



# **BUILDING A EUROPEAN DATA ECONOMY: THE ROLE OF RESEARCH DATA**

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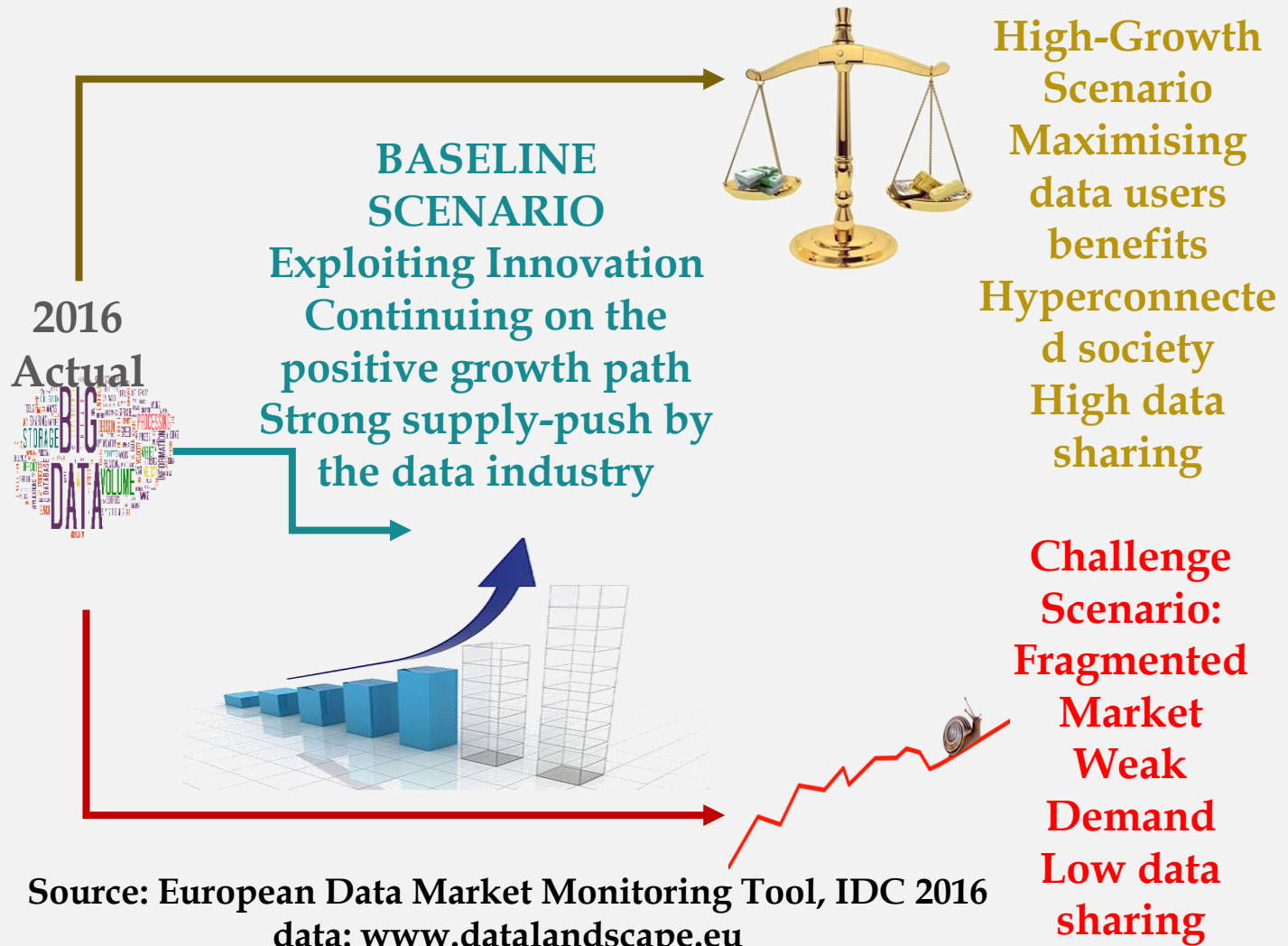
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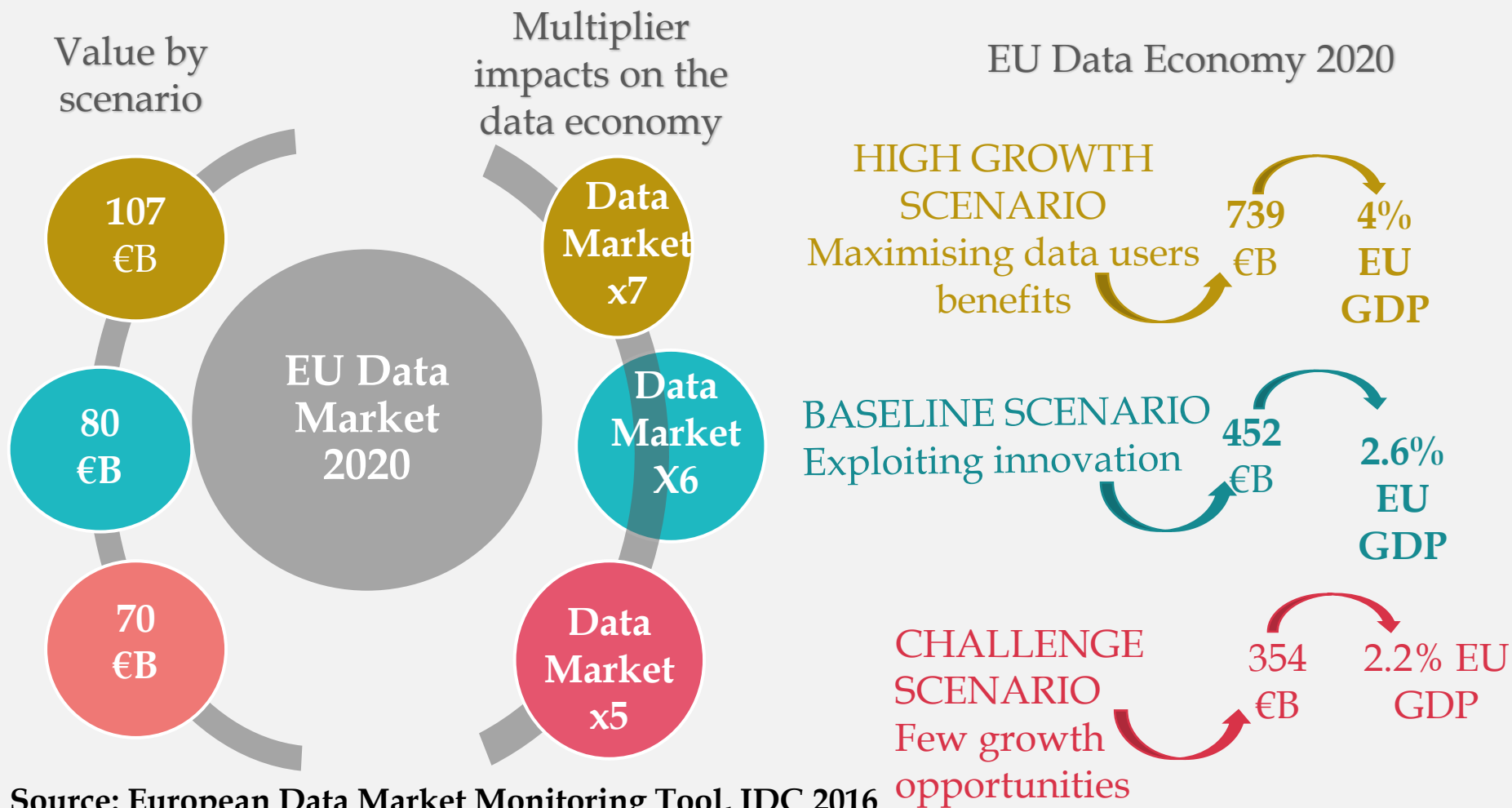
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# Three potential scenarios and alternative 2020 development paths for the European Data Market and Economy



# By 2020 the European Data Economy in the most favourable scenario could contribute up to 4% of EU GDP



Source: European Data Market Monitoring Tool, IDC 2016  
data: [www.datalandscape.eu](http://www.datalandscape.eu)

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# Digital Single Market Strategy

Ensuring that Europe's economy, industry and employment take full advantage of what digitalisation offers.



## Pillar 3 ECONOMY & SOCIETY

- Digitising industry ✓
- Cloud ✓
- Inclusive digital economy and society ✓
- e-government ✓
- Standardisation & interoperability ✓
- Digital skills ✓
- **Data economy** ✓



Data should be able to flow freely across borders and within a single data space. We need a coordinated and pan-European approach to make the most of data opportunities, building on strong EU rules to protect personal data and privacy.



## Andrus Ansip



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# **Data protection rules: Foundation of the EU data economy**

- From May 2018: single pan-European set of rules for the protection of personal data (esp. General Data Protection Regulation, GDPR)
  - Anonymised personal data: treated like non-personal data
  - Any transfer of personal data outside the EU is subject to the same level of protection as inside
  - Data subjects have a right to personal data portability
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- Personal data rules = baseline (other initiatives build on these)
  - Clear rules for personal data (not the case for all data)
  - Personal data can flow (if consent is given)

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# Public sector information / Open data

**Competition  
instrument**

**Public Sector  
Information  
Directive**

**Open Data  
instrument**

## **Public sector:**

- major producer of data (e.g. statistics)
- major user of data for policy-making
- increasingly digital (e-Gov, Smart Cities)
- key contributor to the data economy

***Innovative products & services***

***Better policy-making***

## **Public Sector Information Directive Dir. 2003/98/EC & revision 2013/37/EU**

- Information produced & collected by the public sector available to citizens & businesses as open data
- Right to re-use public information
- Charges: marginal costs only
- From competition instrument to open data instrument



# The European Data Portal

- facts & figures -

**630,000**  
datasets

Metadata in  
**24** Languages

**34** countries  
**77** catalogues



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# Open Science



**Good for science:** limit research duplication, ensure verifiability, ensure replicability,



**Good for the economy:** uptake of results by businesses, esp. SMEs → innovation potential



**Good for society:** higher level of citizen and civil society trust in science, open and collaborative research practices lead to high degree of responsiveness and adaptability to societal challenges





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# OPEN RESEARCH DATA IN HORIZON 2020

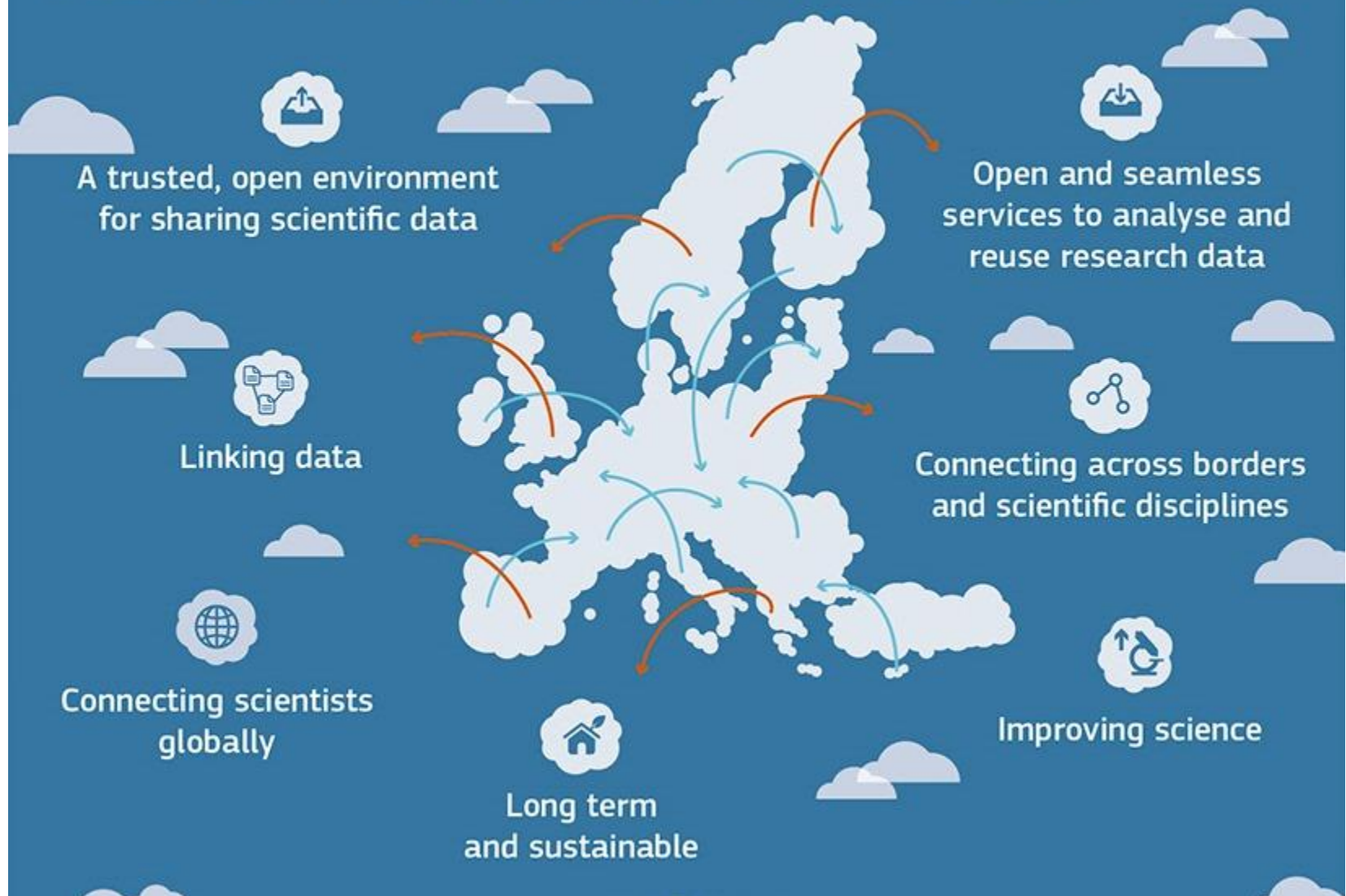
# Open Research Data Pilot (Horizon 2020)

- Now covers all thematic areas of Horizon 2020 (as of 2017 WP)
- Horizon 2020 grantees are required to:
  - deposit underlying research data + other research data of their choice in a repository
  - take measures to grant open access to this data
- FAIR research data: Findable + Accessible + Interoperable + Re-usable → Obligatory Data Management Plan (DMP)
- Opt-out is possible (IPR protection, data protection, security, confidentiality)
- Numbers:
  - Calls in core-areas: 65% stay in, opt out 35%
  - Other areas: voluntary opt-in 14%



# EUROPEAN OPEN SCIENCE CLOUD

BRINGING TOGETHER CURRENT AND FUTURE DATA INFRASTRUCTURES



# From vision to action: core functions of the EOSC

- **Data stewardship:** framework conditions to share and re-use data
- **Standard setting and certification** - common language/interface (e.g. standards for metadata, specifications for making data FAIR, certifications for data service providers).
- **Cataloguing of research data**, service availability and user needs (i.e. a full catalogue of services needed by scientists to find, store, share and process research data).
- **Provision of core common services**, ensuring affordable and sustainable access to data analytics and computation to EU researchers.
- **Establishing rules of engagement**, terms and conditions for contributing to and benefitting from data services for all stakeholders (e.g. data/service users, data providers, operators of infrastructures, commercial service providers).
- **Agenda setting**, identifying priorities at EU level for new or upgraded research data infrastructures and services.

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# Text and Data-Mining exception (EC proposal 2016)

2001 Copyright Directive	2016 proposal	Note
<b>Optional</b> implementation	<b>Mandatory</b> implementation	Lawful access required
Subject to <b>different interpretations</b>	<b>Clarified</b> for TDM	
<b>Applying</b> to 'non-commercial' research	<b>Open</b> to any scientific research	
<b>Open</b> to any beneficiary	<b>Applying</b> to research organisations acting in public interest/not-for-profit	
<b>Unclear</b> on other contracts	<b>Not</b> overridable by contract	
Technical protection measures (TPM)	TPM + security/integrity of networks and databases	

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## **Building a European Data Economy - COM(2017)9**

- Need to access and exploit industry-held data better
- Focus on non-personal, machine-generated data
- Contracts as main vehicles to share and re-use
- Data silos, innovation hampered
- Objective: facilitate B2B data sharing and trading
- Chapters on:
  - Free Flow of Data (national data localisation restrictions)
  - Access and transfer
  - Portability, interoperability and standards
  - Liability
  - Experimentation
- Further detail in Staff Working Document



# Access to and re-use of industry data

## Possible actions:

- Guidance on data sharing
- Foster technical solutions to identify and exchange data, e.g. API (Application Programming Interface)
- Model contract rules, e.g. for licensing data
- Access for public interest **and scientific purposes**
- Establish a data producer's right
- Establish access against remuneration mechanisms

# Industrial Data Platforms

## **Concept:**

Virtual environments facilitating exchange and connection of data among different companies and organisations and across sectors, through a shared reference architecture, common governance rules and within a secure business ecosystem.

## **Potential for the Data Economy:**

important as technical enablers for access to and re-use of data in industrial contexts, respecting the specific needs of industrial players.

## **What we do:**

- Industrial Data Platforms (context: 'Digitising European Industry')
- Horizon 2020: Open Call for 'iSpaces': cross-sectorial and cross-lingual data integration and experimentation - Budget 27 M€

# Structured Stakeholder Dialogue

- **Dialogue** with Member States and stakeholders
- **Public online consultation (10/01 to 26/04)** on topics of Communication (answer relevant sections)
- **Studies** to gather further evidence
- **Workshops** (May-June)

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**The data economy will flourish *if* data is accessible & re-useable:**

- across borders
- for & by different types of organisations (private, public, research)
- for & by different sectors (e.g. energy, manufacturing, ...).

**Having a large reservoir of data available for re-use will**

- make it possible to build new information services
- allow for searching for correlations and patterns
- enable the emergence of ideas and answers to societal challenges
- e.g. epidemics, smart cities

**→ It must be legally & technically possible not only to access and re-use, but also to blend and combine data and tools.**

# Combining government, industry and scientific data



Business  
data

Government  
data



Scientific  
data



**Innovation**

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**→ Research data  
is ubiquitous**

**→ Research data  
is key**

## **Next steps: Bringing it all together**

Separate policy streams: time to bring together?

Separate infrastructures: federate, consolidate, co-ordinate (EOCS "Widening" pillar)

Work with existing instruments, e.g. PSI Directive, Open Research Data Policy, Database Directive, etc.

**Next milestone: DSM Midterm Review**





***Thank you!***

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