

# What are MIMs?

Minimal Interoperability Mechanisms



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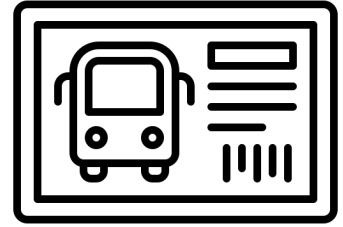


How do you plan your travel?



Download the local app!

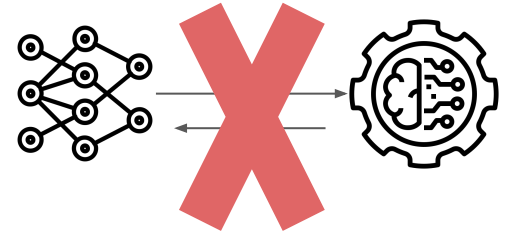
But...You already have a card and an application that you use in you local area.



Why can't you use the same application abroad?



The applications cannot exchange information



## Interoperability?

work together and share information seamlessly

without any extra effort from the **end-user.**



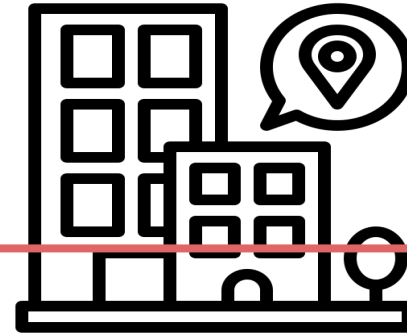
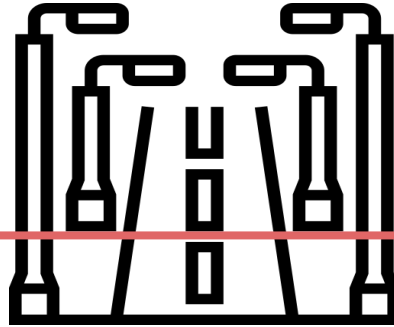
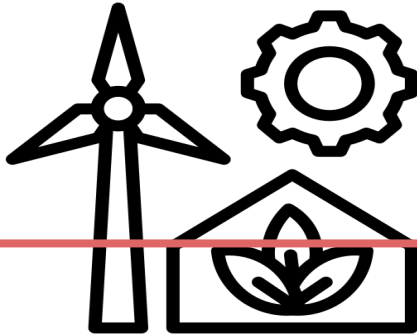
What can work together ?

services

applications

solutions

From across domains



ESTABLISHING A MINIMAL LEVEL OF INTEROPERABILITY  
**Minimal Interoperability Mechanisms (MIMs)**

# Value Proposition

Common list of standards & technical specifications

Key Enablers - Available for all

Common Marketplace

Cities & Communities

Innovation consortia



Businesses

Policy Makers

## FRAMEWORK

### INTERACTION

MIM 1: Context  
Information

MIM 3: Contracts

MIM 7: Places

### INTEGRITY

MIM 4: Trust

MIM 5: Transparency

MIM 6: Security

### IMPACT

MIM 8: Indicators

MIM 9: Analytics

MIM 10: Resources

MIM 2: Data Models

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**Objective**

**Capabilities**

**Capabilities**

**Requirements**

**Req.**

**Requirements**

**Mechanism**

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**Specifications**

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**Interoperability Guidance**



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Objective



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## Objective

MIM1

- To enable context information from different systems within or across organisations, such as cities or communities, originating from heterogeneous sources, to be brought together
- To enable comprehensive and integrated use, reuse and sharing of data as well as management of context information
- To turn data into a strategic resource

**V MIM**

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## MIM1

Context Information is the information that is necessary for systems to be more adaptable to different contexts within the real world.

**Examples:**

Traffic Management: MIM 1 can aggregate and standardise data from various sensors into a unified format. This enables traffic management systems to automatically adjust signal timings and offer route recommendations to drivers based on real-time traffic conditions, weather, and events, thus reducing congestion and enhancing traffic flow...

**Literature:**

Dey et al. (2001) define Context as "any information that can be used to characterize the situation of an entity."

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MIM1

C1: Applications are able to access data from different sources (such as cities, communities and vertical solutions).

C2: Applications are able to use both current and historical data, use geospatial querying and be automatically updated when the source data changes.

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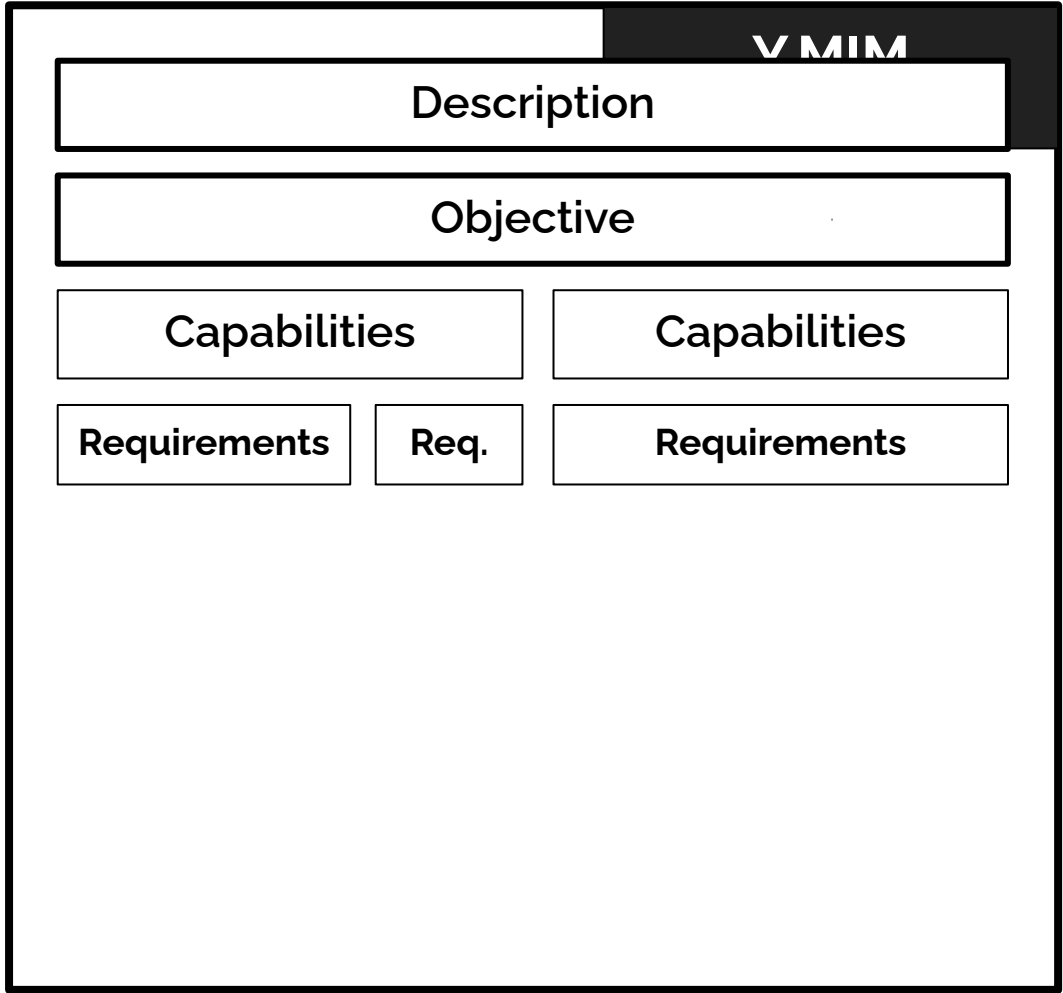
Information from all sources should use the same concepts, so called data information models

Context can be managed through the Web

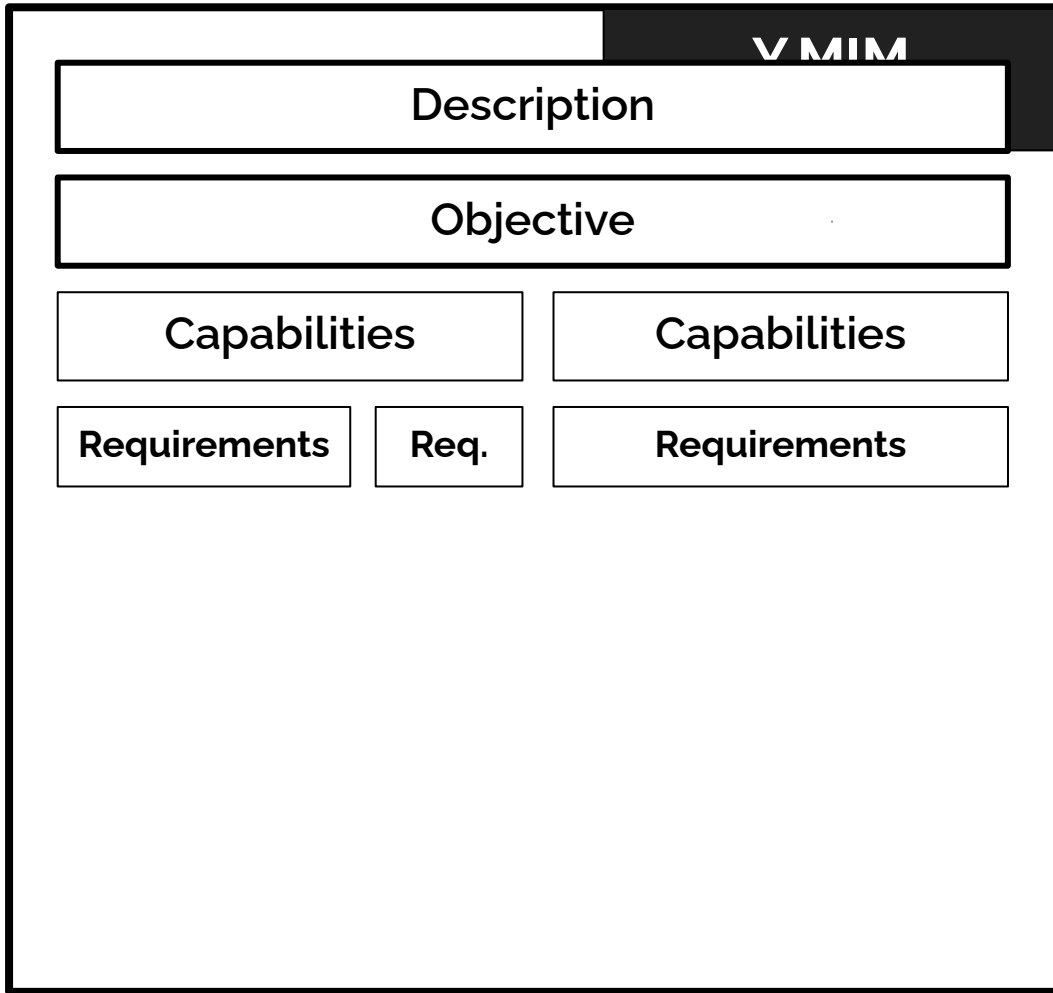
The interface should support subscription to changes when applicable



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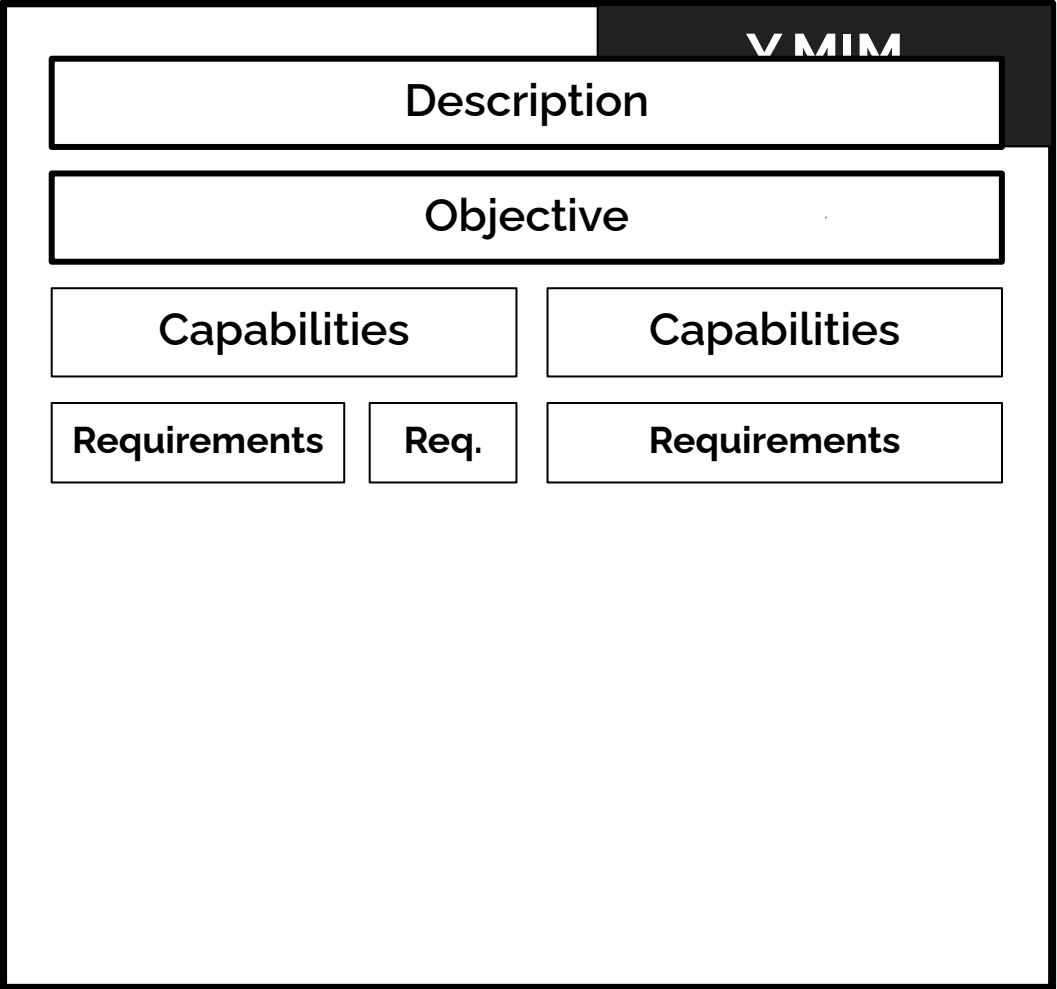
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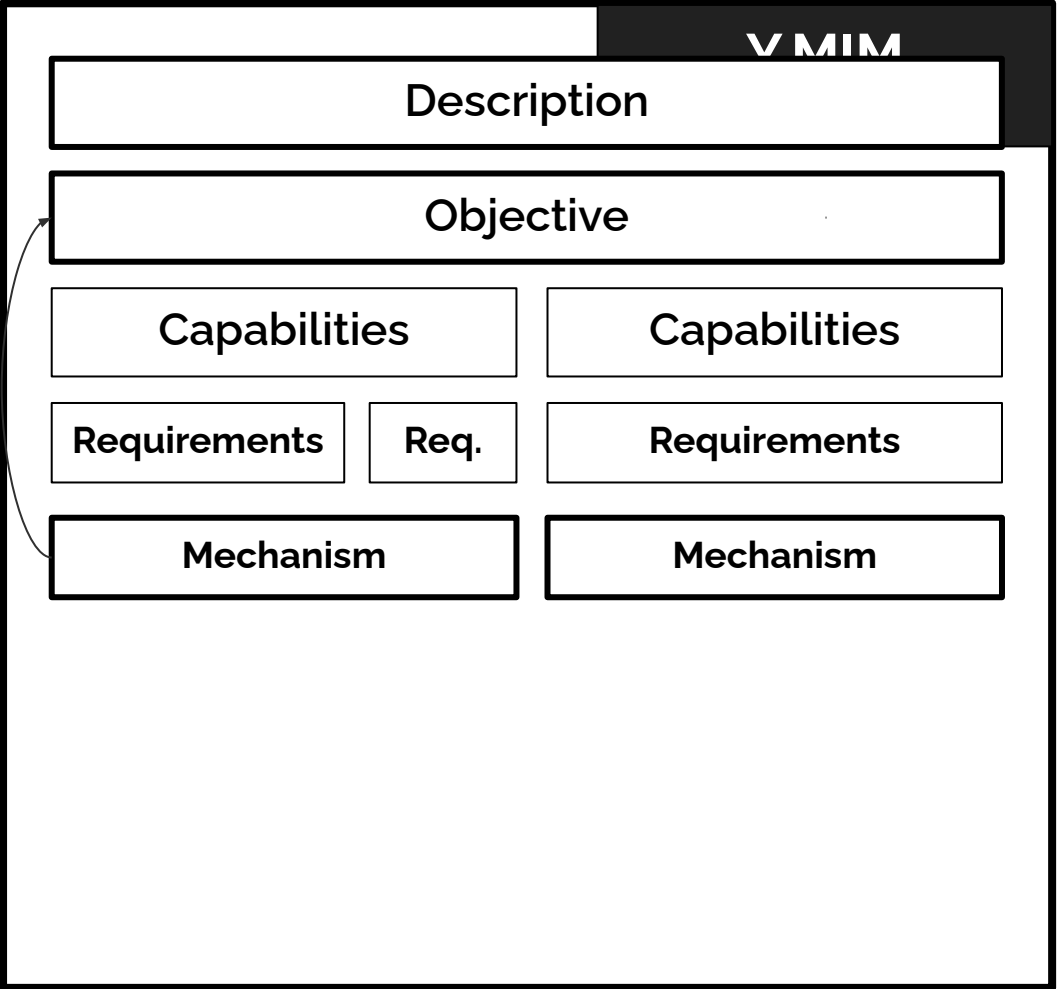
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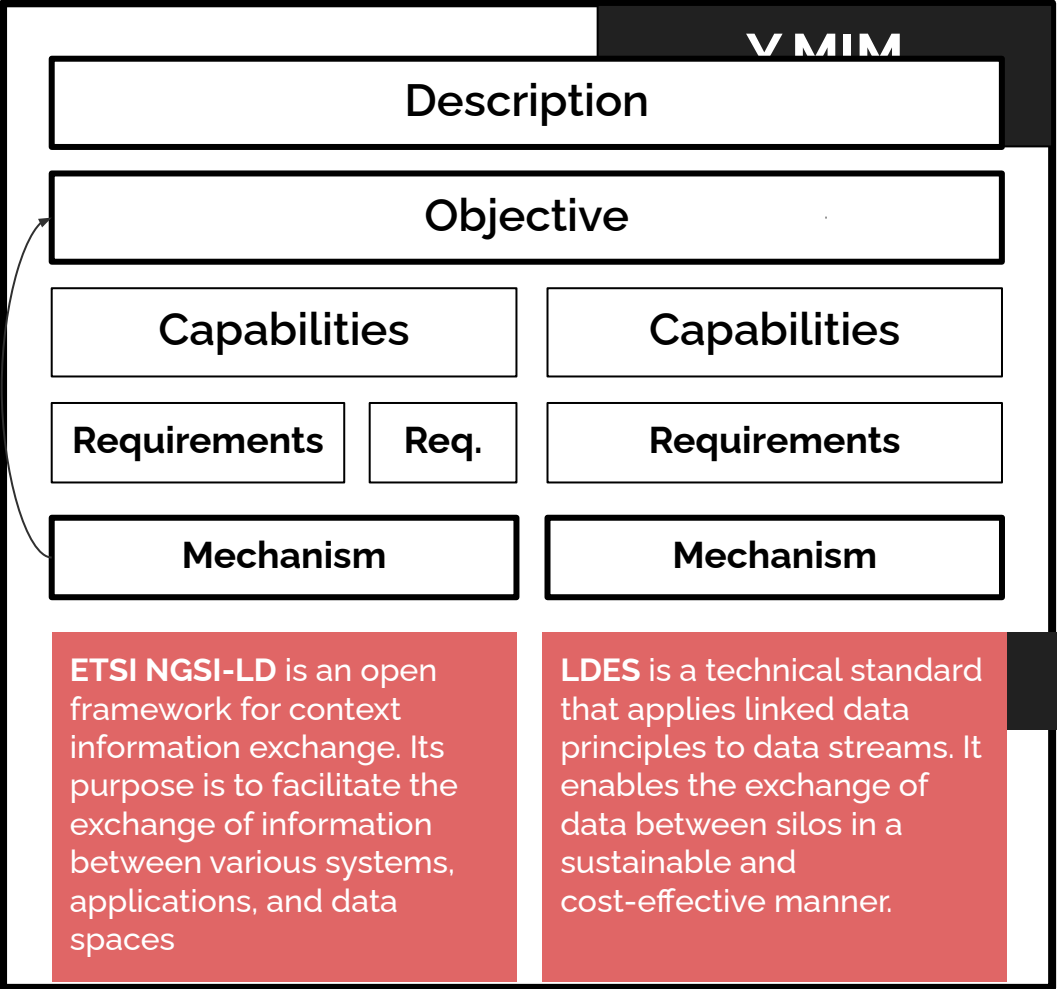
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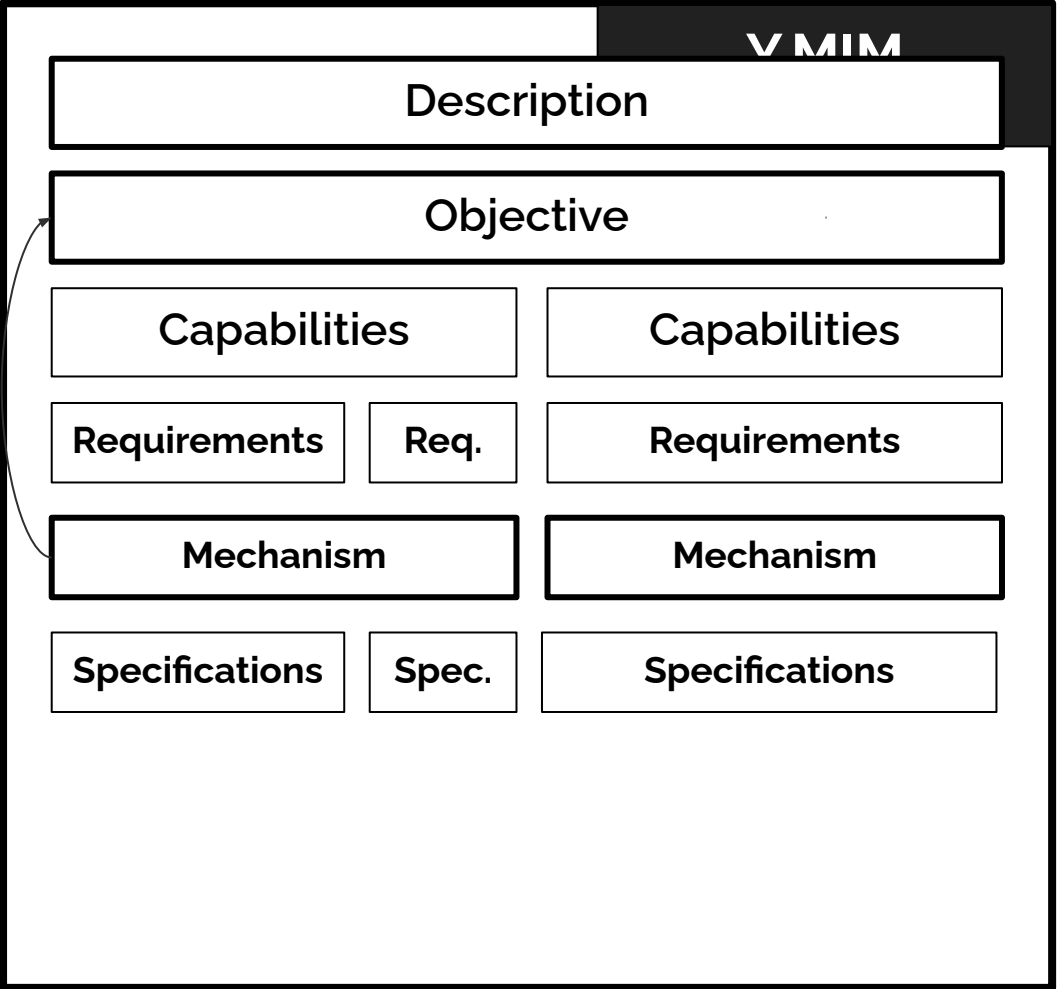
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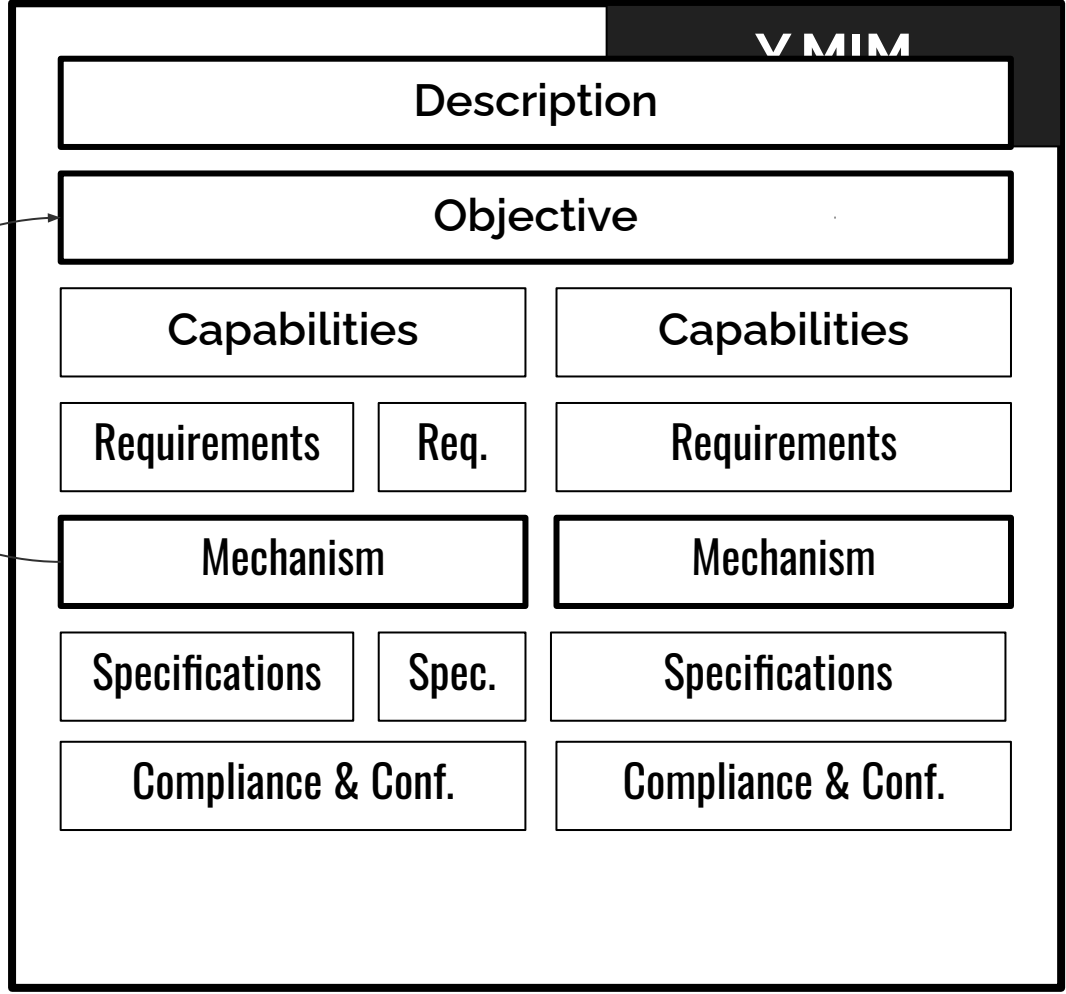
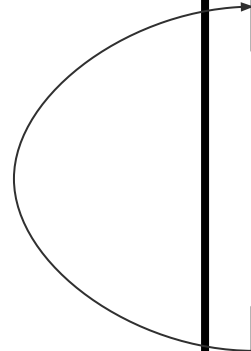
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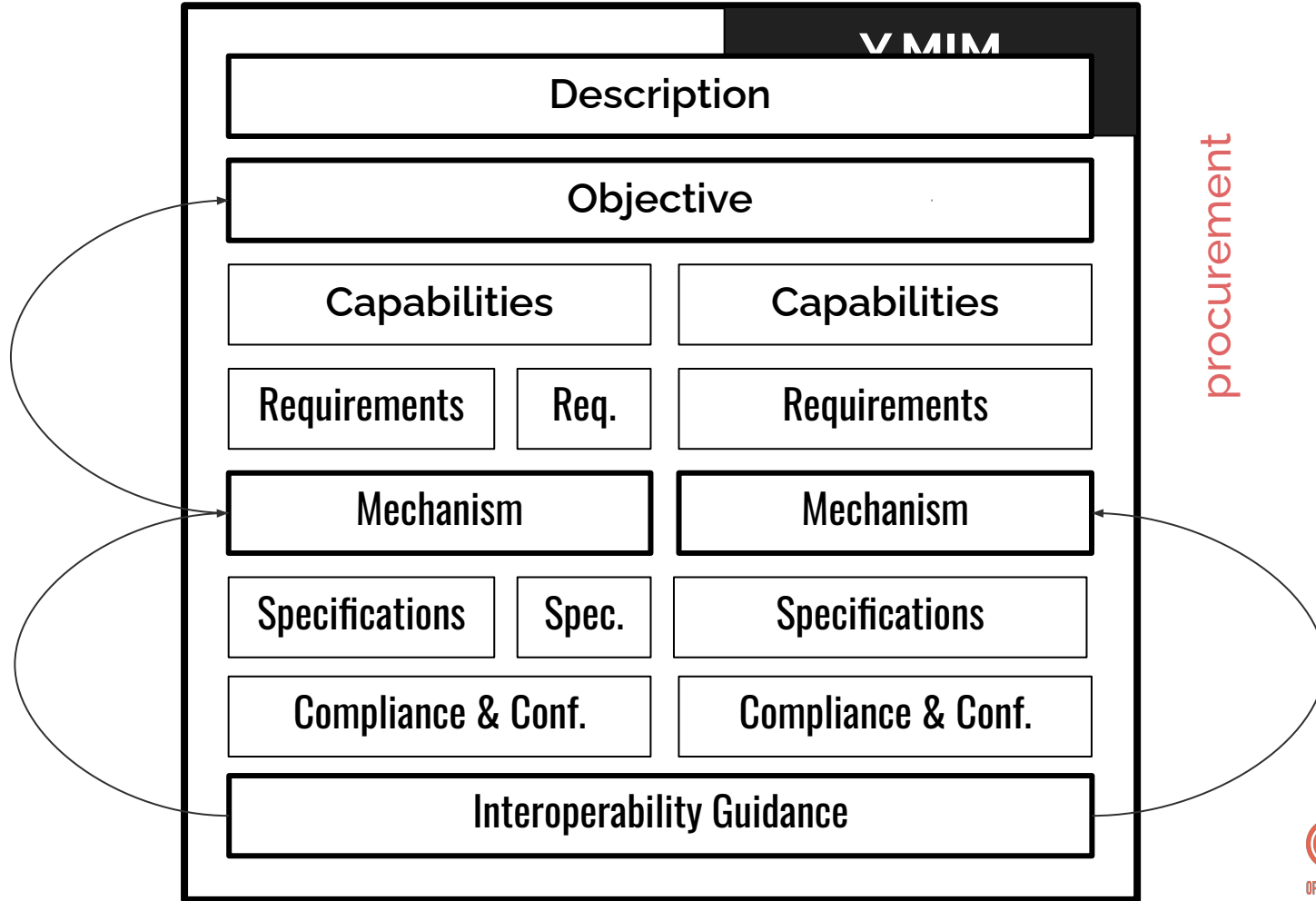
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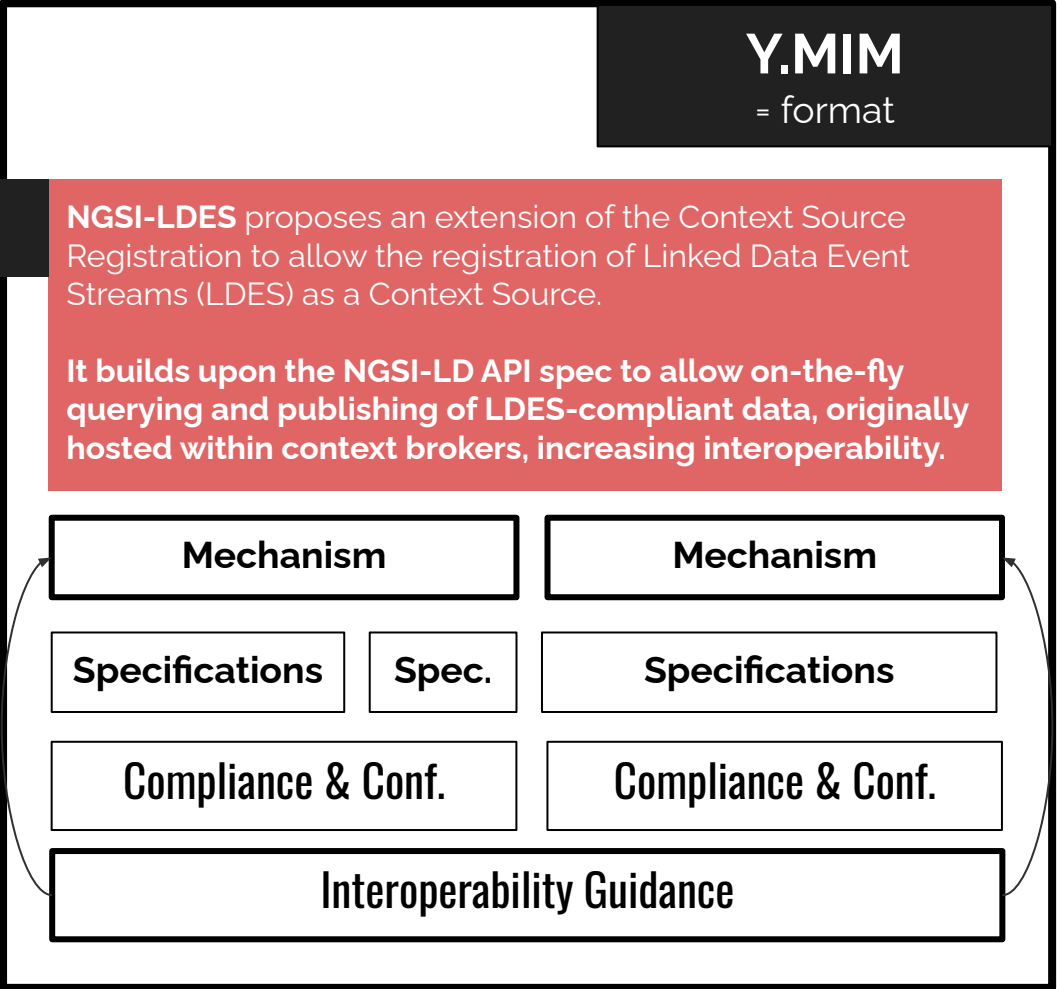




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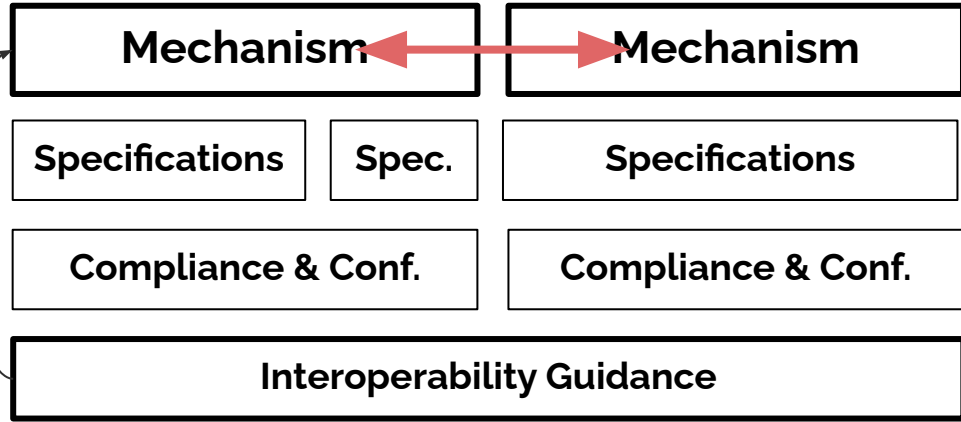
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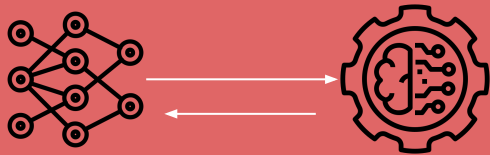
**NGSI-LDES** proposes an extension of the Context Source Registration to allow the registration of Linked Data Event Streams (LDES) as a Context Source.

It builds upon the **NGSI-LD API spec** to allow on-the-fly querying and publishing of LDES-compliant data, originally hosted within context brokers, increasing interoperability.



How  
To  
Use

**MIMs**



You want to procure different technologies while maintaining the same capabilities and data

You work with a mechanism and want to access/exchange with different mechanisms

You have some legacy systems and you want to access/exchange information in an interoperable way

You want to build and use interoperable solutions

You want to procure different technologies while maintaining the same capabilities and data

new Customer Relationship Management (CRM) tool



SalesForce



Microsoft Dynamics CRM



Access and import (historic) data

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Transform data & map onto new tool

MIM2: Data Models

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You work with a mechanism and want to access/exchange with different mechanisms

Air quality drop notification



Local Authority

National Environment Agency

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Subscribe to notification: Context Management API

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ICT infrastructure based on MIM1: Context Information

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# You want to build and use interoperable solutions

a Startup is building a mobility solution



Start-up



Parking Provider



integration for each parking provider

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Information in machine-readable format

MIM1: Context Management  
MIM2: Data Models  
MIM3: Contracts

# MIMs Governance

Code of Conduct



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# Birdseye View of the MIMs



United Nations





# MIMs/ MIMs Plus Development



MIMs Plus

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Technical Working Group Members



MIMs



OASC Members  
OASC Strategic Partners



**MIMs Working Groups**  
Communities & Experts

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## Roles

- Working Group Champion  
The community taking the initiative to lead the development of a MIM
- Working Group Lead  
OASC staff members assist the champion and the WG by setting up working environments, contact lists, and gathering input from contributors.
- Working Group Contributor  
Working group members contribute and sign off the work of the monthly WG meetings. Only members have voting rights

# CODE OF CONDUCT

## Bodies

- MIMs Working Groups

Each MIM working group develops a specific MIM. Each MIM Working Group is championed by a city or community, facilitated by an OASC staff member, and filled with knowledgeable experts from, or linked to, cities and communities.

- OASC Tech Team

The OASC Tech Team is part of the OASC operational team and is responsible, among other things, for driving the development work of the MIMs and MIMs Plus. The team is convened by the OASC Tech Team Lead every week with the purpose of alignment, general work progress reporting and assigning tasks.

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## Bodies

- Council of Cities

The over 155 member communities of OASC are represented by the Council of Cities. It is headed by the Council of Cities Coordinator who is elected every two years. This body is tasked with approving strategic decisions as well as the development of and latest versions of the OASC MIMs. The Council of cities is in the position to consult the technical council to ensure the needs and requirements of communities are translated accurately into technical terms.

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## Bodies

- OASC Technical Council

The Technical Council is an advisory body composed of individuals whose technical expertise can provide reliable guidance to the Council of Cities, ensuring MIMs' accuracy and applicability across various domains and expertise areas. They review the MIM specifications at each milestone and inform both the Tech Team and the Council of Cities on potential improvements. These individuals can be representatives from cities, industry experts, working group champions, and relevant associations.

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## Bodies (MIMS Plus)

- Living-in.EU Technical Working Group

The Living-in.EU movement was launched to support the digital transformation of European communities. In doing so, it offers thematic working groups to those communities that have joined the movement by signing its declaration. The technical working group facilitated by OASC is one of the working groups signatories can join. This environment is then solely composed of community representatives who are in the position to adapt the MIMs development work to the European requirements, also known as MIMs Plus. The group meets a minimum of four times a year to work towards validating the latest version of the MIMs Plus.

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## Bodies (MIMS Plus)

- Living-in.EU Steering Group

The steering board of the Living-in.EU movement is populated by members of the facilitating organisations (Eurocities, ERRIN, CEMR, OASC, ENoLL, Committee of Regions, European Commission) and chaired by a representative of the coordination and the European Commission. The board meets every month except during the holiday season. Each year in June, the technical working group puts forth the latest validated version of MIMs Plus for the boards' approval. Upon its acceptance the latest version of MIMs Plus will be published on platform and made publicly available for adoption.

# MIMs/ MIMs Plus Development

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Steering board

Technical Working Group

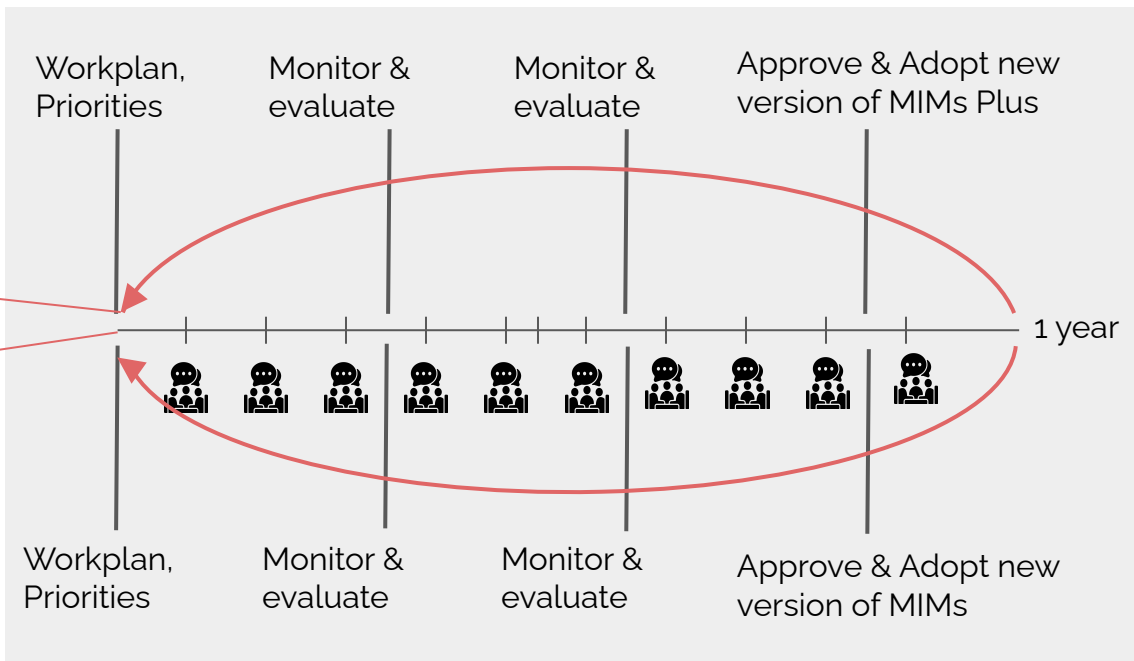


Council of Cities

Technological Council



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# MIMs Deep dive

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[GitBook](#)

Audience time

Warm-up question:  
*What is your city and/or affiliation?*



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# CURRENT DEVELOPMENT

	MIM1	MIM2	MIM3	MIM4	MIM5	MIM6	MIM7
Objective defined	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
Capabilities & Reqs defined	✓	✓		✓			✓
Mechanism defined	✓	✓					✓
Compliance & conformance	✓	✓					✓
Interoperability Guidance	✓	✓					✓
Use Cases ("pilots")							✓

# MIM1 - Context Information

## OBJECTIVE

To enable context information from different systems within or across organisations, such as cities or communities, originating from heterogeneous sources, to be brought together using a uniform interface.  
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# MIM2 - Data Models

## OBJECTIVE

To support cities and communities to use consistent and machine-readable definitions of all the entities about which data is being captured in a data ecosystem, along with a consistent set of identifiers of individual instances of each entity, so that data about any entity can be combined with other data referring to that entity, and every instance of that entity, in the confidence that they refer to the same thing.



# MIM4 - Trust

## OBJECTIVE

To enable individuals to be able to easily manage data about themselves so that it can enable outcomes they want, both for themselves and their community, while not compromising on privacy. To do this in a way that will make it easy to integrate with whatever credible personal data management systems (such as forthcoming EU-registered personal data intermediary services) the individual may wish to use.

# Identified Interoperability Angles in MIM5 (May 2024)

In general, there are **two main interoperability angles** that should be embedded in the MIM5 focus.

1. Ensure that the process of training AI algorithms is transparent and fair.
2. AI algorithms can be understood and used more transparently and fairly by the public and users

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1. testing and verification standards/mechanisms.

# MIM6 - Security

## OBJECTIVE

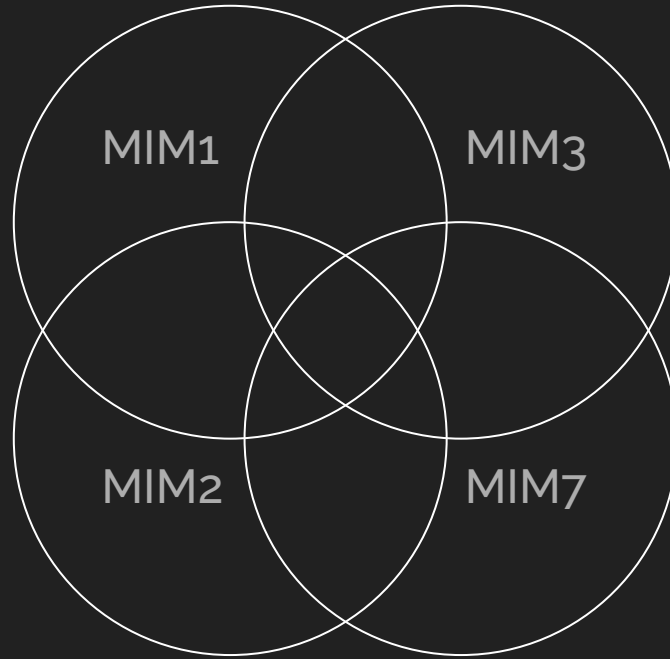
- When information is transferred, between parts of the data platform or externally, this is done securely.
- Data processors know what requirements concerning security and interoperability to make of suppliers and systems when evaluating, procuring, developing, operating, and using solutions.

# MIM7 - Places

## OBJECTIVE

To enable cities and communities to easily integrate data about spatial assets such as streetlights, buildings, and streets with spatio-temporal data from sensors, along with other data sources that can provide helpful context information to the geospatial data, and make the data interoperable within, and between cities and communities.

# DEVELOPMENT GOALS BY MIM v7.0 - FRAMEWORK DISCUSSION



# Your ideas?

We are looking for use cases!

# Get in touch:

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**Thank You**

