

Open Science Assessment Framework (OSAF)

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Open science aware responsible research assessment



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GraspOS at a glance

GraspOS aims to support the emerging policy reforms and pave the way towards an **open science aware responsible research assessment** system

GraspOS will develop, assess and operate an **open and trusted federated infrastructure** for next generation research metrics and indicators, offering data, tools, services and guidance

Core elements of GraspOS:

- Open Science Assessment Framework
- Assessment data, tools, and services
- Federated Open Metrics Infrastructure
- GraspOS pilots (9)
- GraspOS community of practice + CoARA OI4RRA working group

Budget: 2.985M

Start date: 1/1/2023

Duration: 36 months



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On Frameworks



Definition: framework

a basic structure underlying a system, concept, or text. (Oxford dictionary)

Relevant examples:

- Open Science Career Assessment Matrix (OS-CAM)
- Norwegian-Career Assessment Matrix (Nor-CAM)
- Opus Researcher Assessment Framework (Opus RAF)
- Indicator Frameworks (EC expert committee)
- SCOPE Assessment Guide (SCOPE)

Figure 1. Open Science Career Assessment Matrix (OS-CAM) representing the range of evaluation criteria for assessing Open Science activities

Open Science Career Assessment Matrix (OS-CAM)	
<i>Open Science activities</i>	<i>Possible evaluation criteria</i>
RESEARCH OUTPUT	
Research activity	Pushing forward the boundaries of open science as a research topic
Publications	Publishing in open access journals Self-archiving in open access repositories
Datasets and research results	Using the FAIR data principles Adopting quality standards in open data management and open datasets Making use of open data from other researchers
Open source	Using open source software and other open tools Developing new software and tools that are open to other users
Funding	Securing funding for open science activities
RESEARCH PROCESS	
Stakeholder engagement / citizen science	Actively engaging society and research users in the research process Sharing provisional research results with stakeholders through open platforms (e.g. Arxiv, Figshare) Involving stakeholders in peer review processes
Collaboration and Interdisciplinarity	Widening participation in research through open collaborative projects Engaging in team science through diverse cross-disciplinary teams
Research integrity	Being aware of the ethical and legal issues relating to data sharing, confidentiality, attribution and environmental impact of open science activities Fully recognizing the contribution of others in research projects, including collaborators, co-authors, citizens, open data providers
Risk management	Taking account of the risks involved in open science
SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP	
Leadership	Developing a vision and strategy on how to integrate OS practices in the normal practice of doing research Driving policy and practice in open science

OS-CAM

OS-CAM

	Being a role model in practicing open science
Academic standing	Developing an international or national profile for open science activities Contributing as editor or advisor for open science journals or bodies
Peer review	Contributing to open peer review processes Examining or assessing open research
Networking	Participating in national and international networks relating to open science
RESEARCH IMPACT	
Communication and Dissemination	Participating in public engagement activities Sharing research results through non-academic dissemination channels Translating research into a language suitable for public understanding
IP (patents, licenses)	Being knowledgeable on the legal and ethical issues relating to IPR Transferring IP to the wider economy
Societal impact	Evidence of use of research by societal groups Recognition from societal groups or for societal activities
Knowledge exchange	Engaging in open innovation with partners beyond academia
TEACHING AND SUPERVISION	
Teaching	Training other researchers in open science principles and methods Developing curricula and programs in open science methods, including open science data management Raising awareness and understanding in open science in undergraduate and masters' programs
Mentoring	Mentoring and encouraging others in developing their open science capabilities
Supervision	Supporting early stage researchers to adopt an open science approach
PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	
Continuing professional development	Investing in own professional development to build open science capabilities
Project management	Successfully delivering open science projects involving diverse research teams
Personal qualities	Demonstrating the personal qualities to engage society and research users with open science Showing the flexibility and perseverance to respond to the challenges of conducting open science

Nor-CAM

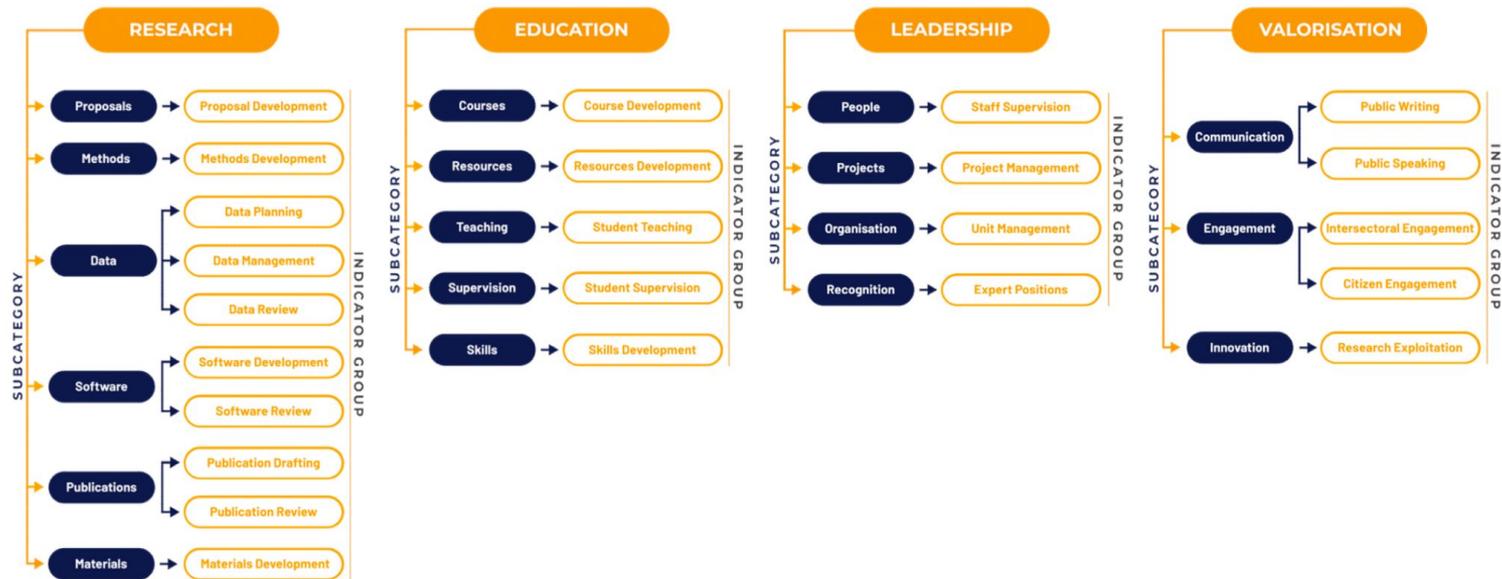
NOR-CAM – Norwegian Career Assessment Matrix

The Norwegian Career Assessment Matrix (NOR-CAM) is a further development of OS-CAM. The intention is for the matrix to serve as a framework for assessing general academic activity (results and competencies). One of the main aims of NOR-CAM is for multiple areas of expertise to be assessed more systematically than is currently the case.

		1. Area of competence	2. Results and competencies (examples)	3. Documentation	4. Reflection
E. Leadership	C. Pedagogical competence				
	D. Impact and innovation				
F. Other experience	A. Research output		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Published works -Datasets -Software -Methodologies -Artistic results -Research reports 	CRIS systems (e.g. Cristin) and other databases	Reflection on the relevance and quality of the results. Emphasis is placed on open access to published works and other results, as well as whether the data adhere to the FAIR principles.
	B. Research process		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Leadership and participation in research groups -Working across disciplines - Research integrity/RRR - Editorial activity - Peer reviews - Building consortia - External funding - Development of research infrastructure -Leadership and participation in clinical trials 	CRIS systems and other databases. Narrative CV system with links to source data.	Reflection on roles and relevance. How and why various actors within and outside academia have been involved in the research process. Emphasis is placed on transparency in the research process.

OPUS RAF

Figure 1: Categories, Subcategories, and Indicator Groups of Researcher Assessment Framework



START WITH WHAT YOU VALUE

inorms SCOPE

**EVALUATE
YOUR EVALUATION**



**CONTEXT
CONSIDERATIONS**

**PROBE
DEEPLY**

**OPTIONS
FOR EVALUATING**



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Open Science Assessment Framework



OSAF: Translating Principles to Practice

Coalition for Advancing Research Assessment (priority commitments)

- Recognise the **diversity of contributions** in accordance with the needs and nature of the research
- Base assessment **primarily on qualitative evaluation supported by quantitative indicators**
- Abandon inappropriate uses journal- and publication-based metrics, in particular (JIF) and h-index
- Avoid the use of rankings of research organisations in research assessment

SCOPE Framework (principles)

- Evaluate only where necessary
- **Evaluate with the evaluated**
- Draw on evaluation expertise

OSAF: Translating Principles to Practice

Open Science Assessment Framework (OSAF)

SCOPE+i Method

- assessment-specific infrastructure
- assessment resources
 - RRA in general
 - OS in particular

Assessment Portfolio

- Narrative + Evidence
- Diversity of inputs & roles
- Researcher/group/institution
- Collaborative resource

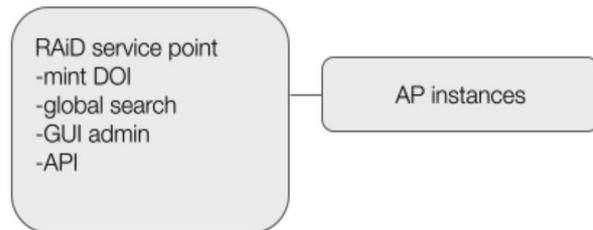
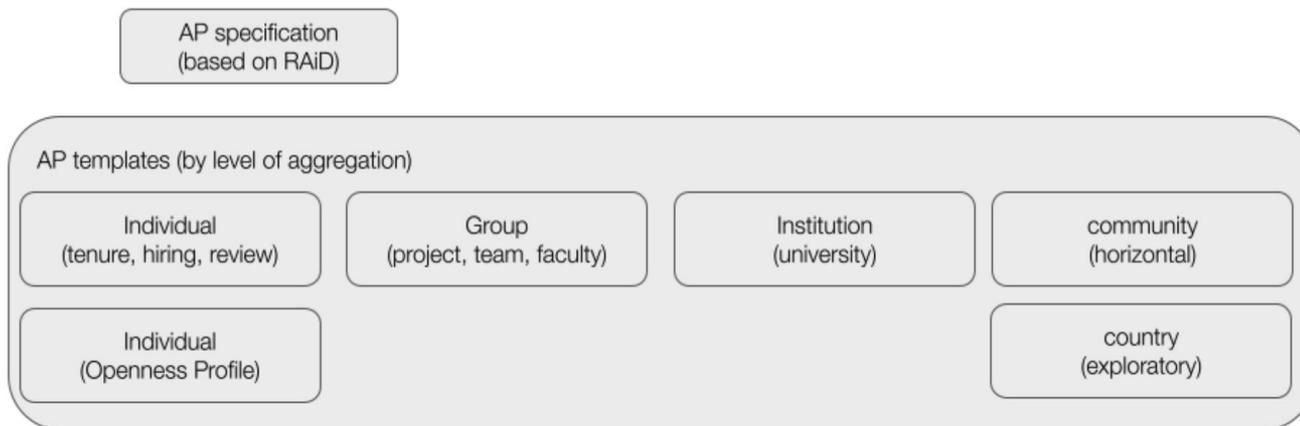
Assessment Registry

- Contextualized assessment
- Searchable database

Open Science Assessment Framework (OSAF)			
Assessment event phases	SCOPE	SCOPE+i Method	Assessment Infrastructure
Assessment readiness	1-Start with what you value 2-Context & purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - templates - guidelines 	Assessment Portfolio <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - document readiness
Assessment design	3-Options for evaluation 4-Probe deeply	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - templates - guidelines - checklists 	Assessment Portfolio <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - multi-actor object - evaluand(s) narrative - assessment <i>protocol</i>
Perform the Assessment		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - open analytics - open data sources - GraspOS service catalog 	Assessment Portfolio <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - distribute portfolio
Assessment evaluation & dissemination	5-Evaluate the evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - guidelines - template 	Assessment Registry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - publish assessment <i>protocol</i> - evaluation of the evaluation

Our approach to research assessment begins with the premise that context, purpose and values inform assessment protocol, and that each context is different.

OSAF | Assessment Portfolio



RAiD [metadata schema](#)
 RAiD [API](#), documented [in swagger](#)
 RAiD [user interface](#)

Use case: Openness Profile

Introducing the Openness Profile: Finnish research.fi service as a pilot

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What is an Openness Profile all about?

- A digital resource where Open Science efforts (activities and outputs) within research are centrally accessible
- Originates from the work undertaken in the Knowledge Exchange network (<https://www.knowledge-exchange.info/about-us>). More info on the work: <https://www.knowledge-exchange.info/event/openness-profile>
- The technology of the profile will be based on the RAiD being developed further within the FAIRCORE4EOSC project. A responsible research assessment extension to RAiD is necessary for fulfilling the requirements set by the Openness Profile (OP)
- ORCID to be leveraged with automated processes
- Currently in the process of creating an inventory of OS indicators, with the help of nine pilots involved in the project → Research.fi is one of these pilots



Requirements for an OP

- Reducing the administrative burden
- Balancing between metrics and narratives
- Receiving credits for a large variety of outputs
- Assuring provenance is properly managed
 - Automation is desired, but requires manual checks and validations
 - Data provenance information generates trust within research
- Community governance
 - A need for community consensus over taxonomies, workflows, standards, and points of integration between systems and for the prevention of information lock-in within proprietary systems
- PID-enabled automated workflow
 - Creates links between entities (people, organisations, outputs, institutions, projects etc.)
 - Through the use of APIs, knowledge graphs can be created for reporting purposes

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Openness Profile concept

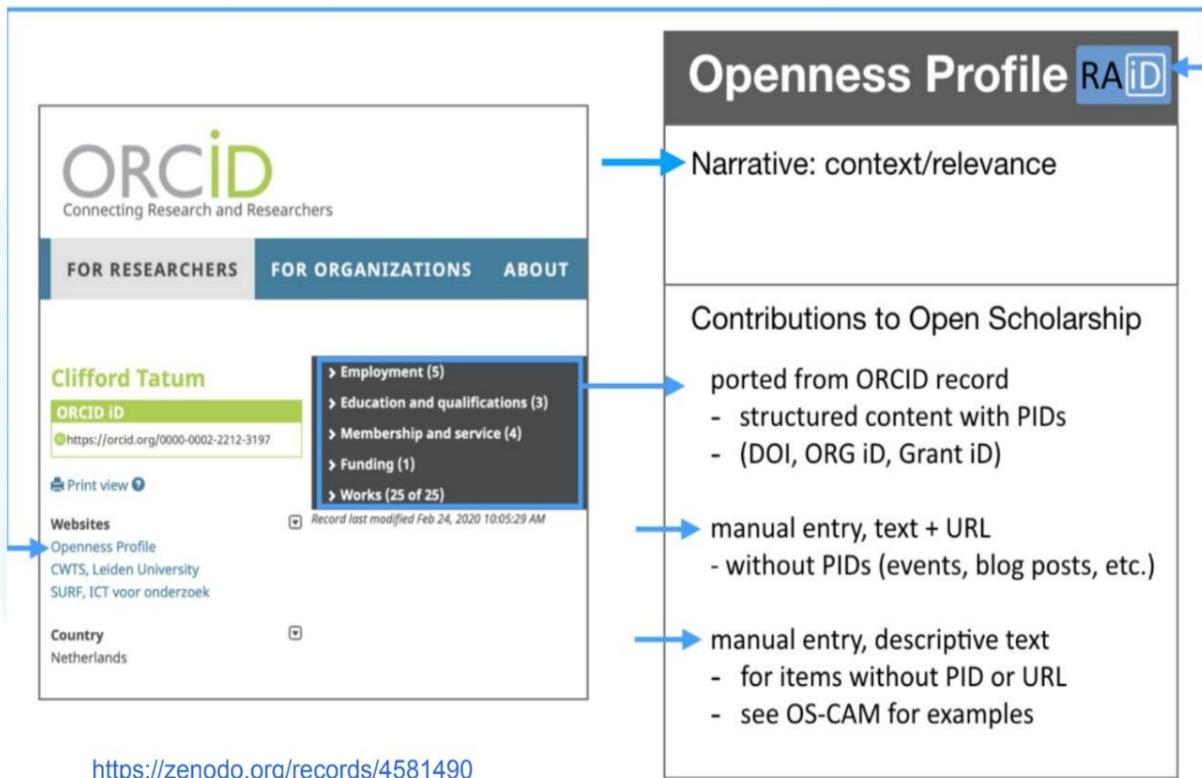


Figure 4

The OP would be integrated into ORCID, it would take evidence of research outputs from and present those which conform to open scholarship values, for example, open access articles and open datasets. In addition, other research outputs and activities would be evidenced with web addresses. Finally, some outputs and activities would simply be supported with narrative text from the research contributor.



Category	Content	Source
Narrative	Free text composed by the contributor to provide a textured account of their contributions to open scholarship.	User
Entries from ORCID record	DOI - OA publications DOI - OA presentations DOI - OA Dataset	ORCID: works
	Org ID - Service contribution	ORCID record: service
	Org ID - OS affiliation ⁵	ORCID record: affiliation
	Grant ID - OS award ⁶	ORCID record: Grant awards
	Open peer review	ORCID record: peer review
User-entered items with associated URIs	URL - software	e.g. Github
	URL - OS tools	e.g. website, repository
	URL - even	e.g. website, blog post
	URL - course curriculum	Institutional webpage
	URL - art exhibit	Institutional profile / webpage
	URL - (social) media mentions	e.g. altmetrics providers
User-entered items that cannot be evidenced by public documentation	Descriptive text and references	Activities that do not create a web presence. Example might include those in the OS-CAM matrix[18] (Page 15)

Source: <https://zenodo.org/record/3929036#.YD8Tty1h3gg>

Search for information on research in Finland

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Publications
799 997



People
624



Projects
15 293



Research data
5 490



Funding calls
483

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Researcher's Profile Tool

Create a public profile to Research.fi service or log in to your existing profile

Latest science and research news

Musiikkikasvatuksen saavutettavuus, tukiverkostot ja musiikillisen toiminnan jatkuvuus säätelevät nuorten taiteen kautta syntyvää osallisuutta ja musiikillista toimijuutta [↗](#)

05.03.2024
Taideyliopisto

Ihmisen toiminta ajanut maapallon makean

Open funding calls

Apurahat hengitysterveyttä edistävään toimintaan

Hakuaika päättyy **10.3.2024**
Kuopion Seudun Hengityssäätö

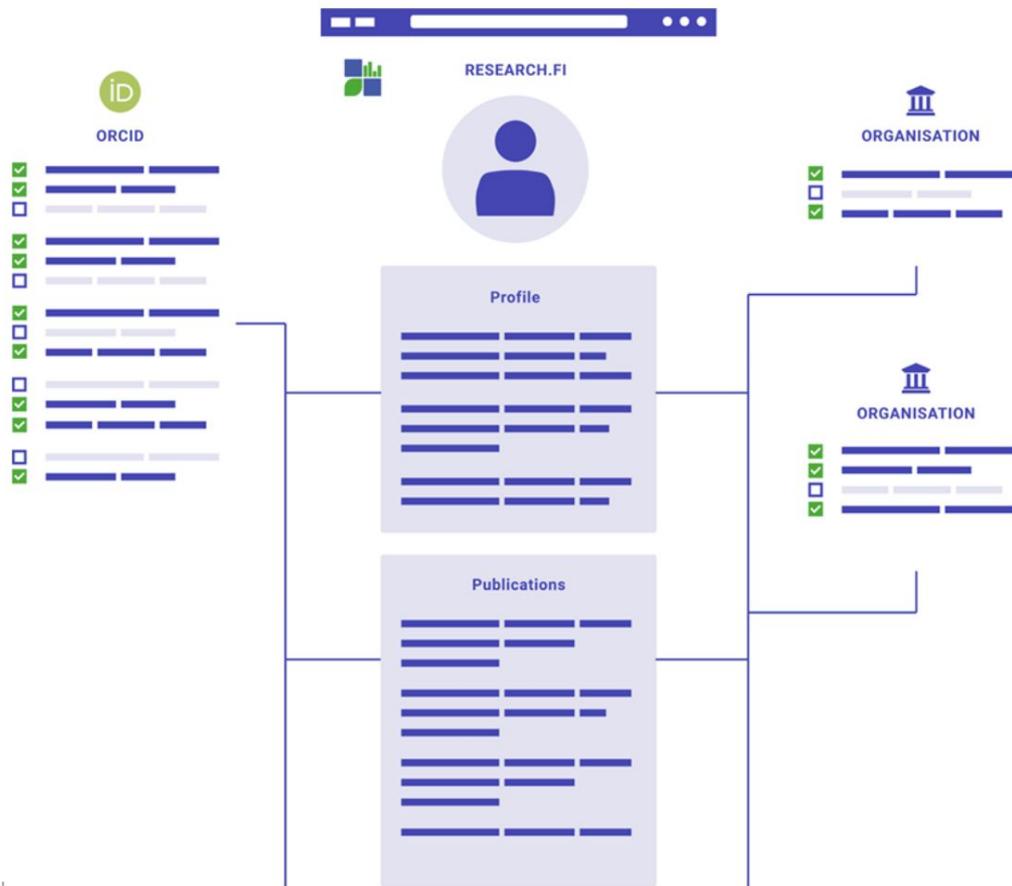
Research grants

Hakuaika päättyy **12.3.2024**

GIVE FEEDBACK!

The Researcher Profile

Using the Researcher's Profile Tool, you can compile a public profile in the Research.fi service from information in your ORCID profile and your home organisation. In the tool, you can preview the information before it is published and select only the information that you want to be part of your profile.



Pilot ambitions of Research.fi

Openness Profile as part of Research.fi researcher's profile:

- A separate section of researcher's profile listing open science activities → Considering **open science more diversely** in Research.fi
- A test site for volunteering researchers, complete a survey or interviews targeting the test-users
- The information shown in the profile is **completely based on the researcher's own choice** (or if anything is shown), based on the MyData principles

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Example: Adopting Openness Profile in a researcher's profile in Research.fi

People

Puuska, Hanna-Mari

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<http://orcid.org/0000-0001-5532-9274>

Director, CSC - IT Center for Science

Keywords

scientometrics, bibliometrics, science studies, research policy

Affiliations

Tampere University

Source: ORCID

CSC - IT Center for Science

Unit	Title
Research and Education Information Management and Data Analytics	Director 2010

Source: ORCID

Education

Degrees

PhD 2014 / University of Tampere

Publications (18)

Publication Forum 2010-2020: Self-evaluation report of the Finnish quality channels

2021

DOI [10.23847/isbn.9789525995442](https://doi.org/10.23847/isbn.9789525995442)

Bibliometrinen tutkimus ja innovaatiopolitiikka

2014

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Open Science activities (n)

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Outputs and activities through which the researcher contribute to open research

Considerations and limitations

- Research.fi is not an evaluation tool, nor is it designed to support evaluations. Its purpose is to collect and disseminate information on research activities → the OP would not be used for evaluation purposes, only for **showcasing openness**
- **The concept** of ‘openness’ in different contexts **should be made clear** and be mutually acceptable
- **Openness is not unambiguously a merit**, for example if data is opened without due consideration of its sensitive nature → measuring openness with indicators can have negative consequences
- How to capture activities and merits in open science not currently available in a **reliable** way?

The added-value to Research.fi

- The **international cooperation** in developing more OS-aware ways of evaluating and monitoring research
- GraspOS gives a promise to design **mutually accepted** ways to appreciate open science also in practice
- **Support the implementation of the core commitments of the Agreement on Reforming Research Assessment (CoARA)**

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Knowledge Exchange reports on the Openness Profile:

Murphy, F., & Jones, P. (2020). Openness Profile: Defining the Concepts (Version 1). Zenodo.

<https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.3607579>

Jones, P., & Murphy, F. (2021). Openness Profile: Modelling research evaluation for open scholarship. Zenodo.

<https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.4581490>



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questions

Let's make it happen! Together.

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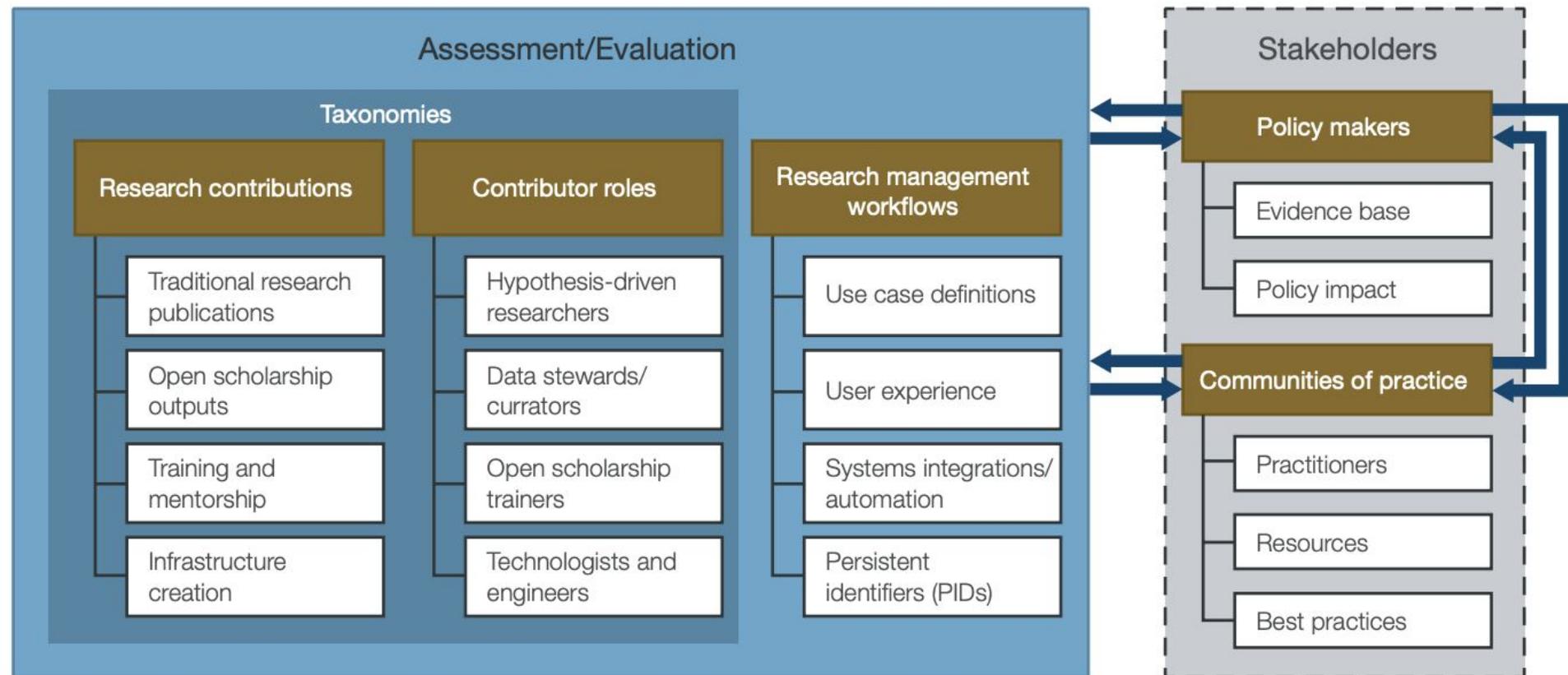
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supplementary slides

Figure 5

The Openness Profile reference model showing the various requirements uncovered during this research study and the feedback loops needed to maintain their development.



OSAF | Assessment Registry

Protocol - a procedure for carrying out a scientific experiment or a course of medical treatment.
(Oxford dictionary)

Example: **Strategy Evaluation Protocol (Netherlands)**

- The main goal of a Strategy Evaluation Protocol (SEP) evaluation is to evaluate a research unit in light of its own aims and strategy. An assessment committee of independent experts assesses the performance of the unit based on the self-evaluation and a site visit.
- The SEP is a flexible instrument that is at the service of a productive conversation on the quality and societal relevance of the research and the viability of research units in light of their own aims and strategy.

OSAF | SCOPE+i method

(translating principles into practice)

Templates

- Assessment readiness template
- Stakeholder mapping template
- Value(s) statement template
- Purpose statement template
- Contextual factors template
- Narrative template
- Strategy template

Open Infrastructure, Indicators & Data Sources

- GrasPOS tools & services catalog
- Indicator toolboxes
- Open research information sources

Guidelines & Checklists

- Open Science Assessment Guide
- Guidance on the diversity of OS contributions, roles, and activities
- Assessment team guidelines
- Guidelines for evaluators and evaluands
- Guidance for overcoming common obstacles in implementing RRA
- Guidance on equity, diversity, inclusion (EDI)
- Guidance on translating values, purpose and context into an assessment protocol
- Checklist for responsible assessments
- Guidance/template on what to include, how to document an assessment protocol
- Guidelines for evaluating the evaluation

Assessment Readiness

Open Science Assessment Framework (OSAF)		
Scope	SCOPE+i Method	Assessment Infrastructure
1-Start with what you value 2-Context & purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - OS assessment guidelines - assessment team guidelines - template, assessment readiness - template, stakeholder mapping - template, value statement - template, purpose statement - template, contextual factors 	Assessment Portfolio <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - assessment team - readiness report - stakeholder map - value statement - purpose statement - relevant contextual factors

Assessment Design

Open Science Assessment Framework (OSAF)

Scope	SCOPE+i Method	Assessment Infrastructure
<p>3-Options for evaluation 4-Probe deeply</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - translating values, purpose and context into an assessment design - narrative template - strategy template - evaluator/evaluand guide - RRA obstacles guide - diversity of OS contributions guide - equity, diversity, inclusion guidelines - responsible assessment checklist - assessment design guide/template - indicator toolbox guidelines - open research information sources - GraspOS services catalog 	<p>Assessment Portfolio</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - collaborative evidence selection - evaluand(s) narrative - indicators and data sources - assessment design document

Perform the Assessment

Open Science Assessment Framework (OSAF)		
Scope	SCOPE+i Method	Assessment Infrastructure
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - assessment protocol - open analytics - open data sources - GraspOS service catalog 	<p>Assessment Portfolio</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - distribute portfolio to stakeholders

Evaluation & Dissemination

Open Science Assessment Framework (OSAF)		
Scope	SCOPE+i Method	Assessment Infrastructure
5-Evaluate the evaluation	- Evaluate the evaluation	Assessment Registry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - assessment team - readiness report - stakeholder map - value statement - purpose statement - relevant contextual factors - assessment protocol