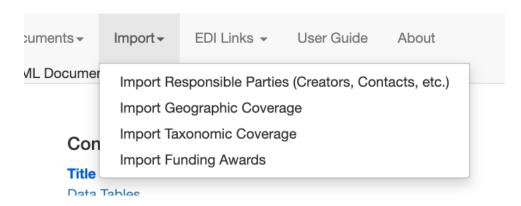
Importing from Other Data Packages

EML documents that you've created using ezEML in the past remain available for you to access. It may often be the case that there are items you've entered in one of those documents that you want to re-use in the document that you're currently working on. For example, people and organizations who were collaborators in a previous project may be collaborators again in the current one.

In such cases, you can import the metadata items from the earlier document, saving you from having to re-enter them manually.

In addition, you may want to use a given item more than once in the same document. A person entered as a creator may also be a contact or project personnel, for example. To handle such cases, you are allowed to "import" from the current document as well as from a different one.

To import, click on **Import** drop-down menu and select one of the available options:



Suppose you select **Import Responsible Parties (Creators, Contacts, etc.)**, for example. You will be shown a list of the available EML documents from which you can import.

Note that one of the available choices is the current data package, allowing you to "import" from another section within the current document. Or, you can select another document from the list. Having selected a document, click **Open for Import**, which will take you to a page that looks something like:

Import Responsible Parties ③

Select responsible parties to import from sample.1.1:
☐ Charles Darwin (Creator)
■ Alfred Russel Wallace (Creator)
☐ Fictitious LTER Site (Creator)
Import as:
○ Creators
Metadata Providers
Associated Parties
○ Contacts
Publisher
Project Personnel
Import

Select the parties you wish to import and select the use they will have in the current document. For example:

Import Responsible Parties ③

Select responsible parties to import from sample.1.1:

Charles Darwin (Creator)
Alfred Russel Wallace (Creator)
Fictitious LTER Site (Creator)

Import as:
Creators
Metadata Providers
Associated Parties
Contacts
Publisher
Project Personnel

Import

Cancel

Click the **Import** button, and the selected parties will be imported as Project Personnel, in the example above:

Project Personnel Charles Darwin Alfred Russel Wallace Add Project Personnel Save and Continue

Similarly, you can import Geographic Coverage items, Taxonomic Coverage items, or Funding Awards.