

# Proiectul NI4OS-Europe: obiective și activități

Evenimentul Național de Diseminare  
NI4OS-Europe în Moldova  
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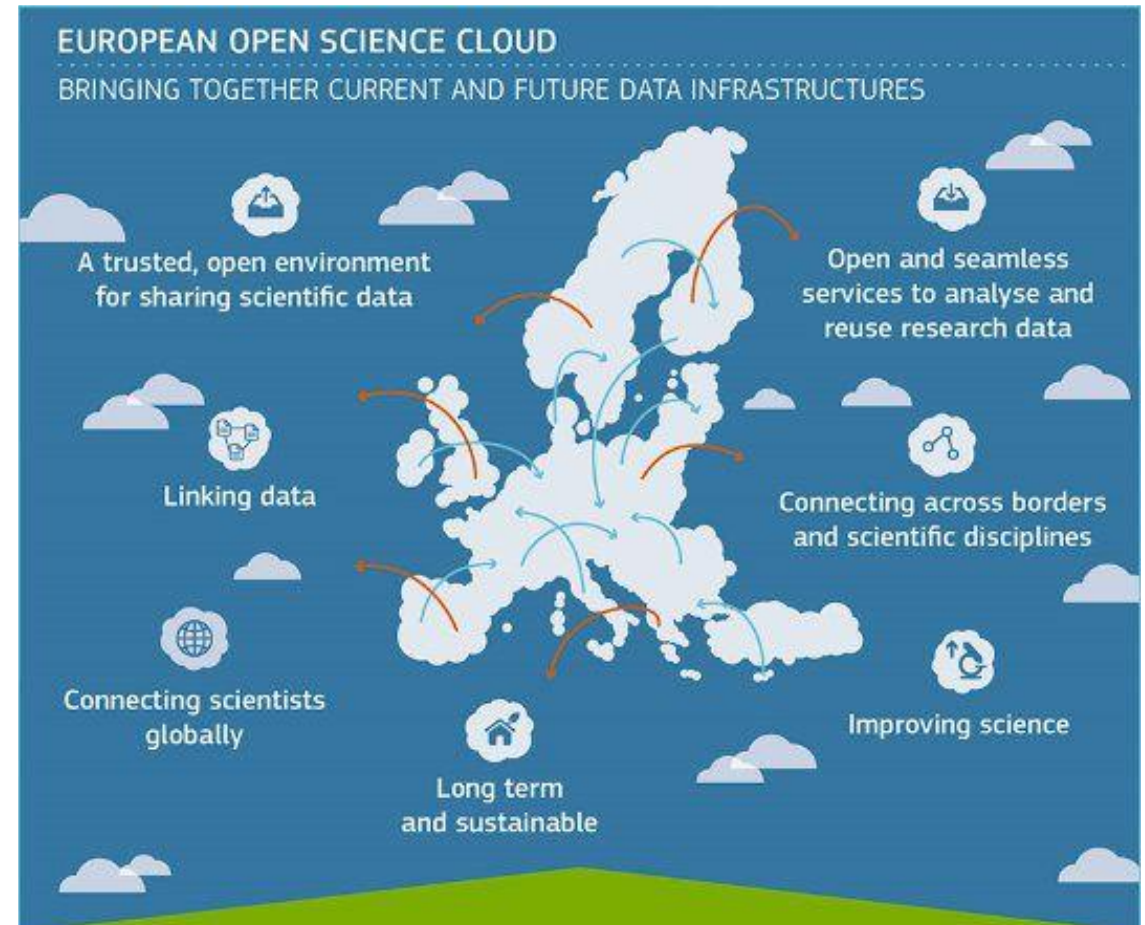


# European Open Science Cloud

## Vision

To ensure that European scientists reap the full benefits of data-driven science, by offering “1.7 million European researchers and 70 million professionals in science and technology a virtual environment with free at the point of use, open and seamless services for storage, management, analysis and re-use of research data, across borders and scientific disciplines”

2016 Communication on the “European Cloud Initiative”



# NI4OS-Europe

15 Member States and Associated Countries | 22 Partners



**Participating countries**

Greece	Hungary	Albania	Republic of Moldova
Cyprus	Romania	Bosnia-Herzegovina	Armenia
Bulgaria	Slovenia	North Macedonia	Georgia
Croatia	Serbia	Montenegro	




# Partnership building blocks

Operators of services for research & technology

Open Science communities & infrastructures



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# Mission



**Support** the **development and inclusion** of the national Open Science Cloud (OSC) initiatives in 15 Member States and Associated Countries in the overall scheme of EOSC governance



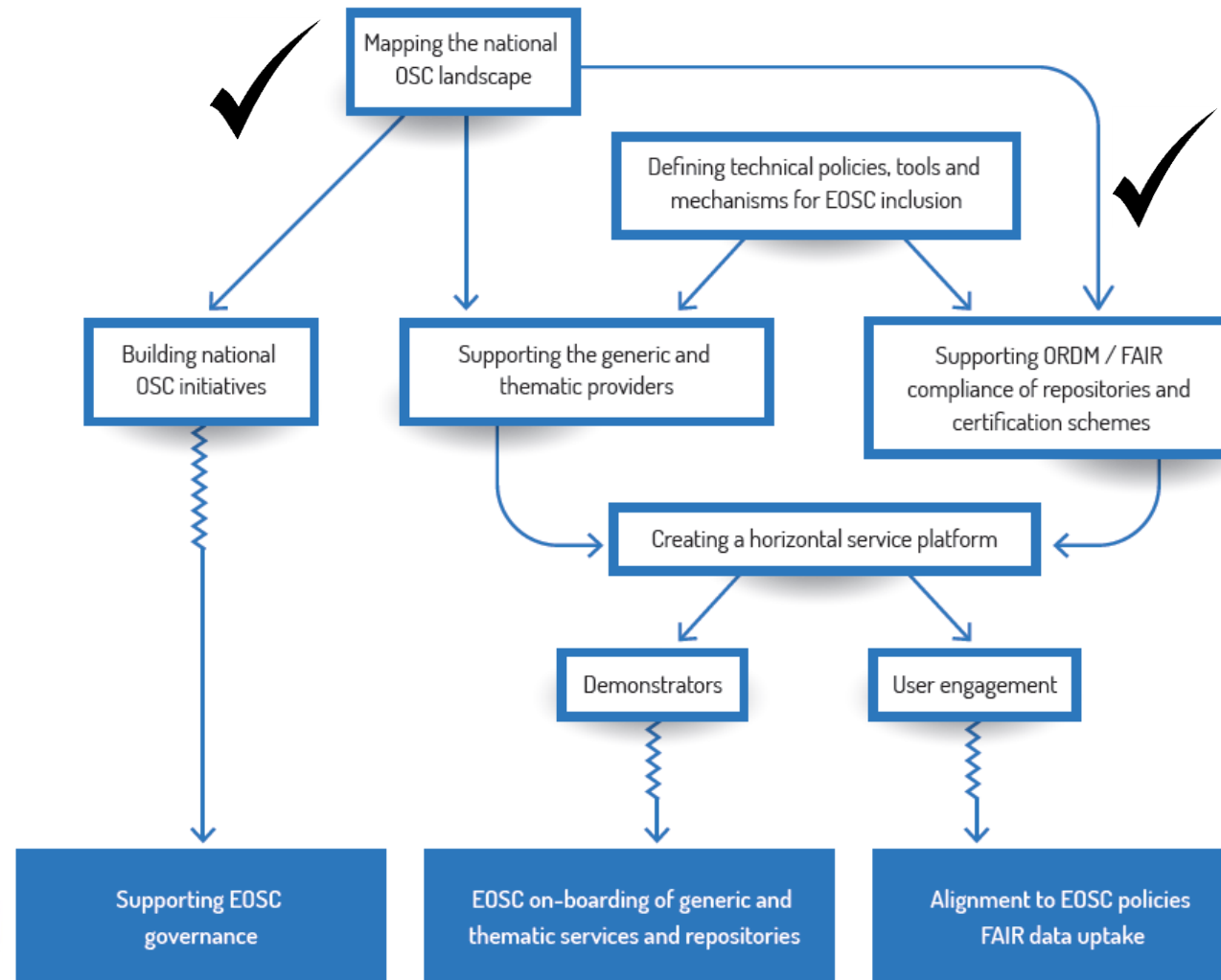
**Spread** the **EOSC and FAIR principles** in the community and train it



**Provide** **technical and policy support** in on-boarding of the existing and future service providers into EOSC



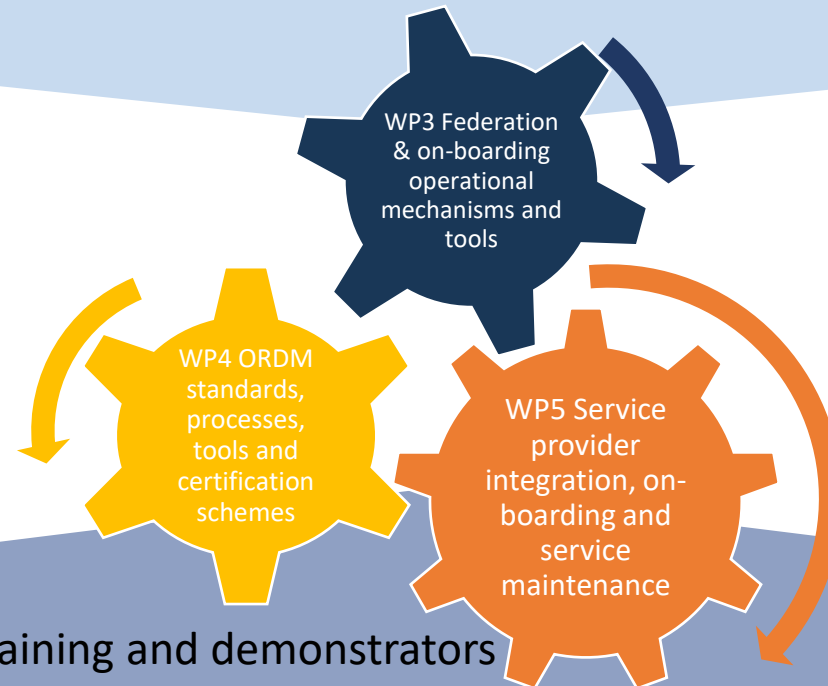
# Methodology



# Organization

WP1 Management

WP2 EOSC national initiatives and policy support



WP6 User engagement, training and demonstrators

WP7 Communication, marketing, sustainability and innovation

# Lines of action



Support the development and inclusion of the **National Open Science Cloud Initiatives** in 15 Member States and Associated Countries in the overall scheme of **EOSC governance**



# EOSC national initiatives & policy support

Support the EOSC Governance structure by forming in partner countries

Support the building of sustainable governance by engaging the national initiatives

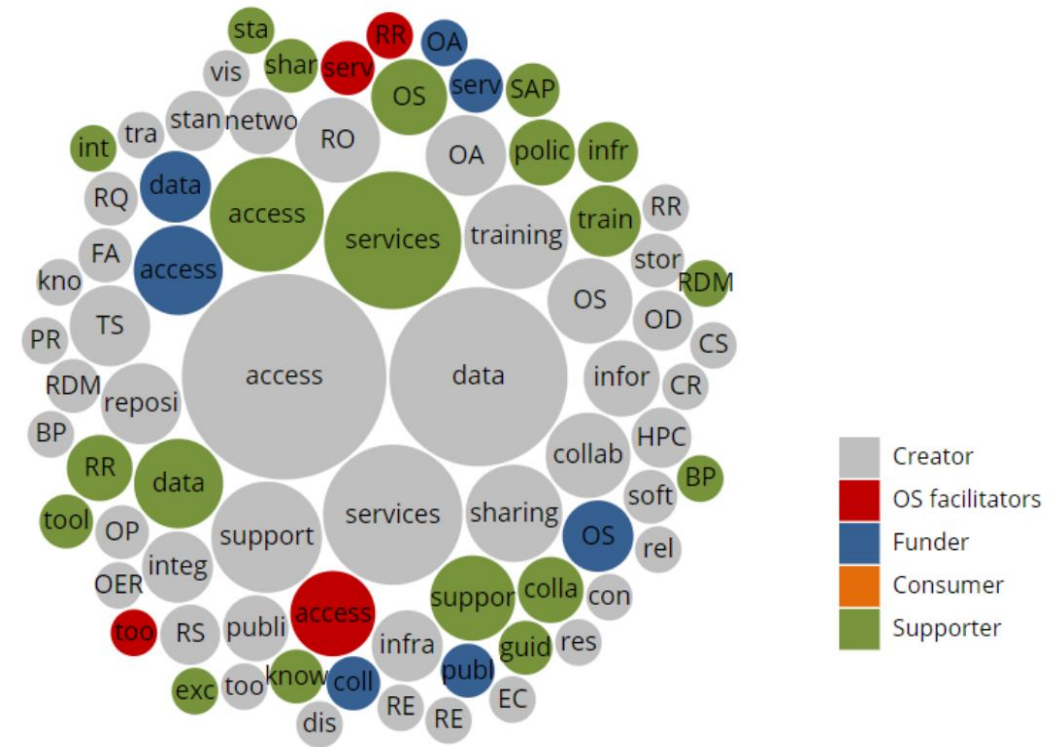
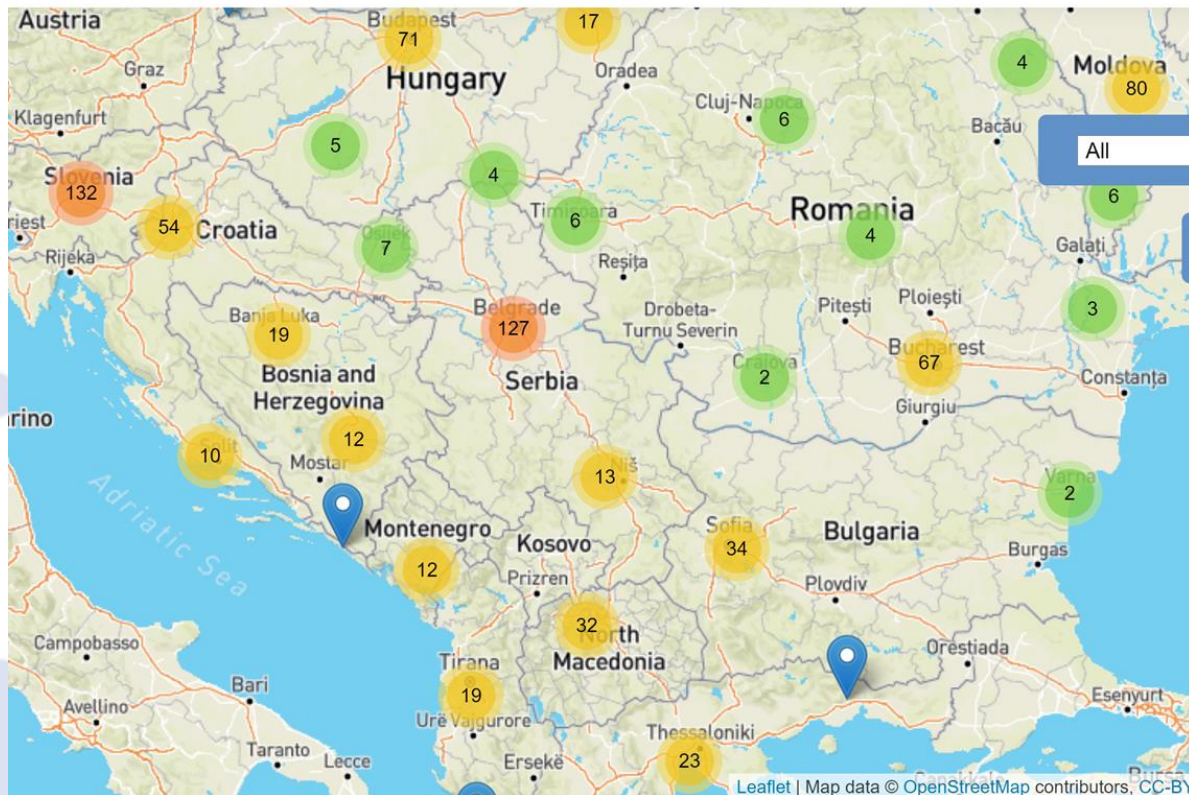
Provide **support and interface** to other EOSC-relevant bodies

Reduce **fragmentation** and promote federation on national level

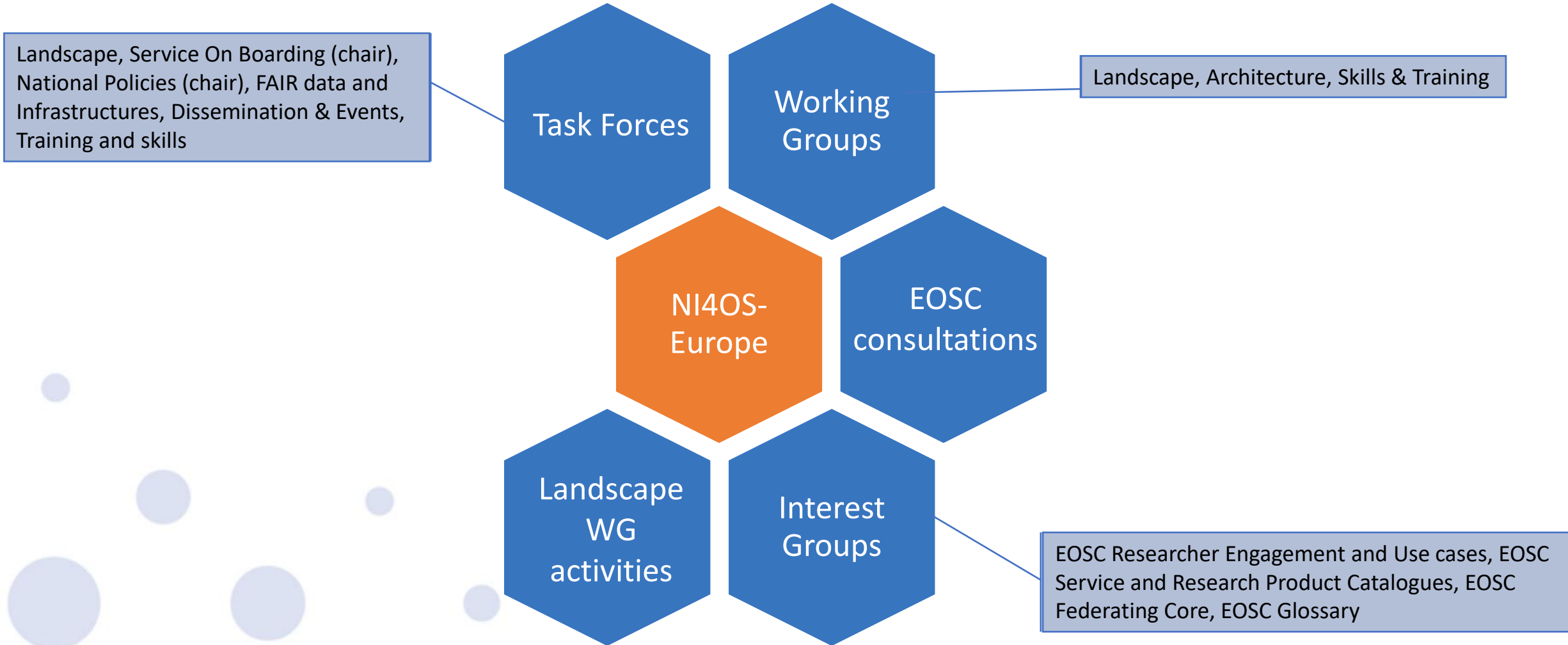
Prepare the ground for EOSC **on-boarding**

# Open Science survey: Capturing the state of OS in the region

- Visualization of results
- Creation of stakeholder map for SEE
- First set of data deposited in Zenodo under an open



# Liaison with EOSC

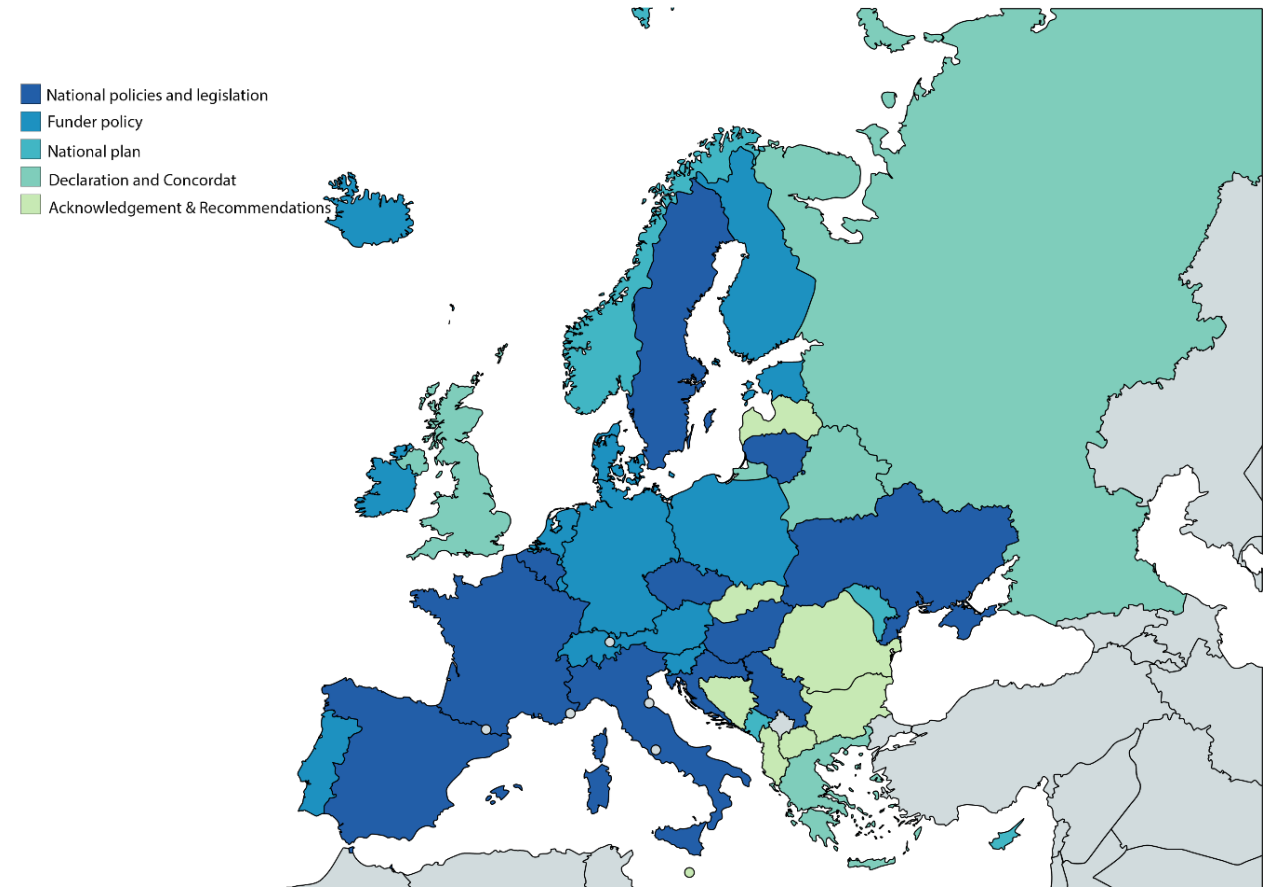


# National Open Science Cloud Initiatives

- NOSCI are living national OS ecosystems that support with the EOSC Governance
- NOSCI recognize diversity and OS maturity of countries, and their modelling can be adjusted to fit the needs of each country
- NOSCI keep national stakeholders up to date with EOSC developments and spread awareness

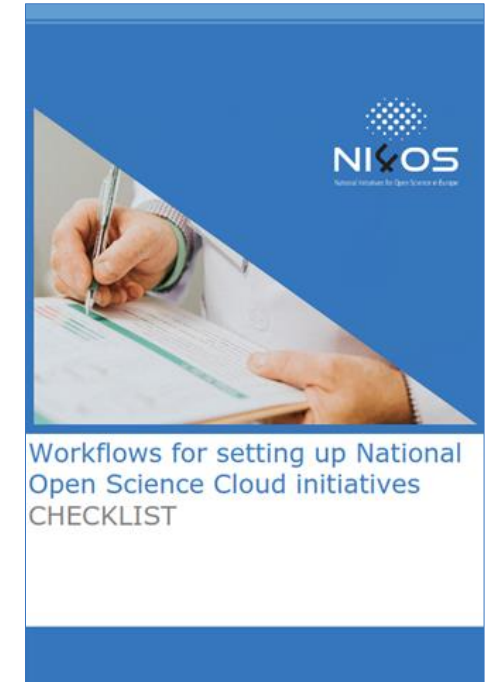
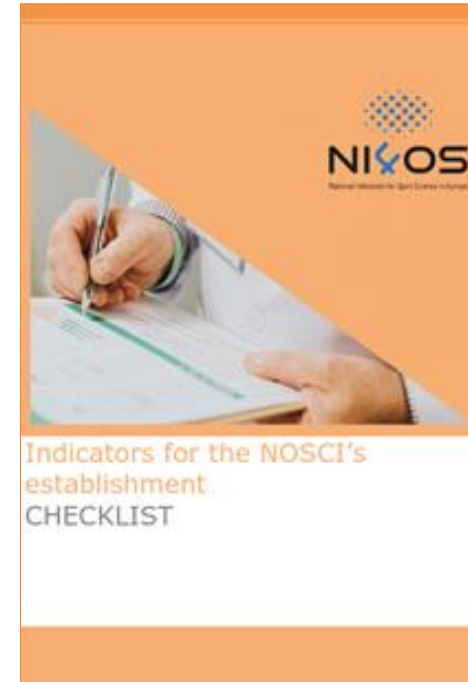
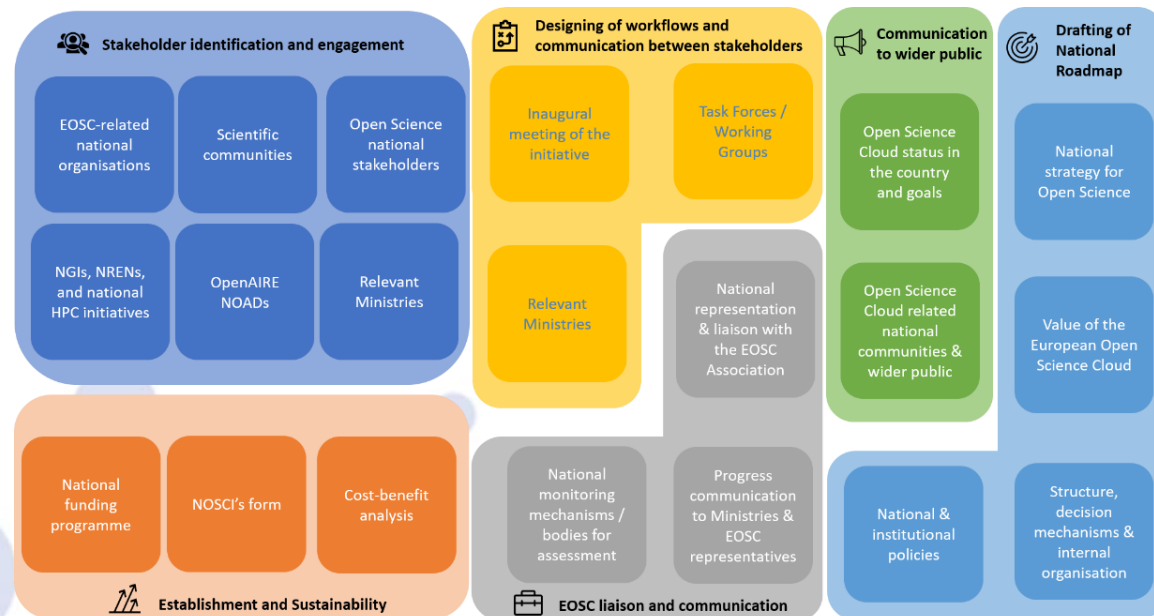
# Establishing a NOSCI: all-round support

- Collection of current **OS policies and models** in Europe with focus on SEE area
- **Clustering and visualization** of OS policies across Europe
- Classification of major **OSC building blocks**.
- **Blueprint** for setting up NOSCI
- **2 checklists** facilitating the establishment and operation of the NOSCI
- **Explanatory video** guiding through the different setup options
- **Training webinar** supporting the set-up of NOSCI
- **Workshop** bringing together NI4OS-Europe partners with the EOSC Governance Board country delegates



# Blueprint for NOSCIs: workflows and checklists

- Set of indicators for assessing establishment progress
- Modular workflow for setting up NOSCIs
- Operational aspects for their day-to-day operation



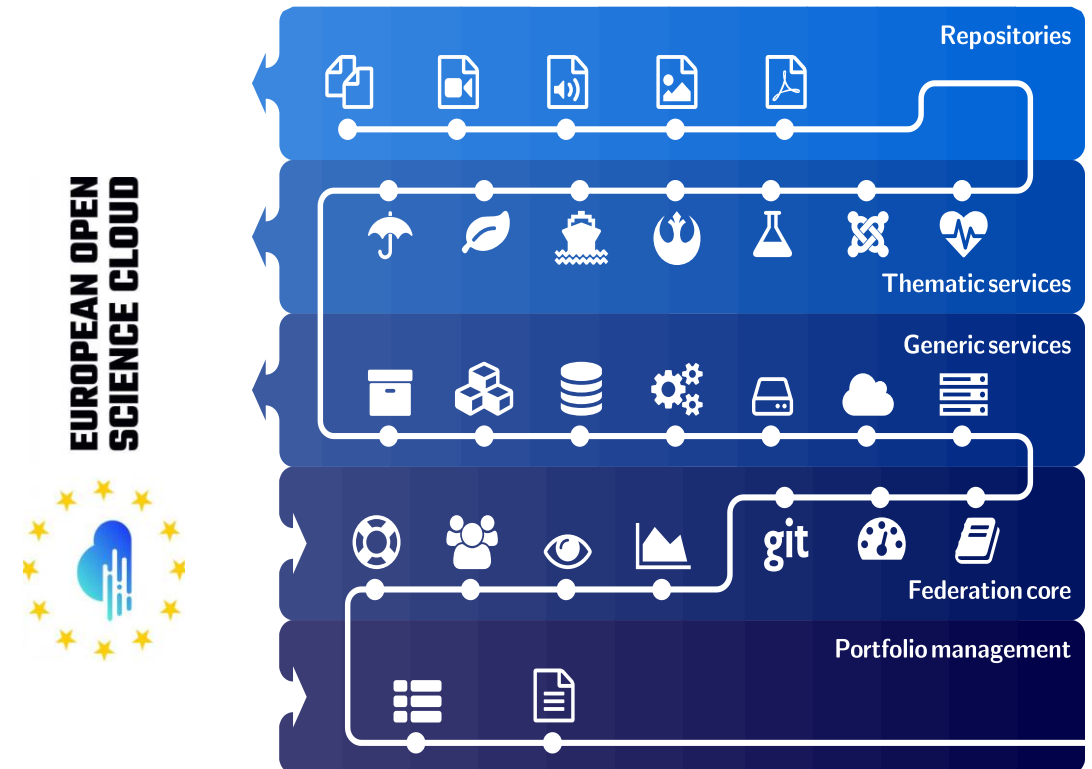
# Lines of action



Provide **technical and policy support** in **on-boarding** of the existing and future service providers **into EOOSC**

# Service integration and onboarding

- Pre-production environment – validate readiness and maturity level for EOSC onboarding
- Service portfolio management system based on the EOSC provider and service profile
- Integration with federation core services
- Service categorization
- Onboarding of
  - generic services
  - thematic services
  - repositories

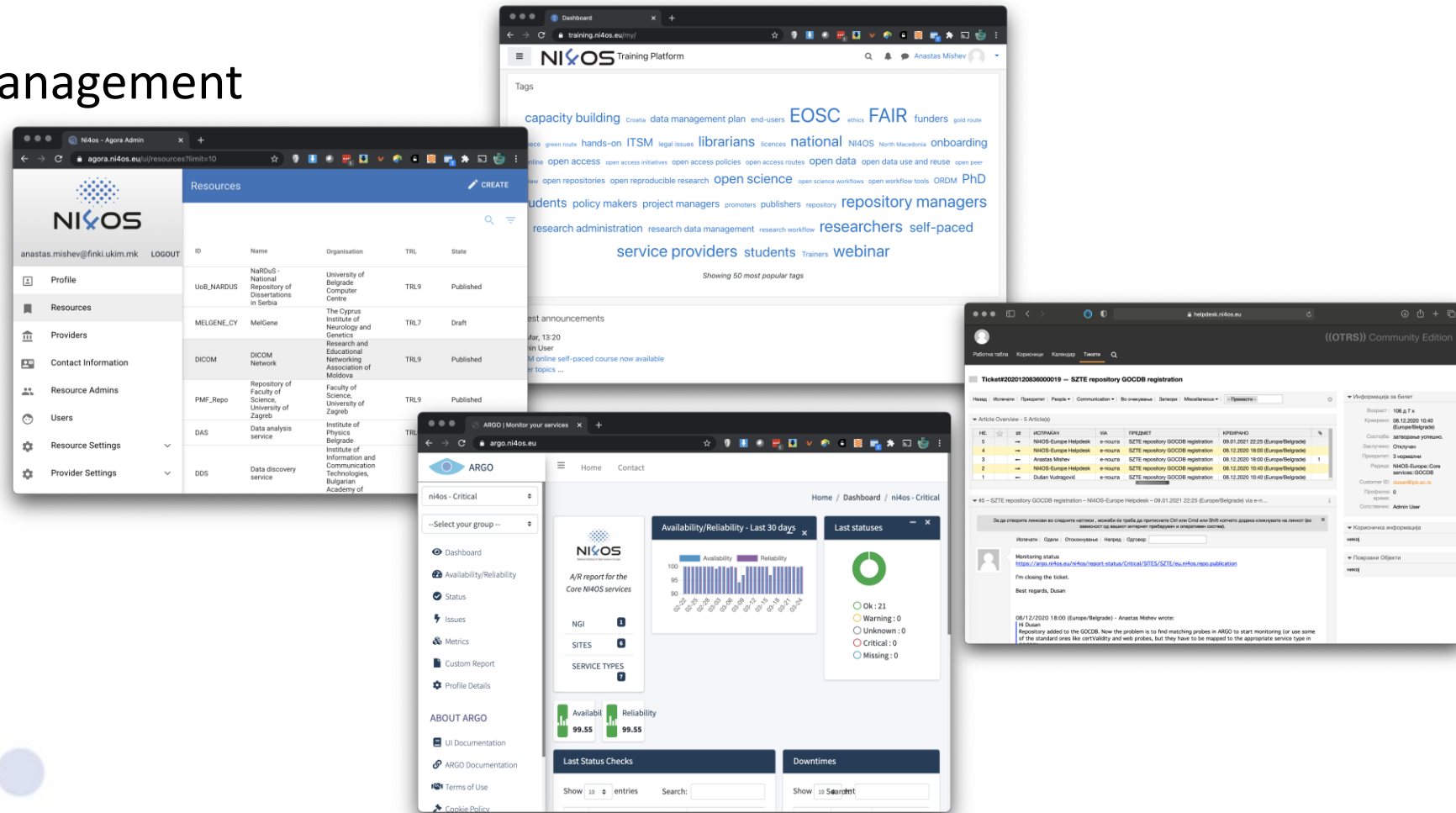




# NI4OS-Europe pre-production environment

- Federating core

- Service catalogue management system (AGORA)
- AAI
- Helpdesk
- Monitoring
- Accounting



# NI4OS-Europe: Registered Services for Moldova

The following resources have been registered with the AGORA Service catalogue management system:

Generic:

- RENAM Scientific Cloud;
- RENAM Storage Service.

Thematic:

- DICOM Network;
- CSIA.

Repositories:

- IREK – ASEM, Institutional Repository of Economic Knowledge

# Registered Generic Services

## ○ **Generic services:**

- NI4OS-Europe-SDT-Cloud-RENAM-MD-Openstack
- NI4OS-Europe-SDT-Storage-MD-RENAM-FreeNAS

Basic Information					
Entry name	Entry type	Required	Public	Your answer	Guidance
Storage specification	Single Line	X	X	R740XD Server	
Total storage [TB]	Single Line	X	X	56Tb	
Storage technology	Single selection list	X	X	SAS	SSD, SAS,
Storage performance	Single Line		X		140 IOPS
Software details					
Entry name	Entry type	Required	Public	Your answer	Guidance
Supported interfaces	Single Line	X	X	FTP, NFS, WebD	List of protocols
Supported storage types	Multiselect list		X		Available

Basic Information					
Entry name	Entry type	Required	Public	Your answer	Guidance
Server specification	Single Line	X	X	Dell R430	This might be
Number of servers	Single Line	X	X		2 Number of
CPU details					
Entry name	Entry type	Required	Public	Your answer	Guidance
CPU specification	Single Line	X	X	Intel(R) Xeon(R) i	
CPUs per server	Single Line	X	X		2
Cores per CPU	Single Line	X	X		16
RAM per server [GB]	Single Line	X	X		128
RAM per core [GB]	Single Line	X	X		8
Total number of CPU-cores	Single Line	X	X		32
Filesystem details					
Entry name	Entry type	Required	Public	Your answer	Guidance
Total storage [TB]	Single Line	X	X		2.7
Virtual Machine specification					
Entry name	Entry type	Required	Public	Your answer	Guidance
Minimum number of CPU cores per VM	Single Line	X	X		1
Minimum amount of RAM per VM [GB]	Single Line	X	X		2
Maximum number of CPU cores per VM	Single Line	X	X		4
Maximum amount of RAM per VM [GB]	Single Line	X	X		16
Maximum amount of storage per VM [GB]	Single Line	X	X		250
Software details					

RENAM continued negotiation of services on-boarding prioritization, timing, categorization and preparing own resources for on-boarding and verification according to the developed documents, templates and rules.

# Registered Thematic Services and Repositories

- Thematic services:

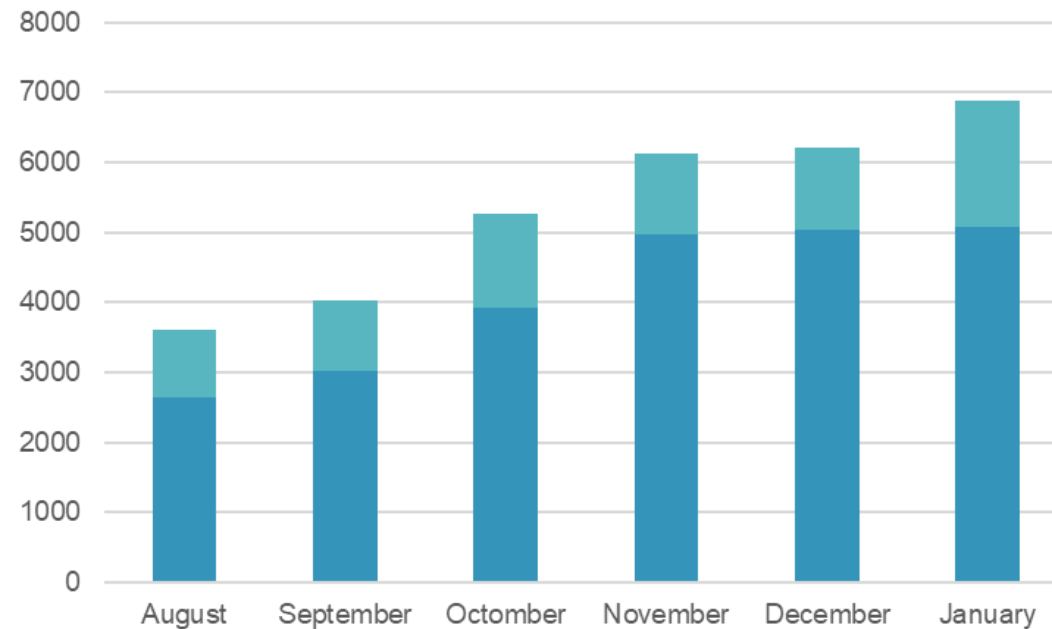
- DICOM Network
- CSIA

- Repositories:

- IREK – ASEM, Institutional Repository of Economic Knowledge.
- Support of integration of national repositories;
- Preparing repositories for integration, analysis of problems and regulatory documents

## DICOM Network Service Development:

- DICOM Viewer optimizations. Added one more Image View for impersonated Data
- Connecting new members to DICOM Network
- Connecting new equipment to DICOM Network
- Added special reporting tools for COVID-19 patients

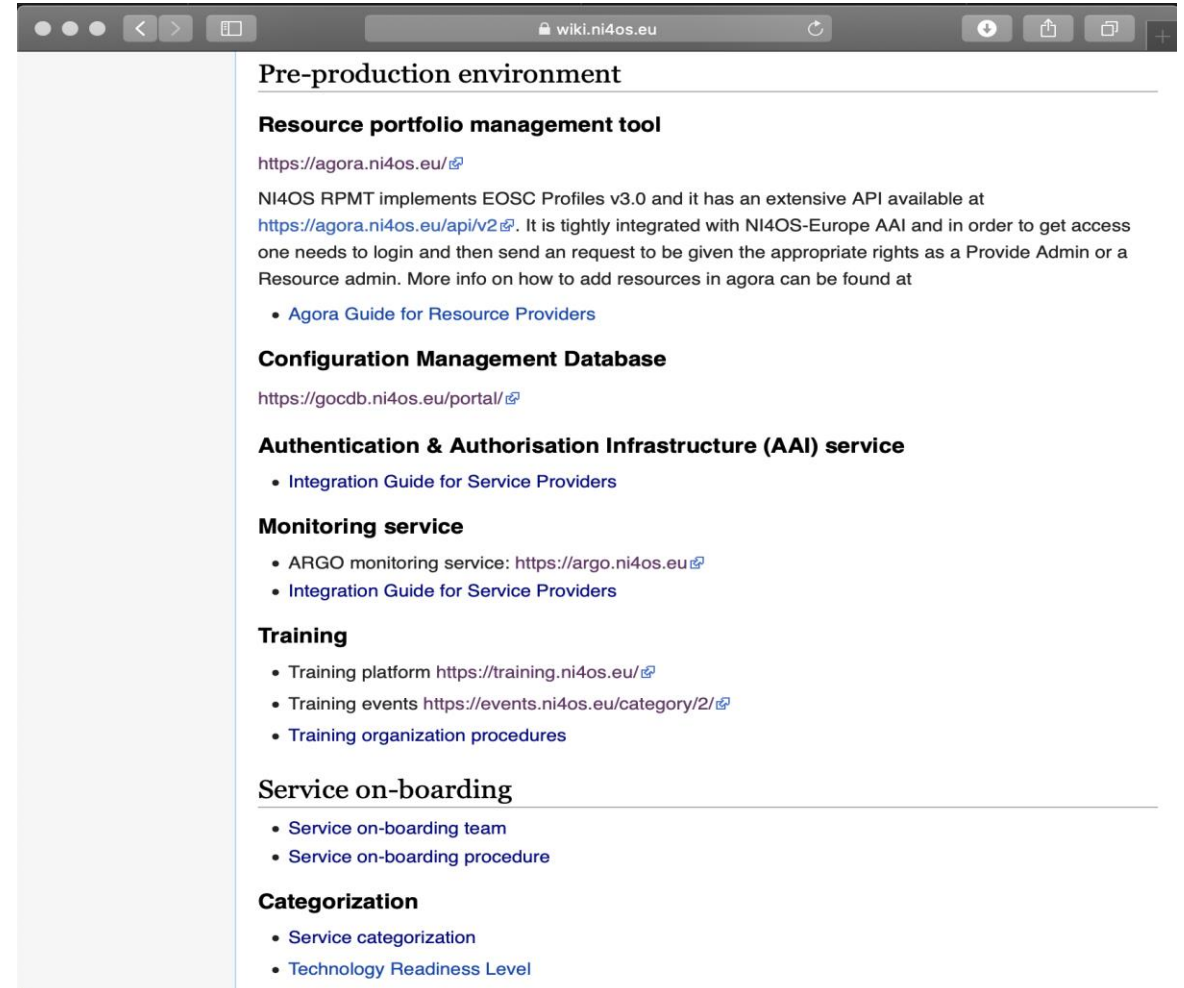


Percentage of COVID-19 patients in the DICOM NETWORK system. Blue is non COVID-19 investigations and teal are COVID-19 investigations.

# Procedures and policies

- NI4OS-Europe [wiki page](#)
  - Policies
  - Policy templates
  - Procedures for service integration with the pre-production environment

**Role:** to support service providers towards uniform and seamless EOSC integration

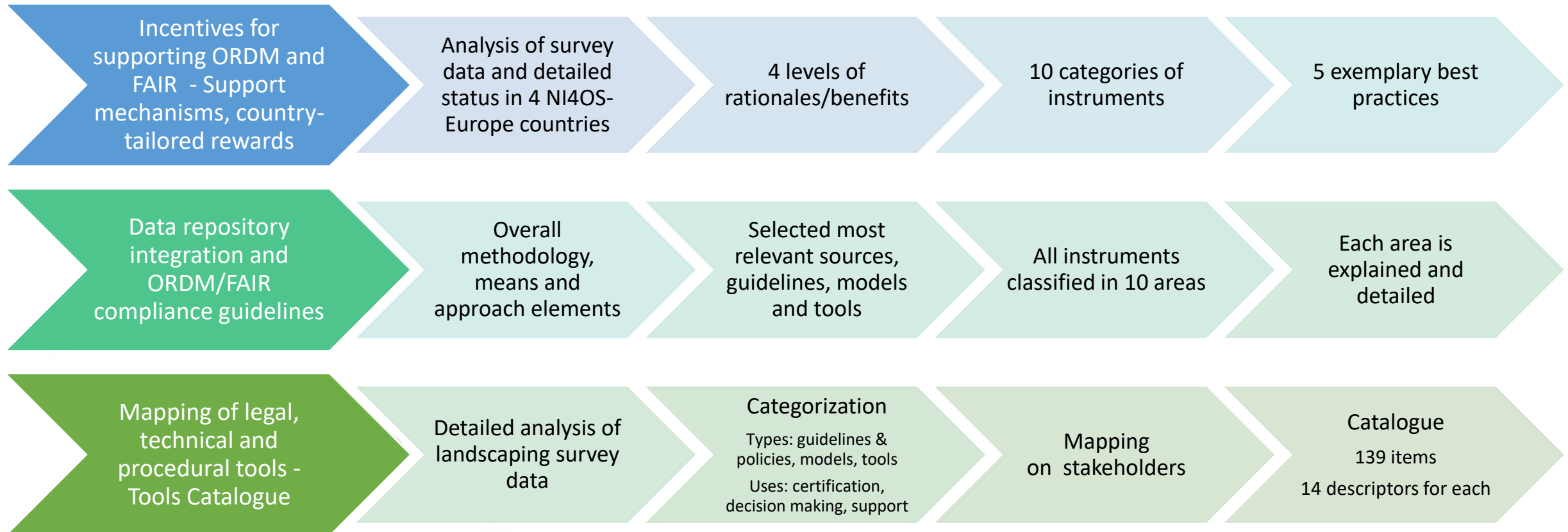


The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the NI4OS-Europe wiki page. The page is titled "Pre-production environment" and lists several key components and guides:

- Resource portfolio management tool**
  - URL: <https://agora.ni4os.eu/>
  - Description: NI4OS RPMT implements EOSC Profiles v3.0 and has an extensive API available at <https://agora.ni4os.eu/api/v2/>. It is tightly integrated with NI4OS-Europe AAI and in order to get access one needs to login and then send a request to be given the appropriate rights as a Provide Admin or a Resource admin. More info on how to add resources in agora can be found at
    - [Agora Guide for Resource Providers](#)
- Configuration Management Database**
  - URL: <https://gocdb.ni4os.eu/portal/>
- Authentication & Authorisation Infrastructure (AAI) service**
  - [Integration Guide for Service Providers](#)
- Monitoring service**
  - ARGO monitoring service: <https://argo.ni4os.eu/>
  - [Integration Guide for Service Providers](#)
- Training**
  - Training platform <https://training.ni4os.eu/>
  - Training events <https://events.ni4os.eu/category/2/>
  - [Training organization procedures](#)
- Service on-boarding**
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  - [Technology Readiness Level](#)

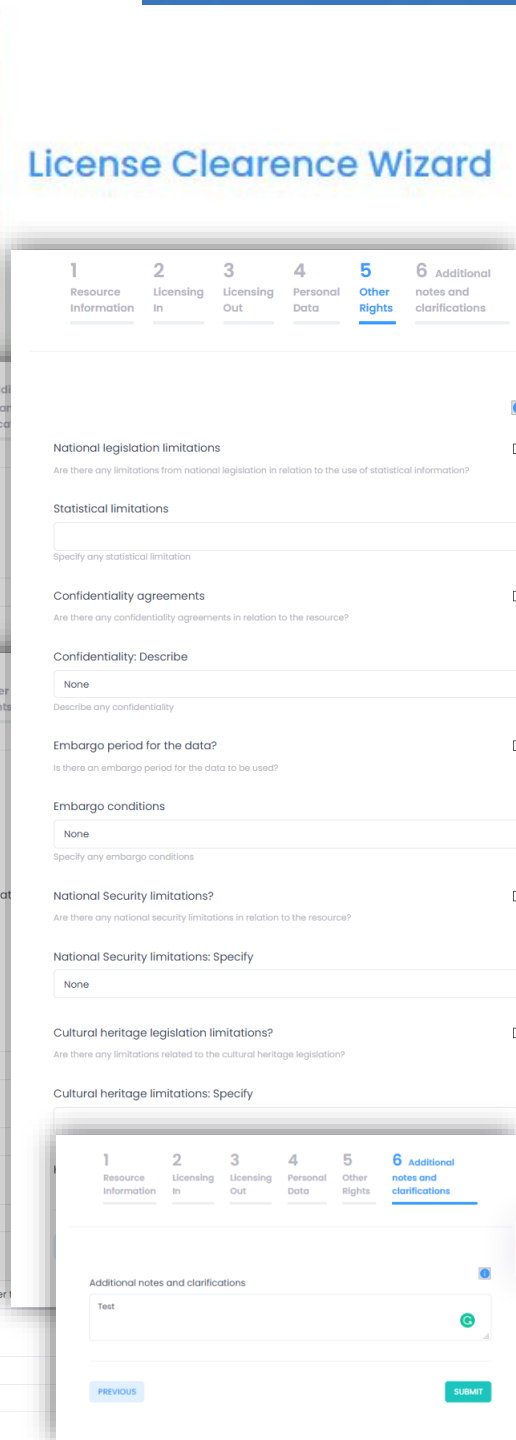
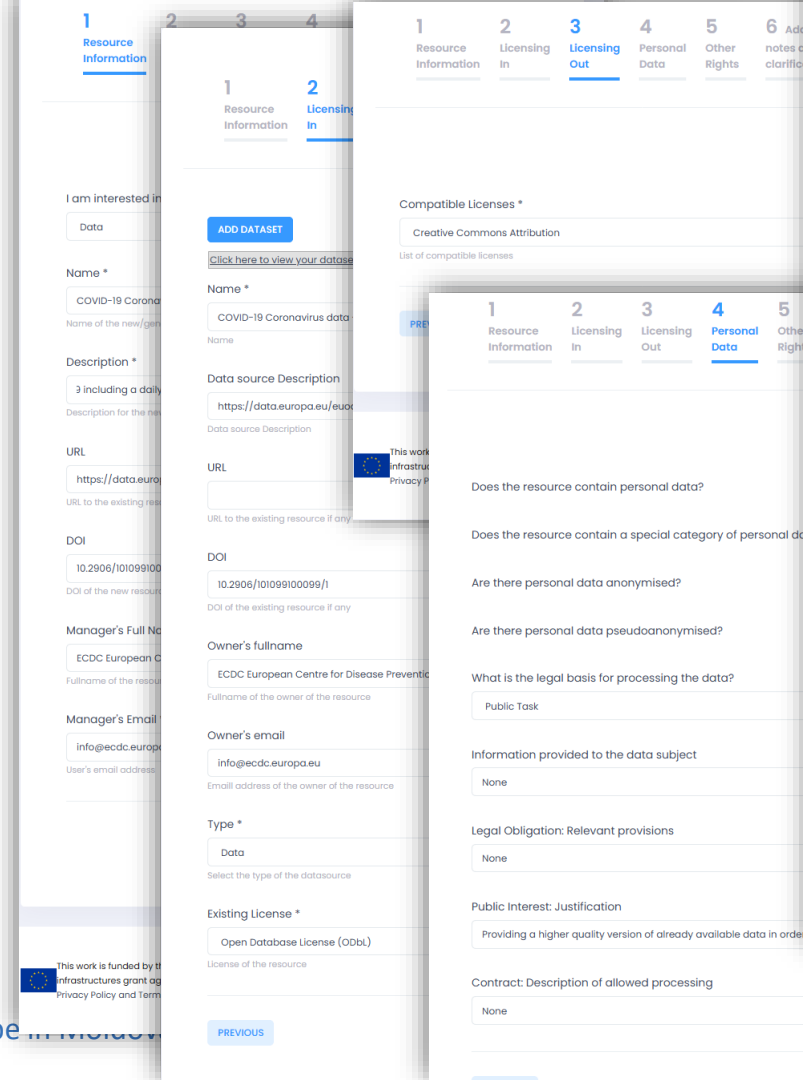
- Implementation and adoption of **tools, standards and guidelines**
- Selection and delivery of tools
- **Harmonization and interoperability** within and across communities and with core initiatives
- Development and application of **certification schemes**
- **Elaboration of incentives** to support ORDM and FAIR
- **Analysis of the incentives and rewards** that can be employed to improve the uptake of ORDM and FAIR
- **Analysis of guidelines** for OS by approaching ORDM and FAIR
- Analysis and **categorization of contemporary existing tools** supporting FAIR and ORDM

# ORDM/FAIR documents with their elements




# Tools for data and service managers

- License Clearance Tool
  - Help in resolving IPR issues when dealing with various
    - input licenses
    - output licenses
    - personal data
    - special limitations
- Repository Policy Generator (in dev)
  - Creation of repository policy documents using
    - Few mandatory inputs
    - Explained choices
    - Related options
    - Carefully redacted templates



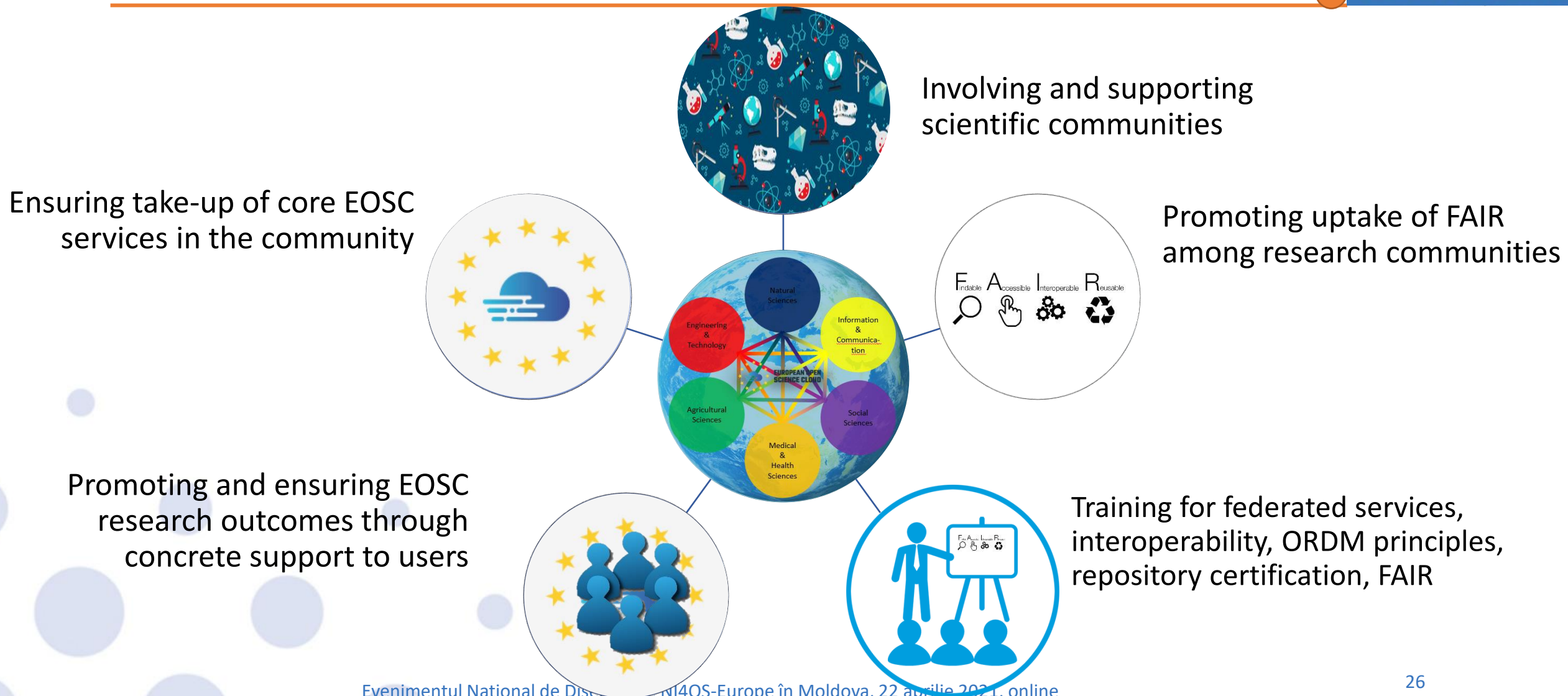


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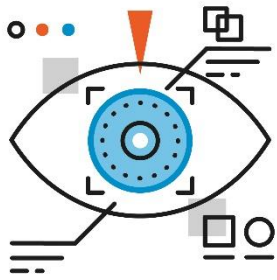
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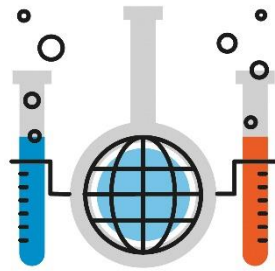


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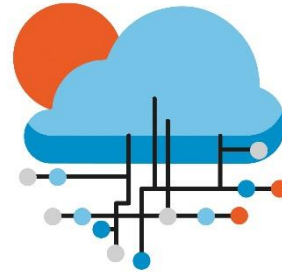
- Training materials available
- Definition of use cases in various scientific fields:



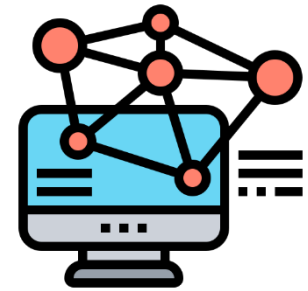
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Cultural Heritage



Life Sciences



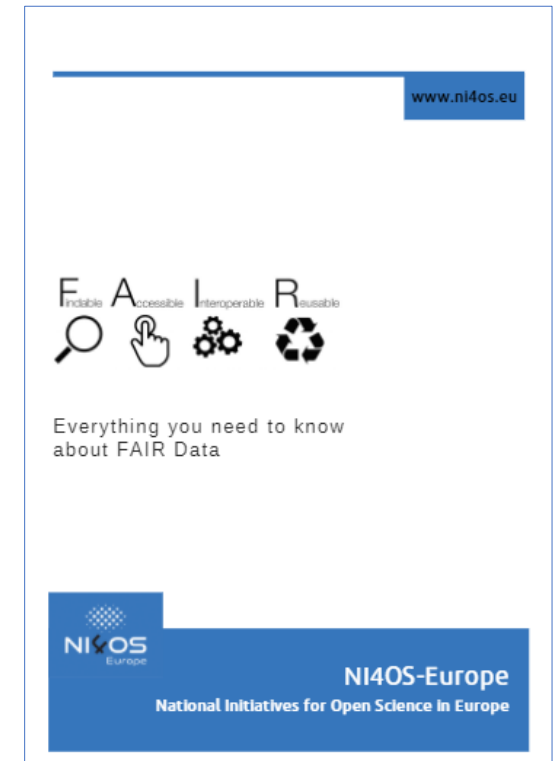
Climate Science



Computational Physics

# Support to EOSC service & FAIR uptake in communities

- Ambassadors from each country assigned as **EOSC promoters**
- **Training** and dissemination **material** for **FAIR** and **EOSC** service uptake is available in all different languages of the NI4OS-Europe area
- **Webinars** for disseminating EOSC and FAIR principles in each country



# NI4OS-Europe training

- [NI4OS-Europe training platform](#)
- Training platform has been populated with training material
- 5 [train-the-trainers](#) events held on:
  - FAIR
  - National EOSC promotion
  - ORDM
  - Onboarding
  - IT Service Management
- Each country participating in NI4OS-Europe has scheduled 2 training events – total of 30 training events



# Communication, marketing, sustainability, innovation

- Strong digital presence
  - Website
  - Calendar
  - Agenda tool
- Events and networking
  - Webinars
  - Workshops
  - Dissemination events
- **Collaboration** with the EOSC-5b projects
- **Support** the global efforts on **COVID-19**



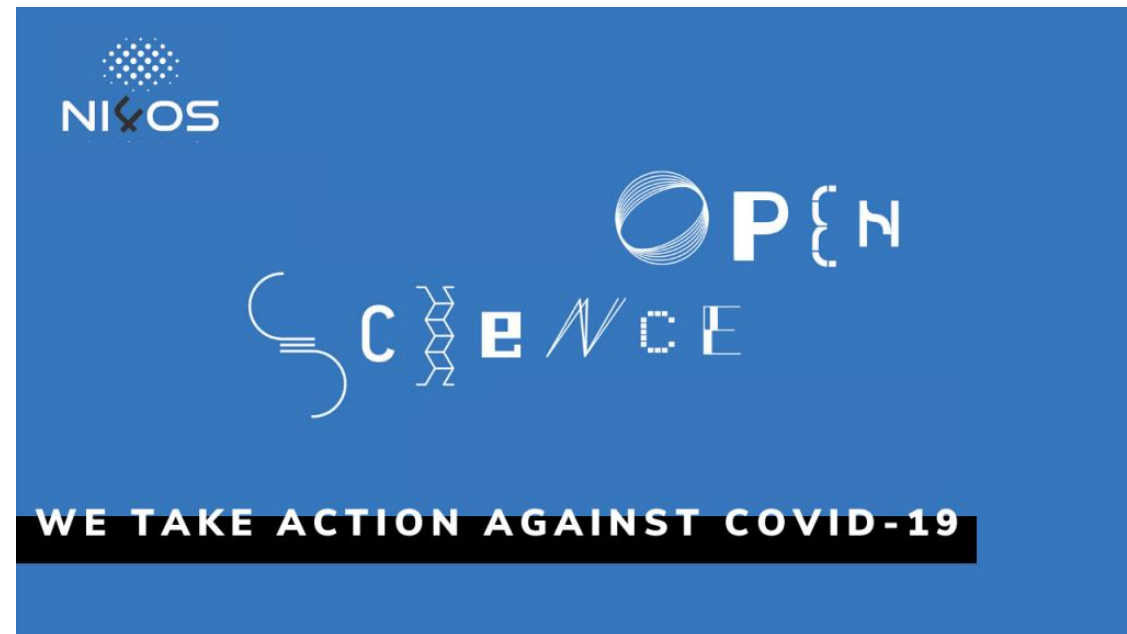
- **Sustainability and innovation**
  - Find solutions for sustainable and long-term impact of project results
  - Manage knowledge and results so as to create added value for different stakeholders

# Support the global efforts on COVID-19

- COVID-19 social media campaign
- [NI4OS-Europe vs COVID-19](#): providing fast track access to services, tools and software for the Scientific communities that perform extensive research to tackle COVID-19
- [NI4OS-Europe Covid19 Wiki](#) : Collection of joint resources in open science related to COVID-19 in SEE

Scientific results:

[“Multi-omics data integration and network-based analysis drives a multiplex drug repurposing approach to a shortlist of candidate drugs against COVID-19”](#)



# NI4OS-Europe brand & promotional package

- Logo
- Video
- Brochures
- Presentations
- Newsletters
- Posters and Infographics
- Roll-up banners





# NI4OS-catalogue on-boarding campaign

**EXPLORE**  
NI4OS-Europe Catalogue

**Core Services**

NI4OS-Europe helpdesk supports ticket creation & classification per support unit. It is based on OTRS technology and can be easily integrated with external resources.

**EXPLORE**  
NI4OS-Europe Catalogue

**Generic services**

PARADOX-IV cluster consists of 106 working nodes and 3 service nodes. The total number of new processor-cores in the cluster is 1696. Its peak computing power is 105 TFlops.

**EXPLORE**  
NI4OS-Europe Catalogue

**Generic services**

AVITOHOL supercomputer provides 412 TFlops of performance for diverse scientific and industrial applications.

**EXPLORE**  
NI4OS-Europe Catalogue

**Generic services**

FINIKI cloud infrastructure, based on Openstack, is hosted on 15 servers, each with 128GB RAM and 20 HT CPU cores totaling in 300 vCPU cores and 37TB SSD and 32 TB SAS storage.

**EXPLORE**  
NI4OS-Europe Catalogue

**Thematic Services**

Gaussian API is a service for fitting repulsive potentials in density-functional tight-binding with Gaussian process regression.

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**Thematic Services**

ChemBioServer is a publicly available web application for effectively filtering and clustering chemical compounds used in drug discovery.

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**Thematic Services**

DREAMM is a novel web-based tool that predicts protein-membrane interfaces of peripheral membrane proteins using ensemble machine learning.

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**Thematic Services**

NanoCrystal is a novel web-based crystallographic tool for the construction of nanoparticles from any material crystal structure.

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**Thematic Services**

FEPPrepare is a webserver, which automates the set-up procedure for performing NAMD/FEP simulations.

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**Thematic Services**

Schrödinger API offers advanced methods for solving of multidimensional time-independent Schrödinger equation.

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**Core Services**

The ARGO Monitoring Engine supports monitoring of the status, availability, and reliability of services provided in NI4OS-Europe.

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NI4OS-Europe Catalogue

**Core Services**

NI4OS-Europe accounting system collects, analyzes & provides information about the usage of services, e.g. HPC usage, storage data, virtual machines data.

**EXPLORE**  
NI4OS-Europe Catalogue

**Core Services**

AGORA is a tool for managing a "service portfolio". It is addressed to the management board of an organization to overview all services, tools and products that it either uses internally or provides to its customers.

**EXPLORE**  
NI4OS-Europe Catalogue

**Core Services**

NI4OS-Europe training portal contains material of the project's training events. It also offers self-paced courses on EOSC-related topics.

**EXPLORE**  
NI4OS-Europe Catalogue

**Generic services**

The PARADOX Hadoop cluster is designed to overlap computation & data storage operations, i.e. to enable performing of computation on the same machine(s) that store the corresponding data.

# NI4OS-Europe in numbers: Key Performance Indicators

- 15 OSC initiatives
- 20 generic service instances
- 20 thematic services
- 15 repositories
- 5 train-the-trainer events
- 3 flagship scientific fields
- 1 regional event (200 persons targeted)
- 30 national-level trainings (450 persons targeted)
- 3 sets of ORDM guidelines
- 6 ORDM tools
- 1 pre-production environment



# EOSC: scopul și evoluții actuale

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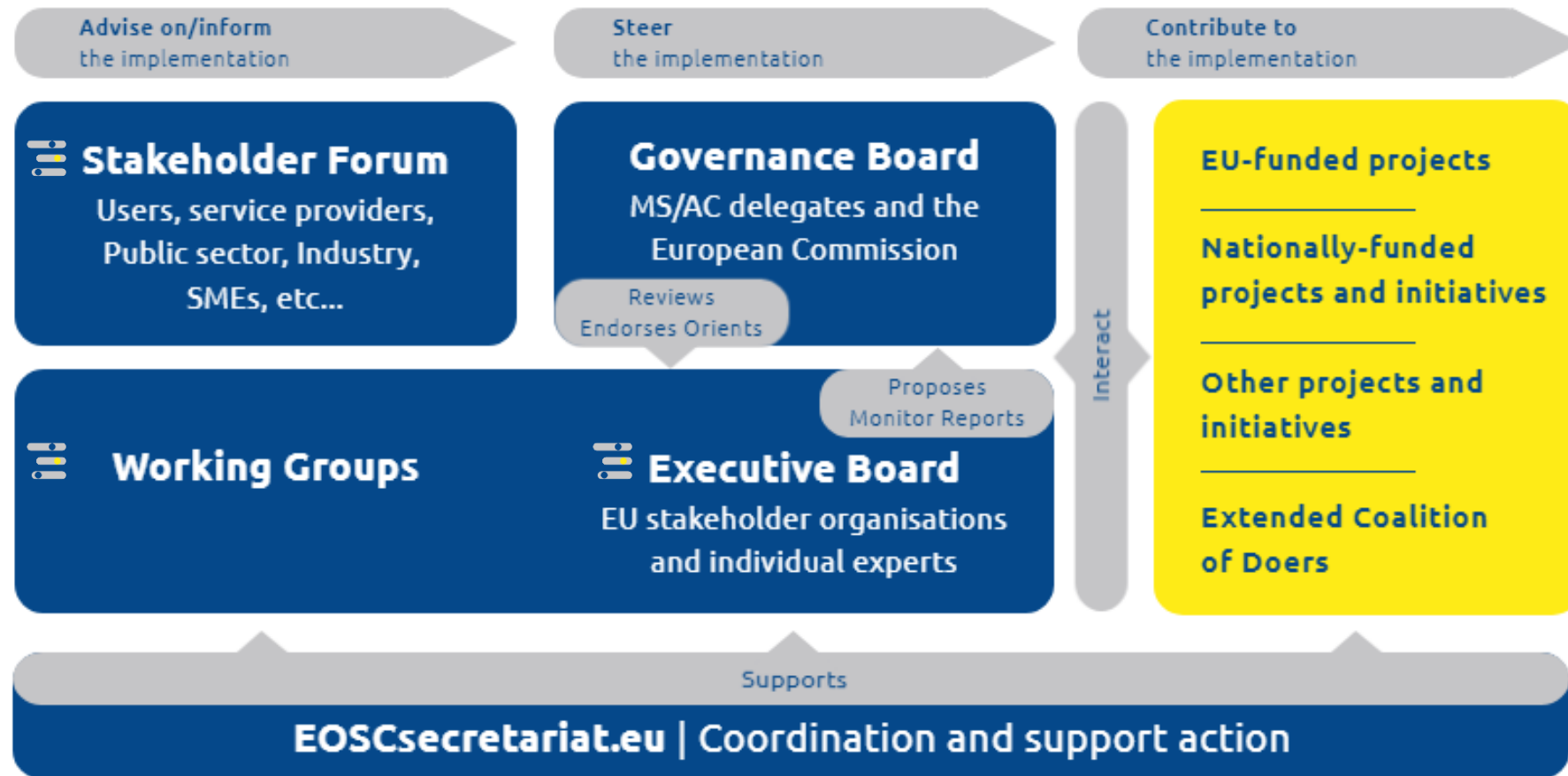
## EOSC Vision


EOSC took shape in 2015 **to federate existing research data infrastructures to** support and develop open science and open innovation.

**EOSC brings together national and European stakeholders,** initiatives and e-infrastructures to develop an inclusive open science ecosystem in Europe.

Its aim is to develop a **trusted, virtual and federated environment** that cuts across borders to store, share, process and re-use research digital objects following FAIR principles.

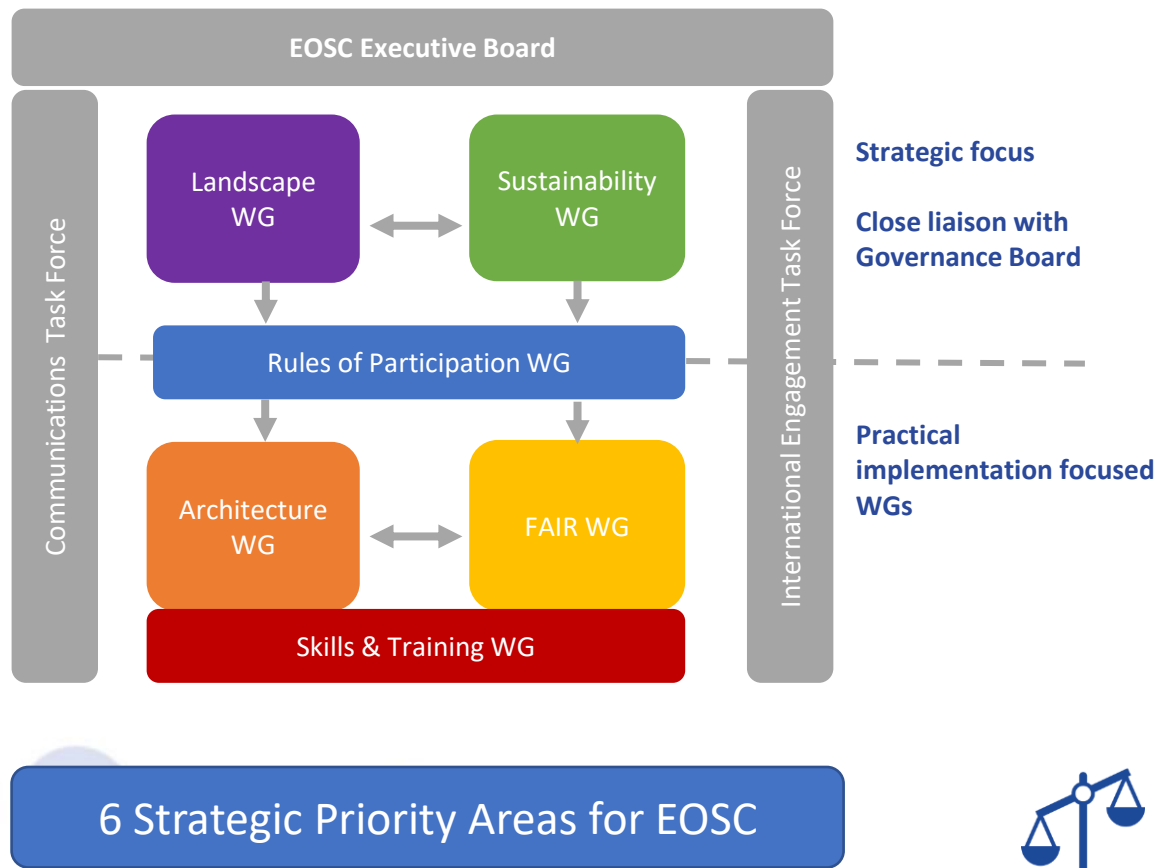
# Initial EOSC Governance structure & EOSC projects



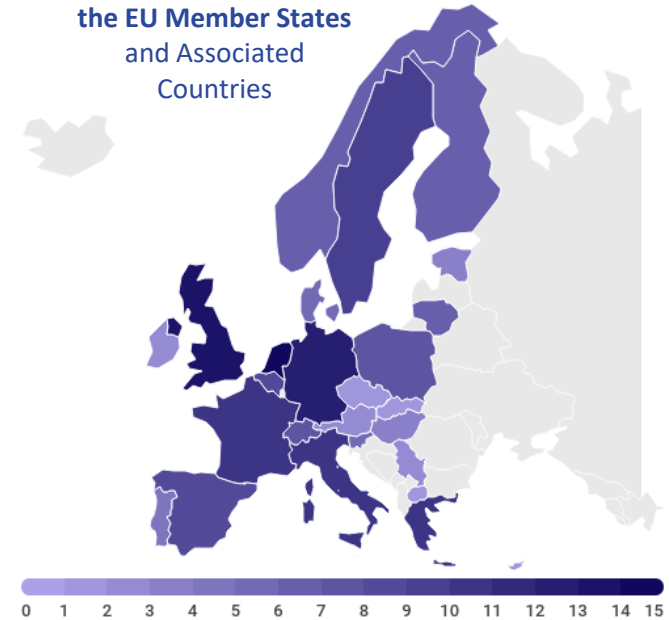
Legend: 

# EOSC Working Groups – until the end of 2020

**6 Working Groups**    **160+ WG Members**    **10 Active WG Task Forces**



Experts represent 28 of the EU Member States and Associated Countries



<b>Landscape</b> 15 male 9 female	<b>RoP</b> 11 male 8 female
<b>Architecture</b> 39 male 3 female	<b>FAIR</b> 16 male 11 female
<b>Sustainability</b> 10 male 8 female	<b>Skills</b> 11 male 21 female



# Contributions from different stakeholders to the EOSC

## Researcher engagement

Video: EOSC - The New Frontier of Data-Driven Science



Interviews

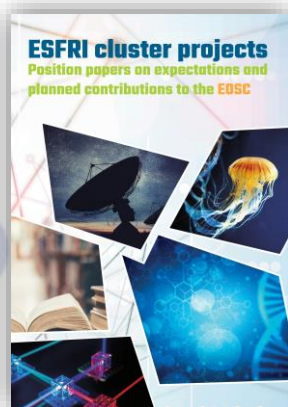


Workshops



## Engagement with International Initiatives

The international Research Data Community Contributing to EOSC



ESFRI Cluster projects – Position Papers



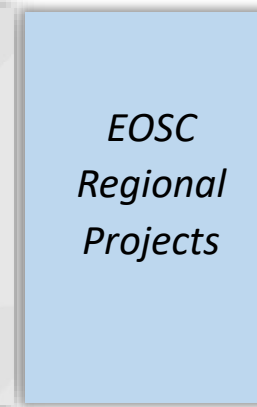
EOSC Symposium 2019 - Highlights



Building the European Open Science Cloud



HPC Assets and Contributions to the EOSC



EOSC 5b projects (Regional)

**zenodo**

EOSC governing bodies launched it [Zenodo community](#), where all publications are collecting, in a collaborative and curated manner.

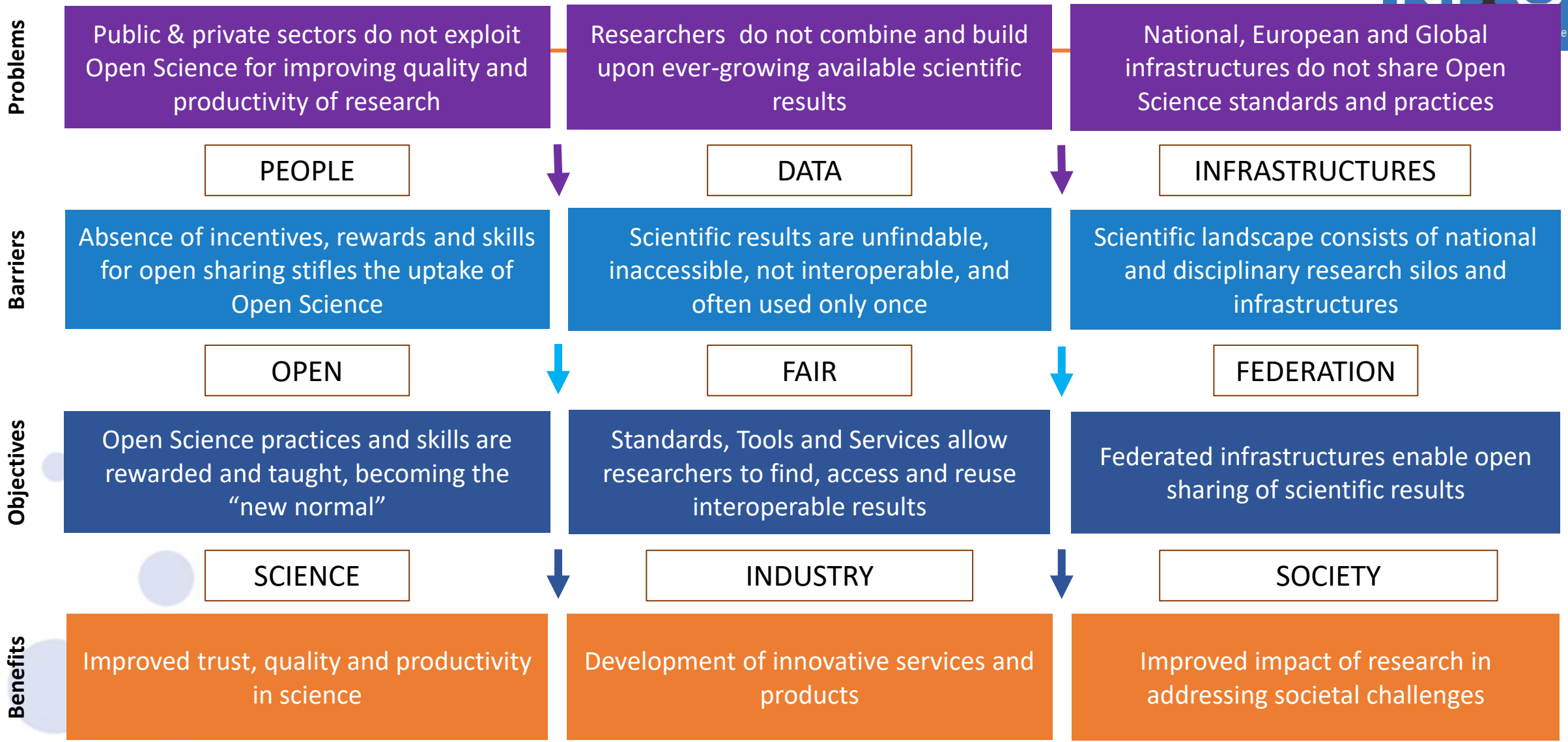
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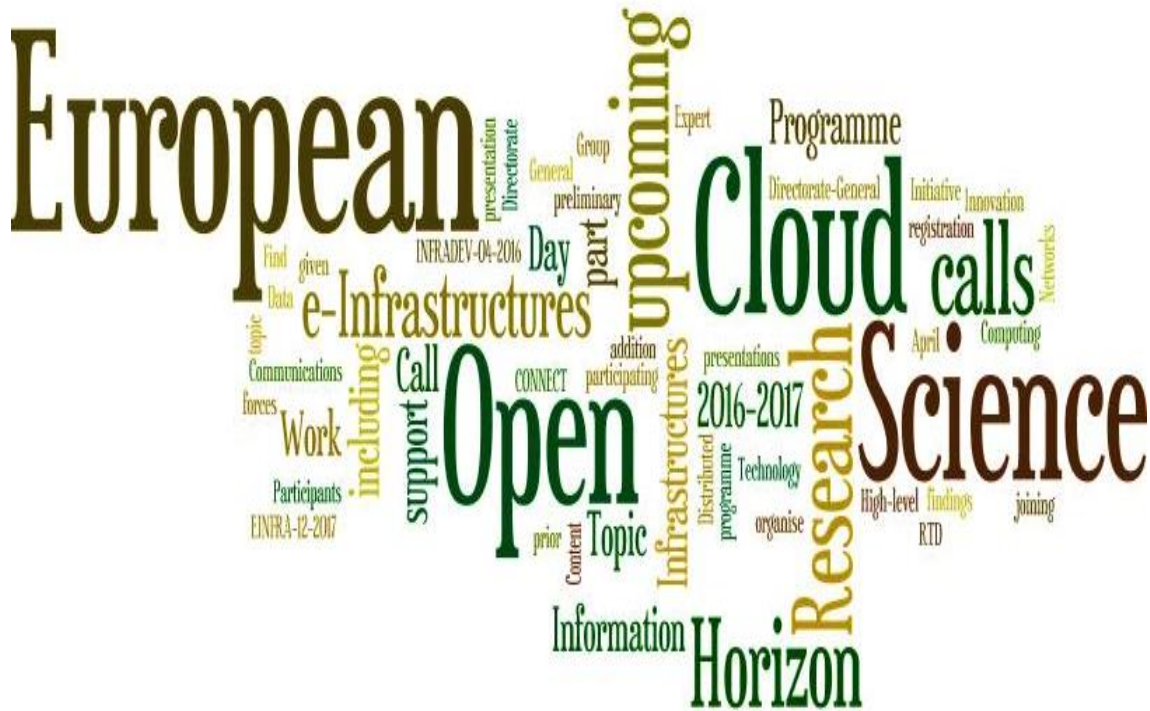
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- Part 2 Science & Data in Europe Science contributes to the implementation of Europe Strategy
- Part 3 EOSC in the Making Conceived in 2015, Launched in 2018, Sustainable in 2021
- Part 4 Values & Principles Multistakeholder, Open, FAIR, Federation
- Part 5 Technical Challenges Status, Gaps & Priorities
- Part 6 Societal Challenges Status, Gaps & Priorities
- Part 7 Multi Annual Roadmap Priorities & Timeline
- Part 8 Expected Impacts Science strengthens the implementation of Europe Strategy
- Part 9 Going Global Europe leadership at the service of Society at Large



# European Open Science Cloud Objectives Tree



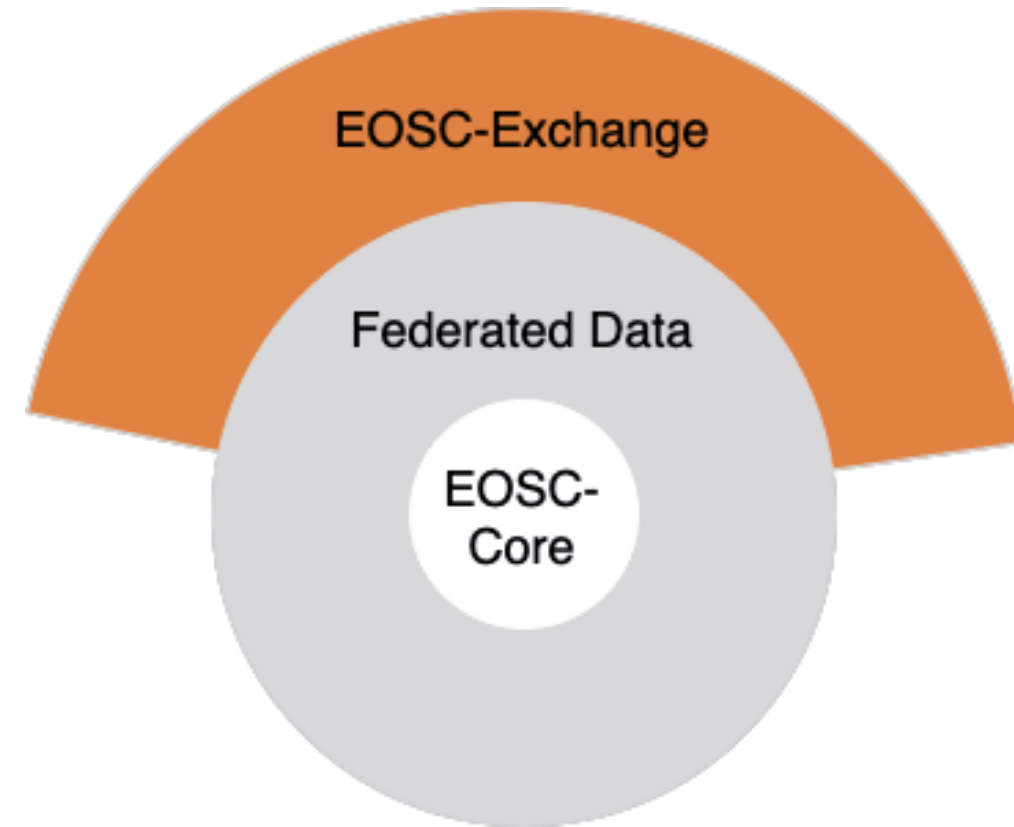
# Core functions for EOSC right after 2020+



- Develop and govern federating core
- Manage compliance framework
- Manage trusted certification
- Manage the AAI
- Manage PID policies
- Develop outreach to stakeholders
- Monitor services and transactions
- Manage 'EOSC' trademark(s)
- Contribute to Horizon EU policy

# First iteration - minimum viable EOSC (MVE) as in SRIA document, Part 4 Values & Principles

- ❖ The MVE includes EOSC-Core and EOSC-Exchange which work with federated FAIR datasets
- ❖ MVE must enable the federation of existing and planned research data infrastructures
- ❖ Federate the disciplinary cluster and regional projects as a critical first step
- ❖ Begin with simple use cases – open data not sensitive or closed



## Functions

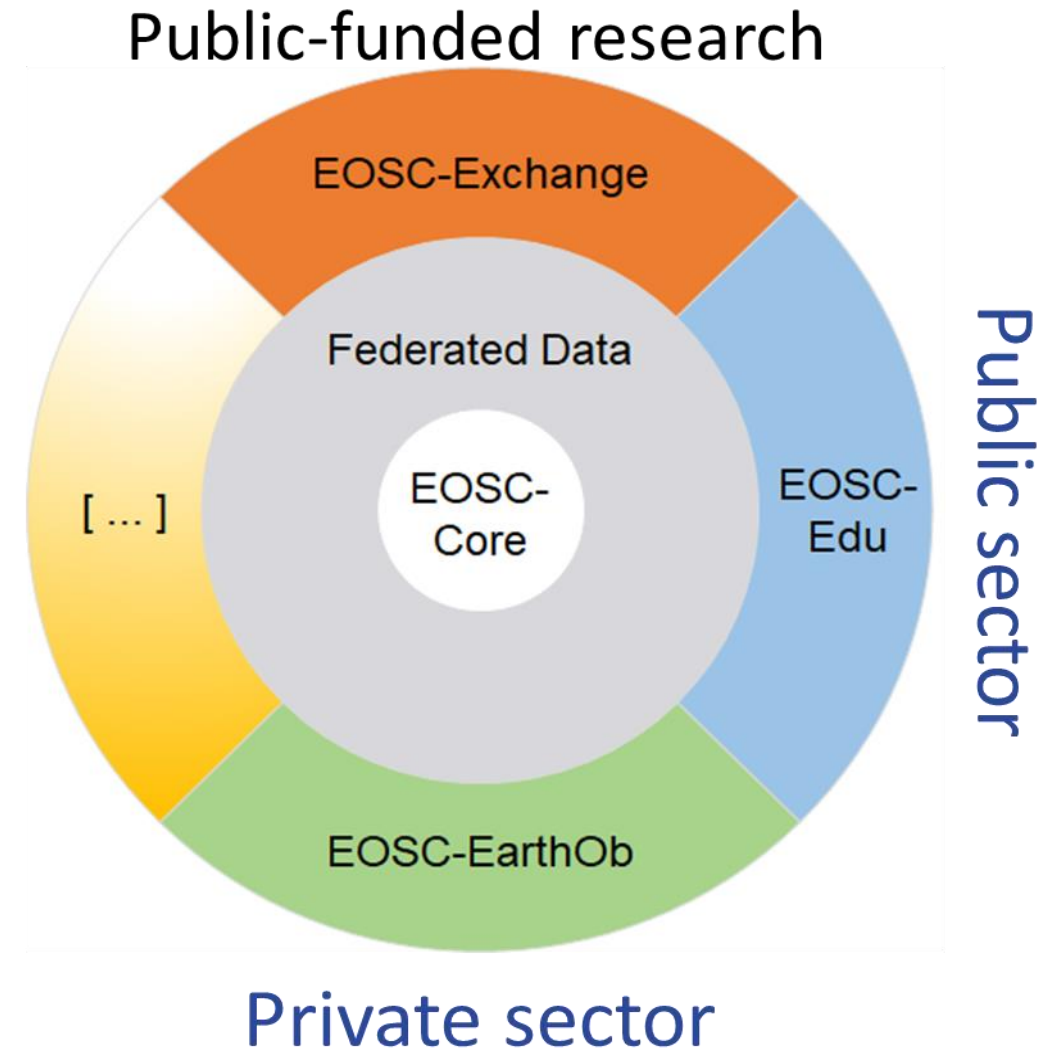
- ★ Provides the means to discover, share, access and re-use data and initial services
- ★ Will not store, transport or process data, at least initially
- ★ Should be used as widely as possible  
→ will be accessible to any authenticated user to promote open research across Europe

## Proposed coverage

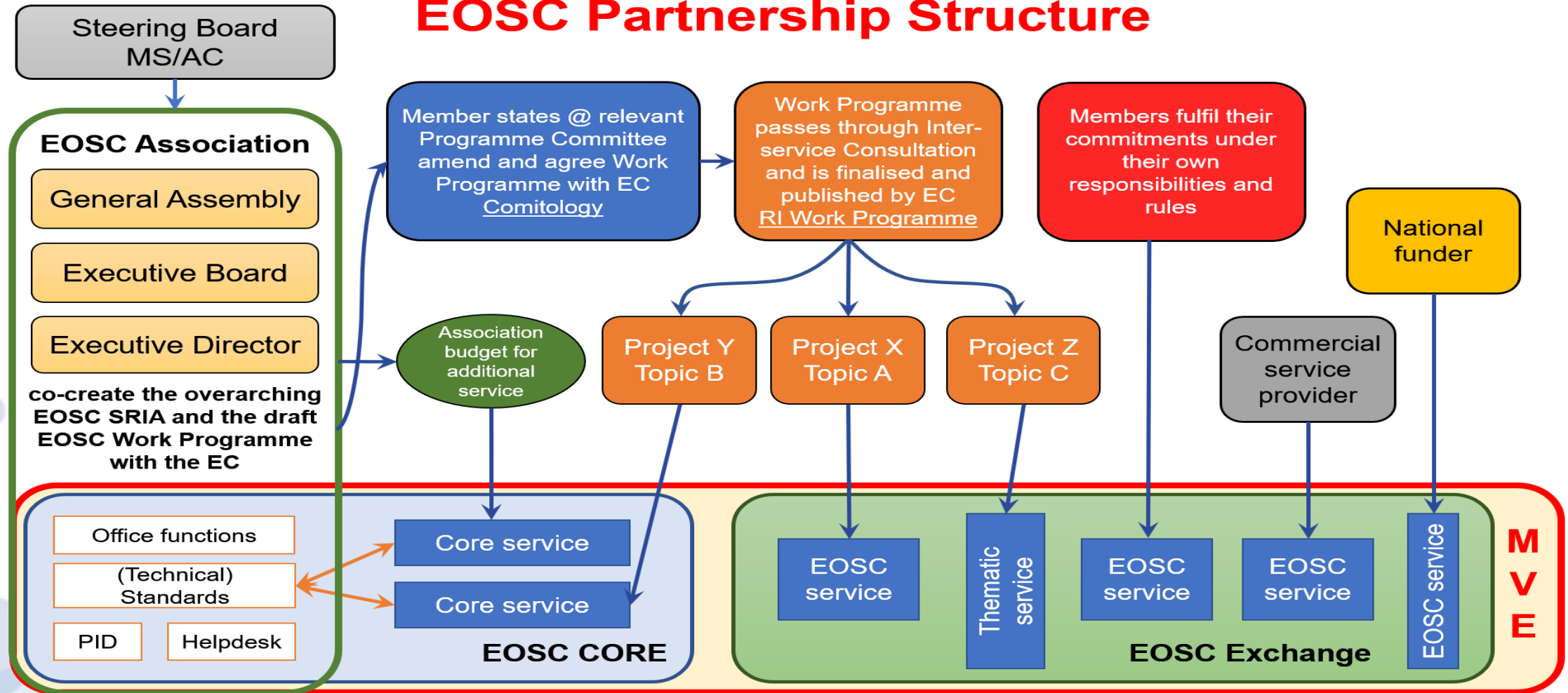
- ★ Shared open science policy framework
- ★ AAI framework
- ★ Data access framework
- ★ Service management framework
- ★ Minimum legal metadata framework
- ★ Open metrics framework
- ★ PID services
- ★ Help-desk

# EOSC deployment: 2nd and 3rd iterations

- ★ Extensions to serve public sector and industry
- ★ These are not completely new users as some public sector and industrial partners will already use MValE
- ★ Would ideally be one 'marketplace' but differing requirements and legislation may require linked but alternately governed spaces



## EOSC Partnership Structure



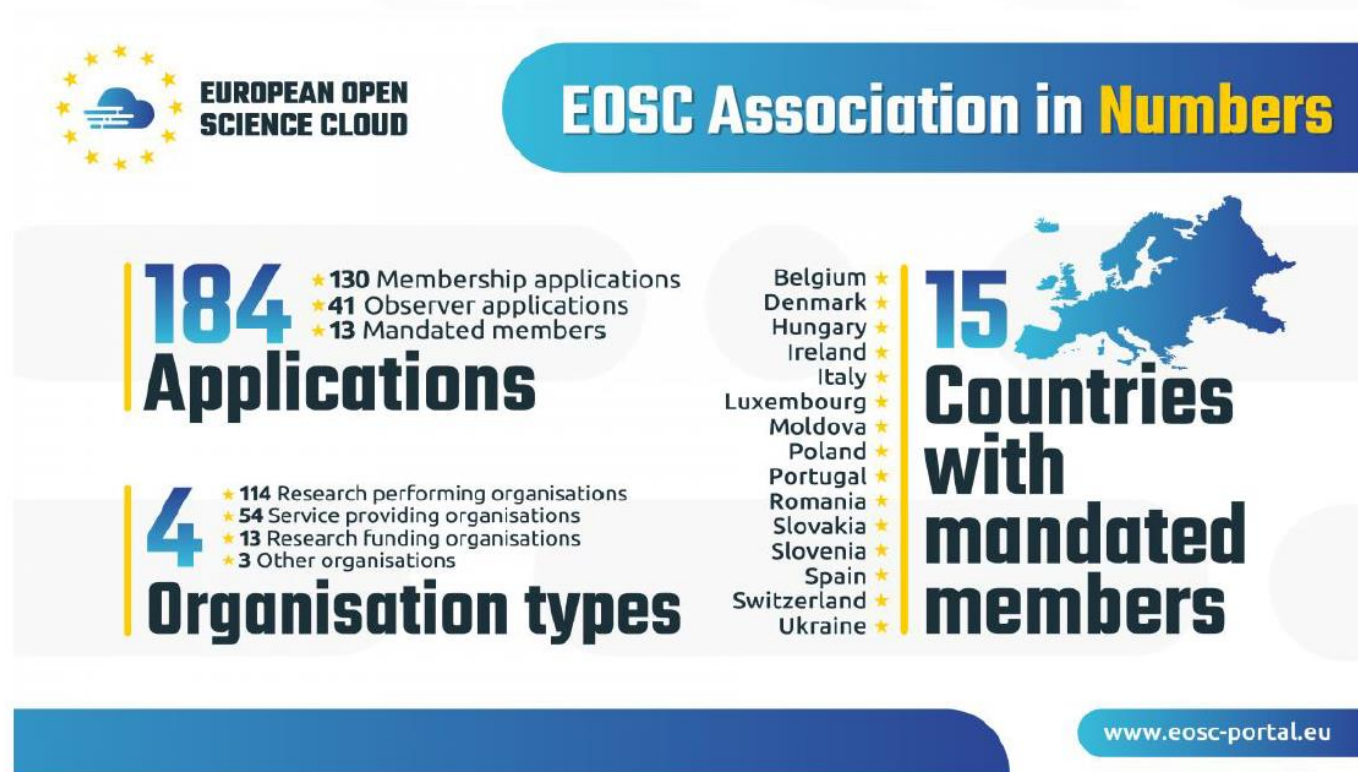
# EOSC Association

On July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020 founding members submitted the Deeds of Association of the EOSC Association to the notary public in Brussels which marks an important development towards the sustainability of the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC) initiative.



# EOSC Association Membership

- Membership applications
- Observer applications
- Mandated members





# Essential Reading

- [EOSC Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda](#) - version 0.8
- [Six Recommendations for Implementation of FAIR Practice](#) - official publication
- [A Persistent Identifier \(PID\) policy for the European Open Science Cloud](#) - official publication
- [Landscape of EOSC-related Infrastructures and Initiatives](#) - official publication
- [FAIR Metrics for EOSC](#) - 2nd Draft out for comments
- [Solutions for a Sustainable EOSC](#) - Ironlady Draft (*log in to the EOSC Liaison Platform to view or request a copy: [info@eoscsecretariat.eu](mailto:info@eoscsecretariat.eu)*)
- [PID Architecture for the EOSC](#) - Draft for consultation
- [EOSC AAI Architecture](#) - Draft for consultation
- [Scholarly Infrastructures for Research Software](#) - Draft for consultation
- [EOSC Rules of Participation](#) - Draft 0.5

# More information

## Regular Blog posts:

- <https://www.eoscsecretariat.eu/news-events-opinion>

## Regular newsletter

- <https://www.eoscsecretariat.eu/newsletters-email-announcements>
- <https://sciencebusiness.net/framework-programmes/news/europes-open-science-cloud-project-enter-convergence-phase>



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