

# Open science and EOSC in the European Research Area

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### **Science is in transition**



The **Open Science (OS) paradigm** affects the whole research cycle and all its stakeholders It implies sharing knowledge and tools:

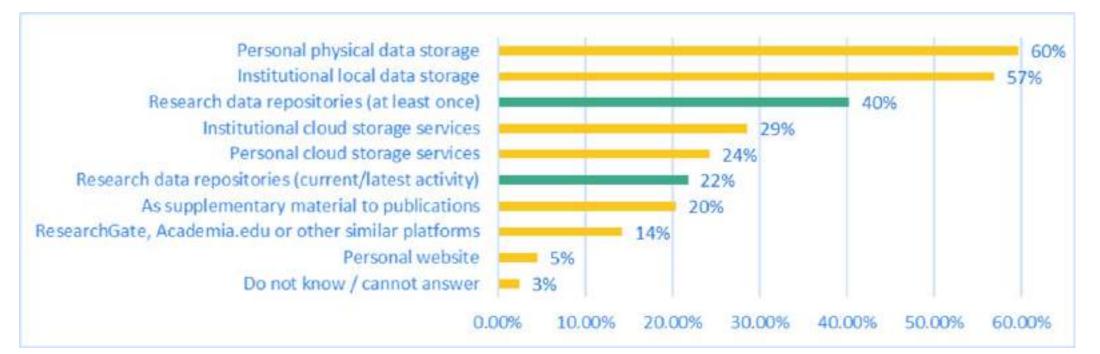
- "as early as possible" in the research process;
- "as openly as possible";
- "<u>as FAIR as possible</u>";

not only within a discipline but also between disciplines and society at large.

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#### **Research data depositing**

- Research data repositories are not the most common destination for storing usable research data. Researchers usually (~60%) stored data in personal physical data storage or institutional local data storage.
- 40% of researchers occasionally stored data in research data repositories.
  22% respondents did that during the current/latest research activity.



Source: European Research data landscape study 2022 commissioned by the European Commission Elaboration by the study performers based on unweighted researchers' survey data. Total N=10,914.

### **Awareness of the FAIR principles**

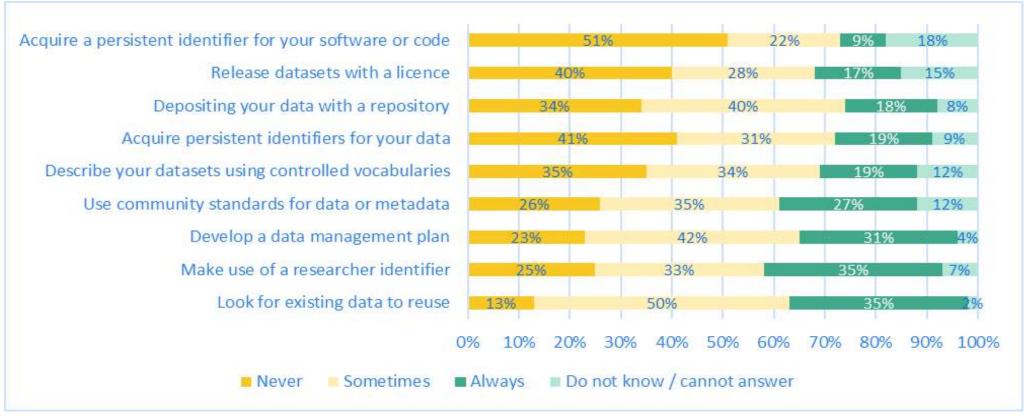
- About 2/3s have some level of familiarity with the FAIR principles.
- More than 1/3 have never heard of them.
- Only 18% of the respondees put the FAIR principles into practice



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#### **FAIR** aligned practices

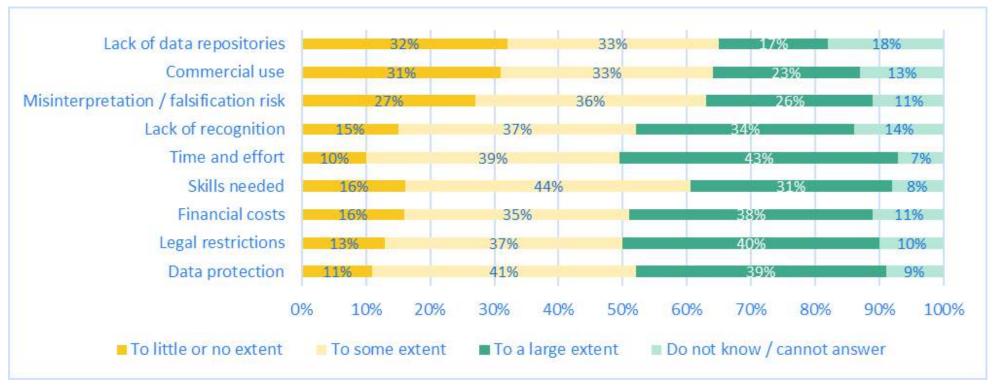
- More than 2/3s develop DMPs but other FAIR-aligned practices are less common.
- Allocating PIDs to data is the least common practice.



Source: European Research data landscape study 2022 commissioned by the European Commission Elaboration by the study performers based on unweighted researchers' survey data. N=10,868-10,889, depending on option

#### **Barriers**

- Time, effort and financial costs required for RDM and data sharing are seen as a challenge
- Data protection and legal restrictions are also seen as big obstacles
- Lack of recognition also seen as a major barrier



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### **Open Science: a Political Priority of the Union**





- 2016: Council Conclusions on the 'Transition Towards an Open Science System'
- <u>2018</u>: EC Recommendation on 'Access to and Preservation of Scientific Information'
- 2020: EC Communication on the 'New ERA'
- 2021: Council Recommendation on a 'Pact for R&I in Europe'
- 2021: Council Conclusions on the 'Future Governance of the ERA' including the 'ERA Policy Agenda
- 2022: Council Conclusions on 'Research Assessment and Implementation of Open Science'



### **Implementing EOSC**

- EOSC as part of the European Research Area to enable sharing of knowledge, data and tools
- EOSC European Partnership to pool resources: Horizon Europe grants & procurements plus in-kind additional activities by the EOSC Association members
- EOSC tripartite collaboration: Implementation steered by the European Commission, the Member States and Associated Countries, and the EOSC Association representing the voice of the community



Courtesy of the EOSC Association.

- A community-driven process
- Gradual implementation based on mutual alignment at European, national and institutional levels



### OS and EOSC in the ERA Policy Agenda 2022-2024

ERA Priority Area:

*"Deepening a truly functioning internal market for knowledge"* 

Action 1 (out of 20):

"Enable the open sharing of knowledge and the re-use of research outputs, including through the development of the European Open Science Cloud"

- Commitments by 24/27 MS
- Three outcomes by end of 2024 (see next slides)
- Synergies with other ERA actions:

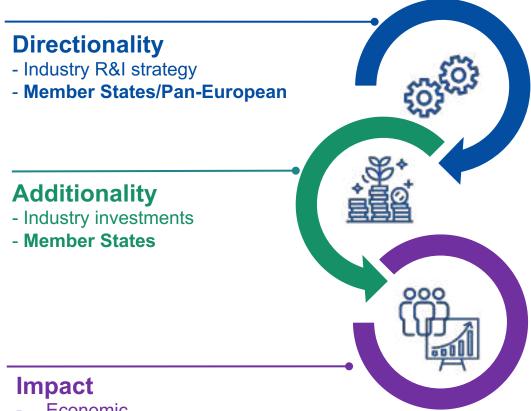
Data legislative framework for research Research Infrastructures Green/digital transition Reform of the Research Assessment International cooperation ERA monitoring mechanism



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#### **EOSC European Partnership**



- Economic
- Social

- Towards a **Web of FAIR data and services** for science (across borders and scientific disciplines)
- Common strategic vision to develop a European data space for science, research and innovation articulated with other public/private data spaces.
- Multiple levels: Pan-European / national / institutional. Multiple stakeholders: EU, MS/AC, Funding agencies, RPOs, universities, libraries, research infrastructures, e-Infrastructures.
- **Multiple commitments**: EU / national investments, Open Science policy alignment & commitments, FAIR uptake, trusted repositories, EOSC-registered services
- Research efficiency, trust in science, data sovereignty, societal relevance of science, innovation in the digital age



#### **EOSC** tripartite collaboration A level playing field for EOSC implementation and coordination

Consensus in 2021 to accelerate implementation of

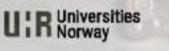
- the deployment of a viable EOSC platform for use by the research communities; *EOSC procurement (upcoming)*
- the deployment of a single joint capacity to monitor the uptake of open science and respective contributions to the EOSC;
  - *EOSC Observatory (ongoing)*
- alignment of policies, investments, and practices at European, national/regional, and institutional levels to foster synergies and leverage effects of the conducted actions. *for the set and t*



A working group appointed by Universities Norway (UHR) was mandated to recommend guiding principles for the assessment and evaluation of research(ers) in the light of the transition to Open Science.

The ambition has been to develop a guide that adopts three core principles for assessment: more transparency, greater breadth, and comprehensive assessments as opposed to one-sided use of indicators.

NOR-CAM - A toolbox for recognition and rewards in academic careers





- Data
- Engagement
- Infrastructure
- Publications
- Services
- Skills/training
- Software

https://www.uhr.no/en/news-from-uhr/nor-cam-a-toolbox-for-recognition-and-rewards-in-academic-careers.5780.aspx

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#### **Data Management Expert Guide** (DMEG)

The DMEG is designed by European experts to help social science researchers make their research data Findable, Accessible, Interoperable and Reusable (FAIR).

You will be guided by different European experts who are - on a daily basis - busy ensuring long-term access to valuable social science datasets, available for discovery and reuse at one of the CESSDA social science data archives.

https://dmeg.cessda.eu/Data-Management-Expert-Guide



Participatory Real Life Experiments in Research and Innovation Funding Organisations on Ethics

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The Research Council of Norway (RCN) is establishing a **national network for citizen science** together with relevant institutions from research and the public sector the enhance mutual learning and sharing of experiences across institutions and societal sectors.

Participation in the PRO-Ethics project which tests new, **ethical ways to involve citizens in decision making processes** and will deliver an ethics framework and a set of practical guidelines and actionable criteria for assessing the quality and ethics of participation processes.

#### Assessment

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### National Open Science Portal

ACCESS TO KNOWLEDGE OF SLOVENIAN RESEARCH ORGANISATIONS

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#### OPEN ACCESS TO CONTENT

Digital Library of the University of Maribor

- Repository of the University of Ljubljana
- Repository of the University of Primorska
- Repository of the University of Nova Gorica
- Digital repository of research organisations of Slovenia
- Repository of independent higher education and higher education
- organisations
- Social data archive VideoLectures.NET
- Digital Library of Slovenia
- NUK Web Archive
- NUK Web Archive
- Ministry of Defence Digital Library
- Sci Vie Repository
- CLARIN SI
- ZRC SAZU

#### A central portal for open science in Slovenia

To provide access to the intellectual production of Slovenian research organisations. Researchers have the infrastructure at their disposal that allows them to comply with the mandatory open availability of publications from publicly funded research.

The aim of the national portal is to support open science, which, in addition to open access to researchers' publications and research data, also involves open collaboration of scientists at different stages of research

#### https://www.openscience.si/Default.aspx

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Repository





Enti finanziatori e Open Access



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OS Progetti e iniziative

Open-science.it is the Italian portal dedicated to Open Science, Open Access to research outputs and many related topics. The portal hosts general information, training material, events, news and updates of national and international relevance, introductory material and resources related to specific problems, as well as analysis and advanced information. It is addressed to the Italian speaking community, contents are only available in Italian for now.

#### https://open-science.it/fr/english

#### Coordination of outcome of National EOSC Tripartite Events

#### EOSC SYMPOSIUM 2022 14 to 17 November, Prague

#### EOSC Tripartite Event



The success of EOSC will largely depend on a change of culture among the researchers towards openness. Research funders, like the Commission, are increasingly committed to foster open access, data management along the FAIR principles, as well as incentives and rewards.

## Thank you



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