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Welcome Note & Round table

BRegDCAT-AP and reusable open source tools

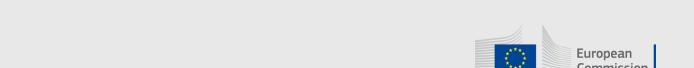
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Q&A





01 Welcome Note

Round table



Welcome Note & Round Table



Presenting

- Our team and participants in the session
- Progress achieved on ABR project so far



Discussing

- Your view on the presented work
- Your needs and expectations
- What's next



02 Status of solutions

BRegDCAT-AP and BREG DCAT Open Source Tools





Current version: Bug fix Release v2.01:

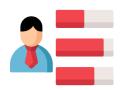
Available on Joinup, Solution: <u>ABR – BRegDCAT-AP</u>

Next update: expected in November 2021.

NOTE: If there are changes with serious impact on interoperability during 2021, the ABR team will produce a major release v3.00 by November, otherwise, the minor version will be released.



BRegDCAT-AP – Open Source Tools



BREG DCAT Creator



BREG DCAT Editor



BREG DCAT Mapping Editor



BREG DCAT Harvester

No changes on descriptions, deployment and adaptability of the tools available on Joinup. Check source code and extra instructions on GitHub.

Reminder on approach:

- ISA² Interoperability Testbed for BREG DCAT Validator
- Reused <u>CPSV-AP</u> (except Harvester)





Q: As decided at the previous WG meeting, EuroVoc should not be mandatory, however, this was not mentioned explicitly for cv:thematicArea (used in cpsv:PublicService).

- Jim J. Yang (Norway) on on BRegDCAT-AP v2.01

A: We will make changes accordingly to this part prior to publishing the major release.





Q: Considering that in BRegDCAT-AP, multiplicity of 1..n for cv:hasCompetentAuthority adds some flexibility by covering cases where there is more than one public organizations responsible for the same public service, NDA wanted to know whether there are any examples of cases where several different public organizations are responsible for the same public service, which would justify the need for this property.

- Jim J. Yang (Norway) on BRegDCAT-AP v2.01 regarding the BRegDCAT-AP multiplicity of 1..n for property cv:hasCompetentAuthority

Do you agree with this decision?

Decision: the multiplicity for property will stay intact, considering the need of cross border data exchange between Member States.



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Q: Raised issue regarding the formats/mediaTypes a DataService may support in BregDCAT-AP, as this is one of the main considerations when deciding whether a DataService is (re)usable or not. In the current version of BRegDCAT-AP, **dcat:DataService** doesn't have properties **dct:format** and **dcat:mediaType** the way dcat:Distribution has.

- Jim J. Yang (Norway) on BRegDCAT-AP

Proposal:

- To add the following properties to dcat:DataService:
- recommended, format, dct:format, 0..n, range dct:MediaTypeOrExtent, EU File Type must be used
- optional, media type, dcat:mediaType, 0..n, range dct:MediaType, IANA Media Types must be used

For discussion:

- Add properties dct:format and dcat:mediaType to dcat:DataService?
- Are there any other possible ways to address this issue?
- Can someone provide examples, etc.



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Q: The usage note for dct:type in dcat:DataService in BRegDCAT-AP v.2.00 says the following: This property refers to the type of the Data Service. It must use a controlled vocabulary that offers the type of master data to represent specific data of Base Registries. This taxonomy of terms has not been defined yet. Is such a taxonomy under development at the EU-level?

- Jim J. Yang (Norway) on BRegDCAT-AP v2.01

A: No, to the best of knowledge.



Q: What should we do in the meantime at national level?



Other Issues (from previous WG)

Checksum: spdx:checksumAlgorithm_sha1 and the Usage note "Currently, SHA-1 is the only supported algorithm."

Proposal:

• Why not e.g. SHA-256 which is a better algorithm? This is also registered as an Issue to DCAT-AP.

Proposal:

- supported values to come from list https://spdx.org/rdf/terms/#d4e1968
- checksum algorithm md2ni, checksum algorithm md4ni, checksum algorithm md5ni, checksum algorithm md6ni, checksum algorithm sha1ni, checksum algorithm sha224ni, checksum algorithm sha256ni, checksum algorithm sha384ni, checksum algorithm sha512ni



Alignment with DCAT-AP v2.0.1

- Analysis concluded in September 2021.

No misalignments with DCAT-AP v2.0.1. that needs to be addressed.





What's new in DCAT3

DCAT 3 extends DCAT 2 [VOCAB-DCAT-2] with terms and guidelines on versioning and dataset series, and by including terms for specifying the checksum of a distribution.

The spdx:CheckSum class, added in this version of DCAT 3 is already proposed for change in DCAT-AP and BregDCAT-AP.

For the property spdx:algorithm of the spdx:CheckSum, the range is the set of individuals of class spdx:ChecksumAlgorithm .Version 2.2 of [SPDX] defines individuals for the following algorithms: MD2, MD4, MD5, MD6, SHA-1, SHA-224, SHA-256, SHA-384, SHA-512.

Currently in BregDCAT-AP we have only SHA-1, but we will align with DCAT 3 in the following major release.



What's new in DCAT3

Data series

A new class dcat:DatasetSeries is defined, subclass of dcat:Dataset and dcat:Resource.

Only one property dcat:inSeries linking the child datasets to dataset series is defined. The new property dcat:inSeries replaces the use of dcterms:isPartOf helping to distinguish between the composition in dataset series and Loosely structured catalog.

Finally, properties adms:prev, adms:next, and adms:last have been replaced by newly defined properties - dcat:prev, dcat:next, and dcat:last.



Next steps

Implement decisions from today's meeting

Share the updated version for review and comments.

Publish the major/minor version on Joinup.

- > Are you facing any other issues?
- > Do you have other proposals for discussion?





03 Feasibility Study for European Registry of Base Registries

Methodology & Conclusions



RoR and ERBR explained

Registry of registries:

- platform which collects and presents the information contained in the national base registries
- 2) reliable source of information
- 3) ensures data quality
- 4) has different functionalities depending on the country
- 5) allows access to national data across different domains

European Registry of base registries:

- platform which collects and presents the information contained in base registries in Europe
- reliable source of information on different RoRs
- 3) ensures data quality
- 4) functionalities to be defined
- 5) allows access to data from different countries and across different domains

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RoR and ERBR explained

Registry of registries:

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It is not an interconnection infrastructure. It is a catalogue that collects metadata about the data contained in the registries.

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What is the difference between the European Data Portal (EDP) and the European Registry of Base Registries?

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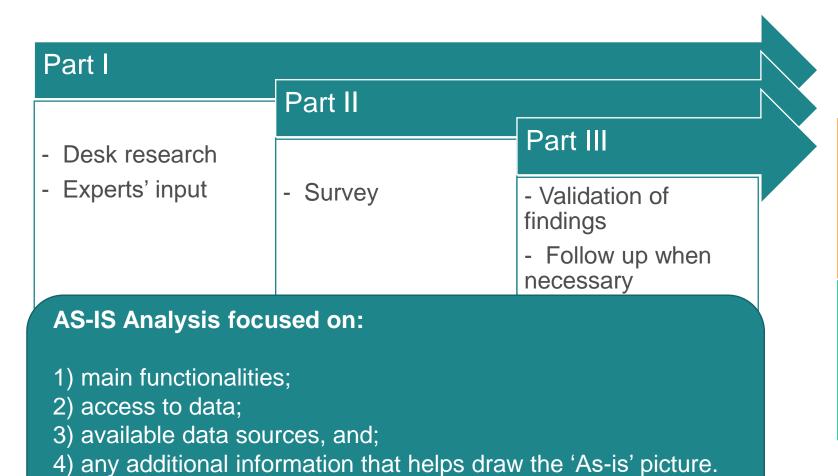


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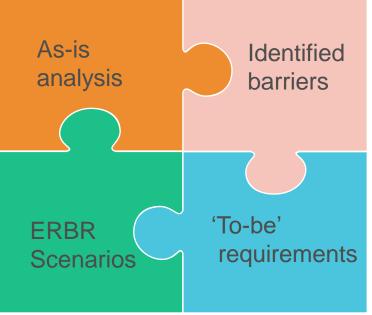
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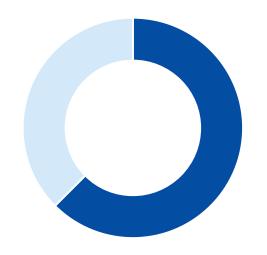


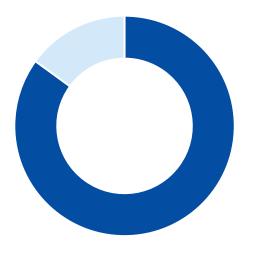
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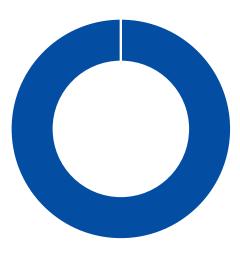




Overview of results 1/2







RoR in place

The majority of countries have certain form of RoR in place or they are planning to develop one.

Data sources

The majority of domestic RoRs make a clear and explicit distinction between data sources.

Functionalities

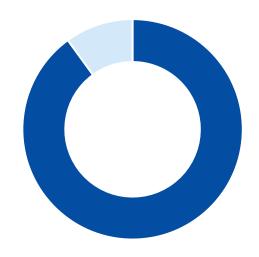
'Search', either full-text or faceted' is the most present feature.

ABR support

All of them are aware of the support offered under ABR action.



Overview of results 2/2



ERBR

The majority of respondents finds creation of ERBR useful.

Good to have features



'Push' (server-initiated) notifications for changes in registries



Structured comparison of registries



Is there anything else you would like to add/comment on?



List of ERBR requirements based on survey

List of Search of 'Push' Detailed useful reliable, (serveroverview of documents/ qualitative initiated) the BR information notifications information metadata developed for changes that users in each MS under the in registries' need ABR Machine-Structured **Linked Data** Contact readable comparison of knowledge form/contact interface for registries domain information all services



Identified barriers

No.	Challenge	Potential way to tackle it
1	Some countries do not have a RoR in place, or the service is fragmented in multiple disparate pieces and presents numerous barriers of entry for newcomers.	
2		Provide MS with specialized support materials in the Linked Data domain. For example, preparing a guide with clear examples explaining how other MS have already solved this issue in real life cases.
3	<u> </u>	The ERBR implementation effort would benefit from countries working towards adopting concise and globally accepted definition of these terms.



Next steps

Based on our findings we are prioritising the features which will be available in the short term.

Propose a mid- and long-term solution (all based your inputs and policy requirements).

Create the final deliverable.

➤ Is there something else you would like to add, or any other requirements to mention?





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Feedback & proposals



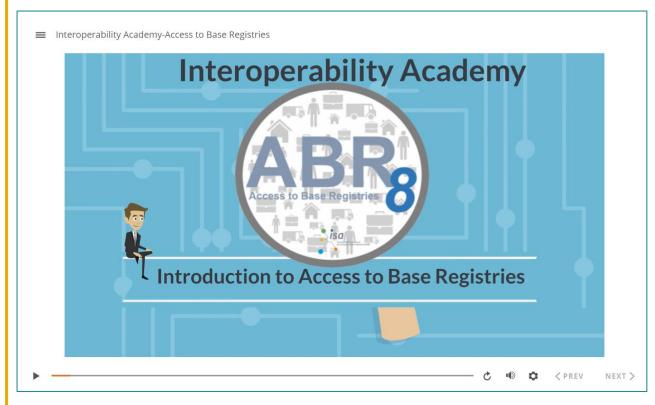


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- To increase the adoption of ISA² and CEF solutions by improving the knowledge of public servants.
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- To build a community around advanced digital skills and promote knowledge exchange.

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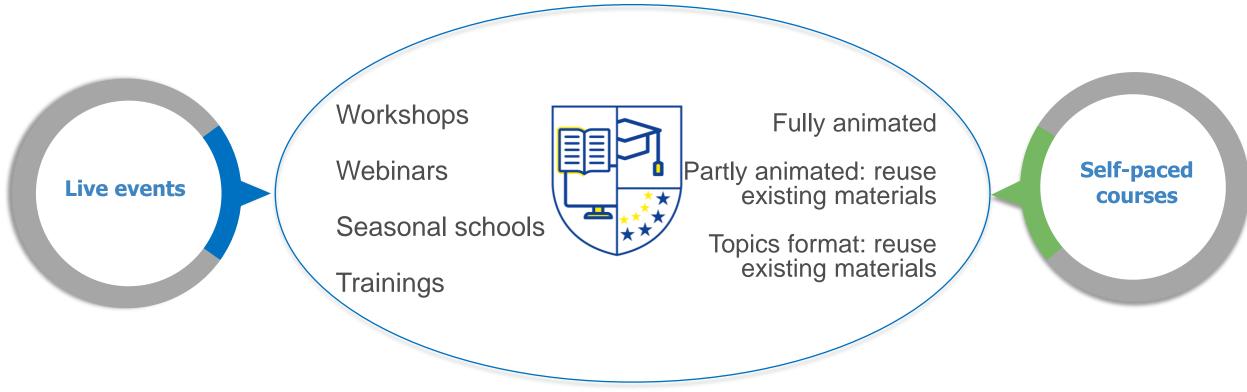








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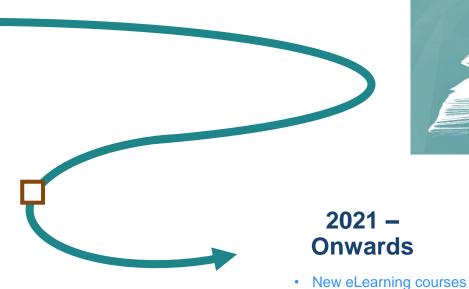




- 3 courses
- Skills & Competencies framework study









- Calendar 2021: live courses, lecture series, seasonal schools...
 - Greater community
 - Promotion of the Interoperability Academy











- Introduction to Access to Base Registries
- 2. BRegDCAT-AP and its advantages
- 3. How to implement BRegDCAT-AP
- 4. Reusable tools
- 5. Assessment





How can we build use case together?





05 What's Next



What's planned with your involvement

Maintenance of BRegDCAT-AP & BREG DCAT Open Source Tools:

ABR Working Groups & Discussions

Alignment with DCAT-AP and other EU standards

Technical and semantic support to MS and EU on implementations

What are your plans on reuse & implementation? ABR eLearning:

- > Test, provide feedback
- Suggest examples
- Propose new content for the next courses

Webinars, interviews, case studies – exchange of good practices



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Overview

Members

ABR - Catalogue of Solutions

ABR Good Practices

ABR Guidelines on interconnection

ABR Member States Factsheets

Improving national and cross-border access to government data Base registries represent authoritative databases and a trusted source of basic information on data items such as people, companies, vehicles, licences, buildings, locations and roads. The ISA2 Action 2016.28 'Access to Base Registries' (ABR) aims at defining a common framework for base registries access and interconnection, and developing supporting tools that would make national and cross-border access to the base registries more... Read more







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Base Registries Access and Interconnection Framework aims to guide Member States on the

Base Registries Access and Interconnection Framework - BRAIF - v3.00



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Access to Base Registries

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BREG DCAT Practical Example

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Highlights of Interview -Belgium



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An RDF model with sample of data represents a practical example on how BRegDCAT-AP specification works. Any

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07 Q&A





Any Questions?



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