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# Integrated Reporting with xBRL-CSV

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# What is “Integrated Reporting”?

- [Deloitte’s definition?](#)

*Integrated Reporting brings together material information about an organisation's **strategy, governance, performance** and prospects in a way that reflects the commercial, social and environmental context within which it operates. It leads to a clear and **concise** articulation of **your value creation story** which is useful and relevant to all stakeholders.*

# What is “Integrated Reporting”?

- [integratedreporting.org](https://integratedreporting.org) definition?

*Integrated reporting is a process founded on integrated thinking that results in a **periodic integrated report** by an organization about **value creation over time** and related communications regarding aspects of value creation.*

*An integrated report is a **concise** communication about how an organization’s **strategy, governance, performance** and prospects, in the context of its external environment, lead to the creation of value in the short, medium and long term.*

# What is “Integrated Reporting”?

- [ECB definition](#) ✓

*The idea behind the ESCB **IReF** is to integrate, as far as possible, existing ESCB **statistical data** requirements for banks ... into a **single framework**, thus ensuring **integration across countries and data domains**. In particular, the IReF would consist of:*

- (i) an **integrated set of reports for banks**, aimed in the long run at **replacing national reporting templates** as far as possible; and*
  - (ii) a unique set of **transformation rules for compiling the derived statistics** required by authorities, possibly to be shared with the stakeholders involved.*
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# Scope of IReF

- Balance Sheet Items (BSI)
  - Interest Rates (MIR)
  - Securities Holdings Statistics (SHS)
  - Credit and Credit Risk (AnaCredit)
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- Also integrate with COREP & FINREP data from the EBA
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# Granularity & Consistency

- We want **one reporting format** that can cope with all needs
  - The format must be suited to **dimensional data**
  - The format must be able to handle **large volumes of granular data**
    - *The IReF is not meant to introduce new reporting requirements.*
    - *However, it may add some **additional granularity** compared to the datasets it is intended to integrate in order to ensure the integration of the existing reporting lines and avoid a duplication of the requirements.*
    - *users will be able to **drill down** from **aggregated data** to the **underlying granular information***
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# Why CSV?

- Simple, plain text, used since the 70s
- Supported by a wide range of popular tools & frameworks
  - [R](#), [Pandas](#), [Spark](#), [Beam](#)
  - LibreOffice, Numbers, Microsoft Excel
  - sort, uniq, awk, grep
- Suitable for extremely large data volumes
  - Parallel & distributed processing of CSV lines
  - Can be processed in a streaming fashion, line-by-line



# Problems with traditional CSV

- Columns are defined by out-of-band, unstructured documentation
  - No standardised index for a collection of related documents
  - Range of dialects
    - Character encoding, comments, header rows, quote characters, line terminators, trimming of whitespace
  - No standardised semantics & validation
    - datatypes, co-constraints, arithmetic relationships
  - Presentation considerations mixed with data modelling
  - Cannot naturally represent hierarchical data
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# Previous CSV standardisation efforts

- 2005 – [RFC 4180](#)
    - Specifies line endings and whitespace handling
    - Requires MIME parameters for encoding and header row presence/absence
  - 2012 – [Frictionless Tabular Data Package](#)
    - JSON metadata file, field types, primary & foreign keys, constraints
  - 2015 – [W3C Metadata Vocabulary for Tabular Data](#) (“CSVW”)
    - Formalises and extends Frictionless spec
    - Adds support for RDF
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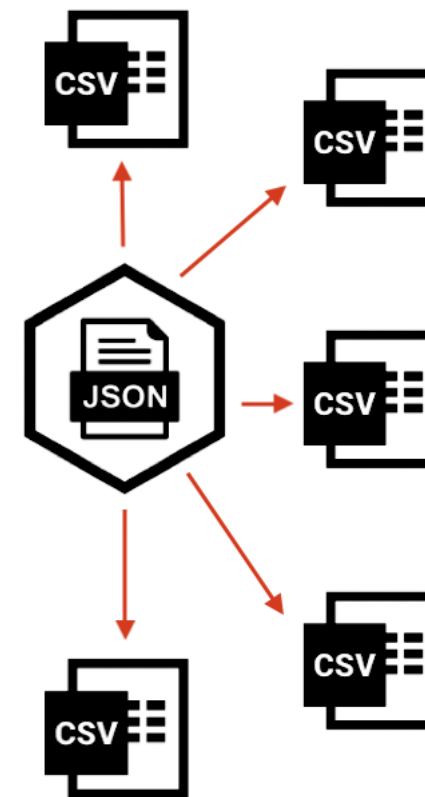
# xBRL-CSV

- Documentation in a standard, structured form (taxonomy)
    - Unlike CSVW, data model is decoupled from the report syntax
    - Benefits from taxonomy-side validation and rendering instructions
  - Developed based on xBRL regulatory reporting experience
  - JSON metadata
    - Points to a collection of CSV files
    - Defines dimensional bindings for tables, rows and columns
  - Fixed [dialect](#), based on RFC 4180
    - Additional constraints on encoding and column headers
  - Special features for handling dimensional data
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# xBRL-CSV

- JSON metadata file + CSV files
- Share information
  - Common to all facts in a row
  - Common to all facts in a column
  - Common to all facts in a table
  - Common to all facts in a report

```
{
  "documentInfo": {
    "documentType": "http://xbrl.org/YYYY/xbrl-csv",
    "namespaces": {
      "ld": "http://xbrl.org/oim/conformance/firm-lo",
      "lei": "http://standards.iso.org/iso/17442",
      "iso4217": "http://www.xbrl.org/2003/iso4217"
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    "taxonomy": [
      "https://xbrl.org/oim/conformance/firm-loans.xls"
    ]
  },
  "dimensions": {
    "entity": "$entityLEI",
    "period": "$reportPeriod"
  },
  "tableTemplates": {
    "loan_data_template": {
      "columns": {
        "loan_id": {},
        "company_lei": {
          "dimensions": {
            "concept": "ld:CompanyLEI"
          }
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          "dimensions": {
            "concept": "ld:CountryOfIncorporat:"
          }
        },
        "local_currency": {},
        "fixed_rate_period": {},
        "deposit_amount_hc": {
          "dimensions": {
            "concept": "ld:DepositAmount",
            "period": "$fixed_rate_period@start",
            "unit": "iso4217:EUR"
          }
        }
      }
    }
  },
}
```



# xBRL-CSV modelling approaches

- Datapoint-centric
- Table-centric
- Dimension-centric



# Datapoint-centric modelling

- xBRL-CSV metadata defines datapoints
- Filers provide values for them (and some report-level parameters)

```
datapoint,value,unit  
dp1234,42000,iso4217:EUR  
dp1235,99000,iso4217:GBP  
dp1236,r:FR
```

- Advantages:
    - Extremely compact format for data transfer
    - Trivial mapping to datapoint-centric data stores
  - Disadvantages:
    - Can't analyse data directly, as dimensional information is elsewhere
    - One-fact-per-line approach rules out some validation optimisations
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# Table-centric modelling

- xBRL-CSV metadata aligns with template row-column codes
- Filers provide values for them (and some report-level parameters)

```
_____,c0010,c0020,c0030  
r0010,42000,41000,40000  
r0020,99000,98000,97000  
r0030,r:FR,r:GB,r:ES
```

- Advantages:
    - Reduced metadata size (don't enumerate all combinations)
    - More potential for applying validation on a row-by-row basis
  - Disadvantages:
    - Analysis requires understanding of row-column codes
    - Not suitable for all table arrangements
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# Dimension-centric modelling

- xBRL-CSV table for each allowed combination of dimensions
- Filers provide values for them (and some report-level parameters)

region,product,met1,met2,note1

R:X,P:Y,41000,40000,abc

R:X,P:Z,99000,98000,def

R:U,P:W,11000,12000,xyz

- Advantages:
    - All data in a given column has the same datatype
    - Can be analysed in-situ, using standard CSV tools
  - Disadvantages:
    - More verbose, as dimension values are present on each row
    - Connection to business templates / datapoint model is not clear
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# Generating xBRL-CSV metadata

- Generate Taxonomy and xBRL-CSV metadata from DPM DB
    - Natural choice for Datapoint-centric modelling
    - Puts datapoints in an open, standard format
  - Generate xBRL-CSV metadata from Table Linkbase
    - Good fit for Table-centric modelling
  - Generate Taxonomy and xBRL-CSV metadata from cube model
    - Good fit for Dimension-centric models like BIRD
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# Taxonomy + xBRL-CSV metadata from BIRD

## BIRD

New revision

Version 0.1

Status Draft

Revision 1  committed 17 hours ago

 Prepare >  Generate >  Validate

Settings

Input files

**Pipeline**


Output files

 Prepare

 Generate

 Validate

 Extract tables

 Generate taxonomy

 Validate taxonomy

 Build taxonomy definition

 Extract tables

Status  PASSED

Started 17 hours ago

Duration 27s

[Logs](#)

[Files](#)

```
Unzipping database
Archive: /tmp/database.zip
  creating: BIRD_release/
  inflating: BIRD_release/db_comparison.xlsx
  inflating: BIRD_release/README.txt
  inflating: BIRD_release/BIRD_release_5.0.accdb
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 662M Feb  5 12:28 /tmp/BIRD.accdb
Extracting tables ...
AXIS
AXIS_ORDINATE
COMBINATION
COMBINATION_ITEM
CUBE
CUBE_GROUP
CUBE_GROUP_ENUMERATION
CUBE_HIERARCHY
CUBE_MAPPING
CUBE_RELATIONSHIP
CUBE_STRUCTURE
CUBE_STRUCTURE_ITEM
CUBE_TO_COMBINATION
DOMAIN
```

# Benefits of xBRL-CSV over xBRL-XML

- Vastly reduced file size
- Simpler, more consistent format
- Potential for much faster validation



# A note on XPath in Formula

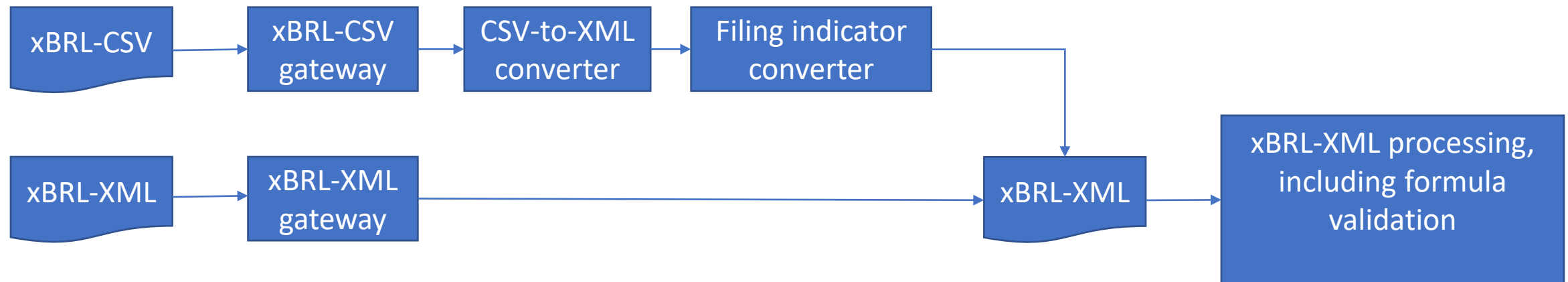
- XPath node navigation in Formula is inherently problematic
    - Prevents application of rules in non-XML representation
    - Forces processors to retain an XML model in memory (e.g. DOM)
    - Hampers performance even with xBRL-XML syntax
    - Processing XBRL as XML is inherently tricky and bug-prone
  - XBRL International has a [long-standing plan](#) to restrict XPath expressions in Formula to remove node-navigation features
    - In the short term, this will be a restricted XPath mode to allow processors to optimise
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# Phased introduction of xBRL-CSV

- For existing mandates (e.g. CRDIV, EIOPA), regulators may choose to support xBRL-CSV as a filing option in parallel with xBRL-XML.
  - For as long as the xBRL-XML route is provided, it is desirable to keep the xBRL-XML representation as close to the current xBRL-XML representation as possible.
  - Filing indicators as used in Eurofiling require [special handling](#)
    - [Tuples](#) and [custom attributes](#) are not supported by [OIM](#)
  - The closer you get to a pure OIM filing system, the more benefits you realise
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# Stage 1: bolt-on xBRL-CSV filing route

- Filers may submit in xBRL-CSV or xBRL-XML
- xBRL-CSV submissions are converted to xBRL-XML
  - with tuple-based filing indicators
- Formula validation runs on the xBRL-XML

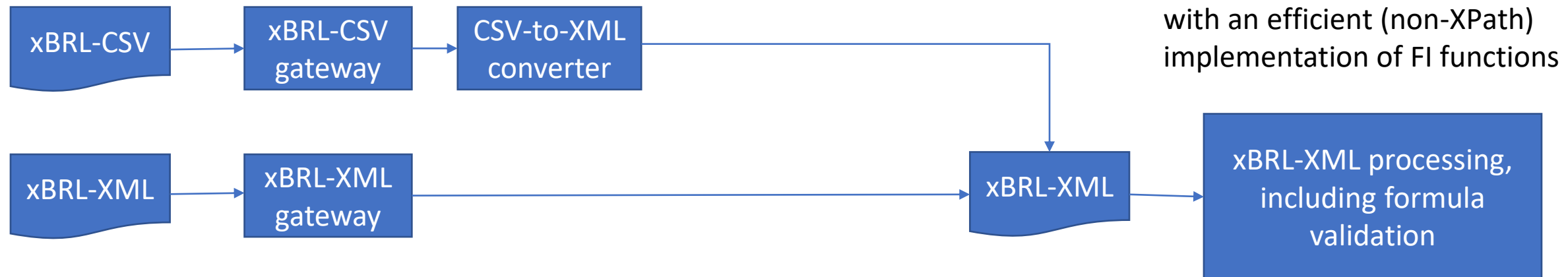


Benefits: simpler for filers, smaller submissions, no taxonomy changes required

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# Stage 2: taxonomy & tool support for new FIs

- Filers may submit in xBRL-CSV or xBRL-XML
- xBRL-CSV submissions are converted to xBRL-XML
- Formula functions support both old and new FIs
- Formula validation runs on the xBRL-XML

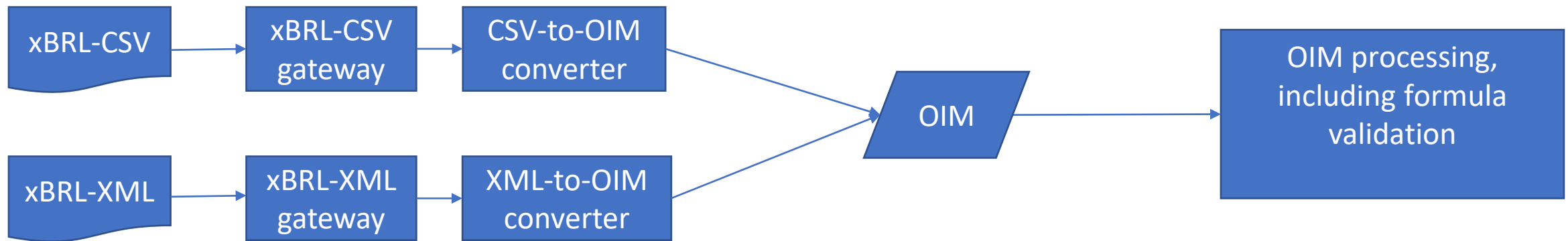


Benefits: simpler for filers, smaller submissions, no FI conversion step

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# Stage 3: OIM-centric filing system

- Filers may submit in xBRL-CSV or xBRL-XML
- Submissions are loaded into OIM model (in-memory or DB)
- Formula functions replace all XPath XML navigation
- Formula validation runs on the OIM model

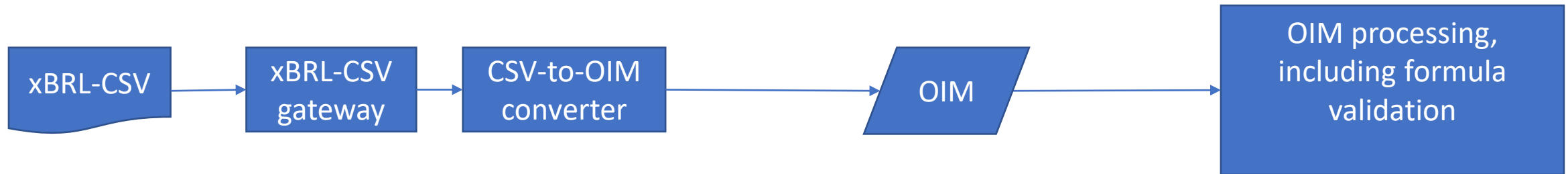


Benefits: simpler for filers, smaller submissions, more efficient formula input model (no XML baggage)

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# Stage 4: xBRL-CSV as the only filing format

- xBRL-XML is no longer a filing option
- Submissions are loaded into OIM model (in-memory or DB)
- Formula functions replace all XPath XML navigation
- Formula validation runs on the OIM model
  - Some rules moved to table/row level and applied early



Benefits: simpler for filers, smaller submissions, maximum potential for assertion optimisation

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# Progress of the xBRL-CSV standard

<a href="#">2020-05-06</a>	Candidate Recommendation
<a href="#">2019-10-09</a>	Candidate Recommendation
<a href="#">2019-08-07</a>	Public Working Draft
<a href="#">2017-05-02</a>	Public Working Draft

- At least one more *Candidate Recommendation* expected this year
- ... then *Proposed Recommendation*
- ... then *Recommendation*
  
- Strong interest from regulators
- EBA plans to accept both XBRL-XML format and XBRL-CSV format from DPM 3.1

# Changes since 2020-05-06 CR

- Support for specifying decimals information within a cell ([#403](#))
    - 4300d-2
  - Support for properties associated with rows ([#398](#))
    - Dimensional bindings in JSON metadata can apply to rows as well as columns
    - Replaces current [Transposed tables](#) feature
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# Get involved

- [XEU Bank & Insurance Working Group](#)
    - BIRD PoC
    - EBA TFERF updates
  - XII OIM Working Group
    - Request membership: [info@xbrl.org](mailto:info@xbrl.org)
    - Provide specification feedback: [oim@xbrl.org](mailto:oim@xbrl.org)
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