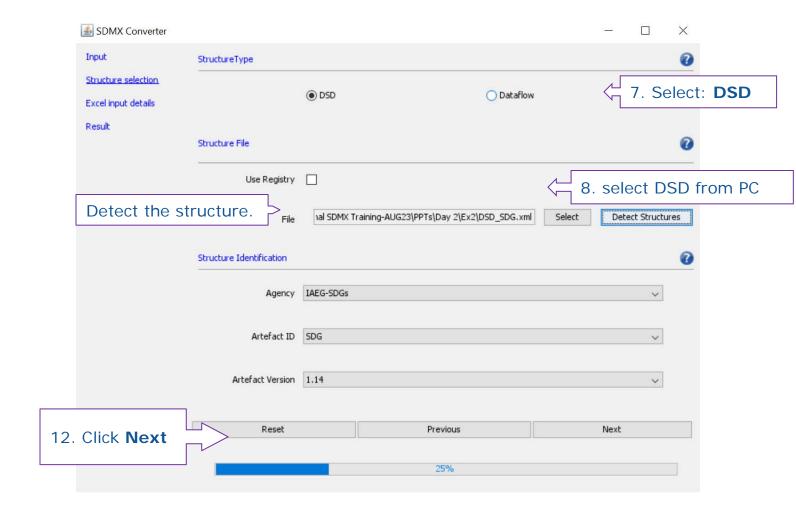# Exercise 3

Using Desktop SDMX Converter to convert data from a mapped Excel file

In this exercise, you will use Desktop SDMX Converter and the Global SDG Data Structure Definition to convert data from an Excel file.

1. Open Desktop SDMX Converter, navigate to folder apps, and open wizard.

2. SDMX Converter opens. On the first screen, you select the input file containing the data (**Palestine_long.xlsx**), the output file where the SDMX data will be written, and the format of the output file.
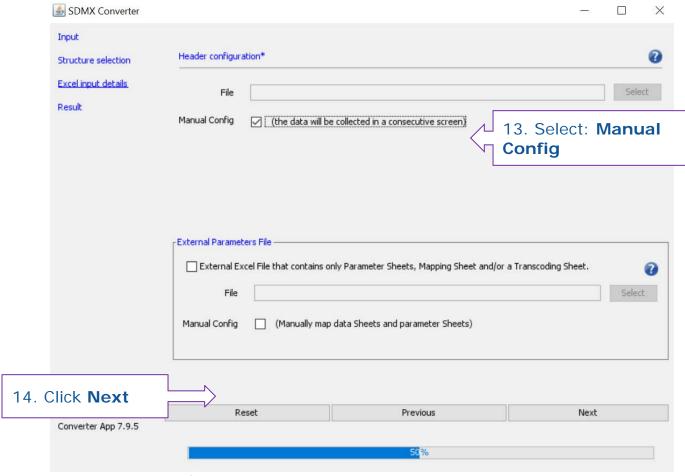
3. On this screen, you load the SDG Data Structure Definition from the SDMX Global Registry.

4. On this screen, you can load an SDMX message header and mapping parameters.
   Every SDMX message must have a header in a defined format, but it is not used in this exercise.
   As for parameters, they are

13. Select: **Manual Config**
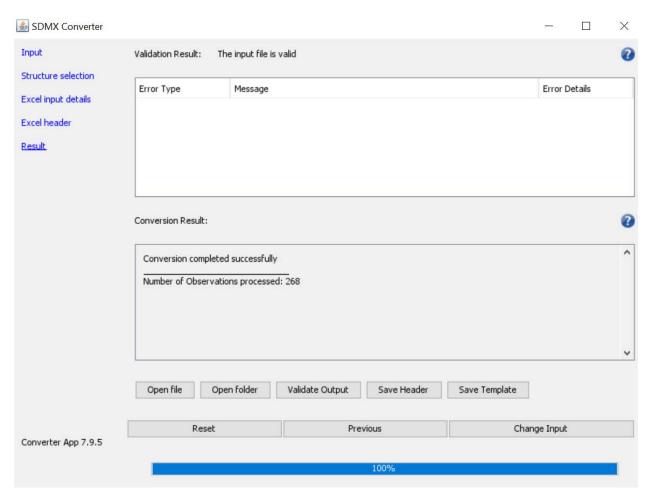
14. Click **Next**

contained in the Excel file.

5. On this screen, you can configure the message header. You may wish to update the header fields, or simply leave the defaults because we are not using them.

6. If the steps have been completed correctly, data will be retrieved without errors, the results will be saved in the path specified instep 5, you can open the file with an XML viewer such as Notepad++, or a browser such as Internet Explorer or Firefox.

7. Congratulations! You have successfully converted a spreadsheet to SDMX using the SDMX Converter and SDG Data Structure Definition.