

How SSHOC Meets the Needs of Researchers

SSHOC Certification Support: Enabling open research with enhanced access and reuse of our rich European cultural and scientific heritage.

A Conversation with Tomasz Parkola

► Meet our SSHOC Champion

I'm Tomasz Parkoła. I work at Poznań Supercomputing and Networking Center where I manage the ICT R&D department focused on digital repositories and knowledge platforms. Among various activities, we provide e-infrastructure and software technologies for nationwide Digital Repository of Scientific Institutes (DRSI). One of the long-term goals of DRSI is to provide trusted datasets and digital resources for end-users. To ensure we have everything in place to enable open research, we're working towards a CoreTrustSeal certification. This is where the SSHOC Certification Support comes into play as a much-appreciated service on our side.



► SSH Research Context

In PSNC, I work on innovative software technologies for digital repositories, data aggregation and digital humanities. Together with cultural heritage professionals and digital humanities researchers we define new ways of accessing and reusing our rich European cultural and scientific heritage. Thanks to these efforts, various research datasets, digital books and paintings as well as georeferenced resources are easily accessible online.



► The Research Challenge: Accessing Trustworthy Data Sources

In my opinion trustworthiness is one of the most important aspects of every digital repository. It is especially helpful in the context of research workflows, data citation, linked open data or even advanced data analytics. Without reliable, safe and secure sources of data it is impossible to conduct open research activities and effective cross-national and cross-domain collaboration.

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► SSHOC: Making the Difference

We found the SSHOC Certification Support service very helpful when preparing the CoreTrustSeal application for Digital Repository of Scientific Institutes. The support service offered us a workshop, individual online discussions, comments, hints and suggestions on how to improve and make our CTS application better. Without that, the preparation process would have been much longer and required a lot more effort.

Have other research needs you'd like to discuss?

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► Tips and Tricks for a CoreTrustSeal

If you're thinking about preparing a CoreTrustSeal, then organise a team composed of data curators, data users and IT specialists. They all will need to fill out the application form. Getting advice from preservation professionals, such as those involved in SSHOC Certification Support, is a key to moving through the application process smoothly and seamlessly. Their experience and valuable input will guide you through the CTS requirements, help better understand them and improve your internal data-related processes.

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