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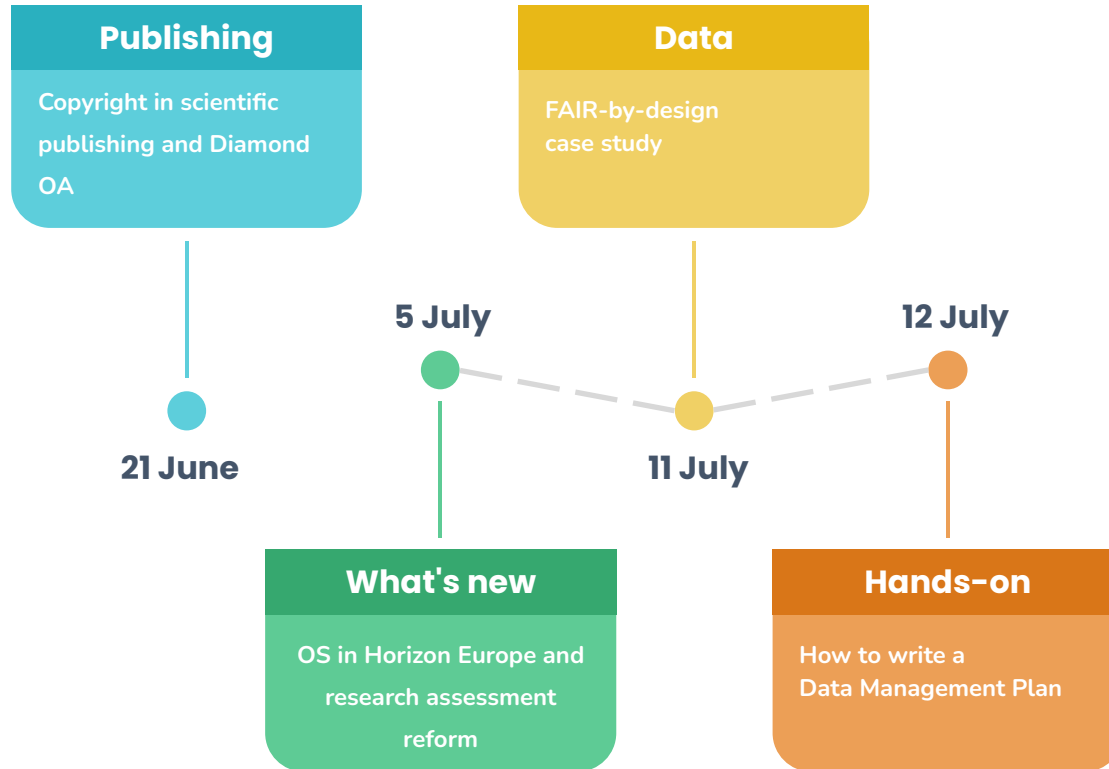
And how to exploit them  
in your scientific work



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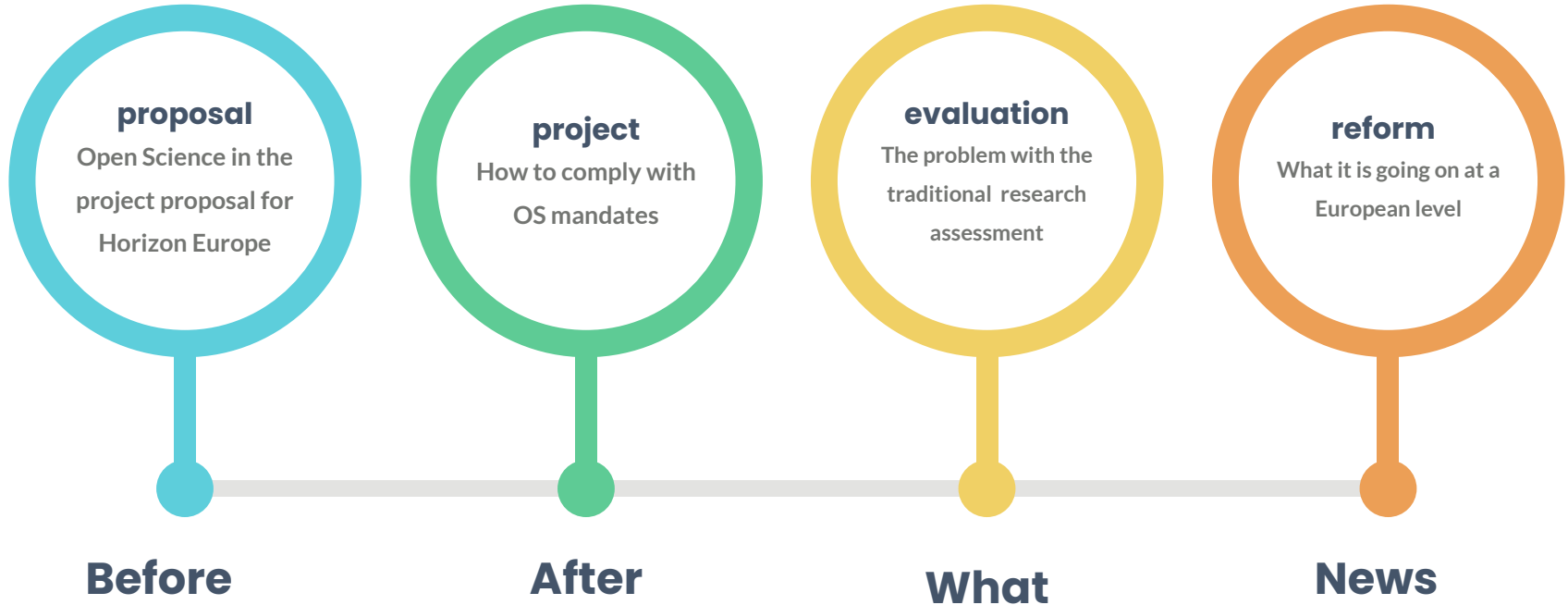
# Open Science training plan

the dates



# Today's agenda

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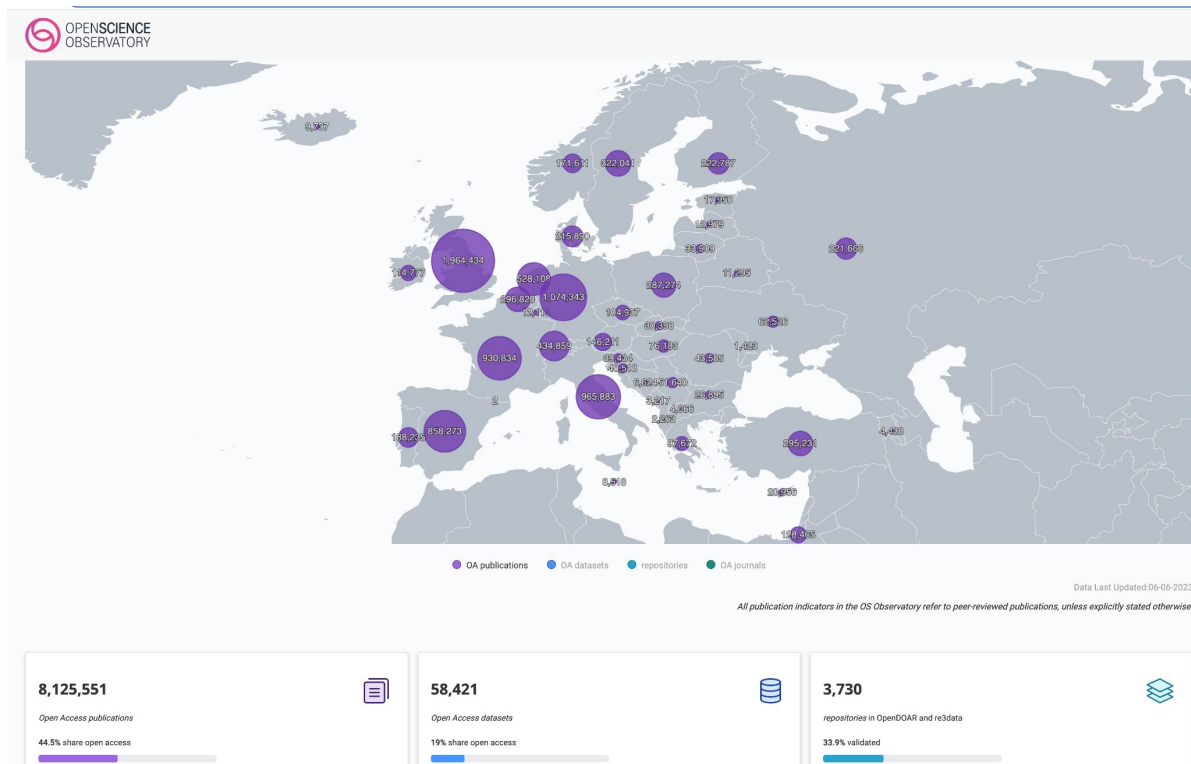
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# How much Open Access?

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Open Science  
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# Protect your rights!

As a researcher, you are the original owner of the intellectual property rights on the manuscripts you write





# What is copyright

When you create an **original literary, scientific and artistic work**, such as poems, articles, films, songs or sculptures, you are protected by copyright. Nobody apart from you has the right to make the work public or reproduce it.

The copyright protection is immediate, this means that the protection **starts from the moment you create your work**, so you don't need to go through any formal application process.

To advise other people of the author's rights on that work, a **copyright notice** can be attached to the work – such as the **"all rights reserved" text, or the © symbol** – together with the year the work was created.

Legal references:

[Directive \(EU\) 2019/789 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 April 2019](#)

In Italy: normativa sul diritto d'autore, legge n. 633/1941

- [https://europa.eu/youreurope/business/running-business/intellectual-property/copyright/index\\_en.htm](https://europa.eu/youreurope/business/running-business/intellectual-property/copyright/index_en.htm)
- <https://open-science.it/article?rpk=220966>

# Copyright protection grants the following exclusive rights:



## Moral rights

- usually protecting your rights to claim authorship (right of attribution) and to refuse a modification of your work (right of integrity)
- Moral rights are inalienable (cannot be assigned to others) and relate to the 'authorship' of the work

## Economic rights

- guaranteeing you have control over your work and remuneration for its use through selling or licensing
- **Economic rights relate to its commercial exploitation and can be assigned (as is the case when authors sign copyright transfer agreements with scientific commercial publishers)**

# Beware to copyright and data



Data are **not** intellectual work, they are facts and information.



**Copyright protection covers expressions and not ideas, procedures, operating methods or mathematical concepts as such.**



**Protection is on databases and not on data.** Data are protected only and especially when they are collected and organized in a database.



**The sui generis property right (only in Europe)** covers not only the reproduction and dissemination of the database, but also the extraction and reuse of substantial parts of the database.

# Use and distribute your work!

The traditional scientific journal publishing model is based on researchers transferring their proprietary rights exclusively to publishers so they can publish and distribute the manuscripts and make commercial use of them.

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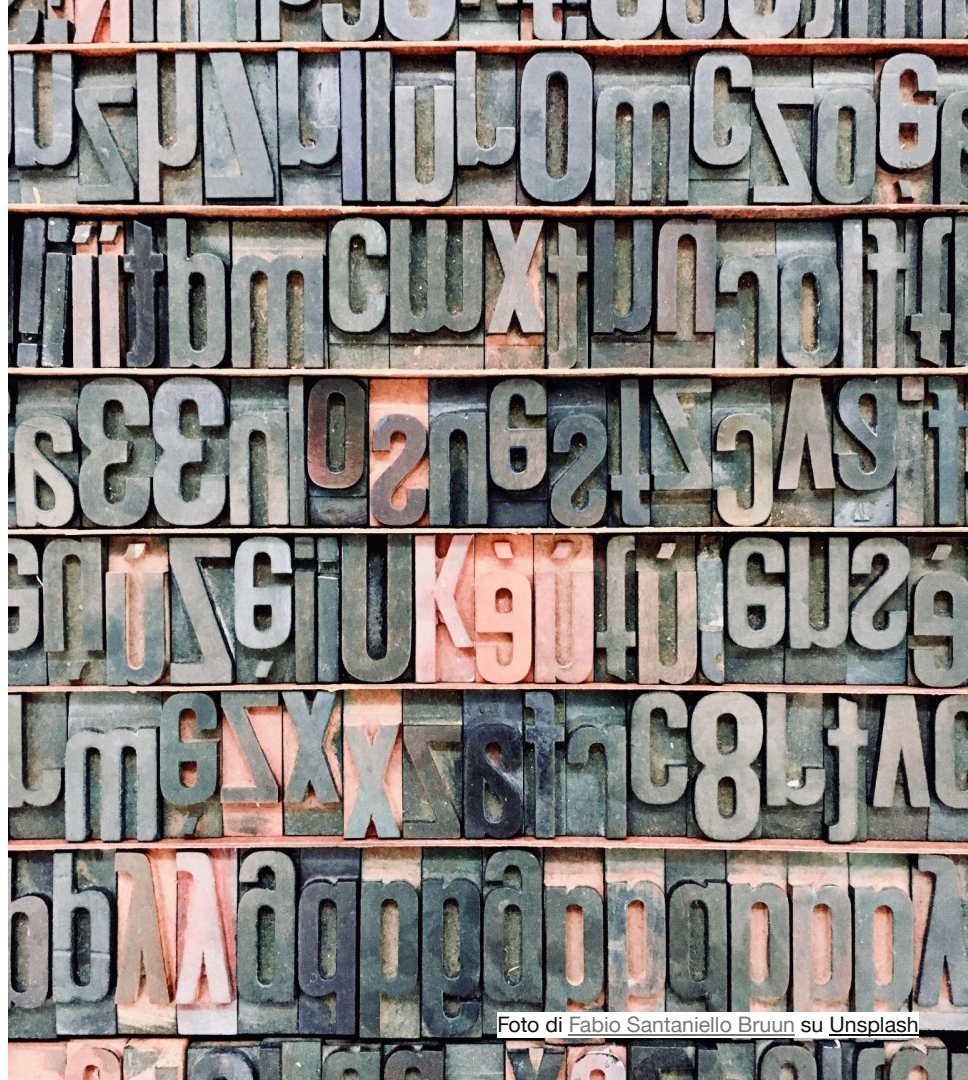


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# Plan S and Coalition S

- “Plan S aims for full and **immediate Open Access** to peer-reviewed scholarly publications from research funded by public and private grants.
- “Transition to a scholarly publishing system characterised by immediate, free online access to, and largely unrestricted **use and re-use (full Open Access)** of scholarly publications.
- cOAlition S is the coalition of research **funders** that have committed to implementing Plan S

# Rights Retention Strategy (RRS)

RRS has been developed to give researchers supported by a cOAlition S Organisation the freedom to submit manuscripts for publication to their journal of choice, including subscription journals, whilst remaining fully compliant with Plan S.

A Creative Commons Attribution licence (**CC BY**) has to be applied to all Author Accepted Manuscripts (AAMs) or Versions of Record (VoR) reporting original research, supported in whole or in part by CoalitionS funding. Some funders also allow the CC BY ND (no derivative) by exception.

**AAM:** the version of the work as accepted for publication, including all changes made during the peer review process

**VoR:** the version of a journal article that has been made available by any organization that acts as a publisher by formally and exclusively declaring the article “published”.

# No longer transfer exclusive copyright

The rights retention strategy (RRS) encourages you to no longer transfer exclusive copyright to the publishers of scientific journals.

This procedure allows you to retain control over the dissemination of your manuscripts before, during and after the peer review process. The RRS does not involve any additional costs for you or your institution.

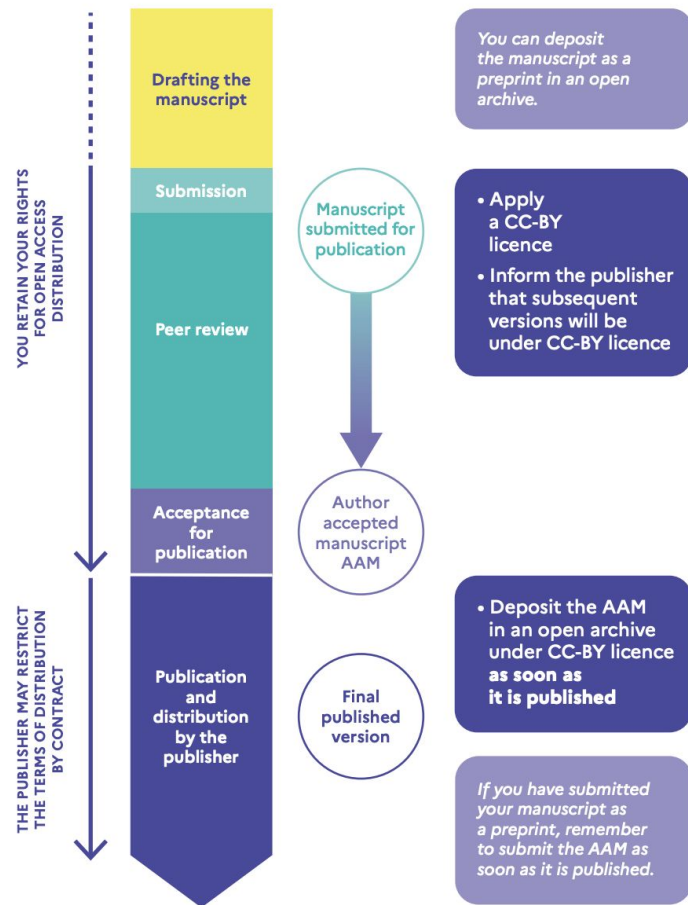


# How to implement RRS

State that you are applying the CC-BY licence when I initially submit your manuscript to the journal

For the sake of transparency, it is best to inform your publisher that you are applying the rights retention strategy by including the standard text and by applying a CC-BY licence to the manuscript when you first submit it. However, this is not strictly necessary: you could apply the rights retention strategy only to the peer-reviewed version of your manuscript. In that case, however, be careful not to transfer your distribution rights during the submission phase before the manuscript is accepted. **Once the rights have been transferred, it is no longer possible to apply a CC-BY licence to the manuscript.** The rights retention strategy must therefore be applied before this stage.

## The rights retention strategy: main steps of implementation



# Use the standard text

Possibly, upon submission.

**if you are not funded by a member of cOAlition S:** “For the purpose of Open Access, a CC-BY public copyright licence has been applied by the authors to the present document and will be applied to all subsequent versions up to the Author Accepted Manuscript arising from this submission.”

**if you are funded by a member of cOAlition S:** “This research was funded, in whole or in part, by [Organisation name, Grant #]. A CC-BY public copyright licence has been applied by the authors to the present document and will be applied to all subsequent versions up to the Author Accepted Manuscript arising from this submission, in accordance with the grant’s open access conditions.”

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# Does the journal I plan to publish in accept the rights retention strategy? Use the Journal Checker Tool

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 JOURNAL CHECKER TOOL

## Which publishing options are supported by your funder's OA policy?

JOURNAL

By ISSN or title



MY FUNDER

By funder name



MY INSTITUTION

By ROR or name



No affiliation



**Plan S**

Making full & immediate  
Open Access a reality



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# Open Science in Horizon Europe funding programme



## Research and innovation

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### Open Science

An approach to the scientific process that focuses on spreading knowledge as soon as it is available using digital and collaborative technology. Expert groups, publications, news and events.

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### The EU's open science policy

Open science is a policy priority for the European Commission and the standard method of working under its research and innovation funding programmes as it improves the quality, efficiency and responsiveness of research.

When researchers share knowledge and data as early as possible in the research process with all relevant actors it helps diffuse the latest knowledge.

And when partners from across academia, industry, public authorities and citizen groups are invited to participate in the research and innovation process, creativity and trust in science increases.

# Open Science in Europe

... as a means for improving the quality of research for **transparency** and **reproducibility**, and their use by the industry and society as a growth mechanism.

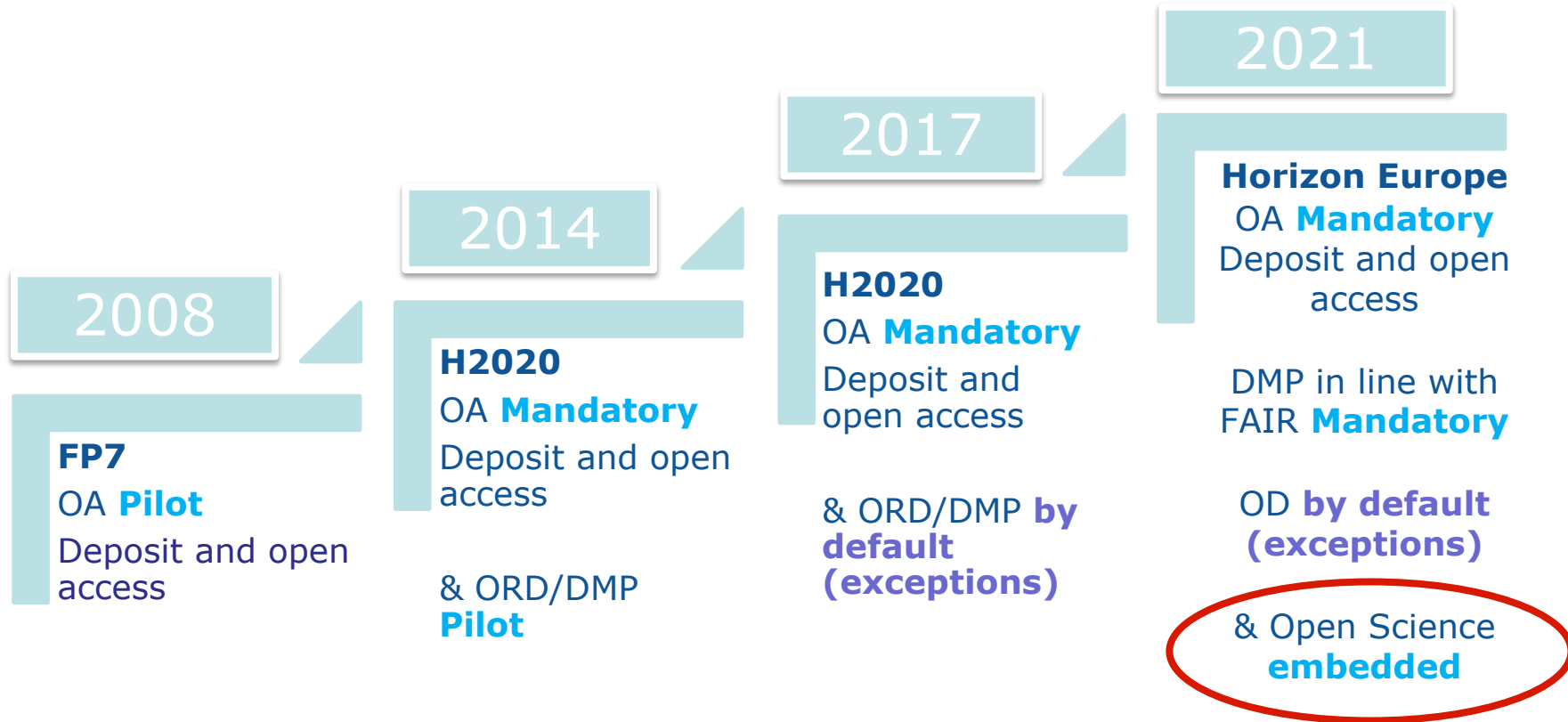


**T**he **European Research Area (ERA)** is a unified research area open to the world, in which researchers, scientific knowledge and technology circulate freely.

Through ERA, the Union and its Member States will strengthen their scientific and technological bases, their competitiveness and their capacity to collectively address grand challenges.

## The (not new) EU commitment to Open Science

# EC policies: Open Science is the new normal!



In Horizon Europe the project **proposal** is evaluated under the Open Science Perspective

## What

Results must be managed in line with FAIR principles and as open as possible as closed as necessary

## How

Methodology must show Open Science practices are embedded

## Who

Single Researchers and Consortium are evaluated for their capacity to support Open Science practices



# Open Science practices

What?	How?	Mandatory in all calls/recommended
<b>Early and open sharing of research</b>	Preregistration, registered reports, preprints, etc.	Recommended
<b>Research output management</b>	Data management plan (DMP)	<b>Mandatory</b>
<b>Measures to ensure reproducibility of research outputs</b>	Information on outputs/tools/instruments and access to data/results for validation of publications	<b>Mandatory</b>
<b>Open access to research outputs through deposition in trusted repositories</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open access to publications</li> <li>• Open access to data</li> <li>• Open access to software, models, algorithms, workflows etc.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mandatory</b> for peer-reviewed publications</li> <li>• <b>Mandatory</b> for research data <b>but</b> with exceptions ('as open as possible...')</li> <li>• Recommended for other research outputs</li> </ul>
<b>Participation in open peer-review</b>	Publishing in open peer-reviewed journals or platforms	Recommended
<b>Involving all relevant knowledge actors</b>	Involvement of citizens, civil society and end-users in co-creation of content (e.g. crowd-sourcing, etc.)	Recommended

- Open science practices listed in the template for proposals (section excellence>methodology)
- Non-exhaustive list
- Mandatory in all calls: Model Grant Agreement or call requirement; all the rest recommended



# Os in the Horizon Europe project proposal

# Os in excellence and quality of implementation sections

Horizon Europe moves beyond  
open access to open science

“In Horizon Europe, open science practices are considered in the evaluation of proposals, under ‘excellence’ in particular under methodology and under the ‘quality and efficiency of implementation’ award criterion. Proposers should address open science practices in the relevant section on open science under methodology.

See Horizon Europe programme guide:  
[https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/horizon/guidance/programme-guide\\_horizon\\_en.pdf](https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/horizon/guidance/programme-guide_horizon_en.pdf)

# Mandatory and recommended OS practices

In HE both mandatory and recommended OS practices will be evaluated in the project proposal phase.



“Proposers will have to provide concrete information on how they plan to comply with the **mandatory** open science practices. Failure to sufficiently address this, will result in a **lower evaluation score**.”

**Recommended** open science practices are incentivised through their evaluation at the proposal stage.

# ‘Excellence’, part B (Project proposal – Technical description)

What to describe in the  
**methodology** section

“proposers should describe how open science practices (mandatory and recommended, as appropriate) are **implemented** as an integral part of the methodology and show how their implementation is **adapted to the nature of their work**, therefore increasing the chances of the project delivering on its objectives.

If open science practices are not applicable to the proposal, justifications should be provided so that, if evaluators agree, open science will not be taken into consideration in the evaluation.

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# What to include in the methodology section

- Open Science Practices
- Research data Management and management of other research outputs
- FAIR aspects of RDM
- Curation and storage/preservation costs; person/team responsible for data management and quality assurance.



# ‘Capacity of participants and consortium as a whole’ , part B

Os in the description of the consortium

“Proposers should describe how the consortium brings together the necessary **disciplinary and interdisciplinary knowledge**.

Proposers should show how this includes **expertise** and/or track record in open science practices, relevant to what is planned for the project.

See Horizon Europe programme guide:

[https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/horizon/guidance/programme-guide\\_horizon\\_en.pdf](https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/horizon/guidance/programme-guide_horizon_en.pdf)

# Part A of the proposal

Os in the application form of the proposal

“Proposers are asked to list up to five relevant publications, widely used datasets or other achievements of consortium members that they consider significant for the action proposed.

Publication should be OA (if they are not, deposit them retroactively) and data should be FAIR and ‘as open as possible, as closed as necessary’.

The significance of publications **will not be evaluated on the basis of the Journal Impact Factor** of the venue they are published in, but on the basis of a qualitative assessment provided by the proposers for each publication.

See Horizon Europe programme guide:

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# How to address OS in a proposal

Some aspects to highlight in a project proposal



## Horizon Europe

Both mandatory and recommended Open Science practices



## Early opening and sharing

You may mention preprints or preregistration/registration reports, and which platforms you plan to use



## RDM

Outline in a maximum of one page how data will be managed. Mention a EOSC federated repository



## Reproducibility

No ambiguity on methodology. Detail on process and tools (software, materials, protocols, flows, ...). In case of negative results? Check on existing results and data

## Open Access

You may elaborate on the (subscription-based or open access) publishing venues, the trusted repository/repositories. OA to data and other outputs in a RDM section of the proposal

## Open Peer Review

Highlight the venues that would qualify as providing open peer review (if you intend to use them)

## Public engagement

Citizen Science? Co-design, co-creation, co-assessment activities?

## Part A: Application form

List of up to 5 publications, widely-used datasets, software, goods, services, or any other achievements of consortium members relevant to the call content

- Publications expected to be open access
- Datasets expected to be FAIR and open\*

\* "As open as possible, as closed as necessary"

## Part B: Project proposal - Technical description

### 1 Excellence

#### 1.1 Objectives and ambition

#### 1.2 Methodology

#### Open Science [max. 1 page]

How will the project implement mandatory and recommended open science practices in a manner appropriate to the nature of the proposed work?

##### Mandatory OS practices

Open access# to scientific publications

Open\* access to research data

Information/documentation about research outputs needed for research validation and data reuse

Management of research data in line with FAIR principles

##### Recommended OS practices

Early and open sharing of research

Preregistration, open peer-review

Citizen science, society engagement

Research output management (beyond data)

Reproducible outputs

#### Research Data Management (RDM) and management of other research outputs (exc. publications) [max. 1 page]

How will the data/ research outputs be managed in line with the FAIR principles?

Types of data & research outputs

Findability, Accessibility, Interoperability, Reusability of data & research outputs

Costs and responsibilities of data curation, storage and preservation

### 2 Impact

#### 2.1 Project's pathways towards impact

#### 2.2 Measures to maximize impact. Dissemination, exploitation & communication

##### Tips

Refer to relevant Open Science practices described in the Methodology section (i.e. open access to research outputs and early and open sharing of research)

Make sure proposed practices are compatible with your dissemination and exploitation plan (e.g. protection of intellectual property) and consortium agreements

#### !!! #Open Access to publications

- 1) Publish in ORE - Open Research Europe
- 2) Publish in an Open Access journal (see DOAJ)
- 3) Publish in a subscription based journal + maintain the rights to deposit and give immediate access

## How do I address open science in my proposal?



HORIZON EUROPE

Open science (OS) takes a central place in Horizon Europe and open science practices are considered in the evaluation of Horizon Europe proposals. If not applicable to the proposal, justifications should be provided so that, if evaluators agree, open science will not be taken into consideration in the evaluation.

### 3 Quality and efficiency of the implementation

#### 3.1 Work plan and resources

##### Tips

Give visibility to RDM with distinct tasks or work packages

Include the full Data Management Plan (DMP) as a deliverable

Include other relevant RDM activities and budget them

#### 3.2 Capacity of participants & consortium as a whole

##### Tips

Describe consortium partners' capacities in open science



For more info, check the research tip:  
Horizon Europe: How do I address open science in my proposal?

Adapted by Elena Giglia

# Open Access to scientific publications in HE - 1

Beneficiaries must **ensure** OA to peer-reviewed scientific publications relating to their results. In particular, they must ensure:

- at the latest upon publication, **deposition** of the AAM or VoR in a **trusted repository** + **immediate open access via the repository** under **CC BY** or equivalent (CC BY-NC/CC BY-ND are allowed for long-text formats)
- **information** via the repository about any research output/tools/instruments needed to **validate the conclusions of the scientific publication**

**Metadata must be open** under CC 0 or equivalent, **in line with the FAIR principles** and provide information about the licensing terms and persistent identifiers, amongst others.

# Trusted repositories

Definition contained in the HE Model Grant Agreement



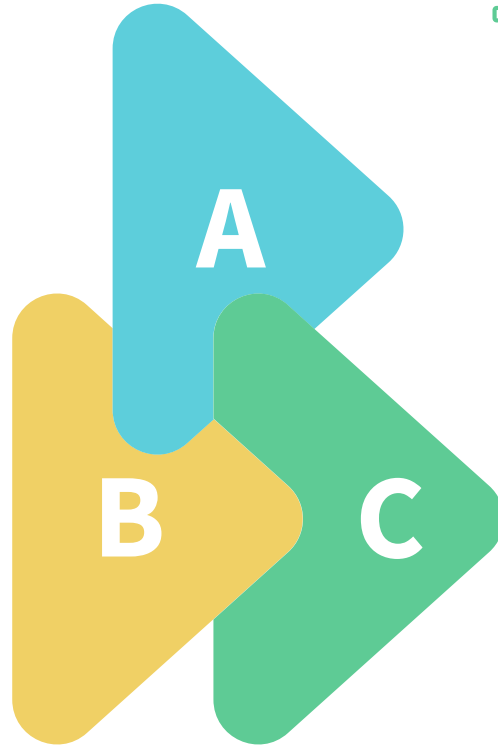
## Certified repositories

E.g. CoreTrustSeal,  
nestor Seal DIN31644,  
ISO16363 etc.



## Disciplinary or domain specific repos

Commonly used, endorsed by the  
research communities and  
internationally recognized



## General purpose or institutional repositories

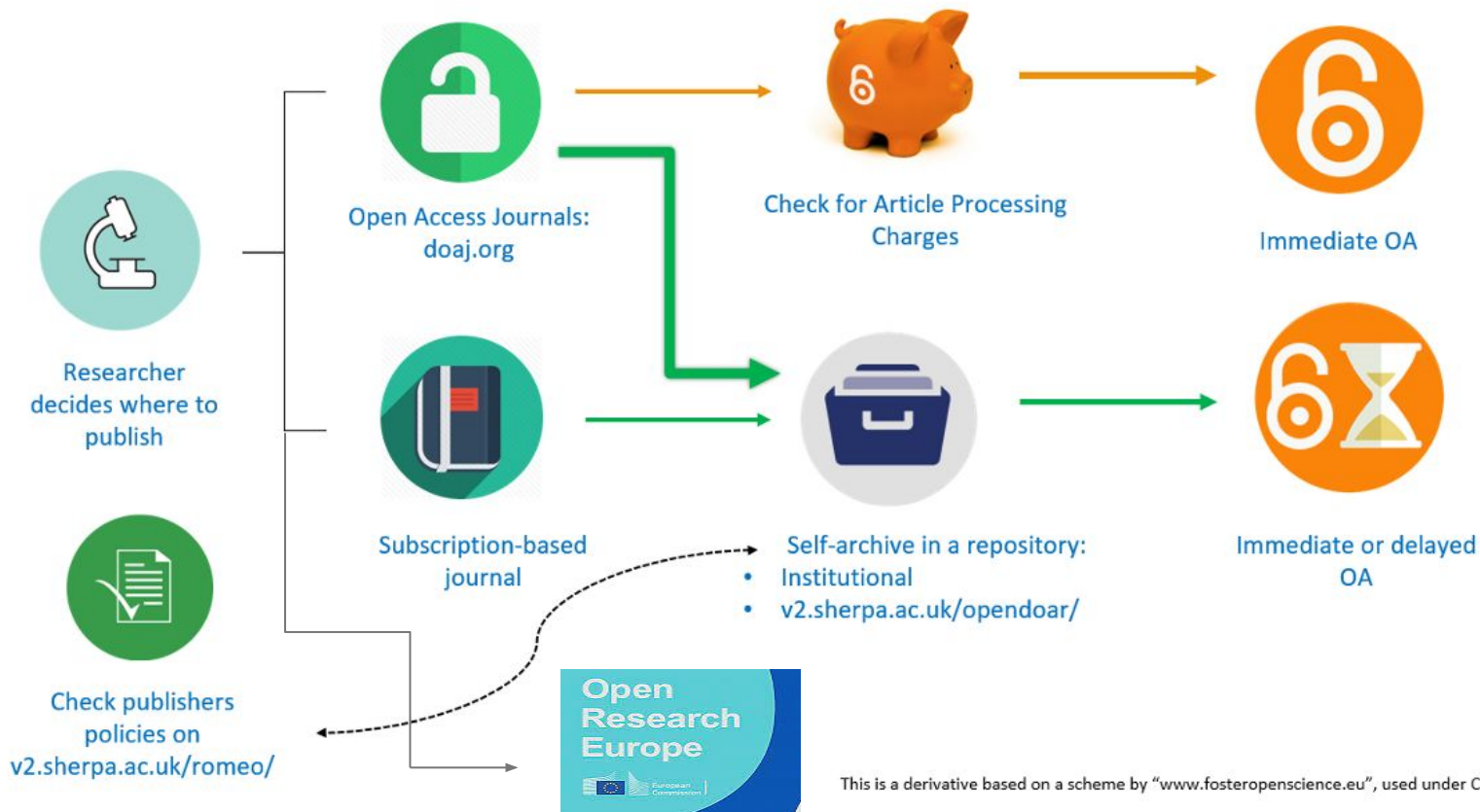
That present the essential characteristics of trusted repositories:

- Display services, mechanisms and/or provisions that are intended to secure the integrity and authenticity of their contents; display policy
- Provide broad, equitable and ideally open access to content free at the point of use, as appropriate, and respect applicable legal and ethical limitations. They assign PIDs. Have metadata enabling discovery
- Facilitate mid- and long-term preservation of the deposited material.

## Open Access to scientific publications in HE - 2

- Beneficiaries (or authors) must retain sufficient intellectual **property rights** to comply with the OA requirements
- Publication in venue of choosing but publication fees are reimbursable only if publishing venue is full open access (**publication fees in hybrids not reimbursed**)

# Open Access to publications in H2020



# OA to publications in Horizon Europe



# Why always deposit in a repository

Even if the chosen venue for publication is fully OA



01

To guarantee integrity of the content and long term preservation



02

Facilitate the fulfilment of Open Access mandates and/or institutional policy



03

Increase visibility and improve findability of research products





# Research Data Management in HE

- Data must be in line with FAIR principles
- Establish a data management plan ('DMP') (and regularly update it)
- Deposit the data in a trusted repository (if required in the call conditions, this repository must be federated in the EOSC)
- Ensure open access to the deposited data (CC BY, CC0 or equivalents), following the principle 'as open as possible as closed as necessary'.
- Metadata always available (in CC0 or equivalent)

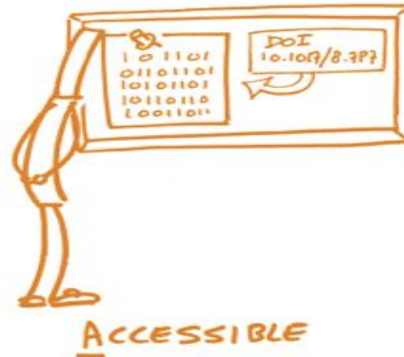
# The FAIR principles

## FAIR DATA PRINCIPLES



### Findable:

Others can easily discover your data



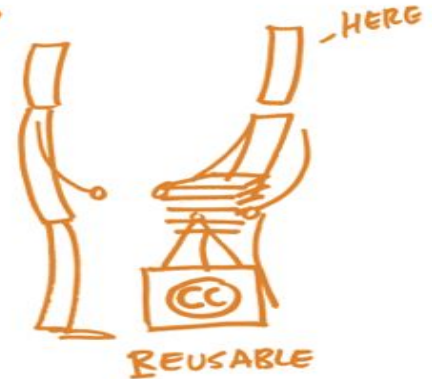
### Accessible:

It is clear who, when and how can access your data (does not mean open)



### Interoperable:

Your data can be integrated with other data and/or they can be easily used and read by machines



### Reusable:

Your data can be reused by others in new research

# The European Open Science Cloud

# What

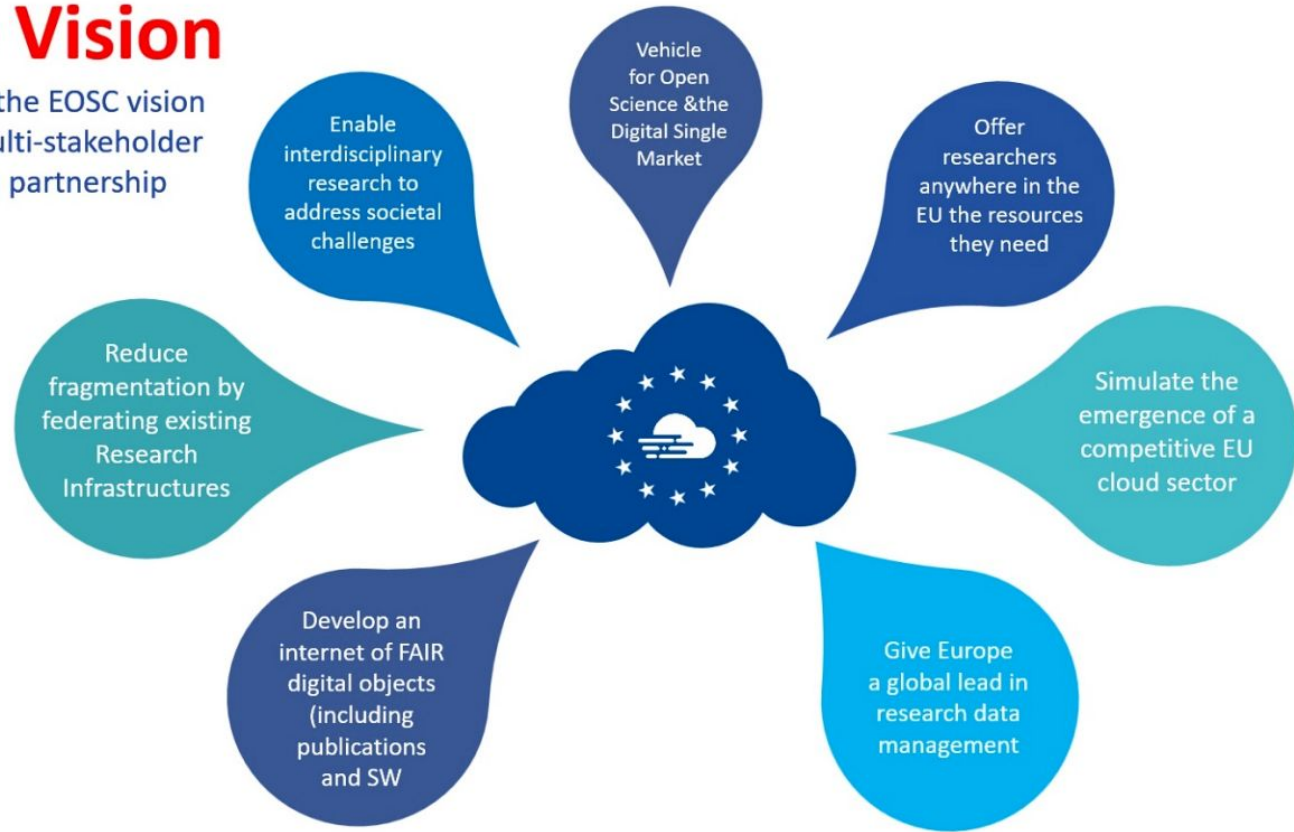
The EOSC is intended for  
European researchers,  
innovators, companies and  
citizens

A federated and open multi-disciplinary environment where they can publish, find and re-use data, tools and services for research, innovation and educational purposes.

- seamless access
- FAIR management
- reliable reuse of research data and all other digital objects produced along the research life cycle (e.g. methods, software and publications...)

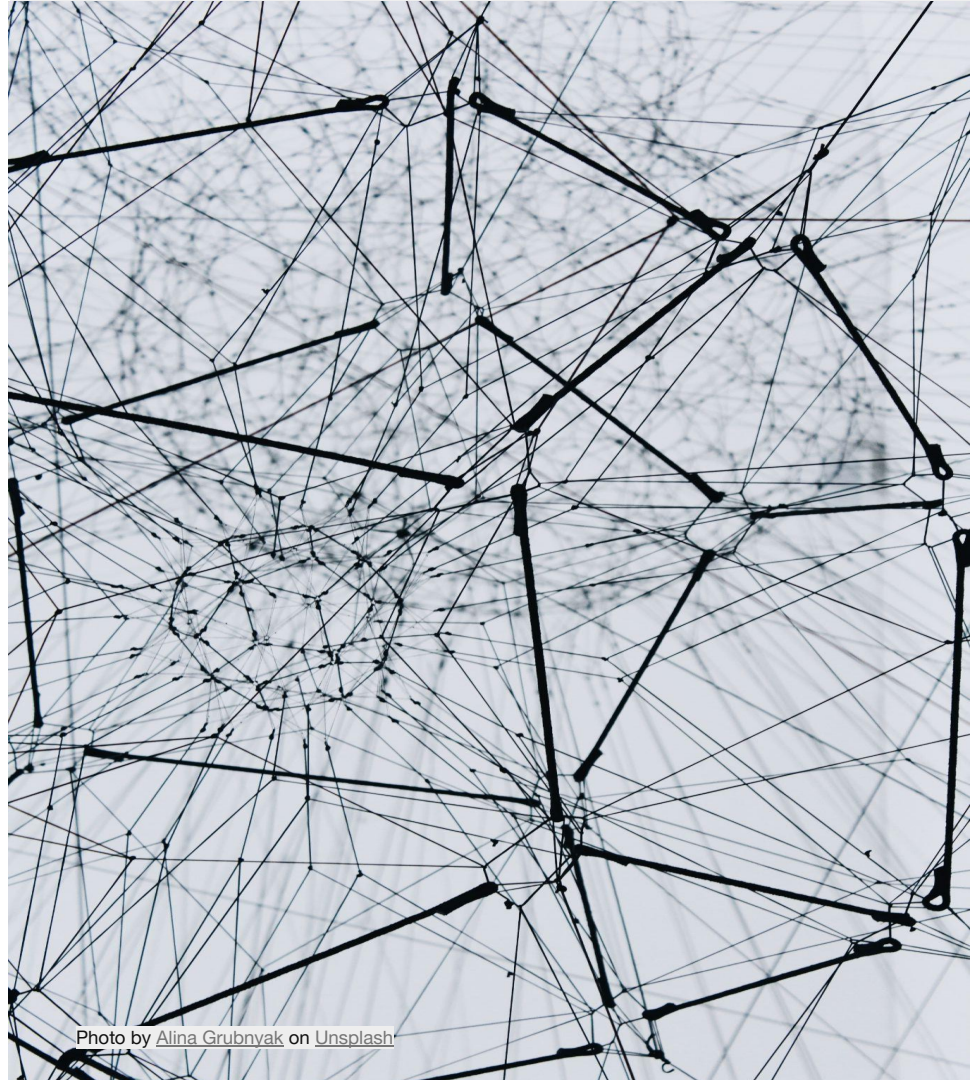
# The Vision

Enabling the EOSC vision with a multi-stakeholder European partnership



# The main aim

To develop a 'Web of FAIR Data and services' for science in Europe upon which a wide range of value-added services can be built.



# The EU Council recognizes the EOSC as

The **pilot action** to deepen the new European Research Area (ERA)

The science, research and innovation **data space** which will be fully articulated with the other sectoral data spaces defined in the European strategy for data.

# Fully deployment of the EOSC

will lead to higher research **productivity**, new insights and **innovations**, as well as improved **reproducibility** and trust in science.





# Implementing the EOSC

Ongoing integration process since 2015

In the initial phase of implementation (2018-2020), the European Commission invested around €250 million to prototype components of the EOSC through calls for projects under Horizon 2020

A co-investment (with in kind and financial contributions) by the EU and non-EU partners of at least €1 billion is foreseen for the next 7 years.

The current phase of implementation (2021-2030) in accordance with the [Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda](#) (SRIA) which is co-developed with the entire EOSC community.

# EOSC governance partnership

Tripartite governance partnership:

- the EU represented by the European Commission,
- the participating countries represented in the [EOSC Steering Board](#)
- the research community represented by the [EOSC Association](#)

# The EOSC Association

- Setup in July 2020 as an AISBL (*association internationale sans but lucratif*) under Belgian law. [ICDI](#) was one of the four founding members.
- The aim is to provide a single voice for advocacy and representation for the broader EOSC stakeholder community.
- Around 150 members and 79 observers, essentially from public organisations having a research mandate in Europe. The aim is to extend the membership.
- Italy participates with 26 research organizations:  
[https://www.eosc.eu/general-assembly?field\\_country\\_value=Italy&field\\_status\\_value=All&field\\_type\\_of\\_organisation\\_value=All&page=0](https://www.eosc.eu/general-assembly?field_country_value=Italy&field_status_value=All&field_type_of_organisation_value=All&page=0)

# Advisory Groups and Task Forces

An opportunity to make the difference

<https://www.eosc.eu/advisory-groups>



## Advisory Groups

The EOSC Association Advisory Groups are a structure to allow Association members and others to help steer the implementation of EOSC. The Advisory Groups provide an "umbrella" for a set of Task Forces that are highly related and have the same Liaison person from the EOSC Association Board of Directors.

### Task Forces

The Task Forces address key areas of implementation. They will liaise with EOSC projects to offer feedback on developments, as well as identify strategic gaps and areas for investment to input to SRIA.

An open call was held to define the membership of the Task Forces. This resulted in several hundred members of the community offering their expertise as volunteers to shape the future direction of EOSC.

- **Implementation of EOSC**
  - PID policy and implementation ([charter](#))
  - Researcher engagement and adoption ([charter](#))
  - Rules of Participation (RoP) compliance monitoring ([charter](#))
- **Metadata and data quality**
  - FAIR metrics and data quality ([charter](#))
  - Semantic interoperability ([charter](#))
- **Research careers and curricula**
  - Data stewardship curricula and career paths ([charter](#))
  - Research careers, recognition and credit ([charter](#))
  - Upskilling countries to engage in EOSC ([charter](#))
- **Technical challenges on EOSC**
  - AAI Architecture ([charter](#))
  - Infrastructure for quality research software ([charter](#))
  - Technical interoperability of data and services ([charter](#))
- **Sustaining EOSC**
  - Defining funding models for EOSC ([charter](#))
  - Long-term data preservation ([charter](#))

# Links

- <https://ec.europa.eu/research/openscience/index.cfm?pg=open-science-cloud>
- [www.eoscsecretariat.eu](http://www.eoscsecretariat.eu)
- <https://www.eosc-portal.eu/>
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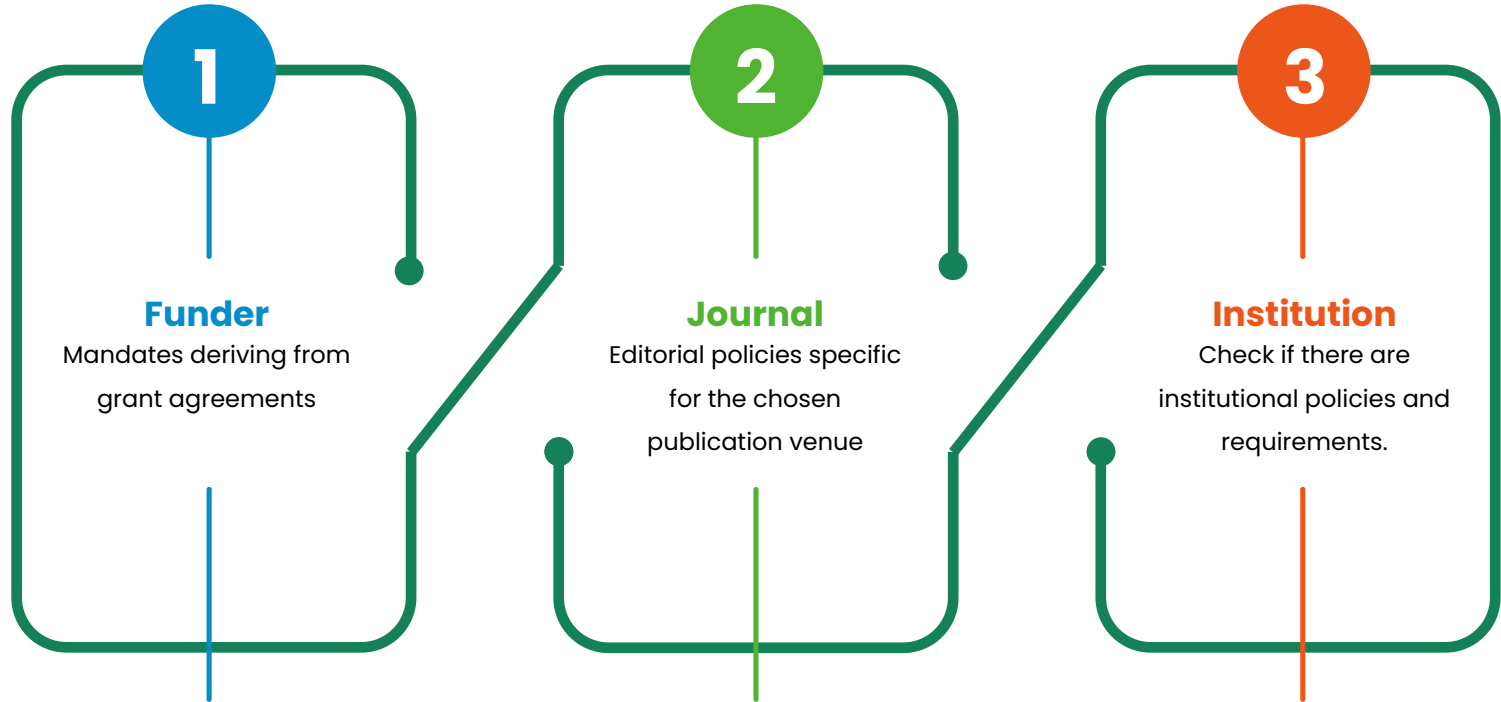
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# Policies and requirements

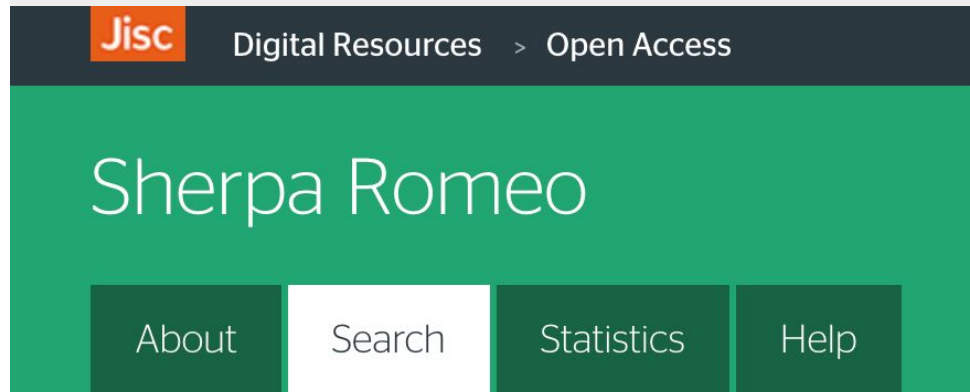
At least three levels to consider



# Publishers OA policies

- summaries of publisher copyright and open access archiving policies
- journal-by-journal basis

<https://v2.sherpa.ac.uk/romeo/>





# A concrete example on sherpa romeo

Journal: Applied Surface Science  
<https://v2.sherpa.ac.uk/id/publication/11418>

Information on:

- Versions (published, accepted, submitted)
- OA option
- Presence of APCs
- Embargo period (sandglass icon)
- Licence applied
- Conditions to respect (checklist icon)  
– **read carefully here!**
- Conditions agreed with funders (exclamation mark icon)

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Definitions for the different versions

Pay attention to the "places" where the deposition is allowed: subject repository, author's homepage, institutional website...

## Glossary

Term	Definition
<b>Academic social network</b>	A social network where academics can deposit their publications, e.g. ResearchGate or Academia.edu
<b>Accepted version</b>	The final author-created version that incorporates referee comments and is the accepted for publication version. Also known as: Authors Accepted Manuscript (AAM), Authors accepted version, Final Author version, Post-print
<b>Additional OA fee</b>	A fee that is paid in addition to other publication fees, in order to make an article open access immediately
<b>Associated publisher</b>	An organisation that is associated with the journal, for example an academic society
<b>Author's homepage</b>	The personal home page of the author
<b>Creative commons</b>	A collection of open licences. For more information, see <a href="https://creativecommons.org">https://creativecommons.org</a>
<b>DOI (digital object identifier)</b>	A persistent identifier that uniquely identifies an article
<b>Funder designated repository</b>	A repository required by the funding agency
<b>Institutional repository</b>	A repository that is associated with the Institution of the author
<b>Institutional website</b>	A website at the author's institution that is not the institutional repository
<b>Journal website</b>	The primary website on which a journal may make articles available for download
<b>Open access journal</b>	A journal which is free to access at point of publication
<b>Pathway</b>	A way in which a document can become Open Access. A policy is made up of multiple pathways that represent the permissions that the policy grants
<b>Preprint repository</b>	A repository that primarily contains articles prior to peer-review, e.g. arXiv.org
<b>Published version</b>	The publisher-created published version, that has been peer-reviewed and copy edited. Also known as: Final Published Version, Version of Record
<b>Publisher</b>	The organisation which holds the rights to determine the journal's open access policy, for example, a commercial publisher or an academic society
<b>Subject repository</b>	A repository that only contains articles within a pre-set subject field
<b>Submitted version</b>	The version that has been submitted to a journal for peer review. Also known as: Author's Original Manuscript (AOM), Original manuscript, Pre-print

















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# Overcoming the bottleneck



# Research evaluation

Based on bibliometric  
indexes built upon  
commercial and closed (non  
transparent) databases



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# What are we evaluating?

- Researchers are evaluated by looking at the **Impact Factors** of the Journals where they publish papers
- **Commercial publishers are responsible** for assessing ranking (Impact Factor) of the Scientific Journals

# Researcher's survival kit?

- many many publications
- high citation rate
- "important" venues (read: high IF)

But this does not in itself imply excellence in research!

19th century  
scientist

I must find the explanation for this phenomenon in order to truly understand Nature...



21st centurt  
~~scientist~~  
academic

I must get the result that fits my narrative so I can get my paper into Nature..



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# The two most important bibliometric indexes

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## Journal Impact Factor

For a given year, the two-year jif is the ratio between the number of citations received in that year for publications in that journal that were published in the two preceding years and the total number of "citable items" published in that journal during the two preceding years

$$IF_y = \frac{\text{Citations}_{y-1} + \text{Citations}_{y-2}}{\text{Publications}_{y-1} + \text{Publications}_{y-2}}$$

## H-index

For a researcher:

the maximum value of h such that the given author has published h papers that have each been cited at least h times.

As an example, an h-index of 10 means that among all publications by one author, 10 of these publications have received at least 10 citations each.



# What do JIF and H-index measure?

## Journal Impact Factor

Impact Factor is a measure of the frequency with which the average article in a journal has been cited in a particular year.

## H-Index

H-index tries to estimate productivity and impact of a research.

# Citation index criticism – part 1

- Early career researchers are penalised
- The citation context is not considered (e.g. negative citation)
- They are influenced by the limitation of the citational databases (which are all owned by big scientific publishers and not publicly available)
- It can be manipulated by both authors and reviewers (self and cross citations)

DORA, 2013, <https://sfdora.org/read/>

McKiernan, et al, 2019. <https://elifesciences.org/articles/47338>

Niles, et al, 2019. <https://www.biorxiv.org/content/10.1101/706622v1>

Alder, et al, 2008. <https://www.mathunion.org/fileadmin/IMU/Report/CitationStatistics.pdf>

# Citation index criticism – part 2

- It does not take into account the **number of authors** in a paper and their contribution
- It does not take into account research **multidisciplinarity** (i.e. citation conventions differ widely among different fields)
- It does not facilitate **science freedom**

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