

# grey literature and data e-infrastructures

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# presentation outline

- 1. grey literature... a bit of history
- 2. e-infrastructures
- 3. EC recent developments and future steps



# ~14 billion years ago



# 3-6 million years ago



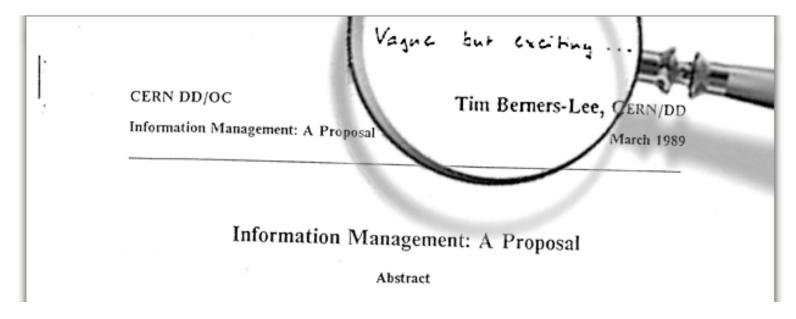
# 1950... or 1990?



# on-line research born... 20 years ago

In March 1989, Tim Berners-Lee submitted a proposal for an information management system to his boss, Mike Sendall. 'Vague, but exciting', were the words that Sendall wrote on the proposal, allowing Berners-Lee to continue.

Full text of the proposal in html.





# António Gedeão, 1950

### A minha aldeia

Minha aldeia é todo o mundo.

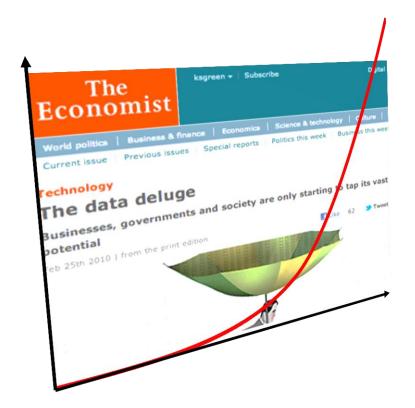
Todo o mundo me pertence.

Aqui me encontro e confundo com gente de todo o mundo que a todo o mundo pertence.

Bate o sol na minha aldeia com várias inclinações. Angulo novo, nova ideia; outros graus, outras razões. Que os homens da minha aldeia são centenas de milhões.

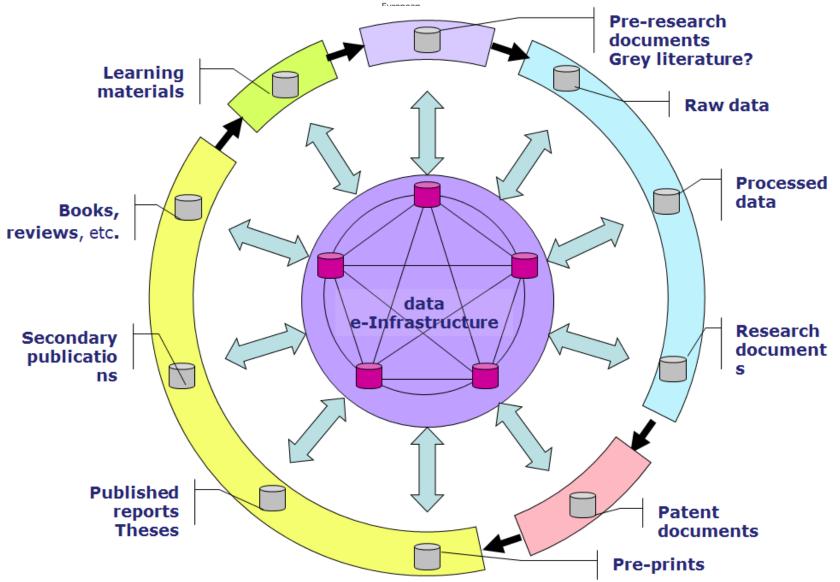


# preservation, volumes, costs, etc



The cost of data in \$/€/£ pe	er byte
"Reliable" code / Curated data  "Production" code	10
Book	1
[Movie]	10-1
Big physics (e.g. LHC) data	10-3
	10-7











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Digital Agenda

Digital (information) single market

**Open Science** means optimal sharing of research results and tools such as publications, research data, software, educational resources and infrastructures across institutional, disciplinary and national boundaries.

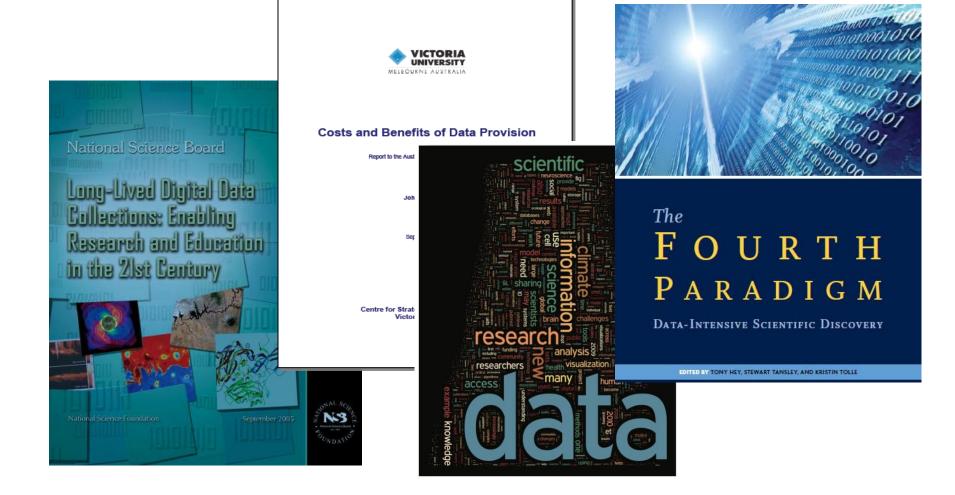


reports and studies: european





# reports and studies: global





# **Open Infrastructures for Open Science**

### **Open Scientific Content**

data, computational resources and software resulting from public funded research

### **Open Culture**

career systems should support and reward those who participate in the culture of sharing

### **Open Infrastructures**

reliable, high-performance and economically efficient infrastructures

"To make progress in science, we need to be open and share. [...] With the right infrastructure and the right approach, we can bring on a new age of scientific practice and discovery"





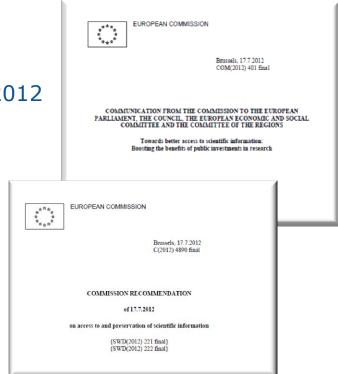
# **Open Infrastructures for Open Science**

**COM and REC on Scientific Information**, July 2012

Open Access,

Long term preservation,

Capacity building with data infrastructures





## recommendation:

### [...] hereby recommends that member states

#### COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

on access to and preservation of scientific information

#### THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 292 thereof.

#### Whereas:

- The Communication from the Commission Europe 2020<sup>1</sup> puts forward the development of an economy based on knowledge and innovation as a priority.
- (2) The targets set by the Europe 2020 strategy are given in more detail in particular in the Flagship Initiatives 'Digital Agenda for Europe'<sup>2</sup> and 'Innovation Union'<sup>3</sup>. Among the actions to be taken under the 'Digital Agenda', publicly funded research should be widely disseminated through

open access publication of scientific data and papers. The 'Innovation Union' initiative calls for a European Research Area (ERA) framework to be set up to help remove obstacles to mobility and cross-border cooperation. It states that open access to publications and data from publicly funded research should be promoted and access to publications made the general principle for projects funded by the EU research Framework Programmes.

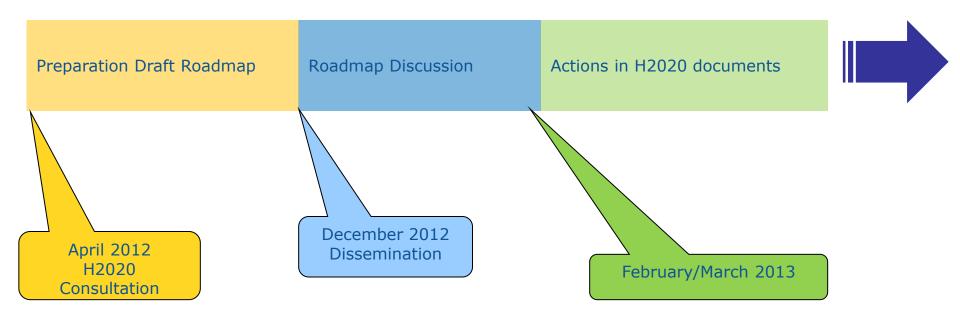
- (3) On 14 February 2007, the Commission adopted a Communication on scientific information in the digital age: access, dissemination and preservation<sup>4</sup>, accompanied by a staff working paper. This provided an overview of the state of play in Europe regarding scientific publishing and the preservation of research results, examining relevant organisational, legal, technical and financial issues.
- 4) The Communication was followed in November 2007 by Council Conclusions on scientific information in the digital age: access, dissemination and preservation. The Conclusions invited the Commission to experiment with open access to scientific publications resulting from projects funded by EU research framework programmes and included a set of actions to be undertaken by the Member States. There have been advances in some of the areas dealt with in the Conclusions, but not all targets have been met and progress has been uneven among Member States. EU action is needed to make the most of Europe's research potential.
- (5) 'Open access policies' aim to provide readers with access to peer-reviewed scientific publications and research data free of charge as early as possible in

COM (2010) 2020 final of 3.3.2010, available at: http://eur-



### towards horizon2020







### Framework for Action



- 1. analytics for very large research datasets
- 2. community support data services
- 3. infrastructure for Open Access
- 4. management, preservation, curation & persistence
- 5. discovery, provenance and persistence of data
- 6. towards global data e-infrastructures
- 7. Authentication and Authorisation e-infrastructures
- 8. developing skills and new professions



Fiche 04: managing and preserving data

Fiche 08: developing skills and professions

**Data Fabrics** Users Data Curation Community-Supported e-Infrastructures **Common Data Services** e-Infrastructures

Fiche 02: community support data services (verification, reviewing, discovering, understanding, )

Fiche 01: analytics for extreme large datasets Fiche 03: infrastructure for opening access Fiche 05: DOIs and DAIs e-infrastructure Fiche 06: global data e-infrastructures

Fiche 07: AAA e-infrastructures for OA



# **Funders Perspective on Research Data Alliance**

# initial group of funders

Alan Blatecky (NSF), Carlos Morais Pires (EC)

EUDAT conference
Barcelona, October 24, 2012







### **IGoF** and the RDA

**Why**/ Funders Motivation

**How**/ How do we see the process

What/ What do we expect



# Four Threats to Establishing a Global Data Research Infrastructure

Not understanding the critical importance and the need to share data for next century science and education

Not understanding the urgency to address and create a global data infrastructure now

Relying on additional workshops, conferences, committees and so forth to study and provide more recommendations

Waiting for standards to be approved that will enable data sharing, interoperability, and support the entire data life cycle



### **IGoF Motivation**

# **G8+O5** and Data infrastructures

South Africa (Nov 2011) and Hamburg (April 2012)

### **Technical/Cultural**

Creation of data
Curation & Preservation of data
Access to data
Computing infrastructures
International governance

### vision that research data will

 $\begin{array}{cccc} \text{Unmanaged} & \rightarrow & \text{Managed} \\ \text{Disconnected} & \rightarrow & \text{Connected} \\ \text{Invisible} & \rightarrow & \text{Findable} \\ \text{Single-use} & \rightarrow & \text{Reusable} \\ \end{array}$ 



Transform research and usher in a new era of discovery and innovation



## Non Government Structures (NGS) Funded to support RDA

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US:
   Fran Berman - RPI
   Bill Michener – DataOne
   Beth Plale - Indiana
   Sayeed Choudhury – Johns Hopkins
Australia:
   Ross Wilkinson – ANDS
   Andrew Treolar - ANDS
Europe:
   Leif Laaksonen (iCORDI/CSC)
   Peter Wittenburg (iCORDI/Max Planck Institute)
   Juan Bicarrequi (iCORDI/STFC)
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### **Initial Council**

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Australia:

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Europe:

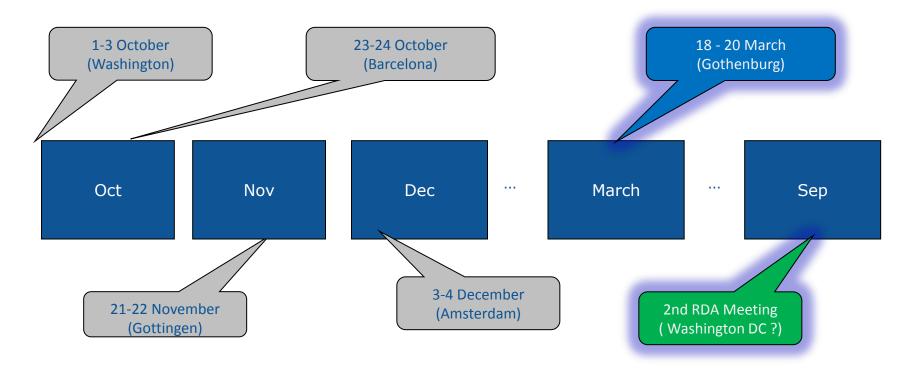
John Wood, (iCORDI/ Commonwealth Universities)

4 more At-Large members to be appointed by March meeting and will represent other sector stakeholders



# **Opening up RDA**

Involve other science agencies ion global research data infrastructures; Leverage the G8+05 working group on data infrastructures; First international meeting of RDA will be held in March 2013



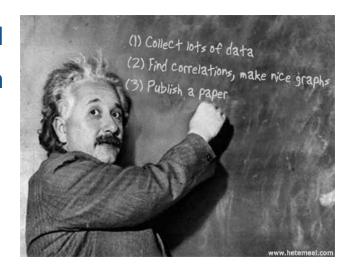


# accessing scientific information

We don't know how scholar communication will adapt to new paradigms bringing closer human and machine readable information...

Opportunities for innovation in publishing

publication + data + software





## scientific information "continuums"

experimental data and publications (new paradigm)

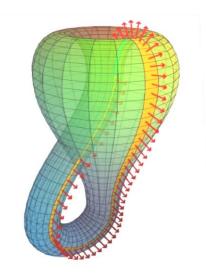
humans and computers (e-infrastructure)

different scientific disciplines (access, multidisciplina

past, present and future (preservation)

research and education (public mission)

different institutions (organisation)



Klein Bottle <a href="http://plus.maths.org/issue26/index.html">http://plus.maths.org/issue26/index.html</a>





# **Thank You!**

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