# **REGISTRY OF RESEARCH DATA REPOSITORIES**

## Making research data repositories visible and discoverable

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## Background

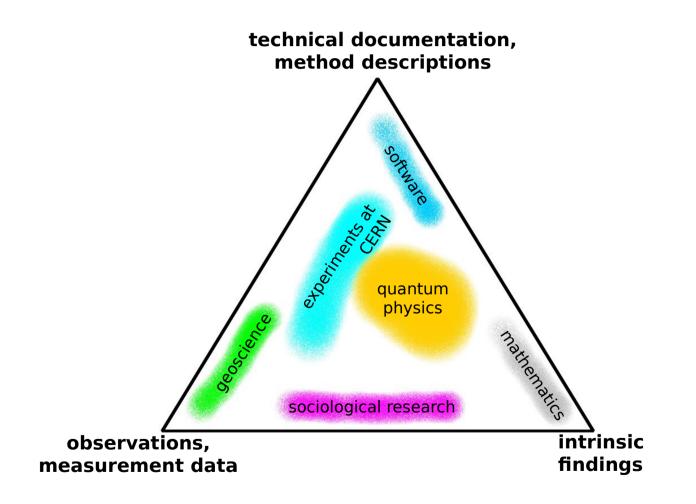
- Research data are valuable and ubiquitous
- New technologies facilitate data-intensive science
- Broad discussion about the permanent access to research data
- Increasing requirements from funders to make research data openly available
- Growing demand for trustable and sustainable research data repositories
- Trend: data journals





#### Background

Generic range of research data (with examples)







## Background

- Research data are of most varied nature.
- Research data can only imperfectly be treated by an information management like conventional information/library media.
- Research data repositories (RDRs) often represent an essential stage of compression, abstraction and summary of research data, authorized and authenticated by the producers.
- RDRs can be operated centrally (institutional RDRs) or locally (disciplinary RDRs).
- In particular local or disciplinary RDRs are very popular in science because they represent a kind of a bottom up approach in research data management by the research groups themselves.





### **Research Data Repositories**

- Highly heterogeneous landscape of research data repositories
- Different communities and different approaches
- EC (2009): ICT infrastructures for e-science

"The landscape of data repositories across Europe is fairly heterogeneous, but there is a solid basis to develop a coherent strategy to overcome the fragmentation and enable research communities to better manage, use, share and preserve data."







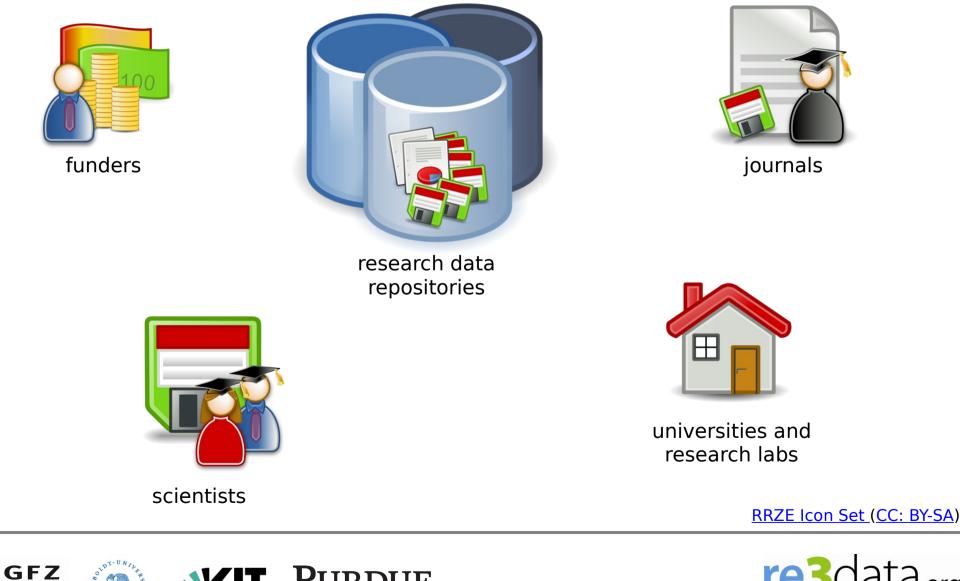




#### The RDR Landscape

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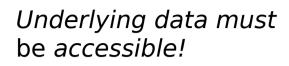
#### Investigators are expected to share their data!



funders



Where can I find data and store mine? research data repositories How can we set up repositories?





journals

Should we offer repositories for all disciplines?



universities and research labs

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scientists









#### **Research Data Repository**



http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/

PANGAEA, http://www.pangaea.de

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#### Mission

- is a global registry of research data repositories
- covers research data repositories from all academic disciplines
- helps researchers, funding bodies, publishers and scholarly institutions to find research data repositories
- aims to promote a culture of sharing, increased access and better visibility of research data





### Schema

- general information (e.g. short description of the RDR, content types, keywords)
- responsibilities (e.g. institutions responsible for funding, content or technical issues)
- policies (e.g. policies of the RDR, incl. there URL)
- legal aspects (e.g. licenses of the database and datasets)
- technical standards (e.g. APIs, versioning of datasets, software of the RDR)
- quality standards (e.g. certificates, audit processes)

REGISTRY OF RESEARCH DATA REPOSITORIES
Schema for the Description of Research Data Repositories
Version 2.1 Dezember 2013 DOI: http://doi.org/10.2312/re3.004
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#### lcons

- Additional information on its service
- Information on the terms of access to its data, database and upload
- Terms of use and licenses of the data
- Persistent identifier system to make provided data unique and citable
- Is certified or supports a repository standard.
- § Provides a policy







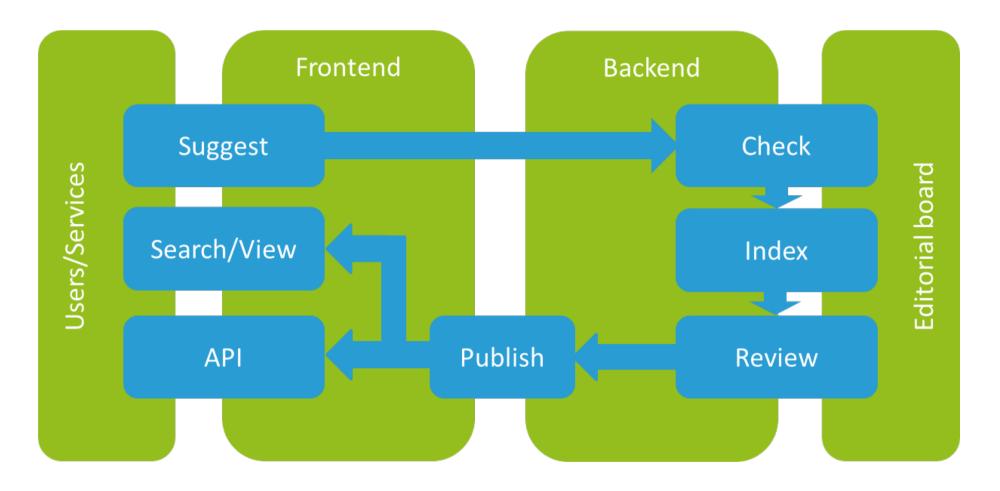
#### Requirements

- Run by a legal entity, such as a sustainable institution (e.g. library, university)
- Clarify access conditions to the data and repository as well as the terms of use
- Have focus on research data
- (Have an english graphical user interface)





### Workflow







#### Search for Repositories (1234 Reviewed Repositories)

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Repository details

#### PANGAEA

General Institutions Terms Standards Name of repository PANGAEA Additional name(s) Publishing Network for Geoscientific and Environmental Data Repository URL http://www.pangaea.de Subject(s) Geochemistry, Mineralogy and Crystallography Oceanography Geology and Palaeontology Geophysics Atmospheric Science and Oceanography Biology Geosciences (including Geography) Natural Sciences Geology and Palaeontology Geophysics and Geodesy Geochemistry, Mineralogy and Crystallography Life Sciences Description The information system PANGAEA is operated as an Open Access library aimed at archiving, publishing and distributing georeferenced data from earth system research. The system guarantees long-term availability of its content through a commitment of the operating institutions. Content type(s) Audiovisual data Standard office documents Images Plain text Archived data Keyword(s) Earth Science Environmental Science Repository type(s) disciplinary Research data repository eng language(s) Data and/or service provider dataProvider





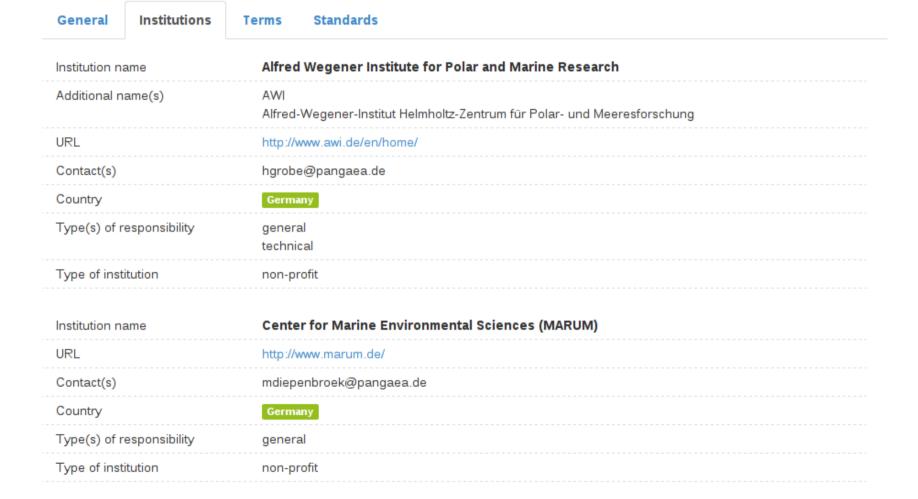






Repository details

#### PANGAEA











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#### Institutions Standards General Terms Policies (1) Policy Name Data policy of the information system PANGAEA http://www.pangaea.de/curator/files/pangaea-data-policy.pdf URL Database access Type of access to research open data repository Data access (1) Type of access to data open Data licenses (1) DataLicense CC URL http://wiki.pangaea.de/wiki/License Data upload (1)

 Type of data upload
 restricted

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 registration









Repository details



#### PANGAEA

	Terms Standards
Name of the repository software	other
Versioning	yes
Persistent identifier system(s)	DOI
Quality management	yes
Certificates and Standards	WDS
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Remarks

Data of World Data Center for Marine Environmental Sciences (WDC-MARE) are available via the data library PANGAEA which will be operated as a member of the new WDS (World Data System)









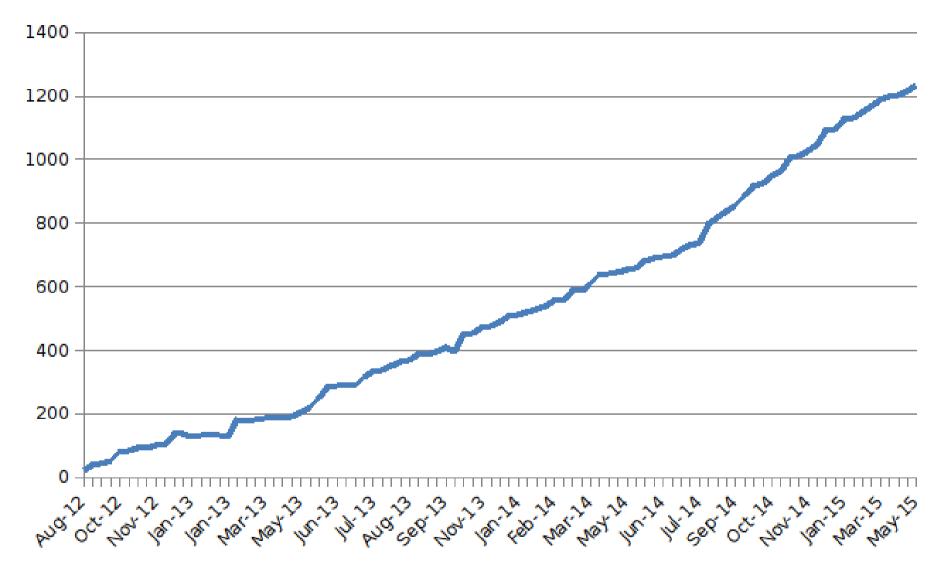
#### Growth

"Datasets are more likely to be seen, reused, and have impact if they can be found where potential reusers are likely to look. If you are unsure where that might be, the Registry of Research Data Repositories (re3data.org) provides a list of repositories organised by subject, content type and country." Alex Ball (DCC) and Monica Duke (DCC) - How to Measure the Impact of Research Data / A Digital Curation Centre 'working level' guide





#### Growth







### **Initial Partners**

GFZ

- Berlin School of Library and Information Science
- GFZ German Research Centre for Geosciences

Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT), KIT
 Library

Funded by the German Research Foundation



**GFZ** 

Helmholtz-Zentrum





## Cooperations

- German Initiative for Network Information
   (DINI)
- DataCite (MoU, April 2012)
- OpenAIRE (MoU, October 2013)
- BioSharing (MoU, November 2013)
- Databib (MoU, March2014)
- RDA/WDS IG on Certification



DINI



biosharing





## Join forces

Databib and re3data.org have agreed to the following

five principles for successful cooperation:

- Openness
- Optimal quality assurance
- Development of innovative functionalities
- Shared leadership
- Sustainability





#### Work together

- Databib and re3data.org merged in spring 2015
- Will become a service of DataCite
- Prevent doing the same work twice, it saves limited resources
- Results and experience gathered by one project member can be shared, leading to a better overall service
- Both, the project and the repositories gain more visibility due to the international character of the collaboration





#### Technical infrastructure

Excel

• ZIP-File

• And what is this RDF thing?





## Technical infrastructure

• Keep it small & simple

• Supply multiple convenient data formats if possible

• Provide tools and documentation to consume the data





#### Raise awareness

- Among service units & researchers
- Teach students & young scientists
  - $\cdot$  Not during lectures
  - But during projects & thesis's





## **Clarify responsibilities**

Responsible	Responsibility
Scientist	Correctness of Data
Service units	Data management





## Thank you for your attention!





