



# Launching and operating the EOSC EU Node

approach, milestones, and the role of the broader community

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# What is EOSC



## ***A process***

- Accelerate Open Science, FAIR data management and use of digital methods and services
- Stimulate co-operation in science and research, new insights and innovations, higher research productivity and improved reproducibility in science.

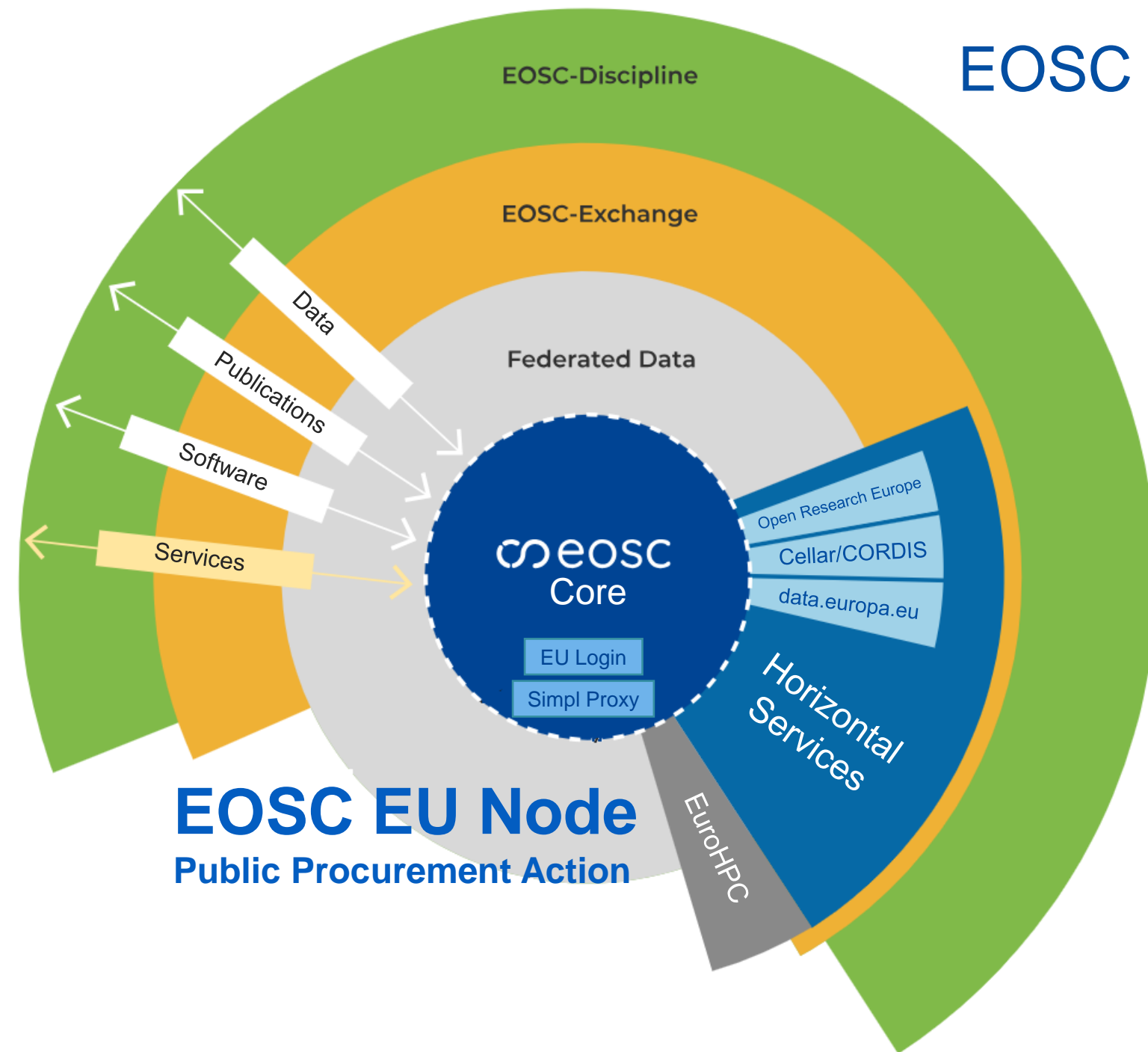
## ***An open, trusted, federation of infrastructure***

- Access existing Research Infrastructures in Europe;
- Enable circa 2 million European researchers to store, share, process, analyze, and reuse research digital objects (e.g. data, publications and software)

## ***An evolving ecosystem***

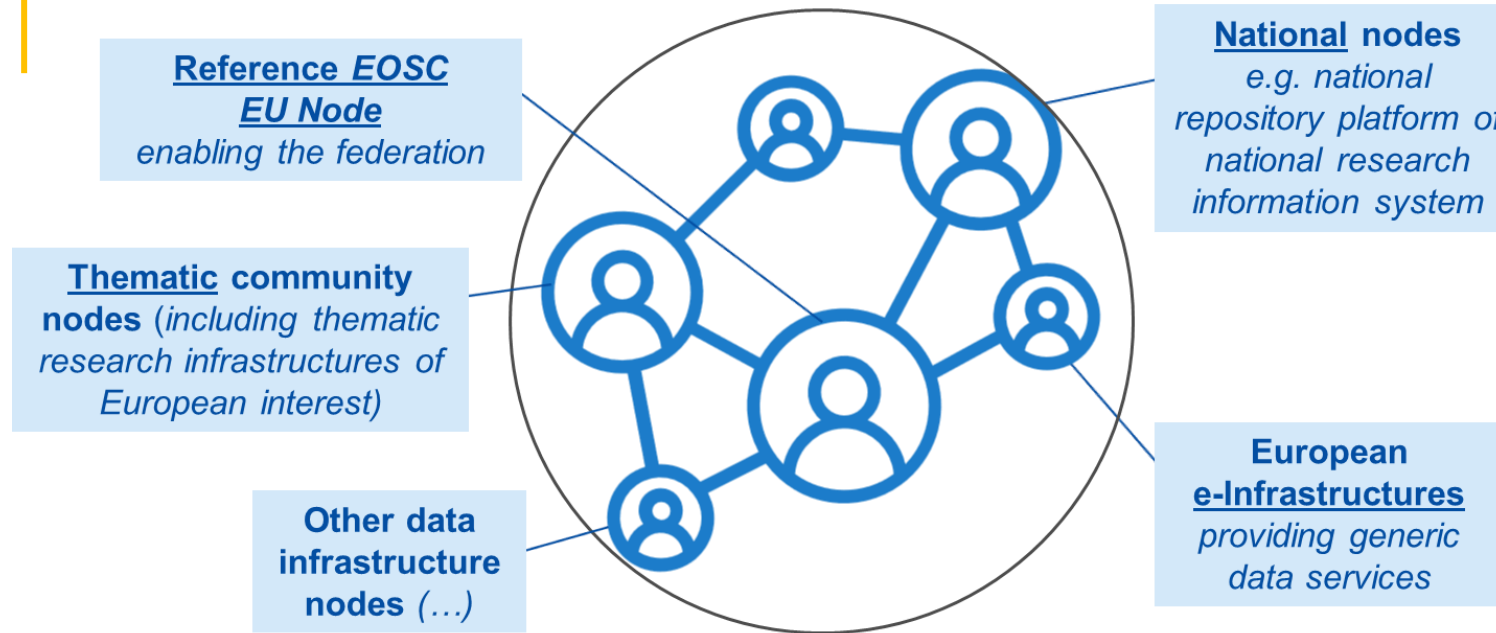
- Bringing together the European Commission, the governments and the many R&I stakeholders involved in the European Research Area
- Co-created across European, national, and institutional levels

# EOSC EU Node Value Proposition



- **Facilitate** the creation of the “*Web of FAIR data and interoperable services*” (aka. EOSC Federation) under the Open Science Policy
- **Put** a “*seed in the ground*” by operationalizing the first recognised EOSC Node at the European level for the initial 3 years
- **Offer** “*core services*” for scientific research infrastructures to federate (single-sign-on, catalogues, knowledge graph, application workflow, monitoring, accounting, helpdesk) and common “*horizontal services*” for end-users to benefit from (compute, containers, data transfer, notebooks, file sharing, open research data)
- **Define** the *pathway and blueprint* (EOSC Interoperability Framework) for other potential EOSC Node operators to join the federation

# About the EOSC Federation and EOSC Nodes



**EOSC policies and standards\*\*:**  
A baseline should be defined to ensure that each node can have a minimum working set of features and supports a minimum set of policies. It is important to mandate compliance with protocols and standards, but to give freedom to each node on how to support them.

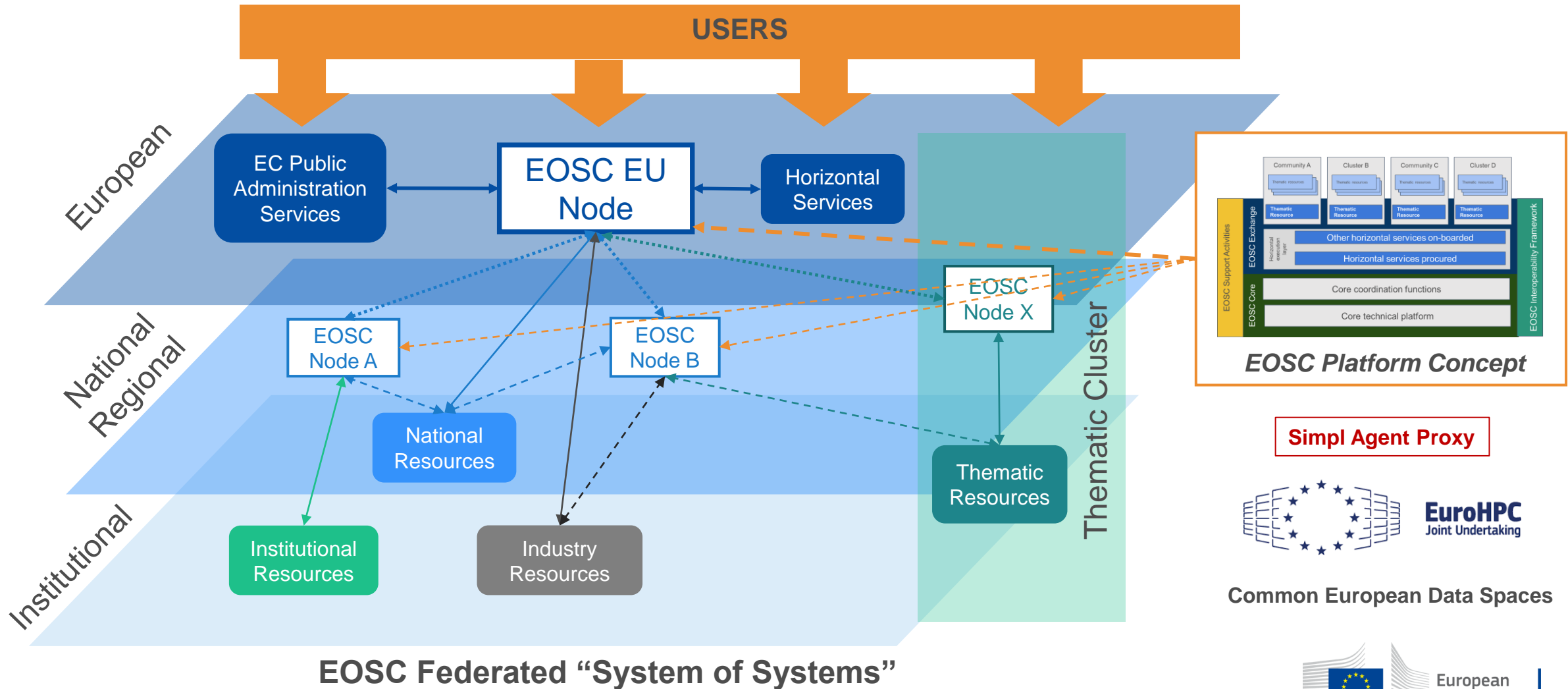
**EOSC Federation\*:** Open and trusted federation of collaborative, autonomous infrastructures applying agreed, consensus-based EOSC policies and rules of participation, combined into a system of systems to enable European researchers to store, share, process, analyse, and reuse research digital objects (e.g. data, publications and software)

**EOSC Node\*:** Data infrastructure system of variable nature (national, regional, institutional or thematic) with consensus-based policies, transparent ownership and clear responsibility, connected to the EOSC Federation to share information and resources within the EOSC community and to leverage common services

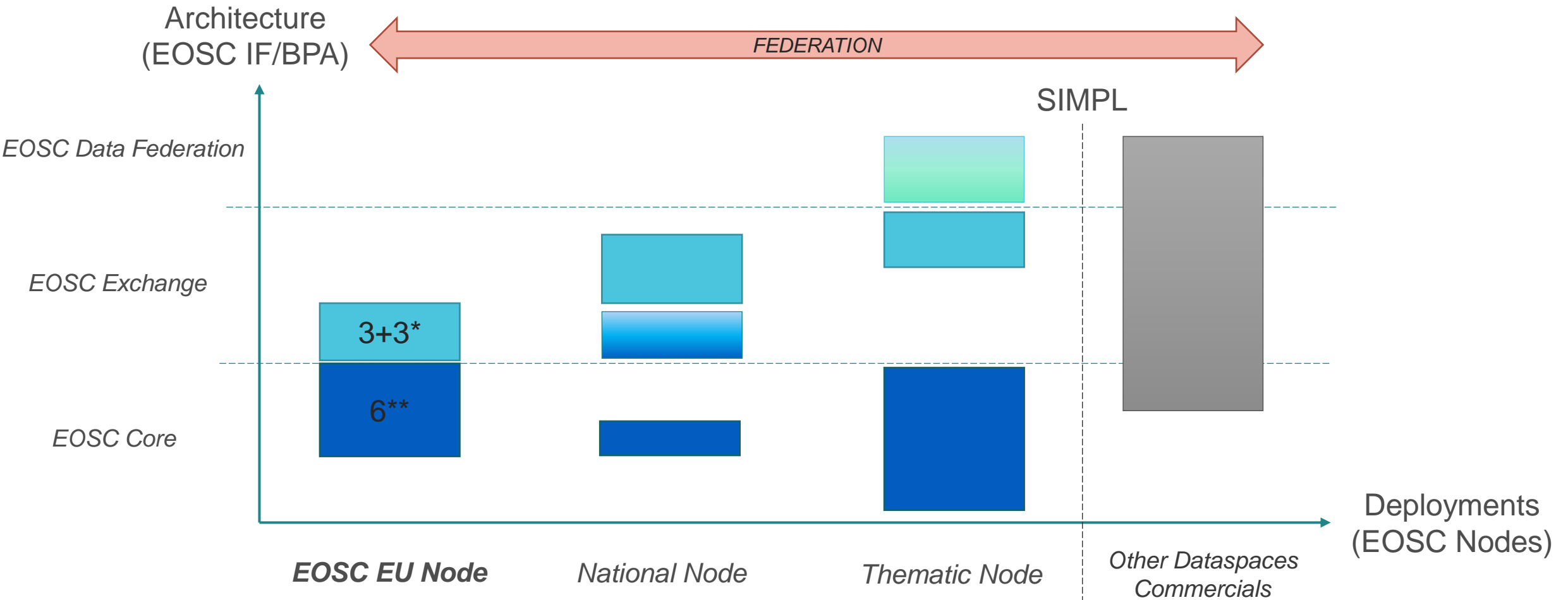
\* [Source](#): “EOSC operations and evolution post-2027” supporting document by the EOSC-SB Policy subgroup (November 2023)

\*\* [Source](#): GEANT and NREN’s position on EOSC Nodes (October 2023)

# EOSC EU Node – Federation Approach



# Architecture vs. Deployment models



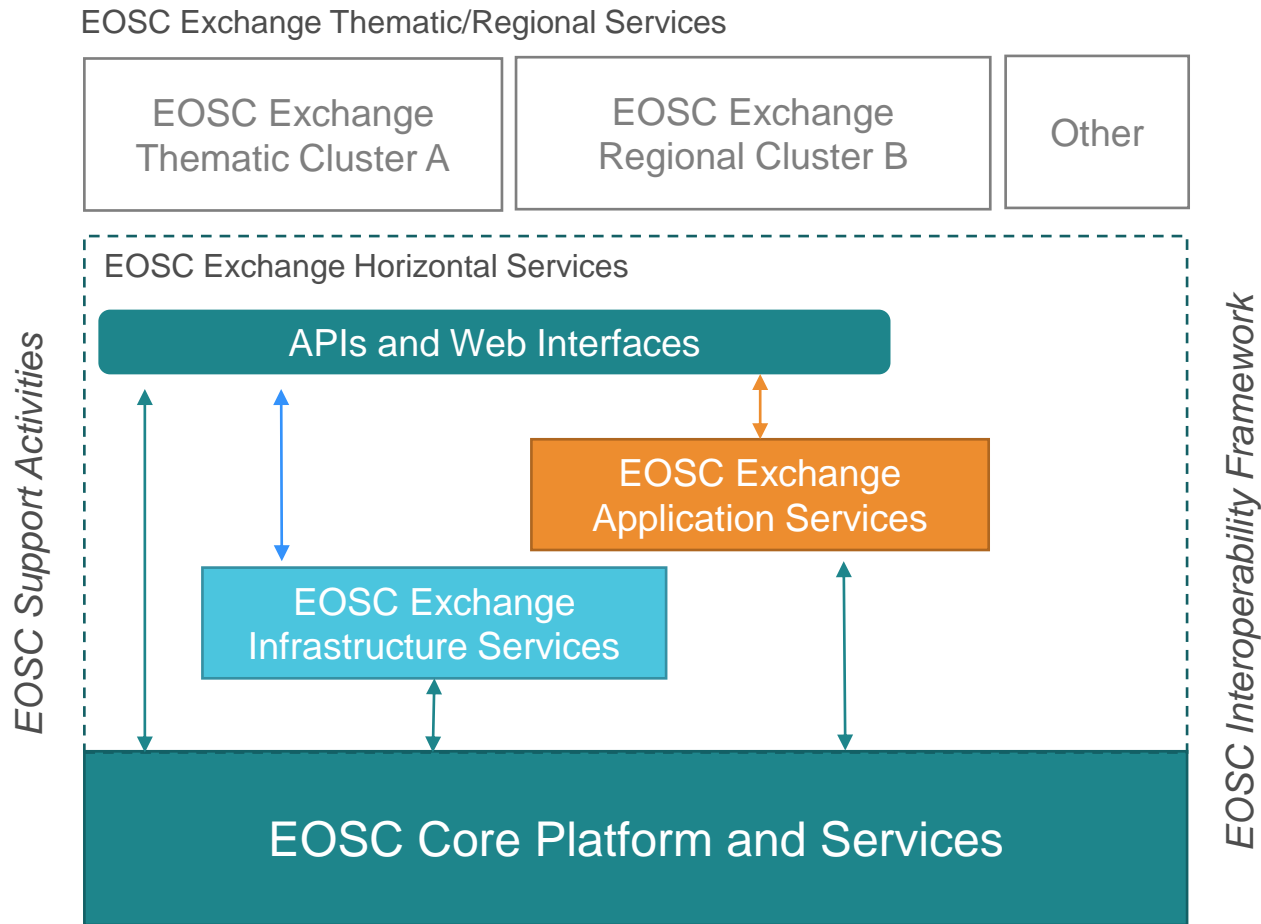
\*3+3 **EOSC Exchange Horizontal Services:** Virtual Machines, Containers, Bulk Data Transfer, File Sync&Share, Notebooks, Large File Transfer

\*\*6 **EOSC Core Services:** Authentication and Authorization/SSO, Application Workflows, Resource Catalogues, Monitoring, Accounting, Service Management

# EOSC EU Node characteristics and features

- **European level multi-disciplinary and multi-national** scientific data/service portfolio for all research users (eduGAIN) and citizen scientists (EU Login/eIDAS)
- **For now, owned by the EC** and governed by the EOSC Tripartite Governance (EC, EOSC-A, MS/AC) Future ownership is under discussion.
- **Operated and maintained 24/7** by contracted third-parties (result of the EOSC Procurement Action) in production
- **SIMPL Agent proxy** to connect to other industrial Data Spaces
- **EuroHPC resources** may be offered to the EOSC Federation
- **Open concept: National, regional and/or thematic** service providers as well as autonomous EOSC Nodes can connect to the federation (established interoperability frameworks and policies)

# Hight-level EOSC EU Node architecture



## Procurement Lot Structure

- Lot 3** Managed Collaborative Data Platform, Interactive Data Analytics Platform and Visualization Services for the EOSC Exchange (Application Services)
- Lot 2** Managed Container Platform and Virtual Machine Services for the EOSC Exchange (Infrastructure Services)
- Lot 1** Managed Services for the Development, Integration, Deployment and Operations of the Federated EOSC Core





# All together the awardees



## EOSC EU Node

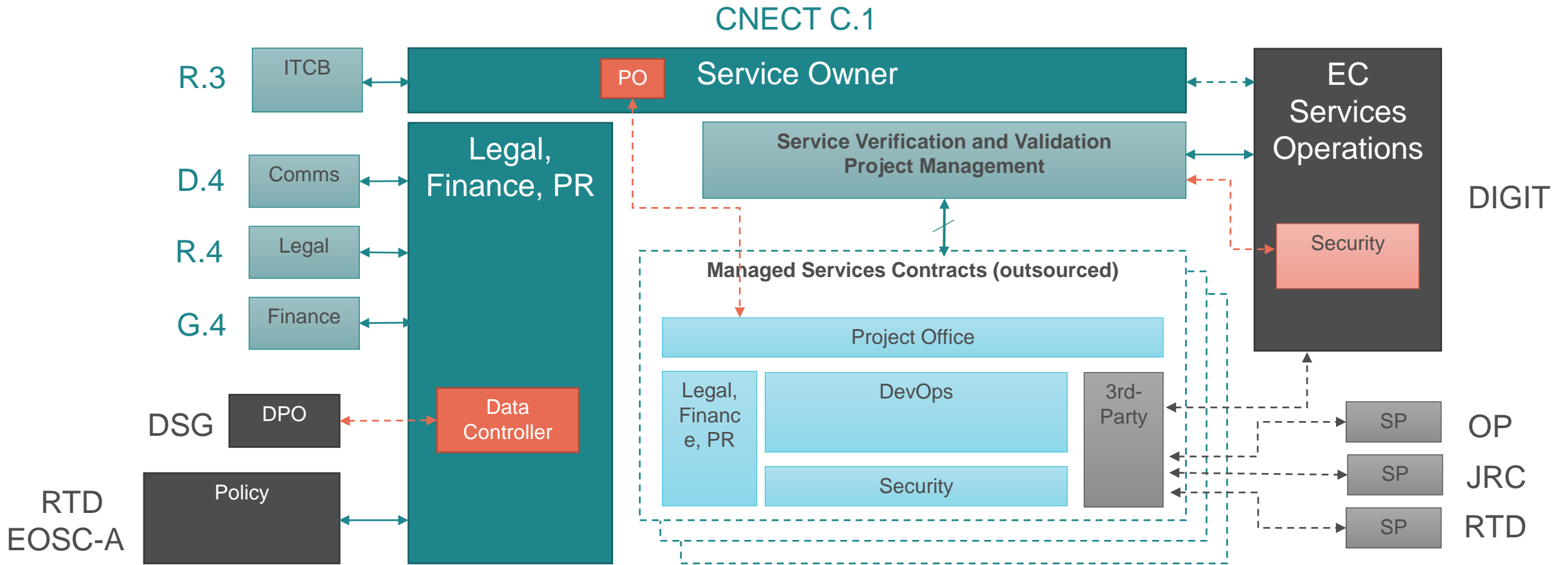
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# Operational Structure



# Planned Timeline and Milestones

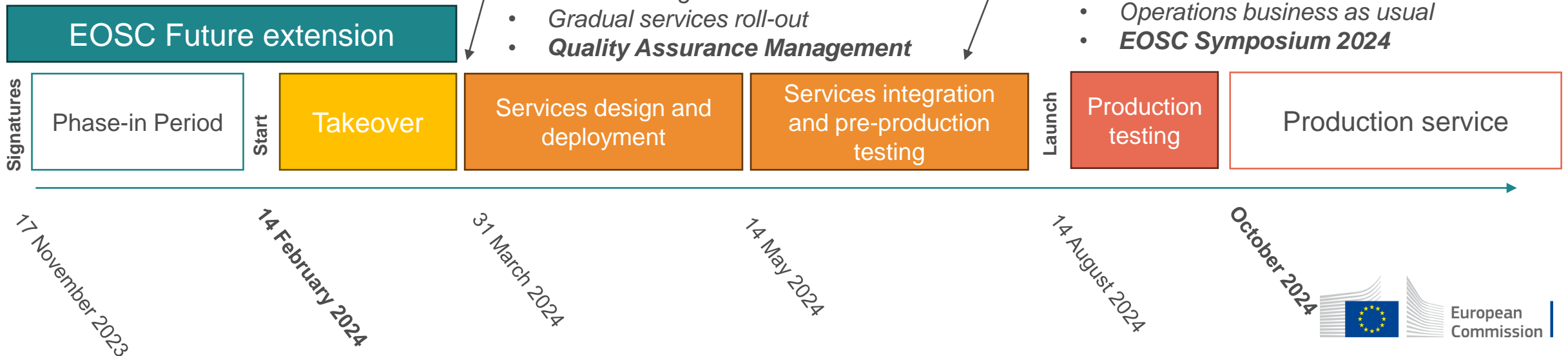
- *Planning and architecting of service components*
- **Compliances and approvals (EC IT Gov)**
- *Definition of policies (RoP, AUP, AP)*
- *Production launch of the EOSC EU Node web front-office*

- *Handover of relevant EOSC Portal functionalities (specs, software, IPO, etc.)*
- *Managing expectations of all stakeholders (providers, users, etc.)*

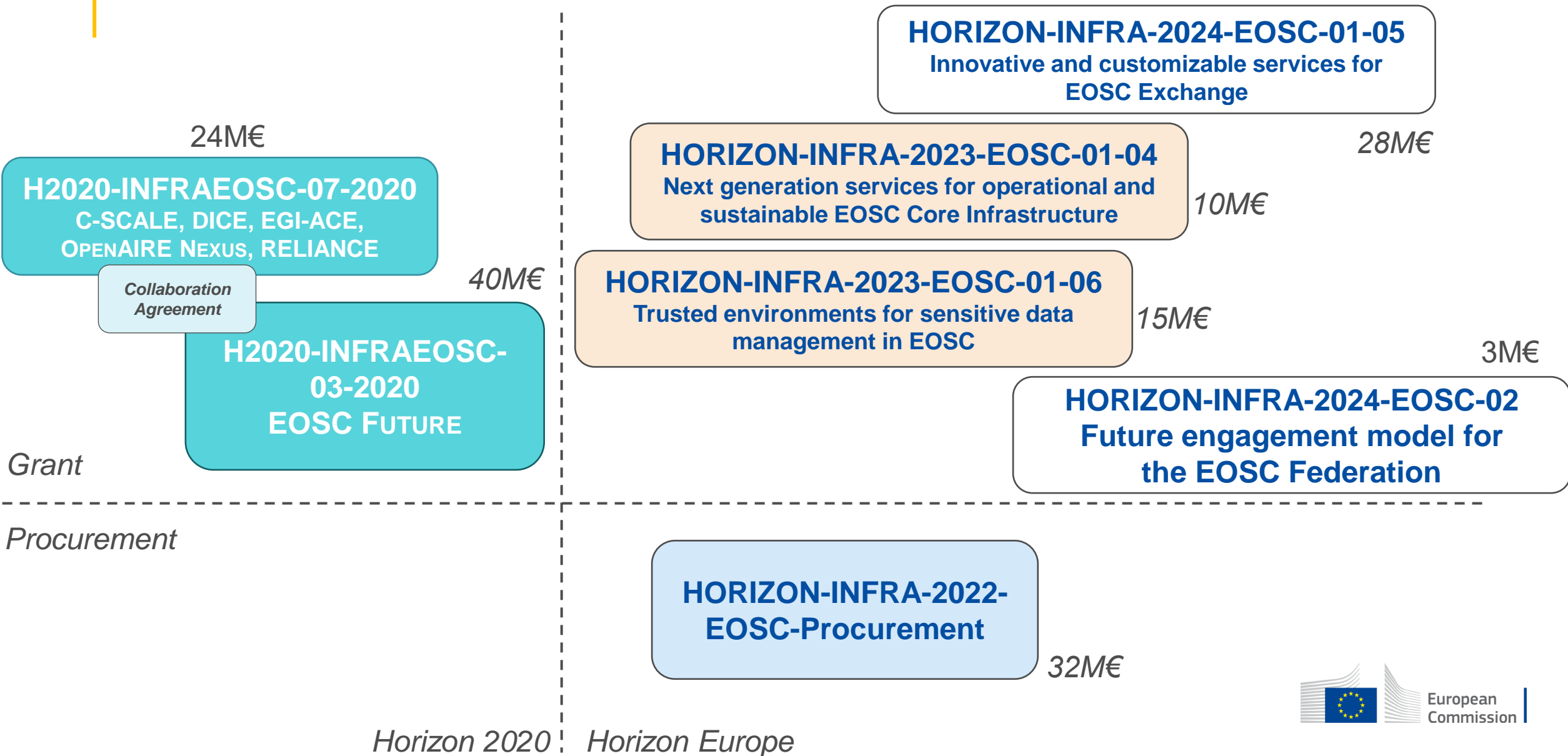
- *Full integration testing of core and exchange services*
- *Integration of EC services (ORE, ODP, CORDIS/Cellar)*
- **Onboarding of flagships to EOSC EU Node**

- *Deployments and staging of core/exchange functionalities*
- *Gradual services roll-out*
- **Quality Assurance Management**

- *Pre-production and production testing*
- *First user experiences*
- *Operations business as usual*
- **EOSC Symposium 2024**



# EU investments in direct support to the EOSC Infrastructure



# Other EU investments through the INFRAEOSC Destination

## Enabling Open Science

### Supporting an EOSC-ready digitally skilled workforce

HORIZON-INFRA-2021-EOSC-01-01  
SKILLS4EOSC (7Mio€)

### Services that underpin a research assessment system that incentivises Open Science

HORIZON-INFRA-2022-EOSC-01-01  
GRASPOS (8 Mio€)

### Supporting institutional open access publishing across Europe

HORIZON-INFRA-2022-EOSC-01-02  
CRAFTOA (5 Mio€)

**Long term access and preservation infrastructures and data quality**  
HORIZON-INFRA-2024-EOSC-01-04 (8 Mio€)

## FAIR implementation

### Deploying EOSC-Core components for FAIR

HORIZON-INFRA-2021-EOSC-01-03  
FAIRCORE4EOSC (10 Mio€)

### Enabling discovery and interoperability of research objects across communities

HORIZON-INFRA-2021-EOSC-01-05  
FAIR-IMPACT (10 Mio€)

### Support to international standards and specifications for open sharing of FAIR research digital objects

HORIZON-INFRA-2022-EOSC-01-04  
RDA TIGER (3 Mio€)

### Planning, tracking and assessing scientific knowledge production

HORIZON-INFRA-2023-EOSC-01-03 (8 Mio€)

### Improving the quality of scientific software and codes

HORIZON-INFRA-2023-EOSC-01-02 (8 Mio€)

**Enabling a network of EOSC federated and trustworthy repositories**  
HORIZON-INFRA-2024-EOSC-01-03 (5 Mio€)

## Uptake – Use cases

### FAIR and open data sharing in support of the Cancer Mission

HORIZON-INFRA-2021-EOSC-01-06  
EOSC4CANCER (8Mio€)

### FAIR and open data sharing in support of the Mission on oceans & waters

HORIZON-INFRA-2022-EOSC-01-03  
BLUE CLOUD 2026 AND AQUAINFRA (16 Mio€)

### Build on the science cluster approach to ensure EOSC uptake

HORIZON-INFRA-2023-EOSC-01-01  
(25 Mio€)

### FAIR and open data sharing in support of the Mission climate adaptation

HORIZON-INFRA-2024-EOSC-01-01  
(16 Mio€)

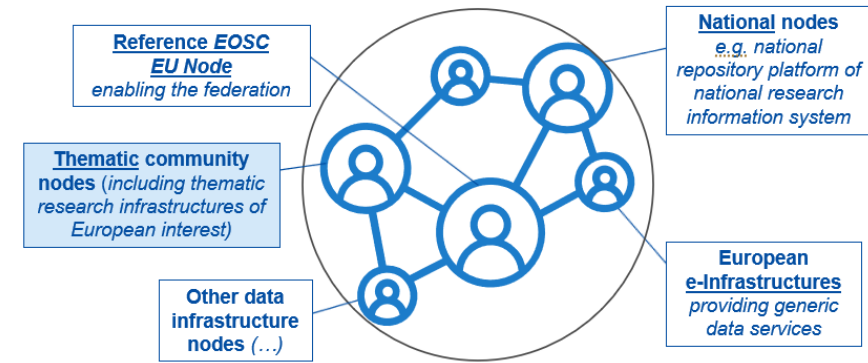
## EOSC partnership

### Supporting activities of the European EOSC Partnership

HORIZON-INFRA-2021-EOSC-01-02  
EOSC-FOCUS  
(4Mio€)

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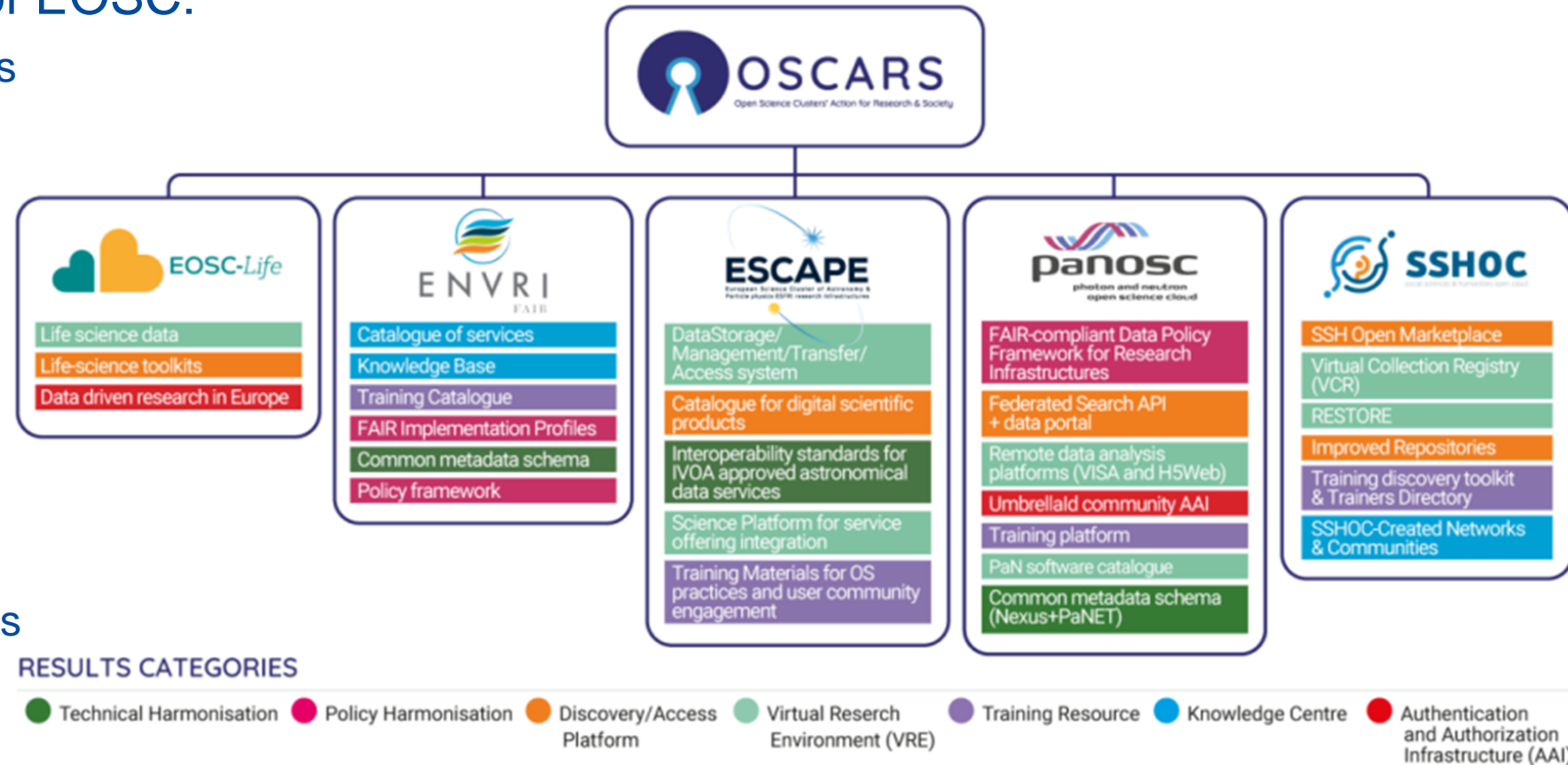
# Thematic community Nodes: Some candidates



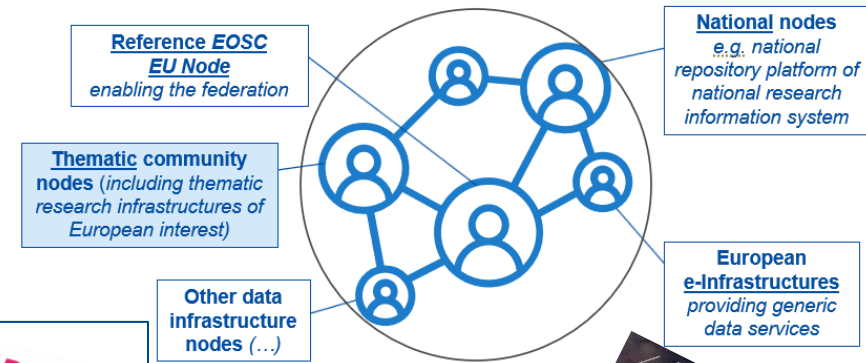
## The Science Clusters approach:

Bottom-up implementation of the cross-border, cross-disciplinary model of EOSC:

- In H2020: from individual RIs to clustered RIs within 5 scientific domains (with EOSC onboarding)
- In HE: from a domain to a cross-domain approach with connection to the EOSC Federation
- **More than 40 RIs involved in the 5 Science Clusters**
- Need to act at different levels to address both specialization and generalization



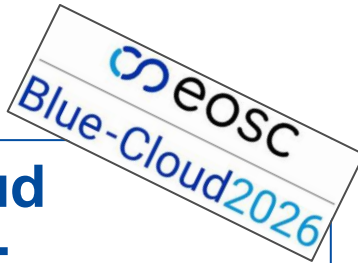
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## The Blue-Cloud infrastructure:

**EOSC blueprint for oceanographic research.** More than 10 million data sets; about 1500 users per month, between 1000 and 3000 working sessions by individual users per month.

- FAIR data lake with central catalogue and common discovery and access service;
- Virtual Research Environment with storage and analysis capacity;
- 6 Virtual Labs to address scientific questions.



## The European COVID-19 Data Portal:

**Launched as an EOSC pilot** in April 2020. Over 25 million COVID-related, FAIR data records accessed by over 300.000 users in 187 countries.



## The Pathogens Portal

Extends (since July 2023) to more than 200.000 pathogen species.



## New research data commons under development

e.g. The European Collaborative Cultural Heritage Cloud or the “Materials Commons”.

## Data Terra: a French infrastructure with international outreach

The Data Terra research infrastructure offers services relating to Earth system data that are interoperable and inter-disciplinary at all levels.

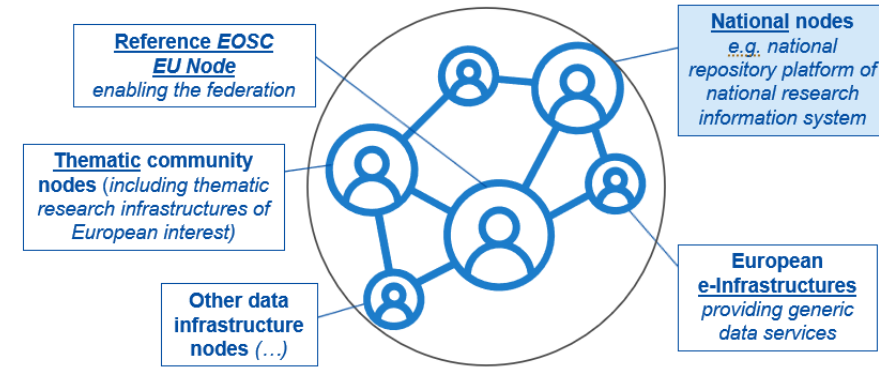
- Data discovery and access
- Production and data exploitation
- On-demand analytics and processing.



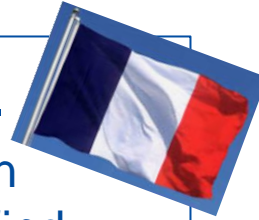
# Candidate National Nodes

## EOSC European co-programmed partnership:

In-kind contributions by non-EU partners exceeding **80 Mio€ per year** to upgrade existing research infrastructures and e-infrastructures so that they may be **federated through EOSC**.



## Open Science infrastructures in France



- Open access: **HAL** is a platform to promote Open Access to publications. Publications are easy to find, well referenced by search engines and interconnected with other services (ORCID, preprint servers).
- Open source: **Software Heritage** collects, preserves, and shares software that is publicly available in source code form.
- Open data: **Recherche Data Gouv** provides a repository (with Core Trust Seal certification) to deposit and disseminate data and a registry to search for data published in the repository itself or other external repositories. It aims to become an EOSC service.

## Open Science infrastructures in Croatia



- The **Portal of Croatian scientific and Professional Journals (HRČAK)** includes 530 OA journals and provides access to 270,000 OA papers.
- The **Digital Academic Archives and Repositories (DABAR)** currently hosts 159 repositories and 212.000+ digital objects.
- The **Isabella computer cluster** hosted by SRCE provides significant computer resources (**EOSC onboarded**).



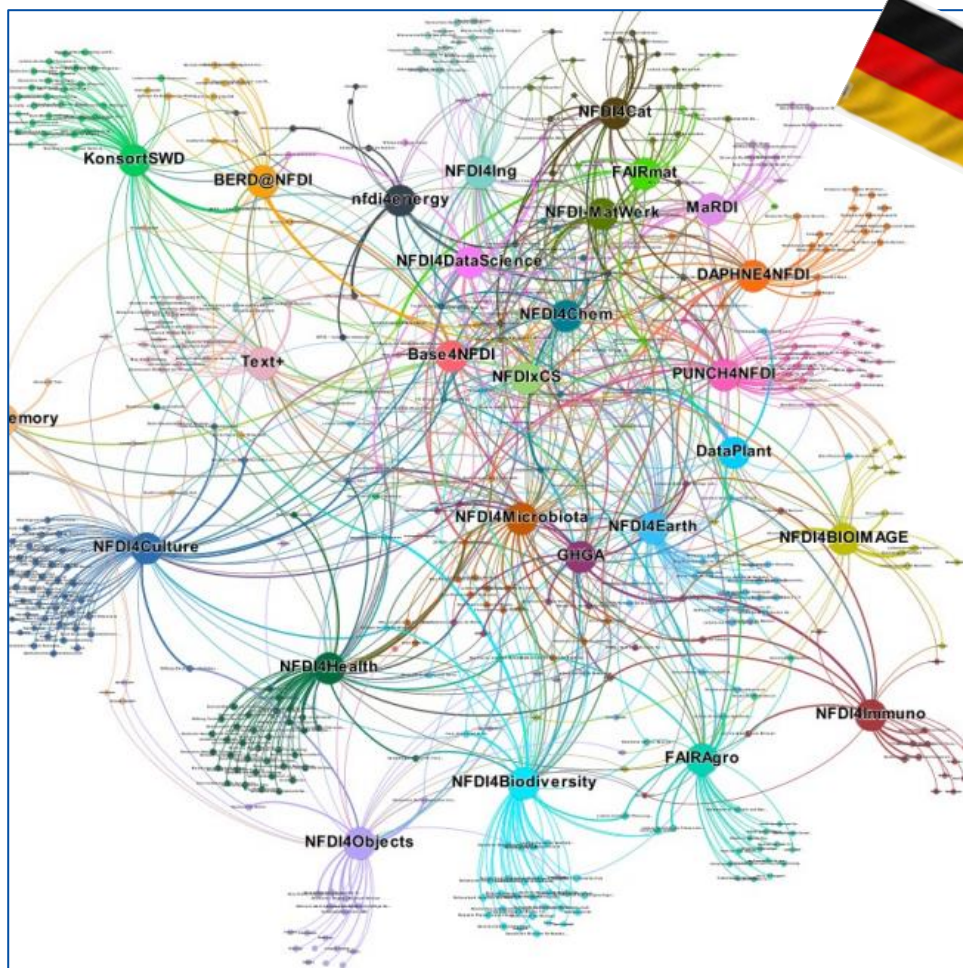
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## NDI: The National Data Infrastructure in Czech Republic



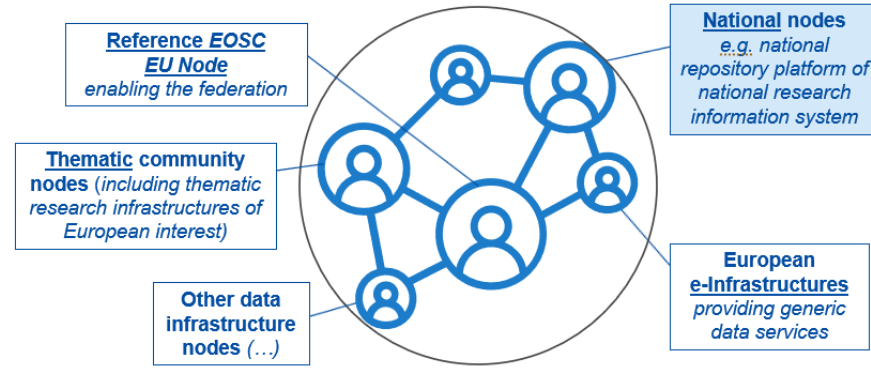
National Czech contribution to EOSC. It includes:

- The National Metadata Directory (NMA)
- The National Repository Platform (NRP)
- Thematic and possibly other (physical) repositories
- Policies, conditions of access, participation and use
- Training and educational activities (coordinated by the EOSC-CZ Training Centre)



## NFDI: The German National Research Data Infrastructure:

27 NFDI consortia involving 261 association members are defining the basic infrastructure required at national level in Germany.



# Thank you



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