



# FAIRSFair

Fostering Fair Data Practices in Europe

## Towards making your repository more trustworthy and FAIR-enabling


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# FAIRsFAIR - Fostering FAIR data practices in Europe

- Goal: Practical solutions for the use of FAIR principles throughout the research data life cycle
- Budget: €10 million
- Duration: 2019-2022
- 22 partners from 8 EU member states
- Project coordinator: DANS



**FAIRsFAIR**  
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**DATA PRACTICES**

- ◆ Reports
  - ◆ FAIR requirements for persistence and interoperability
  - ◆ Guidelines for ontology design and vocabulary interoperability
  - ◆ Basic framework for services enabling FAIR (including software)
- ◆ Solutions for interoperability and machine accessibility for FAIR-aligned repositories
- ◆ Prototype for interoperability of repositories
- ◆ Workshops and hackathons: Recommendations for FAIR Semantics and Semantics in FAIR

**DATA POLICY**

- ◆ Reports
  - ◆ Recommendations on data policy and analysis of practice
  - ◆ Integration of meta-data catalogues
  - ◆ White paper on alignment and synchronisation around FAIR, Open Science and EOSC
- ◆ Support programme for repositories to reach FAIR compliance

**CERTIFICATION**

- ◆ European network of trustworthy repositories enabling FAIR data
- ◆ Support and guidance for certification of data repositories
- ◆ Tool to identify relevant trustworthy certified repositories
- ◆ Pilots to support the assessment of FAIR data in trustworthy repositories

**TRAINING, EDUCATION AND SUPPORT**

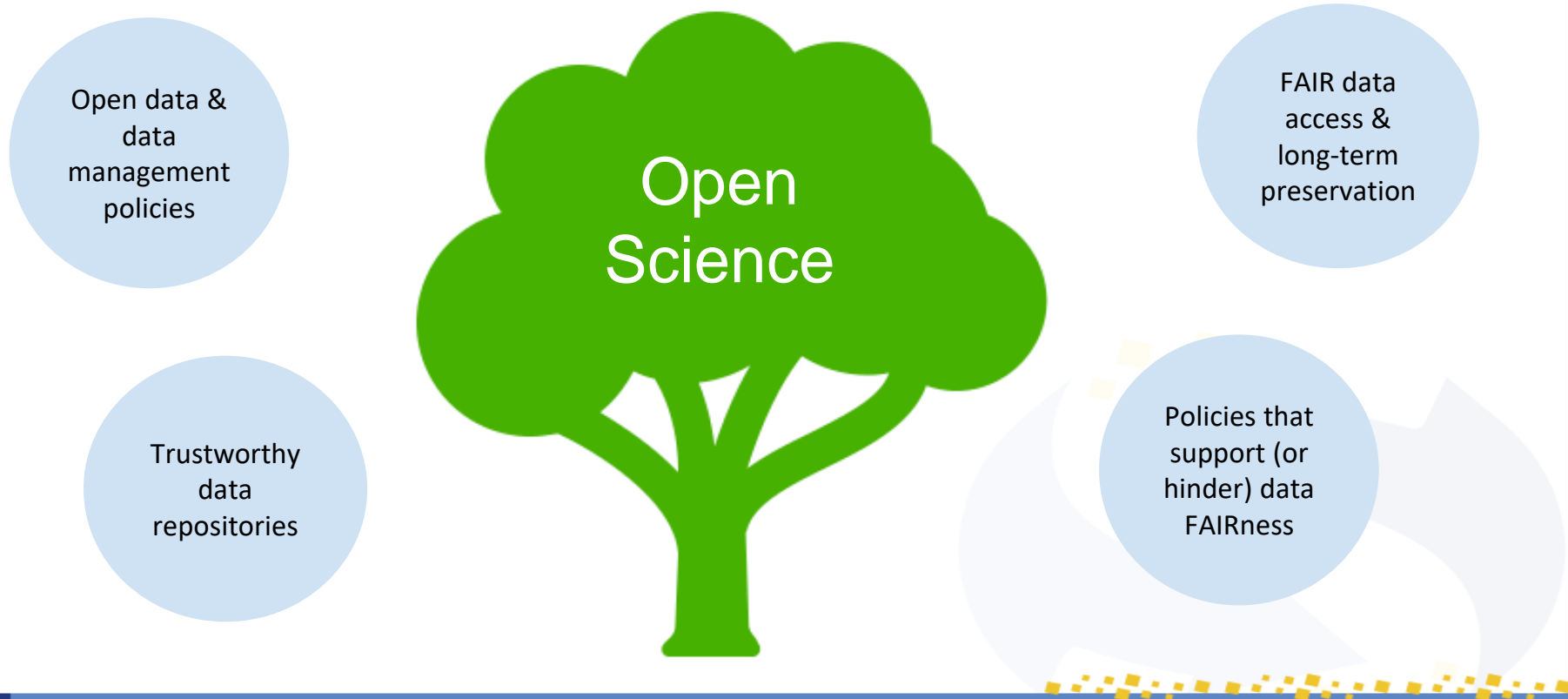
- ◆ Reports
  - ◆ FAIR data in European higher education
  - ◆ Training for researchers in FAIR data science and its impact
- ◆ FAIR competence centres tailored to different communities
  - ◆ Three annual schools in core data skills for researchers
  - ◆ Five instructor training (train-the-trainer) events
- ◆ FAIR competence framework for higher education
  - ◆ Three annual FAIR data education stakeholder workshops
- ◆ FAIR competences adoption handbook for universities
  - ◆ Three workshops on integrating FAIR data competences
  - ◆ Case studies on good practices in FAIR competences education

**MAIN OUTPUTS**  
March 2019 - February 2022

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# Trustworthy repository practices and FAIR data



# A journey towards becoming trustworthy and FAIR-enabling



Research data repositories

Support with CoreTrustSeal certification



Trustworthy repository practices and lessons learnt

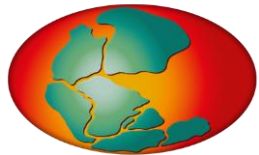


CoreTrustSeal repository certification programme

# Our support team



**UK • DATA  
ARCHIVE**




**PANGAEA.**



# Who we work with



 → a country with a selected repository


# Repository support: services

Test reviews



4 support workshops

## Roadmap

	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6
	Stakeholder identification & roadmap				Submit 1st ConTrustSeal self-assessment	
		Draft ConTrustSeal self-assessment			Receive reviewer feedback	
Activity/task 1:	Roadmap					
Activity/task 2:						
Activity/task 3:						
Activity/task 4:						
Activity/task 5:						
	Risk				Risk level	

Practical tools



1:1 support and advice

## Preservation Policy Planning - Worksheet

This exercise has been developed to support selected repositories in the FAIRSFAR repository support programme in getting ConTrustSeal certified. It is part of a variety of resources prepared by FAIRSFAR to support services and individuals in their FAIR data practices. Depending on your situation, it may take around 60 minutes to complete the exercise. The worksheet has been partially adapted from the Digital Preservation Coalition's (DPC) policy toolkit and the ConTrustSeal working paper. This worksheet is not endorsed by the ConTrustSeal Board and will not guarantee repository certification.

### Objectives

- To identify the status of relevant policy components to have a preservation policy in place
- To structure and plan the writing process of

Keep in mind that the construction of a preserva content, format and style of your policy accordin

### Instructions

- To start, indicate the status of each policy or (defined and forms part of an integrated ma the below mentioned components are rele some of the most challenging. You may also watch) Identify the people within your organisation need to share this information with us), an answer.

Component	Guiding question	Status	Comment/question	Expert	Responsible person for test writing	Duration	Deadline
1. Summary	Is the summary of your policy concise and easily digestible for the reader?						
2. Purpose (RQ)	Why has the policy been developed and what does it aim to achieve?						
3. Organisational Strategy Alignment (RQ)	How does the policy support the overarching purpose and objectives of your organisation?						
4. Mandate (RQ)	What are the drivers for the policy and why do they necessitate digital preservation?						
5. Scope (RQ)	What is the scope of the policy in terms of the organisational context and the digital content to be preserved?						
6. Policy Principles	What is the agreed framework and directions for how your organisation approaches digital preservation in a consistent way?						

# Other relevant tools

## Data publication

Before

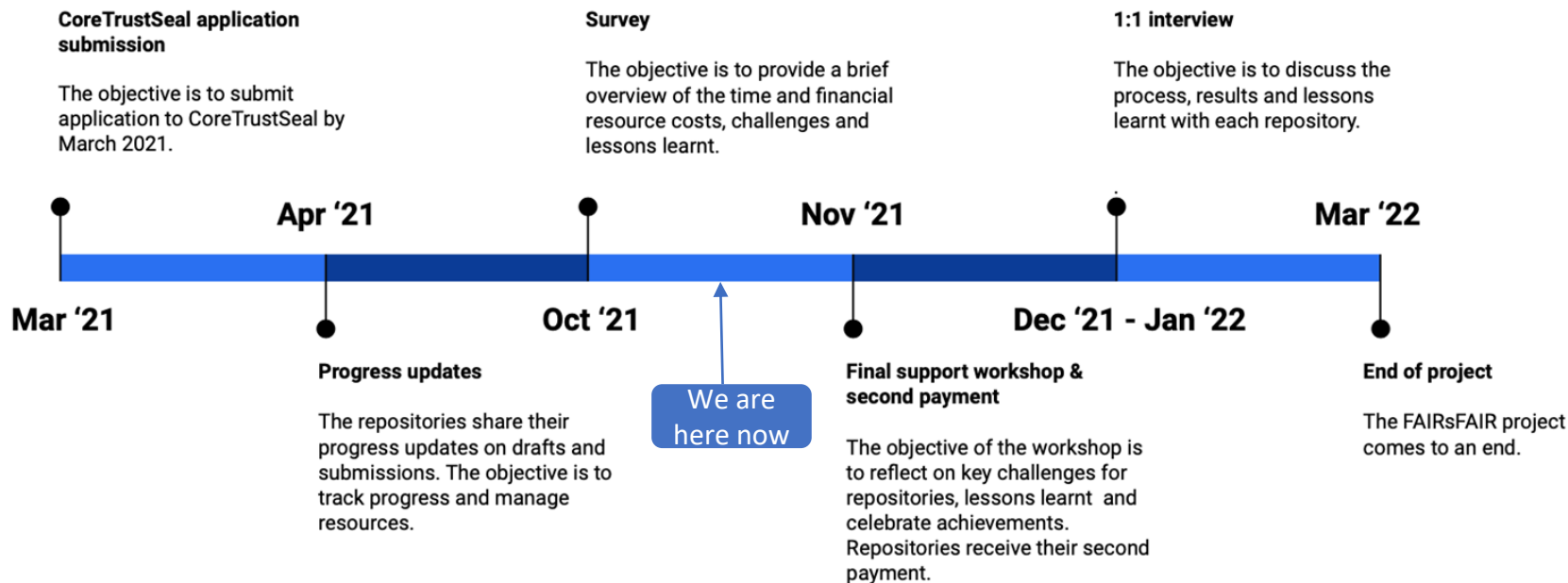
After

→ <https://fairware.dans.knaw.nl>

→ <https://www.f-uji.net>



# Certification support: next steps



# Growing together

Global repository support initiatives, e.g.

- 'Enabling FAIR Data CoreTrustSeal cohort'
- ARDC, Australia
- Portage Network, Canada

Share  
experiences  
and lessons  
learned

Explore  
collaboration

Trust  
and  
FAIR



# Further information

## Practical tools

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- [FAIR-Aware tool](#) to assess knowledge of FAIR ([en français](#) aussi)
- [F-UJI tool to assess FAIRness of datasets](#)
- [FAIR Data Forum](#). A gateway to FAIR data practices

## Certification support programme

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# Thank you

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