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Towards the European Open Science Cloud: what are the needs of successful networks?

About good governance, policies, new skills, new roles

In October 2016, the Commission High Level Expert Group on the EOSC presented its first report, “Realising the European Open Science Cloud.” According to this report, due to the heterogeneous starting points of all European partner networks and in order to ensure sustainability, it is necessary to introduce policies and to install well-tested forms of *good governance*, not only at the institutional level, but also within the network of researchers. Initially, this could ensure that each of the roughly 500,000 involved stakeholders and their related research support services can work together smoothly and in a goal-oriented manner, and could allow research projects to be carried out successfully.

What are the characteristics of successful networks? Following the results of a nation-wide research data survey carried out in Austria (“e-Infrastructures Austria”), this presentation provides deep insights into the needs of researchers and research-supporting institutions. It also offers a structured outlook at future developments, focusing on the key components of successful networks.

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