## Research Data Management at the University of Porto using Dendro, CKAN and EUDAT

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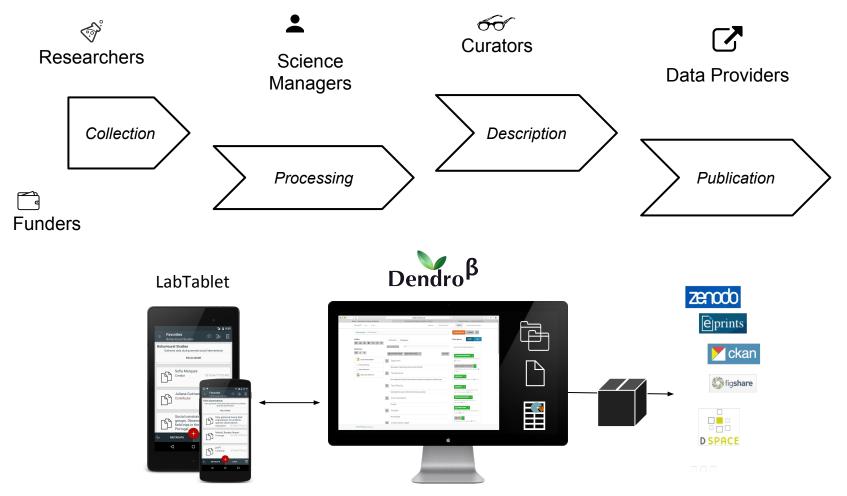
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## Research Data Management

- Motivation:
  - Data management required by funding agencies
  - Data publication: credit to researchers
  - Data have value: experiments are expensive
- Challenges:
  - Data include complex objects
  - Publication process and venues are not clear yet
  - Researchers not familiar with data description



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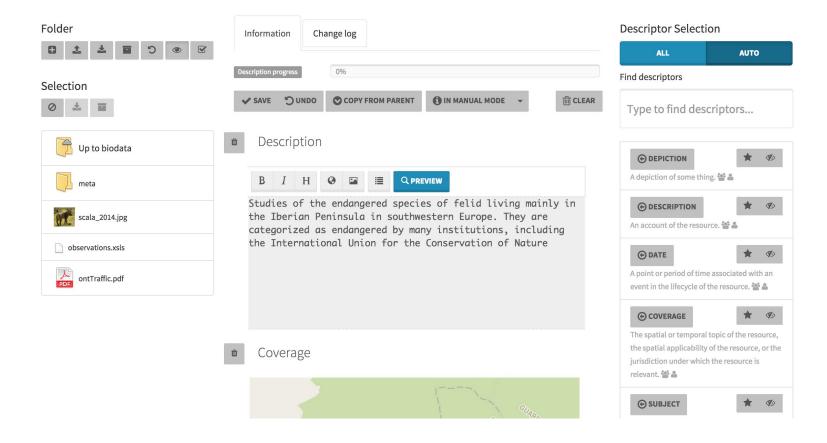
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## RDM approach at U.Porto

- Focus on Researchers
  - They generate requirements
  - They know data and create descriptions
- Focus on Tools
  - For curators
  - For researchers
- Processes for researchers and curators

## Dendro

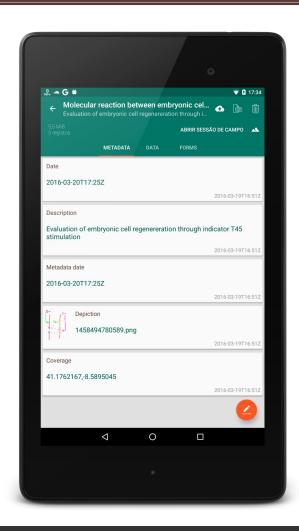


## Dendro platform

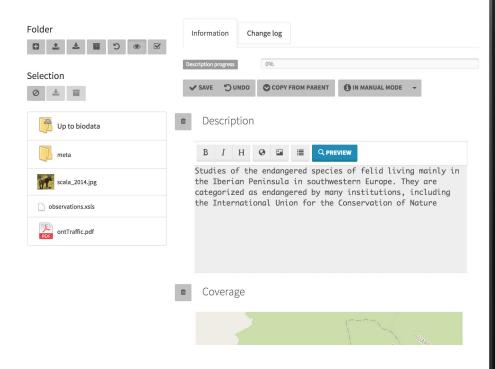
- Data organisation and description
  - Early: from data creation
  - Detailed, domain-specific description
- Ontologies: loaded for each domain
  - Metadata is ready to become Linked Open Data
  - Preservation-friendly metadata models
- Integration with long-term repositories

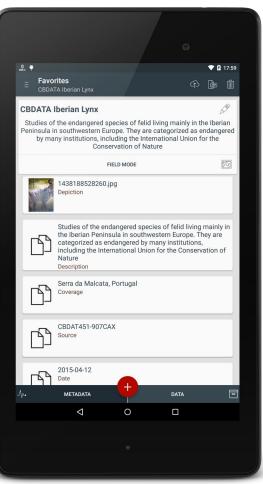
## LabTablet

- "Automatic" metadata
- Metadata from sensors
- Ontologies: from Dendro
- Annotations in lab notebooks: metadata

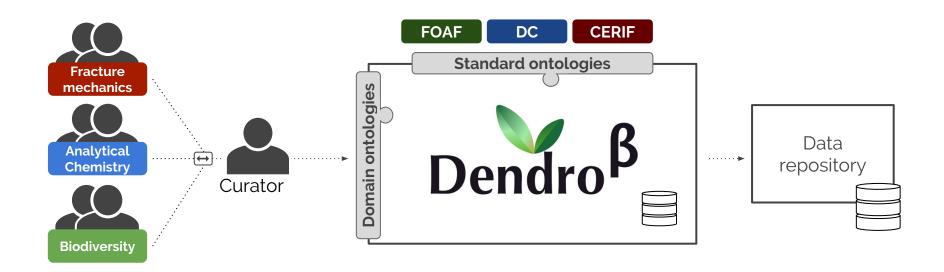


## Dendro + LabTablet





## Generic and domain-specific ontologies

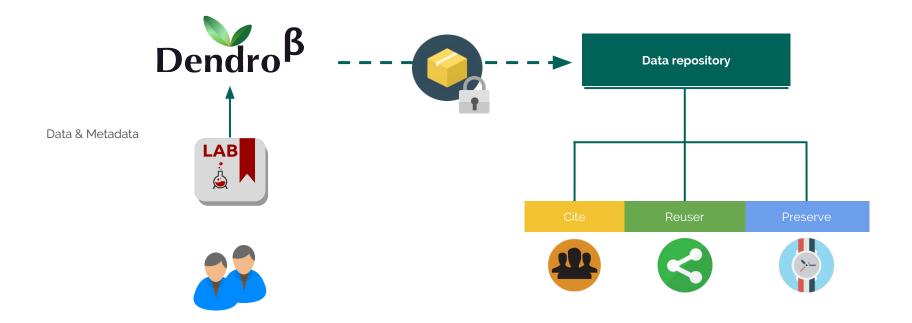


- Reuse metadata models: generic ones
- o Domain ontologies: collaboration between curators and researchers

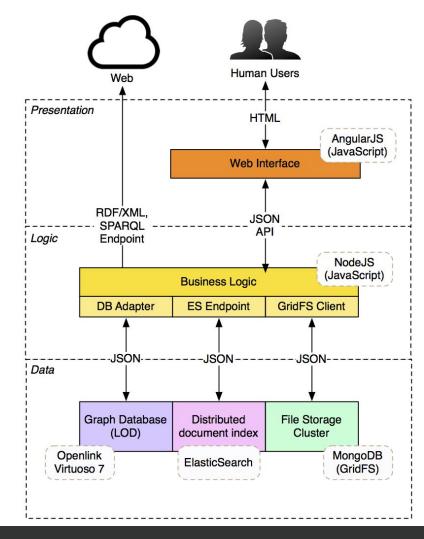
## Domains and types of data

Domain	Data Type	
Fracture Mechanics	Experimental	
Hydrogen Production		
Analytical Chemistry	Experimental	Observational
Gravimetry		
Biological Oceanography		
Biodiversity	Observational	
Social and Behavioural Sciences	Observational	
Cutting and Packing	Simulational	
Vehicle Simulation		
Computational Fluid Dynamics		

## Repositories and long-term preservation



## Architecture





- Modules for several steps of the RDM workflow:
  - Management and communication in teams
  - Platform for cloud computing
  - Metadata harvesting and indexing
  - Long-time preservation











- Collaboration RDM@FEUP EUDAT
  - DataPublication@UPorto:
     multi-disciplinary data description
     and deposit linking the Dendro
     staging platform with the EUDAT
     European Infrastructure

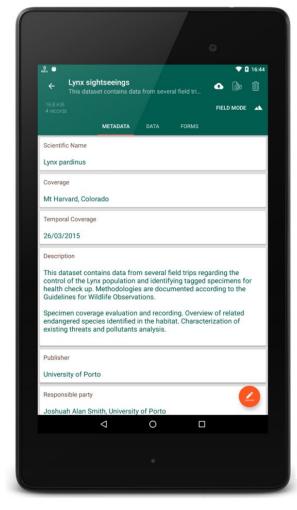


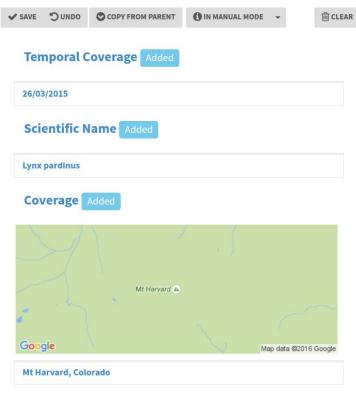






https://eudat.eu/communities/datapublication-uporto







For INSPIRE-represented observational data for biodiversity. Reference system identifier, Metadata point of contact...

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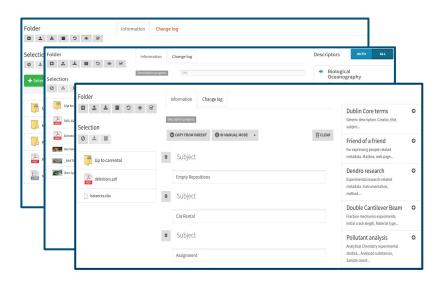
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## Dendro & EUDAT: exporting data



#### Vehicle reservation assignment in car rental

Beatriz Oliveira

University of Porto

Abstract: Data for the vehicle-reservation assignment problem in a car rental company, including vehicle and reservation information, car transfers time and cost (collected for Portugal), and upgrading and downgrading policies.

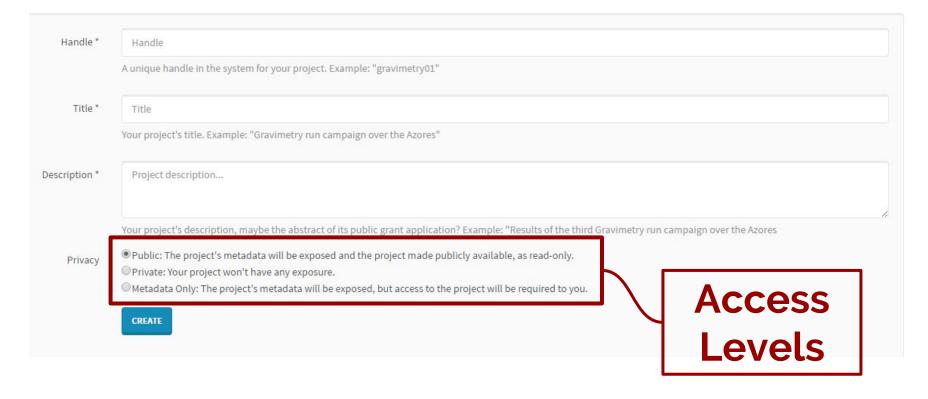
Data used in Oliveira, B.B., Carravilla, M.A., Oliveira, J.F. and Toledo, F. M.B., 'A relax-and-fix-based algorithm for the vehicle-reservation assignment problem in a car rental company, European Journal of Operational Research, Volume 237, Issue 2, 1 September 2014, Pages 729-737, ISSN 0377-2217, http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.ejor.2014.02.018.





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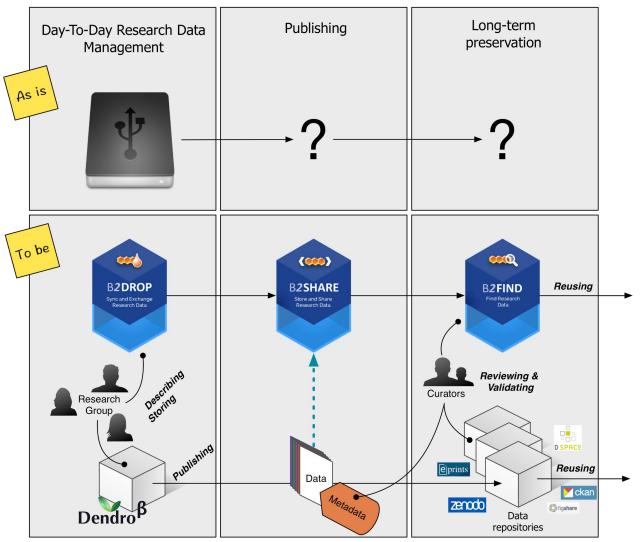


## Dendro

## EUDAT

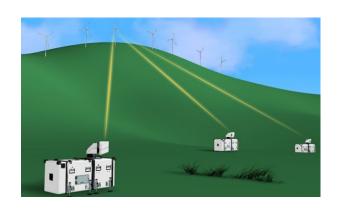
- Early data management practices
   Presistent identifiers
  - From project day 1
  - Involve researchers
- Collaborative environment.
  - Data peer review
  - Guidelines from senior researchers

- Data preservation
  - Compliance with existing standards
- Dissemination
  - Automatic harvesting
  - Dissemination protocols



To know more about EUDAT and Dendro, please visit https://eudat.eu/ and http://dendro.fe.up.pt

## Alignment with european e-infrastructures



http://www.windscanner.eu



https://www.epos-ip.org/





http://www.lifewatch.com/

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## Related publications

- ☐ TPDL 2016
  - ☐ Usage-driven Dublin Core descriptor selection—A case study using the Dendro platform for research dataset description
- UAIS, Springer 2016
  - A comparison of research data management platforms: architecture, flexible metadata and interoperability
- ☐ iPRES 2014
  - ☐ The Dendro research data management platform: applying ontologies to long-term preservation in a collaborative environment
- Digital Libraries 2014
  - ☐ Creating lightweight ontologies for dataset description: Pratical applications in a cross-domain research data management workflow

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Publications and updates

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Dendro is open source on GitHub!

https://github.com/feup-infolab-rdm