Data Together Initiative

WDS and Member Involvement

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Shared characteristics

- global mandate from their respective constituency
- impartial and independent, serving the international data community
- operating at a supra-disciplinary level, with a focus on data related issues
- pathfinding and strategic without being funding agencies
Why we should work together

- each organisation has unique modus operandi and different stakeholders

- each organisation draws on separate mandates, diverse funding streams, and advances distinct but complementary strategies and goals

BUT

- shared objectives and serve overlapping communities

- the shared and distinct objectives of the four organisations will be achieved more efficiently and effectively through transparent coordination and cooperation
The process

- Already existing working relations in different combinations of parties (IDW, joint RDA/WDS WGs and IGs, RDA and CODATA Associate Members of WDS)
- Start leadership meetings fall 2019
- Focus on a joint statement, published in March 2020
- Defining an agenda for the coming years

Your suggestions are welcome!

- Continuation of existing collaborations, like IDW
- Regular meetings between the secretariats/offices of the four organisations
- Regular leadership meetings to inform, align and collaborate
- Potential areas of collaboration from the perspective of WDS:
  - ECR networks
  - Training
  - Promotion of TRUST, FAIR and CARE principles
  - Responses to requests for comments and position papers
  - SDGs
  - ....
Let us know now,

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