

If you wish to request a cascaded certification, please provide your code & data in a .zip file, along with a *readme* file. This file must contain:

- A list of all the files included in the .zip. This way, we'll check if all files are included.
- The metadata: that is, the data sources and providers, the research/production location and the time period covered.
- Licensing and access information. Is the original data accessible to researchers other than the author (license)? Does the author have the rights to redistribute the data (if not holder of the copyright)? For data generated by the author, is a license provided?
- If the datasets have DOIs, they must be indicated.
- The software used for the study, its version, as well as the required packages (and their versions too).
- The code hierarchy: for instance, is there a main script? Which code runs on which data?

Any kind of format is accepted, including proprietary format. However, the datasets must be free of any kind of personally identifiable information, and their names must be identical to those used in the article.

As for the code, it must be commented as much as possible, so that the referee doesn't have any trouble understanding the code. We would also appreciate a header indicating who last edited the code and when, the software version, the required packages and where to get their adequate versions. Also, if the code yields more results than those displayed in the article, you must indicate where to locate the results to certify.