## Gaia-ESO Survey: Policy on the use of proprietary data.

This document regulates the use of "private" datasets, ie those datasets which are unpublished at the time when they are being used within the Gaia-ESO Survey.

The selection of open cluster target stars will largely make use of public datasets. However, for some clusters use of recent higher quality private photometry or other auxiliary information might be helpful and can be used. This also applies to some field targets.

If any such private data sources are employed during target selection, they must be made available to the whole Gaia-ESO Survey collaboration, by including the complete relevant catalogues in the Gaia-ESO Survey wiki and by attaching the relevant information (e.g., magnitudes and colors) to the individual targets.

Any private datasets which are used within the Gaia-ESO Survey for target selection will be available as input to subsequent spectrum analysis.

However, nobody, with the obvious exception of the data owner, will be allowed to use such data for other purposes, prior to regular publication.

It is to be noted, however, that the private data will be made public in the ESO archive during the semester advanced product data releases.

Making private data available on a given cluster or target does not imply any priority or privileged access for the data owner to the spectroscopy acquired in the Gaia-ESO Survey.