# **EOSC Sustainability Working Group**

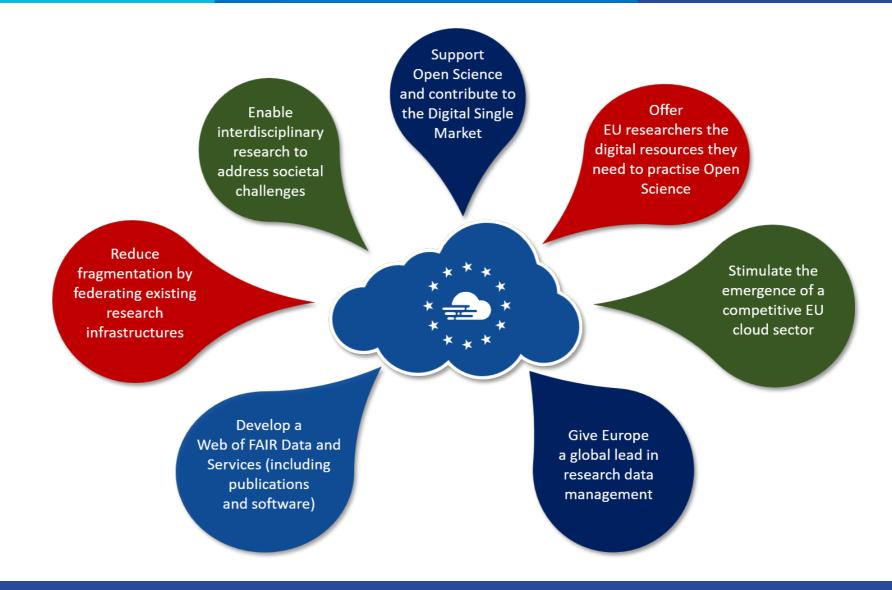
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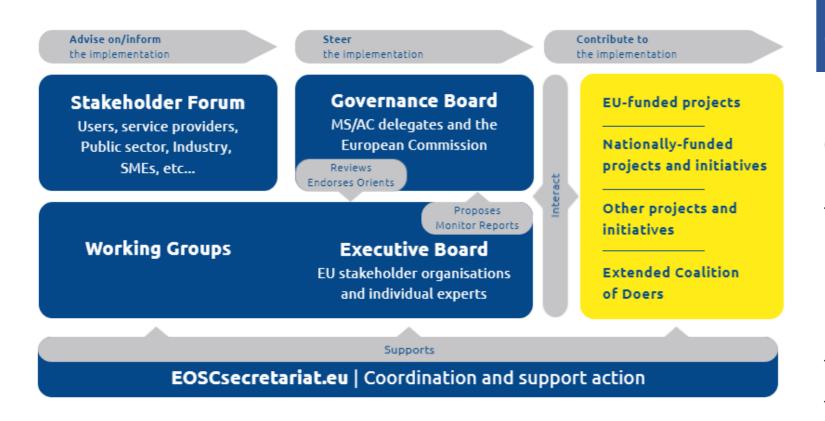


### **EOSC** vision





### EOSC governance structure until 31 December 2020

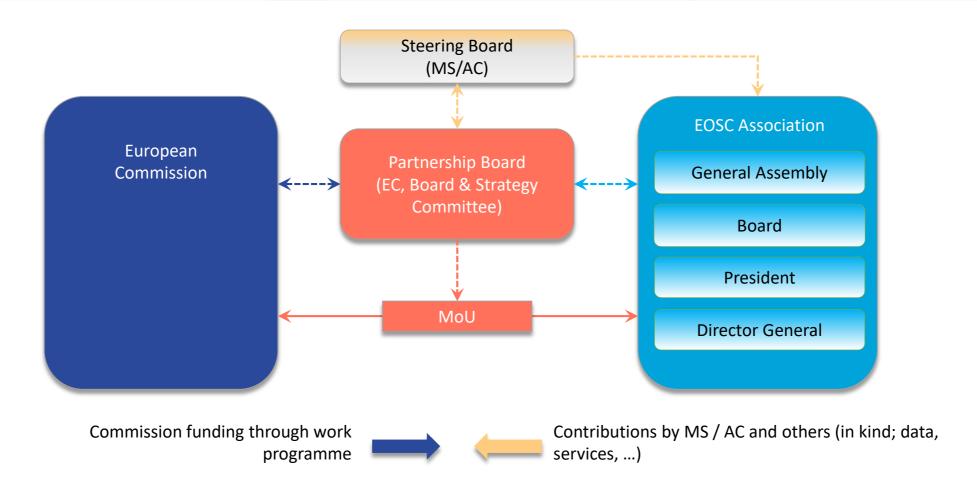


# **Executive Board - 11 members - 6 Working Groups**

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### EOSC governance is transitioning – EOSC Partnership structure



EOSC Association to take the work of the past 1,5 years forward









Co-Chairs

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#### **WHAT**

Provide strategic, legal and financing recommendations for an operational, scalable and sustainable EOSC federation after 2020

#### WHY

A clear understanding of key strategic, financial and legal aspects is essential for the second phase of the EOSC implementation

#### **Towards a sustainable EOSC**

#### **HOW**

- 1. Analyse business models and implications on legal entity, costs, 3. regulations, financial strategies, supporting national alignment
- 2. Map potential legal entities, taking into account national and European legislation
- Examine options for a governance framework to oversee EOSC operations and development
- Analyse regulatory/policy environments and assess impact of proposed structures and funding streams at national & European level

#### Q4 2019/Q1 2020

Presentation of initial analysis of alternative business model scenarios and potential future legal models

#### Q2/Q3 2020

Presentation of refined business model options and future legal models

#### Q4 2020

Recommendations on strategic and financing orientations and organisational settings for the future of the EOSC, post 2020

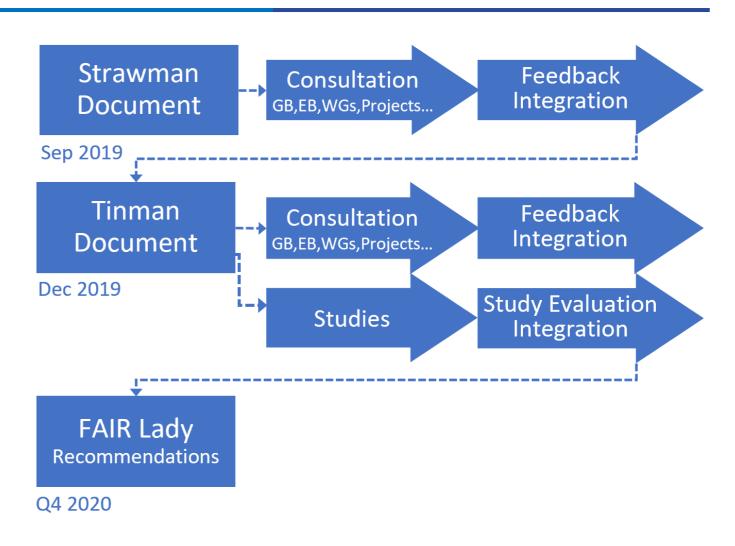


## Work Process of the Sustainability Working Group

Identifying recommendations for EOSC post-2020 sustainability, i.e. business models, legal entity options, governance, national policy issues

### Strawman – Tinman – FAIR Lady

- ★ Iterative approach & gradual growth of EOSC
- ★ Studies, e.g. on legal entity and business models





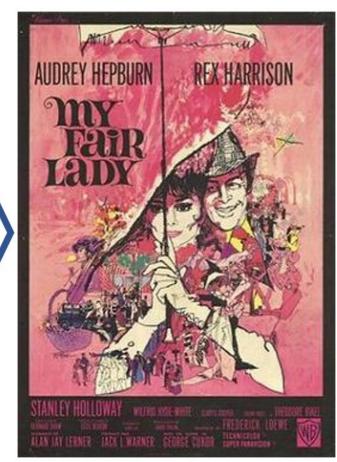
## WG synergies and contributions to the FAIR Lady

Landscape WG

Rules of Part. WG

Architecture WG

> FAIR WG



Theatrical release poster by Bill Gold; original illustration by Bob Peak

Legal and strategic advice on EOSC legal entity: **Kellen Group** 

EOSC-core operational costs:
AcrossLimits and BoundaryLess

Strengthening of the EOSC Risk Governance : **AON Hewitt** 

Expanding EOSC: Industry Commons
Foundation

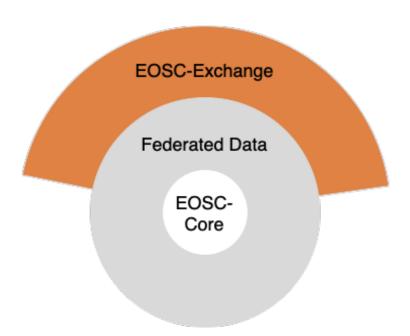
Assessment Country Sheets Analysis: **Digital Curation Centre** 

FAIR forever: Long Term Data Preservation: **Digital Pres. Coalition** 



## EOSC's first iteration – a Minimum Viable EOSC (MVE)

- An iterative approach to progressively build trust and resolve conflicts between the stakeholders acknowledges open questions still to be resolved
- \* Establish an initial MVE that will enable the federation of existing and planned research data infrastructures
  - ★ Distinction between EOSC-Core (core services) and EOSC-Exchange (digital marketplace)
  - ★ Main focus and added value: connect disciplinary infrastructures and enable cross-disciplinary research
- Second and third iteration to serve public sector and industry
  - ★ Would ideally be one 'marketplace' but differing requirements and legislation may require linked but alternately governed spaces
- ★ The full FAIR Lady report: <u>Solutions for a sustainable EOSC Publications Office of the EU (europa.eu)</u>





### The big picture

- ★ The EOSC vision is not limited to linking datasets, federating infrastructures, or aligning policies
  - \* it links stakeholders throughout the data lifecycle and across the European research ecosystem
- EOSC must be inclusive and supplement the activities of research communities
- ★ EOSC must acknowledge and work towards reconciling existing divergence across and within stakeholder groups about the benefits and costs of EOSC
  - ★ Includes potential disruption it may cause to existing structures, decision making processes and funding models
- ★ The creation of the EOSC Association is an important achievement and it could provide a forum where the stakeholders resolve their differences and confirm their commitment to EOSC

