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11th General Assembly 10 October 2025 | Online

08:00-10:00 CEST Online registration 10:00-13:00 CEST GA proceedings (coffee break at 11:15-11:30)



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Item 01: Welcome and Opening

Klaus Tochtermann, President, EOSC-A



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Housekeeping rules



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- Open voting: Zoom
- Only Delegates have voting rights

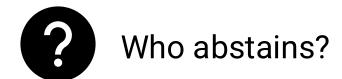
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Voting sessions will start with a question "Who abstains?"



meosc Context of General Assembly #11



The EOSC Association is leading on the build-up of the EOSC Federation



In May 2025 at the last GA in Antwerp the EOSC Association clearly expressed its willingness to take up more responsibility now as well as in the new funding period post-2027



In **July 2025** the **European Commission** published its proposal for the next Multiannual Financial Framework and the **next Framework Programme** on Research & Innovation (**FP 10**) for the years **2028 – 2034**

- The proposed governance and funding instruments in FP 10 are NOT specific to EOSC, they
 apply to all policy initiatives.
- FP 10 is the proposal of the European Commission and in there will be negotiations
 between the EC, the Member States and the European Parliament to agree on the terms of
 this new programme for the next two years.

meosc Objectives of General Assembly #11



Listen to Michael Arentoft to **understand FP 10** and the available new instruments **better.**



Start a conversation on the future in the context of the panel discussion, in which each of our EOSC-A Fora is represented by one representative.



Kick-off the **engagement with you all** that guides the EOSC Association into forming an opinion that will be presented at the next General Assembly in December 2025.

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Item 02: Adoption of draft agenda

Klaus Tochtermann, President, EOSC-A



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08:00	Registration starts For Delegates, identification by ID or passport is required. Virtual registration ends at 10:00 CEST, and no late registration is possible.
10:00	Item 01: Welcome and opening (Information / 10') Klaus Tochtermann, President, EOSC-A
10:10	Item 02: Adoption of draft agenda (Decision / open voting / 10') Klaus Tochtermann, President, EOSC-A
10:20	Item 03: Status update on Building-up the EOSC Federation (Information / 40') Bob Jones, Co-Chair EOSC Federation Build-up Group, EOSC-A
	Paper A – Status update on Building-up the EOSC Federation Q & A
11:00	Item 04: Short Progress Report (Information / 15') Klaus Tochtermann, President, and Ute Gunsenheimer, Secretary General, EOSC-A
	Paper B – Progress Report of President and Secretary General
11:15	Coffee break (15')

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11:30 Item 05: What is in there for EOSC?

The EC's Legislative Proposals for 2028-2034 (Information / 45')

Paper C - EU Multi-annual Financial Framework 2028-2034 and related legislative proposals

Presentation of Frameworks and Planned Instruments:

Michael Arentoft, Head of Unit, DG RTD/A.4

Panel Discussion:

Michael Arentoft, Head of Unit, DG RTD/A.4 Klaus Tochtermann, President, EOSC-A Representatives of EOSC-A Fora:

- Ludek Matyska, CESNET, Representative of Mandated Organisations
- Aneta Pazik-Aybar, NCN, Representative of Funders
- Mattias Björnmalm, CESAER, Representative of RPO Umbrella Organisations
- Harald Schwalbe, INSTRUCT ERIC, Representative of ESFRI RI Working Group
- Dale Robertson, EGI Foundation, Representative of e-Infrastructures

Moderators:

Sara Garavelli, Director, and Ute Gunsenheimer, Secretary General, EOSC-A

12:15 Item 06: The Future of EOSC / Next Steps (Information / 15')

Klaus Tochtermann, President, EOSC-A

12:30 **Item 07: AOB** (15')

12:45 Item 08: Closing



Item 02: Adoption of draft agenda

The GA is invited to adopt the agenda for GA#11.

Decision/Open voting



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Item 03: Status update on Building-up the EOSC Federation

Bob Jones, Co-Chair EOSC Federation Build-up Group, EOSC-A







3) EOSC Federation Build-up Group Meeting #7

Helsinki, 01/02 October 2025

Outcomes



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By Q4 2025 the EOSC Federation will ...

- ... consist of several enrolled EOSC Nodes
- ... have established a first operational **governance and organisational structure**, including clear description of the roles and responsibilities of its constituent bodies
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- ... have established a first edition of the EOSC Interoperability Framework
- ... have demonstrated cross-Node utilisation of some of the **federating capabilities** such as monitoring, accounting or helpdesk

coeosc | Federation | Node deployment timelines

	Q1'25	Q2'25	Q3'25	Q4'25	Q1'26	Q2'26	Q3'26	Q4'26	Q1'27	Q2'27	Q3'27
EU Node											
Blue-Cloud											
Finland	Phase 1					Pha	ase 2				
BBMRI	WP1: MCVAL-SIN WP3: Integ. with EOSC I					WP2: MCV	/AL-MULTI-H				
NCN											
CERN	Phase 1										
ESRF_PaNOSC	Phase 1					Pha	ase 2				
EUDAT											
Data Terra											
ICSC											
NFDI	Prototyping				D	evelopment	for Producti	Production			
CVTI SR	On-boarding & Enrolling					Enrolling	Scaling				
LSRN											
SURF											

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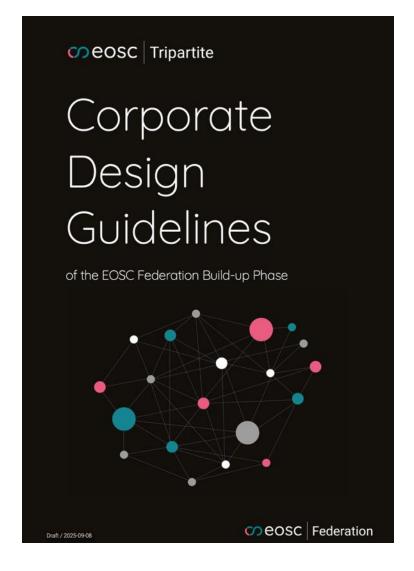
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- 8/10 Nodes enrolment ready
- Resources from 3
 Nodes onboarded
 to EU Node

coeosc | Federation | Corporate Design Guidelines of the **EOSC Federation Build-up Phase**



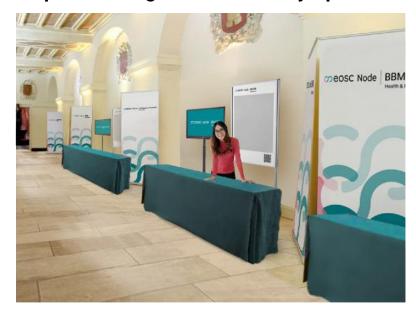




EOSC Node categories

- **Eponymous EOSC Nodes**
- Other national EOSC Nodes
- Thematic EOSC Nodes
- Last issues to be resolved

Implementation of EOSC Federation corporate design at the EOSC Symposium







• COSC Federation

EOSC Federation and Node branding

EOSC Federation branding Tripartite Group, 10 April 2025

COCIO Federation

○ C | Federation | Fed

Member

COC | Federation

Contributor

Eponymous National EOSC Nodes

COSC Node | Finland

COSC Node Germany

COSC Node Italy

COSC Node Poland

COC Node | Slovakia

Other national EOSC Nodes

COPPOSE Node SURF

Thematic and e-Infrastructure EOSC Nodes
Reflecting inclusivity by indicating the respective ESFRI scientific domains

COSC Node BBMRI-ERIC
Health & Food

COC Node CER

CERN
Physical Sciences & Engineering

COC Node

Data Terra

○ COSC Node

EUDAT
Data, Computing and Digital

COP Panosc Physical Sciences & Engineering

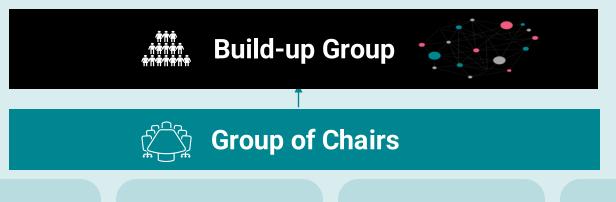
COEOSC Node Life Science Research

COSC Node Blue-Cloud

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Fed. AAI

Service Catalogues interoperability & integration

Resources

Integrating scientific data repositories

File Sync & Share

Science
Scientific Workflows
Sensitive Health Data

Cybersecurity

Preparation of MoU

Handbook Review

Documented

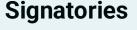
Rules of Procedure

Draft MoU

Preparation of MoU

Peter Maccallum

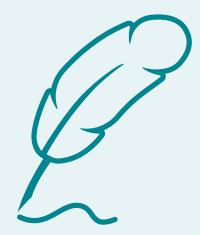
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- EOSC Association
- EOSC Nodes

Scope

- It sets out the mutual understanding of roles and principles for interim collaboration among the Participants, with the sole purpose of testing and preparing practical approaches for future participation in the EOSC Federation.
- During this phase, the Participants aim to establish approaches and frameworks for future service integration, interoperability, and quality assurance, including consideration of FAIR principles, technical standards, and ethical, legal, and social implications (ELSI) expectations. These preparatory steps are intended to lay the foundation for an operational model under a future binding agreement governing the EOSC Federation.



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By Q4 2025 the EOSC Federation will ...

... have detailed the application process to become an EOSC Node, including assessment of organisational, legal and technical requirements

Second wave node enrolment

- Legal, organisation and technical criteria agreed with Tripartite
- Process and timeline defined

Mandatory Technical requirements

- Federated AAI Adhere to the EOSC Node Federated AAI requirements as defined in EOSC AAI Architecture 2025 (March 2025) https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.15388270
- Federated catalogues Register their Service catalogues and Research Product catalogues in the EOSC EU Node Resource Catalogue (September 2025) https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.15516020

Recommended

- Application Workflow Management
- Service Monitoring
- Service and Research Product Accounting
- Order Management
- Helpdesk
- Management System



Second Wave Node Enrolment Criteria

- Submission by public benefit or not-for-profit legal entity in EU member state or country associated with Horizon Europe
 - Application is voluntary (i.e., no funding)
- Node type: National / Multinational / Thematic / E-infrastructure: written endorsement from relevant authority/ies
 - Priority given to those countries/disciplines/e-infrastructures not yet present in the EOSC Federation
 - EOSC Steering Board reps are asked to coordinate when there are multiple applications from the same country
- Willingness to sign a Memorandum of Understanding: (yes/no) link to MoU
- Capacity or a clear plan to develop the capacity to implement activities that enable the broader represented community to engage and participate in the EOSC Federation: project charter
- Comply with the mandatory technical specifications regarding integration in the EOSC Federation: project charter
- Resources must operate at Technical Readiness Level (TRL) 7 or higher: project charter (self-assessment)
- Commit at least five individuals for the duration of the build-up phase: project charter
- Agree with other Node(s) the development of at least one scientific multi-Node use-case or one use-case realizing a concrete contribution to federating capabilities: project charter + email from Node(s) coordinator(s)

copies | Federation | What to expect from the EOSC Federation

By Q4 2025 the EOSC Federation will ...

Node Eligibility Criteria + 3rd Party Onboarding Policy

... have established a first edition of Federation-wide policies, such as Rules of Participation, Access and Acceptable Use policies, cybersecurity, privacy and data protection

Work now starting

Examples from EU Node can provide input for general versions to be used by other nodes





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By Q4 2025 the EOSC Federation will ...

... have established a first edition of the **EOSC Interoperability Framework**

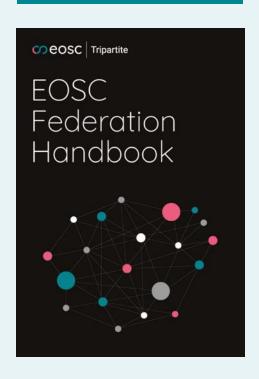
Outlined in EOSC Federation Handbook with updates being proposed by Task Forces





EOSC Federation Handbook Revision

Handbook Review Andy Gotz (PaNoSC/ESRF)



- EOSC Handbook has been translated to French
- Interviews performed with all first wave Nodes
- Survey distributed to gather additional feedback (deadline 15 October)
- EOSC Task Forces, Opportunity Area Expert Groups, and INFRAEOSC projects are invited to complete the survey
- Revised version of Handbook expected to be released in December 2025

What to expect from the EOSC Federation

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Federated AAI
Federated catalogues







coesc | Federation | Candidate multi-node scientific use cases

A small selection of the many use-cases being undertaken by the Nodes

Marine microbiomes	Exploring the impact of marine microbiomes on carbon sequestration	Dick Schaap, MARIS
REANA	Cross-node workflow for the analysis of CERN's ATLAS/CMS experiment's open data on the REANA reusable data platform	Tibor Simko, CERN
Galaxy	Cross-node workflow for the processing of imaging data from the environmental and life sciences using the Galaxy platform	Björn Grüning, NFDI
Pan-Finder	The photon and neutron federated knowledge finder, PaN-Finder, an Al-enabled data search tool for navigating the large data sets of European Research Infrastructures	Andy Götz, PaNOSC
MCVAL	A prostate cancer screening tool, MCVAL, that employs multi-centric validation of AI models	Andreas Türk, BBMRI-ERIC
AMR	The use of genomic sequencing analysis to facilitate cross-border surveillance of anti-microbial resistance	Jaroslav Budiš, CVTI SR

Status 2 Oct'25



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	BBMRI	Blue Cloud	CERN	CSC	CVTI SR	Data Terra	EOSC_PL	EU Node	EUDAT	ICSC	LSRN	NFDI	PANoSC	SURF
Marine microbiomes		Х				X	Х				X			
REANA			Χ				X	X		Χ		Χ		X
Galaxy		Χ	Х	Χ		X	Х	Х	X		Χ	Χ		Х
PaN Finder												Χ	Χ	
MCVAL	X			X	X		X			Х				X
AMR					X		X							

Status 2 Oct'25

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Special Role of the EU Node



Provides access to **EU-sponsored repositories**



Supports **federating capabilities** (AAI, catalogues, etc.)



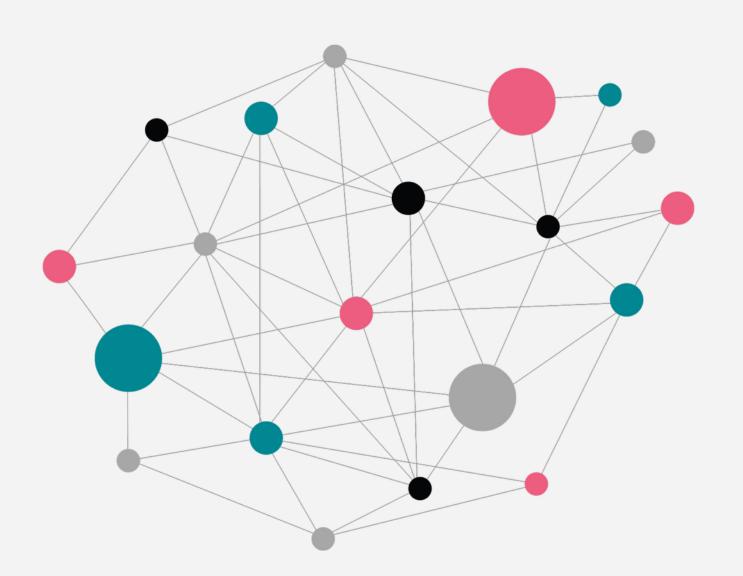
Offers horizontal services (storage, compute)



Governance gap: EC makes key decisions impacting federation

- No single body accountable for the federation
- Need for a Federation Support Office (FSO)

Key recommendations



- Clarify EU Node's role
- Refine governance with scalable mechanisms
- Define, prioritise, and sequence federating capabilities
- Increase Node involvement in decision-making
- Support sustainable, interoperable, FAIR-aligned growth

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Summary

EOSC Federation build-up has progressed very well with EU Node + 13 candidate Nodes

Significant outputs

- AAI Architecture 2025
- Research product catalogue registration
- Draft Federation-level MoU
- 6 cross-node scientific use cases developed
- Consistent branding and communication material

Challenges

- Governance gaps
- Adoption of subset of federating capabilities
- Sustainability

Recommendations

- Clarify EU Node role
- Refine governance to be ready for expansion of the federation
- Prioritise adoption of federating capabilities

coeosc Beyond the EOSC Symposium 2025

Assessment of objectives for 2025

Did we meet the goals & KPIs of the first wave deployment?

Identify elements still to be addressed/improved

Governance

 How to govern an enlarged EOSC Federation with inclusion of 2nd wave nodes? Adapt governance structure (MoU)

Technical

Evolution of federating capabilities and the interoperability framework

Prioritise order in which 'recommended' Federating Capabilities will be introduced

Transition to production

 What must be in place to be able to move the EOSC Federation from prototype to production? Roadmap of necessary additions/improvements



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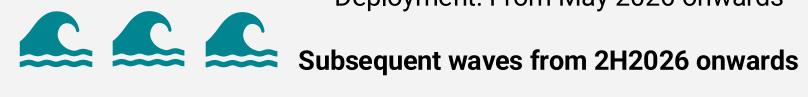
First wave

• 13 candidate Nodes (national, thematic, e-Infrastructures)



Second wave

- **Announcement: November 2025**
- Deadline: January 2026
- Deployment: From May 2026 onwards





EOSC Academy

- Train new participants/contributors
- starting at Winter School January 2026



Pursue adoption of federating capabilities + FAIR practices

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Current Federation

Prototype (24-month commitment)

Production readiness requires agreements on:

- Governance (MoU)
- Sustainability & funding
- Cybersecurity & quality assurance
- Clear scope & capacity





Q&A

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Item 04: Short Progress Report

Klaus Tochtermann, President, EOSC-A Ute Gunsenheimer, Secretary General, EOSC-A









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Save the date!

Registration will open in October

General Assembly #12



10 December 2025, afternoon Online



Items on agenda

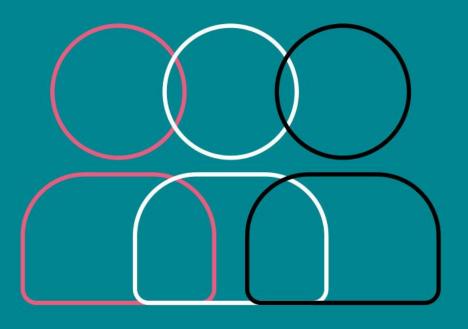
- New Members and Observers
- Election of 3 Board members

- Work Plan 2026
- Budget 2026

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Call for Candidates for three Directors

Submission deadline: 10 November 2025, 23:59 CET



Board of Directors election



Inmaculada Figueroa
EOSC Steering Board; Ministry of
Science, Innovation and Universities



Vinciane Gaillard
European University Association



Karel Luyben

Delft University of Technology; and
Conference of European Schools
for Advanced Engineering
Education and Research (CESAER)

coeosc Timeline and deadlines



02 September 2025 Launch of Call for Candidates in EOSC-A newsletter and eosc.eu

10 November 2025 (23:59 CET) Deadline for submission of application to candidacy@eosc.eu

20 November 2025 Publication of candidacies as part of the documentation for GA#12

10 December 2025 Election of three Directors of the EOSC Association during GA#12



All interested Board candidates are encouraged to **contact the Search Committee** for a private exchange in order to manage expectations.

Please send an email to candidacy@eosc.eu in order to establish contact.

coeosc Terms of reference

Full text available at: eosc.eu/news/call-for-candidates-for-three-3-directors/

As a member of the EOSC-A Board of Directors you are expected to play a key role over the next three years in the following areas:

- Evolving the EOSC Federation;
- Shaping EOSC-A's and the larger EOSC community's roles in the Federation's operations and governance;
- Engaging with stakeholders in relevant constituencies;
- Negotiating the future governance and funding model of EOSC in the context of the Tripartite Collaboration;
- Properly anchoring EOSC in the European Union's 10th Framework Programme;
- Delivering SRIA 2.0 on behalf of the EOSC Partnership;
- Guiding the EOSC-A Task Forces towards delivery of their Terms of Reference;
- Supervising the implementation of EU projects (two or more);
- Stimulating the growing collaboration among the Horizon Europe INFRAEOSC projects;
- Advocacy on behalf of the Association and the EOSC Partnership.







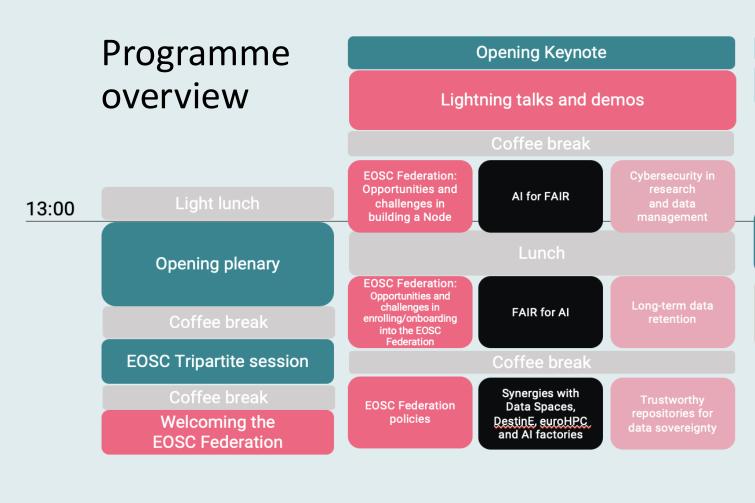




Monday, 03 November 2025

Tuesday, 04 November 2025

Wednesday, 05 November 2025



Opening Keynote

Digitalisation of research ecosystem

Coffee break

Leveraging national capacities for digital services for research

Knowledge valorisation and links with industry

Looking ahead

Lunch

Lunch

Detailed agenda available on Indico:

indico.cern.ch/event/1543880/timetable/
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Social event

meosc High-level keynote speakers



Robbert Dijkgraaf President, International Science Council



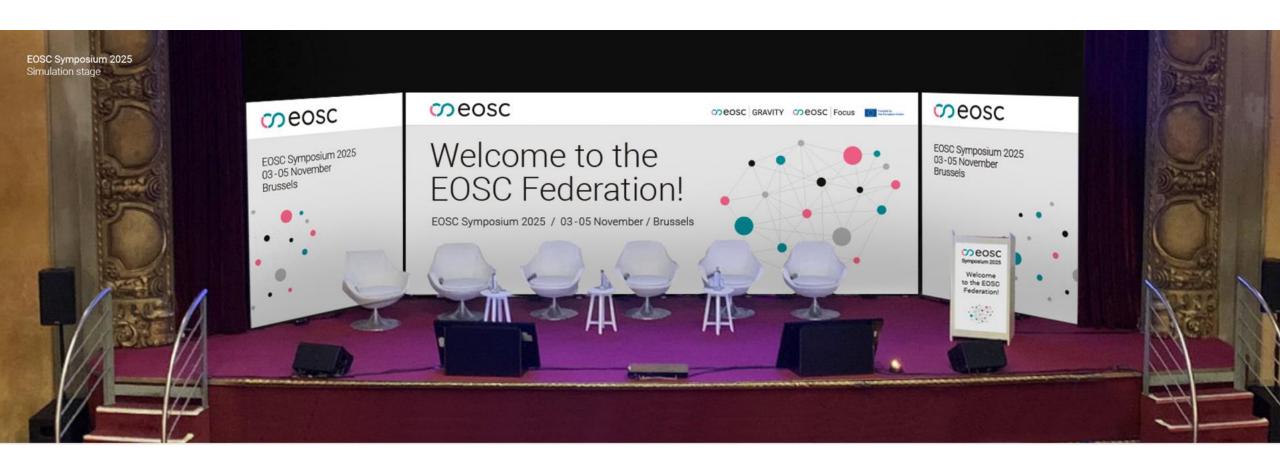
Enrica Porcari Chief Information Officer, **CERN**



Shelley Stall Vice President, American Geophysical Union's (AGU) Open Science Leadership Program

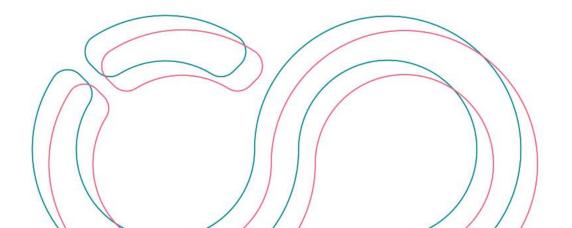
speose Welcome to the EOSC Federation!

Stage branding





SRIA 2.0: Approach and timeline



meosc Strategic Research & Innovation Agenda



The SRIA has served as the guiding reference for defining the priorities reflected in the Multi-Annual Roadmap (MAR) and, subsequently, the Horizon Europe Work Programmes in relation to EOSC.

SRIA 2.0 Being prepared The current version SRIA 1.3 (November 2024) SRIA 1.2 (November 2023) SRIA 1.1 (November 2022) SRIA 1.0 (June 2021)

EOSC-A Board has begun to work in 2025 to **re-define the structure and scope of SRIA 2.0**

SRIA 2.0 will:

- Articulate **EOSC's strategic ambitions** for the remainder of the Partnership
- Set the stage for its integration into FP10
- Address the Partnership's vision towards the transition to a **new governance model** for EOSC post-2027

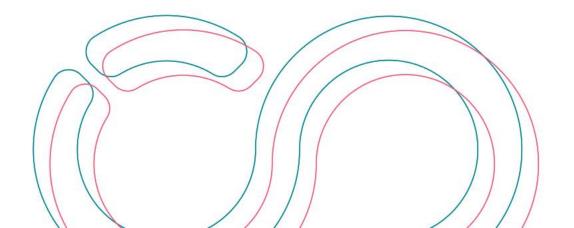
speose SRIA 2.0: Approach and timeline

The process of drafting SRIA 2.0 is collaborative by design





Kick-off of EOSC Gravity and EOSC United projects







Horizon Europe call INFRA-2021-EOSC-01-02 Supporting the development and coordination of activities of the EOSC Partnership

June 2022 to May 2025

Project closed, reported, and audited

"Through robust coordination, stakeholder engagement, and technical innovation, EOSC Focus contributed at laying a strong foundation for the future of Open Science in Europe."

The General Project Review Consolidated Report





HORIZON-INFRA-2024-EOSC-01-02

Supporting the EOSC Partnership in further consolidating the coordination and sustainability of the EOSC ecosystem



INFRA-2024-EOSC-02-01 Future Engagement Model for the EOSC Federation (2024)

GRAVITY: 31 months, June 2025 to December 2027 United: 36 months, September 2025 to August 2028



EOSC Focus Review Report, 22 Sep 2025

"Through robust coordination, stakeholder engagement, and technical innovation, EOSC Focus contributed at laying a strong foundation for the future of Open Science in Europe."



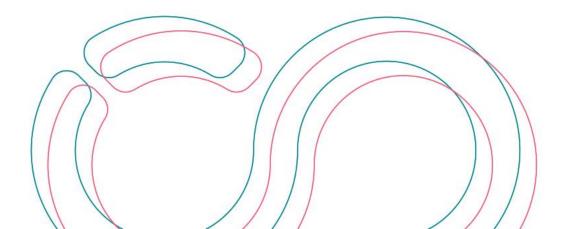
Project dates: 1 June 2022 to 31 May 2025

As the EOSC ecosystem matured, EOSC Focus adapted dynamically, aligning its efforts with the evolving needs of the EOSC Partnership and laying the groundwork for the upcoming EOSC Federation.

We must **implement the recommendations** from the review report through our work in EOSC Gravity & EOSC United.



EOSC Gravity









EOSC Gravity handover meeting

26 May 2025, Antwerp







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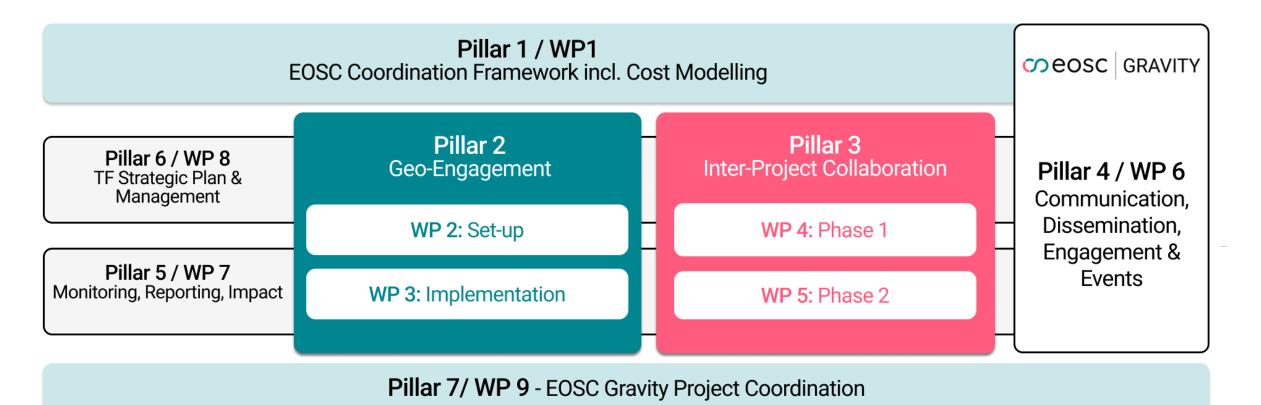
4.66M EUR



10 Organisations



1 Jun 2025 - 31 Dec 2027





cosc GRAVITY

Growing the EOSC Federation

Financial support opportunities available via EOSC Gravity project

EOSC Gravity preparatory grant: €50k

- Preparatory work for potential future Nodes
- Deliverable: Project Charter



Node Enrolment

- Independent of funding opportunities
- Selection overseen by EOSC Tripartite

Operating Nodes

Timeline

All calls launched at EOSC Symposium Nov'25 Deadline for submission: Jan/Feb'26 Evaluation by independent reviewers Decisions/Start: April/May '26 Direct submission

EOSC Gravity inter- project grant: €50k

- Onboarding of resources to existing EOSC Nodes
- Use case deployment



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Winter School 2026

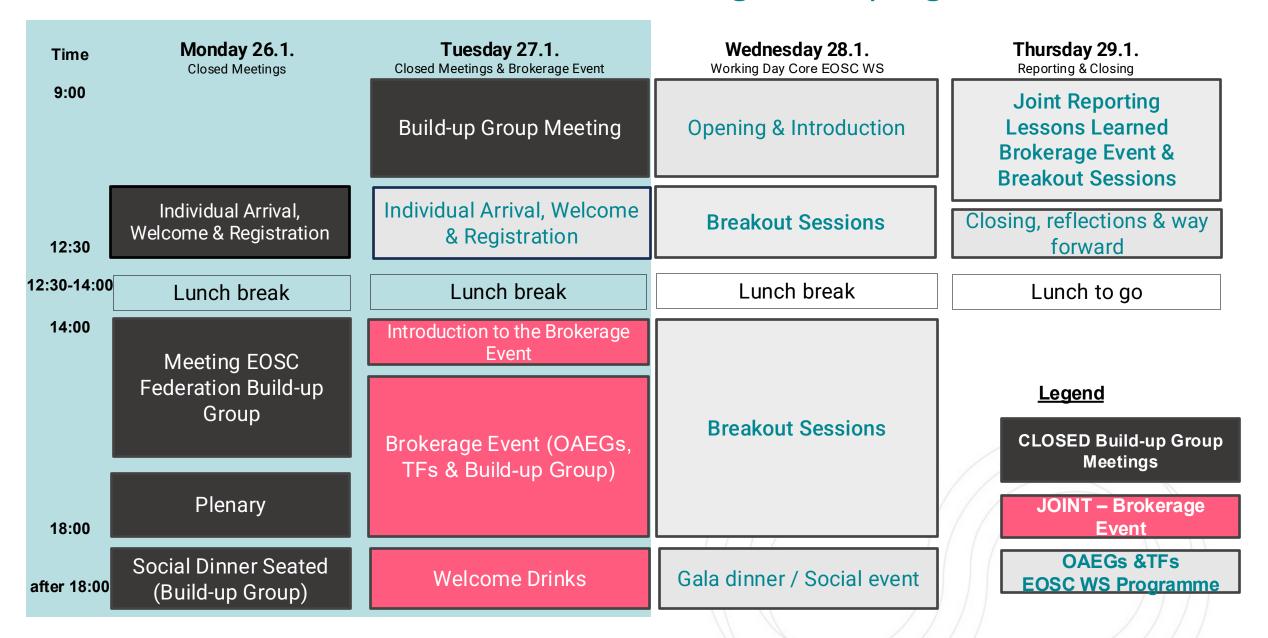
27 - 29 January 2026 Nice, France





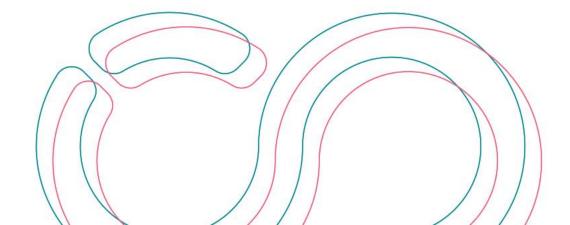


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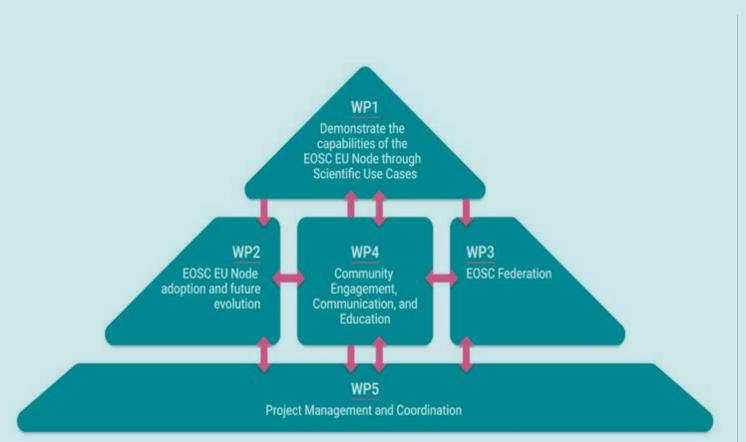








1 Sep 2025 - 31 Aug 2028





Enabling long-term commitment and engagement



Q&A



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Item 05: What is in there for EOSC? The EC's Legislative Proposals for 2028-2034





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Item 05: Presentation of Frameworks and planned Instruments

Michael Arentoft, Head of Unit, DG RTD/A.4





Horizon Europe 2028 - 2034

DG RTD



The structure of the new Horizon Europe







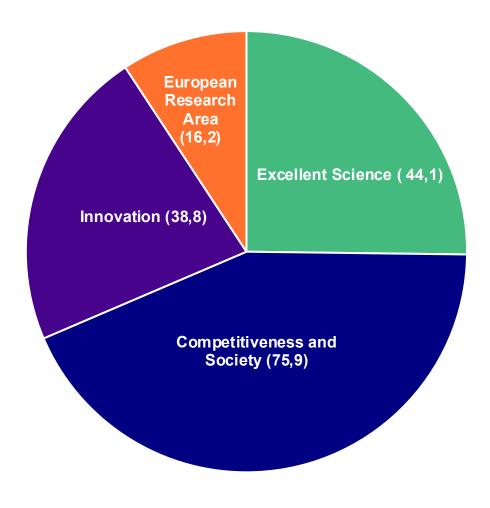




¹ Consistent with activities under the European Competitiveness Fund

The Budget

Horizon Europe total budget EUR 175 billion (current prices) Figures all in EUR billion





Pillar IV - European Research Area (ERA)

Pillar IV aims to support the development of a unified ERA with a focus on promoting excellence, inclusiveness and impact. It also supports the development and operation of research and technology infrastructures.

Indicative budget: **EUR 16.2 billion**, of which

 EUR 5.4 billion for 'Widening Participation and Spreading Excellence'





Novelties

Further Simplification

Partnerships Landscape

EIC

Research and Technology Infrastructures

Widening

Dual-use research



Research and Technology Infrastructures

Research Infrastructures

Support the construction, development and integration of research infrastructures of EU interest

- Developing, consolidating and streamlining the Union landscape of research infrastructures
- Reinforcing transnational access to research infrastructures across domains and sectors, and adapting to new emerging user communities
- Making research infrastructures more resilient and sustainable while keeping pace with rapid technological advancements
- Developing a web of FAIR and machine-actionable research data, including through expanding and consolidating the European Open Science Cloud as Europe's research data space
- Reinforcing European research infrastructure policy and international cooperation

Technology Infrastructures

Improve technology infrastructure capacities in the Union and facilitate access to the integrated services of such infrastructures for innovative companies, including start-ups and scale-ups

- Development of new technology infrastructure capacities
- Improving the visibility and uptake of technology infrastructure services
- Access programme for SMEs, start-ups and scale-ups across the Union
- Collaboration and networking among the infrastructures, training and upskilling of their staff
- Reinforcing the European technology infrastructure policy.

The funding of the Research and Technology Infrastructures shall contribute to equip the Union with a strong and coherent ecosystem of world-class sustainable facilities and services, building on prioritised pan-European infrastructures and complementary state-of-the-art national capacities and using funding instruments, including European partnerships. The Programme shall contribute up to 20% of the building costs of critical new world-class capacities of European research and technology infrastructures

Article 2 – Definitions

[...]

'European Partnership' means an initiative, where the Union together with private and/or public partners commit to jointly supporting the development, implementation and evaluation of a **programme of activities**, and where the **costs are shared** between all partners;



Article 11 – European Partnerships

- 11.1. Where necessary to achieve the objectives set out in Article 3, activities under this Regulation may be implemented through European Partnerships, by default through the work programmes.
- 11.2 'European Partnerships shall be based on a **Memorandum of Understanding**, agreed and signed between the partners, stipulating:
- (a) the **results** to be delivered, which shall be clear, measurable, time-bound;
- (b) **reporting** requirements;
- (c) the related **commitments** from all partners;
- (d) governance arrangements with a mechanism for partners to discuss and agree on the partnerships' programming and activities.



Article 11 – European Partnerships

11.3. In **duly justified** cases European Partnerships will be implemented by entrusting budget implementation tasks from various Union funding programmes to bodies established pursuant to **Articles 185 and 187 TFEU**, in accordance with Article 62(1), point (c), of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509

11.4 For European Partnerships established pursuant to paragraphs 2 and 3 of this Article, support from the Programme shall be conditional upon efficient use of Union financing, a proportionate financial contribution from other partners at least matching the Union contribution and voting rights for the Union in the governing bodies ensuring protection of the interests of the Union in the partnership. For that purpose, Joint Undertakings shall be established through a single establishing act ensuring harmonised rules



Article 11 – European Partnerships

- 11.5. European Partnerships shall:
- (a) be established only in cases where **Union action alone or other forms of support under the Programme** cannot achieve the desired objectives.
- (b) be established for the purpose of addressing challenges that require a **critical mass of resources** and a **unified and coordinated approach**, both in terms of programming and implementation, across actors.
- (c) align with and assist in the implementation of major Union policies and policy initiatives.
- (d) be selected in a **competitive manner** based on a set of quantifiable lifecycle criteria and a strong portfolio approach, resulting in a coherent set of initiatives.
- (e) be based on **ex ante**, **long-term and formal commitments from all partners** to contribute financially to the resources of the European Partnership, which shall be **centrally managed**, except in duly justified cases.
- (f) require a clear **lifecycle approach**, including an upfront plan for the implementation of the initiative with a strategy for gradually or fully phasing out from Union funding



Article 11 – European Partnerships

11.6 Contributions from Partners other than the Union shall take the following forms:

- a) financial contributions to the operational budget of the initiative;
- **b) co-financing** by the Partners **of their own participation**, or that of their members, **in projects** funded through the initiative.

11.7 All Partners other than the Union shall **provide information** on the structure, membership and activities developed within the partnership. In cases where partnerships are concluded with representative organisations and associations, this shall include regular information on their membership.

Further information, including on lifecycle approach & selection criteria, in Article 5 of Specific Programme



Whereas:

[...]

- (9) It should be possible to implement parts of the budget through European Partnerships together with other public and private entities, where this is the most effective implementation form to achieve the policy objectives. European Partnerships should be established where a close involvement of the Union is required and should ensure appropriate voting rights for the Union as well as **sufficient co-investment by other partners** to leverage Union funding. In view of fostering synergies and efficiencies, it is necessary to ensure harmonised rules. Therefore, a **strategic and coherent portfolio of a limited number of European Partnerships** should be established.
- (10) The European Partnerships, including in the form of Joint Undertakings, as an essential tool to deliver on industrial involvement and investment in collaborative research and innovation, should **contribute to the specific policy objectives of the policy windows** of the European Competitiveness Fund, and be supported through it, where necessary, to complete these objectives.



EOSC after 2027

What future model for EOSC to:

- be driven by science and community needs?
- achieve joint ownership and co-funding by EU and national streams?
- secure its long-term financial sustainability?
- achieve the sustainable operation and development of the EOSC Federation?
- best serve EU policy priorities?



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Aneta Pazik-Aybar

NCN, Representative of Funders

Mattias Björnmalm

CESAER, Representative of RPO Umbrella Organisations

Harald Schwalbe

INSTRUCT ERIC, Representative of ESFRI RI Working Group

Dale Robertson

EGI Foundation, Representative of e-Infrastructures

How will this panel discussion be run?



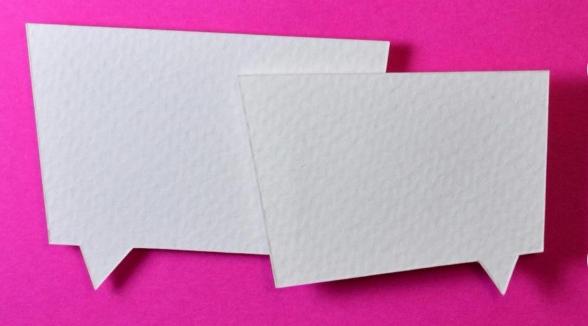
- All questions will be **posted in the Zoom chat**
- These questions will be also listed in a Google document you all can access here:
 https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1545Yu13Y8eHyoHCrUQugGUaY0B2IIC4K
- We will share the link and slides right after meeting
- You have time until **24 October** to add your comments and thoughts
- We will share the summary in November to inform the discussions at GA#12

coeosc Proposal for the Panel Discussion

Questions

- Q1 for all: (1 min each) Short introduction: name, organisation, role in EOSC-A and short opening statement on how each stakeholder group perceives FP 10 and the proposals for instruments currently on the table
- Q2 for EC What could be the role of the EOSC A in the future governance? (Sara)
- Q3 for EOSC-A, Funders, RPOs: EOSC is a complex multistakeholder environment and for its success it is of paramount importance that the community is in a driving seat: How do you see the future of EOSC-A and how can we ensure that the voice of the community is being heard?
- Q4 for EC, EOSC-A, MOs, eInfra, RIs: what is the future role of the EOSC Federation in relation to the funding instruments presented today?
- Q5 For the EC and EOSC-A what the community can do to support this process relative to secure the necessary funding?

speose Call for Action



- Review the GA#11 paperwork, slide deck and panel questions
- Add your comments and thoughts here https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1545Yu13Y8eHyoHCrUQugGUaY0B2llC4K

Deadline: 24 October 2025

- Use the EOSC-A Fora meetings we organise to engage with the Board of Directors
- Reach out to your EOSC-SB member and Ministries to discuss the national perspectives of FP 10

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Item 06: The Future of EOSC / Next Steps

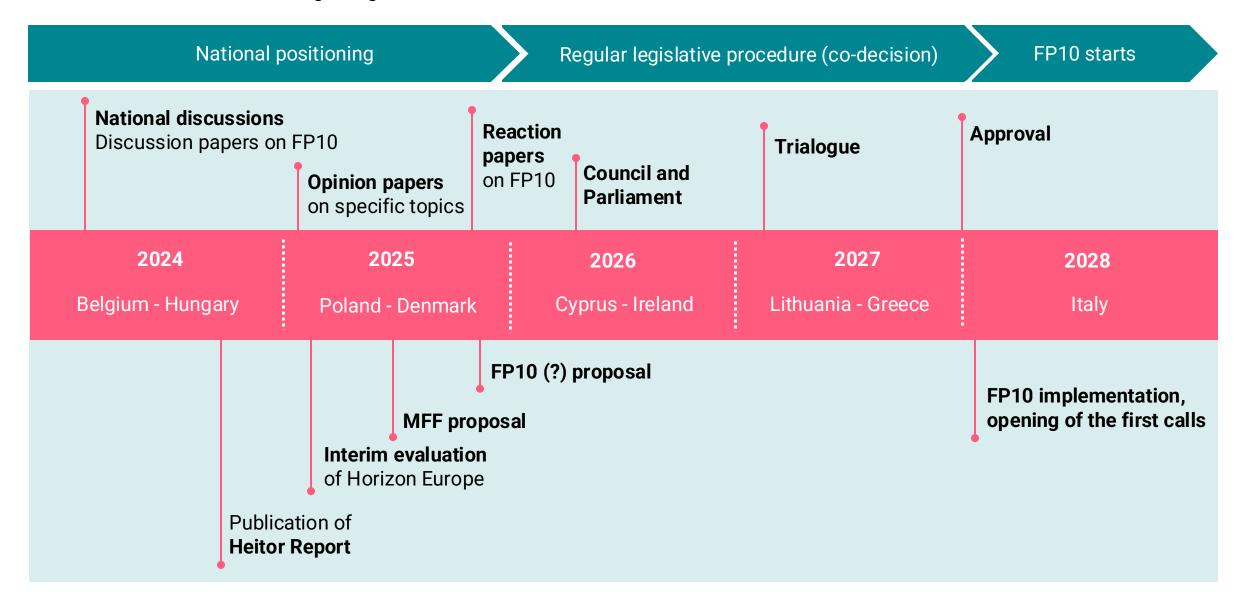
Klaus Tochtermann, President, EOSC-A





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Status at the beginning of 2025





Next milestone: European Tripartite Event

28 November 2025, Copenhagen



EC requested **MS and AC to provide input** on the next MFF and the future funding instrument for EOSC



Your contribution is crucial to ensure the success of the EOSC Federation!



Without a successful EOSC Federation, there will be no EOSC.



Action required: Engage with national authorities to prioritise EOSC on their agenda and demonstrate willingness for upfront funding.

speose Activities until GA#12

The EOSC-A Board of Directors plans to:

- Analyse your input to today's panel discussion to inform the discussions at GA#12
- Continue to engage with the European Commission/Tripartite on further development of the instruments
- Inform the EOSC community of relevant progress through existing Fora and collect feedback
- Engage in advocacy activities at the European level, e.g. discussions in the European Parliament
- Promote EOSC as key instrument for European data sovereignty



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Save the date!

Registration will open in October

General Assembly #12



10 December 2025, afternoon Online



Items on agenda

- New Members and Observers
- Election of 3 Board members

- Work Plan 2026
- Budget 2026



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Item 08: Closing

