

DATA WALK: QUESTIONS AND ROLES

In order to fruitfully conduct a data walk, it is important to keep a set of basic questions in mind, and divide roles that can help the group answer these questions and contribute to the group discussion.

Questions

- Which data hubs do you see?
- What do you know about the data involved? What is collected here, and by which party?
- What happens with the data? Why is it collected; what is it used for?
- Who owns the data, and to what extent should you be involved in the process?

Roles



Navigator

The navigator of the group determines the area for the data walk and suggests directions for the walk along the way.



Photographer

The photographer takes photographs of data hubs or other elements/places that represent a form of data structure.



Note-Taker

The note-taker jots down observations that the group makes during the walk, and may also ask passers-by questions about the encountered data hubs.



Map-Maker

The map-maker draws a map of the group's path, noting which data hubs can be found (or are concentrated) in which area.