Member survey on bridging the gap between funders and communities - perspectives on benefits and challenges of FAIR assessments

The Challenge:

During the development of the FAIR Data Maturity Model, participants in the RDA Working Group represented a wide range of backgrounds, including researchers and funding agencies. In some of the discussions in the Working Group and elsewhere in the period from early 2019 to late 2020, it appeared that those two stakeholder groups, research communities on one hand and funding agencies on the other hand, have different perspectives on the relevance and objectives of assessment of FAIRness of data sets.

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What is the solution?

In October 2020, the editorial team and the chairs of the FAIR data maturity model decided to address these different perspectives by designing a survey to ask for opinions from a limited number of representatives of those two stakeholder groups to see whether conclusions and recommendations could be derived from the difference in perspective.

What is the impact?

This report provides a consolidated view of the answers collected during a survey conducted in October 2020.

It is helpful in uncovering the differences of perspectives on benefits and challenges of the FAIR assessments between funders and research communities. Although the number of respondents was limited, this can form input for further discussion for future development of FAIR assessments.

Find out more about the Supporting Output from the FAIR Data Maturity Model WG

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