



A NASA OPEN SOURCE SCIENCE INITIATIVE:
TOPS: TRANSFORM TO OPEN SCIENCE

- > WE HAVE LOST THE LUXURY OF TIME
- > COVID-19, CLIMATE CHANGE, ...
- > THE WORLD IS CHANGING RAPIDLY
- > SCIENTISTS MUST ADAPT

“We need every solution and every solver. As the saying goes, to change everything, we need everyone. What this moment calls for is a mosaic of voices— the full spectrum of ideas and insights for how we can turn things around.”

Ayana Elizabeth Johnson and Katharine Wilkinson (Eds.). [All We Can Save](#): Truth, Courage, and Solutions for the Climate Crisis. 2021.

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Why are we here talking to you?



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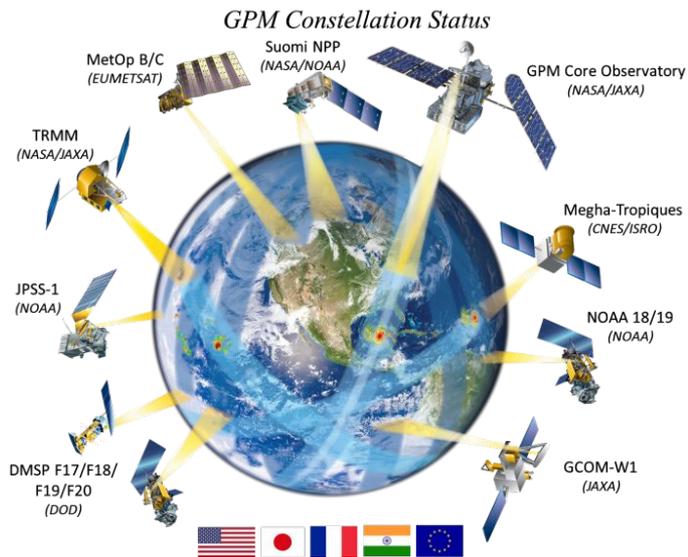
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Why am I here? Business as usual is broken.

For >20 years I've worked on satellite algorithm development, data production, and science applications.

All the algorithms I worked on pre-2018 were developed in completely closed environments with minimal sharing of knowledge and code.

Sharing knowledge and code will accelerate science.



Open knowledge → Better data → Better science → Bigger impacts

Why am I here? We need a 'mosaic of voices'

**Closed data.
Closed software.
Closed cyberinfrastructure.**

How does the existing closed organization of science perpetuate barriers to participation?



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Open science reduces power differentials and advances an inclusive community

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Why open science?

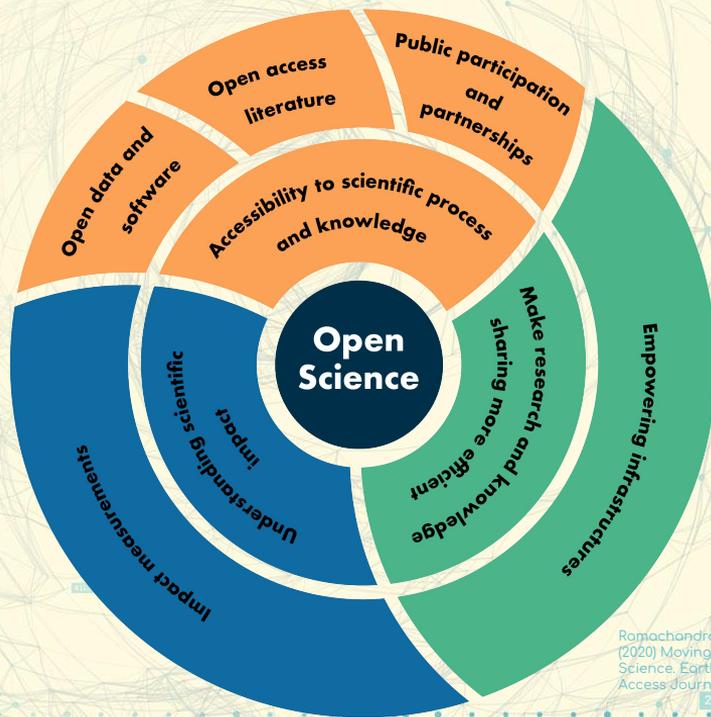
-2021 UNESCO Recommendation on Open Science

How:

- Open, transparent, collaborative, and inclusive scientific practices
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- More accessible & verifiable scientific knowledge subject to scrutiny and critique

Results:

- More efficient enterprise
- Improves quality
- Improves reproducibility
- Expands the impact of science
- Increases reliability
- Provides robust evidence for decision-making and policy
- Increase trust in science



Ramachandran, R., Bugbee, K., & Murphy, K. J. (2020) Moving from Open Data to Open Science. Earth and Space Science, (Gold Access Journal)

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Why now?

Current challenges:

- Climate change
- Protecting our interconnected world from extreme space weather events
- Identifying threats from interplanetary space
- Searching for life beyond Earth
- Unlocking the secrets of the Universe

What are we going to do about it?

- Recognize the transformative potential of open science to reduce inequalities AND advance science



Image credit: NOAA

What is
NASA
going to do
about it?



Accelerating Scientific Discovery

These activities are designed to **support and strengthen** other NASA SMD initiatives on Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility (IDEA) and work for environmental justice.

- > PROTECTING & IMPROVING LIFE ON EARTH
- > LIFE ON OTHER PLANETS
- > MYSTERIES OF THE UNIVERSE

Overview

- TOPS will act as a catalyst to **jump-start** a suite of coordinated activities designed to rapidly transform science
- Designate **2023 as the Year of Open Science** within a 5-year push to Transform to Open Science.

Objective

- **Normalize** open science for the next generation of scientists that will participate in ESO missions
- **Accelerate** science by motivating and supporting the community's move towards open science
- **Broaden participation** in science and empower historically excluded groups and institutions

Implementation

- **2022** - Targeted capacity building to enable open science
- **2023** - Year of Open Science - Kick off challenges, summer schools, etc. to engage scientists
- **2024 and beyond** - Continue to harden support for open science
- **Coordinate** activities with scientific associations, institutions, philanthropic organizations, & move forward together

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Areas of Action from the 2021 [UNESCO Recommendation on Open Science](#)



Open Vision

- Designate 2023 as Year of Open Science
- Colloquia, speaking engagements, outreach, articles

Capacity building: Infrastructure

- Create FAIR - Analysis-Ready Cloud-Optimized (ARCO) data
- Support cloud hubs, open source software, open cloud-agnostic software platform infrastructure

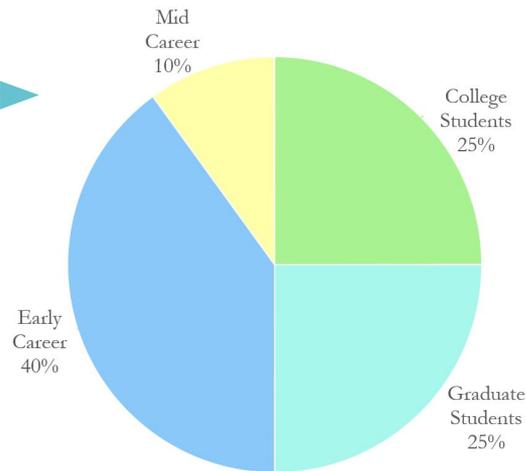
Capacity building: Education

- Initiate long-term activities to advance literacy in open source science methods, data science, tools and practices with dedicated summer schools, trainings, bootcamps, massive open online courses and colloquia.
 - Filling the gap: targeted outreach with early career/mid career
 - Leveraging current partnerships to reach other audiences

Incentives

- Develop NASA Open Source Science Awards program
- Prizes and challenges and cross-division science use cases

Targeted Outreach

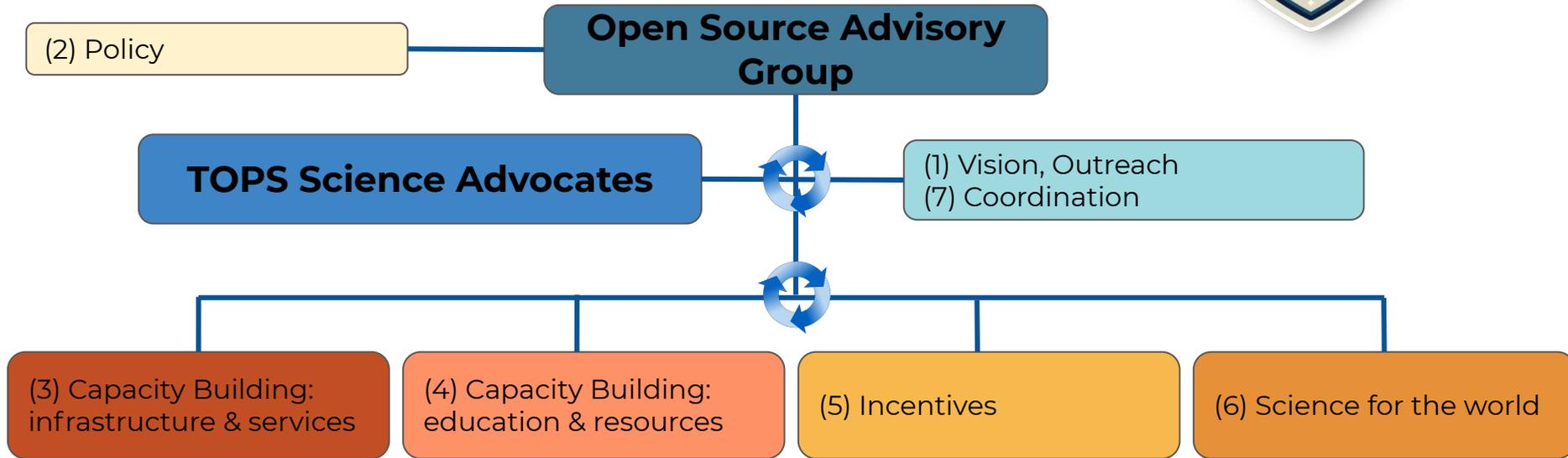


Who is involved?



Organizational Structure:

- Teams for each UNESCO “Areas of Action”



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Next Steps

- > Survey your institution for barriers to open science
- > Read the UNESCO report
- > Create a team that can develop a plan to address all 7 areas of action
- > Collaborate with TOPS, share solutions, share resources, share knowledge

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Open Science Resources

- 2021 UNESCO [Recommendation on Open Science](#)
- NASEM [Open Science by Design](#)
- NASEM [Best Practices for a Future Open Code Policy for NASA Space Science](#)
- From open data to open science: [article](#)

Some Educational Resources

- [Guidance](#) for authors: Jupyter Notebooks
- The Turing Way [handbook](#) to reproducible, ethical and collaborative data science
- A [Guide](#) to Using GitHub for Developing and Versioning Data Standards and Reporting Formats
- Open coding and data learning materials: [The Carpentries](#)
- Openscapes open science mentorship [program](#)
- Online resource [list](#)
- [Python](#) for astronomers
- Scientific [python](#)

