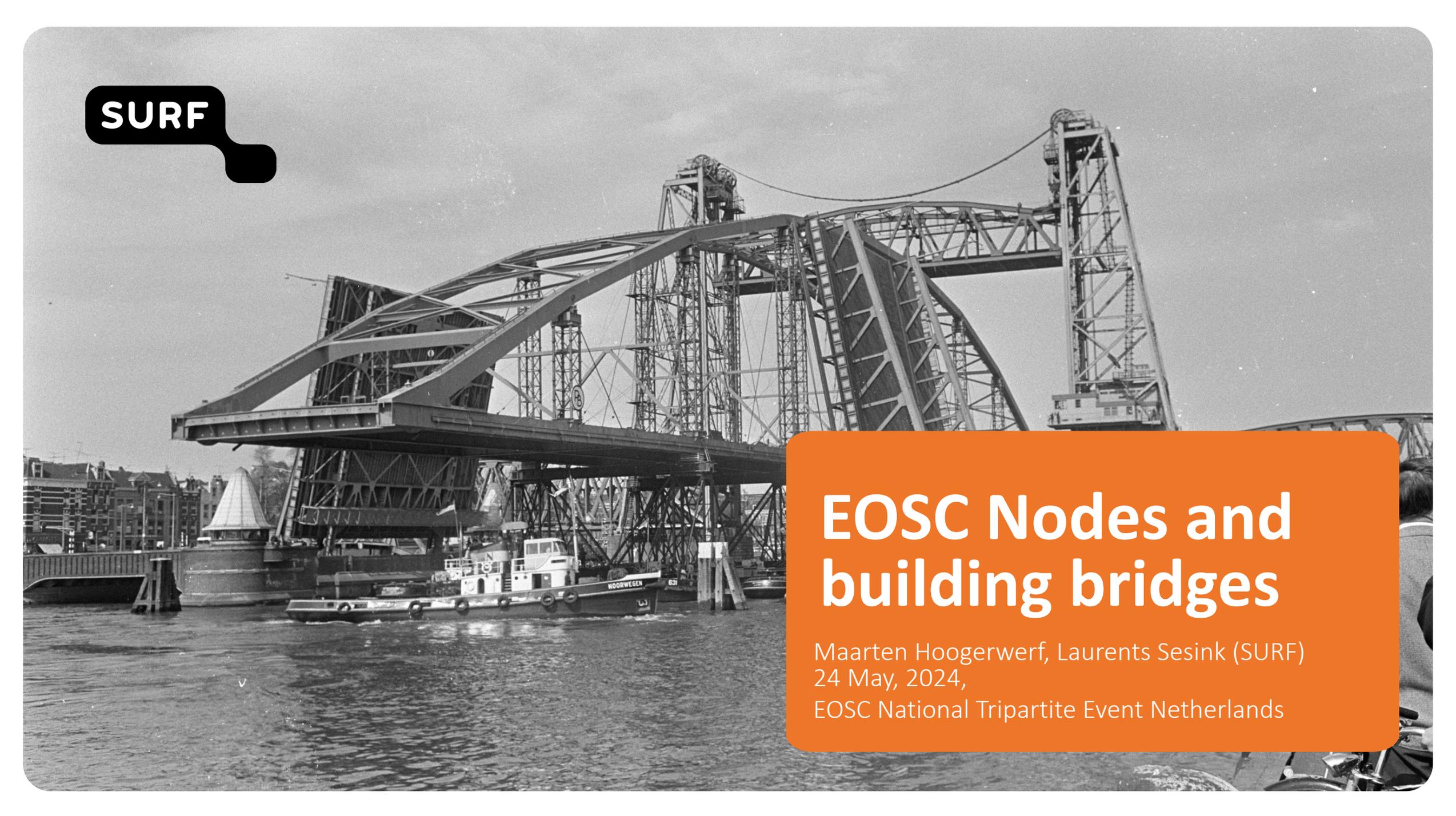


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The background is a black and white photograph of a large drawbridge in an open position. The bridge's massive steel truss structure is the central focus, with its two main spans raised high. Below the bridge, several boats are visible on the water, including one with the name "HOORWEGEN" on its side. In the distance, a city skyline with various buildings is visible under a clear sky.

# EOSC Nodes and building bridges

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24 May, 2024,  
EOSC National Tripartite Event Netherlands

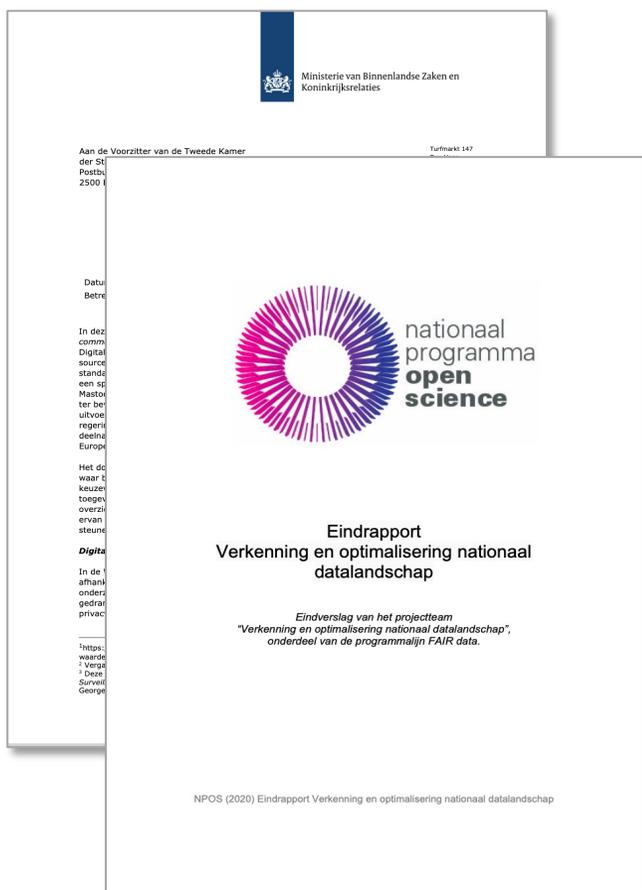
# | Current data landscape

“The Netherlands has a rich, but fragmented, confusing data landscape. This concerns both data services and the development and dissemination of knowledge about the care of research data. This creates risks of overlap, inefficiency and missing opportunities for connection and innovation.”

Final report Exploration and optimization of national data landscape (NPOS, 2020)



# Developments (1/2) - National



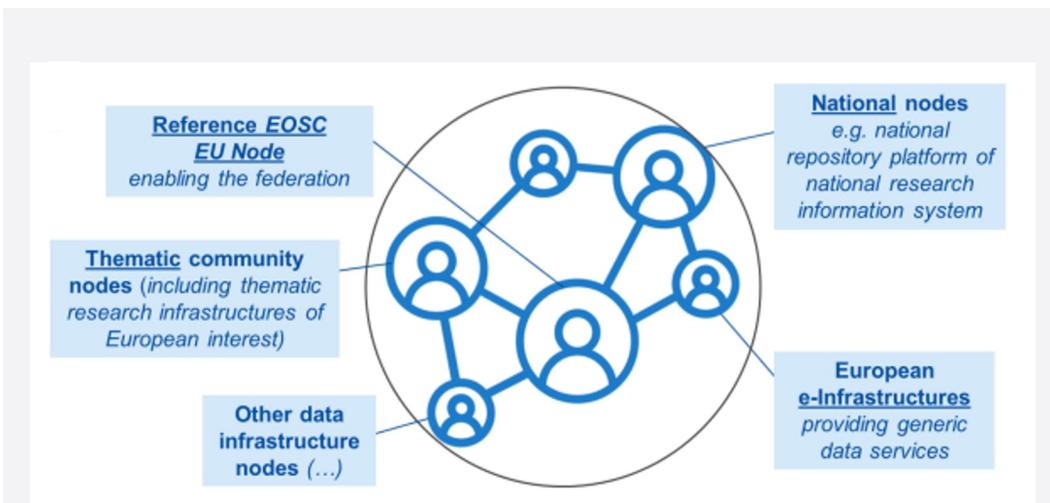
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- “Form a national network of all data service providers and repositories (as 'National Open Science Cloud' or 'Commons' or 'Network') with the aim of greater coordination, overview and synergy.”
- “Form an international hub for the transparent connection with the experience and expertise that is present and built up in a European and international context (EOSC, CODATA, GO-FAIR, RDA, WDS).”

Letter to Parliament on ‘Digital Commons’ (Van Huffelen, 2023)

- “Digital commons offer a suitable model for this <to shape alternative technologies to reduce unwanted dependencies on non-values-driven providers>. They provide a structure in which public values, democratic decision-making and (technological) sovereignty are placed centrally.”

# Developments (2/2) – International



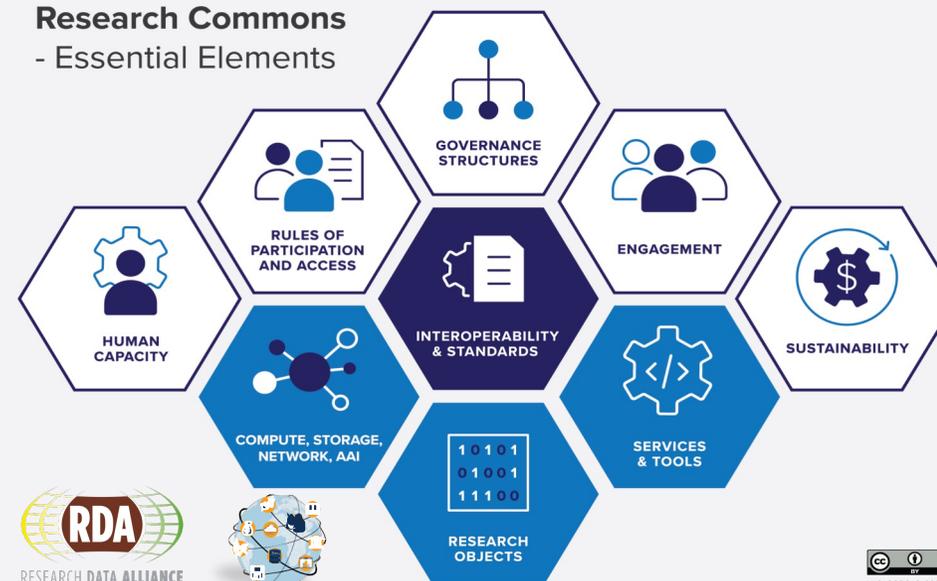
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## EOSC Federation

- EU Node, National Nodes, Thematic Nodes, European e-Infrastructures, Other data infrastructure nodes

## Global Open Research Commons - Essential Elements



## RDA Working Group

- Goal: Interoperability between science clouds, by common definition, range and typology
- Result: A model with 9 essential elements, including **technical, social/human and interoperability**

# | Opportunity to connect the rich landscape to EOSC

- GORC can help us model our rich landscape, in order to connect and decrease confusion.
- The EOSC federation and node structure requested by EOSC is in line with our need to form a commons
- As a pilot node(s), we can investigate opportunities/bottlenecks, and drive the EOSC federation structure



# Current Landscape: Dutch contribution to EOSC development

## EOSC - Association

- NL members: DANS, TUDelft, UvA, UU, HealthRI, SURF.
- NL Mandated organisation: SURF
- EOSC-A Task Forces
  - TFs: FAIR, Semantic Interoperability, Data Stewardship, Upskilling, Research Engagement, AAI, Software quality, Technical Interoperability, Long-term data preservation
  - NL partners: DANS, DTL, NLeSc, UU, SURF, TU/e



### WORKING GROUPS

- Sustainability: UU
- Landscape: RUG
- FAIR: DTL
- RoP: UvA
- Architecture: WUR

## Through e-infrastructures



## EOSC related projects



## Through Communities

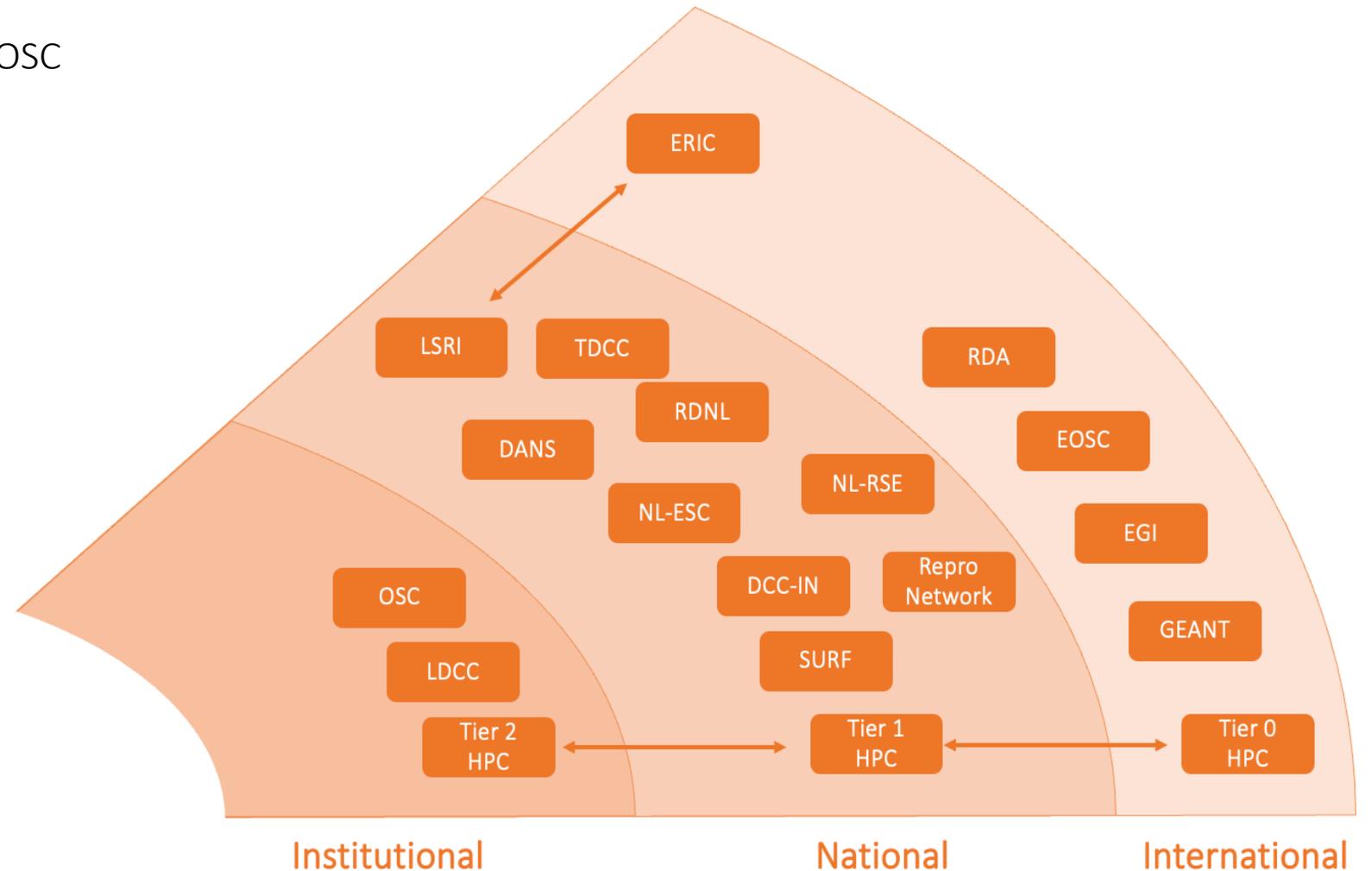


## Through NL organisations



# | Current landscape: Institutional, national and int'l.

Simplified overview: many routes to EOSC



# | Initial landscape inventory using GORC

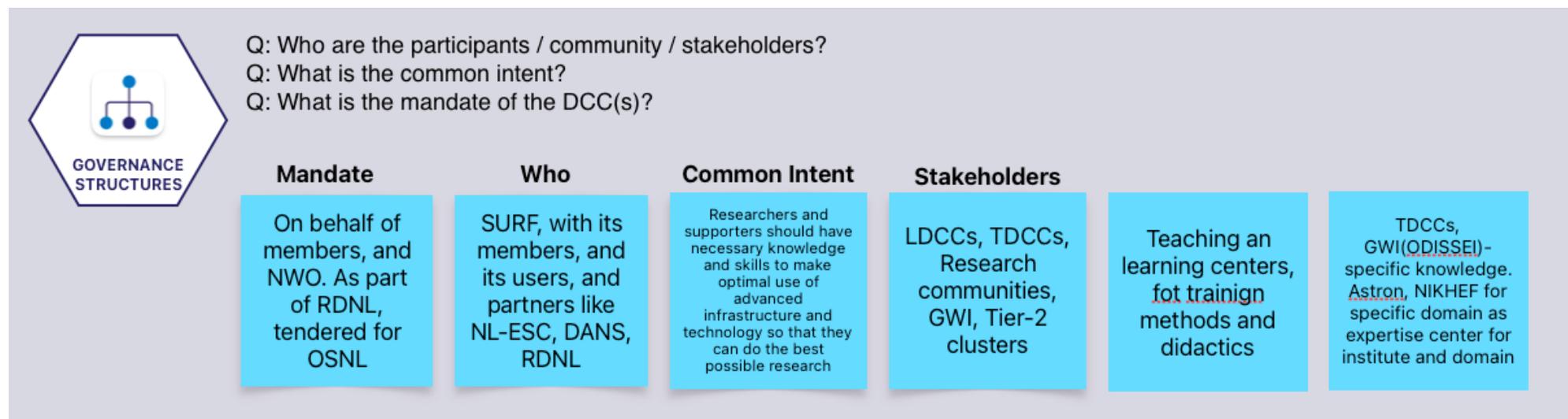
To support the node-discussion:

- Provide initial insight into who does what, so that we can identify what are bottlenecks, what are opportunities, and where we want to collaborate
- Try suitability of GORC model for inventory of landscape (common language)
- Focus on training & competences, (thematic) research infrastructure and e-infrastructure
- Start with inventory within SURF and few other organizations



# Conducting the interviews

- 1st half to ask in general about the participants activities
- 2nd half more structured questions to fill in the blank elements



- Experience: Pleasant conversation, good coverage of the 9 elements. Additional questions lead to interesting discussions about aspects that had not been considered by the participants.

# Results from the Interviews

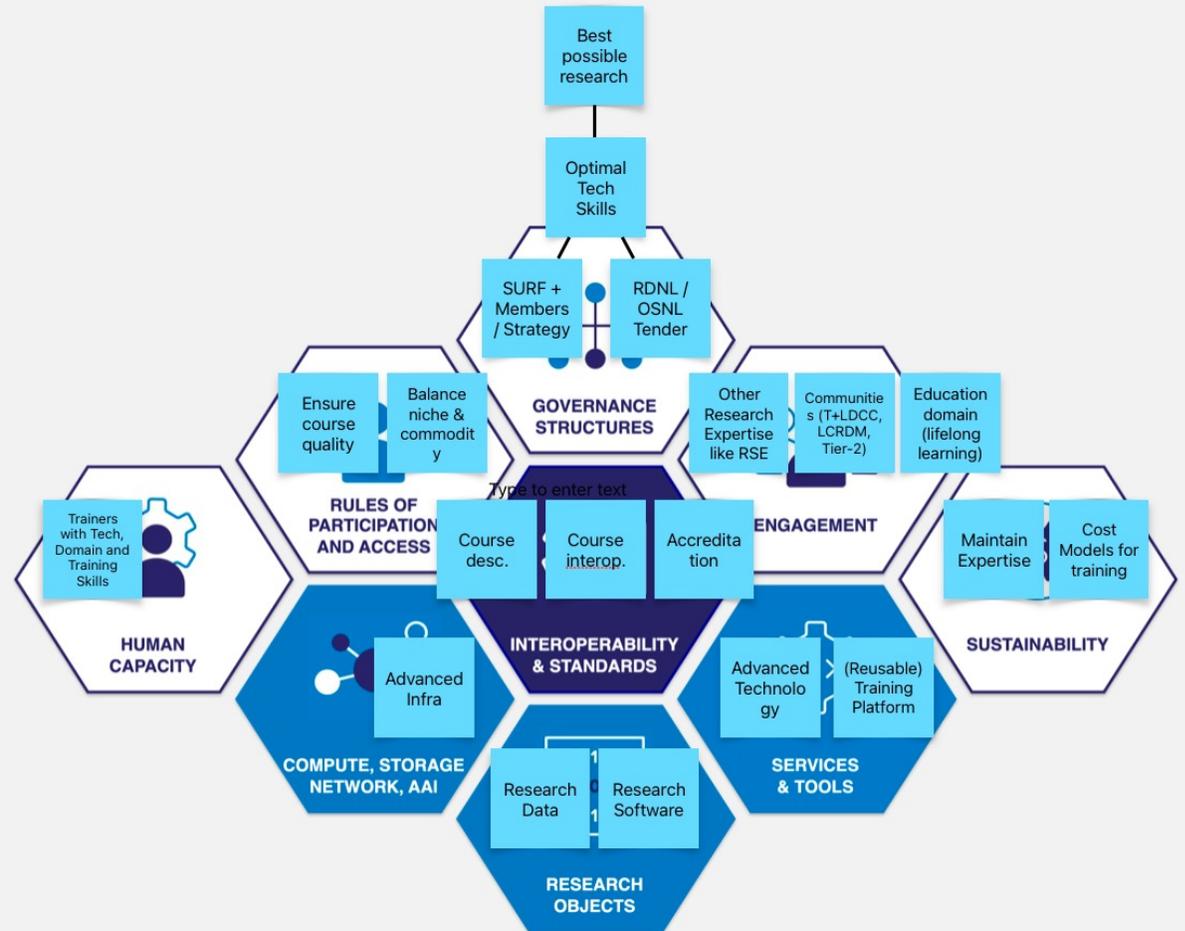
Summarized output from each interview

- All elements, both technical and social ones, relevant for each activity, and related

Comparison between interviews

- Participants share activities on e.g. training
- Participants share challenges on sustainability, engagement and human capacity
- Participants share common intent, though on different levels.

## SURF - Program Skills & Capacity

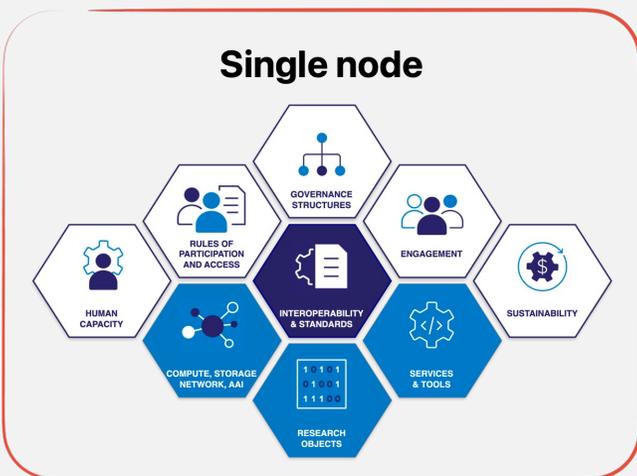


# Towards a fully-fledged EOSC Federation

Tripartite Group, Supports the coordination and steering of:

- Minimal Requirements
- Pilot Node(s)
- EOSC Federation Handbook

How to shape one or more Dutch pilot node(s)?



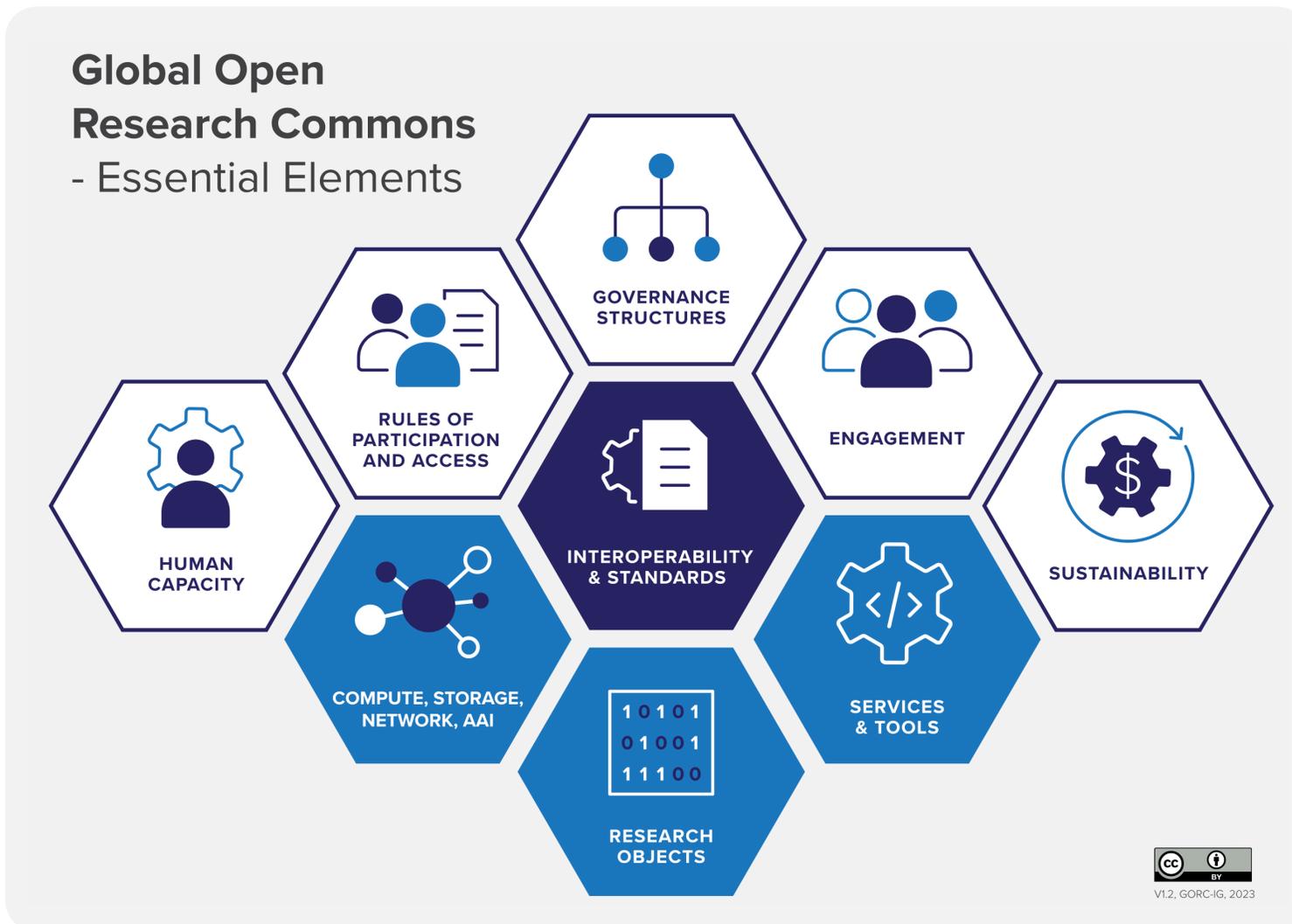
### Individual Dutch node(s)



# Towards a fully-fledged EOSC Federation

What should be included in one or more Dutch node(s)?

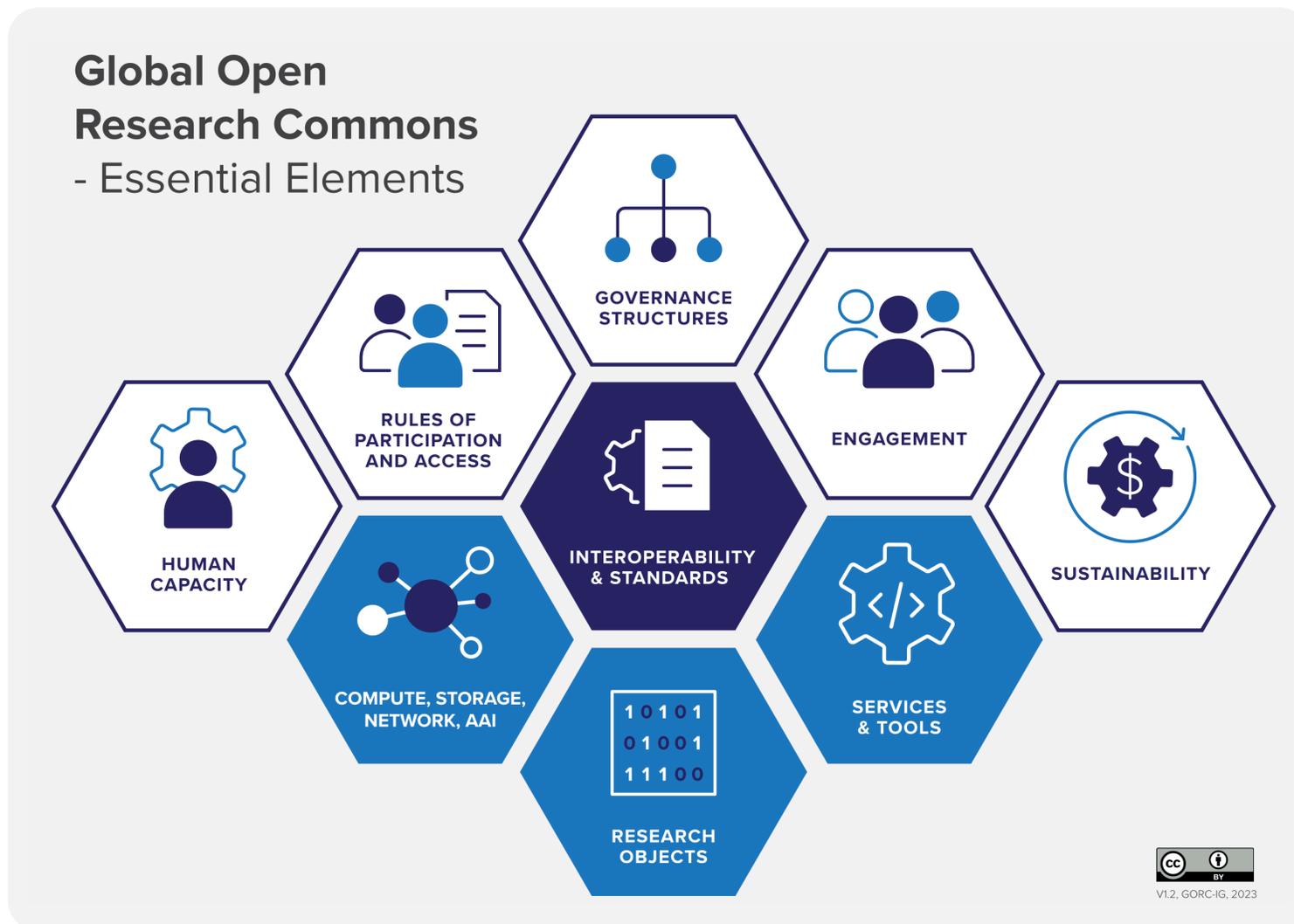
- Technical elements (blue)
- Social elements (white)



# Break-out: How do you fit in one or more node(s)?

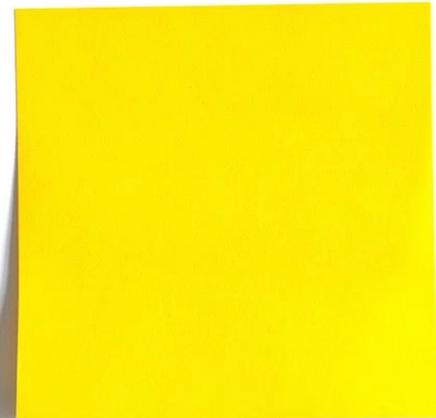
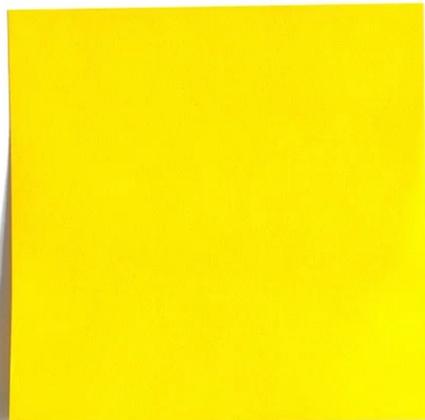
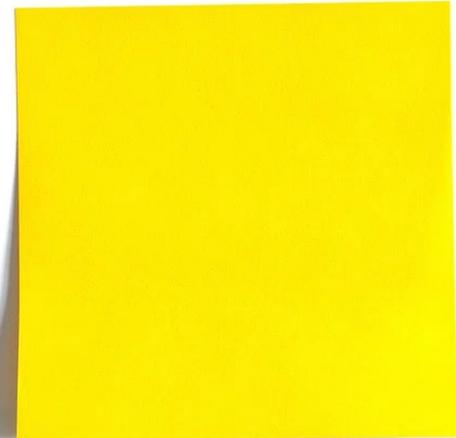
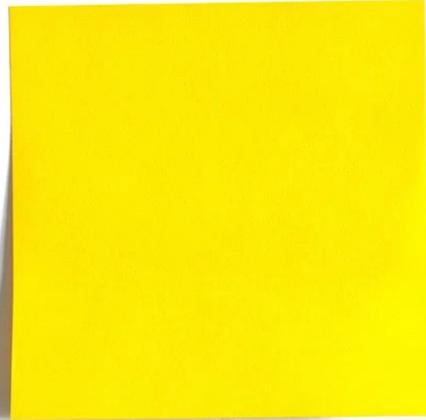
Discuss in 4 groups, each:

- What do you want to offer via a node to the EOSC federation?
- What is your main benefit and challenge to participate in a node in the federation of EOSC?
- Are the 9 essential elements of the GORC model useful to represent your offers (including both the technical and human/social aspects)?



# Breakout - Report back

- Laurents Sesink
- Maarten Hoogerwerf
- Jennifer Liew
- Patrick Schelvis



# Conclusion and Next Steps

## Momentum

- Desire to connect fragmented landscape
- GORC as a means to compare / align our activities, challenges, etc.
- EOSC pilot node as a *vehicle* to explore

## Setup working group

- What can we offer
- Which node(s) scenario is most suitable
- Provide Dutch input to Tripartite Group
- Initiate & operationalize node(s)

