



DMPs, maDMPs, and DSW: An Outlook

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Marek and his Hats



- Data Stewardship Wizard [2018]
 - Czech Technical University in Prague (ELIXIR LM, NRP, OSTrails)
 - Institute of Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry (ELIXIR-STEERS)
- FAIR Wizard [2023]
 - Codevence Solutions
- RDA DMP Common Standards WG [2022]
- Model-Driven Development and Normalized Systems [2017]









Outline

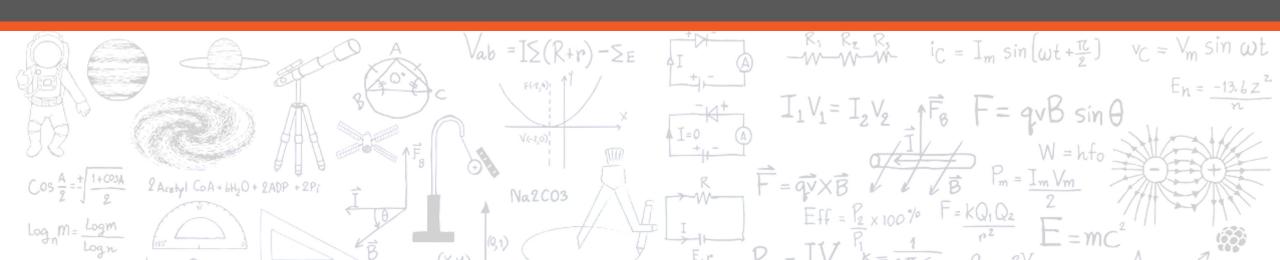








Part I: DMP Challenges



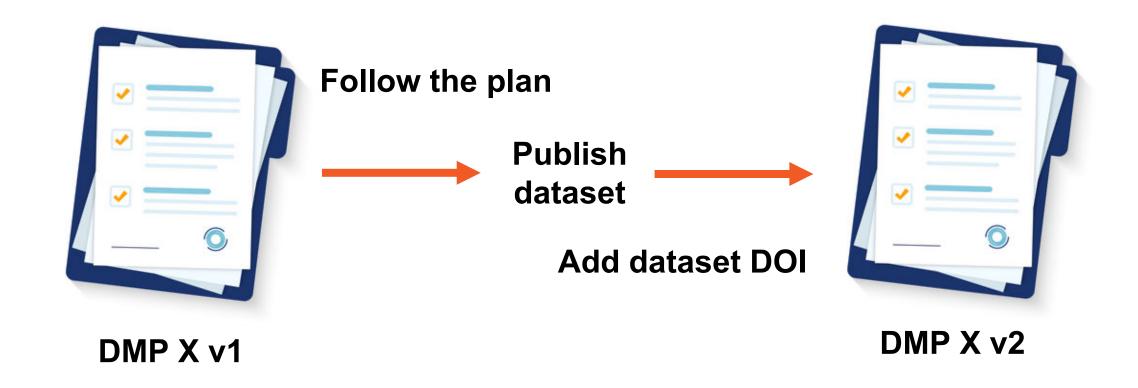
Challenge: Various Requirements





Challenge: Living Document, Versions





Tracking changes?

Automated updates?

Referring to DMP?

Challenge: Collaboration





Challenge: Evaluating DMPs





Rapid feedback?

Unbiased response?

Full assessment?





Part II: Machine-Actionable



Machine-Actionable DMPs (maDMPs)

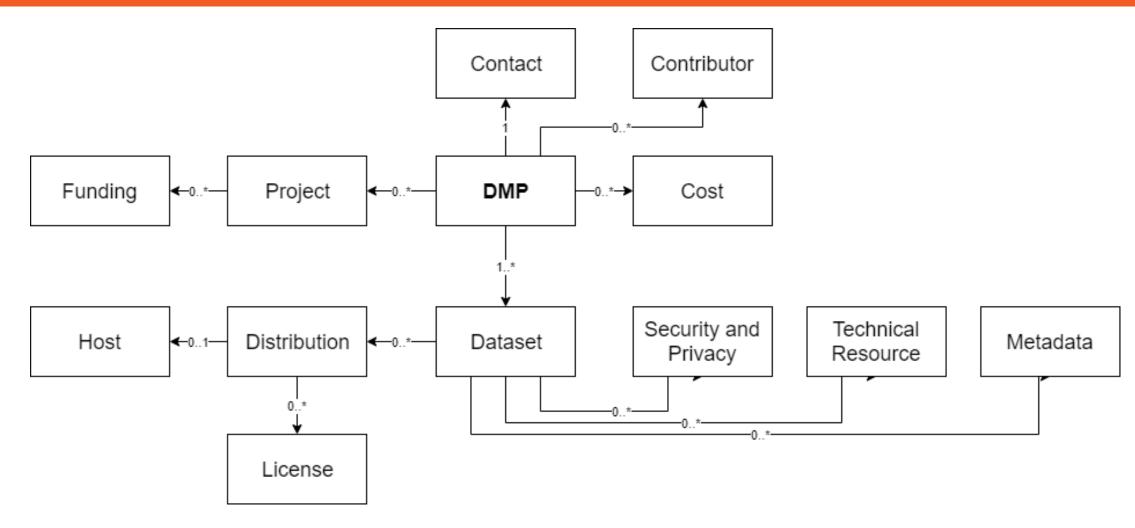


- Usually maDMP = DMP according to RDA DMP Common Standard (DCS) for maDMPs
- Started >5 years ago (in 2019), pushed during hackathon 2020 (all main DMP tools)
- Covers common properties (the ultimate core) of DMPs
- Uses widely used ontologies/vocabularies such as DCAT, DCTerms, or DataCite
- Unfortunately, some parts are not so machine-actionable (e.g. ethical_issues_description)

maDMPs can help with all the mentioned challenges

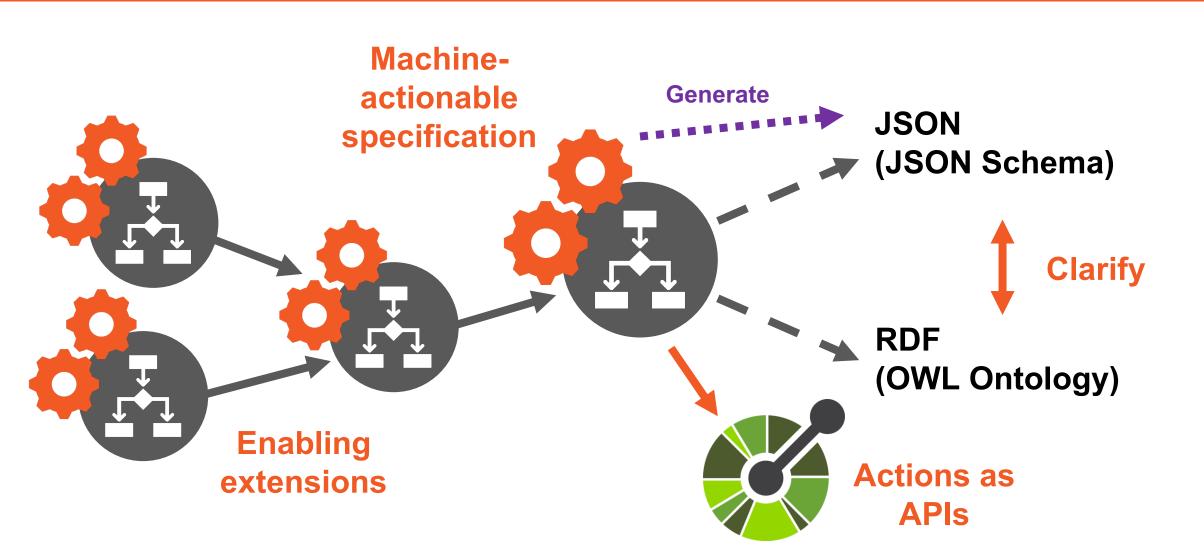
RDA DMP Common Standard for maDMPs





Plans for maDMPs



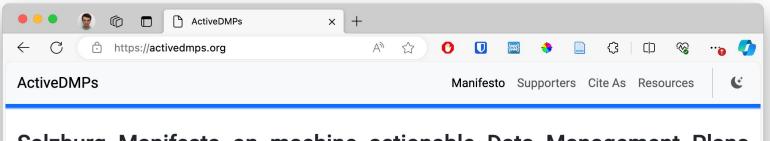


Salzburg Manifesto



- During RDA Plenary 22
- Collaboration
- Community of practice
- Adopting and promoting
- All key DMP platforms

You can also support it: activeDMPs.org



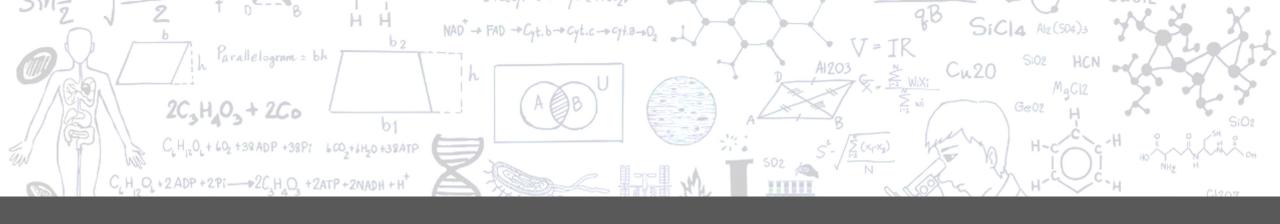
Salzburg Manifesto on machine actionable Data Management Plans (maDMPs)

Over the past several years, our collaborative work has focused on building a robust ecosystem for machine-actionable Data Management Plans $(maDMPs)^1$ and our common goal is to transform data management by converting text-based DMPs into a format that machines can read and process. Embracing machine-actionable maDMPs isn't just a step forward in research data management; it's a leap towards a future where stakeholders experience heightened efficiency, streamlined collaborations, and accelerated innovation.

By adopting maDMPs, stakeholders empower themselves with a dynamic tool that not only simplifies data management processes but also opens up possibilities for cutting-edge automation, robust integrations, and real-time verification. This transformation isn't just about conforming to a new standard; it's about unleashing the potential for groundbreaking advancements and establishing a collective legacy of seamless, data-driven progress within the research community. Through our joint efforts and collaboration, we have established an open science-focused approach that optimizes data management planning.

Who We Are

We are representatives of DMP tools², chairs of Working Groups and Interest Groups at the Research Data Alliance (RDA)³, and collaborators. Our origins lie in collaborative endeavors, such as the creation of maDMP Common Standard⁴, the formulation of the *Ten principles for machine-actionable data management plans*⁵, and the development of a persistent identifier for DMPs, the DMP ID^6 . This manifesto emerges from a collective effort to strengthen our collaborative community.





Part III: Approach of DSW



Data Stewardship Wizard (DSW)

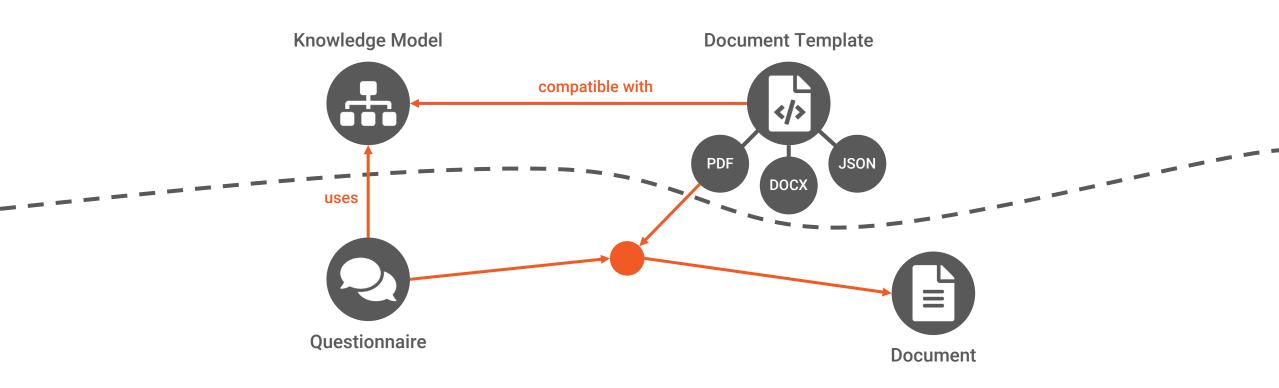


- Open-source platform for data management planning
- Started within ELIXIR but now getting contributions from various projects
- Avoiding writing as much as possible, asking only relevant questions
- Plan within a single questionnaire, get different documents (outputs) when needed
- Customizable with local guidance, in as many layers as needed

DSW in a Nutshell

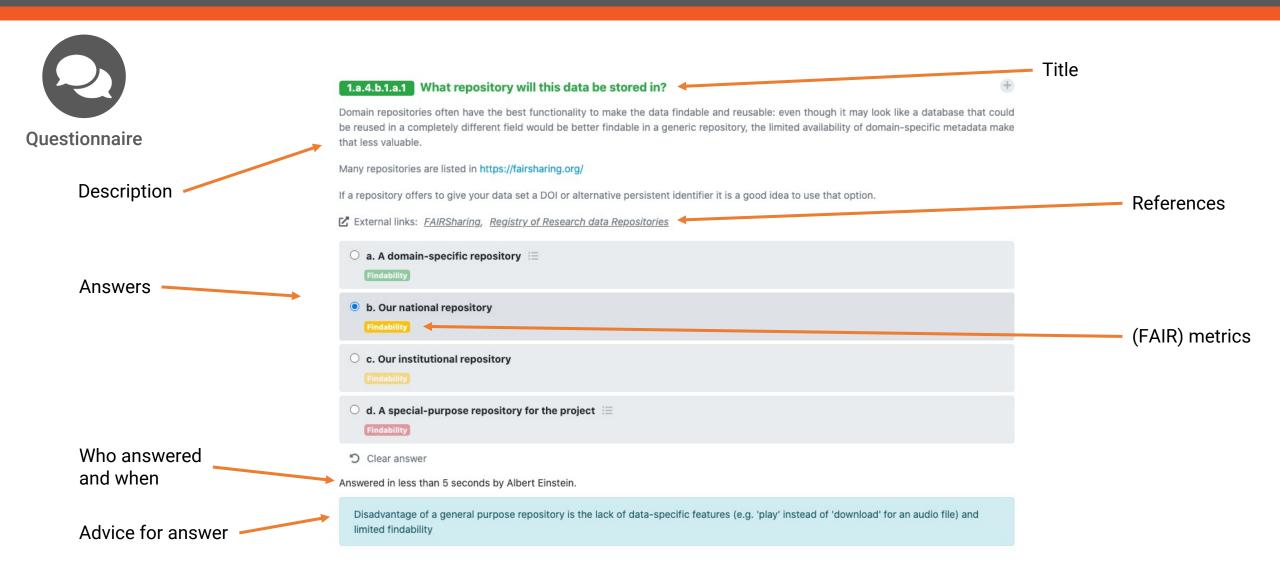


Data Stewards



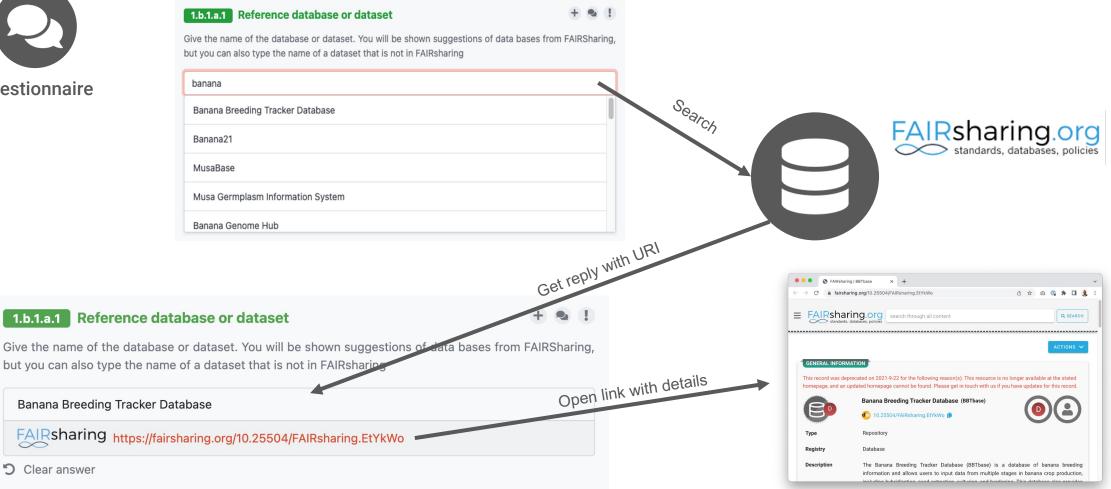
Researchers





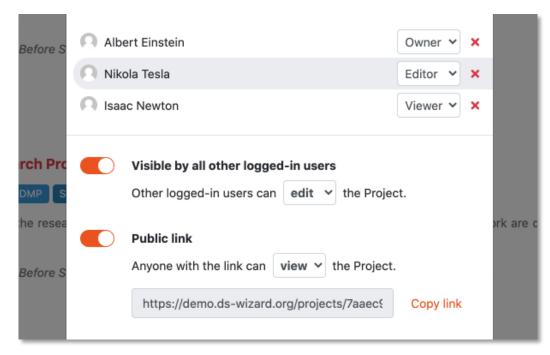


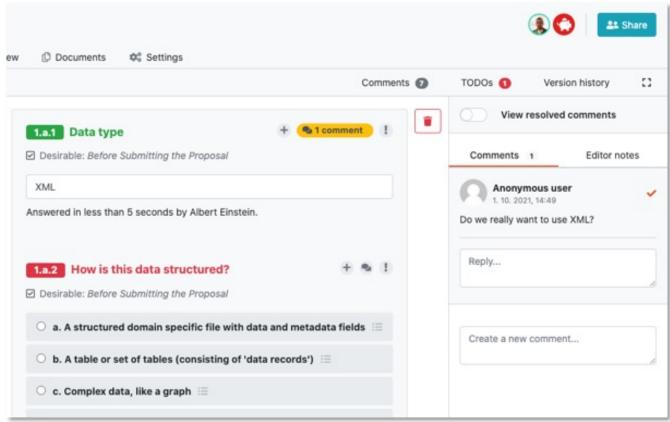






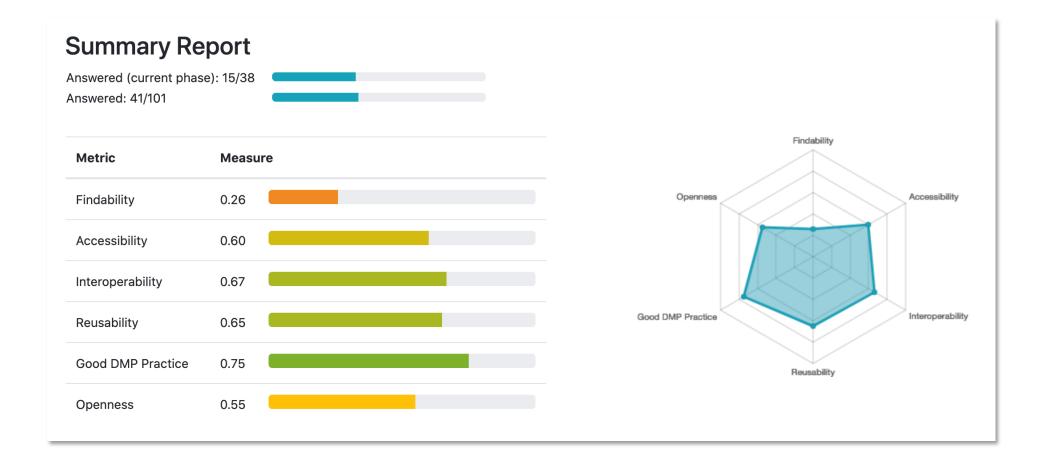
















Document

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Projects

We will be working on the following projects and for those described in this DMP.

Arsenic and Selenium Speciation Using Hyphena

Start date: 1.1.2021 End date: 31.12.2021

Funding: <u>Grantová Agentura České Republiky</u>: grant (planned)

The main goal of this study is to determine whether i produced from the meadows in the vicinity of old met Příbram, Kutná Hora, and Nalžovské Hory (Czech Republi herbivorous herds. Total and speciation analysis of As and will be conducted using a hyphenated technique of HPLC &

Section A: Data Collection

1. What data will you collect or create?

Instrument datasets

The following instrument datasets will be acquired in the p

HPLC

This dataset will be collected by experts in the project equipment.

The equipment is very well described and known.

ICP-MS

This dataset will be collected by experts in the project equipment.

The equipment is very well described and known.

Re-used datasets

We will use the following reference datasets:

• Chemical Component Dictionary (http://dx.doi.org/0

We will use the following already existing non-reference da

• Previous in-house Arsenic and Selenium analysis

We already have a copy of this dataset.

Data formats and types

We will be using the following data formats and types:

• Chemistry vocabulary

It is a standardized format. This is a suitable format for We will have only a small amount of data stored in the

Data Management Plan

Science Europe Example

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Based on: Common DSW Knowledge Model, 2.3.0
Created by: Jana Freeman (jana.freeman@ds-wize

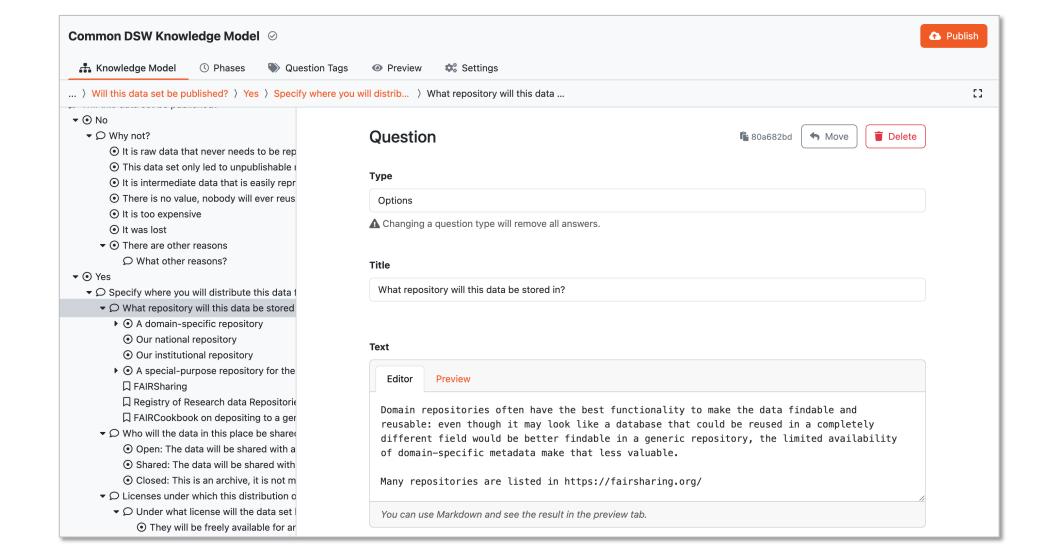
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DSW: Knowledge Models

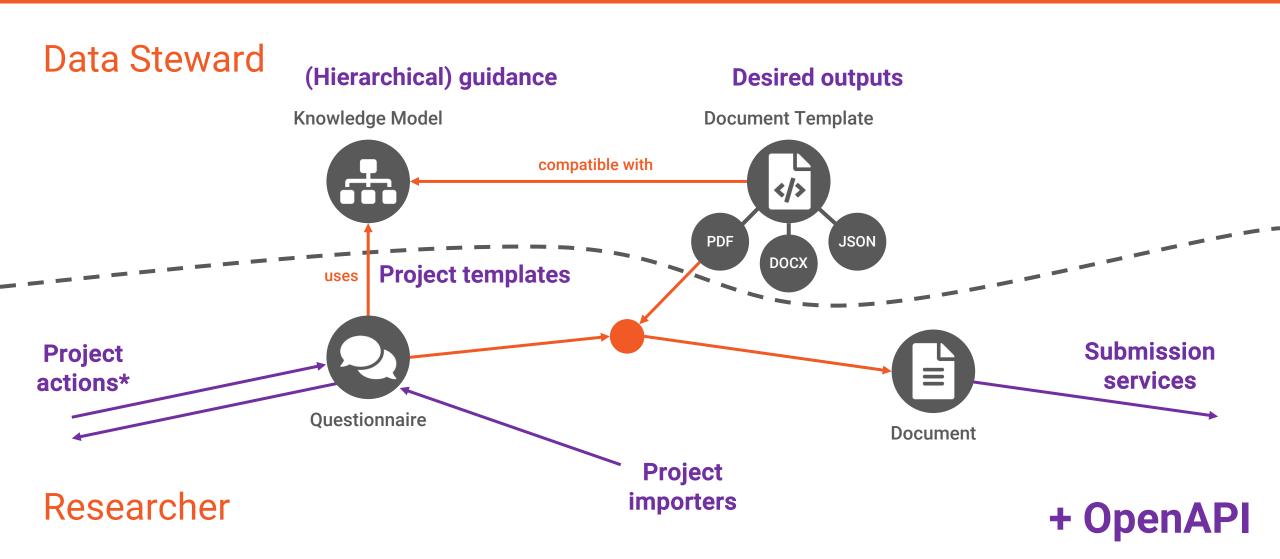






Versatility of DSW





Sustainability and Commercial Side

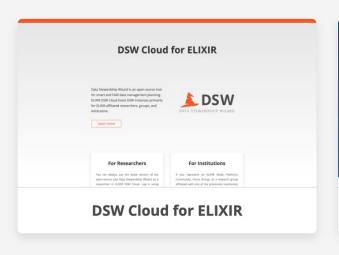


- Projects support development of features, standardization, interoperability, collaborations, pilotting, etc.
- Projects do not provide long-term sustainability and operations for having services running and then institutions need to find a way how to run them
 - Some institutions run on their own (on-premise, self-hosted) = need people and infrastructure, can adjust according to local needs and have data locally
 - Some institutions do not have own capacities / resources and rather want to get solution, support, SLAs, trainings, etc. (and pay for it)

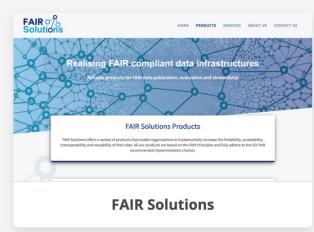
From DSW to providers & FAIR Wizard



- DSW is open-source project, anyone can host it locally (using the documentation) and use it
- There are also providers / hostings of pure DSW or solutions that use DSW as a component



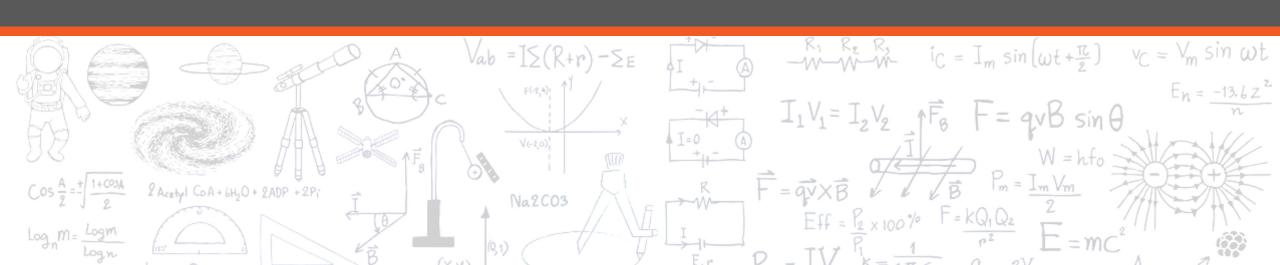








Part IV: Trends & Future



Trends and Observations: Institutions



- First "extreme": **RDM responsibilities assigned to librarians** who have no time / resources
 - They seek to provide some quick solution (existing tools, guides, etc.)
 - They do not have time to adjust content for local needs and help researchers
 - Researchers need to struggle and hope to get help elsewhere
- Second "extreme": dedicated department for RDM with own data stewards and IT staff
 - Customize tools to provide seamless integrations within environment
 - Content tailored to local needs, sometimes even domain-specific parts
 - Providing reviews and also "CRM" for researchers to assist them with planning

Trends and Observations: Funders



- There are **no significant changes** visible, providing templates and guidance documnets
- Sometimes providing trainings or workshops (esp. if domain-specific or national)
- No committments to become also FAIR or machine-actionable (e.g. maDMP extensions)
- Some obviously not reviewing (properly) DMPs but just require them
- Some limit number of pages (e.g. NIH, 2 pages of DMPs)
- Review process would be currently very complicated (domain-specific, long text, very technical, legal stuff, etc.) but essential for improving quality

Trends and Observations: Tools



- No huge changes recently...
 - DSW has several UI/UX, bug-fixes, and preparation for "Project Actions"
 - DMP Tool brought **DMP ID** some time ago, with strong collaboration with DataCite
 - Argos has Blueprints to move away from funder-centric model (similar to DSW)
 - DMPonline is mainly maintaining the codebase (e.g. dependency updates)
 - RDMO is maintaining and improving but no significant features (focusing on content?)
 - DAMAP is relatively new, heavily based on DCS and integrations (TU Wien, T. Miksa)
- ... but that may change soon

What is on the Horizon(s)?

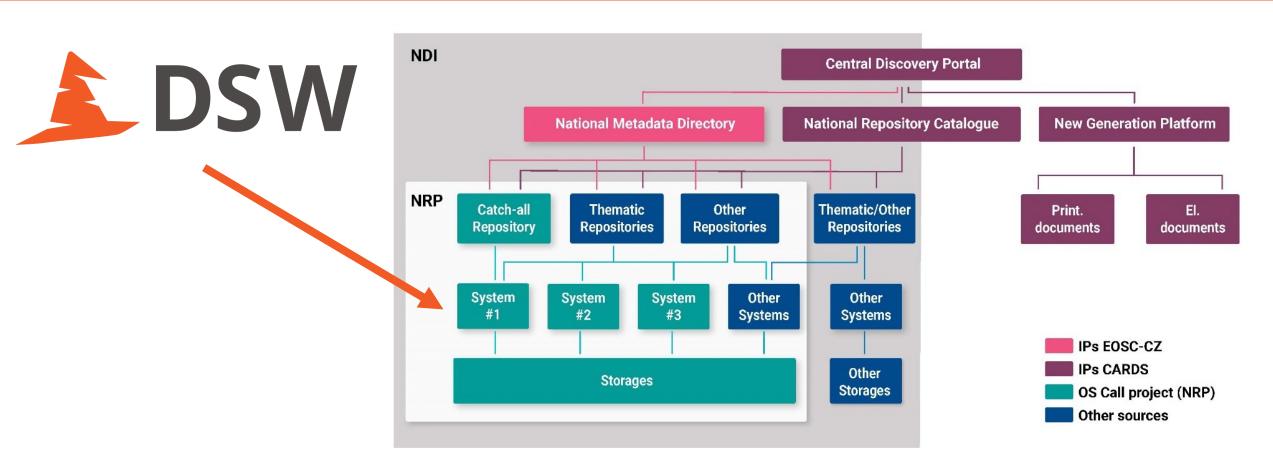


- Many ongoing efforts on various levels (national, research infrastructures, European)
- DSW is part of several such efforts (Czech, ELIXIR, EOSC)

Interoperability Standardization Automation

Czech Horizon: National Repository Platform





Czech National Repository Platform (2024-28) project brings national services for RDM

Czech Horizon: National Repository Platform

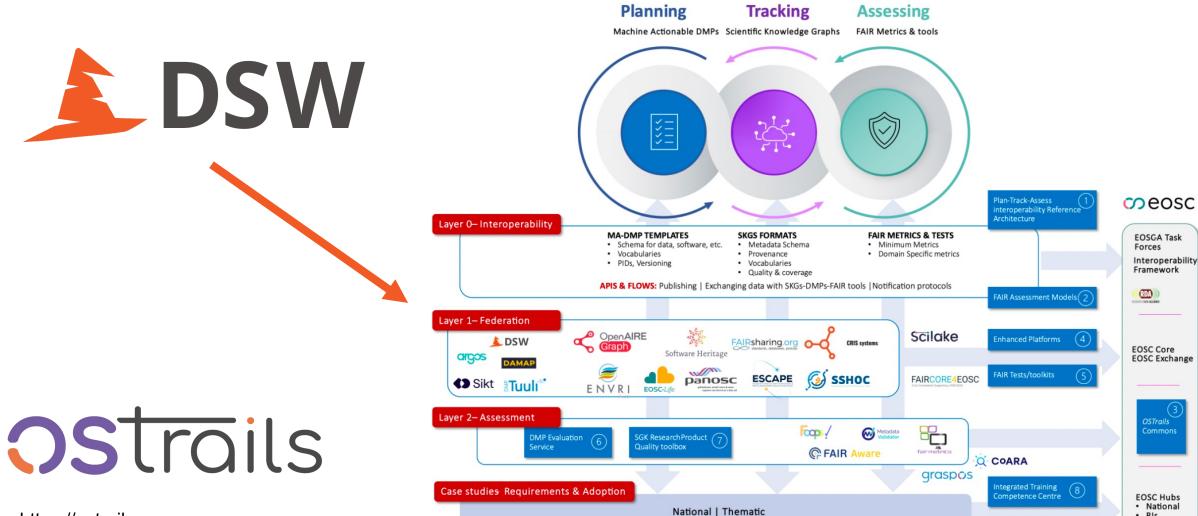


- Localized content for Czech national environment, national maDMP extension
- New features, services, and enhancements (planned):
 - Knowledge model and document template translations (i18n)
 - DSW instance bootstrapping/sandboxing (e.g. for trainings)
 - Selecting items as answers in a questionnaire, references in chapters, cross-references
 - DMP visualization and improved progress indications
 - Assigning PID to DMPs (submissions)
 - Improving UI/UX and accessibility (WCAG)

Horizon Europe (EOSC): OSTrails



Guidance Toolkit



Horizon Europe (EOSC): OSTrails



- Devise interoperability framework between DMPs, SKGs, and FAIR assessment tools
- Specifying APIs and data structures for exchanging information automatically
- Heavily based on DCS / maDMPs in terms of DMP part
- **DMP Evaluation Service** for assessing qualitied of DMPs and interoperable
- OSTrails Commons for easier adoption during project but also after / outside it
- Promoting (not only technical) **collaboration between tools** in project (~45) and beyond

Global Horizon: More _MPs



- Researchers need to manage data properly; they should have a data management plan!
- Researchers need to manage research software properly; ...
- Researchers need to manage ML models properly; ...
- Researchers need to manage physical samples properly; ...
- ... how many management plans should researchers prepare? or a single "ROMP"?
- There are emerging efforts on such things, SMPs are getting momentum (incl. maSMPs)
 - ELIXIR-STEERS (DSW), RDMO, and several templates (e.g. NWO)

Summary



- Data Management Plans are important; but not necessarily as traditional documents
- Various challenges around DMPs which can be addressed using machine-actionability
- Institutions and national efforts seems to go (slowly) in the right direction, funders not (yet)
- FAIR and other practices are expanding to other areas of research outputs/artifacts
- There are many ongoing activities and options, hopefully converging to ultimate goal of making (data) management planning more efficient for all stakeholders





Thank you!