



Data Management Planning: where are we and where do we want to be?

Joint session of **Active Data Management Plans IG** and **DMP Common Standards WG**
and **Discipline-specific Guidance for Data Management Plans WG**

20th RDA Plenary

Agenda

- Part 1 – Getting to know each other and introduction for newcomers
- Part 2 – Updates and topics for discussion
 - Software Management Plans
 - Maintenance of maDMP specification
 - Santosh
 - Cross-fertilization workshop results
- Part 3 – Discussion in groups and reporting
- Part 4 – Wrap up

Participants

- Let's get to know each other
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DMP Common Standards WG



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Domain Specific Guidance for DMPs WG





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How familiar are you with maDMPs?

Briefly following developments



Considering adoption



Never heard of!



Hands-on experience in using maDMPs



Why joint session?

➤ Active DMPs *Interest Group*

- Place for discussion on all topics related to DMPs
- Can trigger new WGs
 - Like it happened in the past with the DMP Common Standards WG

400+ members!

➤ DMP Common Standards *Working Group*

- Maintenance mode
 - Updates the recommendation when necessary
 - Supports adopters of the recommendation

240+ members!

➤ Domain-Specific Guidance for DMPs *Working Group*

- Ends in May
 - Paper + Jupyter Notebook

110+ members!

Objective for today

Identify new **hot topics** relevant to this community

Introduction for newcomers on maDMPS

Part 1

Data Management Plans (DMPs)

| | Data Officer | Who is responsible for the data management and the DMP of the project (name/email address)? |
|-------|-------------------------------|--|
| I | Data Characteristics | |
| I.1 | Description of the data | What kinds of data/source code will be generated or reused (type, format, volume)? How will the research data be generated and which methods will be used? How will you structure the data and handle versioning? Who is the target audience? |
| II | Documentation and Metadata | |
| II.1 | Metadata standards | What metadata standards (if any) will be in use and why? (see Digital Curation Centre) |
| II.2 | Documentation of data | What information is needed for the data to be findable, accessible, interoperable and re-usable (FAIR) in the future? Is the data machine-readable? How are you planning to document this information? |
| II.3 | Data quality control | What quality assurance processes will you adopt? How will the consistency and quality of data collection be controlled and documented? (This may include processes such as repeat samples or measurements, standardised data capture, peer review of data or representation with controlled vocabularies.) |
| III | Data Availability and Storage | |
| III.1 | Data sharing strategy | How and when will the data be shared and made accessible? What repository will you be using? What persistent identifier will be used? |
| III.2 | Data storage strategy | What data are to be preserved for the long-term, and what data will not be stored? How and where will the data be stored and backed up during the research? How and where will the data be stored after the project ends? For how long will the data be stored? Are there any costs that need to be covered for storage? At what point during or after the project will the data be stored? Are there any technical barriers to making the research data fully or partially accessible? |



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4 For procedural elements of implementing DMPs, see the RDA DMP Common Standards Working Group: <https://www.rd-alliance.org/groups/dmp-common-standards-wg>



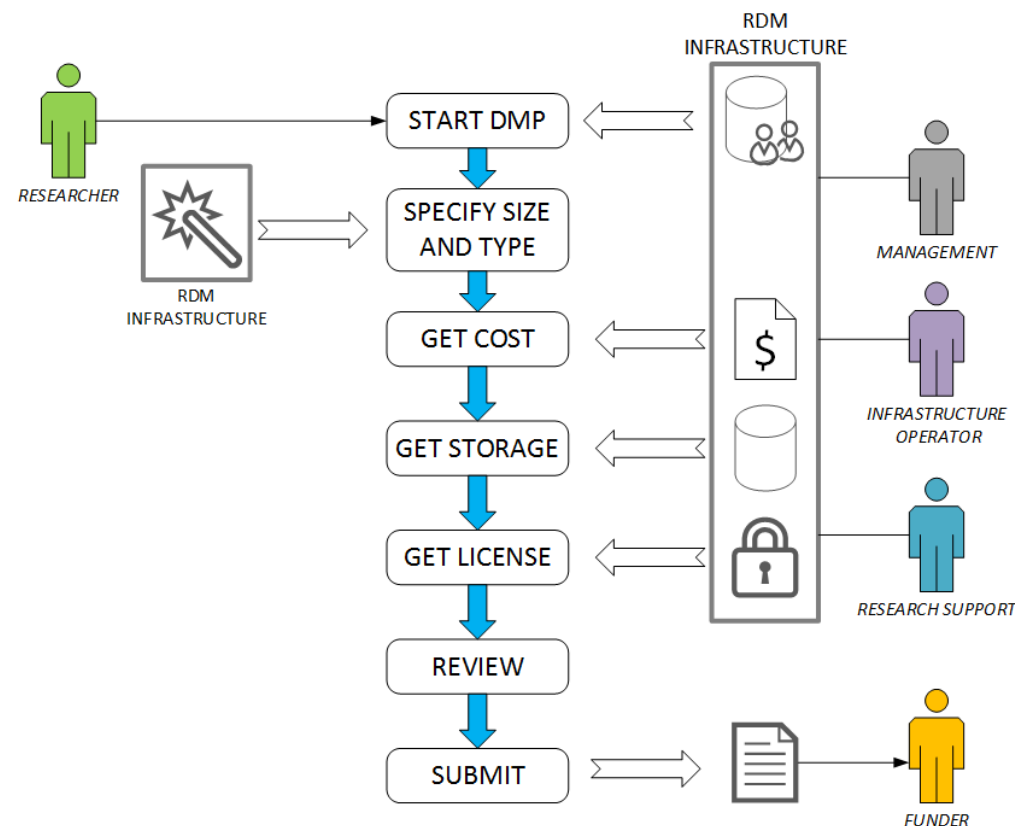
Machine-actionable DMPs (maDMPs)


› Machine-actionable DMPs

- › Living documents
- › automate data management
 - › collect information from systems
 - › trigger actions in systems
- › facilitate validation

› This requires

- › well-defined RDM workflows
- › data management infrastructure
- › common standard to represent information






RDA DMP Common Standard for Machine-actionable Data Management Plans

The Challenge:

Data Management Plans are free-form text documents describing the data that is used and produced during the course of research activities. They specify where the data will be archived, which licenses and constraints apply, and to whom credit should be given, etc. The workload and bureaucracy often associated with traditional DMPs can be reduced when they become machine-actionable.



Produced by: **DMP Common Standards WG**
<https://www.rd-alliance.org/groups/dmp-common-standards-wg>

RDA DMP Common Standard for Machine-actionable Data Management Plans

Recommendations of the RDA DMP Common Standards WG
Tomasz Miksa, Paul Walk, Peter Neish

Purpose

This application profile is meant for exchange of machine-actionable DMPs between systems. It is independent of any internal data organisation used by these systems. The application profile does not prescribe how information must be presented to the end user and does not enforce any specific logic on how this information must be collected or used. The application profile is an information carrier and the full machine-actionability can only be achieved when systems using the application profile implement appropriate logic.

This application profile is intended to cover a wide range of use cases and does not set any business (e.g. funder specific) requirements. It represents information over the whole DMP lifecycle, that is, it can express planned actions, as well as actions already performed.

The application profile is NOT intended to be a prescriptive template or a questionnaire, but to provide a re-usable way of representing machine-actionable information on themes covered by DMPs.

Overview

Figure 1 presents concepts used within the application profile. Each concept is further broken down into specific fields (not depicted). The full application profile specification can be found [online](#). Below we outline main concepts used within the application profile that are depicted in Figure 1.

DMP - Provides high level information about the DMP, e.g. its title, modification date, etc. It is the root of this application profile.

Project - Describes the project associated with the DMP, if applicable. It can be used to describe any type of project: that is, not only funded projects, but also internal projects, PhD theses, etc.

Funding - For specifying details on funded projects, e.g. NSF of EC funded projects.

Contact - Specifies the party which can provide information on the DMP.

Contributor - For listing all parties involved in the process of data management described by

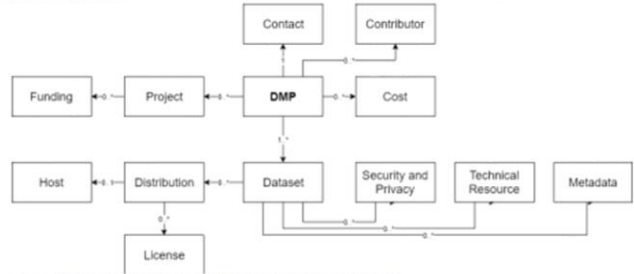


Figure 1: Overview of the application profile for the machine-actionable DMPs.

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maDMPs - documentation

Properties in 'dmp'

| Name | Description | Data Type | Cardinality | Example Value |
|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------|-------------|------------------|
| contact | Contact person for a DMP | Nested Data Structure | 1 | |
| contributor | To list people that play role in data management related to this DMP, e.g. responsible for performing actions described in this DMP. | Nested Data Structure | 0..n | |
| cost | To list costs related to data management. Providing multiple instances of a 'Cost' allows to break down costs into details. Providing one 'Cost' instance allows to provide one aggregated sum. | Nested Data Structure | 0..n | |
| created | Date and time of the first version of a DMP. Must not be changed in subsequent DMPs. | DateTime | 1 | 2019-03-13 13:13 |
| dataset | To describe data on a non-technical level. | Nested Data Structure | 1..n | |

NOT a questionnaire!
NOT a template!

Most fields are optional!

<https://github.com/RDA-DMP-Common/RDA-DMP-Common-Standard/blob/master/docs/index.md>

Machine-actionable DMP

➤ Example: <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.6467730>

```
"contributor" : [ {  
  "contributor_id" : {  
    "identifier" : "0000-0002-5164-2690",  
    "type" : "orcid"  
  },  
  "mbox" : "moritz.staudinger@tuwien.ac.at",  
  "name" : "Moritz Staudinger",  
  "role" : [ "Data Manager" ]  
},
```

maDMPs use PIDs and controlled vocabularies.

Example shows that Moritz is the one responsible for data management.

Machine-actionable DMP

```
"dataset" : [ {  
  "description" : "For each dataset (fish and employee) the original dataset will be split into two subsets, one for training and one for testing the  
  performance.",  
  "distribution" : [ {  
    "access_url" : "https://zenodo.org/record/6467615",  
    "byte_size" : 2999302,  
    "data_access" : "open",  
    "description" : "For each dataset (fish and employee) the original dataset will be split into two subsets, one for training and one for testing the  
    performance.",  
    "format" : [ "STRUCTURED_TEXT" ],  
    "host" : {  
      "description" : "ZENODO builds and operates a simple and innovative service that enables researchers, scientists, EU projects and institutions to share  
      and showcase multidisciplinary research results (data and publications) that are not part of the existing institutional or subject-based repositories of  
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credited by making the research results citable and integrate them into existing reporting lines to funding agencies like the European  
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      "url" : "https://zenodo.org/"  
    },  
  },  
  "license" : [ {  
    "license_ref" : "https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/",  
    "start_date" : "2022-05-01 22:00:00.0"  
  } ],  
  "title" : "Training and Test Subsets for Performance Comparison of kNN and GD"
```

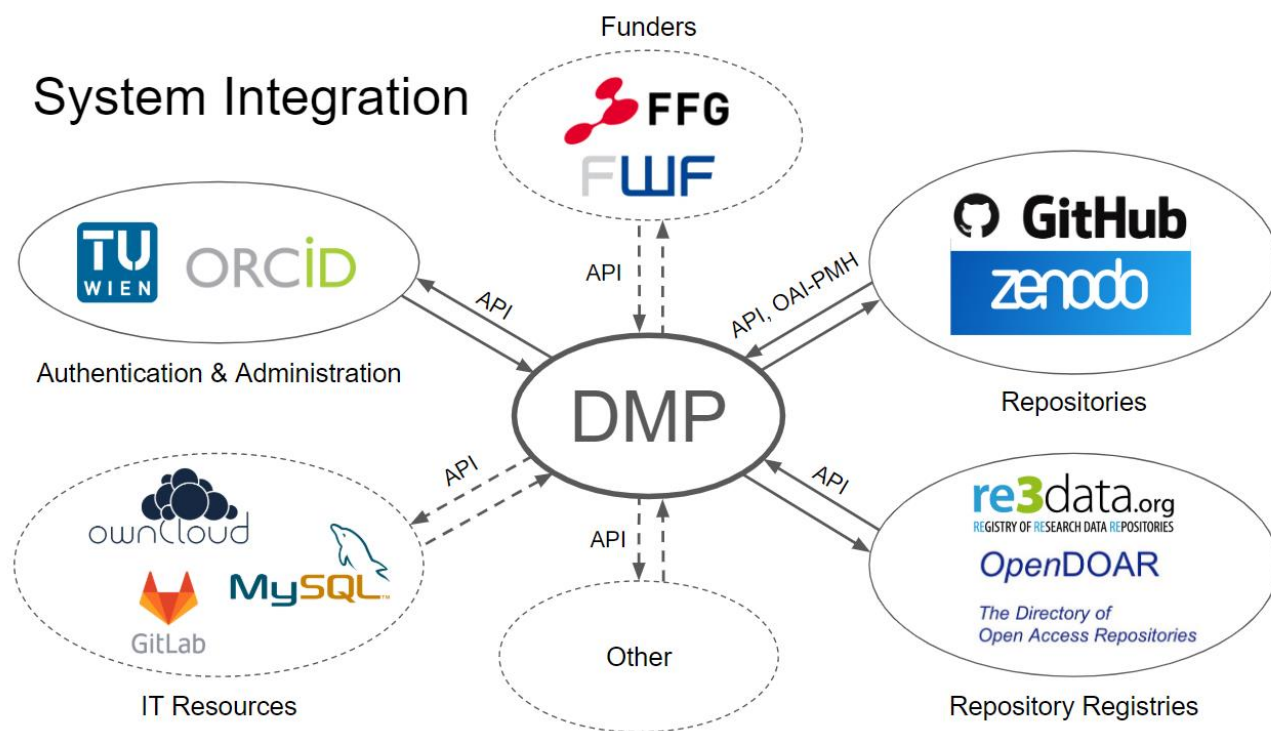
Each **dataset** has a **title** and a human readable **description**.

It is also clear what the **format**, **size** and the **location** of the dataset are.

License and mode of **access**, including any exact **embargo** periods, are specified as well.

RDM Infrastructure

- maDMPs are the 'glue' between different systems
 - Automate getting information **in** and **out**



Adoptions (selected)



- › Slides from all our sessions are in the repository
- › Today's presentations will also be there

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status: Recognised & Endorsed

Chair (s): Paul Walk, Peter Neish, Tomasz Miksa

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Application Profile for Machine-Actionable Data Management Plans

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Abstract

This paper presents the application profile for machine-actionable data management plans that allows information from traditional data management plans to be expressed in a machine-actionable way. We describe the methodology and research conducted to define the application profile. We also discuss design decisions made during its development and present systems which have adopted it. The application profile was developed in an open and consensus-driven manner within the DMP Common Standards Working Group of the Research Data Alliance and is its official recommendation.

Keywords: application profile, maDMPs, common standard, machine actionable, RDA

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Automating Research Data Management Using Machine-actionable Data Management Plans

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Many research funders mandate researchers to create and maintain Data Management Plans (DMPs) for research projects that describe how research data is managed to ensure its reusability. A DMP being a static textual document is difficult to act upon and can quickly become obsolete and impractical to maintain. A new generation of machine-actionable DMPs was therefore proposed by the Research Data Alliance to enable automated integration of information and updates. Machine-actionable DMPs open up a variety of use cases enabling interoperability of research systems and automation of data management tasks.

In this paper we describe a system for machine-actionable data management planning in an institutional context. We identify common use cases within research that can be automated to benefit from machine-actionability of DMPs. We propose a reference architecture of a machine-actionable DMP support system that can be embedded into an institutional research data management infrastructure. The system semi-automates creation and maintenance of DMPs, and thus eases the burden for the stakeholders responsible for various DMP elements. We evaluate the proposed system in a case study conducted at the largest technical university in Austria and quantify to what extent the DMP templates provided by the European Commission and a national funding body can be pre-filled. The proof-of-concept implementation shows that machine-actionable DMP workflows can be semi-automated, thus workload on involved parties can be reduced and quality of information increased. The results are especially relevant to decision makers and infrastructure operators who want to design information systems in a systematic way that can utilise the full potential of machine-actionable DMPs.

CCS Concepts: • **Applied computing** → **Enterprise data management**; **Business process management**; **IT architectures**; • **Information systems** → **Digital libraries and archives**; • **Social and professional topics** → **Automation**.

Additional Key Words and Phrases: data management plan, machine-actionable, business processes, enterprise architecture, funder template, requirements engineering, automation, RDM, RDA, FAIR

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1 INTRODUCTION

The data revolution continues to transform every sector of science, industry, and government [AS19]. The economic and societal benefits and increased effectiveness of research funding by ensuring that data generated and (pre-) processed as part of research remains available for re-use,

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Contains:

- Enterprise Architecture that uses maDMPs
- Examples of tasks automation at institutions using maDMPs

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Practice Paper

Interconnecting systems using machine-actionable Data Management Plans - hackathon report

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This paper presents outputs of the Research Data Alliance Hackathon on Machine-actionable Data Management Plans, where participants proposed a series of topics looking forward to using and improving aspects related to this subject. The hackathon served three main purposes: broadening the community, improving the core supporting machine-actionable plans and exposing a growing endorsement on the adoption of the RDA DMP Common Standard application profile in a wide range of settings to enable exchange of DMP specific information in a machine-actionable way.

Keywords: Data management plans, machine-actionable data management plans, semantic web, community practice, open science.

1 Introduction

The Data Management Plan (DMP) was introduced to document and publish both data management practices and policies that are applied to data throughout its lifecycle. This implies describing the techniques, methods and policies on how data is to be created, collected, documented, processed, accessed, preserved, disseminated as well as the roles and responsibilities of associated actors (Michener, 2015).

The premise behind the concept of a machine-actionable DMP (maDMP) is that information contained within a DMP can be enacted both by humans and automated systems, thus addressing some of the limitations associated with traditional DMP documents. To that effect, data management workflows should integrate maDMPs and data management policies should take into account not only human agents but also machines. maDMPs should support both human and machine-processable representations so they act as an interchange format for dissemination and public access of the maDMP (Simms et al., 2017). In order to provide a machine-actionable representation of a maDMP, it becomes necessary to establish a standardised representation of the maDMP. The Research Data Alliance (RDA) (RDA, 2020) DMP Common Standards (DCS) working group (Miksa, Cardoso, and Borbinha, 2018; Miksa, Neish, et al., 2018; Miksa, Walk, and Neish, 2019) developed an application profile making it easier to express information from traditional DMP documents in a machine-actionable way. The DCS maDMP application profile allows for automatic exchange, integration, and validation of information provided in DMP documents. Thus, facilitating the exchange of information between systems acting on behalf of stakeholders involved in the research life cycle, such as researchers, funding bodies, repository managers, ICT providers, librarians, etc.

This paper reports on a hackathon organised by the DCS working group, which had as main motivation to promote the adoption of the maDMP concept by the research community, and, in particular, the usage of the DCS application profile for interchange of maDMPs. To that effect four main areas were identified: (1) serialisation, to encourage community development of serialisations of the DCS application profile; (2)

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Contains:

- Summary of results from hackathon

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Introduction for newcomers on domain-specific guidance for DMPs

Part 1

Discipline-specific Aspects for DMP WG

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Motivation

- Researchers should
 - Think about RDM in advance
 - Create a plan
 - Identify gaps
- Researchers want to
 - Have clear and unique concepts
 - Have direct support by structure, helping texts and examples
 - Support from the discipline

Create Guidance and Examples
adopt Terminology



Figure 001 - Q11: priorities for a DMP template or tool

source: <http://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.1120245>

RDA Online Survey on discipline-specific aspects for DMP templates



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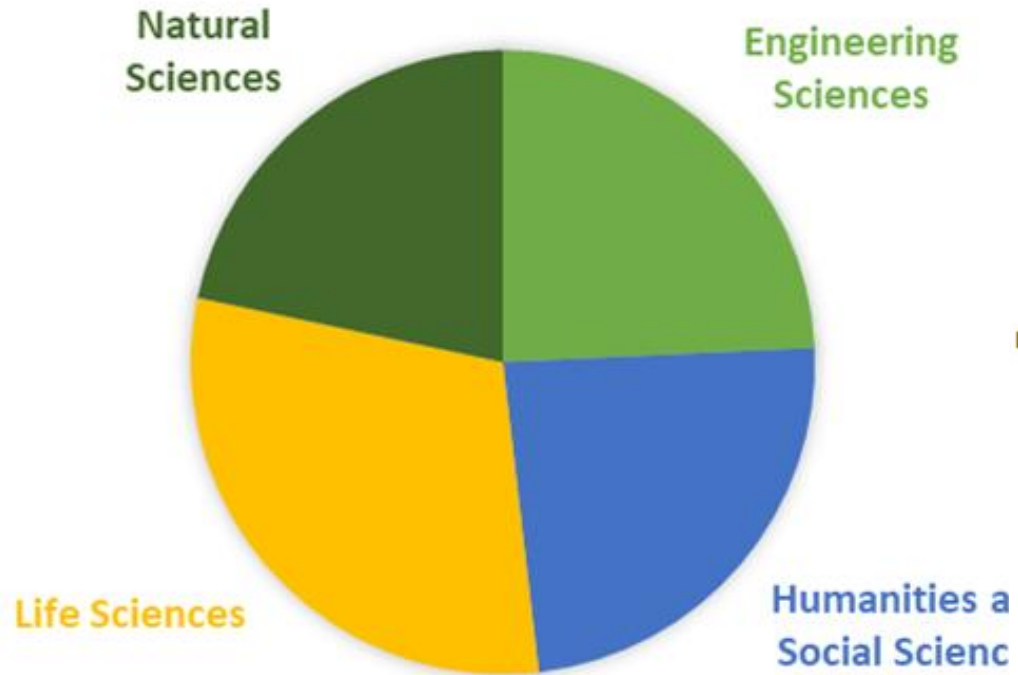


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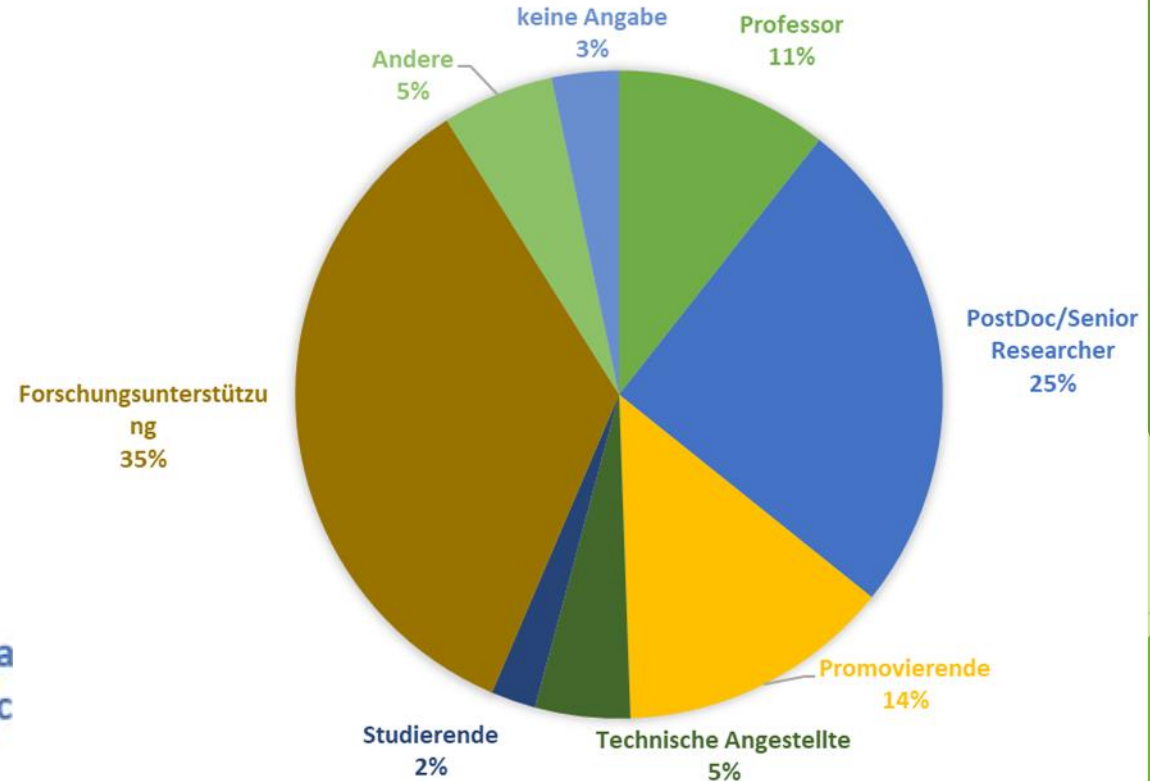
- survey 11. Okt. 2021 bis 14. Jan. 2022
- 358 participants
- 21 questions:
 - (1) Demographics,
 - (2) Data Description,
 - (3) Data Documentation & Quality,
 - (4) Data Archiving, Publishing & Sharing After the Project,
 - (5) Guidelines, Principles, & Best Practices

Results from the Online Survey

Disciplines of the participants



Position of the participants



Results from the Online Survey

Issues/areas with discipline-specific differences:

- Metadata and metadata standards
- Data types
- Data generation and data collection
- Post-use of data types
- Data documentation
- Quality control
- Framework conditions (legal, contractual and ethical)
- Types of data publication

Issues/areas with large overlaps:

- Discipline-specific guidelines
- Implementation of FAIR principles
- Data storage incl. storage media
- Use of naming conventions

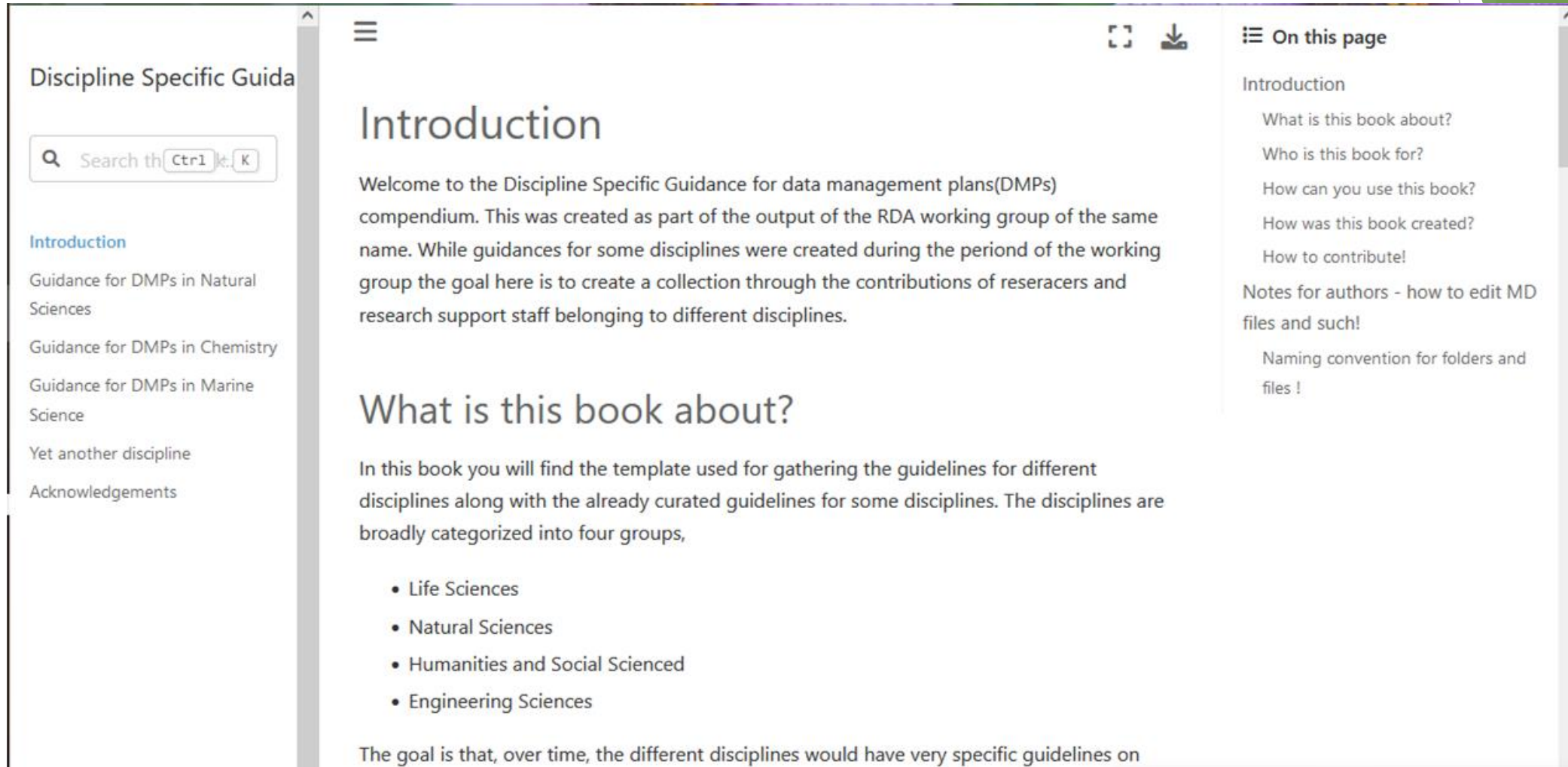
Issues/areas without discipline-specific focus:

- Allocation of persistent identifiers
- Allocation of licences
- Use of learning materials

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Prototype



https://santoshilam.github.io/Discipline_Specific_Guidance_for_DMPs/intro.html

https://github.com/santoshilam/Discipline_Specific_Guidance_for_DMPs

Updates and topics for discussion

Part 2

Part 2

- “Jupyter Notebook” live demo - Santosh
- Software Management Plans - Kerstin (virtual)
- Maintenance of the maDMP specification - Marek
- Cross-fertilization workshop results - Elli

FAIRification of software development – (machine-actionable) software management plans

Discussion at RDA Plenary 20

suggested by Kerstin Helbig (Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany)

What is a software management plan?

Definition by [DINI/nestor Working Group Research Data](#):

A software management plan (SMP) includes general and technical information about the software project, information about quality assurance, release and public availability, as well as legal and ethical aspects affecting the software.

The SMP summarizes information that sufficiently describes and documents the creation, documentation, storage, versioning, licensing, archiving and/or publication of the software generated or used in a project. Related hardware and necessary other resources, as well as related other software and software libraries, text and data publications, must also be described and are a feature of the SMP.

The purpose of an SMP is first of all to support the [traceability](#) and, if necessary, the long-term usability of the software (for direct application as well as for further processing) and to facilitate the support of the users in case of queries. The SMP therefore also serves the purpose of quality assurance (cf. [FAIR4RS Principles](#)).

The SMP can be linked to one or more [data management plans \(DMP\)](#) if the software is used for data generation or processing. SMP and DMP can be combined as output plans (cf. [Software Sustainability Institute](#)).

Source: <https://forschungsdaten.info/praxis-kompakt/english-pages/glossary/#c499503>

Funder requirements and integration of SMP in DMP tools

- Most funders treat research software as data -> no specialized requirements
- SMP is not a standard tool for software management planning
- With few exceptions, DMP tools do not offer up-to-date, comprehensive templates for software
- Machine actionable integration of SMP (maSMP) into GitHub could support FAIR4RS

Points for discussion

- Do we need SMPs or should we work towards more generalized output plans that combine data and software management?
- How can FAIRification of software be supported via SMPs?
- To what extent can maSMP help with this?
- ...



Maintenance of the maDMP specification

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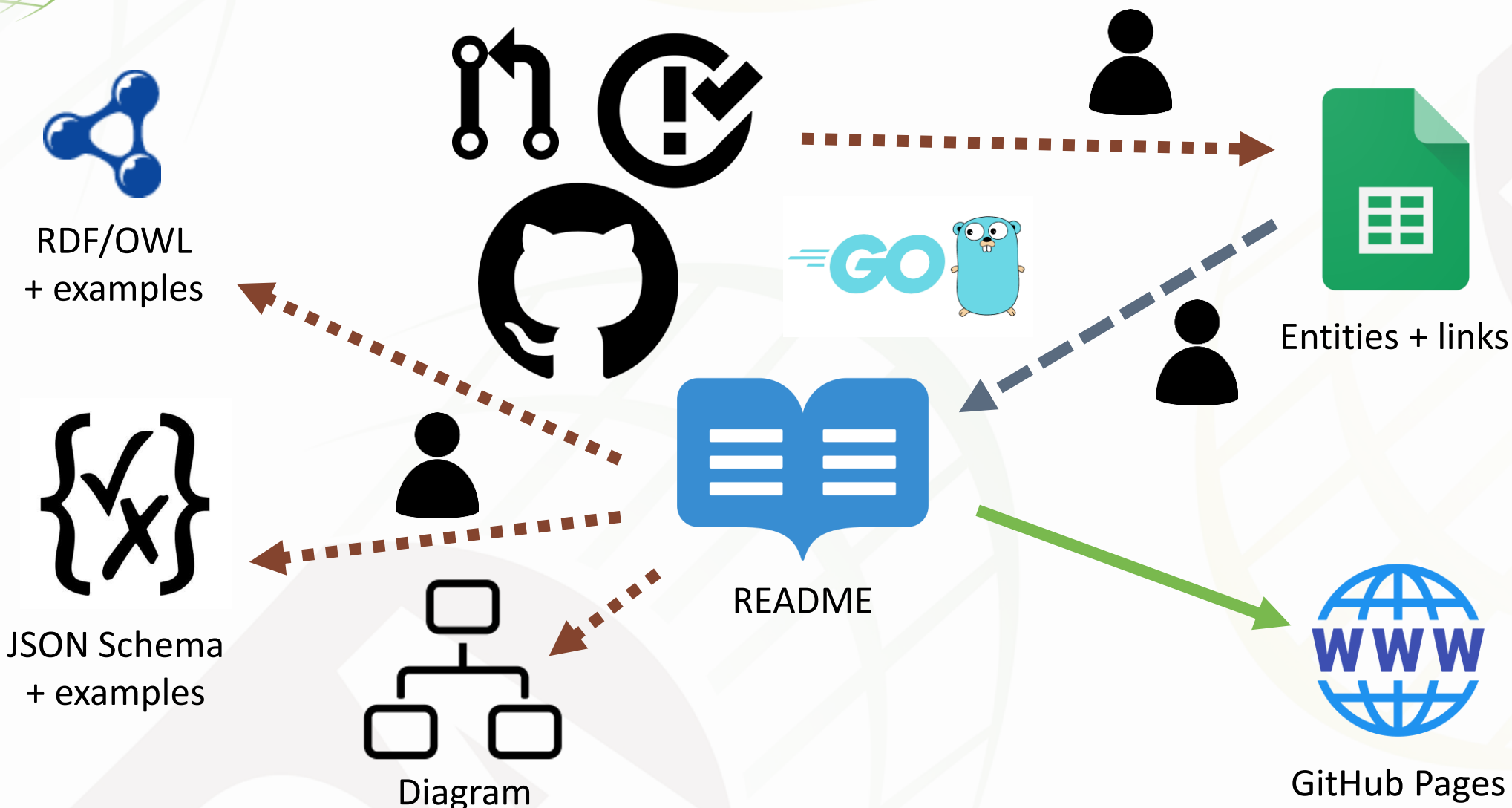
Current State and Issues

- 🌐 GitHub repository, Google Spreadsheet, GitHub Pages (README-like)
- 🌐 Not a single source of truth (figures, JSON schema, spreadsheet, generated README)
 - Harder to contribute (and adopt)
 - Possible inconsistencies
 - Issues with versioning
- 🌐 No community content (adoption stories/experience)
- 🌐 No automation (except the one with Google Spreadsheet)



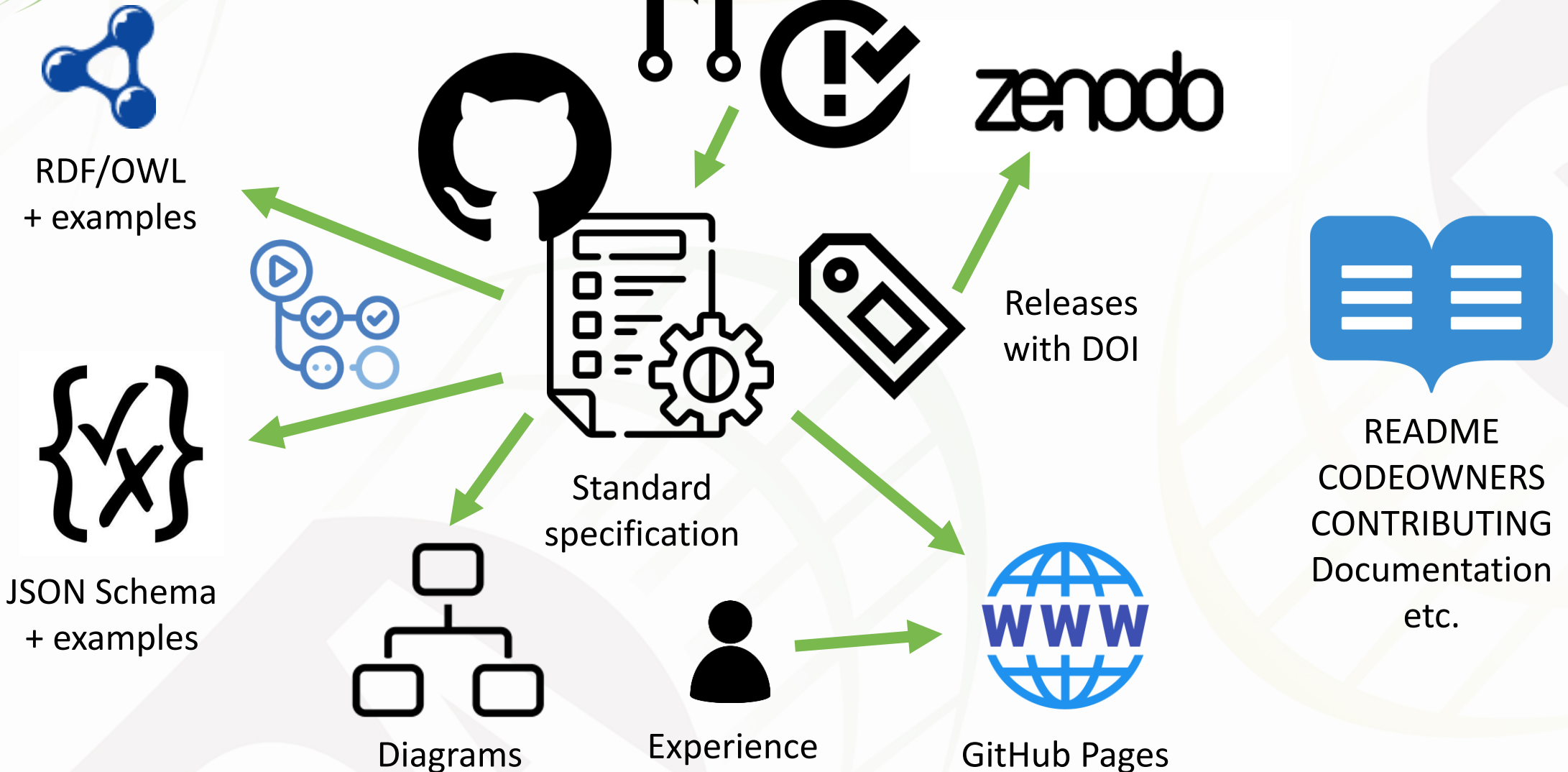


Current State and Issues



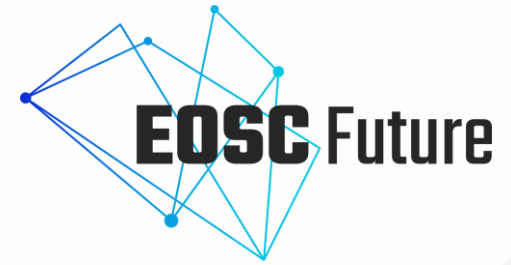


Desired State





Work Plan



- 🌐 EOSC Future support through *Optimising Frameworks and Guidelines in EOSC #2* grant
- 🌐 Tasks and partial goals in the project:
 - Conduct user/adopter research, gather feedback, document issues
 - Develop tools and other resources supporting use and adoption as well as maintenance of the standard
 - Foster contributions and community development by providing proper way of crediting contributors and contributing guidelines
 - Enhance standard documentation (website, implementation recipes, sharing experience, clarify versions of standards, extensions, etc.)



Part 2

- 🌐 Software Management Plans - Kerstin (virtual)
- 🌐 Maintenance of the maDMP specification - Marek
- 🌐 “Jupyter Notebook” - Santosh
- 🌐 Cross-fertilization workshop results - Elli



RDA for Data Management Planning Cross-fertilisation Workshop Summary



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ABOUT THE WORKSHOP

The community cross-fertilisation workshop, 'RDA for Data Management Planning', brought chairs and members of RDA Working Groups (WGs) and Interest Groups (IGs) together, with members of the wider research data community, to share and discuss challenges, solutions and initiatives associated with data management plans (DMPs). The key findings of the workshop summarised herein will be used to direct the future strategy of the RDA community. Read more about the [community cross-fertilisation workshop series](#) in commemoration of the [RDA's 10th Anniversary](#).

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SOLUTIONS TO ADDRESS THE CHALLENGES

- Strengthen communication and collaboration between RDA groups and members (e.g., via submission of joint RDA Plenary sessions).
- Create new WGs and IGs, and collaborate with relevant organisations and communities.
- Expand RDA community work on DMPs to focus on funders as a key stakeholder.
- Design automated, machine-actionable and interoperable processes and workflows that enable different stakeholders to collaborate more easily on co-creating, adopting and implementing DMPs.
- Ensure research performing organisations offer tools and support services that aid creation of FAIR DMPs that can be reused.
- Encourage researchers to use tools, services and workflows and advise tool providers about what tools/infrastructure is needed.
- Employ Artificial Intelligence to create and review DMPs.
- Ensure that DMPs are considered as part of the [research assessment reform](#).

RDA for Data Management Planning

Celebrating A Decade of Data
RDA community cross-fertilisation workshop

Version: December 2022

PARTICIPATING GROUPS & WORKSHOP LEADS*



DMP Common Standards WG
Workshop lead: Tomasz Miksa
Outputs: RDA DMP Common Standard for Machine-actionable Data Management Plans & Publications



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Active Data Management Plans IG
Workshop lead: Elli Papadopoulou
Output: RDA DMP Common Standard for Machine-actionable Data Management Plans



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Discipline-specific guidance for Data Management Plans WG
Workshop lead: Santosh Ilamparuthi
Output: Online survey about the current state of discipline-specific DMPs and data/code management practices.



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*Workshop leads collected challenges, solutions and initiatives in preparation for the workshop and explained them during the workshop on behalf of their group.

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INITIATIVES & RESOURCES OF INTEREST

- [GO FAIR](#) - Bottom-up, stakeholder-driven and self-governed initiative that aims to implement the FAIR data principles.
- [The World Wide Web Consortium \(W3C\)](#) - International community where member organizations, full-time staff and the public work together to develop Web standards.
- [Higher Education Leadership Initiative for Open Scholarship \(HELIOS\)](#) - A cohort of US colleges and universities committed to advancing open scholarship within and across their campuses.
- [National Research Data Infrastructure \(NFDI\)](#) - An infrastructure to systematically manage scientific and research data, provide long-term data storage, backup and accessibility, and network the data both nationally and internationally.
- [DIN/nestor](#) - German Initiative for Network Information promotes the improvement of information and communication services and development of information infrastructure at universities regionally and nationally.
- [Research Data Access and Preservation Association \(RDAP\)](#) - Supports an engaged community of information professionals committed to creating, maintaining, advancing, and teaching best practices for research data, access, and preservation.
- [European Open Science Cloud \(EOSC\)](#) - An environment for hosting and processing research data to support EU science.
- [OpenAIRE](#) - A European-wide national policy and open scholarly communication infrastructure.
- [Alliance for Open Scholarship](#) - a cohort of societies and associations collaborating to identify, articulate, and socialise appropriate open scholarship norms within their disciplines.
- [FAIRsharing RDA organisational information](#)
- [Active DMPs](#) - A place where all DMP ideas meet!
- [RDMkit Data Management Plan \(ELIXIR\)](#) guides life scientists in their efforts to better manage their research data following the FAIR Principles.
- 'How to bring researchers to DMPs' [RDA workshop output March 2022](#) (in French)
- [DataSeer](#) use AI and NLP to promote the sharing of research data. AI technology could be used to review and provide feedback on DMPs.
- [DataWorks](#) at FASEB [DMP Challenge](#) including publicly-available evaluation rubric.
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- [SUSCOP Nordic 5-3-2 maDMP project](#) for FAIR evaluation of DMPs
- [WDS/RDA Assessment of Data Fitness for Use WG](#)
- [RDA FAIR Data Maturity Model WG](#)
- [Argos Community Call on DMPs](#)
- [NFDI4ing Discipline-specific DMP template for Engineering \(NFDI4ing\)](#)
- [EPANIS/PaI/Osc DMP template for PaI \(photon and neutron\) sciences](#)
- [Ten principles for machine-actionable data management plans](#) (Miksa *et al.*, 2019)
- Call for Papers: [Data Management Planning across Disciplines and Infrastructures](#). Deadline: 15th Dec. 2022

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To become a member of the RDA, register [here](#)

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Discussion

Part 3

Wrap up

Part 4

Summary

- › Bring topics that we could tackle together
- › You can always
 - › Contact group chairs
 - › Write directly to the mailing list
- › Further activities can be organised based on the needs
- › We hope to see you all in person in Salzburg!



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RDA DMP Common Standard for Machine-actionable Data Management Plans

By Daniel Bangert

 DMP Common Standards WG

Group co-chairs: Tomasz Miksa, Paul Walk, Peter Neish

Recommendation Title: RDA DMP Common Standard for Machine-actionable Data Management Plans

Authors: Tomasz Miksa, Paul Walk, Peter Neish

Impact: Allows representing Data Management Plans in a machine-actionable way, to enable exchange of information between systems acting on behalf of stakeholders involved in the research life cycle, such as, researchers, funders, repository managers, ICT operators, data stewards, etc. It also helps in automating typical data management tasks, thus contributes to a reduction of workload imposed on the stakeholders.

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