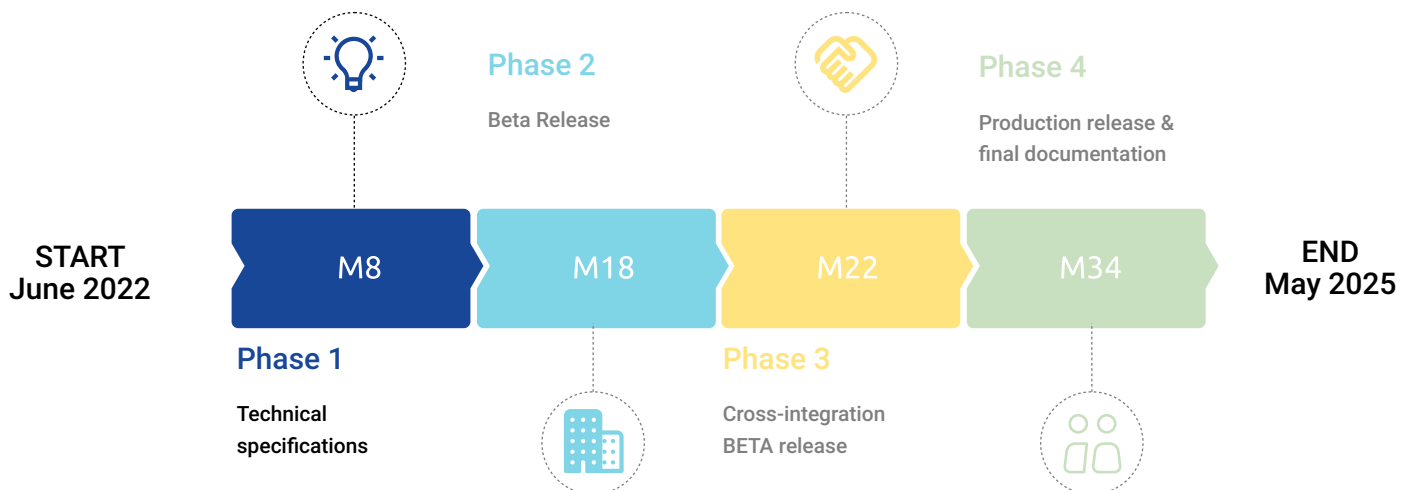


Briefing #2

Top 3 project achievements

1. The Consortium Agreement has been accepted and the signature process is nearly finished.
2. Operational work on technical specifications has progressed.
3. FAIRCORE4EOSC took part in the EOSC Symposium 2022. In addition to the sessions and talks, it was a pleasure to meet with the other EOSC-related Horizon Europe project representatives at the get-together organised by EOSC Focus and discuss with other actors from the EOSC ecosystem to further strengthen the connections between all parties, especially in terms of technical coordination, where the Technical Bridging Team is going to have regular communication with other HE projects.



Technical updates

The main scope of FAIRCORE4EOSC is to develop [EOSC-Core components](#) necessary to enable the FAIR ecosystem within the EOSC. The first focus within the project is to develop the Technical Specifications for each of the core components and define the High-Level Roadmap. In the last 3 months the focus of the technical teams has been on collecting the initial set of user requirements and on defining the Technical Specifications. To collect the user requirements different teams has held meetings with representatives from the case studies to discuss requirements for the new FAIRCORE4EOSC services (e.g. Metadata Schema and Crosswalk Registry, Data Type Registry, RAiD and PID). Also, at the EOSC Symposium FC4E teams organized and contributed to different

sessions to collect user requirements: WP2 on developing the Compliance Framework organized a joint session with the EOSC-A PID task force on measuring compliance, WP4 on EOSC registries for research data and metadata interoperability organized a joint session with FAIR-IMPACT on Semantic Interoperability. At the euroCRIS Strategic Membership Meeting, FC4E contributed to the session on EOSC-related projects. Tommi Suominen, FAIRCORE4EOSC Project Coordinator, presented the project and the new services supporting FAIR being developed.

To ensure alignment between FC4E, FAIR-IMPACT, the EOSC Association task forces and EOSC Future the Technical Bridging Team (TBT) has been setup. At the same time



FC4E started, 1st of June 2022, other projects funded through HORIZON-INFRA-2021-EOSC-01 call started. One of these projects is [EOSC Focus](#), which has as its main goal supporting the EOSC Partnership in delivering its mission. To achieve technical alignment between Horizon Europe (HE) projects, EOSC Focus aims to establish a HE Technology group among technical representatives of these HE funded projects. Because the aims of the HE Technology group and Technical Bridging Team are similar it has been agreed between representatives of the TBT and Erik-Jan Bos from EOSC-A and EOSC Focus, leading the HE Technology group, to join forces. On 23 November the HE Technology group had its first meeting and a second meeting is planned on the 14th of December. The aim of the first meeting was to introduce the HE Technology group and to express expectations and hopes. At the second meeting the group will have its first dive into the technical aspects.

Case Study Progress

During the past 3 months the case studies have focused on collecting and describing the requirements for the FAIRCORE4EOSC WP4 and WP5 services. There have been two rounds of face-to-face workshops together with WP4, in Athens and Utrecht, to facilitate this process. The first workshop focused on an initial round to present the high-level plans from the case studies and FAIRCORE4EOSC services

and to discuss overlaps and gaps in these plans. The second meeting in Utrecht was aimed at making an iteration over the plans to arrive at more concrete and formal user stories and requirements for both the case studies and services. The preparations for this workshop aligned with the work required for the MS36 milestone, which documented the requirements gathering process and results. In addition to these two WP4 requirements gathering meetings there has also been a face-to-face workshop to specifically discuss the case studies integration with the RAiD service. The PIDGraph team conducted a round of consultation with each of the case studies virtually. The case studies are working on the contributions for the data management plan, which was extended until end of December.

Next Steps

WP7: Over the course of December the output of the various meetings will be formalized in case study user stories and requirements, documented according to the agreed template on the wiki or jira. WP7 representatives have also started interacting with communication and engagement partners in EOSC Focus and other Horizon Europe projects, with regular meetings to plan joint activities and coordinate on the EOSC messaging. This will serve as the WP7 case study contribution for the WP4 “D1.2 FAIRCORE4EOSC Technical Specifications” deliverable.