# FWO DMP Template - Flemish Standard Data Management Plan

# Version KU Leuven

Project supervisors (from application round 2018 onwards) and fellows (from application round 2020 onwards) will, upon being awarded their project or fellowship, be invited to develop their answers to the data management related questions into a DMP. The FWO expects a **completed DMP no later than 6 months after the official start date** of the project or fellowship. The DMP should not be submitted to FWO but to the research co-ordination office of the host institute; FWO may request the DMP in a random check.

At the end of the project, the **final version of the DMP** has to be added to the final report of the project; this should be submitted to FWO by the supervisor-spokesperson through FWO’s e-portal. This DMP may of course have been updated since its first version. The DMP is an element in the final evaluation of the project by the relevant expert panel. Both the DMP submitted within the first 6 months after the start date and the final DMP may use this template.

The DMP template used by the Research Foundation Flanders (FWO) corresponds with the Flemish Standard Data Management Plan. This Flemish Standard DMP was developed by the Flemish Research Data Network (FRDN) Task Force DMP which comprises representatives of all Flemish funders and research institutions. This is a standardized DMP template based on the previous FWO template that contains the core requirements for data management planning. To increase understanding and facilitate completion of the DMP, a standardized **glossary** of definitions and abbreviations is available via the following [link](https://www.fwo.be/media/1024841/glossary-flemish-standard-data-management-plan.pdf).

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| 1. **General Project Information** | |
| Name Grant Holder & ORCID | **Simen Gaens (0000-0001-6666-2910)** |
| Contributor name(s) (+ ORCID) & roles | **Bruno Cassiman () : Supervisor**  **Jeroen van den Bosch () : Co-supervisor** |
| Project number [[1]](#footnote-1) & title | 3H220342: Valuation of Intellectual Property from patent data |
| Funder(s) GrantID [[2]](#footnote-2) | SB/1SHHY24N |
| Affiliation(s) | ☐ KU Leuven  ☐ Universiteit Antwerpen  ☐ Universiteit Gent  ☐ Universiteit Hasselt  ☐ Vrije Universiteit Brussel  ☐ Other:  ROR identifier KU Leuven: 05f950310 |
| Please provide a short project description | In the rapidly evolving high-tech landscape, strategic risk-taking with emerging technologies is essential. Accurate portfolio valuations and assessing new technology worth are critical. Stock market-based valuations are comprehensive, but existing indicators vary in explanatory power. Despite proven machine-learning validity in patent valuation, they are underused due to interpretability challenges. We aim to enhance machine-learning models with interpretability methods, addressing indicator effects. Additionally, we introduce new ex-ante value indicators for patent valuation, filling gaps in the literature. |

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| 1. **Research Data Summary** | |
| List and describe all datasets or research materials that you plan to generate/collect or reuse during your research project. For each dataset or data type (observational, experimental etc.), provide a short name & description (sufficient for yourself to know what data it is about), indicate whether the data are newly generated/collected or reused, digital or physical, also indicate the type of the data (the kind of content), its technical format (file extension), and an estimate of the upper limit of the volume of the data [[3]](#footnote-3).   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | | | | *Only for digital data* | *Only for digital data* | *Only for digital data* | *Only for physical data* | | Dataset Name | Description | New or Reused | Digital or Physical | Digital Data Type | Digital Data Format | Digital Data Volume (MB, GB, TB) | Physical Volume | | Patentsview data | Descriptive and full text data from USPTO patents. | Generate new data  Reuse existing data | Digital  Physical | Audiovisual  Images  Sound  Numerical  Textual  Model  Software  Other: | .csv  Python file | < 1 GB  < 100 GB  < 1 TB  < 5 TB  > 5 TB  NA | / | | PATSTAT | More comprehensive descriptives and full text data on patents (beyond USPTO) | Reuse existing data | Digital | Numerical and textual | .csv  Python file | <1 TB | / | | KPSS data | Results of commercial value of patents from the findings of Kogan et al. (2017) | Reuse existing data | Digital | Numerical | .dta  Python file | <100 GB | / | | Orbis | We use financial and firm information from the Orbis historical database. (which covers a large chunk of non listed firms) | Reuse existing data | Digital | Numerical | .csv  Python file | <100 GB | / | | Compustat | We use financial and firm information from compustat, provided by WRDS | Reuse existing data | Digital | Numerical | .csv  Python file | <1 GB | / | | |
| *Guidance:*  *The data description forms the basis of your entire DMP, so make sure it is detailed and complete. It includes digital and physical data and encompasses the whole spectrum ranging from raw data to processed and analysed data including analysis scripts and code. Physical data are all materials that need proper management because they are valuable, difficult to replace and/or ethical issues are associated.* *Materials that are not considered data in an RDM context include your own manuscripts, theses and presentations; documentation is an integral part of your datasets and should described under documentation/metadata.*  [*RDM Guidance on data*](https://www.kuleuven.be/rdm/en/guidance/data-standards) | |
| If you reuse existing data, please specify the source, preferably by using a persistent identifier (e.g. DOI, Handle, URL etc.) per dataset or data type. | Patentsview (csv): <https://patentsview.org/download/data-download-tables>  PATSTAT: <https://inspire.wipo.int/patstat-online>  KPSS (dta): <https://github.com/KPSS2017/Technological-Innovation-Resource-Allocation-and-Growth-Replication-Kit>  ORBIS: https://bib.kuleuven.be/ebib/collectie/data/databanken/orbis\_global |
| Are there any ethical issues concerning the creation and/or use of the data  (e.g. experiments on humans or animals, dual use)? If so, refer to specific datasets or data types when appropriate and provide the relevant ethical approval number. | Yes, human subject data; provide SMEC or EC approval number:  Yes, animal data; provide ECD reference number:  Yes, dual use; provide approval number:  No  Additional information:  The data we use is either publicly available or licensable for any party (give a fee applies). |
| Will you process personaldata*[[4]](#footnote-4)*? If so, please refer to specific datasets or data types when appropriate and provide the KU Leuven or UZ Leuven privacy register number (G or S number). | Yes (provide PRET G-number or EC S-number below)  No  Additional information:  We will strictly only use firm and patent information. Individual inventors will not be analyzed in this project. |
| Does your work have potential for commercial valorization (e.g. tech transfer, for example spin-offs, commercial exploitation, …)?  If so, please comment per dataset or data type where appropriate. | Yes  No  If yes, please comment:  We only use (semi)publicly available data which depending on the results could be used in the deployment of a tool to predict the value for patents and related whitespaces in technology and technology portfolios. To this end we will use the public (and licensed) data to train our models but relate the predictions to each firms proprietary data in the final version of the spin-off. (Which is beyond the scope of this project) |
| Do existing 3rd party agreements restrict exploitation or dissemination of the data you (re)use (e.g. Material/Data transfer agreements, research collaboration agreements)?  If so, please explain to what data they relate and what restrictions are in place. | Yes  No  If yes, please explain:  The Orbis and WRDS data has to be licensed by the KUL, currently they have a good relationships and they are licenses which the KUL is eager to extend. However, if at any point Orbis restricts access the KUL will have to destroy their copies and SQL application on Orbis. The access towards WRDS could also be restricted. However, in both those cases I would have to secure my own access, potentially through the use of my Bench Fee. |
| Are there any other legal issues, such as intellectual property rights and ownership, to be managed related to the data you (re)use?  If so, please explain to what data they relate and which restrictions will be asserted. | Yes  No  If yes, please explain:  Since we are all in order with our licensed data (Orbis/WRDS) being licensed correctly and all other data being publicly available there is no issue with regards to the usage of this data for this research project. However, in the future possible commercial exploitation some new licenses will probably have to be negotiated in order to comply with the regulations from the data providers. |

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| 1. **Documentation and Metadata** | |
| Clearly describe what approach will be followed to capture the accompanying information necessary to keep **data understandable and usable**, for yourself and others, now and in the future (e.g. in terms of documentation levels and types required, procedures used, Electronic Lab Notebooks, README.txt files, Codebook.tsv etc. where this information is recorded).  [*RDM guidance on documentation and metadata*](https://www.kuleuven.be/rdm/en/guidance/documentation-metadata)*.* | I will provide a file that shows which data was collected from where and how it relates to each project.  Furthermore, in each of the coding files the sources are mentioned and I will provide comments in each step in order to further enhance the reusability of the code as well as help with versioning.  When publishing the code there will be README.txt files provided for each of the important steps to enhance replication. Replication will be made as easy as reading in the files sequentially to get the results (given that the data paths are adjusted of course). |
| Will a metadata standard be used to make it easier to **find and reuse the data**?  If so, please specify which metadata standard will be used. If not, please specify which metadata will be created to make the data easier to find and reuse.  *Repositories could ask to deliver metadata in a certain format, with specified ontologies and vocabularies, i.e. standard lists with unique identifiers.* | Yes  No  If yes, please specify (where appropriate per dataset or data type) which metadata standard will be used:  A README.txt file whil provide the necessary context for the data as well as specify the 2 unique identifying variables which we will use. Firstly, we have Patstat’s patent\_id (As well as patentsview patent\_id). Seconldy firms are identified with the unique GVKEY provided by WRDS computstat. These unique identifiers should be enough to link all of our data together. Further data clarifications on potential variables we will develop will also be included in the README.txt file. |

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| 1. **Data Storage & Back-up during the Research Project** | |
| Where will the data be stored?  *Consult the*[*interactive KU Leuven storage guide*](https://icts.kuleuven.be/storagewijzer/en)*to find the most suitable storage solution for your data.* | Shared network drive (J-drive)  Personal network drive (I-drive)  OneDrive (KU Leuven)  Sharepoint online  Sharepoint on-premis  Large Volume Storage  Digital Vault  Other: MSI server (Patstat data) |
| How will the data be backed up?  *What storage and backup procedures will be in place to prevent data loss?* | Standard back-up provided by KU Leuven ICTS for my storage solution  Personal back-ups I make (the source data will be backed up on the KU leuven onedrive but results and preprocessed data is also backed up on an external SSD drive)  Other (specify) |
| Is there currently sufficient storage & backup capacity during the project? If yes, specify concisely. If no or insufficient storage or backup capacities are available, then explain how this will be taken care of. | Yes  No  If no, please specify: |
| How will you ensure that the data are securely stored and not accessed or modified by unauthorized persons?  *clearly describe the measures (in terms of physical security, network security, and security of computer systems and files) that will be taken to ensure that stored and transferred data are safe.*  [*Guidance on security for research data*](https://icts.kuleuven.be/storagewijzer/en) | The data used will be kept securely on the MSI server as well as personal network drives from the KUL. These are regularly updated and maintained by the FEB ICT personnel as such they are some of the default options at the KUL. When collaborating with others I will use the Shared network drive :J, these can only be accessed via VPN connection to the KU Leuven network and follows the same maintenance and update scrutiny from the ICT personnel. |
| What are the expected costs for data storage and backup during the research project? How will these costs be covered? | If any further data storage is required we will tap into the bench fee provided by FWO for the yearly workings of this project. As such there will always be budget in the case that storage costs would suddenly increase. |

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| **5. Data Preservation after the end of the Research Project** | |
| Which data will be retained for at least five years (or longer, in agreement with other retention policies that are applicable) after the end of the project? In case some data cannot be preserved, clearly state the reasons for this  (e.g. legal or contractual restrictions, storage/budget issues, institutional policies...).  [*Guidance on data preservation*](https://icts.kuleuven.be/storagewijzer/en) | ​​ All data will be preserved for 10 years according to KU Leuven RDM policy  All data will be preserved for 25 years according to CTC recommendations for clinical trials with medicinal products for human use and for clinical experiments on humans  Certain data cannot be kept for 10 years (explain) |
| Where will these data be archived (stored and curated for the long-term)?  [*Dedicated data repositories*](https://www.kuleuven.be/rdm/en/policy)*are often the best place to preserve your data. Data not suitable for preservation in a repository can be stored using a KU Leuven storage solution, consult the*[*interactive KU Leuven storage guide*](https://www.kuleuven.be/rdm/en/guidance/data-sharing)*.* | KU Leuven RDR  Large Volume Storage (longterm for large volumes)  Shared network drive (J-drive)  Other (specifiy): |
| What are the expected costs for data preservation during the expected retention period? How will these costs be covered? | The expected costs would the standard costs related to storing projects on KU Leuven RDR, this would mean that no extra costs would be imposed on this project. |

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| **6. Data Sharing and Reuse** | |
| Will the data (or part of the data) be made available for reuse after/during the project?  Please explain per dataset or data type which data will be made available.  *Note that ‘available’ does not necessarily mean that the data set becomes openly available, conditions for access and use may apply. Availability in this question thus entails both open & restricted access. For more information:* [*https://wiki.surfnet.nl/display/standards/info-eu-repo/#infoeurepo-AccessRights*](https://wiki.surfnet.nl/display/standards/info-eu-repo/#infoeurepo-AccessRights) | Yes, as open data  Yes, as embargoed data (temporary restriction)  Yes, as restricted data (upon approval, or institutional access only)  No (closed access)  Other, please specify: |
| If access is restricted, please specify who will be able to access the data and under what conditions. | A part of the data, more specifically our own defined measures that are created on freely available data from patentsview or patstat will be made available for future researchers to be reused. The methods on how to construct them will also be included in our data appendix for those who don’t have institutional access to these measures. Anything related to firm level data and prediction results will be offered as restricted data for MSI to used with institutional access or granted to other researchers upon approval. |
| Are there any factors that restrict or prevent the sharing of (some of) the data (e.g. as defined in an agreement with a 3rd party, legal restrictions)? Please explain per dataset or data type where appropriate. | Yes, privacy aspects  Yes, intellectual property rights  Yes, ethical aspects  Yes, aspects of dual use  Yes, other  No  If yes, please specify:  As part of the licensing agreement we are not allowed to share the Orbis data to third parties, the results of our analysis can be published freely. |
| Where will the data be made available?  If already known, please provide a repository per dataset or data type. | KU Leuven RDR  Other data repository (specify)  Other (specify) |
| When will the data be made available? | Upon publication of research results  Specific date (specify)  Other (specify) |
| Which data usage licenses are you going to provide? If none, please explain why.  *A data usage license indicates whether the data can be reused or not and under what conditions. If no licence is granted, the data are in a grey zone and cannot be legally reused. Do note that you may only release data under a licence chosen by yourself if it does not already fall under another licence that might prohibit that.*  *Check the*[*RDR guidance on licences*](https://www.kuleuven.be/rdm/en/rdr/licenses)*for data and software sources code or consult the*[*License selector tool*](https://ufal.github.io/public-license-selector/)*to help you choose.* | CC-BY 4.0 (data)  Data Transfer Agreement (restricted data)  MIT licence (code)  GNU GPL-3.0 (code)  Other (specify) |
| Do you intend to add a PID/DOI/accession number to your dataset(s)? If already available, please provide it here.  *Indicate whether you intend to add a persistent and unique identifier in order to identify and retrieve the data.* | Yes, a PID will be added upon deposit in a data repository  My dataset already has a PID  No |
| What are the expected costs for data sharing? How will these costs be covered? | File storage at the central KU Leuven datacenters which offer a wide selection of scalable and flexible data solutions at a cost of € 251.83 to € 1,255.66/TB/year, depending on the type chosen. This will be covered within the project funds from Prof. Cassiman. |

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| **7. Responsibilities** | |
| Who will manage data documentation and metadata during the research project? | **Bruno Cassiman** |
| Who will manage data storage and backup during the research project? | **Bruno Cassiman** |
| Who will manage data preservation and sharing? | **Bruno Cassiman** |
| Who will update and implement this DMP? | **Bruno Cassiman** |

1. “Project number” refers to the institutional project number. This question is optional. Applicants can only provide one project number. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Funder(s) GrantID refers to the number of the DMP at the funder(s), here one can specify multiple GrantIDs if multiple funding sources were used. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Add rows for each dataset you want to describe. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. See Glossary Flemish Standard Data Management Plan [↑](#footnote-ref-4)