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DDI-L, a keystone for panel data harmonization

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Panel survey data is often repeated to allow comparisons over time. However, questionnaires may be slightly adjusted over data collection waves - and therefore the datasets variables. Impacting the comparability, data harmonization may be required to maintain the panel data “mission”.

Based on the ELIPSS panel use case, this talk will show opportunities of a centralized metadata management system project using DDI-Lifecycle.

We aim to highlight the value of collaborative work for creating a question bank and its usefulness for both input harmonization (at the conception stage) and post-harmonization of existing data (for a secondary user).

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