

The
HAND-BOOK
OF THE MODERN DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST

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GETTING DATA

COLLECTING DATA FOR YOUR PROJECT



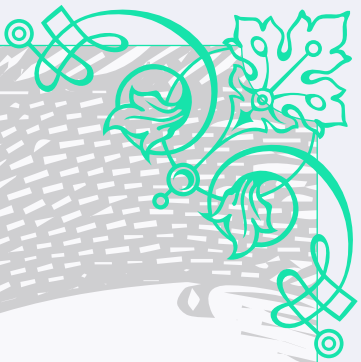
What's your question?

- » Is your question factual?
Evaluative?
- » Can you use existing data?
- » Do you need to collect new data?

No matter where data come from,
try to ensure that it is *good data*

- » *Accurate*
- » *Valid*
- » *Timely*





Designing a data collection process

Step 1: Come up with a detailed data collection plan

DIMENSION	SPECIFIC APPROACH
FROM WHOM	ALL ADULTS
HOW	HOUSEHOLD SURVEYS CONDUCTED IN THE LOCAL LANGUAGE
WHO	LOCAL ENUMERATORS HIRED THROUGH THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY
HOW OFTEN	ANNUALLY

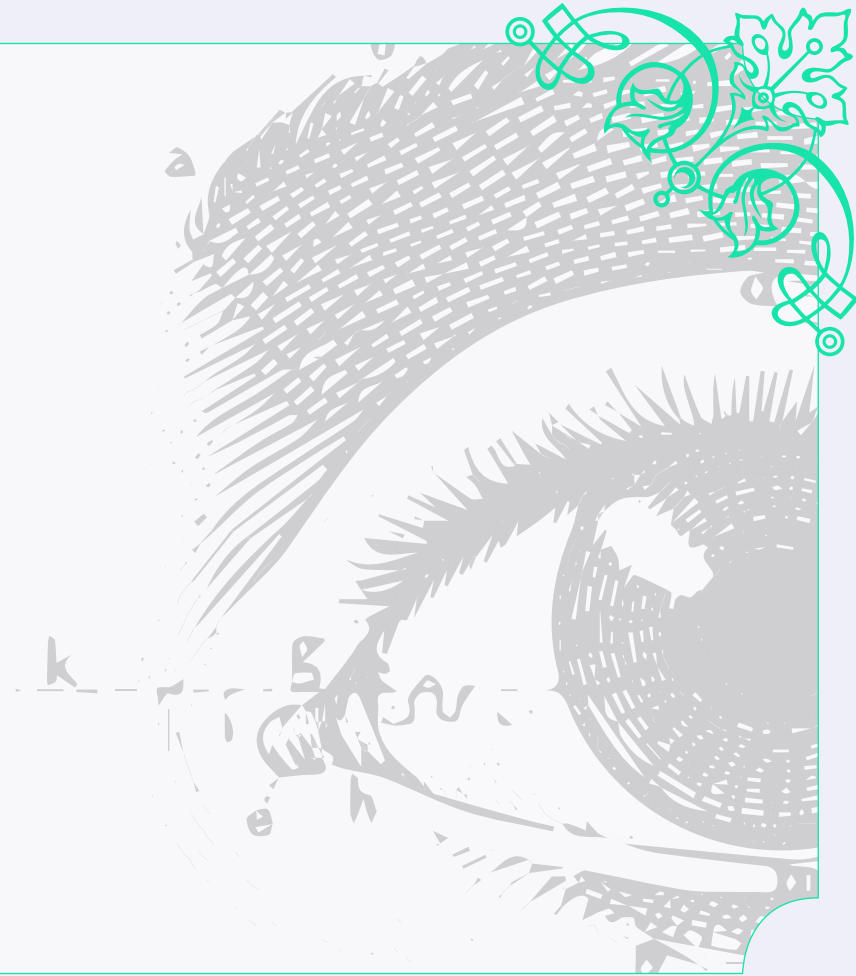
Step 2: Brainstorm risks and responses

CHALLENGE AREAS	POTENTIAL RISKS	POTENTIAL RESPONSES
PERSONAL PRIVACY & ANONIMITY		
AGENCY & DATA EMPOWERMENT		
SOCIAL IMPACT FOR DATA COLLECTION		
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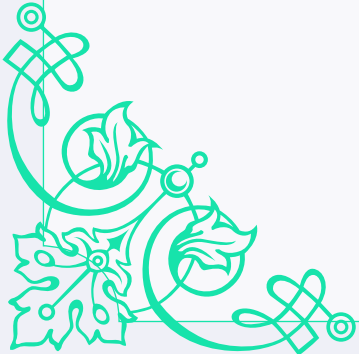
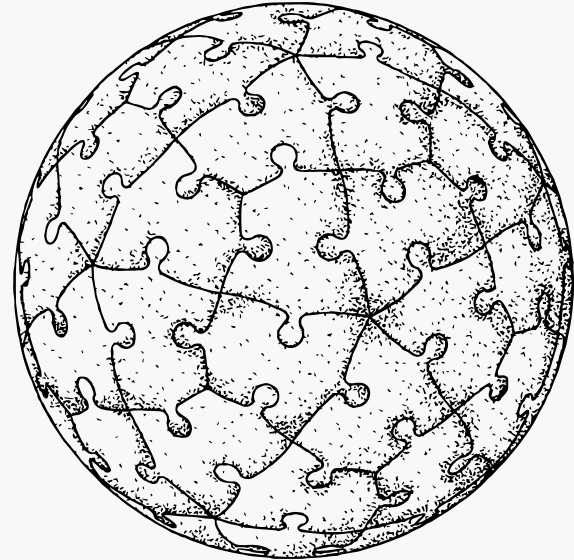
Working with existing data

- » How is the data *evaluated for use*?
- » How is the data *managed*?
- » How is the data *presented*?



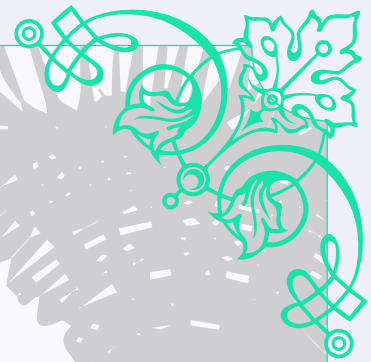
Power to the people!

Representation = **Inclusion** + **Accuracy**



Consent

- » *Notice* or *Disclosure*
- » *Capacity* or *Understanding*
- » *Voluntariness*



Useful resources

Data Quality: Do you trust your data? (an article Hjusein Tjurkmen, Mariyana Hristova, Musala Soft)

<http://istabg.org/data-quality-do-you-trust-your-data>
more at <http://schoolofdata.org/handbook/courses/finding-data/#sthash.8o6YozUJ.dpuf>

Organizations that may be able to help you further on issues you may encounter:

Geeks without Bounds gwb.org

Datakind www.datakind.org

A checklist for evaluating policies on consent is available at https://docs.google.com/a/theengineerroom.org/document/d/1PJxBAP1rFkj9p7NuYcN_G5iomfCML-qiMTn5SPPHxE/edit

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