

# EOSC - European Open Science Cloud

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## An Overview



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# ZBW – Leibniz Information Center for Economics

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## **ZBW is the world's largest information infrastructure for economics**

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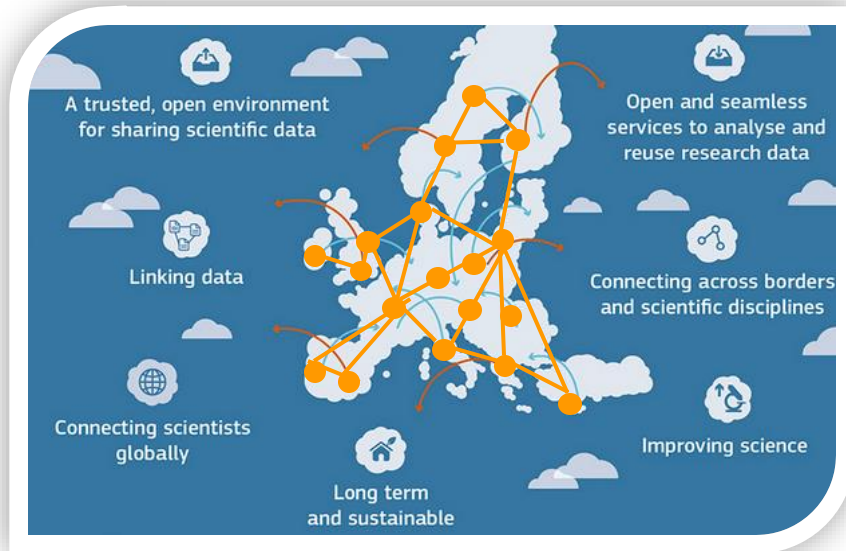
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# Introduction to EOSC

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# EOSC Vision

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What

**EOSC is the European web of FAIR data and related services for research**

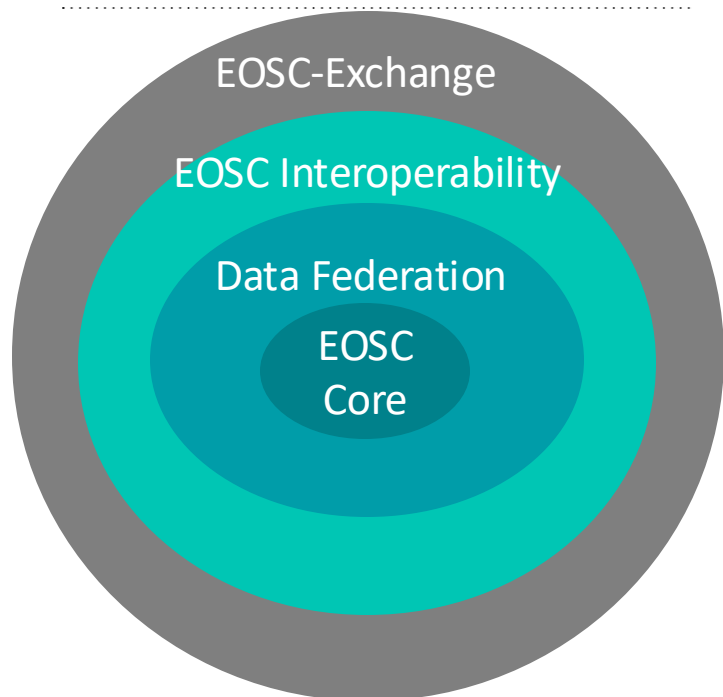
Research data that is easy to find, access, interoperate and reuse (FAIR)

Trusted and sustainable research outputs are available within and across scientific disciplines

Why

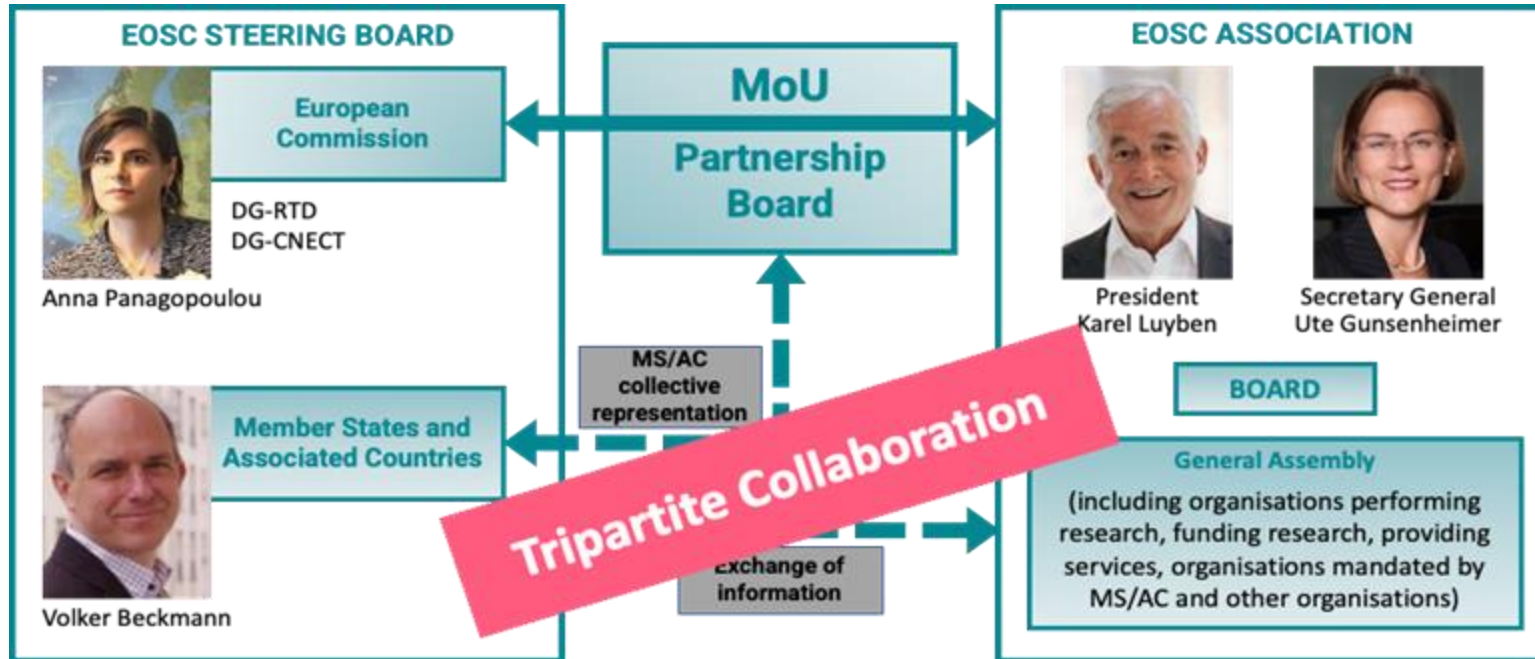
**Unlock the full potential of research data to accelerate discoveries and innovation**

# Minimum Viable Environment of the EOSC



- EOSC-Core**  
The prerequisite **service component enabling** the large-scale brokering of research data and services between the participants in the **EOSC Federation**
- Data Federation**  
**FAIR Data need to be federated** in such a way that **metadata on research outputs is harvested into a cross-search to enable greater discovery and reuse** of data residing in multiple institutional, domain-specific and national repositories across Europe
- EOSC Interoperability Framework**  
**Set of standards and guidelines to support interoperability and composability of resources across borders and disciplines** while respecting privacy and security
- EOSC-Exchange**  
The Exchange is the **pan-European marketplace for the EOSC federated resources**. It enables the **brokering of community services between federation participants** and gives access to procurement contracts.

# Governance Structure



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# Strategic Approach: SRIA

<https://eosc.eu/sria-mar>



## Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA)

### of the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC)

Version 1.2 – 1 November 2023

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## ^ Implementation challenges

Based on the guiding principles and recommendations, action areas to help deploy the EOSC ecosystem. The selected implementation challenges for the EOSC ecosystem are:

- Identifiers;
- Metadata and ontologies;
- FAIR metrics and certification;
- Authentication and authorisation infrastructure;
- User environments;
- Resource provider environments;
- EOSC Interoperability Framework.

# Strategic Approach: Multi-Annual Roadmap (Chapter 8 of SRIA)

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## **Stage 1 (2021–2022): Development towards added value from a functional federation of infrastructures**

Enabling the European Open Science Cloud operations (the EOSC-Core) to provide necessary core functions of the Minimum Viable EOSC (MVE) that allow federation of existing and future infrastructures, according to associated Rules of Participation and governance that provision growth and expansion in the following stages.

## **Stage 2 (2023–2024): Expansion to production that generates added value**

Expanding and building the core data infrastructure to support the full lifecycle of scientific research in key thematic areas. During this period, activities will build on pilots / demonstrators and work towards linking EOSC beyond the research communities to the wider public sector and the private sector.

## **Stage 3 (2025–2027 and beyond): Expansion to develop impact from Open Science**

Deployment of federated research infrastructures with functionality that allows multiple European research communities to deliver impactful Open Science. In addition to European infrastructures, the national research infrastructures delivered from the Member States and Associated Countries in particular will help in this expansion phase.

# Community Involvement: Advisory Groups and Task Forces

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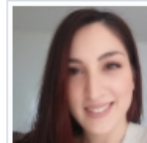


## Board Liaison



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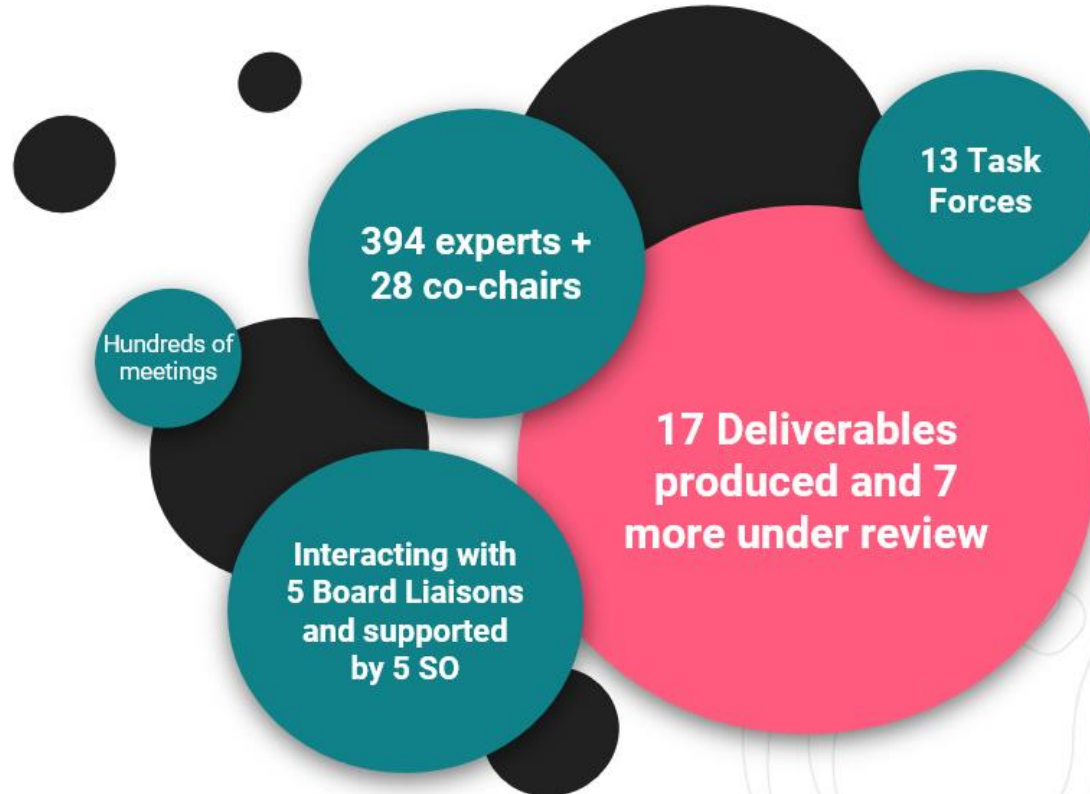


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# Achievements of finished Task Forces

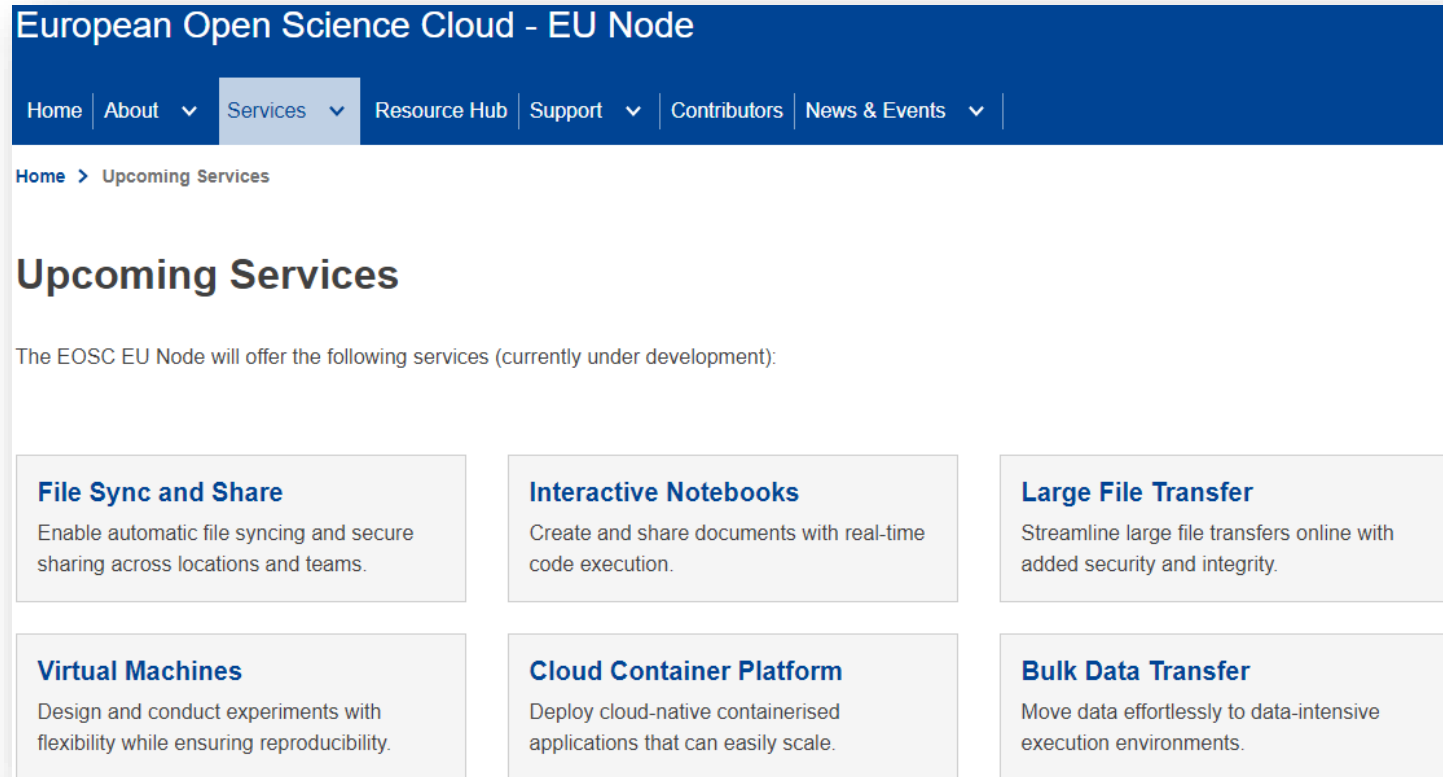
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# Services of the EOSC EU Node?

<https://open-science-cloud.ec.europa.eu/>



The screenshot shows the website for the European Open Science Cloud - EU Node. The navigation bar includes links for Home, About, Services, Resource Hub, Support, Contributors, and News & Events. The main heading is "Upcoming Services". Below this, a text block states: "The EOSC EU Node will offer the following services (currently under development):". There are six service cards arranged in a 2x3 grid:

- File Sync and Share**: Enable automatic file syncing and secure sharing across locations and teams.
- Interactive Notebooks**: Create and share documents with real-time code execution.
- Large File Transfer**: Streamline large file transfers online with added security and integrity.
- Virtual Machines**: Design and conduct experiments with flexibility while ensuring reproducibility.
- Cloud Container Platform**: Deploy cloud-native containerised applications that can easily scale.
- Bulk Data Transfer**: Move data effortlessly to data-intensive execution environments.

# Resource of the EOSC EU Node?

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The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the European Open Science Cloud - EU Node website. The navigation bar is dark blue with white text. The main title 'European Open Science Cloud - EU Node' is on the left. The navigation menu includes 'Home', 'About', 'Services', 'Resource Hub' (highlighted), 'Support', 'Contributors', and 'News & Events'. Below the navigation bar is a breadcrumb trail: 'Home > Resource hub'. The main heading is 'Resource hub'. Below the heading is a search bar with a dropdown menu set to 'All resources' and a search icon. At the bottom of the page, there is a horizontal menu with categories: 'All resources' (highlighted), 'Publications', 'Data', 'Software', 'Other Products', 'Services', 'Data Sources', 'Training', and 'Interoperability Guidelines'.

Showing 1 to 20 of 5,169,055 resources



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# Advanced technical aspects

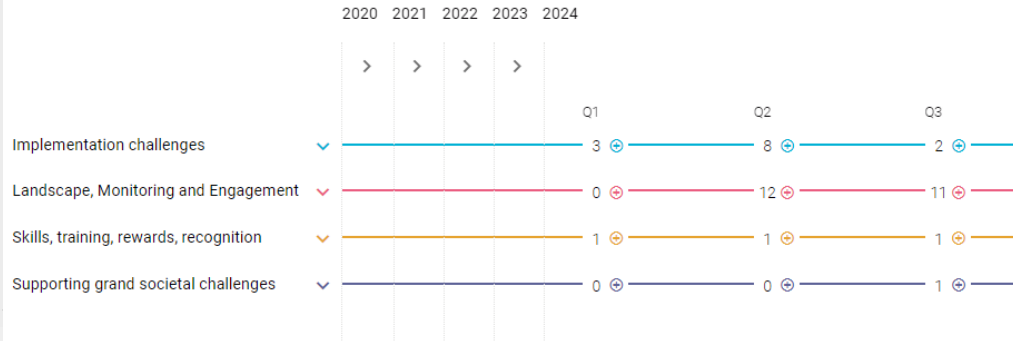
- Generic **FAIR assessment** tools
- FAIR for AI and AI for FAIR
- Criteria for **generic and community-specific (metadata) standards**
- **Semantic Interoperability**
- **Knowledge graphs** for storage, management and provision of information

## Macro Roadmap of EOSC

### Project Results 2021-2027 - EOSC Association

#### EOSC-Related HE Project Results 2021-2027

Horizon Europe Project results = ●●●●●●●●





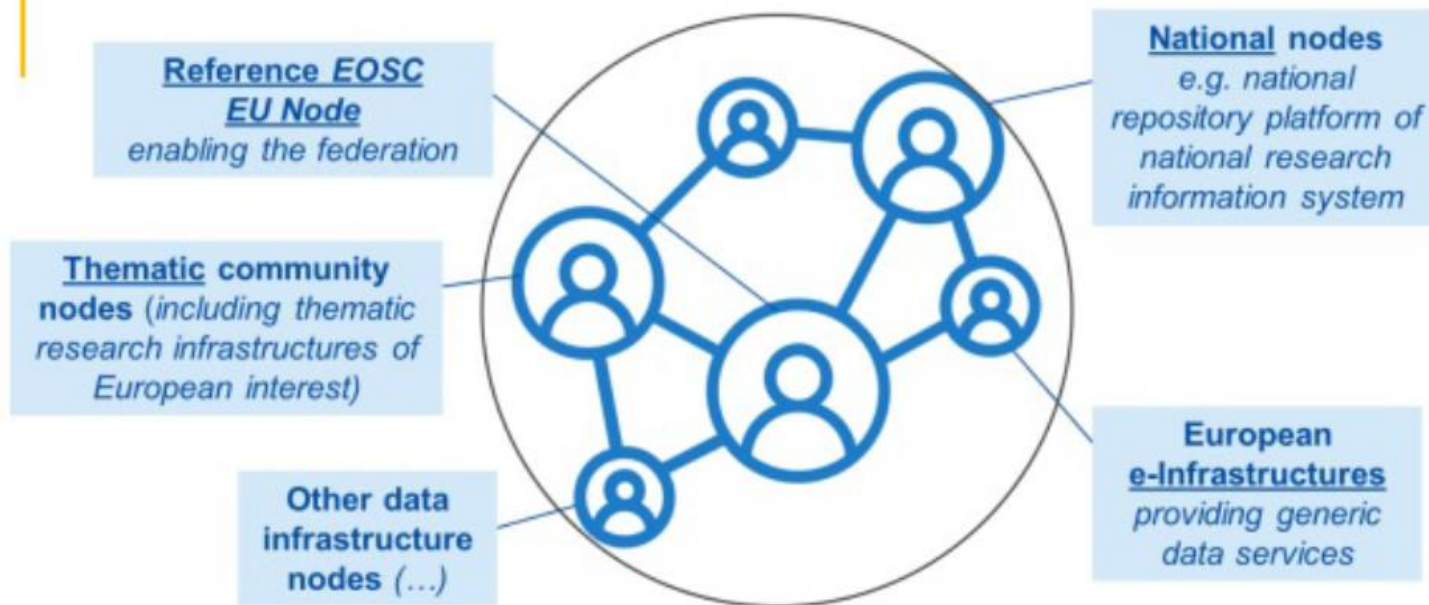
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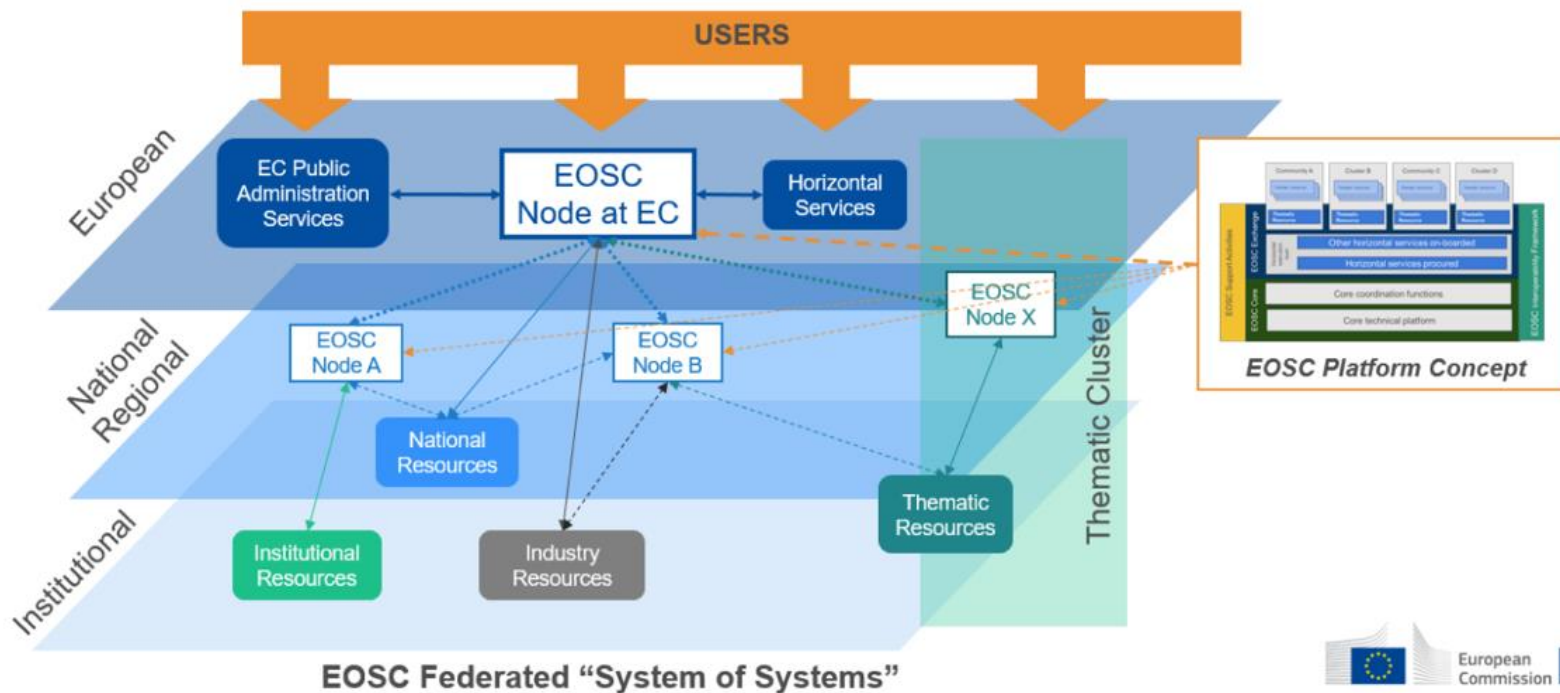
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# The Node Concept

Peter Szegedi (DG-CNECT)



# The EOSC EU Node Concept



# What is a „EOSC Node“?

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## **EOSC Nodes**

- contain resources adding value to EOSC
- act as the legal representative that can interact with EOSC's governance structure
- control their own operations and resources and ensure that policies are followed within the Node
- offer interfaces that comply with the EOSC Interoperability Framework

# EOSC Federation Handbook

<https://eosc.eu/eosc-federation-handbook/>

## EOSC Federation Handbook draft table of contents

A table of contents has been developed for the EOSC Federation Handbook by the core writing team, who have been working together since March 2024 under the mandate of the [EOSC Focus project](#).

▼ 1. Purpose

▼ 2. Operational structure and responsibilities

▼ 3. Governance and legal framework

▲ 4. EOSC platform

- FAIR data and services (Core, Exchange)
- Interoperability (EOSC Interoperability Framework)
- Links to external entities (e.g. other data spaces, EuroHPC, etc.)
- Scientific services (discovery)
- Training

▼ 5. Technical operations

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# Join the EOSC Technology Form

<https://open-science-cloud.ec.europa.eu/about/eosc-eu-node#available-forums>

## Contributor Categories

Contributor Categories:

- **Repositories:** Offer curated and FAIR research products with unique identifiers and minimum semantic interoperability (such as publications, data, software, etc.) that are as open as possible and as closed as necessary.
- **Research Infrastructures:** Contribute specialised knowledge, tools, applications, and datasets, particularly in niche or cutting-edge areas of science.
- **Technology and Infrastructure Providers:** Offer infrastructure and/or platform services following the cloud-based delivery model, that can form the European backbone of computational and data storage capabilities.
- **Software Developers and IT Professionals:** Develop the models, tools, and applications that facilitate data management, analysis, collaboration, and other essential research activities within the EOSC ecosystem.
- **Industry Partners:** Engage with the EOSC EU Node for collaborative research activities spanning across public and private sectors and for potentially bridging the gap between scientific research and industrialised innovation.

Detailed information on how you can contribute to the EOSC EU Node will be available soon in this space. Rules of Participation are subject to apply.

## Interest Form

I am interested to join the \*

User Forum  Technology Forum

Full name \*

Email \*

Organisation \*

Please keep me updated for any EOSC EU Node developments

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# Join the Global Open Science Cloud

<https://codata.org/initiatives/decadal-programme2/global-open-science-cloud/working-groups/>

## GOSC Working Groups

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The Global Open Science Cloud (GOSC) initiative will encourage cooperation, alignment, and ultimately interoperability between existing and emerging Open Science Clouds (OSCs). GOSC aims to do this through a combination of thematic Working Groups (building on existing experiences and addressing key areas of shared interest), and a set of detailed [Case Studies](#) that will demonstrate how international collaborative research communities and projects can be supported by Open Science Clouds.

The thematic Working Groups (WGs) should address areas of potential alignment and interoperability. The following **initial WG topics are proposed:**

- [Strategy, governance and sustainability](#)
- [Policy and legal](#)
- [Technical infrastructure](#)
- [Data interoperability](#)

### Subpages

- [GOSC WG Strategy, Governance and Sustainability](#)
- [Policy and Legal](#)
- [Technical Infrastructure](#)
- [Data Interoperability](#)



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Network with institutions involved in NFDI – my visit to NII in Q1/2025

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