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For the exchange/delivery of geographic data with to CINEA, the GIS team can accept the following GIS data formats:

1. Coverages, geodatabases (personal geodatabase, file geodatabase, and ArcSDE geodatabase), shapefiles (.shp).

2. Formats for exchange of geographic data: GPX (GPS Exchange Format), KML or KMZ (Keyhole Markup Language), GML, GeoJSON.

3. For GIS data depicting only point features, the following GIS data formats are also accepted:

    a. spreadsheet files: XLS, XLSX, ODT

    b. text files: CSV, TXT with semicolon (;) used as the value separator.

    Such files should contain a list GIS coordinates and the descriptive attributes. Regardless of the chosen format from point 3., the coordinates should be provided only as decimal degrees (DD) and in WGS1984 coordinate system.

    Example:
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    50.843611;4.382633;Berlaymont (European Commission)
    50.826991;4.396294;CINEA's building
    48.858235;2.294509;Eiffel Tower in Paris
    40.413616;-3.682058;Palacio de Cristal in Madrid
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In all cases, the coordinate system of the data should be either WGS1984 or ETRS1989.

Note: the following formats are not accepted, as they are not suitable for any data processing or for importing into GIS databases:

- word processing formats (MS Word documents or similar)
- presentation formats (PPT or similar)
- portable document format (PDF or similar).

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