Agenda and minutes Data Stewards Interest Group - Meeting 49

Date: 29 September 2025 **Time:** 13:00 (coffee) - 13:15 (start) - 14:45 CEST (end)	**Location**: virtual **Chair**: Fieke Schoots
Virtual via Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8573783868?pwd=bWU2ZWdTY2ZjR1hBY0FOeDVLQSt4dz09 **Attendees:** *See page 2*	

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Time	*Topic*	**Comments/results**	**Owner**
13:00	Informal start: joint coffee		All
13:15	1. Formal start and introduction round		Fieke, All
13:25	2. New & Newsworthy	Share your successes with the group; Share insights from workshops and seminars you have visited	Fieke, All
13:45	3. ICYMI	RDM news-bits, in case you missed it	Mijke
13:55	4. Presentations & discussion	*LEARN-FAIR: FAIR data stewardship, community building, open educational resources* Do you want to help shape a Dutch FAIR Trainers Community? Are you curious about the training needs of researchers and data stewards, and how we can work together on open educational resources? Then you should join this session! The TDCC LEARN-FAIR project has kicked off and would like to take you along on its journey. In this session,	Fieke Schoots & Maria Vivas-Romero

		the team will share the first steps, open questions, and ideas for collaboration, and explore with you how to make FAIR training a more collective and sustainable effort.	
14:40	5. Closure/any other business		Fieke
14:45	6. IG meeting end/feedback		All

MINUTES

1a. Welcome

- Zoom; try the gallery view
- These notes are for you! Please add comments, +1s, gifs
- Don't forget to provide feedback (see below, Feedback)

1b. Community Participation Guidelines reminder

- Be respectful, honest, inclusive, accommodating, appreciative, and open to learning from everyone else.
- Do not attack, demean, disrupt, harass, or threaten others or encourage such behavior.
- Issues: report them to Mijke.

1c. Roll call

Add your name to the roll call below
Name / affiliation / social media / email

- Fieke Schoots, Health-RI, fieke.schoots@health-ri.nl
- S. Venkataraman (Venkat),), DANS, s.venkataraman@dans.knaw.nl
- Carla Strubbia, Health-RI, carla.strubbia@health-ri.nl
- Mijke Jetten, FAIR data lead/community manager data stewardship, Health-RI, mijke.jetten@health-ri.nl, https://bsky.app/profile/jettenmijke.bsky.social
- Fenne Riemslagh, training coordinator Netherlands eScience Center. training@esciencecenter.nl
- Olga Minaeva, DCC coordinator & trainer of innovative digital techniques at NWO-I, o.minaeva@nwo-i.nl
- Marta Kargól, data steward, Saxion, DCC-PO.
- Joanes Grandjeanh data steward + researcher, Radboud UMC
- Yasmin demerdash, data manager at the Institute of Molecular Biology, Mainz, Germany
- Maria Vivas-Romero, Data Steward, Training Specialist, Maastricht University,

Netherlands
- Angela Puggioni, Community Engagement Manager at the Digital Preservation Coalition (DPC), angela.puggioni@dpconline.org
- Dorien Huijser, 4TU.ResearchData, d.c.huijser@tudelft.nl
- Margo van Enckevort-Willems, data steward, HAS green academy (UAS), DCC-PO
- Penelope Bollini (Penny), Maastricht university, data steward, penelope.bollini@maastrichtuniversity.nl
- Willemijn Plomp, Leiden University, w.p.plomp@fsw.leidenuniv.nl
- Mercedes Beltran, Utrecht University, m.i.beltran@uu.nl
- Esther Plomp, University of Aruba, esther.plomp@ua.aw
- Norbert van Dijk, GO FAIR Foundation, freelance, info@gofair.foundation
- Pim Kamerling , Radboudumc datasteward for VASCERN ERN, pim.kamerling@radboudumc.nl

2. New & Newsworthy

Choose a question to answer: Share your successes with the group? Share insights from workshops and seminars you have visited? What do you need from this call? Nice upcoming event to share?

- [Fieke Schoots] TDCC LSH has started a FAIR LSH fellowshipprogramme. All universities and umc's have been invited to submit an application. Carla Strubbia is the contact person for the project.
    - Esther - I don't think you have contacted the universities in the Dutch Caribbean? Would this be open to them?
- [Mijke Jetten] We are working on workflows (tool assemblies, here is an example from RDMkit) and look for others who are doing something similar - not to reinvent the wheel. We started working on this (just quick drafts, no content yet - https://health-ri.github.io/ToolAssemblies/index +
- [Fenne Riemslagh] Opportunities for software trainers – Research Software Training NL
- [Mercedes Beltran] Upcoming events: FAIR-R and OPEN Data Week 2025 and Reproducibility Hackathon at the Faculty of Science - Utrecht University.
- [Joanes Grandjean] wants to prepare a NWO TDCC application (https://www.nwo.nl/en/calls/thematic-digital-competence-centers-2025/) on reproducible and declarative software packaging for scientific software using the Nix packaging language (https://nixos.org/) to distribute software across most Unix-like OS and architectures. Joanes is looking for interested stakeholders in the sci software and computing sphere.
- Norbert van Dijk shared this interesting presentation

3. ICYMI

RDM news-bits, in case you missed it

- Slides

- Join the Slack channel to stay up to date! Suggestion: download the desktop app, which has a notifications option and is much more user friendly than the browser version

4. Presentation & discussion

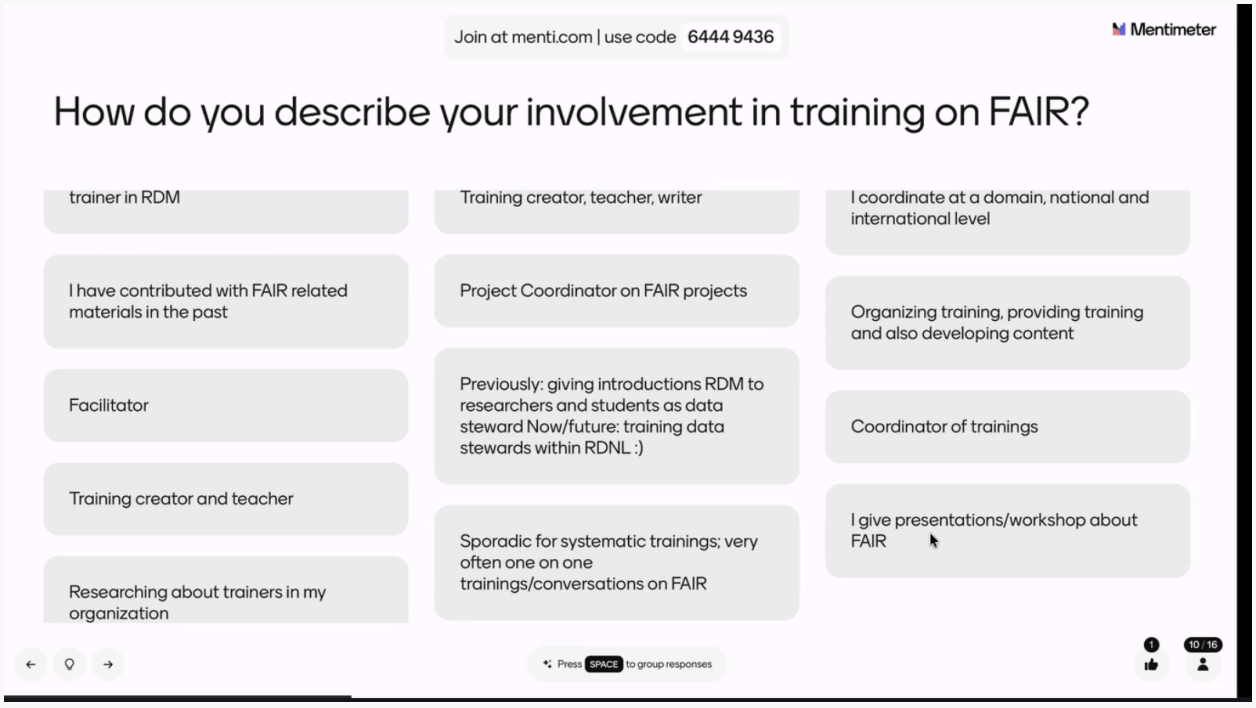
Links presentation:

- Slides

Notes presentation:

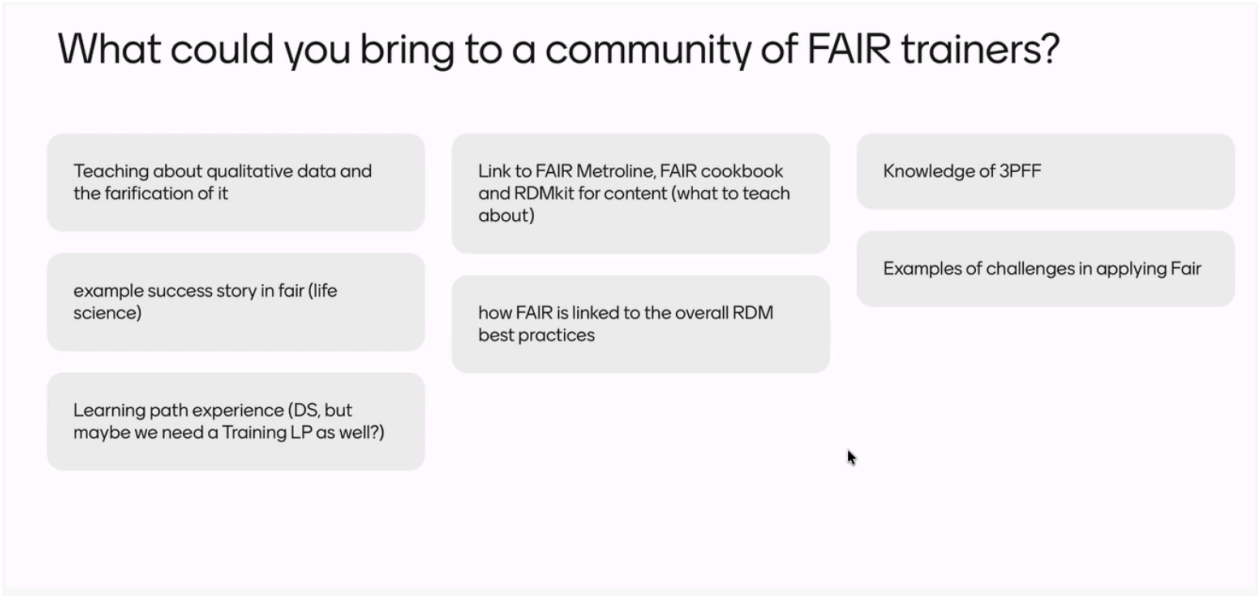
- Fieke explains the background of the LEARN-FAIR project:
  - https://fairsfair.gitbook.io/fair-teaching-handbook/0lessonplans
  - https://github.com/elixir-europe/biohackathon-projects-2024/blob/main/29.md
- LEARNFAIR was granted a TDCC-LSH grant: https://learn-fair.nl/
  - Establish a community of FAIR trainers from research performing and supporting organizations to foster collaboration, share resources, and connect stakeholders
  - Develop a community-adopted set of open educational resources on FAIR Data Stewardship including ready-to-use and openly available lesson plans, curricula, and training materials
- Different WP's
  - Deepdive WP5 →
    - Continue develop FAIR lesson plans
    - Find new partners and extend the network
    - Implement the FAIR lesson plans
    - Community build tool
    - Read the paper: …
    - Issue: current landscape is really broad - Taxila, edusources, zenodo → hard to plan for all resources, aim is to get the together
    - FAIR Lesson Plan Handbook: very much work in progress, most mature chapter currently: https://elixir-europe-training.github.io/ELIXIR-TrP-FAIR-Converge/units/fair-generics/topics/1-why-fair/
    - Templated format, see the example chapter above with all elements
    - Work via github -
    - Focus on lesson plan - as an open education resources, even beyond NL and beyond domain
  - Take the survey please!
    The LEARN-FAIR project is calling all trainers on FAIR data! We're building a community to make it easier to find and share high-quality training materials.
    If you have experience creating, reusing or being taught by training materials for FAIR-related topics, please take our quick survey. Your feedback is essential and will directly help shape the future of training resources for the FAIR community.
    https://learn-fair.nl/survey

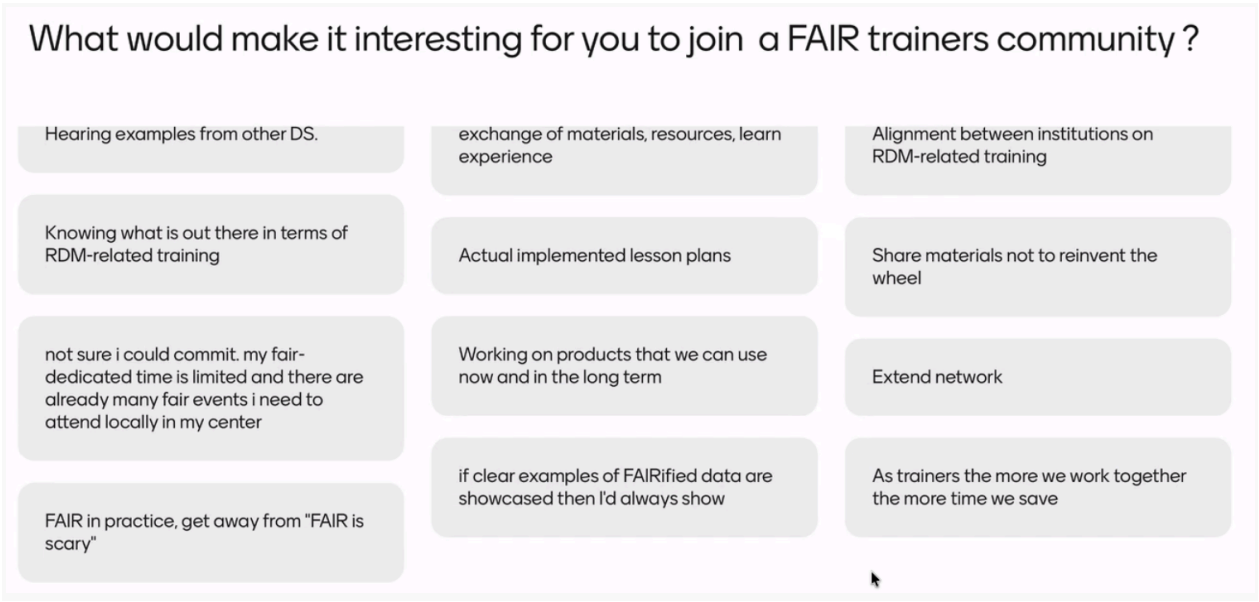
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How do you describe your involvement in training on FAIR?
trainer in RDM
Training creator, teacher, writer
I coordinate at a domain, national and international level
I have contributed with FAIR related materials in the past
Project Coordinator on FAIR projects
Organizing training, providing training and also developing content
Facilitator
Previously: giving introductions RDM to researchers and students as data steward Now/future: training data stewards within RDNL :)
Coordinator of trainings
Training creator and teacher
Sporadic for systematic trainings; very often one on one trainings/conversations on FAIR
I give presentations/workshop about FAIR
Researching about trainers in my organization
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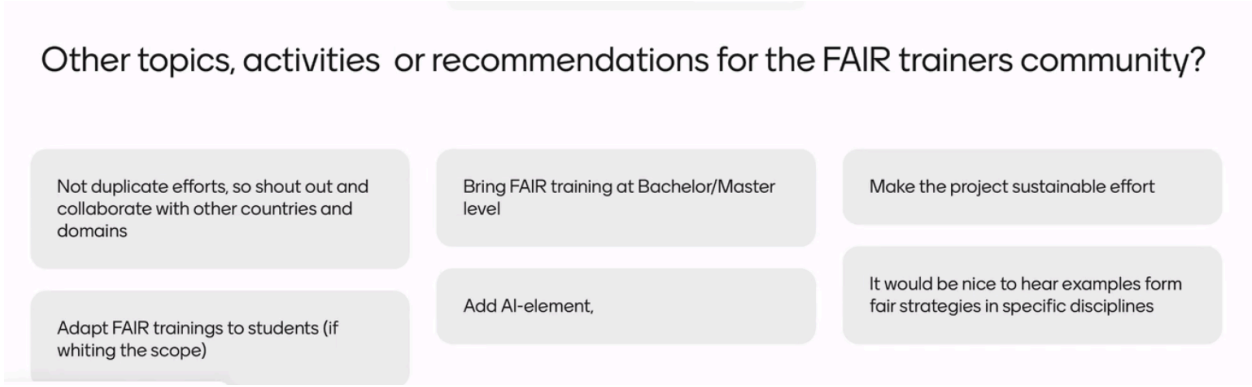

What challenges do you face in training on FAIR?
pint point at the most useful ones
practical in training
How to keep audiences engage and follow our trainings
Applicability
getting lab heads to get their research groups to implement FAIR practice
There is a lot out there, and most of it is basic/entry-level. How to find the good quality content? Also: nice exercises / interactivity in training is not always easy to find examples for
Lack of real life (success) examples of data reuse.
Tailor general materials to specific disciplinary challenges
Teaching everything fast and efficiently
Actual commitment from trainees
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What could you bring to a community of FAIR trainers?
Teaching about qualitative data and the farification of it
Link to FAIR Metroline, FAIR cookbook and RDMkit for content (what to teach about)
Knowledge of 3PFF
example success story in fair (life science)
how FAIR is linked to the overall RDM best practices
Examples of challenges in applying Fair
Learning path experience (DS, but maybe we need a Training LP as well?)


What would make it interesting for you to join a FAIR trainers community ?
Hearing examples from other DS.
exchange of materials, resources, learn experience
Alignment between institutions on RDM-related training
Knowing what is out there in terms of RDM-related training
Actual implemented lesson plans
Share materials not to reinvent the wheel
not sure i could commit. my fair-dedicated time is limited and there are already many fair events i need to attend locally in my center
Working on products that we can use now and in the long term
Extend network
FAIR in practice, get away from "FAIR is scary"
if clear examples of FAIRified data are showcased then I'd always show
As trainers the more we work together the more time we save


The first LEARNFAIR community event would be worthwhile for me if I can...?
8
Hear how others approach training in FAIR
7
Collaboratively work on materials or course design
1
Present my best practices
4
Find buddies to team up with
7
Learn more about the FAIR lesson plans
6
Discuss Open Educational Resources
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Other
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Other topics, activities or recommendations for the FAIR trainers community?
Not duplicate efforts, so shout out and collaborate with other countries and domains
Bring FAIR training at Bachelor/Master level
Make the project sustainable effort
Adapt FAIR trainings to students (if whiting the scope)
Add AI-element,
It would be nice to hear examples form fair strategies in specific disciplines



Questions:

- Dorien: (without having seen the LearnFAIR lesson plans yet) How do the lesson plans differ from those in the FAIRsFAIR handbook? Are they more specific?
    - Maria/Mijke: we started with F2F handbook but went a layer deeper, with proper learning goals (linked to Bloom's verbs and level of beginner, intermediate and advanced) and actual exercises to help plan teaching about FAIR. It is also a bit more about FAIR specifics than the F2F handbook, as the latter is more RDM than FAIR
    - Dorien: the template reminded me of the FAIR-By-Design methodology developed in Skills4EOSC: https://www.skills4eosc.eu/resources/fair-by-design-methodology

5. Closure/AOB

- Upcoming meetings:
    - Link to agenda & registration form will be shared via the DSIG and TDCC websites and usual channels (LinkedIn, Slack, Twitter, mailing lists etc.)
      Upcoming:
        - TDCC-SSH hosted meeting (Oct 21)
        - RDA GORC model (Nov 10, hosted by TDCC-NES)
        - Research Software Training (with Fenne)
        - RDA-NL (with Kim)
- Do you also want to chair one of the DSIG meetings? Have ideas about a topic? Contact Mijke Jetten (mijke.jetten@health-ri.nl)
- Don't forget to provide feedback (below)

6. Feedback

KEEP: What worked well?

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ADD: What new ideas do you have?

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LESS: What didn't work?

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MORE: What worked well and should we do even more?

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