TEMPLATE FOR COUNTRY REPORTS: NATIONAL DATA SERVICES

RDA INTEREST GROUP

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Purpose: The aim is to document the features and characteristics of emerging data services that are provided at the national level. In general, these types of national services can be defined as somewhat generic. They support research data management across multiple domains and are provided on a national scale (as opposed to discipline-based data centres or services). We recognize that this definition is rather "fuzzy", and that there may be several different services and initiatives in each country that will fit within its scope. We welcome a report from any national initiative.

Scope: The reports will contain high-level descriptions of national services being developed in countries around the world. At this stage, we are not looking for too much detail (3-5 pages long).

Timelines: We are asking people involved with national data services in their country to complete the reports by **September 7, 2016** and send them to Kathleen and Adrian. The first draft of the reports will be shared at the next RDA meeting on September 16, 2016. Based on feedback and recommendations at the September meeting, we will aim to have the second iteration of the reports in October 2016 and we will actively encourage other countries not yet participating to contribute.

Note: The text in italics describes the types of information that can be provided in each category. You can replace this text with your responses. **If you are using the google doc, please make a copy in which you can provide your responses.**

1. **RESPONDENT INFORMATION**

1.1 Name of respondent:

1.2 Institutional affiliation:

1.3 Email:

1.4 Country:

2. OVERVIEW

2.1 General description

When were the national services launched and what is the scope of the services?

2.2 Mission statement, objectives and/or rationale for the services

What are the stated mission and objectives of the national services? Why were the services launched?

3. ORGANIZATION

3.1 Participating stakeholders and roles

What organizations are contributing to the services and what are their respective roles?

3.2 Funding/income

Who is funding the services; how much funding are you receiving and what kind of in-kind contributions are involved?

3.3 Organisational model

What is the organizational structure of the services?

3.4 Organisational context: related/associated/partner/complementary initiatives

What other organizations or initiatives do the services engage with?

4. SERVICES

4.1 Services and infrastructure components

List the services and related infrastructure components offered by the national services.

4.2 Future services planned for the next 3 years

What new services do you plan to launch in the next three years

5. OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

5.1 Community development

How do the services interact and engage with the broader community - such as researchers, institutions, funders, etc?

5.2 Training

Do you offer training? If so please briefly describe your training activities.

6. OTHER ISSUES AND COMMENTS

6.1 Challenges

What are the major challenges for your services?

6.2 Opportunities for collaboration/ interoperation

Can you identify specific opportunities to collaborate with other national services?

6.3 Other comments

Any other comments?

6.4 Related links

Provide links to the website of the services and/or any other related material.