



# The European Open Science Cloud



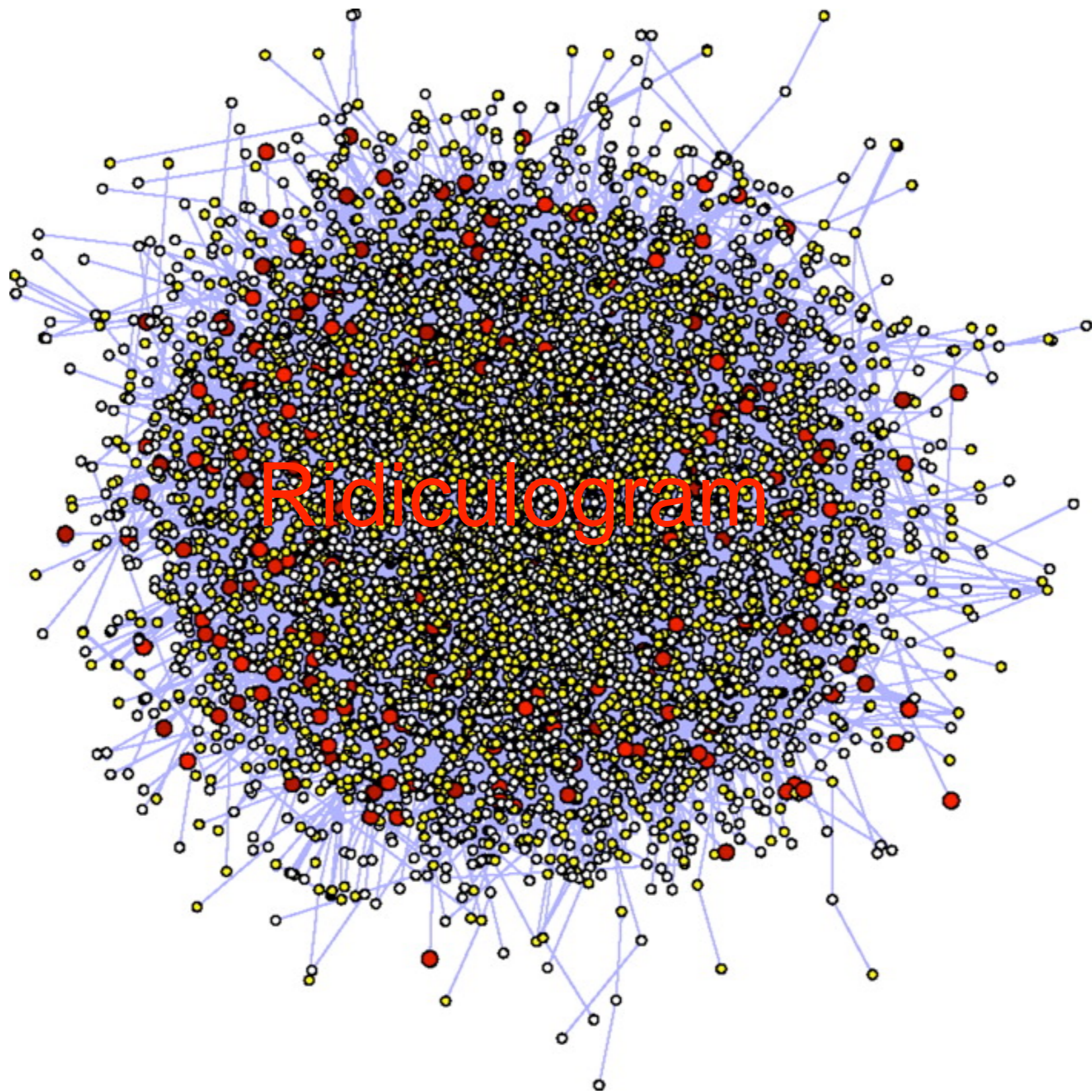
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## Key challenges

- Still a lack of widespread **awareness** of the value of data and of **incentives** for data sharing.
- Lack of common standards to ensure **inter-operability** of data.
- **Not enough hardware capacity** for scientific computing, storage, connectivity.
- **Fragmentation and lack of coordination** over different scientific communities and countries.
- Need to translate recent **changes in privacy, data protection and copyright rules** to the research data domain.



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- European
- Open
- Science
- Cloud



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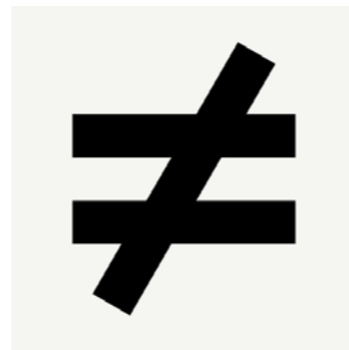
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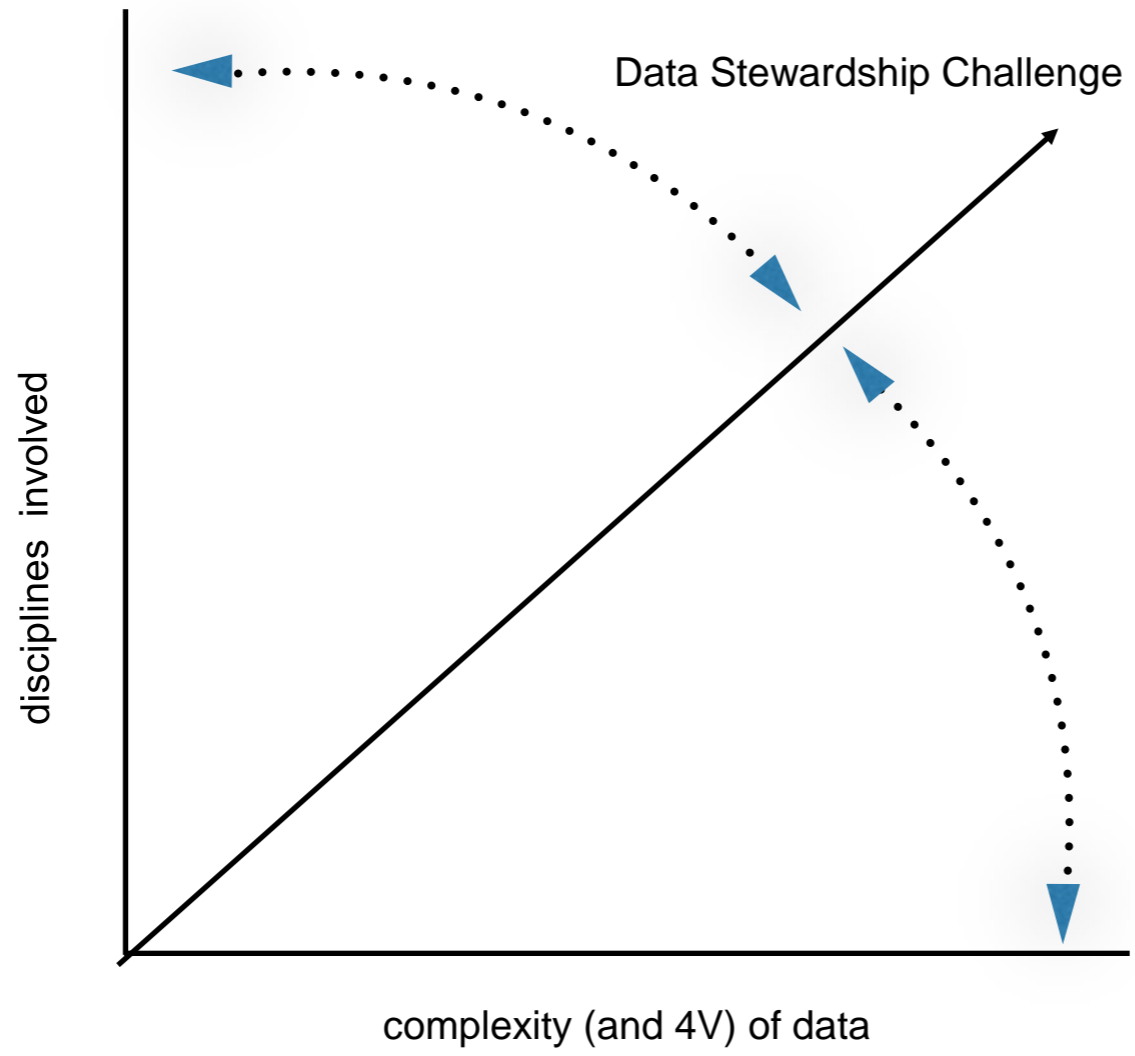
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something to refer to

# SCIENTIFIC DATA **IN PRESS**

## The FAIR Guiding Principles for scientific data management and stewardship

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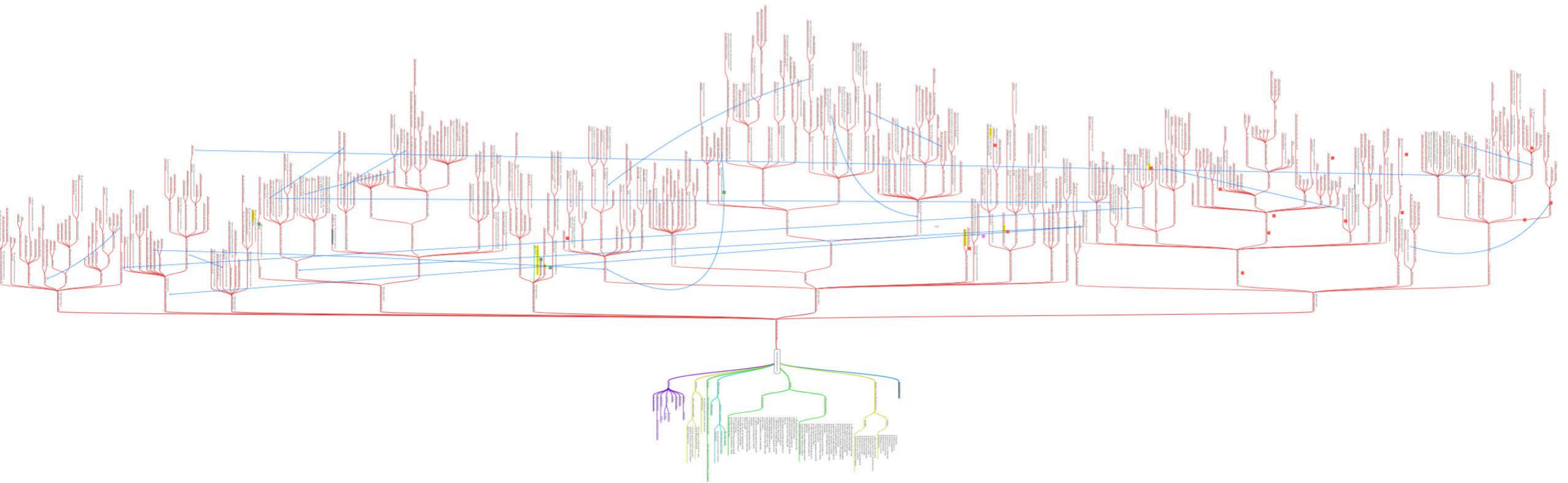


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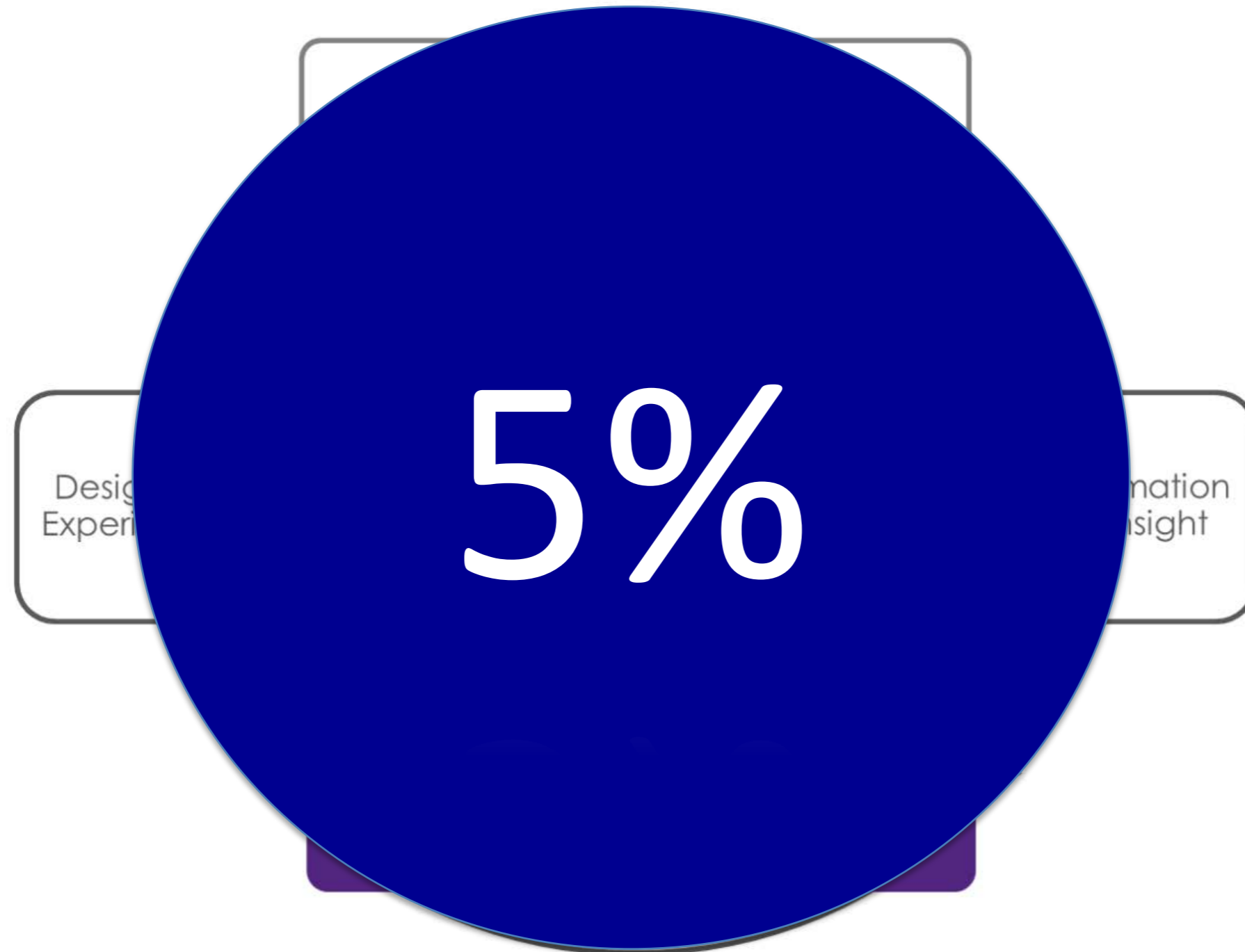
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- Interoperable
- Reusable



Data Stewardship is NOT simple !!!!



# The Data Stewardship Cycle





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## EOSC: **Framing**

- **Trusted access to services & systems**
- **Re-use of shared data**
- **Across disciplinary, social and geographical borders**
- **Federated environment, across Member States**

## EOSC: **'Internet approach'**

- **Minimal** international guidance and governance
- **Maximum** freedom to implement.
- **Globally** interoperable and accessible
- **Globally** embedded in a **'Commons'**





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## EOSC: **Scope**

- **Human expertise**
- **Core resources**
- **Standards, best practices**
- **underpinning technical infrastructures**
- **A web of Data and Services**



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## EOSC: **Supports**

- **Open Science**
- **Open Innovation**
- **Systematic and professional data management**
- **Long term data stewardship**

# EOSC: Challenges and Observations

- The majority of the challenges are **social** rather than **technical**
- Not just **the size of data**, but in particular **complex data** and **analytics across domains**.
- Shortage of **data experts** globally and in the European Union
- **Archaic system of rewards** and **funding** of science and innovation
- ‘**Valley of death**’ between **(e-)infrastructure providers** and **domain specialists**.
- **Short funding cycles** of **core research infrastructures** are **not fit for purpose**
- **Fragmentation** between domains causes **repetitive** and **isolated** solutions
- Distributed data sets increasingly **do not move** (**size & privacy** reasons)
- Centralised HPC is **insufficient** to support **distributed meta-analysis and learning**.
- However, the **major components** for a **first generation EOSC** are largely ‘there’
- But ‘**lost in fragmentation**’ and spread over 28 Member States.

## EOSC: **Key requirements**

- **New modes** of scholarly communication
- **Modern reward** and recognition practices need to support data sharing and re-use
- **Innovative**, fit for purpose **funding schemes** for sustainable underpinning infrastructures
- Core **data experts** need to be trained and their career perspective significantly improved
- Cross-disciplinary **collaboration-specific measures** for review, funding and infrastructure
- Support for the transition from **scientific insights** towards **societal innovation**
- The EOSC needs to be developed as an **eco-system of infrastructures**
- Key Performance Indicators should be developed for the EOSC
- The EOSC should **enable automation of data processing** and thus **machine actionability** is key.
- FAIR principles



## EOSC: **Policy Recommendations**

- P1: Take immediate, affirmative action in close concert with Member States
- P2: Close discussions about the ‘perceived need’
- P3: Build on existing capacity and expertise where possible
- P4: Frame the EOSC as supporting Internet based protocols & applications

# EOSC: **Governance Recommendations**

- G1: Aim at the lightest possible, internationally effective governance
- G2: Guidance only where guidance is due
- G3: Define Rules of Engagement for formal participation in the EOSC
- G4: Federate the Gems across Member States

# EOSC: **Implementation Recommendations**

- I1: Turn this report into an EC approved White Paper to guide EOSC initiative
- I2: Develop, Endorse and implement a Rules of Engagement scheme
- I3: Fund a concentrated effort to locate and develop Data Expertise in Europe
- I4: Install a highly innovative guided funding scheme for the preparatory phase
- I5: Make adequate data stewardship mandatory for all research proposals
- I6: Install an executive team to deal with international coherence of the EOSC
- I7: Install an executive team to deal with the preparatory phase of the EOSC

