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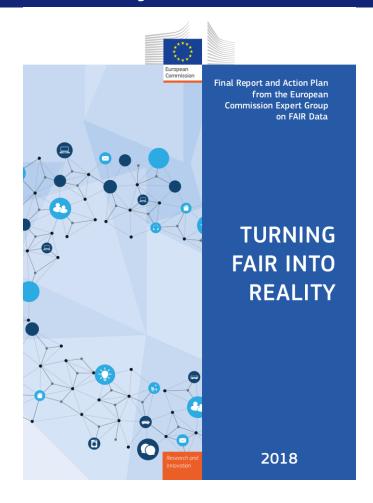
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### FAIR – sounds easy but ... is not so easy

The new **FAIR bible** 

https://doi.org/10.2777/1524



### **FAIR** – guiding principles

### 2.2 Definition of FAIR

#### The FAIR guiding principles: https://doi.org/10.1038/sdata.2016.18

To be Findable:

- F1. (meta)data are assigned a globally unique and persistent identifier
- F2. data are described with rich metadata (defined by R1 below)
- F3. metadata clearly and explicitly include the identifier of the data it describes
- F4. (meta)data are registered or indexed in a searchable resource

To be Accessible:

- A1. (meta)data are retrievable by their identifier using a standardized communications protocol
- A1.1. the protocol is free, open and universally implementable
- A1.2. the protocol allows for an authentication and authorization procedure, where necessary
- A2. metadata are accessible, even when the data are no longer available

To be Interoperable:

- (meta)data use a formal, accessible, shared, and broadly applicable language for knowledge representation
- (meta)data uses vocabularies that follow FAIR principles
- 13. (meta)data include qualified references to other (meta)data

To be reusable:

- R1. (meta)data are richly described with a plurality of accurate and relevant attributes
- R1.1. (meta)data are released with a clear and accessible data usage license
- R1.2. (meta)data are associated with data provenance
- R1.3. (meta)data meet domain relevant community standards

- > DOI
- Nexus
- **E-logbook**
- MetadataCatalogue
- http
- ResourceAsync
- > AAI
- Metadata Catalogue
- Nexus

- CC BY
- > ESRF DOI



### 27 recommendations!

Concept for FAIR implementation

Rec. 1: Define FAIR for Implementation

Rec. 2: Implement a Model for FAIR Digital Objects

Rec. 3:
Develop components
of
a FAIR ecosystem

FAIR data culture

Rec. 4: Develop interoperability frameworks

Rec. 5: Ensure data management via DMPs

Rec. 6: Recognize & reward FAIR data & stewardship FAIR data ecosystem

Rec. 7: Support semantic technologies

Rec. 8: Facilitate automated processing

Rec. 9: Certify FAIR services **Skills for FAIR** 

Rec. 10:
Professionalise data
science &
stewardship roles

Rec. 11: Implemen curriculum frameworks and training

Above line = priority recommendations

Incentives and metrics for FAIR data and services

Rec. 12: Develop metrics for FAIR Digital Objects

Rec. 13: Develop metrics to certify FAIR services Investment in FAIR

Rec. 14: Provide strategic and coordinated funding

Rec. 15: Provide sustainable funding

Rec. 16: Apply FAIR broadly

Rec. 17: Align and harmonise FAIR and Open data policy Rec. 18: Cost data management

Rec. 19: Select and prioritise FAIR digital objects

Rec. 20: Deposit in Trusted Digital Repositories

Rec. 21: Encourage/incentivise reuse of FAIR outputs Rec. 22: Use information held in DMPs

Rec. 23: Develop components to meet research

Rec. 24: Incentivise research infrastructures to support FAIR data

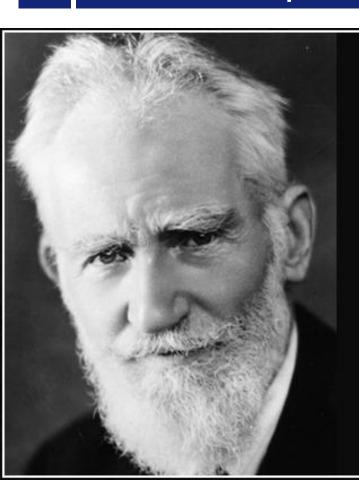
Below line = supporting recommendations

Rec. 25: Implement and monitor metrics

Rec. 26: Support data citation and next generation metrics

Rec. 27: Open EOSC to all providers but ensure services are FAIR

## FAIR – don't be put off ...



People who say it cannot be done should not interrupt those who are doing it.

– George Bernard Shaw

AZ QUOTES



### **FAIR** – in simple words

**GOAL:** Making your data FAIR means managing your data in a professional manner so that it can be found, accessed, understood and re-used in the future (10 years or more) by scientists who were not involved in producing the data.

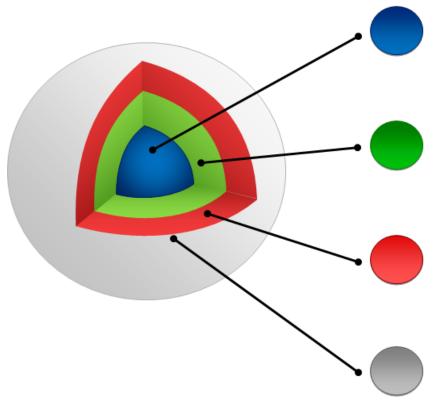
**ADVANTAGES:** By making data FAIR (1) the quality of the metadata are improved, (2) the data can be referenced by journals and data search machines, (3) the data are better organized, (4) data integrity is ensured, (5) fraud is more difficult, (6) services can be built on top of data repositories, (7) re-use of data is enabled, (8) new algorithms can be developed more easily, (9) the origin of the data are correctly acknowledged, (10) metrics on data can be tracked.

DISADVANTAGES: implementing FAIR requires human and infrastructure resources.



### **FAIR – Data Objects**

**DATA:** are not simply data in files any more but are now data objects with rich metadata, following standards, linked to software codes and identified by persistent identifiers



#### DATA

#### The core bits

At its most basic level, data is a bitstream or binary sequence. For data to have meaning and to be FAIR, it needs to be represented in standard formats and be accompanied by Persistent Identifiers (PIDs), metadata and code. These layers of meaning enrich the data and enable reuse.

#### IDENTIFIERS

#### Persistent and unique (PIDs)

Data should be assigned a unique and persistent identifier such as a DOI or URN. This enables stable links to the object and supports citation and reuse to be tracked. Identifiers should also be applied to other related concepts such as the data authors (ORCIDs), projects (RAIDs), funders and associated research resources (RRIDs).

#### STANDARDS & CODE

#### Open, documented formats

Data should be represented in common and ideally open file formats. This enables others to reuse the data as the format is in widespread use and software is available to read the files. Open and well-documented formats are easier to preserve. Data also need to be accompanied by the code use to process and analyse the data.

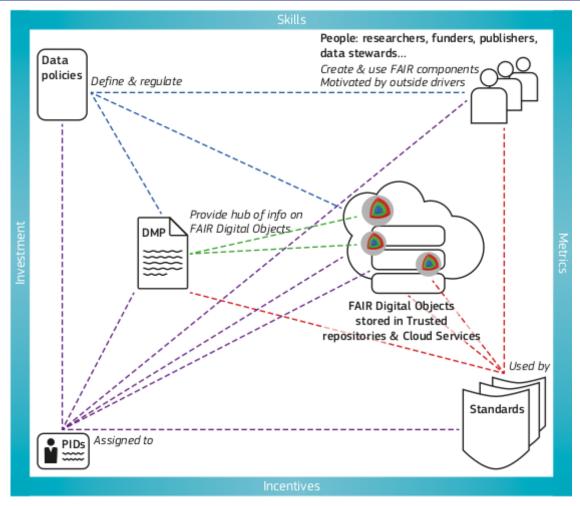
#### METADATA

#### Contextual documentation

In order for data to be assessable and reusable, it should be accompanied by sufficient metadata and documentation. Basic metadata will enable data discovery, but much richer information and provenance is required to understand how, why, when and by whom the data were created. To enable the broadest reuse, data should be accompanied by a 'plurality of relevant attributes' and a clear and accessible data usage license.



### FAIR – Data Ecosystem





## **ESRF's long and winding road to FAIR**



**2011 -** Developed Data Policy framework

**2015 - Data Policy endorsed** 

**2014 -** Hired Data manager

**2014 -** Built a prototype

**2015 -** Tested on beamline

2018 - Implement DOIs

**2015-2018 -** Rollout on ½ beamlines

**2017 -** Hired 2<sup>nd</sup> Data manager

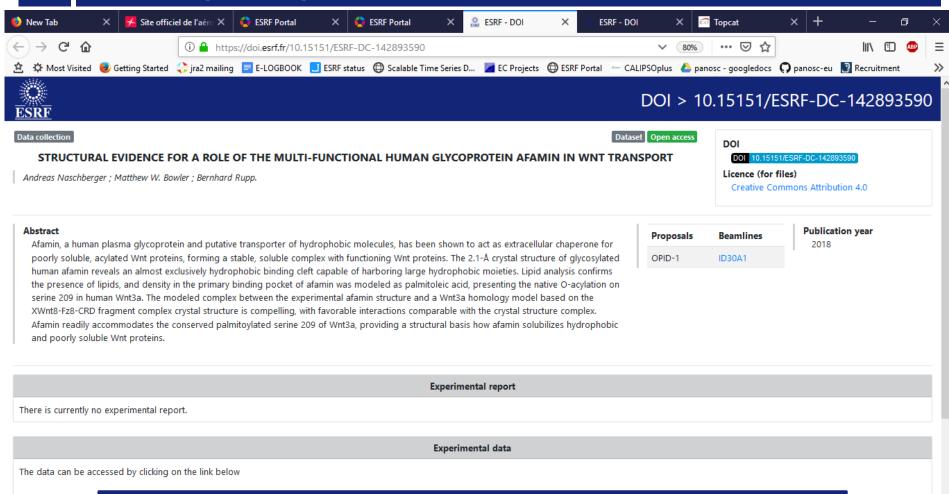
**2018 -** Developed e-logbook

2019 - Train scientists

**2021 –** Rollout on all beamlines

**2021-future** – Develop data services

# PID example - https://doi.esrf.fr/10.15151/ESRF-DC-142893590



Access data

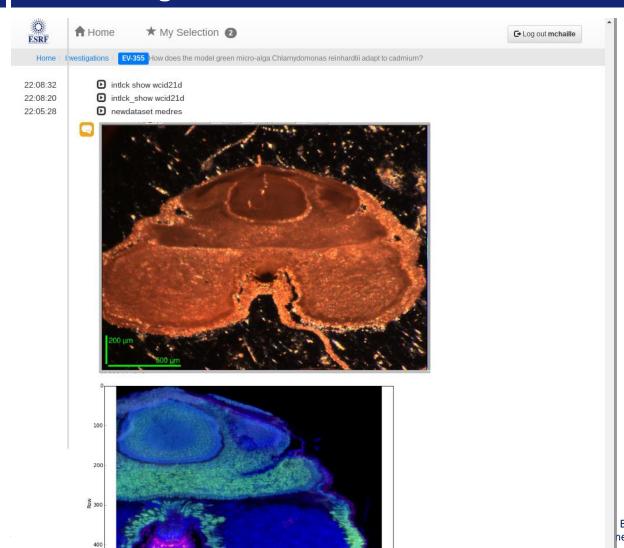
### **FAIR – Persistent Identifiers**

**PID**: A persistent identifier is required to be able to refer to a data object in a permanent way i.e. independent of changing urls

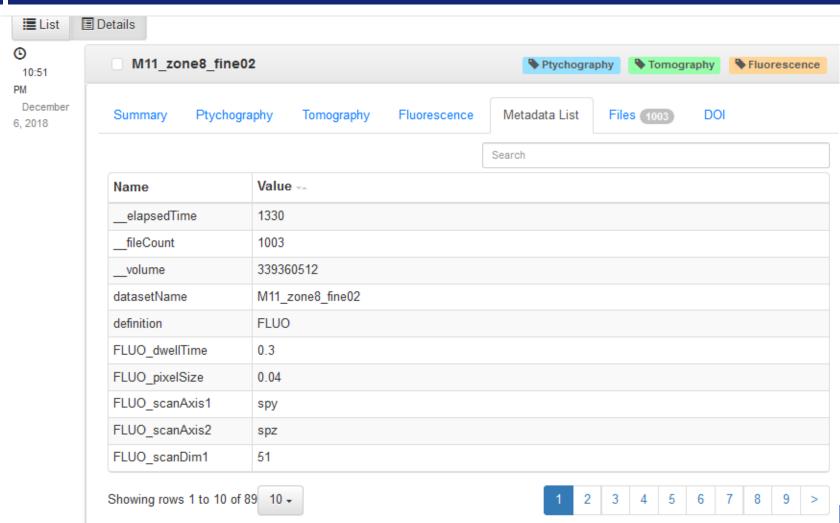
### We did it this way

- 1. Chose datacite as PID provider (datacite.org)
- 2. Setup a contract with Datacite (a PID cost between 3 20 cents / year)
- 3. Chose and implemented a long term archiving solution (tape library for 90 PBs costs roughly 100 000 euros / yr)
- 4. Defined and collected metadata for experimental techniques
- 5. Chose and deployed a metadata catalogue (icatproject.org)
- 6. Setup a workflow to archive data with the correct metadata
- 7. Setup a web services for creating the landing page for the PIDs (doi.esrf.fr)

# FAIR – eLogbook



### **FAIR – Metadata**





### **FAIR – Data Management Plans**

## What is a DMP?

A short plan that outlines:

- what data will be created and how
- how it will be managed (storage, back-up, access...)
- plans for data sharing and preservation



### **FAIR – Data Repositories**

**Data Repository**: where your data is stored and are FAIR

Public repositories: zenodo, figshare, ...

Community repositories: CXIDB, EMPIAR ...

Institute repositories: ESRF, ILL, XFEL, ...

Private repositories: are not a repository e.g. Dropbox



Search...

Q Search



### FAIR – Resources

To implement FAIR Data Management you need at least one or more of the following human resources:

- 1. Scientist who produces data and does science
- **Data scientist –** defines metadata for techniques
- **Data manager IT** specialist who implements data policy
- **Data archiver –** DevOps specialist who implements data infrastructure
- **Management –** who understands the need for Data Policy

### FAIR – Open Data

Some scientists misinterpret FAIR data policy to be a way to "steal their data":

- 1. Open Data is data which the Scientist has made open
- 2. Embargo Data data which is under restricted access
- 3. Publicly funded data which was obtained for free at a publicly funded site
- **4. Proprietary Data –** data the user has paid for and is private
- **5. Data Services** only make sense if there is a Data Policy and data will be open at some time

### Conclusion

Implementing FAIR data is a big challenge but is worth it because it improves the quality of the data and enables Open Science

There are many resources out there – use them!

Hire a data manager!

