### Recommendations for Implementing Open Science

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## An Open Science solution should be researcher-centric

### National Academies of Sciences New Report: Open Science by Design (2018)

The National Academies of SCIENCES • ENGINEERING • MEDICINE

#### CONSENSUS STUDY REPORT

OPEN SCIENCE BY DESIGN Realizing a Vision for 21st Century Research



Researcher at the center:

- Researcher contributes to open science
- Researcher takes advantage of the open science practices
- From data generation to validation, dissemination, and preservation

### **OpenAire New White Paper: Achieving Open Science in the European Science Cloud (2019)**

OpenAIRE Achieving Open Science in the

European Open Science Cloud Setting out OpenAIREs vision and contribution to EOSC

Position Paper – September 2019

**Researcher at the center:** 

- Researcher publishes all kinds of scientific products (data, software, workflows)
- Open as the default
- Services provide technology and training for researchers

### **Data Sharing is key to Open Science**

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### **Dataverse:** an open-source platform for sharing and archiving research data



- Launched at Harvard in 2006
- Used in 6 continents
- 48 Dataverse sites
- 5500 dataverses (branded datasets collections)
- 120K datasets
- 10M data files downloads
- Vibrant open-source community

### A National Dataverse Site: DataverseNO





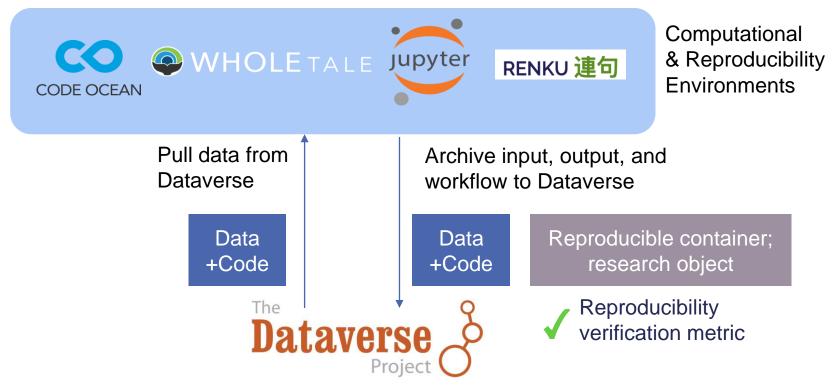
- 8 universities in Norway as members; the other 3 to join soon
- Policies and guidelines common to all DataverseNO members
- · Global and local support
- Applied for Core Trust Seal certificate
- Dataverse Europe Workshop January 2020
- https://site.uit.no/dataverseno/

## But data sharing only is not sufficient for Open Science

#### **Open Science should include sharing of:**

- Code associated with data to reproduce research results
- Workflows to describe research steps and data transformations
- Research software, algorithms, and tools for reuse

### Data repositories should be integrated with computational environments



### Sharing data and computing together helps create a Data Commons to collaborate

"...a data commons brings together (or co-locates) data with cloud computing infrastructure and commonly used software services, tools & applications for managing, analyzing and sharing data to create an interoperable resource for a research community"

Robert Grossman

Data scientist at the University of Chicago; Director of the Open Commons Consortium

https://medium.com/@rgrossman1/a-proposed-end-to-end-principle-for-data-commons-5872f2fa8a47

# Open Science does not always mean fully open data

### Metadata should be open for discoverability; But data restricted when needed.

### **DataTags: Standardized Data Policies**

DataTag	Data Access	Authorization	Data Use Agreement	Encryption
Blue	Public			
Green	Public	+ Register		
Yellow	Restricted	+ Approval Needed	+ Click-thru DUA	+ Encrypted transit
Orange	Restricted	+ Approval Needed	+ Signed DUA	+ Encrypted transit + Encrypted storage
Red	Restricted	+ Approval Needed	+ Signed DUA + Two-factor Auth	+ Encrypted transit + Encrypted storage
Crimson	Restricted	+ Approval Needed	+ Signed DUA + Two-factor Auth	+ Encrypted transit + Multi-encrypted storage

Sweeney, Crosas, Bar-Sinai, 2015. Sharing Sensitive Data with Confidence: The DataTags System, Technology Science

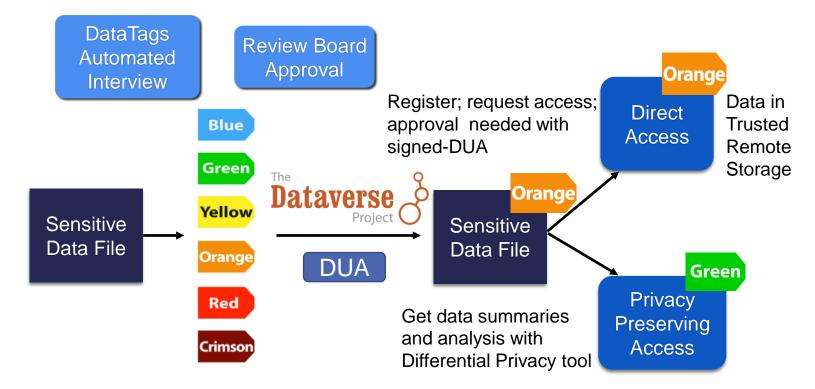
### **OpenDP: A New Project for Sensitive Data**

A community effort to build a trustworthy and open-source suite of differential **privacy** tools that can be **easily adopted** by custodians of sensitive data to make it available for statistical research.

- To be launched in 2020 with Sloan Foundation funding
- Initially led by Harvard Privacy Tools project (PIs: Vadhan, Honaker, King, Crosas)

A tool (algorithm) is **differentially private** if its output cannot reveal whether any individual's data was included in the original dataset or not.

#### Dataverse + DataTags + OpenDP: Sharing and analyzing sensitive data



## In conclusion, an Open Science implementation should include:

- Incentives to share data, software/code, and other research outputs
- Metadata and format standards for discovery and reuse
- Machine-readable data for management and usage by computers
- Sufficient information to reuse the data, software, workflows (all research outputs)
- Support for software licenses and data use agreements
- Public metadata (at a minimum for citation) even when data are restricted
- Integration of archival repositories with computational environments
- Solutions for collaborations that access sensitive, private data

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The Global Dataverse Community Consortium *Supporting Dataverse repositories around the world.* 



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