

The European Open Science Cloud

First ESCAPE Progress Meeting

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The role of the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC) is to ensure that **European scientists reap the full benefits of data-driven science**, by offering:

1.9 million European researchers and ***70 million*** professionals in science and technology a ***trusted open distributed environment*** providing seamless access to data and interoperable services addressing the whole research data life cycle.



The development of the EOSC realises EU policy objectives including Open Science, FAIR data implementation and the Digital Single Market

What is EOSC?



Why EOSC?



EOSC today

EOSC in numbers



1.9 million
researchers and
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will benefit from EOSC

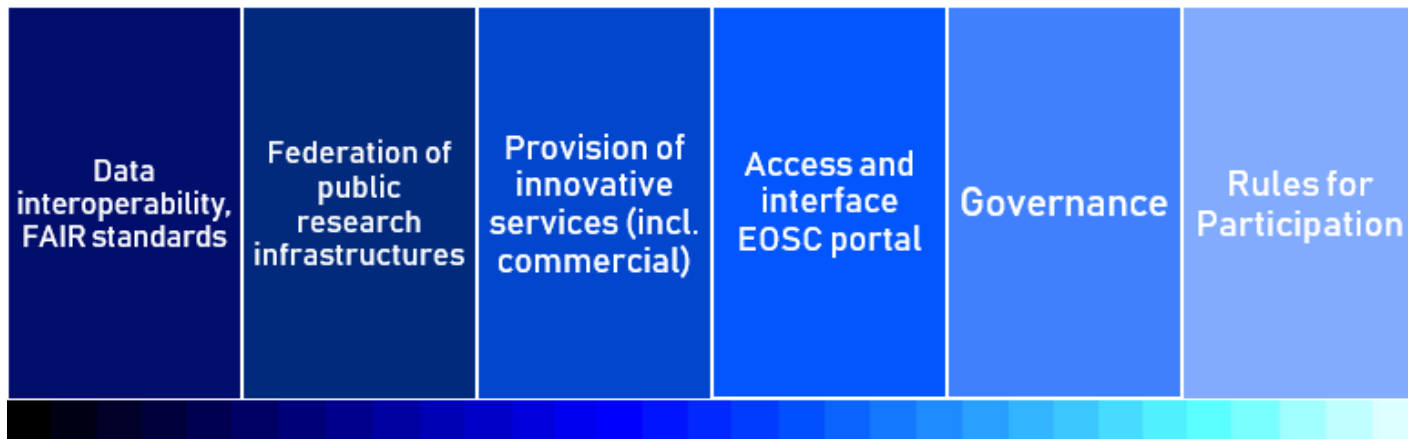


€ 250 million
in 2018-2020
(Horizon 2020)



>30 core EU-funded
projects implementing
EOSC

The [EOSC implementation roadmap](#), published in 2018 by the Commission, addresses the implementation of EOSC under six action lines:



EOSC Reference Documents

2015

Council conclusions on open, data-intensive and networked research as a driver for faster and wider innovation
[ST 9360 2015 INIT](#)

A Digital Single Market Strategy for Europe
[COM\(2015\) 192 final](#)

2016

Council Conclusions on the transition towards an open science system
[ST 9526 2016 INIT](#)

Realising the European Open Science Cloud

European Cloud Initiative
[COM\(2016\) 178 final](#)

2017

EP resolution on the European Cloud initiative supporting EOSC
[P8_TA\(2017\)0052](#)

EOSC Declaration

OSPP – Report on the governance and financial schemes for the European Open Science Cloud

2018

Council Conclusions Accelerating knowledge circulation in the EU
[ST 9291 2018 INIT](#)

Council Conclusions on EOSC
[ST 9291 2018 INIT](#)

The European Open Science Cloud Governance model

Prompting an EOSC in practice

Cost-benefit analysis for FAIR research data. Policy recommendations

Turning FAIR into reality

OSPP recommendations

Implementation Roadmap for the EOSC
[SWD\(2018\) 83 final](#)

Set up the EB Expert Group
[C\(2018\) 5552 final](#)

Horizon 2020 Work Programme 2018–2020 on European research infrastructures
[C\(2018\) 7238](#)

EC Recommendation on access to and preservation of scientific information
[L 134/12 2018](#)

Council and EP

Experts

Commission

Governance Structure

a Governance Board

- Consists of Representatives from all 28 Member States , 10 associated countries and the European Commission who jointly decide the future of the EOSC and steer its implementation.

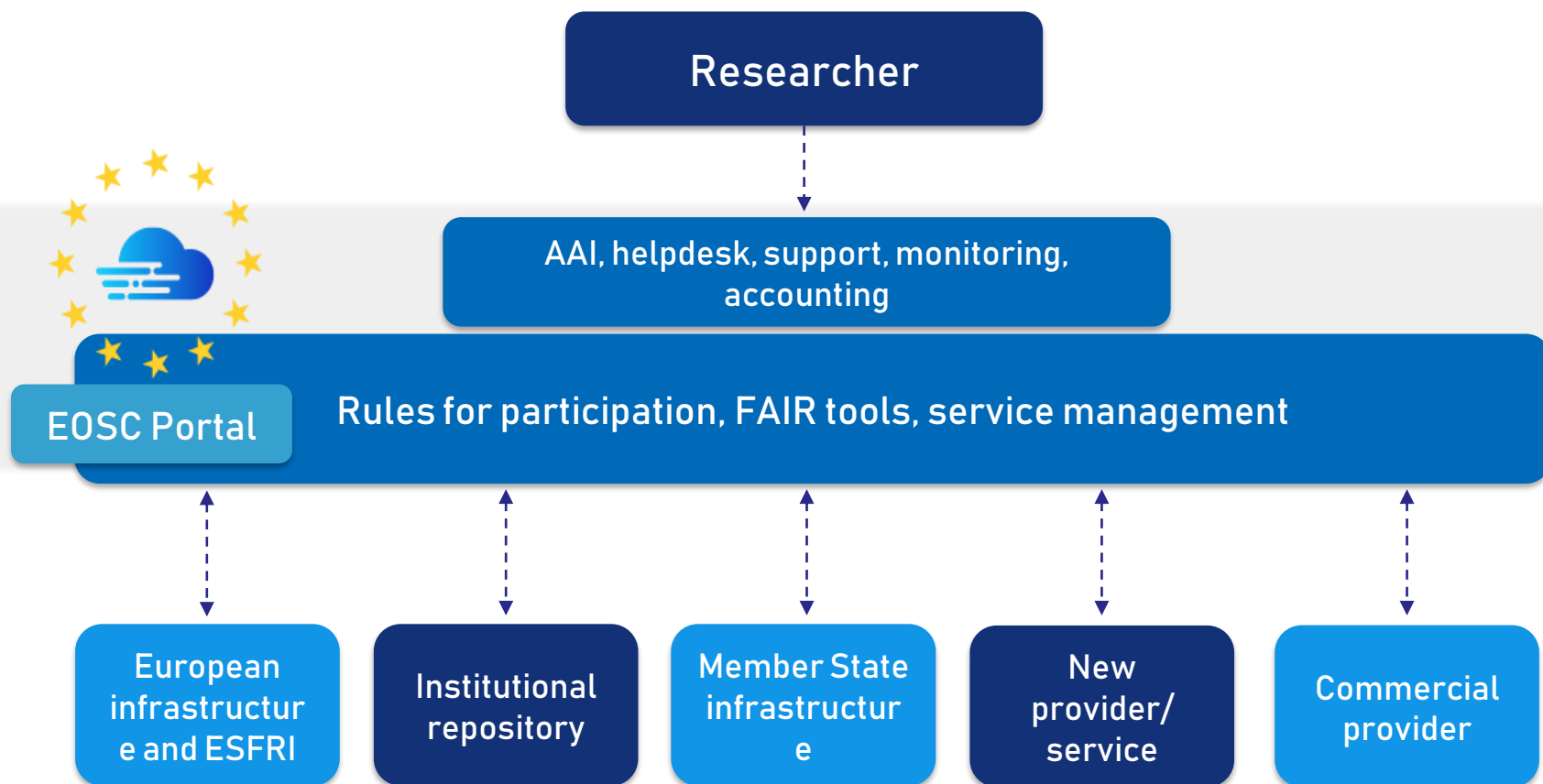
an Executive Board

- Consists of experts from key European research and elnfrastructures communities who advise on the EOSC's implementation and the way forward.

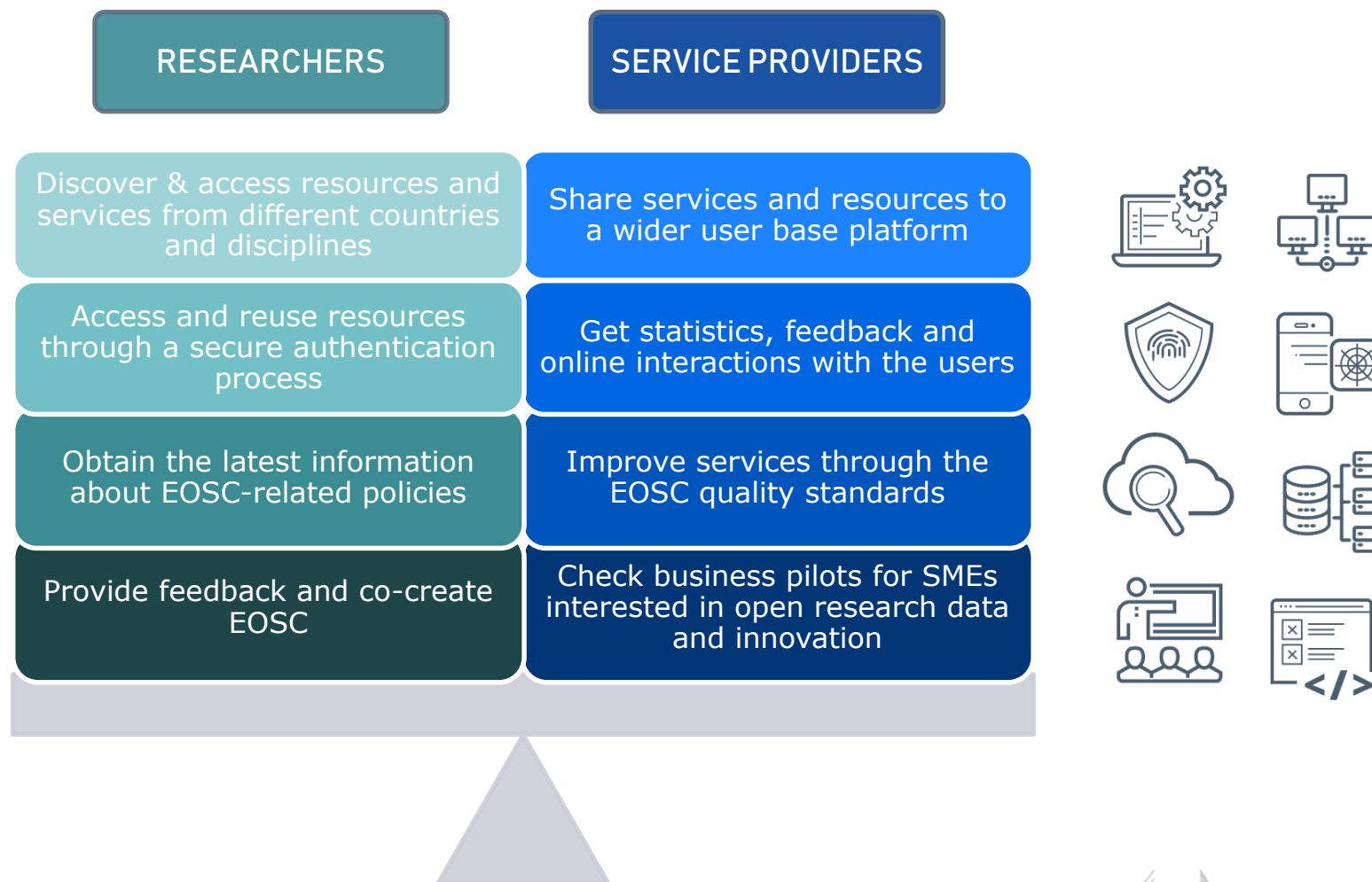
a Stakeholders Forum

- Gives voice to the wider community of users, service providers, industry and the public sector to contribute to the EOSC implementation.

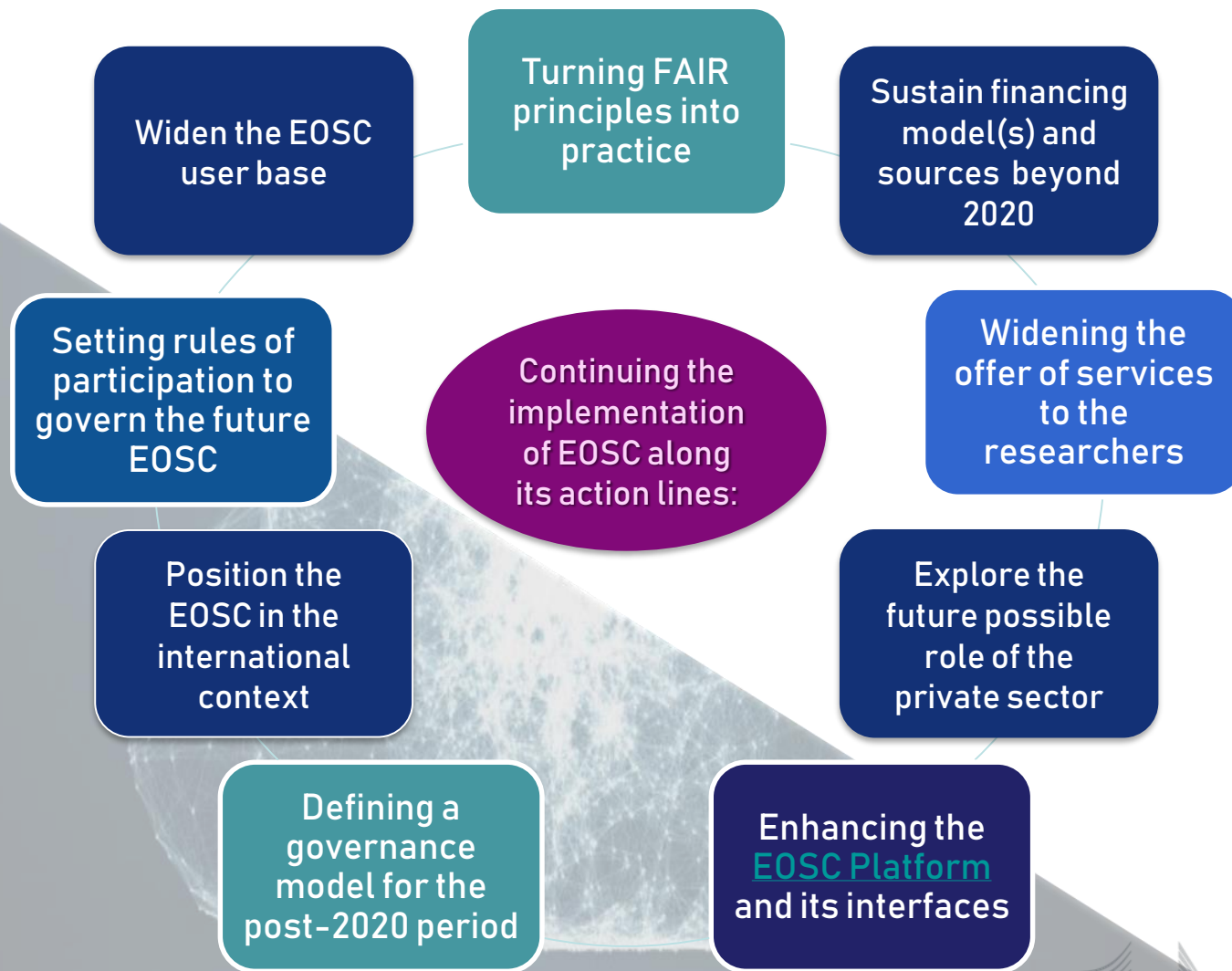
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EOSC next steps



EOSC Working Groups



Designing the Rules of Participation that shall define the rights, obligations governing EOSC transactions, EOSC users, providers and operators

Chair

Juan Bicarregui

Main Objectives:

recommending a minimal set of clear Rules of Participation that shall define the rights, obligations, accountability governing all EOSC transactions, various EOSC users, providers and operators. Embrace the principles of openness, transparency, inclusiveness, guaranteeing an open, secure and effective federated EOSC with services of high quality.

Setting general principles for:

- the use of the tools, specifications, catalogues, standards and applicable methodologies
- the principles for regulating transactions
- the applicable legal frameworks.

Apply different rules to different EOSC participants depending on their maturity and role (providers, users, scientists or innovators), location (European or global research partners), and would need to take into account specificities of different scientific disciplines.

Milestones

- Q3 2019: Initial EOSC Rules of Participation
- Q3 2020: Final EOSC Rules of Participation



Defining the technical framework required to enable and sustain an evolving EOSC federation of systems

Chair

Jean-François Abramatic

Main Objectives:

Propose the technical framework required to enable and sustain an evolving EOSC federation of systems.

Provide an in-depth independent review of the current offering and the required evolution of the EOSC technical architecture, its standards and best practices.

Comprise a federating core and a variety of federated research data infrastructures committed to provide services as part of the EOSC.

Federating data infrastructures at the European level offering shared services (e.g. EGI, EUDAT, ELIXIR, etc.).

Milestones

Overall Milestones:

- Q4 2019: Initial EOSC federating core in place
- Q4 2019: Registry of data infrastructures of the EOSC (initial)
- Q2 2020: Preliminary connection of most infrastructures and services to the EOSC

Services Milestones:

- Q4 2018: Initial EOSC Catalogue of services accessible
- Q4 2019: Updated EOSC Catalogue of services & Portal
- Q2 2019: Initial EOSC Catalogue of datasets accessible



Mapping of the existing research infrastructures in Europe which are candidates to be part of the EOSC federation

Chair

Jan Hrusak

Main Objectives:

Mapping EOSC-relevant national infrastructures highlighting the current level of spending on research data infrastructures.

Monitoring constraints and opportunities

at the various architectural levels, arising from national and regional structures and initiatives.

Facilitate convergence and alignment between European, national and regional structures and initiatives.

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- Q4 2019: Draft of the analysis presented to the EB
- Q3 2020: Report presented to the EB

released

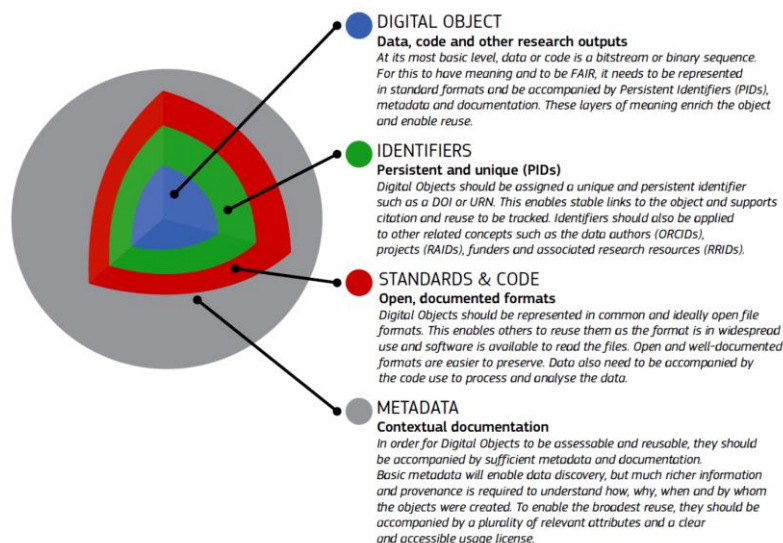
EOSC Strategic Implementation Plan

EOSC Workplan



FAIR Digital objects

- FAIR Digital Objects concept - central to the realization of FAIR need to be in place for data to be FAIR)
- Community-led effort



<https://doi.org/10.2777/1524>

- Timeline of developments since 1995 (DO Architecture first proposed by Kahn and Wilenski): conceptualization, design and implementation (recently involving RDA GEDE Working Group)
- New RDA Interest Group on FAIR Digital Objects

FAIR Digital objects (cont.)

- At present, Task Forces within the Architecture and FAIR Working Groups of the EOSC Executive Board are working on a PID policy, FAIR metrics, repository certification, AAI protocols, common APIs and the overall EOSC Architecture.
- EOSC Interoperability Framework is jointly being designed (Architecture and FAIR WGs) which will specify base level requirements for semantic, legal, technical and organisational interoperability.
- Draft recommendations for consultation:
 - Initial Persistent Identifier (PID) policy– joint effort by FAIR and Architecture WGs; released in December 2019 for community feedback and comment
 - Interim recommendations for FAIR metrics and service certification to apply within EOSC: FAIR metrics for EOSC and EOSC service certification– outlining plans in terms of FAIR metrics for digital objects and certification frameworks for repositories and other services that enable FAIR.

Engagement with EOSC

- Liaise with ESFRI Secretariat (managed by the Commission) in relation to EOSC and ESFRI
- Contribute with community feedback and review e.g. FAIR WG PID Policy, Metrics and Certification; [Rules of participation](#); Landscape analysis ([Validation workshop](#) 23-24 March 2020, Brussels)
- Contribute to the work in the EB WGs e.g. ESCAPE participates in the Architecture WG (Kay Graf, Simone Campana)
- Public consultation on EOSC Strategic and Innovation Agenda (SRIA)- summer 2020
- Apply to EOSC Secretariat.eu [co-creation calls](#)
- Join us at the next events E.g. EOSC Symposium 2020 (tentative October 2020)

Thank you!