



Service Catalog

What is a Service Catalog?

A service catalog hosts descriptions of information technology (IT) services and related components (e.g. reusable software code). A service catalog could be in the form of a document, web page or digital application.

Why are Service Catalogs Important?

Service catalogs enable users to identify resources that may be leveraged to help reduce costs, speed development, promote standardization and produce higher quality systems and applications.

Shared Services Resources Catalog (SSRC)

EPA has launched the Shared Services Resource Catalog (SSRC), available at <https://sscatalog.epa.gov>. The SSRC improves upon EPA's Reusable Components Service (RCS) search, discovery and maintenance interfaces.

Enhancements include:

- More efficient data entry, search and discovery.
 - Users can find appropriate items with just a few clicks to select business function and/or categorical tags associated with each resource.
- Reduced complexity for metadata presented to one screen (vs. the current multi-tab approach).

Additional Information

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What is the Difference Between a Service Catalog and a Service Registry?

A service catalog contains information about an item such as an API or shared service.

A service registry tracks when/where any given service is actively running.

A service catalog may include information about how to connect and/or utilize a service but does not keep track of which services are active nor where they are running.

For more information on service registries refer to the Service Registry fact sheet.