

# Communicating Links between Resources and Musical Works

DDEX has developed a standard that provides a mechanism for companies that have established the identity of the Musical Work or Works embodied in a Sound Recording or Video recording and enable them to inform their business partners of this fact. The message can also be used to communicate the fact that the Musical Work (or Works) identified in the message is not embodied in the Sound Recording or Video recording identified in the message.

The standard also allows companies to forward such information when they have received such information from third parties and for companies to ask other companies for such links.

Note: for such a link to be communicated it is neither mandatory for the Sound Recording(s) to be identified by an ISRC nor for the Musical Work(s) to be identified by an ISWC.

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**Standard**

Standard for the Communication of Links between Resources and Musical Works (Version 1.1)

Before starting an implementation, DDEX recommends to read Starting an Implementation and Licensing DDEX Standards.

**Essential**

**Reading**

▼ **The DDEX Data Dictionary ...**

*... for the US Letters of Direction  
Choreography  
Standard (LoD,  
Version 1.0): Message  
Structure and AVSs*

*... for the Electronic  
Release Notification  
Message Suite  
Standard (ERN,  
Version 4.2): Message  
Structure and AVSs*

*... for the Musical Work  
Right Share  
Notification  
Choreography  
Standard (MWN,  
Version 1.2): Message  
Structure and AVSs*

*... for the US Musical  
Work Licensing  
Choreography  
Standard (MWL,  
Version 1.0): Message  
Structure and AVSs*

*... for the Standard for  
the Communication of  
Media Enrichment and  
Description  
Information (MEAD): M  
essage Structure and  
AVSs*

*... for the Standard for  
communicating links  
between Resources  
and Musical Works  
(Version 1.1)*

*... for the Recording  
Data and Rights  
Standard (Version 1.4)*

*... for Release  
Deliveries using SFTP  
or Web Service  
(Version 1.7)*

*... for the Recording  
Information Notification  
(Version 1.1)*

*... for Work and Share  
Notifications*

*... for Works Licensing*

**Why are  
there  
multiple  
data  
dictionarie  
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