



# Latvian Data Stewards Network: Rīga Stradiņš University's Participation in the National Data Steward Network

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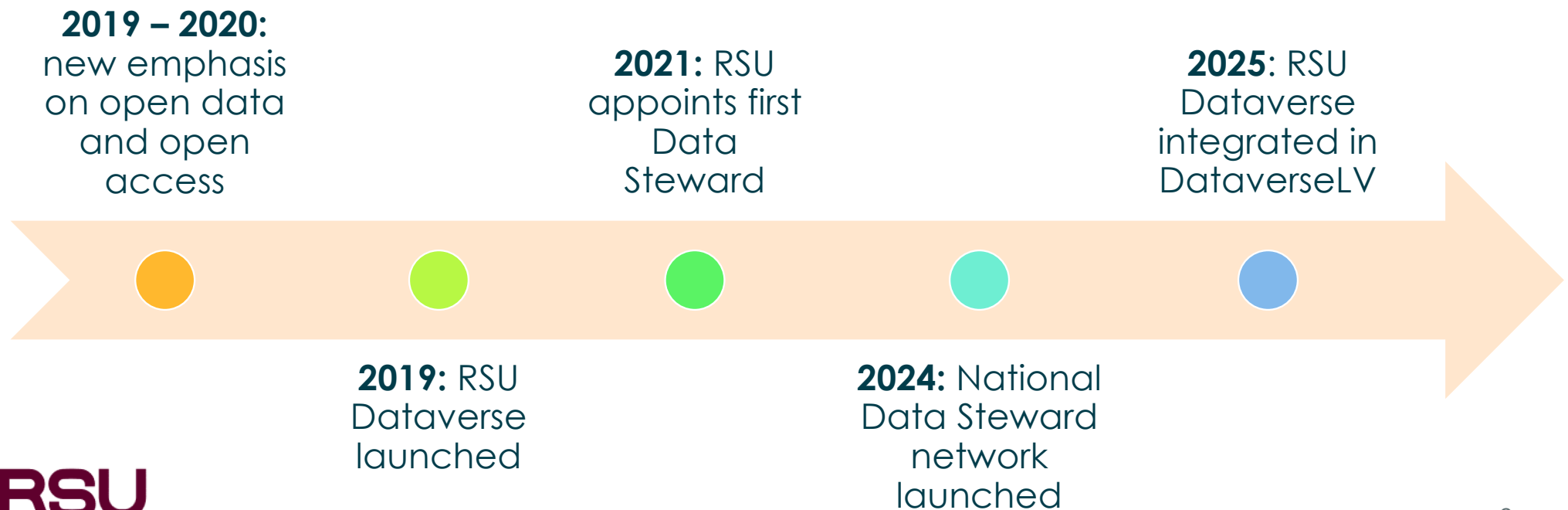


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# Bringing to life Open Science and FAIR data management practice

## From International Inspiration to National Action








# National Data Steward Network

## A Coordinated Solution






### For Researchers:

-  Access to expertise
-  Faster preparation of DMPs
-  Support on data depositing
-  Tools and templates
-  Guidelines and RDM support

### For Institutions:

-  Shared costs, infrastructure
- Improved success rates
-  Compliance with open science mandates
-  Accelerated increase of expertise for institutional Data Stewards

### For Latvia:

-  Stronger position in EU research networks
-  Integration into EU research infrastructure
-  Competitive advantage

# RSU Data Steward unit



Development of institutional data management guides and regulations



Bridge between researchers and services (IT, legal)



Training through workshops and tutorials



Data quality assurance and dataset depositing



Support with data management planning



RSU Dataverse administration



# RSU Data Steward unit in the network

## RSU Researchers

- Individual consultations
- DMP development assistance
- Data depositing and repository support
- GDPR compliance
- Grant support
- Guidelines and documentation

## Data steward network

- Knowledge transfer
- Working groups
- RDM Guide
- DataverseLV
- CoreTrustSeal certification
- Best practices exchange
- Expertise and competencies



# RSU Data Steward unit in the network

## RSU Researchers

- **100+ Datasets deposited**
- **400+ Consultations**
- **15+ Workshops**
- **70+ DMPs**
- **Guidelines, documentation, templates created and amended**

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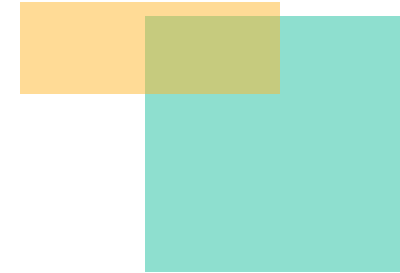
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# Learnings and successes



## Success enablers

- strategic leadership from the top
- small scale previous experience
- investing in people first
- building community, not just coordination
- joint work groups over individual efforts

## Challenges

- limited awareness of data stewardship
- resource constraints
- institutional differences
- demonstrating value (KPIs)
- Established ways and practices



**Looking into future**



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