

Ground investigation service of the Geological Survey of Finland and the National Standard for ground investigation data exchange

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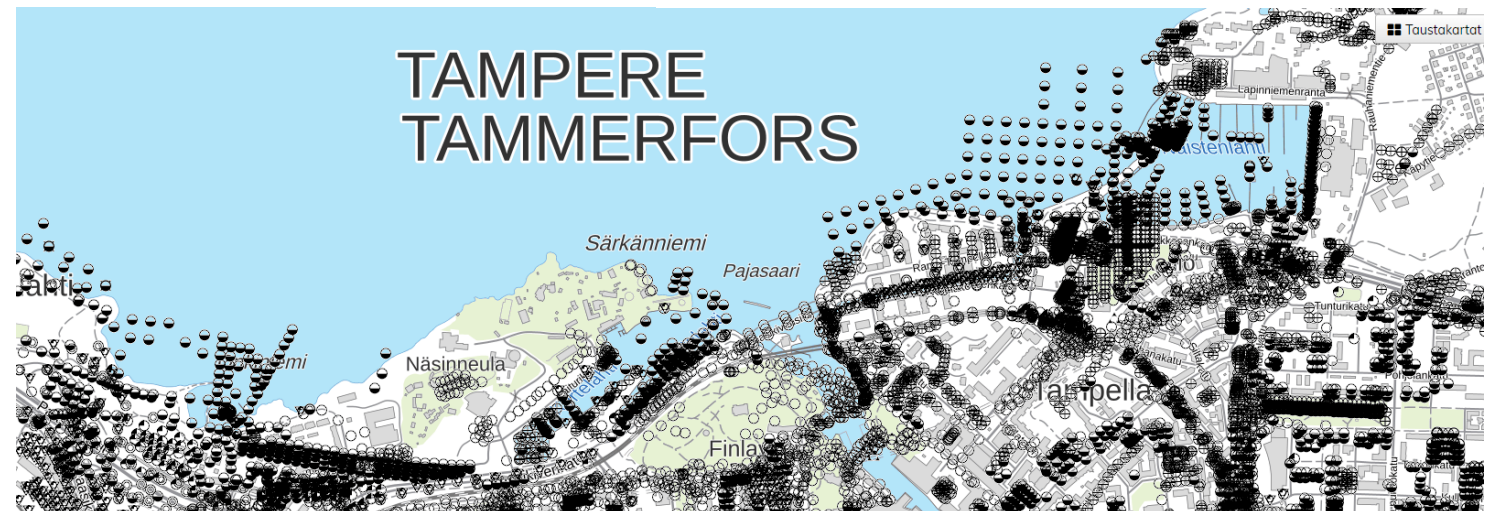
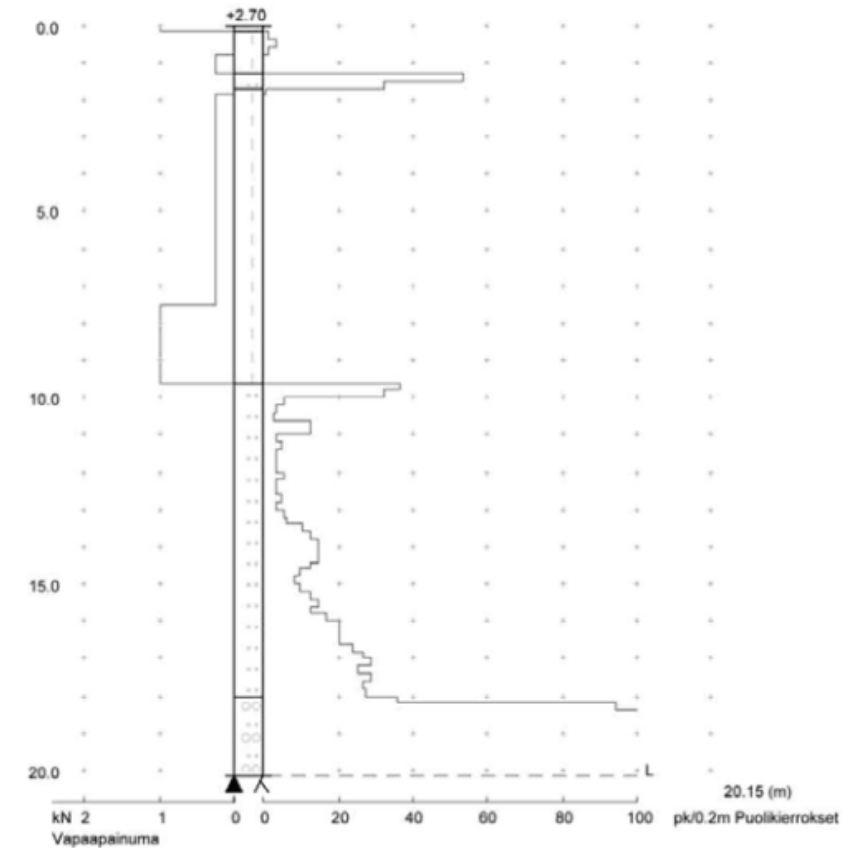
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Ground investigation service of GTK

- The biggest ground investigation database in Finland
- Established in 2011 in co-operation with the Finnish Transport Infrastructure Agency (Väylä)
- Data from public sector organizations
- Open license – all data freely downloadable
- 250 website visits per week
- New data in every week
- [To the service](#)



Ground investigation service

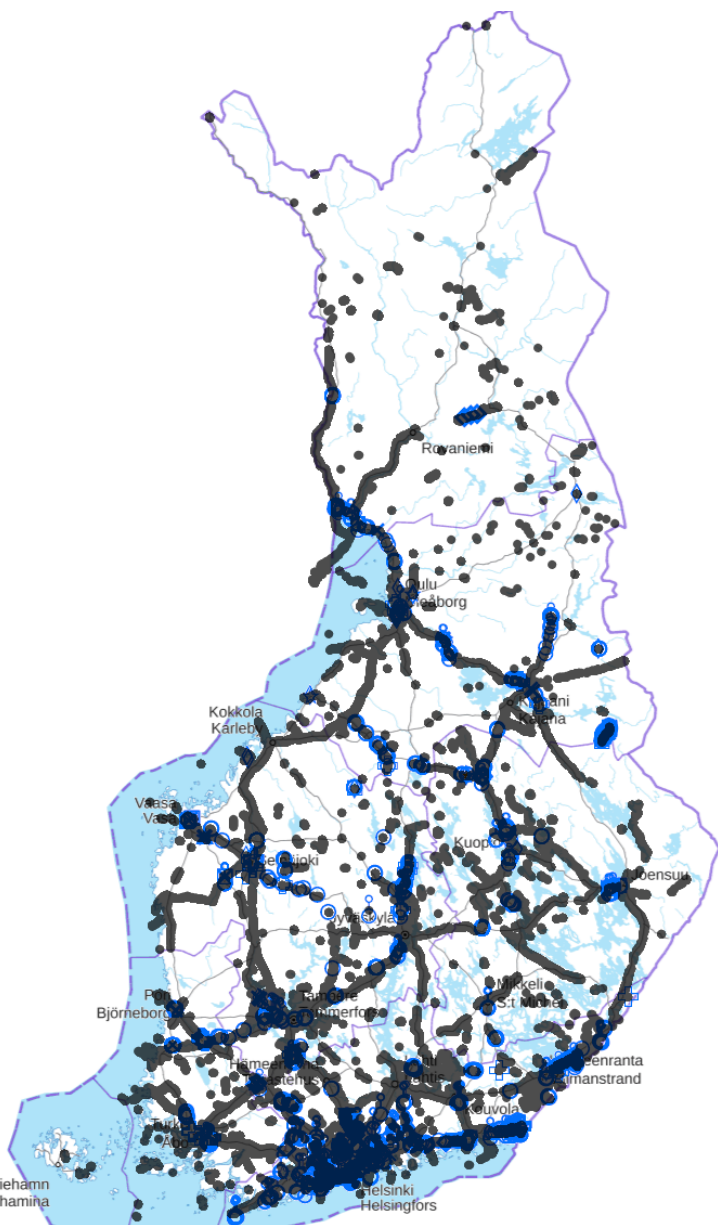
Number of ground investigations stored into the database 2015 – 2023 (11.10.2023)

Year	Total	Owned by Väylä	Owned by Väylä %
2023	21 043	17 724	84
2022	39 786	17 807	45
2021	44 775	29 305	65
2020	26 140	22 560	86
2019	63 205	55 777	88
2018	43 032	24 594	57
2017	119 864	35 550	30
2016	95 915	93 322	97
2015	45 520	37 020	81

Väylä = The Finnish Transport Infrastructure Agency

Ground investigations removed from the database this year ~4500

Types	Total
WST (Weight sounding test)	383 904
PO (percussion drilling)	128 143
NO (Disturbed sample)	55 119
TR (Vibration drilling)	52 784
HP (Static dynamic penetration test)	49 279
HE (Dynamic probing)	26 247
SI (Field vane test)	20 448
PI (Stick drilling)	10 683
VP (Ground water well)	7 157
LY (Hammer drilling)	6 667
KO (Test pit)	4 149
PU	3 866
NE (Undisturbed sample)	3 646
CPTU (Piezocone penetration test)	2 358
KK	614
PT	447
KE (Core sampling in rock)	190
VO (Perched groundwater well)	154
PM	82
CPT (Electric cone penetration test)	67
KN (Core sampling in rock)	38
HV	25
KR (Core sampling in rock)	21
MW (MWD drilling)	21
TU	10
CU-RL	6
KG	6
Null	7
PV	3
VPK	1
SUM	756 142



Cities and municipalities deliver ground investigation data

- Providing data is voluntary for the organizations – there's no law in Finland that obliges data providing to us
- Big cities maintain their own registers, but some municipalities prefer to share their data with us rather than distribute it themselves >> saves human resources
- Municipalities we have a contract with

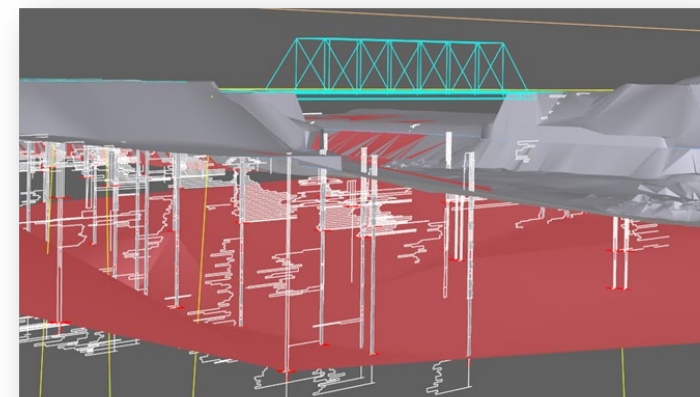
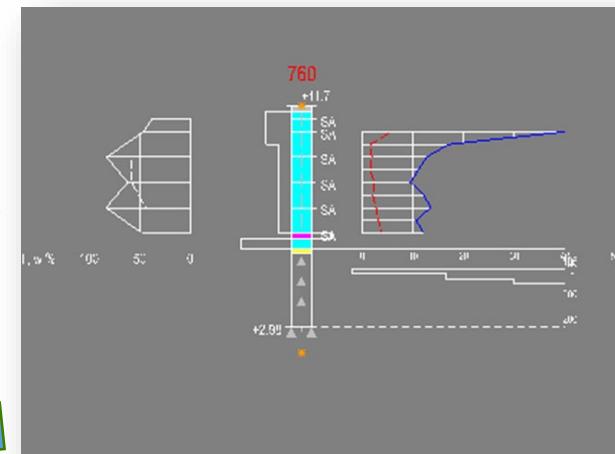
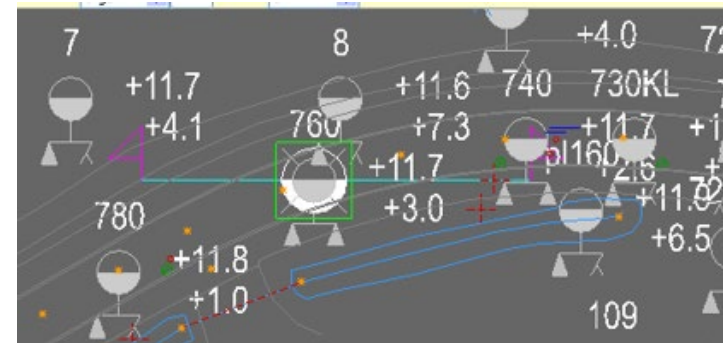
Tampere	Pirkkala
Oulu	li
Nurmijärvi	Akaa
Raisio	Kempele
Kaarina	Tyrnävä
Järvenpää	Kangasala



Quality control

- The data stored in the database normally follows with the national standard
- Sometimes handwritten format >> doesn't follow exactly the standard >> the software reads no data in >> data is corrected by GTK, the responsible designer or the driller before saving
- The format is so simple that, at least until now, errors related to it have been easy to find and corrected without special quality control tools
- GTK is not allowed to change the measured data – we can only correct metadata and errors caused by the misuse of the standard

To the format (sgy.fi) version 2.5



Weight sounding test (TT = PA)

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TY 4477
TT PA 3.
PK 4477 - -
LA 0
LN 0 0.000 0.000
XY 6703656.300 1576456.800 26.400 01011992
0.200 0.00 0 SI
0.400 100.00 0
0.600 100.00 4
0.800 100.00 4
4.800 25.00 0 SA
4.900 50.00 0
5.400 25.00 0
5.800 50.00 0
6.000 100.00 5 SI
6.200 100.00 4
6.400 100.00 3
6.600 100.00 4
6.900 100.00 0
7.100 100.00 5
7.300 100.00 5
7.500 100.00 7
7.700 100.00 9
7.900 100.00 9
8.100 100.00 13
8.300 100.00 12
8.500 100.00 14
8.700 100.00 12
8.900 100.00 18
9.100 100.00 15
9.300 100.00 16
9.500 100.00 11
9.700 100.00 16
9.900 100.00 24
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10.300 100.00 18
10.500 100.00 24
10.700 100.00 15
10.900 100.00 20
11.100 100.00 15
11.300 100.00 17
11.500 100.00 30
11.700 100.00 54
11.900 100.00 50
12.100 100.00 95
12.500 0.00 -5

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Depth, time, soil type (in-situ observation).

Soil type layer bottom = one row above soil type code

Undisturbed sample (TT = NE)

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TY 15290 Hiedanranta_T67_Allianssi,_rai
TT NE - 1 - -
XY 6823350.273 24483111.281 102.563 06032020 4189
4.30 1 4.33 saSi Sample top, id, sample bottom, soil type
HM Ödometrikokeessa 066_1A ei havaittu esik
RK 0.00100 8.0
RK 0.00130 10.0
RK 0.00260 20.0
RK 0.00650 36.0
RK 0.00880 40.0
RK 0.02200 65.0
RK 0.03400 75.0
RK 0.04800 83.0
RK 0.06300 100.0
LB w 36.50
LB VG 18.70
LB Rs 2.70
LB e 0.99
LB Sr 100
LB m1 47.95
LB bet1 0.34
LB cv 326
5.30 2 5.33 Si Sample top, id, sample bottom, soil type
RK 0.00100 0.0
RK 0.00140 1.0
RK 0.00270 3.0
RK 0.00670 9.0
RK 0.00920 11.0
RK 0.02300 23.0
RK 0.03500 48.0
RK 0.04900 65.0
RK 0.06300 82.8
RK 0.12500 98.9
RK 0.25000 100.0
LB w 39.50
LB VG 18
6.13 3 6.16 Hk
RK 0.00700 0.0
RK 0.01000 0.0
RK 0.02300 10.0
RK 0.03700 14.0
RK 0.05200 25.0
RK 0.06300 26.7
RK 0.12500 72.4
RK 0.25000 98.3
RK 0.50000 98.9
RK 1.00000 98.9
RK 2.00000 98.9
LB w 23.90
LB VG 19.80
-1 MS

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RK = particle size distribution, sieve size, passing %

LB = laboratory analyses, w = water content, VG = bulk density, etc.

Groundwater well (TT = VP)

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TY PETSU Petsun pvp
PK - VW - RLB
TT VP - 19A_998 - -
XY 6821866.507 24489172.013 111.943 28112011 -
107.66 23112011 112.990 103.130 6.00 V.WA
107.73 12092012 - - - V.WA
108.95 16112012 - - - V.WA
107.76 13022013 - - - M.OR
108.93 10052013 - - - M.OR
107.75 14082013 - - - M.OR
108.69 11112013 - - - JP.A
108.68 31012014 - - - V.W
108.38 01042014 - - - M.OR
107.96 14052014 - - - V.W
107.78 31072014 - - - JP.A
107.68 31102014 - - - V.W
108.88 12052015 - - - V.W
108.46 18082015 - - - M.O
107.64 13112015 - - - M.O
108.79 25022016 - - - V.H
109.04 24052016 - - - V.W
108.11 21092016 - - - V.W
108.77 31032017 - - - M.O
108.42 09062017 - - - JPA
108.77 29092017 - - - MO/JPA
108.96 12022018 - - - MO/JPA
108.19 29032018 - - - V.WA
108.25 21062018 - - - VW
108.03 27072018 - - - JPA
108.25 30102018 - - - JPA/MO
108.16 17122018 - - - VW/VO
108.55 13032019 - - - MO
108.81 29052019 - - - VW
107.76 12092019 - - - VO
108.84 27112019 - - - VW/VO
109.10 14022020 - - - JPA/MO
108.97 06052020 - - - VO
108.69 28052020 - - - VO/MO
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Water table level, date, top of the well, bottom of the well, length of the sieve, measurer

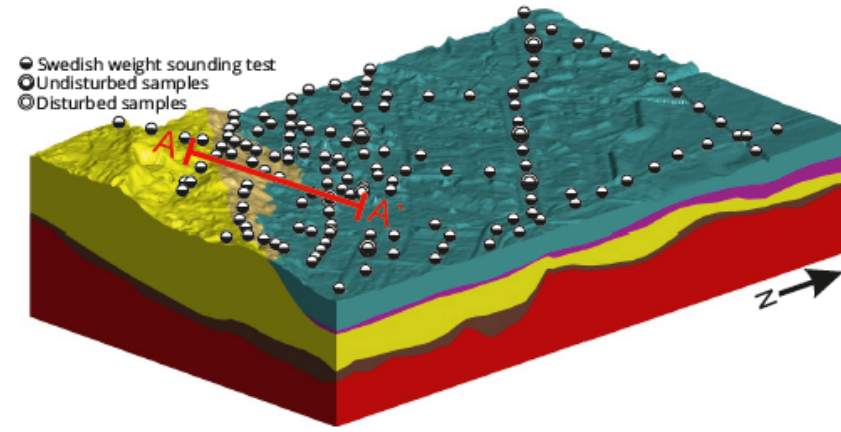
National geotechnical format – on-going development

An update for the Finnish national ground investigation format

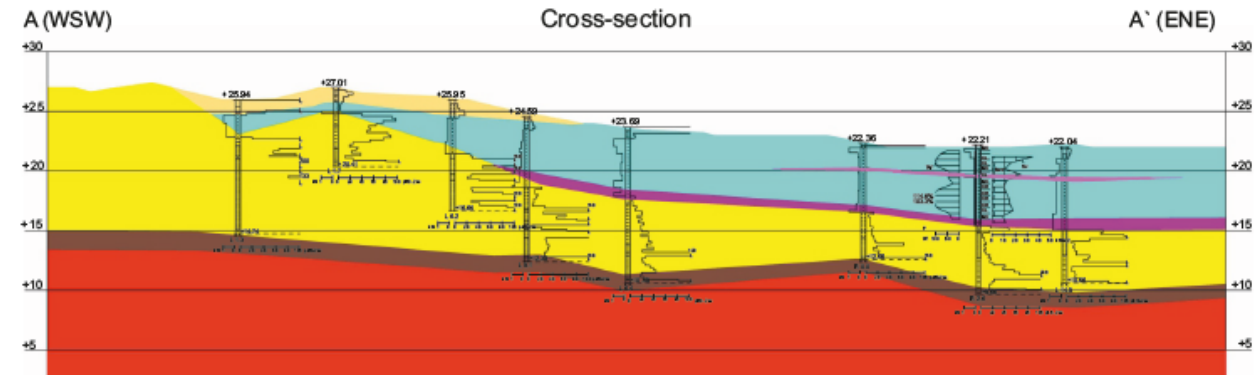
- GTK is a member of the working group operating under The Finnish Geotechnical Society
 - Working group decided to stay in the old ascii format so far and only make the necessary updates for the ground investigation parameters
 - Problem with the old format – after one key code many different parameters >> not the favorite of the software designers
 - Reason to stay in the old format so far – all the software in use read the old code >> too much work to change everything at once
 - Once the necessary updates have been made, changing the entire format could be planned (xml, json, ...)
- The working group has no budget for the design, testing or programming – geotechnical data transfer is a small-scale business – no big markets

Use of the database

- 250-300 website visits per week, mainly visitors outside GTK
- Geotechnical designers are the largest user group of the database
- Geologists are using the data for geological 3D modelling



A 3D Leapfrog model with sediment units from NW side of Hiekkaharju esker, Vantaa. LIDAR DEM © National Land Survey of Finland

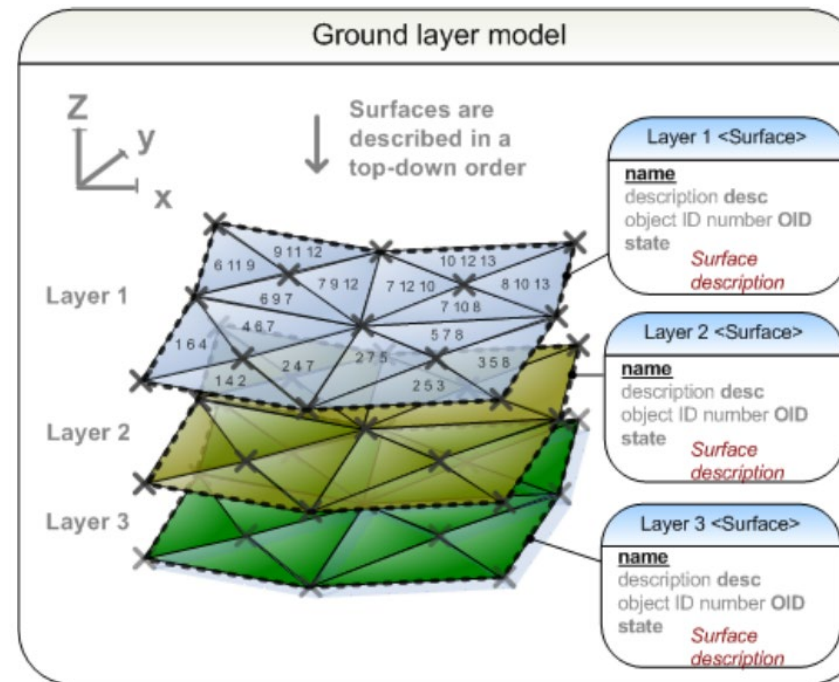
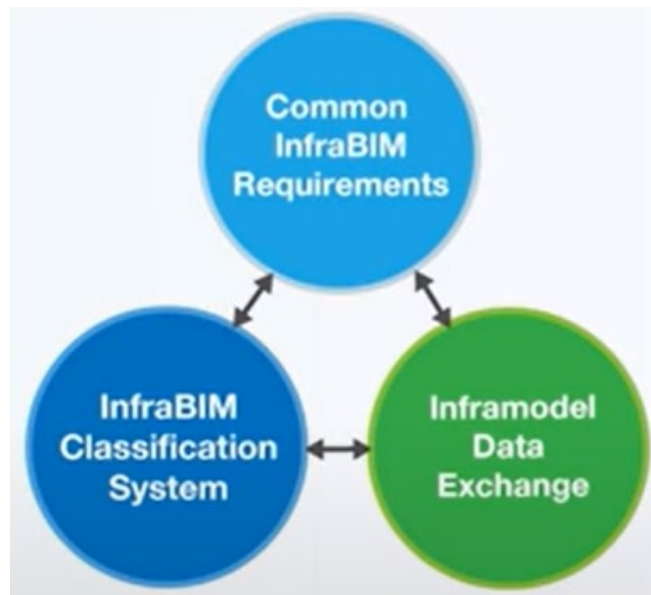


The cross-section of the Hiekkaharju 3D model shows the sediment units continuity along with the Swedish weight sounding tests and disturbed/undisturbed sediment samples (provided by City of Vantaa). Interpretation of the redeposited silt unit within the clay unit is based on the geotechnical samples and tests.

BIM for Infrastructure – Finnish InfraBIM framework and Inframodel

Inframodel 4.1 13.10.2023 application
documentation for LandXML version 1.2

- Inframodel is an open method for transferring infrastructure data
- Based on the international LandXML standard
- Implemented by the buildingSMART Finland collaboration network
- All infrastructure design softwares import and export the format
- The Finnish Transport Infrastructure Agency started to use and require the use of infraBIM at 2015



- ▶ File headers
- ▶ Base data
- ▶ Route planning
- ▶ Road and street design
- ▶ Railway design
- ▶ Railway signs
- ▶ Waterway design
- ▶ Waterway signs
- ▶ Area structures
- ▶ Pipenetworks
- ▶ Planimetric features
- ▶ AsBuilt data
- ▶ Deep foundations
- ▶ Inframodel <Feature> extensions