



13th General Assembly

28-29 May 2026 | Brussels

Day 1, 13:30–17:50



Item 01: Opening of General Assembly meeting #13 and adoption of draft agenda

Klaus Tochtermann, President, EO SC-A



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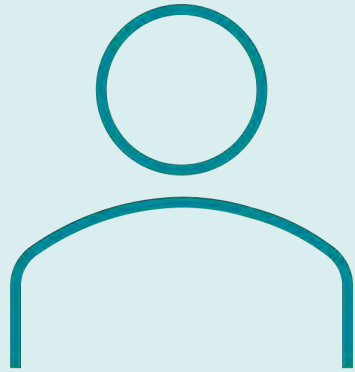


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- **Open voting**
- **Colour of the voting papers** differs for Mandated Organisations and Members



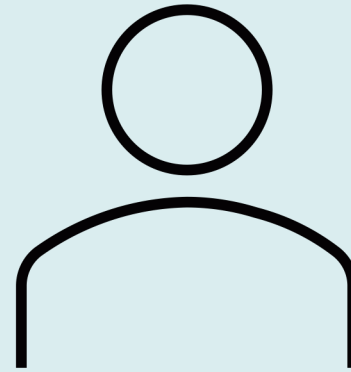
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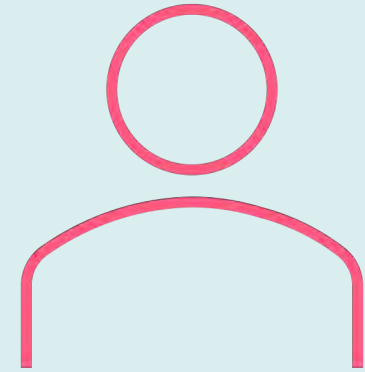
David Marshall

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Sofie Peeters

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Wilma Wolf

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13:30 **Item 01: Opening of General Assembly meeting #13 and adoption of draft agenda**
Klaus Tochtermann, President, EOSC-A (Decision / Open voting / 15')

13:45 **Item 02: Admission of new Members and Observers of the Association, incl. short presentation of new organisations**
Kamran Naim, Director, EOSC-A (Decision / Open voting / 15')

Paper A: New Members and Observers

14:00 **Item 03: Interim report of the President and the Secretary General**
Klaus Tochtermann, President, EOSC-A
Ute Gunsenheimer, Secretary General, EOSC-A (Information / 30')

Paper B: Interim report

14:30 **Item 04: Presidential Mandate**
Marialuisa Lavitrano, Vice President, EOSC-A (Decision / Open voting / 15')

Paper C: Presidential Mandate

14:45 **Item 05: Annual accounts 2025, discharges of the Board of Directors and auditor**
Klaus Tochtermann, President, EOSC-A
Antje Keppler, Treasurer, EOSC-A
Geert Keunen, VRC Auditors (Decision / Open voting / 20')

Paper D: Annual accounts 2025 and audit report

15:05 **Item 06: EOSC-A position paper on the future of EOSC post-2027 including presentation of advocacy material**

Sara Garavelli, Director, EOSC-A (Decision / Open voting / 35')

Paper E: The EOSC Association calls for a distinct Work Programme-based Partnership for EOSC in FP10

15:40 Coffee break and family picture (30')

16:10 **Interactive sessions**

Item 07: Establishment of a Working Group to propose a roadmap for revising the EOSC-A Articles of Association

Ute Gunsenheimer, Secretary General, EOSC-A (Decision / Open voting / 45')

Paper F: Mandate of Roadmapping Working Group

16:55 **Item 08: SRIA 2.0: Shaping the Strategic Priorities for 2026 - 2030**

Klaus Tochtermann, President, EOSC-A (Information / 45')

Paper G: Overview of Strategic Priorities of SRIA 2.0

17:40 **Item 09: Introduction of Day 2**

Bob Jones, Special Envoy for the EOSC Federation (Information / 10')

17:50 **Wrap of day 1**

19:00 BBQ dinner at MGallery, Av. de la Toison d'Or 40

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- 09:00 **Item 10: Update on the EOSC Federation**
Bob Jones, Special Envoy for the EOSC Federation, EOSC-A (Information / 30')
- Paper H: Update on the EOSC Federation**
- 9:30 **Item 10a: Parallel session I: The EOSC Federation User Forum (60')**
- 10:30 Coffee break
- 11:00 **Item 10b: Parallel session II: Strategic considerations (60')**
- 12:00 **Item 10c: Reporting from parallel sessions (Information / 45')**
- 12:45 **Item 11: AOB and Closing**
- 13:00 Lunch / End of GA#13

Day 2

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Q&A



Item 01: Adoption of draft agenda

The GA is invited to adopt
the agenda for GA#13.

Decision/Open voting

Item 02: Admission of new Members and Observers of the Association, incl. short presentation of new organisations

Antje Keppler, Director, EOOSC-A



Paper A:
New Members and Observers



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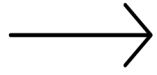


- Resignations
- Provisional Members
- Provisional Observers
- Members changing to Observers
- Voting

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Member



Observer

Two **Members** have resigned membership in order to **re-apply as Observers**

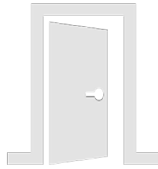
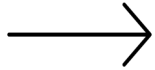
- **Fonds Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek Vlaanderen (FWO), Belgium** (applicable as of 2027)
- **Georg-August-Universität Göttingen / University of Göttingen (UGOE), Germany** (applicable as of 2027)



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Member

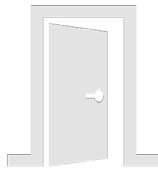
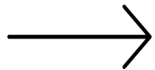


Two Members

- **ELSEVIER**, the Netherlands (applicable as of 2027)
- **Grand Equipement National de Calcul Intensif (GENCI)**, France (applicable as of 2027)



Observer



Four Observers

- **INSTITUUT NATUUR- EN BOSONDERZOEK, Research Institute for Nature & Forest (INBO)**, Belgium (applicable as of 2026)
- **Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences (RBINS)**, Belgium (applicable as of 2027)
- **Technopolis Consulting Group Belgium**, Belgium (applicable as of 2026)
- **The Guild of European Research-Intensive Universities (The Guild)**, Belgium (applicable as of 2027)

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Member

One new application for **Members** has been received

- **European Research Infrastructure for Heritage Science European Research Infrastructure Consortium (E-RIHS ERIC), Italy**



Observer

Two new applications for **Observers** have been received (+2 changing status)

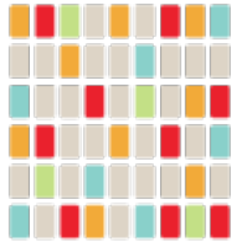
- **Luleå University of Technology (LTU), Sweden**
- **Tampere University Foundation s.r. (TAU), Finland**



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Member



E-RIHS

EUROPEAN RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURE
FOR HERITAGE SCIENCE



Integrating tools, data and expertise to advance heritage science across Europe:

- Distributed European RI (ERIC, 2025), Central Hub in Florence
- Integrated access across platforms: ARCHLAB | FIXLAB | MOLAB | DIGILAB
- DIGILAB: digital services, data workflows, semantic interoperability

Contribution to the EOSC association:

- Structured **Catalogue of Services**, including digital services via DIGILAB
- Expertise in **integrating heterogeneous data**
- Contribution to **semantic interoperability** and FAIR data practices
- Interdisciplinary communities bridging heritage, humanities and sciences

E-RIHS brings data-intensive heritage science into EOSC through interoperable services and semantic expertise.

<https://www.e-rihs.eu/>

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Observer

VISION 2030

We are shaping the future through innovative education and ground-breaking research.

Based in the Arctic region, we are creating societal benefits.

EOSC observer since Feb 2026

To promote Open Science and FAIR data to advance research practices and boost the ground-breaking research.



Our strengths

Applied research – high proportion of corporate funded research

Technical excellence combined with multidisciplinary research

Unique experimental environments for research

21,570
Students



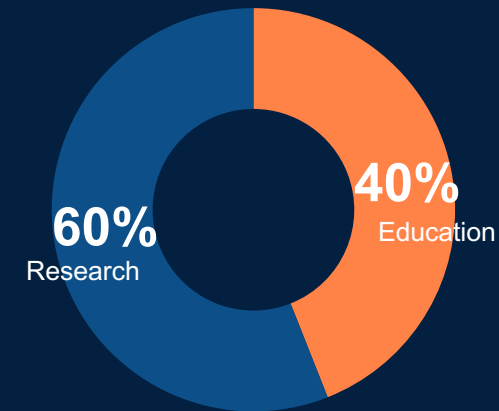
1,840
Employees



295
Professors



Turnover **2.3 billion SEK**



65 research subjects
with a turnover of
1.4 billion SEK

65% externally funded

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UNIVERSITY
OF TECHNOLOGY



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TEKNISKA
UNIVERSIT



Tampere University in brief



Multidisciplinary, the 2nd largest university in Finland

Our focus areas:

Technology
Health
Society

Strong international and Open Science profile

Competitive research funding
110 M€



Our motivation to join EOSC

Strengthen European-wide collaboration and interoperability

Actively contribute to the European Open Science ecosystem

Align institutional Open Science practices with EOSC

Share expertise in FAIR data, RDM and research infrastructures

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Q&A

Applicants are kindly asked to **leave the room and wait outside** for the General Assembly to vote on the admission of new Members and Observers





Item 02: Admission of new Members and Observers of the Association, incl. short presentation of new organisations

The GA must vote in favour of, or against, the acceptance of Provisional Members and Observers, and approve the changes in status.



Question to GA: Single vote or separate vote for each applicant?

Decision/Open voting

Item 03: Interim report of the President and the Secretary General

Klaus Tochtermann, President, EOSC-A

Ute Gunsenheimer, Secretary General, EOSC-A




Paper B:
Interim report




1 

The Tripartite
Collaboration and
Horizon Europe
EOSC Partnership

2 

Working with the
INFRAEOSC projects

3 

Inside the EOSC
Association



The Tripartite Collaboration and Horizon Europe EOSC Partnership



Growing and maturing the EOSC Federation

EOSC Symposium 2025 / 03-05 November / Brussels

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Operational structure

- Migrate Build-up group to the operational structure outlined in the MoU
- Evolution of federating capabilities and the interoperability framework

Transition to production

- Move the EOSC Federation from prototype to production
- Address legal, governance, operational and engagement requirements

Expansion

- Enrollment of nodes and onboarding of resources and use-cases
- Leveraging wave of enrolment waves, EOSC Gravity cascading grants, HORIZON-INFRA-2025-01-EOSC-01



9th European Tripartite Event
21 April 2026, Nicosia

Endorsement of 14 second-wave candidate EOSC Nodes



- Supports the **coordination and steering** of the processes to expand and mature the EOSC Federation
- Facilitates discussions and **preparations for decision-making** by the Tripartite Governance.
- **Chaired by DG RTD**
- **Meets monthly** to keep the progression of the EOSC Federation's build-up phase moving swiftly

2026 focus

- Moving forward the **second-wave expansion** of the EOSC Federation
- **EOSC Federation Handbook 2.0**
- Convergence on a common **Tripartite policy narrative for EOSC and the EOSC Federation**

Future of EOSC post-2027

EOSC Tripartite Governance publishes new policy narrative for EOSC

The narrative elaborates the case for EOSC's seven policy impact areas:

- EOSC to safeguard European data sovereignty
- EOSC to foster European leadership in artificial intelligence
- EOSC to increase security in research and data management
- EOSC to establish the EU Single Market for knowledge
- EOSC to enhance Europe's global scientific competitiveness
- EOSC to boost the European data economy
- EOSC to preserve European values

At a moment when Europe's competitiveness and values, digital sovereignty, strategic autonomy, and data security are under unprecedented pressure, EOSC becomes far more than a research instrument: it becomes a strategic priority for the Union to build a resilient, productive and sovereign knowledge economy. EOSC is not simply aligned with EU ambitions but, as the evolving EU policy landscape has made explicit, it is indispensable to delivering them.



DOI [10.5281/zenodo.19368164](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.19368164)

EOSC: Empowering Europe's trusted, secure and sovereign research data ecosystem.

April 1, 2026

eosc Public advocacy for EOSC and FP10

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EOSC to safeguard European data sovereignty

EOSC ensures long-term, secure, and trustworthy access to research data in compliance with EU regulations.

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EOSC to foster European leadership in AI

By unlocking large, diverse, machine-actionable FAIR datasets, EOSC directly supports AI development and reduces data scarcity. It also ensures interoperability, provenance, and reproducibility, which mitigate "black box" risks and enable responsible AI.

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EOSC to enhance Europe's global scientific competitiveness

By standardising data sharing protocols and ensuring interoperability across disciplines and borders, EOSC facilitates the interdisciplinary collaboration required to address complex global challenges such as climate change, health, etc.

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EOSC: Empowering Europe's trusted, secure and sovereign research data ecosystem

Seven reasons why EOSC should be a Partnership in FP 10

The European Open Science Cloud (EOSC) is a major initiative of the EU's research and digital agenda that aims to transform Europe's research data ecosystem towards a trusted, secure and sovereign European space of high quality FAIR research data and related services. However, as a response when Europe's competitiveness and values, digital sovereignty, and strategic autonomy are under unprecedented pressure, EOSC becomes far more than a research instrument. It becomes a strategic priority for the Union to build a resilient, productive and sovereign knowledge economy.

EOSC to safeguard European data sovereignty EOSC ensures long-term, secure, and trustworthy access to research data in compliance with EU regulations.	EOSC to foster European leadership in AI By unlocking large, diverse, machine-actionable FAIR datasets, EOSC directly supports AI development and reduces data scarcity. It also ensures interoperability, provenance, and reproducibility, which mitigate "black box" risks and enable responsible AI.	EOSC to increase security in research & data management EOSC safeguards sensitive resources while enabling scientific innovation and fostering cross-border, cross-disciplinary collaboration.
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EOSC to boost European data economy

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- A slide deck from the EOSC Tripartite showcasing the seven EU policy areas where EOSC is identified as a strategic priority.
- An EOSC-A policy one-pager advocating for the establishment of an EOSC Partnership in FP10.

EOSC as an indispensable component of the FP10 European Partnership portfolio

The EOSC Steering Board has made a strong statement of political support for the future of EOSC in FP10 and the role of the EOSC Association.

- **Scope:** The paper represents the view of delegates from the **42 EU Member States and Associated Countries** participating in the current EOSC Partnership
- **Release date:** 04 May 2026

1

Establish EOSC as a **distinct work-programme based European Partnership** under FP10.

2

Continue to **develop EOSC along the five tasks** established during FP9.

3

Keep the **EOSC Federation at the focus** of the EOSC development.

4

Build a European AI-enhanced ecosystem for science by collaborating and **aligning EOSC with EuroHPC, RAISE and other Common European Data Spaces.**

5

Continue EOSC under a **Tripartite Governance involving the European Commission, Member States (MS) and Associated Countries (AC)**, and the EOSC Association as a representative of the user communities. In a situation where the EOSC Association cannot be partner in the partnership, the EOSC Association should take a strong advisory role in the future governance, ensuring that all three continue to contribute to the steering of EOSC.

6

Entrust the EOSC Association with the coordination of the EOSC Federation.

7

Aim for a partnership that **includes all MS** and a significant share of the **AC of FP10.**

8

Foresee a significant contribution from the MS/AC side, while **recognising tangible in-kind contributions to the EOSC Federation** as a form of partner's participation.

9

Set up the partnership in such a way that **partner countries see an investment and financing of activities in their countries** at a level at least as high as their contributions with a financial value to the partnership.

10

Accompany the partnership, and the continued build-up and operations of the EOSC Federation and its nodes, with **widening mechanisms.**

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Symposium 2026

14-16 October, Florence

Registration opens next week!

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Symposium 2026

Call for programme contributions

Deadline: 01 June 2026 (14:00 CEST)

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Submit up to 3 proposals

- Proposals for **speakers**
- Suggestions for relevant **topics** to be discussed
- **Questions** to be addressed during the discussions

All submissions will be **peer-reviewed** by the EOSC Symposium Programme Committee and session co-chairs

Results: 09 June 2026

Track 1: EOSC collaborations and future opportunities

- EOSC's role in supporting European AI Leadership
- EOSC and Data Spaces
- EOSC and ERICs/ESFRIs
- Capacity building on using AI tools for data science

Track 2: EOSC best practices and user experience

- Data federation, trustworthiness and sovereignty
- Usage of EOSC Nodes resources (incl. EU Node) and related benefits
- Automating data FAIRification
- Data economy
- EOSC User Forum

Track 3: EOSC Federation Operationalisation

- EOSC Federation nodes in production: lessons learnt and next steps
- EOSC Federation IF, architecture and data-related policies
- EOSC Federation federating capabilities
- Business models for EOSC Federation

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3 Countries targeted



3 Articles



233 Participants



40 Country Pages



21 Speakers & panelists



3 NTEs
(Number of events)



Community building



Knowledge sharing



Strategic alignment



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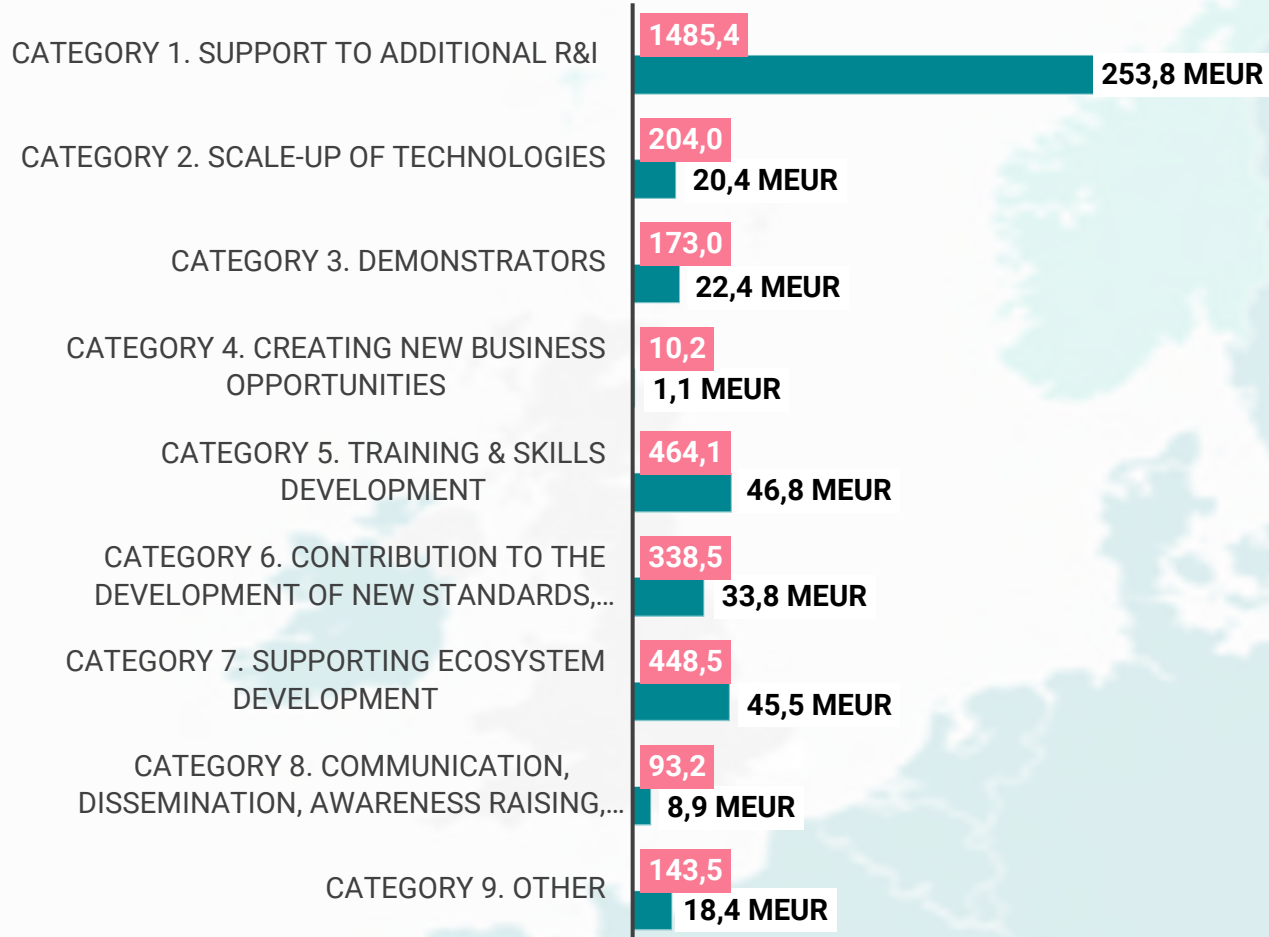
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29 Apr | Zagreb

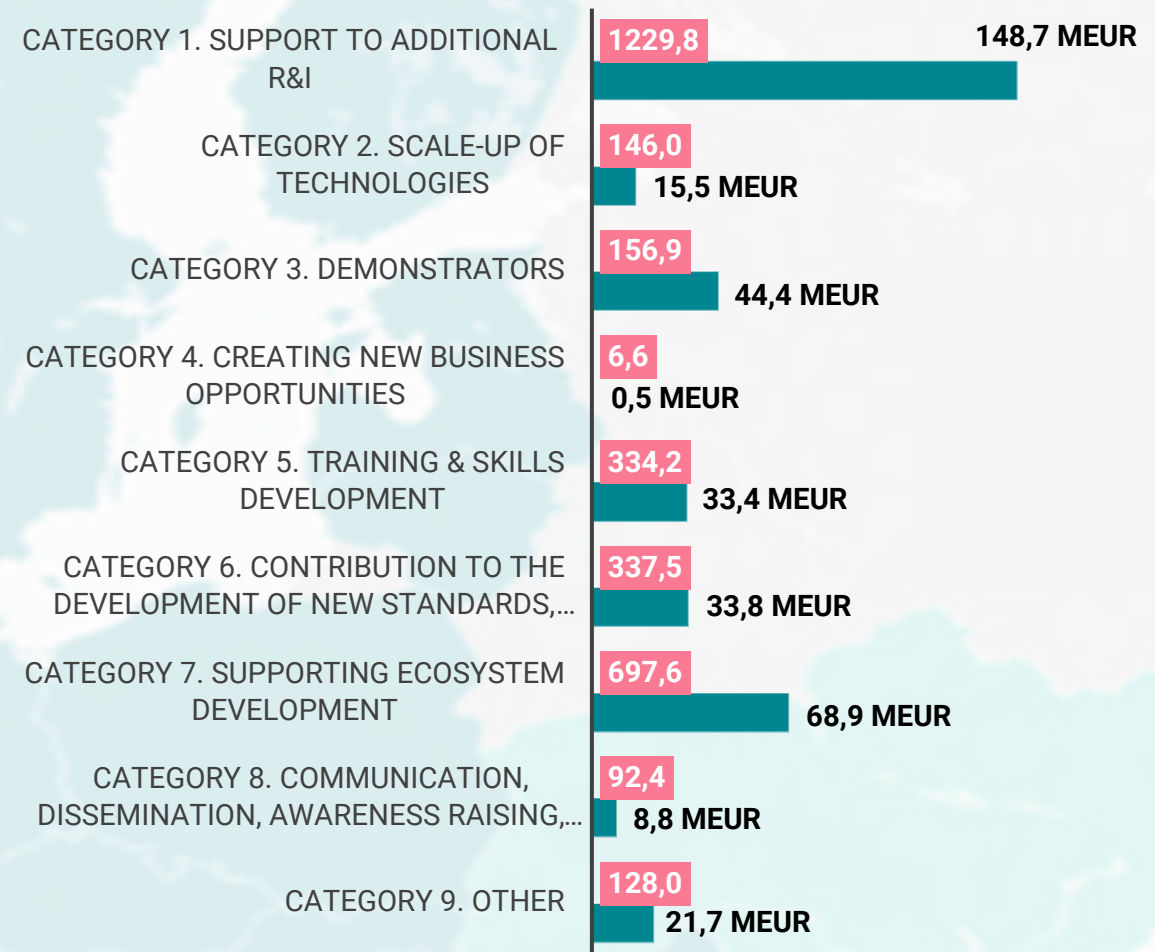
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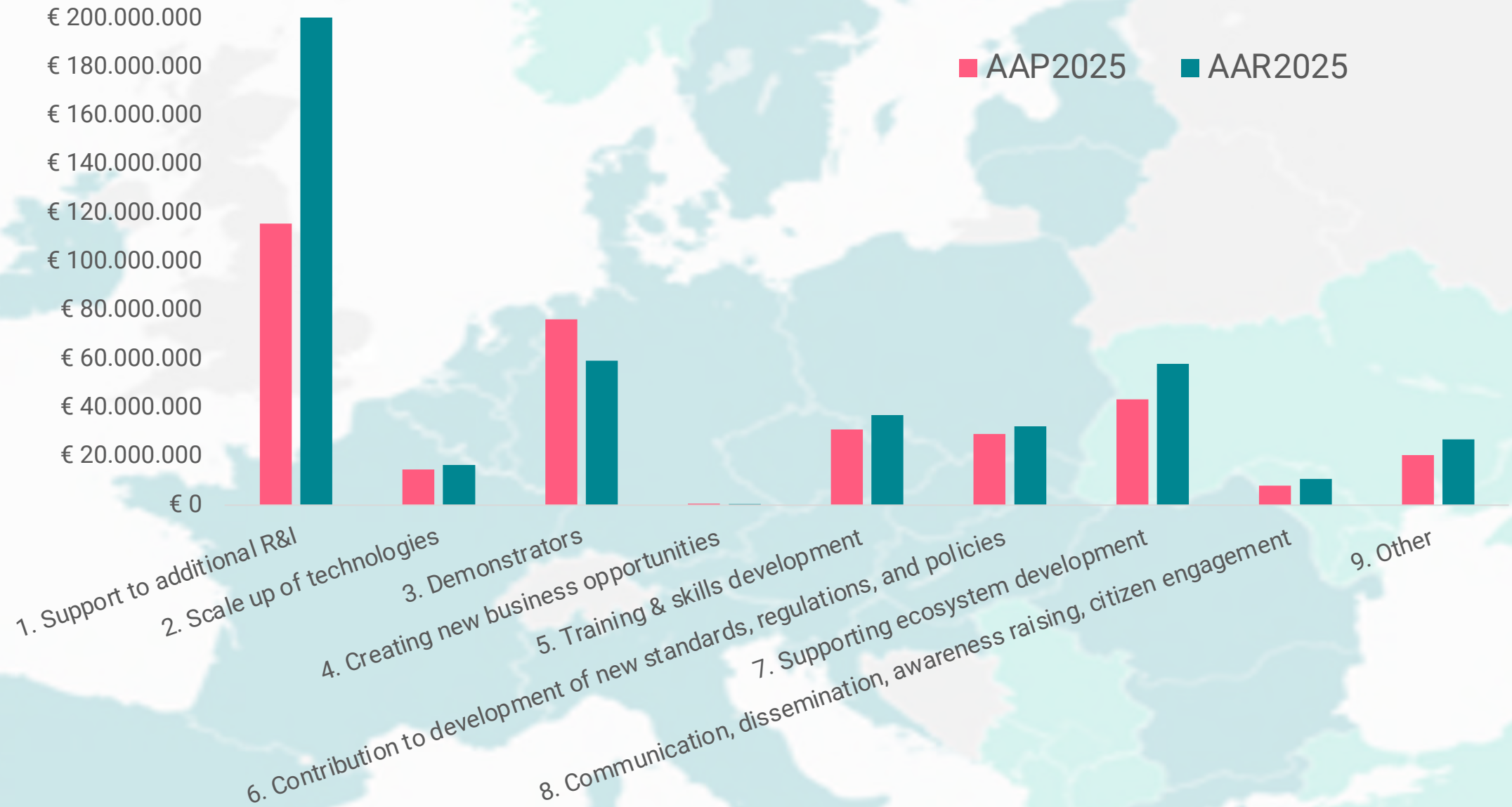
451.551.203 €
3360,3 FTEs



AAP 2026

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3129,0 FTEs

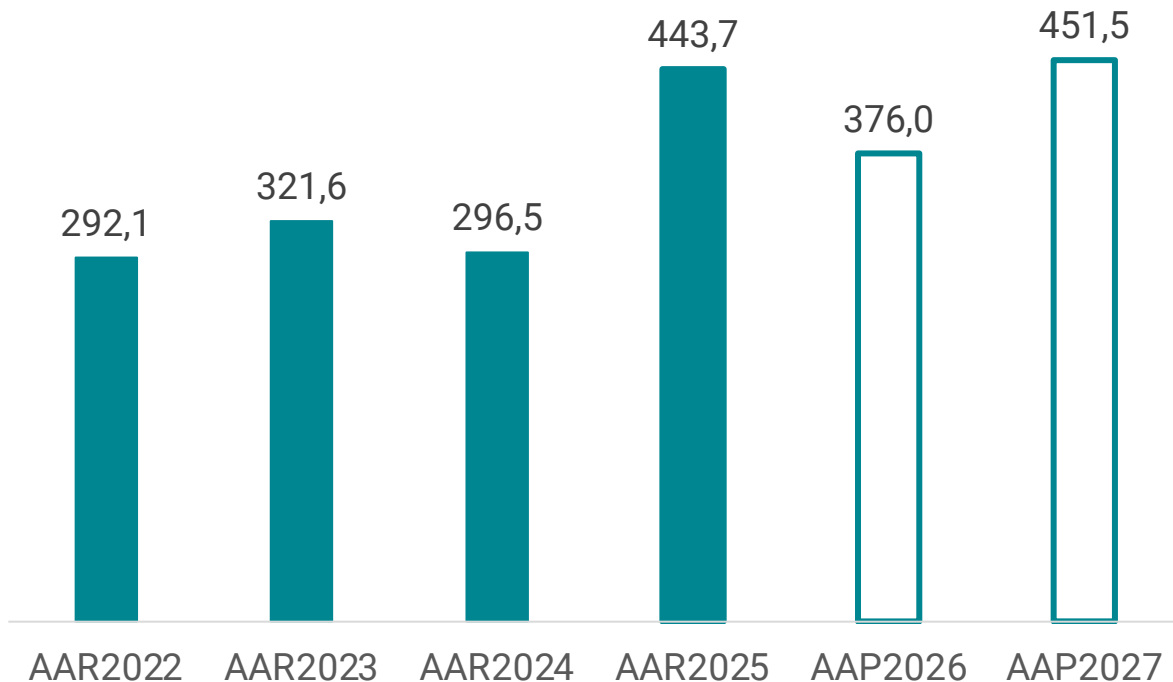




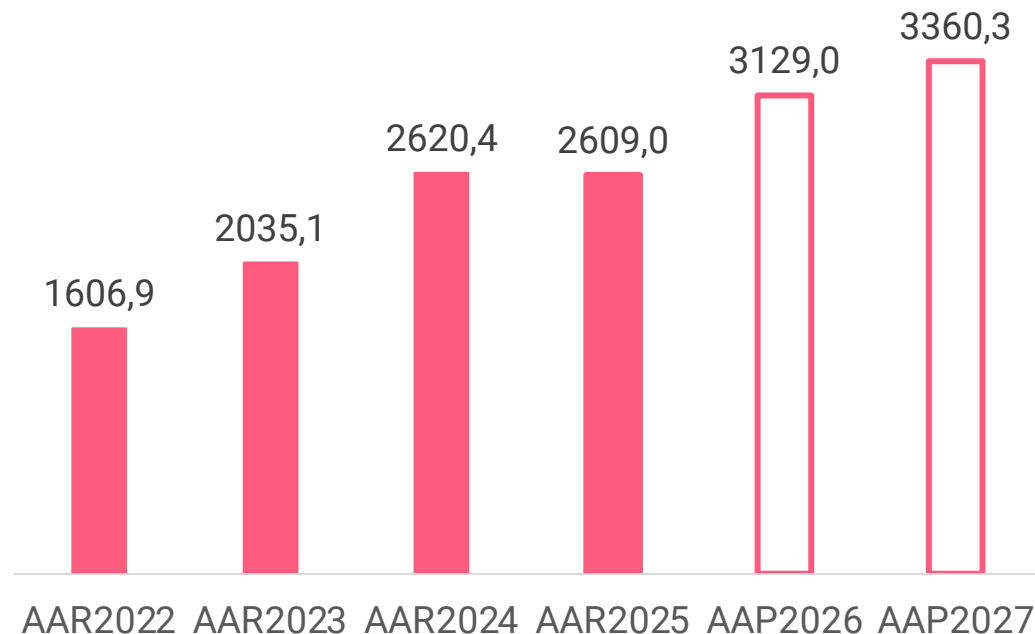


In-Kind Additional Activities 2022-2027

Financial contributions 2022 to 2027 – 2,1 BEUR



FTEs 2022 to 2027 - 15360,2



	AAR 2022	AAR 2023	AAR 2024	AAR 2025	AAP 2026	AAP 2027
Responses	89	84	85	86	87	70 (still Open)
Countries	25	26	24	23	25	

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Working with the INFRAEOSC projects

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2025

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| eosc Blue-Cloud2026 | eosc SIESTA | eosc cancer | eosc EDEN |
| eosc FAIR-EASE | eosc TITAN | eosc GRAVITY | CRAFT-OA |
| eosc EuroScienceGateway | eosc OSCARS | ClimateAdapt eosc | eosc |
| eosc FAIRCORE4EOsc | eosc Lumen | AI4 eosc | RDA TIGER |
| eosc FAIR-IMPACT | eosc DataGEMS | eosc FIDELIS | eosc |
| eosc Focus | eosc FAIR2Adapt | eosc DATA COMMONS | |
| eosc RAISE | eosc BEYOND | eosc RAISE Suite | |
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2025 calls and number of awarded projects

HORIZON-INFRA-2025-01-	Title	Projects
EOSC-01	EOSC Nodes with federating capabilities for the EOSC Federation	4
EOSC-02	FAIR Integration for Enhanced Research Data in the EOSC ecosystem and beyond	2
EOSC-03	Advancing AI-readiness and Machine-Actionability in the EOSC Ecosystem	2
EOSC-04	Data stewards, skills and training for Open Science and FAIR practices	1
EOSC-05	Using Generative AI (GenAI4EU) for Scientific Research via EOSC	4

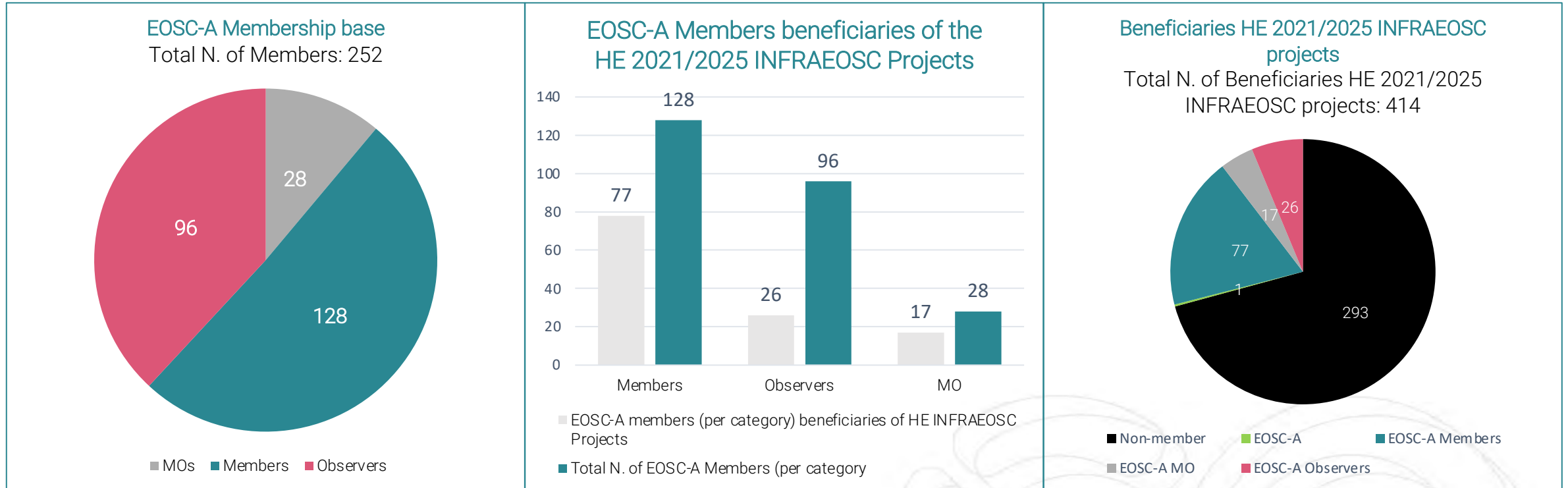


2025 awardees

HORIZO N-INFRA-2025-01	Acronym	Title	Coordinator
EOSC-01	EOSC-CONNECT	Connecting National Nodes to the EOSC Federation	CSC (FI)
EOSC-01	EOSC-Marine	The EOSC thematic node to address the EU Mission Ocean & Waters objectives	CNR (IT)
EOSC-01	EOSC Mesh	EOSC Mesh: Connecting Nodes to Advance the EOSC Federation	EGI (NL)
EOSC-01	EOSC4ALL	Towards an Open Platform for File S&S, AAI and Node-as-a-service for EOSC	GEANT (NL)
EOSC-02	RAISE-CONNECT	Enabling and Connecting Interoperable FAIR Digital Objects	Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (EL)
EOSC-02	CDIF4EOSC	Developing and implementing the Cross-Domain Interoperability Framework for EOSC	CODATA (FR)
EOSC-03	AI4SOCIALPLUS	AI Readiness for Social Impact	BSC (ES)
EOSC-03	FLUID-AI	FAIR Liquidity Unifying Interoperable Data and AI	CSIC (ES)
EOSC-04	STARDAST	STewardship and Recognition for DAta Science Talent	EMBL (DE)
EOSC-05	EOSC Alssistant	Agentic GenAI Open Research Assistant	TIB (DE)
EOSC-05	RenAI	Responsible AI Infrastructures for Scientific Excellence	Athena (EL)
EOSC-05	GenAI4Earth	Generative Artificial Intelligence for Earth System	CNRS (FR)
EOSC-05	EOSC-ARENA	AI Research Enhancement through Networked Agents	Instytut Chemii Bioorganicznej Polskiej Akademii Nauk (PL)

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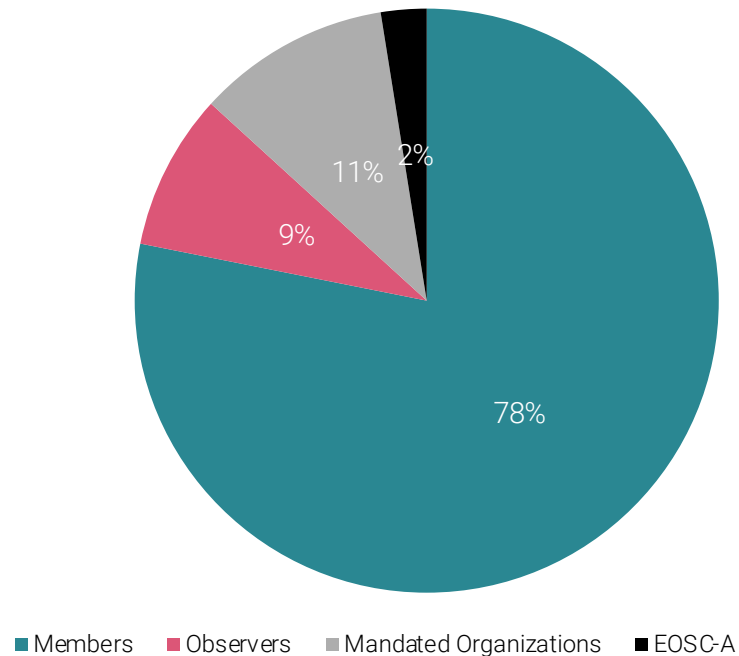
120 EOSC-A members (Members, MO and Observers) are beneficiaries of the HE 2021-2025 INFRAEOSC projects



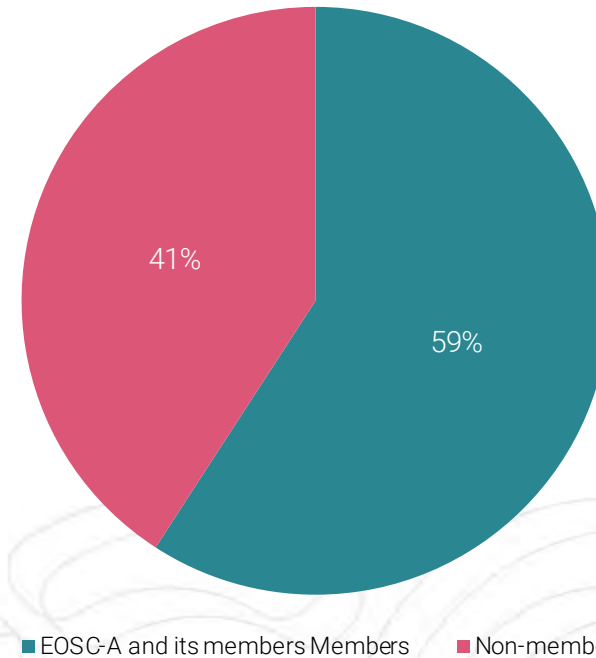
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Total funding received (120 EOSC-A members + EOSC-A): 160.247.468 EUR

Funding distribution per member category
Total funding: 160.247.468 €



Funding distribution HE Projects - members and Non-members
Total funding HE Projects: 270.900.307 €



EOSC-A: 4.045.562 EUR
Members: 125.200.329 EUR
Mandated Organisations: 17.146.503 EUR
Observers: 13.855.074 EUR

eOSC | United

eOSC | GRAVITY



Funded by
the European Union

Joint General Assembly meeting of EOSC United and EOSC Gravity

27 May 2026 | Brussels, Belgium



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Participants of the joint General Assembly meeting of EOSC Gravity and EOSC United

27 May 2026, Brussels





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Draft Audit Report

Audited beneficiary: European Open Science Cloud Association AISBL
 Audited project: 101058432 - EOSC Focus
 Audit reference number: BAE478009
 Audit dates: 13 to 17 October 2025
 Auditors: Allan Power
 Sacha Platteau
 EU Programme: Horizon Europe

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AUDITORS: (NAME) ALLAN POWER EUROPEAN OPEN SCIENCE CLOUD ASSOCIATION AISBL (BENEFICIARY)

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1 - Executive Summary

1.1 Audit findings and adjustments

No material adjustments have been noted.

1.2 Systemic or recurrent errors

The issues found are in our view not of a potentially systemic/recurrent nature.

1.3 Observations and recommendations for systems improvement

Observation 1: We noted that categories stated for personnel costs in Annex III were the internal job categories. Instead, these should have been 'A.1 Employees (or equivalent)', or 'A.2 Natural persons under direct contract'.

Recommendation 1: Article 6.2.A.1 of the grant agreement states that "Costs for employees (or equivalent) are eligible as personnel costs if they fulfil the general eligibility conditions and are related to personnel working for the beneficiary under an employment contract (or equivalent appointing act) and assigned to the action.

They must be limited to salaries (including net payments during parental leave), social security contributions, taxes and other costs linked to the remuneration, if they arise from national law or the employment contract (or equivalent appointing act) and be calculated on the basis of the costs actually incurred, in accordance with the following method."

Article 6.2.A.2 and A.3 of the grant agreement states that "A.2 and A.3 Costs for natural persons working under a direct contract other than an employment contract and costs for seconded persons by a third party against payment are also eligible as personnel costs".

We recommend that the beneficiary use the correct categories for each personnel when declaring costs in the Annex III.

1.4 Follow up of previous audits carried out

We understand that the beneficiary has never been audited for other H2020/HE projects.

AUDITORS: (NAME) ALLAN POWER EUROPEAN OPEN SCIENCE CLOUD ASSOCIATION AISBL (BENEFICIARY)

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EOSC Gravity





Winter School 2026

27 - 29 January 2026

Nice, France



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Brokerage event





Open calls to grow the EOSC Federation

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Enrolment call of EOSC Tripartite Governance

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Submission deadline: 18 February 2026 (17:00 CET)

eosc Selected preparatory cascading grant projects

National

AT EOSC

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ACONET/EOSC SOA

BPOS

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NACID

EOSC DK

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DeiC

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Uni of Tartu

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Asiera

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of Architecture

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Wageningen
University & Research

Scientific use cases

FORGE



Area Science Park

FUMD-AI



Miguel Hernández
Uní Elche

Geodera



CETAF

RETROCHANGE



Technical Uni in Zvolen

Service onboarding

DAMAP-PL



TU Wien

PaN-Space



HZDR

ROH-ON



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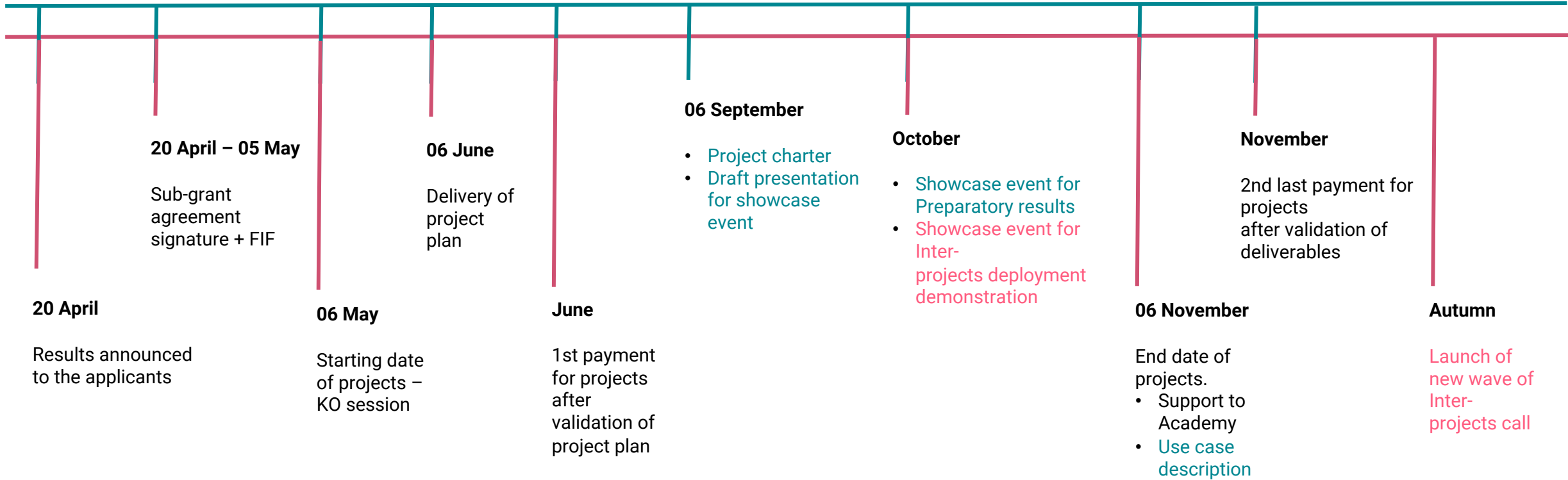


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EOSC Academy: Supporting the development of the EOSC Federation

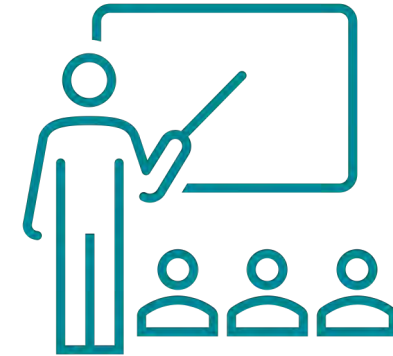
Support the recipients of the cascading grants

Assist existing and candidate Nodes and resource providers in participating in the EOSC Federation

Accelerate the development of the EOSC Federation

Create greater level of awareness on lessons learned from the current Nodes

Build a shared understanding of the EOSC Federation: a system of people and technical infrastructures



A collaborative initiative for **mutual learning and knowledge sharing** by bringing together knowledge created within the EOSC Federation ecosystem

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Track 1 Participating in the EOSC Federation

Focus: how Nodes participate in and contribute to the Federation as a whole, covering Federation structures, collaborative mechanisms, and shared capabilities.

- ✓ Course 1: Explaining the EOSC Federation
- ✓ Course 2: Applying the EOSC Federation Handbook
- ✓ Course 3: Use Cases for the EOSC Federation
- ✓ Course 7: The EOSC AAI explained

Track 2 Building and operating EOSC Nodes

Focus: The needs of organisations establishing and running EOSC Nodes, covering the operational, technical, and organisational requirements for Node participation.

- ✓ Course 4: Minimum Requirements for a Project Charter
- ✓ Course 5: Developing an Onboarding Services Policy
- ✓ Course 6: How to Onboard Services to EOSC Nodes



13 May 2026

First online session – Course 1
Explaining the EOSC Federation

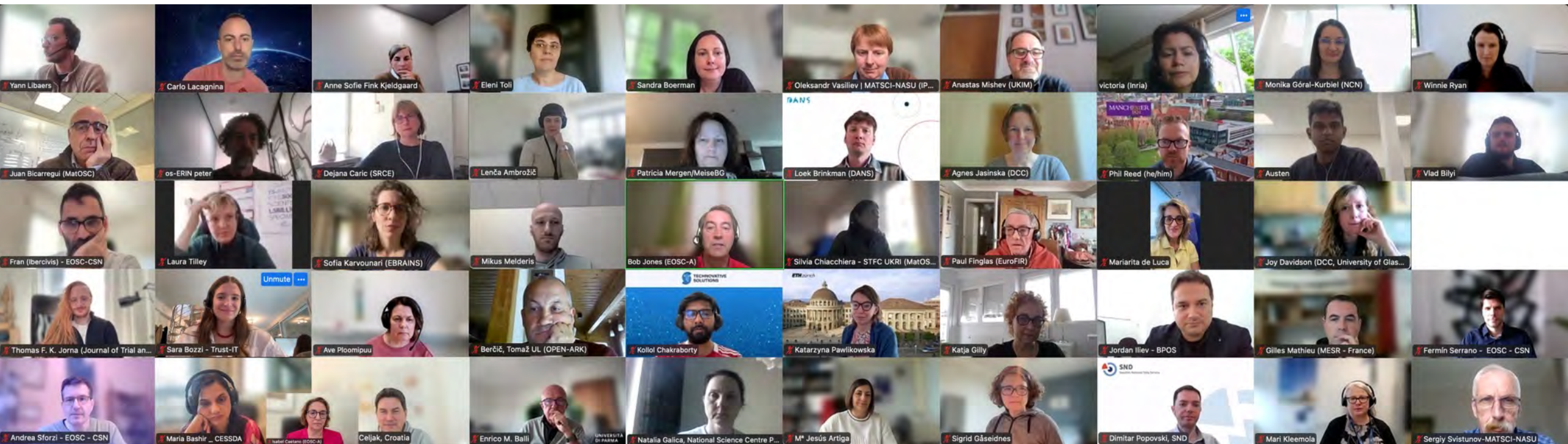


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Number
of attendees



Presenter
Bob Jones



COURSE 2

Applying the EOSC Federation Handbook



1, 15, 22 June 2026
9:30-12:00 CEST



PRESENTERS
Andy Götz
Miguel Rey Mazón

COURSE 3

Use Cases for the EOSC Federation



24 June 2026
15:00 – 16:30 CEST



PRESENTERS
Beatriz Serrano-Solano
Tibor Simko
Sara Pittonet Gaiaran

COURSE 4

Minimum Requirements for a Project Charter



10 June 2026
15:00-16:30 CEST



PRESENTERS
Elli Papadopoulou
Carlo Lacagnina
Josefine Nordling
Roksana Wilk

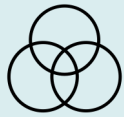
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EOSC United





Development of **four scientific use cases** in the EEN environment: multi-disciplinary workflows, community cloud platforms for life and marine sciences, and sensitive health data processing.



Engage with other Common European Data Spaces, Data Spaces Support Centre (DSSC) and emerging Data Labs to improve interoperability between EOSC and the broader European data ecosystem



Landscape analysis through interviews with the first wave EOSC Nodes and use cases to identify **EEN current usage gaps and early success stories have been** shared and expanded with the EEN contractors:

- Participants value the EEN **for single sign-on and increased resource findability**
- Participants faced significant challenges in relation to **inaccessibility of part of the infrastructure documentation** and **insufficient credit allocation** for workflows involving large datasets

eosc EOSC United contribution to the Federation WGs

Architecture & Tech. policies

Collecting and harmonising Nodes main components and interfaces to produce structured representation of the Federation Nodes as-is architecture

Fed. AAI

Providing domain experts to support the technical editorial activity and the other technical aspects (e.g., authorisation) based on the priorities this WG identifies

Service Catalogues interop. & integ.

Proposing and validating metadata standards for data and services that fit the setup and context of the EOSC Federation

Legal & Governance

Developing a multilateral Framework Agreement to provide legal certainty for Nodes entering production. This includes drafting the Rules of Participation (RoP), service responsibilities for sustained federating capabilities, and exploring legally binding post-2026 governance structures

Cybersecurity

Validation of cybersecurity and cross-Node security incident response requirements and ensuring alignment with FitSM Information Security Management (ISM) best practice

Node Operations Committee

Consolidating a common operational framework and co-developing the new mandatory federating capabilities: Helpdesk, Service Monitoring, and Service Management System

Collaboration with the EOSC EU Node

By synthesising landscape analysis interviews and pilot use case deployments, EOSC United is validating the EOSC EU Node's capacity to host complex, multi-disciplinary workflows while identifying critical operational and policy gaps—ranging from infrastructure documentation and credit allocation to identity management—that directly informs the evolution roadmap for the Node and the Federation. Moreover, regular coordination with EEN guarantees alignment about the EOSC Federation developments

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Inside the EOSC Association

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Highlights

- **New Member:** ICSC Foundation
- **New Observer:** E³UDRES²
- Approval of the proposed **co-creation process** to reach a common position on EOSC post-2027

Election of new **Directors:**

- **Enrique Bernal-Delgado**, Aragonese Institute of Health Sciences (2026-2028)
- **Antje Keppler**, Euro-Biolmaging ERIC (2026-2028)
- **Jessica Lindvall**, Stockholm University (2026)

Recognition of **outgoing Directors:**

- Ignacio Blanquer, Universitat Politècnica de València (2023-2025)
- Licia Florio, NORDUnet (2025)

eosc Upcoming General Assemblies

14th General Assembly

- Post-summer 2026, online
- Written procedure
- Dedicated to voting on approval of SRIA 2.0 (Paper G) and presidential mandate (Paper C)

15th General Assembly

- 27 November 2026 (morning), online
- Save the date!



eosc Onboarding of new Directors



Enrique Bernal-Delgado, 2026-2028
Aragonese Institute of Health Sciences

“I would like to implement Open Science principles in the mobilisation of health-sensitive, multimodal data, fostering linkage and exchange with the EOSC Federation and the European research and digital infrastructures.”



Antje Keppler, 2026-2028 **Treasurer**
Euro-BioImaging ERIC

“I believe that the success of EOSC depends on connecting data-producing scientific communities with the digital and policy frameworks that enable Open Science.”



Jessica Lindvall, 2026
Stockholm University

“I am a strong advocate of Open Science and FAIR principles. I believe that EOSC is the key player in making the transition to Open Science happen in Europe.”

Three-part onboarding procedure

- Informal Board meetings on 16 and 20 January 2026, and a face-to-face meeting on 27 January 2026 in Nice
- Presentation by the consultancy firm Grant Thornton on **legal rights, duties and liabilities** as Board members in accordance with the EOSC-A AoA, Internal Regulations and Belgian law
- **Deep dive into key topics:**
 - EOSC-A
 - EOSC Federation
 - EOSC Partnership
 - Tripartite Governance
 - European research and innovation policy landscape
- **Review of the 2026 work plan**

Informal and formal meetings of the Board



Klaus TOCHTERMANN
EOSC-A President, 2025-2026



Marialuisa LAVITRANO
EOSC-A Vice-President, 2024-2026



Antje KEPPLER
EOSC-A Treasurer, 2026-2028



Suzanne DUMOUCHEL
EOSC-A Director, 2024-2026



Sara GARAVELLI
EOSC-A Director, 2025-2027



Kamran NAIM
EOSC-A Director, 2025-2027



Roxanne WYNS
EOSC-A Director, 2025-2027



Enrique BERNAL-DELGADO
EOSC-A Director, 2026-2028



Jessica LINDVALL
EOSC-A Director, 2026

Informal meetings

- Meetings take place **online every Friday** afternoon
- The Board has met **17 times** since GA#12
- **Face-to-face meetings: 27-28 Jan 2026** in Nice during the EOSC Winter School

Formal meetings

- Meetings are held **four times a year**
- **21st formal meeting** on 27 Feb 2026: minutes distributed on 05 March 2026
- **22nd formal meeting** on 24 April 2026: Approval of GA#13 paperwork



EOSC-A Search Advisory Committee for Board of Directors election (November 2026)



Lidia Borrell-Damian
Secretary General, Science Europe



Allen Weeks
Director General, Extreme Light
Infrastructure (ELI ERIC)



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Task Forces



eosc EOSC-A Task Force Co-chairs and Board Liaisons



FAIR Metrics and Digital Objects Task Force

48 members



Elli Papadopoulou
Athena RC



Mark Wilkinson
UPM



Kamran NAIM
European Organisation for Nuclear Research (CERN)



Long-Term Data Retention Task Force

28 members



Fen Zhang
LIBIS - KU Leuven Libraries



Roxanne WYNS
LIBIS - KU Leuven Libraries



Technical and Semantic Interoperability Task Force

60 members



Diego Scardaci
EGI Foundation



Jiří Marek
Masaryk University



Christos Kanellopoulos
GÉANT



Roxanne WYNS
LIBIS - KU Leuven Libraries



Health Data Task Force

48 members



Petr Holub
BBMRI-ERIC & Masaryk University



Juan Gonzalez-Garcia
IACS



Enrique BERNAL-DELGADO
Aragonese Institute of Health Sciences (IACS)

EOSC-A Task Forces

Five new deliverables published to reinforce strategic direction for EOSC



Technical and Semantic Interoperability Task Force

Landscape overview for the EOSC Federation semantic interoperability in 2025



Health Data Task Force

Gaps, redundancies, and synergies in researchers' EHDS-EOSC journeys



FAIR Metrics and Digital Objects Task Force

Report on repository support for data-level interoperability / reusability



Long-Term Data Retention Task Force

Conceptual framework on the implementation of workflows concerning appraisal, reappraisal, retention and preservation of digital objects

All four Task Forces continue to work on their 2026 priorities

Current needs and challenges on data retention, appraisal, and reappraisal across stakeholders and communities

Post-2027

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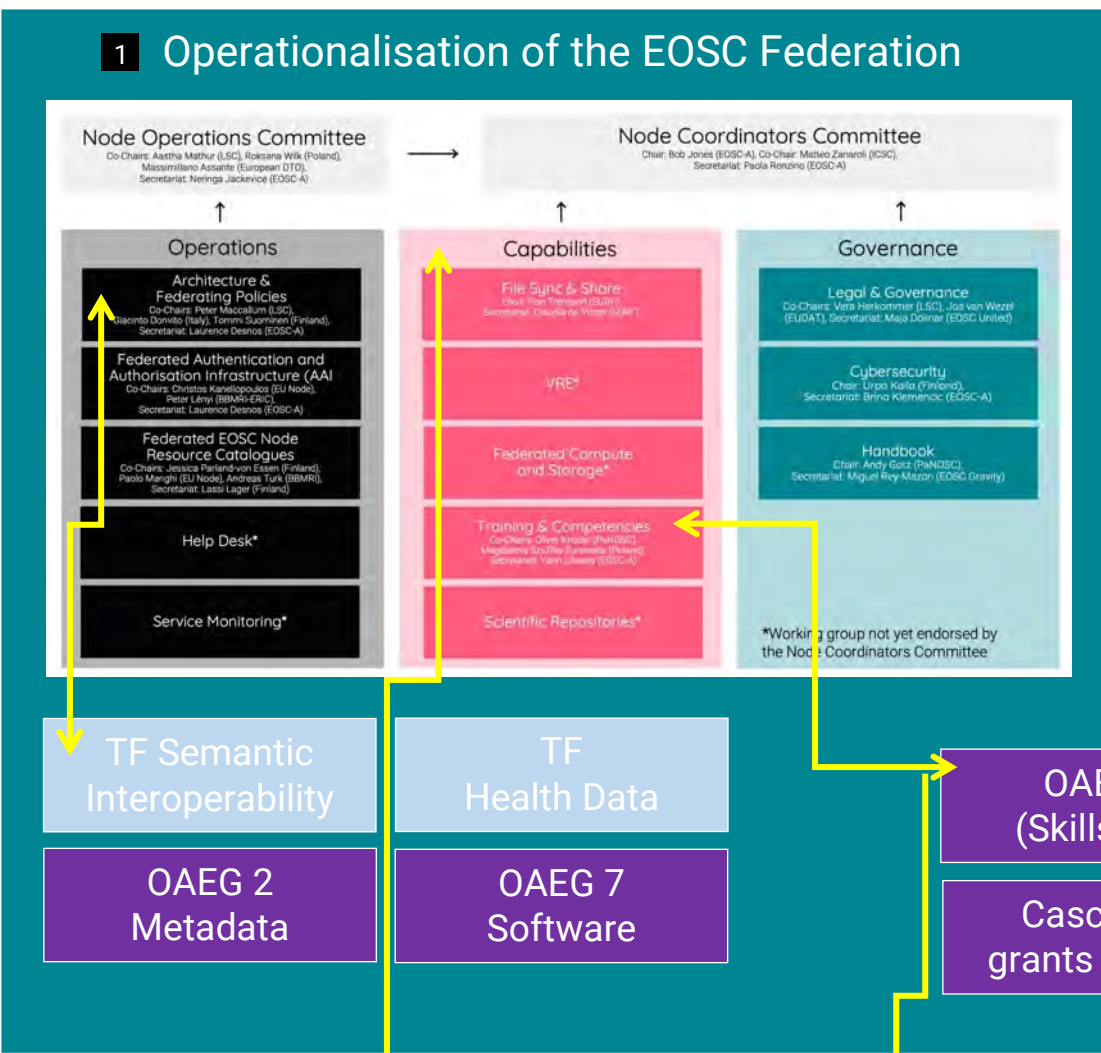
SRIA 2.0

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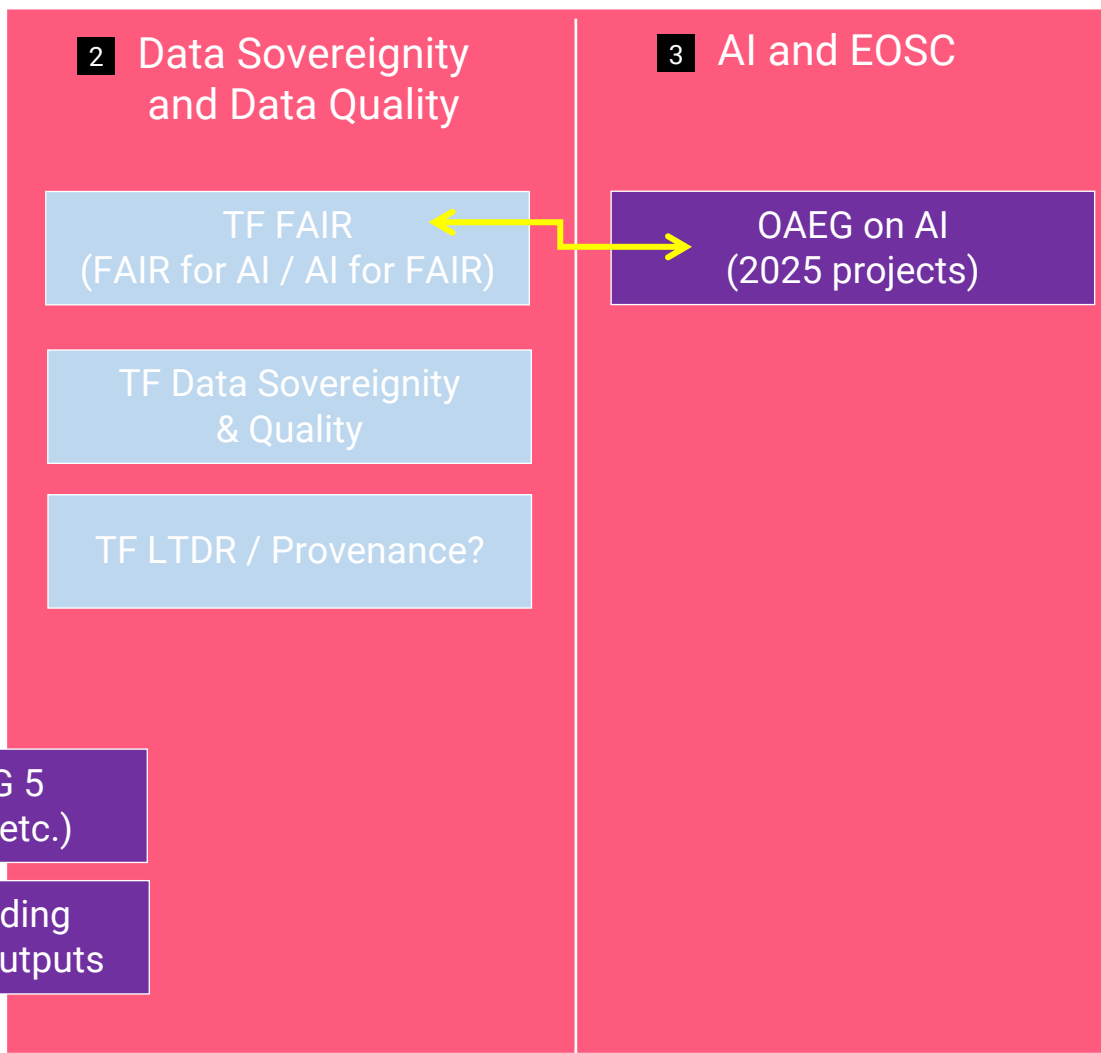
Fully covered by Federation:

AAI, Technical Interops.

Tasks 1 2 4



Tasks 3 5



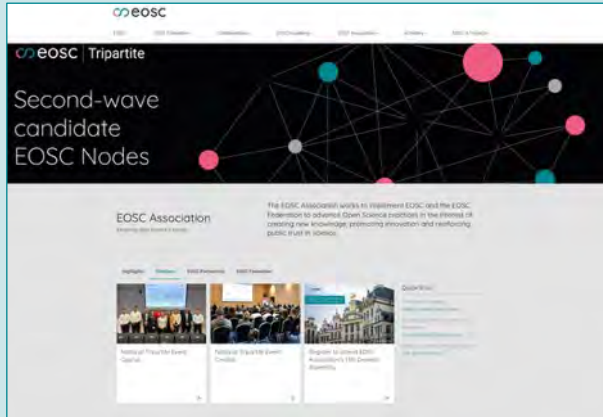
4 User Centricity

User Forum

30 April	Presentation of proposal at Co-Chairs / Coordinators meeting
08 May	Presentation of proposal at EOOSC-A Board
20 May	Deadline for feedback / input by TF / OAEG membership to stefan.reichmann@tugraz.at
28 May	Briefing of EOOSC-A General Assembly on approach and next steps
June	Revised proposal of new structure
08-09 July	Presentation of new structure at meeting with INFRAEOOSC projects in Brussels
Summer	Drafting of TF Charters
September	Call for TF members + closing out of discontinued OAEG
October	Evaluation of applications
November	TF establishment incl. development of Terms of Reference
Dec 2026	Handover and kick-off meeting
Jan 2027	Election of two Co-Chairs and Operational kick-off
Feb 2027	ToR finalisation and ongoing operations

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eosc.eu website



9,000/Mo
unique visitors



88,000
page views
since GA#12



4,200
file downloads
since GA#12

Newsletter



45%
opening rate



~3,340
subscribers

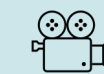
Social media



>4,250
Followers



+300
Followers since GA#12



144
Videos



743
Views: Marc Lemaître at
the EOOSC Symposium



43
Hours of watch
time per month

eosc New office, same address

Rue du Luxembourg 3, Brussels



- In February 2026, EOSC-A relocated its office **within the same Brussels building**
- More **cost-efficient, needs-based** arrangement while retaining its official address
- Physical presence in Brussels remains **strategically important**

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Item 04: Presidential Mandate

Marialuisa Lavitrano, Vice-President, EOOSC-A

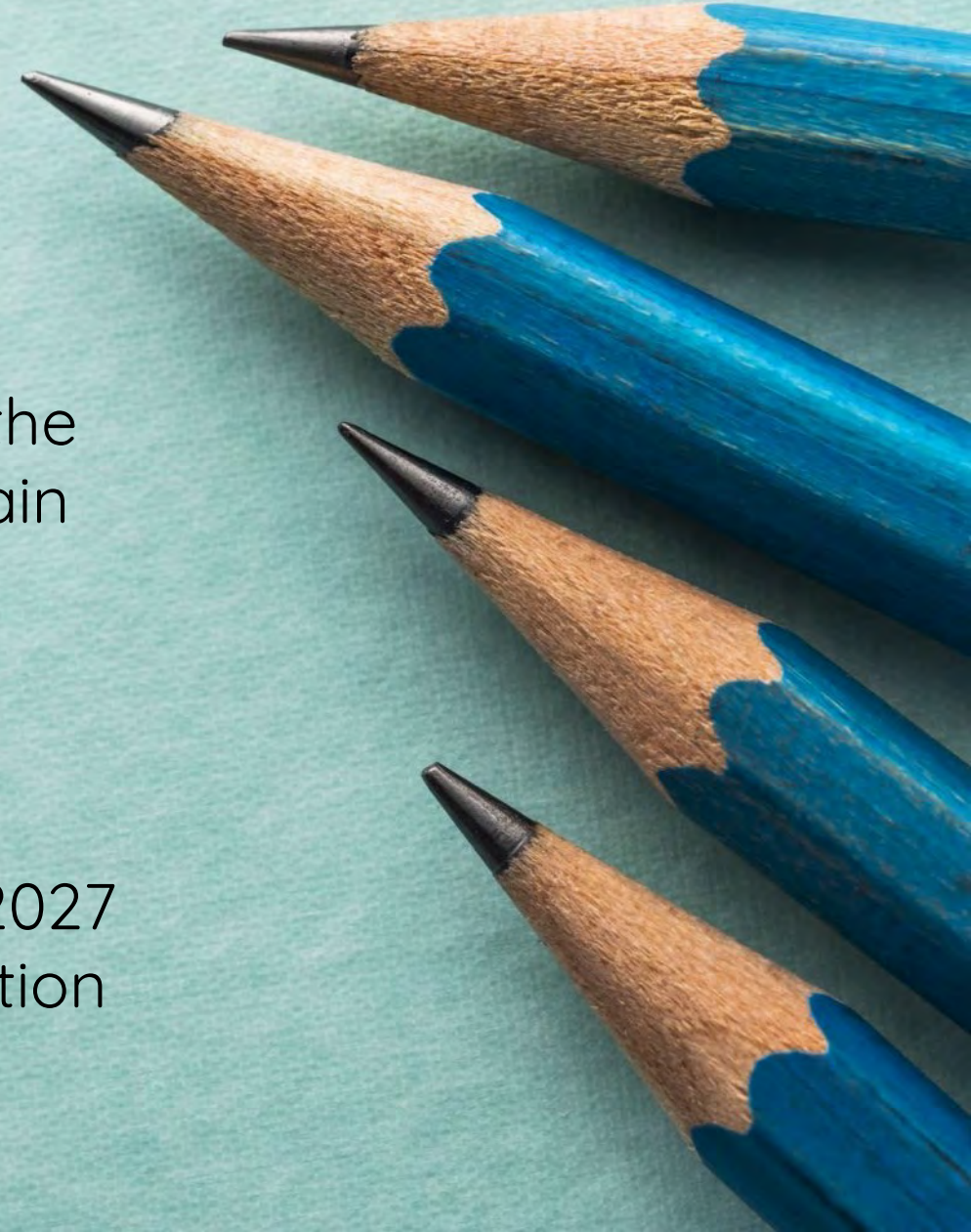


Paper C:
Presidential mandate



eosc Rationale

- Continuity at a particularly sensitive moment for EOSC
- Key structural questions regarding the future of the EOSC Association remain open and call for experienced and continuous leadership
- Revision of EOSC-A's Articles of Association is expected to begin in 2027 and may also involve a reconsideration of the presidential role





Statement by
EOSC-A President Klaus Tochtermann



EOSC-A President Klaus Tochtermann is kindly asked to **leave the room and wait outside** until the decision on Item 04 has been made.





Board's recommendation

Klaus Tochtermann's **willingness and capacity** to continue in the honorary role of EOSC-A President is **a strategic opportunity for the Association** that should be acted on in light of the volatile transition period anticipated for EOSC, the EOSC Federation and EOSC-A that will run from autumn 2026 through 2027.

eosc Article 3.1 versus Article 4

The alignment between Article 3.1. and Article 4 was not addressed prior to the presidential election held during GA#10. This has implications for the term length of EOSC-A's current President Klaus Tochtermann

At the time of Klaus Tochtermann's election there was in fact nothing in the Association's bylaws that would have prevented him from being elected to a full three-year presidential term.



eosc Eligibility and term lengths of EOOSC-A Directors and President

Article 3.1 of Articles of Association vs. Article 4 of Internal Regulations

Article 3.1, Articles of Association

“[...] The General Assembly **elects the President for a term of three (3) years, who may be re-elected for one (1) more term.** The General Assembly elects the Directors, in principle for a term of three (3) years. The Directors may be re-elected for one (1) more term. [...]”

Article 4 of Internal Regulations

An exception to the preceding rule applies in the situation **where a Director of the Board is elected as President.** In this case, **their term on the Board is effectively restarted at the point they take up office as President. This is to ensure that an individual already on the Board is not precluded from standing for President because they have limited time remaining in their Board mandate.** This exception applies only to the President’s post, and not to the Vice-President’s. **The total mandate of a President should not exceed a six-year period.**

An individual that has served for two consecutive periods on the Board cannot be a candidate for President or Director for a period of three years. [...]”

The Board proposes to enact the following procedure:

- 1** In consultation with its **legal counsel**, the Board will draft the necessary amendment/s to the Internal Regulations (Art 4) and propose these in a **Paper submitted to the GA in advance of GA#14**.
- 2** The GA will be requested to **adopt the amended Internal Regulations via written procedure at GA#14**, to be held in **late summer/early autumn 2026**. This vote will require the applicable quorum and **double-majority** requirements for adoption.
- 3** If the amended Internal Regulations have been adopted by GA#14, EOSC-A will hold a vote in lieu of an **open presidential election at GA#15** (online, 27 Nov 2026) that will serve to extend Klaus Tochtermann's term. This vote will require the applicable quorum and **double-majority** requirements for adoption.

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Item 04: Presidential Mandate

The GA is invited to approve the proposed process to revise the Internal Regulations.

Decision/Open voting

Item 05: Annual accounts 2025, discharges of the Board of Directors and auditor

Klaus Tochtermann, President, EOSC-A

Antje Keppler, Treasurer, EOSC-A

Geert Keunen, VRC Auditors



Paper D: Annual accounts
2025 and audit report



Item 05: Annual Accounts 2025 and Discharge of Board of Directors

Income 2025

Category	No.	Fee EUR	Amount EUR
Members	153	10.000,00	1.530.000,00
Members - Ukraine	1	-	-
Members – Prior Year Adjustment	3	10.000,00	30.000,00
Observers	95	2.000,00	190.000,00
Members since GA#10 (June-Dec 2025)	3	5.833,33	17.499,99
Observers since GA#10 (June-Dec 2025)	2	1.166,67	2.333,34
Grants			730.027,84
EOSC Focus			336.836,48
EOSC Gravity			189.167,36
EOSC Gravity for EOSC Symposium 2025			90.000,00
EOSC United			114.024,00
Registration fees EOSC Symposium			207.360,34
Registration fees for EOSC Winter School 2025			99.759,55
Total income			2.806.981,06

Item 05: Annual Accounts 2025 and Discharge of Board of Directors

Profit and Loss Accounts 2025

	Final figures 31/12/2025 EUR	Budget proposed at GA#9 for 2025 EUR
1 - Personnel	1.848.360,33	1.804.011,80
2 - Office-related	205.496,91	225.412,12
Office supplies and other costs	67.706,94	39.250,00
IT support + License fees	52.821,75	61.246,00
Office rent and insurances	84.968,22	120.116,12
3 - Financial management	209.321,47	51.770,00
Financial and legal advice	209.000,57	49.670,00
Publication	320,90	2.100,00
4 - Communication activities	80.236,27	170.619,32
Website	4.210,80	3.500,00
Communications	19.297,64	18.734,45
EOSC Focus Communication activities	56.122,83	133.634,87
EOSC Gravity Communication activities	72.411,12	14.750,00

Item 05: Annual Accounts 2025 and Discharge of Board of Directors

Profit and Loss Accounts 2025

	Final figures 31/12/2025 EUR	Budget proposed at GA#9 for 2025 EUR
5 - Event and travel	663.535,40	550.700,00
General Assembly	87.553,70	75.000,00
Online GA	2.530,43	10.000,00
F2F Board meetings	2.332,40	2.000,00
EOSC Symposium 2025	347.685,85	362.500,00
Travel and representation	81.644,02	16.500,00
EOSC Focus event and travel	519,68	15.000,00
National tripartite events	8.572,82	7.200,00
Task force activities	658,99	55.000,00
EOSC Gravity event and travel costs (Winter-School)	118.794,79	7.500,00
EOSC United event and travel	13.242,72	
7 - Income	2.806.981,06	2.802.513,24
Membership fees	1.547.499,99	1.530.000,00
Membership Fees – Prior Year Adjustments	30.000,00	
Observer fees	192.333,34	192.000,00
EOSC Focus Grant	336.836,48	384.956,79
EOSC Gravity Grant	189.167,36	345.556,45
EOSC United Grant	114.024,00	
Registration fees EOSC Symposium	207.360,34	350.000,00
Other Income	189.759,55	
Total expenses	3.006.950,38	2.802.513,24
Total income	2.806.981,06	2.802.513,24
Result	-199.969,32	0,00



Welcome to the stage:
Geert Keunen, VRC Auditors



Item 05: Annual Accounts 2025 and Discharge of Board of Directors

Annual Accounts 2025 to approve in French (Annex 1) and English only as translation (Annex 2)

201		0755.723.931		1	EUR	
NAT.	Filing date	N°	P.	U.	D.	ABR-npo 1

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS TO BE FILED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BELGIAN COMPANIES AND ASSOCIATIONS CODE

IDENTIFICATION DETAILS (at the filing date)

NAME: **EUROPEAN OPEN SCIENCE CLOUD ASSOCIATION**

Legal form: International non-profit association

Address: RUE DU LUXEMBOURG

N°: 3 Box:

Postal code: 1000 Town: BRUXELLES

Country: Belgium

Register of legal persons - Commercial court: Brussels, French speaking

Website:

E-mail address:

Company registration number **0755723931**

DATE **03/06/2022** of filing the most recent document mentioning the date of publication of the deed of incorporation and of the deed of amendment of the articles of association.

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS IN **EUROS**

approved by the general meeting of **28/05/2026**

Regarding the period from **01/01/2025** to **31/12/2025**

Preceding the period from **01/01/2024** to **31/12/2024**

The amounts for the preceding period are identical to the ones previously published

Total number of pages filed: 13

Numbers of sections of the standard form not filed

because they serve no useful purpose: A-npo 6.1.1, A-npo 6.2, A-npo 6.3, A-npo 6.5, A-npo 7

Item 05: Annual Accounts 2025 and Discharge of Board of Directors

Annual Accounts 2025 to approve

EUR (199.969,32) is the result of 2025 and will be allocated as follows:

- EUR 199.969,32 to be appropriated from profit brought forward.

N°	0755.723.931	ABR-npo 5
APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT		
Profit (loss) to be appropriated (+)/(-)		
Gain (loss) of the period available for appropriation (+)/(-)		
Profit (loss) brought forward		
Withdrawals from capital and reserves		
Appropriations to allocated funds		
Profit (loss) to be carried forward (+)/(-)		

Codes	Period	Preceding period
9906	612,172.84	812,142.16
(9905)	-199,969.32	328,643.92
14P	812,142.16	483,498.24
791		
691		
(14)	612,172.84	812,142.16

Item 05: Annual Accounts 2025 and Discharge of Board of Directors

Auditor's Statement on 2025 Annual Accounts

Report on the annual accounts



Bedrijfsrevisoren - Reviseurs d'Entreprises - Registered Auditors

Unqualified opinion

We have audited the annual accounts of the Association, which comprise the balance sheet as at 31 December 2025, the profit and loss account for the year then ended and the notes to the annual accounts, characterised by a balance sheet total of € 6.389.396 and a profit and loss account showing a negative result for the year of € 199.969.

In our opinion, the annual accounts give a true and fair view of the Association's net equity and financial position as at 31 December 2025, as well as of its results for the year then ended, in accordance with the financial reporting framework applicable in Belgium.

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Item 05: Annual accounts 2025, discharges of the Board of Directors and auditor

The General Assembly is invited to:

- Approve the Annual Accounts 2025 ($\frac{2}{3}$ majority)
- Discharge the EOSC-A Board of Directors
- Discharge the Auditor Geert Keunen, VRC

Decision/Open voting

Item 06: EOSC-A position paper on the future of EOSC post-2027 including presentation of advocacy material

Sara Garavelli, Director, EOSC-A



Paper E: The EOSC Association calls for a distinct Work Programme-based Partnership for EOSC in FP10



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State of play

PILLAR II - Global challenges & European industrial competitiveness

PILLAR III - Innovative Europe

CLUSTER 1: Health	CLUSTER 2: Culture, Creativity, Inclusive Societies	CLUSTER 4: Digital, Industry & Space	CLUSTER 5: Climate, Energy & Mobility	CLUSTER 6: Food, Bio-economy, Agriculture, Env...	EUROPEAN INNOVATION ECOSYSTEMS
Innovative Health Initiative	Resilient Cultural Heritage*	Chips (formerly KDT)	Clean Hydrogen	Circular Bio-based Europe	Innovative SMEs
Global Health Partnership	Social Transformations and Resilience*	Smart Networks & Services	Clean Aviation	R&I in the Mediterranean Area (PRIMA, Art. 185)**	
Transformation of health systems		High Performance Computing	Single European Sky ATM Research 3	Biodiversa+	EIT
Chemicals risk assessment		European Metrology Programme for Innovation and Research (Art. 185)	Competition and Automated Mobility (AM)	Climate Neutral, Sustainable & Productive Blue Economy	InnoEnergy
ERA for Health		AI-Data-Robotics	Batt4EU	Water4All	Climate
Rare diseases		Photonics	Zero-emission waterborne transport	Animal Health & Welfare	Digital
One-Health Anti Microbial Resistance		Made in Europe	Zero-emission road transport	Accelerating Farming Systems Transitions	Food
Personalised Medicine		Clean steel – low-carbon steelmaking	Processes4Planet	Agriculture of Data*	Health
Pandemic Preparedness*		Global competitive space systems	Solar Photovoltaics	Safe & Sustainable Food System	Raw Materials
Brain Health*		Innovative Materials for EU (I AM for EU)	Clean Energy Transition	Forests and Forestry for a sustainable Future*	Manufacturing
		Virtual Worlds*	Driving Urban Transitions		Urban Mobility
		Textiles of the Future			Cultural and Creative Industries
		Raw Materials for the Green and Digital Transition*			Water, Marine and Maritime Sectors and Ecosystem*

■ Institutionalised Partnerships (Art. 185/7)

■ Institutionalised partnerships / EIT KICs

■ Co-programmed

■ Co-funded

■ Horizon Europe strategic plan 2025-2027

* Not yet launched

** Direct continuation of a H2020 partnership

CROSS-PILLARS I AND II

European Open Science Cloud

Membership
consultations on
EOOSC post-2027



**2028
START**

eosc Interactive membership consultations

Open to all 253 Members and Observers of EOSC-A,
and limited to 1 representative per organisation

Participating stakeholder groups

Mandated
Organisations

Funders

Research
Performing
Organisations

Service providers,
incl. e-infras and
RIs

Participating organisations

90
organisations

First interactive round
on 09-11 February 2026

82
organisations

Second interactive round
on 09-10 March 2026

Common position on EOSC in FP10 Survey

Survey results - Executive summary

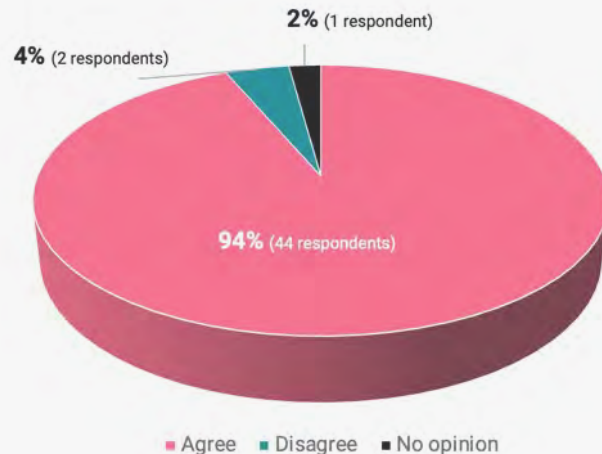
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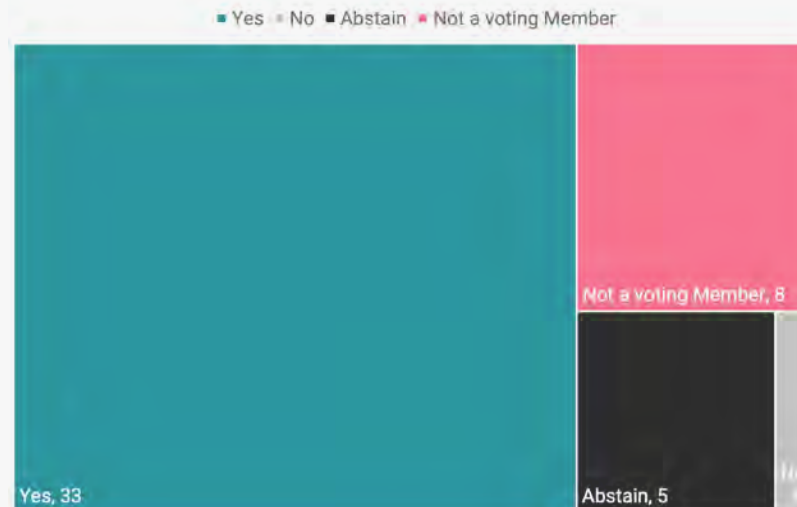
Your role within the EOSC Association



Is this paper clear and understandable?



Would you support the endorsement of this paper?





Membership Consultation F2F Meeting with Mandated Organisations

Brussels, 15 April 2026

The EOSC Association calls for a distinct Work Programme-based Partnership for EOSC in FP10 to accelerate excellent, scalable science in Europe

May 2026

The EOSC Association (EOSC-A) represents more than 250 organisations across Europe, including research-performing organisations, university alliances, research service providers, Research and e-Infrastructures, and research funders.

United in EOSC-A, these organisations jointly call on the European Union to establish a distinct Work Programme-based Partnership for EOSC within the EU's 10th Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (FP10) that includes EOSC-A as an equal partner in the Partnership's tripartite governance.

Europe needs EOSC

European researchers and policy makers, with substantial investments from the participating states, are building the European Open Science Cloud and sovereign ecosystem for high-quality and FAIR research data, services, and research funders.

The EOSC Federation, launched in 2025, is the proto-embodiment of the anticipated "Web of FAIR data and services" for research in Europe. The contributions of EOSC-related projects spanning two successive Framework Programmes provides the basis for operationalising the Common European Research Space and Innovation. This data space is the strategic capability essential for Europe's competitiveness over its research data, strengthening resilience in science and technology, and accelerating Europe's Single Market for knowledge and innovation.

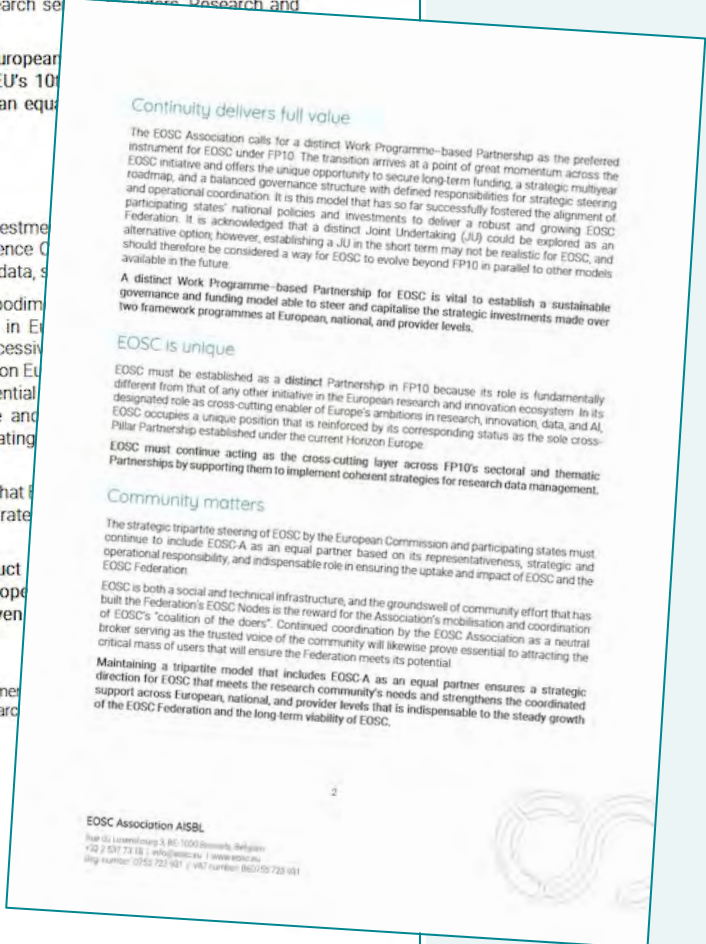
The evolving EU policy landscape makes increasingly explicit that Europe's ambitions articulated by its AI in Science and Data Union strategy and for Research and Technology Infrastructures¹.

Anchoring EOSC in FP10 will enable researchers to conduct interdisciplinary research across borders while ensuring Europe's access to the FAIR data required for scientific excellence and AI-driven innovation.

¹ For a full elaboration of EOSC's role in these strategy and policy documents, see the paper "EOSC: Empowering Europe's trusted, secure and sovereign research ecosystem" (<http://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.19368164>).

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The evolving EU policy landscape makes increasingly explicit that EOSC is indispensable to delivering EU ambitions articulated by its AI in Science and Data Union strategies, and by the European Strategy for Research and Technology Infrastructures.

Anchoring EOSC in FP10 will enable researchers to conduct better, faster, and more scalable interdisciplinary research across borders while ensuring Europe retains trusted, sovereign access to the FAIR data required for scientific excellence and AI-driven innovation.

Continuity delivers full value

The EOSC Association calls for a distinct Work Programme–based Partnership as the preferred instrument for EOSC under FP10. The transition arrives at a point of great momentum across the EOSC initiative and offers the unique opportunity to **secure long-term funding, a strategic multiyear roadmap, and a balanced governance structure** with defined responsibilities for strategic steering and operational coordination. It is this model that has so far successfully fostered the alignment of participating states' national policies and investments to deliver a robust and growing EOSC Federation. It is acknowledged that a distinct Joint Undertaking (JU) could be explored as an alternative option; however, establishing a JU in the short term may not be realistic for EOSC, and should therefore be considered a way for EOSC to evolve beyond FP10 in parallel to other models available in the future.

A distinct Work Programme–based Partnership for EOSC is vital to establish a sustainable governance and funding model able to steer and capitalise the strategic investments made over two framework programmes at European, national, and provider levels.

EOSC is unique

EOSC must be established as a **distinct** Partnership in FP10 because its role is fundamentally different from that of any other initiative in the European research and innovation ecosystem. In **its designated role as cross-cutting enabler of Europe's ambitions in research, innovation, data, and AI**, EOSC occupies a unique position that is reinforced by its corresponding status as the sole cross-Pillar Partnership established under the current Horizon Europe.

EOSC must continue acting as the cross-cutting layer across FP10's sectoral and thematic Partnerships by supporting them to implement coherent strategies for research data management.

Community matters

The **strategic tripartite steering** of EOSC by the European Commission and participating states **must continue to include EOSC-A as an equal partner** based on its representativeness, strategic and operational responsibility, and indispensable role in ensuring the uptake and impact of EOSC and the EOSC Federation.

EOSC is both a social and technical infrastructure, and the groundswell of community effort that has built the Federation's EOSC Nodes is the reward for the Association's mobilisation and coordination of EOSC's "coalition of the doers". Continued coordination by the EOSC Association as a neutral broker serving as the trusted voice of the community will likewise prove essential to attracting the critical mass of users that will ensure the Federation meets its potential.

Maintaining a tripartite model that includes EOSC-A as an equal partner ensures a strategic direction for EOSC that meets the research community's needs and strengthens the coordinated support across European, national, and provider levels that is indispensable to the steady growth of the EOSC Federation and the long-term viability of EOSC.

EOSC in FP10

EOSC-A calls for a distinct Work Programme-based Partnership for Europe's trusted research data ecosystem

- Trusted, sovereign access to FAIR data
- Consolidation of strategic investment in EOSC
- Unique cross-cutting enabler for science, research and AI
- Tripartite with EOSC-A as equal partner

[Read the position paper](#)

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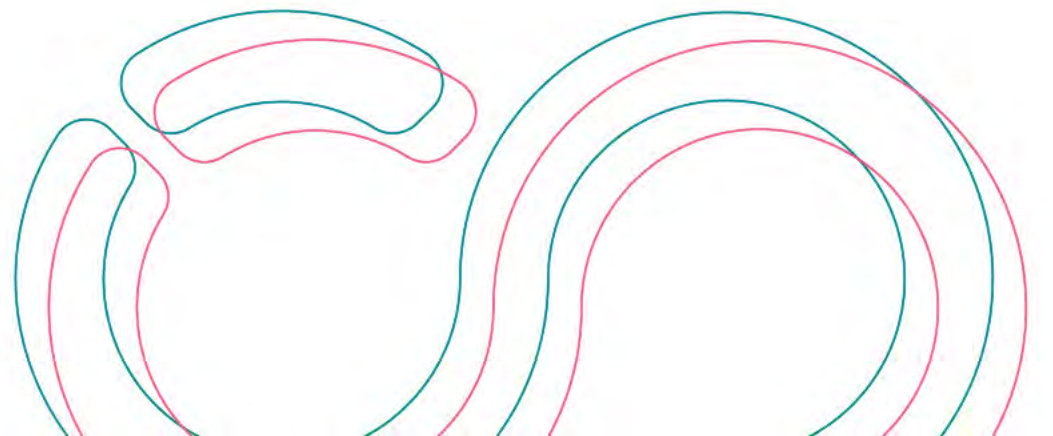
The GA is invited to adopt the position paper as representing the joint position of the EOSC Association.

Decision/Open voting



Advocacy material

Join us in making the case for EOSC!



EOSC: Empowering Europe's
trusted, secure and sovereign
research data ecosystem

April 2026

Updated narrative for EOSC

The paper has been produced in the context of **two significant advances for EOSC** over the past year:

- **Increasingly prominent position of EOSC in the European policy landscape** as the Union negotiates FP10
- **November 2025 launch of the EOSC Federation** and its expansion through 2026

“At a moment when Europe’s competitiveness and values, digital sovereignty, strategic autonomy, and data security are under unprecedented pressure, **EOSC becomes far more than a research instrument: it becomes a strategic priority for the Union** to build a resilient, productive and sovereign knowledge economy.”



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EOSC to safeguard European data sovereignty

EOSC ensures **long-term, secure, and trustworthy access** to research data in compliance with EU regulations.

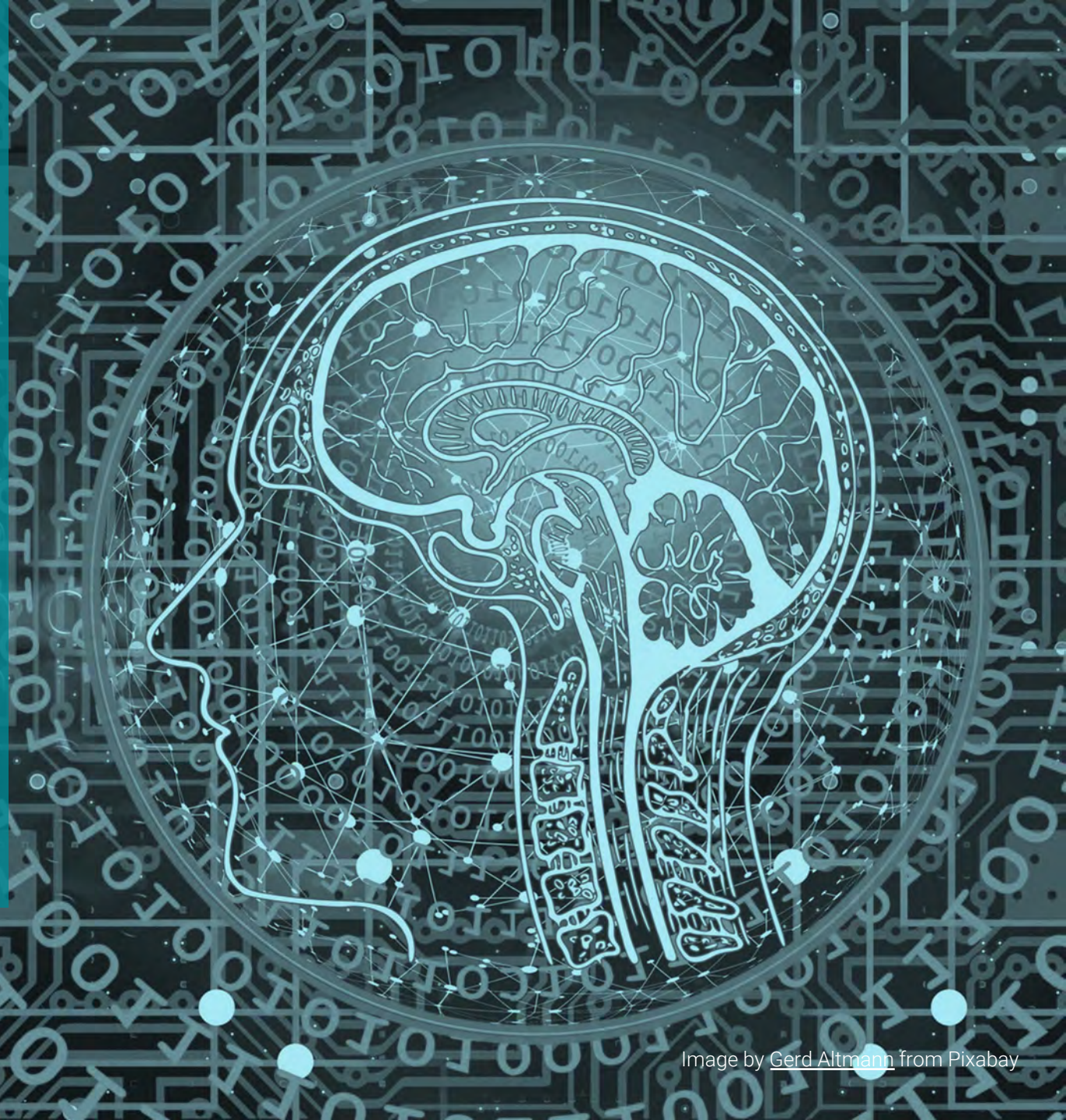
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EOSC to foster European leadership in AI

By unlocking large, diverse, machine-actionable FAIR datasets, EOSC directly **supports AI development and reduces data scarcity**. It also ensures interoperability, provenance, and reproducibility, which mitigate “black box” risks and enable responsible AI.

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EOSC to increase security in research & data management

EOSC **safeguards sensitive resources** while enabling scientific innovation and fostering cross-border, cross-disciplinary collaboration.

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EOSC to establish the EU Single Market for knowledge

EOSC plays a central role in removing barriers within the European Single Market for knowledge by **enabling seamless sharing and reuse of research data** across countries, disciplines, and infrastructures.

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EOSC to enhance Europe's global scientific competitiveness

By standardising data sharing protocols and **ensuring interoperability across disciplines and borders**, EOSC facilitates the interdisciplinary collaboration required to address complex global challenges such as climate change, health, etc.

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EOSC to boost European data economy

EOSC enhances Europe's productivity by transforming fragmented assets into interoperable, high-value capabilities, reducing costly duplication of efforts and **maximising the return on public investments.**

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EOSC to empower European values

By providing open access to FAIR datasets, EOSC empowers researchers, educators, and innovators from all regions to engage in cutting-edge scientific work, **democratising access to research resources** across Europe.

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Public support by Science Europe

Joint Position Paper of national funding agencies



LATEST NEWS



Orbán election defeat brings hope Hungary's Horizon Europe ban will be lifted

Thirty institutions have been shut out of Horizon Europe and Erasmus+ for over three years due to academic freedom concerns



ERC announces stricter application rules for 2027 calls

New measures include longer restrictions for previously unsuccessful applicants as ERC contends with rise in applications



MEPs adopt long-term budget report with €200 billion for next Horizon Europe

Budget committee proposal also sees Erasmus+ allocation rise slightly, to €42 billion from 2028



Israeli participation in Horizon Europe halves as boycotts bite

Country's wars against Iran and Lebanon have renewed debate over whether Europe should sever research ties

HORIZON BLOG

European R&D policy newsbytes:

- [EU updates competition rules for technology licensing agreements](#)
- [EU-UK deal paves way for Erasmus+ association in 2028](#)
- [Commission to invest €1.07B in 57 new defence projects](#)
- [Call to secure European Open Science Cloud under next Horizon Europe](#)

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12:44 CET, 15 April 2026

Call to secure European Open Science Cloud under next Horizon Europe

Science Europe, which represents 40 research funders and organisations, is calling to secure under the next iteration of Horizon Europe the long-term future of the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC), an initiative of the European Commission providing scientists with trusted, open-access data and services.

"The transition to [the next Horizon Europe] offers an important opportunity to consolidate EOSC as a lasting pillar of the [European Research Area]," Science Europe says, adding that it supports its continuation as a work programme-based European Partnership.

[More details here.](#)

12:43 CET, 15 April 2026

EUA calls for 'meaningful dialogue' between Serbian academia and government

The board of the European University Association (EUA) is calling for a "meaningful dialogue" between universities in Serbia and the government "to de-escalate and, ultimately, resolve the current unsustainable situation" as student mobilisation against corruption continues.

"The continued erosion of institutional autonomy, which is a precondition for universities to fulfil their diverse missions, will have a damaging impact on academic life and wider society in the short- and long-term," it says.

[More details here.](#)



Science Europe Position on the Future of the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC) post-2027 featured in Science | Business Policy Bulletin (16 April 2026) and Science | Business Horizon Blog (15 April 2026)

Science Europe Position on the Future of the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC) post-2027

March 2026

The [European Open Science Cloud](#) (EOSC) aims to be a cornerstone initiative for advancing FAIR and open research practices across the European Research Area (ERA). It aims to create a trusted, federated environment where researchers across Europe can find, access, share, and reuse research data, tools, and services. Its core objective is to support the transition to open science by making research outputs more accessible, interoperable, and reusable across disciplines and borders.

EOSC has taken on additional relevance in the context of research security and digital sovereignty. By developing a public, European-based infrastructure for research data, EOSC helps ensure that valuable scientific outputs remain under European governance and aligned with European values and regulations. This is particularly pertinent as global competition for data intensifies. This also connects to emerging considerations around artificial intelligence in research.

As the current co-programmed European Partnership under Horizon Europe comes to an end, a sustainable governance and funding model must be established for the 2028-2034 financial programming period (Framework Programme 10, FP10). This position is particularly timely in light of the ongoing discussions and preparatory processes for FP10, including the definition of future European Partnerships and the associated strategic planning and legislative cycle. Early clarity on EOSC's future framework is essential to ensure continuity, avoid disruption, and enable stakeholders to align their investments and commitments accordingly. Without such a model, there is a significant risk of fragmentation, reduced momentum, and loss of trust among research communities and infrastructure providers.

Science Europe supports the continuation of EOSC as a Work Programme-based European Partnership under FP10. This model offers the most appropriate balance of agility, stability, financial ring-fencing, and shared responsibility. Importantly, EOSC is designed to host and enable access to research data across all scientific disciplines and thematic areas, thereby directly supporting Science Europe's core advocacy for inclusiveness across all fields of science. It builds on the current co-programmed structure while strengthening commitment and accountability across all partners.

Science Europe has issued a position statement calling for a clear and robust framework under the EU's next research and innovation programme, FP10, to secure the long-term future of EOSC

“Science Europe supports the continuation of EOSC as a Work Programme-based European Partnership under FP10. This model offers the most appropriate balance of agility, stability, financial ring-fencing, and shared responsibility.”

“The transition to FP10 offers an important opportunity to consolidate EOSC as a lasting pillar of the ERA, and to safeguard and reinforce European-level investment to build upon the success of the current phase and ensure continuity of services and trust within the research community.”

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FP10 unter Druck: Warum Säule 2 zum Lackmустest für Europas Forschungspolitik wird

Die Debatte um das nächste europäische Förderinstrument für Forschung und Innovation spitzt sich zu. Während beim EIC Fortschritte sichtbar sind, droht die ungeklärte Ausgestaltung von Säule 2 und des Competitiveness Fund zum strukturellen Risiko für FP10 zu werden – und die Zeit drängt.



Nicola Kuhrt

15. April 2026 Aa



Table.Media (Germany)

15 April 2026

Die strukturellen Defizite zeigen sich nicht nur im Verhältnis von Forschung und Wettbewerbsfähigkeit. Auch mit Blick auf die europäische Forschungsinfrastruktur warnt die Wissenschaft inzwischen vor einem Governance-Vakuum. In einer aktuellen Stellungnahme zur Zukunft der *European Open Science Cloud* (EOSC) nach 2027 mahnt der Dachverband Science Europe, dass zentrale Forschungsplattformen ohne klare Zuständigkeiten, verlässliche Finanzierung und politische Verankerung an Wirkung verlieren könnten. Die EOSC dürfe nicht als technisches Beiprojekt behandelt werden, sondern brauche eine stabile Einbettung in das nächste Rahmenprogramm und in nationale Strategien.

The structural deficits are not only evident in the relationship between research and competitiveness. With regard to European research infrastructure, the scientific community is now also warning of a governance vacuum. In a recent statement on the future of the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC) after 2027, the umbrella organization Science Europe cautions that central research platforms could lose their effectiveness without clear responsibilities, reliable funding, and political anchoring. The EOSC should not be treated as a technical side project, but rather needs stable integration into the next framework program and national strategies.

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Coffee break
& family photo
15:40-16:10



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Interactive sessions



Item 07: Establishment of a Working Group to propose a roadmap for revising the EOSC-A Articles of Association

Ute Gunsenheimer, Secretary General, EOSC-A



Paper F: Mandate of
Roadmapping Working Group



eosc Purpose of this Interactive Session

Understand foreseen activities for 2026 and 2027

2026

- Establish a **clear understanding** of the activities that are expected to still take place in 2026
- **Approve the proposed mandate** of the Working Group for 2026

2027

- **Introduce** the approach to 2027
- **Collect your input** for 2027 topics

AoA Roadmapping Working Group 2026

Only active in 2026!

2026

What

Defining the approach to the revision the EOSC-A Articles of Association during 2027, including its process, timeline, outputs and milestones

How

Establishment of a small Working Group contributing in-kind between now and 27 November (GA#15)

Who

Volunteers appointed by Board of Directors following an **open call for expression of interest** among membership

Deliverables

What

- **The AoA Revision Roadmap** identifying the required process, timeline, outputs and milestones, and
- **The mandate, reporting lines, membership and selection process** for the AoA Revision Committee which will implement the Revision Roadmap during 2027

- **Rules of Procedure:** The WG will act by consensus wherever possible. The chair will have a casting vote etc.
- The WG will be **convened in June 2026** and complete its mandate by GA in November 2026
- Effort will be made **in-kind**. No remuneration will be provided for time invested by WG members
- The WG will meet **virtually**
- The WG will be provided with **administrative support by the EOSC-A Secretariat** to help with coordination and logistics



Who

Call for Expression of Interest: AoA Roadmapping Working Group

Deadline: 10 June 2026 (23:59 CEST)

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Composition of AoA Roadmapping Working Group 2026

Final decision with EOSC-A Board of Directors based on EoI received

Category	Representatives
Mandated Organisations	2
Funders	1
RPO Umbrella Organisations	1
RPOs	2
ESFRI RIs	1
e-Infrastructures (multi-country)	1
Service providers (national)	1
Board of Directors	2
Secretariat	2



- The **purpose** of the WG is to:
 - Propose the Articles of Association Revision Roadmap for implementation during 2027, including its process, timeline, outputs and milestones.
 - Define the mandate, reporting lines, composition and selection process for the committee to implement the roadmap.
- The WG will report to the EOSC-A General Assembly and will present its proposals at GA in November 2026.
- The WG's **deliverables** will be
 - The AoA Revision Roadmap identifying the required process, timeline, outputs and milestones; and
 - The mandate, reporting lines, membership and selection process for the committee which will implement the roadmap during 2027.
- **Rules of Procedure:** Meetings will be considered quorate if more than 50% of the WG members are present. The WG will act by consensus wherever possible. When required however, the chair will have a casting vote.
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- The WG will meet virtually, with a frequency to be determined by the WG members.
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Q&A



Item 07: Establishment of a Working Group to propose a roadmap for revising the EOOSC-A Articles of Association

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approve the Working Group
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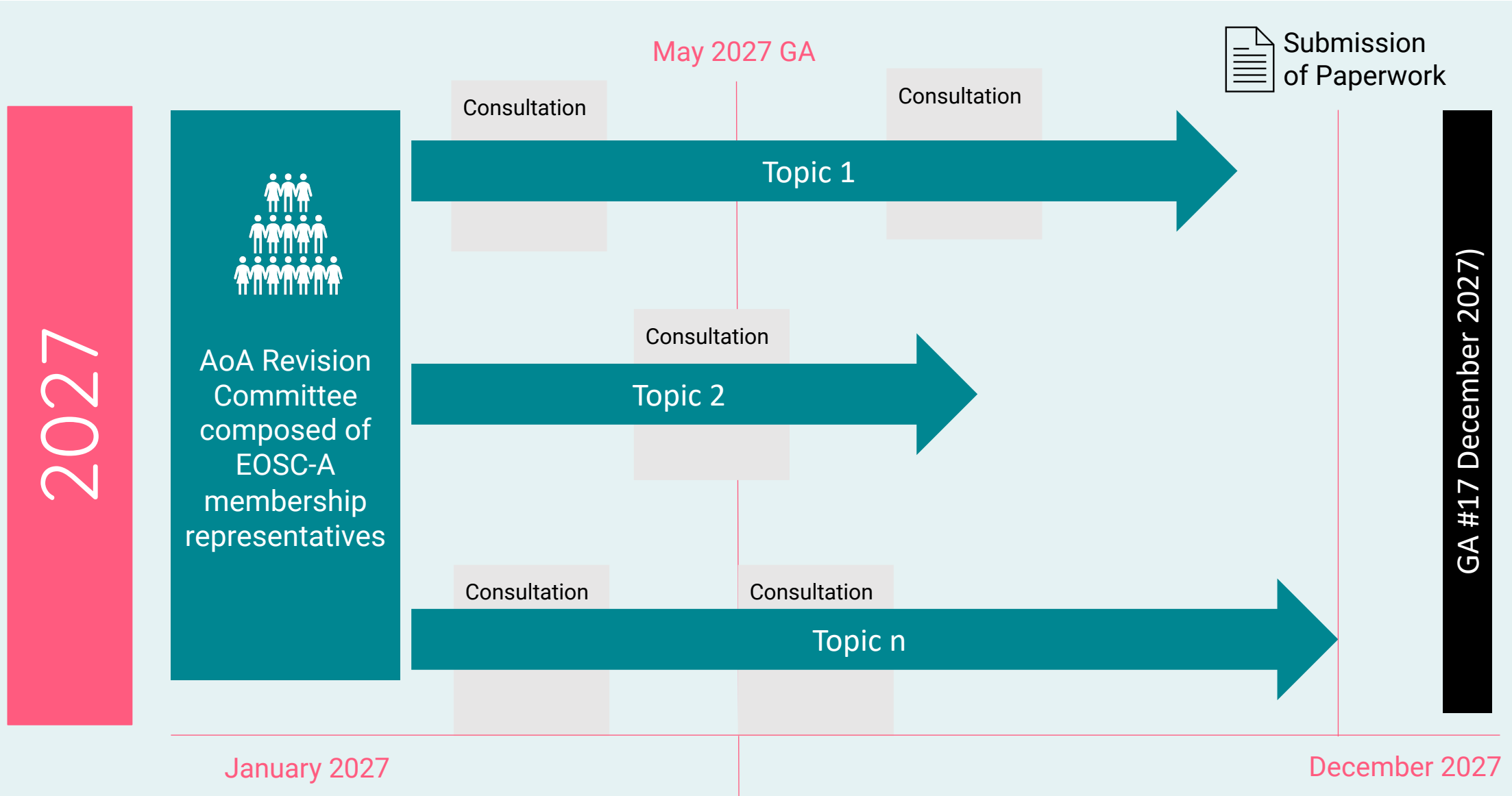
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2027 – Interactive Session



2027 Implementation of the AoA Revision Roadmap

Secretariat provided by EOSC Gravity Task 1.1



Membership consultations on EOOSC post-2027

Mentimeter results from the first round of consultations held in March 2026



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Q5: What are the key elements that should be considered for an update of the Articles of the EOSC-A?

Open question: 200 characters per response, participants may submit multiple responses

Examples of topics to be considered (from submitted responses)

- Linkage between Members and EOSC Nodes
- Relationship between EOSC-A and the Federation
- More membership options/level of implication
- Are the MOs an aggregation defined in the Articles. If so, this grouping should be reconsidered
- Funding - only cash?
- Fee differentiation



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Open discussion

Item 08: SRIA 2.0: Shaping the Strategic Priorities for 2026-2030

Klaus Tochtermann, President, EOSC-A



Paper G: Overview of Strategic
Priorities of SRIA 2.0



Executive Summary

1. EOSC Vision, Mission, and Strategic Objectives

1.1 EOSC's Role in the European Research and Innovation Landscape

1.2 Vision 2030: Strategic Ambition and Alignment with EU Priorities

1.3 Expected Outcomes and Benefits for Science, Society, and Economy

1.4 Insights from the European and Global Context

- o EOSC's positioning among European initiatives

- o International collaboration and competitiveness

2. Current Landscape: Gaps, Trends, and Challenges

2.1 State of Play: EOSC Implementation and Maturity

2.2 Key Gaps and Barriers (Technical, Organisational, Policy) in relation to the Five Tasks

2.3 Emerging Trends in Open Science and Data Ecosystems

3. Strategic Priorities for 2026–2030

3.1 Key Policy and Technological Priorities (e.g. AI, FAIR, Sovereignty, Governance)

3.2 Recommended Actions and Interventions

4. Conclusions

Annexes



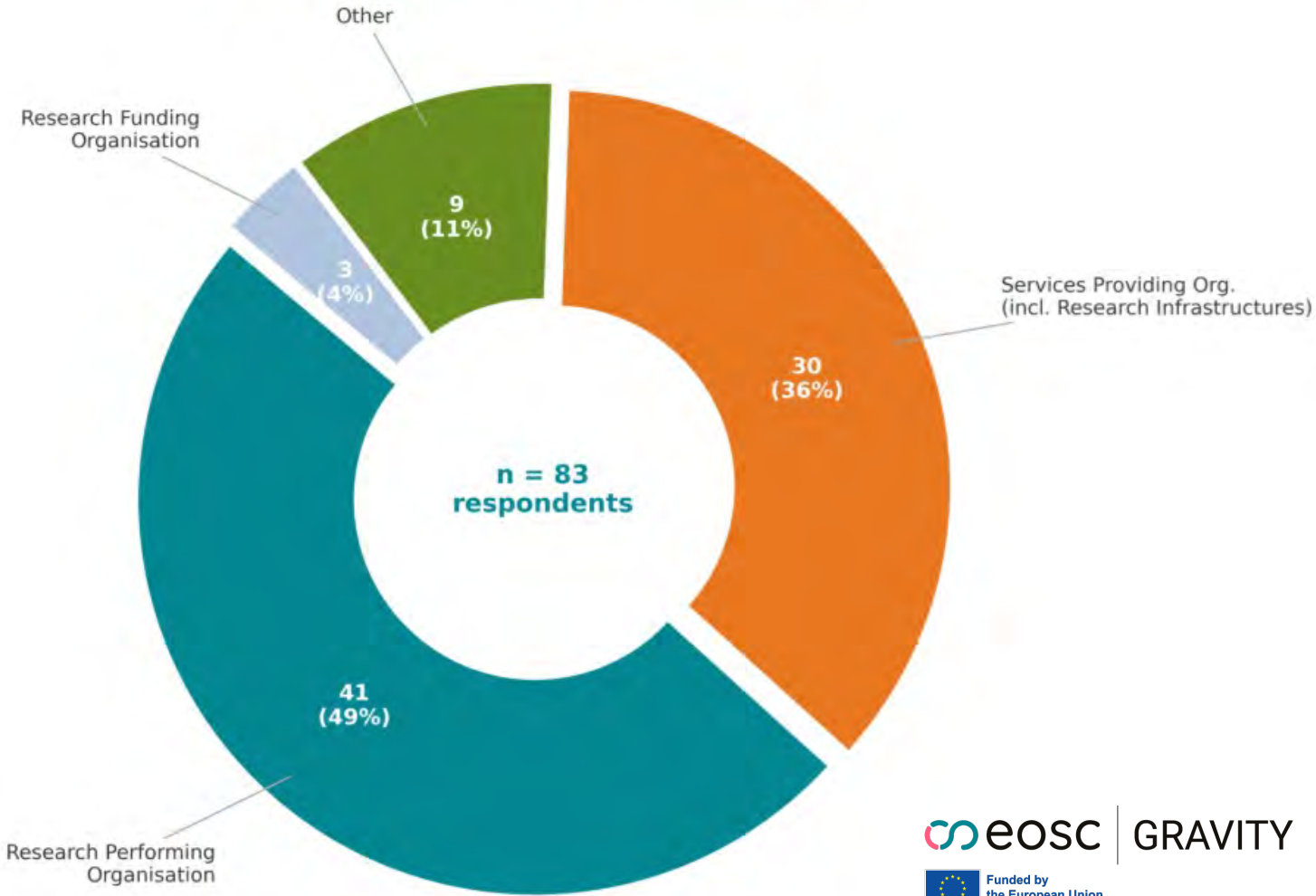
SRIA 2.0: Public consultation

Share your insights on the main
technological and innovation
challenges of EOSC



eosc SRIA 2.0 public consultation survey

**Distribution of Respondents of SRIA 2.0
Public Consultation by Organisation Type**



Timeline: 18 Dec 2025 – 31 Jan 2026

Participants: n = 83

Focus: Priorities for 2026-2030

Majority of respondents: Members of the EOSC Association; predominantly based in Western and Northern Europe

Fairly high share of respondents: Actively involved in EOSC-related bodies, such as Task Forces, Opportunity Area Expert Groups, EOSC-related projects etc.

eosc Feedback from the European Commission



The European Commission agreed with the strategic priorities and only provided editorial comments

eosc Operationalisation of the EOSC Federation

Building a Resilient and Robust Production Environment

- **Governance & Sustainability:**
 - Transition from project-based to sustainable funding models
- **Production-Readiness:**
 - Defining criteria for cybersecurity, reliability, and quality assurance
 - Systematic lifecycle management and proactive maintenance strategies
 - Capacity building & training among node operators and technical staff
- **Technical Implementation:**
 - Moving from conceptual alignment to full-scale interoperability
 - Deployment of orchestrating, monitoring, and usage tracking tools
 - Certification frameworks to reduce onboarding barriers for nodes

Strategic
priority

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- **Data Sovereignty, Research Security, and Scientific Data Quality:**
 - Community-driven frameworks for controlled data sharing
 - "Security by design"
 - Data quality incl. validation, provenance, traceability
- **Long-Term Retention and Reproducibility of Research Outputs:**
 - Policies for datasets, software, workflows etc.
 - Transparent, community-driven criteria for selection
 - Support for trustworthy digital repositories and provenance tracking
- **Advanced Automation of FAIR and Quality Assessment:**
 - Moving towards machine-actionable quality assessment
 - Expanding FAIR metrics to include provenance, consistency etc.
 - AI-driven tools and certification frameworks to ensure scalable quality and trust

A Dual Role: AI as an Enabler and AI as a Beneficiary

- **Common Understanding of AI and Strategic Convergence:**
 - Addressing fragmented understanding of AI's role within EOSC community
 - Establishing a shared conceptual framework for AI across stakeholders
- **AI for FAIR: Leveraging AI for Data Management:**
 - Automating metadata generation and semantic annotation
 - Scaling FAIRification into a routine, "FAIR-by-design" process
 - Community-validated guidelines and standardised workflows
- **FAIR for AI: Ensuring Data Readiness:**
 - AI-ready datasets for machine learning training
 - Operational data hubs for pooling, anonymisation, and computing access
 - Training initiatives for responsible AI practices

Driving Adoption through Tangible Scientific Value

- **Engaging Researchers and Drive Scientific Discovery:**
 - Targeting diverse needs, incl. STEM and Social Sciences/Humanities
 - Demonstrating value through cross-node use cases
 - Establishing metrics on usability and service responsiveness
- **Fostering Skills, Capacity and Career Development:**
 - Upskilling programs, e.g. in transparent research practices
 - Recognition of professional roles, e.g. Data Stewards, Research Software Engineers
 - Democratising access to skills and resources

eosc Strategic Alignment and Global Collaboration

EOSC as a Global Public Open Research Commons

- **Strategic Alignment with European Initiatives:**
 - Coordinating with Common European Data Spaces, EuroHPC, AI Factories etc.
 - Harmonised standards/frameworks (governance, legal, policy, technical level)
- **Global Collaboration:**
 - Strengthening EOSC's role as a "Public Open Research Commons"
 - Establishing strategic partnerships through agreements, e.g. for reciprocal data access
 - Networking with international stakeholders while maintaining clear governance boundaries

Strategic
priority

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eosc Overview of proposed SRIA Strategic Priorities

1

Operationalisation of the EOSC Federation

- Governance & Sustainability
- Production-Readiness
- Technical Implementation

2

Data Sovereignty and Quality of Research Data

- Data Sovereignty, Research Security, and Scientific Data Quality
- Long-Term Retention and Reproducibility of Research Outputs
- Advanced Automation of FAIR and Quality Assessment

3

AI and EOSC

- Common Understanding of AI and Strategic Convergence
- AI for FAIR: Leveraging AI for Data Management
- FAIR for AI: Ensuring Data Readiness

4

User-Centricity

- Engaging Researchers and Drive Scientific Discovery
- Fostering Skills, Capacity, and Career Development

5

Strategic Alignment and Global Collaboration

- Strategic Alignment with European Initiatives
- Global Collaboration



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Open discussion

Item 09: Introduction of day 2

Bob Jones, Special Envoy for the EOOSC Federation



A photograph of two bioluminescent organisms, likely comb jellies, with long, thin, purple tentacles. They are resting on a dark, rocky surface in a dark environment, possibly underwater. The organisms are illuminated from within, creating a glowing effect.

Biological sequestration of carbon in the ocean

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- 09:00 **Item 10: Update on the EOSC Federation**
Bob Jones, Special Envoy for the EOSC Federation, EOSC-A (Information / 30')
- Paper H: Update on the EOSC Federation**
- 9:30 **Item 10a: Parallel session I: The EOSC Federation User Forum (60')**
- 10:30 Coffee break
- 11:00 **Item 10b: Parallel session II: Strategic considerations (60')**
- 12:00 **Item 10c: Reporting from parallel sessions (Information / 45')**
- 12:45 **Item 11: AOB and Closing**
- 13:00 Lunch / End of GA#13

Day 2

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Q&A

Thank you, Volker Beckmann!

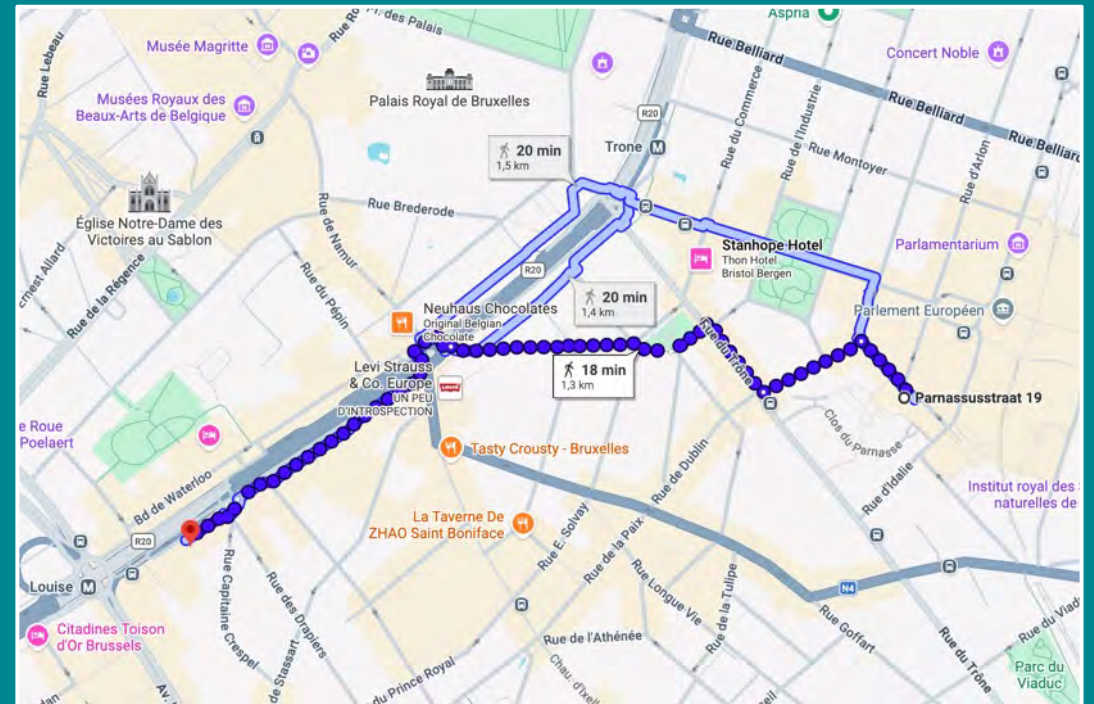
former EOSC Steering Board Co-Chair





BBQ dinner, 19:00

MGallery, Le Louise Hotel Brussels
Av. de la Toison d'Or 40



Reminder
for
tomorrow

Check-out
time in the
Renaissance
Hotel is 11:00.

Suitcases and
bags can be
stored in the
luggage room
(via the
reception).

Walking

- Approx. 20 min (1.5 km)



Taxi, Uber or Bolt

- Approx. 10 min, depending on traffic



Car

- Public parking in Avenue de la Toison d'Or:
 - **“Entre 2 Portes” Parking:** Entrance is in front of the Apple Store
 - **“Toison d’Or” Parking:** Entrance is at the corner of Rue des Chevaliers, opposite the Paris XL perfume store.



Public transport: Metro or bus

- Approx. 15–20 min (includes a 5-min walk)
 - Metro from Trône station to Louise station
 - Bus to the Porte de Namur / Louise area
- From Louise metro station, the hotel is only a short 5-min walk
- Exit the station towards Avenue de la Toison d'Or and continue along the avenue until reaching Le Louise Hotel Brussels – MGallery Collection. The hotel entrance is located directly on Avenue de la Toison d'Or, close to the luxury shopping district and Place Louise.



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28-29 May 2026 | Brussels

Day 2, 09:00-13:00



Item 10: Update on the EOSC Federation

Bob Jones, Special Envoy for the EOSC Federation

Andy Götz, Science Officer, EOSC Association/ESRF



Paper H: Update on
the EOSC Federation







Federating CERN's REANA pipelines


Nodes engaged in 2025

 EOSC Node | PaNOSC
Physical Sciences & Engineering


 EOSC Node | Digital Twin of the Ocean
Environment


 EOSC Node | European Commission


 EOSC Node | Poland


 EOSC Node | Italy


 EOSC Node | CERN
Physical Sciences & Engineering


 EOSC Node | Slovakia


 EOSC Node | Germany

 EOSC Node | Data Terra
Environment

 EOSC Node | EUDAT
Data, Computing and Digital

 EOSC Node | Finland

 EOSC Node | SURF
The Netherlands

 EOSC Node | BBMRI-ERIC
Health & Food

 EOSC Node | Life Sciences Connect
Health & Food

Federating many service and research product catalogues - and growing!



Operational structure

- Migrate Build-up group to the operational structure outlined in the MoU
- Evolution of federating capabilities and the interoperability framework

Transition to production

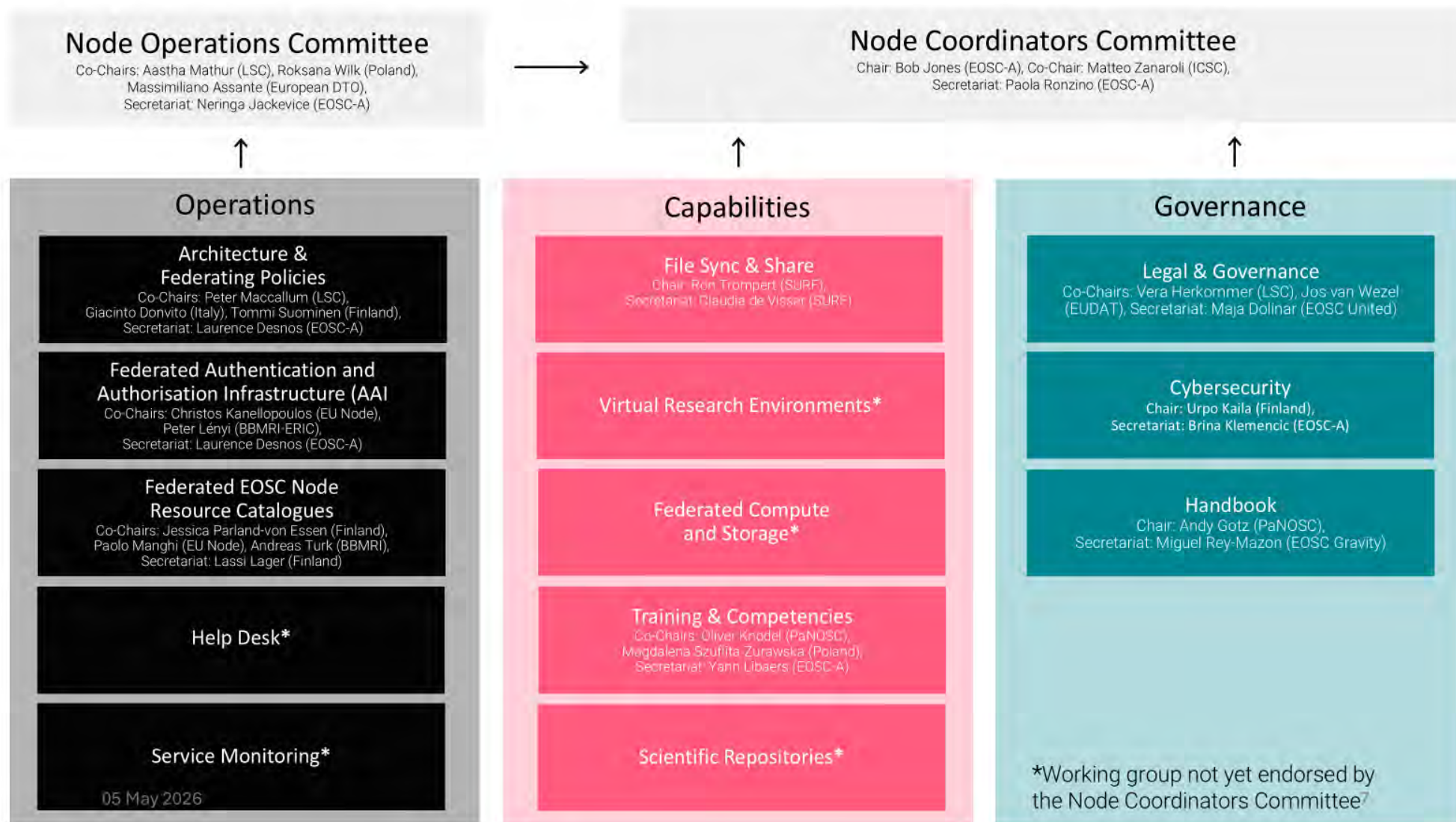
- Move the EOSC Federation from prototype to production
- Address legal, governance, operational and engagement requirements

Expansion

- Enrollment of nodes and onboarding of resources and use-cases
- Leveraging wave of enrolment waves, EOSC Gravity cascading grants, HORIZON-INFRA-2025-01-EOSC-01

Federation Governance in 2026

Following the structure defined in the MoU



Mandatory Federating Capabilities



Federated AAI

Single sign-on across all EOSC nodes – enabling seamless, policy-compliant access for researchers

6 first wave nodes now in production environment



EOSC Catalogue

Exposure of node services and datasets through the common EOSC resource catalogue with FAIR-aligned metadata

Research product catalog exists for first wave nodes, refining service catalog specifications



Helpdesk

Node-level user support integrated with the federation-wide helpdesk system, ensuring consistent service for the research community

First wave nodes consulted, info day 16 Apr, Interop. Guidelines in May



Monitoring

Continuous service monitoring feeding into federation-wide dashboards to maintain transparency, reliability and SLA compliance

First wave nodes to be consulted, info day 29 Apr



Service Mgmt System

Structured service management framework (FitSM) governing how node services are operated, improved and reported

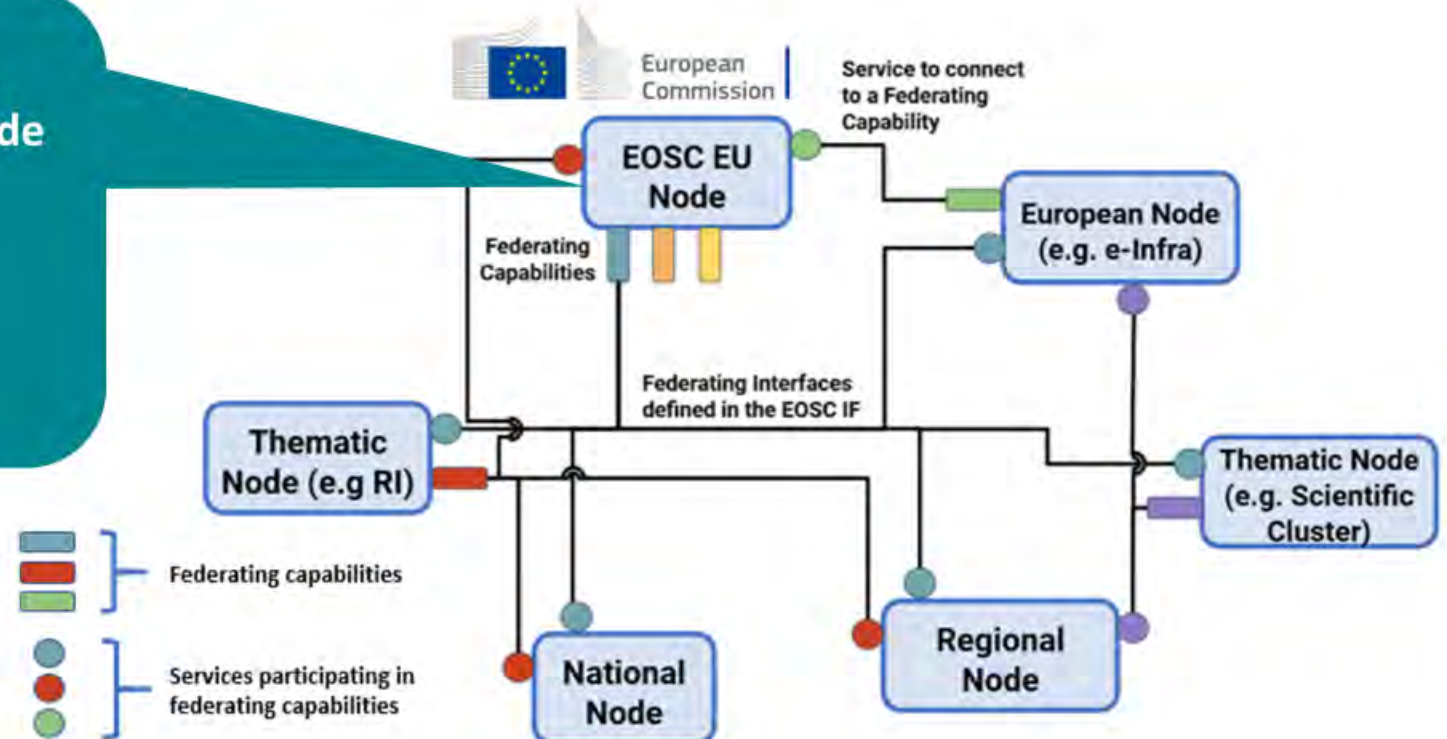
FitSM training 16 Apr

Operational structure

- Evolution of federating capabilities and the interoperability framework

The EOSC Federation is dependent on the fed. capabilities operated as services by the EU Node

- Resource Catalogues & Registry services
- Fed. AAI
- Helpdesk
- Service Monitoring
- Etc.



The EOSC EU Node plays a vital role in the Federation's build-up phase by providing mandatory federating capabilities and serving as a reference model for enrolling nodes. As the Federation transitions to production status, its current centralised architecture must evolve toward a more distributed and resilient model in which federating capabilities are replicated across, or delegated to, multiple nodes. This evolution must be governed collectively, with all nodes participating in decisions through the Federation's established governance structures.

The EOSC EU Node is encouraged to continue hosting EC-owned resources and maintaining its reference implementation for others to adopt. As the Federation grows, clear, transparent, and scalable support for node enrolment, integration, and operational coordination must be established and maintained.

Technical interoperability alone is insufficient to sustain the Federation. All nodes must have equitable access to guidance, communication channels, and escalation procedures. Establishing and upholding these foundations will ensure balanced participation, trust, and long-term sustainability.

Growing stronger

14 new candidate nodes joining the EOSC Federation

NATIONAL NODES

Czechia · Croatia · Latvia
North Macedonia · Sweden
Slovenia · Switzerland · Türkiye

PAN-EUROPEAN E-INFRASTRUCTURE

GÉANT · EGI · Scholarly Commons

THEMATIC NODES

METROFOOD-RI · EBRAINS RI · ENVRI

14 new candidate nodes endorsed by the EOSC Tripartite Governance, April 2026



Wider Geographic Reach

New national nodes in Czechia, Croatia, Latvia, North Macedonia, Sweden, Slovenia, Switzerland and Türkiye expand the Federation across the ERA.



Federated e-Infrastructure

GÉANT, EGI and Scholarly Commons add powerful pan-European e-infrastructures to the Federation's backbone.



New Scientific Domains

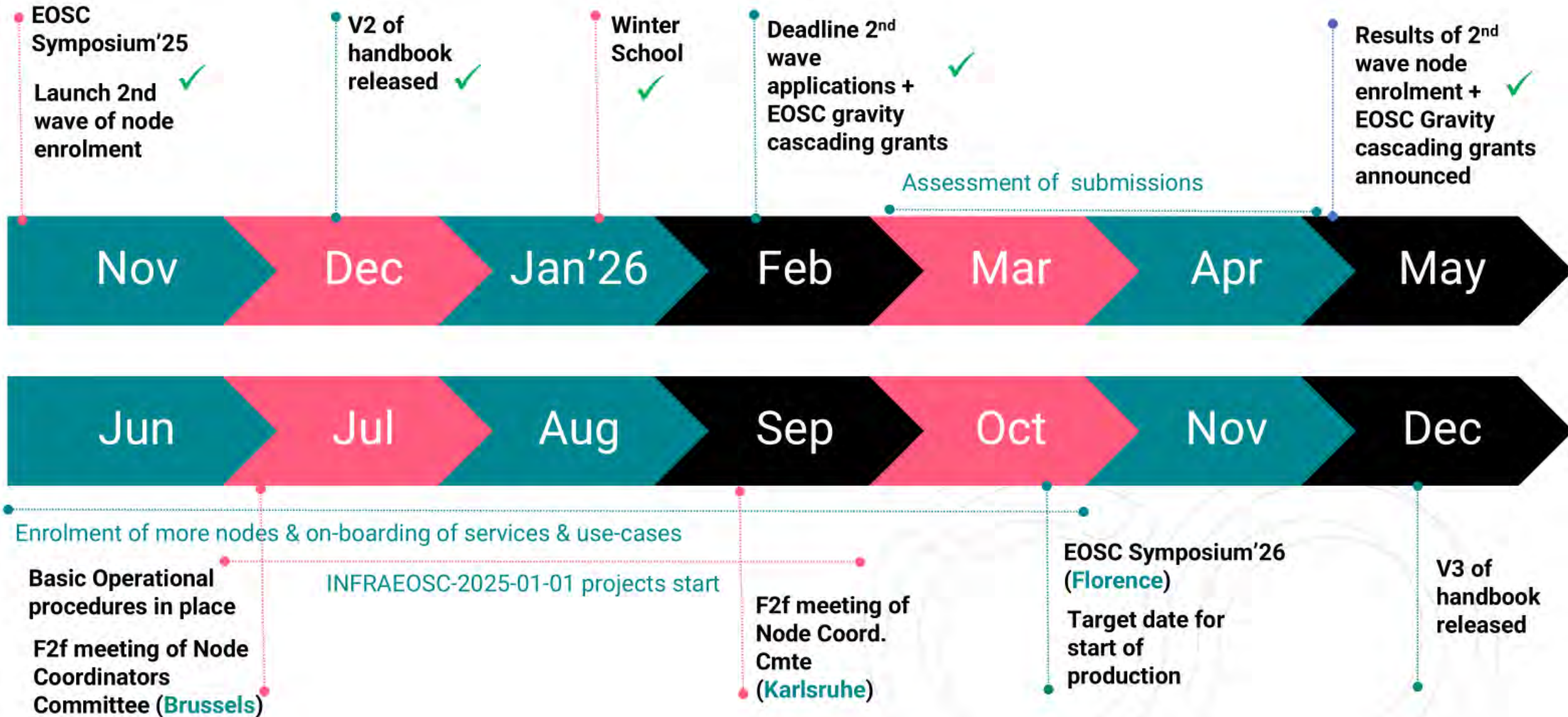
Thematic nodes from METROFOOD-RI, EBRAINS RI and ENVRI bring food safety, neuroscience research and wider environmental science into the fold.



Scaling Impact

36 cross-node use cases, 40+ new services & platforms and 41 repositories — links to 4 European Common Data Spaces, 7 EuroHPC supercomputing centres, 20 ESFRI RIs

Indicative timeline for 2026



- 1 What should be the relationship between the EOSC Association membership and the EOSC Federation?
- 2 How should the Interim Governance structure established under the MoU be modified or supplemented for the Federation's production phase?
- 3 What should be the role of the EOSC EU Node in the future?

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Q&A



EOSC Federation User Forum

Prepared by: Andy Götz, Rudolf Dimper, Vincent Breton,
Françoise Gouzi, Sally Chambers, Carlo Lacagnina





EOSC Federation User Forum

What is a User Forum?

A shared space where the EOSC Federation research community learns, asks, and grows together

Federation User Forum

A structured voice for the research community within the EOSC Federation

Purpose



- Capture demand-side user feedback on service quality, usability and FAIR data access across the Federation
- Ensure the research community voice informs development and priorities
- Complement technical governance bodies, which operate on a supply-side basis

Composition



- A User Board of active researchers from across disciplines and countries to steer, manage and animate the User Forum
- General user meetings accessible to anyone in the community to ensure inclusivity

Outputs



- Periodic user experience reports with prioritised improvement recommendations
- Dedicated user forum events building the community and capturing success stories

Reporting line

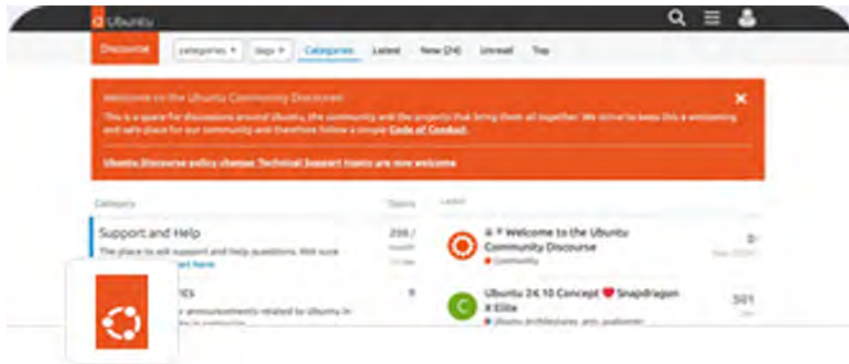


- Reports to the Interim EOSC Node Coord. Committee
- Findings shared with Tripartite Governance

Launch of User Forum to be announced with the transition to production operation of the EOSC Federation

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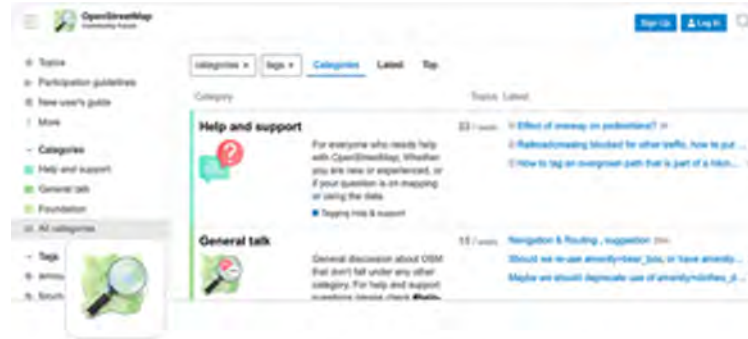
Forum examples



Ubuntu Community Hub

The meeting point for the Ubuntu community.

2,600 350



OpenStreetMap Community Forum

A shared place for conversations about OpenStreetMap

2,400 390



OpenAI Developer Community

Connect with other developers building with the OpenAI API Platform.

6,800 730

Users of the EOSC Federation, including:

- Researchers
- Service Providers
- EOSC-A Members and Observers



osesc How does the forum help users?

- Asking and answering questions
- Sharing information at scale
- Creating the community



EOSC Federation User Forum is OPEN

- 1 Based on Open Source software: Discourse
- 2 Anyone + machines (search + AI engines) can READ
- 3 Users need to login to POST
- 4 (Will) Support login via MyAccessID
- 5 Moderated by Power-Users from the Nodes
- 6 Financed by EOSC United, led by EOSC-A

EOSC Federation User Forum

user-forum.eosc.eu

Topics

More

CATEGORIES

EOSC Academy

EU Projects

Federation Nodes

Federation Support

Research Communities

All categories

Welcome to EOSC Federation User Forum!

Latest Hot Categories

categories > tags >

Welcome to the EOSC Federation User Forum!

Pinned

General system · 21d

We are so glad you joined us. Here are some things you can do to get started: Introduce yourself by adding your picture and information about yourself and your interests to your profile. What is one thi... read more

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OSCARS project InViMOD

PaNOSC Node andygotz · 16d

Code of Conduct - draft

General andygotz · 20d

New Topic

- Topics
- My posts
- My messages
- Review
- Admin
- Invite
- More

CATEGORIES

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All categories

Search chat

CHANNELS

- General
- Staff

Welcome back, andygotz!

Latest Hot Categories

+ New category

categories >

tags >

Category

EOSC Academy 1

This category is reserved for topics about the [EOSC Academy](#) of the [EOSC Association](#).

Federation Nodes 3

- PaNOSC Node
- BBMRI Node
- CERN Node
- Data Terra Node
- EUDAT Node
- Digital Twin of the Ocean Node
- EU Node
- Finland Node
- Germany Node
- Italy Node
- Life Sciences Connect Node
- Poland Node
- SURF Node

General 3

Create topics here that don't fit into any other existing category.

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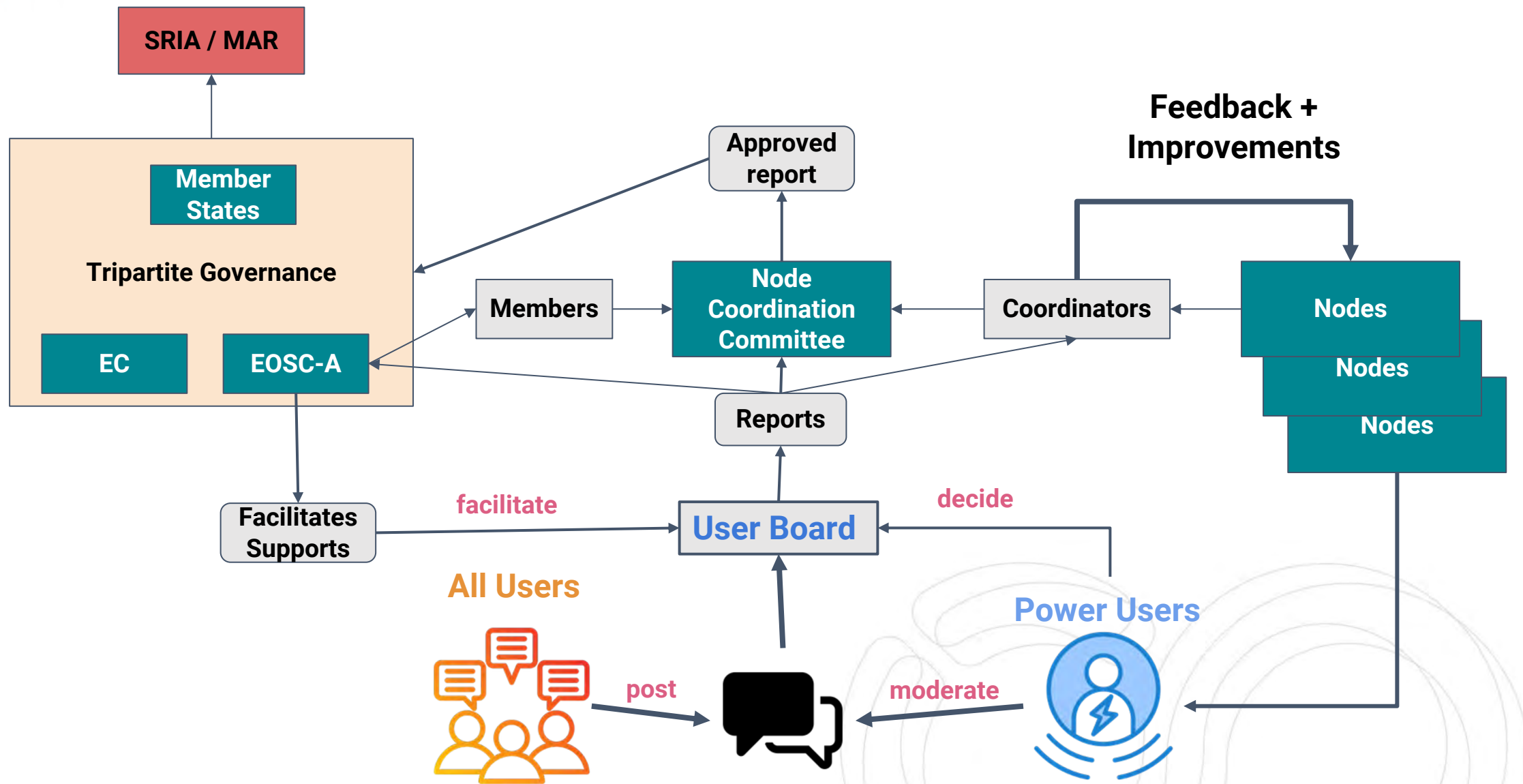
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EOSC Federation User Forum Workflow



Join the discussion in the parallel session NOW,

and then

- **JOIN the Forum**
- **Post** your questions / answers / news



- 1 How can the User Forum help attract users to the EOSC Federation?
- 2 Who should moderate the User Forum, and how can we attract volunteers for this role?
- 3 How can the User Forum help users drive the development of the EOSC Federation?
- 4 How can the User Forum assess the EOSC Federation's success from a user's perspective?

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Q&A



EOSC Federation
use case available
on YouTube

Imaging data workflows on Galaxy

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Item 11: AoB and closing



EOSC in FP10

EOSC-A calls for a distinct Work Programme-based Partnership for Europe's trusted research data ecosystem

- Trusted, sovereign access to FAIR data
- Consolidation of strategic investment in EOSC
- Unique cross-cutting enabler for science, research and AI
- Tripartite with EOSC-A as equal partner

Publish it on your
organisation's website

[Read the position paper](#)

eosc Public advocacy for EOSC and FP10

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EOOSC to safeguard European data sovereignty

EOSC ensures long-term, secure, and trustworthy access to research data in compliance with EU regulations.

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EOOSC: Empowering Europe's trusted, secure and sovereign research data ecosystem

Seven reasons why EOSC should be a Partnership in FP 10

The European Open Science Cloud (EOOSC) is a major initiative of the EU's research and digital agenda that aims to transform Europe's research data ecosystem towards a trusted, secure and sovereign European space of high quality FAIR research data and related services. However, as a response when Europe's competitiveness and values, digital sovereignty, and strategic autonomy are under unprecedented pressure, EOSC becomes far more than a research instrument: it becomes a strategic priority for the Union to build a resilient, productive and sovereign knowledge economy.

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- A slide deck from the EOSC Tripartite showcasing the seven EU policy areas where EOSC is identified as a strategic priority.
- An EOSC-A policy one-pager advocating for the establishment of an EOSC Partnership in FP10.

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Symposium 2026

14-16 October, Florence

Registration opens next week!

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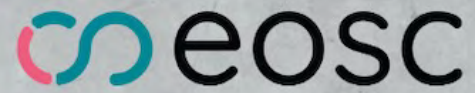
14th General Assembly

- Post-summer 2026, online
- Written procedure
- Dedicated to voting on approval of SRIA 2.0 (Paper G) and addressing the revision of internal regulations (Paper C)

15th General Assembly

- 27 November 2026 (morning), online
- Save the date!





Call for Expression of Interest: AoA Roadmapping Working Group

Deadline: 10 June 2026 (23:59 CEST)

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Managed Services for the EOSC Platform - EOSC EU Node

EC-CNECT/LUX/2026/OP/0090

Call for tenders details

Procedure identifier

EC-CNECT/LUX/2026/OP/0090

Submission method

Electronic

 Open For Submission

Description

This procurement action will ensure the continuous improvement, operations, maintenance and support of the managed services for the EOSC EU Node platform, providing access to a rich portfolio of FAIR data and professional quality FAIR services in all relevant domains from data handling to computing, processing, analysis and storing.

Procedure type

Open procedure

Estimated total value

40000000 EUR

TED publication date

29/05/2026

Lead contracting authority

[European Commission, DG CNECT - Communications Networks, Content and Technology](#) 

Milestones

TED publication date

29/05/2026

Main classification (CPV)

72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

Date and time of public opening

20/07/2026 11:00 Europe/Brussels

Nature of the contract

services

Deadline for receipt of tenders

17/07/2026 16:00 Europe/Brussels

Maximum contract duration

48 MONTH

Contracting authority is not bound to reply to questions submitted after

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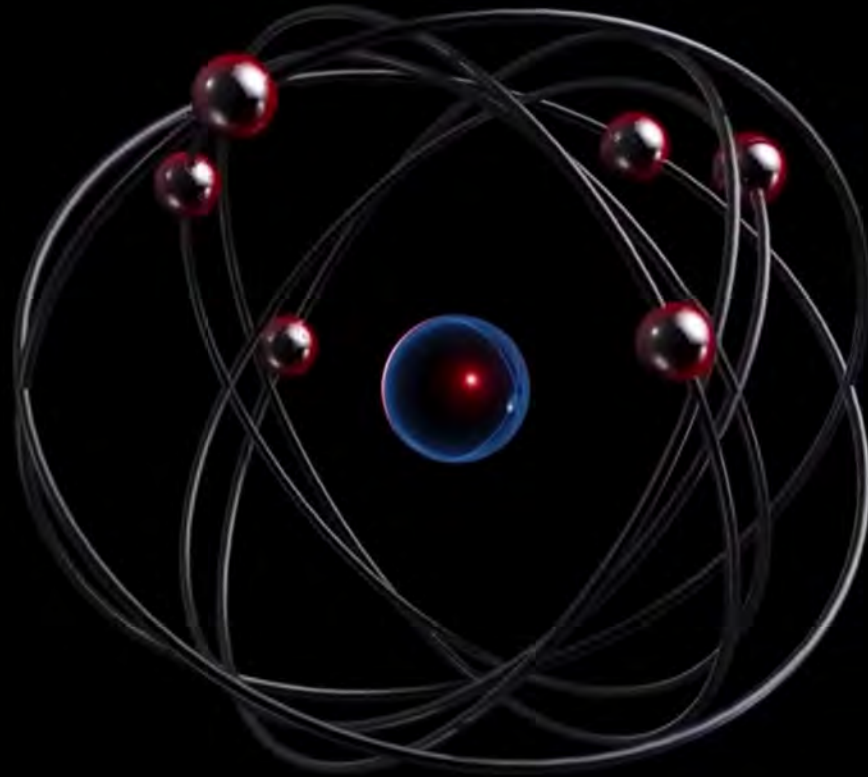
Award method

best price-quality ratio

Framework agreement

framework agreement, without reopening of competition

<https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/tender-details/467f5578-aaf1-4955-ad16-f8b17b02e060-CN?isExactMatch=true&order=DESC&pageNumber=1&pageSize=50&sortBy=startDate> ²⁵⁰



Pan-Finder

Lunch and end of GA#13
13:00

