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CrossRef Joins STM-DataCite Statement

In June 2012, DataCite and the International Association of STM Publishers (STM) issued a joint statement on the Linkability and Citability of Research Data (http://www.stm-assoc.org/2012_06_14_STM_DataCite_Joint_Statement.pdf). CrossRef is pleased to join and support this statement and the best practices for data it recommends.

CrossRef, a not-for-profit association of representing 4,000 scholarly publisher with 55 million content items (journal and conference proceeding articles and books and book chapters), is committed to the interoperability of CrossRef and DataCite's services which are based on the Digital Object Identifier (DOI) System, recently approved as an ISO Standard (**ISO 26324:2012, Information and documentation - Digital object identifier system**).

Specifically, CrossRef encourages publishers to use DataCite DOIs to link to data sets referenced in the published literature, and encourages authors of research papers to use CrossRef DOIs to link from data deposited in DataCite repositories to the published articles that draw on that data. CrossRef and DataCite are also collaborating on joint services, such as DOI Content Negotiation (<http://crosscite.org/cn/>), to enable publishers and data repositories to automatically interlink their content.