Social Sciences and Humanities Open Cloud

Realising the Social Sciences and Humanities part of the European Open Science Cloud

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Horizon 2020
European Union Funding
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Type of action & funding:

Research and Innovation action
(INFRAEOSC-04-2018)

Partners: 53

(28 beneficiaries + 25 LTPs)

SSH ESFRI Landmarks and Projects
& international SSH data infrastructures

Project budget:

€ 14,455,594.08

Duration: 40 months

(January 2019 – 30 April 2022)

Project website:

www.SSHOpenCloud.eu

Objectives:

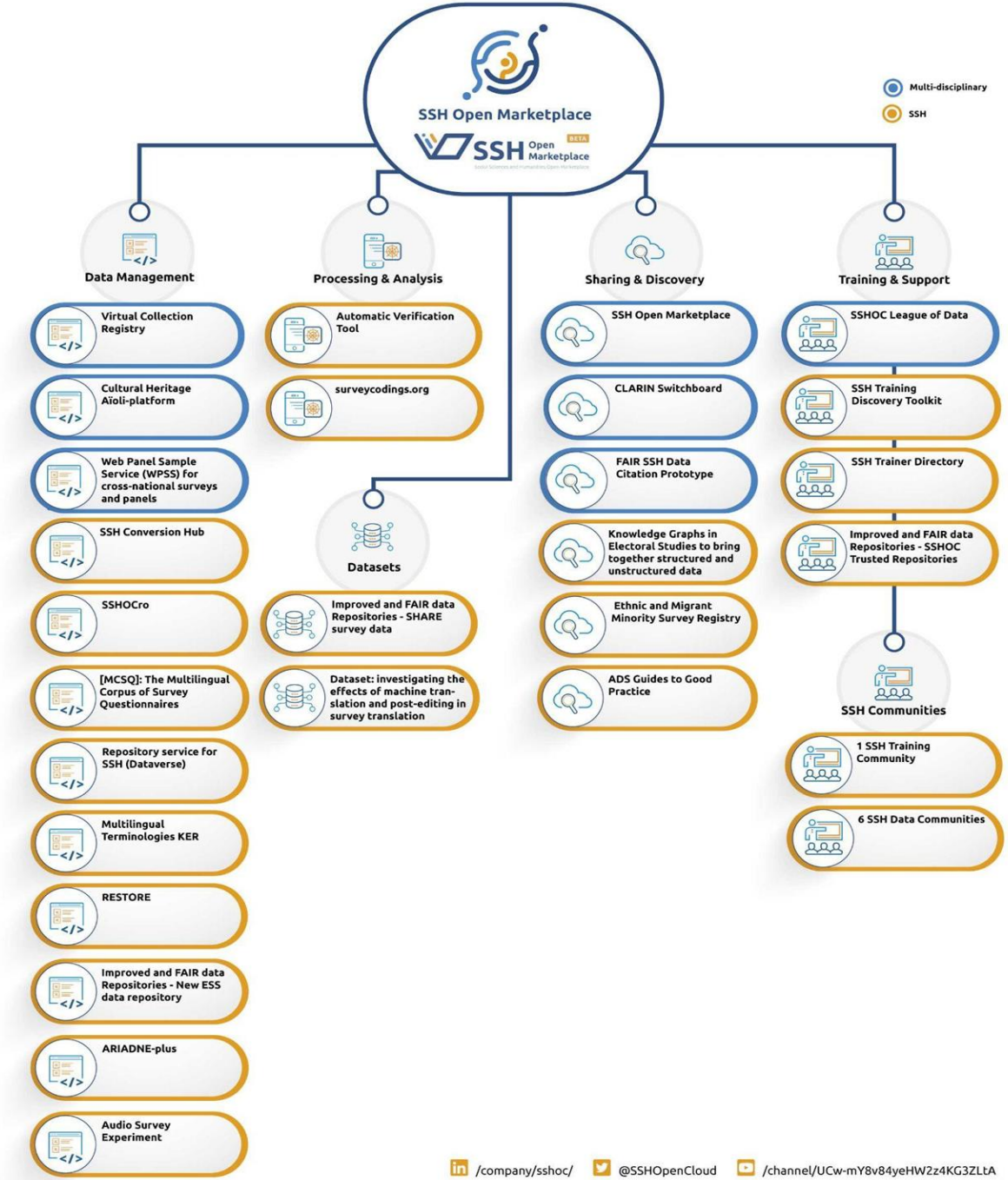
- creating the social sciences and humanities **(SSH)** part of European Open Science Cloud **(EOSC)**
- maximising **re-use** through **Open Science** and **FAIR** principles (standards, common catalogue, access control, semantic techniques, training)
- interconnecting existing and new infrastructures (clustered cloud infrastructure)
- establishing appropriate **governance model** for SSH-EOSC

SSHOC Results

33 SSHOCing Key Exploitable Results
to support your research in SSH and Beyond

- available for further research activities after the end of the project
- covering data management, sharing & discovery, training & support, processing & analysis and SSH Communities
- all tools are being made accessible via the **SSH Open Marketplace** and 13 of them onboarded on **EOSC Portal**

https://www.sshopencloud.eu/service-catalogue



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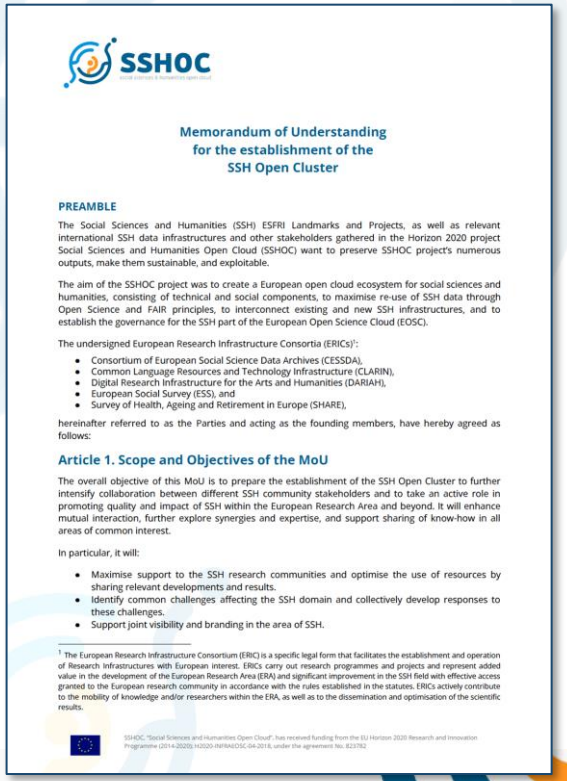
SSH Open Cluster

- **Memorandum of Understanding** for SSH Open Cluster (ERICs signed)
- Currently: Establishing the Governing Board and Rules of Procedure
- Next steps: Chair elections and Annual Work Programme

- **Maintaining** SSHOC results
- Trust among partners and communities
- Access to and overview of all **results & stakeholders**
- Providing further access to new members
- Making sure the community lives long after the project



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Memorandum of Understanding
for the establishment of the
SSH Open Cluster

PREAMBLE

The Social Sciences and Humanities (SSH) ESFRI Landmarks and Projects, as well as relevant international SSH data infrastructures and other stakeholders gathered in the Horizon 2020 project Social Sciences and Humanities Open Cloud (SSHOC) want to preserve SSHOC project's numerous outputs, make them sustainable, and exploitable.

The aim of the SSHOC project was to create a European open cloud ecosystem for social sciences and humanities, consisting of technical and social components, to maximise re-use of SSH data through Open Science and FAIR principles, to interconnect existing and new SSH infrastructures, and to establish the governance for the SSH part of the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC).

The undersigned European Research Infrastructure Consortia (ERICs)[1]:

- Consortium of European Social Science Data Archives (CESSDA),
- Common Language Resources and Technology Infrastructure (CLARIN),
- Digital Research Infrastructure for the Arts and Humanities (DARIAH),
- European Social Survey (ESS), and
- Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe (SHARE),

hereinafter referred to as the Parties and acting as the founding members, have hereby agreed as follows:

Article 1. Scope and Objectives of the MoU

The overall objective of this MoU is to prepare the establishment of the SSH Open Cluster to further intensify collaboration between different SSH community stakeholders and to take an active role in promoting quality and impact of SSH within the European Research Area and beyond. It will enhance mutual interaction, further explore synergies and expertise, and support sharing of know-how in all areas of common interest.

In particular, it will:

- Maximise support to the SSH research communities and optimise the use of resources by sharing relevant developments and results.
- Identify common challenges affecting the SSH domain and collectively develop responses to these challenges.
- Support joint visibility and branding in the area of SSH.

[1] The European Research Infrastructure Consortium (ERIC) is a specific legal form that facilitates the establishment and operation of Research Infrastructures with European interest. ERICs carry out research programmes and projects and represent added value in the development of the European Research Area (ERA) and significant improvement in the SSH field with effective access granted to the European research community in accordance with the rules established in the statutes. ERICs actively contribute to the mobility of knowledge and/or researchers within the ERA, as well as to the dissemination and optimisation of the scientific results.

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SSHOpenCluster
Social Sciences & Humanities Resources

From SSHOC to the SSH Open Cluster

Breaking down community silos to advance Social Science and Humanities Research

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