The Open Access Policy by the Research Council of Lithuania: Implementation of Guidelines

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POLITICAL PROVISIONS

The Research Council of Lithuania

- supports the policy of the EU regarding OA,
- approves of reuse and content mining in OA publications and data,
- participates in the Open Science movement,
- advocates OA among policy makers, scientists and knowledge managers,
- supports global, national, regional and institutional initiatives fostering OA.

OBJECTIVES

- ensure *dissemination* of research results
- promote *cooperation* of researchers and reduce identical or uncoordinated research
- enhance the credibility of research results, transparent obtaining and maintaining of data, and cherish *academic ethics*
- facilitate the *interaction* between researchers, policy makers, and social partners;
- secure a better *societal impact* and economic return of research results.

TARGETS AND SCOPE

SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS

- **Repositories**
  - deposited in a repository immediately after they are accepted for publishing
  - metadata of the publications must be completely open
  - Embargo period 6-12 month
- **Open Access journals/books**
  - processing charges are eligible expenses (except hybrid journals)
  - *Creative Commons CC-BY licence* needed for APC, BPC

RESEARCH DATA

- Data underlying the scientific publications
  - opened together with publications
  - linked to relevant publications
- Data generated by a project
  - adjustable data management plan in the proposal
  - DMP expenses are eligible
  - exemptions for OA to data

Data Management Plan (in preparation)

Science Europe Data Group: Domain Data Protocols

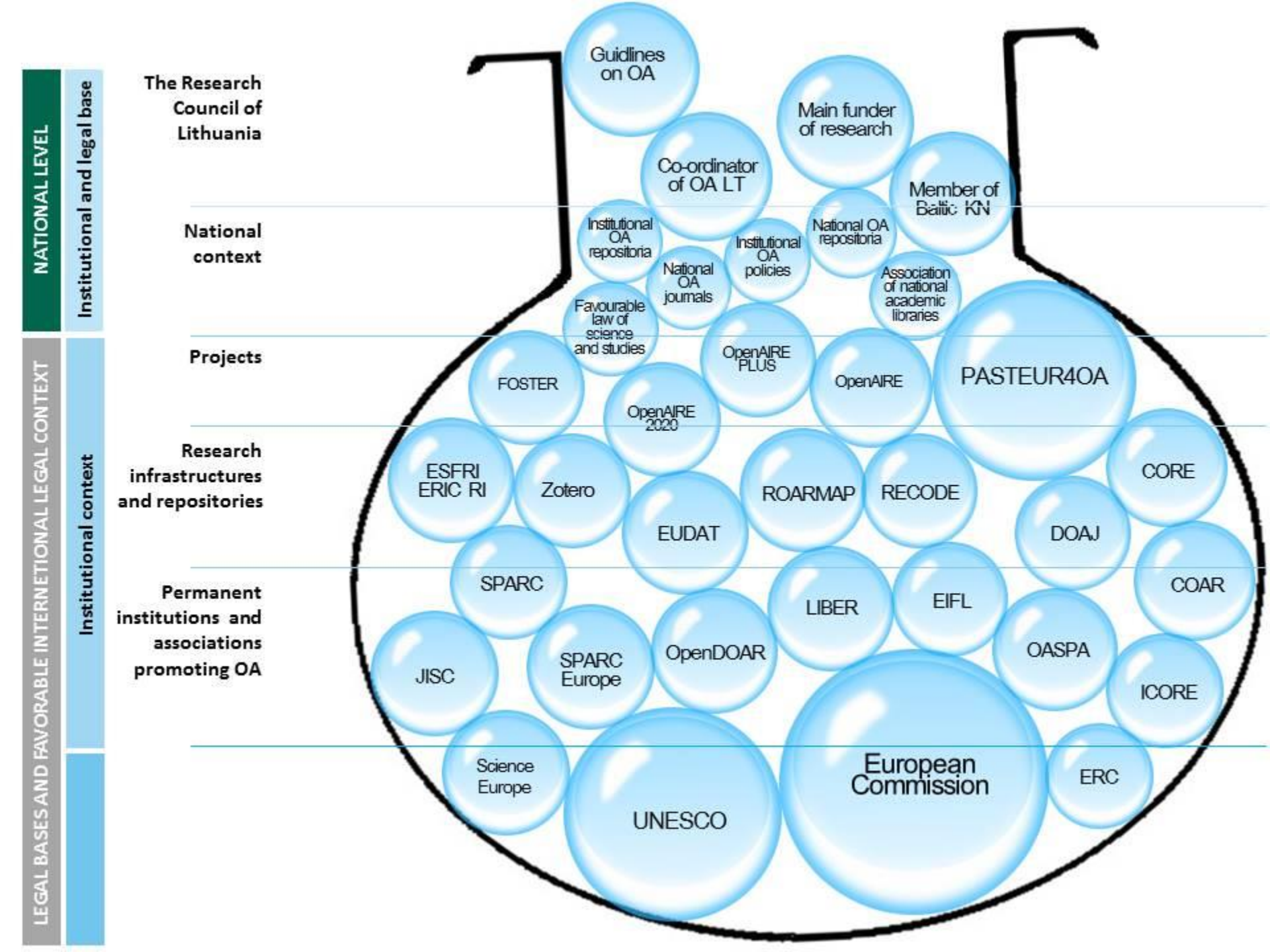
- **Content**/Volume/Data character (digital and non-digital)
- **FAIR** principles: **F**indable, **A**ccessible, **I**nteroperable, **R**eusable (quality assurance, unique identifiers, format, openness) / Costs
- **Responsibility** for the data / Acknowledgement (including unique identification) and crediting
- **RDM workflows** / Prioritisation of data to be kept: criteria for the eligibility of data for keeping, access management, timing for disclosure

Implementation of the Guidelines

- Regulated by the
  - application form for project funding (contents, DMP),
  - project financing contract,
  - interim and/or final reports of the projects.
- Responsibility lies
  - during the project with the project leader
  - Afterword - with the implementing institution
- Non-compliance: from warnings to suspended funding

FINAL PROVISIONS

- *Guidelines do not restrict the academic freedom of researchers to choose publishers, however, they are encouraged to opt for Open Access publications.*
- *Researchers are recommended to select only the best Open Access journals in their respective domains.*
- *All scientific results archived in repositories are recommended to be licensed using the Creative Commons* CC-BY *licence.*


NATIONAL LEVEL
Institutional and legal base
Institutional context
LEGAL BASES AND FAVORABLE INTERNETIONAL LEGAL CONTEXT
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National context
Projects
Research infrastructures and repositories
Permanent institutions and associations promoting OA
Guidlines on OA
Main funder of research
Co-ordinator of OA LT
Member of Baltic KN
Institutional OA repositoria
National OA repositoria
Institutional OA policies
National OA journals
Association of national academic libraries
Favourable law of science and studies
FOSTER
OpenAIRE PLUS
OpenAIRE
PASTEUR4OA
OpenAIRE 2020
ESFRI ERIC RI
Zotero
ROARMAP
RECODE
CORE
EUDAT
DOAJ
SPARC
LIBER
EIFL
COAR
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GUIDELINES ON OPEN ACCESS TO SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS AND DATA

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