2nd Annual General Assembly 2026

10 -12 March 2026 - Seville, Spain

OSCARS

In response to the EU call on EOSC

HORIZON-INFRA-2023-EOSC-01-01

- Building on the **Science Cluster approach**
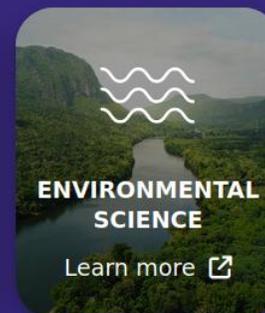- to ensure the **uptake of EOSC by research communities**

Partners

- Coordinator: **CNRS** LAPP
- **15** partners, **2-3** representing each Science Cluster community

Budget and timeline

- Starting date: **1 January 2024**
- Duration: **4 ½ years**
- EC funding: **25 M€** (100%)

Research Infrastructures and Communities

The science clusters have grown out of five collaborative projects funded by the European Union in 2019 to link ESFRI and other world-class Research Infrastructures (RIs) to the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC). The services developed by the clusters and other outcomes of the projects are cornerstones of the emerging EOSC fabric and support both disciplinary communities and multidisciplinary initiatives with harmonised models for access to data, tools, workflows and training. Each cluster unites multiple RIs in their specific scientific domain.

ASTRONOMY AND PARTICLE PHYSICS
Learn more

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE
Learn more

LIFE SCIENCE
Learn more

PHOTON AND NEUTRON SCIENCE
Learn more

SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES
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Research Infrastructures for Open Science

Science Clusters fostering the uptake of Open Science in Europe

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Open Science Clusters' Action for Research & Society

Funded by the European Union

Fostering the uptake of Open Science in Europe

Contribute to a
Data space for science, research and innovation

Setup and implementation of
Clusters' Open Science Competence Centres (CLOCCs)

Identify and provide
Composable Open Data and Analysis Services (CODAS)

GOALS

Enhancing the **Open Science adoption** and supporting interdisciplinary **FAIR data services** and **practices**

WP1

- CCCs (WP1) common framework for CCC implementation, mapping existing competences across SCs
- Task Force on Glossaries - report on recommendations to enhance FAIRness of semantic artefacts

WP2

- Development of the Composable Open Data and Analysis Services (CODAS) framework
- Composability Action Plan (in progress)
- Composability and AAI workshop (overview)

WP3

- Mentoring framework for funded projects
- D3.2 - Competence Centres Concepts and Activities (pre)existing in EOSC
- OSCARS funded projects' data management feedback collection for metadata harmonisation

OSCARS 1/2024 - 12/2025 - Implementation of two Open Calls

- 2 Open Calls implemented
- 70 projects funded
- Cross-cluster & cross-domain participation
- Strong application growth between calls
- Engagement via surveys, AGM discussions, mentoring interactions
- Projects' assets contributing to EOSC (meta-data, software, workflows, metadata pipelines, services, AI tools, etc.)

1st OSCARS Open Call

Proposals
- 264 Proposals received
- 610 Organisations
- 42 Countries

Funded projects
- 58 Funded projects
- 173 Organisations
- 28 Countries
- 10 Organisation types

Scientific domains
- 38 from domains of the 5 SCs
- 17 cross-cluster
- 3 beyond the domains of the 5 SCs

- University: 17
- RI: 10
- RTO: 15
- Non profit: 3
- SME: 3
- International org.: 3
- Pan-European org.: 1
- Project, network, initiative: 1
- Large enterprise: 1
- Other: 3

2nd OSCARS Open Call

Proposals
- 764 Proposals received
- 1884 Organisations
- 67 Countries

Funded projects
- 12 Funded projects
- 31 Organisations
- 11 Countries
- 5 Organisation types

Scientific domains
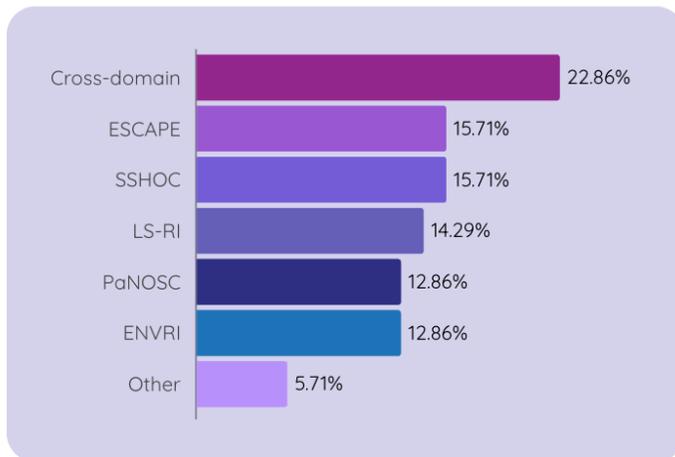- 10 from domains of the 5 SCs
- 1 cross-cluster
- 1 beyond the domains of the 5 SCs

- University: 18
- RI: 4
- RTO: 5
- SME: 3
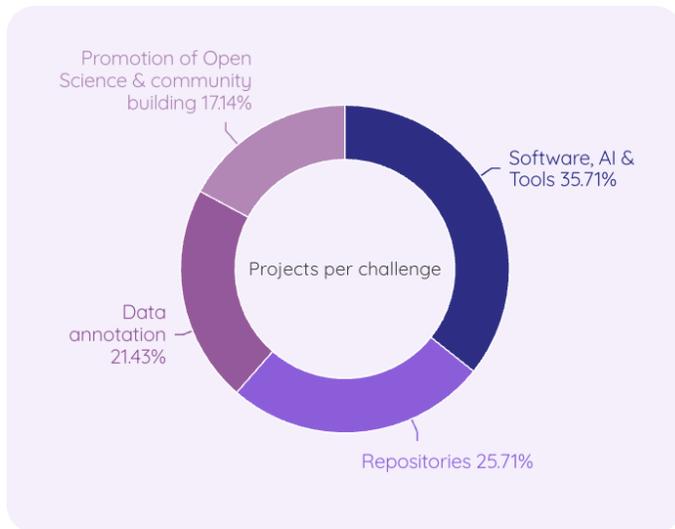- Other: 1

OSCARS funded projects - some figures

Funded Projects - Dashboard

This dashboard provides an overview of the areas of intervention of the 70 OSCARS funded projects dividing them by scientific domain and Open Science challenge.

Funded Projects by Science Cluster

Cluster	Percentage
Cross-domain	22.86%
ESCAPE	15.71%
SSHOC	15.71%
LS-RI	14.29%
PaNOSC	12.86%
ENVRI	12.86%
Other	5.71%

Funded Projects by challenge

Projects per challenge
- Software, AI & Tools 35.71%
- Repositories 25.71%
- Data annotation 21.43%
- Promotion of Open Science & community building 17.14%

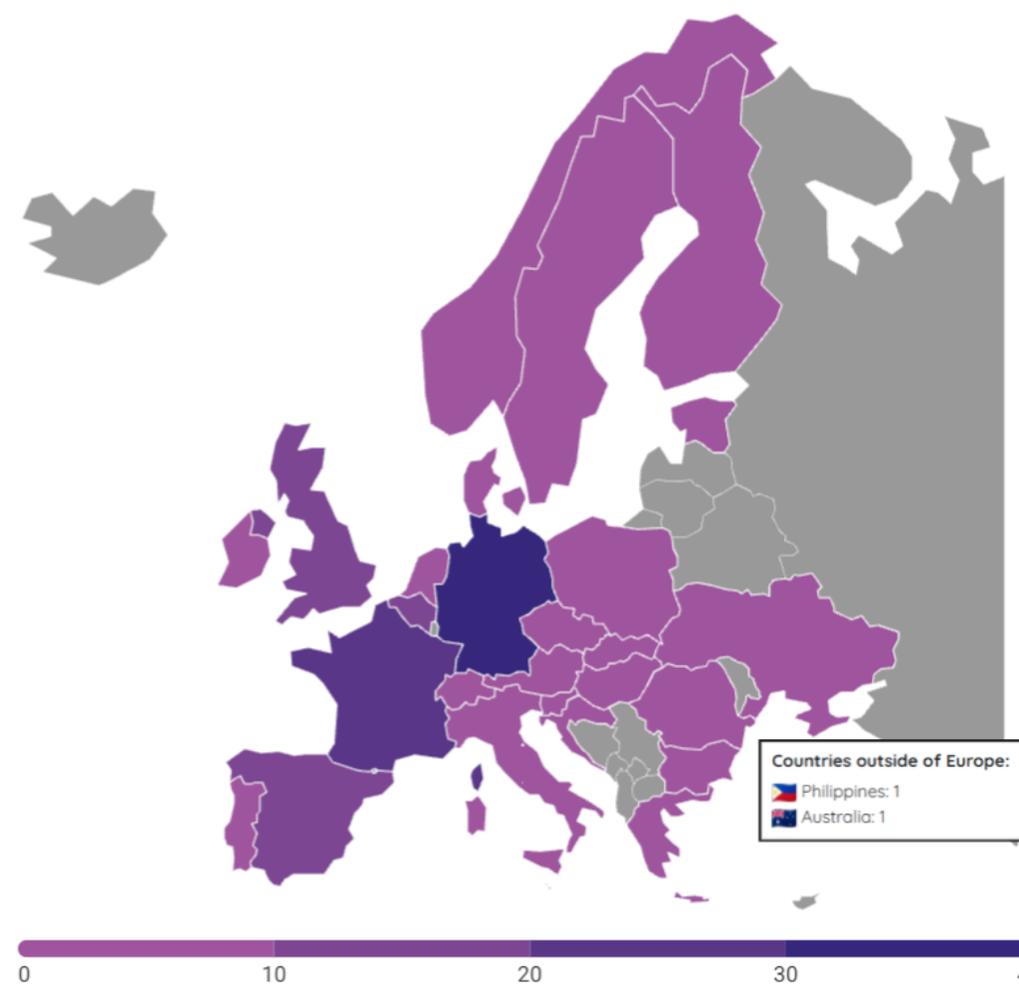Organisations involved · 1st Open Call · 2nd Open Call

OSCARS Open Calls - Organisations Involved

Open Science Clusters' Action for Research & Society

More than 200 organisations across 28 different countries have been involved in the OSCARS Open Calls

Country	Organisations
Germany	41
France	23
Spain	15
UK	13
Belgium	10
Italy	8
Switzerland	7
Netherlands	5
Austria	5
Portugal	4
Slovenia	4
Greece	4
Norway	3
Czech	3
Slovakia	3
Denmark	3
Poland	3
Hungary	2
Finland	2
Romania	2
Croatia	2
Sweden	2
Ukrain	1
Ireland	1
Bulgaria	1
Estonia	1
Philippines	1
Australia	1

Countries outside of Europe:
- Philippines: 1
- Australia: 1

1. **Strengthening the community through F2F interaction**
   a. Bring new funded projects into the community
   b. Initiate closer cooperation between the funded projects
   c. Further develop cooperation between the Science Clusters and the funded projects

2. **Identifying gaps/needs and activities for the 2nd half of the project**
   a. Training/support/mentoring
   b. Alignment of activities between OSCARS - Science Clusters - Wider EOSC community
   c. Gaps/needs of the funded projects

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- F2F only: Foster networking and community building
- Presentations: Flashtalk/elevator-pitch style from OSCARS WPs and funded projects
- Group work: World Café and Poster Speed Dating sessions to get a common understanding of the challenges and solutions

Presentations:

1. Work packages 1 - 4 (1 session)
2. Funded projects from OSCARS 2nd Open Call (12 projects - 1 session)
3. Update from the first Funded projects (4 sessions): Challenges & Data LifeCycle
4. Cluster Competences Centres & Science cluster Nodes & hubs (2 sessions)

World Café/Group work (6 sessions) around

1. Alignment of WPs next steps, top results to be sustained, steps to make them sustainable
2. 3 top Common Challenges across all funded projects
3. Competence Centres: Needs & Gaps
4. Nodes/hubs: Needs & Gaps

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11h00	Coffee & Tea – Registration
11h30	Welcome and setting the scene
11h45	[Update from the Work Packages](#) - WP1, WP2, WP3, WP4 - 5 min presentation each Discussion, Activities planned for the 3rd year, outline next steps and input needed from consortium and funded projects
12h30	Lunch break
13h30	Introduction afternoon sessions
13h45	Groupe work across WPs: 3 round tables for discussions, topics prepared by WPs
14h45	Coffee & tea
15h05	World Café: Hitlist WP results to be sustained (what are the most important results from the WPs)
16h05	Coffee & tea
16h30	World Café - all WPs Next steps How to sustain the top 3 results Questions for funded projects
17h15	Reporting Back
17h30	End of the day
17h45	General Assembly
18h45	End of day for GA members

8h30	Coffee & Tea – Registration
9h00	Welcome and setting the scene
9h15	Flash talks funded projects - 2nd Open Call projects
10h15	Coffee & tea - Speed dating @posters
10h45	Updates from funded projects - 1st Open Call - **Repositories**
11h45	Coffee & tea - Speed dating @posters
12h15	Updates from funded projects - 1st Open Call - **Data Annotation**
13h15	Lunch break
14h15	Updates from funded projects - 1st Open Call - **Software, AI and Tools**
15h15	Coffee & tea - Speed dating @posters
15h45	Updates from funded projects - 1st Open Call - **Communication/training**
16h45	Coffee & tea - Speed dating @posters
17h15	World Cafe: Identify 3 top common challenges
17h45	Reporting back: Hitlist common challenges
18h00	End of the day
19h00	Conference Dinner

Assignment of projects to sessions

Projects funded in the 2nd Open Call are presented in one dedicated session.

Projects from the 1st Open Call have been assigned to one session based on the main challenge they are addressing, not the cluster they are related to.

> ➢ This will allow all participants to work together on addressing common challenges that will help to shape future activities in the OSCARS WPs and the clusters.
> ➢ It will also help to align and support the work in the funded projects, fostering cooperation across scientific domains.

Flash Talks from funded projects - 2nd Open Call (11 March, 9h15)
Chair: Jordi Bodera

Repositories
- FLOODWISE (ENVRI) - Alejandra Gabriela Orozco Nande
- MultiCellML-TDR (LS-RI)
- ERIHAD.OS (SSHOC) - Jan Krasni
- HYDRA (Other) - Andrii Trostianchyn

Data Annotation
- FAIR Memories (SSHOC) - Laurent Fintoni

Software, AI and tools
- FAME (ENVRI) - Maria Grazia Pennino
- UpGlade (ESCAPE) - Gergely Dálya (online)
- MEXANE (ESCAPE) - Antonios Nathanail
- InViMOD (PaNOSC) - Oliver Löhmann
- Fail2Fair (PaNOSC) - Filip Leonarski
- PREDICT (cross-domain) - Maria Paniw

Promotion of Open Science
- FLEX4HEALTH (LS-RI) - Tim Cadman

FLASH TALK - Groups 1 and 2

1. Repositories (11 March, 10h45)
Chair: Romain David

- EVA-FAIR (ENVRI) - Martin Večeřa
- GOYAS (ENVRI) - Fernando Aguilar
- FSD (ESCAPE) - Aneta Wiśniewska
- FAIRY - FAIRIFICATION OF YEASTRACT (LSRI) - Jorge Oliveira
- FAIRMD - DISORDER TO ORDER (LSRI) -
- MATSCATNET (PaNOSC)
- EHRI-KG (SSHOC) - Herminio García González
- RISKY (Cross-Domain) - Clara Bentes Grilo
- HiMAGNETOS (Cross-Domain)
- SEMANTYFISH (Cross-Domain) - Yannis Marketakis
- CASTAL (Cross-Domain) - Daniele Mezzana
- AMBCAT (Cross-Domain) - Neele Rahmlow
- OPAL (Cross-Domain) - Clement Jonquet
- IOCHEM-BD (Other) - Gabriela Dias

2. Data Annotation (11 March, 12h15)
Chair: Marion Pierre & Melanie Nentwich

- FAIR-EO (ENVRI) - Tadej Tomanic
- NAPMIX (ESCAPE) - Ivan Knezevic
- MADDEN (ESCAPE) - Federica Legger (online)
- Streamlining open data policies in Rucio data management platform (ESCAPE) - Giovanni Guerrieri
- ETAP (ESCAPE) - Volodymyr Savchenko
- IMPLEMENTING FAIRNESS (LSRI) - Warren Thompson
- CDIF-4-XAS (PaNOSC) - Abraham Nieva de la Hidalga
- Findable Big Data from Various Material Characterisation Techniques (PaNOSC) - Sandor Brockhauser
- MC-REDD (PaNOSC) - Thomas Kluyver (online)
- ONTOLISST (SSHOC) - Timea Venczel
- HARDIS (SSHOC) - Lea Kaftan
- ParlaCAP (SSHOC) - Petya Osenova
- SHARE (Cross-Domain) - Simon Delcamp
- OPENCORR-AM (Other) - Arshad Yazdanpanah (online)

3. Software, AI and Tools (11 March, 14h15)
Chair: Paul Millar

- FAIRFUN4Biodiversity (ENVRI) - Ana Rojas
- RSOTC - The Regional State of the Climate dashboard (ENVRI) - Antonio Pérez Velasco
- ASTRO-DM TSP - Astronomy Dark Matter Test Science Project (ESCAPE) - Stephen Serjeant
- GASPS (ESCAPE) - Iain McDonald
- COPLI (ESCAPE) - Jurjen de Jong
- FAIRGamma (ESCAPE) -
- STARLIGHT (ESCAPE) - Thibaut Oprinsen (online)
- PRIVAGAMS (LSRI) - Robert Harb
- BIO-CODES (LSRI) – Sylvia Le Dévédec
- LABID-PROV (LSRI) - Laurent Thomas
- VISA - User experience enhancement (PaNOSC) - Ludovic Leroux (online TBC)
- PAN-FINDER (PaNOSC) - Massimiliano Novelli
- AI-SCOPE (PaNOSC) - Stefan Kowarik
- OPRAVIDLO (SSHOC) - Hana Žižková
- AMIS (SSHOC) - Ala Eddine Laouir
- OASIS (SSHOC) - Laurent Tessier
- FASCA (SSHOC) - Sy Holsinger (TBC)
- HEFTIE (Cross-Domain) - David Stansby (TBC)
- CODEMETASOFT (Cross-Domain) - Daniel Garijo

4. Communication & training
Chair: Nektarios Liaskos

- HOMEROS (ENVRI) - Eleftheria Papadimitriou
- Open and FAIR Integrated Phenology Monitoring System (ENVRI) - Luca Cerato
- ASTRO-CC (ESCAPE) - Mark Allen
- FAIRIFICATION OF ISOSEQ EVIDENCE (LSRI) - Pablo Atienza Lopez
- ARTICYST (LSRI) - Samer Alkarkoukly
- DracOrOS (SHHOC) - Ingo Boerner
- MORCDA (SHHOC) - TBC
- MTESS-X (Cross-Domain) - Oliver Knodel
- AQUANAVI (Cross-Domain) - Tina Heger
- OSPARK Bootcamps (Cross-Domain) - Yo Yehudi
- PNU-OpenLab (Other) - Volodymyra Boychuk

AGENDA Thursday 12th of March 2026

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9h00	Introduction 3rd day
9h15	Flashtalks Cluster Competence Centres (2-3 minutes each, 15 minutes in total) & speed dating
10h15	World Cafe - CCC offerings versus needs/gaps
11h00	Reporting Back
11h15	Coffee & tea
11h45	Flashtalks Science Cluster Nodes/Hubs (2-3 minutes each, 15 minutes in total) & Speed dating
12h45	Lunch break
14h00	World Cafe - Nodes/Hubs offerings versus needs/gaps
14h45	Reporting back
15h00	Summary and Outlook
15h30	End of the Day

World Café sessions 1-3

A world café is a structured conversational process for knowledge sharing in which groups of people discuss a topic at several small tables like those in a café. Some degree of formality may be retained to make sure that everyone gets a chance to speak. Although pre-defined questions have been agreed upon at the beginning, outcomes or solutions are not decided in advance. The assumption is that collective discussion can shift people's conceptions and encourage collective action. (Wikipedia)

- World Café session 1: Identify a hitlist of common challenges (11 March 17:15 - 17:45)
- World Café session 2: Cluster Competences Centres offerings versus needs/gaps (12 March 10:15 - 10:45)
- World Café session 3: Nodes/Hubs offerings versus needs/gaps (12 March 14:00-14:45)

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Thank you