
Open Call for European FAIR Champions

We are calling for experts from all scientific communities around Europe to join our [European Group of FAIR Champions \(EGFC\)](#).

We are looking for ten new FAIR Champions to be part of a **highly visible group of experts and inspired influencers** actively engaged in analysing and shaping FAIR data policy and practice; they will help identifying research data gaps and needs within their communities. The aim of the group is to create broader engagement with FAIR, and to shape and disseminate the outcomes of the FAIRsFAIR project.

Our Open Call allows for a continuous submission process until August 2020. The FAIRsFAIR Executive Committee will select the new Champions in two rounds, the first in February 2020 (application deadline 31 January 2020), and the second in September 2020, (application deadline 31 August 2020). You will be notified of the outcome of your application within 30 days of the relevant application closing date.

Who can apply? The Champion Profile

Champions are experts and 'doers' in existing projects related to FAIR. They will be selected based on their individual merits, background and knowledge. They will share FAIR implementation stories, enhance synergies, and cross-fertilise with other projects and communities to maximise the impact of FAIRsFAIR.

FAIRsFAIR is looking for Champions who:

- have broad expertise in FAIR policy or practice.
- bring strong research data advocacy experience and excellent communications skills.
- are driven to help mobilise others to generate more FAIR data on a policy and/or practice level.
- are keen to share best practice.

In putting together our team of Champions we are looking to achieve:

- gender diversity
- a balanced geographical representation (EU28)
- a balanced representation of stakeholders
- broad interdisciplinary expertise across FAIR policy and practice

The benefits of becoming a FAIRsFAIR Champion

The Champions will act as FAIR ambassadors for their communities. They will have the opportunity to participate in shaping and promoting new policies to improve the adoption of FAIR data policy and practice supporting the [European Open Science Cloud \(EOSC\)](#). In short, each Champion will have the opportunity to:

- drive and influence the development of competencies and capacity around the uptake of FAIR data principles.
- help shape the development and implementation of standards for data management within their own discipline based on new, international good practice sourced at FAIRsFAIR.
- influence requirements in Europe - FAIRsFAIR requirements will be fed directly to the



EOSC governing boards.

- introduce FAIR data management use cases for customisation in their community/ies.
- host a FAIRsFAIR workshop on the premises of their institute

Principal tasks of the Champions

Experts will be invited to:

- meet face-to-face at the FAIRsFAIR Synchronization Task Force Workshops. Three one day or half day workshops are being planned in November 2019, July 2020 and January 2021;
- contribute to the White Paper and project reports that will feed into the [EOSC Executive Board Working Group on FAIR](#).
- provide success stories for broad dissemination.
- lead webinars and contribute valuable content in any physical meetings, workshops or events organised.
- respond to surveys as part of the FAIRsFAIR landscape analysis.

Financial contribution

Travel and subsistence will be provided for the FAIRsFAIR Synchronization Task Force Workshops.

Deadline and notifications

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If this sounds like you, or you know someone who could be a good fit, we invite you to complete the application form below. We remind you to register or login, first.

