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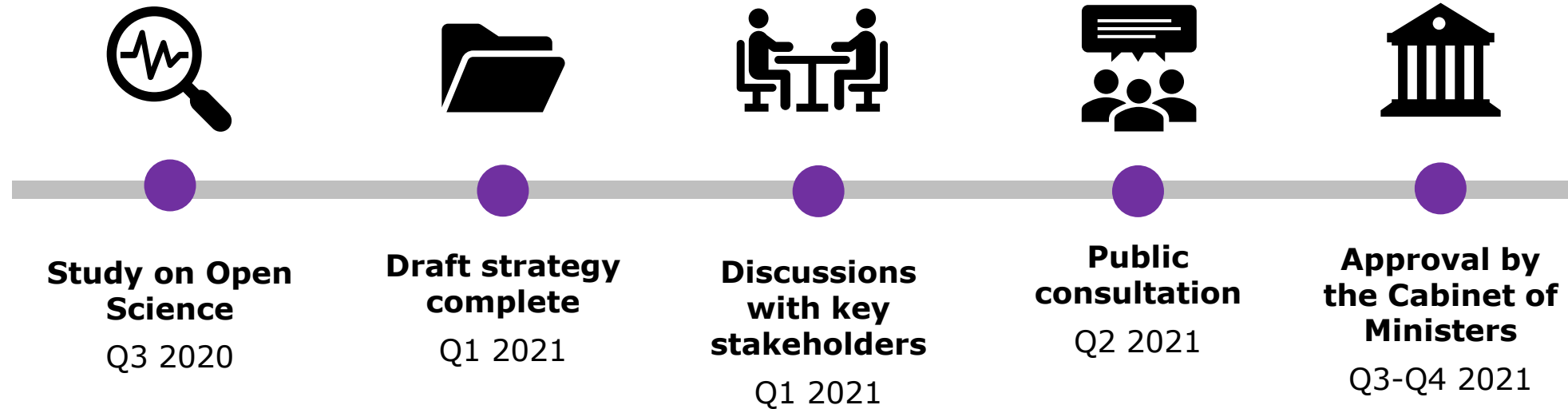
OPEN SCIENCE IN LATVIA

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LATVIAN OPEN SCIENCE STRATEGY TIMELINE





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3 PILLAR STRUCTURE

1. Open Access

2. FAIR Data

3. Citizen Science

Requirements & Incentives

E-infrastructures and Tools

Skills

State-of-the-art

Monitoring



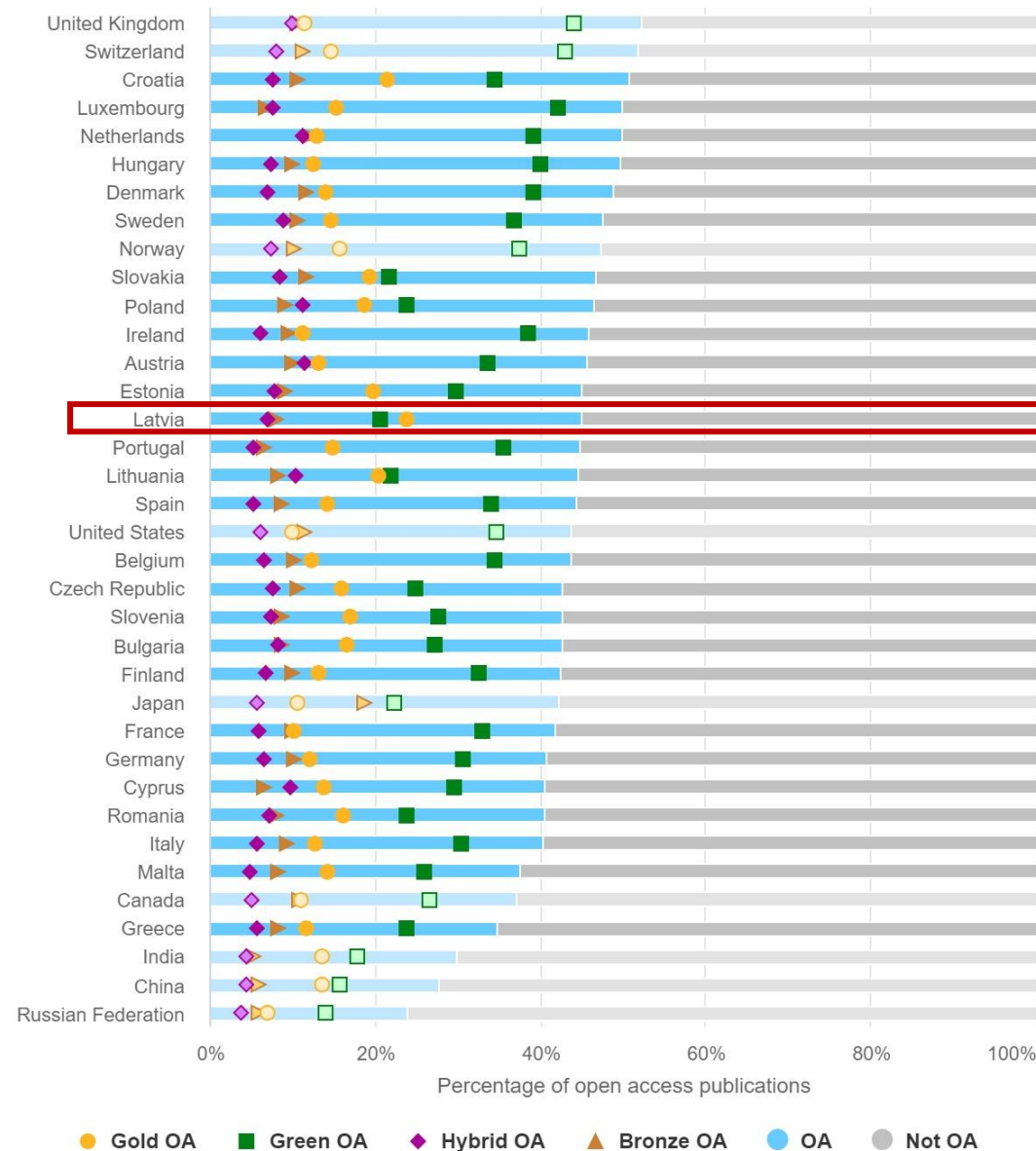
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STATE OF OPEN SCIENCE OPEN ACCESS

- Average position in EU
- Year-on-year growth
- Huge variability depending on data source
(WoS/Scopus/Scopus+Unpaywall)
- High percentage of Gold OA publications
- OA encouraged in many programs, not yet mandatory
- APCs are eligible costs in state funded programs
- Self-archiving strongly encouraged in recent programs

Percentage of Open Access publications in total publications, by country

Source: Consortium's own analysis - Reference date: 2009-2018





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OPEN SCIENCE STRATEGY

OPEN ACCESS

- All State funded research publications must be Green or Gold OA without an embargo period
- Increasingly centralized journal licensing, transformative agreements
- OA guidelines for researchers, encouraging including APC costs
- Centralized hub for publication data/metadata (integration with national CRIS system, anti-plagiarism database)



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STATE OF OPEN SCIENCE FAIR DATA

- Good RDM practice seen by many researchers as burden*
- No national DMP requirements
- No monitoring system for FAIR data
- Research data repositories slowly emerging
- Some investments in e-infrastructures via ESFRI
- Several projects incl. EOSC Nordic, OpenAIRE
- First Data Steward vacancy at Riga Stradiņš University



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OPEN SCIENCE STRATEGY FAIR DATA

Standardized **Data Management Plans (DMPs)**

Principles: minimal burden to researchers, international templates, machine-actionable and connected to CRIS systems

DataverseLV **Research Data Repository Network**

Participation in the **European Open Science Cloud**

Commitments for Partnership: 3.5M Financial; 2M in-kind

PRINCIPLES

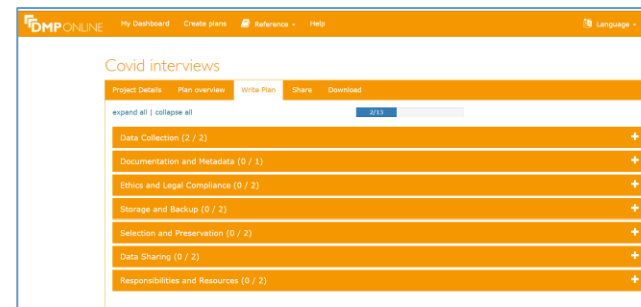


Research data **open by default**



Research data, metadata, e-infrastructures **as FAIR as possible**

DataverseLv



**EUROPEAN OPEN
SCIENCE CLOUD**



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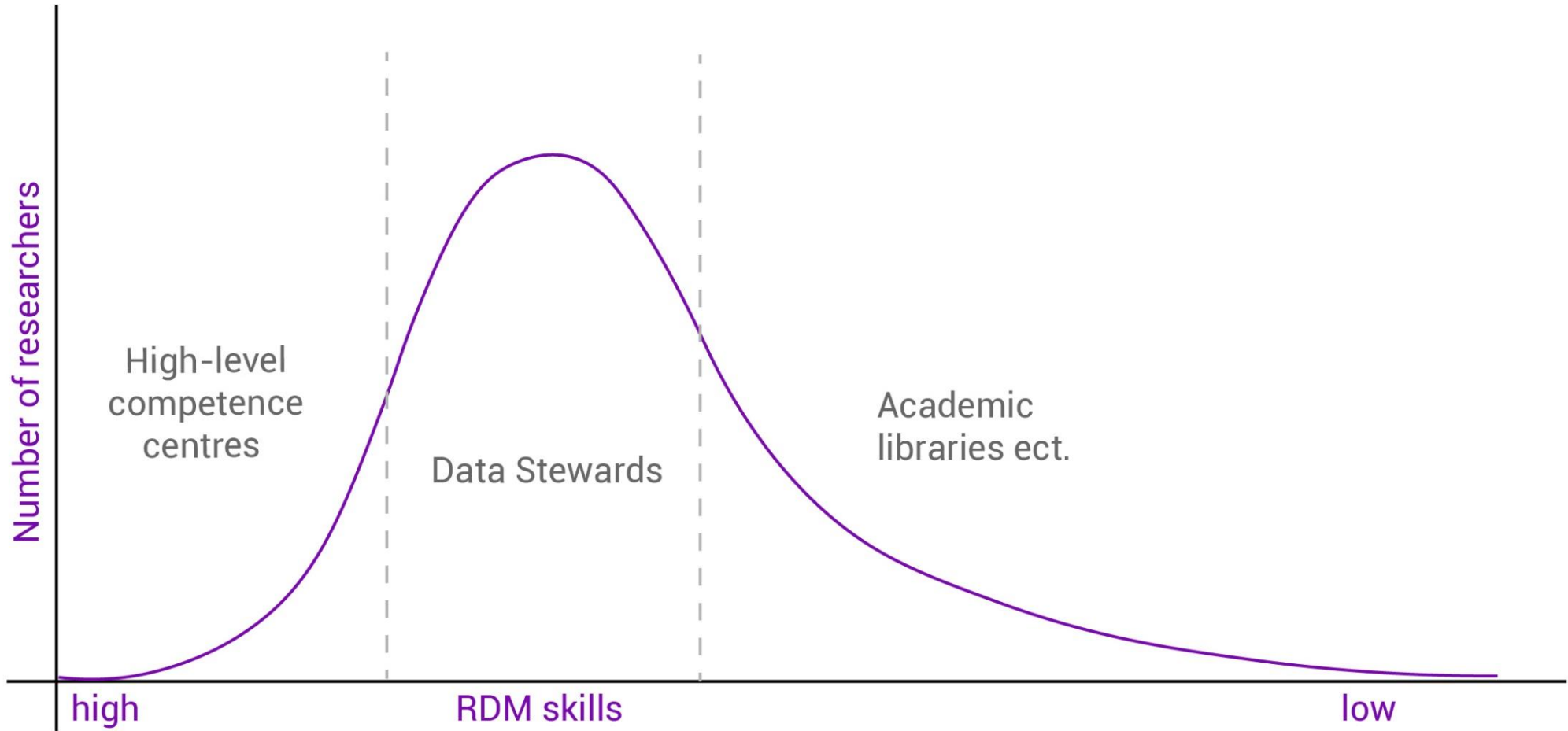
PROPOSAL FOR A DATA STEWARDS PROGRAM

- Main instrument for increasing RDM skills and encouraging use of e-infrastructures and tools
- Developing general and field-specific skills and practice
- Joint coordination and trainings
- Potential for Nordic-Baltic cooperation
- Current proposal: ~30 Data Stewards @ Postdoc salary



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FAIR DATA SKILLS





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STATE OF OPEN SCIENCE CITIZEN SCIENCE

- 15+ initiatives in Latvia*
- Wide range of fields of Science (natural sciences, humanities, etc)
- High-level political support
- Integral part of strategic communication (researchLatvia)
- Several events organized by the Ministry

Pandemic Diaries



Nature Data



DABAS DATI



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OPEN SCIENCE STRATEGY

CITIZEN SCIENCE

researchLatvia^{*}
Value Through Knowledge

- Societal involvement in all stages of the research process
- Emphasis on co-creation; benefits must accrue to society and science
- Strategy incorporates ESCA 10 principles of Citizen Science*
- Support from the Ministry: researchLatvia platform and research data infrastructures



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OPEN SCIENCE STRATEGY

MISCELLANEOUS

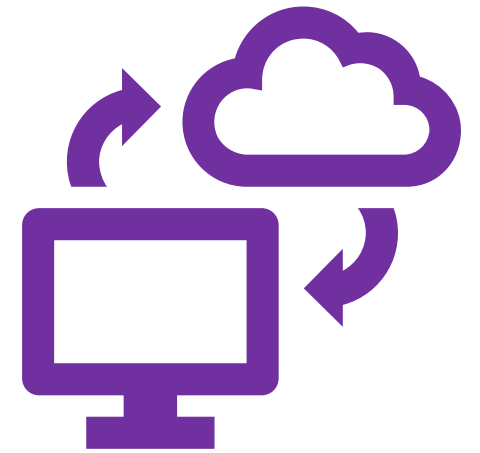
- Integration of Open Science criteria in research institution evaluation
- Nomination of National Open Science Coordinator
- Active participation in ERAC SWG OSI, CoNOSC and other groups
- Implementing a monitoring system based on OpenAIRE Monitor
- Encouraging research institutions to develop Open Science strategies
- Encouraging 1-2 Latvian organizations to join the EOSC association
- Giving national mandate to a member organization
- Long-time archiving of digital objects
- Registering researchers in ORCID, RIs in ROR
- Providing DOIs to digital object repositories
- Opening API of National CRIS system



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JOINT SERVICES CENTER HIGHER EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

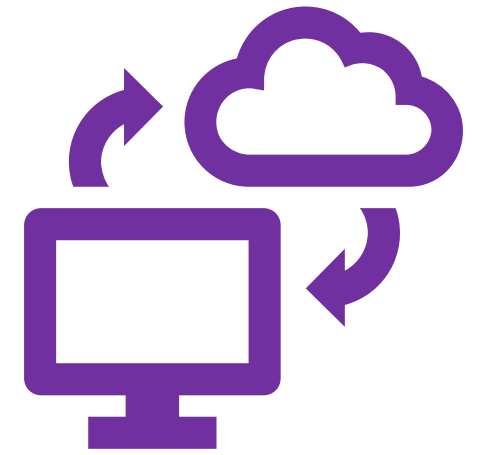
- Modeled on CSC in Finland
- University-led initiative
- Objectives:
 - Reducing the fragmentation of service providers
 - Providing economies of scale
 - Concentrating technical expertise
- Co-funded between universities and the Ministry
- Client-orientation; cooperation with private-sector
- Innovation through procurement; active use of Open Source
- Membership in intl. organizations/networks





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JOINT SERVICES CENTER HIGHER EDUCATION AND RESEARCH



Services:

- Academic network / GEANT
- CRIS systems
- Dataverse network
- CRIS systems
- eduGAIN IDP / ESCI services
- MikroTik Genome Data Network
- Possibly HPC



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