INVITATION

WEBINAR

Jointly towards Sustainable Research Data

When

Wednesday   2 June 2021
Webinar   14.30–17.00
                   Brussels time (CEST)

Where

Online event
Connection details will be sent to all registered participants before the event.

Register

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Background

The research and innovation (R&I) system is undergoing a paradigm shift to Open Science to make scientific knowledge accessible for all by promoting unhindered dissemination of research outputs. Ensuring the interoperability and sustainability of research data – that is, their long-term preservation and accessibility – is an indispensable element to make Open Science the 'new normal'.

Research Funding Organisations (RFOs), Research Performing Organisations (RPOs), and Research Data Infrastructures (RDIs) play an important role in the advancement of good data sharing practices. They need comprehensive strategies (an organisational 'agenda for research data') that include a clear commitment to long-term data sharing and interoperability. Collaboration within the R&I system and aligned agendas for research data can contribute to fulfilling this aim. Achieving sustainable research data can be compared to a journey that must be jointly undertaken, while allowing each organisation to travel at its own pace and choose its destination according to its strategic priorities and needs.

Science Europe's new Practical Guide to Sustainable Research Data aims to provide guidance to its Member Organisations and the broader research community on the necessary steps to provide researchers with the best conditions for their work.

Experts from the Science Europe Member Organisations, supported by some external expertise, have developed a set of complementary maturity matrices for three main stakeholder types that aim to support organisations develop their agenda for research data and align their efforts with other organisations.

Aim of the webinar

The Science Europe Practical Guide to Sustainable Research Data will be presented and we will explore with the broader research community how sustainable research data can be jointly achieved. We will encourage research organisations to develop and align their agendas for research data as much as possible.

Preliminary Programme

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14.15   We recommend connecting a short while before the start of the meeting so that you have time to ensure that your audio and video setup are working correctly and to resolve any possible technical issues.

Welcome and Introduction

14.30–14.35   **Welcome**
Marc Schiltz, President of Science Europe

14.35–14.50   **Introduction: Setting an 'agenda for research data': The responsibility of research organisations to ensure sustainable research data and advance Open Science**
Melanie Welham, Executive Chair at UK Research and Innovation (UKRI), and member of the Science Europe Governing Board

The Science Europe Guide to Sustainable Research Data

Chair: **Marie Timmermann**, Senior Policy Officer, Science Europe

14.50–15.00   **The Journey towards Sustainable Research Data: maturity assessment as a way forward**
Stefan Winkler-Nees, German Research Foundation (DFG), Chair of the SE Working Group on Research Data and Supporting Infrastructures

15.00–15.10   **The tool: complementary maturity matrices for RFOs, RPOs and RDIs**
Mark Thorley, UK Research and Innovation, coordinator of the Task Group Sustainable Research Data

15.10–15.20   **A complementary approach to FAIRness of data**
Angus Whyte, FAIRsFAIR, Digital Curation Centre, University of Edinburgh

15.20–15.35   **Q&A session**

15.35–15.45   **Coffee break**

Roundtable: Collaborating to make research data sustainable

Chair: **Lidia Borrell-Damián**, Secretary General of Science Europe

15.45–15.50   **Introduction to the Session**
Lidia Borrell- Damián, Secretary General of Science Europe

Reactions to the Science Europe Guide to Sustainable Research Data
15.50–16.00   **Kostas Repanas**, Policy Officer, Open Science unit, DG RTD, European Commission:
The importance of an agenda for sustainable research data for Open Science

16.00–16.10   **Sarah Jones**, Director of the EOSC Association:
Collaboration is key – how research stakeholders can work together and the role that EOSC can play in aligning approaches

16.10–16.55   **Reactions from the Audience and Q&A with the speakers**
- **Kostas Repanas**, Policy Officer, Open Science unit, DG RTD, European Commission
- **Simon Hodson,** Executive Director of CODATA *(tbc)*
- **Sarah Jones**, Director of the EOSC Association
- **Marc Schiltz**, President of Science Europe
- **Melanie Welham**, Executive Chair, UK Research and Innovation (UKRI)

Conclusions

16.55–17.00   **Final Remarks and Farewell**
Lidia Borrell-Damián, Secretary General of Science Europe

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