11. DINI/nestor Workshop

"Data Stewardship im Forschungsdatenmanagement - Was ist das? Rollen, Aufgabenprofile, Einsatzgebiete"

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Additional questions to Yan Wang that could not be answered during the workshop

• Do you have a Teammember in your Team, that connects you to the longtime archivement at TU Delft? p.e. the Library?

The data stewardship coordinator is the connection between data stewards team and library teams (publishing, archiving etc.). We also invite library colleagues to join our weekly catch up meeting for updates. In this way, data stewards have direct contact with different colleagues.

• How instrumental are your data stewards in the context of the various local open science network initiatives?

The Open Science Community Delft (OSCD) was formerly known as the Data Champions which was initiated and facilitated by the data stewards. Data stewards played an important role in promoting the community and encouraging researchers to participate.

• Is the Data Stewardship program an independent department of TU delft? Or part of library/data center or other? Or are data stewards employed by the faculties?

The Data Stewardship program (2017 - 2020) was an university wide initiative. The coordinator is from the library while data stewards are positioned at the faculties. Now we are approaching the end of the program, all data stewards have been or are in the process of being employed by the faculties directly.

• How do you instigate the formation and maintenance of an expert group? direct or just by planting the seed and hoping?

It requires both, awareness raising and practical organization/maintenance. It is more important to motivate experts/community to take initiatives themselves, but necessary facilitation/connecting the communities via events/communication cannot be omitted.

• How do you get funding for your implementation measures (e.g. work on the infrastructure)?

Data stewards do not have capacity for implementing tooling or other solutions. We can propose to other service teams regarding the demands or issues. The other teams can decide whether/how to execute implementations.

• How do you motivate researchers to join the data champions network and how do you keep this running?

Data champions are volunteers who would like to share/exchange data management practices. We promote the networking benefits and learning/collaboration opportunities to researchers. We organize community meet up twice a year and invite members to present their work.

Regularly, we send out community newsletter with relevant events or updates on related topics.

• You mentioned the data champions network was changed to a open science network. Could you elaborate a bit more what reasons and motivation lead to this change?

Over time, the data champions community start to focus on much broader issues than just research data. We were also inspired by the emerging open science communities in other regions in the Netherlands. Moving into an open science community seems to be a natural step, also given the start of the open science program at TU Delft.