

# Introduction to Data Management — What, why and how?

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- Access to data for researchers



- Archiving/long-term perspective  
(requires curation to keep data alive)



- Open access balanced against personal data protection
- Overview (DBH and other services)

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<b>OPEN - IN USE</b> <b>Data management plan</b> Tool to generate a data management plan. Compliant with the requirements from Horizon 2020 and Research Council of Norway.  Status: in production. Open for everyone.	<b>OPEN - IN USE</b> <b>Archiving portal</b> Service to deposit digital data for re-use. FAIR-compliant, long-term perspective and supports different access levels.  Status: in production. Open for everyone.	<b>BETA VERSION</b> <b>Search portal</b> Interface to find research data.  Status: beta version in production. Open for everyone.	<b>OPEN - IN USE</b> <b>Register data (RAIRD)</b> Tool to facilitate access to register data - with built-in protection for person data.  Status: testing with pilot users.
<b>ONGOING</b> <b>Training</b> Training program (digital and non-digital) aimed at researchers, students, administration and high school.  Status: ongoing and under development.	<b>NEW VERSION</b> <b>Personal data protection portal: Institution</b> A service providing an overview over projects with personal data.  Status: will replace existing solution in June 2018.	<b>NEW VERSION</b> <b>Personal data protection portal: researchers/students</b> A new service to register the use of personal data in research projects (GDPR).  Status: will replace existing solution in June 2018.	<b>DEVELOPMENT</b> <b>Institution portal</b> Will give the institutions an overview over all activities related to data management plans, archiving, re-use of data and personal data.  Status: prototype summer 2018.
<b>ALPHA VERSION</b> <b>My page</b> Portal to all activities related to NSD, for researchers, institutions, etc.			

# Outline

- WHAT – Basic concepts of data management  
Funder requirements
- WHY – Why is good data management good for you?
- HOW – To establish good data management routines? How to share data?  
Data management tools at NSD.

# Example 1: AVOID DUPLICATION OF EFFORT

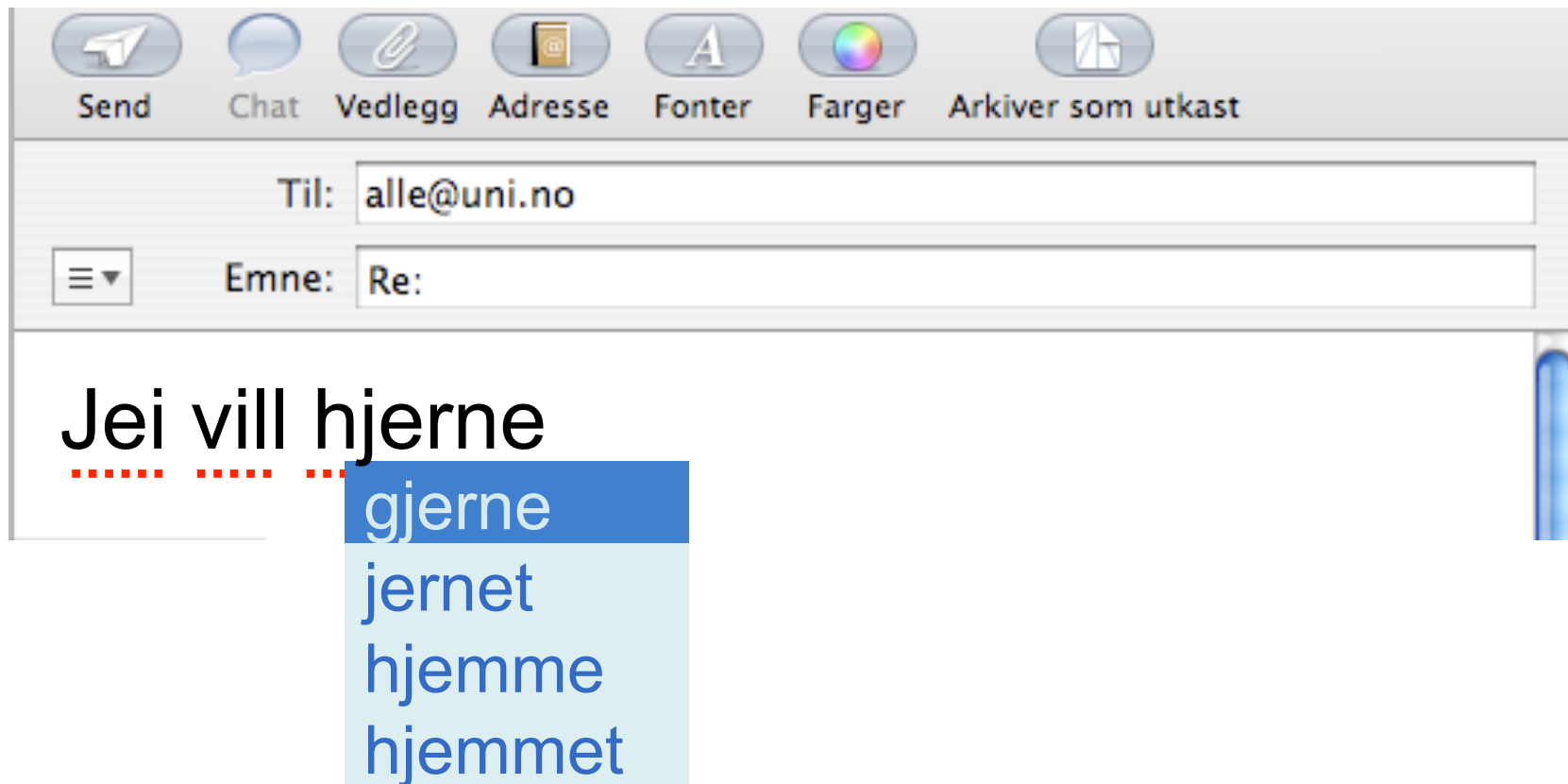
An example from research  
on sea ice by

Marta Zygmuntowska,  
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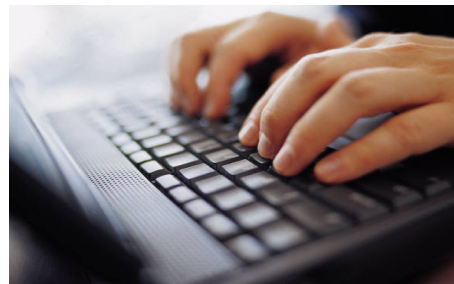
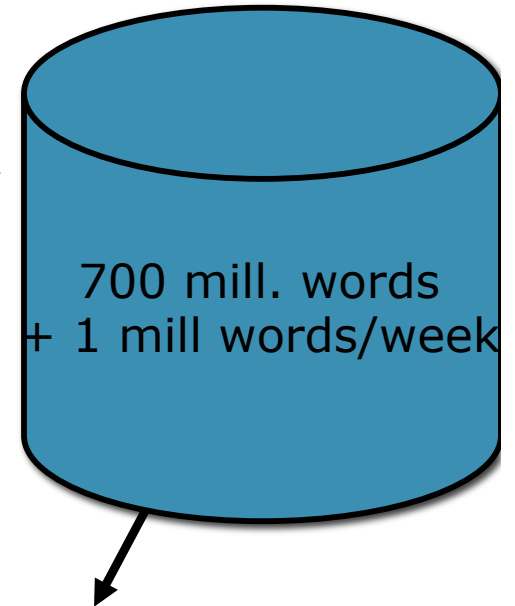


# Example 2: SHARING DATA FOR RE-USE (2/3)



## Analysis

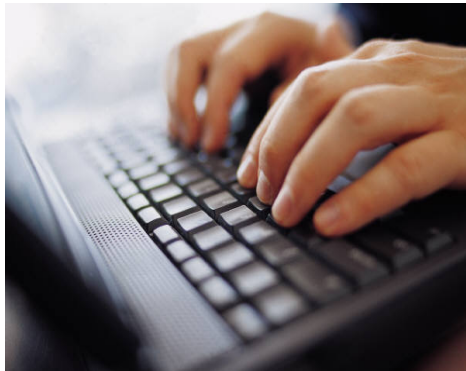
- Classification
  - sports, politics, ...
  - bokmål/nynorsk
- Automatic analysis of words
  - gender, part of speech, ...
- Frequencies
- ...



## Research and development

- Neologisms
- Foreign words in Norwegian
- Media research
- Reading and writing aid
- ...

## Example 2: SHARING DATA FOR RE-USE (3/3)



Send Chat Vedlegg Adresse Fonter Farger Arkiver som utkast

Til: alle@uni.no

Emne: Re:

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gjerne

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# Basic concepts of research data management

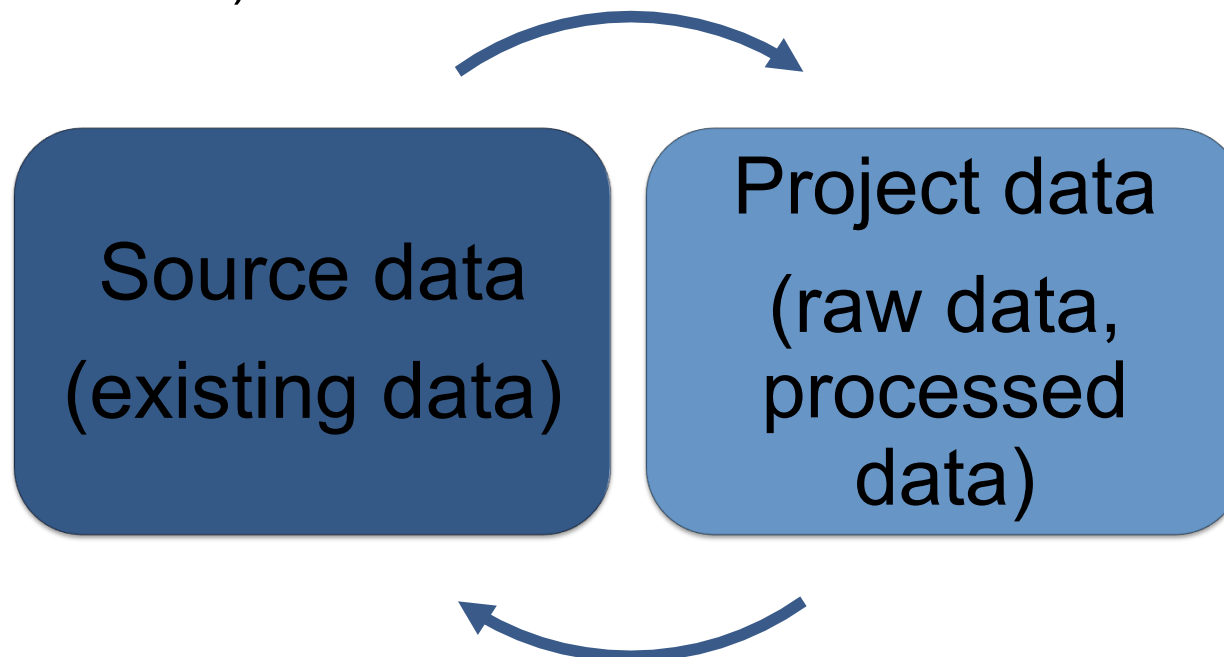
- What is research data?
- The problem: data loss
- FAIR data principle
- Data life cycle
- Data Management Plan (DMP)
- Store vs. archive data
- Share data/make data available- what does it mean?
- Funder/institutional requirements

# What is research data?

All data created by researchers in the course of their project

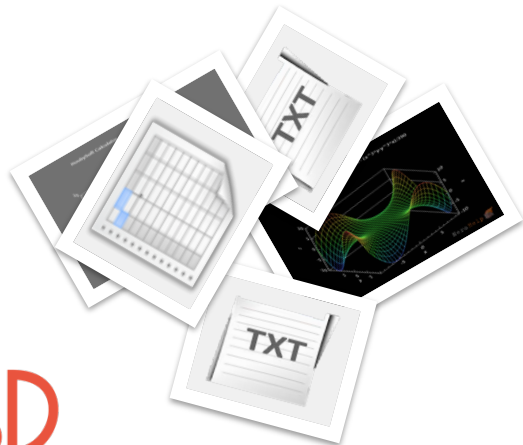
Source data = already existing data, independently of your research

Research data = data resulting from your project (from raw data to processed data)



# What are your data?

- If your memory stick/laptop/hard drive is corrupt, how much can you afford to loose?
- Project with multiple partners: who has (access to) which data?
- What if somebody questions your findings, what would you use to back up your claims?
- Would you be able to reproduce your figures in 5 years, or understand the variable abbreviations effortlessly?



# The problem: data loss/missing access

"Mostly due to current methods capture and data malpractice, approximately **50% of all research data and experiments is considered not reproducible**, and the vast majority (likely over 80%) of data never makes it to a trusted and sustainable repository."





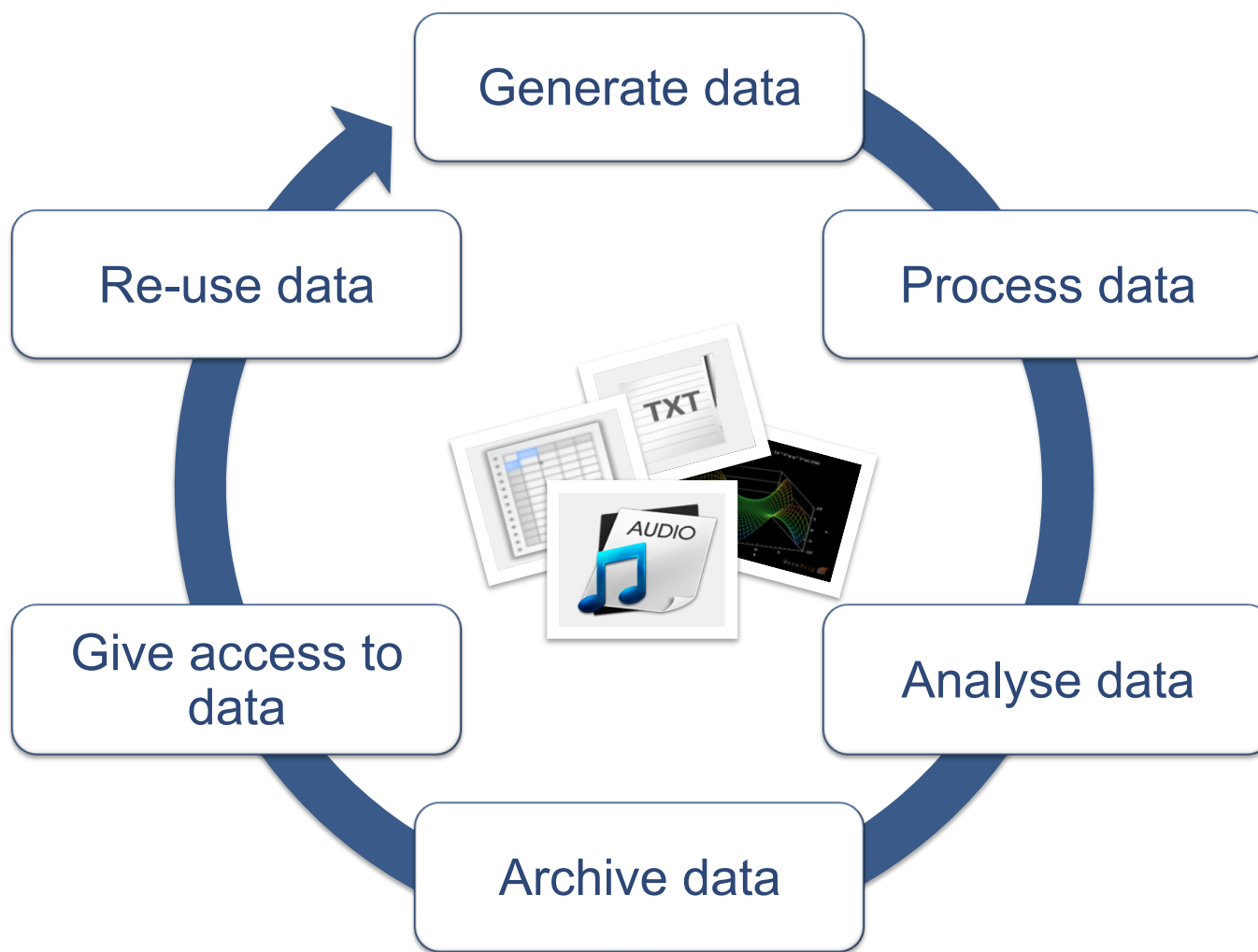
# FAIR

Findable  
Accessible  
Interoperable  
Reusable

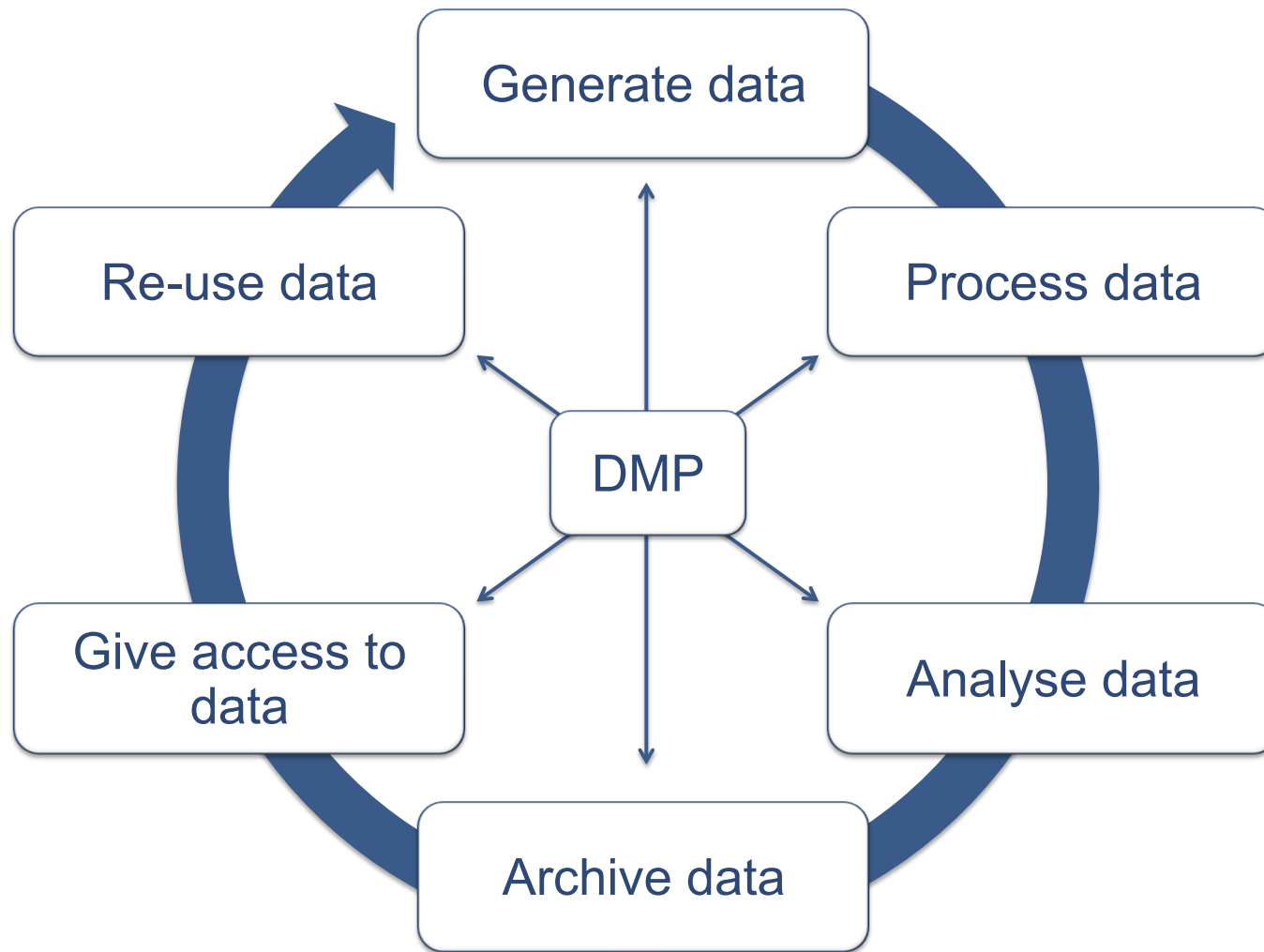


Source: "Realising the European Open Science Cloud". Commission High Level Expert Group on the European Open Science Cloud. 2016. p.9. DOI:10.2777/940154.

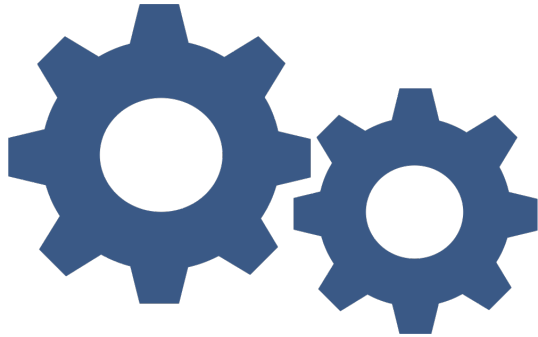
# Data lifecycle



# Data management plan (DMP)

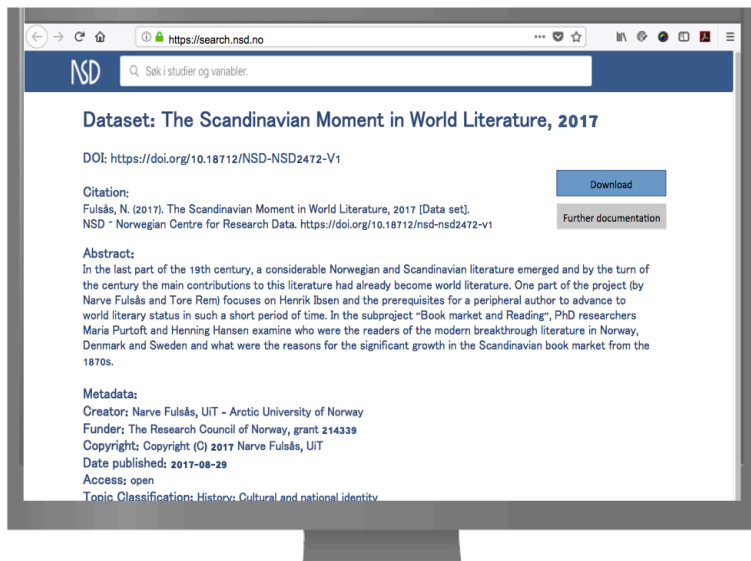


# Store data vs. archive data



During your project: **store** your data.

- Safe, automated backup and version control
- User-friendly solution to work with them, share and manage access rights for project partners



When (parts of) data is no longer in daily use: **archive** your data.

- Findable (searchable, PID, metadata)
- Accessible (authentication&authorization)
- Interoperable (open/persistent file formats, standardized metadata)
- Re-usable: Documentation, maintenance/curation of data now and in the future



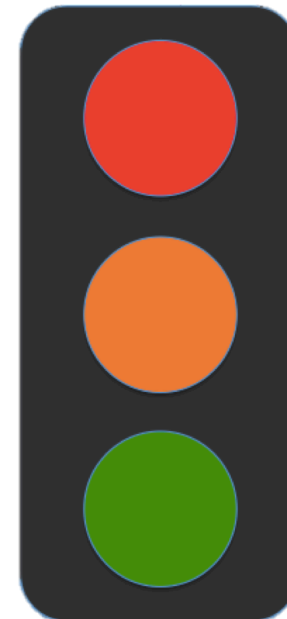
# Sharing data

Several modes of sharing, e.g.:

- Downloadable (raw data, processed data)
- Searchable (e.g. online search interfaces)

Several degrees of access:

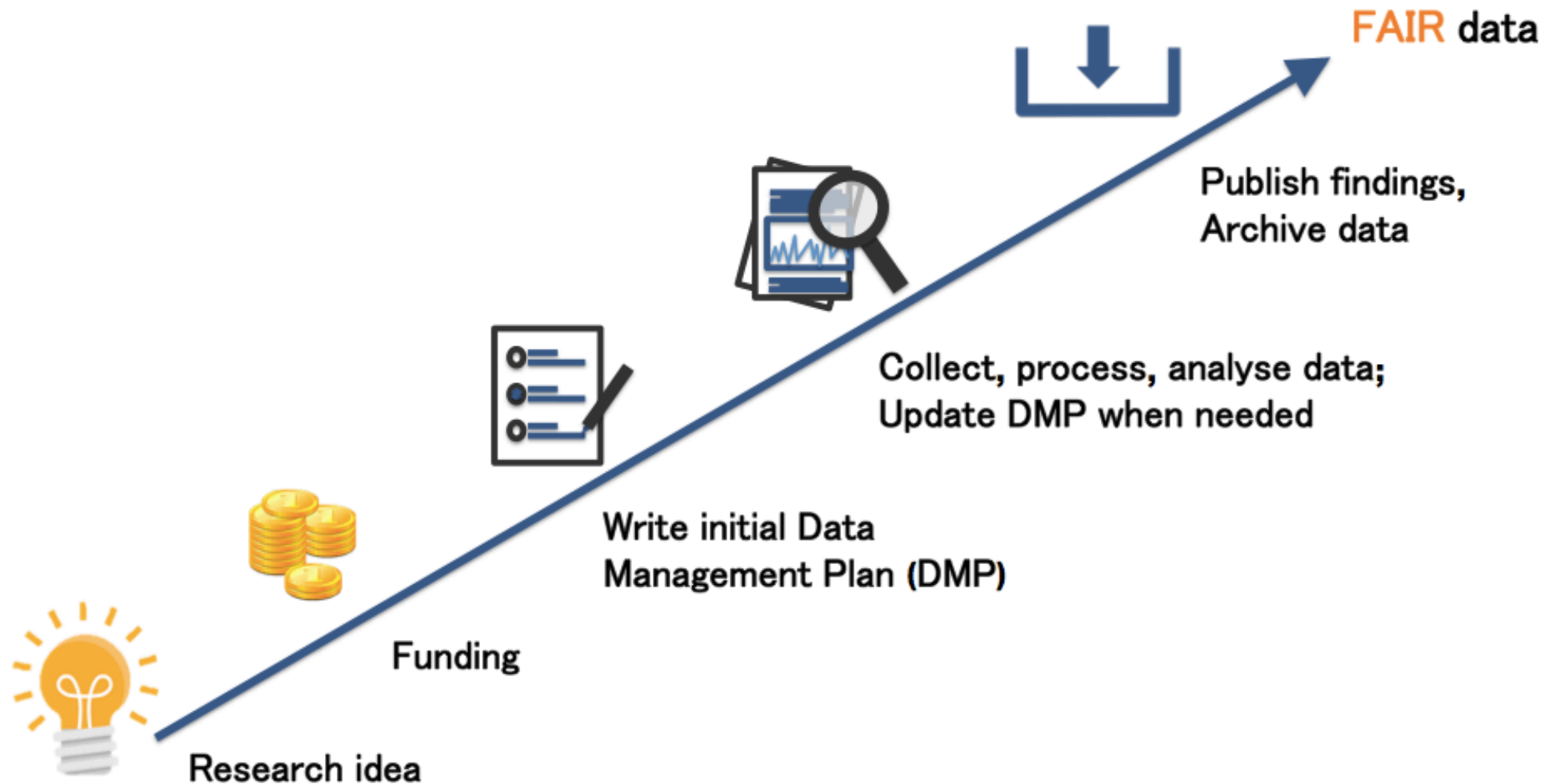
- Open
  - Open w/authentication
  - Restricted (conditioned by users/use)
  - Closed (e.g. for privacy reasons)
- + embargo



# Requirements

- EU (Horizon 2020): data management plan + make data available "as open as possible, as restricted as necessary" [\[link\]](#);
- Research Council of Norway (RCN) (from 2018): data management plan + "open by default" policy [\[link\]](#);
- Journals: Increasing requirement to share data [\[link\]](#);
- Institutions: data management plan + open access to data (NMBU [\[link\]](#)), University of Oslo [\[link\]](#), UiT – Arctic Univ. of Norway [\[link\]](#), NTNU [\[link\]](#), ...);
- GDPR - General Data Protection Regulation 25. May 2018

# Requirements in practice - NMBU



# But...

- *Should all data be shared openly?*

No. But the fact that they exist should be public information.

- *When can data be shared?*

Typically in connection with publications, or at the end of the project (embargo if necessary).

- *Under which conditions & with whom?*

As open as possible, as closed as necessary.

- *Can others find, understand and use my data?*

Yes. With proper documentation and long-term curation.

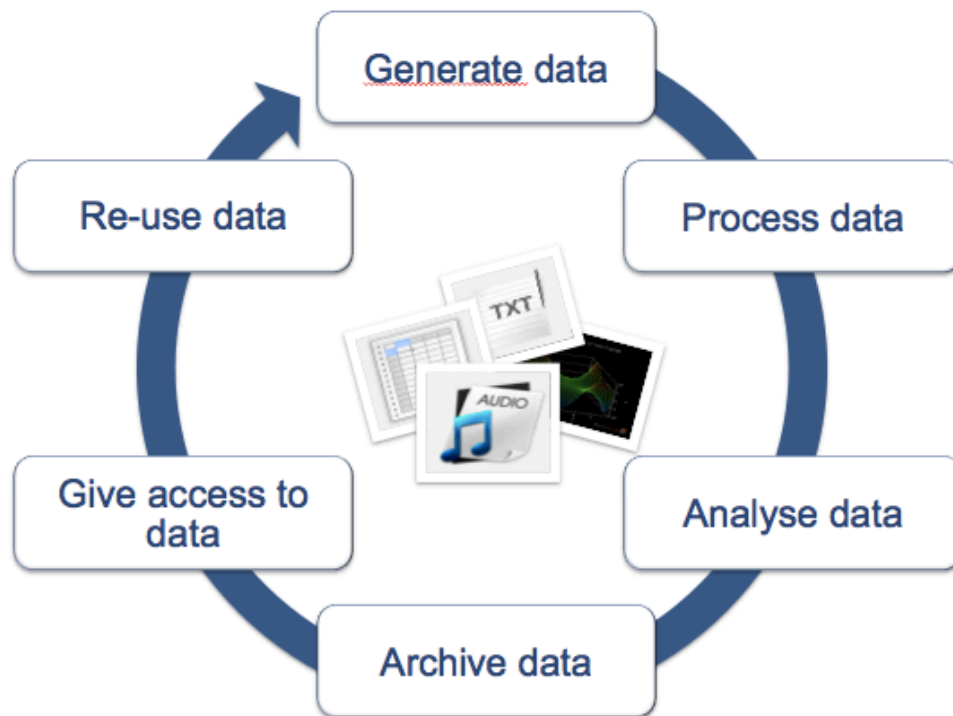




# WHY – What's in it for you?

- Visibility
- Documentation
- Security (long-term)
- Integrity and trust
- Network, collaboration

# HOW - Research data management



## Project start

- What data do you need? Data search?
- Identify possible legal & ethical issues
- Costs (e.g. for archiving data)

## During project

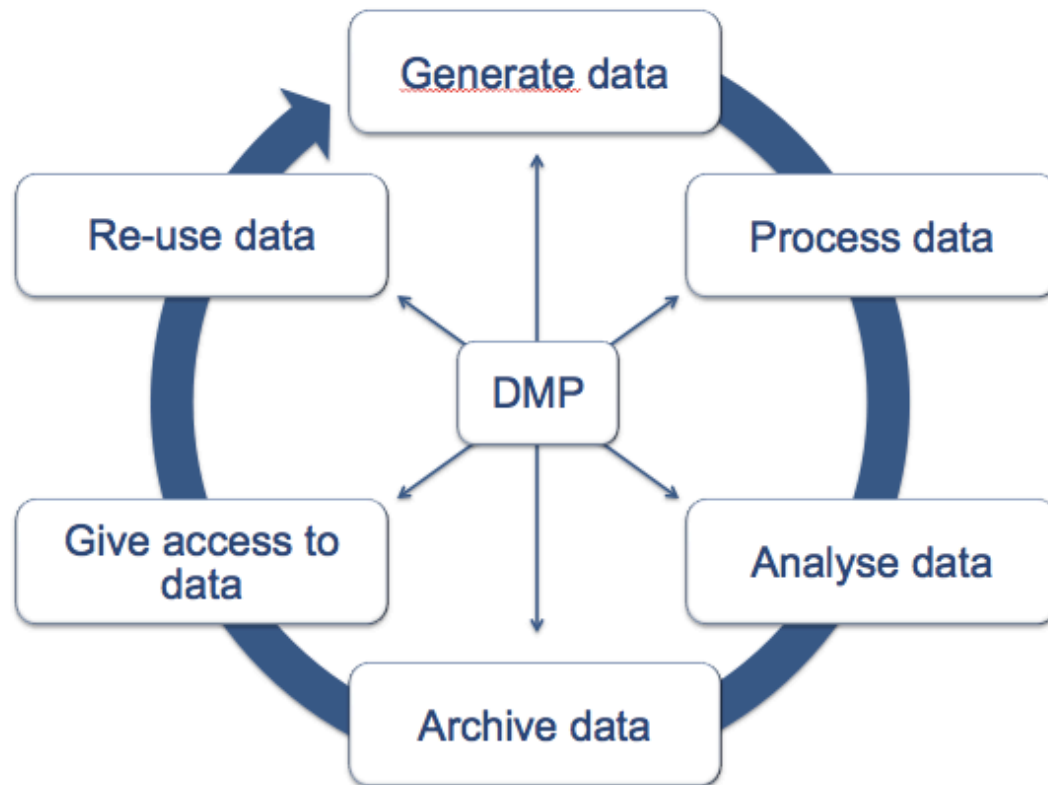
- Safe storage (for working data)
- How/where to share efficiently w/project partners?
- Backup, versioning
- Make conventions for naming of files/folders/code
- Document what you do -> readme.txt, log.txt, remember.txt, link to the DMP (e.g. how are files and code organized?)

## End of project

- Select data for archiving (for DOI assignment etc)
- Are the file formats ok?
- Final documentation and metadata

→ **Time saved if you documented from the start**

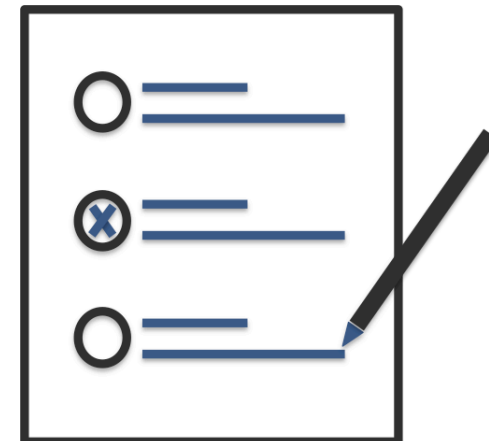
# Make a data management plan (DMP)



DMP as a document that covers the whole cycle

A checklist with questions to make you aware of what you need to consider and when

A dynamic document for continuous updating.

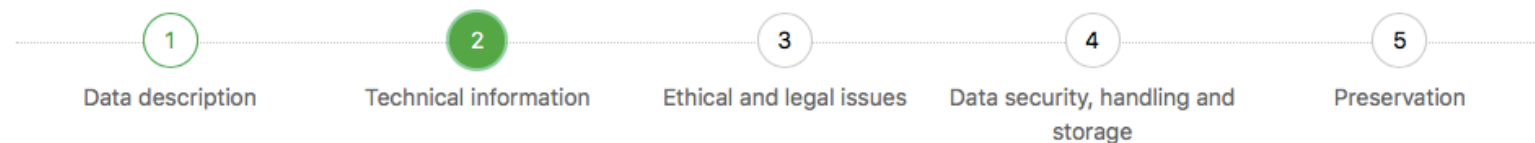




□ / My data management plan

## My data management plan

□ Options



### Technical information

Describe the methods (procedures, techniques, or mode of inquiry) used to obtain the data.

Examples of methods for obtaining data include experiments, clinical trials, observations, simulations, measurements and testing, interviews, surveys, records, etc.

What types of data will be collected / generated?

☐ Dataset

☐ Image

☐ Video

☐ Sound

☐ Text

☐ Other

Comment

□ Chat with

# How to choose a data archive/repository?

- National? Community repository? International?
- Provide persistent identifier (PID)? DOI, handle,...
- Certified?
- Standardised metadata (ensure “F” in FAIR)
- Capacity, guidance and costs? E.g. how many GB, TB are you allowed to archive?



=> The largest and most comprehensive registry of data repositories available

[FORSIDEN](#) > [ARKIVERE DATA](#)

## Registrer nytt datasett

### Importer prosjekthinformatjon (valgfritt)

Dersom prosjektet ditt allerede er registrert i ett annet system, kan du oppgi prosjekt-IDen her. Feltene i skjemaet under fylles ut automatisk.

#### PVO-nummer

#### CRISTin prosjekt-ID

#### Tittel

#### Beskrivelse

### Ansvarlig

#### Navn

#### Kontaktinformasjon (e-post)

# FAIR research data at NSD

## *Findable:*

- Archived datasets are given a Persistent ID (DOI);
- Indexed and searchable metadata (e.g. via DataCite).

## *Accessible:*

- Open access protocol;
- Clear procedure for authentication and authorization.

## *Interoperable:*

- NSD metadata follows the DDI standard, controlled vocabulary;
- Data available in different formats.

## *Re-usable:*

- Clear user conditions (decided by you, not NSD)
- NSD curates your data and can return them in formats relevant to your research community.

# Support for research from NSD

## **Data management and planning:**

NSD webpages on data management and archiving (English):

<http://www.nsd.uib.no/arkivering/en/data-management-plan.html>

FAQs about data management: [http://www.nsd.uib.no/arkivering/en/005\\_faq.html](http://www.nsd.uib.no/arkivering/en/005_faq.html)

Find data? Search portal: [www.search.nsd.no](http://www.search.nsd.no)

Archive data? Archiving portal: <https://arkiveringsportalen.nsd.no/>

Data management plan: [www.dmp.nsd.no](http://www.dmp.nsd.no) (independent of where you will archive your data)

For questions, contact: [dataarkivering@nsd.no](mailto:dataarkivering@nsd.no)

## **Personal data:**

FAQs about personal data: <http://www.nsd.uib.no/personvernombud/en/help/faq.html>

Unsure whether you have personal data? Try NSD's notification test:

<http://www.nsd.uib.no/personvernombud/en/notify/index.html>

For questions, contact: [personvernombudet@nsd.no](mailto:personvernombudet@nsd.no)

# Support for research from NSD

Coming:

Digital training (e-course, videos)



# Other useful webpages

International data search: [www.datacite.org](http://www.datacite.org)

(all NSD data are also findable here)

Search for repositories: [www.re3data.org](http://www.re3data.org)

Online training on data management in Europe, developed by the infrastructure CESSDA:

<https://www.CESSDA.eu/Research-Infrastructure/Training/Expert-Tour-Guide-on-Data-Management>





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