

oa switchboard

central metadata exchange hub

a practical tool that thrives on collaboration

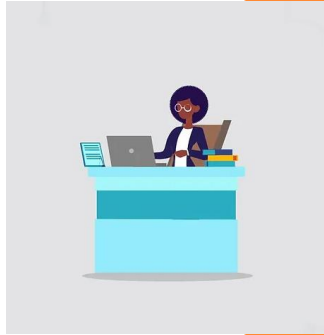
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PANEL 8: Moving to Open – How to Get Mobilised and Why

The OA Switchboard is a mission-driven, community led initiative designed to simplify the sharing of information between stakeholders about open access publications throughout the whole publication journey

for research institutions, libraries and consortia



who want to:
connect with their research
and simplify their
workflows



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for academic publishers



who want to:
support a smooth and
compliant author journey
and report on OA
publication output



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for research funders



who want to:
demonstrate the extent
and impact of their
research funding and
deliver on their
commitment to OA



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Organisations

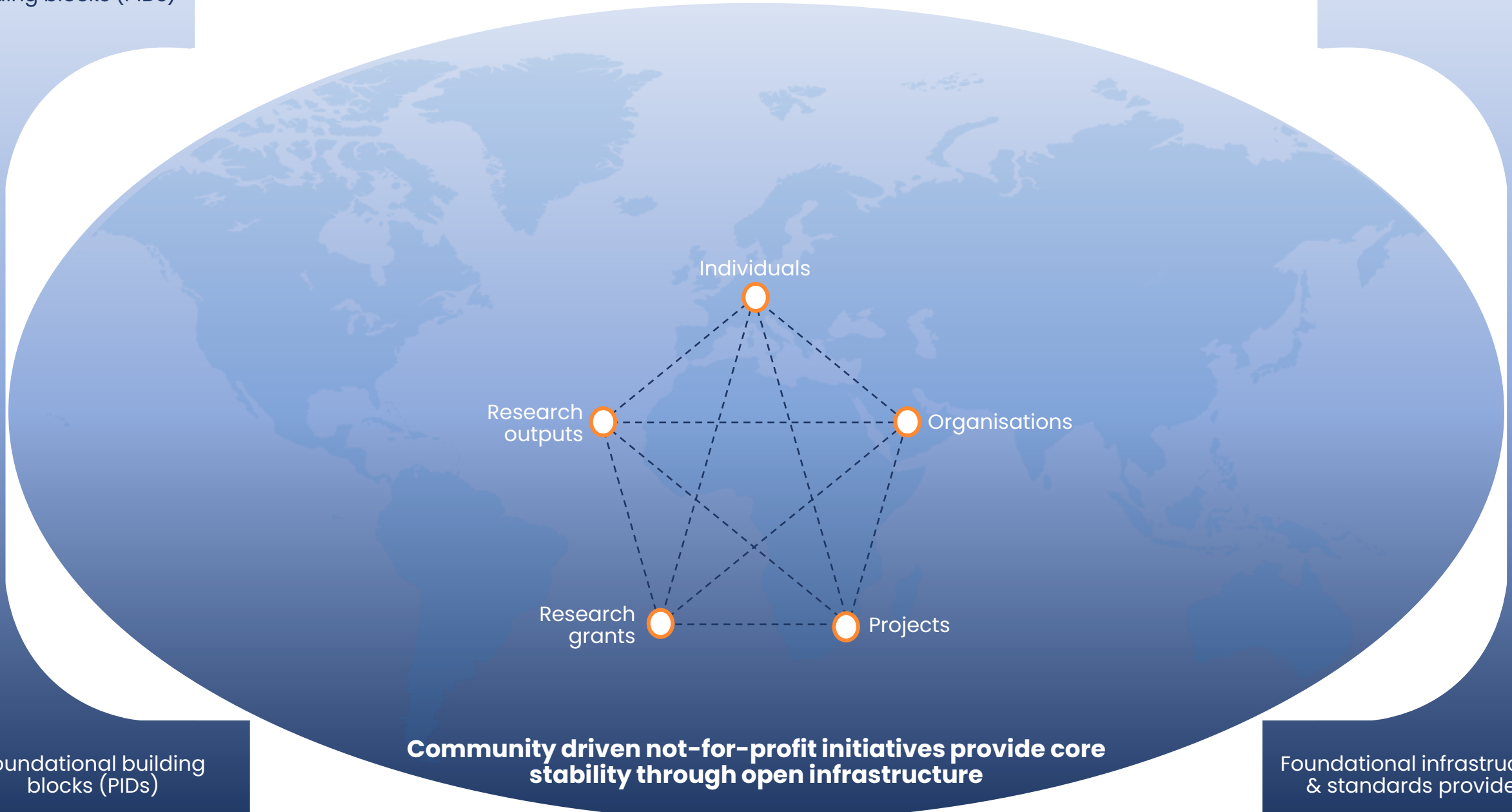
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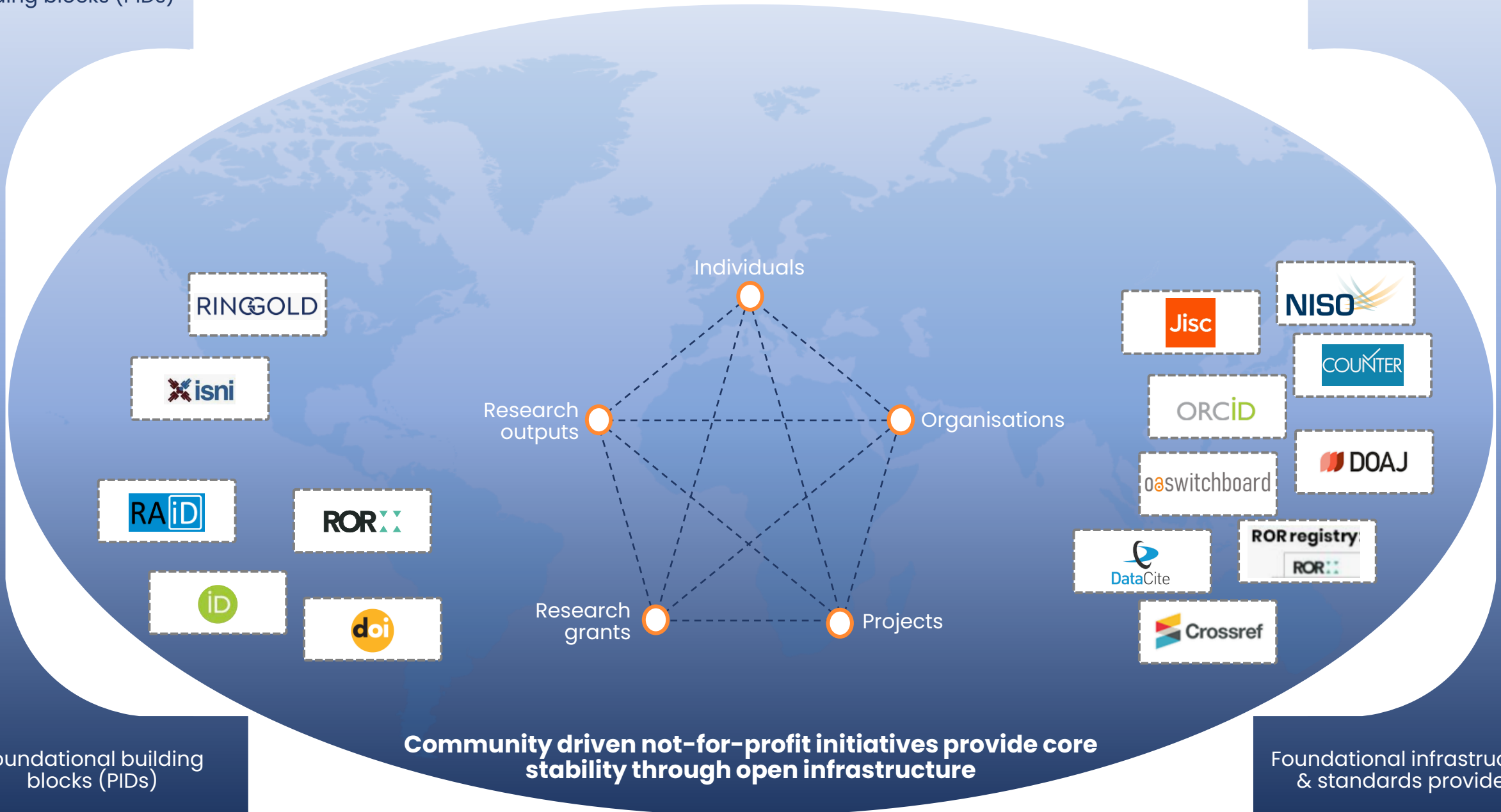


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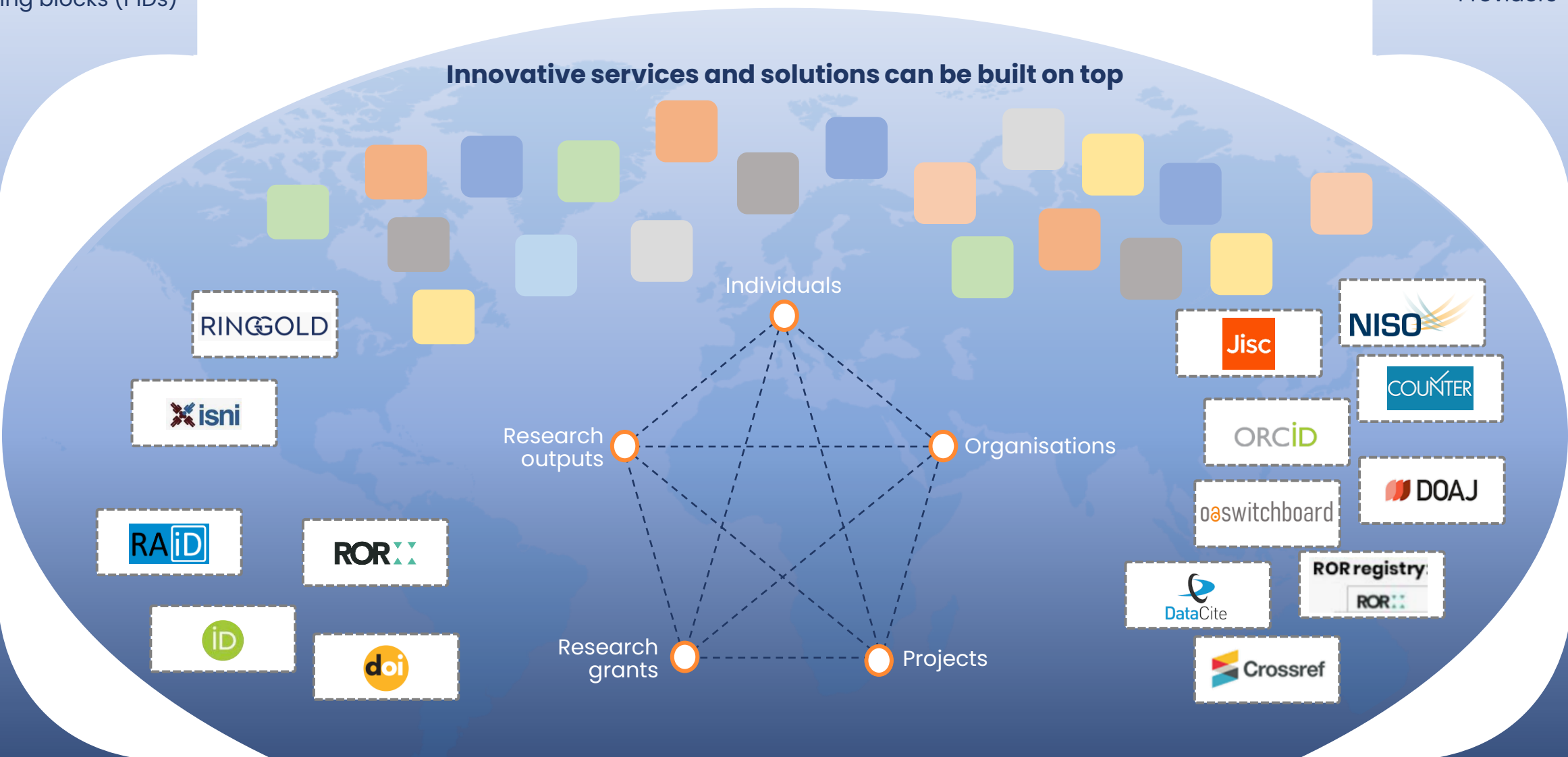
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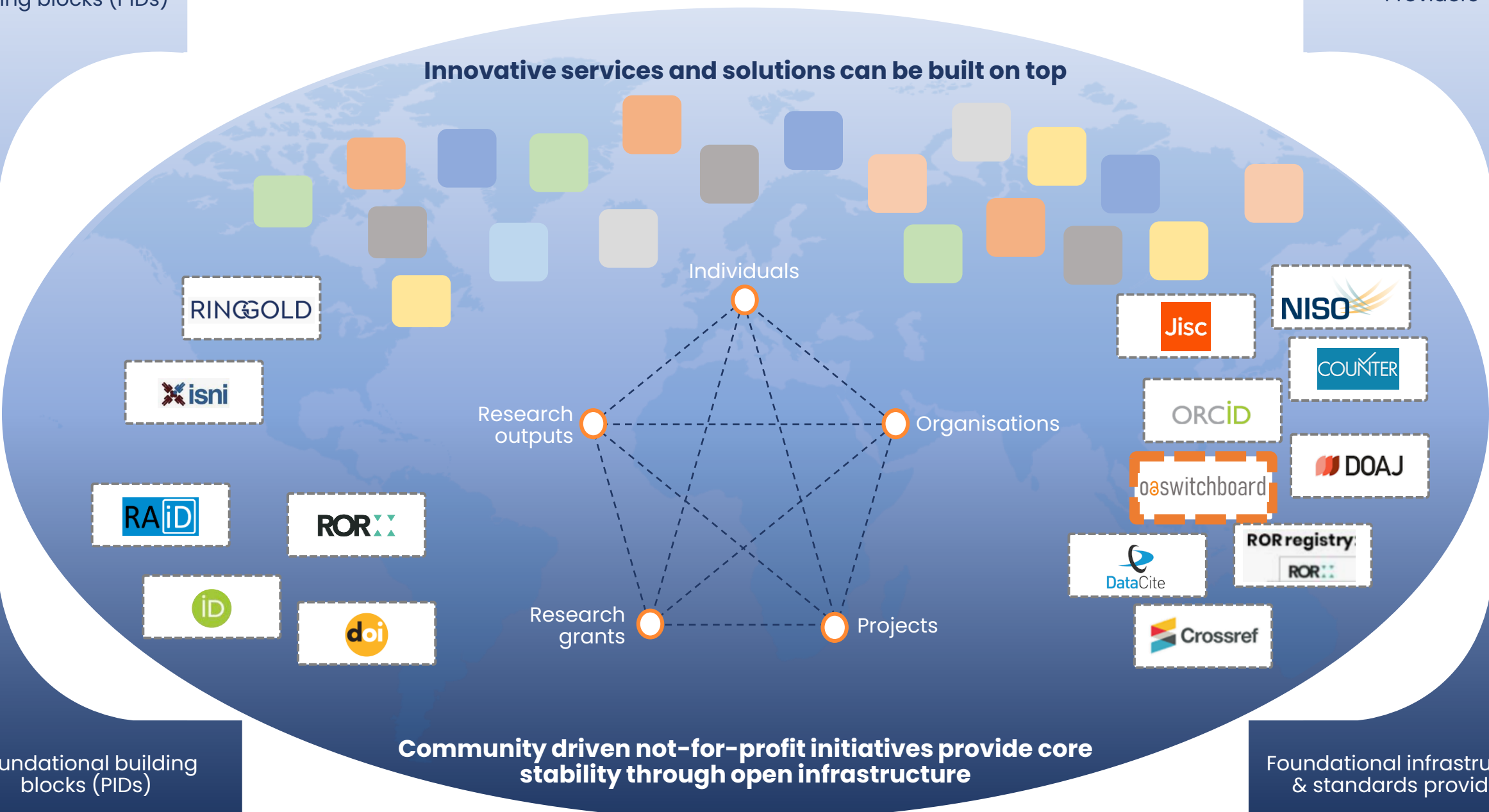
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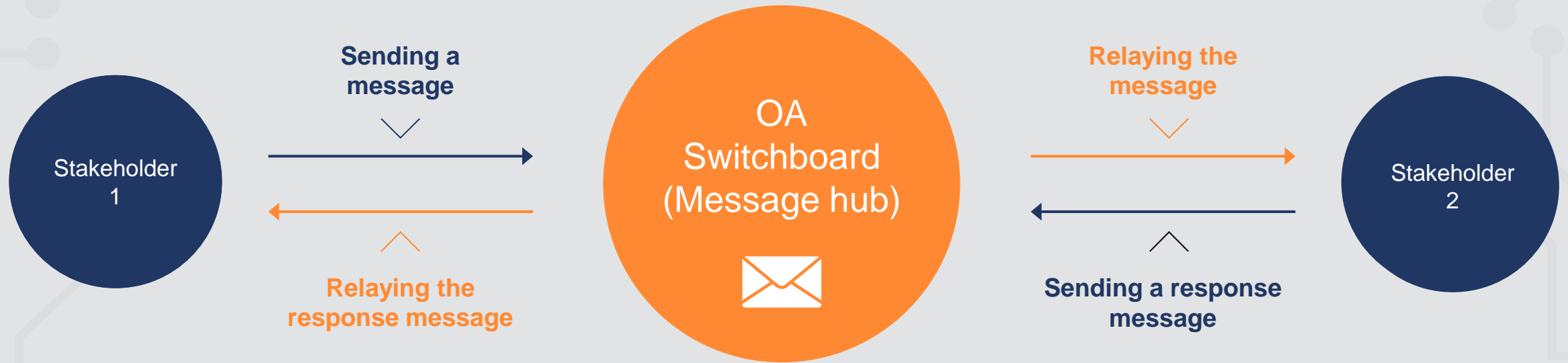
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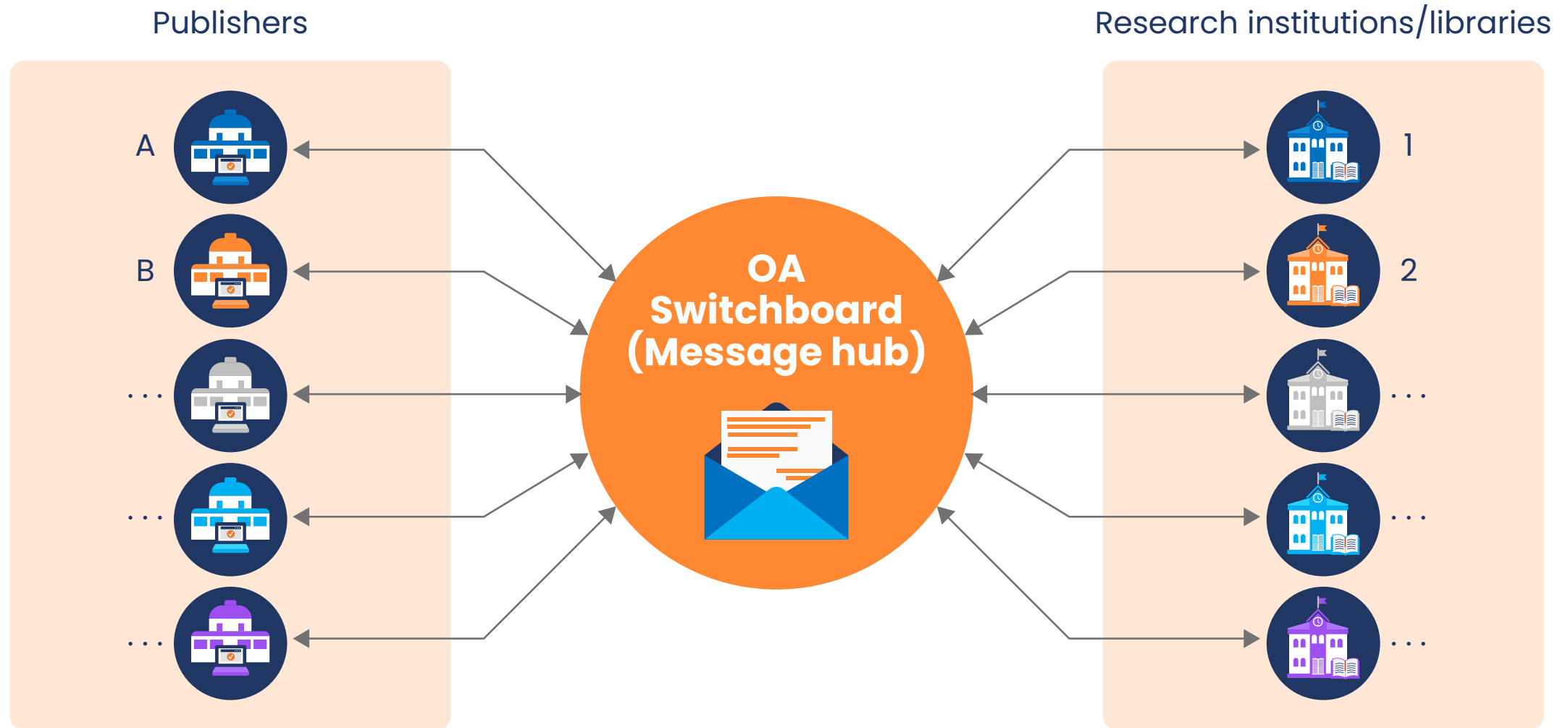
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OA Switchboard: central metadata exchange hub

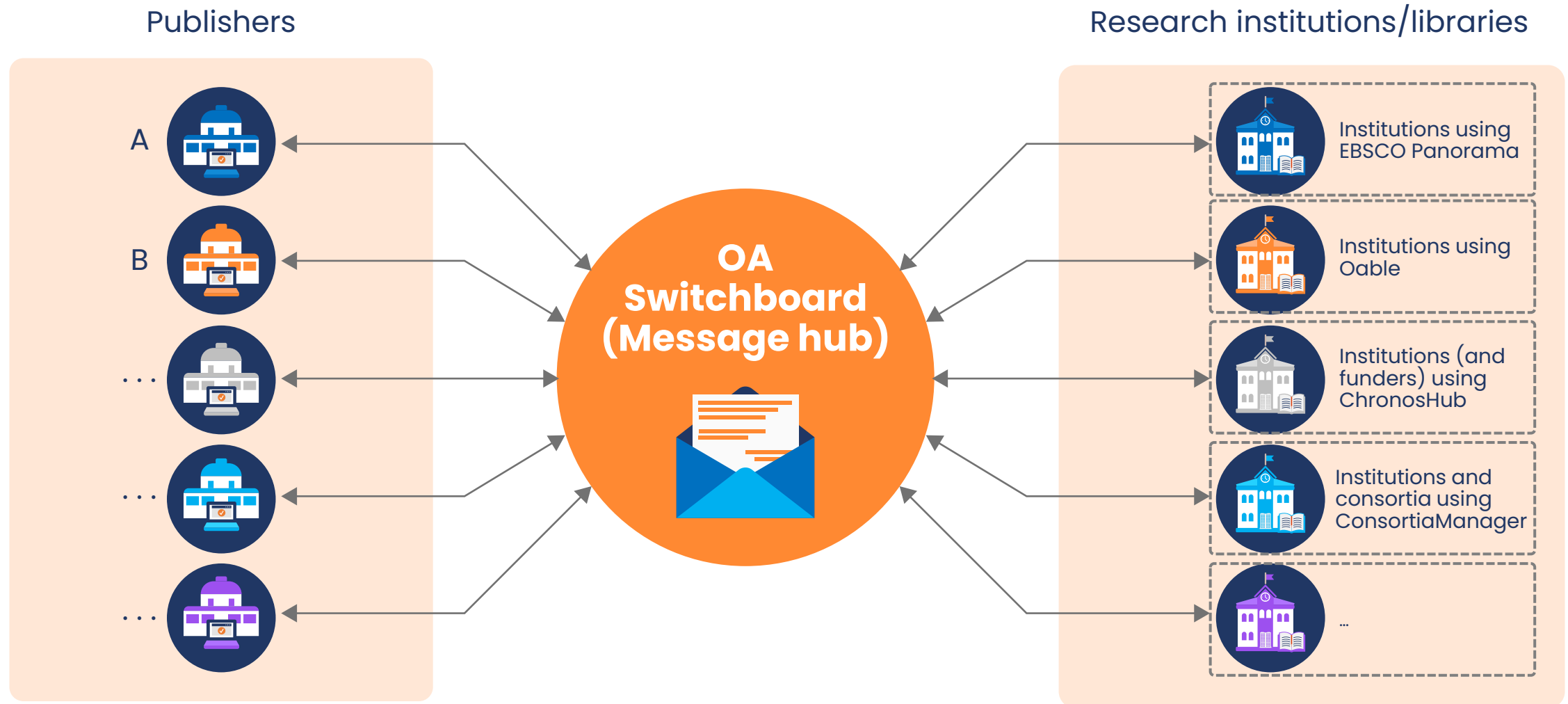
It provides a standardised messaging protocol and shared infrastructure. It is built by and for the people who use it, and is leveraged with existing PIDs.



The OA Switchboard simplifies many-to-many relationships.
The power of an intermediary: efficiency and cost savings.



The OA Switchboard is complementary and supportive to the vendor systems offered to institutions. It is designed to operate and integrate with all stakeholder systems.



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As an intermediary, the OA Switchboard simplifies the sharing of information between publishers, institutions and funders, and it provides a safe space for publication metadata.

We currently support two use cases:

1. Reporting Made Easy
2. Matching Publication Costs with Publication Funds

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Standardised 'messaging' protocol in JSON

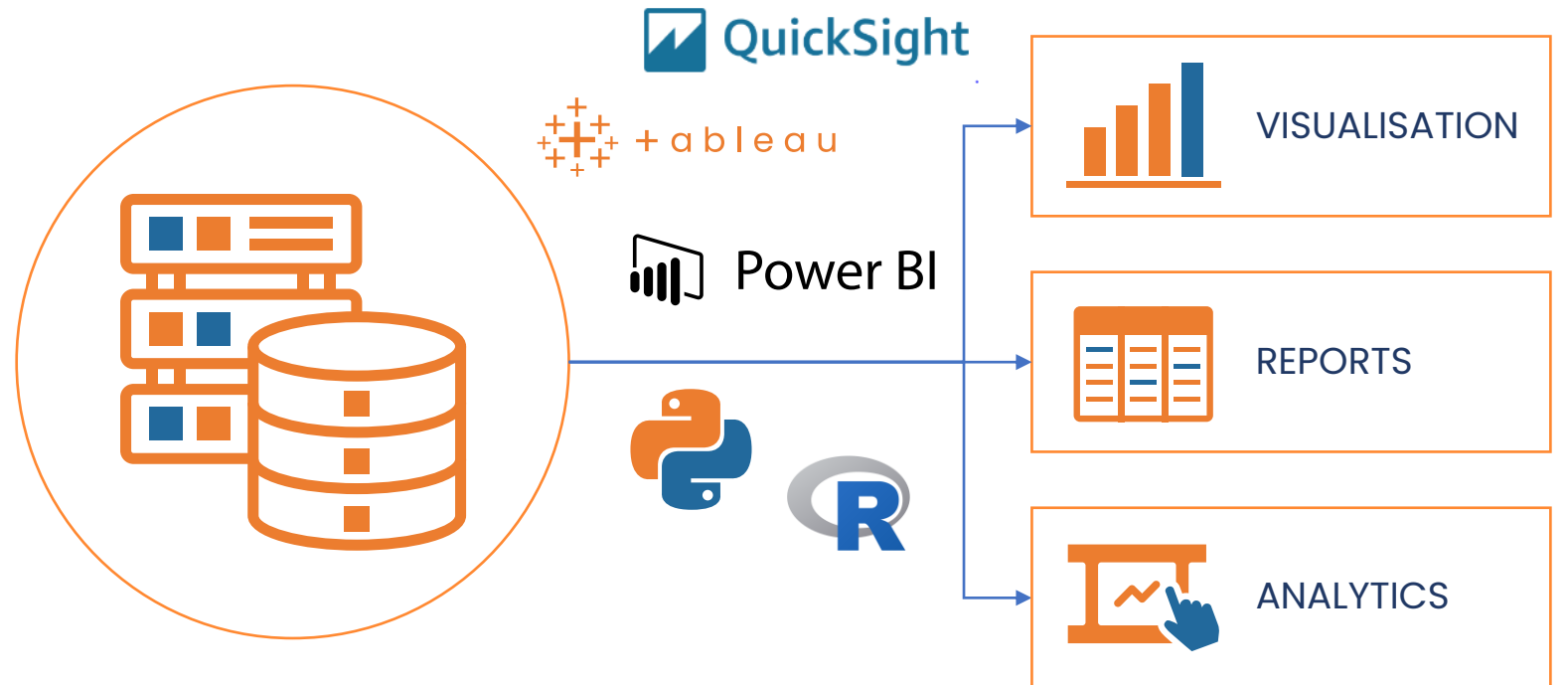
Rich and granular data can be fed automatically into own or 3rd party systems or data hubs

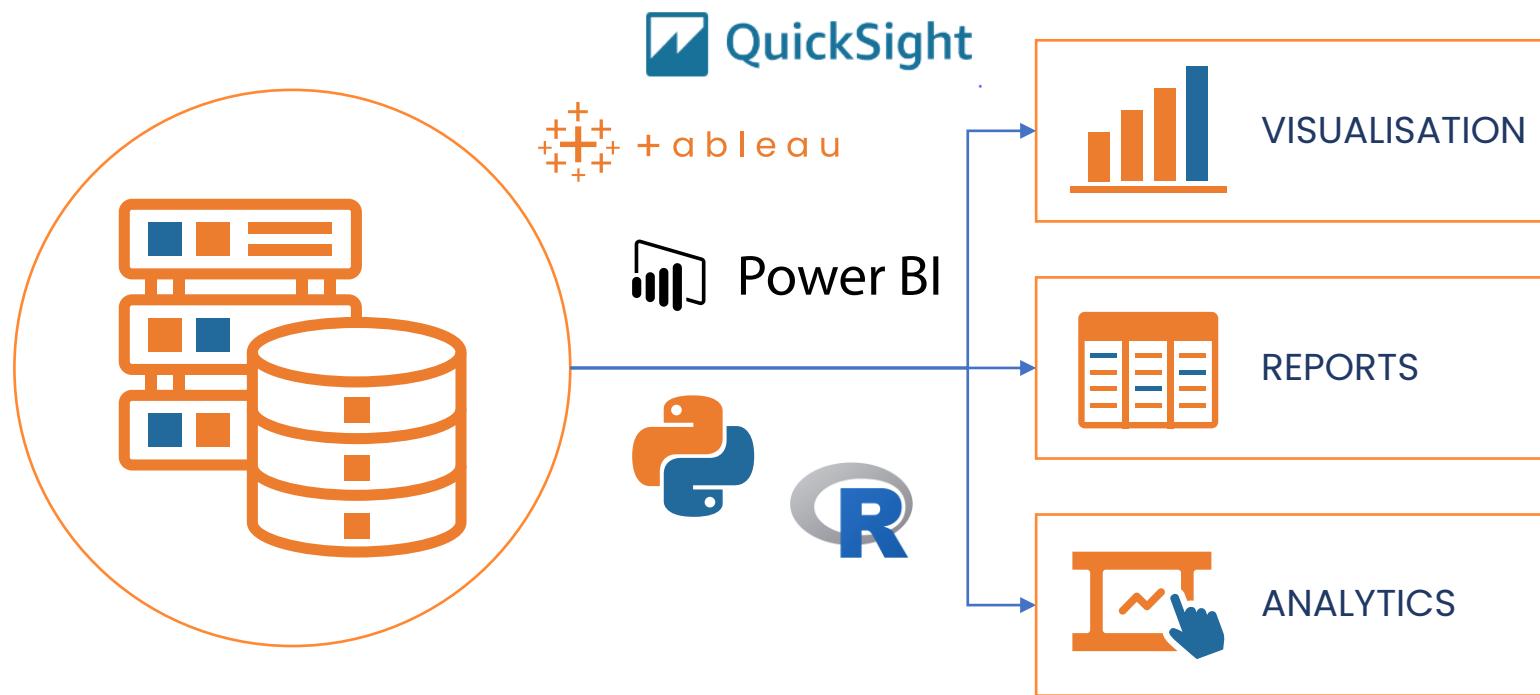
Author(s) metadata (JSON)

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Publication metadata (JSON)

Charges metadata (JSON)





Publisher's sending you standardised metadata via OA Switchboard ('Reporting Made Easy') enables:

- Monitoring publishing activity on a regular basis, justifying research strategies and directions, internal/external reporting.
- Negotiating and overseeing agreements with publishers, monitoring uptake, compliance and ROI, and allocating cost.
- Exploring OA strategies, policies and business models.

Thank you

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