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## Concept note

Research data management is a key pillar of Open Science. Among the eight ambitions of the European Union OS policy, some integrate the data at their core: Open Data sharing according to FAIR principles, research integrity and reproducibility of scientific results and the creation of European Open Science Cloud (EOSC).

In order to make those a reality, it is crucial for the researchers to be supported during the research data lifecycle, from planning, storing, to publishing and sharing, as well as to preserving the data. Librarians are increasingly trained and ready to play a decisive role.

However, huge challenges are still to be tackled. Beyond technical issues, such as storing needs or platforms interoperability, intellectual property rights and data protection are boundaries to be taken into account.

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### Programme

**Chair: Raul AGUILERA**, Head Librarian at Universidad Carlos III de Madrid and Coordinator of the UNICA Scholarly Communication Working Group

14:30-14:40	<p>Welcome words by <b>Ronald MAIER</b>, Vice Rector Digitalisation and Knowledge Transfer, University of Vienna</p> <p>Welcome and introduction to the webinar by <b>Raul AGUILERA</b>, Head Librarian at Universidad Carlos III de Madrid and Coordinator of the UNICA Scholarly Communication Working Group</p>
14:40 – 15:30 (10' per speaker)	<p><b><i>Why care about research data: The European perspective</i></b>, by <b>Birgit SCHMIDT</b>, Head of Knowledge Commons, Göttingen State and University Library</p> <p><b><i>The university perspective</i></b>, by <b>Susanne BLUMESBERGER</b>, Head of Department Repository management PHAIDRA-Services, University of Vienna</p> <p><b><i>The field perspective</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>Data Management for high profile Research and Innovation projects</i></b>, by <b>Dimitrios KOUZAPAS</b>, Research Associate, Chair of the Data Management Committee of the KIOS Centre of Excellence, University of Cyprus</li> <li>• <b><i>Long-term archiving of ethnographic research data: the Ethnographic Data Archive at the Vienna University Library</i></b>, by <b>Wolfgang KRAUS</b>, Professor, Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology, University of Vienna</li> </ul> <p><b><i>FAIR data: technical issues and interoperability</i></b>, by <b>Eva MÉNDEZ</b>, Deputy Vice President for Scientific Policy-Open Science, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid</p>
15:30 – 15:55	<b>Q&amp;A session</b>
15:55-16:00	<b>Wrap-up and closing</b>

## BIOGRAPHIES OF THE SPEAKERS AND ABSTRACTS

### **RONALD MAIER (Welcome address)**

**Vice-Rector for Digitalisation and Knowledge Transfer, University of Vienna**



Ronald Maier has been Vice-Rector for Digitalisation and Knowledge Transfer at the University of Vienna since 1 October 2019. He is Professor of Information Systems and was head of the Department of Information Systems, Production and Logistics Management at the Leopold-Franzens University of Innsbruck from 2008 - 2019. Maier studied Business Informatics at the Johannes Kepler University of Linz and obtained his doctorate from the Otto Beisheim Graduate School of Management in Koblenz (WHU), Germany in 1996. Following a visiting professor position at the Terry College of Business, University of Georgia in Athens (US), he received his habilitation degree from the University of Regensburg in 2001. From 2002 until 2007, Maier held a chair in Management Information Systems at the Martin-Luther-University of Halle-Wittenberg, Germany.

### **RAUL AGUILERA (Chair)**

**Head Librarian at Universidad Carlos III de Madrid and Coordinator of the UNICA Scholarly Communication Working Group**



Raúl Aguilera is the Coordinator of the UNICA Scholarly Communication Working Group. Head Librarian at Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, he coordinates Line 2 of the Strategic Plan 2020-2023 of the Spanish University Libraries Network (REBIUN) and the Working Group on Open Science at the Madroño Consortium of public university libraries in the region of Madrid and UNED (Spanish Distance Education University).

### **BIRGIT SCHMIDT (speaker)**

**Head of Knowledge Commons, Göttingen State and University Library**



Dr Birgit Schmidt coordinates international and national Open Science activities and projects and leads the unit Knowledge Commons at Göttingen State and University Library. Her activities focus on policies, e-infrastructures and training in support of the implementation of Open Science. She contributes to several international committees and working groups (e.g. LIBER Executive Board, Knowledge Exchange Open Access Expert Group, Library Carpentry Advisory Group). She served on the EC's Horizon 2020 expert group on the Future of Scholarly Publishing and Scholarly

Communication, Knowledge Exchange's Open Access Experts Group and the Belmont Forum's working group on Open Data. Previously, she acted as Scientific Manager of the European OpenAIRE project and as Executive Director of the Confederation of Open Access Repositories (COAR). She holds a Mathematics and Philosophy degree from the University of Bielefeld, and a postgraduate degree in Library and Information Science from Humboldt University Berlin.

#### ***Why care about research data: The European perspective***

The presentation will provide a perspective on research data management and sharing from a European perspective, taking into account the evolution of policies and strategies as well as opportunities and remaining challenges. The European Research Area (ERA) policy agenda highlights what European policy makers consider most essential for a functional internal market for knowledge and what outcomes are expected in the coming years. These efforts also link to the emerging European Universities which promote these values, and build on these development when they create their R&I agendas.



### **SUSANNE BLUMESBERGER (speaker)**

**Head of Department Repository management PHAIDRA-Services,  
University of Vienna**

Susanne is a specialist in German Studies, scientist of Communication Studies and academic librarian and information expert. She studied at the University of Vienna and has been working at the University Library of Vienna since 2007. She is currently Head of the Department Repository management PHAIDRA-Services of the University of Vienna.

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### **DIMITRIOS KOUZAPAS (speaker)**

**Research Associate, Chair of the Data Management Committee of the KIOS Centre of Excellence, University of Cyprus**



Dr. Dimitrios Kouzapas is a Research Associate at the KIOS Centre of Excellence. He received the BSc degree in Computer Science from the Department of Computer Science, University of Cyprus in 2008 and the MSc degree in Advance Computing from the Department of Computing, Imperial College London in 2009. He obtained his PhD from the Department of Computing, Imperial College London in 2014. His research interests cover a broad spectrum of areas and he has published work in the topics of models of computation, programming language semantics, personal data processing, and system design and verification. He has been awarded with the EPSRC Doctoral Prize for excellence for his PhD research.

He was employed by the research programme “VISORSURF: A Hardware Platform for Software-Driven Functional Metasurfaces” (University of Cyprus). Prior to that he has been employed by the programme “From Data Types to Session Types: A Basis for Concurrency and Distribution” (University of Glasgow). He also has experience in urban policy design using the methodology of participatory stakeholder engagement, through the Volunteering Cities ERDF funded Transfer Network (Municipality of Athienou).

His academic portfolio includes leading a research and development team (VISORSURF project), PhD student supervision, teaching in the Department of Computer Science, University of Cyprus (2017-2018), invited lectures, co-organisation of academic seminars, workshops and events.

### **WOLFGANG KRAUS (speaker)**

**Professor, Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology, University of Vienna**



Wolfgang Kraus is associate professor at the Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology, University of Vienna. As Study Programme Director he is responsible for organising teaching and studies in social and cultural anthropology. He has done extensive field research on tribal organisation and historical knowledge in central Morocco as well as comparative research on Muslim tribal societies. Among his research interests are kinship, ethnography, visual anthropology, audio documentation, data management and research ethics. Currently he is leading the Ethnographic Data Archive (eda) recently established at the University Library Vienna.

### ***Long-term archiving of ethnographic research data: the Ethnographic Data Archive at the Vienna University Library***

Due to the specifics of qualitative and ethnographic research, data management and archiving of the materials produced by dialogic and collaborative social research presents several challenges that remain underconsidered in much of the dominant discourse on open research data. My presentation focuses on programmatic considerations and pragmatic ways of dealing with these challenges, as exemplified by our work in the Ethnographic Data Archive at the Vienna University Library.

#### **EVA MÉNDEZ (speaker)**

**Deputy Vice President for Scientific Policy-Open Science, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid**



Eva Méndez belongs to the first generation in Spain that has a diploma, a degree and a PhD in Documentation. Her doctoral thesis obtained the extraordinary doctorate award from UC3M (2002). She is a professor in the UC3M Department of Library and Information Science since March 1997. During the academic year 2005-06 she was a Fulbright-EU research fellow at the Metadata Research Center of the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill (USA). She has participated in and / or directed various research projects and has advised many others in the areas of metadata, semantic web and web standards, open data, repositories and digital libraries, as well as information policies at various levels. She belongs to several technical and advisory committees: member of the Advisory Board of the Dublin Core Metadata Initiative DCMI (2005-), of the Advisory Board of OpenAire European Open Access infrastructure (2015-), Metadata2020 (2016-) or the Executive Committee of the CRUE University Library Network (REBIUN) (2015-2017). Since May 2016 he is a member of the High Level Advisory Group of the European Commission Open Science Policy Platform, representing YERUN. In November 2017 it was recognized by the SPARC Europe Open Data Champion. In the field of UC3M, she has been director of the University Master's Degree in Libraries and Digital Information Services (2009-2012), Assistant Vice-Chancellor for Infrastructure and Environment (2011-2015), Assistant Vice-Chancellor for Strategy and Digital Education (2015-2017). Currently, she is the Deputy Vice Rector for Scientific Policy on this subject at YERUN.