

Open National Training Service

Kick-off consortium meeting

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Agenda

1. Introduction round
2. Project presentation
3. Feedback on business plan
4. Discussion on the role of the steering committee
5. Next steps



Introduction round ~ 2-3 min.

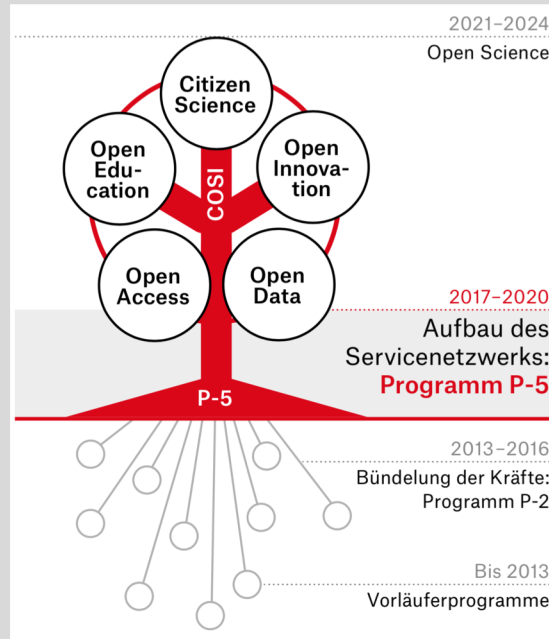
1. a) Name, home institution.

1. b) Experiences in organising
courses

2. Motivation for participation

- expectations
- contribution

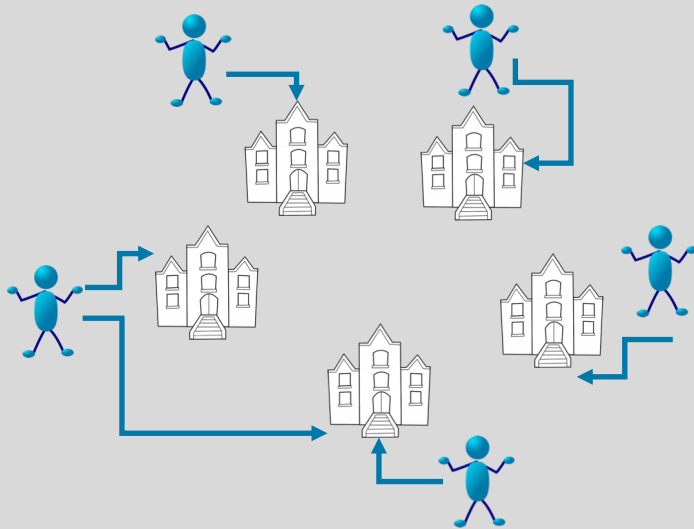
P-5 Project of swissuniversities



- “...the P-5 program initiates and manages **coordination** between the higher education institutions with the objective of **improving the supply of digital scientific contents** and **creating optimized tools for their processing**.”
- “**Technical and organisational foundations** will make the implementation of the programme possible in the first place.”
- “Existing **local services** such as repositories, publication platforms or e-learning tools **are to be expanded into national services**.”

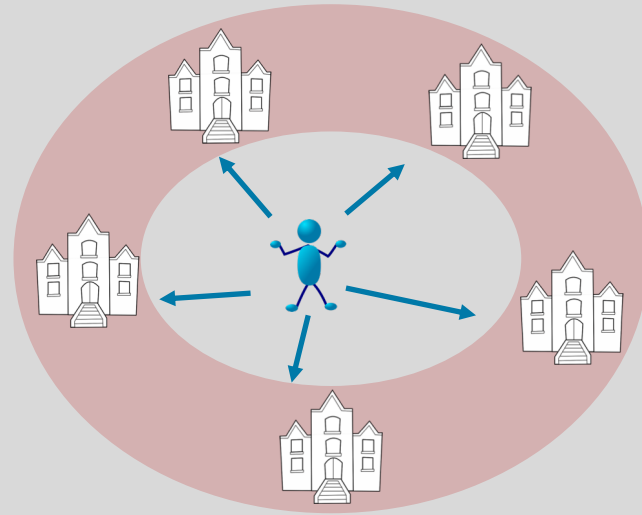
Impact

Currently



Aim of the project

Central digital catalogue of courses



Possible benefits

- Course participants - get extended access to courses organised by all member institutions.
- Technical:
 - Use the central site as the main place to organise the information about your courses.
 - Or keep your own local list of courses, that is going to be scraped.
- Professional:
 - You get an overview on all curricula.
 - You can identify the needs.
 - This is a good basis to apply for financing for the development of a new course.

Technical tools for the service

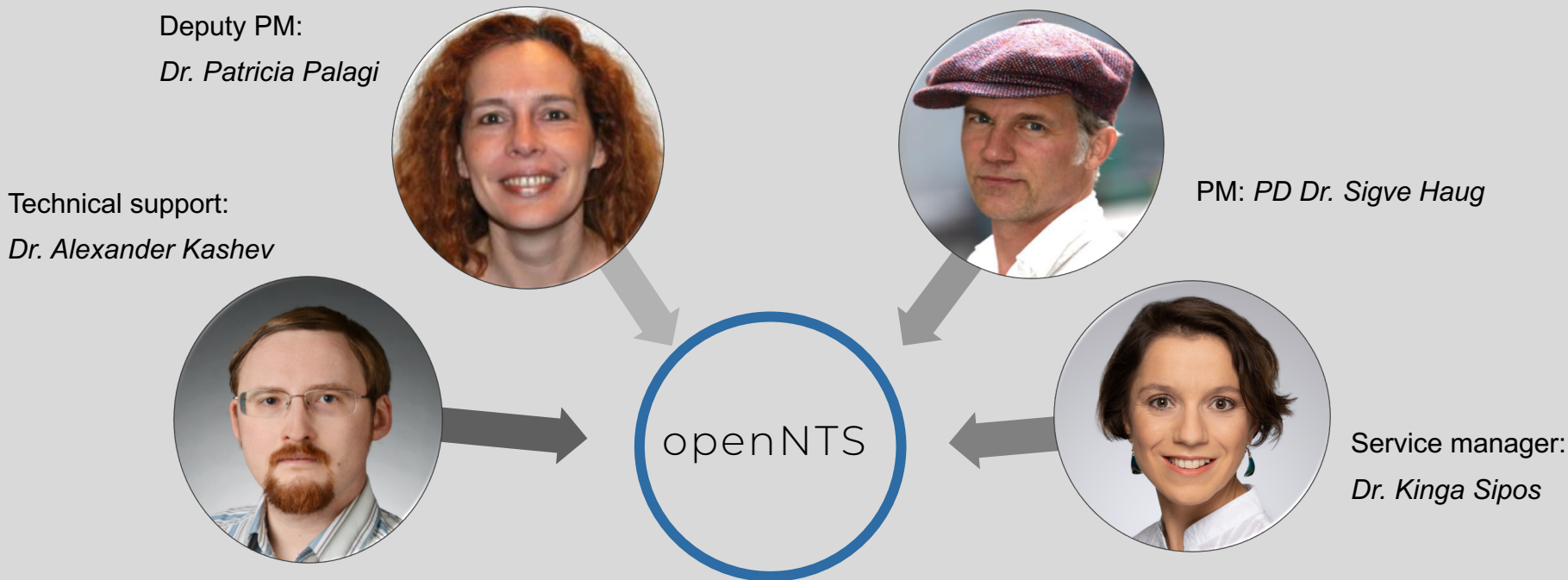
TeSS

- Product developed by the Horizon 2020 project ELIXIR-EXCELERATE.
- It is ELIXIR's training platform.
- It provides a solution to:
 - collect and promote courses
 - collect course materials
- One can put courses in
 - manually
 - by scraping
- It is open-source, written in Ruby.

Schema

- For scraping it is needed a communication between the central site of courses and the local site.
- Schema provides the common structure for this.
- Schema.org was founded by Google, Microsoft, Yahoo and Yandex.
- Schema.org vocabularies are developed by an open community process.

Project core



Project partners



Timeline of the project 1

2020-04-01 M1 Service manager employment and technical support

2020-04-15 M2 First business plan and service description draft

2020-04-23 M3 First consortium meeting

2020-06-02 M4 Second consortium (extended) meeting

2020-06-10 M5 Submission of M2 to swissuniversities

2020-07-01 M6 Catalogue on link basis online

Timeline of the project 2

2020-10-01 M7 Contact and invite course providers in all Swiss Higher Education Institutions and relevant P-5 projects to join the committee and or use the service

2020-10-01 M8 Catalogue with SWITCHhub integration online

2020-10-06 M+ Additional consortium meeting

2020-10-XX Open Science Call from swissuniversities

2020-12-01 M9 Consortium meeting (endorse curriculum, budget, plan 2020) M10 Self-financed service in operation with service manager

From 2020-12-31 to 2021-02-15 M11 Final reporting to swissuniversities

Existing business plans - summary

Institution	Average nr. of yearly courses	Max. nr. of participant	Course fee for internals	Course fee for externals	Observation
SIB	50	25	60	300	Experience in managing their courses with participation fees.
UZH	60	24	0	0	Courses are opened up for externals one week before the course.
ETH	30	25	varies	varies	Custom-tailored courses for SIS subscription customers are free of charge but are only open to members of the subscription. Other courses come with a subsidized fee and are open to the ETH domain only. The one course with the external instructor is open to everybody (also for international participants) at an academic rate (ca. 100 CHF / day).
UNIBAS	30	24	60	?	About 10 courses in collaboration with SIB.
INIFR					Not own courses, but in partnership with SIB, CUSO, BENEFR.
UNIBE	40	24	0	0	Some on request courses have fees. We will introduce a participation fee of 100 CHF / day, 75 CHF / half day.

Plan 1 – service fee based

5000 CHF per mother inst.

15 institutions would cover
75.000 CHF.

Question: Flat fee?

Plan 2 – registration fee based

Category	Value
Registration fee per participant	21
Rate of participation	0.7

Mixed business plan for a self-sustained service

- Is highly relying on the service fees.
- Allows for benefitting of the service also for the institutions, which do not pay a service fee.
- Works similarly to a sports club: you have either a yearly membership fee or you pay each time you use its facilities.

Yearly service maintenance fee	75000	Total of registration fees	25000
		Registration fee per participant per course	40
Nr. of institutions	10	Courses of the member institutions attended by externals	625
Service fee per institution (in CHF)	5000	Total number of courses of the member institutions	400
Total of the service fees	50000	Average nr. of external participant per course	1.56

Feedback on the business plan

Which business plan would fit your institution the best?

Steering committee - discussion

- Role
 - Study curricula – identify the lacks
 - Decide about the adjustment of the business plan
 - Initiate projects for covering the creation of new courses
- Members
 - Should be all the institutions represented? Or just the ones paying a service fee?
 - Swissuniversities should be there as observer?

⇒ Terms of reference

Next step

- Inclusion of other institutions.
- ⇒ Minutes with recommended list of institutions.

Thanks for your participation!

Stay healthy!

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