



INSPIRE Reference Validator and validation community

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INSPIRE Reference Validator – Releases

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INSPIRE Reference Validator – v.2022.2

v2022.2- 21/06/2022 Latest

 dperezBM released this 15 days ago  v2022.2  ed6b791 

The version published at this time contains breaking and non-breaking changes.

New Features

- [#765](#) Validation against the latest INSPIRE official schemas - [#748](#)
- [#770](#) INSPIRE data sets and data set series metadata for IACS multilanguage- [#749](#)

Bugfixes

- [#569](#) tn-gml typo correction - [#750](#)
- [#618](#) [#703](#) invalidLegendFormat message updated - [#751](#)
- [#710](#) am-as-a.2 missingElement and missingAttribute property fixed - [#752](#)
- [#714](#) su-vector-as.b.1 and su-vector-as.b.2 updated - [#753](#)
- [#729](#) Conformance class description typo fixed - [#754](#)
- [#742](#) 5621, 9389 and 9390 EPSG codes added - [#755](#)
- [#747](#) pf-gml typo fixed - [#756](#)
- [#749](#) outputSchema and elementSetName default parameters added in UI
- [#780](#) [#718](#) [#771](#) Not required service metadata checks removed- [#757](#)

Validator UI

- [#24](#) New cookie consent on Validator UI - [#25](#)
- [#23](#) Quick links in the "Get support" menu need to be changed
- [#22](#) Wrong CC for some US application schemas - [#21](#)
- [#19](#) URL Metadata validation for non-ISO default responses - [#20](#)
- [#14](#) Staging/production parametrization - [#18](#)
- [#13](#) Typo for AD data theme - [#15](#)
- [#10](#) Missing CC name for BU3D
- [#9](#) Outdated instructions to be removed
- [#8](#) Date display issue bug - [#12](#)
- [#7](#) Link to be changed - [#11](#)

<https://github.com/INSPIRE-MIF/helpdesk-validator/releases/tag/v2022.2>

New tests – Validation against the latest INSPIRE official schemas

- Introduced to **check** whether existing implementations are aligned with the latest version of endorsed INSPIRE schemas, and (if not) to **stimulate towards the migration**:
 - this complements the work performed under Action 2.3.1
- **Breaking change** – make sure to consider it for Monitoring and Reporting 2022!

New tests – Validation against the latest INSPIRE official schemas

- Schema validation is now composed of 2 separate tests:
 1. (already existing) schema validation against the declared schema

Conformance class: INSPIRE GML application schemas, General requirements 6

This test suite examines GML documents against basic requirements for the GML encoding for spatial data sets in INSPIRE. This only covers application-schema-independent, generic requirements. Requirements related to specific application schemas are part of conformance classes with a dependency on this conformance class.

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Known limitations are documented in the description of the applicable test case or test assertion. There is a general limitation in all assertions that extensions in additional application schemas are only supported, if the unqualified name of the feature type in the extension is the same as the name of the feature type in the INSPIRE application schema.

Source: [Conformance Class 'INSPIRE GML application schemas'](#)

Pre-requisite conformance classes:

- [Conformance Class 'INSPIRE GML encoding'](#)

Status Passed, manual checks required
Duration 0.567 s
Version 0.2.8

Schema 2

+ Validation against declared schema 2

<https://github.com/INSPIRE-MIF/helpdesk-validator/discussions/765>

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 1. (already existing) schema validation against the declared schema
 2. (new) schema validation against the latest INSPIRE official schema

Conformance class: GML application schemas, Administrative Units 2

This test suite examines the GML encoding of spatial objects specified in the INSPIRE GML application schemas 'Administrative Units - Administrative Units' and 'Administrative Units - Maritime Units'. Both currently approved GML application schema versions (3.0 and 4.0) are tested. For maritime units only version 3.0 is an approved version (but is aligned with the other version 4.0 schemas, not the 3.0 schemas).

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Source: [Conformance Class 'GML application schemas, Administrative Units'](#)

Pre-requisite conformance classes:

- [Conformance Class 'INSPIRE GML application schemas'](#)

Status Passed
Duration 0.172 s
Version 0.2.3

+ Basic test 1


+ Validation against INSPIRE official schema 1

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ETF – new Release Candidate v.2.1


- Final release will be available soon:
 - changelog to be added
 - documentation (admin, developer, user) to be updated
- **Many differences** compared to the previous v.2.0!

2.1.0-rc.1 Pre-release Compare

 github-actions released this 25 May 2022 2.1.0-rc.1 0bbe958

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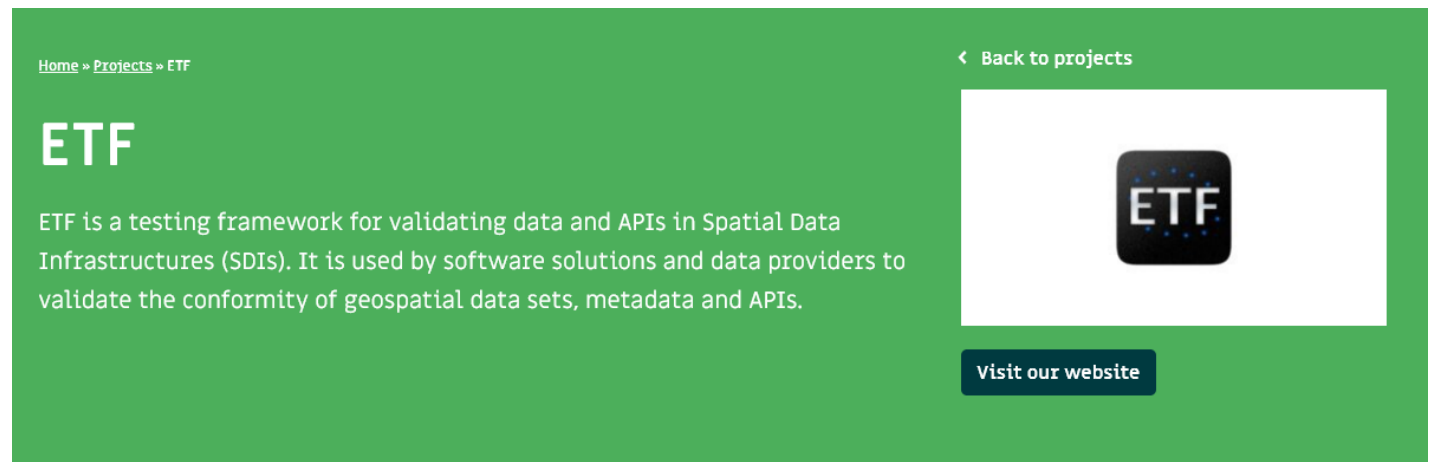
 etf-webapp.war	60.4 MB	25 May 2022
 Source code (zip)		25 May 2022
 Source code (tar.gz)		25 May 2022



<https://github.com/etf-validator/etf-webapp/releases/tag/2.1.0-rc.1>

ETF – OSGeo Community Project (candidate)

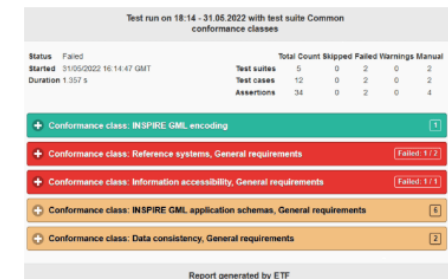
- The ETF was submitted for acceptance as an OSGeo Community Project:
 - [webpage](#) on the OSGeo website created
 - pending [approval](#) from the OSGeo Incubation Committee and the OSGeo Board



The screenshot shows a green-themed webpage for the ETF project. At the top left, there is a breadcrumb trail: "Home » Projects » ETF". The main heading "ETF" is displayed in large white letters. Below it, a paragraph describes the framework: "ETF is a testing framework for validating data and APIs in Spatial Data Infrastructures (SDIs). It is used by software solutions and data providers to validate the conformity of geospatial data sets, metadata and APIs." To the right, there is a "Back to projects" link and a large image of the ETF logo, which consists of the letters "ETF" in white on a dark blue square background with small white dots. Below the logo is a dark blue button with the text "Visit our website".

Goals in designing the ETF software were to create test reports that are user-friendly and self-explanatory as well as to be able to validate large amounts of data, which can be several hundred GB in size. In order to cover different validation tasks and present them in a unified report, the architecture is modular and different test engines can be used. Currently the following test engines are supported: [SoapUI](#) for testing web services, [BaseX](#) database for testing XML data, [TEAM Engine](#) to validate WFS and OGC Web APIs using the OGC CITE tests, NeoTL Engine for testing WFS, OGC Web APIs and datasets.

ETF is the underlying framework used by the [INSPIRE Reference Validator](#) to validate metadata, datasets and services against the [INSPIRE](#) requirements. ETF is also used extensively in Germany by the Surveying Authorities of the Laender to validate their datasets. Other European Union (EU) Member States are also reusing the ETF to allow their data providers to test resources against national requirements. Finally, some software tools include validation based on the ETF API in their workflow.



The screenshot shows a test report titled "Test run on 18:14 - 31.05.2022 with test suite Common conformance classes". It includes a summary table and a list of conformance classes.

Status	Failed	Total	Count	Skipped	Failed	Warnings	Manual
Started:	18:14:47 GMT	Test suites	5	0	2	0	2
Duration:	1.957 s	Test cases	12	0	2	0	2
		Assertions	34	0	2	0	4

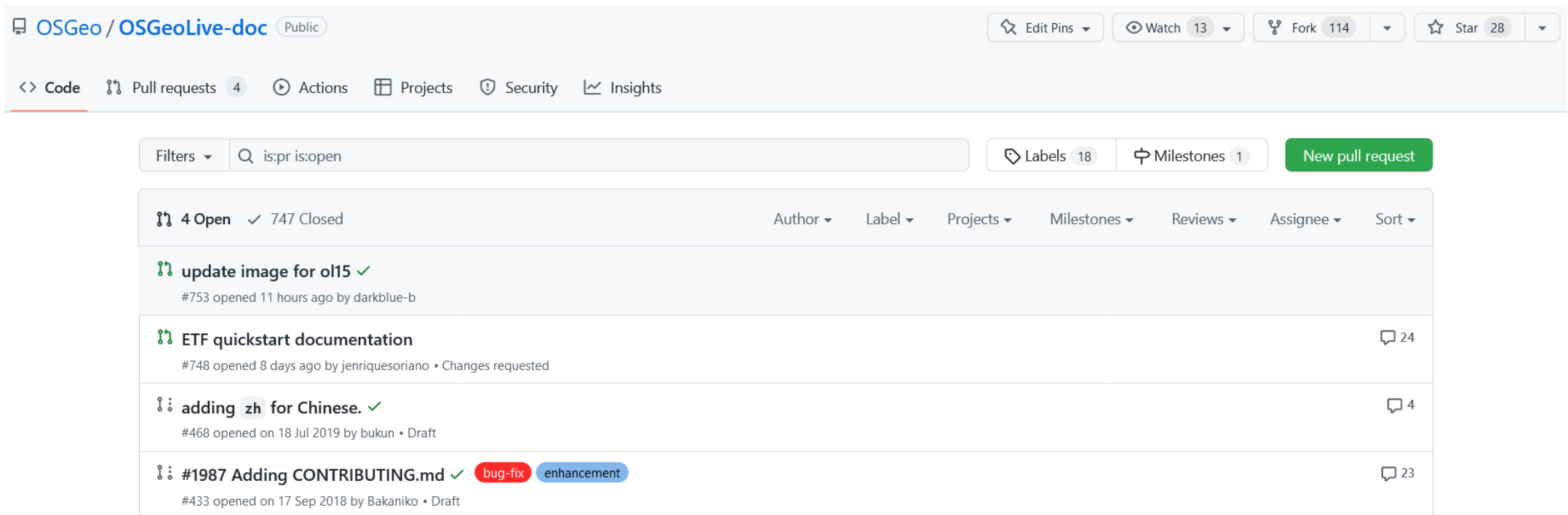
+ Conformance class: INSPIRE GML encoding	1
+ Conformance class: Reference systems, General requirements	Failed: 1/2
+ Conformance class: Information accessibility, General requirements	Failed: 1/1
+ Conformance class: INSPIRE GML application schemas, General requirements	1
+ Conformance class: Data consistency, General requirements	2

Report generated by ETF

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

ETF – OSGeo Live

- The ETF was submitted for inclusion in the OSGeoLive:
 - OSGeoLive **PSC** is currently voting for approval
 - **installation script**, **overview** & **quickstart** under preparation
- Call for translators open!



The screenshot shows the GitHub interface for the repository `OSGeo / OSGeoLive-doc`. The repository is public and has 13 watchers, 114 forks, and 28 stars. The navigation bar includes links for Code, Pull requests (4), Actions, Projects, Security, and Insights. The pull requests section is filtered to show only open pull requests. The list includes:

- update image for ol15** (checked) - #753 opened 11 hours ago by darkblue-b
- ETF quickstart documentation** - #748 opened 8 days ago by jenriquesoriano • Changes requested (24 comments)
- adding zh for Chinese.** (checked) - #468 opened on 18 Jul 2019 by bukun • Draft (4 comments)
- #1987 Adding CONTRIBUTING.md** (checked) - #433 opened on 17 Sep 2018 by Bakaniko • Draft (23 comments, labels: bug-fix, enhancement)

Thank you!

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