

REPORT STEERING COMMITTEE

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Name SC: Research Infrastructure				
Reporting period: February – May 2018				
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Overall progress (Provide an overview of activities and products delivered since the previous report and the planning of upcoming activities and products)			
Activities SC & Working Groups:	 Planning and start of ongoing and new activities. A new working group (Linked Data) is under formation (chair confirmed by the LIBER Board in April 2018). Two new members have joined the RDM WG: Phillip Conzett, The Arctic University of Norway, and Dragan Ivanovic, University of Novi Sad. The RDM working group held two webinars, supported by the LIBER Office: 23 April 2018, Turning FAIR data into reality - Progress and plans from the European Commission FAIR Data Expert Group; 16 May 2018 - GDPR: Waht does it mean for researchers? Development of workshops, one by the Architecture Group (see below) and one each by the RDM and LOD WG at LIBER2018 (Data Science in Libraries, 		
	Semantic Interoperability Initiative for LIBER).		
Public Events held (e.g. workshops):	The LIBER Architecture Group Seminar 2018 was held in Vienna on April 18-20, 2018 in the Library & Learning Center of WU (Vienna University of Economics and Business). This was the 19th seminar in the LIBER Architecture Group Seminar series and focussed on "The Context for Library Planning: The Next Phase."		
Delivered products:	2 Webinars, see above		

Status of budget utilisation





Budget allocated:	€ 6.000
Realization to date:	€
Remaining budget:	€

Necessary decisions of the Executive Board		
Decision requested:		



Progress in implementation of the strategy (Describe the progress and indicate by means of an emoticon whether the status is "green" (progress is good), "yellow" (there is a small deviation from expectation), or "red" (there is a large deviation from expectation). If "red", please explain the status.)

Below, all planned Roadmap activities are listed in order of priority. In the case of low priority activities, progress should only be reported if appropriate.

Action area	Planned Activities	Planned Impact	Progress	Status
Research data management / data stewardship	Build capacity	 LIBER members know the available capacities Skills have improved at LIBER libraries and they have the skills to support researchers 	Data management related topics are regularly addressed in the webinars (FAIR principles, GDPR). The LIBER2018 workshop focuses on data skills (do librarians need to become more data-savvy, do we need data scientists in libraries?).	
Research data management / data stewardship	Support development of FAIR RDM policies	- Data is FAIR - FAIR data policies in place in most LIBER organisations	Webinar on the implementation of the FAIR principles (see above). Development of a self-assessment for institutions (draft under discussion).A library of data management plans is under development (DMPs selected, review by WG members, DMPs will be published together with metadata and annotations).	
Data stewardship	Engage in development of metadata standards	 Standards are available for some categories of metadata and LIBER member know about them (or: LIBER workshops are available on these themes) Libraries implement and advocate for RDM metadata standards which support FAIR data 	No specific activity planned yet.	
Data stewardship	Create capacity in libraries	- Theme of a LIBER annual conference, or a LIBER	Development of a workshop "Data Science in Libraries" for LIBER2018, core questions: What kind of data science skills	8

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	to support FAIR data	workshop	do we need in libraries? (in the context of research support), What approaches have been taken to step up capacity and skills?, How successful are training approaches like DS4L, Carpentries (Data, Software), etc.?, Are they sustained and expanded after the training?	
Data stewardship	Advocate for FAIR data	- The point of view of LIBER is known (e.g. RDA, EC, EUA/LERU/UNICA, W3C)	Close exchange with RDA (via Interest Groups: Libraries for Research Data, Long Tail, Training, etc.) has been established, further exchange via EU projects (e.g. EOSCpilot, RDA Europe, FOSTER).	8
Data stewardship	Promote the role of libraries to data infrastructure providers and research communities	 LIBER Website provides fact sheets about role of libraries Partner in EC projects 	Factsheets on the role of libraries in RDM and FAIR data are available on the website Relevant results have been created in EU projects, e.g. on	
Semantic interoperability; open linked data	Facilitate the exchange of expertise on enhancing scholarly data and related services	 Theme of a LIBER annual conference, or a LIBER workshop Case examples of libraries implementing LOD Pilot projects (EC) to study semantic interoperability of research infrastructures 	A LIBER workshop "Semantic Interoperability Initiative for LIBER" will be held in July 2018, it also serves as the first meeting of the LOD WG. A work plan of the WG has been developed. An invitation to express interest to join the WG will be sent out the members' mailing list (May mailing).	
Shared services & cloud services	Produce overview of landscape	 LIBER Website provides an overview about the available services for LIBER libraries LIBER libraries provide case studies and best practices on different kinds of shared services 	Not started yet.	
Disciplinary partnership	Engage in joint capacity building (training) with disciplinary communities	- LIBER provides guidance for libraries for engagement (through	Case studies on research data services and planning with a disciplinary focus are under development (template under discussion, commitments are currently collected	2



	e.g. via CLARIN	Website, of fact sheet)	(institutional and disciplinary RI perspective)	
Disciplinary partnership	Facilitate engagement with e-infra	- LIBER provides guidance for libraries for engagement (through website, or fact sheet)	Not yet started.	