

Background for selecting LandXML as the preferred format for Infra in Finland

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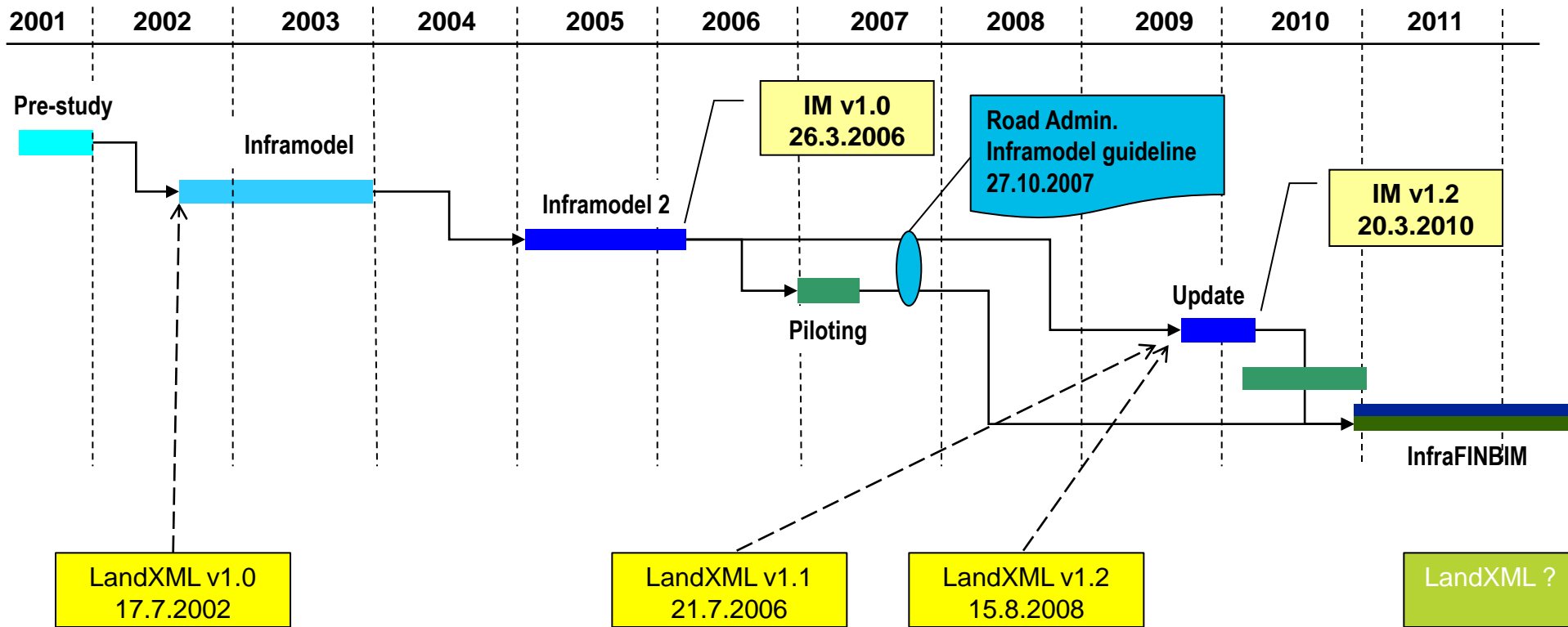
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Inframodel (IM) history



Infra Technology Programme 2001-2006 - Pre-study

- SKOL (The Finnish Association of Consulting Firms) / SITO 2001
- Current situation – standardization projects – development
- De facto formats in Finland
- OGC, OpenGIS, STANLI, GEOSIS, IFC, GDF, CIRC, OSYRIS, OKSTRA, OpenDesign...
- LandXML ?
- Significant benefits from the harmonization of data transfer
- An common infra product data model big effort
- Best tool for infrastructure design ?



▲ Taso 4 – Avoin ja yhtenäinen infra-tietomalli



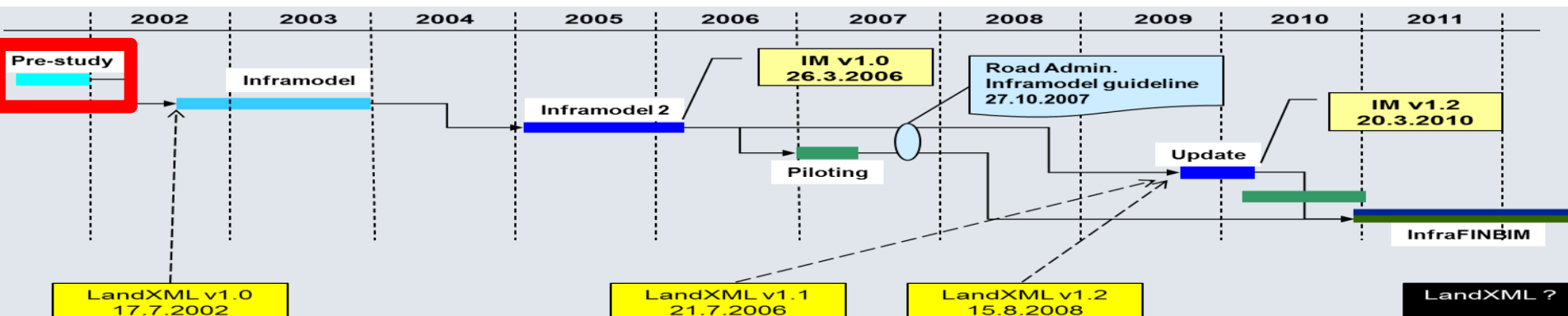
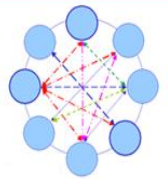
▲ Taso 3 – Uusi tiedonsiirtoformaatti nykyisten tarpeiden pohjalta



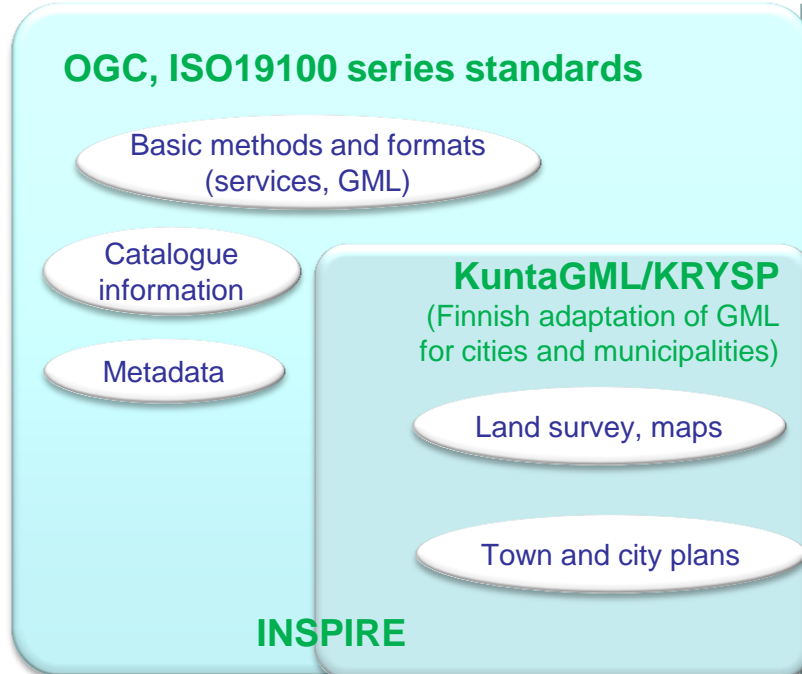
▲ Taso 2 – Olemassa olevien yhtenäistäminen

▲ Taso 1 – Olemassa olevan ohjeistus

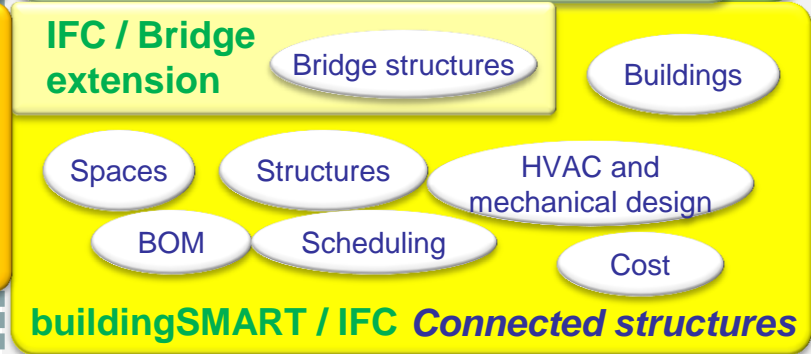
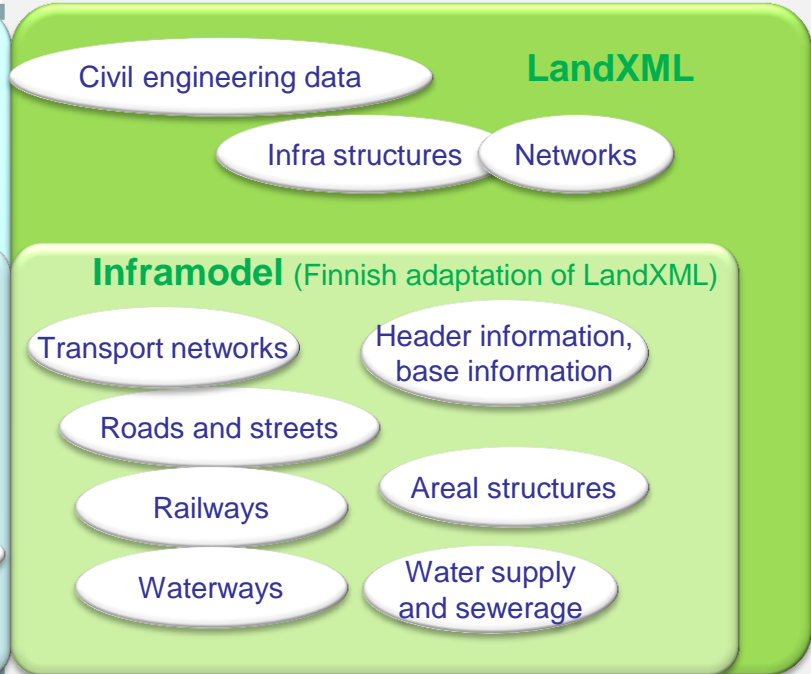
▲ Taso 0 – Tyydytään tilanteeseen



Source and reference data

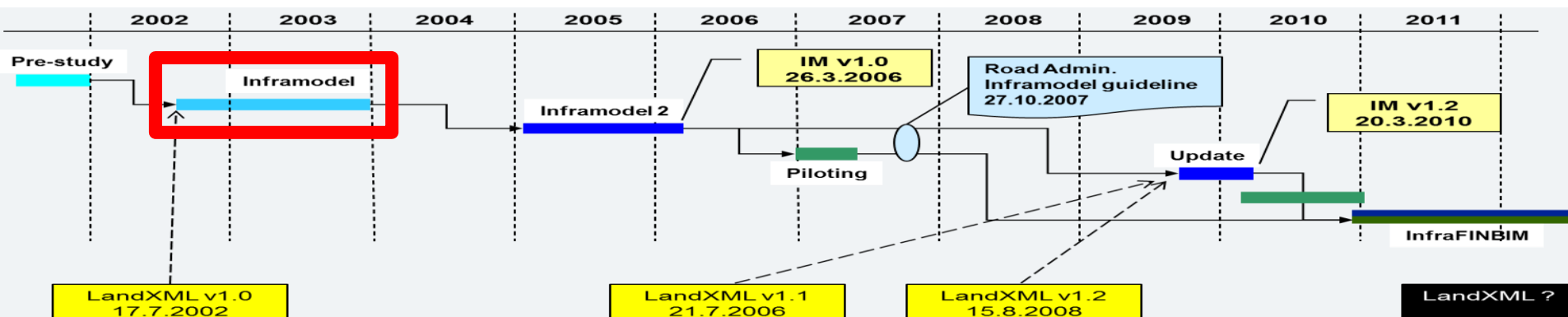
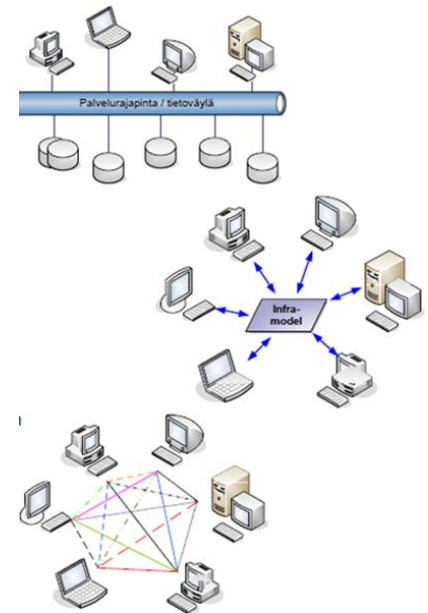


Design objects, structures



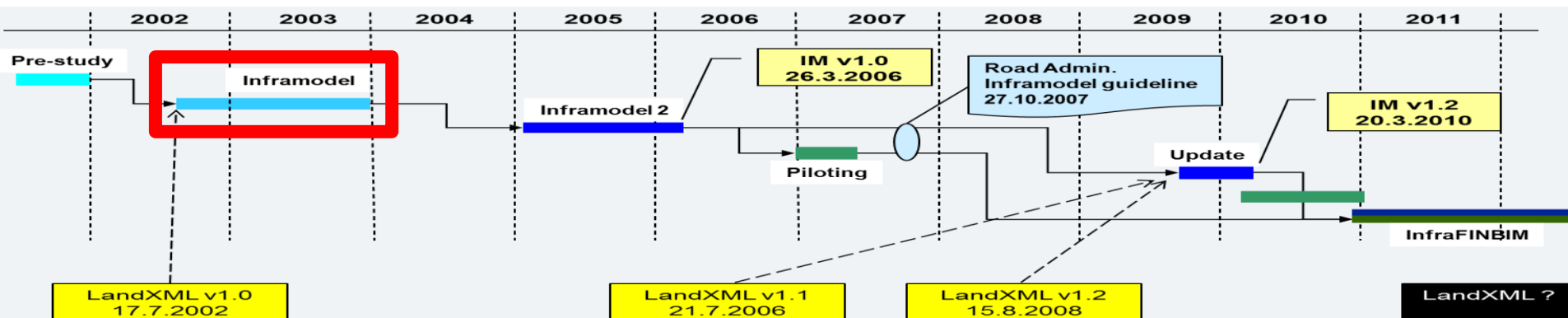
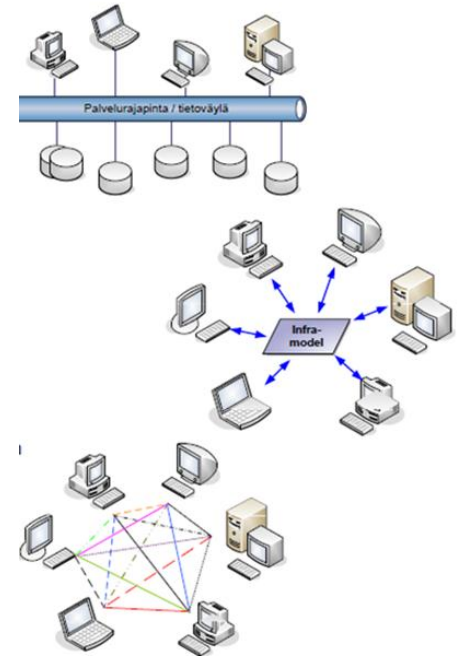
Inframodel

- Development of data exchange between softwares in infra design
- Actors VTT, Sito, Tekla, Viasys(Vianova)
- Harmonization study
 - Map information
 - Soil investigations
 - Terrain and subsoil model
- LandXML 1.0 requirement specifications and feasibility study
 - Metadata
 - Geometry, pipenetworks
 - Road / railway model



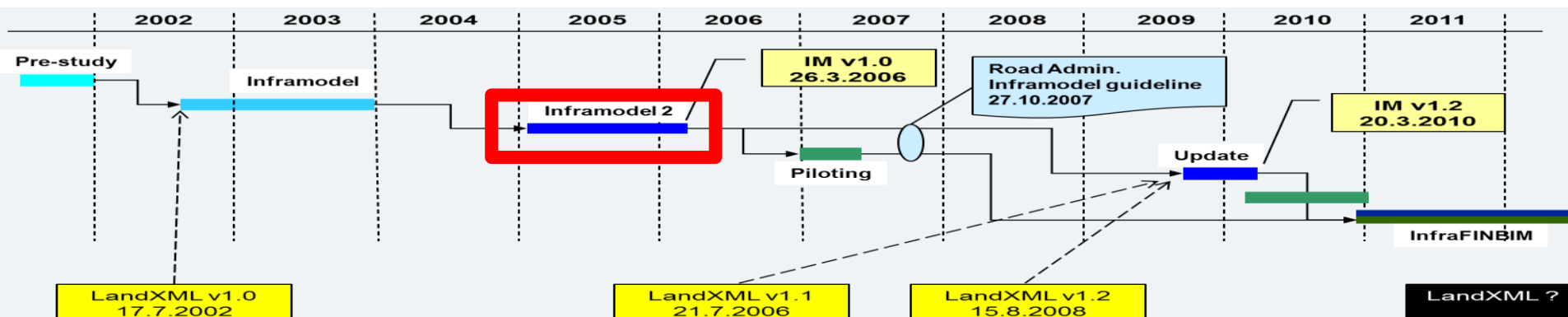
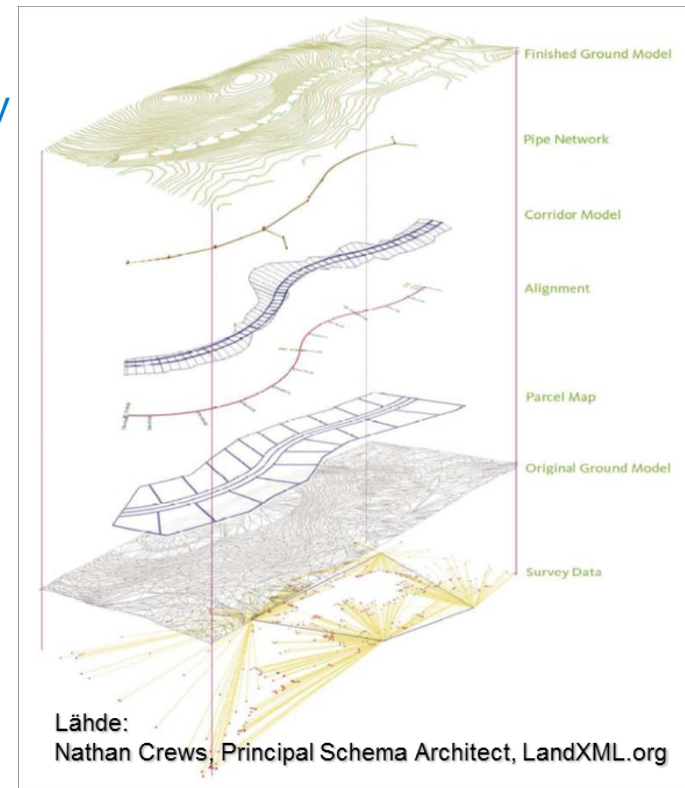
Inframodel - results

- Harmonization
 - Infra-format for soil investigations
 - Some other guidelines
- LandXML recommended to the data exchange format
 - Fullfill partly the demands
 - Possibility to expand (feature)
- Postpone the start of the common product data model



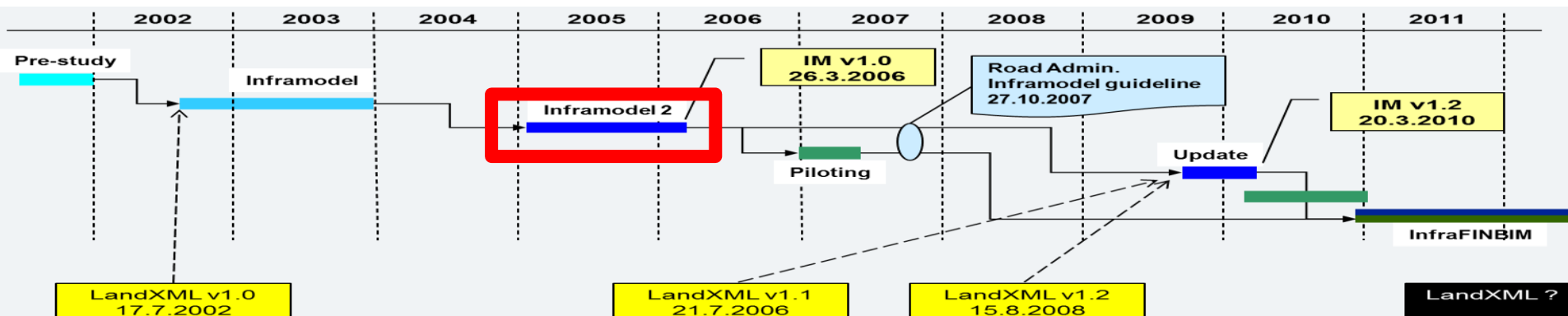
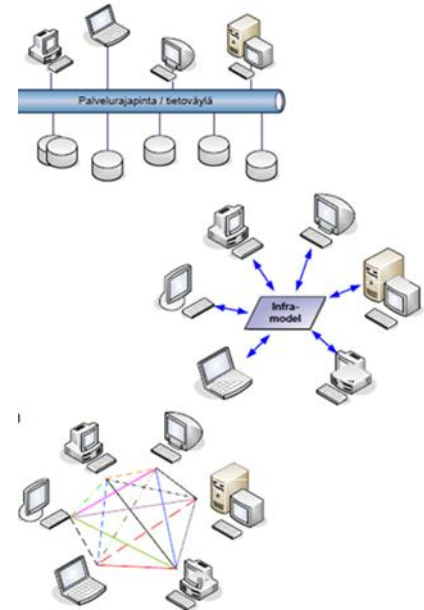
Why LandXML ? (2006)

- “A specialized XML data file format containing civil engineering and survey measurement data commonly used in the Land Development and Transportation Industries”
- An existing, worldwide, open organization
- A non-proprietary data standard
- Driven by an industry consortium of partners (Autodesk, Bentley, Trimble, Topcon, Leica...)
- February 2006: **35 countries** and **495** representatives from **400** member companies/government agencies
- Active development (www.LandXML.org)
- XML based
- Possibility to expand
- Possibility to influence ?



Inframodel2 - goals

- To improve data exchange between **design softwares**
- To bring LandXML-transfer format **in the use**
- **Open documentation** of Finnish practice
- **Implementations** in three design softwares:
 - Sito/CityCad, Tekla/Civil, Vianova/Novapoint
- **A plan for the maintaining and further development**
- **Common requirements of design**
- Definitions by Sito, Tekla, Vianova; documentation by VTT
- Total cost 600 000 € (public/private 50/50% & Tekes)



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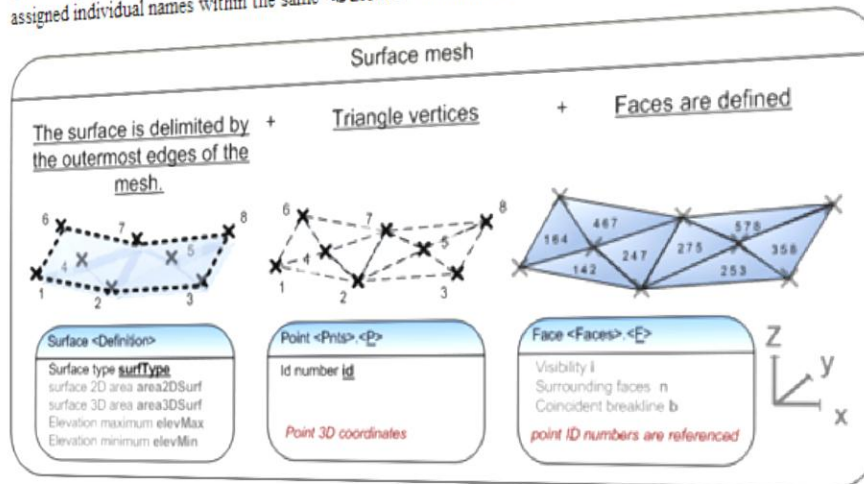
EXTENSIONS

- 1. Type coding systems
- 2. Type coding
- 3. Plan data
- 4. String line model
- 5. Cross sect parameters
- 6. Pipe networks - struct properties
- 7. Pipe networks - pipe properties

<http://cic.vtt.fi/projects/inframodel>

2.3 Triangular mesh surface

Surfaces are described as triangular meshes. Each surface is defined in terms of boundaries, exterior features and holes. The triangular mesh is defined in three parts; first by describing the vertices of the triangular faces, then individual faces and assigned individual names within the same <Surface> element. The mesh description is done by referring to the names of the



The *surface type surfType* is set to "TIN" when describing a triangular mesh. The precision of the mesh model depends on the *area2DSurf*, *3D surface area area3DSurf* and the *elevation maximum elevMax* and *elevation minimum elevMin*.

Attributes of the <Definition> header:

@	surfType	surface type	[TIN grid]
@	area2DSurf	2D surface area	in surface area units, e.g. [2450.510000]
@	area3DSurf	3D surface area	in surface area units, e.g. [2450.510000]
@	elevMax	elevation maximum elevation, e.g. [64.372000]	
@	elevMin	elevation minimum elevation, e.g. [56.431000]	

LandXML

<Definition> scheme documentation

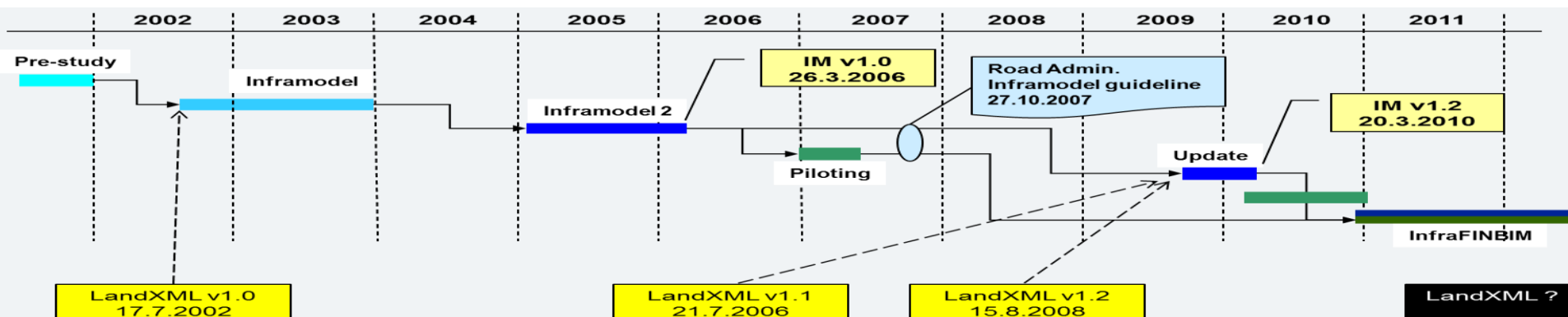
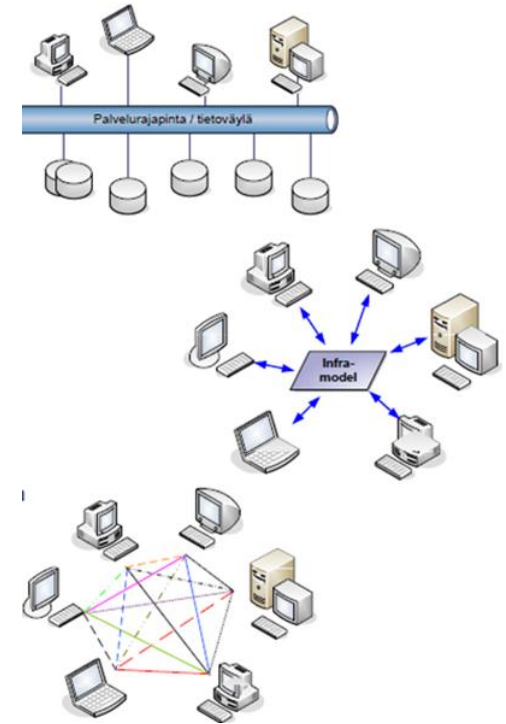
EXAMPLE

<Definition> short example

After Inframodel2

- Piloting project
- Inframodel guidelines
- Upgrade to LandXL 1.2 (documentation)

- InfraTM & InfraFINBIM
 - InfraBIM modelling guidelines
 - InfraBIM classifications and coding systems
 - New steps in BIM activation, pilot projects
 - Inframodel3 (LandXML1.2 etc.)
 - buildingSmart



Thank You !

Comments ? Questions ?

