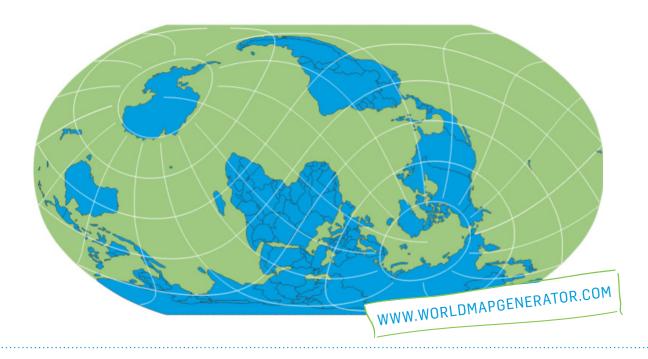
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The World in Perspective



COSMONAUT: Localisation in Worldmaps

The Cosmonaut forces the user to shift perspectives. The Earth is seen from the viewpoint of a satellite, an airplane, a migrant bird, etc., with ensuing changes in the shape and position of countries. One looks orthogonally at the surface of the Earth – or rather at the pictorial centre of the two-dimensional world map. As both the Earth and one's own position are shifting constantly, so does the geographical area at the pictorial centre. This relative movement is visualized dynamically.

