Towards RDA Italy

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Needs in Italy

Italian researchers participate in major Research and e-Infrastructures in a disperse and uncoordinated way
RDA in Italy growth

RDA community members in Italy: 261

RDA in Italy: Members are steadily growing
RDA in Italy vs Europe

The percentage of Italian members with respect to European members is now around 10%
Who is RDA in Italy?

- **Academia/Research**: 166
- **Government/Public Services**: 36
- **Large Enterprise**: 5
- **IT Consult & Devpt**: 15
- **SME**: 24
- **Press and Media**: 0
- **Policy/Funding Agency**: 3
- **Other**: 12

**Breakdown by Profession**

- Journalist/Editor/Copywriter: 1
- Policy development: 1
- CTO/IT Director: 3
- Advisor/Consultant: 17
- CEO/Managing: 7
- Student: 14
- IT Specialist/IT Architect: 25
- Librarian: 14
- Professor: 15
- Programme...: 28
- Other: 29
- Researcher: 107

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In Italy there is a higher participation of Enterprise & Industry in RDA compared to the rest of Europe.
Major events

- RDA meets the Italian scientific community, Pisa, 14 July 2015
- FAIR Data Management. RDA National Event In Italy. Florence, 14-15 November 2016
Current situation

• Data management is not yet perceived as a priority at National level

• There is a general lack of knowledge on technical and conceptual instruments required to manage the data production, archiving and conservation

• There are no allocated funding for data management

• Bottom-up initiatives of few universities have autonomously been launched (Politecnico di Milano, Università Ca’ Foscari Venezia, Università di Milano, Università di Padova, Università di Torino, Università di Trento) involving the IT services, Digital library, Research Support Services, Legal services,
RDA Competence Center

• Center “under construction”

• Aggregate actors with complementary competences (e.g. librarians, repository managers, data managers, infrastructure administrators, data service developers and operators, ...) from multiple initiatives and research institutes to respond to the needs of researchers and SMEs

• Including WGs national participants

• In synergy with the OpenAIRE National Open Access Desk