Revolutionizing Research: Open Science Takes Center Stage in EUTOPIA

EUTOPIA is an ambitious alliance of 10 like-minded universities ready to reinvent themselves. The EUTOPIA-TRAIN (Transforming Research and Innovation) initiative brought forward mainstreaming Open Science and increasing societal engagement as one of its top priorities. The following goals were defined:

- Mainstreaming comprehensive and critical Open Science practices
- Deduplicating efforts
- Leading by example
- Increasing the channels for societal outreach

Open Science and Research Data Management courses

Research institutions are supporting their researchers in embracing transparent and reproducible science. The EUTOPIA-TRAIN project aimed to be a stellar example, uniting efforts to provide top-notch Open Science training.

Output

- 6 training guides providing hands-on information (available online)
- 6 webinars with keynotes from Publishing Directors, European Commission policy officers, (senior) researchers, and data stewards

Impact and uptake

- 245 participants during the events
- 912 downloads of training materials (1189 views)

Open Access portal for EUTOPIA

A twofold objective:

- Amplify the visibility of the Open Science efforts of researchers within the EUTOPIA network,
- Cultivate a culture of cross-institutional collaboration among these researchers.

Output

• OpenAIRE EUTOPIA and Monitor Portal on which publications and datasets of EUTOPIA partners can be found



Framework Policy for Research Assessment

- While many researchers practise Open Science to some extent, the shift towards Open Science is a shared responsibility.
- Our goal was to create a framework policy conditions for research assessment which reflect Open Science efforts.

Output

- Two background notes on research evaluation with overviews of developments and approaches
- Online workshop at the EUTOPIA level
- Framework policy providing general principles and a toolbox of indicators for inspiration

Impact and uptake

- Broader discussions on research assessment within the Alliance
- Ultimately, EUTOPIA signed the CoARA Agreement.
- Background notes downloaded 709 times (viewed almost 14.000 times)



Open Science and Citizen Science Linkage

Citizen Science is scientific research entirely or partially conducted by non-scientists (citizens), often in collaboration with or supervised by professional scientists. We aimed to raise awareness of Citizen Science among EUTOPIA researchers and university policymakers and offer them education and support.



Output

- An international community of practice on citizen science, sustained by a series of peer learning sessions
- Two online training events
- Citizen Science Starter kit providing guidelines tips and tricks to researchers (available online)
- Establishment of a Citizen Science Education and Support Service

Impact and uptake

• The Citizen Science Starter kit was downloaded 1.117 times

























