Stakeholder engagement & adoption

What EOSC brings to different stakeholders? Can I find EOSC in my country? What are the strategic initiatives for EOSC?
Why do we need EOSC?

Five reasons to support EOSC

1. EOSC will facilitate collaboration and support cultural change in the entire research ecosystem, reducing the disparities in the Open Science readiness in different countries.

2. EOSC will provide a secure, safe and transparently trusted virtual environment where scientific outputs can be deposited and found according to the FAIR principles, improving quality and productivity of science.

3. EOSC will facilitate integration not only within scientific domains but also across domains supporting the cross-disciplinary research needed to address societal and global challenges.

4. EOSC will provide researchers with the means to access complete datasets and analysis platforms and provide services that support reproducibility, as well as ensuring long-term preservation and long-term availability of these research data and tools.

5. The EOSC Web of FAIR Data and Services will provide the ideal ground for building a wide range of new innovative and added value services thus stimulating innovation in Europe and keeping Europe competitive in the global market.
There is no “one-size-fits-all” formula for engagement in EOSC. It depends on your starting point (e.g. your type of work, your type of organisation, your mission and priorities, your level of maturity in terms of FAIR and OS implementation) and on what you want to achieve. Several options are possible.

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* Trainers, Experts, Research Support Staff, Dissemination and Outreach managers, etc.
Different reasons to be engaged

Depending on what is your main interest (EOSC development, operation, governance) the reasons and the way to be engaged in EOSC can change significantly

- Some concrete examples of why to engage in EOSC

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Intermediaries as channels towards the users

Research intermediaries will be essential for the success of EOSC

- Intermediaries will be fundamental to:
  - reach out to researchers
  - drive the cultural change stimulated by EOSC
  - promote the adoption of the Web of FAIR data and related services
  - educate and support researchers in the transition to EOSC
  - communicate about the EOSC benefits
Different EOSC engagement channels are present in many of the European countries

- EOSC Steering Board members, the expert group of the EC composed by representatives of the EU Member States and Associated Countries (Full list here);
- EOSC Mandated Organisations, the organisations appointed by the governments to represent the country in the EOSC Association (Full list here);
- Other members and observers of the EOSC Association (Full list here);
- Beneficiaries from H2020 and HE projects;
- Data, RIs, e-infrastructure nodes active in EOSC.

If you don’t know how to connect to EOSC in your country you can contact the EOSC Association at info@eosc.eu
EOSC in the broader context

- EOSC is one of the Horizon Europe Partnerships;
- EOSC is one of the emerging Data Spaces

EOSC in the European Data Strategy landscape

European Partnerships

Data Spaces
How EOSC is implemented

At least until 2028, the EOSC implementation will happen via EC funded projects, the EOSC procurements and in-kind contributions (from the members of the EOSC Association, the countries part of the EOSC Steering Board and others).
The SRIA identifies 14 action areas considered key to deploy the EOSC ecosystem:

### Main implementation areas

- **Implementation challenges**
  - AA1. Identifiers
  - AA2. Metadata and ontologies
  - AA3. FAIR metrics & certification
  - AA4. AAI
  - AA5. User environments
  - AA6. Resource provider environments
  - AA7. EOSC interoperability framework
  - AA8. Rules of Participation
  - AA9. Landscape monitoring
  - AA10. Funding models
  - AA13. Communication
  - AA11. Skills and training
  - AA12. Rewards and recognition
  - AA14. Widening to public and private sectors & going global

### Boundary conditions

The results coming from the different implementation areas contribute to the establishment of the Minimum Viable EOSC (MVE)
The MVE shall deliver on the core SRIA objectives and provide functional support for Open Science in Europe. The MVE is composed by four components:

- **EOSC Core**: The prerequisite service component enabling the large-scale brokering of research data and services between the participants in the EOSC Federation.

- **Data Federation**: FAIR Data need to be federated in such a way that metadata on research outputs is harvested into a cross-search to enable greater discovery and reuse of data residing in multiple institutional, domain-specific and national repositories across Europe.

- **EOSC Interoperability Framework**: Set of standards and guidelines to support interoperability and compositability of resources across borders and disciplines while respecting privacy and security.

- **EOSC Exchange**: The Exchange is the pan-European marketplace for the EOSC federated resources. It enables the brokering of community services between federation participants and gives access to procurement contracts.

The building elements of the MVE are progressively delivered through the EC funded projects. From September 2023, the MVE prototyping phase will be moved to operation via the “Managed Services for the EOSC Platform” Procurement.
L'appel d'offres "Services gérés pour la plateforme EOSC" fait référence à un "nœud européen de l'EOSC"

Le "nœud européen de EOSC" peut être considéré comme l'instance européenne du MVE financée de manière centralisée.

Le nœud européen de l'EOSC permettra de fédérer les nœuds existants de données, de recherche et d'infrastructures électroniques fonctionnant au niveau institutionnel, national, régional, paneuropéen et thématique.

Le nœud EOSC EU sera opérationnel d'ici la fin de 2023 et comprendra l'ensemble minimum de composants MVE nécessaires pour permettre la fédération de l'EOSC.

À l'avenir, des projets de R&D seront menés pour développer et prototyper de nouveaux éléments soutenant l'évolution des outils permettant la fédération.
EOSC EU Node Value Proposition

- **Facilitate** the creation of the “Web of FAIR data and interoperable services” (aka. EOSC Federation) under the Open Science Policy

- **Put** a “seed in the ground” by operationalizing the first recognised EOSC Node at the European level for the initial 3 years

- **Offer** “core services” for scientific research infrastructures to federate (single-sign-on, catalogues, knowledge graph, application workflow, monitoring, accounting, helpdesk) and common “horizontal services” for end-users to benefit from (compute, containers, data transfer, notebooks, file sharing, open research data)

- **Define** the pathway and blueprint (EOSC Interoperability Framework) for other potential EOSC Node operators to join the federation
The EOSC platform and nodes

Extract from the EOSC EC procurement document

EOSC Federated “System of Systems”

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**EOSC Federation**: Open and trusted federation of collaborative, autonomous infrastructures applying agreed, consensus-based EOSC policies and rules of participation, combined into a system of systems to enable European researchers to store, share, process, analyse, and reuse research digital objects (e.g. data, publications and software).

**EOSC Node**: Data infrastructure system of variable nature (national, regional, institutional or thematic) with consensus-based policies, transparent ownership and clear responsibility, connected to the EOSC Federation to share information and resources within the EOSC community and to leverage common services.

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*Source: “EOSC operations and evolution post-2027” supporting document by the EOSC-SB Policy subgroup (November 2023)*

**Source: GEANT and NREN’s position on EOSC Nodes (October 2023)**
The EOSC EC procurement

On-going procurement by DG CNECT to procure the EOSC EC-node (35M€)

- Lot 1: Managed EOSC core services
- Lot 2: Managed Container Platform and Virtual machine Service for EOSC Exchange
- Lot 3: Managed Collaborative data Platform, Interactive Data Analytics Platform and Virtualization Services for EOSC Exchange

3 years of operation starting by Q1 2024

The EOSC Node is a particular implementation of the EOSC Platform concept. The EOSC procurement action is to build and deploy a fully operational EOSC Node at the European level. This EOSC Node may act as the master node for the federation and may serve as a deployment blueprint and operations guideline for future, national, regional and/or institutional (even thematic) implementations of the EOSC nodes, not covered in this procurement

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High-level EOSC EU Node architecture

Procurement Lot Structure
- Lot 1: Managed Services for the Development, Integration, Deployment and Operations of the Federated EOSC Core
- Lot 2: Managed Container Platform and Virtual Machine Services for the EOSC Exchange (Infrastructure Services)
- Lot 3: Managed Collaborative Data Platform, Interactive Data Analytics Platform and Visualization Services for the EOSC Exchange (Application Services)

EOSC Interoperability Framework

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Des questions?