

*Data service center for*  
business and  
organizational **DATA** (DSZ-BO)

Specifics concerning DDI dealing with  
organizational data

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# Outline

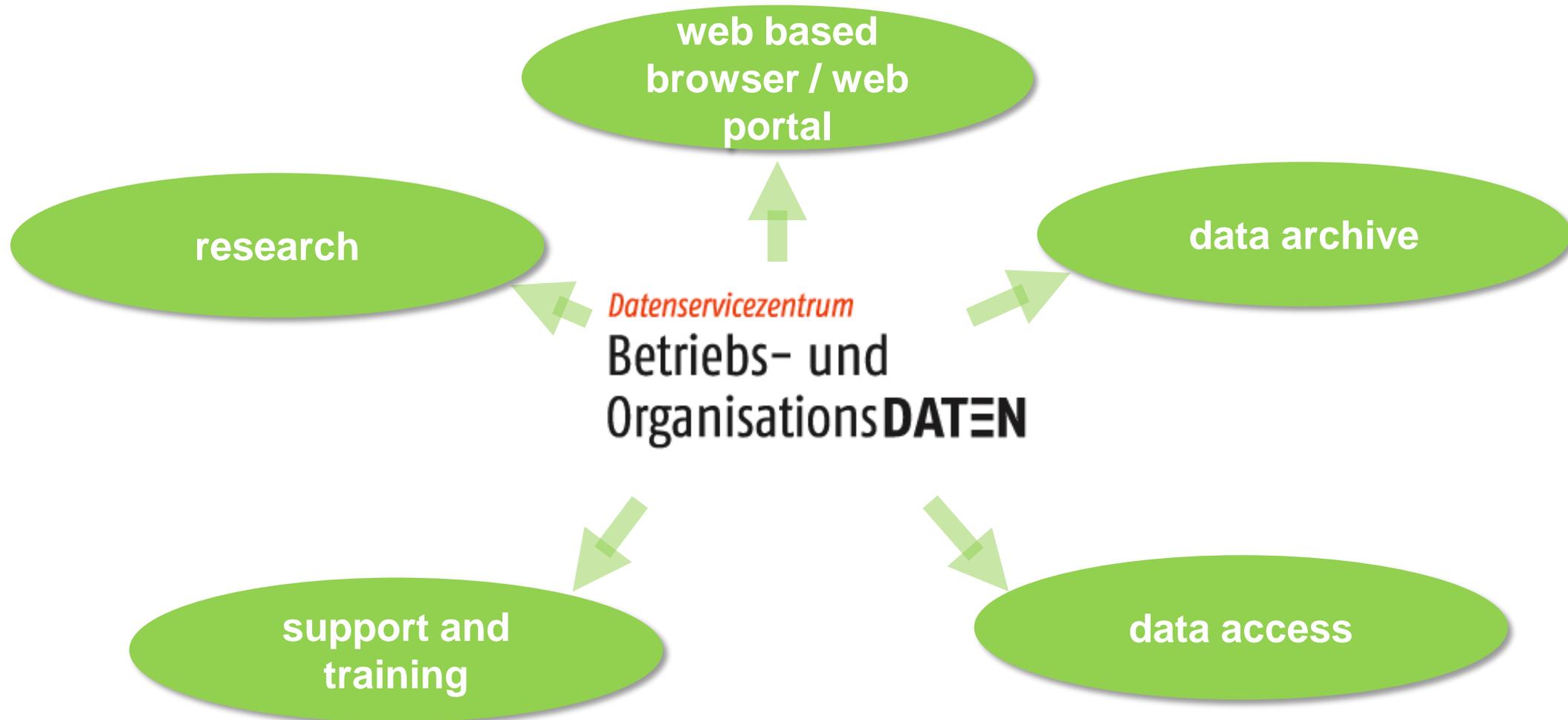
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  1. Complexity of studies
  2. Research Methods from different disciplines
  3. Sampling and Linked levels of analysis
  4. Anonymization and Versioning
  5. Thesaurus

# 1. Task and Scope of the DSZ-BO

The DSZ-BO archives business und organizational data from the social sciences, e.g.

- surveys with multiple organizations, e.g. interviews with human resource managers of different firms
- Qualitative case studies, mixed methods
- process generated numbers, e.g. average time of patients in different hospitals, business catalogues
- observations, e.g. informal processes in one local office.
- linked employer employee data (LEE)

# 1. Task and Scope of the DSZ-BO Services



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- Services for data producers: data cleansing, anonymization, help with development of instruments
- Services for data users: easy access to research data for secondary analysis
- Research and education: Development of a standard instrument catalogue, publication lists of relevant literature in the field, working paper series

# 1. Task and Scope of the DSZ-BO Three Level Model

- General Information about all studies in the field of organizational research
- Detailed Meta-Information about “important” studies
- Question and Variable-level description and Microdata, if possible

## 2. Customers View

Searches for

- Data with certain methods
- that contains variables that operationalize certain research questions
- Datasets with certain levels of analysis
- Wording of questions
- Examples for good practice in a certain field

## 3. Specifics dealing with organizational data

### Complexity of objects

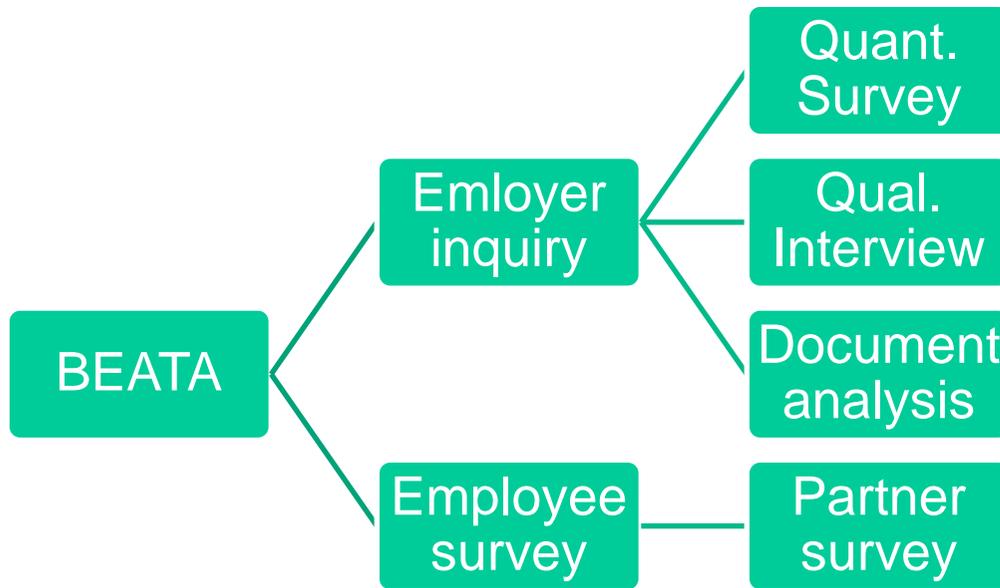
Most aspects can be put into DDI:

- General Information about a study
- Data collection
- Questions
- Variable Information

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## Complexity of objects

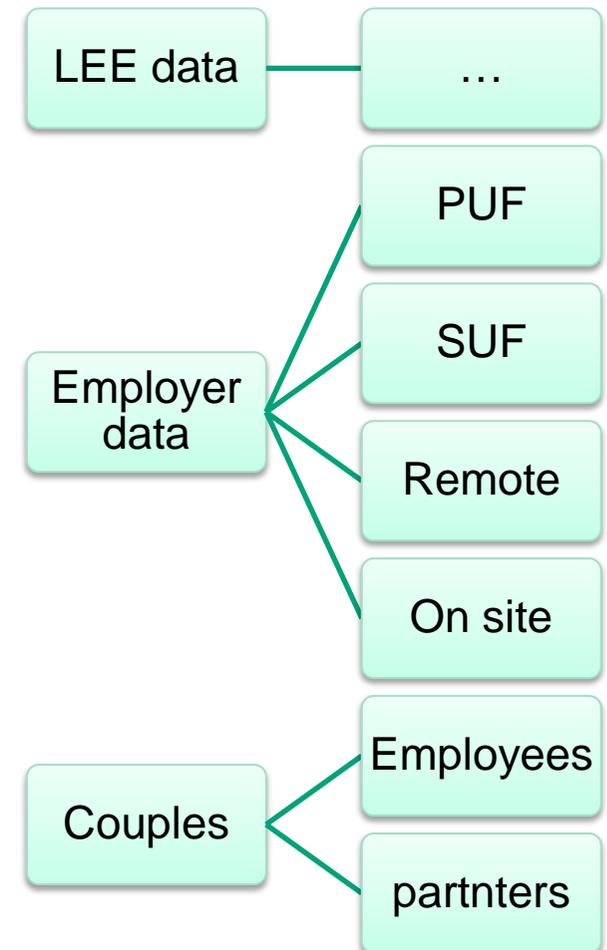
### Study Structure



### Analysis levels



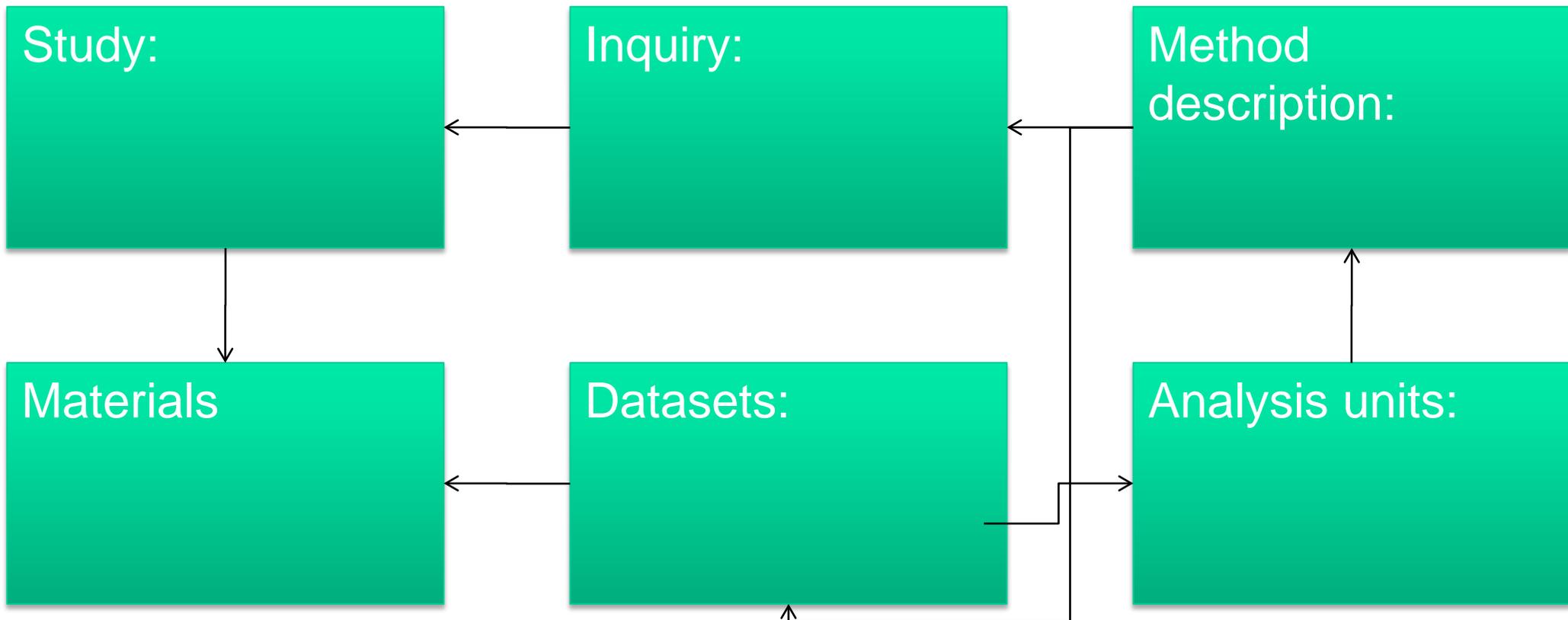
### Datasets



### 3. Specifics dealing with organizational data

#### Solution for study structures

- Groupings
- Differentiation between Projects, Studies and inquiries



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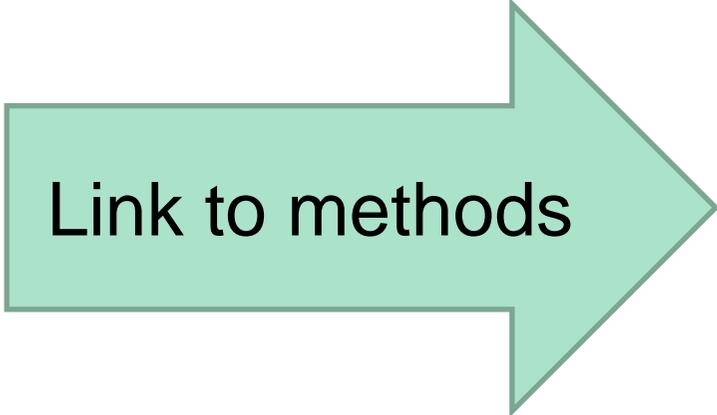
### Study Unit and Unit of Analysis

#### Organisations:

- confederations
- Businesses
- local firms
- Departments, working groups
- Others

#### Individuals:

- Managers/Management, leaders
- Human resource Managers
- employee comitee
- employees
- customers
- Others



Link to methods

### 3. Specifics dealing with organizational data

#### Specification of organizational study units

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#### 1. Number of realized units on this level

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1 to 10

10 to 99

100 to 249

250 to 999

2a. If organization: Number of  
Employees (min)

1000 to 9999  
10000 +

1 to 10

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100 to 249

250 to 999

2b. If organization: Number of  
Employees (max)

1000 to 9999  
10000 +

3. If employee survey:  
Complete survey?

Yes, no

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### Specification of Methods

#### Human readable method discription

<b>Method Classification</b>	Interview, observation (participation, nonparticipation), content/document analysis, process generated data, psychological tests, group discussions, Others
<b>Degree of standardization</b>	1 (predominantly) quantitative/standardized, (predominantly qualitative, partly standardized/ half-standardized, not standardized/open
<b>Design</b>	ex-post-facto (e.g. cross sectional), quasi-experimental, experimental
<b>survey: Interviewer presence</b>	With interviewer, without interviewer
<b>Survey: mode</b>	Personal/facetoface, telephone, postal, computer
<b>Survey: Documentation</b>	Paper and pencil, web formular/online, local computer, audio record, video record, Others
<b>QualiData: Documentation</b>	Transcript, Notes, Summaries, extracts, diaries, observation protocolls, diagrams, Others

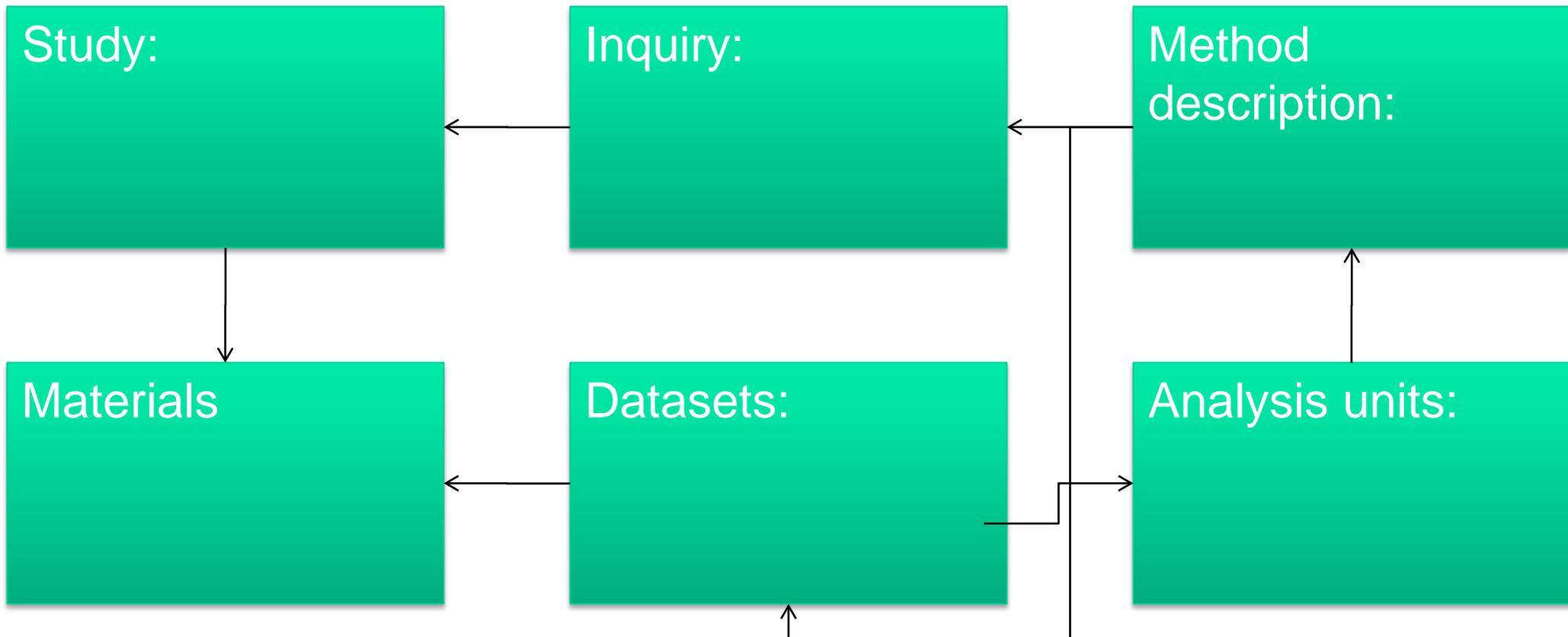
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#### Specialization vs. Exchange

#### e.g. the ELSST Thesaurus

- Thesaurus needed for key word linkage
- Thesaurus needed for exchange
- ELSST contains few information concerning organizational data
- Development of a thesaurus in this area

### 3. Specifics dealing with organizational data Relation Model and DDI



## Summary

- Complex Study structures: Projects, Studies, inquiries
- Controlled vocabularies and saving in a SQL-database if not assumed in DDI
  - searchable study Units and Units of Analysis
  - searchable research methods
  - searchable dataset versions
- Contribution to ELSST-Thesaurus for organizational data

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