# **NISO KBART Validator App**

Fast, clear, automated feedback on KBART Files for the community

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#### **KBART**

- NISO Recommended Practice on the transmission of electronic resource metadata between content providers, knowledgebase suppliers, and libraries
- Ease of creation and consumption for all users and technical abilities
- KBART Endorsement process to vet the overall adherence to the Recommended Practice

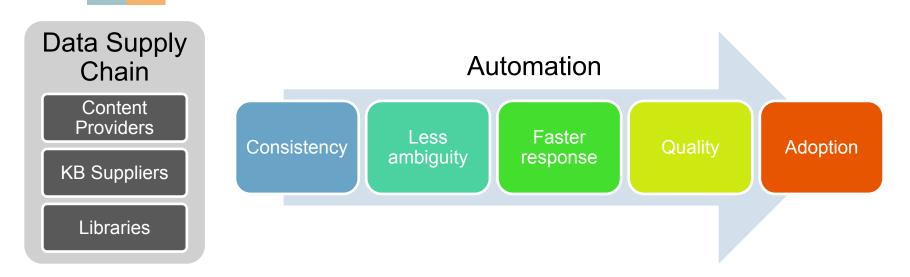


## Why develop a validator?

- KBART Standing Committee Endorsement
  - Manual review
  - Manual feedback
  - Involves multiple volunteers which creates delays
- Ease of implementation has a cost!



# Trust in quality of KBART files





## Validator usage

- KBART Standing Committee: Streamlining endorsement feedback
- Content Providers: Developing KBART files and metadata
- KB Suppliers: Feedback to content providers on KBART(ish) files
- Librarians: Transparency and oversight



### **KBART Validator**

- First official NISO application
- Currently in early development
- Will be open-source



#### **Demo: Validations**

- Input: one file or multiple files (directory) to validate
- Output: validation reports
  - One report per file
  - Validation as the central concept
  - One line per validation: maximum granularity
  - No relations in the validations: only "pre-conditions"
- Usage:
  - Command line (for now)
  - Python library?
  - Webservice with API?



#### **Demo: Documentation**

• A single page for each validation



# **Demo: Examples**

- All use cases for each validation
  - o ERROR, WARNING, OK



#### **Demo: Tests**

- A test-driven development approach based on **examples** in the documentation
- One test per **validation**, testing all examples



## Roadmap

- 2021-02 to 2021-09
  - Development
  - Alpha tests: NISO internal tests
  - Release code base and its documentation
- 2021-09?
  - Beta tests: community tests
- 2022-03?
  - o Official version 1.0 release
- Future
  - Webservice? Integration to other data sources (e.g. ISSN...)?
  - O KBART Automation?
  - o KBART Phase III?



## **Contributing Areas**

- Testing the tool on your KBART files
- Proof read the documentation
- Provide examples
- Ask for new validations
- Code



#### **NISO KBART Validator Tool**

To learn more about the tool and how you may be able to be involved in development or testing in the future, join the KBART Interest Group list at: <a href="http://groups.niso.org/lists/kbart">http://groups.niso.org/lists/kbart</a> interest/

https://www.niso.org/standards-committees/kbart

