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“GOODBYE PHYSICAL RDA PLENARY 15 – WELCOME VIRTUAL PLENARY”

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I have been a member of RDA, since I joined the Danish RDA node in June 2019. Therefore, it was with great expectations that I was going to the Plenary taking place in Melbourne in March 2020. Being based in Brisbane for half a year, this would make a short trip (just 2 hours) to meet the world of data professionals, librarians and researchers - all interested in open sharing and re-use of data. My poster was approved, travel grants obtained - and then we all know what happened.

After cancelling the physical meeting, the organisers worked tirelessly to set-up a virtual plenary, which they managed to start on 18th of March.

Luckily, I was able to display my poster in the Virtual Poster Session - and 27 of the 45 accepted poster presenters decided to use this opportunity. The posters were displayed for two weeks and had 100-200 views. Participants visited the posters regularly to ask questions, so in this way there was a bit of interaction.

Also, I joined a couple of very interesting sessions on “Re-publication and duplication of data” and “Data Versioning”. I saw Danish colleagues attending the virtual sessions - knowing they had not planned on going to Melbourne, so there is definitely a freedom and openness in the virtual world to appreciate. However, no matter how good the presentations and the following discussions are, this will never be the same as being able to chat to the person next to you before a session - or follow it up with approaching a presenter afterwards. In particular, being my first RDA Plenary, I had hoped to learn about the work and approach of several different groups in order to facilitate

my own active participation. Thank you to the Danish RDA Node for your wish to support my attendance to the Plenary. The RDA Node is also supporting the production of an RDA adoption case from the presented project. Thank you to Otto Mønsted Fonden for a travel grant - Jitka Stilund Hansen

Link to virtual poster session:

<https://www.rd-alliance.org/p15-virtual-poster-session>

Link to my poster:

<https://www.rd-alliance.org/supporting-research-data-management-and-use-fair-principles-citizen-science-projects-university>

COVID-19 ACTIVITIES IN RDA

The Corona pandemic has caused a sudden and urgent response, for the whole world to unite against the (almost) invisible enemy. Frictionless access to research data, with a high focus on interoperability is on the agenda as never before. A working group on COVID-19 has been established and has in short time made a division of labor into seven sub-groups with individual focus. The 2nd version of recommendation and guidelines is already available, and holds a wide range of recommendations from broad aspects of good practice down to specific advice on e.g. repositories and file formats. The work is done in collaboration between researchers, support units etc., and there is a constant need for new experts to join and contribute.

Join the WG and sub working groups here:

<https://www.rd-alliance.org/groups/rda-covid19>

WORKING GROUPS

RDA keep working through COVID-19. You can join one of the many working groups here:

<https://www.rd-alliance.org/groups/working-groups>

RDA WEBINARS

RDA are using webinars instead of physical events during COVID-19. You can join one of the many interesting webinars here:

<https://www.rd-alliance.org/plenaries-events/webinars/upcoming-webinars>

WEBINAR ARRANGED BY THE DANISH RDA NODE: CHANGE STRATEGY IN THE LIGHT OF DATA MANAGEMENT

- A talk on data management being in the centre of the periphery of everything

Time: 20th of May, 14:00-14:45

Summary:

Can you ‘implement’ data management at universities? Some would say yes, others would say no. However, the reason for this disagreement is not that you are not in line - as human beings we tend to think different and grasp the concept of change in fundamentally different ways. This boils down to how we believe communication, organisations and people work and what we perceive the notion of complexity. During this talk, I will elaborate on how focus to - and knowledge of - change strategies affects the way to approach data management at both strategic and a practical level. The presentation is based on an project made as part of my “master in it” module.

How to take part in this webinar:

Join Zoom Meeting

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TRY THE NEW DANS DATA GAME!

Let’s play our new DANS data game! DANS has developed a game especially for researchers: the DANS Data Game. The game gives an impression of the research data landscape and was specially produced for the 15th anniversary of DANS. Due to the current circumstances, the DANs Data Game cannot be played physically. Therefore, DANS has developed an online version of the game. In this way it is still possible to play the game with your colleagues, friends or family. Play the game via this link. The game can be played in multiple languages.

An explanation on how to play the game and order the physical version can all be found on this webpage:

https://dans.knaw.nl/en/current/news/dans-data-game-also-online-available?set_language=en

10.000TH MEMBER HAS JOINED RDA FROM DENMARK

A member joining the Danish RDA node turned out to be the 10.000th member of RDA. The RDA member has been interviewed by RDA about this and he has been offered free registration to the RDA Costa Rica event (paused due to the current COVID-19 situation).



MEMBERSHIP IS FREE

- Join the global community <https://rd-alliance.org/user/register>
- Join the Danish RDA community <https://rd-alliance.org/groups/rda-denmark>

