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> is an open, non-profit, community-driven effort to create and maintain a registry of unique researcher identifiers and a transparent method of linking research activities and outputs to these identifiers.
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> ISNI - The **International Standard Name Identifier (ISNI)**
> is an ISO Standard developed as a global identification system of public identities across all fields of creative activity.
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> Expertise - Allows user to identify their primary research interests in their own words.
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> Associations - association or society memberships
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