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Catalysation of institutional transformations of Higher Education Institutions through the adoption of acceleration services

Open Science and Open Data: Data Archives

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Open science



Drivers of scientific openness

CONSIDER: The 'ivory tower' metaphor to describe scientific communities

The growth of interdisciplinary research leading to crossdepartment collaborations



Collaboration between academia, business, and government

Democratization of science and working with citizen scientists

Democratization of science



the public having greater influence over science and that influence being shared more equally (Kurtulmuş, 2021)

creating institutions and practices that fully incorporate principles of accessibility, transparency, and accountability. It means **considering the societal outcomes of research** at least as attentively as the scientific and technological outputs. It means insisting that in addition to being rigorous, science be popular, relevant, and participatory. (Guston, 2004)



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Questions for discussion (1)



- What mechanisms can be put in place to ensure the public has a meaningful influence on scientific research agendas?
- 2. How can scientists effectively balance expert judgment with public expectations in shaping research priorities?
- 3. What are the challenges and opportunities in universities that fully embrace this type of openness in science?



Open data



Data life-cycle



Source: Data Governance and Management Toolkit



Open data must be:



Data has rich metadata and unique identifier



ACCESSIBLE

Data can be easily downloaded or used by using standard protocols





Source: Orvium



The 28 ERICs organized into science clusters:



Data Infrastructures

CESSDA -Consortium of Eu

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 Partners (12)

CESSDA's mission is to provide a comprehensive, sustainable research infrastructure that enables the research community to conduct high quality research in the social sciences and to facilitate teaching and learning in the social sciences



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Data Infrastructures

Important CESSDA-ERIC services

Access to CESSDA Data Catalogue

- Develops and coordinates standards, protocols, policies and guidelines on data, associated digital objects and metadata, e.g.:
 - CESSDA Persistent identifier policy
 - The Data Documentation Initiative (DDI)
- > **Training** on research data management.
- European Question Bank for surveys
- Vocabulary service
- ► Etc.



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Lithuanian Data Archive for Social Sciences and Humanities (LiDA)



LiDA



- Established in 2006-2008
- LiDA is a digital infrastructure for the acquisition, long-term preservation, and dissemination of empirical data and research resources in the SSH.
- Mission: to ensure access to FAIR-compliant Lithuanian and international empirical SSH data resources, strengthening open science, facilitating data uptake for informed decision making, and building a committed community of open data users in Lithuania.





Key LiDA services



 acquiring, organizing, standardizing and documenting empirical SSH research datasets in accordance with FAIR principles;
 acquiring, organizing, standardizing and documenting

2. long-term preservation of research datasets





Key LiDA services

3. ensuring open access and promoting reuse of research data;



35+ research projects serviced
40+ articles cite LiDA
10+ dissertations cite LiDA
140+ MA thesis cite LiDA
50+ BA thesis cite LiDA

25 000 + downloads of files from LiDA since 2021



Key LiDA services

4. developing researchers' and public sector specialists' capacity to curate, manage data, find and use data for secondary analysis;



In 2018-2024:

30+ nonformal education
programmes
95+ methods training
sessions
1000+ certificates issued
35+ service agr. with
external costumers



Added value and expected impact <u>on science</u>

- 1. empowers \rightarrow historical or international comparative studies
- 2. facilitates \rightarrow interdisciplinary research
- 3. access \rightarrow high-quality data
- 4. increases \rightarrow research efficiency
- 5. enables \rightarrow international visibility and competitiveness in ERA
- 6. builds \rightarrow community of data users
- 7. develops \rightarrow methodological competencies
- 8. transfers \rightarrow new technologies, legal and documentation innovations



Added value and expected impact on economy, policy, culture and society

- 1. supports \rightarrow evidence-based policy making
- 2. empowers \rightarrow finding solutions to contemporary challenges
 - → framework for data-driven innovations

Economic value of LiDA's resources: over €3 million



3. provides

Questions for discussion (2)



- 1. Elaborate on the idea that the availability of open data through archives helps the careers of young researchers.
- 2. What incentives (e.g., recognition, funding opportunities) could encourage more senior researchers to use data from archives like LiDA?
- 3. What tools or resources could help researchers understand and apply proper data citation practices?



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