes for collective discussions? What can spatial databases offer for intelligence

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