## GSIM Self-Assessment Criteria

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| **Levels**  **Dimensions** | **Initial**  **implementation** | **Pre-**  **implementation** | **Early**  **implementation** | **Corporate implementation** | **Mature**  **implementation** |
| Business | Business drivers for the implementation of GSIM are being identified and discussed by experts and subject-matter business units.  Senior management are largely unaware of, or uninterested in, GSIM. | The organisation is becoming aware of GSIM and recognizing its potential usefulness. The organisation might be involved in international development projects using GSIM as a conceptual model. There is limited definition and documentation of the organisation’s business drivers and processes in which GSIM will be involved.  Strong guidance from other organisations implementing GSIM needed. | GSIM is used to describe some information objects mainly in the description of business processes in individual development projects.  Considerable efforts are being made to develop skills to learn GSIM, including its role to help to describe GSBPM sub-processes by defining the information objects that flow between them, that are created in them, and that are used by them to produce official statistics.  Corporate-wide strategy for the use of GSIM is being prepared, | GSIM is used by the organisation to describe information objects in its own business processes and to compare them inside the organisation as well as with other organisations. GSIM has become a common every-day language for requirements analysts, architects and system developers.  Corporate-wide strategy to use GSIM is in place. | GSIM has been fully adopted by the organisation to describe information used in its business processes and their improvements. |
| Methods | A few individuals are becoming interested in the potential value of using GSIM to support the design, specification and implementation of harmonized methods. | A few individuals are using GSIM to support the design, specification and implementation of harmonized methods.  Some business units are becoming interested in the potential value of using GSIM to support the design, specification and implementation of harmonized methods. | Individuals and business units are using GSIM to support the design, specification and implementation of harmonized methods, but practice varies. | There is a widespread awareness of the use of GSIM to support the design, specification and implementation of harmonized methods and this is used in a consistent way across the organisation.  A corporate wide strategy to use GSIM to support the design, specification and implementation of harmonized methods exists and is in place. | The use of GSIM to support the design, specification and implementation of harmonized methods is an important part of methods management and delivers value. |
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| Information | Some information experts are introduced to GSIM and interested in its use related to organising data and metadata. | Several information experts know the model. GSIM implementation has been attempted in specific areas which are often related to international collaboration efforts. | GSIM is recognized as a conceptual model for sharing ideas and determining common concepts inside organisation. Some case-specific models are introduced. The GSIM information objects might be used a bit differently in different parts of the organisation. | The organisation has officially adopted GSIM to describe its information assets.  The information architecture of the organisation is described in terms of GSIM information objects. There exist common repositories of certain instances of GSIM information objects that can be reused in the whole organisation. | GSIM-based information architecture is a reality and implemented throughout the organisation consistently. Optimized GSIM-based information management is a reality.  A catalogue of GSIM information objects (e.g. unit type) has been agreed on at the international level and the organisation is using this catalogue. |
| Applications | Some experts are aware of GSIM and also interested in using it. | Some physical datamodels or CSPA services are created and tested using GSIM or CSPA LIM as the conceptual model in the planning phase. | GSIM-based physical datamodels are implemented in separate applications or some CSPA services are described in terms of GSIM information objects. | GSIM is used at the conceptual level to describe new and relevant applications related to the statistical processes that are developed by the organisation.  The organisation has an internal CSPA Service Catalogue including coherent Statistical Service Descriptions describing input and output objects of the services as GSIM information objects. | There is a whole platform of CSPA-compliant applications for all domains described in terms of GSIM information objects. The organisation has adopted GSIM as part of the set of standards to describe its applications. |