Introduction to Metadata Completeness

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What is metadata completeness?

- Complete metadata includes **as much relevant information as possible**
- What is “complete”? Depends on context!
- Going **beyond the mandatory fields** to add:
  - Descriptive metadata that supports discovery (findability), access, and re-use, e.g. subjects, descriptions, and rights metadata
  - Connection metadata to other entities - people, organizations, and other research outputs
- Not just what fields are completed, but how they are completed - accurate and understandable
Why metadata completeness?

- Having more complete metadata:
  - makes research outputs easier to find
  - clarifies conditions of access
  - promotes interoperability between systems
  - communicates the context to promote re-use
Speakers

- Ted Habermann, Metadata Game Changers
- Dorothea Strecker, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin