

Mission on

Activity E4.1

Building Metadata Systems – Necessary Milestones for a Working Plan

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>> Agenda

- 1. Objectives of mission and methodology**
- 2. Input from ICBS part 1**
- 3. Metadata - introduction, definition and functions, principles and users**
- 4. Standards**
- 5. Towards a work plan for the development of a metadata system for ICBS**



Standards – a starting point

- **Selected "classical" metadata elements: methodology, concepts, variables and classifications**
- **Conceptual level: selected areas in GSIM**
- **Implementation level: DDI, SDMX and other standards**



SDMX (Statistical Metadata eXchange)

It consists of

- **Information model for data and metadata**
- **Content oriented guidelines**
- **IT-architecture for data and metadata exchange**
- **Supporting tools**

Advantages – as exchange standard

- **Common language and understanding**
- **It is global - BIS, ECB, Eurostat, IMF, OECD, UN joined forces**



>> The SDMX-elements

SDMX takes care of every element of a statistical table

Indicator	A100 Hotels and similar	B010 Tourist Campsites	B020 Holiday dwellings
2002A00	33411	2374	61479
2003A00	33480	2530	58526
2004A00	33518	2529 E	
2005A00	33527	2411 P	

Legend:
■ DIMENSIONS
■ ATTRIBUTES
■ MEASURES

Pos In Key	Dimension or attribute name	Identifier	Presentation	Attachment level	Code list
1	Frequency	FREQ	A1		CL_FREQ
2	Country	COUNTRY	A2		CL_AREA
3	Tourism topic	TOURISM_TOPIC	AN4		CL_TOPIC
4	Time	TIME	N4		CL_TIME
	Observation status	OBS_STATUS	A1	Observation	CL_OBS_STATUS

Data exchange - including structural and reference metadata

Who? **When?** **Who?**

How? **Where?**

What?

Number of touristic establishments in Italy, annual data

Activity	A100 Hotels and similar	B010 Tourist Campsites	B020 Holiday dwellings
2002A00	33518	2529	56586
2003A00	33527	2411	68385
2004A00	33768	2510	68376
2005A00	34058	2587	61810

Metadata:

1. Contact

1.1. Contact organisation	Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union
1.2. Contact organisation unit	Unit G3 - Short-term statistics, tourism
1.3. Contact mail address	2920 Luxembourg LUXEMBOURG

2. Metadata update

2.1. Metadata last certified	25/09/12
2.2. Metadata last period	06 March 2013
2.3. Metadata last update	06 March 2013

3. Statistical presentation

3.1. Data description

National data

Annual data on number of establishments, bedrooms and bed places in hotels and other collective accommodation establishments.

Regional data

Annual data on number of establishments, bedrooms and bed places in hotels and other collective accommodation establishments at NUTS 3 level.

Please note that for paragraphs where no metadata for regional data has been specified, the regional metadata is identical to the metadata provided for the national data.



DDI: Data Documentation Initiative

What is it?

Documentation standard, expressed in open XML standard
Many years of experience including use in NSI's

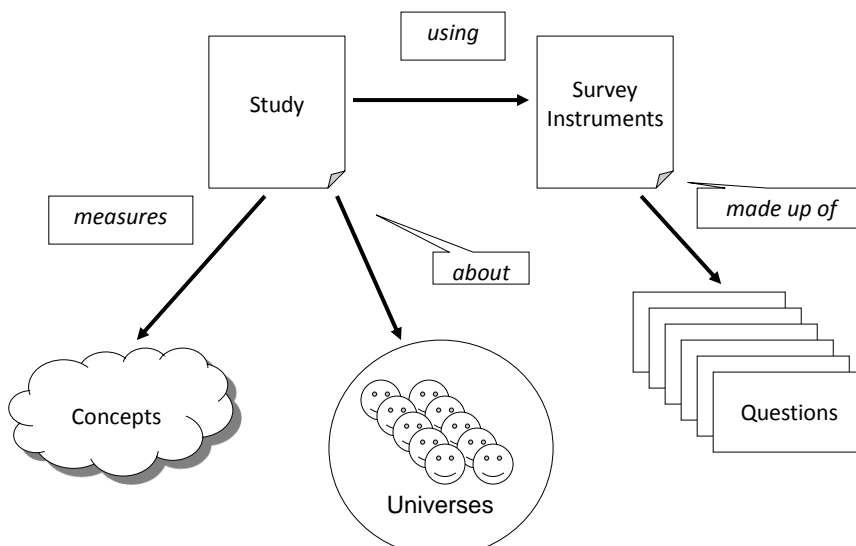
Advantages

Common language and understanding
Integration of concepts, variables, classifications quality
Both for schema and register based statistics
Model currently used in Australia, New Zealand, Canada
etc.(together with SDMX)
Tools available



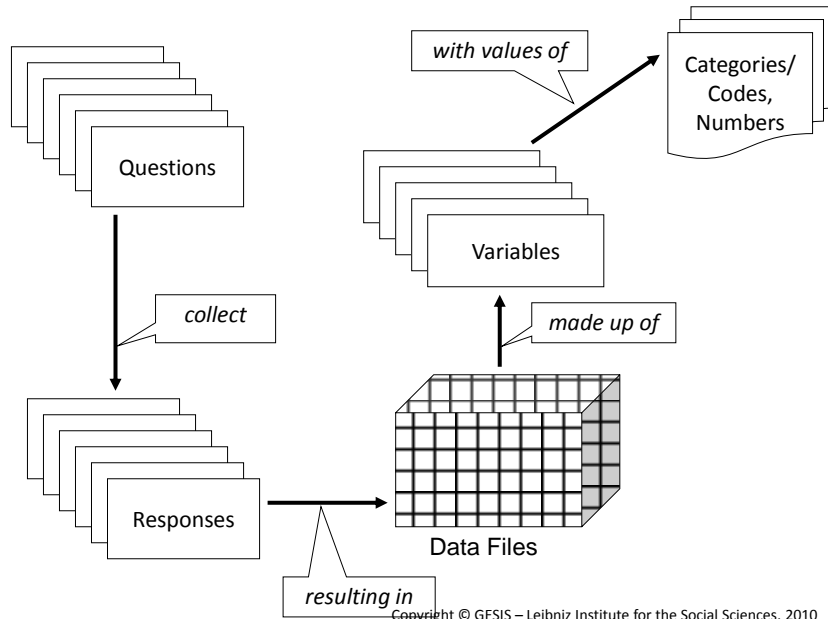
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>> DDI – types of metadata

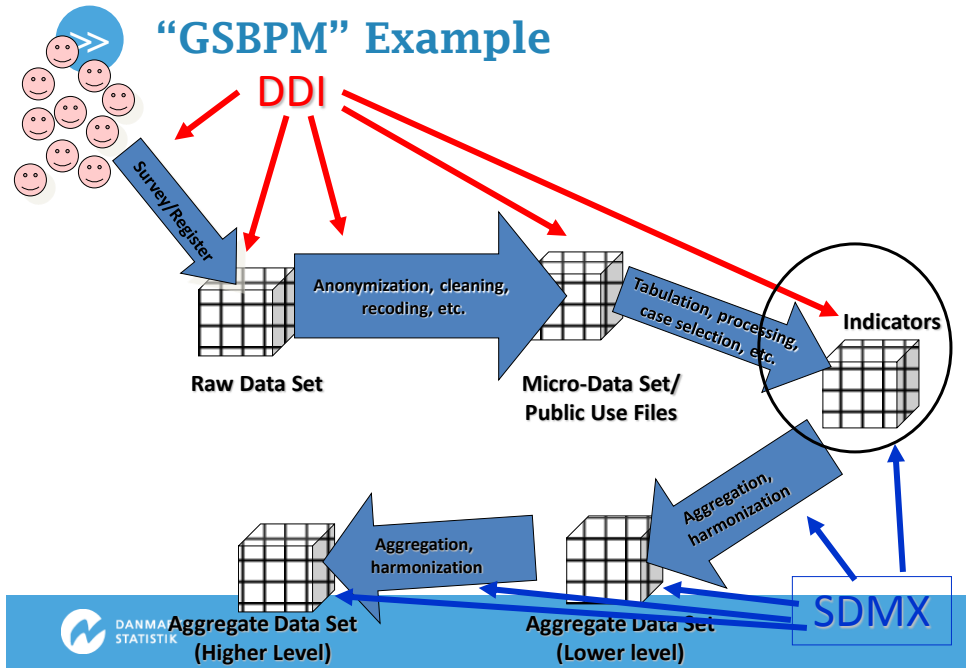
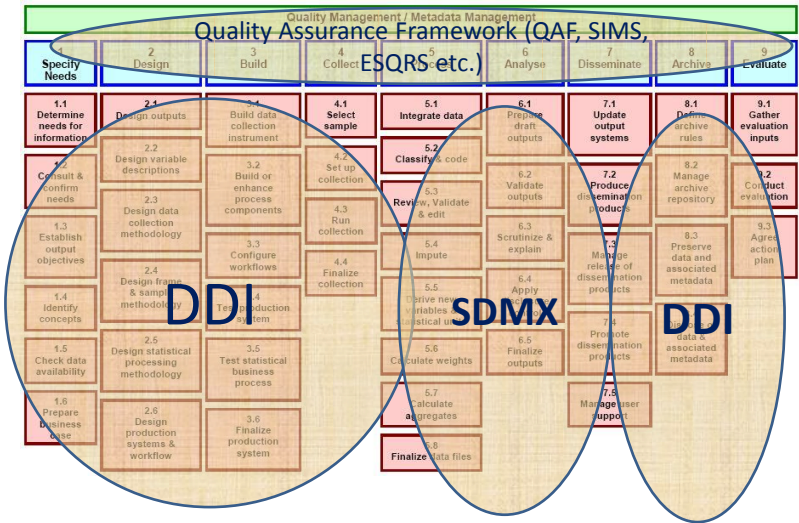
Metadatatypes:

- Concepts (“terms”)
- Studies (“surveys”, “collections”, “data sets”, “samples”, “censuses”, “trials”, “experiments”, etc.)
- Variables (“data elements”, “columns”)
- Codes & categories (“classifications”, “codelists”)
- Universes (“populations”, “samples”)
- Data files (“data sets”, “databases”)

For surveys:

- Survey instruments (“questionnaire”, “form”)
- Questions (“observations”)
- Responses

GSBPM combined with Quality Frameworks, DDI and SDMX

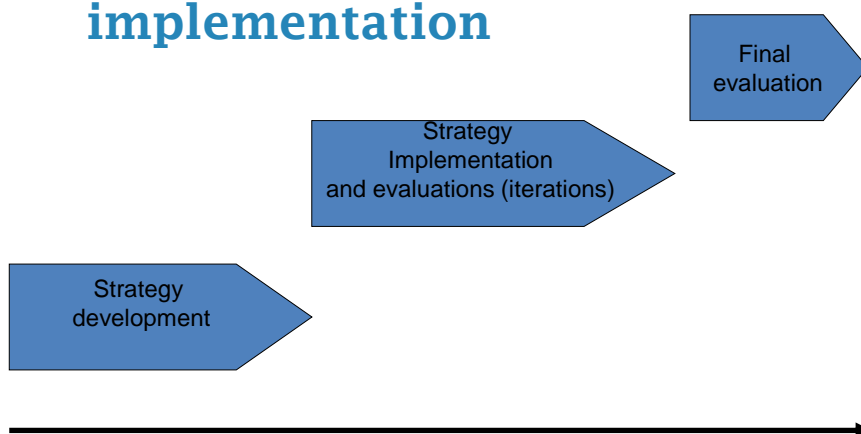




5. Towards a work plan for the development of a metadata system for ICBS



Metadata strategy – development and implementation



>> Strategy outline

1. Introduction, including situation today
2. Objectives and results
3. Tasks and time-table
4. Organisation

Annex 1. Guidelines for production and use of metadata

Annex 2. IT-solution

1. High level architecture
2. Standards
3. Applications and databases



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