# THE PATH TO A SUCCESSFUL RESEARCH PROJECT

## how to get on the right track with FAIR data management

## **Applying for funding**



**FAIR data** contribute to the funding process



How?

• Find information and guidelines on e.g. openaire.eu • Prepare a data management plan on: dmponline.deic.dk • Contact your research library or the research support at your institution for help.



- You increase the chances of a successful application.
- You comply with international standards and institutional policies.
- You have a strategy for good data management in your project.

## Planning a research project







How?

- Define responsibilities for data management among the project partners, e.g. in a data management plan.
- Agree on common standards / conventions for collecting, storing and documenting the data.
- Ensure that all data from the project are shared on a common, secure platform.

### Why?

- You save time introducing new members to the project.
- You avoid data loss when someone leaves the project.
- You enable easy reuse of data generated so far.

# **Conducting research**









FAIR data assist in navigating project changes

- How?
- Document methods and decisions in a systematic manner, e.g. using common templates.
- Use common standards for collecting, storing and documenting data, e.g. on file names, file formats, table contents, etc.
- Store all data in a structured way on a shared and secure system that is
- accessible for the project members.

#### Why?

- You can extend your analysis by finding new suitable datasets more quickly.
- You can reuse existing datasets more easily for e.g. new analysis.
- You minimalize the risk of wasting time and money on duplicate work.

## Working in collaborations



FAIR data help to share information in my project

#### How?

- Make agreements on how research data are managed and shared between research partners.
- Establish clear guidelines on how to document data in a consistent form, e.g.
- as templates for tables or notebooks.
- Use a secure shared storage system with controlled access management for all data.

#### • You avoid misunderstandings regarding access to and use of the data.

Why?

- You foster collaboration to make best use of the data, speed up the processes and reduce administration.
- You improve the quality of the data and thus the scientific output from the project.

## **Publishing results**





#### How?

FAIR data can help boost my career

- Give peer reviewers access to the data underlying your manuscript to increase the chances of your paper being published.
- Provide your datasets with usage licenses and persistent identifiers, e.g. DOIs, so others can find, reuse and cite them.
- Publish information about your research data where others will see them, e.g. in data repositories or on social media.



### Why?

- Your research becomes more transparent and trustworthy.
- You will be given credit every time your dataset is used and cited in a
- publication.
- You and your work will become more visible, also outside the research community.

#### Read more: www.vidensportal.deic.dk/FAIR

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#### FAIR data are: Findable, Accessible, Interoperable and Reusable.

Making your data FAIR means maximizing the project's output, increasing your impact and enhancing your recognition as a researcher.

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