



Open Access
Infrastructure
for Research in Europe

OpenAIRE

A Pan-European Effort to Realise the Open Access Policies of the European Commission / European Research Council

What is the Open Access Pilot about?

The European Commission (EC) and the European Research Council (ERC) want to ensure the widest possible dissemination and access to the published results of research funded by them.

Therefore, the Open Access Pilot requires researchers to deposit these publications into an appropriate institutional or disciplinary repository. If such a repository is not available, researchers can use the OpenAIRE Orphan Repository.

OpenAIRE in a nutshell

OpenAIRE (Open Access Infrastructure for Research in Europe) is a three-year project funded under the Seventh Framework Programme (FP7) of the European Commission.

The main goals of OpenAIRE are to:

- support researchers in complying with the FP7 Open Access Pilot through a European helpdesk system;
- support researchers in depositing their research publications in an institutional or disciplinary repository;
- build up an OpenAIRE portal and e-infrastructure for repository networks;
- explore scientific data management services together with 5 disciplinary communities.

How can repository managers support Europe's open access policies?

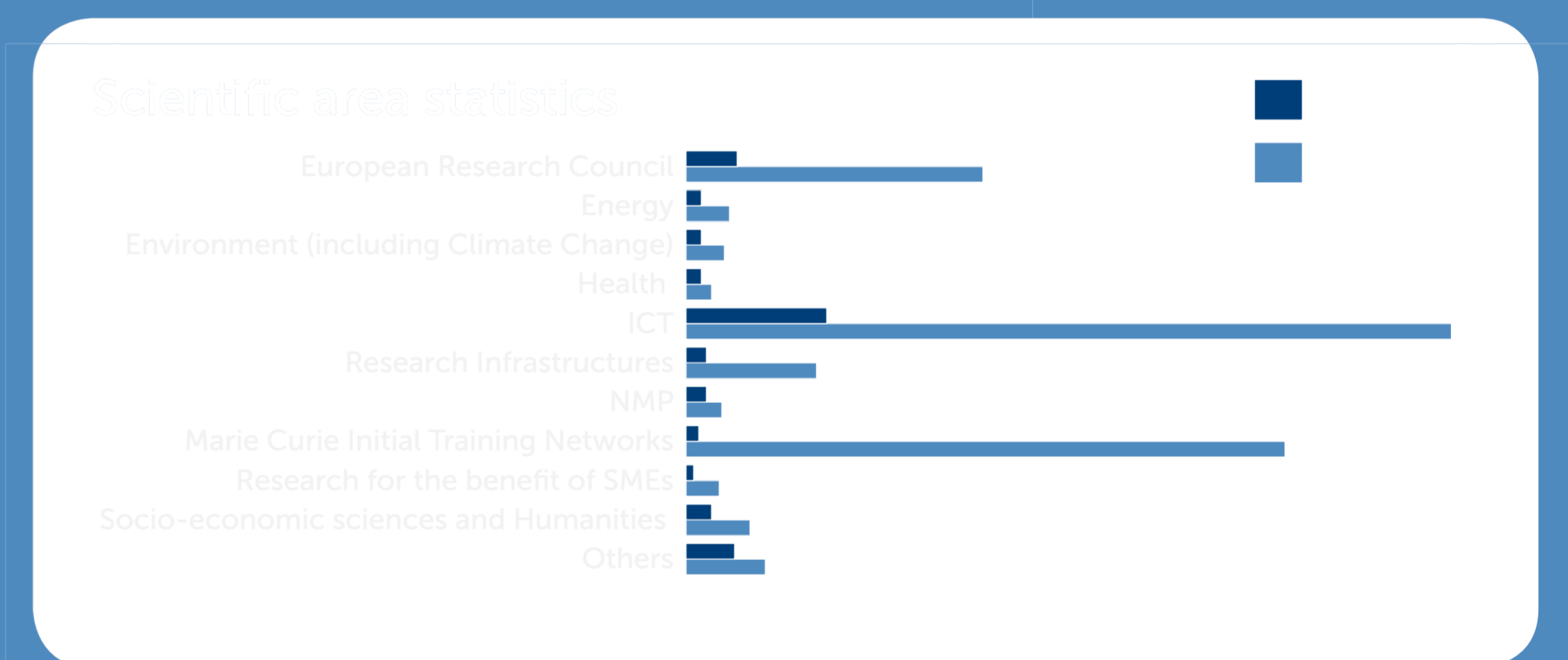
To make the European policies on open access a success we need your support. We would like to invite you to disseminate information about the policies to researchers and to adopt the following practical steps.

Make your repository OpenAIRE compliant

1. **Make your repository compliant:** To become part of the OpenAIRE network we need you to include FP7 project and copyright information in the publication bibliographic metadata (e.g., in the DC fields). To do this, you need to implement the OpenAIRE Guidelines. Plug-ins for popular repository and journal platforms (DSpace, EPrints, OJS) have been released to support this step.
2. **Validate your repository:** a web tool checks if your repository is compliant with the OpenAIRE guidelines.
3. **Register your repository:** based on this, your repository will be integrated into the OpenAIRE network.

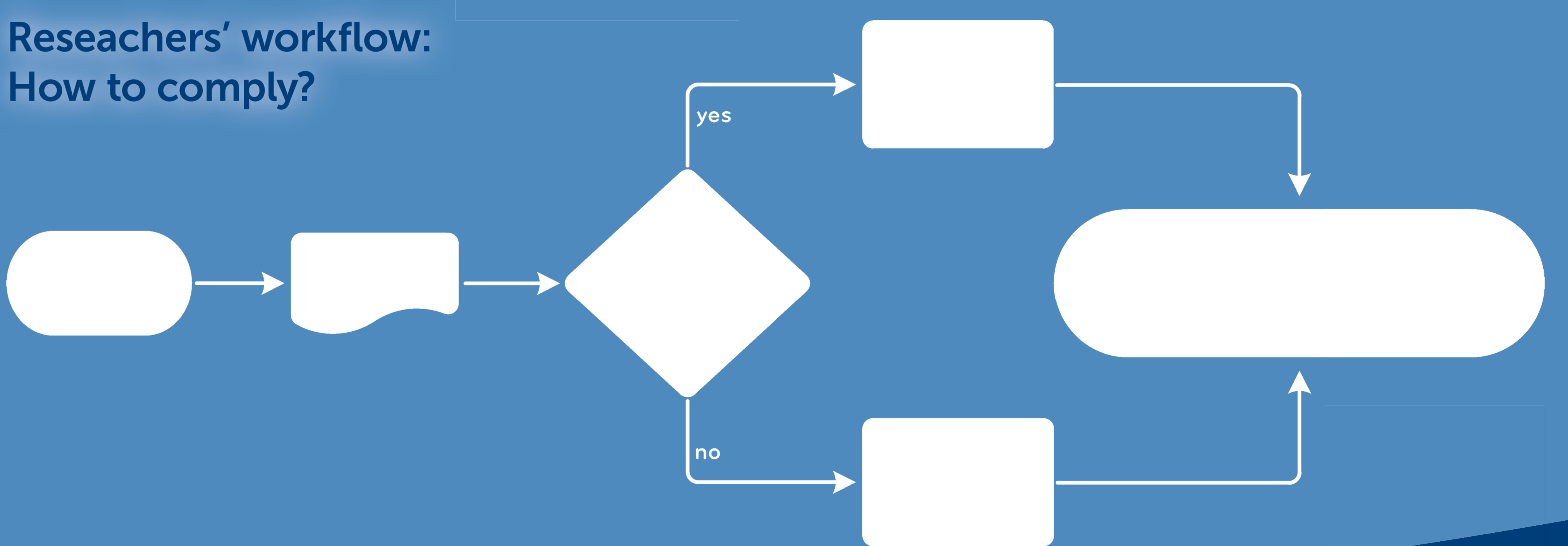
Support researchers to comply

Researchers receiving grants from the European Research Council (ERC) or from the EC's FP7 in one of seven selected research areas (Energy, Environment (including Climate Change), Health, Information and Communication Technologies, Research Infrastructures (e-infrastructures), Science in society, Socio-economic sciences and the humanities) are required to deposit all publications or final manuscripts ensuring open access.



As a repository manager / librarian, please support your researchers in this deposition process (see workflow diagram below). To identify projects and to research out to researchers close collaboration with research administrators is highly recommended.

Researchers' workflow: How to comply?



National Open Access Desks

Region 1 North

- Denmark (Technical University of Denmark)
- Finland (University of Helsinki)
- Sweden (National Library of Sweden)
- Norway (University of Tromsø)

Region 2 South

- Cyprus (University of Cyprus)
- Greece (National Documentation Center)
- Italy (CASPUR)
- Malta (Malta Council for Science & Technology)
- Portugal (University of Minho)
- Spain (Spanish Foundation for Science & Technology)

Region 3 East

- Bulgaria (Bulgarian Academy of Sciences)
- Estonia (University of Tartu)
- Latvia (University of Latvia)
- Poland (ICM - University of Warsaw)
- Slovakia (University Library of Bratislava)
- Czech Republic (Technical University of Ostrava)
- Hungary (HUNOR)
- Lithuania (Kaunas Technical University)
- Romania (Kosson)
- Slovenia (University of Ljubljana)

Region 4 West

- Austria (University of Wien)
- Belgium (University of Gent)
- France (Couperin)
- Germany (University of Konstanz)
- Ireland (Trinity College)
- Netherlands (Utrecht University)
- UK (University of Nottingham)

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