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Community building in the Netherland & beyond: the Data Stewards Interest Group (DSIG)

Meeting EOSC Data Stewardship Taskforce
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Data Stewards Interest Group (DSIG)

Aim

- Informal and inclusive community hub for data stewards and like-minded in the Netherlands (and abroad) to share experiences
- Fostering the (Dutch) national implementation of data stewardship
- Open to everyone who is interested in data stewardship and not limited to a specific academic discipline, nor to the Netherlands, but it is Netherlands based
- Anyone interested can join the community, attend meetings and contribute to the discussion in the communication channels

Strengths

- Hands-on and solution-oriented approach for practical matters (bottom-up approach)
- Templates and best practices, such as recurring agenda items and the shared notes, have made it easier and more efficient to convene, chair and attend meetings
- Via the [DSIG website](#), these materials are available for others who want to set up a similar community within their own country, region or discipline

What country context do you work in?



How did you hear about this network?



Would you join a similar network that was closer to you regionally or linguistically?

Yes



No



Could you say why or why not?

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Answers

it would narrow my perspectives, and DSIG is already my national

Sometimes it is easier to discuss topics in your own language

Not - I prefer having as few of these groups as possible

My guess the no would be if the country is too small, I like getting experience from countries that have had DS running for years now.

you can express yourself better in your native language.

Would like to broaden my view

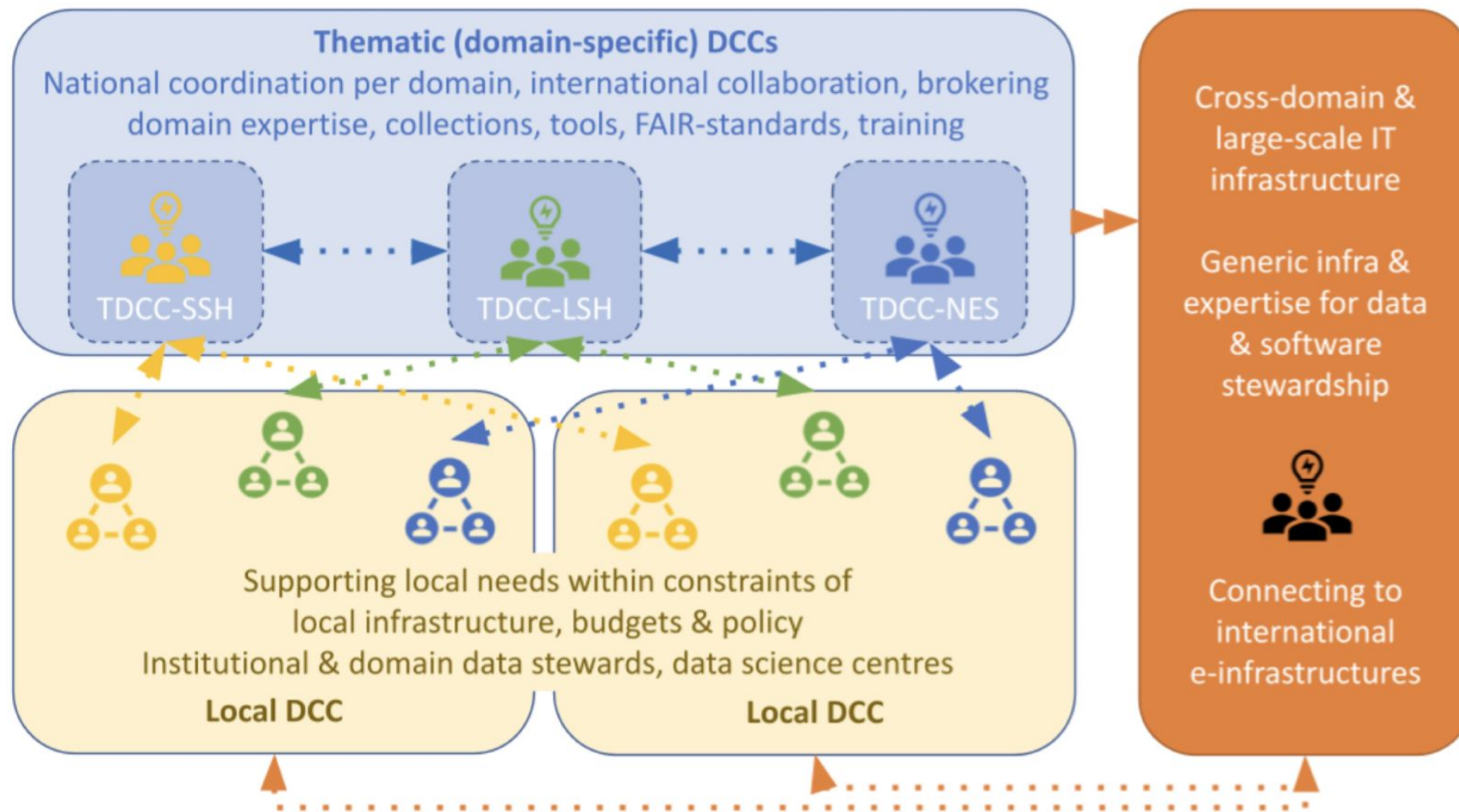
confrontation is crucial in this type of work, as it is a new job role. Sometimes you need to face problem related to the policies of your country

Because here you have good reliable information in a broad sense. If you want more detail you can also find it. I find other groups are sometimes unreliable. Sometimes they give the wrong info - i.e.

Origin

- Initiated in 2017 in the Life Sciences and Health domain (Leiden (LUMC), Utrecht (UMCU) & DTL, the Dutch Techcentre for Life Sciences)
- Gradually changed into a cross-domain community: it currently welcomes data stewards related to all three Dutch [Thematic Digital Competence Centres](#) (Life Sciences and Health (LSH), Social Sciences and Humanities (SSH), and Natural and Engineering Sciences (NES)) and international colleagues
- Mix of in-person (mainly first years) and virtual meetings (since Covid)
- Facilitates and stimulates direct peer-learning and knowledge sharing in a very fruitful way
- Of added value in the broader landscape of for instance
 - the worldwide [Research Data Alliance \(RDA\) Professionalising Data Stewardship Interest Group](#)
 - the European topical [ELIXIR communities](#)
 - the Dutch [National Coordination Point Research Data Management \(LCRDM\)](#)
 - Dutch local networks like the [Leiden University Data Management Network](#)

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Tops & Do's (1)

Agenda & Website

- Meetings have recurring agenda items, such as
 - an informal start with coffee/tea and loose talks
 - an introduction round to allow new people to introduce themselves
 - an overview list with participants and their affiliation and contact details to allow peer networking
- The shared notes, including links to presentations, are openly available on the [DSIG website](#) after the meeting so that those who can't always attend still benefit from the information shared

Engagement

- Attention for the individual participant is typical of the DSIG, as participants usually join based on personal interest (versus formally representing their organisation)
- Since participants vary a lot from meeting to meeting, this approach makes people feel welcome even if they had to miss previous meetings

What are some of the benefits of being part of this network?

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Answers



job offers

Offer help

Helping each other find information

Get to know other experiences and keep up to date

Keeping up to date

Sharing news and newsworthy

Knowing what others are doing and how they are doing it

being with like-minded

Financing people working on similar initiatives

sharing knowledge

Stay up-to-date on all things related to open science

Finding (future) collaborators

Agenda and minutes DTL Data Stewards Interest Group - Meeting 33

Date: 16 May 2023

Time: 11:00 (coffee) - 11:15
(start) - 12:45 CEST

Location: virtual

Chair: Saba Sharma, Nida van Leersum, Curtis Sharma

Virtual via Zoom: <https://tudelft.zoom.us/j/96907571131>

Attendees: See page 2

Register here

[Agenda and minutes previous virtual DSIG meeting](#)

[Slides F2F RSE-NL & DSIG meeting](#) - current [rough notes](#), will be transformed into a blog together with the outcomes of the networking game

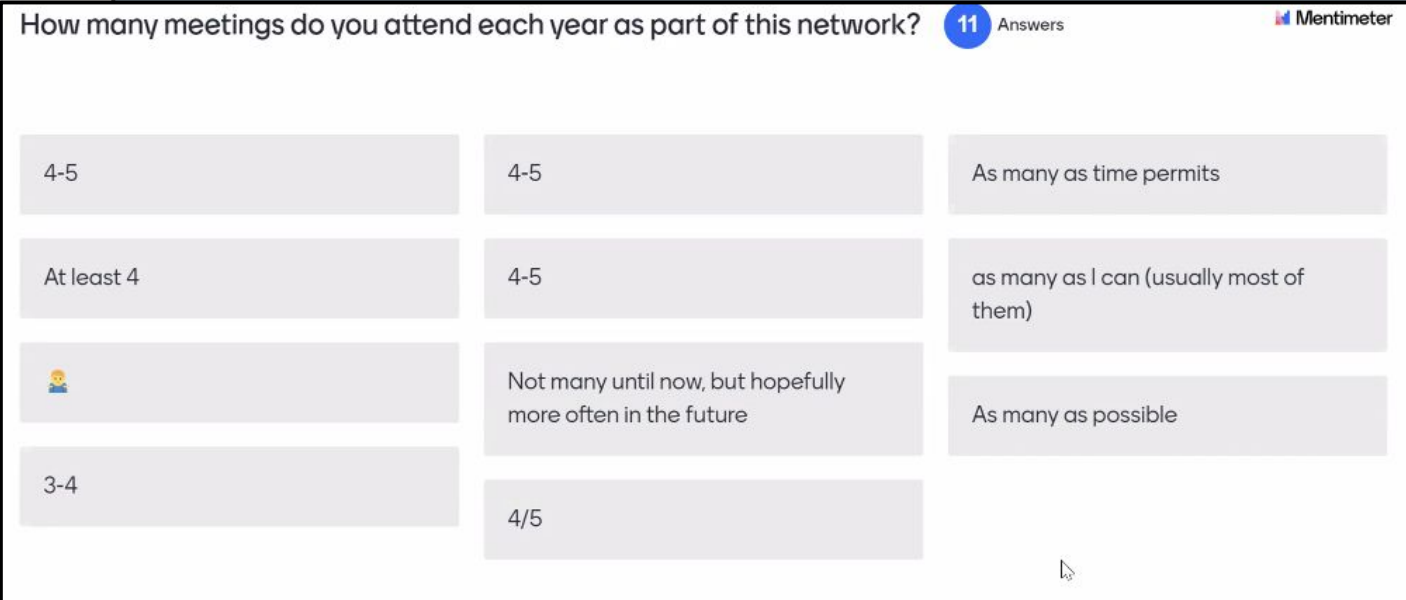
Time	Topic	Comments/results	Owner
11:00	Informal start: joint coffee		Nida
11:15	1. Formal start and introduction round		Saba
11:25	2. New and Newsworthy	Share your successes with the group; Share insights from workshops and seminars you have visited	All
11:40	3. ICYMI	RDM news-bits, in case you missed it	Mijke
11:50	4. Presentation & interactive session	Topic: Skills4EOSC project <ul style="list-style-type: none">- <i>Presentation: Minimal Viable Skillset (MVS) for data stewards, as basis for a data steward curriculum</i>- <i>Interactive session: request for feedback on the draft MVS</i>- <i>Presentation: data steward fellowship programme & community building</i>	Saba, Nida, Curtis
12:40	5. Closure/any other business		Curtis
12:45	6. IG meeting end/feedback		All

1c. Roll call

Add your name to the roll call below

Name / affiliation / social media / email

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Tops & Do's (2)

Newsworthy

- All meetings have an extensive New and Newsworthy section, in which the data stewards are offered the opportunity to share and ask in-depth questions on data-related events, projects and activities
- Additionally, DTL, as a facilitating organisation, always presents the In Case You Missed Its, 10 data-related things or events the data stewards need to know about

Rotating chairs

- To allow variety and include the various local activities on data stewardship, each meeting is organised and chaired by another organisation
- This organisation oversees the agenda, choosing topics, presentations or other ways of interacting that showcases what the organisation is currently working on or the challenges it faces

2. New and Newsworthy

Choose a question to answer:

Share your successes with the group? Share insights from workshops and seminars you have visited? What do you need from this call?

- The ELIXIR-UK Fellowship in Data Stewardship has just launched their official website <https://fellowship.elixiruknode.org/> We are officially showcasing all our training and recommendations here. If you have a resource that we could recommend to embed in UK research-performing organisations, let us know!
- Directly after this meeting, DANS will have a DANS Data Trail where we will premiere a video about the CESSDA Data Archiving Guide (DAG) and how we use it at DANS (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zZu74an4mnA>). Starting at 1pm, there will be a live chat alongside the watchthru of the video. The DAG is the archivists counterpart to the CESSDA Data Management Expert Guide (DMEG), so if you're also in the archiving field or want to know how repositories and archives operate, you can attend the live YouTube premiere or check the same link later to watch the video after.
- The Thematic DCC Social Sciences & Humanities (TDCC-SSH) is welcoming professional research support staff, research service providers, and researchers to provide ideas and input for our first 'bottleneck' projects (NL only). We will share a news item about this soon, so keep your eyes on the DSIG Slack group and the mailing list! :)
- "EUDAT Summer School 2023 will be hosted between 26 and 30 of June 2023 in Kajaani, Finland. First deadline: 15 May, Final Deadline: 26 May.
This edition, organised in collaboration with the DICE project, aims to strengthen the skills required to excel in data management, getting the participants geared up to manage and process data throughout the full, research-data lifecycle (data discovery; data processing; data analysis; data preservation and publishing).
Experienced trainers will guide the students combining traditional theoretical lessons with hands-on sessions.
Interested applicants are encouraged to apply early as accommodation and travel support will be provided to a limited number of students and participants.

<https://www.eudat.eu/summer-schools/eudat-summer-school-2023>

3. ICYMI

RDM news-bits, in case you missed it

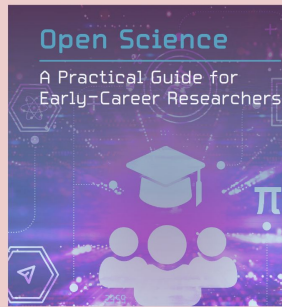
- [Slides](#)
- Join the [Slack channel](#) to stay up to date! Suggestion: download the desktop app, which has a notifications option and is much more user friendly than the browser version

DTL Data Steward Interest Group

Meeting 16 May 2023

In Case You Missed It
10 RDM news-bits

New Open
Science
Guide for
Early-Career
Researchers



<https://zenodo.org/record/7716153#.ZEYzJOxByLo>

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Open & FAIR

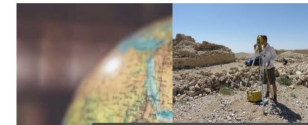
Sharing the
FAIR Way

Collecting data whilst in another country and far from your own institution can bring a whole range of issues and risks in terms of data collection, storage, transport, and security.

What should you think about when planning for data

<https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.7824907>

CHECKLIST FOR DATA MANAGEMENT WHEN WORKING ABROAD

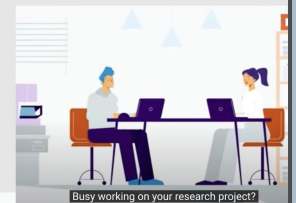


For inspiration: VU short video about research data management tools landscape

It highlights the needs that researchers might have and might serve as a conversation starter:

"...and what tools do we have at X, what should be use if we work on international collaborations, etc".

https://youtu.be/Dw_bwegR76i



Busy working on your research project?

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<https://www.lyngature.org/bridging-gap-between-researchers-and-life-science-health-research-infrastructures>

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Bridging the gap between researchers and the Life science & Health research infrastructures

Showing EATRIS, BMRB, and ELNOR tools & resources

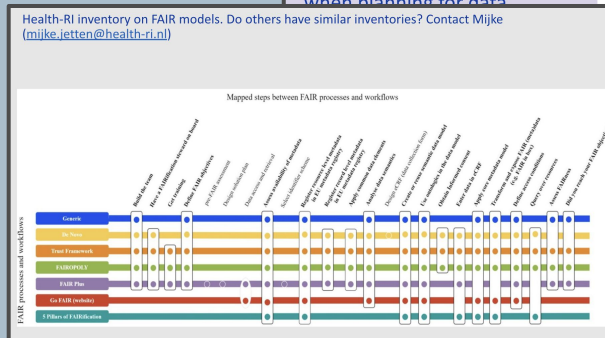
Date: Tuesday 13th - Wednesday 14th June 2023, lunch to lunch.
Location: [Pausshulze](#), Kromme Nieuwegracht 49, Utrecht & online (hybrid meeting)

Topics a.o.:

- Data stewardship skills
- Community building
- Capacity building
- Data stewardship wizard
- FAIR cookbook
- FAIRsharing
- MDR (metadata repo for clinical research)
- Sensitive data sharing
- Biosamples and patient engagement

Target audience

The workshop is targeted at (co)ordinators of data support professionals who want to get acquainted with tools and resources of the Life Science Research Infrastructures that are available for them and the research they do. It is additional towards those who



Tops & Do's (3)

Topics

- Recent topics put on the agenda included a.o.:
 - How to set up an institute-wide infrastructure for reuse of clinical data
 - FAIR support for the social sciences
 - Reuse of data by FAIRification for a patient-led registry: The Duchenne Data Platform
 - Knowledge database: data stewardship info snippets
 - DANS training in the Dutch and EU research data landscape
 - Covid-19 data and Statistical Disclosure Control (SDC)
 - Data support from central Research Data Management (RDM) support vs. the decentral data steward perspective
- A series of topical/Special Interest Groups (SIG) have resulted from the discussion in the DSIG meetings, for instance on Data Management Plans (DMP) and for the [Dutch ZonMw Covid-19 programme](#)

Tops & Do's (4)

Division of tasks and practicalities

- As DTL officially facilitates the meetings, its community manager (Mijke) arranges all documents including the agenda and recurring items, registration form, and PR, so the preparation time for the chairing organisation is limited
- Most organisations have volunteered to chair, or were requested by DTL to do so because of a specific topic they addressed or because they actively engaged in past meetings
- Chairs have reported back that it was very useful and fun to chair a DSIG meeting, particularly because of the always engaging data stewards in the group
- After every meeting, via the shared notes, feedback is requested from the participants, including a Keep, Add, Less & More section

Tops & Do's (5)

Online

- Due to Corona, all recent DSIG meetings have been organised online, with between 50 and 75 participants. These participants come from various domains and companies, including international members.

Further community activities

- To connect data stewards between meetings, the DSIG also facilitates a [mailing list](#) and a [Slack community](#), to promote events, ask each other questions or feedback, and share experiences.
- These channels are also used to promote DSIG meetings, in addition to the DTL website announcement, and Twitter and LinkedIn messages
- In an early stage, the preliminary agenda is shared via the DTL website, just like afterwards the shared notes of all meetings
- Participants are invited and actually help out to make those shared notes.

Channels ▾

Create

Manage

You're all caught up!

- # qualitative-data
- # events
- # organisers-channel
- # general
- # job-ads
- # welcome
- # dsig-meetings
- # random
- # materials
- # privacy
- # technical-tools
- # dmp

Mijke Jetten 10:52 AM

Dear data stewards, join us in 10 minutes for the DSIG meeting. See agenda for link (has been updated!).

- <https://www.dtls.nl/about/community/interest-groups/data-stewards-interest-group/>
- <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1RevvykFmb3gv5ohd50ulhfCZW5JmpUBa1UznrtuV6M/edit> (edited)

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Per Møldrup-Dalum 12:30 PM

Thank you for a great session! Looking forward to participate in this community

Mijke Jetten 5:50 PM

Thanks to the fabulous Skills4EOSC staff @Nida @Saba Sharma @Curtis Sharma, and all of you inspiring data stewards for Tuesday's DSIG meeting. Your good practices and feedback were really helpful for the Skills4EOSC staff, and we now also have a nice overview of our community via the Mentimeter. Would be great if we can analyse and publish it somewhere together @Curtis Sharma.

Here is an update, in case you missed it.

- Curious about the useful newsworthy's shared? Check out the [shared notes](#). See also the ICYMs.
- Check out the Skills4EOSC [Minimal Viable Skillset](#) presented. Please get in touch with Saba (S.Sharma-10@tudelft.nl), N.K.vanLeersum@tudelft.nl or Curtis (C.J.M.Sharma@tudelft.nl) If you want to give further input, have questions or want to be kept updated.
- Welcome to suggest any topics for upcoming DSIG meetings by contacting me - new meetings will be announced via the DSIG website.

🙏 to all of you and enjoy a hopefully 🌟 weekend (edited)

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Mijke Jetten 5:30 PM

Day's ELIXIRFridayReads is a FAIRplus_eu, funded by IHEurope, paper focusing on the FAIRCookbook - an open access guide for "FAIR doers" in the #LifeSciences. Read more: doi.org/10.1038/s41597-023-00000-0

Mijke Jetten 6:20 PM

Practical guide to Open Science for Early-Career Researchers

Transition to Open Science depends for a large part on early-career researchers as implementers of new research practices. In order to be a driver for change, researchers need to be introduced to and trained in Open Science practices. This guide is intended to do just that.

Guide to making qualitative data available for reuse?

Qualitative data - like interview or case study data - available for reuse is often challenging as it is rich and complex and it is difficult to anonymize without losing crucial information. To help researchers and data stewards working with qualitative data, DANS has created a guidebook, which is now available.

Submit your ideas for the TDCC-SSH bottleneck projects

TDCC-SSH (Theoretical Data Science Centre for Social Sciences & Humanities (TDCC-SSH)) is welcoming professional research support staff, research providers, and researchers to provide input for our first 'bottleneck' projects. Share your ideas through the following form before June 5, 2023.

Mijke Jetten 8:27 AM

MEMIC/MUMC is looking for a data steward for the LS domain. Apply before May 29. Contact @MUMC for questions

<https://www.academictransfer.com/en/327760/datasteward-memic-faculty-of-health-medicine-and-life-sciences>

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Ben jij pro-actief, een natuurlijke netwerker en vind je het een uitdaging om onderzoekers te adviseren en ondersteunen als het gaat om data-gerelateerde vraagstukken en digitale innovaties en wetenschap? Dan is dit wellicht de functie die je zoekt!...

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Ricarda Braukmann (DANS) 11:45 AM

In case anyone is interesting in an international position, CESSDA is looking for a new Head of Info

<https://www.cessda.eu/News/CESSDA-Newsitem-nid3497>

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Asha

Mijke Jetten 1:20 PM

Fellowship of the Data – RDM trainers network meeting. 21-22 June 2023 | Berlin, Germany

The RDM trainers network meeting provides opportunities for exchange and exploration along with a poster session and keynote presentations. The meeting also includes a series of keynotes chosen to instigate further reflection and networking.

[More information and registration»](#)

Pascal Flohr 3:48 PM

EOSC Future Train-the-Trainer Active Learning Course - 26-29 June (2 hours per day), online

The EOSC Future project is excited to announce another offering of its Train-the-Trainer Active Learning Course. This four-day online course - from June 26 till 29 - covers four different modules for trainers to enhance their understanding of EOSC and various related topics alongside their ability to integrate it into their training activities.

<https://dans.knaw.nl/en/news/eosc-future-train-the-trainer-active-learning-course/>

Marije van der Geest 3:30 PM

For everyone that's interested in federated analysis:

📣 DataSHIELD conference 2023 - registration now open!

Mijke Jetten 8:48 PM

Watch now! DANS Data Trail about the CESSDA Data Archiving Guide

In this Data Trail we will give you an introduction to the CESSDA Data Archiving Guide (DAG) and how it relates to the FAIR principles. We also share how our DANS policies and workflows correspond to the recommendations of the DAG.

FAIR-IMPACT News

- Open Call for Support! Apply for June 1st >>>
- Preparing the FAIR-IMPACT Synchronisation Force 2023 Workshop. Help to shape it >>>
- Applies to applies and community-driven governance of FAIRness assessment. Read more >>>
- Meet the FAIR Implementation Team. Meet them >>>

Francie Manhardt 12:14 PM

Hello everyone! I'm Francie from Radboud University, Nijmegen. I'm the data steward for the Institute for Management Research at the Nijmegen School of Management. Looking forward to getting inspired through this group and to share my experiences with you!

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Kristin Halverson 12:16 PM

Hi everyone! I've been a member for awhile, but haven't introduced myself. I'm the data steward coordinator at the Institute of Technology in Stockholm, Sweden. Appreciate the discussions and information thus far, and looking forward to take part here!

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ricardo hartley 12:23 PM

Hi all, im Ricardo Hartley, faculty from Universidad Central de Chile, eager to learn more about data stewardship and to share my experiences with you!

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Kars Wijnhoven 3:03 PM

Hi everyone! I've been a member of this group for about a year and a half, but I haven't posted or introduced myself. My name is Kars Wijnhoven and I work as a central data steward at Tilburg University, the Netherlands. Looking forward to everyone here and being more involved! 😊

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Gerhard 1:18 PM

Hi all, I'm Gerhard, Data Steward/Teacher/Researcher at Leiden University, The Netherlands. Looking forward to meeting you and getting to know you 😊👋 @Alessa Gambardella, thanks for forwarding!

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How to participate

The DSIG is open to everyone who is interested in data stewardship and is not limited to a specific academic discipline (nor to the Netherlands, but it is the Netherlands based).

- You can sign up to the [mailing list](#), or the [slack community](#) if you love to be actively involved. We use the slack community to actively share events, ask questions, and share experiences.
- You can participate in person or virtually at the general DSIG meetings. The link will be provided in the agenda of each general DSIG meeting.
- You can participate virtually in an existing topical/Special Interest Group (SIG), or suggest a topic for a new SIG.

Meetings 2023

- 2023-05-16 [Shared notes](#)
- 2023-04-19 [Slides RSE-NL, DSIG & TDCC-LSH meeting](#) – current [rough notes](#), will be transformed into a blog together with the outcomes of the networking game
- 2023-03-23 [Shared notes](#)
- 2023-02-16 [Shared notes](#)
- 2023-01-12 [Shared notes](#)

Meetings 2022

- 2022-09-27 [Shared notes](#)
- 2022-05-30 [Shared notes](#)
- 2022-03-17 [Shared notes](#)
- 2022-01-25 [Shared notes](#)

Meetings 2021

- 2021-12-09 [Shared notes](#)
- 2021-09-28 [Shared notes](#)
- 2021-06-29 [Shared notes](#)
- 2021-05-11 [Shared notes](#)

See for more info the [DSIG website](#)

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