

Training on Re3gistry/INSPIRE Registry and ETF/INSPIRE Reference Validator

JRC INSPIRE Team

May 29-31, 2024

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The trainings

- **What:** overview of the Re3gistry and ETF open source software tools and their INSPIRE implementations (Registry and Reference Validator)
- **To whom:** everyone – from new to experienced users, developers & admins
- **How:** through a mix of theoretical notions & hands-on demonstration

Re3gistry and INSPIRE Registry - 29 May 2024, 9:30-12:30

9:30 - Welcome
9:35 - Introduction to the Re3gistry and the INSPIRE Registry
9:50 - Part 1. Getting started with the Re3gistry

- Installation
- Description of the application
- Creation of content & Data governance

10:30 - Q&A session
10:45 - Coffee break ☕
11:00 - Part 2. The Re3gistry in detail

- Specific Re3gistry features
- Frontend & Data consumption

12:10 - Re3gistry Starter Kit
12:15 - Q&A session

ETF and INSPIRE Reference Validator - 31 May 2024, 9:30-12:30

9:30 - Welcome and introduction to the training
9:35 - Introduction to the ETF and the INSPIRE Reference Validator: a business perspective
10:00 - Introduction to the ETF and the INSPIRE Reference Validator: a technical perspective
10:30 - Coffee break ☕
10:45 - Starter Kit for users, developers and admins
11:45 - Q&A session

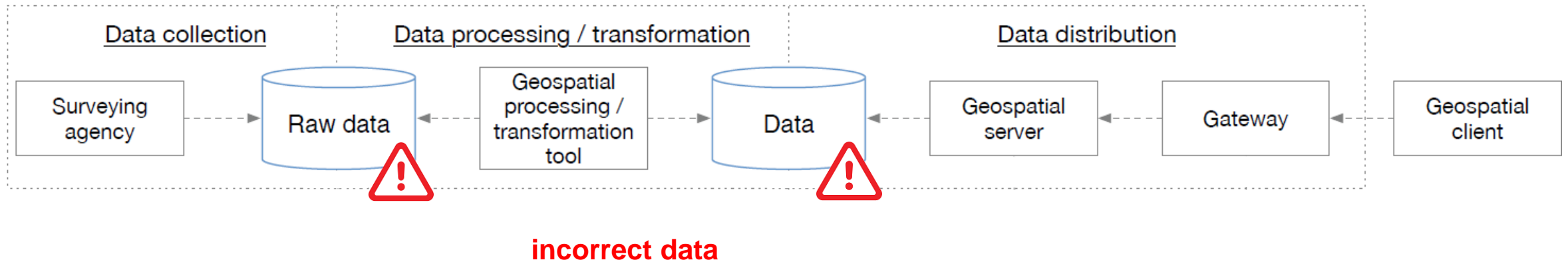
Introduction to the ETF and the INSPIRE Reference Validator: a business perspective

Marco Minghini

May 31, 2024

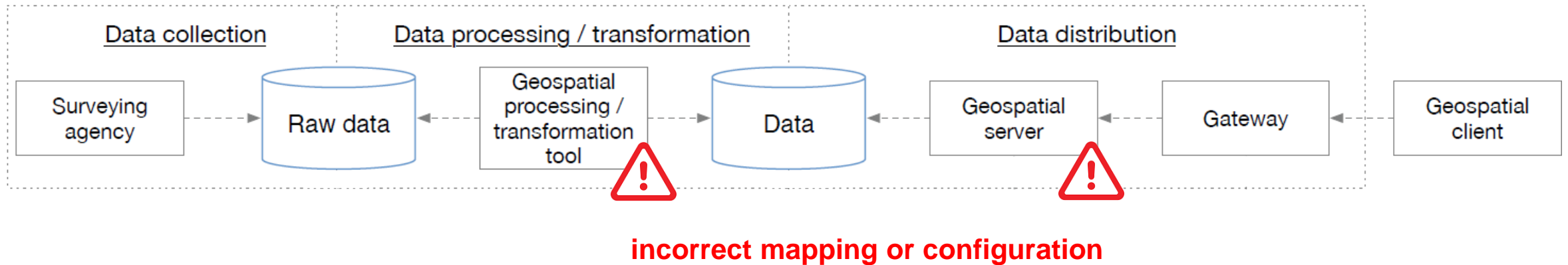
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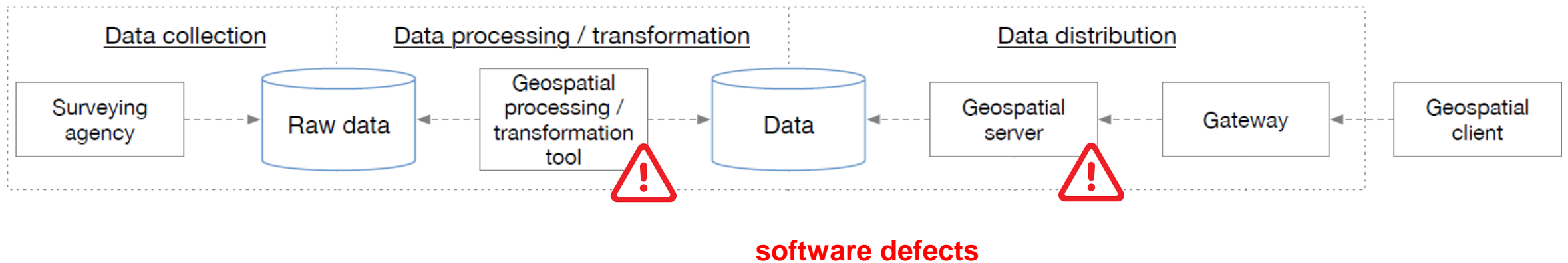
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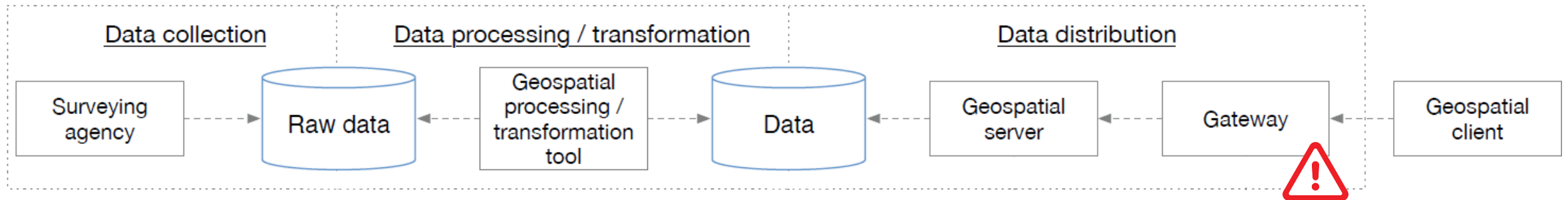
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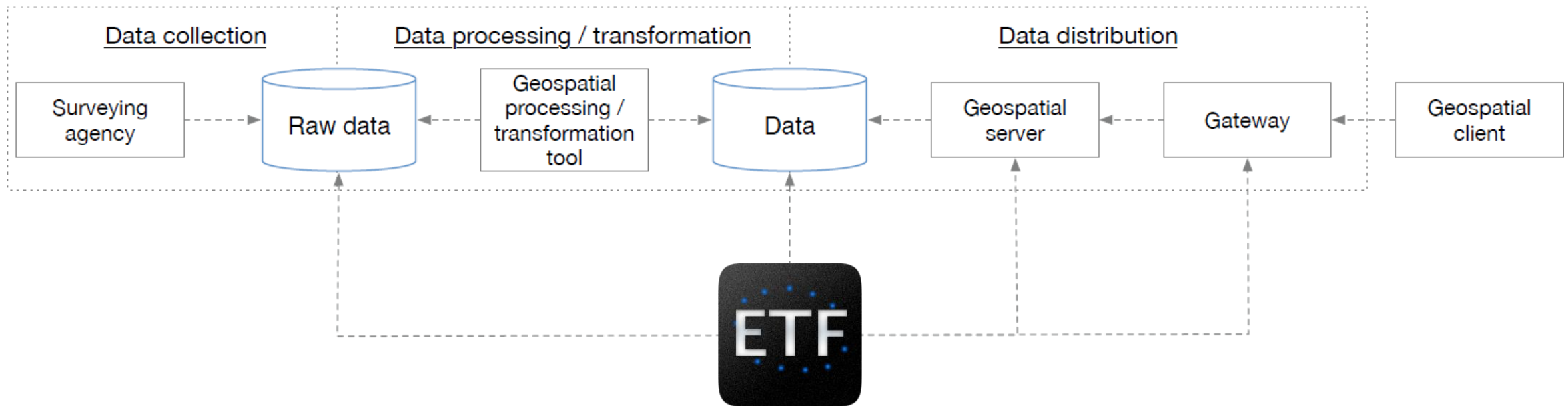
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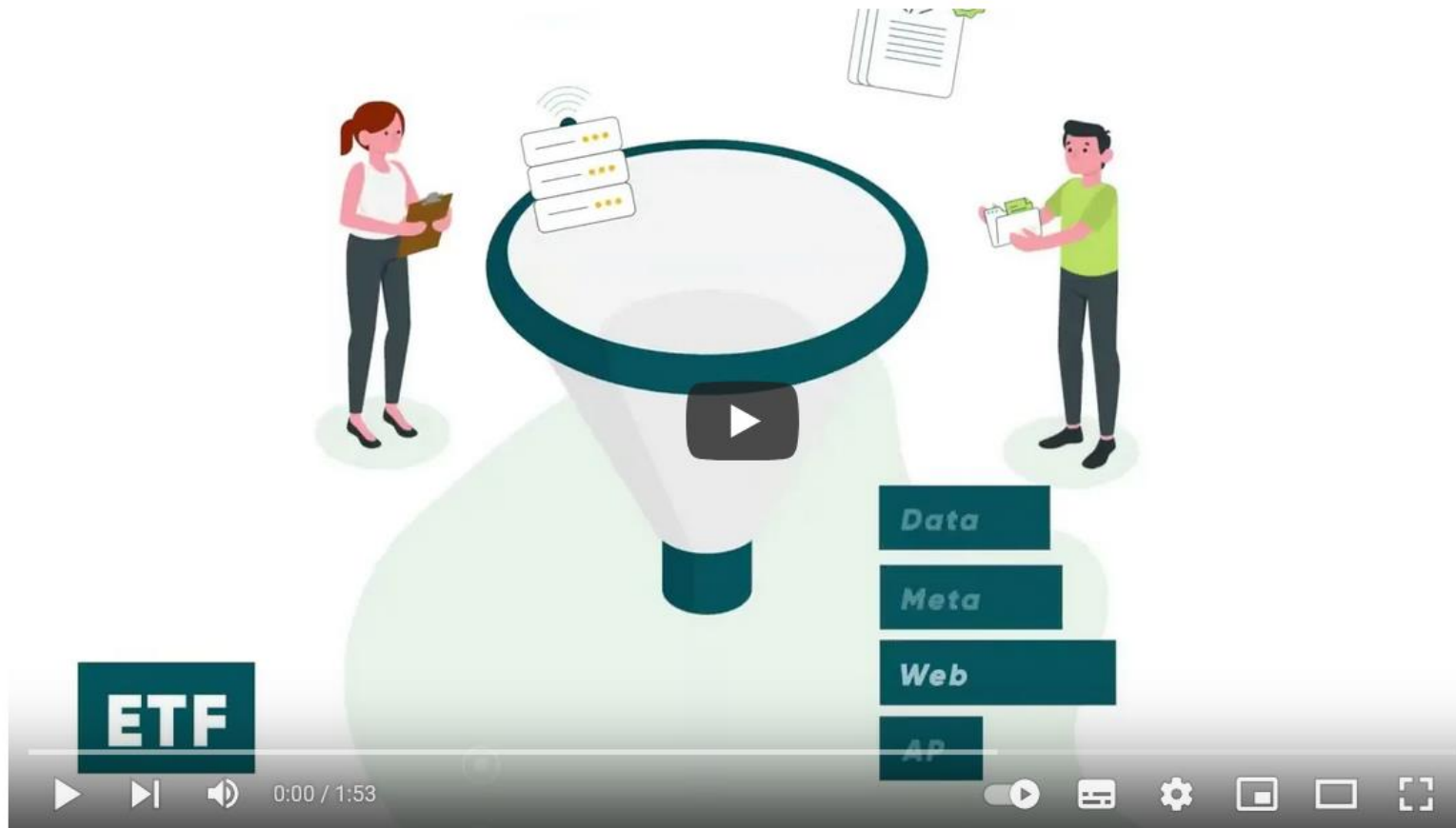
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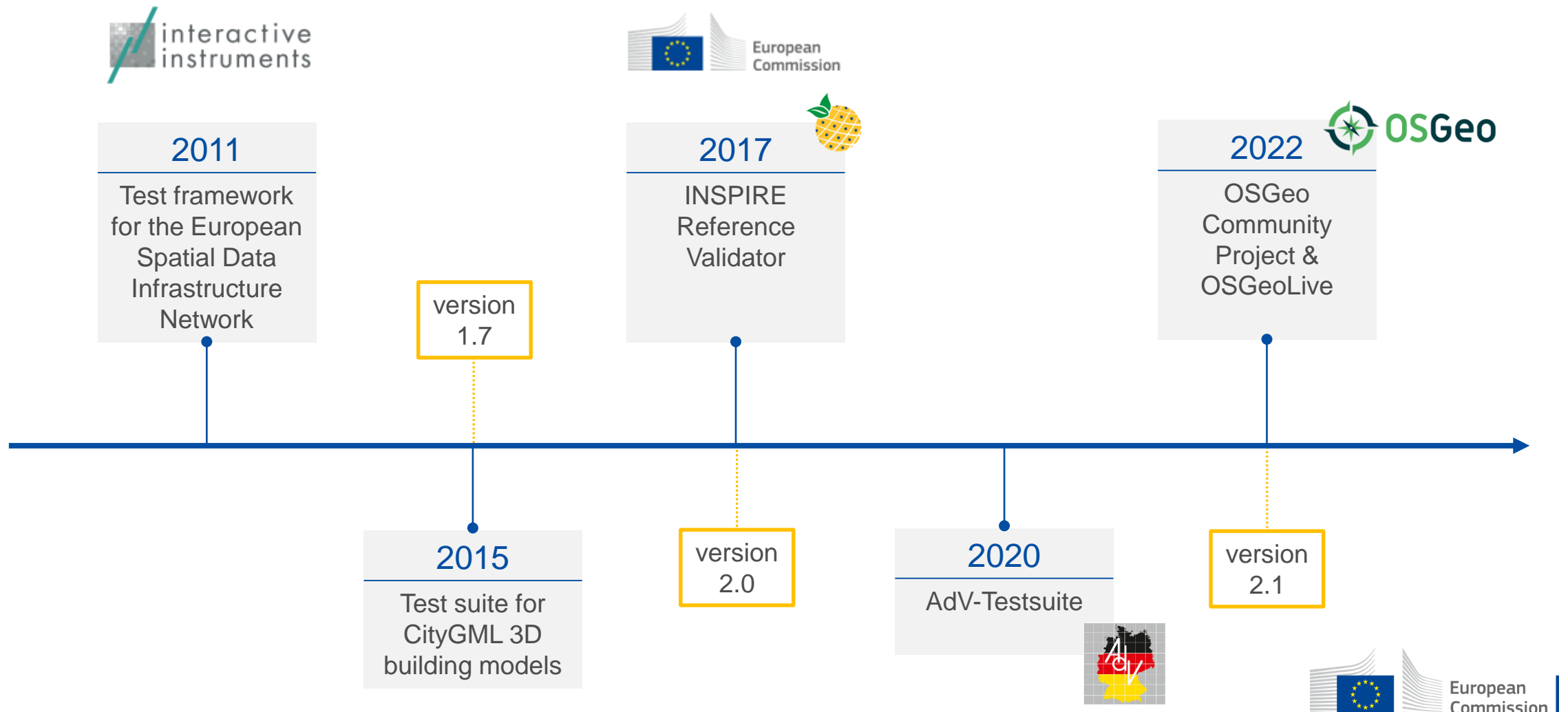
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ETF - an open source validation framework

ETF testing framework

- An **open source** test framework to validate spatial data, metadata & web services in SDIs
 - developed since 2010
 - current version: 2.1.0
- Usable through a responsive **web application** and a **REST API**
- **Test reports** available in HTML, JSON, XML, CSV
- Testable resources
 - **datasets** (up to several hundreds GBs): XML, GML, shapefile, CSV
 - **metadata**: XML
 - **view services**: WMS, WMTS
 - **download services**: Atom, WFS, WCS, SOS
 - **catalogue services**: CSW

ETF history and key milestones



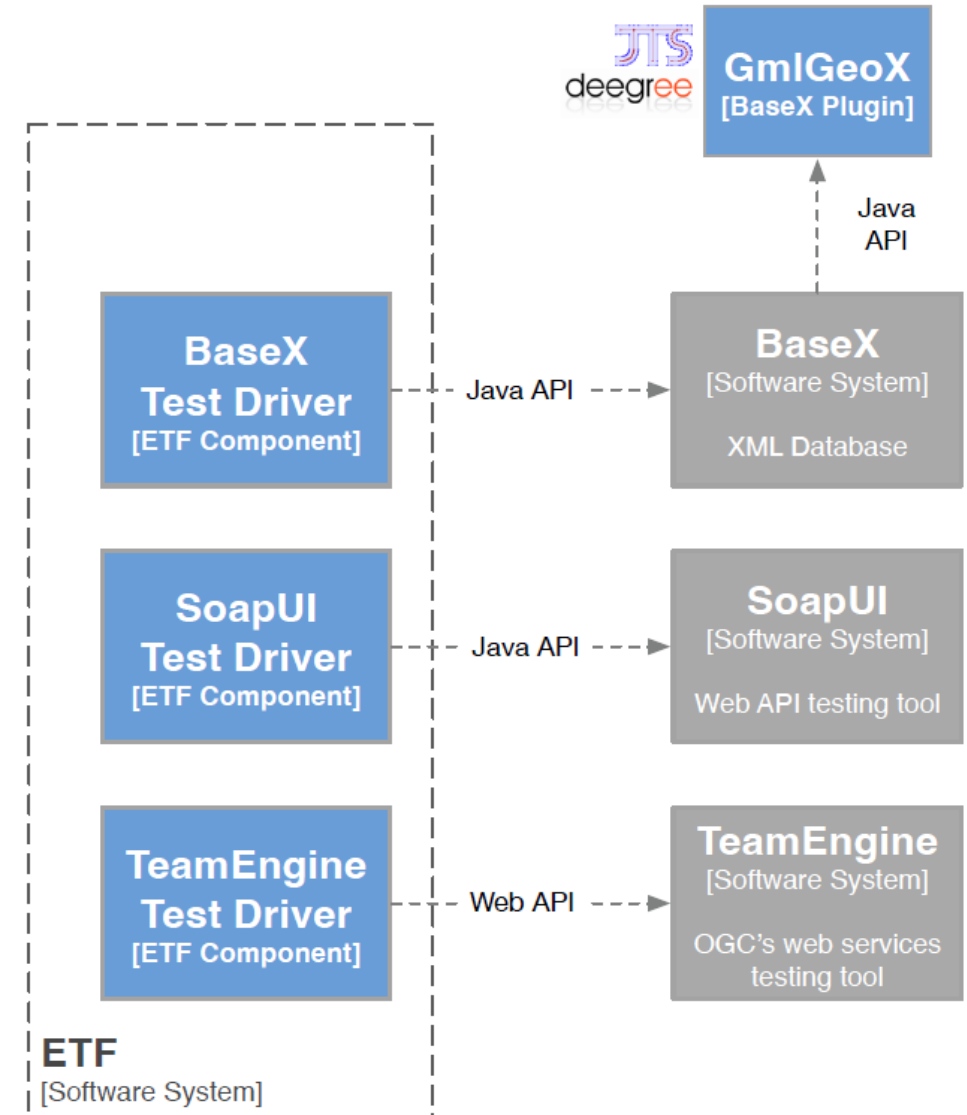
ETF testing framework

- Open source under the European Union Public License (EUPL) v.1.2.
 - <https://github.com/etf-validator>
 - <https://etf-validator.net>
- ETF design goals
 - user-friendly
 - consistent with the standards (ISO/OGC)
 - capable of testing all resources in an SDI
- Manuals for users, developers and admins (<http://docs.etf-validator.net>)

ETF testing framework




- Any ETF deployment is composed of
 - a **database**
 - one or more **test engines**
 - a **servlet container**
- Currently supported test engines to execute ETS are
 - SoapUI** for testing web services
 - to be replaced with tests using **NeoTL**
 - BaseX** for testing sets of XML documents
 - GmlGeoX** – plugin to run geospatial queries
 - TEAM Engine** – the tool used by the OGC CITE tests



ETF governance

- Steering Group (SG)
 - **voting system**: consensus of all members
 - **members**: JRC, interactive instruments GmbH
 - ETF Improvement Proposals (**EIPs**)
- Technical Committee (TC)
 - members proving **technical capacity** over time
 - technical **feedback on EIPs**
 - merging **pull requests** & creation of **releases**

<https://github.com/etf-validator/governance>

 README

ETF Validator Governance

The governance structure and processes of the ETF Validator aim to ensure the use and sustainability of the ETF Validator by the Community, and to keep the it aligned to the Community's needs.

The governance is ensured through the Steering Group and Technical Committee.

Terms of reference

- [Steering Group](#)
- [Technical Committee](#)

Project boards

The current status of ETF Improvement Proposals (EIPs) and bug fixing can be tracked through these project boards:


- [ETF Improvement Proposals \(EIPs\)](#)
 - If you would like to discuss an idea before documenting a full EIP, simply create a new issue using the [EIP template](#). Complete the template as far as possible and mention that this is not a complete proposal yet, but that you are looking for feedback. The ETF Steering Group members monitor the issue and will tag it as an "EIP-draft" and add it to "Proposer: draft/refine EIP". The Steering Group will move it to "SG: discussion" when ready for discussion by the Steering Group. If the Steering Group supports it, it will change the tag to "EIP", move it back to "Proposer: draft/refine EIP" and ask you to complete the proposal.
 - Once an EIP is ready for approval, please indicate this in a comment to the issue and the Steering Group will move it to "SG: discussion". If the draft needs further updates, it will be moved back to "Proposer: draft/refine EIP" until all open questions are resolved.
- [Bug fixing](#)
 - If you would like to submit a bug report, please create a new issue in the etf-webapp repository using the [Bug report template](#). The ETF Technical Committee members monitor the issues and will add them to bugfixing project board. If additional information is required, you will be contacted.
 - The Technical Committee will update the project board whenever the status of an issue changes.
 - Pull requests for bugfixes are very welcome (see "Contributing" below)!

Contributing

If you are interested in contributing to the ETF project, please read carefully the [contribution guidelines](#).



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ETF

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Core features

Testable resources

- datasets (up to multiple hundreds GB): GML
- metadata: XML
- view services: WMS/WMTS
- download services: Atom, WFS, WCS, SOS
- catalogue services: CSW
- large data sets (multiple hundreds of GB)

Access

- web-based user interface
- REST API
- OpenAPI Specification
- Java client library

Implemented Standards

- Catalogue Service for the Web (CSW)
- International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
- (OGC API - Features)
- Web Coverage Service (WCS)
- Web Map Service (WMS)
- Geography Markup Language (GML)
- (ISO19105)
- Sensor Observation Service (SOS)
- Web Feature Service (WFS)
- Web Map Tile Service (WMTS)

About ETF

Project type

Geospatial Libraries
Other

Who's involved



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End-user resources

- Download Software
- Issue Trackers
- Documentation

Developer resources

- Download Software
- Source Code
- Documentation

License

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Test run on 18.14 - 31.05.2022 with test suite Common

Status	Failed	Total	Test suites	Test cases	Assertions
Failed	0	0	0	0	0
Passed	0	0	0	0	0
Duration	1.007 s				

Confidence class: INSPIRE GML, recording

Confidence class: Reference systems, General requirements

Confidence class: Information accessibility, General requirements

Confidence class: INSPIRE GML, application schemas, General requirements

Confidence class: Data consistency, General requirements

Report generated by ETF

<https://www.osgeo.org/projects/etf>

ETF in the OSGeoLive



ETF Quickstart

Note

This project is only included on the OSGeoLive virtual machine disk (VMDK)

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This Quickstart describes how to:

- navigate through the web application
- start a test
- monitor a test run
- watch and manage test reports

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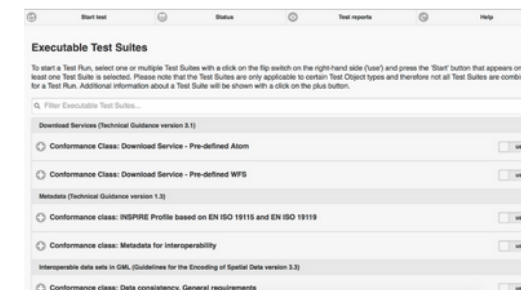
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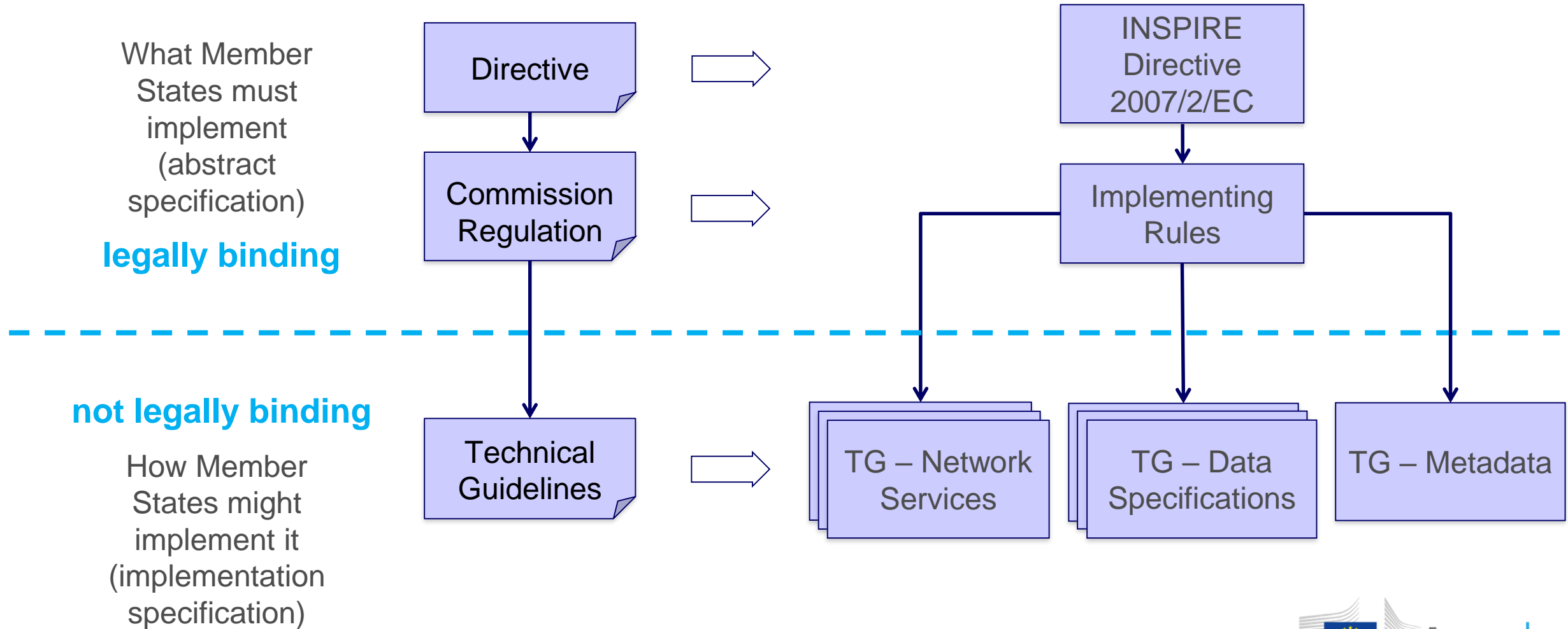
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establishing an Infrastructure for Spatial Information in the European Community (INSPIRE)

- Aims to create a **European SDI** to support EU environmental policies aligned with the current **green and digital** policy context.
- Provides a comprehensive framework for **interoperability of spatial data**:
 - **data** sharing
 - data & service discovery (**metadata**)
 - **network services**
- based on the SDIs established and operated by the EU Member States.

Implementing Rules & Technical Guidelines



INSPIRE Reference Validator

- Reasons to develop a common validator
 - help Member States data providers **test resources** (metadata, data sets and network services) against INSPIRE requirements
 - help INSPIRE coordinators (DG ENV, JRC & EEA) and national coordinators **check INSPIRE implementation progress** in Member States & across Europe
 - support the annual Monitoring and Reporting
 - help solution providers **check their software solutions** against INSPIRE requirements
 - **align existing validation services** in JRC and some Member States
 - need for consistent results
 - exploit synergies

INSPIRE Reference Validator

- Supported by [ARE3NA](#) & [ELISE](#) actions under ISA/ISA2 programmes and more recently from the [Digital Europe Programme](#)
- Purpose: provide tests for all INSPIRE Technical Guidelines
- History
 - [2017](#): Annex I data specifications, Metadata (TG v1.3), Download Services (Atom, WFS)
 - [2018-2019](#): Metadata (TG v2.0), View Services (WMS & WMTS), Download Services (SOS, WCS), Discovery Services (CSW)
 - [2019-2020](#): Annex II/III data specifications
 - [2021-today](#): new validation requirements emerging from INSPIRE Good Practices (e.g. OGC API - Features, IACS metadata, data-service linking simplification)
- Requirements:
 - modular, reusable, [open source](#), providing configurable test rules

INSPIRE Reference Validator – Components



INSPIRE Technical Guidelines (TG)
requirements for all INSPIRE resources

INSPIRE Reference Validator – Components

Abstract Test Suites (ATS)
high-level descriptions of test cases

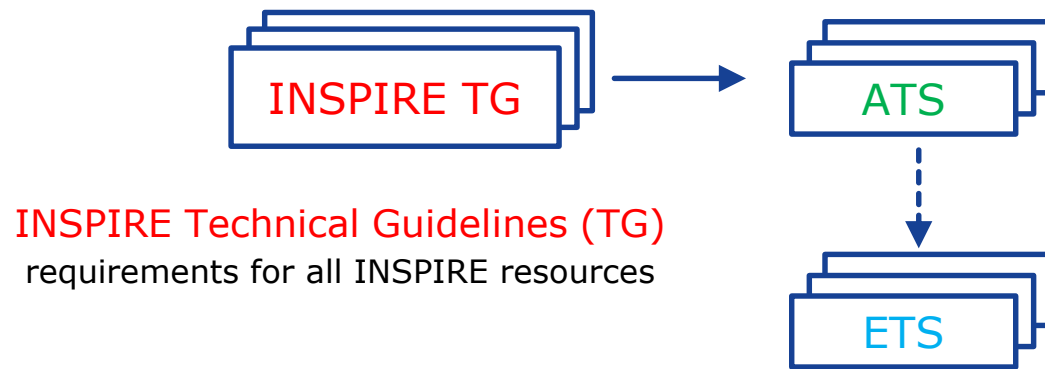


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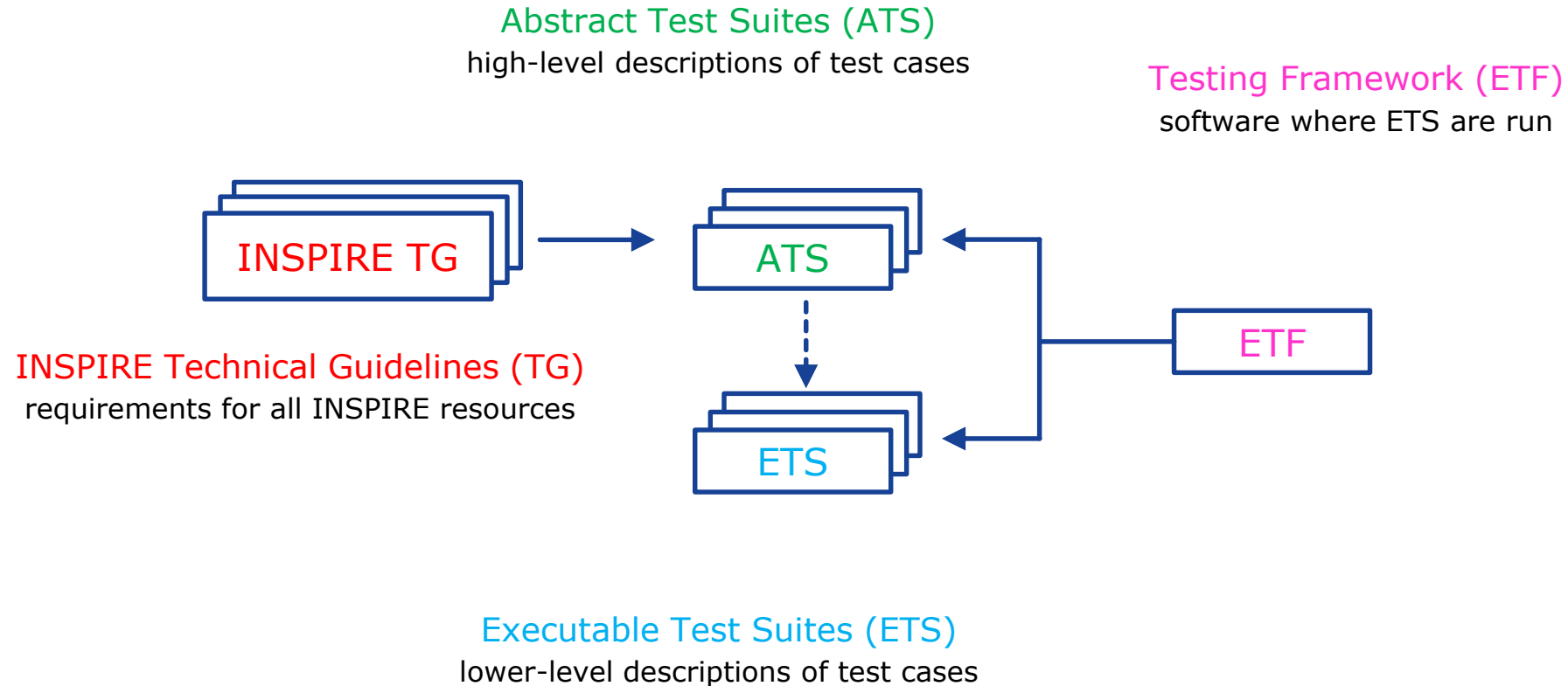
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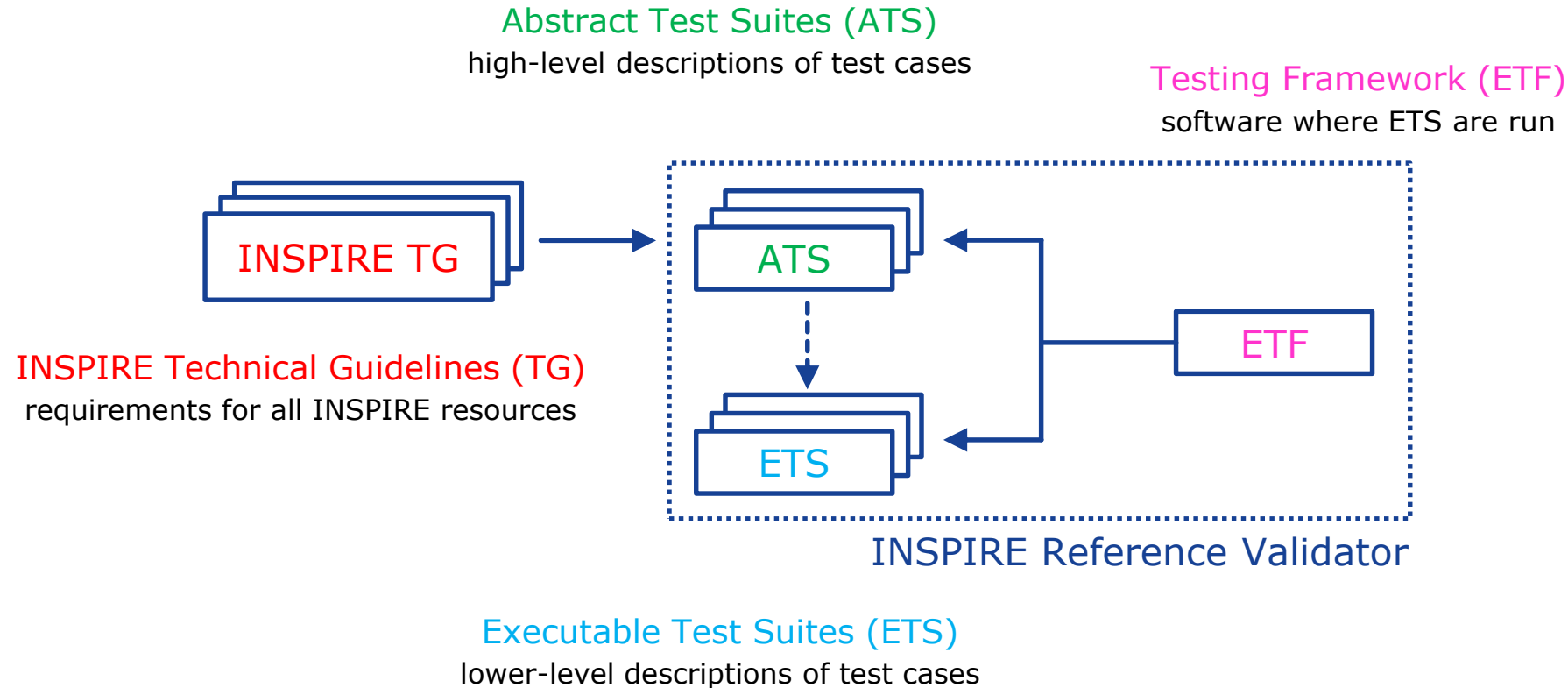
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lower-level descriptions of test cases

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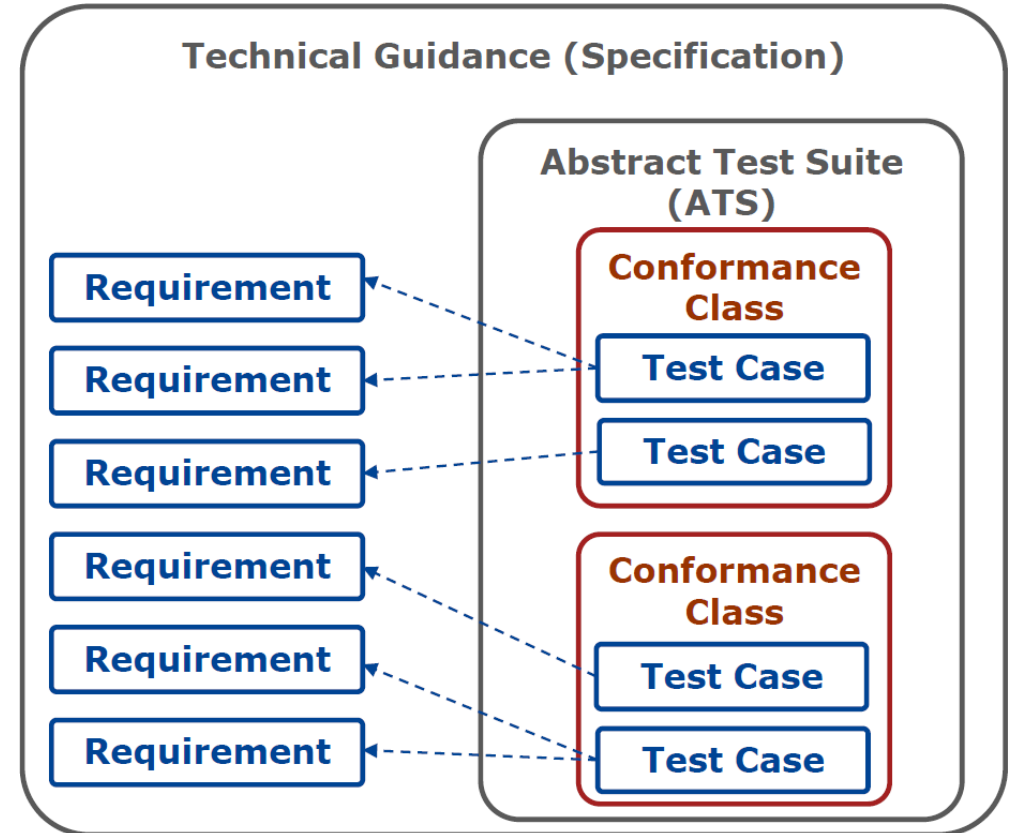


INSPIRE Reference Validator – Components



Abstract Test Suites (ATS)

- Test cases covering all requirements of INSPIRE TG are organized in ATS
 - grouped in Conformance Classes
 - developed by the JRC in agreement with the INSPIRE MIG-T
 - former sub-group 2017.4 on validation and conformity testing



Abstract Test Suites (ATS)



INSPIRE Validation & conformity testing

Workspace for INSPIRE action 2017.4 on validation & conformity testing

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Abstract Test Suite for the Technical Guidance for the implementation of INSPIRE View Services

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data Public

Abstract Test Suite for the INSPIRE Data Specifications Template

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- All ATS are maintained on GitHub, licensed under CC0:
 - Metadata
 - Discovery services
 - View services
 - Download services
 - Data specifications
 - Data encoding
 - Annex I, II, III data specifications

<https://github.com/inspire-eu-validation>

Abstract Test Suites (ATS) – Example

3.1.2.3 Spatial resolution

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INSPIRE TG

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An equivalent scale is generally expressed as an integer value expressing the scale denominator.

A resolution distance shall be expressed as a numerical value associated with a unit of length.

The [Regulation 1205/2008], Part B, 6.2 describes an element intended for describing this information: The multiplicity of this element as defined in [Regulation 1205/2008], Part C, Table 1 is zero or more, and it is "mandatory for data sets and data set series if an equivalent scale or a resolution distance can be specified."

TG Requirement 1.5: metadata/2.0/req/datasets-and-series/spatial-resolution

Spatial resolution for data set or data set series shall be given using either equivalent scale or a resolution distance, provided that these have been specified for the described data sets. If both ways have been specified, only one of the ways shall be used.

The spatial resolution as equivalent scale shall be encoded using `gmd:spatialResolution/gmd:MD_Resolution/gmd:equivalentScale/gmd:MD_RepresentativeFraction/gmd:denominator/gco:Integer` element.

The spatial resolution as resolution distance shall be encoded using `gmd:spatialResolution/gmd:MD_Resolution/gmd:distance/gco:Distance` element.

The multiplicity of this element is 0..n.



Spatial Resolution

Purpose: Test that the spatial resolution is defined using either an scale or a distance resolution.

Prerequisites

Test method

- For every [Spatial Resolution](#),
 - Check that [Equivalent Scale](#) or [Distance](#) element exists.
- Check that all the [Spatial Resolution](#) children are either [Equivalent Scale](#) or [Distance](#) but not both.
- If any of the checks fails, the test fails.

Reference(s)

- [TG MD 3.1.2.3](#), Req 1.5

Test type: Automated

Notes

The multiplicity of this element is zero or more.

Contextual XPath references

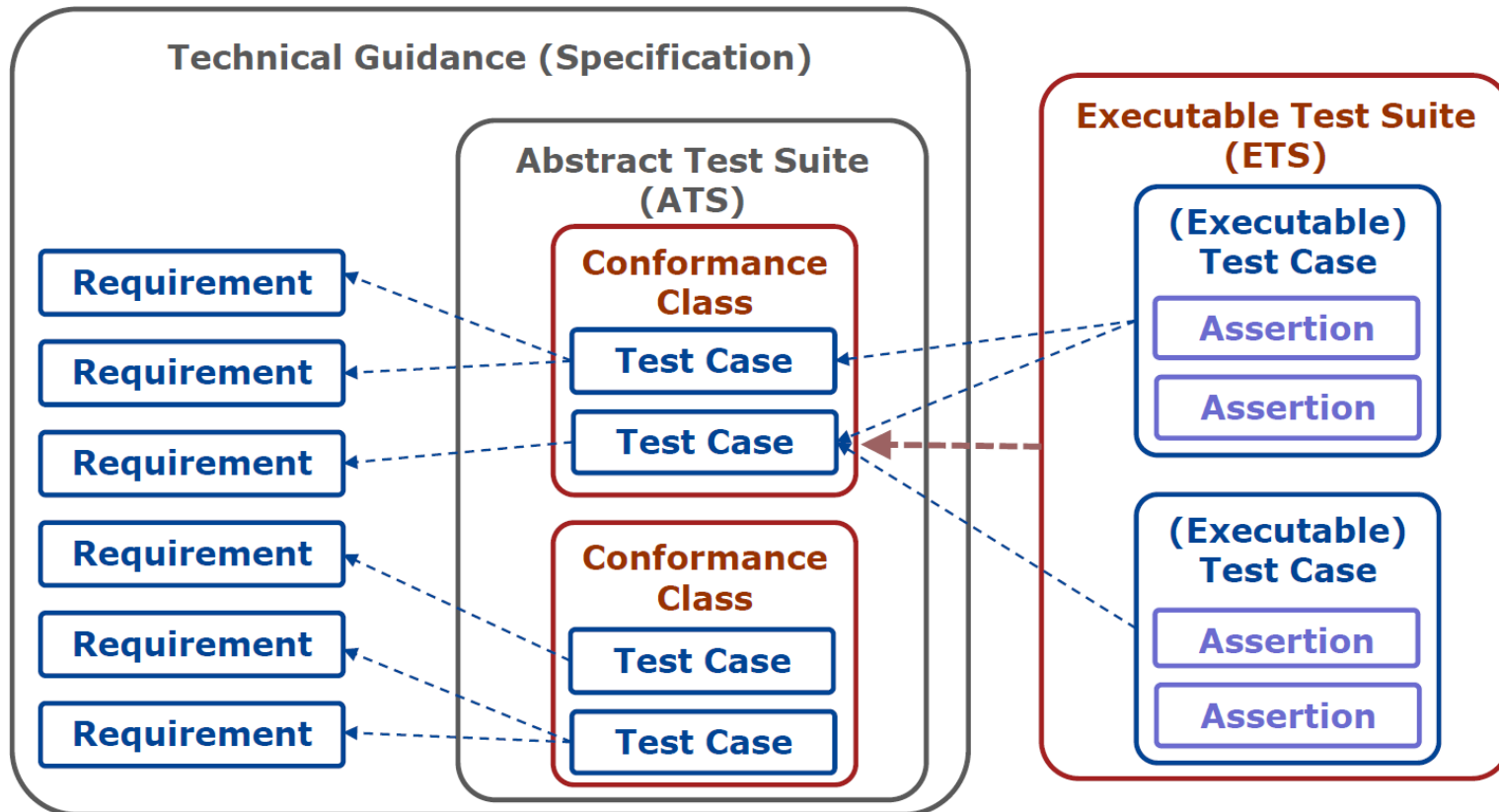
The namespace prefixes used as described in [README.md](#).

Abbreviation	XPath expression (relative to /gmd:MD_Metadata/gmd:identificationInfo/gmd:MD_DataIdentification/gmd:spatialResolution)
Spatial Resolution	/gmd:MD_Metadata/gmd:identificationInfo/gmd:MD_DataIdentification/gmd:spatialResolution
Equivalent Scale	gmd:MD_Resolution/gmd:equivalentScale
Distance	gmd:MD_Resolution/gmd:distance

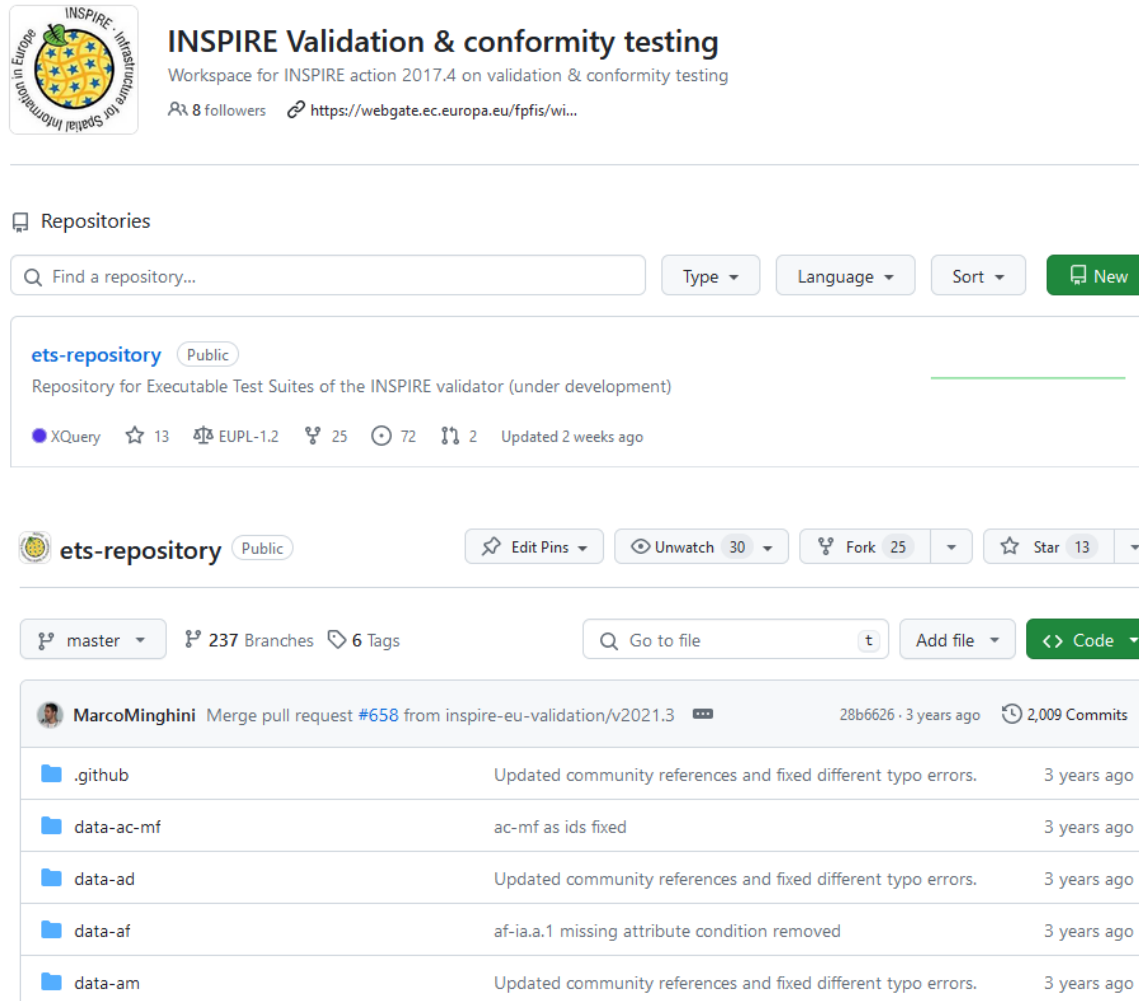
ATS

Executable Test Suites (ETS)

- Executable tests implemented for the agreed ATS
 - testing all assertions included in each test case



Executable Test Suites (ETS)



The screenshot shows the GitHub repository page for "INSPIRE Validation & conformity testing". The repository is public and contains Executable Test Suites (ETS) for the INSPIRE validator. It has 8 followers and is licensed under EUPL-1.2. The repository is updated 2 weeks ago. The repository is maintained by MarcoMinghini, who has merged pull request #658 from inspire-eu-validation/v2021.3. The repository contains several data specifications: .github, data-ac-mf, data-ad, data-af, and data-am. The repository is also linked to the INSPIRE action 2017.4 on validation & conformity testing.

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Repository for Executable Test Suites of the INSPIRE validator (under development)

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Test method

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Reference(s)

- TG MD 3.1.2.3, Req 1.5

Test type: Automated

Notes

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Contextual XPath references

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Equivalent Scale	gmd:MD_Resolution/gmd:equivalentScale
Distance	gmd:MD_Resolution/gmd:distance

ATS

```
let $regex_integer := '^(\\d{1,40})$'  
let $regex_float := '^-?\\d+\\.\\d{2,}$'  
let $messages :=
```

```
(for $record in $records  
  let $countResolutions := count($record/gmd:identificationInfo[1]/*gmd:spatialResolution)  
  let $countScale := count($record/gmd:identificationInfo[1]/*gmd:spatialResolution/gmd:MD_Resolution/gmd:equivalentScale)  
  let $countDistance := count($record/gmd:identificationInfo[1]/*gmd:spatialResolution/gmd:MD_Resolution/gmd:distance)  
  let $invalidScale :=  
    for $x in $record/gmd:identificationInfo[1]/*gmd:spatialResolution/gmd:MD_Resolution/gmd:equivalentScale/gmd:MD_RepresentativeFraction/gmd:denominator/gco:Integer  
    return  
    if(matches($x/text(), $regex_integer)) then ()  
    else $x  
  let $invalidDistance :=  
    for $x in $record/gmd:identificationInfo[1]/*gmd:spatialResolution/gmd:MD_Resolution/gmd:distance/gco:Distance  
    return  
    if(matches($x/text(), $regex_float)) then ()  
    else $x  
  let $rid := $record/gmd:fileIdentifier/*text()  
  return  
  if (($countResolutions > 0) and ($countScale = 0) and ($countDistance = 0)) then  
    local:addMessage('TR.noResolutions', map { 'filename': local:filename($record), 'id': $rid })  
  else if(count($invalidScale) != 0) then  
    local:addMessage('TR.invalidScale', map { 'filename': local:filename($record), 'id': $rid, 'invalid': fn:string-join($invalidScale, ';') })  
  else if(count($invalidDistance) != 0) then  
    local:addMessage('TR.invalidDistance', map { 'filename': local:filename($record), 'id': $rid, 'invalid': fn:string-join($invalidDistance, ';') })  
  else  
    for $spatialResolution in $record/gmd:identificationInfo[1]/*gmd:spatialResolution  
    return  
    if (count($spatialResolution/gmd:MD_Resolution/gmd:equivalentScale) > 0 and count($spatialResolution/gmd:MD_Resolution/gmd:distance) > 0) then  
      local:addMessage('TR.mixedResolutions', map { 'filename': local:filename($record), 'id': $rid })  
    else ()  
  ) [position() le $limitErrors]  
return  
(if ($messages) then 'FAILED' else 'PASSED',  
  local:error-statistics('TR.recordsWithErrors', count(fn:distinct-values($messages//etf:argument[@token='id']/text()))),  
  $messages)
```

```
<TestAssertion id="EID82a0442f-0185-4d6a-9b4e-0b7356613de7">  
  <label>md datasets-and-series 1.5: Spatial Resolution</label>  
  <description><![CDATA[<p>Test that the spatial resolution is defined using either a scale or a distance resolution<p>More information: <a href="http://inspire.ec.europa.eu/id/ats/metadata/2.0/datasets-and-series/spatial-resolution">http://inspire.ec.europa.eu/id/ats/metadata/2.0/datasets-and-series/spatial-resolution</a></CDATA>  
  <parent ref="EIDc0a43a9d-c2bc-4ea7-a8bb-8e966700f141"/>  
  <expectedResult>NOT_APPLICABLE</expectedResult>  
  <expression>
```

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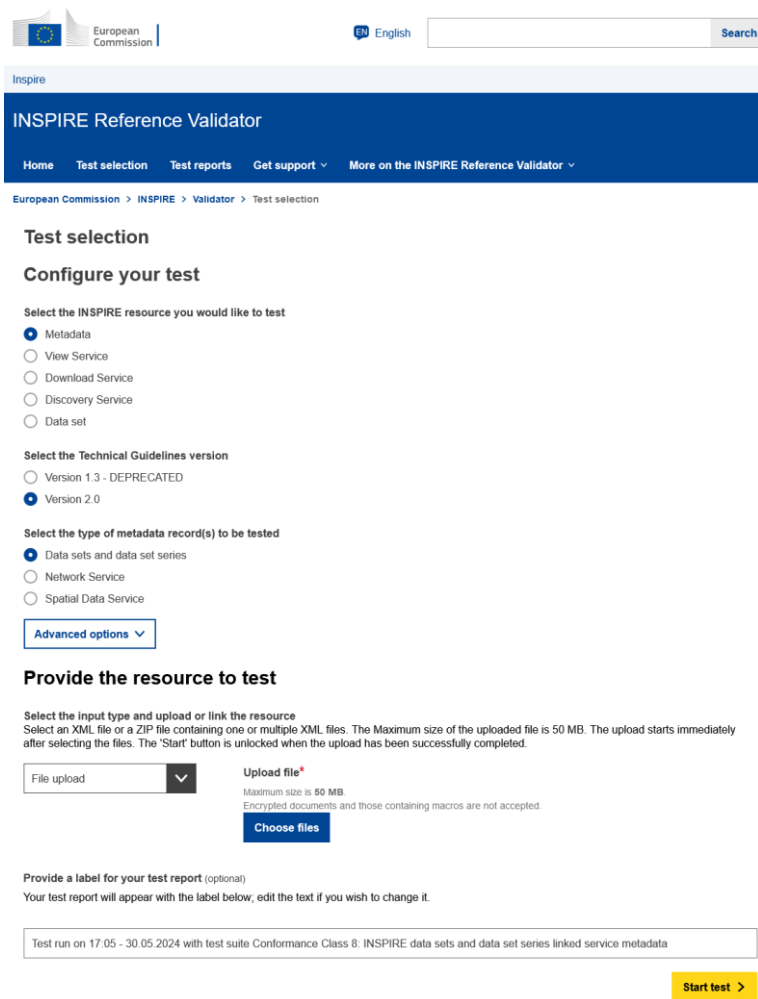
```
</expression>  
<testItemType ref="EIDf0edc596-49d2-48d6-a1a1-1ac581dcde0a">  
  <translationTemplates>  
    <translationTemplate ref="TR.recordsWithErrors"/>  
    <translationTemplate ref="TR.noResolutions"/>  
    <translationTemplate ref="TR.mixedResolutions"/>  
  </translationTemplates>  
</TestAssertion>
```


INSPIRE Reference Validator – Instances

- 2 instances:
 - staging instance (<http://staging-inspire-validator.eu-west-1.elasticbeanstalk.com/etf-webapp>)
 - includes bug fixes & latest features for testing purposes
 - production instance (<https://inspire.ec.europa.eu/validator>)
 - includes only consolidated developments
- Both instances deployed on the cloud
 - minimize downtime on maintenance
 - avoid dependence on JRC infrastructure
 - improve performance
 - horizontal and vertical scaling

INSPIRE Reference Validator – Access

- Interactive User Interface and REST API



The screenshot shows the INSPIRE Reference Validator web application. At the top, there's a header with the European Commission logo, a language selector set to 'English', and a search bar. Below the header, the main title 'INSPIRE Reference Validator' is displayed. A navigation bar includes links for 'Home', 'Test selection', 'Test reports', 'Get support', and 'More on the INSPIRE Reference Validator'. The 'Test selection' section is active, showing options to 'Configure your test'. Under 'Select the INSPIRE resource you would like to test', 'Metadata' is selected. Under 'Select the Technical Guidelines version', 'Version 2.0' is selected. Under 'Select the type of metadata record(s) to be tested', 'Data sets and data set series' is selected. An 'Advanced options' dropdown is visible. The 'Provide the resource to test' section includes instructions on file upload and a 'File upload' button. Below this, there's a 'Choose files' button. At the bottom, there's a section for 'Provide a label for your test report' with a text input field and a 'Start test' button.



ETF Web API

This is an interactive documentation and a web user interface for interacting with the Web API version 2 of the test framework [ETF](#). This semi-automatic generated documentation covers basic functionality, but consulting the [API Documentation](#) may be required to get a deeper understanding of the ETF model and further procedures. Issues can be reported in [GitHub](#).

Content negotiation is not supported and therefore JSON is always returned for endpoints without file extension. For most operations, a link to the XML response schema is provided in the implementation nodes. JSON responses are derived from XML the response schema, based on this [stylesheet](#).

[Back to user interface](#)

Created by ETF Team
See more at <http://www.etf-validator.net>
[Contact the developer](#)
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1. Service Status : Monitor service workload and health	Show/Hide	List Operations	Expand Operations
2. Service Capabilities : Retrieve test framework metadata	Show/Hide	List Operations	Expand Operations
3. Manage Test Objects : Define Test Objects and upload test data	Show/Hide	List Operations	Expand Operations
4. Manage Test Runs : Start and control test runs	Show/Hide	List Operations	Expand Operations
5. Test Run Results : Retrieve test results	Show/Hide	List Operations	Expand Operations

[BASE URL: /validator , API VERSION: 2.0.0]

<https://inspire.ec.europa.eu/validator/swagger-ui.html>

<https://inspire.ec.europa.eu/validator/test-selection>

INSPIRE Reference Validator – Release plan

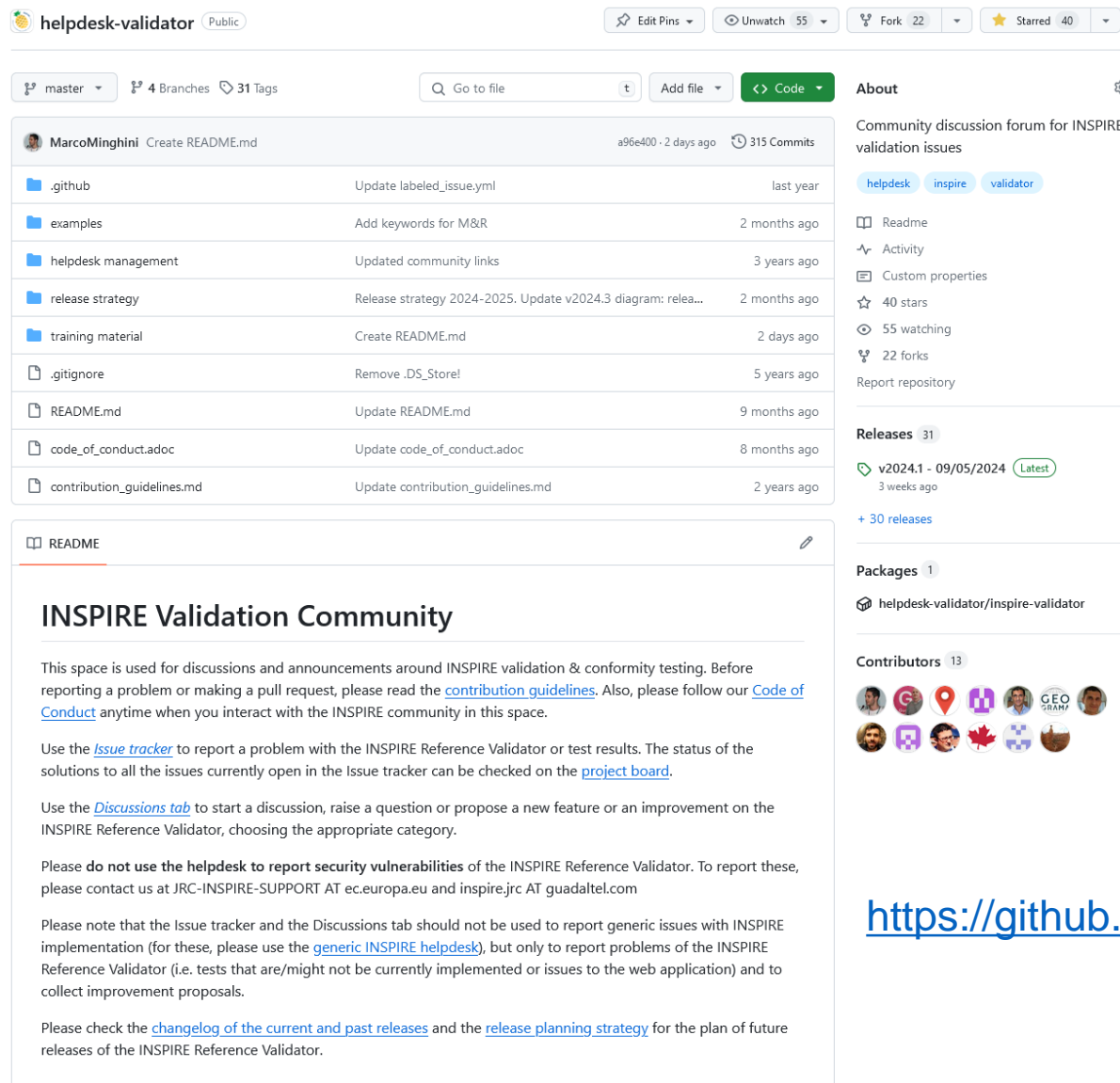
Annual releases

As mentioned above, several releases of the INSPIRE Reference Validator are scheduled each year with the main goal of concentrating breaking changes in the first half of the year in order to produce the major release used for the end-of-year Monitoring process already in June. The scheduled annual releases are described in detail in the next sub-sections. In addition to the different infrastructure and deployment environments, the different releases are managed using different branches of the [ets-repository](#) repository.

For simplicity, the descriptions make explicit reference to releases in the years 2024/2025, but the same release schedule will be applied consistently over the following years:

- **v2024.1 - 30/04/2024:** it includes both breaking and non-breaking changes.
- **v2024.2 - 30/06/2024:** it includes both breaking and non-breaking changes.
- **v2025.b - 30/06/2024:** it includes both breaking and non-breaking changes which are planned to become effective (for Monitoring purposes) in the following year.
- **v2024.3 - 15/09/2024:** it only includes non-breaking changes, so that any INSPIRE resource passing the test in the previous release automatically passes the same test in this release. This release is the one used for the end-of-year Monitoring process.
- **v2025.0 - 15/01/2025:** it includes both breaking and non-breaking changes, including those available in the beta instance of the previous year.

INSPIRE Reference Validator – Community



The screenshot shows the GitHub repository for 'helpdesk-validator' by MarcoMinghini. The repository is public and has 40 stars, 22 forks, and 55 watchers. It contains 4 branches and 31 tags. The file list includes .github, examples, helpdesk management, release strategy, training material, .gitignore, README.md, code_of_conduct.adoc, and contribution_guidelines.md. The README is open, showing the 'INSPIRE Validation Community' section. The README text includes instructions on how to use the issue tracker, discussions tab, and how to report security vulnerabilities. It also mentions the changelog and release planning strategy.

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INSPIRE Validation Community

This space is used for discussions and announcements around INSPIRE validation & conformity testing. Before reporting a problem or making a pull request, please read the [contribution guidelines](#). Also, please follow our [Code of Conduct](#) anytime when you interact with the INSPIRE community in this space.

Use the [Issue tracker](#) to report a problem with the INSPIRE Reference Validator or test results. The status of the solutions to all the issues currently open in the Issue tracker can be checked on the [project board](#).

Use the [Discussions tab](#) to start a discussion, raise a question or propose a new feature or an improvement on the INSPIRE Reference Validator, choosing the appropriate category.

Please **do not use the helpdesk to report security vulnerabilities** of the INSPIRE Reference Validator. To report these, please contact us at JRC-INSPIRE-SUPPORT AT ec.europa.eu and inspire.jrc AT guadalitel.com

Please note that the Issue tracker and the Discussions tab should not be used to report generic issues with INSPIRE implementation (for these, please use the [generic INSPIRE helpdesk](#)), but only to report problems of the INSPIRE Reference Validator (i.e. tests that are/might not be currently implemented or issues to the web application) and to collect improvement proposals.

Please check the [changelog of the current and past releases](#) and the [release planning strategy](#) for the plan of future releases of the INSPIRE Reference Validator.

- GitHub repository for community resources
 - sample resources
 - training materials
 - release plan & releases
 - helpdesk management strategy
 - helpdesk service

<https://github.com/INSPIRE-MIF/helpdesk-validator>

Thank you!



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