



HTAi Interest Sub-Group on Information Resources (IRG) - Business Meeting -

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Country-specific Health Technology Assessment information - HTA by Geography -

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Background and objective

- Increasing quantity of available regional and country-related information
- Increasing quantity of publications on regional and national HTA (history, organization, structures, impact etc.)
- Geographical data became easy to present by the internet. Special software allows for the integration of maps into web pages.

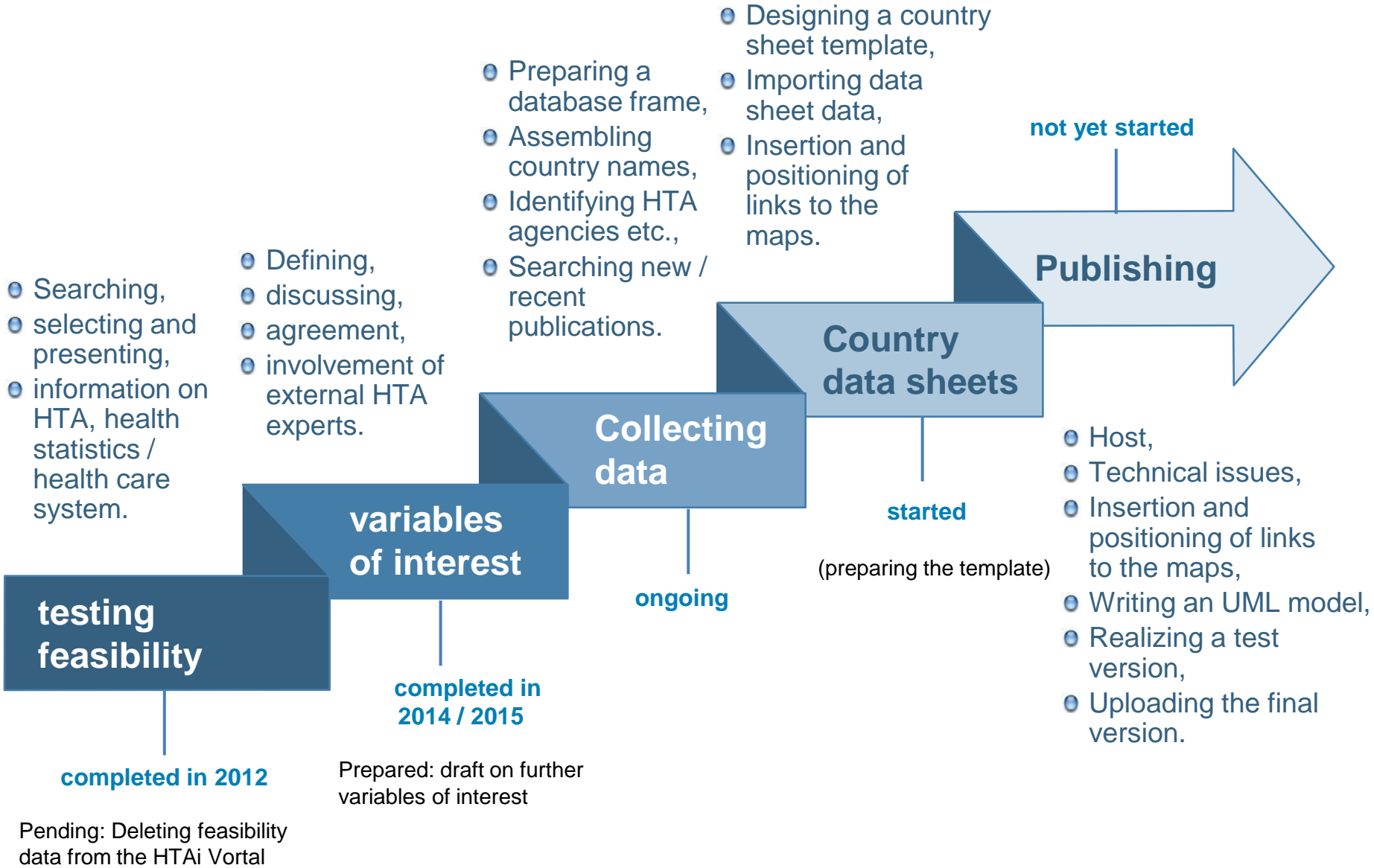
The problem: in practice it's often difficult and time-consuming to find (up-to-date) country-related information of interest

Objective

- Building-up of a country-specific information tool on
 - HTA publications,
 - important related information for
 - HTA authors and users,
 - guided by geographical data and maps



Project management



Content of interest

Selected variables

- **Continent** (e.g. name, publications on continent-specific HTA)
- **Country-related data** (e.g. country name, flag symbol, country code, language)
- **Institutional HTA** (e.g. name of HTA agency, acronym, URL, agency status)
- **Country-specific HTA publications** (e.g. handbook(s) / methods guide(s), HTA publications of the last five years)
- **Health care system information** (e.g. publications (grey literature, periodicals) on the national health care system)
- **International information sources** for Health / health care data (e.g. links to related OECD data, WHO data)

One alternative - visualizing the project results

Level 1: The homepage and invitation to the entrance of the information tool

The screenshot shows the HTAi website homepage with three main columns:

- NEWS & EVENTS:** Contains three news items with dates and brief descriptions, each followed by a link to view more. At the bottom, there are links for "All news" and "All events".
- INTEREST SUB-GROUPS:** Lists various sub-groups such as "Conditional Coverage/Access with Evidence Development", "Disinvestment and Early Awareness", "Ethics", "Hospital Based HTA", "HTA-Regulatory Interactions", "HTA in Developing Countries", "Early Career Network", "Information Resources", "Patient and Citizen Involvement", and "Impact of Public Health interventions". A link at the bottom says "Access all Interest Sub-Groups".
- RESOURCES:** Lists resources like "Scholarships and Travel Grants", "HTA Glossary", "Interest Sub-Groups Publications", "Green Park Collaborative", and "Employment Opportunities/Requests for Proposals". A "More" link is present, along with a "Search HTAi Portal" button and a world map.

Looking for regional HTA information?
Please click the map



One alternative - visualizing the project results

Level 2: Selecting a continent

Please click the map to chose your continent



Continent

- [Africa](#)
- [America, Central](#)
- [America, North](#)
- [America, South](#)
- [Asia](#)
- [Europe](#)
- [Oceania](#)

Select a country

Continent:



Country:

One alternative visualizing the project results

Level 3: Selecting a country

Please click the map to chose your country



Brazil / Brasil BRA  

Continent: [America_South](#)
Language: Portuguese

1. HTA agencies

| Name | Acronym | URL | Status |
|------|---------|-----|--------|
|------|---------|-----|--------|

2. Country-specific HTA publications

2.1 Handbook(s) / Methods guide(s)

South Africa - GJFO Country statistics. Vol. 2013. Geneva: World Health Organisation (WHO); 2013. URL: <http://www.wits.ac.za/>

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2.3 Publications on country-related HTA of the last 5 years

- Kachlengwa M.O, Boonzaier D.A. Health care technology assessment—the South African health care system in transition. *S Afr Med J.* 1999;89(2):149-55. ([bibliographic data](#)) ([full text](#))
- Mueller TB, Govender M, Basu D. Health technology assessment in South Africa—future promise. *S Afr Med J.* 2011;101(5):286-7. ([bibliographic data](#)) ([full text](#))

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2.5 International information sources for Health / health care data

- South Africa - GJFO Country statistics. Vol. 2013. Geneva: World Health Organisation (WHO); 2013. URL: <http://www.wits.ac.za/>
- South Africa - OECD Countries. Vol. 2013. 2013-02 ed. Paris: Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD); 2013. URL: <http://www.wits.ac.za/>

Many thanks for your interest!



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