

Supporting Research Data Management Skills across Disciplines with FAIRsFAIR Competence Centre

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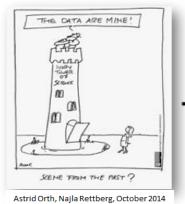


Abstract

In the past years, the formulation of FAIR (Findable-Accessible-Interoperable-Reusable) principles has given rise to numerous initiatives aiming at supporting research communities into translating those principles into practice for a better data management. Whilst that trend has encouraged the development of multiple initiatives, most of the times however, the latter corresponded to attempts to respond to the needs of specific domains or communities, resulting in a fragmented landscape. To address that issue, the FAIRsFAIR virtual competence centre seeks identifying synergies across disciplines and communities while being a hub of expertise that connects people and resources in implementing FAIR principles. Specifically, in its effort to fill the skills gap identified by the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC) in Turning FAIR into Reality, FAIRsFAIR competence centre is particularly focusing on supporting communities in research data management through training. The key target here are data stewards and other professionals supporting research, regardless of their disciplines and work environment. To achieve its goal, the competence centre has structured its operations around three main roles: a) advisory (including training resources and guidance), Dissemination (through community engagement), and Harmonisation (metadata interoperability). The FAIRdata Forum, a key component of the FAIRsFAIR competence centre, is an online platform offering a community-driven space for dissemination of training material, courses, and sharing of best practices. In addition to providing a space for knowledge exchange, FAIRsFAIR competence centre builds up what constitutes a Knowledge Base of FAIR training material. It also promotes a collaborative work with other FAIR initiatives to harmonise approaches in translating EOSC vision into practice.



Background: FAIR Landscape



Findable

Accessible

Interoperable -

Reusable



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Formulation of FAIR principles

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The FAIRsFAIR Competence Centre is a nexus between the FAIRsFAIR project and research communities. We aim at creating a space where communities bring together their best practices from a range of domains, making the Competence Centre a focal point of reference concerning FAIR data.

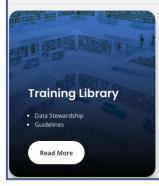
As a shared hub of expertise, FAIRsFAIR Competence Centre role is structured around 3 key points:

- · Advisory: networking space to enable stakeholder collaborations and routing people to expertise in thematic areas.
- · Harmonisation: to consistently describe resources relating to FAIR data stewardship; provide leadership in harmonisation of policies, tools and resource.
- · Dissemination: dissemination of training material and courses; enable sharing of best practices

FAIRsFAIR knowledge base

A self-service library that stores a collection of reusable training materials, guidance resources, publications and other tools to help data stewards, policy makers and researchers make and keep data FAIR.

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- · FAIR Data Forum: an open space for users (individuals, institutions, organisations) to post queries, answers, comments pertaining to making data FAIR
- Publications: a space where to find articles and publications, (not only) about training
- Training activities. They include practical, powerful training interventions for the data science community in Europe; mapping data science programmes at universities; and integrating FAIR data skills into existing training offerings.





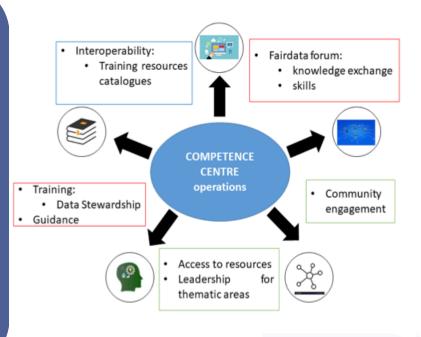


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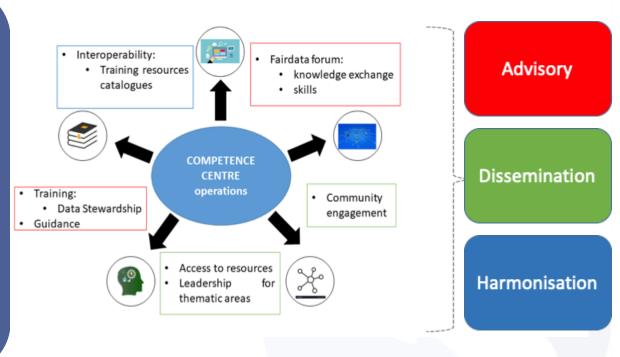
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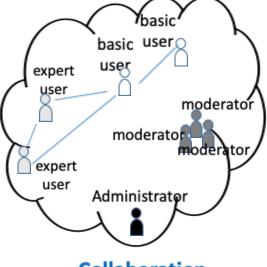




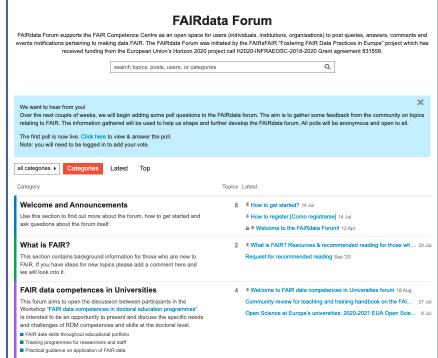
Community **Engagement**

- Online platform for peer-to-peer knowledge exchange
- → Signpost to resources and tools that support FAIR
- → Support Data Stewardship training
- → Posts to form a knowledge base of shared information

Awareness adoption



Collaboration



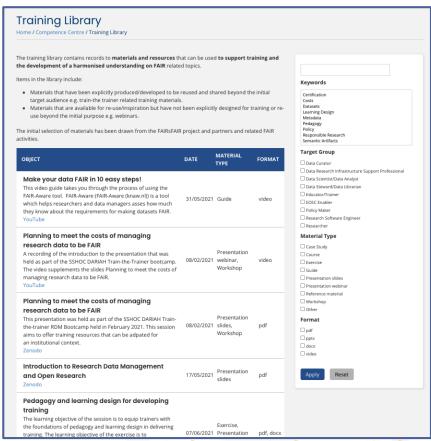
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FAIRsFAIR Competence Centre - Training Library

Apply emerging standards to describe learning resources in FAIR data stewardship

- → making training materials findable
- contributing to the RDA
 Education and Training on handling of research data
- → contributing to use case of training materials for Terms4FAIRskills terminology





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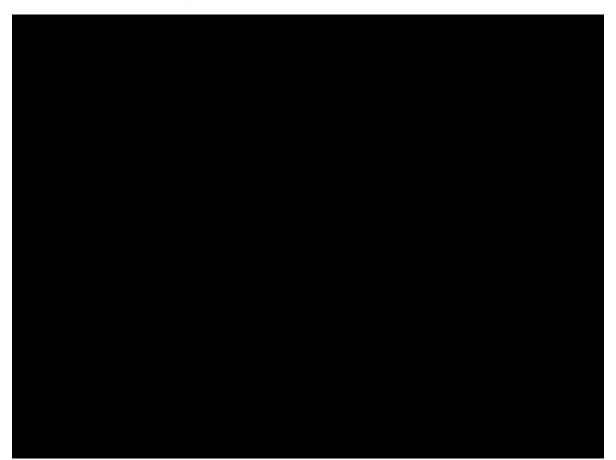
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Way Forward

- Training and community building to support emerging roles
- Bring people together from different organisations to share experience and knowledge





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We Want to Hear from YOU!

We are gathering some feedback from the community on topics relating to FAIR. The information gathered will be used to help us shape and further develop the FAIRdata Forum. Polls will be anonymous and open to all.

The first poll is now live!

View & answer the poll:

https://fairdataforum.org/t/what-do-you-know-about-fair-poll/477

Note: you will need to be logged in to add your vote