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Titre de l'intervention : Scoping the Open Science Infrastructure Landscape in Europe: What does it mean to be sustainable?

Summary: Europe has seen great advances made with Open Access / Open Scholarship or Open Science (OS) policy on international, national, reginal and local levels. However, for the successful implementation of this policy to take place, it depends on infrastructure; infrastructure that has often been borne at Europe's research institutions: services that serve users worldwide. What we need is a more durable, scalable, and long lasting *open* scholarly infrastructure that can emerge and thrive.

The presentation will shed light on the openness, governance and particularly on the financial sustainability of Open Science Infrastructure resulting from an international survey that was conducted by SPARC Europe in 2020 with over 100 of these: regional, national and international infrastructure reporting back to us. It is an Invest in Open Infrastructure project funded by the Open Society Foundations.

What have we learnt about how open European-based infrastructure is, what are the challenges of becoming or remaining open and what are the good practices? Furthermore, what do we know about the financial health of important OS infrastructure and how might this be sustained in the future? The session will provide answers to these questions and will also raise awareness of where we need to step up our open efforts when developing and sustaining infrastructure and how the broader OS community can help fund it since we depend upon it.