Dear Participant,

We are happy to welcome you to the upcoming OA1: PIDs. This programme is dedicated to PIDs. The project representatives of FAIRCORE4EOSC, FAIR-IMPACT, RAISE and the EOSC-A Task Force Co-Chairs of PID Policy and Implementation will introduce the vast landscape of PID systems and activities. The session will make the quickly developing landscape of PIDs transparent and introduce practices and services that will focus on improving quality and mutual learning. This will be introduced in an interactive format, focussing on providing practical tools, technical insights and the future development of PIDs.

Through sessions containing presentations, demonstrators and interactive workshops, the programme on PIDs covers a broad scale of topics and challenges in the PID landscape, quality assurance and PID policy compliance.

Objectives
- Identify and share efforts vital to PID development and use that are part of the EOSC landscape.
- Identify challenges and opportunities for future collaboration on PIDs.

Outcomes
- Enhanced integration of current project developments on PIDs.
- Identified shared challenges and collaboration opportunities between projects and Task Forces on developments surrounding PIDs, for both the present day as well as the future.

Your preparation:
In order to get the most out of the time we will spend together we would like you to:

- **Please read** the full programme of PIDs of the EOSC Winter School. You will be guided through the different parts of the sessions but the sessions are reliant on your input and there is space to bring your own topics to the table in the interactive sessions. Please think beforehand where you can contribute.
- **Be prepared to share** relevant project activities and suggestions related to the programme, but also any topics or issues we may have missed.
- **Please consider that you are representing a project** and might be asked about how certain things are handled in your project or community.
● **The reading list** on the website is included to give you background information to the sessions. Please feel free to reach out if there are any questions about these materials.

● **Prepare information/input** if it applies to your project or organisation:
  - Does your institution or initiative have a PID policy, or define use of PIDs in a data policy? If so, please provide a link to marthe.bierens@tugraz.at
  - Which PIDs do you currently use, and which entities do you use them for (e.g. DataCite DOIs for datasets, ORCID for researchers, IGSN for samples)
  - What are the main benefits you get from the use of PIDs?
  - During the interactive sessions we will be asking participants to respond to a series of questions about PID needs and wants, and current use, and preparing the information above will help.

● **Please bring your laptop** as your session is interactive and does require access to one.

**Opportunities:**

- In the interactive workshop, ‘*Adapting the policy and criteria to the needs of the landscape today*’ on Wednesday afternoon, the session offers the possibility to directly review your use case against the current state of the assessment criteria and PID policy. Not only will you receive direct feedback on how your use case scores against the assessment criteria and how well it aligns with the PID policy, you will also actively help contribute to the improving the quality of assessment criteria and the renewal of the PID policy to match the current day landscape. If you would like your use case to be part of this session, please make sure you prepare it as such.

We are looking forward to your active participation.

**Should you have any requests, questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us at:** marthe.bierens@tugraz.at