



Repository Audit and Certification Catalogues

The Challenge:

Creating harmonized Common Procedures for certification of repositories

What is the solution?

Drawing from the procedures already put in place by the Data Seal of Approval (DSA) and the ICSU World Data System (ICSU-WDS), the RDA Repository Audit and Certification DSA-WDS Partnership Working Group has produced a convergent DSA-WDS certification standard aiming to eliminate duplication of effort, increase certification procedure coherence and compatibility thus benefitting researchers, data managers, librarians and scientific communities.



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<https://rd-alliance.org/groups/rdawds-certification-digital-repositories-ig.html>

What is the impact?

The convergent DSA-WDS certification standard marks a step towards having more coherent, increasingly stringent and compatible standards for repository certification.

The harmonization of repository certification criteria will increase adoption and the number of certified repositories building trust for data generators, data consumers and funding bodies.

Find out more about
the Repository Audit
and Certification DSA-
WDS Partnership WG
Recommendation



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