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Why we should use EU data

Sea of data

Numbers tell a story

Important as citizens & journalists



How can we make sense of EU data?

Regional, national and EU level data

All different formats

Challenge is to make it useable

Accountability and stories



Work together to maximise impact

Vital to work together - skills and context

EU Structural funds project

Collaboration between FT, TBIJ, journalists and coders



Getting EU data

Across EU and national publications

Through FOI - database, collected or numberous requests

Get to know the data

Be targeted in your request



The process - from numbers to words

Preparation for analysis - comparable

Understand what your working with

Looking out for trends



Translate into a story

Story first, data later

Data first, story later

Sanity check



Need to make use of data

Can ask for more once we understand what we have...

