



# Metadata Creation and Editing Tools

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***Tools for Creating and Editing ISO Metadata***

# Tools for Creating and Editing ISO Metadata

Various tools created depending on User needs

- Desktop vs. Web Applications
- GUI vs. XML

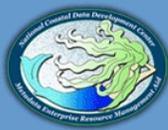
# MERMAid

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- Jacis\_Metadata
- basic\_test
- project

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FGDC Standard Profile at [/noaa/ncddc/it/333/Jacis\\_Metadata/Hydro\\_Ex/Bathy](/noaa/ncddc/it/333/Jacis_Metadata/Hydro_Ex/Bathy)

### Export Record

To export the *Record* content, first view the *Record*:

1. Select the radio button next to the desired format.
2. Click on the 'Produce View' button.

Note:

1. The view will display in a new browser window or tab.
2. If the view does not display, check for minimized windows or open browser tabs that may contain the view.
3. **IMPORTANT: Use of the ISO 19115-2 export may result in loss of data.**  
The ISO 19115-2 export works best if the input metadata is 100% compliant with the FGDC Standard Profile specification. **This export does not guarantee the creation of compliant ISO metadata;** additional post-export editing may be necessary to achieve ISO 19115-2 compliant metadata.

Text

HTML

XML

MARC XML

MARC - NOAA Library Format

ISO 19115-2 (experimental)

Produce View

To export this *Record* to the local file system:

1. Select the 'File' menu in the new browser window or tab.
2. Click on the 'Save As...' option.
3. The 'Save As' dialog box displays.
4. Navigate to the desired location on the local file system.
5. Enter the filename in the 'File name' text box.
6. Enter the file type (.txt, .htm, .xml) in the 'Save as type' text box.
7. Click on the 'Save' button.

<https://mermaid.ncddc.noaa.gov/request-account>

# MERMAid

## PROS

- Native FGDC CSDGM, RSE, BIO, Shoreline
- Exports ISO 19115-2, ISO 19110
- Good validation
- Ingest and export records
- Platform independent
- GUI
- Customizable
- Open-source
- Free

## CONS

- No native ISO editing environment
- Moving away from this tool
- Tool for transition only!

# CatMDEdit

The screenshot displays the CatMDEdit application window. On the left is a hierarchical tree view of metadata elements. The 'Title' element under 'CI\_Citation' is selected. A legend at the bottom left indicates that yellow squares represent mandatory elements, blue squares represent optional elements, and green squares represent conditional elements. The right pane shows the 'Element definition' for the selected 'Title' element, which is 'name by which the cited resource is known'. Below this definition is a text input field containing the citation text: 'EX1003 Transit from Hawaii to Guam (EX1003) on NOAA Ship Okeanos Explorer in Hawaii to Guam between 20100519 and 20100603'. At the bottom of the window are four buttons: 'Edit', 'Save', 'Cancel', and 'Validate'.

**(360) Identification**  
**Information.MD\_DataIdentification.Citation.CI\_Citation.Title**

Element definition:  
name by which the cited resource is known

EX1003 Transit from Hawaii to Guam (EX1003) on NOAA Ship Okeanos Explorer in Hawaii to Guam between 20100519 and 20100603

Mandatory  
 Optional  
 Conditional

Edit Save Cancel  Validate

# CatMDEdit

- Customization of the tool to support new standards and metadata profiles according to user needs.
- Automatic metadata generation for some data file formats: Shapefile, DGN, ECW, FICC, GeoTiff, GIF/GFW, JPG/JGW, PNG/PGW.
- Automatic metadata generation from the "getCapabilities" operation supported by a service that complies with the OGC Specifications (WMS, CSW, WFS, WCS or WPS).

# CatMDEdit

- Exchange of metadata records according to different standards in XML and RDF
- Presentation of metadata records using different view formats, such as HTML
- Free download



**CatMDEdit** OpenSource Project

<http://catmdedit.sourceforge.net/>

# CatMDEdit

## PROS

- ISO 19115, ISO 19110, ISO 19119, CSDGM, Dublin Core
- Good validation
- Ingest and export records
- Auto generation for some file formats
- Platform independent
- Multilingual
- GUI
- Customizable
- Open-source
- Free

## CONS

- No ISO 19115-2, Biological, or NAP support
- No search or common catalog
- No transform engine
- No XML attributes

# GeoNetwork



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- Default view
- By Group
  - ISO Minimum
  - ISO Core
  - ISO All
- By Package
- Metadata
- Identification**
- Maintenance
- Constraints
- Spat. Info
- Ref. system
- Distribution
- Data quality
- App. schema
- Catalog
- Content Info
- Ext. Info
- XML view

[Create](#) [Edit](#) [Delete](#) [+ Other actions](#)

*Logo*

**EX1003 TRANSIT FROM HAWAII TO GUAM (EX1003) ON NOAA SHIP OKEANOS EXPLORER IN HAWAII TO GUAM BETWEEN 20100519 AND 20100603**



## Identification info

### Data identification

#### Citation

##### Citation

Title EX1003 Transit from Hawaii to Guam (EX1003) on NOAA Ship Okeanos Explorer in Hawaii to Guam between 20100519 and 20100603

##### Date

###### Date

Date 2010

Date type

**Publication:** Date identifies when the resource was issued

#### Citation identifier

##### Identifier

Code EX1003

# GeoNetwork

- GeoNetwork is a catalog application to manage spatially referenced resources. It provides powerful metadata editing and search functions, as well as an embedded interactive web map viewer.
  - Platform independent
  - Multilingual
  - Multiple standards

ISO 19139  
FGDC CSDGM  
ISO 19115  
ISO 19115-2

ISO 19119  
ISO 19110  
Dublin Core

# GeoNetwork

- Presentation of metadata records using different view formats, such as HTML.
- Free download



<http://geonetwork-opensource.org/>

# GeoNetwork

## PROS

- ISO 19115, ISO 19115-2, ISO 19110, ISO 19119, CSDGM, Dublin Core
- Good validation
- Ingest and export batch records
- Search interface
- Platform independent
- Multilingual
- GUI
- Customizable
- Common repository
- Open-source
- Free

## CONS

- Complicated start-up
- Validation errors are hard to understand sometimes
- No biological or NAP support
- Transform engine cannot support Xpath 2.0 (FGDC-ISO transforms)

# ISOMorph

## ISOMORPH

ISO METADATA XML FILE CREATOR

### NAVIGATION:

<a href="#">SHOW ALL</a>	<a href="#">SHOW NONE</a>					
<a href="#">Basic Information</a>	<a href="#">Contact Info</a>	<a href="#">Spatial Representation Info</a>	<a href="#">Reference System Info</a>	<a href="#">Metadata Extension Info</a>	<a href="#">Identification Info</a>	<a href="#">Content Info</a>
<a href="#">Distribution Info</a>	<a href="#">Data Quality Info</a>	<a href="#">Portrayal Catalogue Info</a>	<a href="#">Metadata Constraint Info</a>	<a href="#">Application Schema Info</a>	<a href="#">Metadata Maintenance Info</a>	<a href="#">Acquisition Info</a>

### [INSTRUCTIONS](#)

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### [OPTIONS](#)

#### Light Blue Buttons

- Regular Form  
 xlink Form

#### Prompt on Red Buttons

- Yes  
 No

#### Show Descriptions

- Yes  
 No

#### Open Workbook Links

- Yes  
 No

#### Spaces per Tab

4 + -

#### File Identifier

Unique phrase which identifies the file.

#### Language of Metadata

Language and country of a dataset.

Language

Country

#### Parent Identifier

Unique name of the file or associated file Identifier, related in higher hierarchy to the file.

# ISOMorph

## PROS

- Free to use
- ISO 19115-2
- Good validation
- Linked to workbooks
- Platform independent
- GUI
- Customizable
- Supports xlink
- Domain drop-downs
- Insert existing metadata

## CONS

- Must save externally
- No internal validation

# ISOMorph



<http://asd.radiancetech.com/isomorph/>

# Geoportal



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## Metadata Editor

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### ISO 19115 (Data)

**Metadata** | Identification | Distribution | Quality

**Identifier** | Contact | Date | Standard | Reference

#### **File Identifier**

{1907DADE-DF16-4D73-9D17-4FA5CFB3FF95}

Metadata Language

en

**Hierarchy Level** + - ◀ ▶

Dataset ▼

\* ***Bold-Italic labels indicate a required field***

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# Geoportal

## PROS

- Partial FGDC CSDGM, RSE, ISO 19115, 19115-2, and 19110
- Auto populates some fields
- Provides some drop-down menus
- Integrated workflow

## CONS

- Does not support full standards
- No biological support
- Transform engine cannot support Xpath 2.0 (FGDC-ISO transforms)
- Few XML attributes
- Cannot edit auto populated fields without editing code

# Geoportal



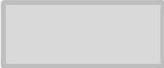
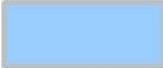
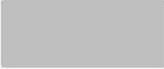
<http://sourceforge.net/projects/geoportal/>

# Altova Authentic

Altova Authentic - [skintemplate \*]

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## ISO Metadata Skin

	Section		Best Practice
	Contact		Optional
	Mandatory		

### Metadata Information:

What is the metadata file identifier (UUID)?

What is the granularity of this metadata?

What is the hierarchy level, select one:

What is the hierarchy level name?

Who is the contact for this metadata?

Do you have a component to use?

URL?

Title?

UUID?

Name?

Organization?

Position?

Phone?

Fax?

Authentic Browser

skintemplate \*

# Altova Authentic

## PROS

- Free
- Customizable GUI via skins
- Desktop or web-based
- Supports any standard

## CONS

- Skin development externally

# Altova Authentic



[http://www.altova.com/download\\_components.html](http://www.altova.com/download_components.html)

# XMLSpy

The screenshot displays the Altova XMLSpy interface. The main window shows an XML document titled "EX1003\_Cruise\_Leveloutput-editresolved.xml". The document content is as follows:

```
1 <gmi:MI_Metadata xmlns:gmi="http://www.isotc211.org/2005/gmi" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xmlns:gmd="http://www.isotc211.org/2005/gmd" xmlns:gco="http://www.isotc211.org/2005/gco" xmlns:xlink="http://www.w3.org/1999/xlink" xmlns:srv="http://www.isotc211.org/2005/srv" xmlns:gml="http://www.opengis.net/gml" xmlns:gss="http://www.isotc211.org/2005/gss" xmlns:gts="http://www.isotc211.org/2005/gts" xmlns:gmx="http://www.isotc211.org/2005/gmx" xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.isotc211.org/2005/gmi http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/metadata/published/xsd/schema.xsd">
2   <gmd:fileIdentifier>
3     <gco:CharacterString>EX1003</gco:CharacterString>
4   </gmd:fileIdentifier>
5   <gmd:language>
6     <gco:CharacterString>eng, USA</gco:CharacterString>
7   </gmd:language>
8   <gmd:characterSet>
9     <gmd:MD_CharacterSetCode codeList="http://www.isotc211.org/2005/resources/Codelist/gmxCodeLists.xml#MD_CharacterSetCode" codeListValue="utf8" codeSpace="004">utf8</gmd:MD_CharacterSetCode>
10  </gmd:characterSet>
11  <gmd:hierarchyLevel>
12    <gmd:MD_ScopeCode codeList="http://www.isotc211.org/2005/resources/Codelist/gmxCodeLists.xml#MD_ScopeCode" codeListValue="fieldSession" codeSpace="012">fieldSession</gmd:MD_ScopeCode>
13  </gmd:hierarchyLevel>
14  <gmd:hierarchyLevelName>
15    <gco:CharacterString>cruise-level metadata</gco:CharacterString>
16  </gmd:hierarchyLevelName>
17  <gmd:contact xlink:title="NOAA/OAR/OER - Ocean Exploration and Research">
18    <gmd:CI_ResponsibleParty uuid="08D95C427FB128479945893256DADE37">
19      <gmd:organisationName>
20        <gco:CharacterString>NOAA/OAR/OER - Ocean Exploration and Research</gco:CharacterString>
21      </gmd:organisationName>
22      <gmd:contactInfo xlink:type="simple">
23        <gmd:CI_Contact>
24          <gmd:phone xlink:type="simple">
25            <gmd:CI_Telephone>
26              <gmd:voice>
```

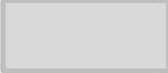
The interface includes a menu bar (File, Edit, Project, XML, DTD/Schema, Schema design, XSL/XQuery, Authentic, DB, Convert, View, Browser, Tools, Window, Help), a toolbar, and a tree view on the left. The bottom pane shows a message: "File Q:\users\nize.jacqueline\I2R\OEV\EX1003\_Cruise\_Leveloutput-editresolved.xml is valid."

# XMLSpy

Altova XMLSpy - [NODC\_0080979 (use\_iso.xml \*)]



## ISO Metadata Skin

	Section		Best Practice
	Contact		Optional
	Mandatory		

### Metadata Information:

What is the metadata file identifier (UUID)?  [add gco:nilReason](#)

What is the granularity of this metadata?

What is the hierarchy level, select one:  [add gmd:hierarchyLevelName](#)

Who is the contact for this metadata?

Do you have a component to use?

URL? [add xlink:href](#)

Title? [add xlink:title](#)

UUID? [add uuid](#)

Name? [add gmd:individualName](#)

Organization?

Position?

Phone?

Text Grid Schema WSDL XBRL **Authentic** Browser

NODC\_0080979 (use\_iso.xml \*)

# XMLSpy

## PROS

- More power!
- Support any standard if you have the schemas
- Easy to edit
- Batch functions
- Nice graphics generated from schemas
- Performs transformations
- Performs validation
- Skins
- Ties into other tools
- Everything you need in a single tool

## CONS

- Software costs

# XMLSpy



<http://www.altova.com/xmlspy.html>

# oXygen

The screenshot displays the oXygen XML Editor interface. The main window shows the XML document `sampleISOresolved.xml` with the following structure:

```
1 <gmd:MD_Metadata xmlns:gmd="http://www.isotc211.org/2005/gmd" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.isotc211.org/2005/gmd http://www.isotc211.org/2005/gmd/MD_Metadata.xsd" />
2   <gmd:fileIdentifier>
3     <gco:CharacterString>EX1003</gco:CharacterString>
4   </gmd:fileIdentifier>
5   <gmd:language>
6     <gco:CharacterString>eng; USA</gco:CharacterString>
7   </gmd:language>
8   <gmd:characterSet>
9     <gmd:MD_CharacterSetCode codeList="http://www.isotc211.org/2005/resources/Codelist/gmxCodelists/1.0" value="utf8" />
10  </gmd:characterSet>
11  <gmd:hierarchyLevel>
12    <gmd:MD_ScopeCode codeList="http://www.isotc211.org/2005/resources/Codelist/gmxCodelists/1.0" value="fieldSession" />
13  </gmd:hierarchyLevel>
14  <gmd:hierarchyLevelName>
15    <gco:CharacterString>cruise-level metadata</gco:CharacterString>
16  </gmd:hierarchyLevelName>
17  <gmd:contact xlink:title="NOAA/OAR/OER - Ocean Exploration and Research">
18    <gmd:CI_ResponsibleParty uuid="08D95C427FB128479945893256DADE37">
19      <gmd:organisationName>
20        <gco:CharacterString>NOAA/OAR/OER - Ocean Exploration and Research</gco:CharacterString>
21      </gmd:organisationName>
22      <gmd:contactInfo>
23        <gmd:CI_Contact>
24          <gmd:phone>
25            <gmd:CI_Telephone>
26              <gmd:voice>
27                <gco:CharacterString>301-713-9444</gco:CharacterString>
28              </gmd:voice>
29              <gmd:facsimile>
30                <gco:CharacterString>301-713-4252</gco:CharacterString>

```

The left sidebar shows the Outline view, listing the document's metadata elements. A status bar at the bottom indicates the current location: `Q:\MetadataTrainingMaterial\ISO\sampleISOresolved.xml`, `U+003C`, and `1:1`. A message bar at the bottom of the editor shows an error: `E [Xerces] cvc-elt.1: Cannot find the declaration of element 'gmd:MD_Metadata'.`

# oXygen

## PROS

- More power!
- Support any standard if you have the schemas
- Easy to edit
- Batch functions
- Performs transformations
- Performs validation
- CSS support
- Ties into other tools
- Everything you need in a single tool

## CONS

- Software costs
- Must set up validation and transformation scenarios

# oXygen

 **<oXygen/>**® xml editor

<http://www.oxygenxml.com/>

# ISO Metadata Editor Review

[http://www.fgdc.gov/participation/working-groups-subcommittees/mwg/isoreview/index\\_html](http://www.fgdc.gov/participation/working-groups-subcommittees/mwg/isoreview/index_html)

# Creating ISO Metadata via Transforms

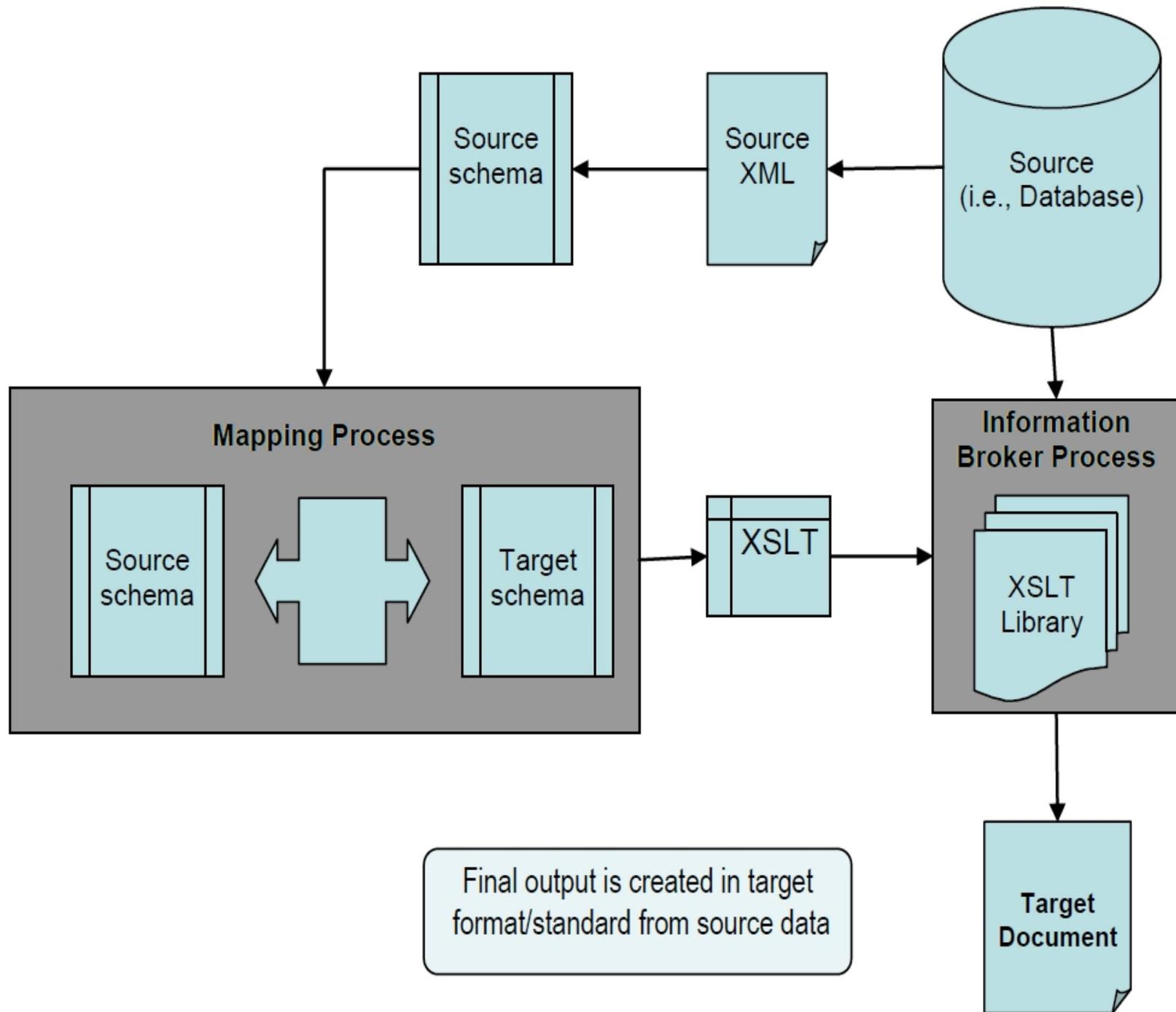
- Extensible Stylesheet Language Transformations (**XSLT**) is an XML-based language used for the transformation of XML documents into other XML or "human-readable" documents via stylesheets (**XSL**).
- The original document is not changed; rather, a new document is created based on the content of an existing one.
- It does NOT guarantee valid XML records against a particular schema!!!! (simply displays the content in a new way.)

# Transforming Metadata

FGDC Name	FGDC XML Tag	ISO Name	Comment
Identification Information	idinfo		
Citation	citation	MD_Metadata, identificationInfo, MD_DataIdentification?, citation	
Description	descript		Compound element, unnecessary mapping
Abstract	abstract	MD_Metadata, identificationInfo, MD_DataIdentification?, abstract	
Purpose	purpose	MD_Metadata, identificationInfo, MD_DataIdentification?, purpose	
Supplemental Information	supplinf	MD_Metadata, identificationInfo, MD_DataIdentification?, supplementalInformation	
Time Period of Content	timeperd		
Time Period Information	timeinfo	MD_Metadata, identificationInfo, MD_DataIdentification?, temporalElement, gml:TimePeriod?	
Currentness Reference	current	MD_Metadata, identificationInfo, MD_DataIdentification?, temporalElement, gml:TimePeriod?.c	
Status	status		
Progress	progress	MD_Metadata, identificationInfo, MD_DataIdentification?, status	FGDC content needs converted MD_ProgressCode?, refer to FGDC to ISO library progress function

This is a part of the mapping for FGDC CSDGM to ISO 19115.

Comments are Best Practices or Questions



# Transforming Metadata



Your input here is an xml version of a CSDGM record.

XSLT Transformation  
*csdgm2iso19115.xslt*

Your result is an xml instance of an ISO 19115 record.

# Component Registry - Docucomp



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## Record Services

A suite of tools for creating, validating, resolving and improving ISO 19115-2 metadata records.

For help, see [Enterprise Metadata Tools](#)

Input Type:  File:  No file chosen

Url:

### Choose Service:

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Well Formed XML    | Check for well formed xml                           |
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> Resolve | Resolve url references to external metadata content |
| <input type="radio"/> Link Check(slow)   | Verify online resource links are valid              |
| <input type="radio"/> ISO Validate       | Validate ISO 19115-2 metadata with xml schema       |
| <input type="radio"/> Schematron         | Validate ISO 19115-2 metadata with schematron       |
| <input type="radio"/> NCML To Rubric     | Generate quality assessment report for NCML         |
| <input type="radio"/> NCML To ISO        | Create ISO 19115-2 metadata record from NCML        |
| <input type="radio"/> FGDC To ISO        | Create ISO 19115-2 metadata record from FGDC        |
| <input type="radio"/> ISO To Rubric      | Generate quality assessment report for ISO 19115-2  |

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# EPSG Registry

EPSG Geodetic Parameter Registry Version: 7.9.8

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Name:

Type:

North Latitude  West Longitude   
BBox:

Area:

(dec. deg.) South Latitude  East Longitude   
 ?

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Report <input type="checkbox"/>	Name	Code	Type	Status	Area Description	Remarks / Description
<input type="checkbox"/>	NAD83	EPSG::4269	GeodeticCRS (geographic 2D)	Valid	North America - onshore and offshore: Canada - Alberta; British Columbia; Manitoba; New Brunswick; Newfoundland and Labrador; Northwest Territories; Nova Scotia; Nunavut; Ontario; Prince Edward Island...	<a href="#">view</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	NAD83 / Alabama East	EPSG::26929	ProjectedCRS	Valid	United States (USA) - Alabama east of approximately 86°37'W - counties Barbour; Bullock; Calhoun; Chambers; Cherokee; Clay; Cleburne; Coffee; Coosa; Covington; Crenshaw; Dale; De Kalb; Elmore; Etowah;...	<a href="#">view</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	NAD83 / Alabama West	EPSG::26930	ProjectedCRS	Valid	United States (USA) - Alabama west of approximately 86°37'W - counties Autauga; Baldwin; Bibb; Blount; Butler; Chilton; Choctaw; Clarke; Colbert; Conecuh; Cullman; Dallas; Escambia; Fayette; Franklin;...	<a href="#">view</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	NAD83 / Alaska Albers	EPSG::3338	ProjectedCRS	Valid	United States (USA) - Alaska.	<a href="#">view</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	NAD83 / Alaska zone 1	EPSG::26931	ProjectedCRS	Valid	United States (USA) - Alaska - east of 141°W; i.e. Panhandle.	<a href="#">view</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	NAD83 / Alaska zone 10	EPSG::26940	ProjectedCRS	Valid	United States (USA) - Alaska - Aleutian Islands onshore.	<a href="#">view</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	NAD83 / Alaska zone 2	EPSG::26932	ProjectedCRS	Valid	United States (USA) - Alaska - between 144°W and 141°W, onshore.	<a href="#">view</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	NAD83 / Alaska zone 3	EPSG::26933	ProjectedCRS	Valid	United States (USA) - Alaska - between 148°W and 144°W.	<a href="#">view</a>

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