

Newsletter #6 April 2024

The SOA theme for the year is community. Can the metaphor of quilting simultaneously encapsulate our goal and the process of shaping EOSC?

EOSC as a Quilt

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The idea of bringing data infrastructures together into one system seems so abstract, yet many tangible metaphors can convey the ultimate goal of EOSC, e.g., collages, mycelial fungal networks, or even quilts. The latter is currently winning as my favorite. Many may refer to them as patchworks, but that only describes the surface. The quilt itself forms by sewing the patchwork top to a plain piece of fabric, sandwiching a plush, warming layer in between: it's a sum made up of many parts. The stitching that holds the pieces together can be simple straight lines or can create swirling patterns and pictures themselves. Regardless of how intricate the process or certain parts may be, the end result is a practical, useful, multi-purpose covering.

Aside from providing an apt metaphorical gloss for the goal of EOSC, quilting culture has a tradition of collectivization. Many social projects have used the art of quilt making to bring people together and raise awareness about important causes, such as the AIDs Quilts or the Bosna Quilt project based in Bregenz (quilt featured above). These projects often include people from different backgrounds and locations patching together what they have to pieces put together by others. This communal process eventually converts the conceptual into the substantial. A great deal of trust is required for this, as when putting together disparate parts one can never truly foresee the concrete outcome.

At this point, it seems to me that we find ourselves in the patchwork phase, which is arguably the most creative and exciting of the phases. Partners and actors in the Austrian Open Science scene are seeing where their pieces come together. There will come a day when they are stitched up and the bottom layers attached (for me this is the interoperable, linked digital infrastructure that will eventually constitute EOSC). Until then, let's keep coming together with our metaphorical bits of cloth and encourage others to share theirs.

SOA Presents: Knowledge Snacks



The EOSC SOA is working on creating content that helps you in your daily work. We are launching a series called "Knowledge Snacks"-downloadable PDFs that can be shared with researchers, students, and Open Science nerds who want to learn more about topics related to EOSC readiness.

The first Knowledge Snack is: What is a PID?

Download below and share widely!

What is a PID.pdf

Upcoming Events

Due to technical issues, this Newsletter was sent out later than originally planned. We apologize for the short notice for some of the events!



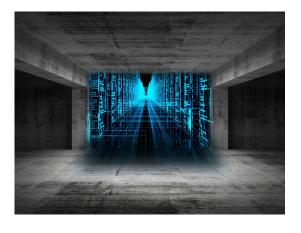
Subsequent use of research data

The workshop "Data re-use in practice" is aimed at RDM trainers. How to teach researchers about data reuse in a scientific context (data reuse to answer a research question) will be discussed.

To description and registration info.

When?: 17 April 2024, 10:00 - 12:00

Where?: Online



When?: 17 April 2024, 11:00 - 16:00 Where?: Naturhistorisches Museum, Burgring 7, 1010 Wien, Vortragssaal

"Digital Data Curators" in Museen und

Sammlungen

Das Naturhistorische Museum Wien lädt in Kooperation mit dem Museumsbund Österreich zu einem Workshop zum Thema Digital Data Curatorship in Museen und Sammlungen.

Zum Programm hier.



When?: All events from 14:00 - 16:00, Paris time

Where?: Online

Click on images on SOA event page for registration.

Reports from previous UNESCO working groups here.



UNESCO Working Groups on Open

Science

17 April

Principles of OS Monitoring.

30 April

Financing and Incentives: Desirability and Feasibility of a Global Open Science Fund.

15 May

Policy and Policy Instruments: Assessing the impact of policy and policy instruments pertaining to OS.

3 June

Infrastructures: Open Science and AI.

Crosscutting Research Support

Services Symposium

Informieren Sie sich über aktuelle Projekte, lernen Sie europäische Umsetzungen kennen und diskutieren Sie die Herausforderungen der Zukunft.

Mehr Informationen hier.

When?: 14.05.2024, 9:00 - 16:00

Where?: TUtheSky (Getreidemarkt 9, 1060

Wien, Gebäude BA, 11. OG)



The latest updates at a glance:

- -Open Science Policy Austria now also available in English
- -New German-language Data Steward course from the University of Graz (Page 10)
- -Analyse der rechtlichen Rahmenbedingungen für Open Science in Österreich. Skorjanc, Ziga. (October 2023). https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.10410431
- -Project AT2OA2: Mailing list available since January 2024. Registration: https://in-transition.at/de/mailingliste (Page 12)
- -<u>AUSSDA Teaching and Learning Dataverse</u> Datasets for use in training and teaching (Page 17)
- -Ethnographisches Datenarchiv (Page 18)
- -Kulturpool Portal contains digitized material (2D, 3D, audio, etc.) from museums, archives, and libraries (Page 19)
- -Open Scientific Collections Austria- Portal for collections from the natural sciences and geology (Page 19)
- -New graphics on EOSC SOA KPIs (from Page 21)
- -News on Core Trust Seal: AUSSDA Dataverse and GAMS have been resubmitted and approved
- -Tethys RDR Geologische Bundesanstalt has received CTS (Page 33)

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Calls



Open Call for EOSC-A Task Force Members

Candidates interested in becoming a TF member are invited to submit their applications by 21 April 2024.

More information here.



OSCARS 1st Call

Submit your proposal by 15 May 2024, 17:00.

More information here.

Most recent EOSC-A Newsletter

Click below for information about SRIA 2.0 Community Consultation, AI4EOSC and more!



EOSC-SOA-All Mailing List

The eosc-soa-all@eosc-austria.at mailing list is meant for all to use.

Feel free to send events and other news you want to share with the community directly to the list.

Want to join the list? Send an email to contact@eosc-austria.at.

Thank you for indulging my figurative reflections above.

Do you agree that we are making a quilt of sorts or do you think another metaphor fits better? Or is this taking it altogether too far? You are invited to share your thoughts on the mailing list!

All the best,
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