

# Inițiative naționale Cloud pentru știința deschisă și interacțiunea lor cu EOSC

Seminar „Instrumente ale Științei Deschise pentru cercetători”

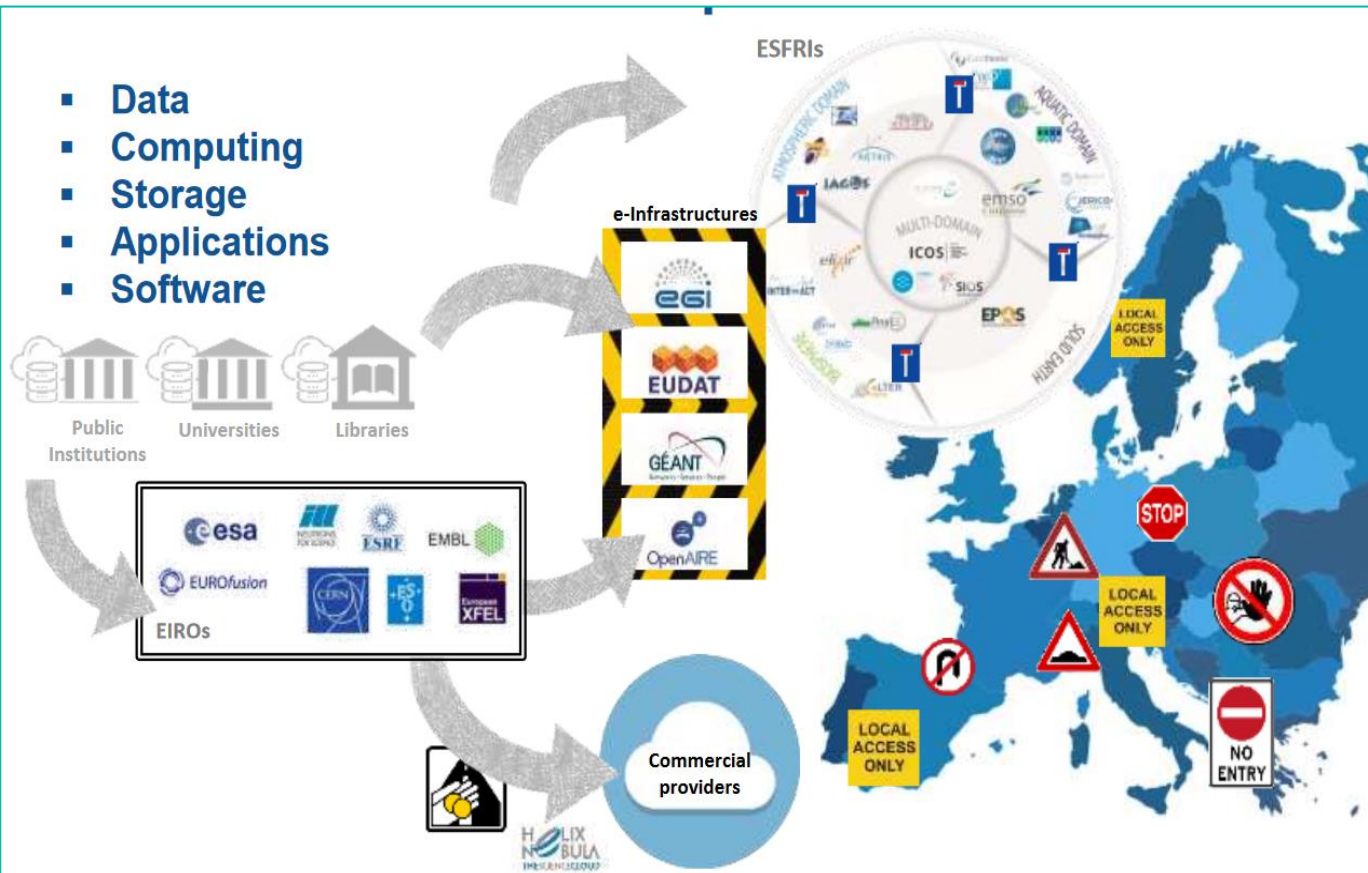
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# Initiativa EOSC

## Previous model of European data infrastructures



Source: EOSC Strategic Implementation Roadmap 2018-2020, May 2018, European Commission

*From fragmentation and uneven access to information to a federated model, where access to data would be universal, building on a strong legacy*



EOSC model: federation of data and services infrastructures

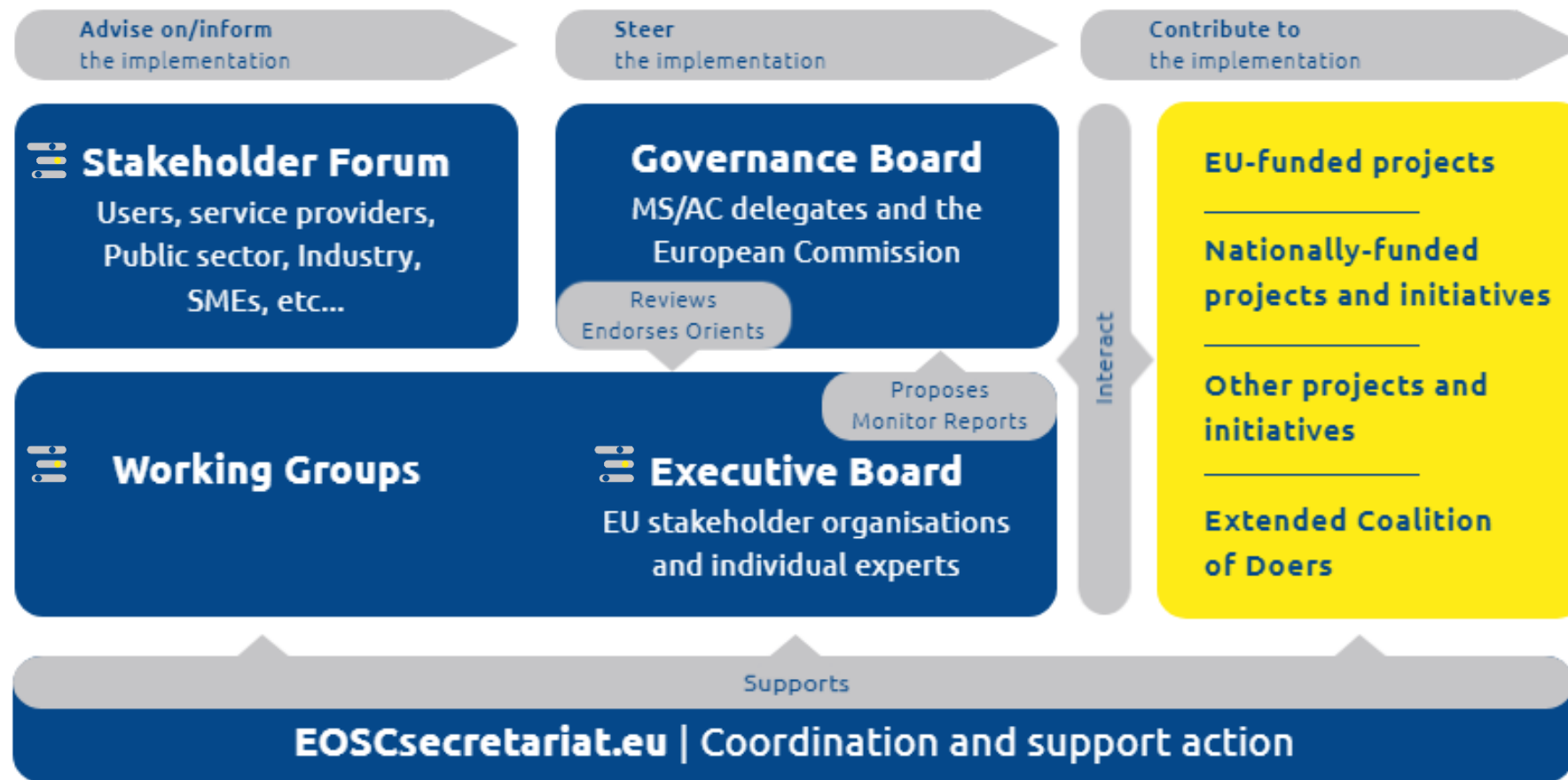
## EOSC Vision


EOSC took shape in 2015 **to federate existing research data infrastructures to** support and develop open science and open innovation.

**EOSC brings together national and European stakeholders,** initiatives and e-infrastructures to develop an inclusive open science ecosystem in Europe.

Its aim is to develop a **trusted, virtual and federated environment** that cuts across borders to store, share, process and re-use research digital objects following FAIR principles.

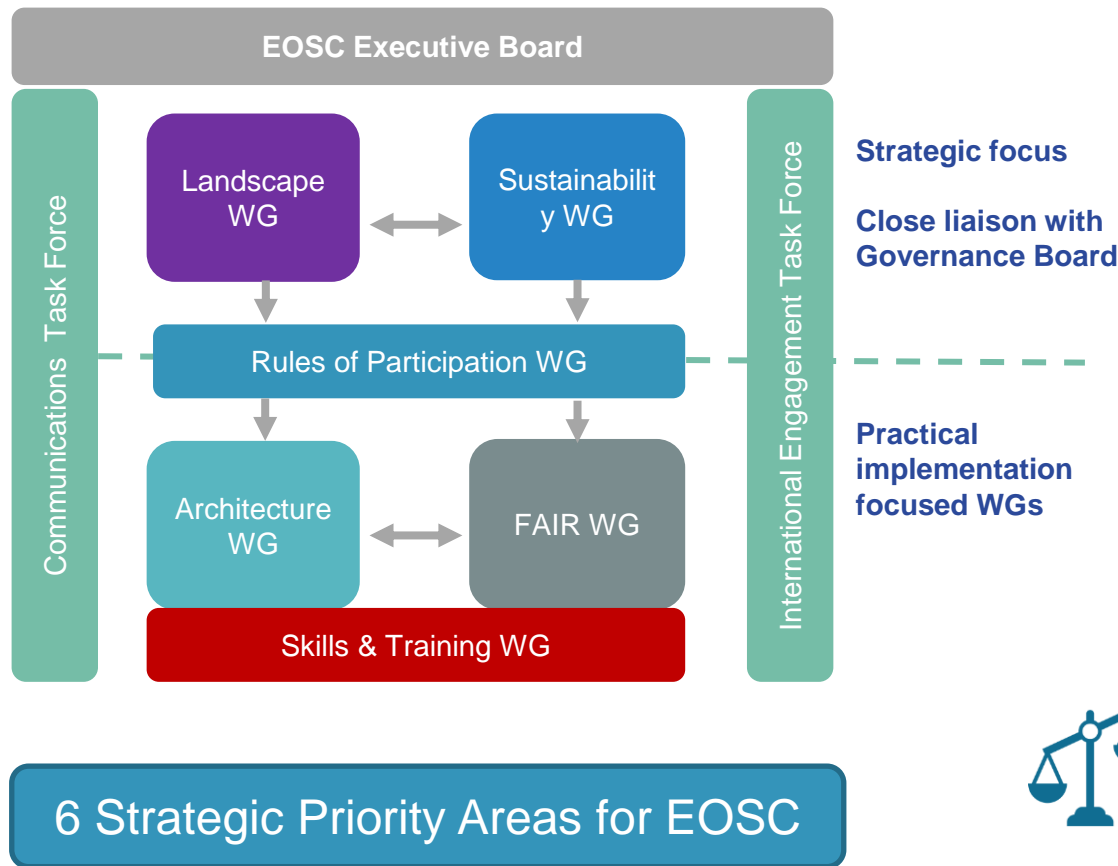
# Initial EOSC Governance structure & EOSC projects



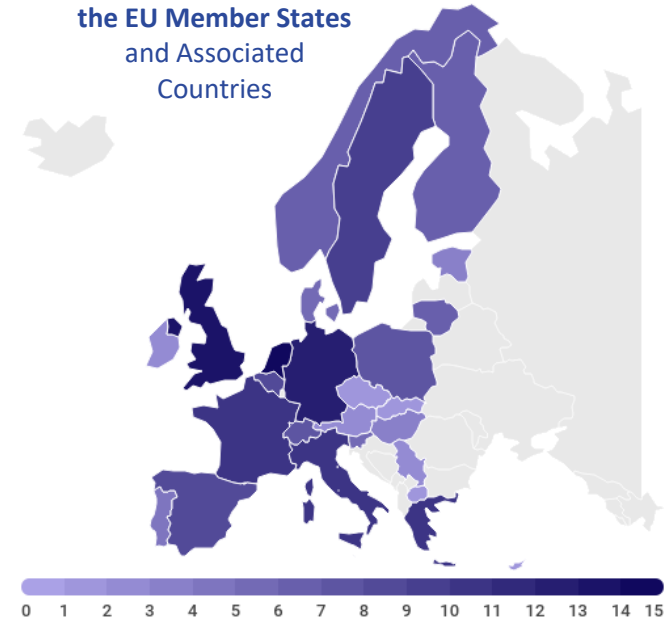
Legend: 

# EOSC Working Groups – until the end of 2020

**6 Working Groups**   **160+ WG Members**   **10 Active WG Task Forces**



Experts represent **28 of the EU Member States** and Associated Countries



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| <b>Landscape</b><br>15 male<br>9 female      | <b>RoP</b><br>11 male<br>8 female     |
| <b>Architecture</b><br>39 male<br>3 female   | <b>FAIR</b><br>16 male<br>11 female   |
| <b>Sustainability</b><br>10 male<br>8 female | <b>Skills</b><br>11 male<br>21 female |





# Contributions from different stakeholders to the EOSC

## Researcher engagement

Video: EOSC - The New Frontier of Data-Driven Science



Interviews

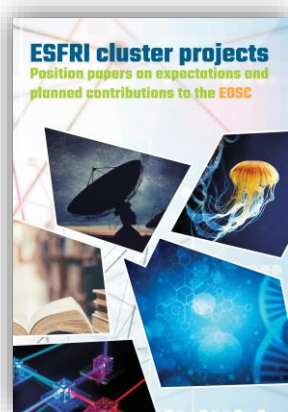


Workshops



## Engagement with International Initiatives

The international Research Data Community Contributing to EOSC



ESFRI Cluster projects – Position Papers



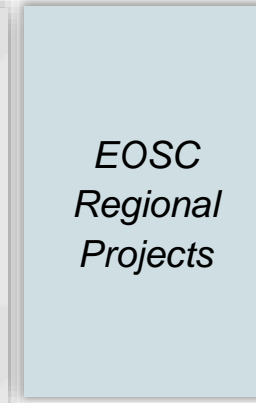
EOSC Symposiums



Building the European Open Science Cloud



HPC Assets and Contributions to the EOSC



EOSC 5b projects (Regional)

**zenodo**

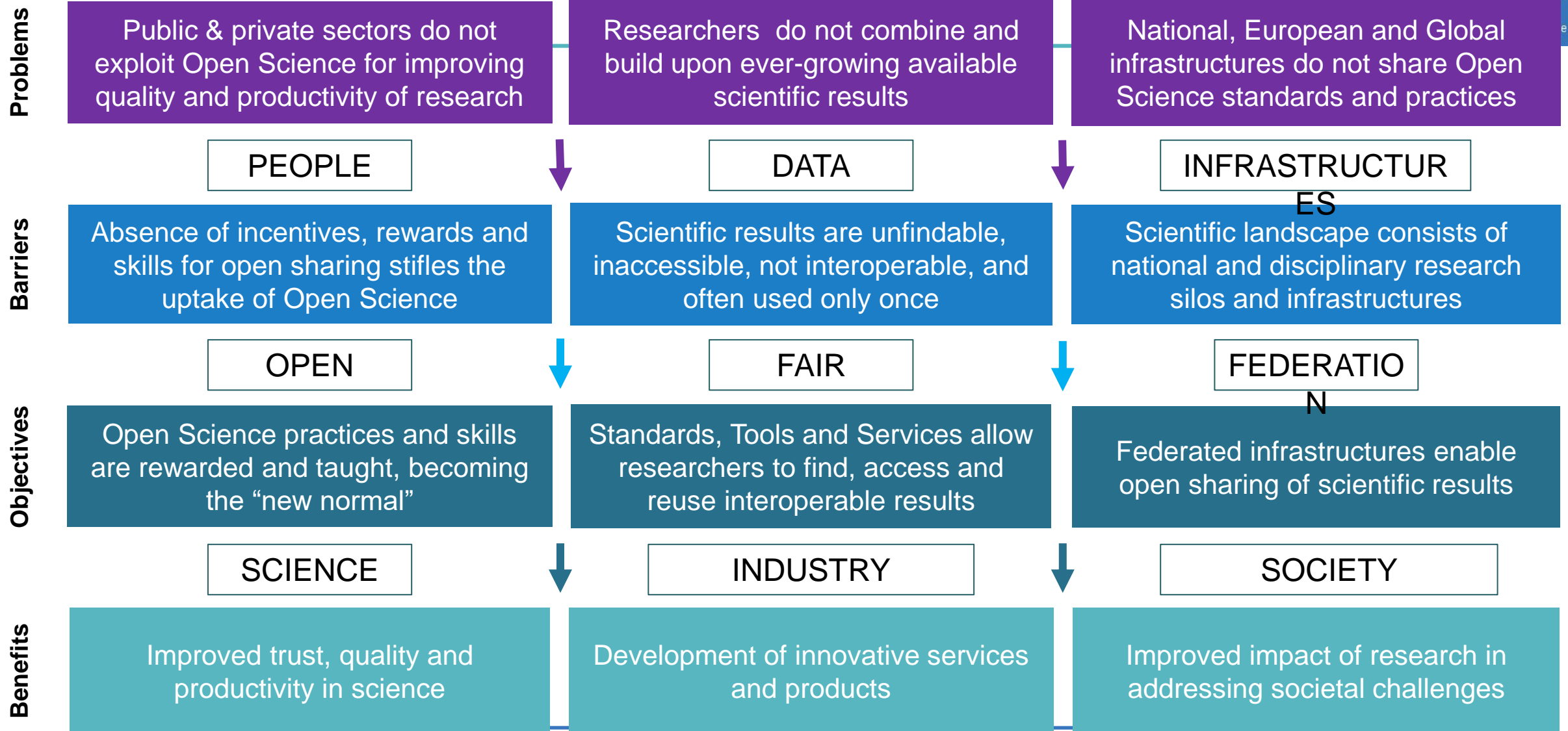
EOSC governing bodies launched it **Zenodo community**, where all publications are collecting, in a collaborative and curated manner.

# SRIA Table of Contents:

<https://www.eoscsecretariat.eu/sites/default/files/eosc-sria-v09.pdf>

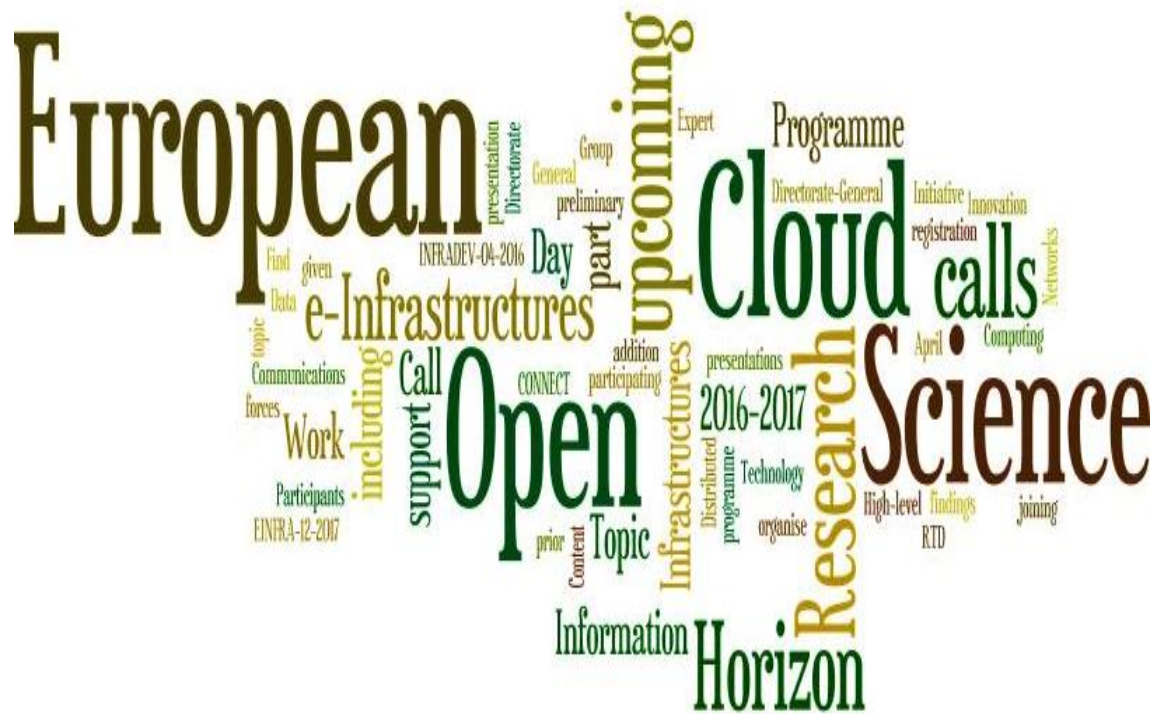
- Part 1 New Ways of Science Science in the Digital Age becomes Open
- Part 2 Science & Data in Europe Science contributes to the implementation of Europe Strategy
- Part 3 EOOSC in the Making Conceived in 2015, Launched in 2018, Sustainable in 2021
- Part 4 Values & Principles Multistakeholder, Open, FAIR, Federation
- Part 5 Technical Challenges Status, Gaps & Priorities
- Part 6 Societal Challenges Status, Gaps & Priorities
- Part 7 Multi Annual Roadmap Priorities & Timeline
- Part 8 Expected Impacts Science strengthens the implementation of Europe Strategy
- Part 9 Going Global Europe leadership at the service of Society at Large

# European Open Science Cloud Objectives Tree





# Core functions for EOSC right after 2020+



- Develop and govern federating core
- Manage compliance framework
- Manage trusted certification
- Manage the AAI
- Manage PID policies
- Develop outreach to stakeholders
- Monitor services and transactions
- Manage 'EOSC' trademark(s)
- Contribute to Horizon EU policy

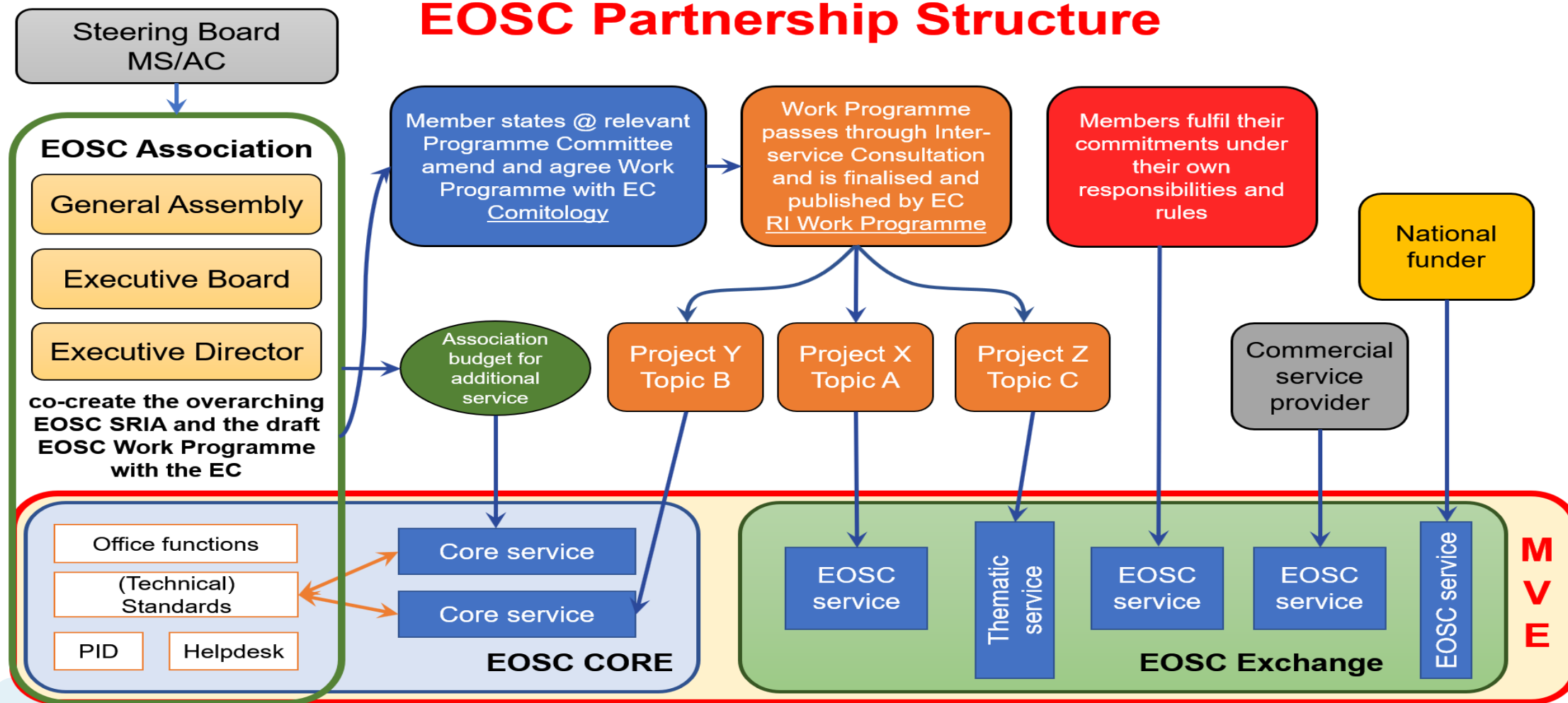
## Functions

- ★ Provides the means to discover, share, access and re-use data and initial services
- ★ Will not store, transport or process data, at least initially
- ★ Should be used as widely as possible  
→ will be accessible to any authenticated user to promote open research across Europe

## Proposed coverage

- ★ Shared open science policy framework
- ★ AAI framework
- ★ Data access framework
- ★ Service management framework
- ★ Minimum legal metadata framework
- ★ Open metrics framework
- ★ PID services
- ★ Help-desk

## EOSC Partnership Structure





# EOSC Association

On July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020 founding members submitted the Deeds of Association of the EOSC Association to the notary public in Brussels which marks an important development towards the sustainability of the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC) initiative.



# EOSC Association Membership

- Membership applications
- Observer applications
- Mandated members



## EOSC Association in Numbers

**184** Applications

- ★ 130 Membership applications
- ★ 41 Observer applications
- ★ 13 Mandated members

**4** Organisation types

- ★ 114 Research performing organisations
- ★ 54 Service providing organisations
- ★ 13 Research funding organisations
- ★ 3 Other organisations

**15** Countries with mandated members

- ★ Belgium
- ★ Denmark
- ★ Hungary
- ★ Ireland
- ★ Italy
- ★ Luxembourg
- ★ Moldova
- ★ Poland
- ★ Portugal
- ★ Romania
- ★ Slovakia
- ★ Slovenia
- ★ Spain
- ★ Switzerland
- ★ Ukraine



# Essential Reading

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- [EOSC Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda](#) - version 0.9
- [Six Recommendations for Implementation of FAIR Practice](#) - official publication
- [A Persistent Identifier \(PID\) policy for the European Open Science Cloud](#) - official publication
- [Landscape of EOSC-related Infrastructures and Initiatives](#) - official publication
- [FAIR Metrics for EOSC](#) - 2nd Draft out for comments
- [Solutions for a Sustainable EOSC](#) - Ironlady Draft (*log in to the EOSC Liaison Platform to view or request a copy: [info@eoscsecretariat.eu](mailto:info@eoscsecretariat.eu)*)
- [PID Architecture for the EOSC](#) - Draft for consultation
- [EOSC AAI Architecture](#) - Draft for consultation
- [Scholarly Infrastructures for Research Software](#) - Draft for consultation
- [EOSC Rules of Participation](#) - Draft 0.5

# EOSC and National Open Science Cloud Initiatives

The EOSC is a federated ecosystem of research infrastructures, e-infrastructures and services that allows the scientific community to share and process publicly funded research results and data across borders and scientific domains. Research infrastructures, e-infrastructures and service providers play a vital role for the EOSC.

- EOSC initiative supports the operational framework for governance by focusing on coordination between relevant national initiatives, as well as research infrastructures, e-infrastructures and thematic services, and their federation into the EOSC.
- NI4OS-Europe project provides a model for the establishment of National Open Science Cloud Initiatives in South East Europe, which have as an ultimate goal to support the EOSC governance.

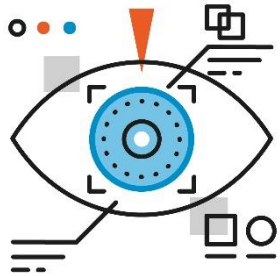
# National Open Science Cloud Initiative

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A NOSCI is a coalition of national organisations that have a prominent role and interest in the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC). The main aim of NOSCI is the promotion of synergies at national level, and the optimization/articulation of their participation to European and global challenges in this field of OSC. National Initiatives are envisaged to play a prominent role in Member States and Associated Countries and facilitate EOSC governance.

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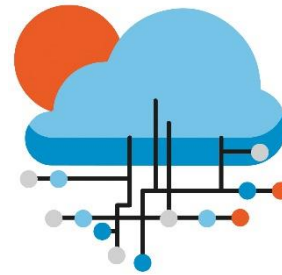
# NOSCI Operational aspects - Overview



Governance &  
Organization



Definition of  
Strategy



Infrastructures  
& Services



Sustainability

- **Sets** the framework of co-operation and **guides** activities of NOSCI members
- **Proposes** rules and recommendations in the form of commitments
- **Draws** the needs and agrees on national EOSC implementation
- **Ensures** continuation of NOSCI in the short and long term

# Options for Setting up a NOSCI

## Top down

Central decision of the related ministry or national research funding organisation

## Bottom up

Initiative by researchers, OS stakeholders and actors in the country

## Hybrid

Combination of previous two, independently of who initiated it



# Setting up a NOSCI

## Steps for setting up a NOSCI

A. Stakeholders identification and engagement

B. Designing of workflows and communication between stakeholders

C. Communication to wider public

D. Drafting of National Roadmap

E. Establishment and Sustainability

F. EOSC liaison and communication

# Setting up a NOSCI - workflow

## **A. Stakeholders identification & engagement**

Identify national organisations that have a prominent role in EOSC.

Make contact with diverse national research scientific communities interested and active in EOSC.

Manage to get consensus towards a common strategy for OSC in the country.

Collaborate with Pan-European initiatives that could provide links with other research and e-infrastructures nationally.

Approach relevant Ministries with the proposed NOSCI MoU agreement, and try to get their support.

# Setting up a NOSCI - workflow

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## **B. Designing of workflows and communication between stakeholders**

Hold an inaugural meeting of the consortium.

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Hold working meetings and divide work in Task Forces / Working Groups.

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Involve from the beginning the Ministries, as they might have already established Working Groups or Task Forces for Open Science.

Check whether merging of efforts is feasible.

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# Setting up a NOSCI - workflow

## C. Communication to wider public

Communicate current Open Science Cloud status in the country and inform about the EOSC and its advancements.

Hold an official inauguration event of the NOSCI targeted at wider public, with the support from the Ministries.

## D. Drafting of National Roadmap

Agree on a common roadmap for a national strategy for OSC and implementation actions.

Define and adopt in the Strategy any national and institutional level policies.

Reflect in the strategy the value of the EOSC

Use this document to define the structure of the initiative, its decision mechanisms and internal organisation.

# Setting up a NOSCI - workflow

## **E. Establishment & Sustainability**

Consider and define the form that NOSCI can have.

Perform a cost-benefit analysis, complementary to the strategy.

Seek national funding programme by proposing a national-level project.

## **Possible formats of the NOSCI**

Legal entity

Public private partnership - cooperation

Appointed by the government / ministry – experts

Collaboration through an MoU



# Setting up a NOSCI - workflow

## **NOSCI MoU**

The description of appropriate tools and methods to establish the NOSC initiative.

The collaboration with the relevant European and international initiatives: EOSC Association, EuroHPC, OpenAIRE, PRACE, RDA, EUDAT and EGI.

The decision mechanisms and internal organization.

The initial activities and guiding actions of the agreement.

The development and implementation of the National Open Science Strategy, with reference to the national roadmap.

# Setting up a NOSCI - workflow

## **Draft Articles MoU**

1. Purpose of the Agreement and Objectives

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2. Activities and guiding actions

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3. Decision mechanisms and internal organization aspects

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4. Entry into force, duration, changes and withdrawal

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5. Public information and public relations

# Setting up a NOSCI - workflow

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## **F. EOSC liaison & communication**

Communicate progress to Ministries and EOSC representatives.

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Define national representation and liaison with the EOSC Association.

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Link to national monitoring mechanisms / bodies.

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## Stakeholder identification and engagement

EOSC-related national organisations

Scientific communities

Open Science national stakeholders

NGIs, NRENs, and national HPC initiatives

OpenAIRE NOADs

Relevant Ministries



## Designing of workflows and communication between stakeholders

Inaugural meeting of the initiative

Task Forces / Working Groups

Relevant Ministries

National representation & liaison with the EOSC Association

National monitoring mechanisms / bodies for assessment

Progress communication to Ministries & EOSC representatives



## EOSC liaison and communication



## Communication to wider public

Open Science Cloud status in the country and goals

Open Science Cloud related national communities & wider public

National & institutional policies



## Drafting of National Roadmap

National strategy for Open Science

Value of the European Open Science Cloud

Structure, decision mechanisms & internal organisation



## Establishment and Sustainability

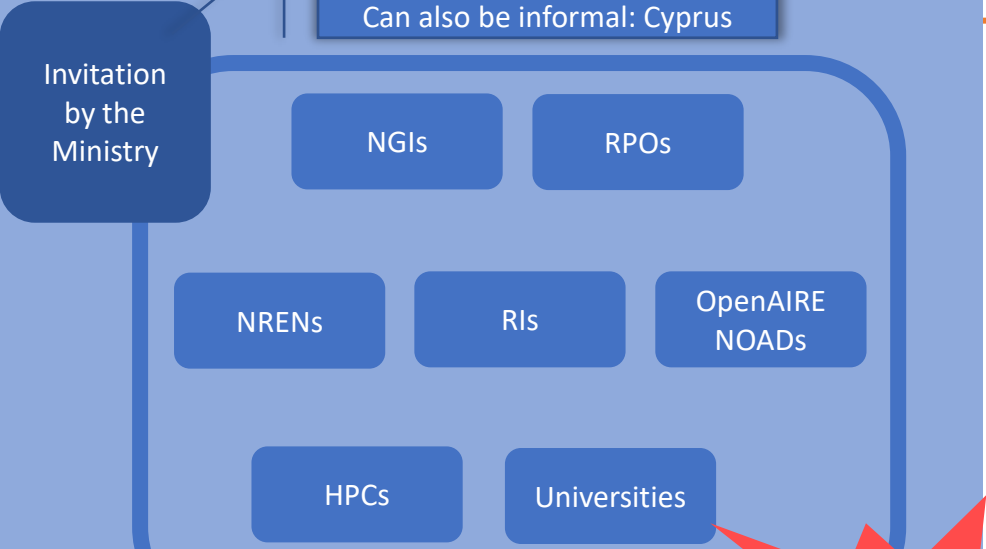
National funding programme

NOSCI's form

Cost-benefit analysis

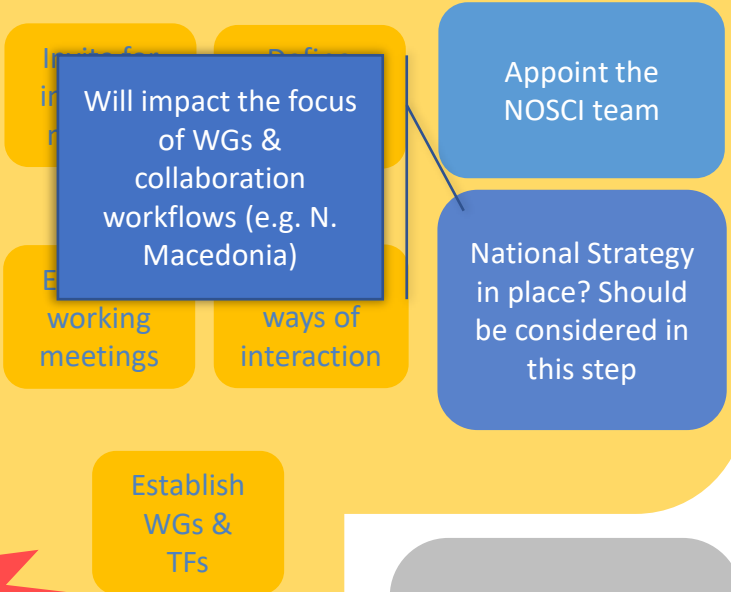
# 1 Stakeholder identification and engagement

Usually, a formal invitation:  
Albania, Montenegro, Serbia...  
Can also be informal: Cyprus



# 2 Designing of workflows and communication between stakeholders

Will impact the focus of WGs & collaboration workflows (e.g. N. Macedonia)



# 3 Communication to wider public

Exploit also any international – European collaborations (e.g. Armenia)

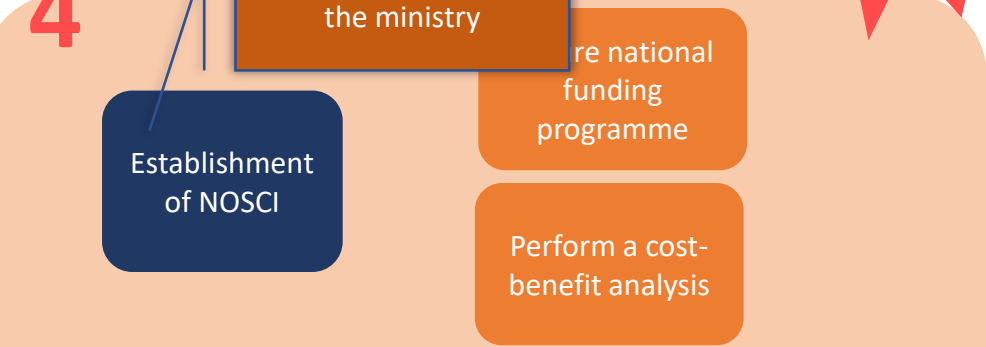


# Drafting of National Roadmap

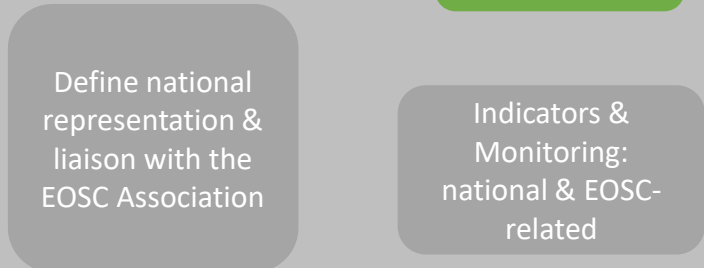
- Mandate NOSCI to produce a National OSC Strategy
- Reflect in the Strategy the value of the EOSC
- Adopt national & institutional policies in the strategy
- Ensure inclusiveness

# 4 Establishment and Sustainability

NOSCI form will be probably defined by the ministry



# EOSC liaison and communication





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### Stakeholder identification and



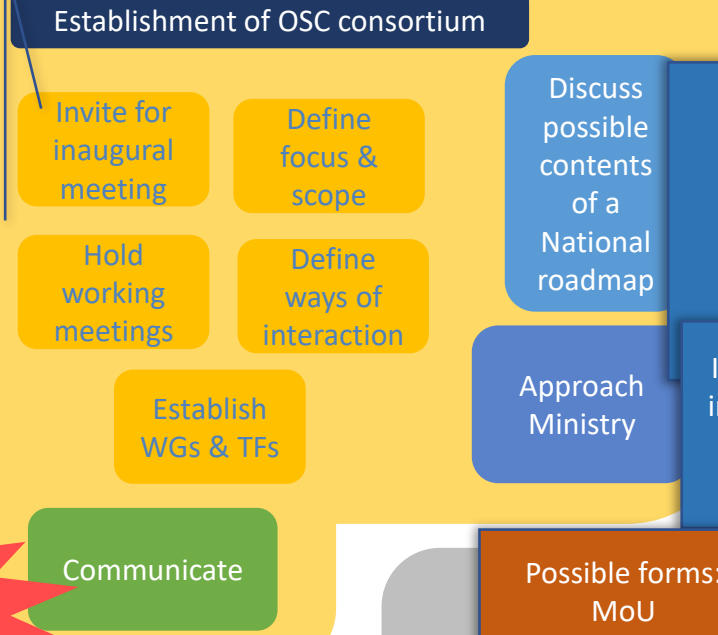
Important to plan these steps well, especially considering complicated governance structures & recent history in Balkan countries

Initiative taken by OSC actors in the country: e.g. Croatia, Georgia, Greece, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Romania

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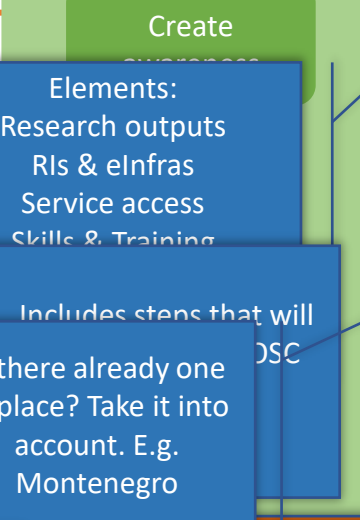
### Designing of workflows and communication between stakeholders



Bottom-up



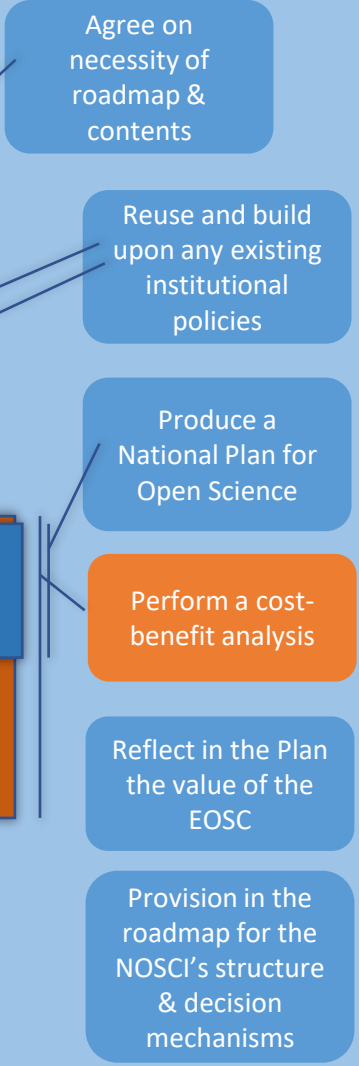
### Communication to wider public



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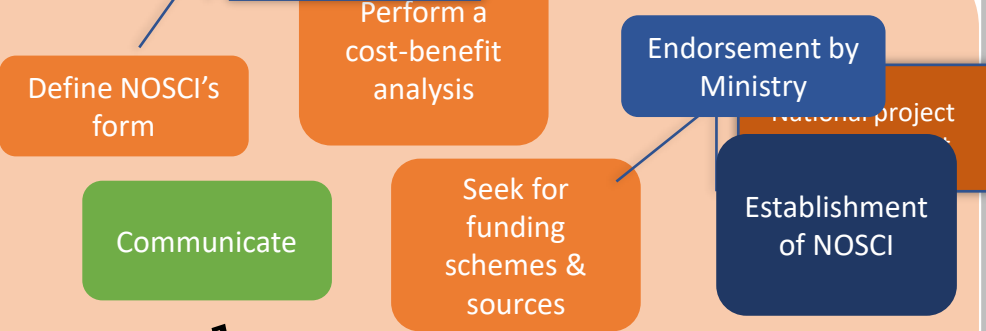


### Drafting of National Roadmap



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MoU



### Establishment and Sustainability



### EOSC liaison and communication



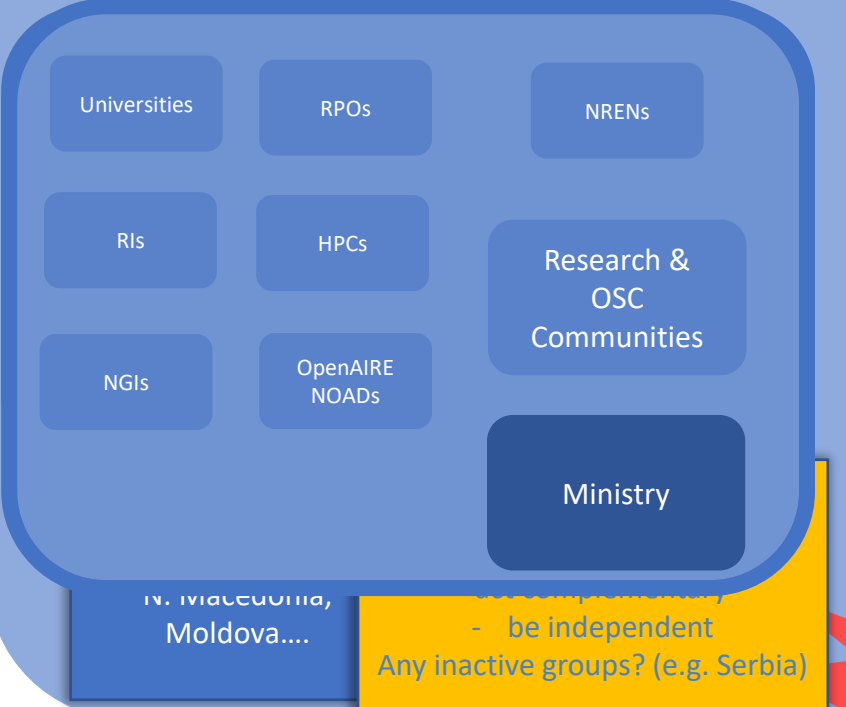
Possible forms: MoU, Legal entity, PPP

Rely on & reuse institutional policies, Make proposal to decision makers about NOSCI's form

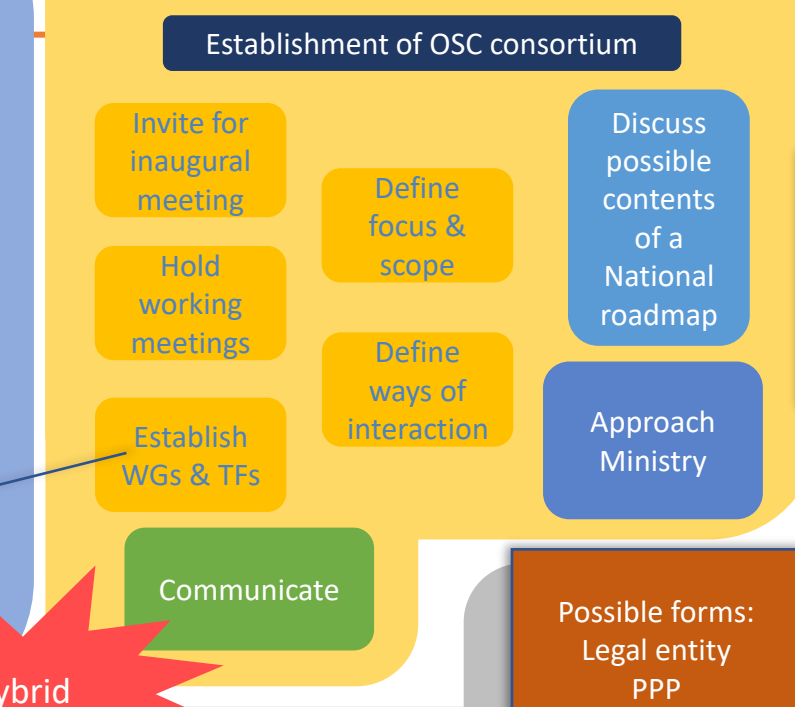
WGs & TFs

Communicate

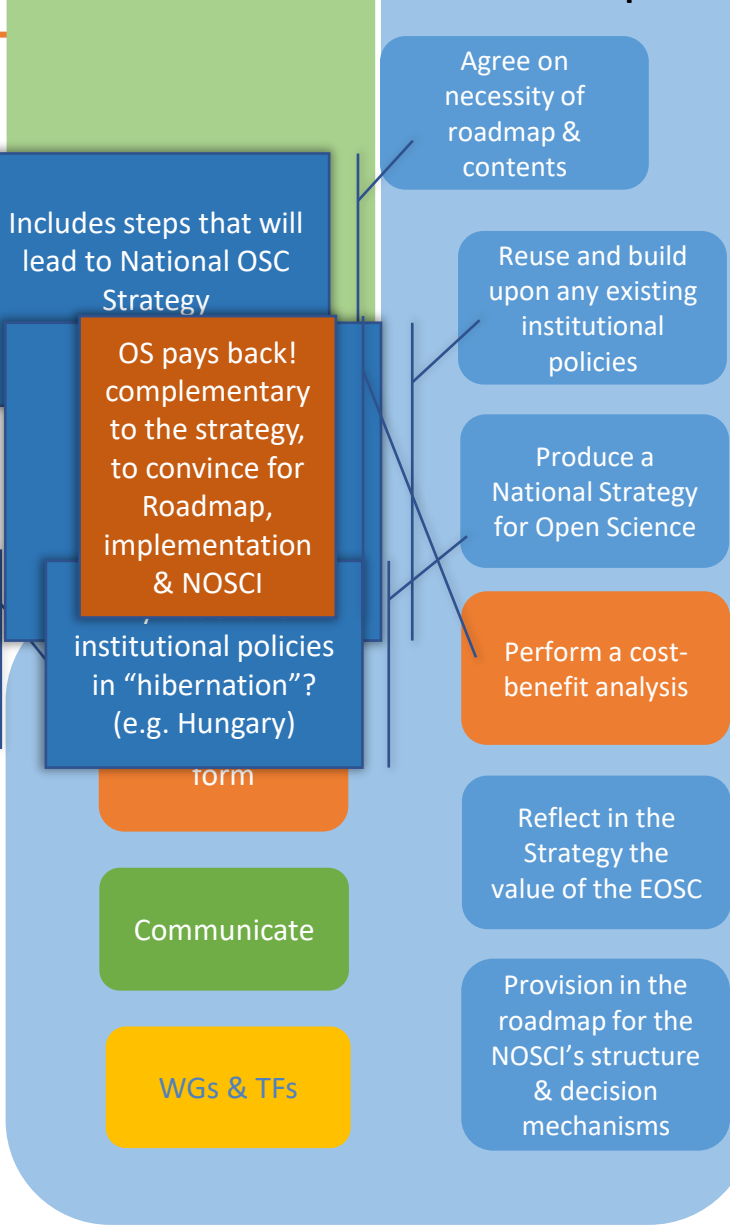
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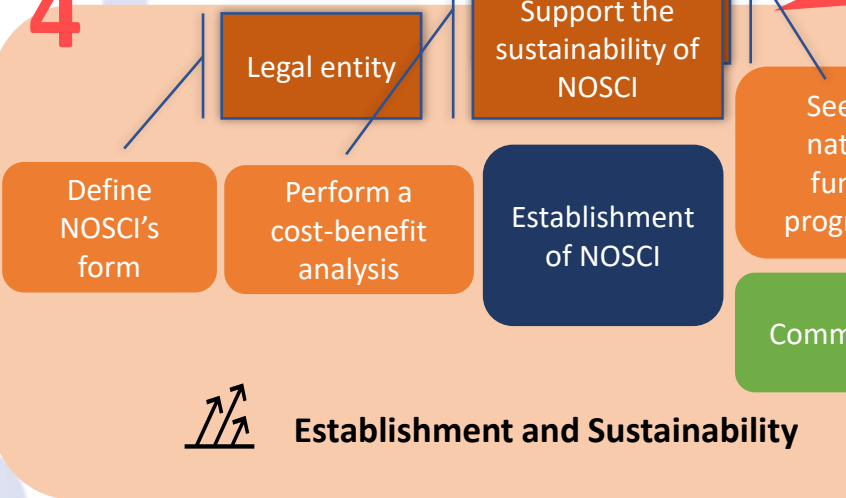
# 2 Designing of workflows and communication between stakeholders



# 3 Communication to wider public



# 4 Establishment and Sustainability



# EOSC liaison and communication



# Important to consider

- Relation between NOSCI and National OSC Strategy
  - Strategy can impose the setting up of a NOSCI
  - NOSCI supports the development of Strategy
- Relation between NOSCI and Mandated Organisation
  - The NI4OS-Europe mission: the official representation in the EOSC Association goes through the NOSCI
  - NOSCI may not have the legal form to represent → MoU option!
  - Mandated organization may already have been appointed, before the existence of NOSCI
    - Does this make the setting up of NOSCI obsolete? No! Important for implementation & expansion
  - Country decides not to mandate an organization
    - The existence of NOSCI even more important for supporting inclusion and collaboration with EOSC

# Conclusion

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The proposed steps are considered as important elements that can **be combined, adapted and adjusted.**

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**Monitoring indicators** at early stages will help the assessment of the establishment status of the NOSCI

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An **efficient way of starting the establishment of a NOSCI** is through an **MoU.**

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# Thanks!



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