

Proposal. MM2025 Leuven.

Title of presentation: The GDP Project. Development of a data standard for Swedish funders of research and Innovation.

Purpose of presentation: To give general information about the project and show some of the results.

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Length: 20 minutes

The GDP project in brief

The Swedish Energy Agency, Formas, Forte, the Swedish Research Council and Vinnova received a government assignment in 2023 to produce specifications to enable sharing of comparable data from the administrative systems of the funding bodies via API. The aim of the assignment is to create an up-to-date, comparable and aggregated picture of various funding bodies data on funding of research and innovation.

Due to the government assignment, the GDP project group with members from the funding bodies was formed. In Swedish GDP is an abbreviation for “gemensamma data projektet” which in English translates to the common/joint data project. Shortly afterwards a reference group with external data consumers was also formed. The GDP project group cooperates closely with the reference group to fulfill the task given in the government assignment.

Thus far the work has resulted in a data standard version 1.0 that has been adopted by the funding bodies. One of the funding bodies, Vinnova, has also developed an API that shares open data according to version 1.0. Information about the API has been reported to Sweden’s data portal and can be found here:

[Utlysningar, Ansökningar och Finansierade Aktiviteter \(GDP API\) - Sveriges dataportal](#) (website available in English).

The government assignment was renewed 2024-2025 and the work has continued. The funding bodies adopted a version 2.0 of the data standard in 2024 and are planning to develop APIs in 2025 to share open data according to version 2.0. A draft for a following version 2.1 has also been produced.

Purpose and content of the presentation

The purpose is to give general information about the project and show some of the results. The content of the GDP information model for version 2.0 will be presented (see attachments) and the model will also be compared to data in the SweCRIS database ([Swecris - Vetenskapsrådet](#)) and to the CERIF standard. Test data according to version 2.0 from the funding bodies will also be shown with Microsoft Power BI. A description of the project’s starting points and the process forward to produce the data standard and APIs will be given. Societal benefits with the upcoming data sharing according to the new standard will also be touched upon.

Attachments

1. Information model version 2.0
2. Defined terms version 2.0