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HE EOSC PARTNERSHIP Additional Activities Plan 2025

Survey guidance materials

(updated: 02.04.2024)



specific content

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1. MoU between the EOSC-A and the EU (21st of June 2021)

Obligations:

- Monitoring Framework (KPIs)
- Report on delivery of in-kind contributions and investments to additional activities
- Provide Impact Use Cases

EN Annex 5

Memorandum of Understanding for the Co-programmed European Partnership for the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC)

The European Open Science Cloud Association, representing the partners other than the Union (its constituent entities¹), the registered offices of which are in Rue du Trône 62, 1050 Bruxelles, hereafter referred to as the "Partners other than the Union", and the European Union, represented by the European Commission, (jointly hereinafter referred to as "the Partners"),

Considering that:

- Parts of Horizon Europe the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation ('Horizon Europe') ² – may be implemented through Co-Programmed European Partnerships, on the basis of a Memorandum of Understanding between Partners determined to support the development and implementation of research and innovation activities of strategic importance to enable the Union to address global challenges and maintain its competitiveness in line with EU priorities, including the Sustainable Development Goals;
- The Strategic Plan for Horizon Europe³ has identified a candidate for a Co-Programmed European Partnership for the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC) considered instrumental to deliver scientific, economic and societal impact in line with the Horizon Europe objectives;
- The proposal received from the Partners other than the Union has been positively assessed by the European Commission in that it fulfils the new ambition and the selection criteria referred to in Article 10 and Annex III of Regulation (EU) 2021/695 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁴ ('Horizon Europe');
- The implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the European Partnerships will comply with the criteria referred to in Annex III of Horizon Europe, including an alignment with Horizon Europe monitoring and evaluation provisions, set out in Article 50 and Article 52, as well as Annex V on Key Impact Pathways;
- The multi-annual Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA) agreed by the Partners will provide the basis for the development of the co-operation under this

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Constituent entities are the members of the Association.

² Regulation (EU) 2021/695 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 April 2021 establishing Horizon Europe – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation, laying down its rules for participation and dissemination (OJ L 170, 12.5.2021, p. 1–68.)

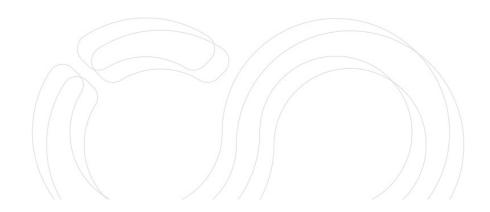
³ https://op.europa.eu/en/web/eu-law-and-publications/publication-detail/-/publication/3c6ffd74-8ac3-11eb-b85c-01aa75ed71a1

⁴ OJ L 170, 12.5.2021, p. 1-68.

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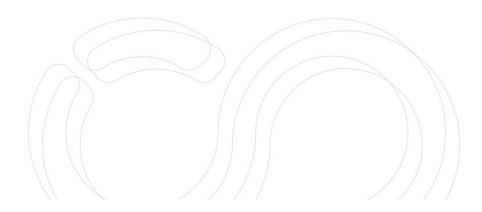
According to EU - EOSC-A <u>Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)</u>, the EOSC-A and its Members have committed to:

- Deliver a volume of additional activities totalling to €500M over the duration of the EOSC Partnership (until the end of 2030), at a minimum
- Establish every year an 'Additional Activities Plan' (AAP)
- Report annually on provided contributions (€).

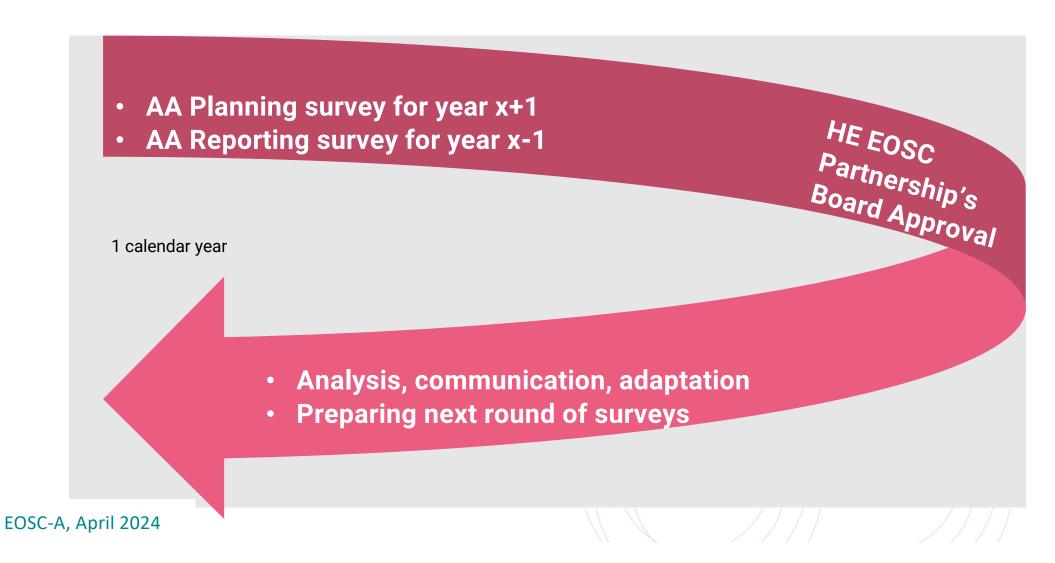


specification of additional activities

- Activities that are in scope with the <u>the EOSC Partnership Strategic</u> <u>Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA)</u>
- Activities that are NOT covered by European Union funding (except for EC Structural Funds and Recovery and Resilience Facility)
- Activities and investments contributed in-kind or cash by the Members



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specification 4. Categories of additional activities

9 MAIN CATEGORIES



1. Support to additional R&I



2. Scale up of technologies



3. Demonstrators



4. Creating new business opportunities



5. Training & skills development



6. Contribution to development of new standards, regulations, and policies



7. Supporting ecosystem development

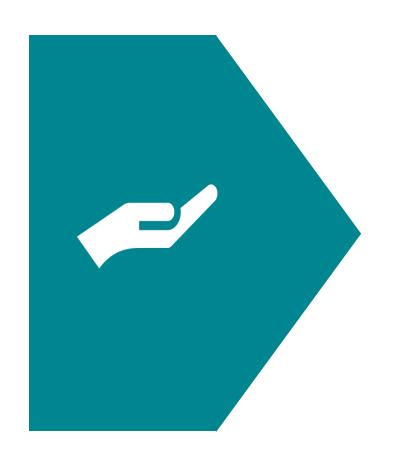


8. Communication, dissemination, awareness raising, citizen engagement



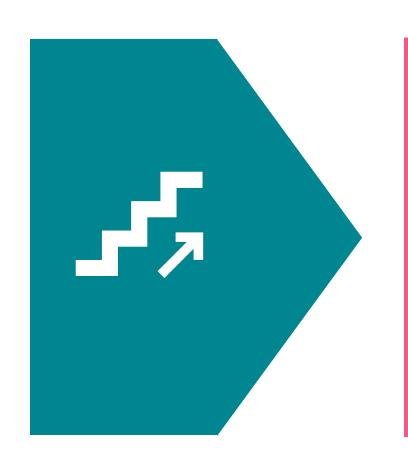
9. Other

coeosc Category 1. Support to additional R&I



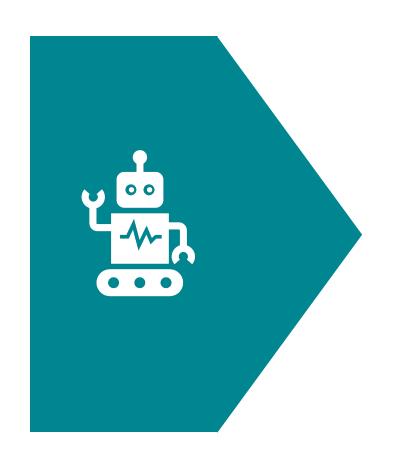
- Upgrade of <u>existing</u> research infrastructures and e-infrastructures that may be federated through FOSC
- Development and deployment of EOSCcompatible search engines
- Deployment of online tools for FAIRification
- Development and publication of large-scale studies
- Contribution to operating core functions of a Minimum Viable EOSC ecosystem

specific contractions of technologies.



- Investment done complementing the results of a project, bringing it to a higher TRL level (e.g., EOSC thematic services) or to deployment
- Uptake of EOSC projects' outcomes
- Implementation of technical specifications required to provide services

speose Category 3. Demonstrators



- Investment in <u>new</u> platforms, demonstrators, pilot use cases exploiting domain-specific user environments and supporting the EOSC vision
- New (pre-)commercial services and capabilities along the data life cycle

vs. investments in new platforms (3.1)

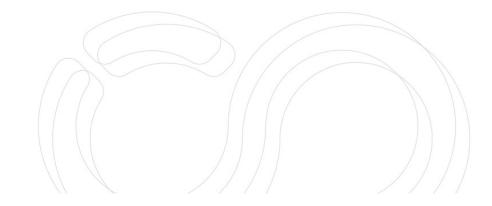
1.1 Upgrade of existing research(e)infrastructures that may be federated through EOSC

Upgrade # maintenance

- Scale up the e-infrastructure capabilities of data centres and improving their connectivity with the EOSC and other European infrastructures
- Implementation of interfaces to integrate computer and data management solutions to ease access and reuse data
- Integration of FAIR-Data services in infrastructure

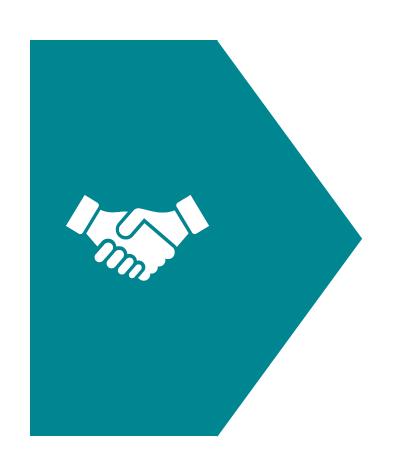
3.1 Investments in **new** platforms, demonstrators, pilot use cases

- Contribution to the development /
 establishment (e.g. of new data centres)/
 building (e.g. up-to-date infrastructure)
- Provision of funding for new infrastructures



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coeosc Category 4. Creating new business opportunities



- Invest in start-ups, spin-offs on solutions developed within the projects
- Start incubators/accelerators
- Matchmaking between different start-ups, SMEs, participating companies, stakeholders
- Investments in procurement of innovative solutions

seosc Category 5. Training & skills development



TYPES OF ACTIVITIES:

 Education, training and skills development in Open Science and FAIR data management of research artefacts

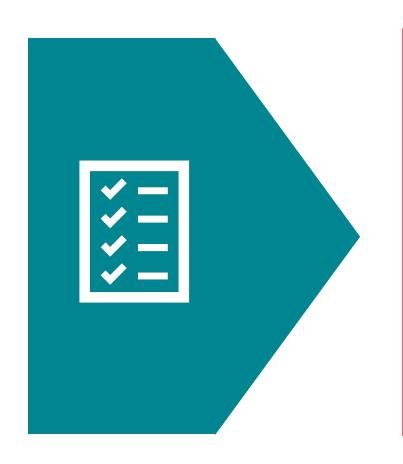
seosc Category 5. Training & skills development

All training-related activities planned by your organisation (despite the subject) should be indicated in category 5

- Organisation of a series of webinars and online course about the development of DMPs and Domain Data Protocols
- Development of domain specific 'Hands on Workshops' (HOW)' on topics like implementing FAIR, semantics, particularities of RDM
- Training and dissemination activities among the national RIs connected to ESFRI
- Support Data Stewardship pilot course

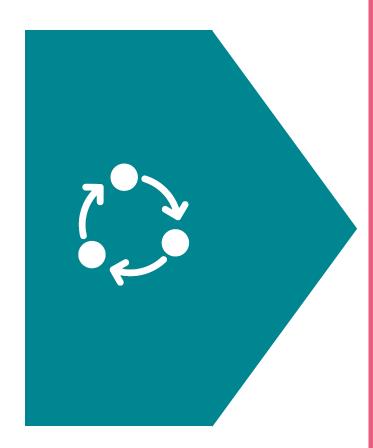
Category 5.
Training & skills development

cosc Category 6. Contribution to the development of new standards, regulations, and policies



- Standardisation and certification activities related to EOSC trusted repositories (e.g. CoreTrustSeal)
- Contribution to the development of applicable FAIR guidelines and frameworks
- Continuous standardisation of persistent identifier (PID) resource types
- Support research communities to: develop and/or adopt domain- specific standards as well as to consolidate common metadata and/or data schema for use in the EOSC context

specific Category 7. Supporting ecosystem development



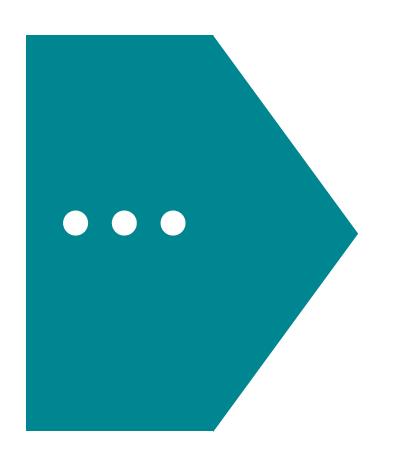
- Define and/or test financing models for a long-term EOSC sustainability framework
- O Development of consensual EOSC frameworks and guidelines
- O Support to knowledge building and sharing across various research domains
- O Building industry-academia cooperation (e.g. GAIA-X, HPC or other industry-driven initiatives)
- Implementation and/or enforcement of the EOSC Persistent Identifier (PID) policy and architecture
- Encouraging and incentivising use of European Research Infrastructure for sharing of research software
- Monitoring of EOSC Key Performance Indicators (KPI's), investments and FAIR data production and management
- O Contributing to a rewards and recognition framework in and/or outside the organisation- that incentivises FAIR data and Open Science
- O Activities contributing to strategic and operational alignment, coordination, or synergies with other structures such as Partnerships, Horizon Europe missions, data spaces etc.
- O Being the contact point or coordination mechanisms for EOSC uptake at national or institutional level

Category 8. Communication, dissemination, awareness raising, citizen engagement



- EOSC-related communication, dissemination, outreach, and awareness raising activities
- Promoting EOSC at all levels by engaging with relevant communities and stakeholders

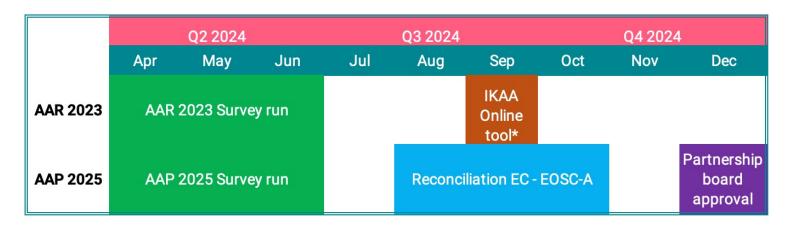
speose Category 9. Other



- Introduction of EOSC-specific references in research programmes and EOSC-related criteria for R&I funding opportunities
- Activities supporting open access publishing through the EOSC
- Adoption of national or institutional strategies for digital transformation and related roadmaps
- Adoption of new (national) policies on Open Science
- Outreach for creating a global cooperation framework for Open Science infrastructures
- o Other

solution 5. Additional Activities Planning/Reporting

Survey launched - 8th April 2024 Survey closes - 30th June 2024



Training sessions will take place on the following dates:

Tuesday 9th April, Thursday 11th April and Wednesday 17th April

NEW! From the 25th April -Office hours every Thursday from 10 to 11am

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o Support:

Office hours - every Thursday from 10 to 11am from April 25th

Number formatting

- For consistency purposes, the use of round numbers throughout the survey have been introduced, i.e. 45,000 FUR = 45000
- Case Study Section => AAs for the EOSC Macroroadmap!
 - Improved case study section with specific information required to help collate information for a visual mapping of EOSC-A member's in-kind contributions. Several tick box tables have been included to help recording information

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Should you need any information on AAR 2023 / AAP 2025 Surveys, contact our Monitoring Team at:

monitoring@eosc.eu

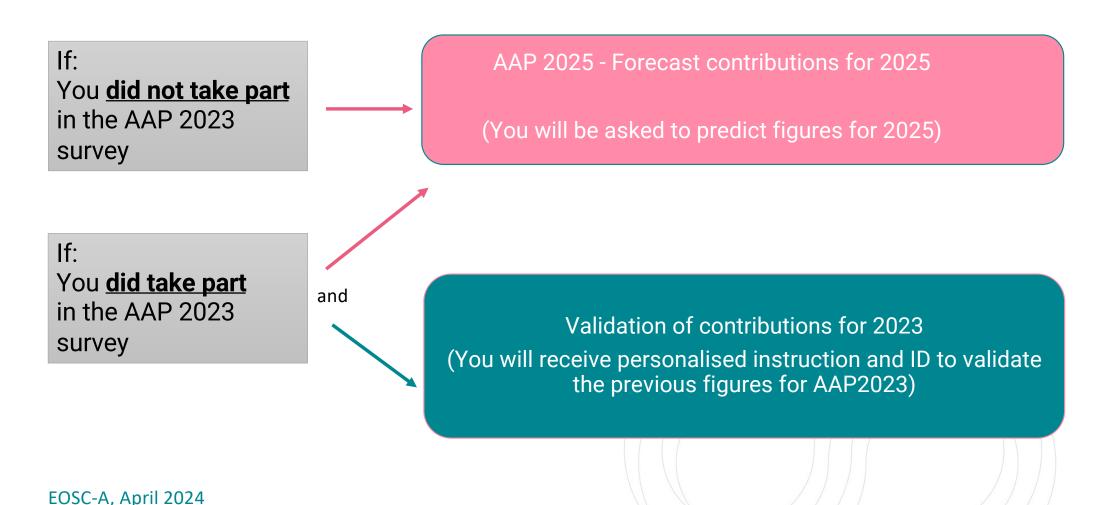
OFFICE HOURS: every Thursday from 10h to 11h

(From 25th of April)

Please, register for our GA#8: https://eosc.eu/register-eosc-a-8th-general-assembly/



7. Additional Activities surveys in 2024: Structure



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speose 8. AAR 2024 survey

Dear Member of the EOSC Association,

We are delighted to announce the launch of the survey for the reporting on the Additional Activities Plan 2023 (AAR 2023), in combination with the survey for the Additional Activities Plan 2025 (AAP 2025). We have organised this collection as a two-step survey, accessible through two different links, with the same deadline. Please, follow the personalised instructions, below, to ensure we can securely receive your information and that your contributions are elegible.

"Additional Activities Report 2023.

This reporting survey is open from the 8th of April until the 30th of June. The deadline is fixed in order to importantly comply with the EC reporting timelines. Please, rest assured that we have poured significant effort to simplify the reporting procedure: you can simply accept your own previous submission; or: you can edit the submitted values, in case the plans materialised in a different form. We are grateful for your most sincere effort to meet this deadline, at the end of June. This reporting survey is individual and can only be securely access by you, as described, in detail, below:

- Step I: Access the EUSurvey platform through the link: https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/home/editcontribution
- Step II: Enter the unique Contribution ID that we provide, below; it will allow you to open, review, and edit your AAP2022 survey submission:

Organisation Name	Contribution ID (single string of text)		
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- Step III: Complete the CAPTCHA and click the "edit my contribution" button.
- Step IV: Review your answers regarding the 2023 forecasts and edit any values that have changed. At the beginning of the form, we kindly request the completion of contact details. Providing this information is voluntary but enables us to contact respondents later, so we encourage you to provide them. Personal information will be kept securely and will not be displayed publicly.
- Step V: After reviewing and making changes in the survey, please proceed to the end of the form and click the "submit" button.

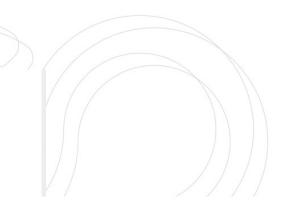
NOTE: If all the data are valid, and thus no changes are required, you still must resubmit the survey, by clicking the "submit" button at the end.

2. Additional Activities Plan 2025.

This survey is also open until the 30th of June.

You may access the EUSurvey platform through this link: https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/AAPsurvey2025

Your unique ID to secure, review and edit your data and contributions, as part of the instruction you received



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8. AAP 2025 survey: Guidance



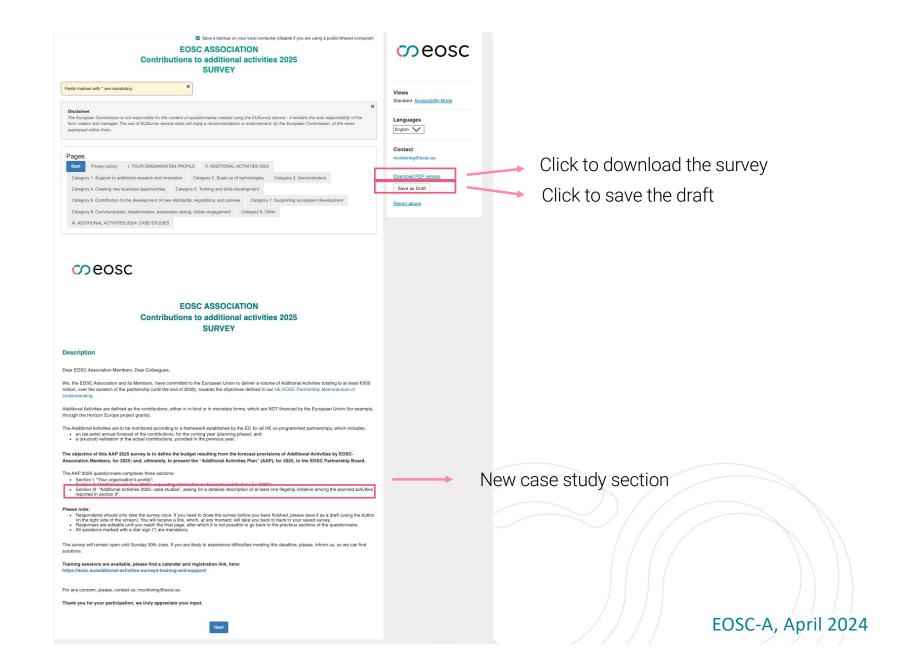
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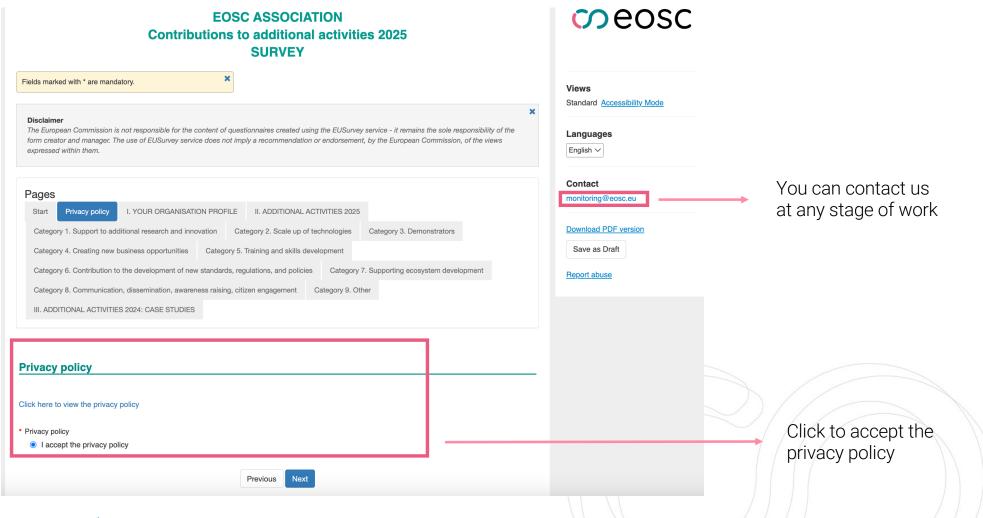
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Privacy policy







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Section I.

YOUR ORGANISATION PROFILE



I. YOUR ORGANISATION PROFILE

* For which organisation is the following information provided?				
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Organisation website				
In which country is your organisation located (country of residence of operating unit or headquarter)?				
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Is your organisation: national / EU / international?				
○ National ○ EU				
O International				
Which category best describes your organisation?				
Research Funding Organisation Service Providing Organisations for Research (including research infrastructures)				
Research Performing Organisation (incl. umbrella organisation)				
Other, please specify				
What is the nature of your organisation?				
O Public				
Private Public-Private-Partnership				
Other				
Please indicate your EOSC Association Status				
O Member				
○ Mandated Member				
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If you are filling in the part of the survey on the validation of the figures as of 2023, your organisation will be preselected after you enter your ID in the previous step

If you organisation is **not** in the drop-down list, select "Other" and enter the name in the box that will appear

Select "Research Performing Organisation" if you represent a university



Contact details will only be used in urgent cases, i.e. ambiguity in data provided, etc. and are exclusively for the internal use of the EOSC-A



Section II.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES PLAN 2025 + ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES REPORT 2023



EOSC ASSOCIATION Contributions to additional activities 2025 SURVEY

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Category 4. Creating new business opportunities Category 5. Training and skills development							
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Category 8. Communication, dissemination, awareness raising, citizen engagement Category 9. Other							
III. ADI	DITIONAL ACTIVITIE	S 2024: CASE STUDIES					

II. ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES 2025

Please note:

- In the table below nine categories are given by the European Commission in which our members are asked to indicate their planned additional
 activities. Each category also lists a certain number of applicable activity types, where you can describe your contributions.
- FOR ACTIVITIES THAT EXTEND OVER MORE THAN ONE YEAR, PLEASE PRO-RATE THE AMOUNT ACCORDINGLY example: upgrade of research infrastructure will take place over 4 years, total investment, 40 MEUR - each year in the AAP the organisation should report 10 MEUR.
- calendar year 2024, in terms of:
 - . Full-Time Equivalents (FTEs); and;
 - The monetary value* (€) of the described activities, including the FTEs (e.g.: costs of upgrading an infrastructure, cost of a license or a piece of equipment, cost of IP protection or spin-off initiatives, etc.).
- · For your information, we will use a standard conversion factor of 100 000 Euro (one hundred thousand Euros) per 1 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) to calculate the monetary value of your FTE contributions. If the applied conversion factor for 1 FTE is significantly different than 100K Euro, you may optionally indicate this value at the end of this section.
- · For all the types of activities that apply to your AAP, please also provide a careful and concise description of the activity, highlighting their relevance to EOSC, and a relevant weblink (if available). At least, one flagship initiative can be described in full details in the last section (III) of the survey.

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(use round numbers, without decimal places and without separators such as commas or dots, e.g.: 100500 Euro)					
45000	euro				

Prorate activities contributions that extend over more than one year

Please note that a standard conversion factor is used 1 FTE = 100.000 Euro If another conversion factor is applied, please provide it Use round numbers without comas or dots



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European maritime, fisheries and aquaculture fund (EMFAF) 6			
National / regional funds 25 96			
Institutional funds 25 96			
Private donors 0 96			
Other			



Category 1. Support to additional research and innovation

This category covers the following additional (i.e., not funded through Horizon Europe/Horizon 2020 in the context of the partnership) activities:

- · R&I activities funded by a public research funder which is a member of the EOSC Association; AND/OR:
- R&I activities executed by a public research performer which is a member of the EOSC Association, funded through for instance a regional or national R&I funding programme or its own institutional funding.
- Service provision activities (not funded through EU-programmes), which are relevant for and in line with the objectives of the EOSC partnership, executed by either private-nature or public nature entities, which are members of the EOSC Association, funded through, for instance, a regional or national R&I funding programme or own institutional funding.

Please note that:

- If a private-nature partner has received co-funding for a project from a public entity which is a member of the EOSC Association, then the entire project should be counted in this category (also the part co-financed by the public entity).
- In this category, R&I should be understood as covering the full range of Technology Readiness Levels (TRL).

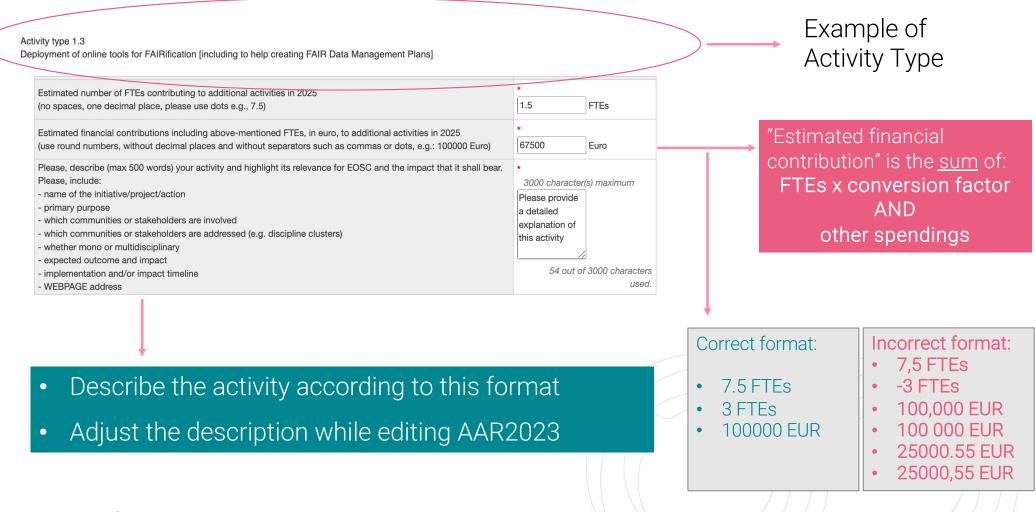
Is the following activity applicable to your organisation?

	Applicable	Not applicable
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*Activity type 1.2 Development and deployment of EOSC-compatible search engines allowing the researchers to explore rich metadata and semantic descriptions in (future) EOSC-connected registers	0	•
*Activity type 1.3 Deployment of online tools for FAIRification [including to help creating FAIR Data Management Plans]	•	0
*Activity type 1.4 Development and publication of large-scale studies	0	•
*Activity type 1.5 Contribution to operating core functions of a Minimum Viable EOSC ecosystem	0	•

Please tick all the boxes





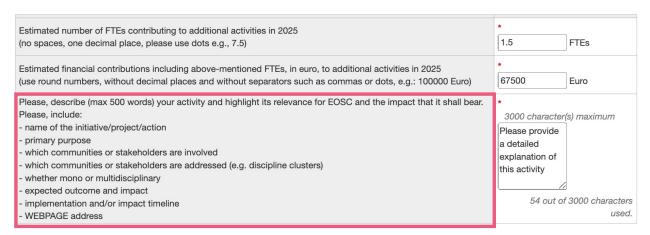


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Activity type 1.3

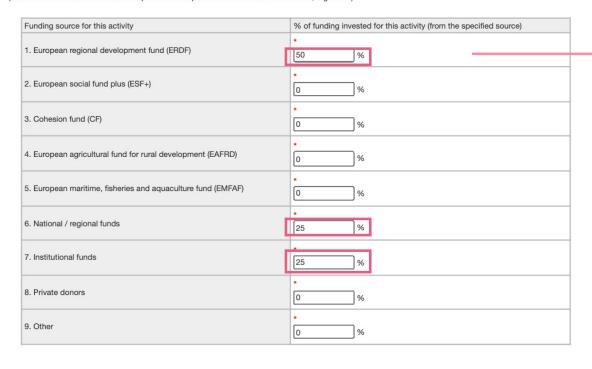
Deployment of online tools for FAIRiffication [including to help creating FAIR Data Management Plans]



- Some examples of the description: "scale up the X e-infrastructure capabilities of X data centers and improving their connectivity with the EOSC and other European infrastructures"; 'implementation of interfaces under the project X to integrate computer and data management solutions to ease access and reuse data'; 'upgrade of X data storage infrastructures under the x action with the aim to improve EOSC-related services' (more examples can be found in AAP 2022)
- Description field: a clear link between an indicated activity and EOSC needs to be described ('through EOSC', 'in EOSC- compatibile frameworks', 'discoverable within EOSC')
- o A weblink to each type of additional activity can be inserted (not obligatory but can be of help)
- o In case of difficulties with entering a number, description field may be used to insert a comment and a correct value

Category 1. Support to additional research and innovation

Funding source - Please provide funding source for the estimated financial contributions in Activity type 1.2 (please note that the total should sum up to 100% and you should insert a zero where needed) (use round numbers without decimal places and separators such as commas or dots, e.g.: 45%)



NEW section!

- Please provide % of the activity's funding source
- The number should add up to 100%
- Insert zero when needed

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Section III.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES 2025: IMPACT CASE STUDIES



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.. Case studies, best practices, success stories..

- Real-life and practical examples, presenting a challenge or a situation that enables to identify and discuss approaches (e.g. pros and cons).
- A method or technique that has been proven to be effective in achieving a particular goal or objective.
- An accepted standard way of doing something within a particular industry or field.
- Presented as "narrative", showcasing something that has happened or is happening in a particular context or environment.
- Detailed information about the context, the challenges faced, the strategies used, the target users/audiences and the outcomes achieved

Exemplifications

- description of implemented technological/organisational solution or practice aimed to improve certain aspects of the EOSC implementation.
- EOSC-related strategies, approaches and/or activities that have been shown through monitoring and evaluation to be effective, efficient, sustainable and/or transferable, and to reliably lead to a desired result.



III. ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES 2025: CASE STUDIES

CASE STUDY 1

* Additional Activity category

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Category 3. Demonstrators	
Category 4. Creating new business opportunities	
Category 5. Training & skills development	
O Category 6. Contribution to the development of new standards, regulations, and p	olicies
Category 7. Supporting ecosystem development	
Category 8. Communication, dissemination, awareness raising, citizen engageme	nt
Category 9. Other	
* Name of the Activity	
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Select one or two of the activities reported in the Section II and elaborate more on them OR describe a fully new case

If the activity is the result of the collaboration between 2+ institutions, please specify here and state the name of the leading organisation.

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Please, select the group of targeted stakeholders for this activity from the options below (Tick-box – choose as many as applicable) Researchers Decision- and policy-makers	In order to make this excercise less burdensom, we have included a series of tick boxes to choose from.	
Industry Citizens	Targeted stakeholders: Who is the activity primarily intended for (please refer to categories such as	
* Please, select the current scale of application, from the options below (Tick-box – choose as many as applicable) Institutional Regional International	researchers, citizens, policy, industry, or others if necessary)	
Please, select the field of science and technology where the case is currently applied, from the options below (Tick-box – choose as many as applicable) Natural Sciences Engineering and Technology Medical and Health Sciences Agricultural Sciences Social Sciences		
□ Humanities * Estimated economic investment, including both FTE costs and other investments (please, use round numbers, without decimals, and without spaces or other forms of separators among the numbers, e.g.: '125000' for one hundred as EURO	Value should be the same as in the Section II if you decide to pick the activity reported therein.	
Please, select Funding source from the options below (Tick-box - choose as many as applicable) European regional development fund (ERDF) European social fund plus (ESF+) Cohesion fund (CF) European agricultural fund for rural development (EAFRD) European European maritime, fisheries and aquaculture fund (EMFAF) National / regional funds Institutional funds Private donors Other		
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I.e. for a case study about a Data Stewardship programme, the problem addressed could be emphasizing consistent curation, and the need for a cultural shift to ensure inclusive, long-term data reuse across disciplines, institutions, and countries

Description of the added-value created: Why is this activity important for the target group; what would the EOSC ecosystem look like before/after this addition?



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* Result (Quantitative/Qualitative) - Please, describe the results of this activity and provide some quantifiable examples of your case study, i.e.: X number of students completed the training; X Number of researchers accessed the service, etc.	
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* Website	
* Additional material (please insert relevant hyperlinks to additional resources, such as activity documentation, reports, pictures, etc.)	Please note, when publishing your case study in the Macro-roadmap or other publication methods, EOSC-A will be in touch to request quality images
* I agree that the case study is made public, including the name and logo of the involved institution/s, except any personal detail: Yes No	Decide if you want your case studies to be public, further disseminated and visible
CASE STUDY 2	
(optional)	Providing second case study is optional, although
 Do you wish to submit a second case study (optional)? Yes No 	greatly welcome. When the option "Yes" is selected a new section will be populated.
You have almost completed the survey. You can either click on SUBMIT your responses; or: go back to make changes. Please note, once you proceed, it will not be possible to further modify your responses. Previous Submit	You can check your responses before submitting the survey
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- The project X aims to scale up the e-infrastructure capabilities of the X Data Centre and improve its connectivity with the EOSC and other European infrastructures.
- Upgrade of the X portal, EOSC-compatible search engine. X portal aims to collect, aggregate and index Open Access scientific
 contents from institutional repositories. This portal constitutes a single-entry point for searching, discovery and recall of
 thousands of scientific and scholarly publications, namely journal articles, conference papers, thesis, and dissertations,
 distributed by several institutional repositories.
- Deployment of the x FAIR tool aimed at assessing FAIR principles and empowering data provider to enhance the quality of their digital resources.
- The X institution/ organisation through the Open Science Knowledge Hub ensures coordination of OS activities relevant at national level and acts as an OS and EOSC helpdesk, supporting the EOSC uptake, being connected to the main initiatives (as a partner of the project National Initiatives for Open Science - NI4OS Europe, co-coordinator of the OpenAIRE NOAD). The national Open Science Knowledge Hub reaches an OS community of over x interested stakeholders.
- Activities of the Open Science Competence Centre at the Library of X university, including support in applying for research
 grants, data management plans, workshops and training (both general and field-specific), providing training for librarians, data
 stewards and researchers in data management and data FAIRyfication, improving the qualifications of employees etc.

speose 9. Live demonstration

a) REPORT on ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES 2023

https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/home/editcontribution

b) ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES PLAN 2025

https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/AAPsurvey2025



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- SRIA: https://www.eosc.eu/sria-mar
- MoU: https://www.eosc.eu/sites/default/files/EOSC_Memorandum_30_July_2021.pdf
- EOSC website: https://www.eosc.eu/monitoring-reporting
- FAQ you can find them on EOSC website: https://eosc.eu/additional-activities-surveys-training-and-support/
- o Training sessions: Tuesday 9th April, Thursday 11th April and Wednesday 17th April
- o Office hours: NEW! From the 25th April -Office hours every Thursday from 10 to 11am

☐ Have all the members of the EOSC Association committed to contribute to additional activities?

Yes, with the establishment of the co-programmed EOSC Partnership and the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), the EOSC Association (=all the Members of the Association) has committed to provide additional activities of 500 million euro over the next ten years. According to the MoU, 'the Partners other than the Union' (= the Association and its constituent and affiliated entities) envisage to dedicate up to EUR 500 million for the period 2021-2030 in research, innovation and other activities in the area of the Co-programmed European Partnership, engaging their constituent and affiliated entities to make such investments.'

☐ How data will be used?

The privacy policy states that any results shared externally will be anonymised. While the data shared externally might as well most be in aggregated form, there may be cases for individual examples. In that case, while the specific data can be made public, the data provider will not be revealed, not even at the level of name of the organisation.

☐ Can all the questions be seen before sending the survey?

Yes, the entire questionnaire is available in <u>PDF format</u> on the EOSC-A website or it can be downloaded from EUSurvey.

☐ Should activities funded under the RRF be indicated in the AAP 2025 survey?

Yes, activities funded under the Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF) should be indicated in the survey like activities funded under European structural funds.

☐ Shall co-funded activities be included in the AAP 2025 survey?

Yes, co-funded activities shall be included as additional activities but only this part, which is NOT funded by the European Commission, should be counted.

☐ How costs of long-term projects should be reported in the AAP 2025 survey?

The costs of this kind of projects should be calculated for the respective year and then reported, for instance all costs planned to be spent in 2025 should be included in the survey.

☐ Will these estimated financial contributions be audited?

The estimated financial contributions will not be audited on a basis of Additional Activities Plan 2025. There is no accounting system on additional activities and any accounting system will not be applied in the future.

☐ How to indicate the planned contribution on additional activity in the AAP 2025 survey?

The planned contribution should be indicated in terms of:

- 1. Full-Time Equivalents (FTEs);
- 2. the Economic Value* (€) of the described activities, on top of the FTEs.
- ☐ What does 'Economic Value of the planned contribution' stand for?

Economic Value is the sum of the monetary value of the reported FTEs and of any additional investment (e.g.: costs of upgrading an infrastructure, cost of a license or a piece of equipment, cost of IP protection or spin-off initiatives, etc.).

☐ How FTE should be calculated?

To calculate monetary value of FTE contribution, please use a standard conversion factor of 100 K euro per 1 FTE (1FTE=100Keur). If the applied conversion factor for 1 FTE is different than 100K euro, please indicate this value in the dedicated field. Note the FTE value should include all employee related costs, not just the salary.

□ Does the FTE refer to the time commitment of the researchers/employees involved in the activities, or FTE can be related also to the activities per se, or should it include the two costs mentioned before?

Full Time Equivalent (FTE) is used to measure a time involvement (= time spent) of researchers/ employees in so-called additional activities. In other terms, FTE refers to manpower/ people engaged in the actions, initiatives or projects carried out by the responding organisation. One person working full-time is equal to 1.0 FTE (50% time = 0,5 FTE, 25% time = 0,25 etc.) where 1 FTE equals 100 000 euro.

□ If the applied conversion factor for 1 FTE of 100 000 Euros is not appropriate, is it necessary to provide a different conversion factor per category or activity? Or do I have to calculate an average FTE value for the organisation and enter it once?

A different conversion factor needs to be calculated as an average FTE value for the organisation and be entered only once. There is no possibility to insert more than one conversation factor in the survey.

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□ University X is a member of the European Research Infrastructure (which in turn is a member of the EOSC-A) and is also a member of EOSC-A by itself. One of the university departments is involved in GAIA-X and in HPC activities for which they got regional funds and funds from the Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF). How can the European RI monitor it? Should we include it in its AAP survey as a whole or should the university X indicate this funding/FTEs in its own survey?

The university X should indicate all planned GAIA-X and HPC activities funded regionally and within the RRF in its own survey.

□ The national node of the European Research Infrastructure, led by institute A (part of organisation B), received funds from the Recovery and Resilience Plan (RRF) to build EOSC-related services linked to the national node of the abovementioned European RI. The organisation B is a member of the EOSC-A, not the single institute A. How should it be reported?

The European Research Infrastructure shall point out in its own survey all activities that will be funded under the RRF and linked to the national node of this European RI.

□ Do 'R&I activities funded by a public research funder which is a member of the EOSC Association" in Category 1 mean that the research funder needs to be the member of EOSC-A or the R&I which runs the activity?

This expression refers to research funding organisations which are EOSC-A members, not to R&I activities. Furthermore, the next two options cover research performing organisations and service providers so all types of members will be covered in Category 1 'Support to additional R&I'.

- ☐ What kind of activities should be included in, for example, additional activity type 1.1?
- All activities that are relevant to the EOSC development should be included here as well as in any other category. For example, an accelerator, per se, is not a component of EOSC but the data generated by the experiment are, or the computer warehouse, or the development of an interface for data access, sharing, visualization, ingestion, etc.
- ☐ As my university is a research-performing institution, category 2 does not apply to us. Correct?

Category 2 "Scale up of technologies" concerns only private entities (e.g., private universities) and only private funding, so if your university is a public research-performing institution, this category cannot be applied to your university. Activities in category 2. must be totally funded and executed only by private entities that are members of the EOSC Association.

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■ What should the case studies be like in order to be reported in the Section III of the AAP 2025 survey?

The case studies indicated in the Section III of the AAP 2025 survey could cover a wide range of additional activities: from upgrade/ establishment of (collaborative) data infrastructures, repositories, data centres. data competence centres, scientific portals, interdisciplinary thematic platforms through development/ deployment of various online tools for data FAIRfication to contribution to Open Science knowledge hubs, Open Research forums, national strategies on Open Science, national rewards and recognition frameworks etc.

☐ Could you give examples of what such a case study should be like?

A. X Interdisciplinary Thematic Platform (name) on the adoption of relevant standards for their domains of knowledge and FAIR principles. The objective of this platform is to coordinate and integrate the remote sensing activities into a common knowledge hub. Such platform aims at creating a structure that provides an effective response to the needs of ... Our platform targets three main types of users.... The platform must be a preferential access point to the capabilities of the organisation X in remote sensing, with the participation of 28 research institutes.

- **B.** Implementation of the national Open Science policy. The policy aims to contribute to a well-functioning research system, sustainable social development and to strengthen confidence in research. Through this policy, we take a holistic approach to the work of open research and innovation. The policy clarifies what the X should do and what we should do in collaboration with other institutions to stimulate more open research in the Norwegian research and innovation system. This policy contributes to EOSC by...
- C. Organisation X contributes to the national Open Research forum which aims to drive the national agenda for open research. This forum provides a space for communication, consultation, and cooperation among key stakeholders in the research system regarding strategic issues and overarching policies and procedures on open research. The Forum combines the expertise of representatives from policy, research funding, research performing, the library sector, enterprise, and other key stakeholders in the research system from across Ireland. It strengths EOSC by...

☐ To whom will these case studies be reported and in what form?

These use cases (planned additional activities) won't be reported in any form to the Commission, they will be used only for the Association communication and promotion purposes, such as the Macro-roadmap. To showcase examples of EOSC-A members' efforts in the field of Open Science, the EOSC-A monitoring team plans to collect a series of case studies within the community and made them available on the website.

■ Will these case studies also to be reported in the surveys in the coming years?

For now collection of the information on case studies planned in the coming years is envisaged by the Association. In the phase of reporting on already agreed Additional Activities Plans, some success stories could be extracted and demonstrated to the EC but the final shape of the reporting template is still under discussion.



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- **☐** What information will be displayed on the EOSC website about these case studies?
- What is planned to be published on the EOSC website is a name of the additional activity, category, a description of the case study, a weblink, name of the organisation, country, perhaps a short sentence from the project/ initiative coordinator and photo (last two items are still under discussion). Additional activities' use cases are envisaged to be labelled with the name of organisation in order to demonstrate that the university/ research institute/ organisation X (in country X) will plan to contribute to EOSC by doing X. The information about value of FTEs and investments will be anonymised as we do not intend to reveal any sensitive numbers and place a special focus on the content, qualitative information.
- ☐ Will case studies selected by the EOSC-A for publication be informed about this in advance? Yes, they will be contacted in advance (before a selected case study will be published).
- ☐ Will the organisations whose case studies are selected for publication be given the opportunity to revise them editorially before publication?

Yes, each material will be authorised by the EOSC-A member organisation.

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