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Driving digital transformation through analytics

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Unlock the power of information



"Data, information and knowledge are strategic assets, but until now we have not fully exploited their potential. We need to move to more collaborative ways of working, and look for opportunities to share information and knowledge.

I know I can count on your support to unlock the power of information."

Former Vice-President Kristalina Georgieva

Introduction

Digital Transformation & Analytics

WHAT

The ability to manage data is critical to the success of organisations such as the European Commission

WHY

To become a data mature organisation to take informed decisions

WHAT FOR

- Policy-making
- Functioning
- Transparency
- Providing services

HOW

Through the Digital Transformation

- Data4Policy
- Data, Information and Knowledge management
- Data Strategy
- Data Services

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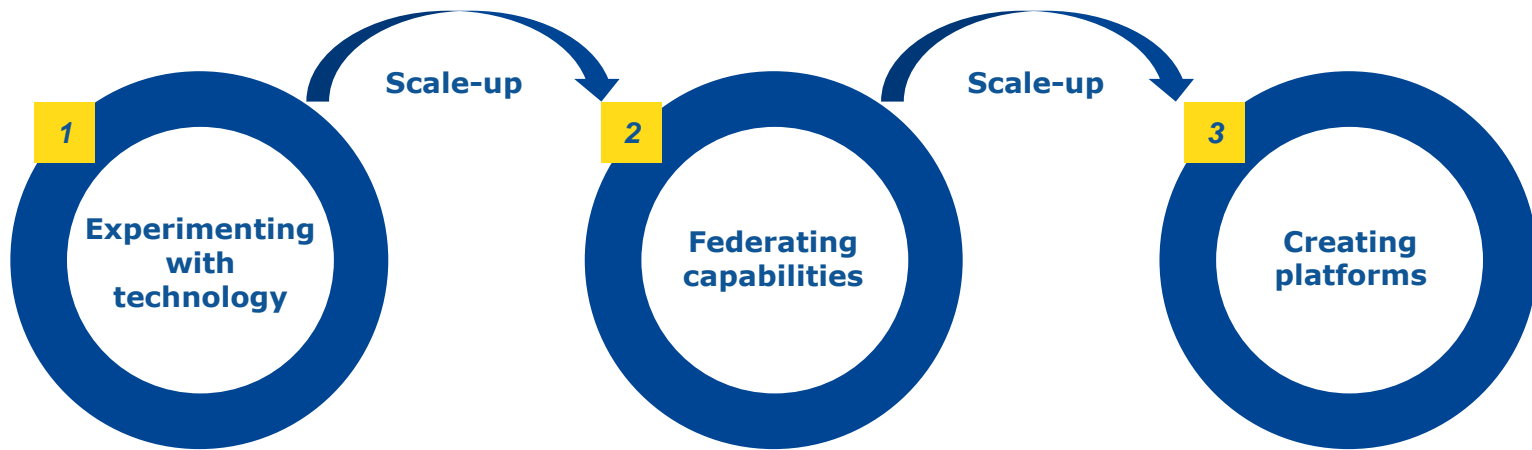


Maximise use of data for better policy-making and functioning

Objectives



Maximise the use of data to the fullest to support the policy making lifecycle and the internal functioning



By carrying out different pilots, we understood how the **policy-making lifecycle and the internal functioning** could benefit from technology...

... and create a **collaborative environment (ecosystem)**

... with the ultimate objective of **fostering innovation and providing ready-to-use environments**

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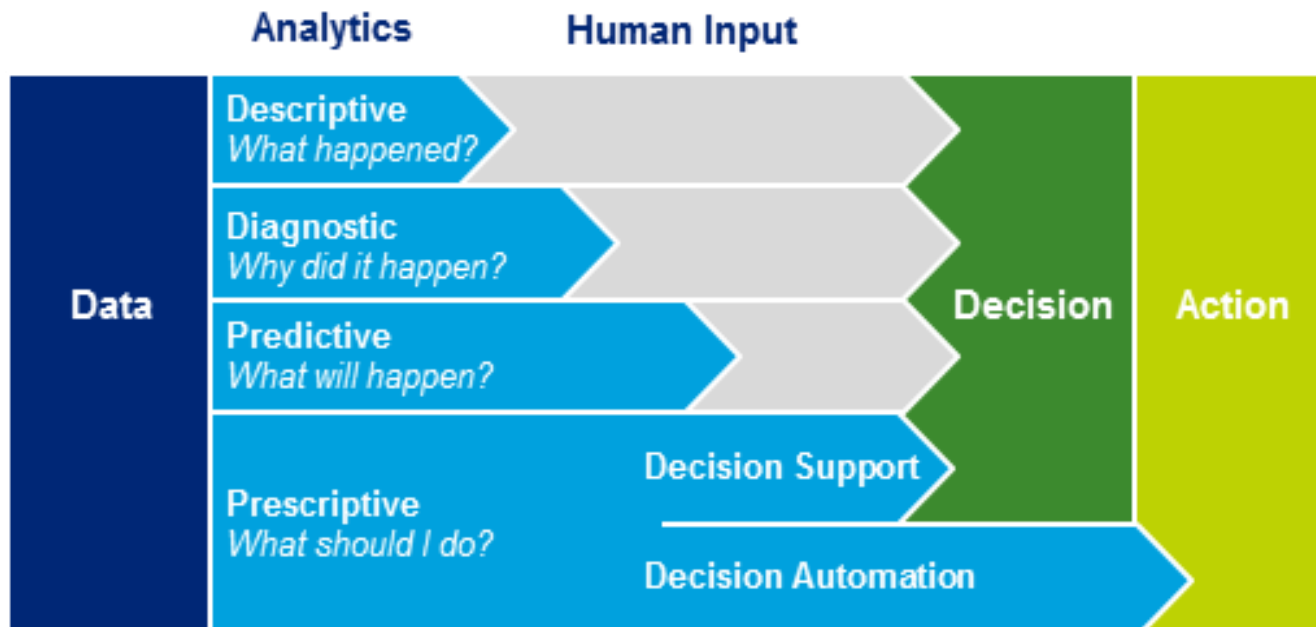
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Experimenting with technology

Background

The role of Data analytics

All types of data can provide valuable insights for public authorities provided they are analysed in the correct way, making use of solid analytical processes for the type of data, hypothesis and questions at hand. Due to the nature of (big) data, relevant technology is an important element to process the data and discover insights.



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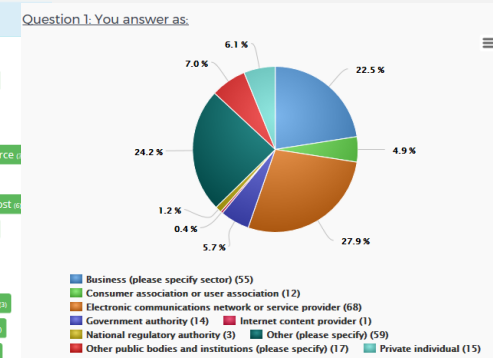
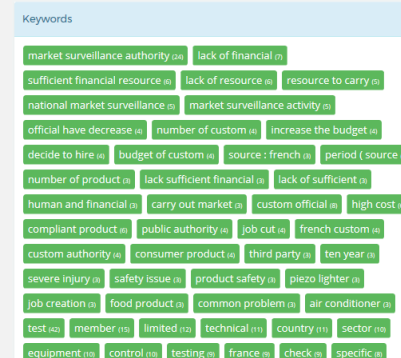
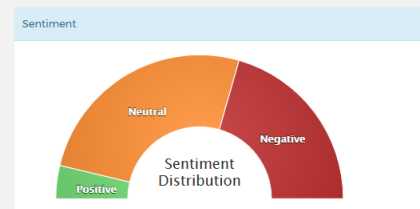
Pilots (1): analysing feedback from citizens - DORIS

Why a solution was needed?

- To analyse data from open and closed questions
- Dashboard to visualise and further analyse the results of the consultation
- Text analysis, sentiment analysis, data mining and reporting techniques to facilitate the analysis of structured and unstructured information
- Optimisation of the time required for the analysis

The solution

- Different analytics techniques (clustering, keyword extraction, name entity recognition, sentiment analysis and campaign detection)
- Web interface to access the results of the analysis with basic functionalities such as filters, maps, translation and automatic charts



Experimenting with technology

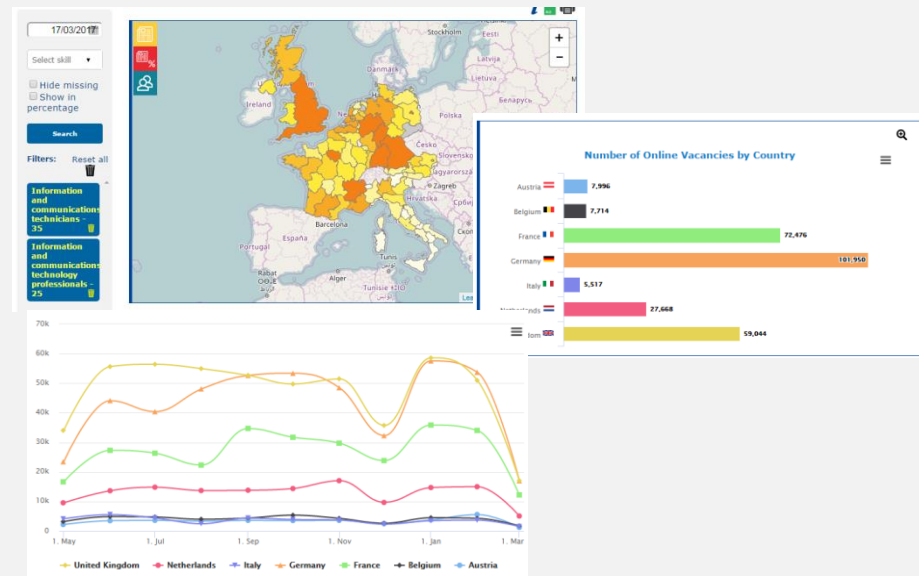
Pilots (2): job market analysis - Victory

Why a solution was needed?

- To analyse all job vacancies that are published in employment portals in order to be able to launch vacancy-unification policies
- To analyse the employability in Europe.
- To discover the market trends when it comes to IT needs.

The solution

- Job vacancies data was purchased to the job employment service providers with a total of 50 millions of records analysed per year
- Different algorithms were applied to prepare the information and machine learning techniques to classify and analyse the data
- A **web tool** has been developed to visualise the results.



Some results...

- England is the region that publishes the largest number of IT job vacancies (related to analyst or software programmers and applications)
- The country with the lowest IT vacancies is Italy and the most public is Germany.
- The most required degree is Master.
- Generates quality employment, the vast majority of contracts are permanent.
- Large companies generate 1.5 more vacancies than SMEs.
- The most demanded experience is 2 years, 3 to 5 years, and.
- The most frequent salary range is between 16-30K

Experimenting with technology

Pilots (3): connecting information - Social Insertion

Why a solution was needed?

- To help identify the strengths and weaknesses in social policies when it comes to social insertion
- To identify the different groups of individuals and family units with homogenous issues that lead to exclusion
- To detect the chronological evolution and discovering its causes
- To establish an insertion index to measure the potential inclusion of an individual or family

The solution

- We used data from RMIN application (internal data from Comunidad de Madrid) with a total of 60.000 records analysed
- We applied different algorithms to identify the main citizen characteristics
- Clustering methods
- A **web tool** has been developed to visualise the results

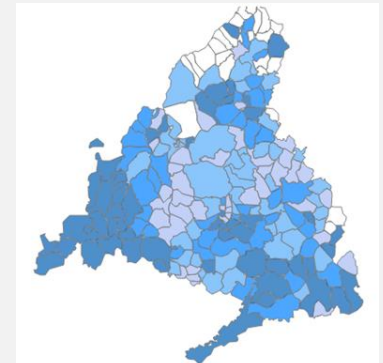
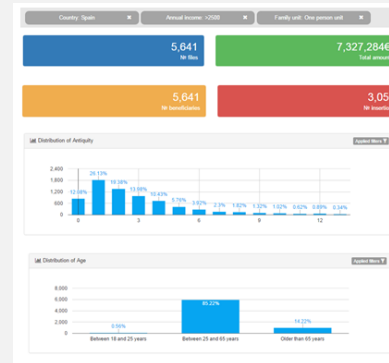


Figure 46 – Distribution of records by municipality / district



Some results...

- Segmentation obtained from the different groups at risk of social exclusion in the Community of Madrid
- Greater efficiency in the detection of groups that request more minimal help.
- The people from Africa with children are the group who stay the most at risk of poverty
- People whose country of origin is Spain are more likely to escape social exclusion
- Single-parent families are those with a higher percentage of insertion.

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Pilots (4): EC Workplace of the future – internal functioning

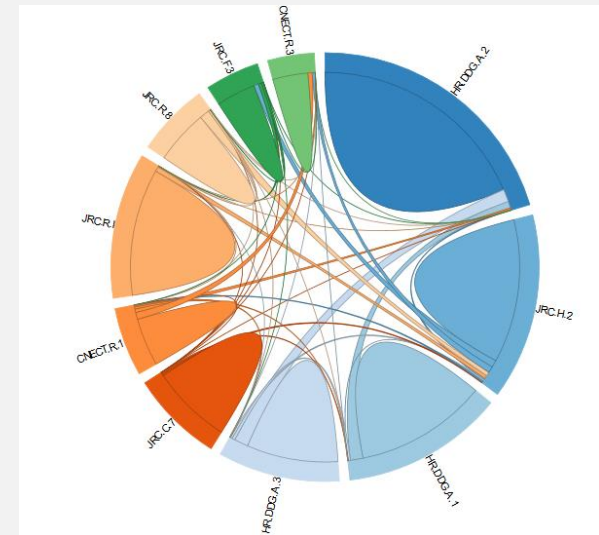
Why a solution was needed?

- To help identify interactions and networking between organisational entities (units) in Directorate Generals and cross-Directorates
- To get hints in defining internal policies on spaces (open spaces), working methods (working across siloes), tools (digital workplace)
- To monitor the impact of internal working methods and collaboration tools

The solution

- Collection of data from collaborative tools and emails
- Application of networking analytics visual tools
- Use the results of the networking analysis to monitor impact and shape internal decisions

Interaction between units (Connected top 10)



Some results...

- Interactions between different entities but also buildings
- Most of the networking is inside specific departments
- Cross-department projects starts to spread across the organisation
- Useful insights on how we are implementing the new working methods proposed by President Juncker
- Useful evidence for taking informed decisions on how to shape the work place of the future (working methods, tools, space)

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Promote teamwork and overcome silo mentalities



Harnessing synergies between portfolios



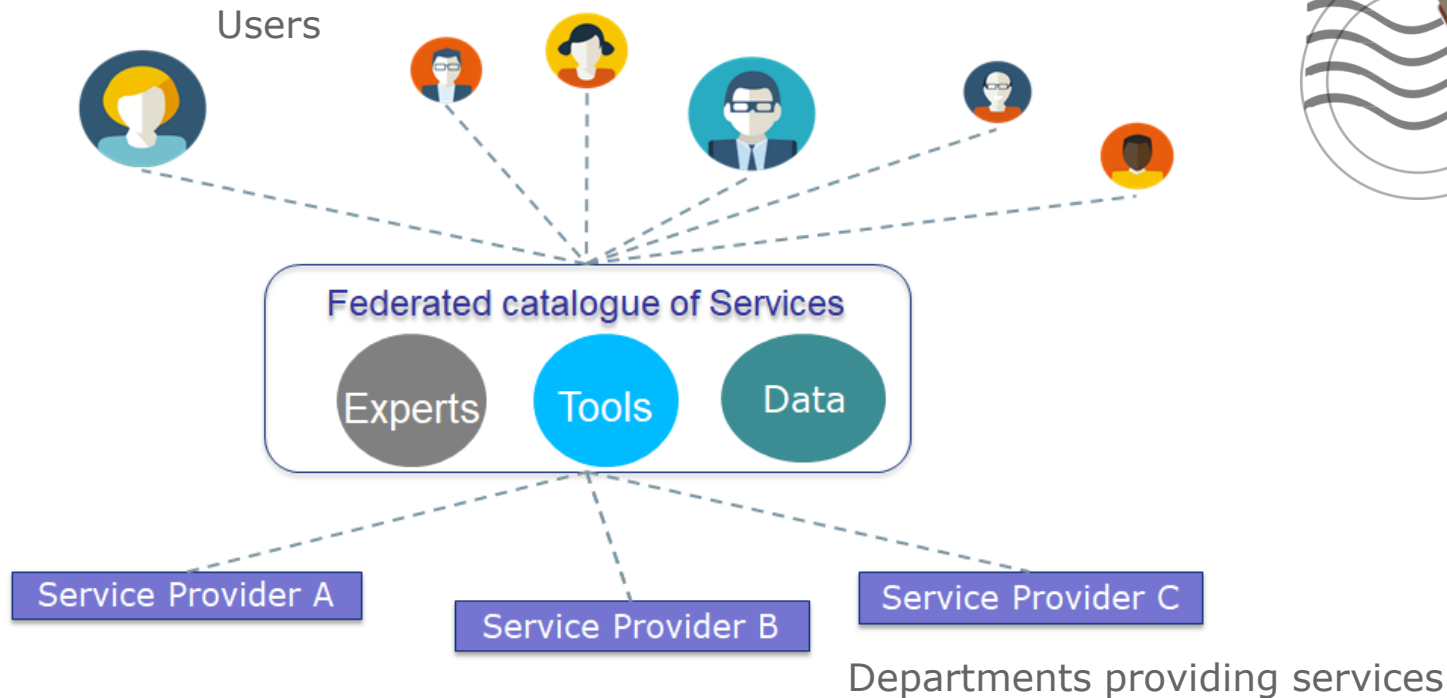
Give more visibility to the work done by different services and foster re-use as a service



The strategic use of data, information and knowledge is an essential part of this new way of working. Hence, data, information and knowledge need to be shared and exploited in order to remove the barriers that still hamper working together.

Federating capabilities

Federated Catalogue of Services

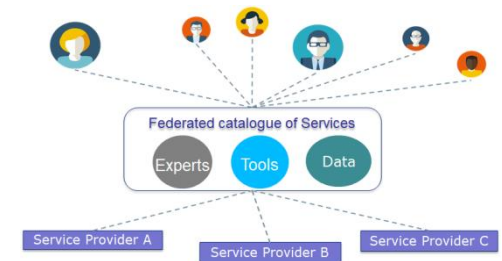


The Federated Catalogue of Services will provide a full range of Data & Analytics service offering to the end-users and to the practitioners of big data and data analytics within the European Commission.

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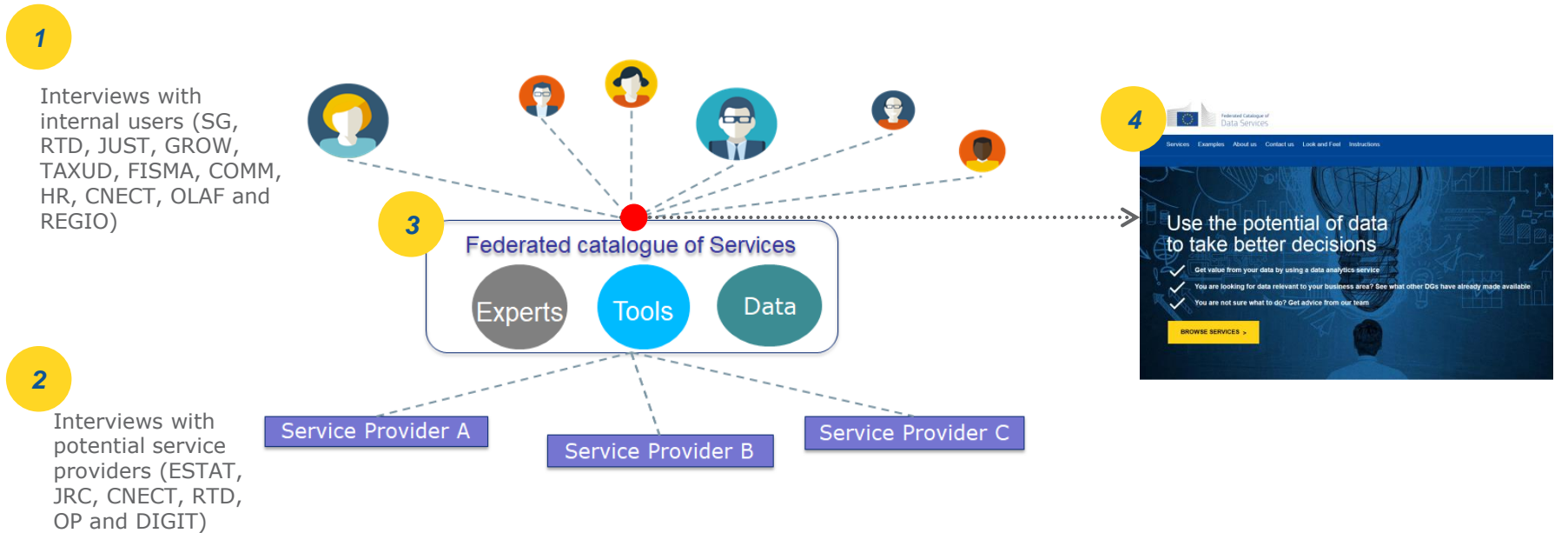
Benefits

1. **Homogeneity** and quality;
2. **Economies of scale**;
3. **Reuse** of resources;
4. **Scale up the service**;
5. **Post-service support**; and
6. **Monitoring of the service quality.**



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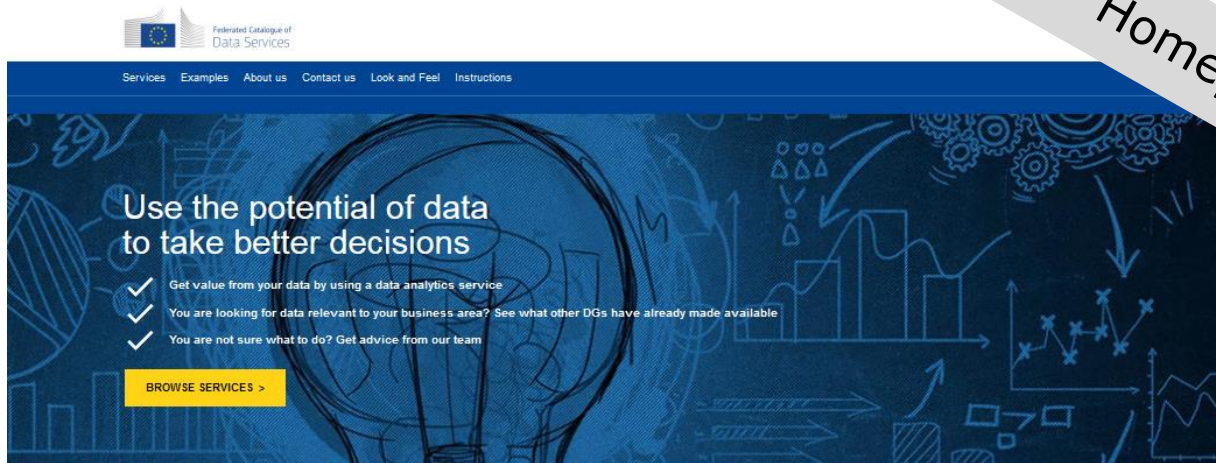
Methodology



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Federated Catalogue of Services: User Interface

Homepage



What can you find here?

While gut-feeling is still important, gathering and analysing relevant data is the basis of an effective decision making. Being from a policy DG or a horizontal service, you probably need to use and analyse various data in your projects. Here you can find data and analytics services, provided by different DGs that have put in place the needed capabilities. The services can include data, tools and/or expertise to guide you in the choice of a service or its use, according to your own business context.



Tools

Access to toolkits and methodologies that will help you fulfil your data needs, from generic analytics tools to custom-made solutions for specific domains or policy areas.

A wide range of tools, platforms, frameworks and methodologies to choose from, developed or made available by different DGs.

Tools

Data

Access to internal and external data sources and datasets that will help you complete your analysis and make better informed decisions.

Different datasets are published in a variety of internal portals or external locations. You might find exactly what you need for the task at hand.



Data



Experts

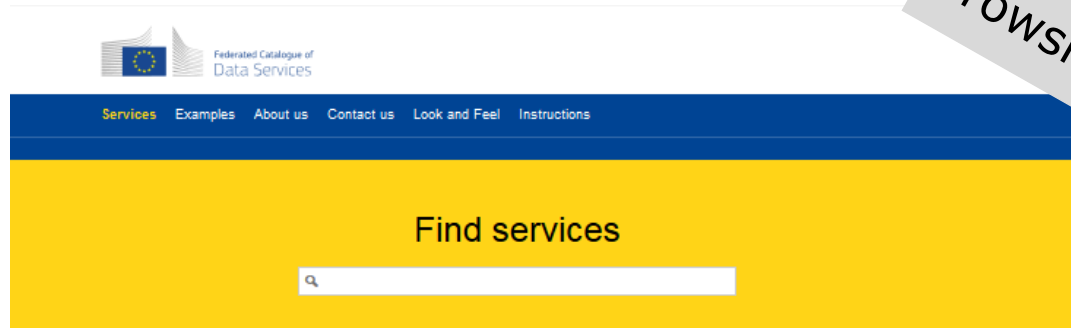
Expert advice that will help you find the best solution for your needs.

A set of experts from different services who will guide you in the set-up and implementation of your data projects.

Experts

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Federated Catalogue of Services: User Interface



I need...

Browse per category and find the data & analytics service that meets your needs.

Expertise

Get expert advice that will help you find the best solution for your needs.



Tools & Guidelines

Access to generic tools, guidelines or data catalogues.



Domain-specific services

Find data, tools and expertise in specific policy domains.



List of all services from A to Z

Data Visualisation Tools Catalogue
EU Open Data Portal
European Union Banking Sector Statistics
Information Platform for Chemical Monitoring
Stakeholders feedback analysis
Urban Data Platform
Worldwide Bilateral Financial Flows and Stocks

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Federated Catalogue of Services: User Interface

Example

The screenshot shows the user interface for the 'Stakeholders feedback analysis' service. It includes a navigation bar with links like 'Services', 'Examples', 'About us', 'Contact us', 'Look and Feel', and 'Instructions'. The main content area is divided into several sections:

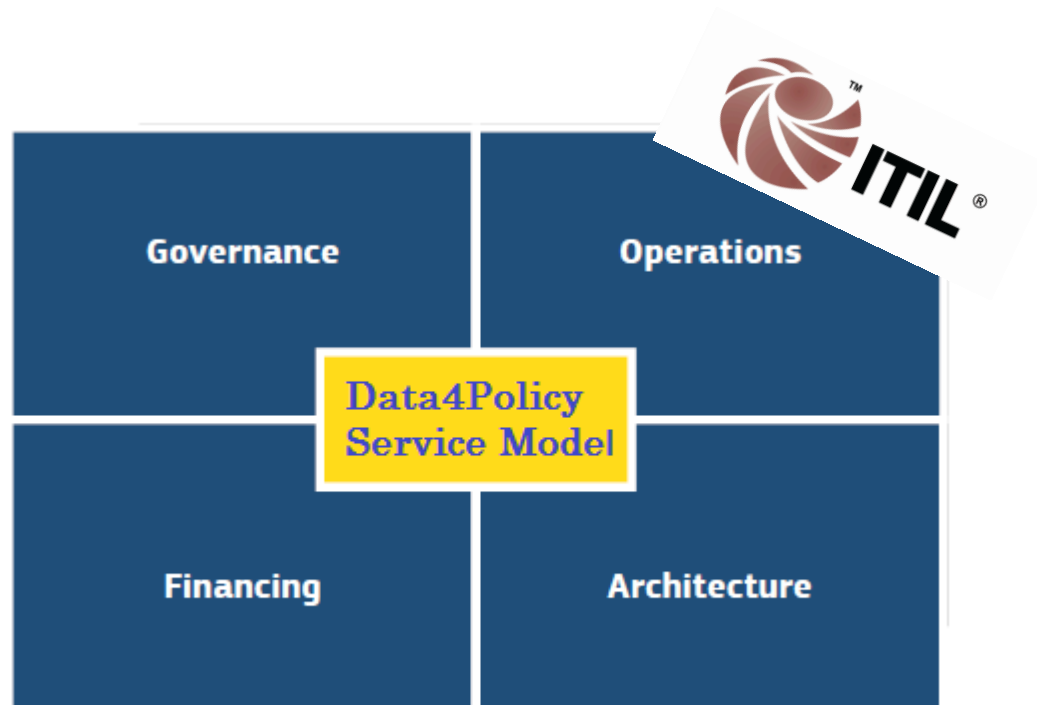
- What is it about?**: A brief description of the service, its efficiency, and the user-friendly dashboard.
- What is it about? (Benefits)**: Three key benefits listed with checkmarks:
 - Take decisions based on evidence**: Accurate results on feedback from public consultations.
 - Get results of hundreds of contributions in record time**: Results provided in less than one week.
 - You can use it in many domains**: Functionalities can be applied to various data sources and domains.
- What is included in this service?**: Three categories of included elements:
 - Advice**: Guidance through the service.
 - Tool**: The DORIS tool for processing and visualizing data.
 - Data**: Input data sources like EUSurvey or BRP.
- See how others used it**: A section titled 'How DG GROW analysed 27 680 comments on the firearms directive', accompanied by a map and charts, describing a public feedback consultation.

On the right side of the interface, there are three large curly brackets grouping these sections into three main categories:

- Description of the service**: Encompasses the 'What is it about?' and 'What is it about? (Benefits)' sections.
- Advice**: Encompasses the 'Advice' sub-section under 'What is included in this service?'.
- Tool**: Encompasses the 'Tool' sub-section under 'What is included in this service?'.
- Data**: Encompasses the 'Data' sub-section under 'What is included in this service?'.
- Examples of uses**: Encompasses the 'See how others used it' section.

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Federated Catalogue of Services: Service Model Framework



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Big Data Test Infrastructure: Background

This Big Data Test Infrastructure is one of the activities under **ISA² Action 2016.03 – Big Data for Public Administrations**, funded by the ISA² Programme

The **ISA² programme** supports the development of digital solutions that enable public administrations, businesses and citizens in Europe to benefit from interoperable cross-border and cross-sector public services.



Problem statement:

- **Adoption of analytics technologies is lagging** behind in public administrations
- **Lack of a turn-key cloud environment** that offers a full stack of technologies to test the value of new ways of processing big data



Objective:

Support the execution of Big Data pilots under different policy domains by any interested Public Administration and Institution in Europe enabling the implementation of both Big Data pilots at National/Local level and at cross-border level

The infrastructure is to be used by the Commission and by interested Public Administration in the EU

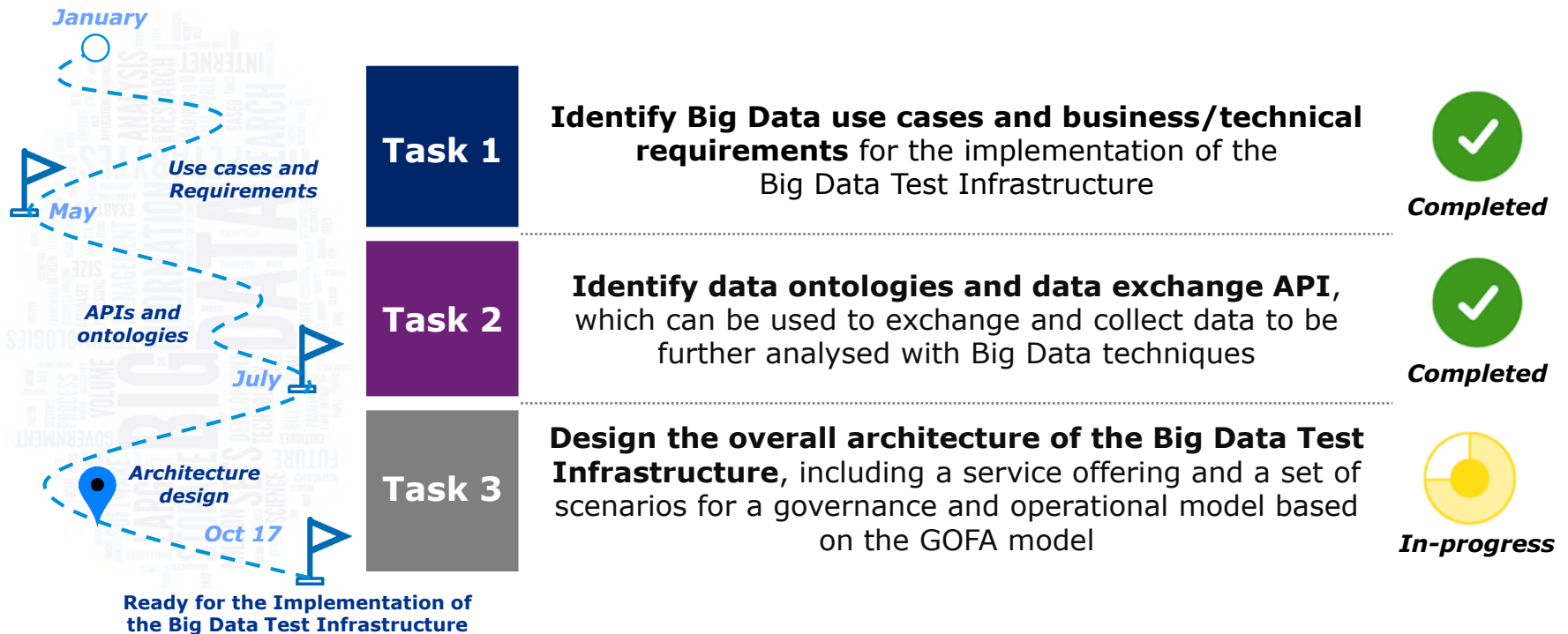
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Big Data Test Infrastructure: Objectives



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Big Data Test Infrastructure: Approach and status of the study



Strong participation of Member States through the intermediary of the ISA Coordination Group. MSs on-board so far are: Slovenia, Spain, Portugal, Norway, Estonia, Malta, Czech Republic, Hungary and Netherlands

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New wave of pilot projects



Launch the catalogue of services



Big Data test infrastructure

Implementation of data lakes



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