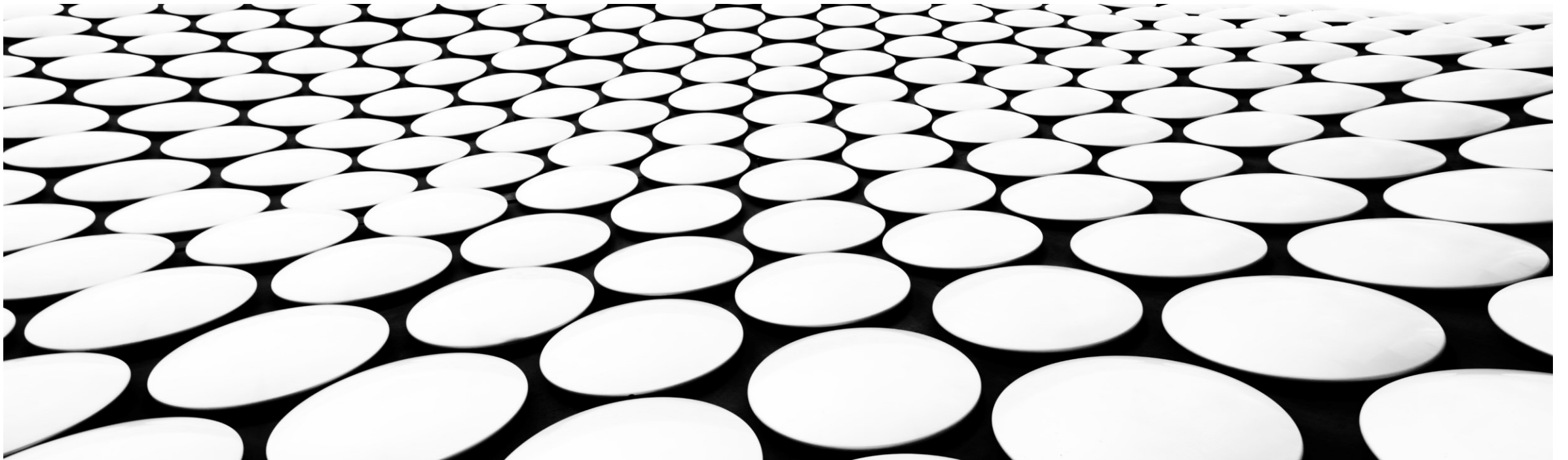

COUNTER RELEASE 5.1: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

EIFL, JANUARY 2024



COUNTÉR

CONSISTENT | CREDIBLE | COMPARABLE

THE TRUSTED STANDARD



COUNTER metrics

- Open, community-driven standard
- Comparable across platforms and over time
- Trusted by libraries and consortia

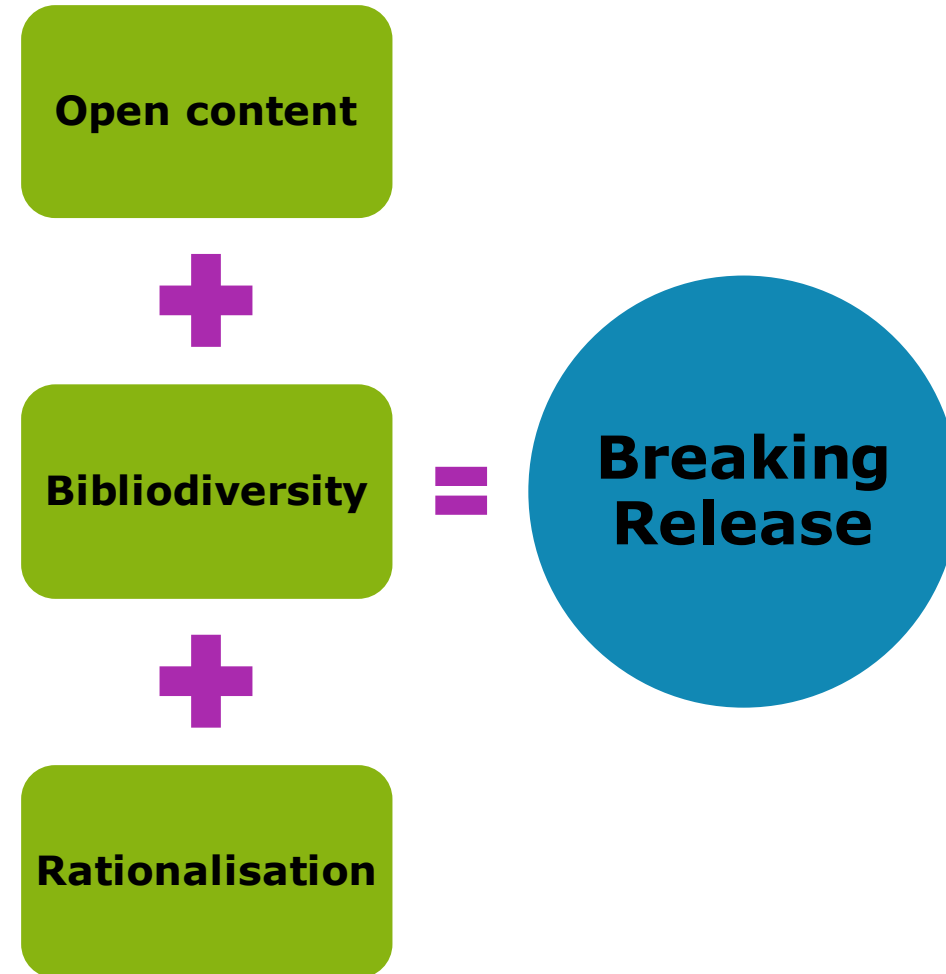


Web analytics

- Opaque, commercial product
- Varies without explanation

DRIVERS AND DEVELOPMENT APPROACH

- ❖ **September 2021**
review begins
- ❖ **December 2021**
plans approved
- ❖ **Summer 2022**
community consultation
- ❖ **May 2023**
R5.1 published
- ❖ **January 2025**
R5.1 compliance

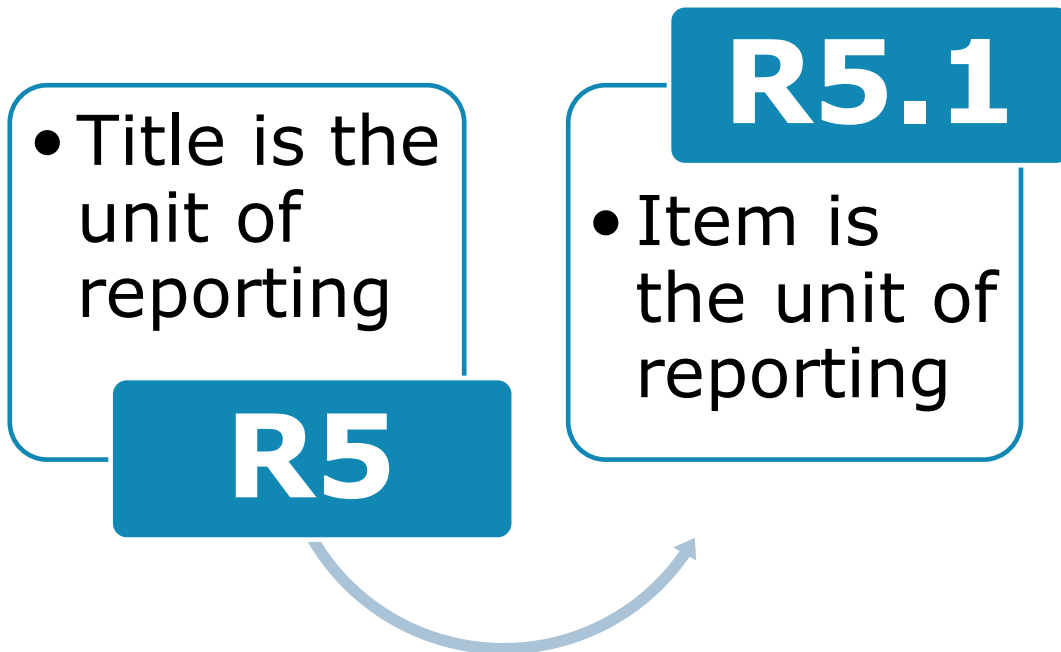




KEY CHANGES IN R5.1



ITEM AS THE UNIT OF REPORTING



Metric	R5	R5.1
Total Item Investigations	1	10
Unique Item Investigations	1	10
Total Item Requests	1	10
Unique Item Requests	1	10
Unique Title Investigations	1	1
Unique Title Requests	1	1

DATA TYPES AND SECTION TYPES



Data Types with Parents

- Article-to-Journal
- Book Segment-to-Book
- Conference Item-to-Conference
- News Item-to-Newspaper or Newsletter
- Reference Item-to-Reference Work



Granular Multimedia

- Audiovisual
- Image
- Interactive Resource
- Sound



Database-specific

- Database Full Item
- Multimedia



Other

- Dataset
- Patent
- Report
- Software
- Standard
- Thesis or Dissertation
- Other
- Unspecified



Data Types for Searches

- Database Aggregated
- Database AI
- Database Full
- Database Full Item
- Platform

ACCESS TYPE DEFINITIONS

Access Types apply only to the platform producing the report.

An Item has a single Access Type



Controlled

Only available to authorized users



Open

Available to everyone, with no end date

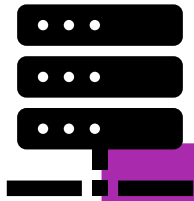


Free To Read

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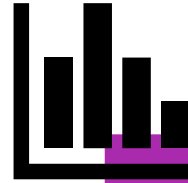
SUSHI API AND JSON SCHEMA

SUSHI



- Dropping IP authentication
- Updated endpoints
- New parameters

JSON



- OpenAPI3.1
- Compact: deduplicated and simplified
- Matched to tabular reports

OTHER CHANGES

Lower impact or optional

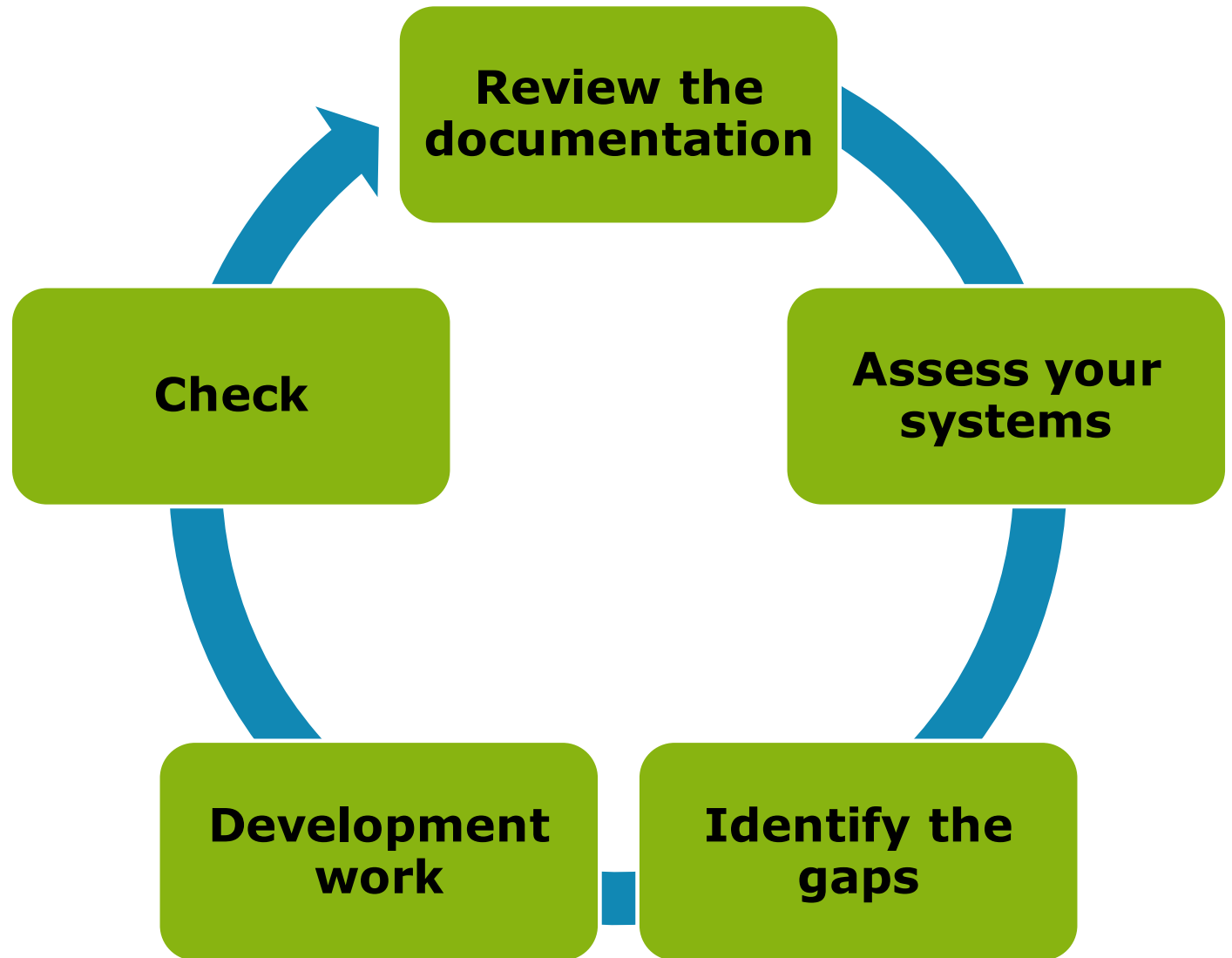




PREPARATION



THE BASICS



BEYOND THE BASICS

Report consumers

- Harvesting and ingestion
- Metrics evaluation

Report providers

- Audit planning
- Launch and overlap management



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YOUR QUESTIONS





PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED

- Downloading COUNTER Reports in alternative formats
- JSON files in non-standard structures

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