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## **LIBER supports Executive Director Martine Pronk for a position in the Board of Directors of the EOSC Association.**

The [EOSC Association](#) is recruiting new people to join the Board of Directors.

Research libraries are deeply involved in Open Science, at both strategic and practical levels. For more than 20 years, they have supported Open Access, and are managing the connection with the publishing sector through national and international consortiums. Data are now fully integrated into the portfolio of academic library activities, in collaboration with research and IT departments, for the benefit of the scientific communities. Libraries are also service providers for publishing platforms in universities, as well as support – financially and in-kind – of the whole Open Science ecosystem.

Being spread through Europe, LIBER has the ability to deeply liaise with the academic community and bring expertise to the EOSC Board of Directors. LIBER has been part of the designing of the Open Science landscape in Europe, for instance through the Open Science Policy Platform and as an observer in the EOSC Executive Board a few years ago. LIBER also has a lot of experience in participating in and leading European projects and in designing tailored partnerships. Our association and our professional community would be very beneficial to the EOSC-A Board of Directors, especially in a new phase where services need to be practically implemented.

LIBER is therefore fully supporting the candidacy of [Martine Pronk](#), LIBER Executive Director, and encourages LIBER members and partners that are members of the EOSC Association to join us in expressing their support.