

Action 2.2 Roadmap for priority-driven implementation

Context

To facilitate a feasible implementation that responds to tangible data needs identified in action 2.1, the identified flexibilities in the legal framework would be used to diversify and where possible relax the technical implementation guidance for what is needed for each data set (e.g. every data set needs to have published metadata and should be accessible, a clearly defined and prioritised limited number of data sets need to be harmonized).

Proposed action

The action will work on the following strands of activities:

- Identifying the flexibilities of the legal framework, building on previous simplification efforts.
- Develop implementation maturity levels based on the level of interoperability, data priorities and identified legal flexibility.
- Develop good practices to support a common understanding and facilitate a common implementation of the maturity levels on short- and mid-term (2021-2022).
- Gather recommendations for future improvements to the legal framework on the long-term (2023).
- Validate and pilot the proposed maturity levels on selected data sets.
- Implementation support

Organisational set-up

The action is led by ENV, with contribution by the MIG, MIG-T, European Commission DGs and the EEA. A temporary dedicated sub-group will be established.

Tasks

Task	Deadline (indicative)
Task 1: Identifying the flexibilities of the legal framework, building on previous simplification efforts.	May 2021
Task 2: Develop implementation maturity levels based on the level of interoperability, data priorities and identified legal flexibility (incl. legal validation).	June 2021
Task 3: Impact assessment of the proposal on existing and future implementation.	September 2021
Task 4: Develop good practices to support a common understanding and facilitate a common implementation of the maturity levels. Pilot the proposed maturity levels on selected data sets.	December 2021
Task 5: Draft guidance (legal, political, technical) on application of maturity levels.	March 2022
Task 6: Gather recommendations for future improvements to the legal framework	March 2021 - September 2022

Outcomes

- A priority- and case-driven, consistent and comparable INSPIRE implementation across Europe.
- Compliant implementation maturity levels for a more feasible and cost-effective implementation.
- Implementation guidance.