Discussion panel
"What's Next? How can we mutually benefit from our own open science resources?"

General remarks and summarization

Open science in its different aspects is a cross-cutting and overarching topic for both ERUA and re:ERUA, as well as for the general development of all the five Universities

It seems that we are reform universities in the field of open science as well, as all 5 Universities are "national pioneers" in different aspects of open science

The main units, that drive and implement the open science policies and activities in all Universities, are the Libraries

General remarks and summarization

However, each University has its specific focus regarding the perception and implementation of open science, has a different strategy for development, and uses different tools and instruments to implement it

Because, even though we all operate within the European research area, there are clear differences in the national open science policies – both as development and objectives, as well as as achievements

… So… what can we do together to utilize our specific strengths?

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A few summarized general questions

- Can we mutually use the existing resources and systems and what would be the best way to integrate them for the benefit and use of the whole ERUA community? This should be considered both in general, as well as for specific aspects and activities, e.g. OA, ORD, RDM, OER – platforms, methodology, infrastructure, etc.

- Can we also use them to promote the visibility, attractiveness and participation of students, academic and administrative staff, but also to external stakeholders of ERUA in general and the specific activities related to open science that cross-cut both the ERUA and the re:ERUA?

- A common question to all: do we all use open source software in our open science efforts and resources? If not, why?

- Do we all link (or at least try to) our open access and open data activities to the notion of open educational resources – giving incentives to academic staff to incorporate open access publications and open data in their courses?

- How do we actually incorporate citizen science in our open science policies?

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And a few specific ERUA-re:ERUA related questions

- A question of synergy (ERUA WP2 and re:ERUA WP3 and WP5) – the link and causal relation between open science, the reform university paradigm and responsible research?

- How do we all finance our efforts in the field of open science? Different use of gold/green OA, public grants, external funding agencies?

- Can we mutually benefit from funding – joint projects and grant applications (to EU and/or national funding agencies)?

- Practical suggestions:
  - OA weeks – can we do them together?
  - Common courses in open science?
  - Common deposition software and/or methodology and/or platforms (besides the overarching OpenAIRE)?
  - Common research portal?

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Your questions and remarks