Research Data Utilization Forum (RDUF)
--- For discussion & solution of research data problems in Open Science and Data Sharing
The Introduction to activity of Research Data Utilization Forum

About RDUF

**Objective** Contributing to promoting research data utilization in Japan by sharing domestic and international cases on research data utilization.

**Process**
- Oct 2014 to Oct 2015: key data experts in Japan joined “DOI Registration Experiment Project on Research Data” (by Japan Link Center).
- June 2016: The Forum was established as a bottom-up organization to further promote discussions on data sharing and utilization.

**Organization**
【Chair】Hideaki Takeda (National Institute of Informatics)  【Vice Chair】Yasuhiro Murayama (National Institute of Information and Communications Technology)
【Member】
- > 100 individuals
- Free membership fee

【Institutional Member】
- Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST)
- National Institute for Materials Science (NIMS)
- National Institute of Informatics (NII)
- National Diet Library (NDL)
- National Institute of Information and Communication Technology (NICT)
- Chiba University Library
- Japan Atomic Energy Agency (JAEA)

【Secretariat】Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST)

【Implementation】
- Meetings, Seminars (3 ~ 4 a year)
- Annual assembly (once a year)
- “Sub-committees” (study groups) 2017 ~

RDUF Membership

- Membership fee: Free
- Admission: anybody interested in using research data
Once you join, you can participate in the member mailing list.

RDUF Symposium

- “Big Data and Digital Humanities” (RDUF endorsement) (January 23rd, 2017)
- “The First RDUF Workshop 2017 - The symposium about digital archive and Research Data -The challenges of librarians and archivists toward data preservation and utilization.” (September 13th, 2017)
- “RDUF Symposium - For more encouragement of Research Data utilization.” (February 18th, 2019)
- “Japan Open Science Summit 2018 (JOSS2018)” (Cosponsor)

SubCommittee (SC) Activities (2017 ~)

**Scope of SC framework**
- Exchanging ideas with experts toward problem solving.
- Publishing outputs in the form of guidelines.

**What to do**
Discussions in break out groups, with wider communities, and open forum etc.

**SubCommittees in action**

No. 1 <Data management plan>

- Organizing sharable ideas about DMP
- Publishing recommendation for standardizing the contents of DMP

No. 2 <Research data license>

- Literature review about research data license
- Interviewing relevant experts and researchers
- Conducting a survey about research data license

No. 3 <Japan Data Repository Network; JDARN>

- Establishing a forum for discussion about topics of interest among persons concerned with repository in Japan
- Developing a human network concerned with repository

No. 4 <Research Data Citation>

- Conducting a survey about the current situation about data handling in journals
- Understanding the current situation surrounding data citation
- Establishing a forum for discussion by participating individuals in the community for promoting research data citation

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