



ETF and INSPIRE Reference Validator

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INSPIRE Reference Validator – Releases

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INSPIRE Reference Validator – v.2023.3

v2023.3 - 18/09/2023 Latest

The version published at this time contains non-breaking changes related to the INSPIRE Referenc

Bugfixes

- [#823](#) SNI Error validating services
- [#642](#) Problem with the test case "OpenSearch Description Query examples for each dataset" of predefined-ATOM - [#815](#)

Validator UI

- [#47](#) Remove beta instance entry from the menu

Deployment instructions

The section containing the deployment process using Docker image and troubleshooting section. You can also find these in the [training material](#)

```
docker login docker.pkg.github.com
#Provide Github credentials
docker run --name inspire-validator -d -p 8090:8090 -v ~/etf:/etf docker.pkg.github.com/inspire-mif/helpdesk-valida
#Launches a container with the image, exposing the UI in port 8090 through the same port in the host machine, and u:
```

<https://github.com/INSPIRE-MIF/helpdesk-validator/releases/tag/v2023.3>

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first release of 2024

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- New ATS/ETS to implement the **Good Practice on simplification of data-service linking** (developed under Action 2.3)
- Part A ([Section 8](#)): "Data-Service Linking Simplification. Requirements classes", which includes requirements/recommendations to be added/updated in the relevant TGs, and in particular:
 - Section 8.1: INSPIRE Data Set Metadata Resource Locator, which requires:
 - Change in the MD TG (Issue [#108](#))
 - **New ATS/ETS: "Conformance Class 8: INSPIRE data sets and data set series linked service metadata"** **new conformance class**
 - Section 8.2: INSPIRE Network Service Metadata Coupled Resource, which requires:
 - Change in the MD TG (Issue [#108](#))
 - Change in the Service TGs (Issues [#105](#), [#110](#) and [#112](#))
- Part B ([Section 9](#)): Use of INSPIRE conformant standard capabilities documents, which requires:
 - Update of the ATS/ETS for View Service
 - Update of the ATS/ETS for Download Service
 - Update of the ATS/ETS for ATOM Service**updated conformance classes**

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Data set Metadata Resource Locator

Purpose: Test that at least two Resource Locator elements are present in the data set metadata pointing to the URLs where the related network services can be contacted. Additionally, test the presence of gmd:protocol and gmd:applicationProfile elements, paired with the defined codelist values from the INSPIRE Registry.

Prerequisites: TG Requirement 1.8 of INSPIRE MD TG expresses the obligation to provide online access, if available, to the described data set or data set series. Furthermore, the INSPIRE legal framework requires that data sets are made available through View and Download services, which in turn implies that at least two locators need to be expressed in the data set metadata: one for a View Service and one for a Download Service.

Test method:

Check that at least the following two Resource Locator elements are provided:

<https://github.com/inspire-eu-validation/metadata/tree/tg-issue108/ds-linked-service>

<https://github.com/inspire-eu-validation/metadata/blob/tg-issue108/ds-linked-service/ds-md-resource-locator.md>

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Select the type of metadata record(s) to be tested

- Data sets and data set series
- Network Service
- Spatial Data Service

Advanced options ^

Select the conformance classes to be assessed

- Common Requirements for ISO/TC 19139:2007 based INSPIRE metadata records ([source](#))
- Conformance Class 1: 'Baseline metadata for data sets and data set series' ([source](#))
- Conformance Class 2: 'INSPIRE data sets and data set series interoperability metadata' ([source](#))
- Conformance Class 2b: 'INSPIRE data sets and data set series metadata for Monitoring' ([source](#))
- Conformance Class 2c: 'INSPIRE data sets and data set series metadata for IACS' ([source](#))
- Conformance Class 8: 'INSPIRE data sets and data set series linked service metadata' ([source](#))

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- Plan to complete the tests on data-service linking simplification:
 - **updated ATS** for network services: by mid-December
 - **updated ETS** for network services: available in staging as soon as ready, and in production in the first release after publication of the TGs (31 January 2024)

INSPIRE Reference Validator – API Gateway

- API Gateway to manage API requests to the Validator introduced in 2021
 - constraints: max 200 validations per week (reset on Sunday), max 1 validation per second
 - an API key is needed – instructions on how to request it:
<https://github.com/INSPIRE-MIF/helpdesk-validator/issues/594>
- New API call to check the remaining available quota:
 - documentation: <https://github.com/INSPIRE-MIF/helpdesk-validator/discussions/977>
 - call: <https://yzyiqfakm4.execute-api.eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/validator/v2/Usages/{API-Key}>
 - for each of the last 10 days, it returns the usage and the remaining quota

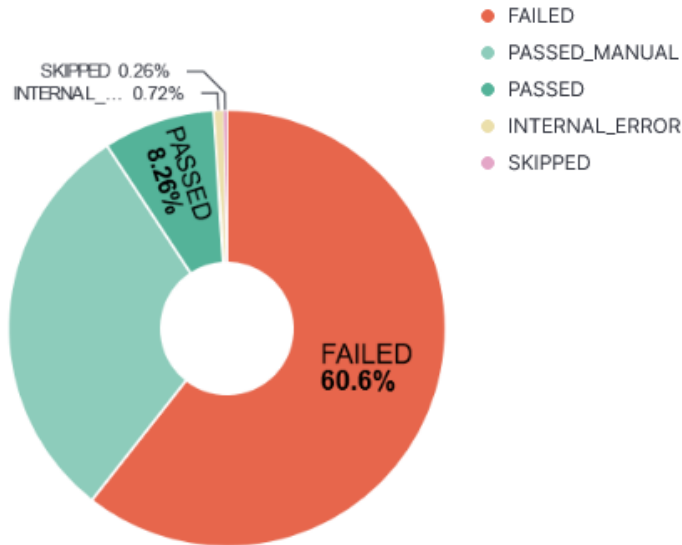
INSPIRE Reference Validator – Dashboard

Total number of tests

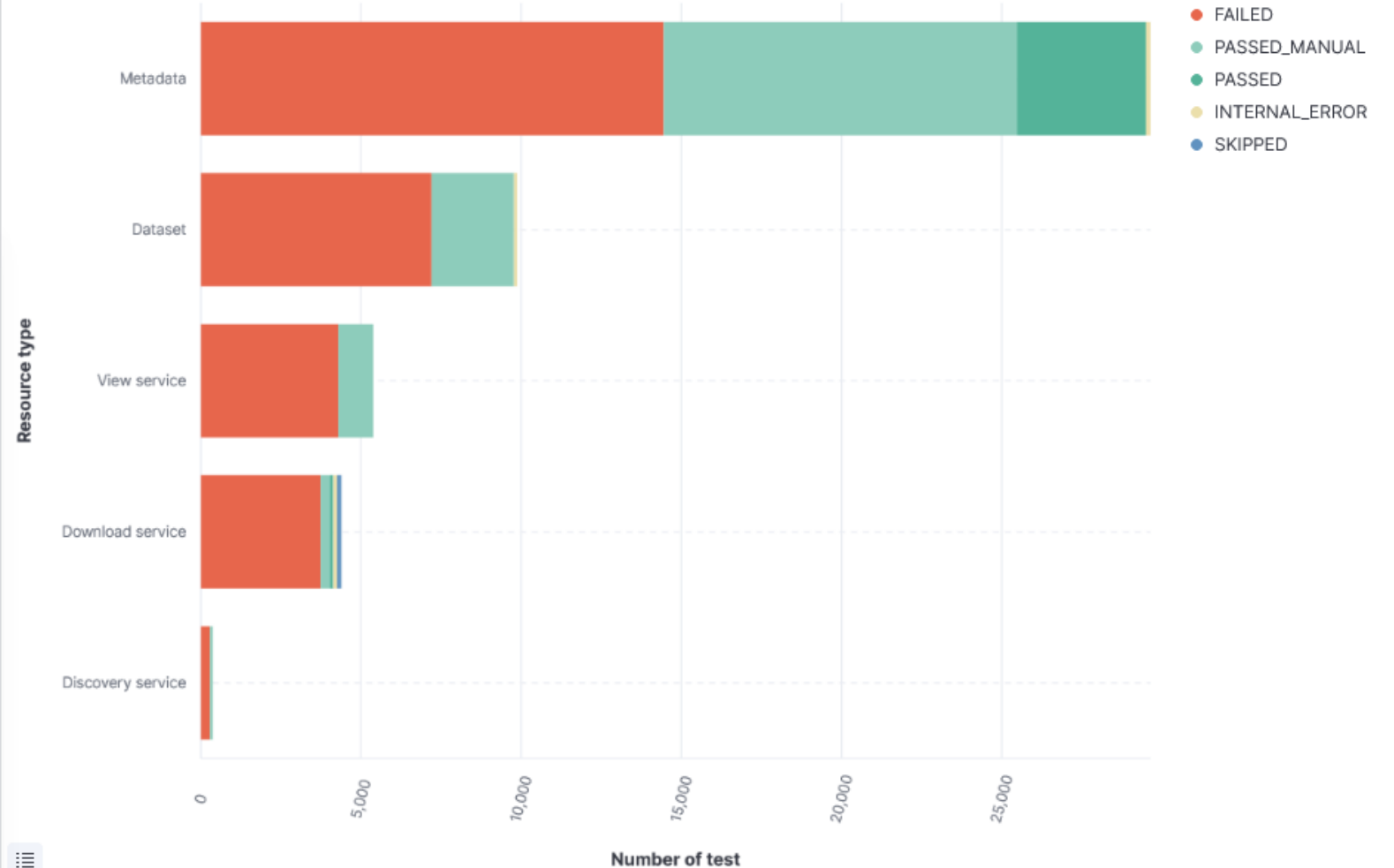
Number of tests

50,393.00

Fractions of overall test outcomes



Number of tests per resource type



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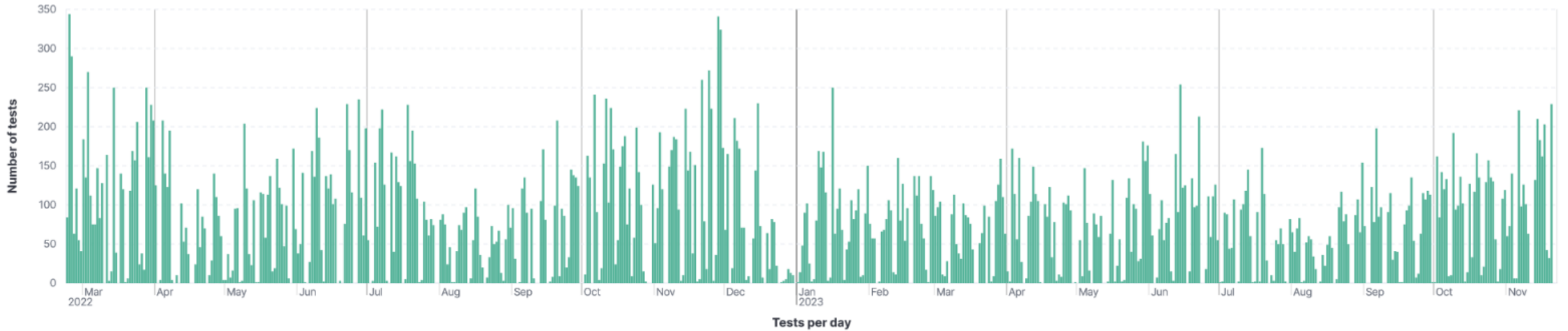
- Outcomes and types of resources for metadata validation
 - February-December 2022 (top) vs. January-November 2023 (bottom)

Top 5 values of status.keywc	Number of tests	Sub category	Unique count of id_testrun.keyword
FAILED	7,483	Metadata - Version 2.0	14,870
INTERNAL_ERROR	91	Dataset Metadata - Version 2.0	9,768
PASSED	2,005	Service Metadata - Version 2.0	3,048
PASSED_MANUAL	5,629	Network Service Metadata - Version 2.0	2,251
		Spatial Data Service Metadata - Version 2.0	575
		Metadata - Version 1.3	282

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FAILED	7,162	Metadata - Version 2.0	14,616
INTERNAL_ERROR	49	Dataset Metadata - Version 2.0	10,497
PASSED	2,050	Service Metadata - Version 2.0	2,688
PASSED_MANUAL	5,365	Network Service Metadata - Version 2.0	2,095
		Spatial Data Service Metadata - Version 2.0	500
		Metadata - Version 1.3	236

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Temporal evolution of the number of tests



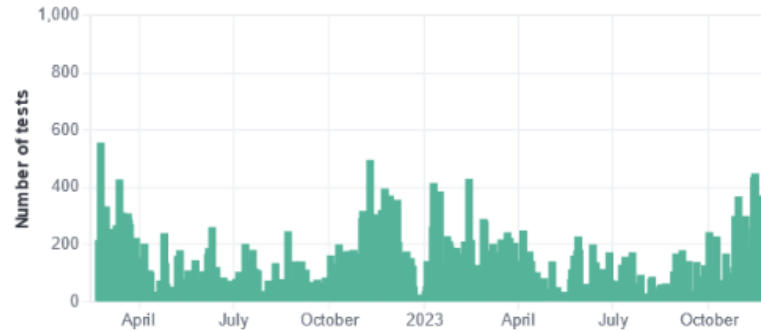
Number of tests: 6:00 - 11:59

6:00 - 11:59



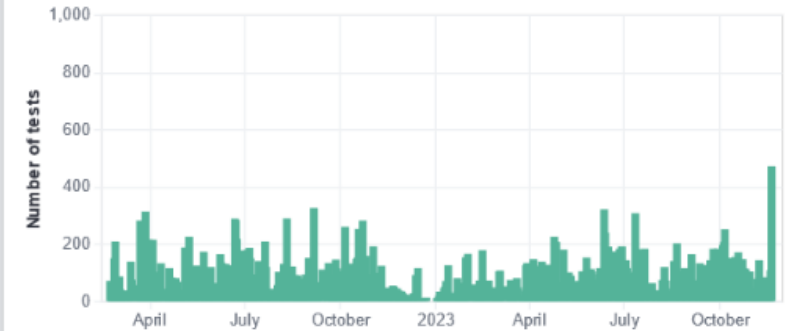
Number of tests: 12:00 - 17:59

12:00 - 17:59



Number of tests: 18:00 - 5:59

18:00 - 5:59



INSPIRE Reference Validator – Plan for v.2024.0

- Still based on [ETF v.2.0](#)
- New OS & upgraded libraries/components, **increasing security** (thanks DE)
 - Docker base image: jetty10.0.16-jre11-alpine-eclipse-temurin
 - OS: Alpine Linux v3.18
 - Several ETF libraries upgraded
 - OpenJDK Runtime Environment Temurin-11.0.20.1+1
 - Jetty 10.0.6
 - Squid 5.9
 - Nginx 1.24.0
 - Apache 2.4.58-r0
- Pull requests to solve security vulnerabilities are welcome!

INSPIRE Reference Validator – Helpdesk

- > 1000 issues (in the last 4-5 years)
- Shift from bug reports to deployment
- Little activity in the last months

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60 Issues

Filters is:issue is:open

Labels 25 Milestones 1 New issue

Issue	Labels	Assignee	Comments
INSPIRE validator doesn't recognize ATOM Digital certificate- SPAIN #1008 opened 2 weeks ago by abadppa0 v2024.0	non-breaking change, solved		9
Wrong checks in Conformance class: Application schema, Geology #1002 opened last month by IoannaTsakalaidou	deployment, question		3
Data Consistency (AU) : feature does not correspond to edge in topological structure #990 opened on Aug 3 by Dnoack49	under analysis		3
v2023.2 - 21/06/2023 installation problem with squid using podman #987 opened on Jul 18 by TeijoKal	deployment, user-to-fix		4
Instructions for configuring reference validator with forwarding proxy #978 opened on Jul 4 by mwjsanders	deployment, user-to-fix		1
WFS 2.0 - Error on filter.temporal.DurringTests #975 opened on Jul 3 by sbunea	external dependency, under analysis		1
Direct WFS - An error has occurred - Internal domain used? #960 opened on Jun 1 by joachimnielandt	deployment, under development		6
ATOM Query examples for each dataset is skipped	under analysis		2

Thank you!



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