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# Role of SDMX in a Single Metadata Management Architecture



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# SDMX in a Metadata Management Architecture

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Why metadata?



Metadata layers

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SDMX Business Cases



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# Why Metadata: Data Integration challenges

## Methodology

- How is data defined, created, calculated
- What is the business process

## Semantics

- How is data structured, coded, linked
- What is the quality, access, governance process

## Data

- How is data stored
- What is the technical process

# Semantics: Structural Metadata Management Layers



**What?**

concepts, code lists, structures

- *REF\_AREA, CL\_AREA (AT=Austria), National Accounts DSD*



**Who?**

people taking part in design

- *Reference standards / coding team*
- *Business analysts, subject matter experts*



**Where?**

structural metadata repository

- *Global / shared / local registries*



**How?**

information model, web service API

- *Machine to machine communication, IT services (e.g. validation)*

artefacts

**Business View**



guidelines

registry spec



**IT View**

**REST API, open source tools**



# Official Statistics Value Chains

Domain 1



Domain 2



Our special domain



Observe



Collect



Validate



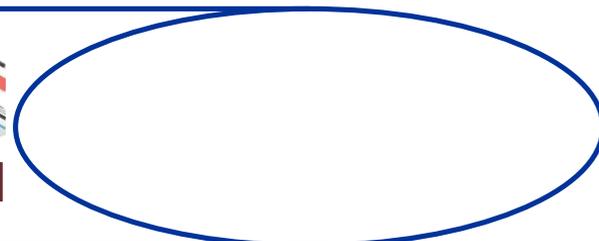
Process



Report



Disseminate



Domain X



Domain Y



# National Organisation: SDMX for reporting

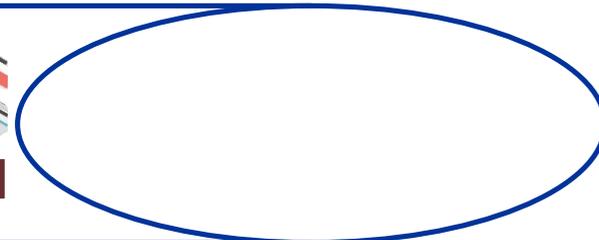
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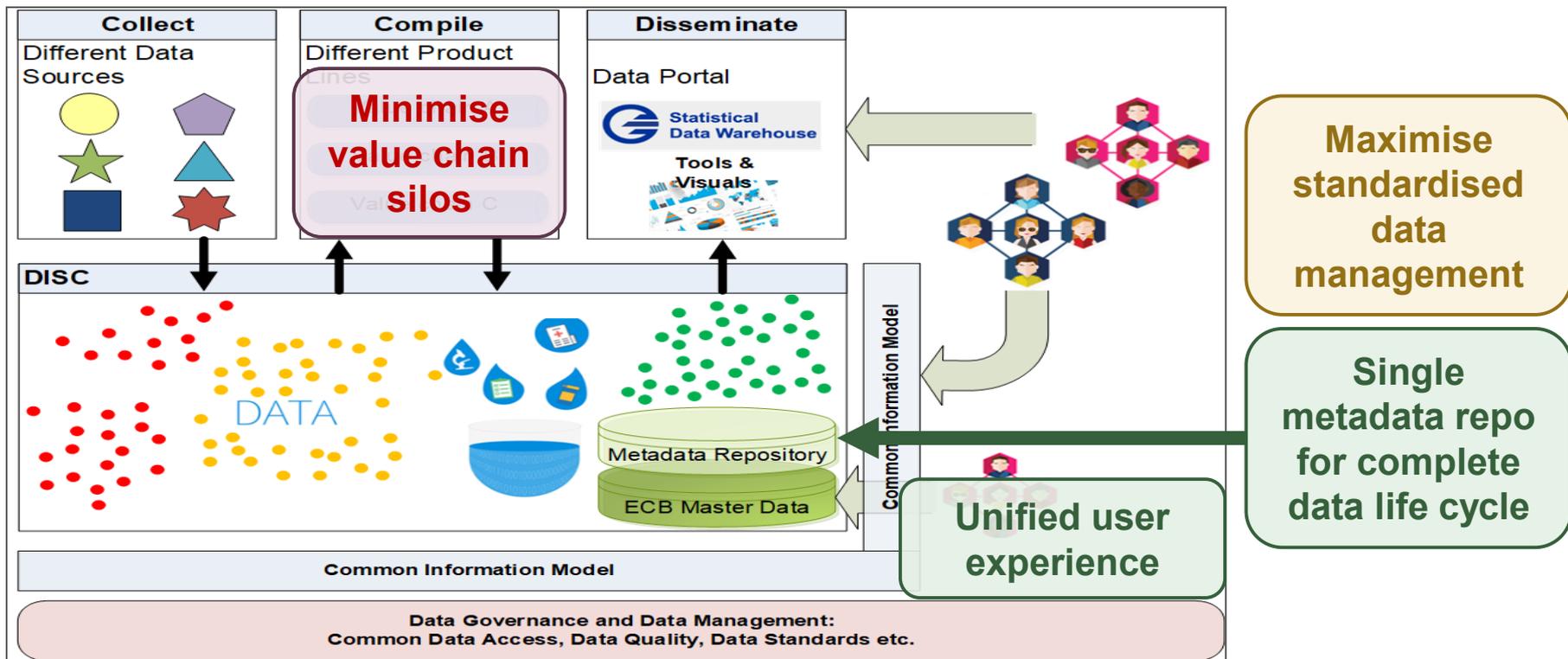
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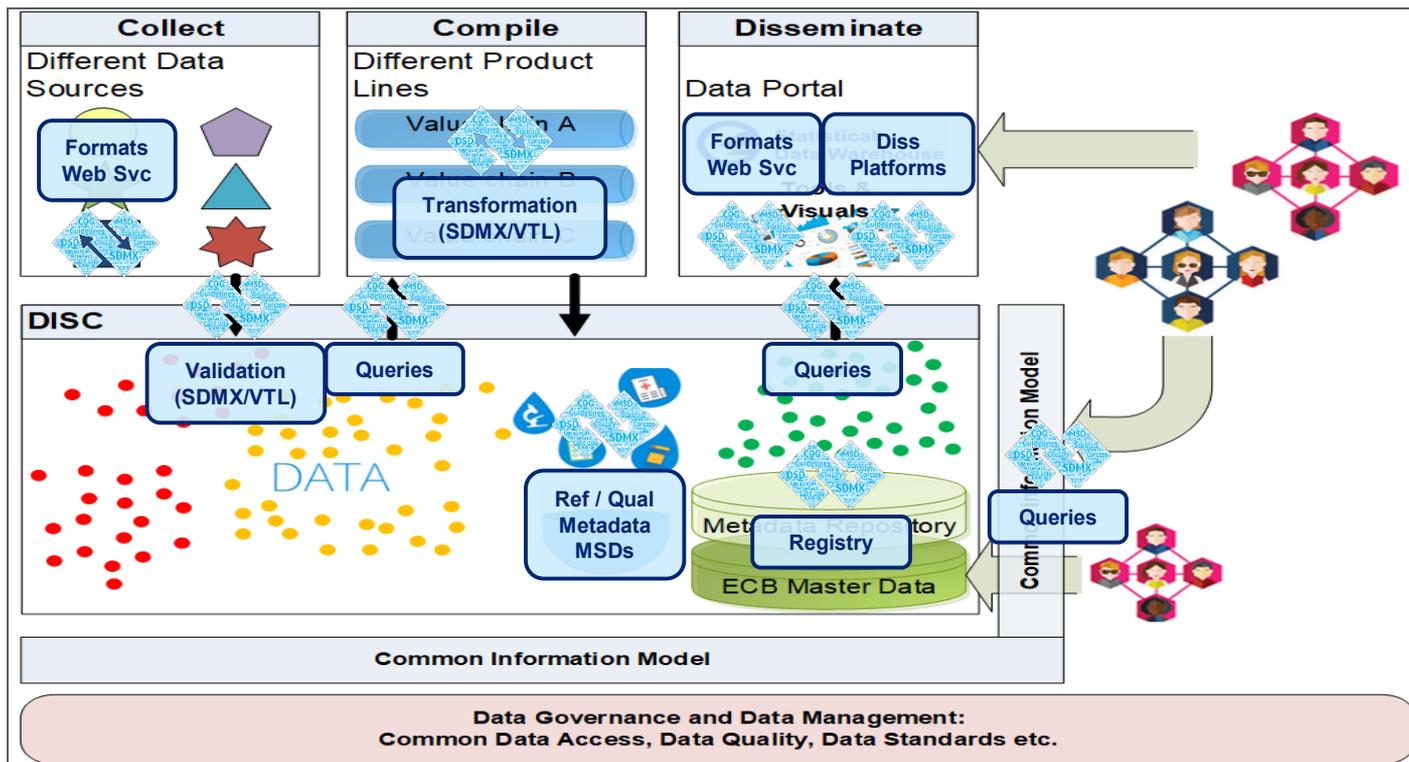
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# Business Architecture Blueprint



# Single Metadata: standardisation by function



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*Drum Roll Please*



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**SDMX is there for you**

→ create your architecture blueprint

→ choose where SDMX helps you most

