Paper for consideration for NSHC [Updating of HO finance models in a european perspective]

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Executive summary:	HO finance models in a European perspective were discussed at NSHC29. In 2013, the directive on re-use of public sector information has been amended. NSHC31 is a good opportunity to exchange information on how it could impact HOs when transposed in national legislations.
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At NSHC29, the HO finance models in a European perspective was discussed, and a table describing the responses of each country was established.

Since then, the directive 2013/37/EU, amending the directive 2003/98/EC on the re-use of public sector information, has been adopted.

The first paragraph of the article 6 defines the principles governing charging: "Where charges are made for the re-use of documents, those charging should be limited to the marginal costs ...". The re-use of digital data of HOs could then be dramatically reduced, despite the costs linked to the maintenance of the web portal which enables access to these data.

However, the second paragraph of this article allows exceptions: "... shall not apply to... public sector bodies that are required to generate revenue to cover a substantial part of their costs...".

EU Members States shall transpose this directive into national regulation by the 18 July 2015.In France, this process is conducted by the Etalab mission, under the authority of the Prime minister. Some stakeholders lobby for a strict application of the first paragraph of article 6. NSHC31 could be a good opportunity to exchange on national enforcements of the new directive and to discuss on updating the table NSHC29-E4.2 compiling national responses.

Action required of NSHC

The NSHC is invited to note the paper and take action as appropriate.