

# Explaining NFDI4Earth

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# National Research Data Infrastructure for Earth System Sciences







### **Towards the National Research Data Infrastructure (NFDI)**

# RfII recommended to establish a German National Research Data Infrastructure (2016\*):



- to implement the FAIR principles (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, and Re-usable).
- Sustainable (not only project solutions!)
- Internationally integrated
- Driven by scientific users and consortia of users and providers

#### Towards the National Research Data Infrastructure

#### The federal-state program to create the NFDI (11/2018)

- Funding over 10 years with € 90 million p.a.
- Funding of up to 30 consortia in 3 rounds of calls –
  Managed by the German Science Foundation (DFG)
- Foundation of the NFDI Association (NFDI e.V.)
  and the NFDI Directorate in Karlsruhe (10/2020)



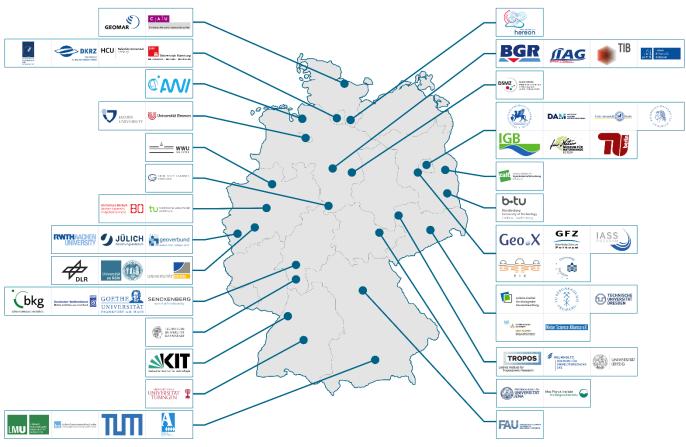
https://dfg.de/nfdi



#### Who we are



- 59 institutions covering the breadth of Earth System Sciences (ESS)
  - Universities
  - Research Organizations
  - Infrastructure Providers
  - Governmental Institutions
  - Scientific Associations& Networks
- Established 2018 as
  Open Consortium and the ESS branch in the NFDI
  DFG-Funded since 10/2021



# **NFDI4Earth – Strategy 2021-26**





**Community Engagement** 

**Piloting Innovations** 

**User Perspective** 

**Infrastructure Perspective** 

**NFDI & International** 

**Community Support** 

### **NFDI4Earth – Strategy 2021-26**





2Participate

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IG Metadata Standards for Geochemical Data (Geochemistry Group)



2Facilitate

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User Support Network (Institute of Meteorology)



**2Interoperate** 

Task Area 3

**Infrastructure Perspective** 

NFDI & International Integration



2Coordinate

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Rewarding systems: status and recommendations (University Library)

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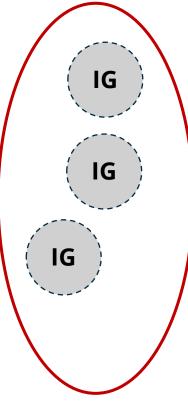
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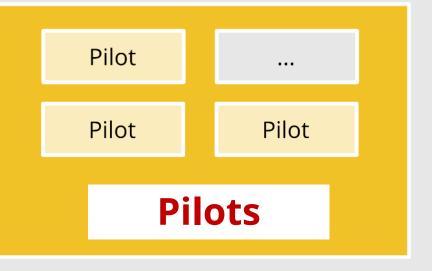
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# **TA1 – Engage with the community, foster innovation**













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# 2<sup>nd</sup> Open Call for Earth System Science Pilots (2023)



- Timeline: The call for Pilots will be open February 1st until March 31st,
  2023. Decision will be announced on June 1st, 2023.
- Funding: We provide 12 months funding (1FTE, approx. TVöD/L E13). In total 7 pilot projects will be funded.

Explore under: <a href="https://www.nfdi4earth.de/2participate/pilots">https://www.nfdi4earth.de/2participate/pilots</a>

We are looking for tools and **practices** that support Earth System researchers in their research data management and analysis workflows and facilitate an easy uptake of the Open Science and FAIR principles in their everyday work.

#### **Incubator Lab**



The Incubator Lab fosters novel data science developments.

**Examples** are tools for automatic metadata extraction and annotation, semantic mapping and harmonization, machine learning, data fusion, visualization, and interaction.

### Incubator Projects 2022

IPFS Pinning Service for Open Climate Research Data

scrAiber: Data Mining Driven Microscopic Reference Data Acquisition

New framework for analysis of aquatic ecosystems

Hierarchical Data Format for Water-related Big Geodata (HDF4Water)

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New call launched in 2023. Stay tuned!

#### TA1 - Education at all Levels







Develops competences in RDM and spatiotemporal data literacy

- Wide range of ready to use open educational resources
- New Qualification Profiles (e.g. research data curator)
- Network Education & Training Sites



# **Academy: Explore novel approaches**

- Interconnect junior researchers in data driven applications as users of NFDI4Earth resources
- Trigger proofs of concept
- Network Academy Sites

#### **Get Involved!**



- Join the annual NFDI4Earth Plenary Meetings
- Join the Consortium!
- Join or launch an <u>Interest Group</u>!
- Apply for
  - an NFDI4Earth Incubator or
  - an NFDI4Earth Pilot or
  - an NFDI4Earth Edu Pilot or
  - the NFDI4Earth Academy
- Calls will be launched regularly!



