

Classification governance

comprises the application of data governance processes (people, workflows, technology) in the design and application of research classifications, including the unambiguous semantic definition of these classifications and attached concordance tables in agreement with existing (inter)national standards.

ECOOM-UHasselt provides research classifications, semantic definitions and concordance tables for:

- Financial codes
- Science disciplines codes
- Publication codes
- Technology codes



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About ECOOM

The Centre for Research & Development Monitoring (ECOOM) is an interuniversity consortium with participation of all Flemish universities (KU Leuven, UGent, VUB, UA and UHasselt). Its mission is to develop a consistent system of R&D and Innovation indicators for the Flemish government. This indicator system has to assist the Flemish government in mapping and monitoring the RD&I efforts in the Flemish region, and supports the government's ambition to consolidate and to further develop its position as a European innovation intensive region.

To this end, ECOOM collaborates intensely with all relevant actors in the RD&I system: universities, research institutes and industry. The government agencies EWI and IWT are close partners in this endeavor. Furthermore, ECOOM is partner in many European and international networks, organisations and projects.

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ECOOM-UHasselt manages the classification lists of publicly funded research output, more specifically publications, scientific disciplines, financial lists and technology domains.

To this end, ECOOM-UHasselt focuses on the design and implementation of new and existing research classifications taking into account national and international trends and reporting obligations. Following the principles of classification governance, an unambiguous semantics is defined for each classification in consultation with the various stakeholders. Furthermore, concordance tables for the mapping of existing (inter)national classifications are foreseen. All information is maintained in a data governance tool, which is also used for the management of related governance processes, workflows and boards.

Altogether, this will lead to an increased quality of research classifications and will play an important role in the context of administrative simplification of

research reporting, at the benefit of scientific discovery and innovation.



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