

Income Streams for Data Repositories

The Challenge:

Basic funding of data infrastructure may not keep pace with increasing costs. There is a need, therefore, to consider alternative cost recovery options and a diversification of revenue streams. In short: who will pay for public access to research data?

What is the solution?

The RDA/WDS Interest Group Publishing Data Cost Recovery for Data Centres aims to contribute to strategic thinking on cost recovery by conducting research to understand current and possible cost recovery strategies for data centres. As the main body of work, the Interest Group has conducted a survey of over twenty data centres around the globe, and in different domains.



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What is the impact?

The survey consisted of structured in-depth interviews with high-level representatives of these organisations and was focused on identifying various existing approaches to cost recovery, the range of income streams available and current and possible business models.

The principal beneficiaries of this work will be data centre managers on the one hand and research infrastructures on the other. Each of these stakeholders will gain a valuable insight into alternative options for cost recovery, substantiated by the survey results.

Find out more about the Income Streams for Data Repositories



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