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APPENDIX 2A



United Nations Convention to
Combat Desertification

TRAINING IN INFORMATION SYSTEMS (GIS)

GIS DEVELOPMENT IN ST. LUCIA

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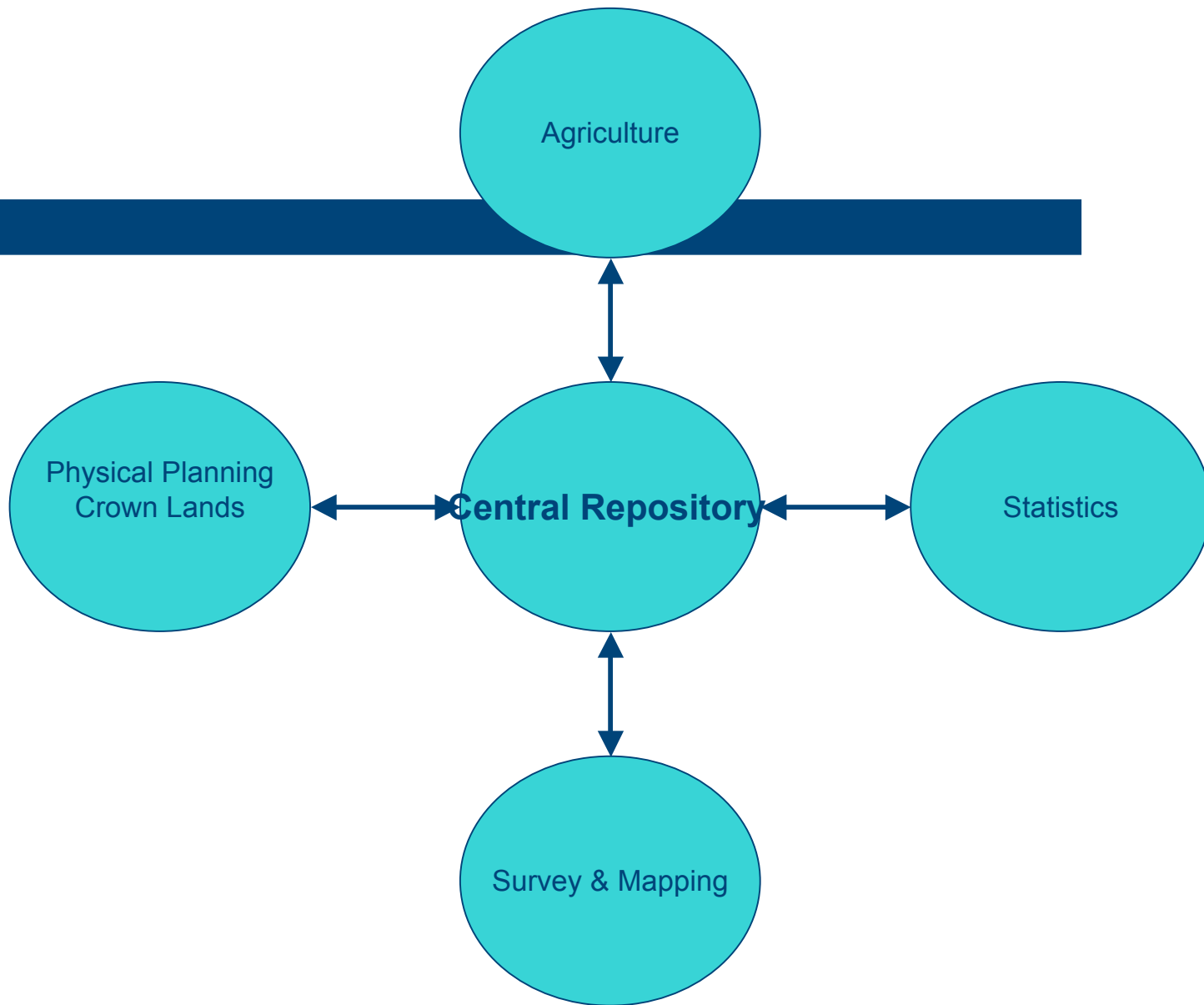


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General Status in St. Lucia

- Several agencies use GIS systems to some degree but may not have all components of a GIS
- Physical Planning, Survey & Mapping, MOA, Statistics, Economic Affairs, Utility Companies
- EU National GIS Project



Key Issues

- Management Awareness of GIS, its requirements & expectations
- Support for the Financing of Units
- Data currency, coverage, existence of key data, data update mechanisms, financing for structured data acquisition
- Facilities and Protocols for Data Sharing
- Divide between Users and Technical GIS people
- Training Staff (continuous)
- Use of GIS mainly in mapping