

Open Research Data and Open Science

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FOSTER and training on research data

Facilitate Open Science Training for European Research (FOSTER) is the main objective of the FOSTER initiative starting in 2014. The objectives of the project are the support of different stakeholders, especially young researchers, in adopting open access in the context of the European Research Area (ERA) and in complying with the open access policies and rules of participation set out for Horizon 2020. With this, the project wants to integrate open access principles and practice in the current research workflow by targeting the young researcher training environment and strengthen the institutional training capacity to foster compliance with the open access policies of the ERA and Horizon 2020 (beyond the FOSTER project). Finally, facilitate the adoption, reinforcement and implementation of open access policies from other European funders, in line with the EC's recommendation, in partnership with PASTEUR4OA project.

To achieve these objectives, FOSTER project defined 3 main activities;

- Identifying already existing contents that can be reused in the context of the training activities and repackaging, reformatting them to be used within FOSTER, and develop/create/ enhance contents if/where they are needed;
- Creation of the FOSTER Portal to support e-learning, blended learning, self-learning, dissemination of training materials/contents and Helpdesk;
- Delivery of face-to-face training, especially training trainers/multipliers that can carry on further training and dissemination activities, within their institutions, countries or disciplinary communities.

This presentation will focus on the existing materials, courses that can be used by the community regarding research data and also how the community itself can contribute to the FOSTER objectives and sustainability.