

# Towards FAIR principles for Research Software -

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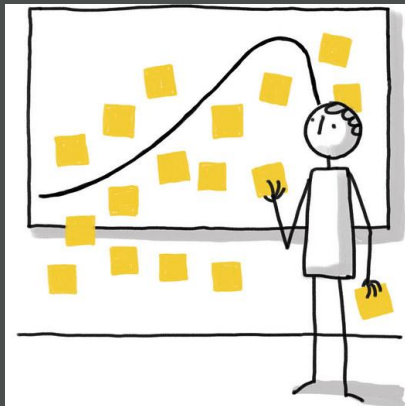


Disclaimer:  
Might be only *fairly* accurate

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Access to Research Data from Public  
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(2007)

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### Minimum requirements to share data

- You have to find them
- You have to be able to access them
- You have to be able to understand them
- *Addition: you have to be able to trust them*

Professor Maryann E. Martone, 2010 -  
Key goals from the Neuroscience  
Information Framework

## Story line



- G8 Discussed data sharing (2013)
- Lorentz Workshop (2014)  
Stakeholders meeting

<https://www.force11.org/group/fairgroup/fairprinciples> (2015)



Findable  
Accessible  
Interoperable  
Reusable

# The FAIR Guiding Principles for scientific data management and stewardship

Mark D. Wilkinson, Michel Dumontier, IJsbrand Jan Aalbersberg, Gabrielle Appleton, Myles Axton, Arie Baak, Niklas Blomberg, Jan-Willem Boiten, Luiz Bonino da Silva Santos, Philip E. Bourne, Jildau Bouwman, Anthony J. Brookes, Tim Clark, Mercè Crosas, Ingrid Dillo, Olivier Dumon, Scott Edmunds, Chris T. Evelo, Richard Finkers, Alejandra Gonzalez-Beltran, Alasdair J.G. Gray, Paul Groth, Carole Goble, Jeffrey S. Grethe, Jaap Heringa, Peter A.C 't Hoen, Rob Hooft, Tobias Kuhn, Ruben Kok, Joost Kok, Scott J. Lusher, Maryann E. Martone, Albert Mons, Abel L. Packer, Bengt Persson, Philippe Rocca-Serra, Marco Roos, Rene van Schaik, Susanna-Assunta Sansone, Erik Schultes, Thierry Sengstag, Ted Slater, George Strawn, Morris A. Swertz, Mark Thompson, Johan van der Lei, Erik van Mulligen, Jan Velterop, Andra Waagmeester, Peter Wittenburg, Katherine Wolstencroft, Jun Zhao & Barend Mons  - Show fewer authors

Wilkinson, M. D. *et al.* The FAIR Guiding Principles for scientific data management and stewardship  
doi: [10.1038/sdata.2016.18](https://doi.org/10.1038/sdata.2016.18) (2016)

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# Who talks about FAIR?

“Scientists, scholars, funders and publishers all over the world are coming together to enhance the value of research data by making them FAIR”.

Turning FAIR into reality, EC

<https://publications.europa.eu/s/m9l4>



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FAIR is an aspiration and spectrum

There are 15 principles that infrastructure needs to support, that libraries need to explain, and that directors need to communicate to make it sustainable and to motivate researchers to use.

Learn more [go-fair.org/fair-principles](https://go-fair.org/fair-principles)

# How do the FAIR principles relate to software?

2018: "Central to the realization of FAIR are FAIR Digital Objects, which may represent data, Software or other research resources."

European Commission, Turning FAIR into reality report (2018)

DOI: [10.2777/1524](https://doi.org/10.2777/1524)

# What do researchers need to know about FAIR? *terminology*

Metadata are locatable and accessible by identifiers.

Accessibility relies on using standard access protocols and have the least restrictive licences.

Data and Software are described using machine and human readable data formats - persistent, standardised and cross-linked.

Carole Globe - INCF, 2019

How do we get the research community to use technology in order to make data and software FAIR?

**We need incentives, cultural normalisation and long term investment!**

# Improving FAIR

~~“The work of building communities~~

*takes time, patience, perseverance, and courage, because this work is about transforming attitudes, behaviors, and policies. It requires strategies that operate at multiple levels, including the individual, group, and institutional levels.”*

# Resources



# FAIR and software: an ongoing discussion

Towards FAIR principles for research software (The Netherlands) National eScience Symposium 2019	Five recommendations for FAIR software" at NL- RSE 2019	"FAIR principles for Software" at 2019 Workshop on Sustainable Software Sustainability (WOSSS19)
"FAIR Software" BoF at deRSE 2019	Top 10 FAIR Data & Software Global Sprint, including "10 easy things to make your software FAIR"	"Sharing Your Software – What is FAIR?" at the 2018 American Geophysical Union (AGU) Fall Meeting
"FAIRness assessment for software" at the ELIXIR 2018 BioHackathon	"Making Software FAIR" at the DTL Communities@Work 2018 Conference	TIB Training workshops on FAIR Data and Software "Applying FAIR
Principles to Software" at the 2017 Workshop on Sustainable Software Sustainability (WOSSS17)	CodeMeta Workshop 2016 on The Future of Software Metadata	

**FAIR for software has been  
discussed a lot!**

[rd-alliance.org/fair-principles-research-software](https://rd-alliance.org/fair-principles-research-software)

# 15th Research Data Alliance Plenary Meeting

Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre, MCEC

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AUSTRALIA



#rdaplenary  
[www.rd-alliance.org](http://www.rd-alliance.org)

## What's next?

Further discussion!

Governance model for the FAIR principles.

Metrics and maturity models for FAIR software.

Agreements on the expected degrees of FAIRness.

Anna-Lena Lamprecht, National  
eScience Symposium, 2019

The purpose of this presentation was to describe the story line of FAIR for Software. - Paula

But overall to:

Establish a network of networks that are collectively trying to improve transparency, accessibility, quality, and reproducibility of research. - Brian Nosek - OSF

# Thanks!

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