

# NASA Earth Science Technology Office (ESTO) *Advanced Information Systems Technology (AIST)*



## **Earth Systems Digital Twins (ESDT)** ***Standards for Interoperable Digital Twins***

September 18, 2023

# ESTO AIST Earth System Digital Twins (ESDT) Summary of Activities 2021-2023



- Earth Systems Digital Twins (ESDTs) are an emerging capability for understanding, forecasting, and conjecturing the complex interconnections among Earth systems, including anthropomorphic forcings and impacts to humanity.

=> **“What Now? What Next? What If?”**

- ESDTs will play a critical role in NASA’s new Earth Science to Action initiative.
- AIST-21 Solicitation, first US government Solicitation requesting Digital Twins Technology for Earth Science
- **16 current ESDT technology development projects funded under the Advanced Information Systems Technology (AIST) program** focusing on developing:
  - Underlying analytic capabilities to build Digital Replicas
  - Novel ESDT infrastructure technologies
  - Surrogate modeling and ML emulators
  - Preliminary prototypes including interconnected modeling.
- Workshops and other community meetings to explore science use cases, enabling technologies, frameworks, prototyping, interoperability, and federation:
  - **AIST ESDT Workshop: Oct 26-28, 2022. Report: <https://go.nasa.gov/3RhezAr>**
  - Standards for Interoperable Digital Twins Workshop: Sep 18, 2023
  - Currently also developing an ESDT Architecture Framework document.
- Collaboration with ESA, Destination Earth, CNES, and others

## Digital Replica . . . **What now?**

*An integrated picture of the past and current states of Earth systems.*

## Forecasting . . . **What next?**

*An integrated picture of how Earth systems will evolve in the future from the current state.*

## Impact Assessment . . . **What if?**

*An integrated picture of how Earth systems could evolve under different hypothetical what-if scenarios.*



Visit the dedicated ESDT webpage at: <https://esto.nasa.gov/earth-system-digital-twin/>

# Standards for Interoperable Digital Twins



Advanced Information Systems Technology (AIST)  
Earth Systems Digital Twin (ESDT)  
Workshop Report

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Workshop Co-Organized with Earth Science Information Partners (ESIP)  
Report Edited by ESDT Workshop Participants

October 26-28, 2022

## CHALLENGES:

- Local vs. Regional vs. Global vs. Thematic Digital Twins?
- Future “web” of Digital Twins => **How will we federate future ESDT?**
  - ➔ **Interoperability/Standards and Protocols at all levels** (Syntactic, semantic, legal and organizational)
- What are the main architecture components of an ESDT?
- **How will various data, models, ESDT interoperate?**
- How do we trust/validate ESDT (e.g., using historical data, etc.)? How to quantify uncertainty?
- Which computational resources will be required?
- How to visualize a Digital Twin? Which User Interface?
- Which sustainable digital twin governance model should be adopted to address software configuration changes, security and full life cycle management?



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## *Standards for Interoperable Digital Twins*

### **OBJECTIVES:**

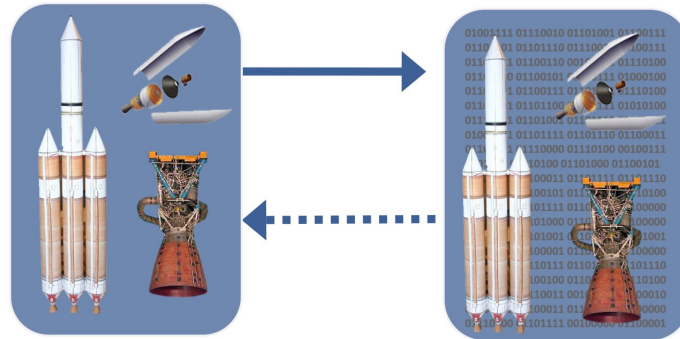
- Survey Digital Twins standards state-of-the-art in other domains as well as in the Earth Science domain
- Identify specific challenges from Earth Science current developments as well as from other domains' past and current projects
- If possible, categorize and prioritize these challenges => Next Steps



### **AGENDA:**

- Introduction: Objectives of Mini-Workshop
- Experts' Presentations (10 minutes each):
  - Michael Grieves/Digital Twin Institute
  - Siri Jodha Singh Khalsa/IEEE GRSS Standards
  - Trent Tinker/OGC
  - Ryan Berkheimer/NOAA
  - John Stone/NVIDIA
  - Thomas Geenen/ECMWF-DestinE
  - Arne Berre/SINTEF-Iliad DTO and EDITO
- Q&A
- Lessons learned and underlying challenges from participants (e.g., CNES, NOAA EO-DT Projects, etc.)
- Group Discussion and Next Steps





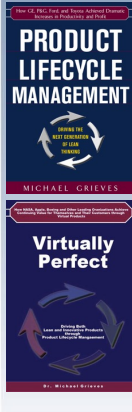
# Earth System Digital Twins (ESDT)

Dr. Michael Grieves

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Digital Twin Institute/Univ of Central Florida

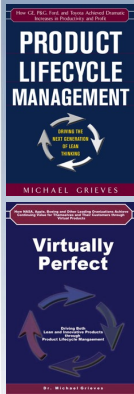
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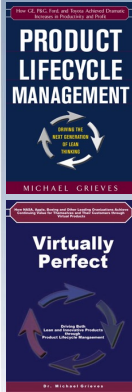
# Earth System Digital Twin Replication, Prediction, Impact

- Issues of “Boil the Ocean” Multi-Domain System Complexity
- Critical Need for Validation of ESDT Data, Models, Presentation
  - Independent, unbiased audits, reports, ratings – mirror financial world
  - Red team validation of new models
  - Data integrity and consistency
  - Prediction and impact accuracy and reliability
  - Neutral representation (language - extreme, colors - red)
- Digital Twin Interoperability



# Interoperative Digital Twins Cohesion

- Interoperability requires cohesion for
  - Internally - individual Digital Twins
  - Externally - multiple Digital Twins
- Cohesion enforcement
  - Physical – Material/Forces
  - Virtual – Information inputs/digital processing
- Potential DT Cohesion Solutions
  - Ad hoc programming
  - Standards – Ontologies, Attributes, Method Call Semantics
  - Harmonization
  - Middleware
  - Platforms
  - AI





# Selected Publications

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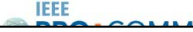















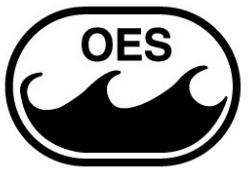









# IEEE GRSS Standards Committee

## NASA AIST Workshop on Standards for Interoperable Digital Twins

Siri Jodha Singh Khalsa  
GRSS Standards Committee Chair

# The GRSS is one of 39 IEEE Societies

	IEEE Aerospace and Electronic Systems Society (AESS)		Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society (EMBS)		IEEE Power & Energy Society (PES)
	IEEE Antennas and Propagation Society		IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Society (GRSS)		IEEE Product Safety Engineering Society (PSES)
	IEEE Communications Society		IEEE Industrial Electronics Society		IEEE Professional Communication Society
	IEEE Systems Society		IEEE Industry Applications Society (IAS)		
	IEEE Computational Intelligence Society		IEEE Information Theory Society		
	IEEE Computer Society		IEEE Instrumentation and Measurement Society (IMS)		
			IEEE Intelligent Transportation Systems Society (ITSS)		
			IEEE Magnetics Society		IEEE Smart Cities Society (SPS)
	IEEE Control Systems Society (CSS)				IEEE Solid State Circuits Society (SSCS)
	IEEE Dielectrics and Electrical Insulation Society (DEIS)		IEEE Microwave Theory and Technology Society (MTT-S)		IEEE Systems, Man, and Cybernetics Society (SMC)
	IEEE Education Society (EdSoc)		IEEE Nuclear and Plasma Sciences Society (NPSS)		IEEE Technology and Engineering Management Society (TEMS)
	IEEE Electromagnetic Compatibility Society (EMC-S)		IEEE Oceanic Engineering Society		IEEE Ultrasonics, Ferroelectrics, and Frequency Control Society (UFFC)
	IEEE Electron Devices Society (EDS)		IEEE Photonics Society		IEEE Vehicular Technology Society (VTS)
	IEEE Electronics Packaging Society (EPS)		IEEE Power Electronics Society (PELS)		

# The GRSS Standards for Earth Observation (GSEO) is one of eight GRSS Technical Committees



The GSEO sponsors standards development projects for all types of Earth observing platforms and sensors, and the systems and procedures used to generate and disseminate products and information from those observations.

# The GSEO has sponsored 6 standards projects

- Characterizing and Calibrating **Hyperspectral Imagers** (P4001)
- Metadata Model for **Synthetic Aperture Radar** Data (P4002)
- Describing **GNSS Reflectometry** Datasets (P4003)
- Calibration Procedures for **Microwave Radiometers** (P4004)
- Protocol and Scheme for Measuring **Soil Spectroscopy** (P4005)
- Remote Sensing Frequency Band **RFI Impact** Assessment (P4006)

# IEEE 4003 was Published in 2021



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## IEEE Standard for Spaceborne Global Navigation Satellite System-Reflectometry (GNSS-R) Data and Metadata Content

IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Society (GRSS)

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**iMeet Central:** web-based collaboration workspace to share files, continue discussions via available fora, and manage timeline and milestones via calendar.



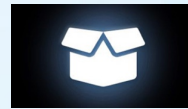
**WordPress:** a content management system which can be used to host your Working Group's website.



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# Other Activities of the GRSS Standards Committee



- IEEE P2874 - **Spatial Web** Protocol
- IEEE P3397 - Standard for **SAR Image Quality** Metrics
- GSEO is member of OGC/ISO working group to standardize CEOS specifications for **Analysis Ready Data**
- Working with the IEEE OES, and possibly other IEEE Societies to develop a “**Recommended Practice for the Development of Digital Twins of the Earth**”

# Iliad – Digital Twins of the Ocean



*Interoperable, data-intensive, and cost-effective DTOs*

Provide a virtual environment representing the ocean

- Capable of running complex, predictive management scenarios
- Integrating sensors, models and digital infrastructures

Aim: Interoperable systems, services and assets

- System-of-Systems approach, interlinked but independent
- Standard interfaces, building blocks, processes needed!

Linked/Aligned with DestinE, EDITO, DITTO, ...

56+2 organizations involved

- IEEE WGs would focus on standards and best practices





# Thanks for your attention

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# OGC Introduction

Standards for Interoperable Digital Twins

Trent Tinker  
Sept 18 2023





# What is OGC?

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**A hub for thought leadership, innovation, and standards for all things related to location**

## **Our Vision**

Building the future of location with community and technology for the good of society

## **Our Mission**

Make location information Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, and Reusable (FAIR)

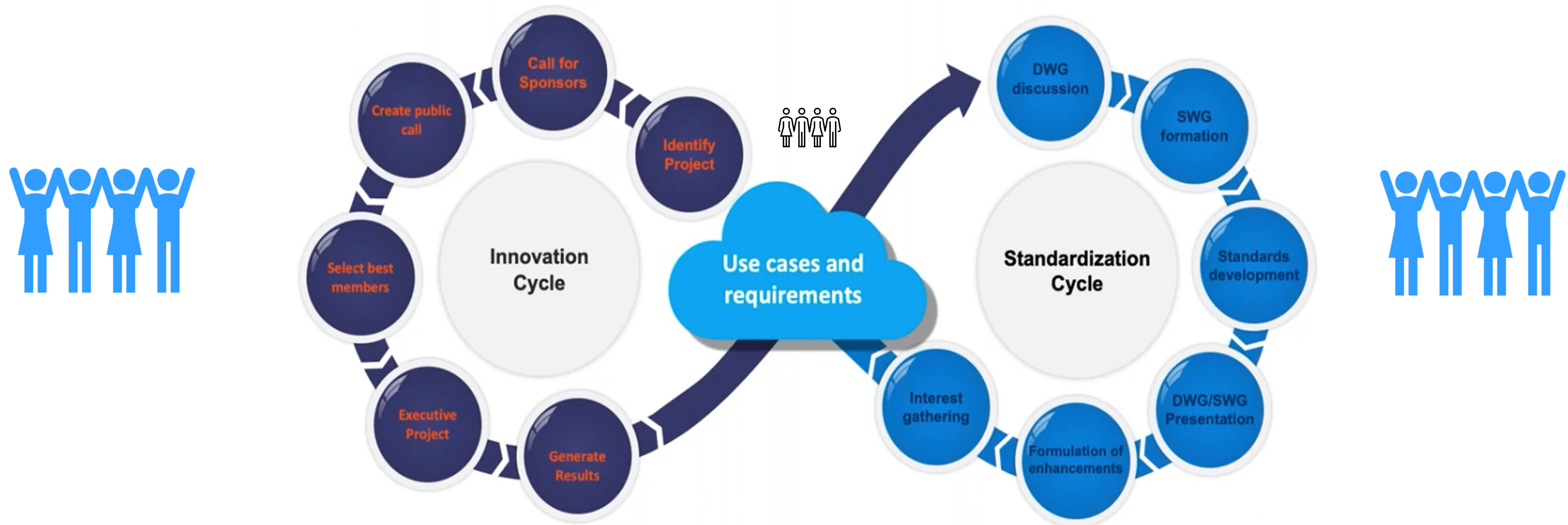
## **Our Approach**

A proven collaborative and agile process combining consensus-based standards, innovation project, and partnership building

# Community, Standards and Innovation: A proven process with an agile methodology

## Collaborative Solutions and Innovation Program (COSI)

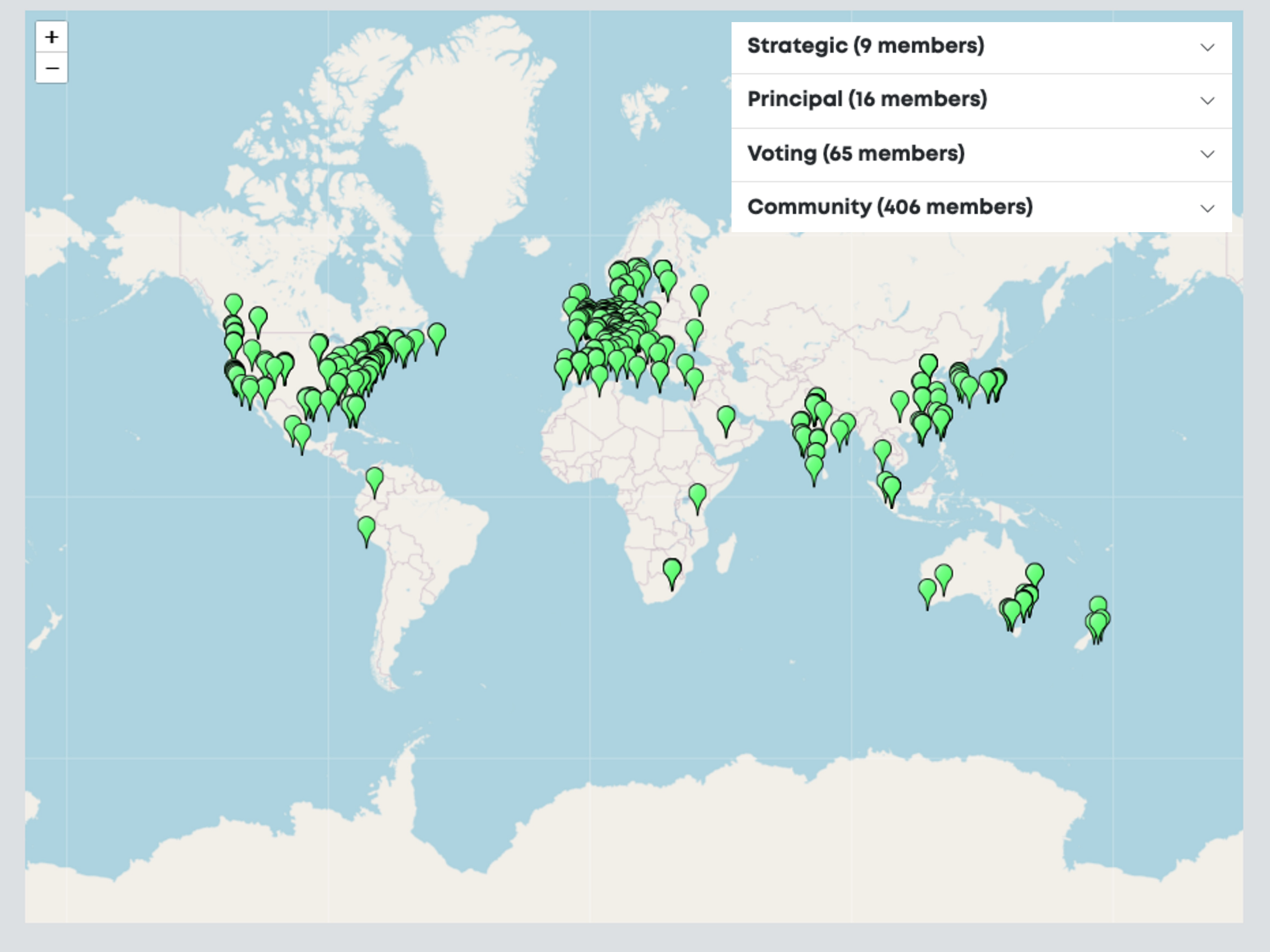
## Standards Program



# Who Are Our Members?

Community: 500+ Members

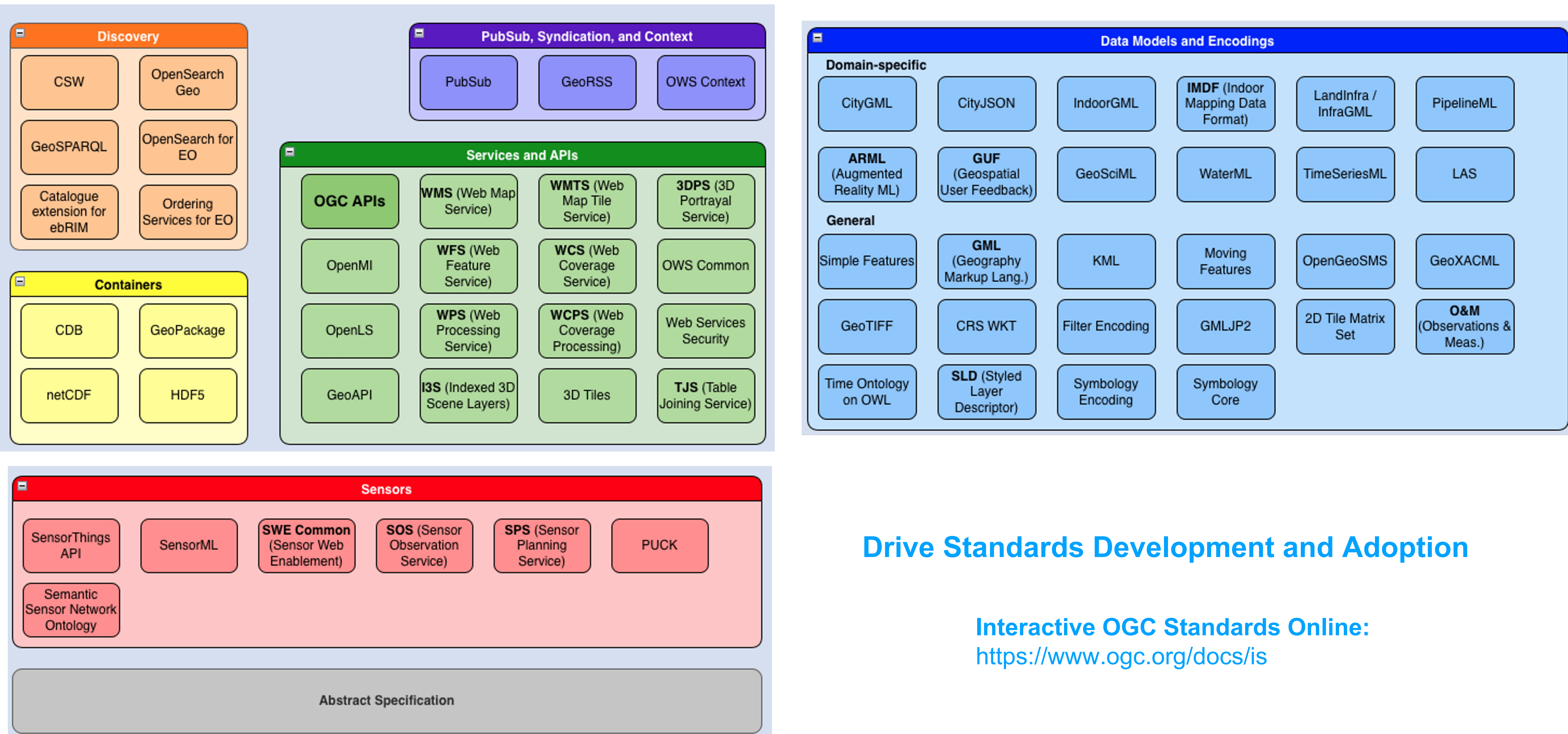
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# The OGC Standards Program



# Standards Architecture Diagram



Drive Standards Development and Adoption

Interactive OGC Standards Online:  
<https://www.ogc.org/docs/is>

# Foundational Standards for Earth Systems Digital Twins

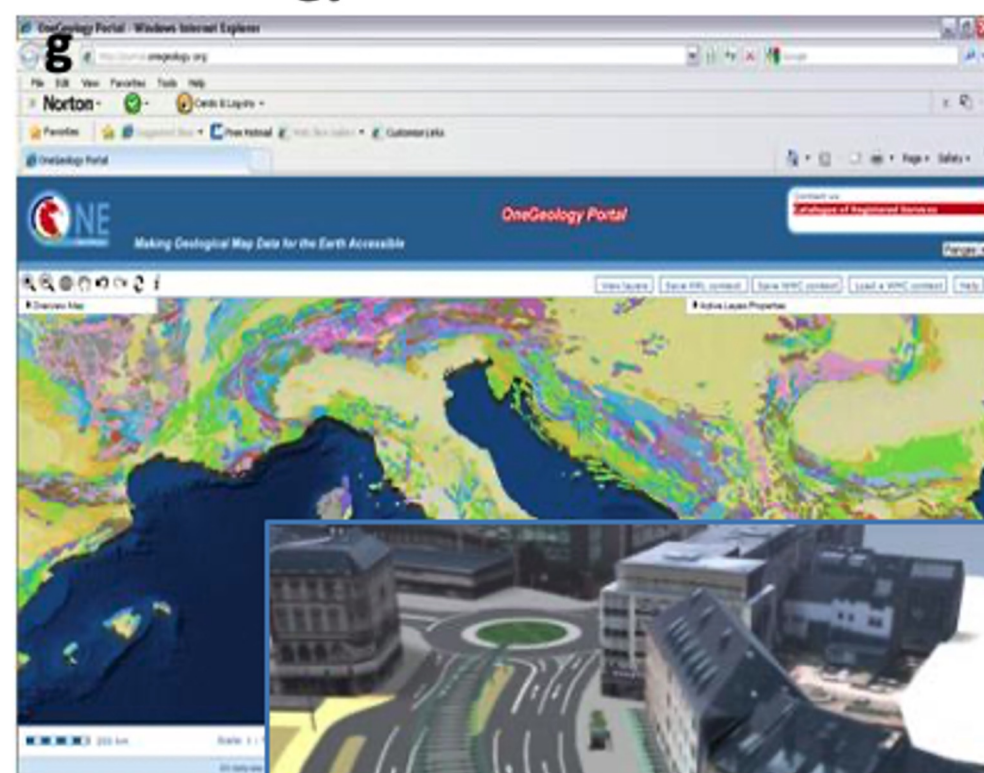
An aerial photograph of a vast, snow-covered mountain range. A prominent river valley winds through the center of the landscape, with a road or railway line following its course. The terrain is rugged, with numerous peaks and ridges covered in white snow. The sky is a clear, deep blue, and there are scattered white clouds, particularly in the lower right and left foreground, suggesting a high-altitude or winter setting.

# Millions of Geospatial Datasets on >200K Servers

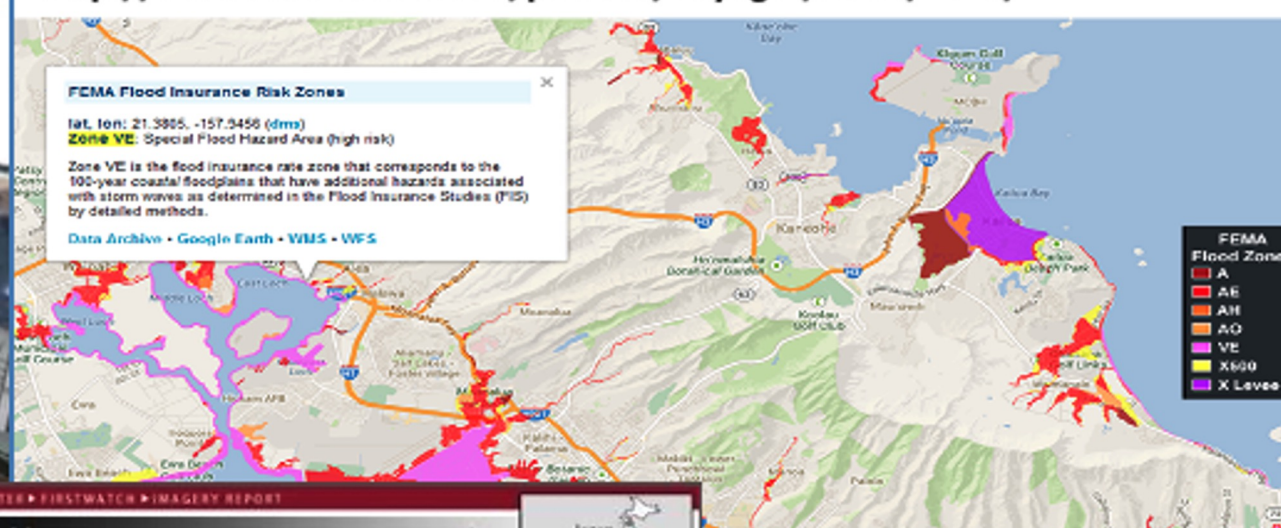
**OGC Web Services (OWS)**  
**Web Map Service (WMS)**  
**Web Map Tile Service (WMTS)**  
**Web Feature Service (WFS)**  
**Web Coverage Service (WCS)**

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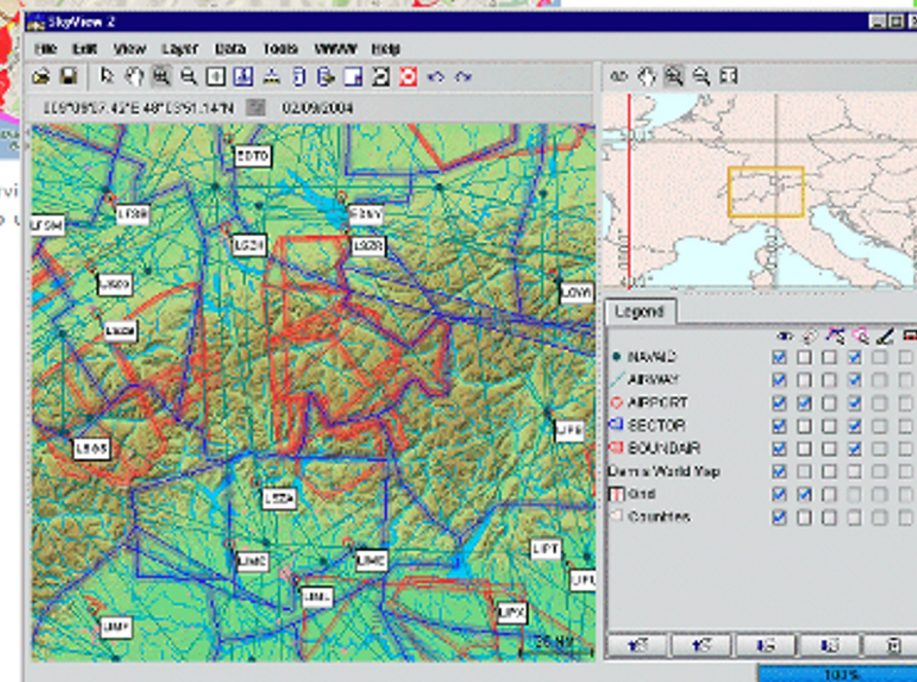
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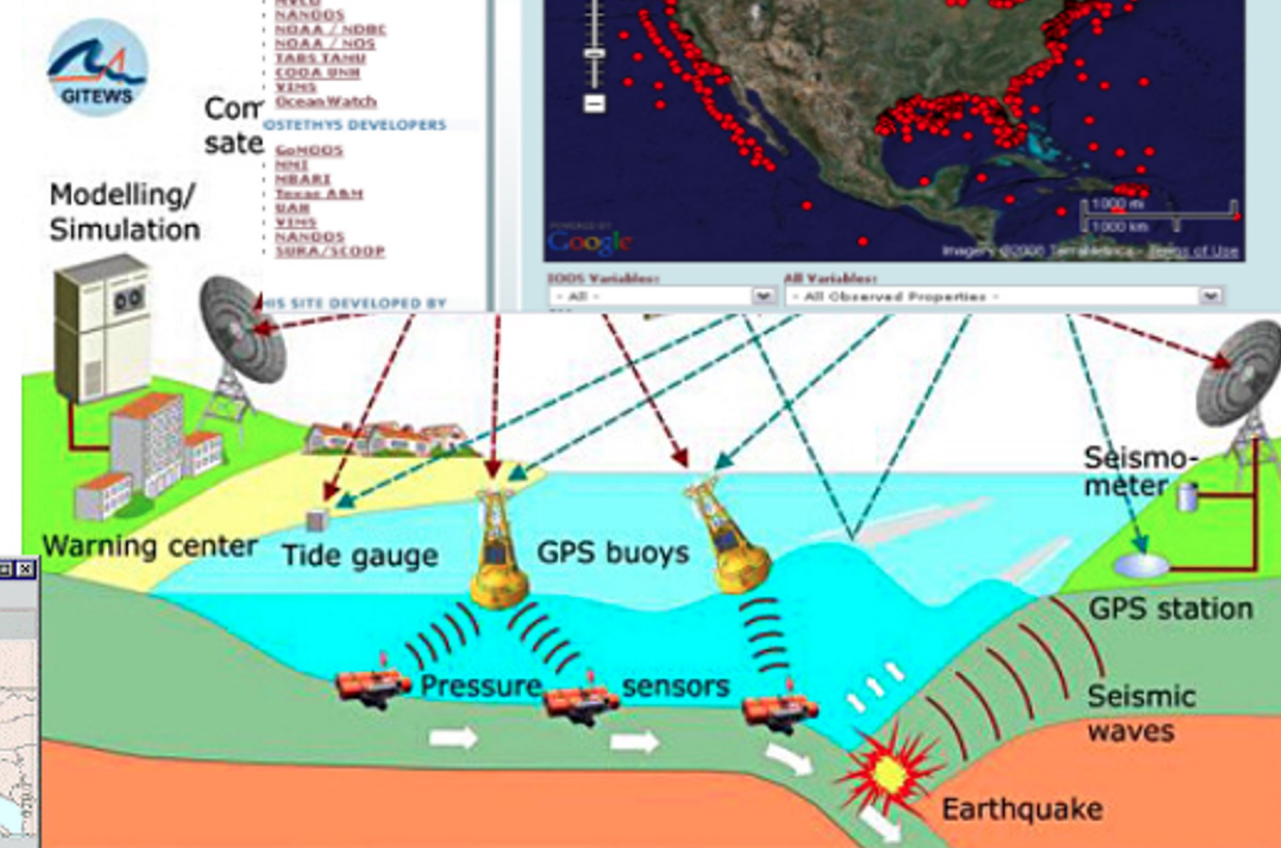


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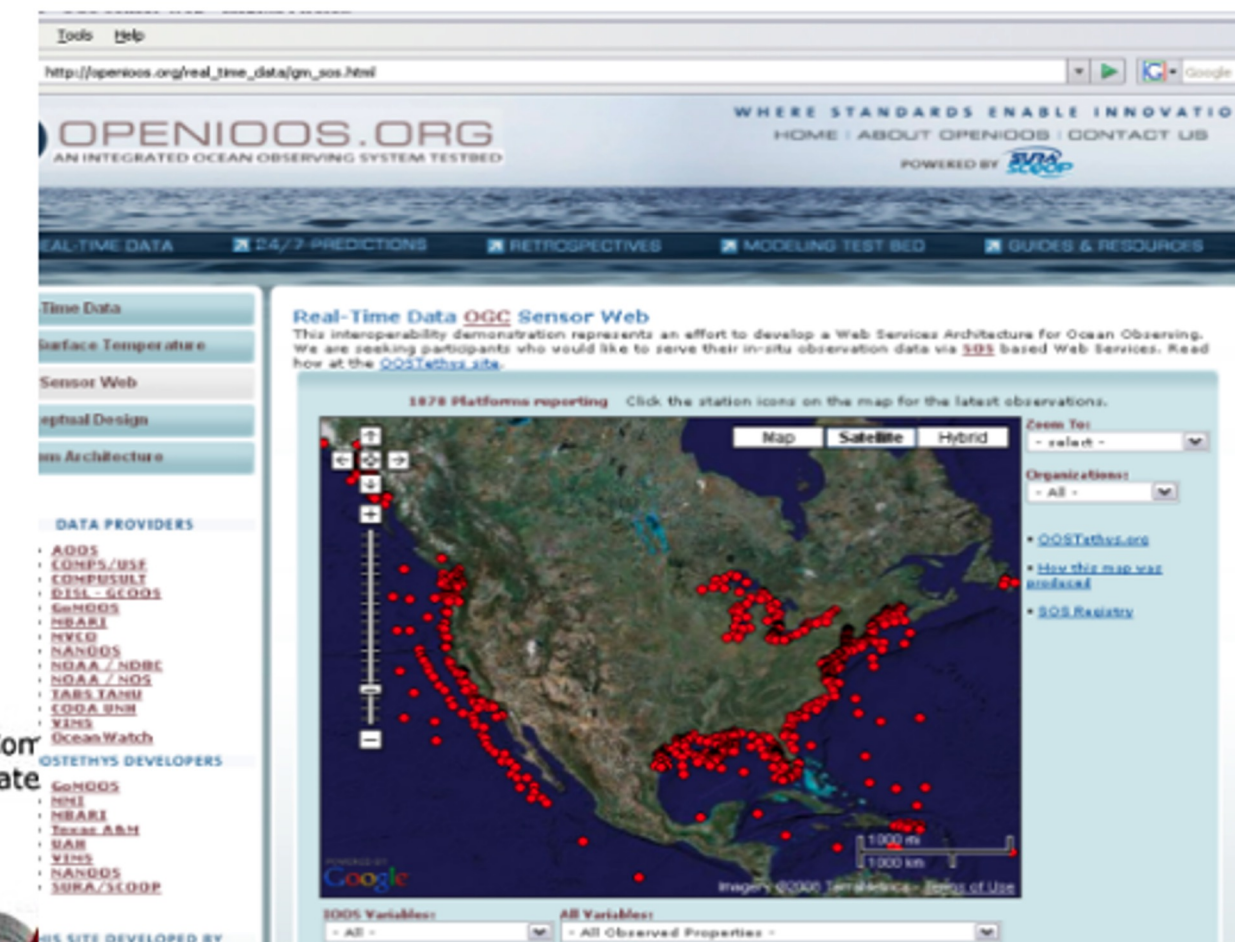


**Aviation Flight Information / Safety**

Eurocontrol



**Meteorology, Hydrology, Ocean Monitoring**



# OGC API Standards



## Features

Approved Standard

OGC API - Features - Part 1: Core and Part 2: Coordinate Reference Systems by Reference are both publicly available.



## Common

Approved Standard

OGC API - Common specifies those building blocks that are shared by most or all OGC API Standards to ensure consistency across the family.



## EDR

Approved Standard

Environmental Data Retrieval (EDR) API provides a family of lightweight interfaces to access Environmental Data resources. Each resource addressed by an EDR API maps to a defined query pattern.



## Tiles

Approved Standard

OGC API - Tiles provides extended functionality to other OGC API Standards to deliver vector tiles, map tiles, and other tiled data.



## Processes

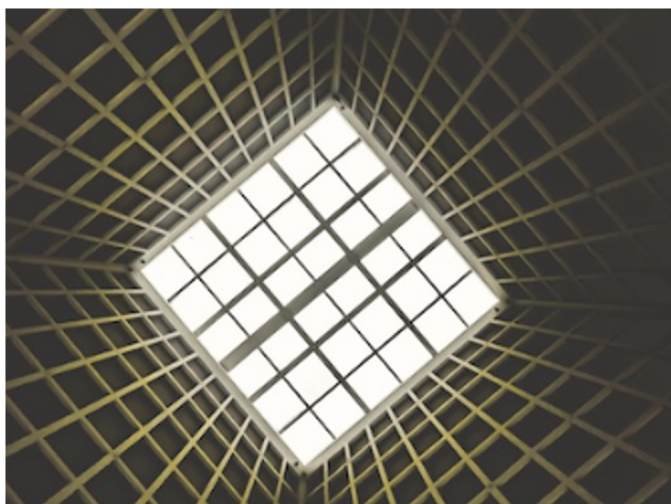
Approved Standard

OGC API - Processes allows for processing tools to be called and combined from many sources and applied to data in other OGC API resources through a simple API.



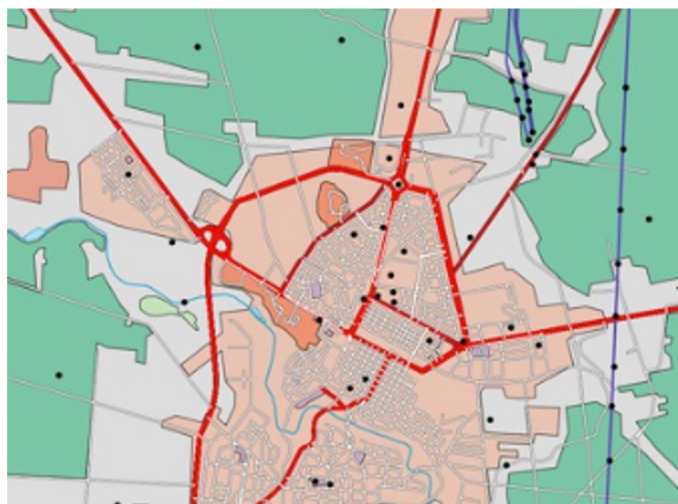
## Records

OGC API - Records updates OGC's Catalog Services for the Web by building on the simple access to content in OGC API - Features.



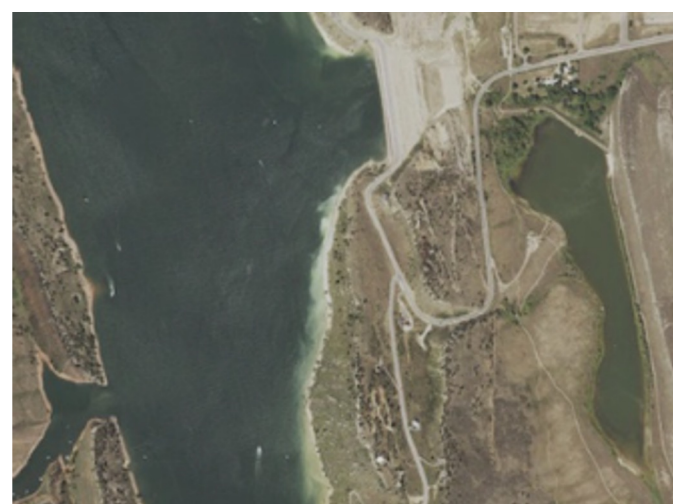
## Coverages

OGC API - Coverages allows discovery, visualization and query of complex raster stacks and data cubes.



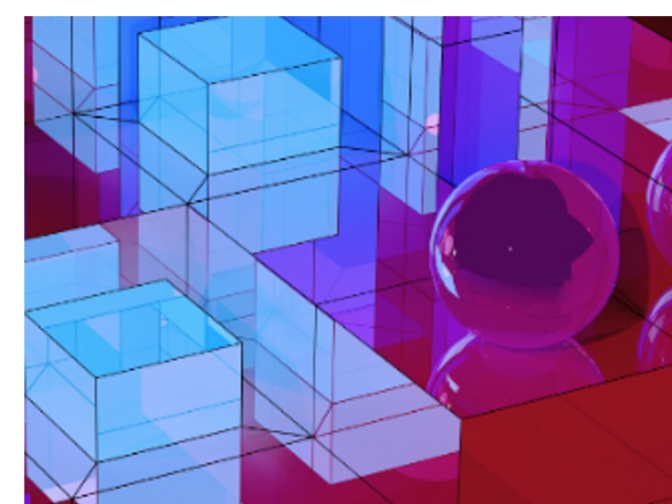
## Styles

The OGC API - Styles defines a Web API that enables map servers, clients as well as visual style editors, to manage and fetch styles.



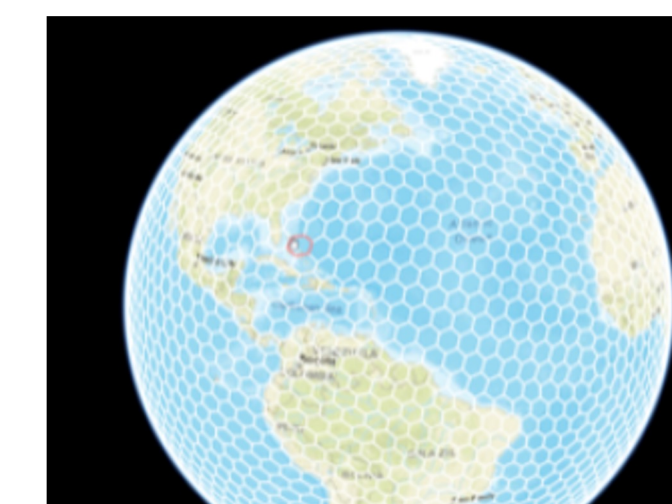
## Maps

OGC API - Maps offers a modern approach to the OGC Web Map Service (WMS) standard for provision map and raster content.



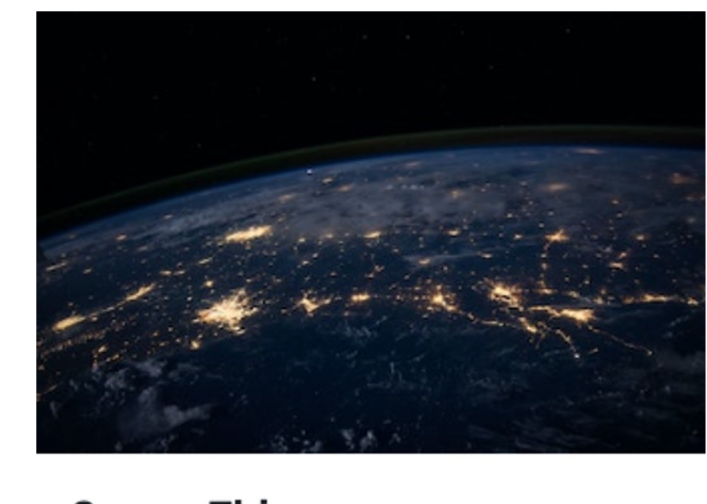
## 3D GeoVolumes

OGC API - 3D GeoVolumes facilitates efficient discovery of and access to 3D content in multiple formats based on a space-centric perspective.



## DGGS

Enables applications to organise and access data arranged according to a Discrete Global Grid System (DGGS).



## SensorThings

The OGC SensorThings API provides an open, geospatial-enabled and unified way to interconnect Internet of Things (IoT) devices, data, and applications over the Web.

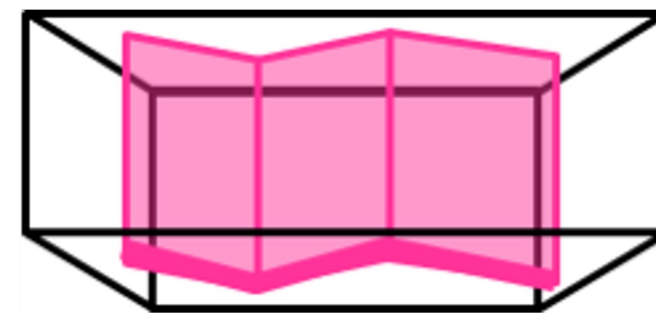
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# OGC API - EDR

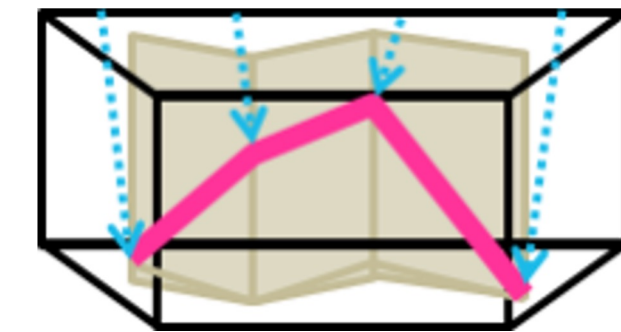
- Provides interfaces to access environmental data resources.
- An EDR collection can contain virtually any data about the natural or built environment that needs to be sampled using a spatio-temporal query pattern.



A climate model or weather reanalysis might be accessed at a point or within a bounding rectangle



Information from a hydrologic sensor might be found spatially or accessed by ID.

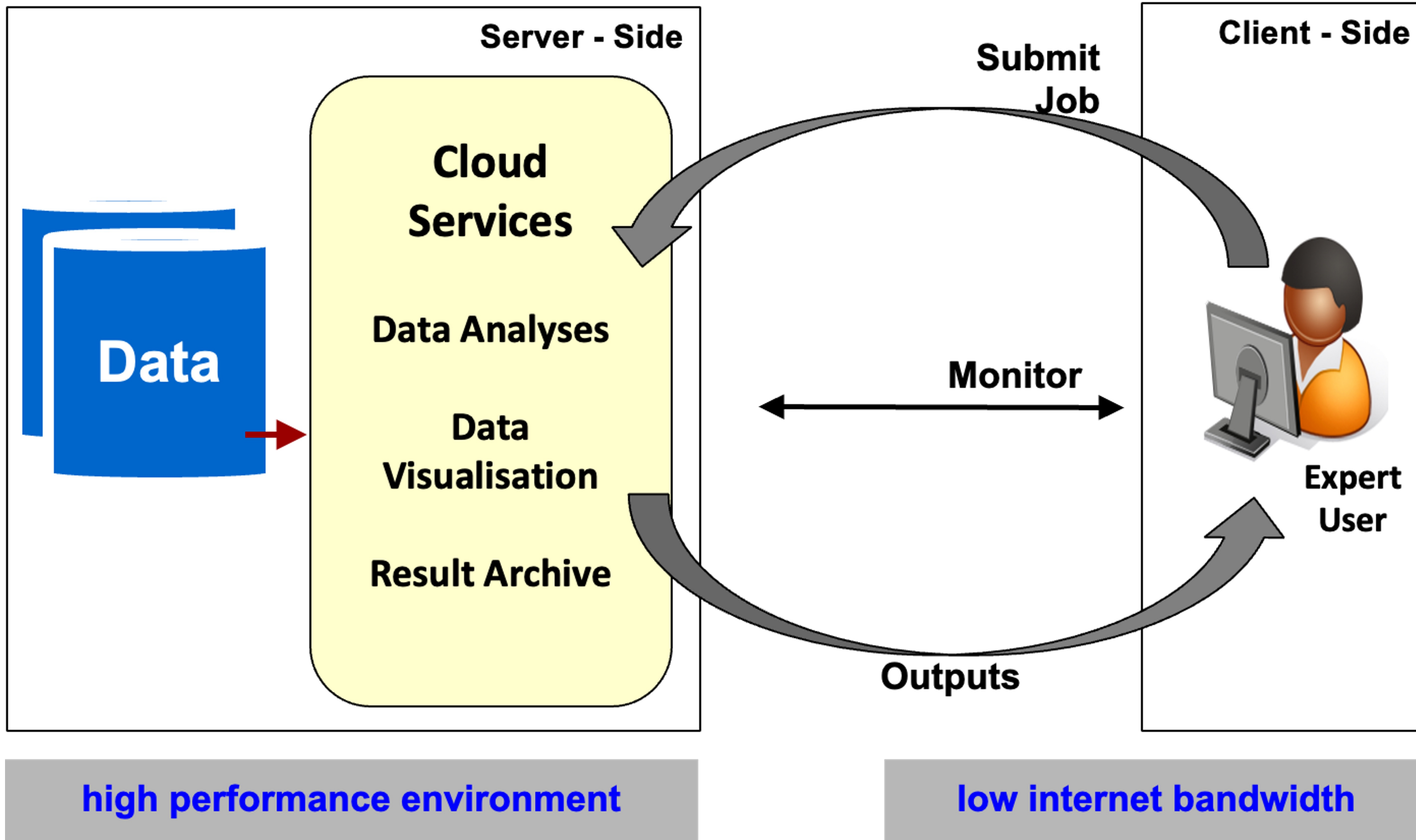


Geospatial gridded data such as a digital elevation model might be accessed along a transect.



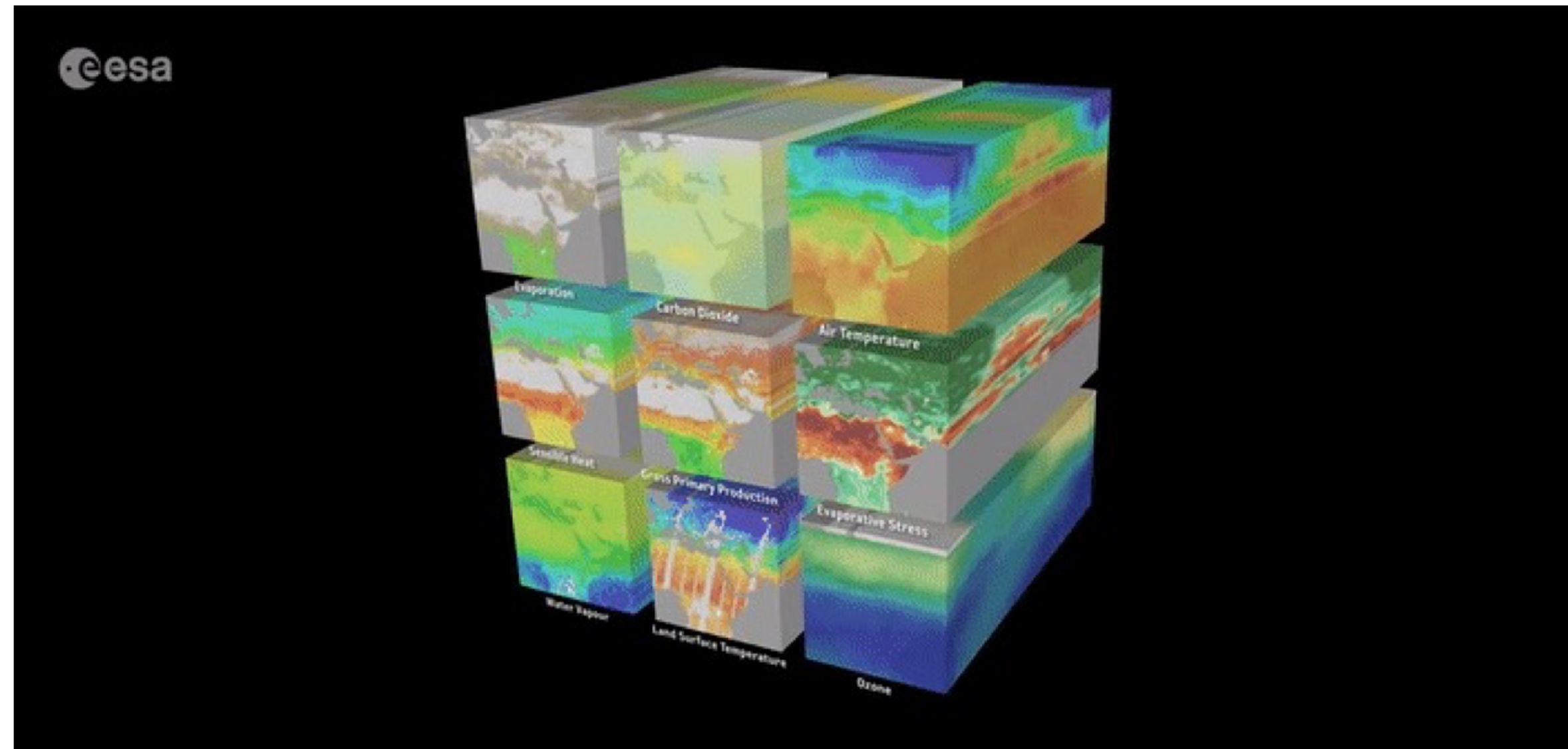
Weather information from meteorological stations might be queried within a specified polygon.

# OGC API - Processes



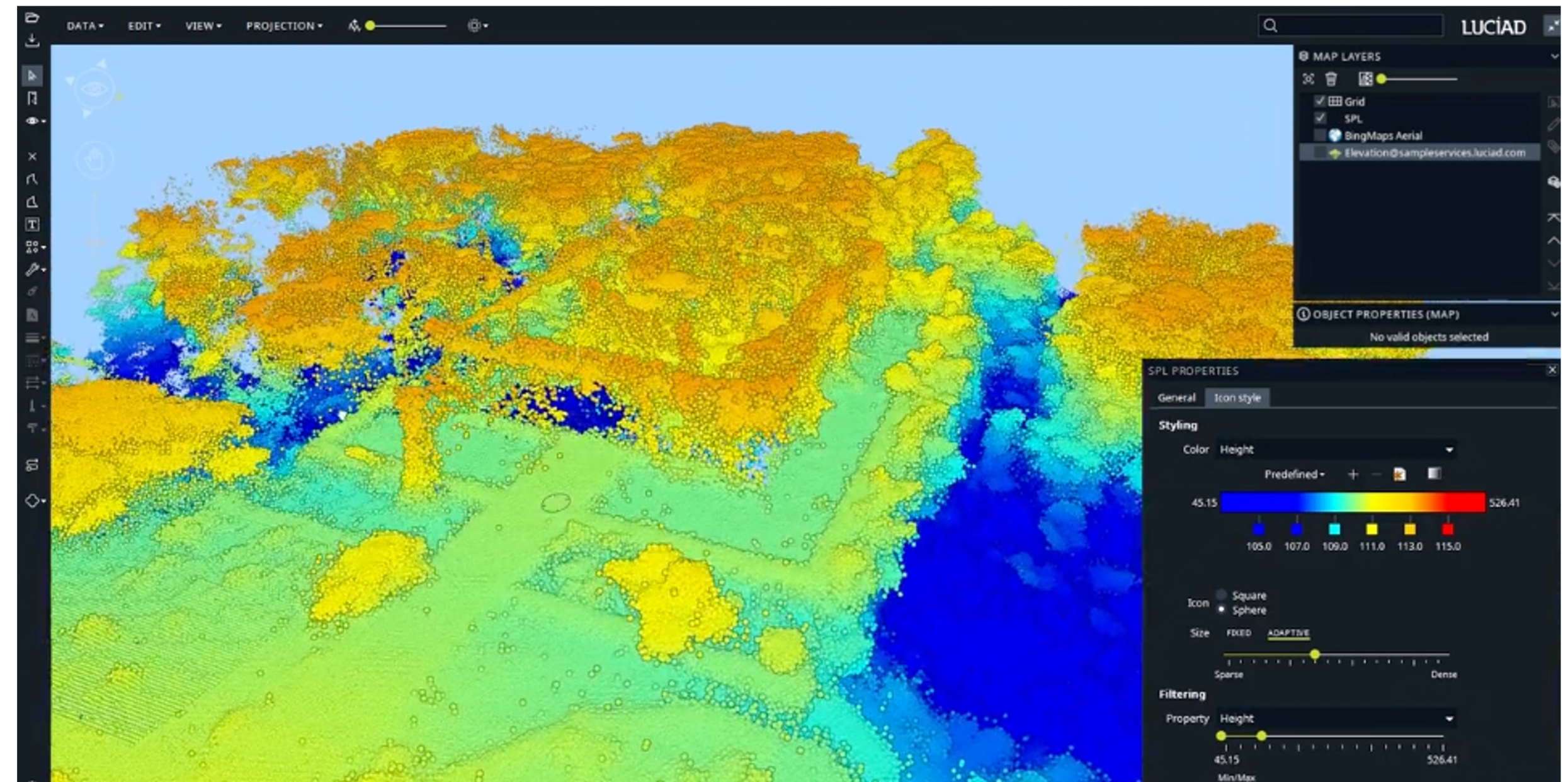
# OGC API - Coverages

- Gives access to homogeneous collections of values located in space/time (e.g.: coverages).
- Satellite imagery is typically modeled as a gridded coverage.
- Responses in CoverageJSON, netCDF, GeoTIFF, PNG, HTML and other formats.



# OGC 3DTiles

- Developed by Cesium
- Adopted as an OGC Community Standard in 2018



An OGC 3D Tiles set visualized using a color map based on its height attribute.



# Analysis Ready Data SWG

## OGC Forms new Analysis Ready Data Standards Working Group

New OGC Working Group will develop a multi-part Standard for geospatial Analysis Ready Data products that can be integrated & analyzed with minimal effort.



The Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC) is excited to announce the formation of the OGC Analysis Ready Data Standards Working Group (ARD SWG).

The ARD SWG, in partnership with ISO/TC 211, will develop a multi-part Standard for geospatial Analysis Ready Data that builds upon work undertaken in the Committee on Earth Observation Satellites (CEOS) Land Surface Imaging Virtual Constellation (LSI-VC) and Analysis Ready Data (ARD) Oversight Group, [OGC Disaster Pilot 2021](#), and [OGC Testbed-16](#).

The concept of ARD was initially developed by CEOS, which defines ARD as "satellite data that have been processed to a minimum set of requirements and organized into a form that allows immediate analysis with a minimum of additional user effort and interoperability both through time and with other datasets." Adopting the CEOS-ARD definition as a starting point, the OGC ARD SWG will extend the scope of ARD from satellite data to all geospatial data.

A major strength of geospatial and location technologies is their ability to integrate and analyze data from diverse providers concerning many different phenomena so as to better understand or predict what is happening in a given area. However, this

New OGC Working Group will develop a multi-part Standard for geospatial Analysis Ready Data products that can be integrated & analyzed with minimal effort.

### 3.1 Statement of relationship of planned work to the current OGC standards baseline

There are no existing OGC Standards that completely addresses the above ARD requirements.

The ARD standards are intended to be aligned with some existing OGC Standards, which can partially fulfill ARD capability requirements. Below is a selection which is not meant to be exhaustive.

- WCS: OGC Web Coverage Service can provide on-demand ARD data services for coverage data.
- WFS: OGC Web Feature Service can provide on-demand ARD data services for feature data.
- OGC API – Features can provide on-demand ARD data services for feature data.
- CSW: OGC Catalog Service for Web can provide federated discovery of ARD products from multiple data providers
- GML: GML is a comprehensive encoding of features, geometry, and topology in XML. GML can be used to encode the feature ARD.
- GeoTIFF, NetCDF, and HDF5: These OGC standards are useful for encoding and packing coverage ARD.
- WKT CRS: The Well-Known Text representation of Coordinate Reference Systems offers a standardized way to describe CRSs for reference by any spatial data set fully.
- Observations and Measurements: this standard defines XML schemas for observations, and for features involved in sampling when making observations. These provide document models for the exchange of information describing observation acts and their results, both within and between different scientific and technical communities.
- Several evolving OGC Standards are also relevant: OGC API – Tiles, OGC API – Maps, OGC API – Records, OGC API-EDR, and Cloud Optimized GeoTIFF.
- DGGs Abstract Specification: The goal of DGGs is to enable rapid assembly of spatial data without the difficulties of working with projected coordinate reference systems. DGGs represent the Earth as hierarchical sequences of equal area tessellations, each with global coverage and with progressively finer spatial resolution.

# GeoDataCube SWG

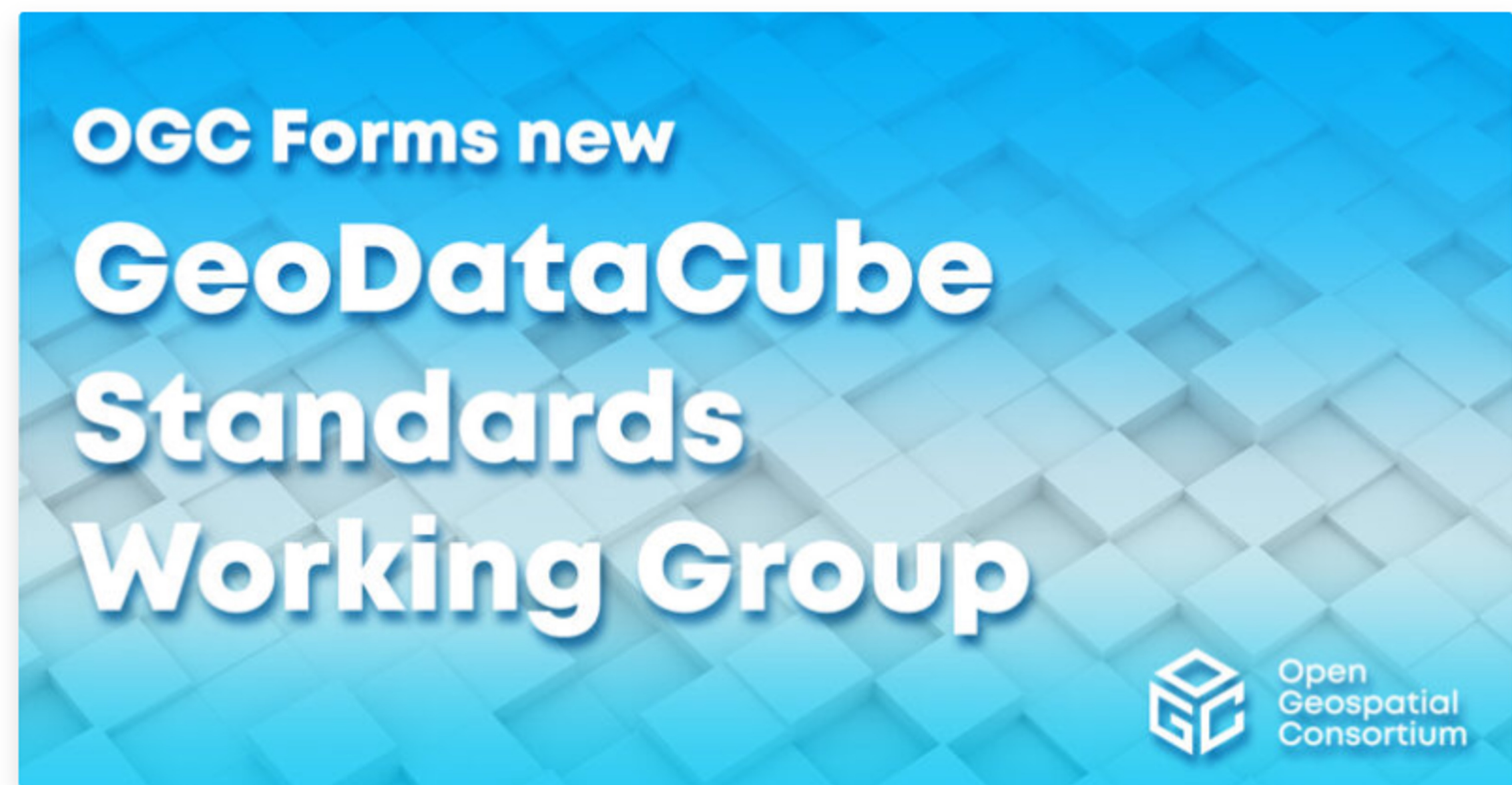
## Chapter 1. Purpose of the Standards Working Group

In a very agile approach, this Standards Working Group (SWG) has the goal to facilitate the handling of different GeoDataCubes (GDCs). For this purpose, an Application Programming Interface (API) will be defined that serves the core functionalities of GDCs. GDC users will be able to handle different GDCs according to the same principles, as interoperability between GDCs will be achieved.

The GDC SWG will define a metadata model including provenance and data lineage information to describe all details about a GDC. Furthermore, the SWG will identify formats to be used for data exchange. If existing formats do not meet the requirements, the SWG will extend its work to the development of a GDC exchange format.

The agile process will go through multiple iterations in order to produce standards of growing complexity, starting with the minimum viable solution that is then extended as required. The SWG will first define the basic characteristics of GDCs as well as core requirements for the use of GDCs and the exchange of GDC data. These requirements need to be met by the GDC API, metadata model, and exchange formats.

In the next step, the SWG will decide which existing standards or standards under development should be used or extended to achieve these core requirements. Afterwards, the GDC API, the GDC metadata model, and the data exchange format(s) will be defined and implemented. The goal is to develop a solution that supports a majority of typical GDC application scenarios. The simplicity of the solution will be prioritized over its ability to meet all possible use cases and be compatible with all available standards.



The Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC) is excited to announce the formation of the OGC GeoDataCube SWG.

The GeoDataCube SWG will improve interoperability between existing datacube solutions, simplify the interaction with different datacubes, and facilitate the integration of data from multiple datacube sources. By following a user-centric approach, the SWG will develop solutions that meet the needs of scientists, application developers, and API integrators.

The goal of the OGC GeoDataCube SWG is to create a new API specifically to serve the core functionalities of GeoDataCubes, such as access and processing, and to define exchange format recommendations, profiles, and a metadata model. The SWG also aims to analyze usability of existing Standards and identify use cases.

Similar to other [OGC APIs](#), the GeoDataCube SWG will create this new standard from existing building blocks, such as existing geospatial Standards, outputs from previous [OGC Collaborative Solutions & Innovation Initiatives](#), and other developer resources in a very use-case driven approach, i.e., with a small core and possible extensions. This will allow for interoperability across future OGC Standards.

With regards to existing and emerging OGC standards, the working group may look specifically at:

- [OGC API – Environmental Data Retrieval](#): A family of lightweight interfaces to access Environmental Data resources.
- [OGC API – Coverages](#): Defining a Web API for accessing coverages that are modeled according to the Coverage Implementation Schema.
- [OGC Analysis Ready Data SWG](#) products: proposed Standards to describe specific product types that are often implemented as GeoDataCubes.
- [OGC API – Processes](#): Supporting the wrapping of computational tasks into executable processes that can be offered by a server through a Web API.
- [Zarr](#): An [OGC Community Standard](#) for the storage of multi-dimensional arrays of data.
- [GeoTIFF](#) and [Cloud Optimized GeoTIFF](#): A format used to share geographic image data.
- [Hierarchical Data Format \(HDF5\)](#): A set of formats designed to store and organize large amounts of data.

New SWG will develop datacube interoperability Standards that meet the needs of scientists, application developers, and API integrators.

**How to get involved**

# Member Meetings - 3 Per Year



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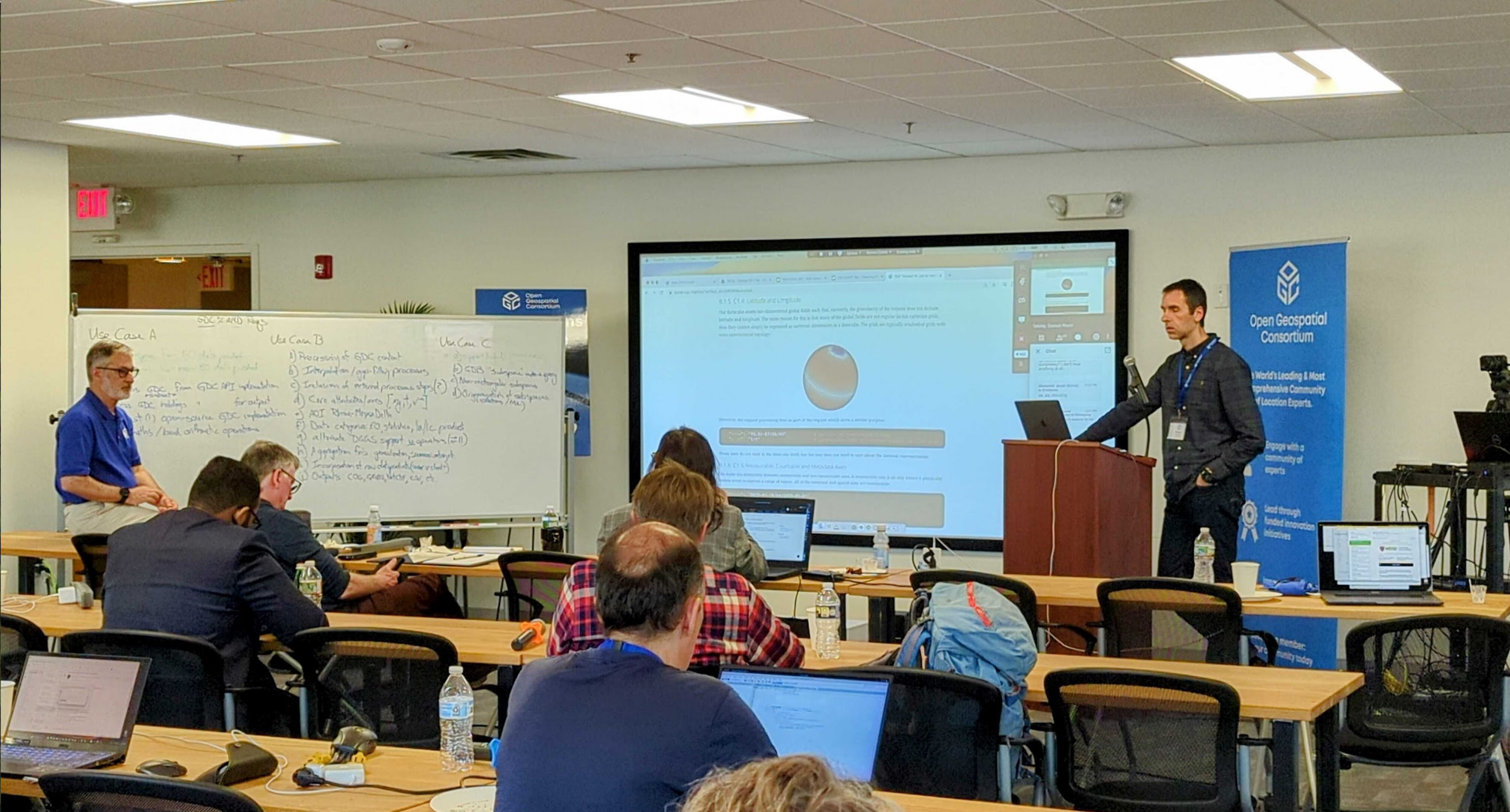
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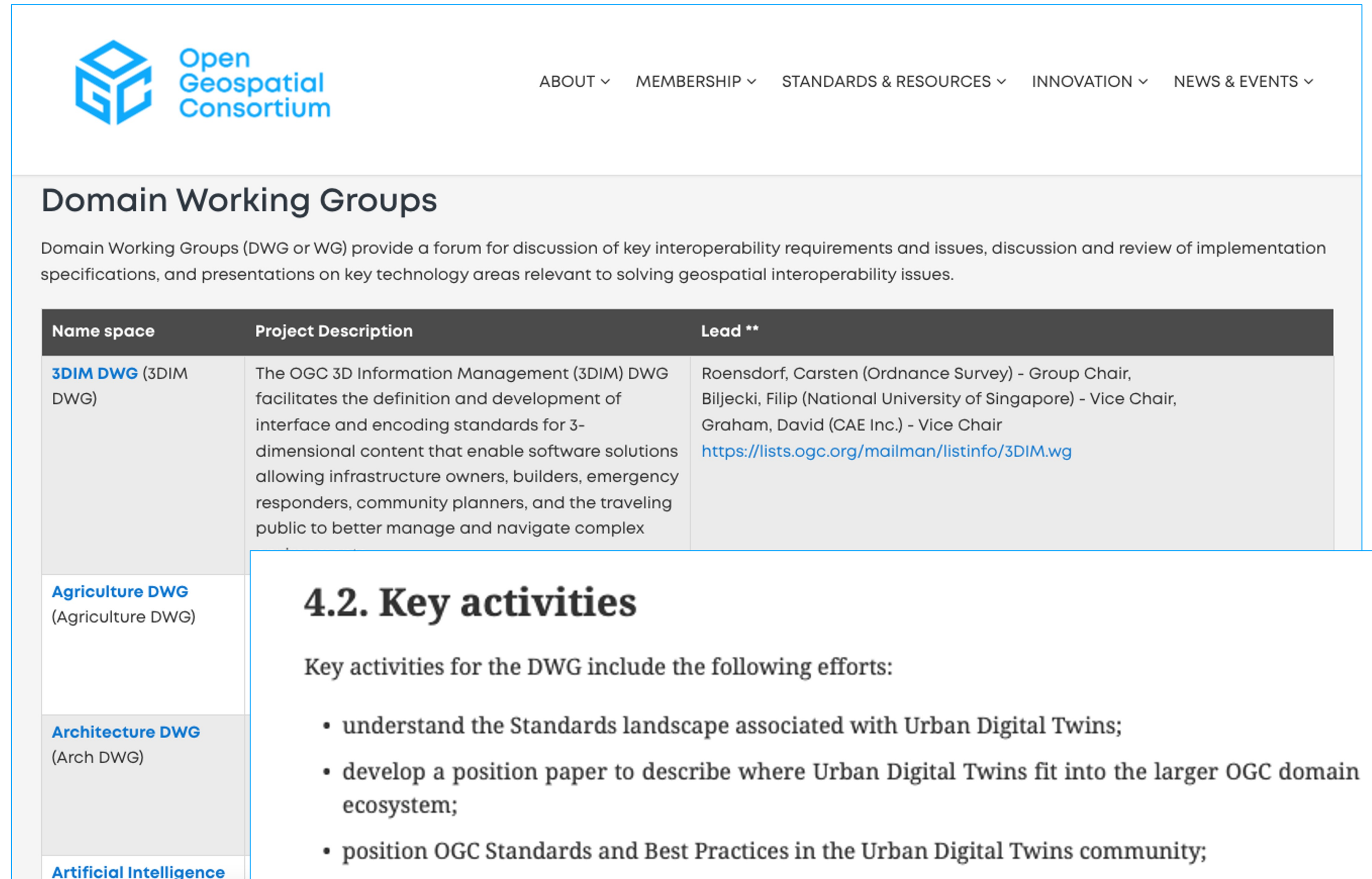


# Domain Working Groups

- Urban Digital Twins
- Energy and Utilities
- Climate Resilience DWG
- Geo for the Metaverse
- Met Ocean DWG
- GeoAI DWG

- Full List:

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## Domain Working Groups

Domain Working Groups (DWG or WG) provide a forum for discussion of key interoperability requirements and issues, discussion and review of implementation specifications, and presentations on key technology areas relevant to solving geospatial interoperability issues.

Name space	Project Description	Lead **
<a href="#">3DIM DWG</a> (3DIM DWG)	The OGC 3D Information Management (3DIM) DWG facilitates the definition and development of interface and encoding standards for 3-dimensional content that enable software solutions allowing infrastructure owners, builders, emergency responders, community planners, and the traveling public to better manage and navigate complex	Roensdorf, Carsten (Ordnance Survey) - Group Chair, Biljecki, Filip (National University of Singapore) - Vice Chair, Graham, David (CAE Inc.) - Vice Chair <a href="https://lists.ogc.org/mailman/listinfo/3DIM.wg">https://lists.ogc.org/mailman/listinfo/3DIM.wg</a>
<a href="#">Agriculture DWG</a> (Agriculture DWG)		
<a href="#">Architecture DWG</a> (Arch DWG)		
<a href="#">Artificial Intelligence</a>		

## 4.2. Key activities

Key activities for the DWG include the following efforts:

- understand the Standards landscape associated with Urban Digital Twins;
- develop a position paper to describe where Urban Digital Twins fit into the larger OGC domain ecosystem;
- position OGC Standards and Best Practices in the Urban Digital Twins community;
- lead discussion and development of Best Practices associated with Urban Digital Twins;
- explore the use cases surrounding Urban Digital Twins, including those related to Smart Cities, land and energy; and
- work within the OGC context of digital twins in other domains.

# Standards Working Groups

[3D GeoVolumes SWG \(3DGeoVol SWG\)](#)

[3D Portrayal SWG \(3DP SWG\)](#)

[CDB SWG \( CDB SWG\)](#)

[CityGML SWG \(CityGML SWG\)](#)

[Coverages SWG \(CoveragesSWG\)](#)

[CRS SWG \(CRS SWG\)](#)

[CRS Well Known Text SWG \(CRS WKT SWG\)](#)

[Discrete Global Grid Systems SWG \(DGGS SWG\)](#)

[Environmental Data Retrieval API SWG \(EDR-API SWG\)](#)

[EO Product Metadata and OpenSearch SWG \(EO PMOS SWG\)](#)

[Features and Geometries JSON SWG \(FeatGeoJSON SWG\)](#)

[Features API SWG \(FeatAPI SWG\)](#)

[GeoAPI SWG \(GeoAPI SWG\)](#)

[Geocoding API SWG \(GeocodeAPISWG\)](#)

[GeoPackage SWG \(GeoPackage SWG\)](#)

[GeoPose SWG \(GeoPose SWG\)](#)

[GeoSciML SWG \(GeoSciML SWG\)](#)

[GeoSPARQL SWG \(GeoSPARQL SWG\)](#)

[Geospatial User Feedback SWG \(GUFswg\)](#)

[GeoSynchronization 1.0 SWG \(Geosync SWG\)](#)

[GeoTIFF SWG \(GeoTIFF SWG\)](#)

[GeoXACML SWG \(GeoXACML SWG\)](#)

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[GMLJP2 SWG \(GMLJP2-SWG\)](#)

[Groundwater SWG \(GroundwaterSWG\)](#)

[HDF SWG \(HDF SWG\)](#)

[Hydrologic Features SWG \(HydroFeat SWG\)](#)

[IndoorGML SWG \(IndoorGML SWG\)](#)

[KML 2.3 SWG \(KML SWG\)](#)

[Land and Infrastructure SWG \(LandInfraSWG\)](#)

[Moving Features SWG \(MovFeat SWG\)](#)

[MUDDI SWG \(MUDDI SWG\)](#)

[NetCDF SWG \(NetCDFSWG\)](#)

[O&M SWG \(OM SWG\)](#)

[OGC API - Common SWG \(OGC API-Common\)](#)

[OGC API - Maps SWG \(OGC API - Maps\)](#)

[OGC API - Processes SWG \(OAPIProc SWG\)](#)

[OGC API - Records SWG \(API Records SWG\)](#)

[OGC API - Styles SWG \(Styles API SWG\)](#)

[OGC API - Tiles SWG \(OAPITileSWG\)](#)

[OWS Common - Security SWG \(ComSecuritySWG\)](#)

[OWS Context SWG \(OWScontextSWG\)](#)

[PipelineML SWG \(PipeML SWG\)](#)

[Points of Interest SWG \(PoI SWG\)](#)

[PubSub SWG \(PubSub SWG\)](#)

[Routing SWG \(Routing SWG\)](#)

[Sensor Model Language \(SensorML\) 2.0 SWG \(SensorML2.0SWG\)](#)

[SensorThings SWG \(SensorThings\)](#)

[Simple Features SWG \(SF SWG\)](#)

[Styles and Symbology Encoding SWG \(Styles SE SWG\)](#)

[Temporal WKT for Calendars SWG \(TemporalWKT\)](#)

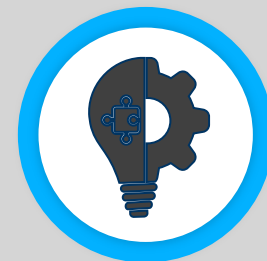
[TimeSeriesML SWG \(TimeSeriesML\)](#)

[Training Data Markup Language for AI SWG \(TrainingDML SWG\)](#)

[WaterML 2.0 SWG \(WaterML2.0SWG\)](#)



# Thank you for your attention!



## Innovation

- 120+ Innovation Initiatives
- 380+ Technical reports
- OGC hosted services
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## Community

- 500+ International Members
- 120+ Member Meetings
- 60+ Alliance and Liaison partners
- 50+ Standards Working Groups
- 45+ Domain Working Groups



## Standards

- 65+ Adopted Standards
- 300+ products with 1000+ certified implementations
- 1,700,000+ Operational Data Sets Using OGC Standards

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# Interop Considerations in Earth Systems Digital Twins

Toward Achieving a Useful Federated Ecosystem

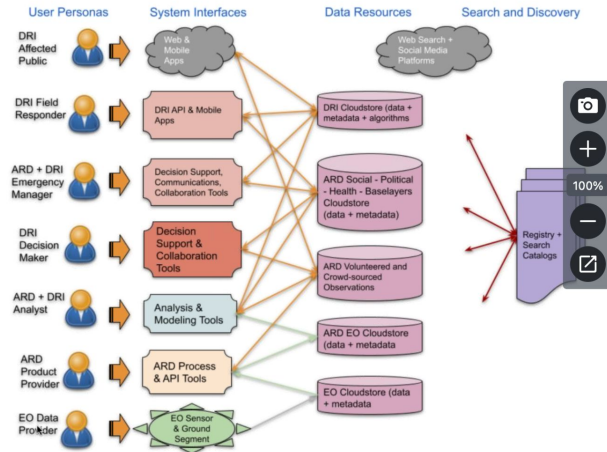
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# Why Haven't Spatial Data Infrastructures Been Enough?

- At every level of the global spatial data infrastructure, our system is characterized by data silos**
  - Data **access** is generally difficult
  - Usage** is generally difficult
  - Collaboration** is generally difficult
  - Operationalizing** is generally difficult
  - Universal Standards management** is nearly impossible - so how can we merge things?
  - Useful sustained Interoperability** is impossible to achieve under this condition
- Data Silos are expensive and limiting**
  - Resource overhead in duplicating efforts in **feature sets, maintenance, management**, etc.
  - Enormous costs incurred due to resolving conflicts of **definition, provenance, use rights**, etc.
  - Service offerings** that don't match data-driven **user preferences**
  - Inability to do holistic comparison of **competitive approaches and/or products**
  - Lack of **holistic quality** controls
  - Reproducibility** crisis leading to trust issues
- This problem isn't limited to any particular enterprise**
  - Data integration** in earth science is a **global** issue
  - Enormous value in enabling **connection between organizations** - global **system of systems**
  - No one organization can solve this problem alone!!!** It requires an **orchestrated federation of players**

## User Perspective

A critical element of successful disaster management is collaboration between stakeholders such as represented by these personas, both through sharing of data / information, decision on useful indicator recipes, and through direct exchange of knowledge that leads to better ideas and actions

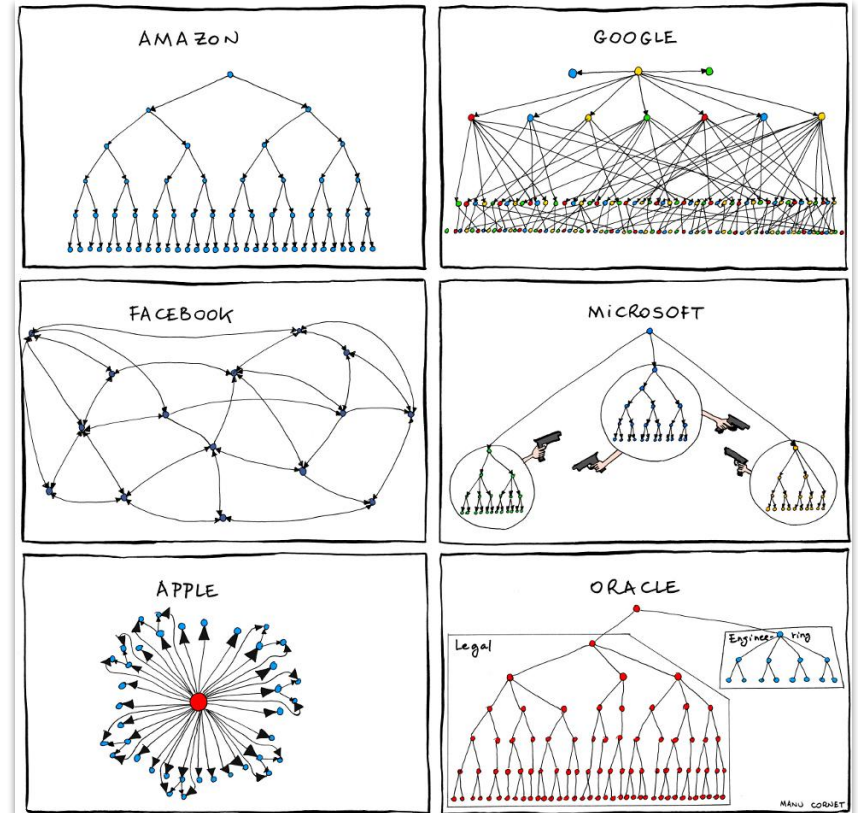


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We aren't here quite yet

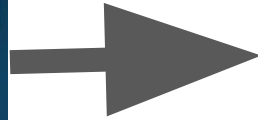
# Why is Interoperability Needed? A Communications Problem

- A full resolution earth is an **open system of open systems**
- Lots of humanity spanning effort to **measure, understand, and explain**
- **Decision/feedback loops and optimizations are persona and context dependent**
- **Data is fundamentally interoperable** due to scientific frameworks of understanding
- **But** - most holistic interoperability efforts fail in some way - why?
- **Conway's Law:** any organization that designs a system (defined broadly) will produce a design whose structure is a copy of the organization's communication structure
  - Conway's Law implies hard limits to large efforts in terms of **syntactic, schematic, semantic, and legal interoperability** constraints



# A Federated Viewpoint of Digital Twins

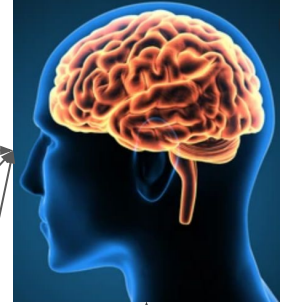
One Twin to Rule them All...\*



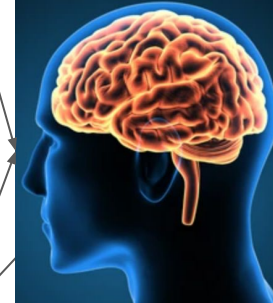
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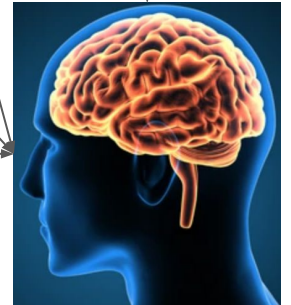
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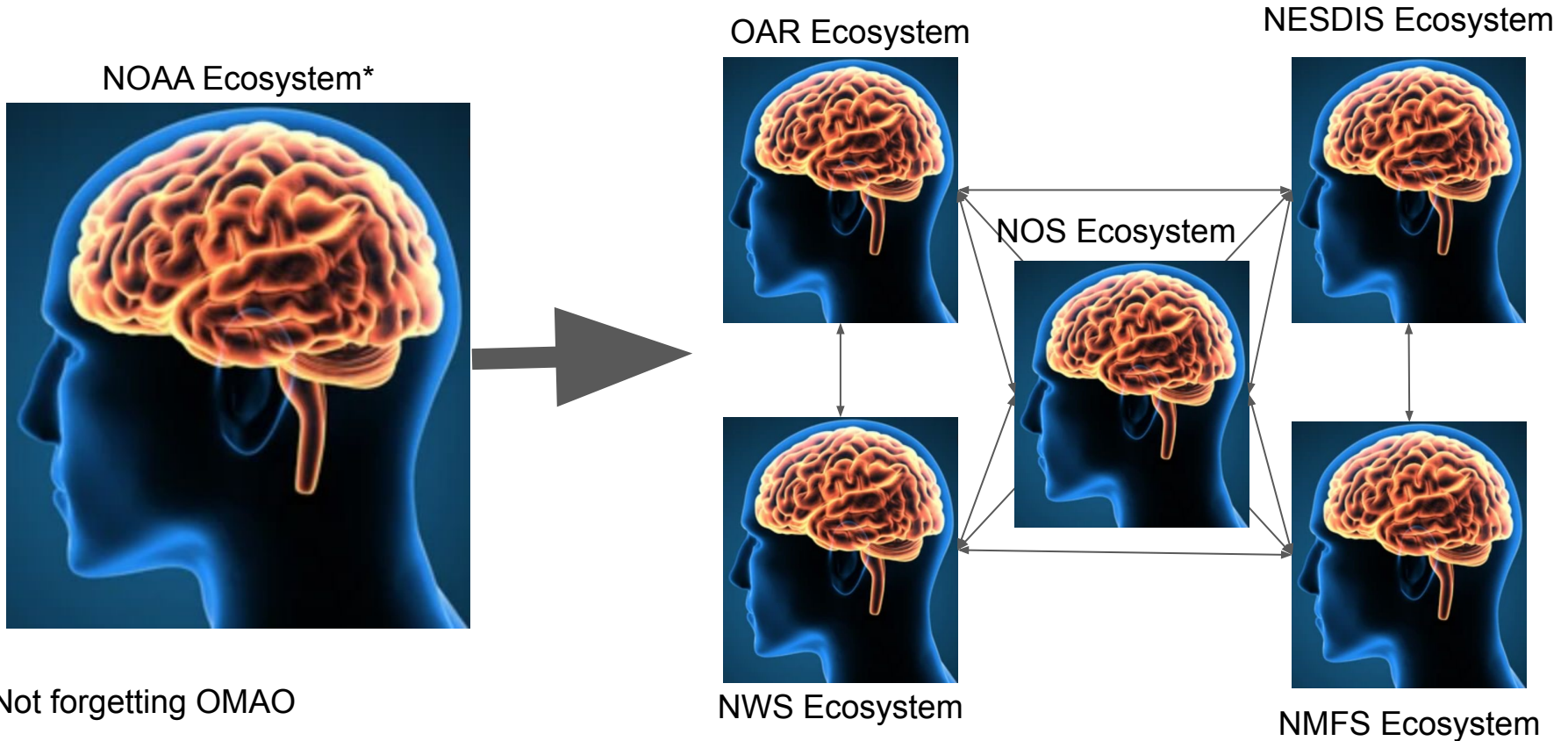
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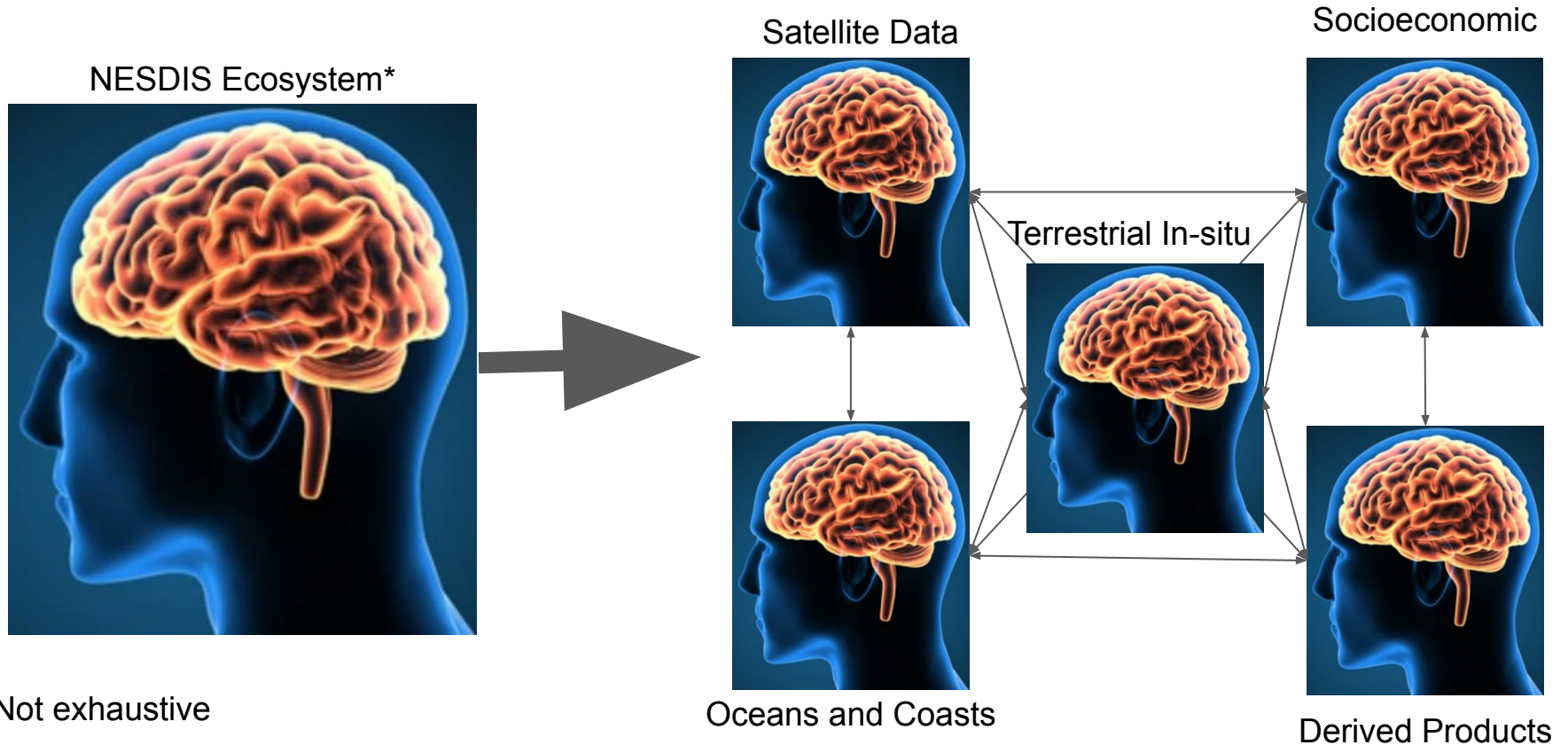
\* Not exhaustive

# A Federated Viewpoint of Digital Twins



\* Not forgetting OMAO

# A Federated Viewpoint of Digital Twins



# Model Axioms

- **Axiom A** - The Earth system is an ecosystem of open systems characterized by unstable groups of agents (users).
- **Axiom B** - Users may greatly improve their own decision-making (process) confidence, capacity, and capability due to improved model capability via shared representation.
- **Axiom C** - Achieving a shared representation of users is limited by the communication interfaces they share.
- **Axiom D** - Issues with communication interfaces may be defined and addressed in terms of GEO-classified interoperability.



# Requirements

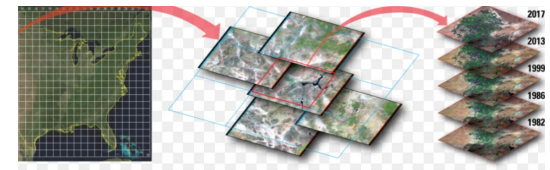
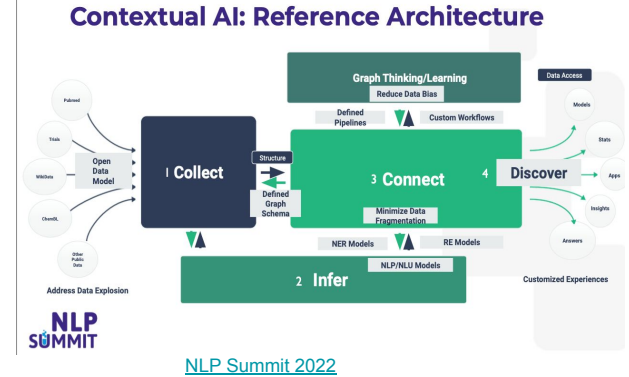
**Digital Twin** - A virtual representation of an object or system that spans its lifecycle, is updated from real-time data, and uses simulation, machine learning and reasoning to help decision-making.

## Capabilities

- **Operations optimization** via simulation and monitoring
- **Predictive maintenance** recommendations based on holistic or targeted analysis of system properties
- **Anomaly detection** based on historical trend reliant models
- Fault isolation via reasoned **root cause analysis**

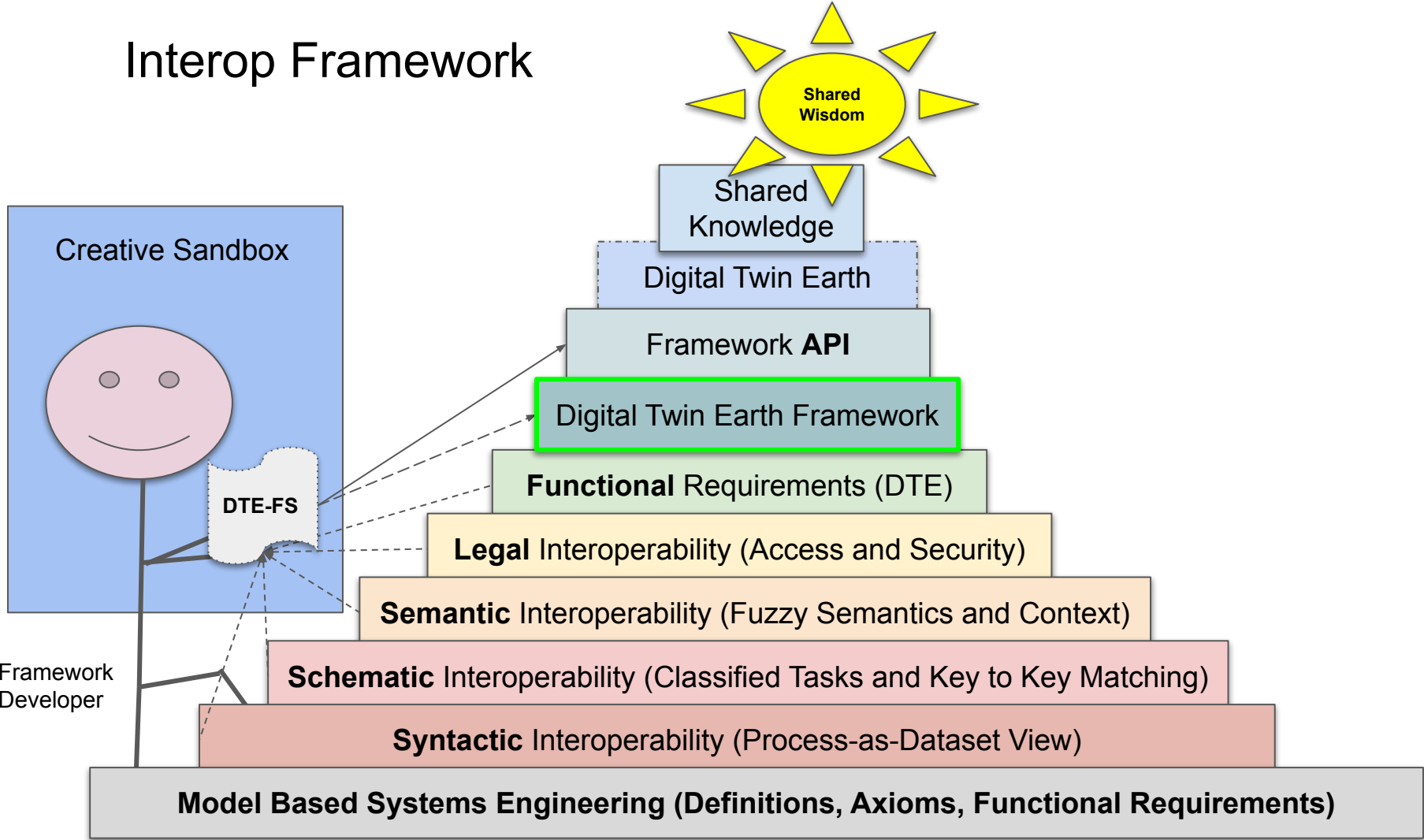
# Major Considerations for Digital Twin Federation (Interop) Architecture

- **Agree** on the fact that **Knowledge Sharing is a federated problem**
  - Organizational specializations
  - Domain characteristics
  - Continuous innovations and reconfigurations
  - Competing priorities
  - Nearly infinite user concerns and use cases
- **Consider intra-twin interoperability** concerns, e.g.
  - How do we ensure **reproducibility**? (not science without it!)
  - How do we **automatically combine** different timescales, units, etc.?
  - How do we **capture provenance** in a FAIR way?
  - How do we **associate uncertainty** with prediction and data?
  - How do we guarantee **performance and scale**?
- **Consider inter-twin interoperability** concerns, e.g.
  - How do we **capture decisions** (non-spatial-data) and associate with lineage and provenance?
  - How do we **avoid limiting** ourselves to a particular **catalog** viewpoint?
  - How do we support **pre-flight cost** simulation, aka **process shopping**, for a given describe plan?
  - How do we **enable inference** that helps us look for unknown connections?
  - How do we **manage legal interoperability** issues, **CARE** issues?
    - *Access rights to processes?*
    - *Bad actors?*



[Deconstructing Analysis-Ready Data](#)

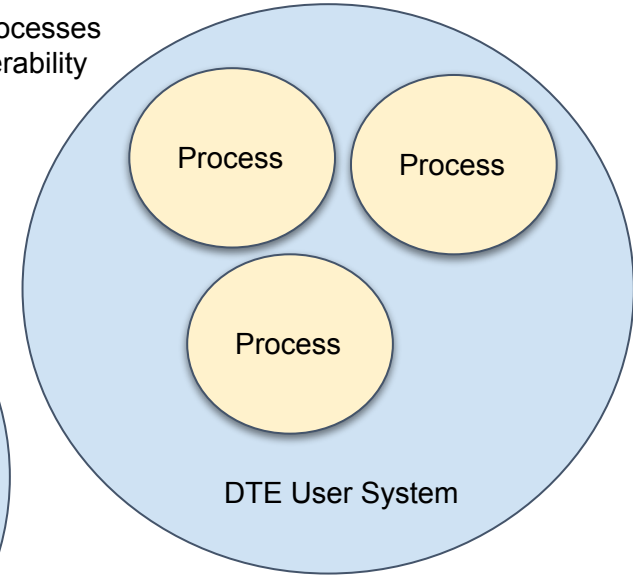
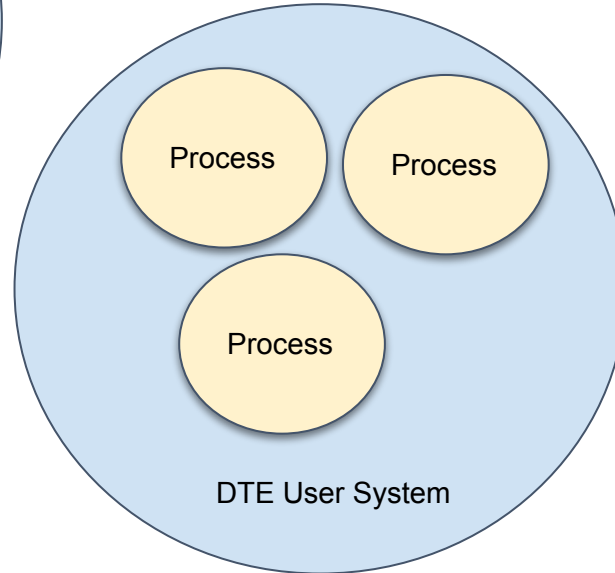
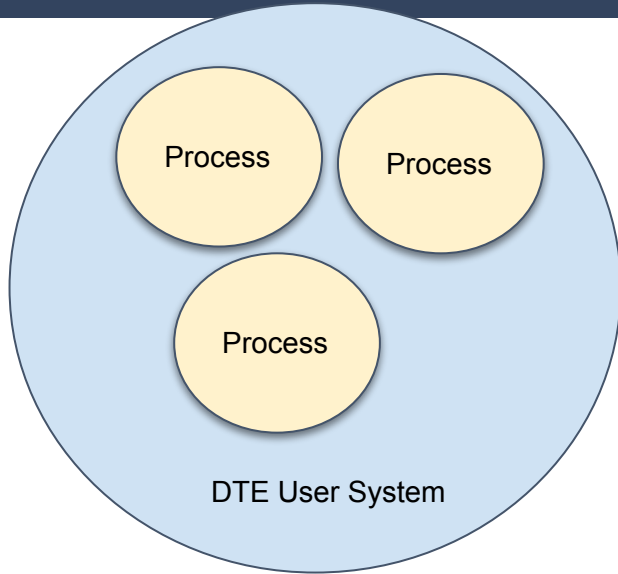
# Interop Framework



# Critical Understanding #1: Process as a Dataset

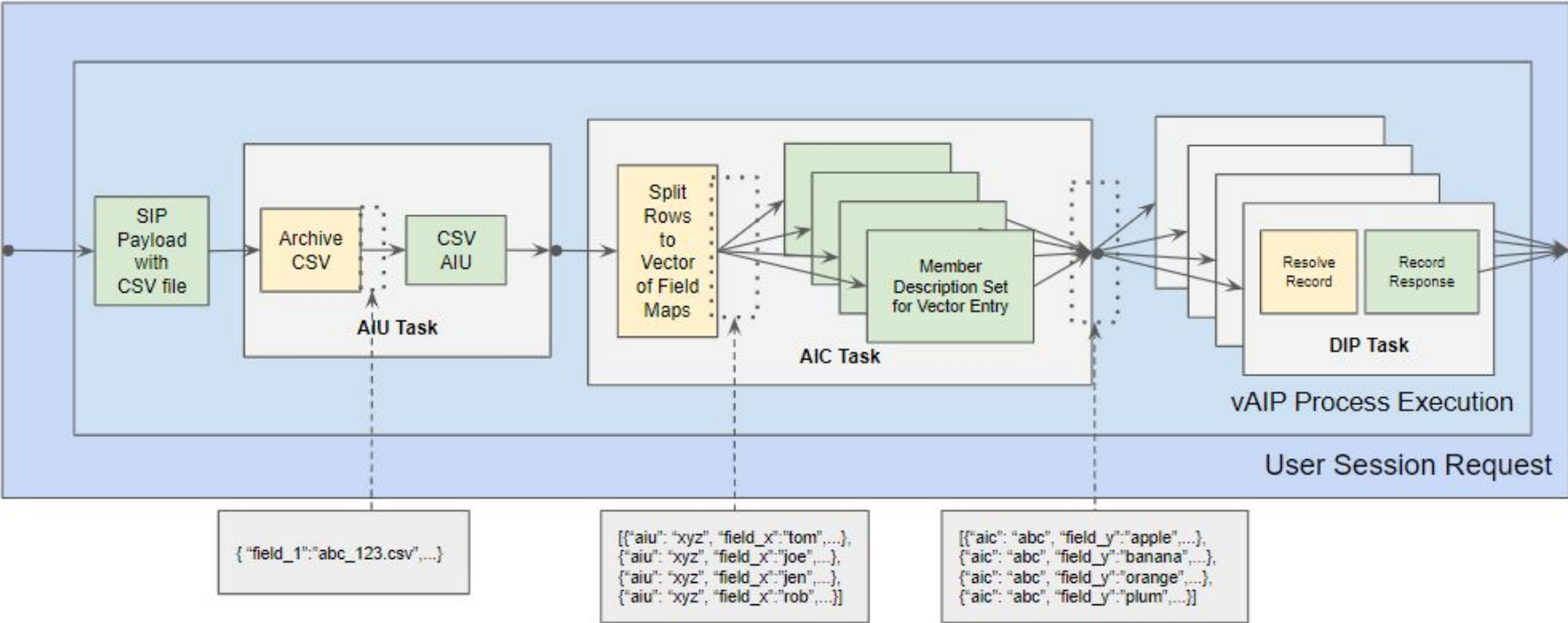


- Process is 'space complete'
- We can describe any system as a set of processes
- Process-as-data enables syntactic interoperability
  - Request/Response/Records

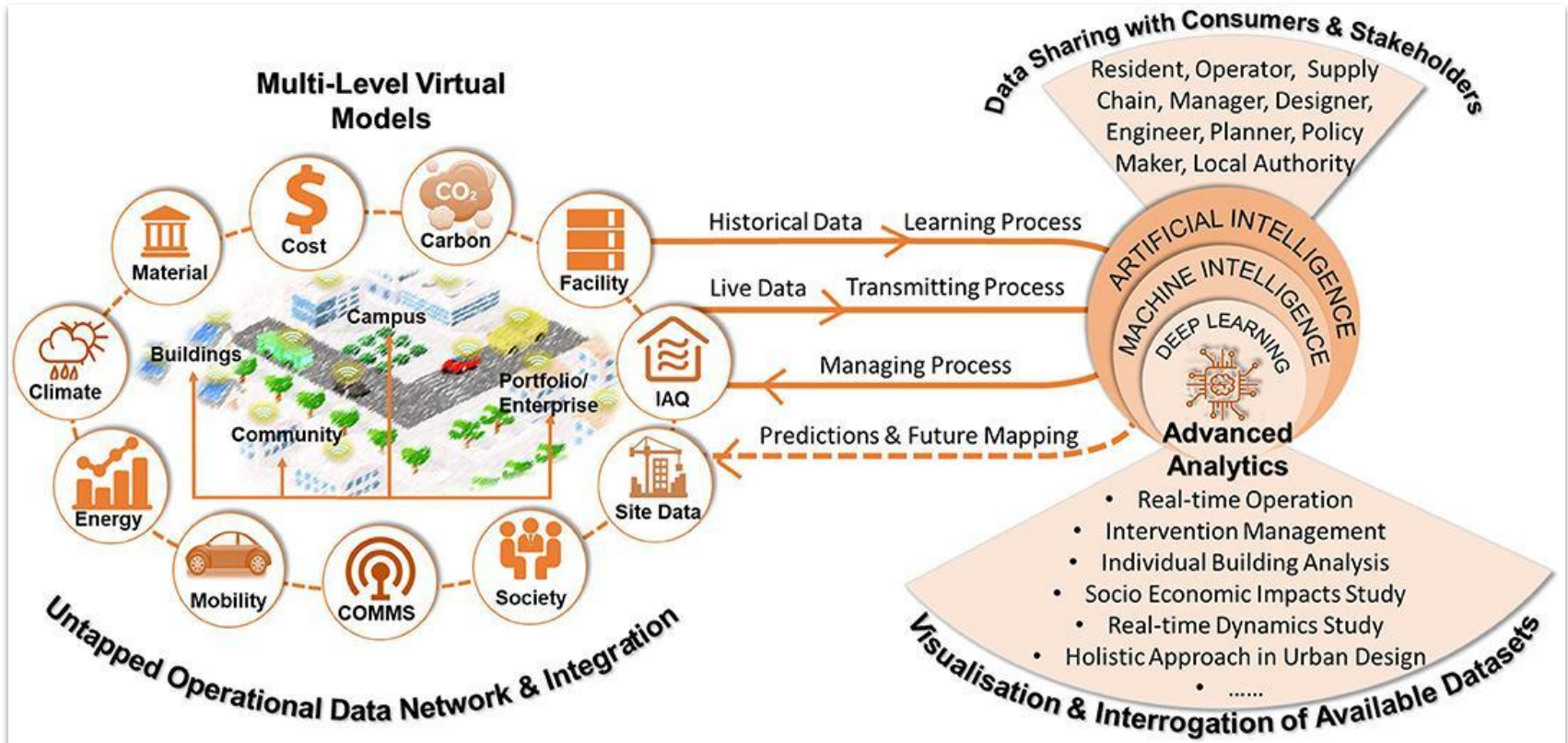


I can **create** processes  
I can **share** processes  
I can **discover** processes  
I can **inspect** processes  
I can **evolve** processes  
I can **copy** processes  
I can **link** processes  
I can **process shop**  
**My machine can do all these things, too!**

# Illustrative Example - Dynamic Process Provenance



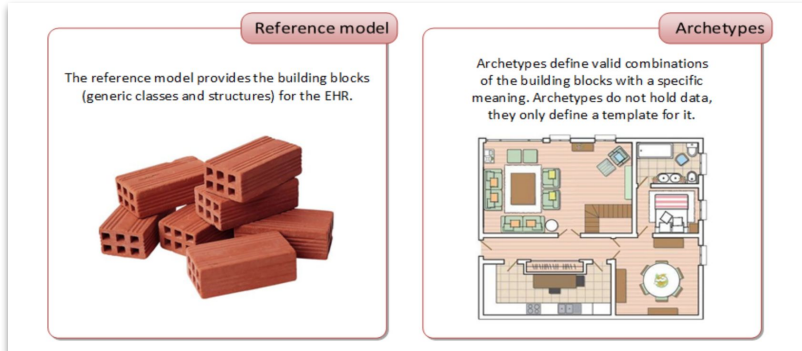
# Process Basis for Information Sharing



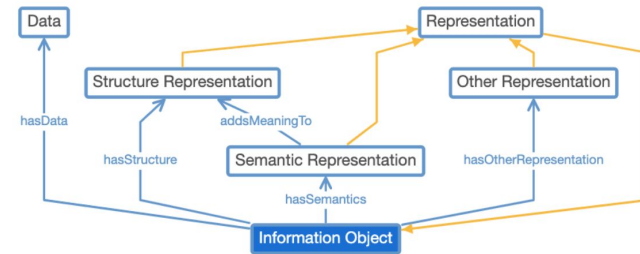
# Critical Understanding #2: Semantic Interoperability



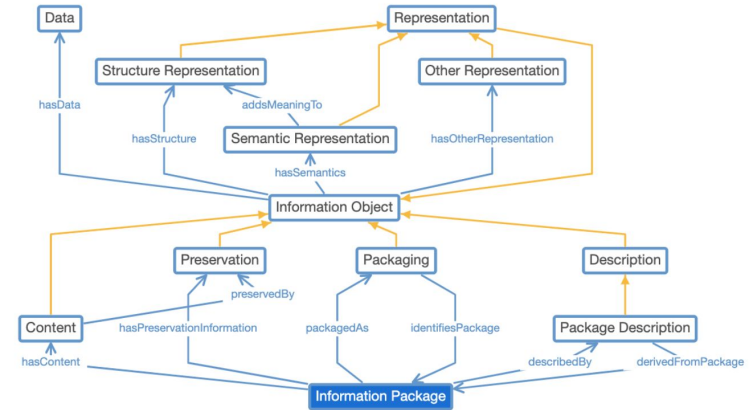
- Process-as-data alone cannot solve interoperability
- Semantic interoperability within a shared reference model is required to enable automated terminology resolution, value transformation, and evolutionary governance
- Critically, Semantic interoperability enables **higher order legal interoperability automation**
- Critically, Semantic interoperability enables decision definition and capture, enabling automated feedback and introduces observability to system improvement



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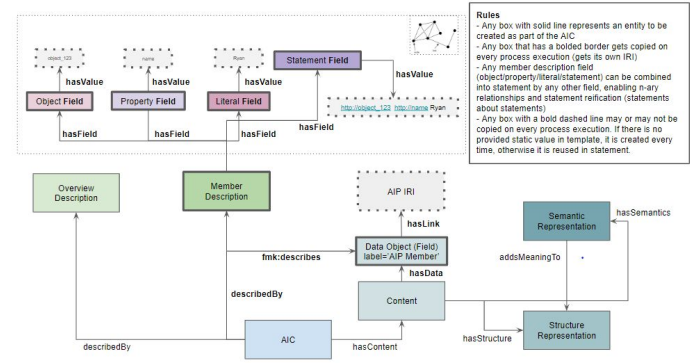
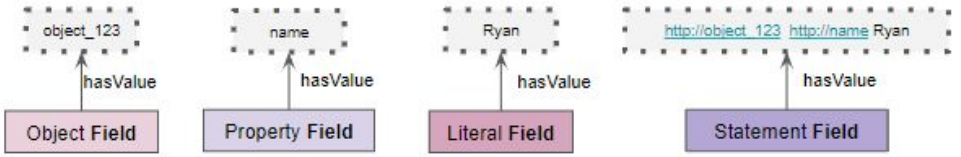
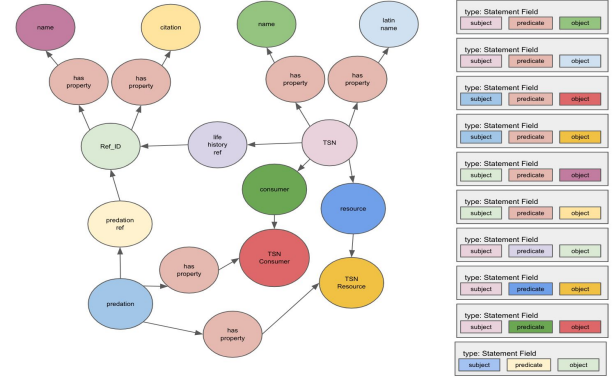
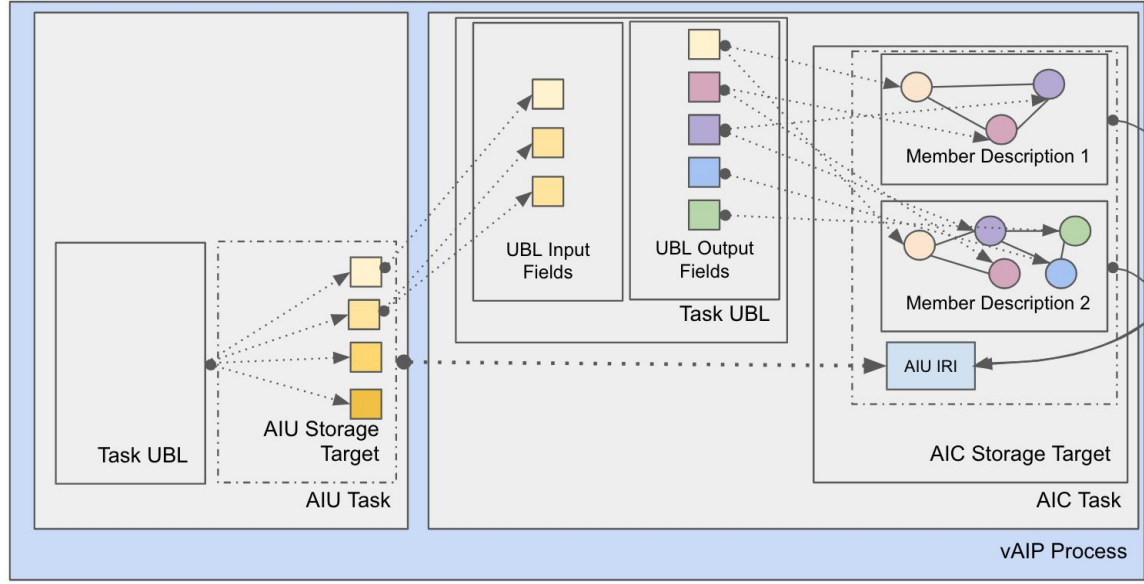


A basic foundational building block - recursive and generic



A complete generic model for DTE-FS data

# Schematic Interoperability Enables a universal API to Contextualized and Fully Linked Semantic Spaces



- Rules**
- Any box with solid line represents an entity to be created as part of the AIC
  - Any box that has a bolded border gets copied on every process execution (gets its own IRI)
  - Any member description field (object/property/literal/statement) can be combined into statement by any other field, enabling n-ary relationships and statement refraction (statements about statements)
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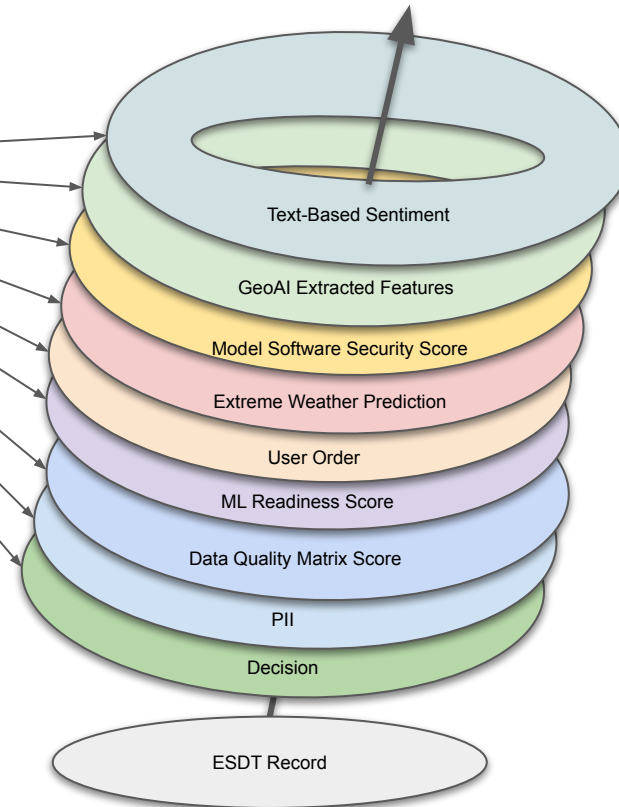


# Critical Understanding #3: Process-Linked, Standards Based, Contextual Information Models



- Structured KOS
- FAIR
  - Findable
  - Accessible
  - Interoperable
  - Reusable
- CARE
  - Fine-grain access rights
- Knowledge Graph held
- Independent spaces
- API Discovery

- Composing and linking identity, transformation, and delivery tasks that use ontologies available on the semantic web (e.g. [SSN](#), [SOSO](#), [Schema.org](#), [SensorML](#), [Dublin Core](#), [GCMD](#), etc.), and/or make use of newly minted, user defined ontologies
- Root cause analysis
- Full provenance for reproducibility
- Dynamic 'at a distance' composability
- Process shopping
  - Pre-flight cost estimation via describe plans
- Evolutionary plug-and-play



# Step Changes to an Interoperable Open OneNOAA

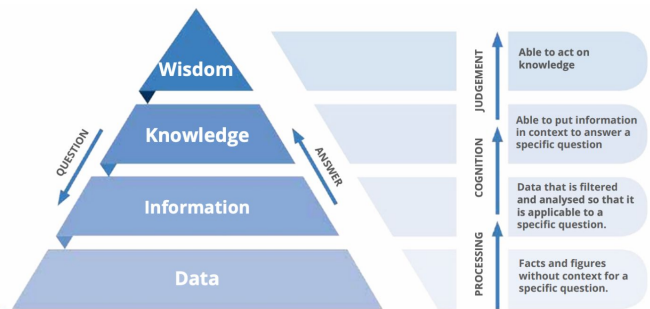
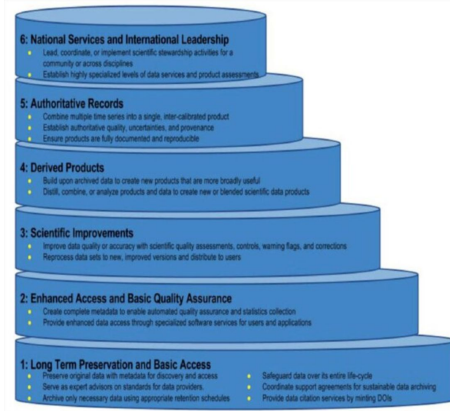
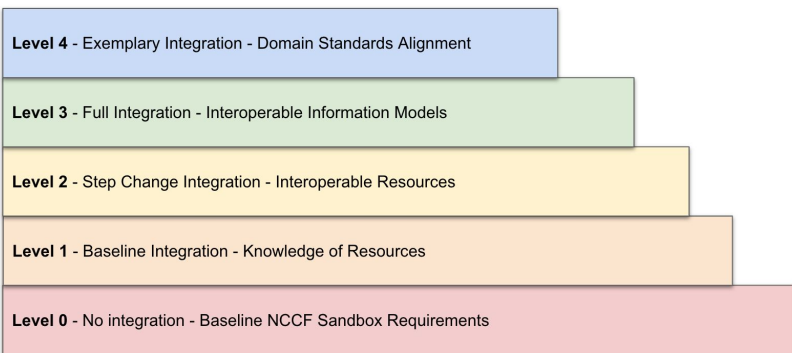
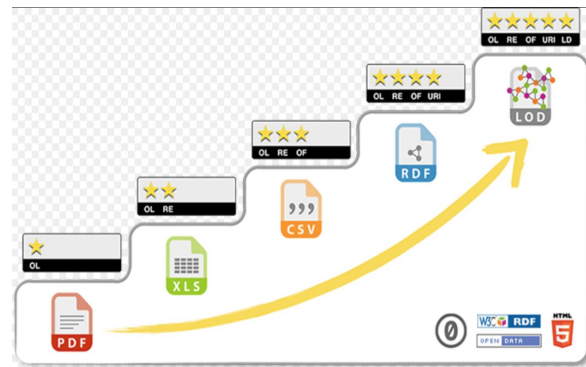


Figure 4. From data to information, knowledge and wisdom. Adapted from DIKW Model for knowledge management and data value extraction.



# Critical Understanding #4: Legal Interoperability



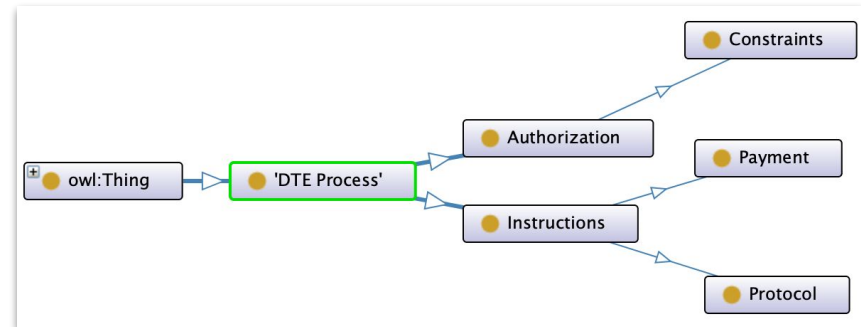
- This is critical to address communications paradigm shift
- Legal interoperability deals with ability to
  - discover other processes
  - understand access rights of processes
  - understand payment requirements for using processes
  - use processes and pay for them automatically
- Approaching legal interoperability in this way, in combination with a process-as-data view, allows us to federate globally
- Legal interoperability allows us to democratize existing funding models
  - More agile
  - Better results
  - Credit where credit is due
  - Fair use
  - Trusted use

## Access Rights Policy

Can I use it?

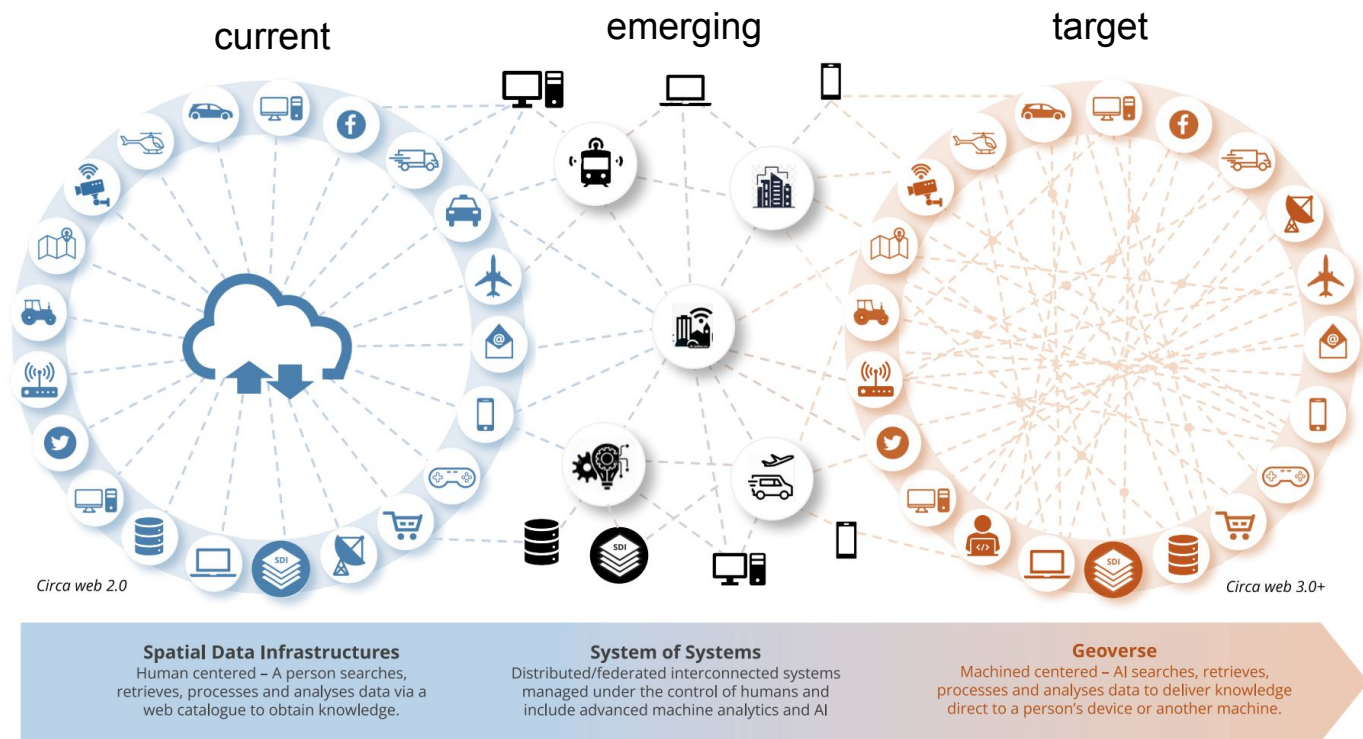
How do I use it?

How do I pay for it?



Recommendation - Look at Geoverse as  
Standards Framework

# UN-GGIM Geoverse - Global Vision and Leveling Framework



- A democratized system of systems powered by machine to machine communication
- An ecosystem in which all users can both consume and contribute information
- A federated framework of universally useful understanding

Figure 3. The future geospatial information ecosystem comprising SDIs, SoS and the Geoverse.

[Future Geospatial Information Ecosystem: From SDI to SoS and on to the Geoverse](#)

Backups

Example

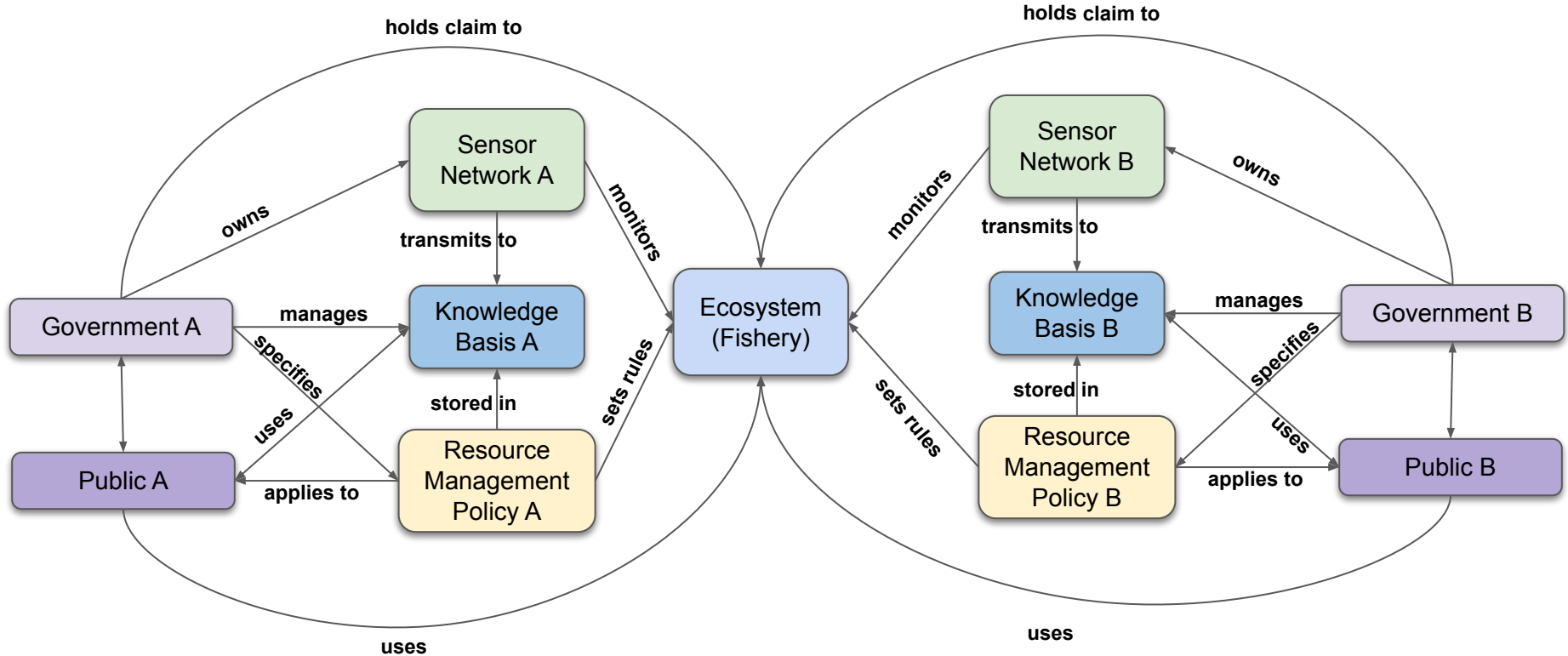
# North Star Use Case - Horizon Enablement Opportunities

**Government A** and **Government B** share the same fishing location and **resources**. Recently, **Government A** has noticed an **increase in fishing activity** by Government B, **raising concerns about the sustainability** of the shared marine ecosystem. **Government A must address this issue to ensure responsible resource management.**

In an optimal future state, the Government A response maximizes internal automation and minimizes uncertainty in actions taken - simulations, sensor reconfigurations, policy updates, and public dissemination performed by machine. If interoperability can be broadened beyond internal systems, Government A and Government B may both benefit from orchestrated and (partially) automated resolution.

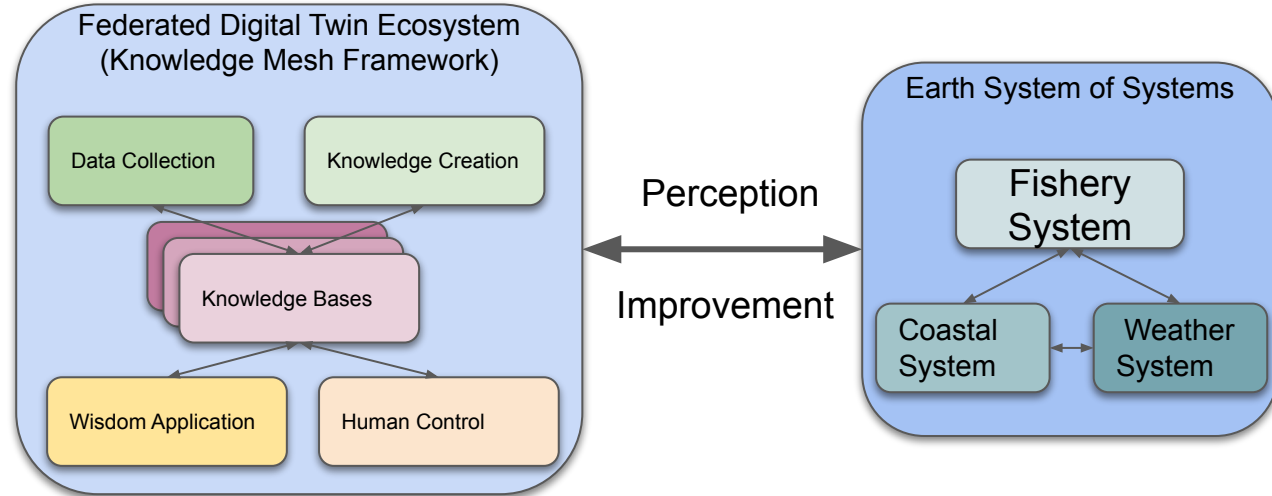


# Simplified Topology



# Capability and Resource Requirements

- **Data Collection**
  - Physical Sensor Networks
  - Fishing Vessel Tracking
  - Pan-Domain Knowledge Contribution
- **Knowledge Creation**
  - Data Integration
  - Environmental Modeling
  - Human Impact Modeling
  - Response Modeling
- **Wisdom Application**
  - Shared Knowledge Mesh
  - Automated Alert System
  - Automated Sensor Control
- **Human Control**
  - Decision making Dashboard
  - Human Intervention
  - Knowledge Consumption
- **Knowledge Bases**
  - Historical Data
  - Ecological Knowledge
  - Adjacent Inferred Knowledge
  - Socioeconomic Knowledge
  - Regulatory Policy Knowledge
- **Improvement of the Earth System**
  - Sustainable Resource Management
  - Ecosystem Preservation
  - Collaborative Governance



# Data Collection

- **Physical Sensor Networks:** Both Governments deploy satellite-based and shipborne sensors to collect real-time data on ocean temperature, salinity, chlorophyll levels, and fish stock distribution.
- **Fishing Vessel Tracking:** AIS (Automatic Identification System) data from fishing vessels of both Governments are continuously monitored to track their movements and fishing activities.
- **Pan-domain Knowledge Contributions:** The public, including both domain experts and human users, contribute contextual knowledge of stake and directly or indirectly relevant information (e.g. recreational use patterns, studies on the area of concern, studies on areas coupled to the area of concern, etc.)

# Knowledge Creation

- **Data Integration:** The collected data from various sources is integrated into a central repository within each Government's Knowledge Creation Network.
- **Environmental Modeling:** Advanced modeling algorithms analyze the integrated data to create predictive models of fish migration patterns, population dynamics, and potential impacts of increased fishing activity.
- **Human Impact Modeling:** Advanced modeling algorithms analyze the integrated data to create highly contextualized and integrative predictive models of effects on human populations based on environmental modeling scenarios.
- **Response Modeling:** Advanced modeling algorithms analyze outputs from human impact and environmental modeling predictions to suggest courses of mitigation and policy adjustment

# Wisdom Application

- **Shared Knowledge Mesh:** Both Governments establish a Federated Knowledge Mesh, securely connecting their Knowledge Creation Networks. This mesh allows the exchange of anonymized data and relevant knowledge while respecting data privacy and sovereignty.
- **Automated Alert System:** A sophisticated automated system continuously monitors the fishing activity of both Governments in the shared location. When the system detects a significant increase in fishing effort by Government B, it triggers an alert to Government A's fisheries management authority.
- **Automated Sensor Control System:** A sophisticated automated system may adjust and reconfigure sensor networks to holistically rebalance monitoring patterns.

# Human Control Features

- **Decision-Making Dashboard:** Upon receiving the alert, Government A's fisheries management authority accesses a decision-making dashboard. The dashboard provides an overview of the situation, presenting real-time data, predictive models, and potential implications of increased fishing activity on the ecosystem.
- **Human Intervention:** The fisheries management authority reviews the information provided by the system and decides on the appropriate course of action. They may choose to initiate diplomatic communications with Government B or implement temporary fishing restrictions to safeguard the shared resources.
- **Knowledge Consumption:** All updates captured in the knowledge bases can trigger processes to transform and populate contextual public-side interfaces, including models, websites, and collaborative

# Knowledge Bases

- **Historical Data:** The system incorporates historical fishing data to analyze long-term trends and identify patterns of sustainable fishing practices.
- **Ecological Knowledge:** Knowledge bases on marine ecology, fish migration patterns, and ecosystem interactions are essential for developing accurate predictive models.
- **Adjacent Inferred Knowledge:** Knowledge bases for other potentially coupled systems may be leveraged for integrating effect inferences on decision making processes.
- **Regulatory Policies:** Information about existing fishing regulations and international agreements related to resource management is incorporated into the system to ensure compliance.
- **Socioeconomic Knowledge:** Knowledge bases for human stake in the system may be leveraged for aiding in impact response simulations and decision making recommendations

# Improvement of the Earth System

- **Sustainable Resource Management:** By leveraging the Federated Knowledge Mesh, Government A can respond proactively to changes in fishing activity, fostering responsible fishing practices and sustainable resource management.
- **Ecosystem Preservation:** The automated system and predictive models help identify potential threats to the marine ecosystem, enabling timely interventions to prevent overfishing and preserve biodiversity.
- **Collaborative Governance:** Through a Federated Knowledge Mesh, Governments A and B foster collaboration, data sharing, and transparent decision-making, laying the foundation for effective cross-border resource management.

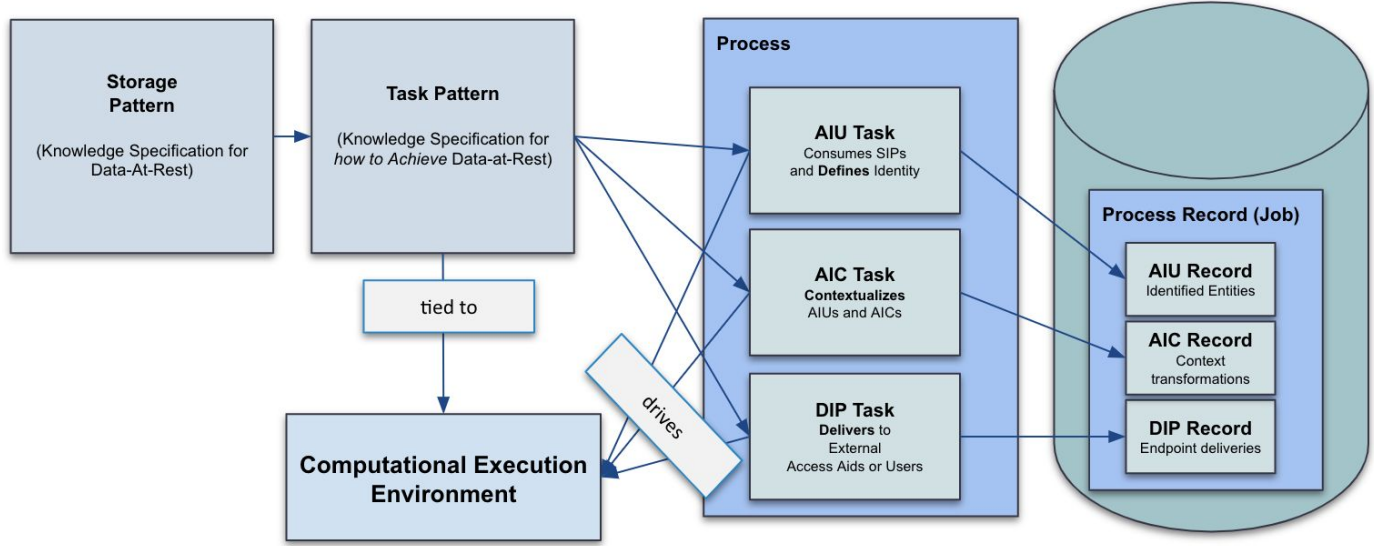
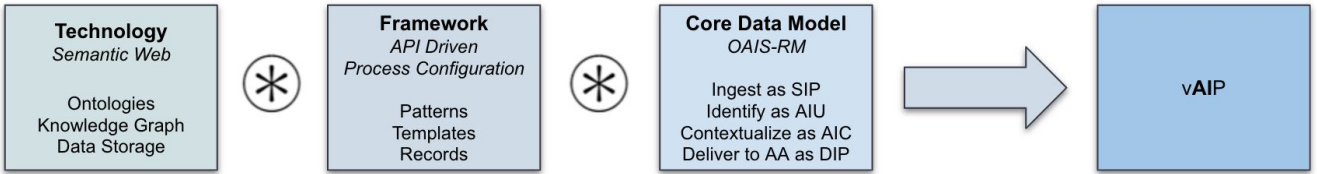


# Simplified Concept of Operations

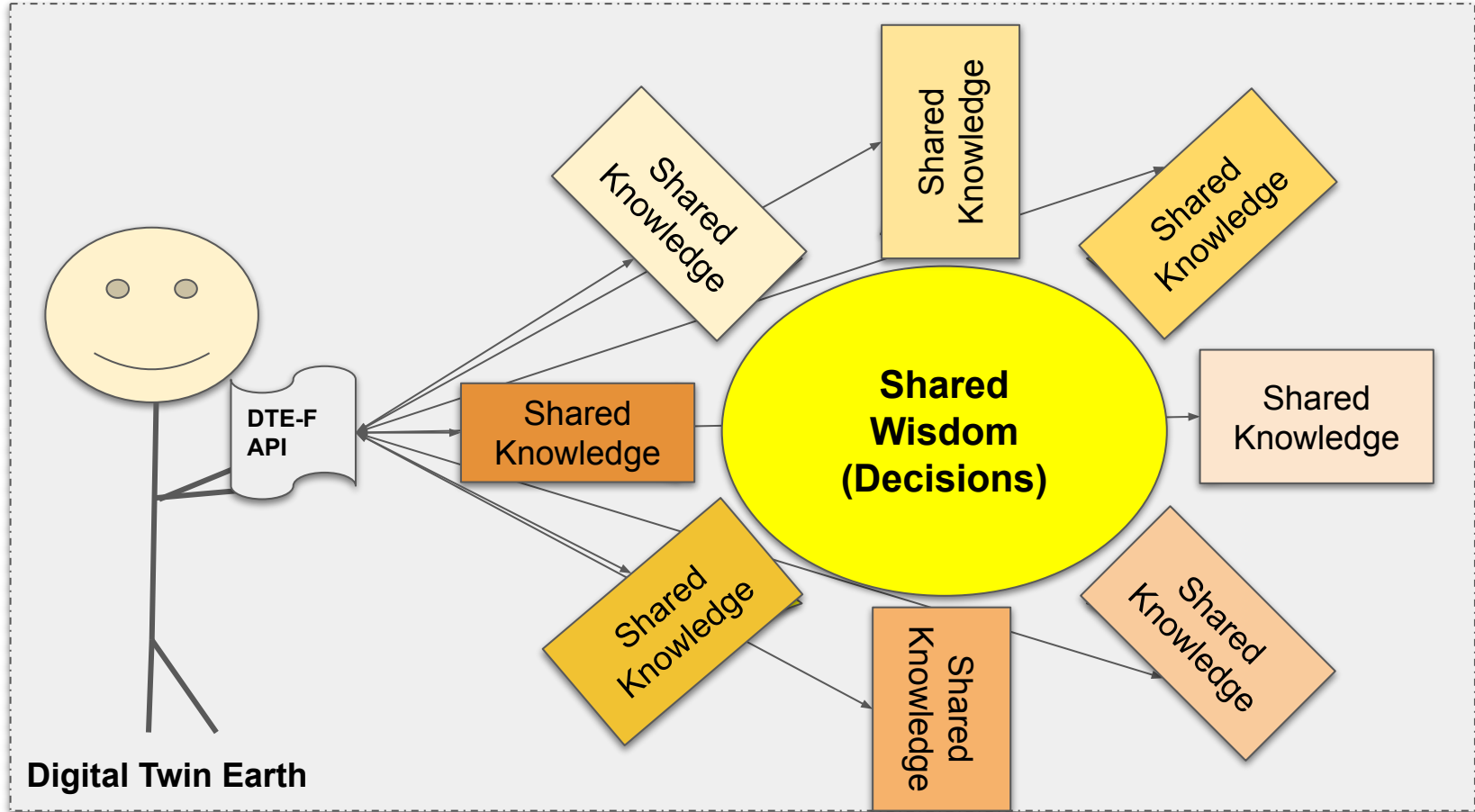
- **Various physical sensor networks** are deployed to gather data from spaceborne, airborne, and ground-based sensors. These sensors continuously monitor weather patterns, seismic activities, ocean currents, and more, generating vast amounts of real-time data.
- **The collected data is transmitted to Knowledge Creation Networks**, where sophisticated algorithms, AI-driven analysis tools, and human experts process the information. These networks combine and transform raw data into actionable insights, such as identifying potential disaster hotspots, predicting storm trajectories, assessing earthquake risks, identifying and adjusting to fishing system changes, etc.
- Through the Federated Knowledge Mesh, the **generated knowledge is shared in near real-time** with all partner agencies and their users. In a disaster scenario, this interconnected ecosystem allows instant access to critical information for all stakeholders involved in the response efforts.
- **Automation and Adaptation:** With the Federated Knowledge Mesh, the system can automatically respond to changing conditions. For instance, if a severe storm unexpectedly changes direction, the sensor networks can dynamically reconfigure to focus on the new threat area. This adaptation is based on near real-time published policy adjustments and mission needs, ensuring an agile and responsive disaster response.
- **Holistic Human Wisdom:** By adhering to FAIR and CARE principles, decision-makers have confidence in the accuracy and reliability of the shared knowledge. This holistic human wisdom enables better-informed decisions, leading to more effective disaster response strategies and improved coordination among agencies.

# Miscellanea

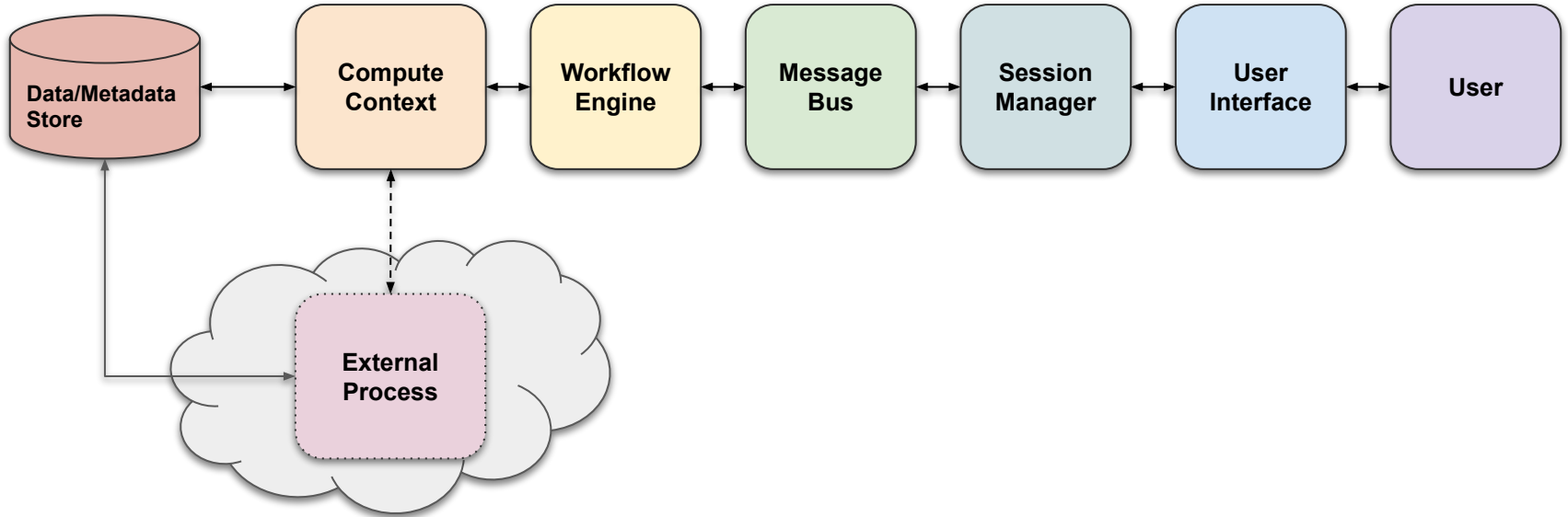
# Trainable Workflow-Focused Knowledge Graph Architecture



# Framework **API** - Syntactic Gateway to Semantic Interoperability



# Evolved Compute Architecture for the Interoperability Framework (2023)



# Opportunities - Everything as Data in a Process Framework enables Democratic Participation (Contribution and Consumption)

LLMs and Multi-Modal Models as Front Ends for Framework-Driven Federated Models

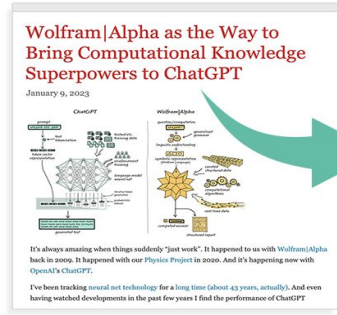
*“Hey interface, can you tell me where I should plan a camping trip next spring? I want to see some rare blooms and don’t want to have any risk of rain. Please plan my itinerary and draw me a map on how to get there and get around.”*

*“Hey interface, can you tell me what potential 50-100 year climate impacts this border wall policy might have if it’s implemented and all other things remain the same?”*

*“Hey interface, we have a looming RFI problem due to 6G/7G. What are some solutions to how to collect NWP data? What might happen if uncertainty rose by 10%?”*

## ChatGPT Gets Its “Wolfram Superpowers”!

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[ChatGPT plugins](#)

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[LLM’s Closing the KG Gap. I have been doing successful knowledge... | by Dean Allemang | Mar. 2023 | Medium](#)

Used Wolfram

Here is the current configuration of Jupiter's Galilean moons:

Callisto | Europa | Jupiter | Io | Ganymede (as viewed from Earth)

Wolfram  
Install

Access computation, math, curated knowledge & real-time data through Wolfram|Alpha and Wolfram Language

Moon	Mass (kg)	Average Radius (mi)	Rotation Period	Age (billion yr)
Io	$8.9298 \times 10^{22}$	1131.82	42.46 h	4.5
Europa	$4.7987 \times 10^{22}$	989.84	85.22 h	4.5
Ganymede	$1.4815 \times 10^{23}$	1635	7.155 days	4.5
Callisto	$1.0757 \times 10^{23}$	1497.7	16.69 days	4.5

March 23, 2023



# DESTINATION EARTH INTEROPERABILITY

Thomas Geenen et al.



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# Implementation: Phasing and Responsibility

**2022**

Launch of Destination Earth (DestinE) initiative

**2024**

Development of the core service platform (ESA), the data lake (EUMETSAT), the digital twin engine and the first two digital twins on weather-induced extreme events and climate change adaptation (ECMWF).

**2027**

Initial and ramp-up operations, consolidation, maintenance, continuous evolution of the DestinE System.

**2030**

Transition to long-term operations.

Observations

Simulations

PRESENT

FUTURE

2022

2024

2027

2030

## Entrusted entities

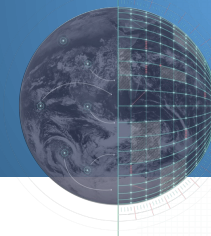


EUMETSAT

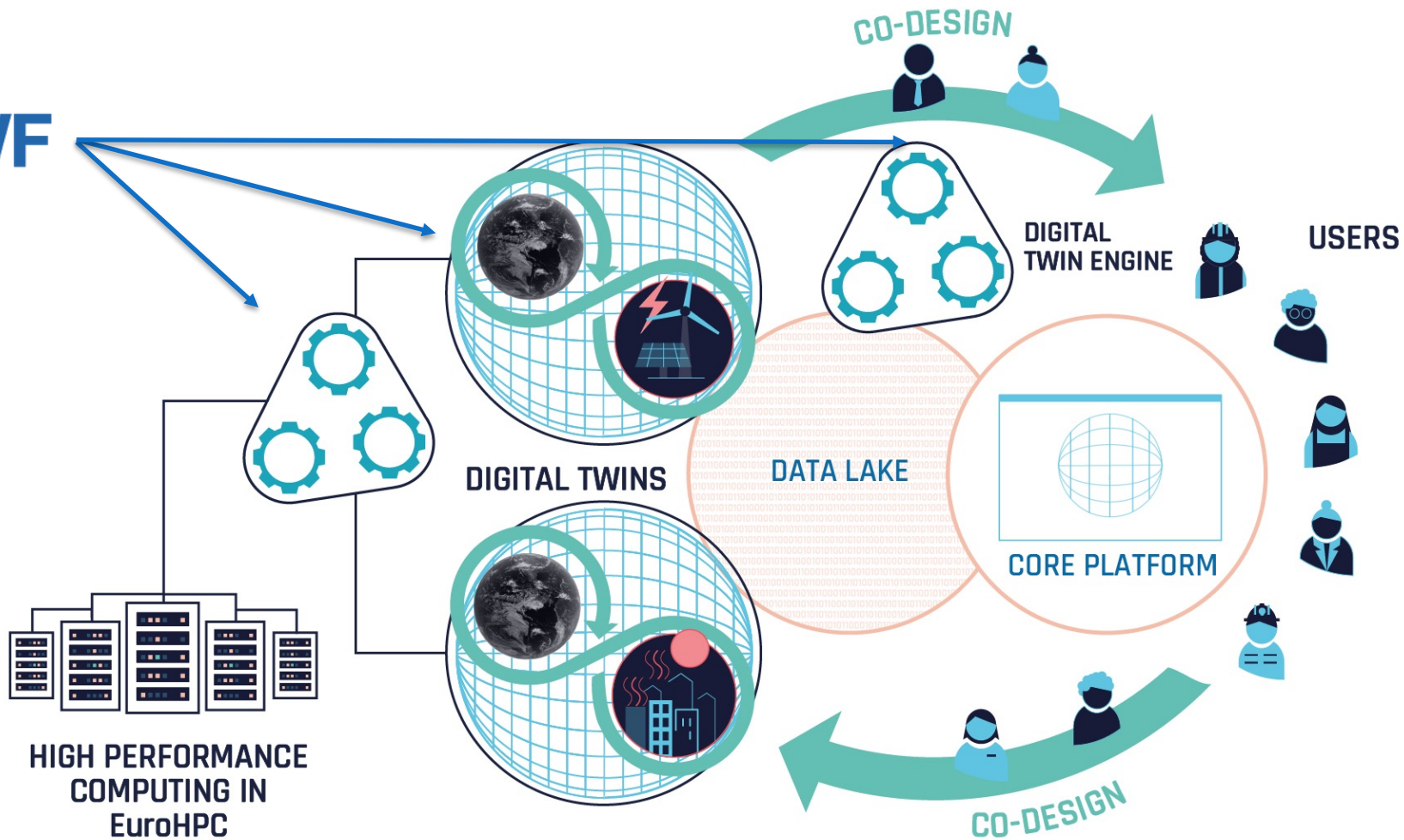
## Key elements

- Digital Twin Engine
- Digital Twins
- Data lake
- Core platform





# KEY COMPONENTS OF DESTINE, ECMWF ROLE



# **DIGITAL TWINS**

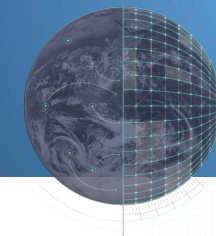
# Two high-priority Digital Twins



- Support disaster risk management
- **Continuous** and **on-demand** configurations
- **High-resolution** (~2-4km) to sub-km regionally, 2-5 days ahead
- Implemented by ECMWF and a consortium led by Meteo France

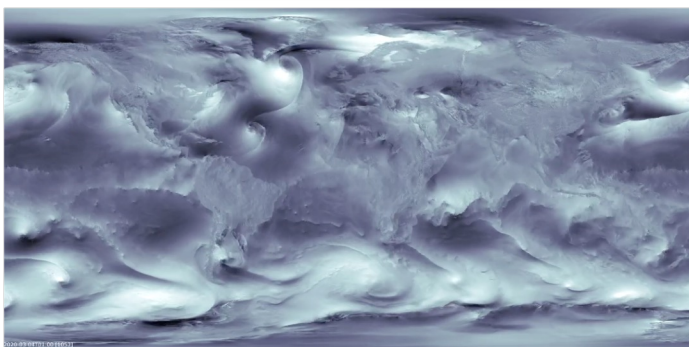


- Support Climate adaptation
- **Regular** climate simulations
- **High-resolution** (~5km), multi decadal timescales (2040/50)
- Implemented by a consortium led by CSC, contracted by ECMWF

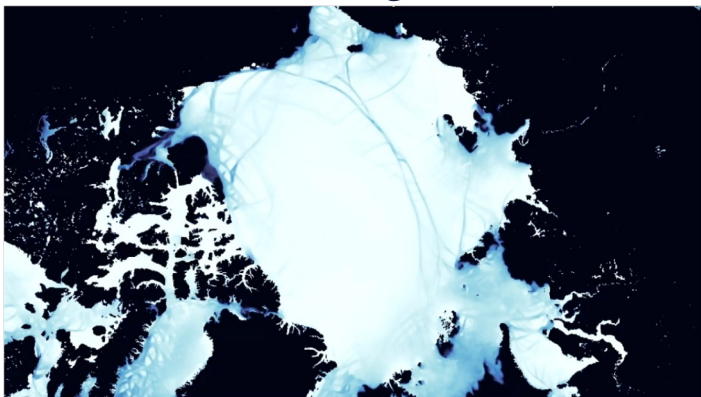


# DIGITAL TWIN FEATURES

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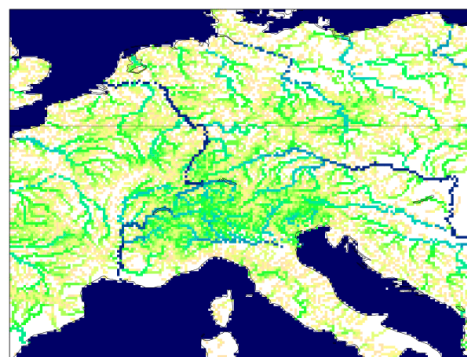
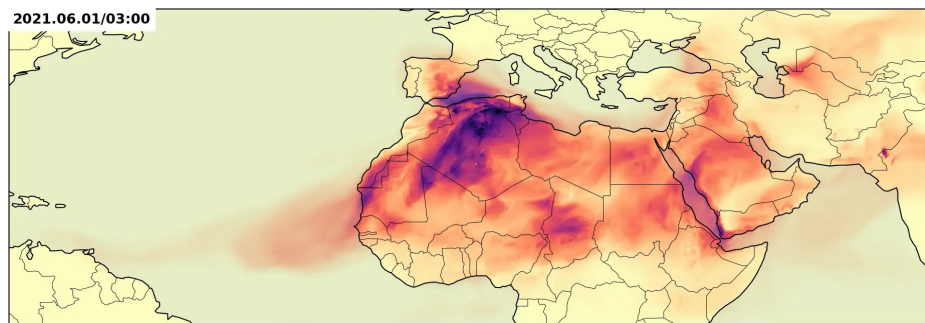


*More realistic at global scale*



*More realistic at local scale*

## IMPACTS

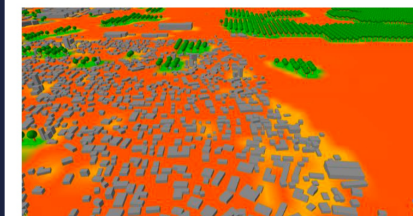


*Include impacts where they matter*

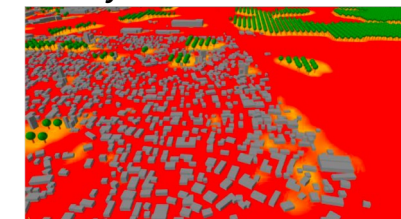
## INTERACTIVITY



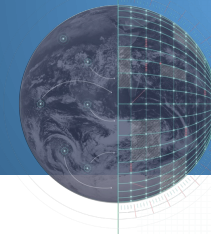
*City A in a +2 world*



*City A in a +4 world*

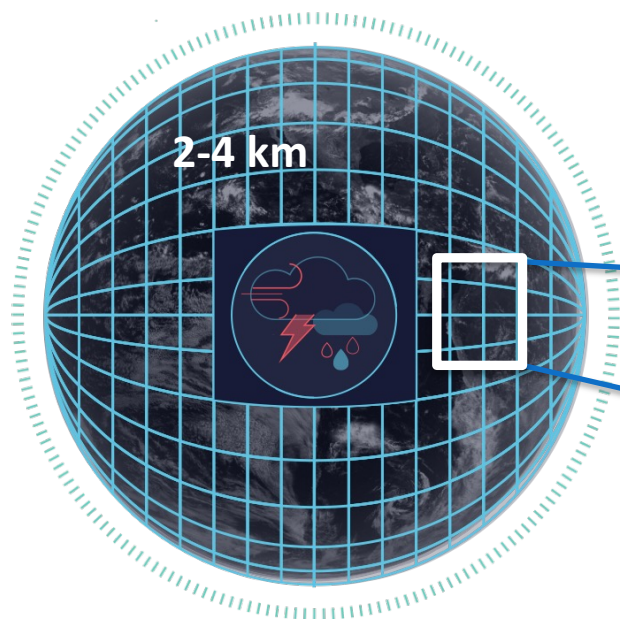


*Trial different scenarios*

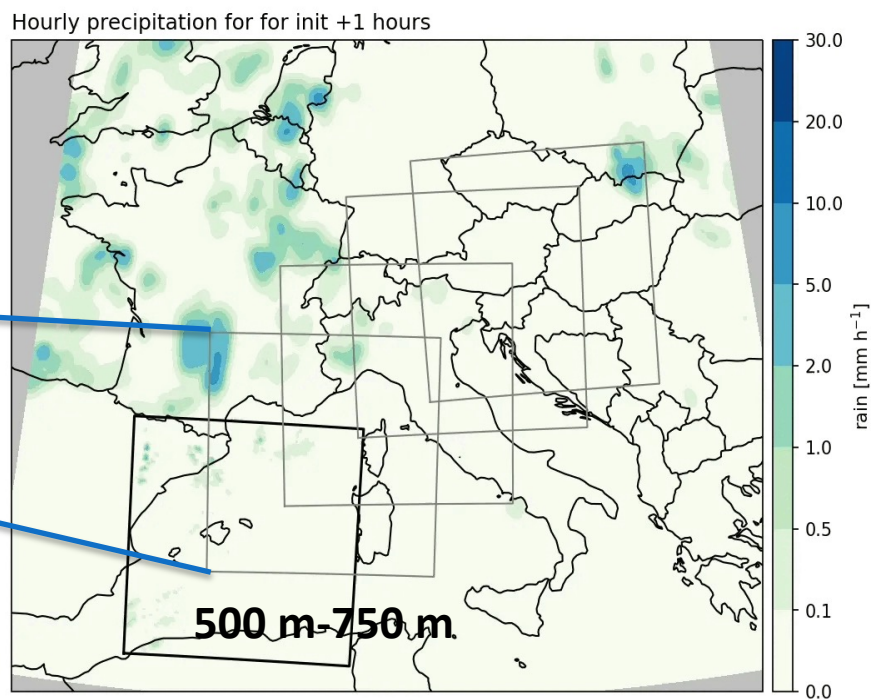


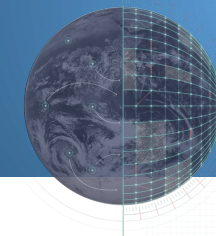
# EXTREMES DT: CONTINUOUS AND ON DEMAND

Continuous global component

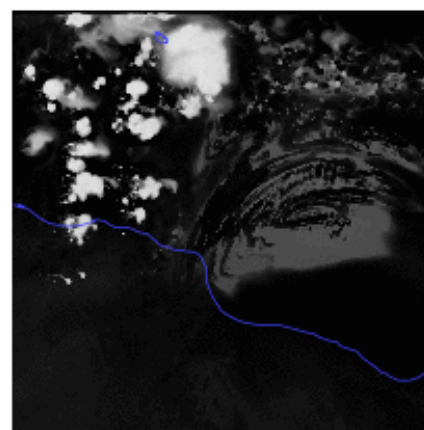
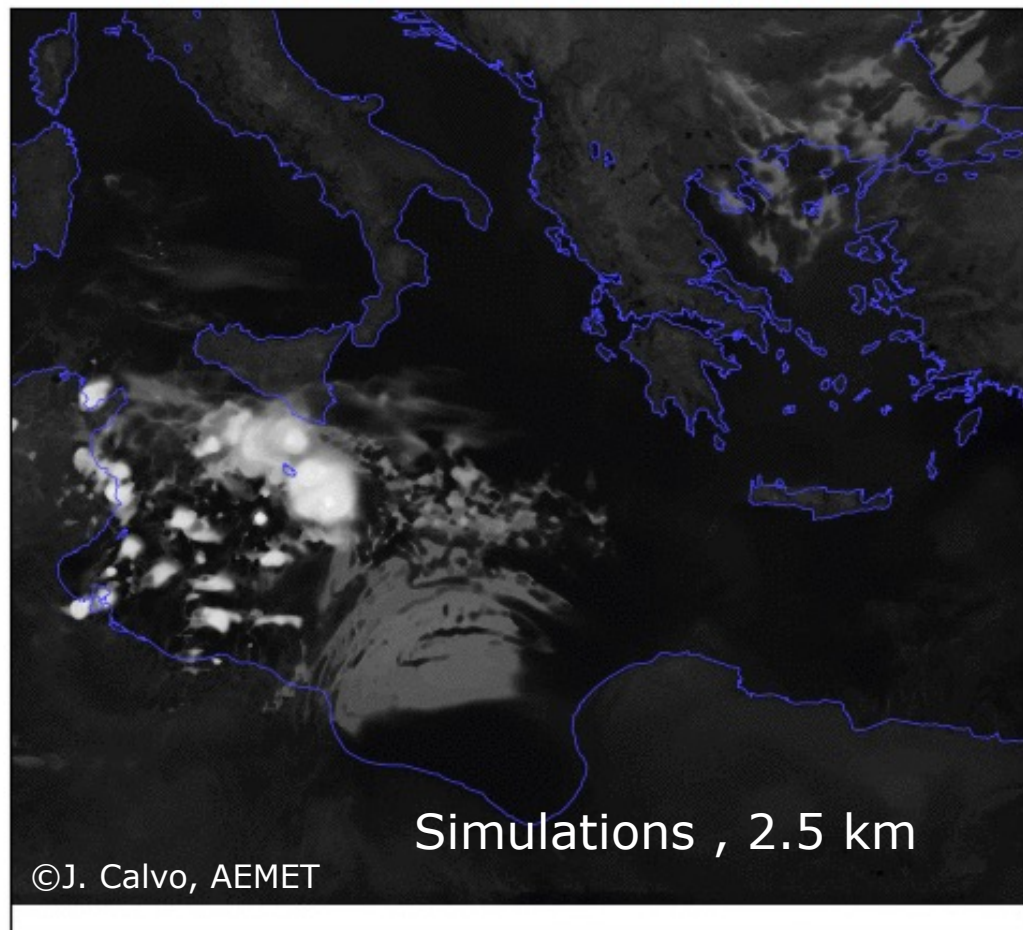


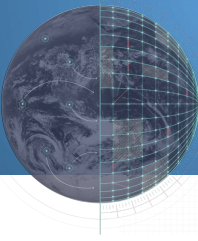
On-demand regional component





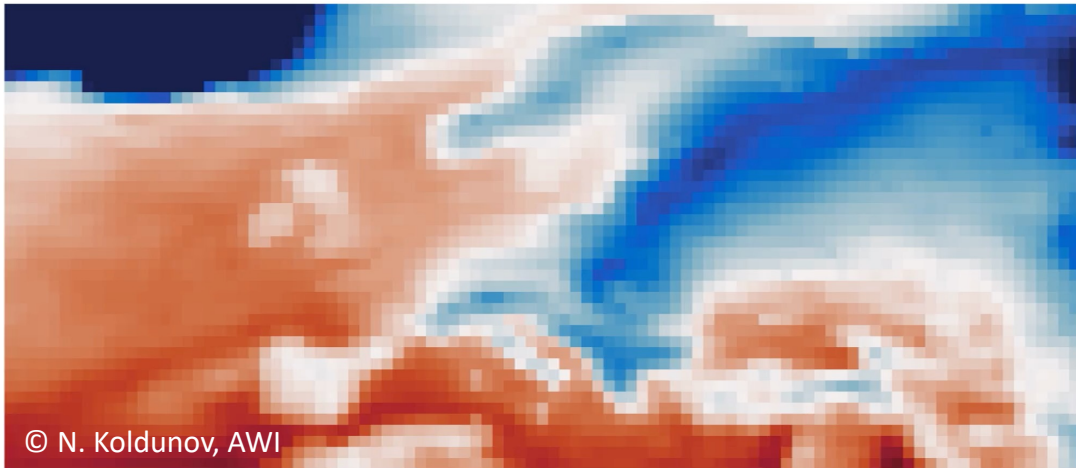
# ON-DEMAND EXTREMES DT



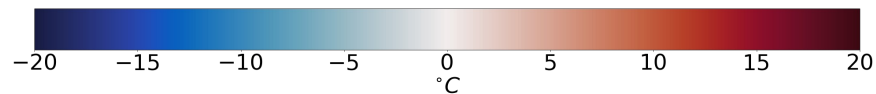
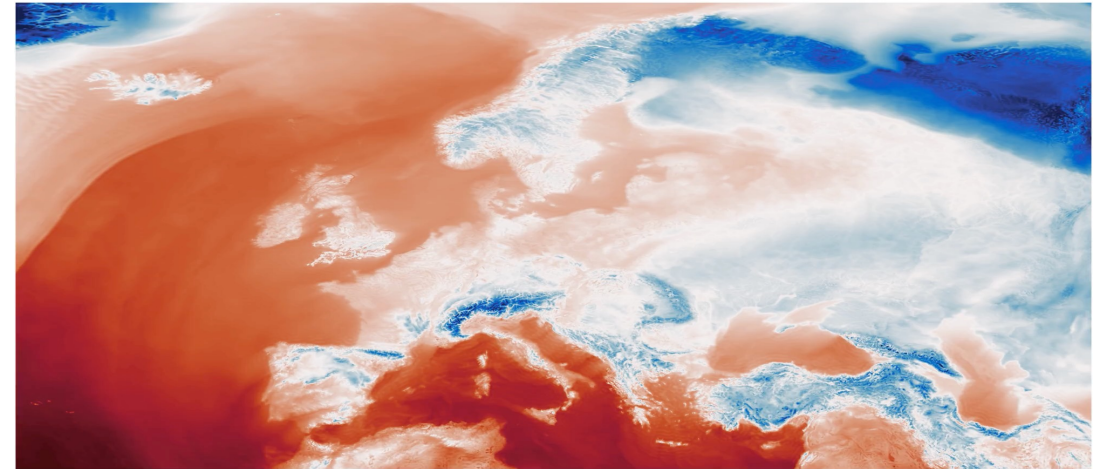


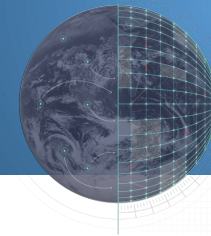
# GLOBAL INFORMATION WITH LOCAL GRANULARITY

IPCC AR6 (2021), 100km



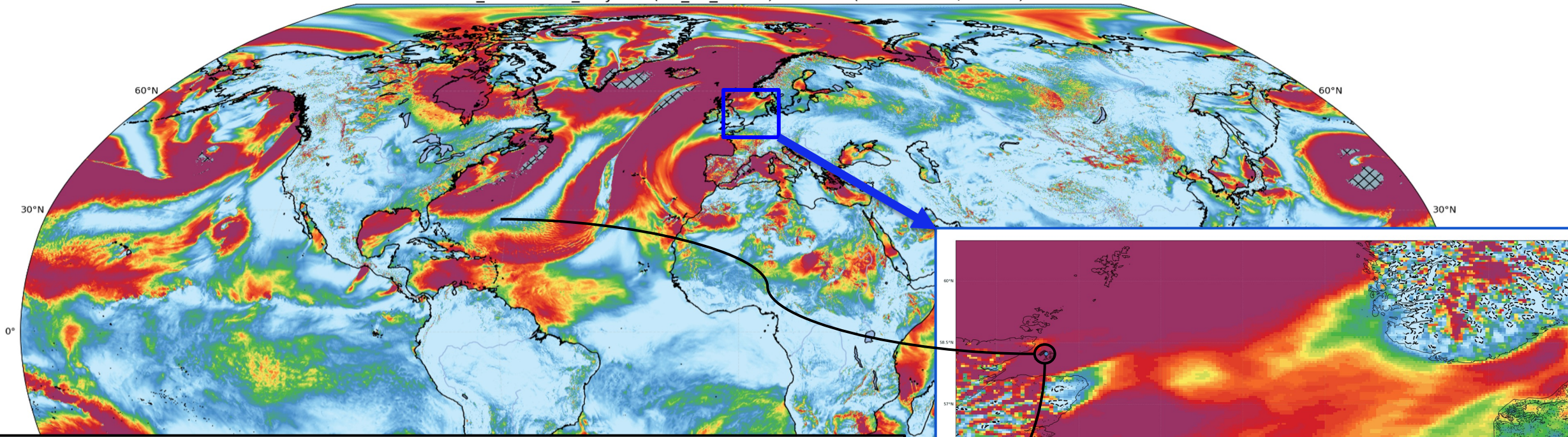
Digital Twin, 5km



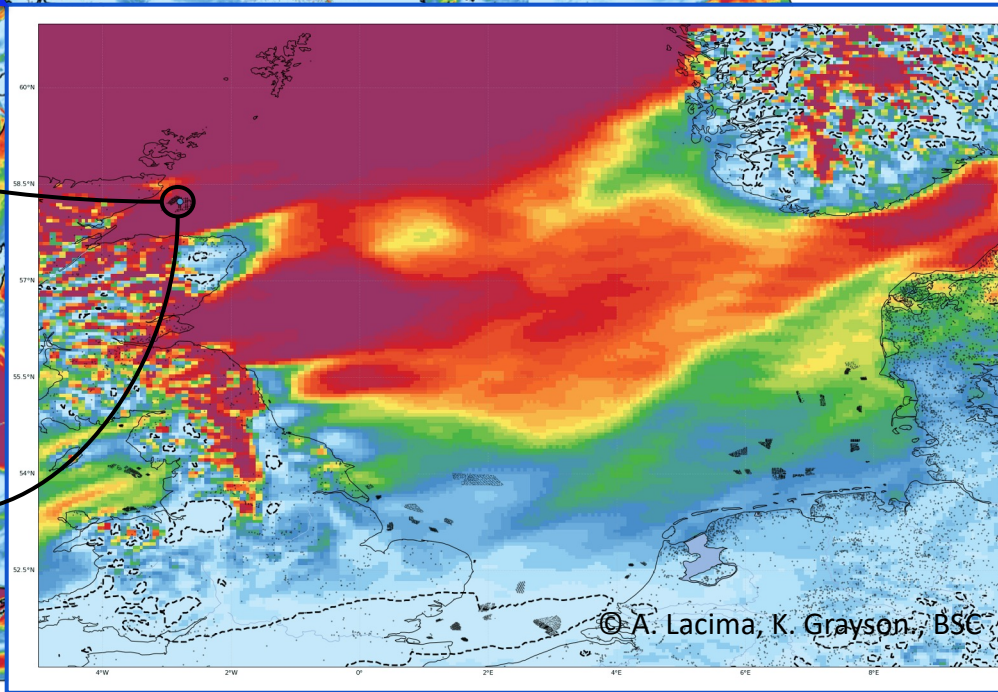
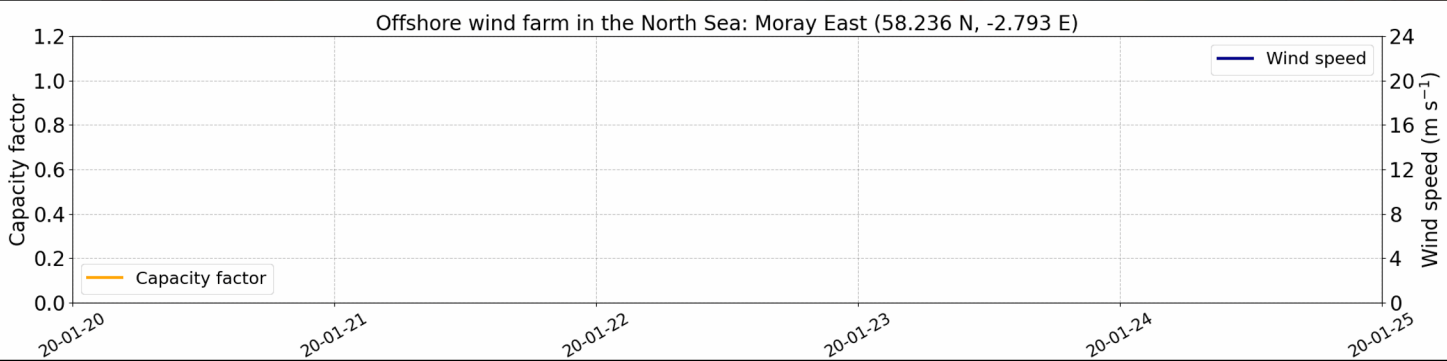


# Tailoring the information to user needs

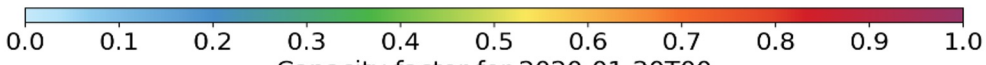
IFS\_4.4-FESOM\_5-cycle3 (2D\_1h\_native) - Class S (Vestas V164/9.5MW)



Offshore wind farm in the North Sea: Moray East (58.236 N, -2.793 E)

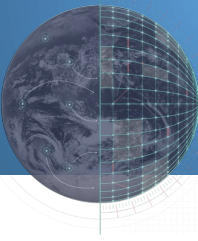


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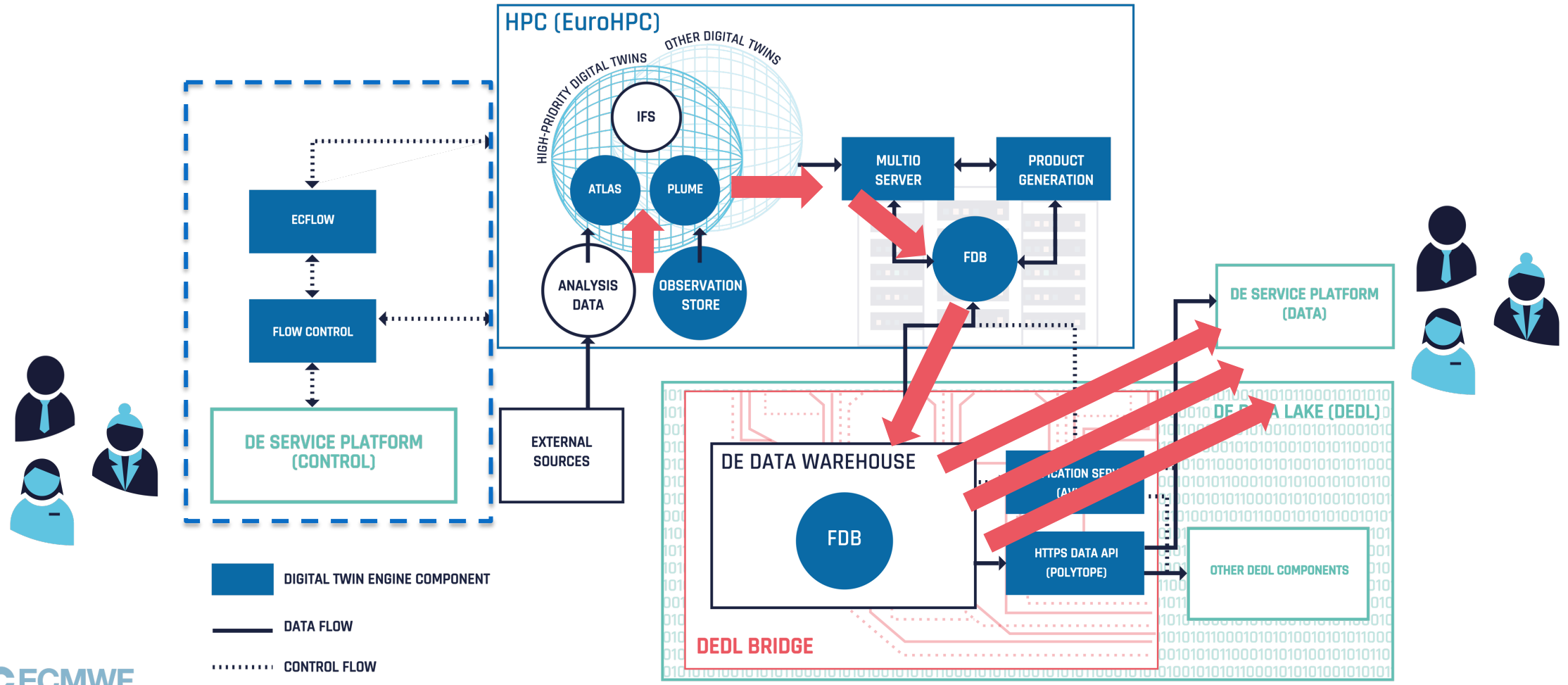




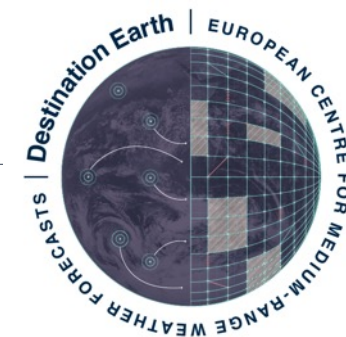
# **DIGITAL TWIN ENGINE INTEROPERABILITY**



# RUNNING DTS & MANAGING BIG DATA



# Different types of Integration



## Full Integration mode

Directly integrated in the DestinE simulation and data handling system

## Coupling mode

Integrated in a workflow where Digital Twins have their own simulation and data fusion tasks interfacing with DestinE

## Post-processing mode

Integrated as data post-processing application without own Earth-system simulation



## Integration continuum

### Use DTE

Workflow management, HPC and data handling software infrastructures

### Compatible with DTE

Workflow management, HPC and data handling software infrastructures

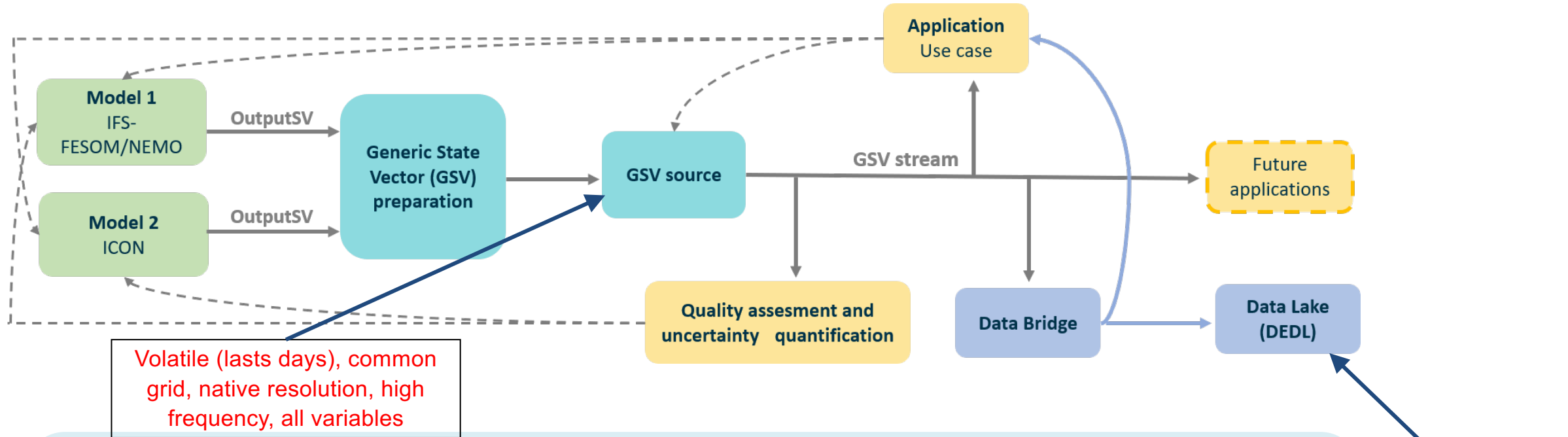
### Weak DTE coupling

independent  
Workflow management, data management support

### DTE in the background

implicit data handling software infrastructure use By the end user from the DESP

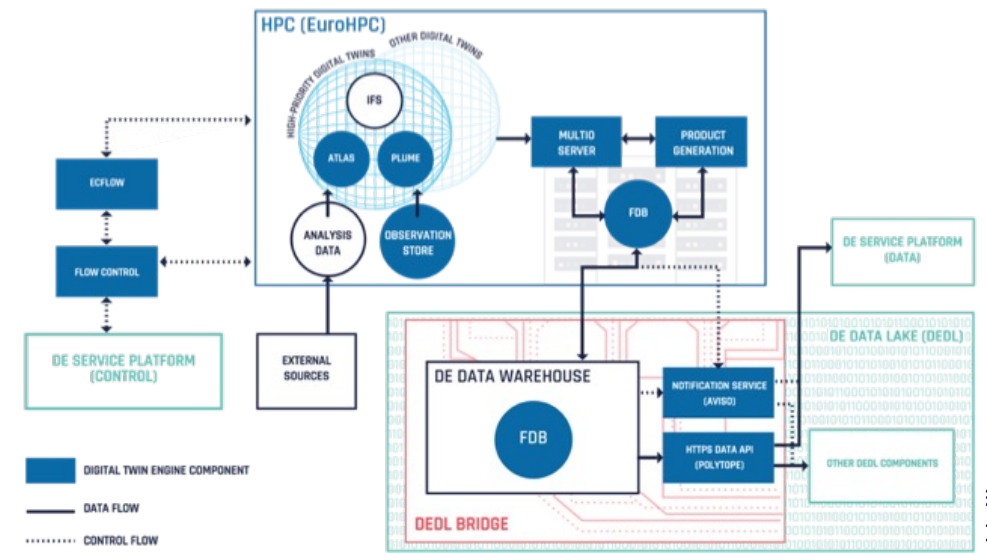
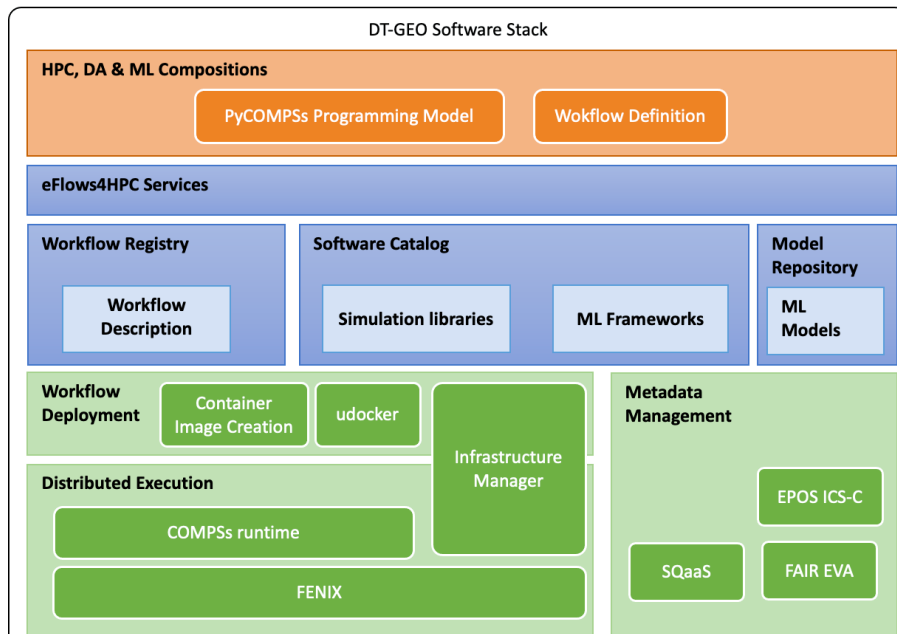
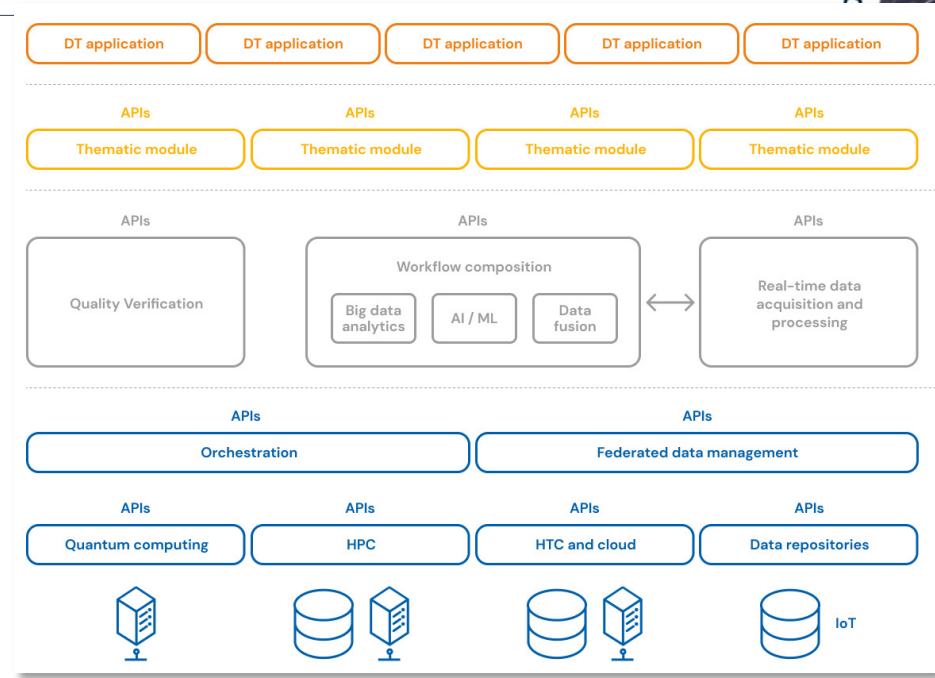
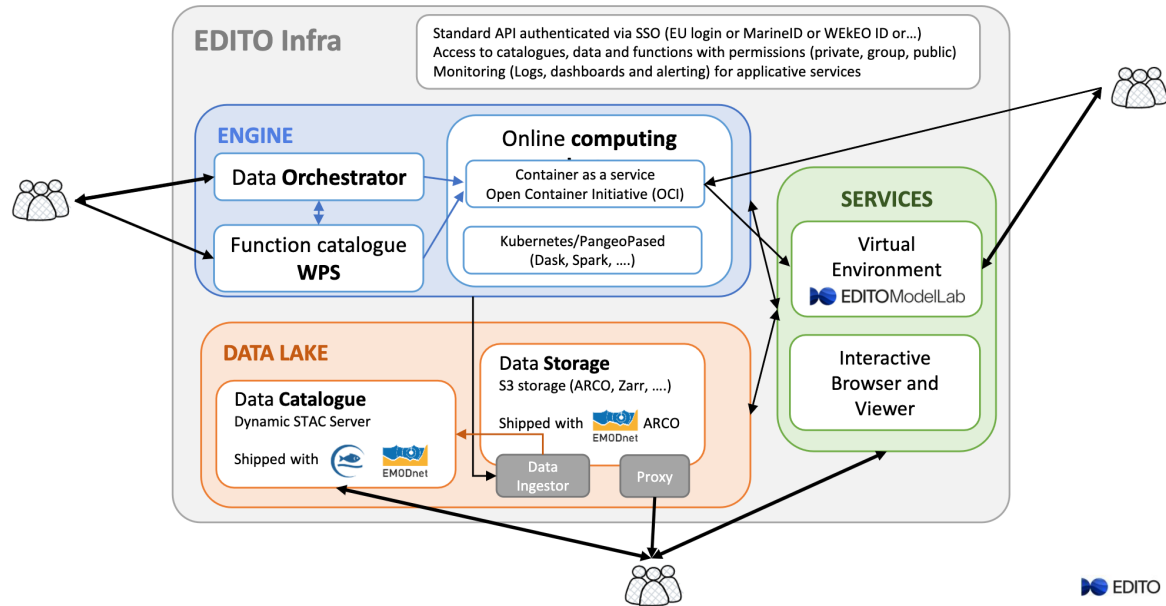
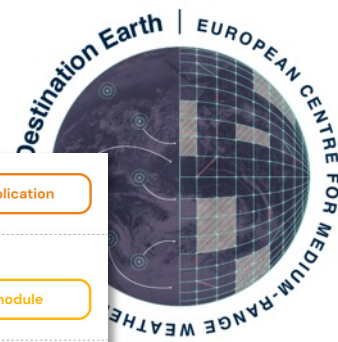
# Climate DT – a novel workflow



Streaming of climate model output in standardized form (*Generic State Vector, GSV*):

- **access the full model state** as soon as it is available
- **scalability** – new applications can be added
- **(interactivity** – in future phases users may request simulations based on their needs)

# Digital twin Engine architectures in Europe



# Common architecture language

## Technology transfer between DT projects

Driven by the European commission  
DG-CNECT (Digital Europe program)

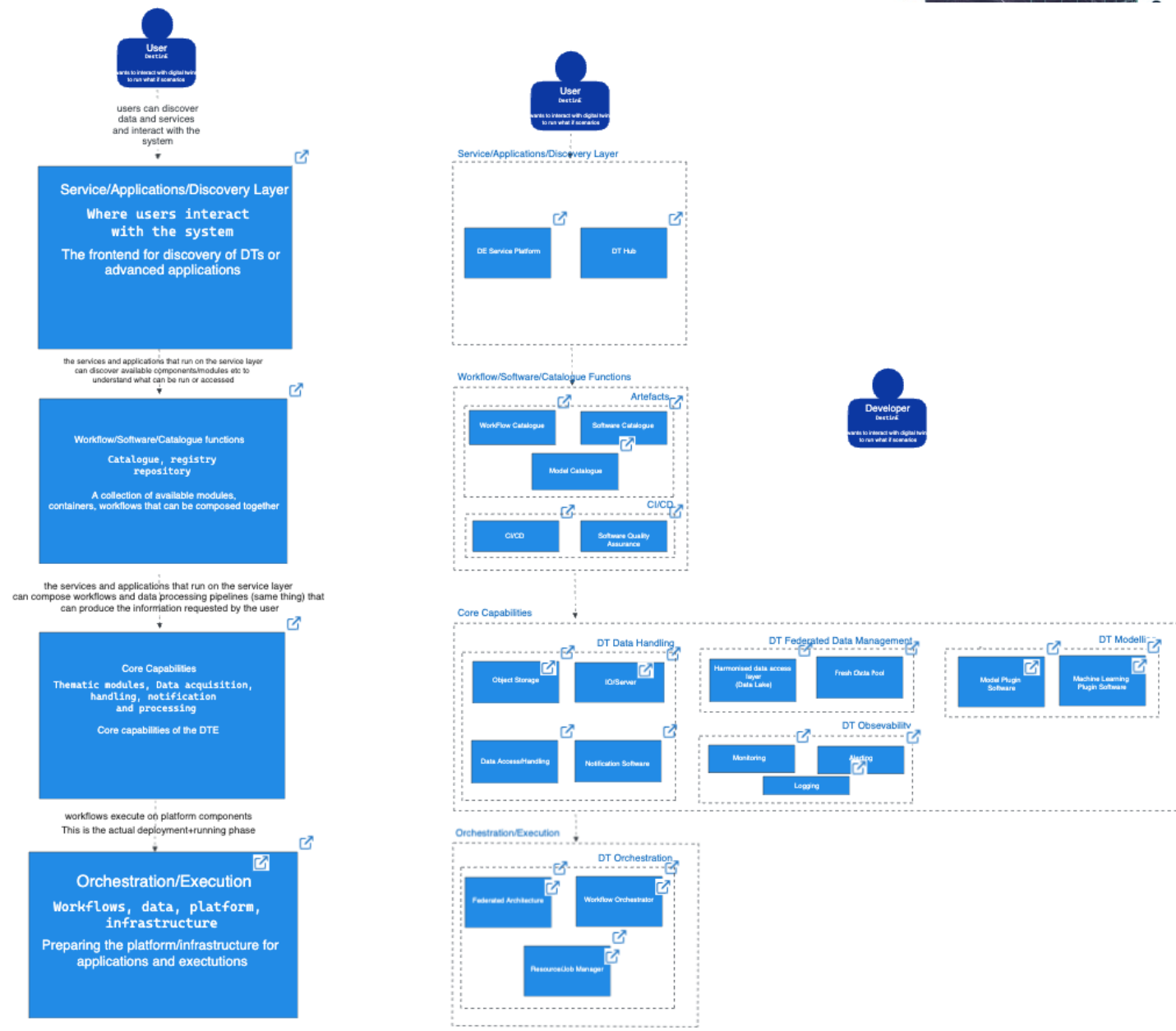
Work with Horizon Europe funded projects

To allow for

- Integration
- Interoperability

Select usecase for each project

Run integration and interoperability pilots



# Second Destination Earth User eXchange

13–14 November  
Bonn, Germany

Registration open  
[destination-earth.eu/event/2nd-destination-earth-user-exchange/](https://destination-earth.eu/event/2nd-destination-earth-user-exchange/)



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**STANDARDS FOR INTEROPERABILITY WITH  
FEDERATED ILIAD AND EDITO DIGITAL  
TWINS OF THE OCEAN AND EARTH**

*Enabling Semantic Interoperable Digital Twins  
through Data Spaces, Data Lakes and relevant  
APIs and Ontologies - with IoT and AI technologies –  
ISO SC41 IoT and Digital Twin, ISO SC42 AI and Big Data,  
DTC, IEEE, OGC and ISO TC211*

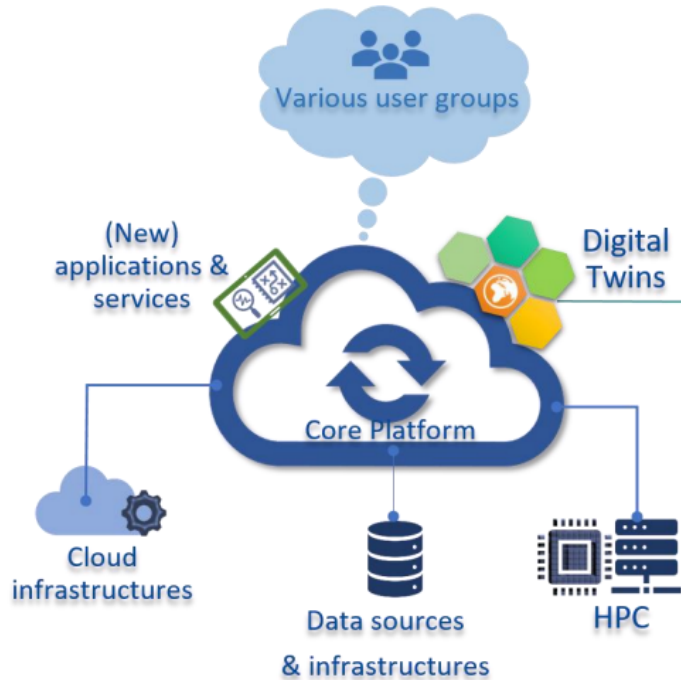
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# DestinE baseline architecture & DTs

Projects in progress with ESA + ECMWF, EUMETSAT, ..

## Digital Twins



### 1. Weather-induced and Geophysical Extremes

Environmental extremes at very high spatial resolution and close to real-time decision-making support (e.g. floods, wild fires, hurricanes, earthquakes, volcano eruptions)



### 2. Climate Change Adaptation

Climate change adaptation policies and mitigation scenario testing at decadal timescales aiming at a real breakthrough at the level of reliability at regional and national levels, for understanding the causes and explaining the feedback mechanisms of change, predicting possible evolution trajectories and identifying irreversible tipping points



### Oceans DT



### AI-powered Urban DTs



### Biodiversity DT



More DTs... (e.g. migration)  
+ Freshwater/Water cycle

Digital Europe Programme funding (150M€ for the first phase 2021-2024)



Horizon Europe calls to support research related to Destination Earth (modelling, DTs...)

Strategic Union initiative for EuroHPC



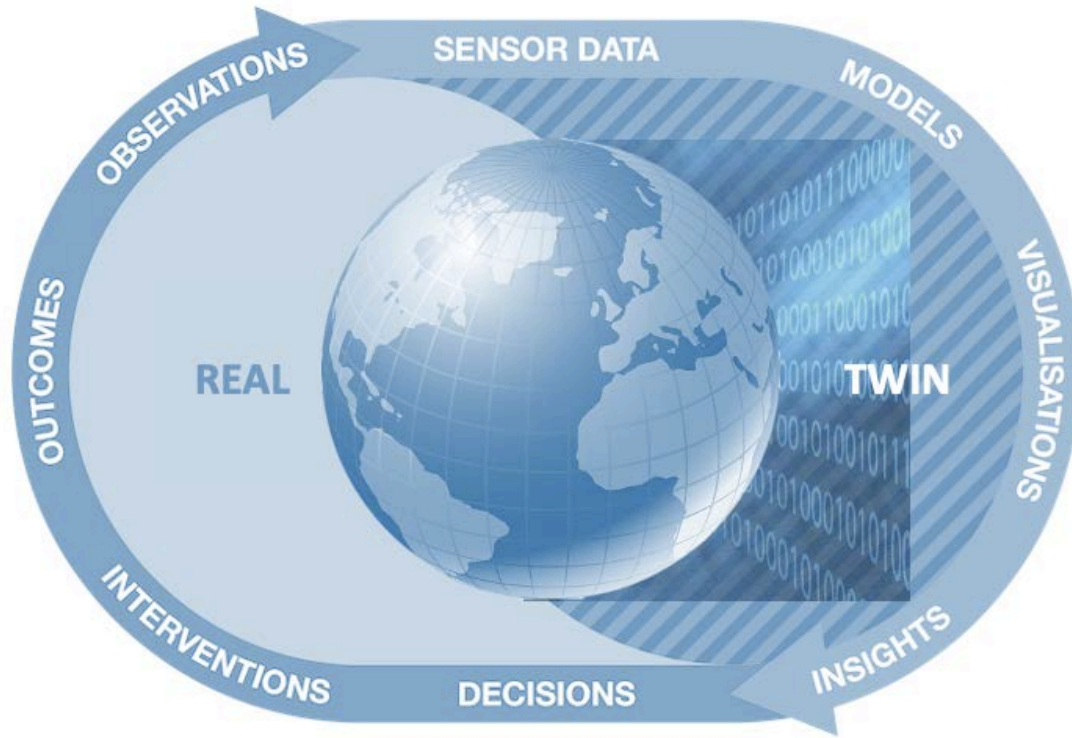
# Digital Twins of the Ocean - DITTO



An **accessible ocean** with open and equitable access to data, information, and technology and innovation.

Develop a comprehensive digital representation of the ocean.

- **Digital Twins of the Ocean** are a virtual representation of the real ocean and have a two-way connection with it. Observations from the real ocean change and refine the twin; manipulating the twin can highlight regions of the real ocean in need of better or different observations.
- **Digital Twins** will enable users to address **'What if' questions** based on shared data, models and knowledge.
- **Digital Twins** empower ocean professionals, citizen scientists, policymakers, and the general public alike to visualise and explore ocean knowledge, data, models and forecasts.



Ocean  
Information  
**assessing**  
**Interventions**

What – If Scenarios  
How will the ocean  
change if humans act?

# Digital Twins of the Ocean

<https://ditto-oceandecade.org>

# DITTO – DIGITAL TWINS OF THE OCEAN



## Working Groups 1-7

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WG1. Supportive ocean observations and data systems

WG2. Data analytics and prediction engines

WG3. Data lakes and interoperability

WG4. Interactive layers and visualizations

**WG5. Framework – architecture, design and implementations (TURTLE)**

**(Led by Ute Brønner, SINTEF Ocean and Arne J. Berre, SINTEF Digital, ILIAD project)**

WG6. Education, training and capacity development

WG7. Outreach and communication



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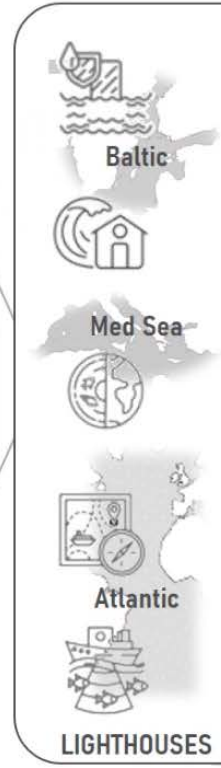
# DTO content

Digital Knowledge System

RESTORE OUR OCEAN AND WATERS

BY 2030

- Data analytics  
Specifics  
Local twins
- Pan-EU  
Twin  
services
- Digital  
backbone
- Ocean Data  
Space



LIGHTHOUSES

- Biodiversity
- Zero Pollution
- Carbon Neutral

- USERS
- Policy makers
- Communities
- Scientists
- Business
- Citizens
- Youth



Polar Environment Monitoring



Ocean Health



Trade & Marine Navigation



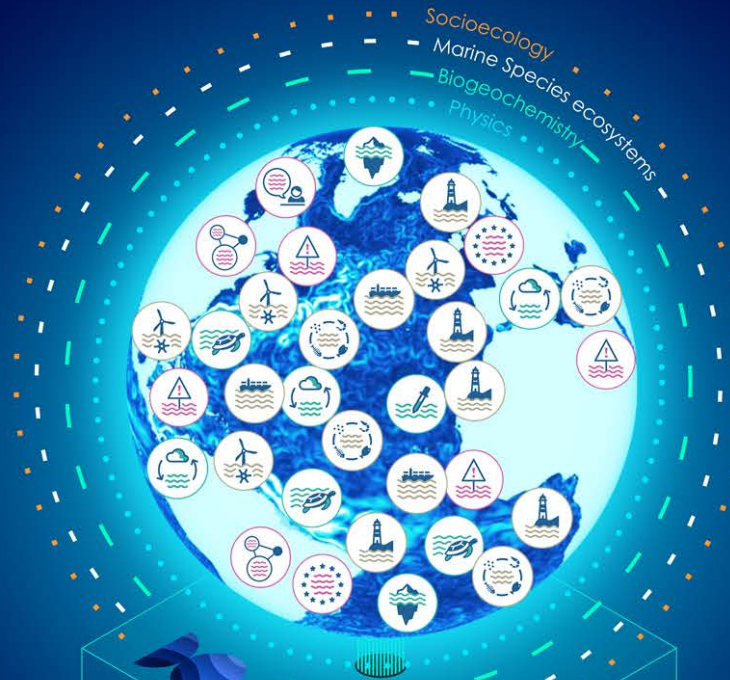
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Policies & Ocean Governance & Mitigation



Science & Innovation



Education, Public Health & Recreation



Natural Resources & Energy



Marine Conservation & Biodiversity



Coastal Services



Marine Food



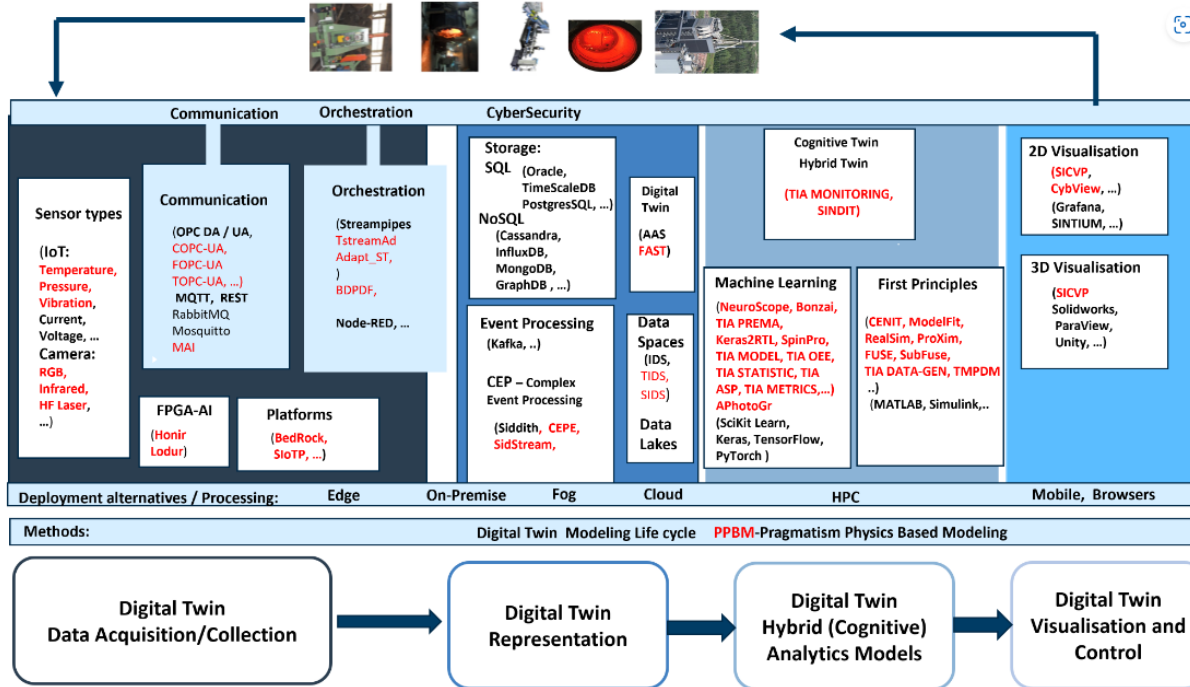
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# COGNITWIN Toolbox Portal

The COGNITWIN Toolbox is structured according to a defined Digital Twin pipeline, comprising a set of different Digital Twin (DT) supporting components. These component will typically be connected and configured together in different ways for different pipeline instances in various application contexts.

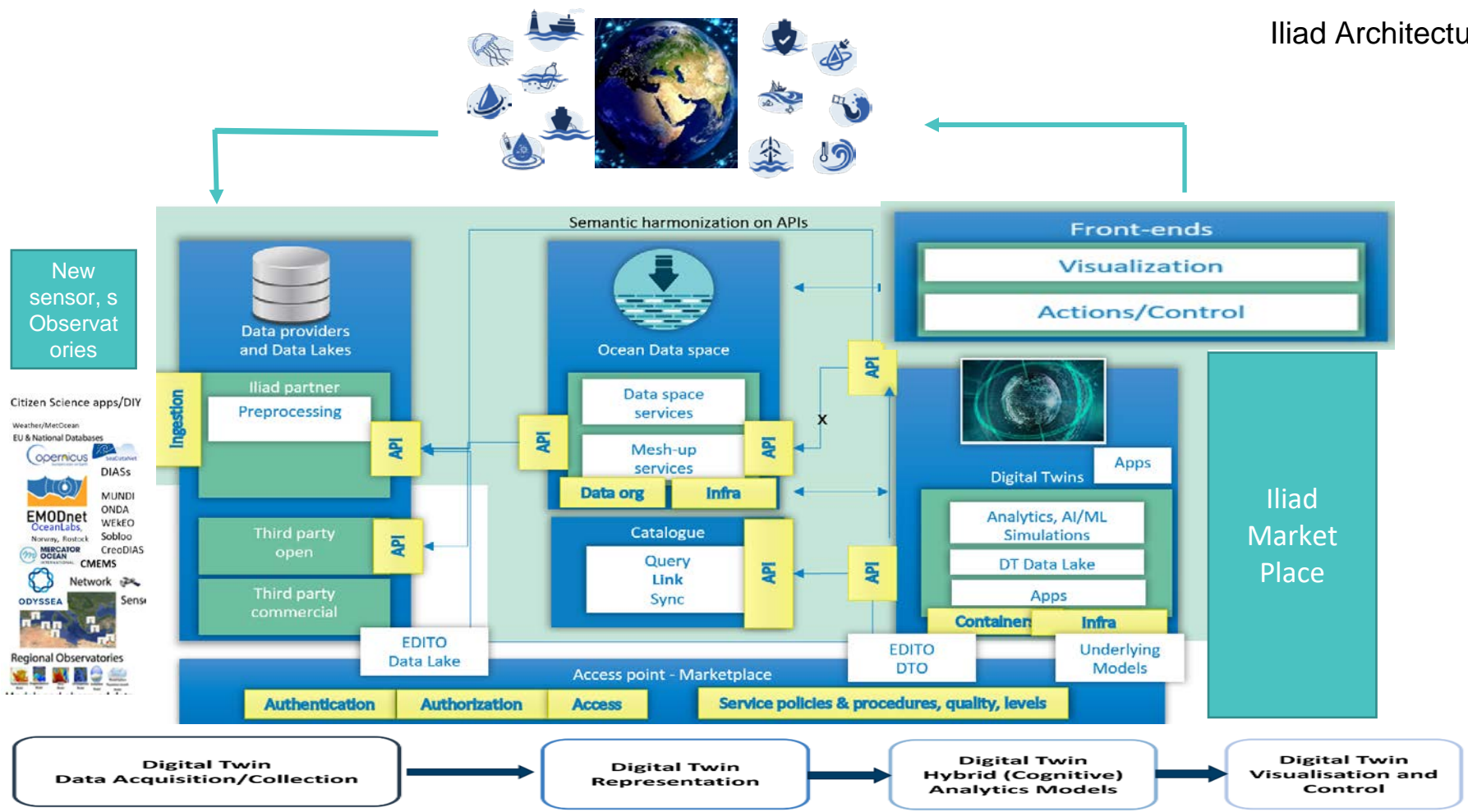
As shown in the figure, four main steps for the pipeline have been defined, corresponding to 1) DT data acquisition tools & services, 2) DT representation tools & services, 3) DT analytics tools & services, and 4) DT visualization and control tools & services that will be explained below.



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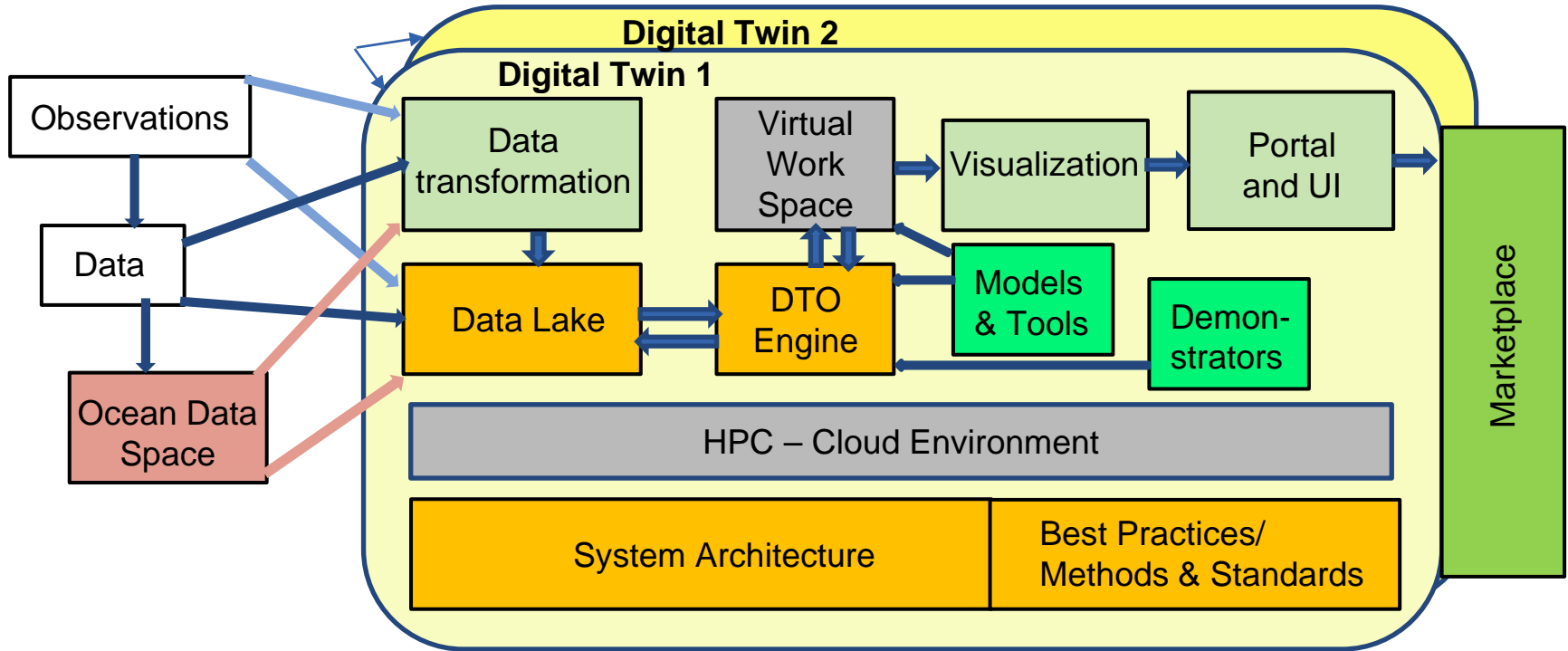
Hybrid and  
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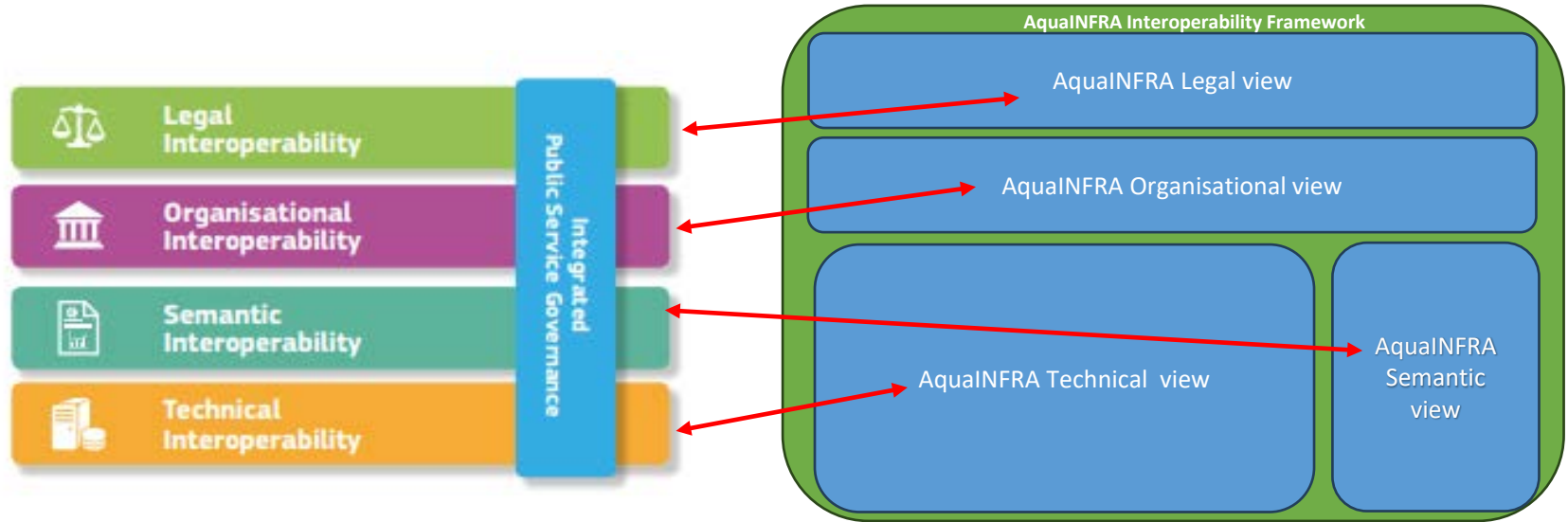


# Digital Twins



## AquaINFRA Interoperability Framework (AIF)

### European Interoperability Framework (EIF)



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# Relevant standards and initiatives



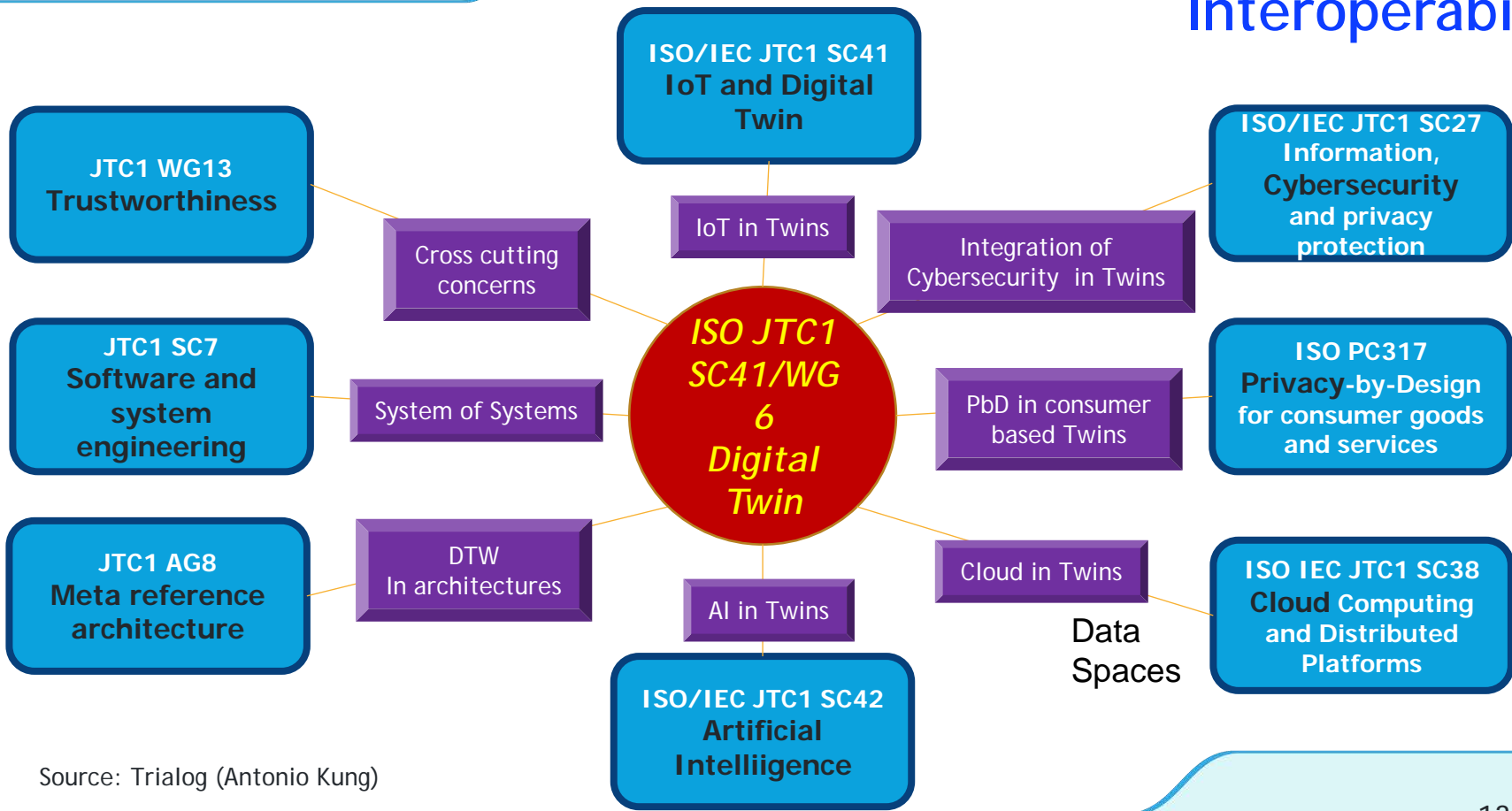
ISO SC41 IoT and Digital Twins – WG6 Digital Twins (ISO 30173 Concepts&Terminology, ISO 30186 Digital Twin Maturity Model, ISO NWI Digital Twin Reference Architecture, ISO 30172 Digital Twin Use cases) + ISO 30179 IoT for Ecological Environment Monitoring + ISO 23247 (Manufacturing) Digital Twins  
IDTA – Asset Administration Shell (AAS) for Industry 4.0 Digital Twins (DIN IEC 63278)

ISO SC42 AI and CEN CENELEC JTC21 AI – ISO 22989 Concepts, ISO 23053 AI Framework, ISO 20546 and ISO 20547 Big Data, ISO 24030 AI Use cases (+Digital Twins), ISO 5259 AI and Data Quality + Data Spaces NWIP + EU AI ACT

Data Spaces – DSSC.EU – GAIA-X and IDSA International Data Spaces Association – European Common Data Spaces – Data Spaces for Green Deal, GREAT/AD4GD projects  
IEEE – Recommended Practice for the Development of Digital Twins of the Earth (IEEE partner in Iliad)

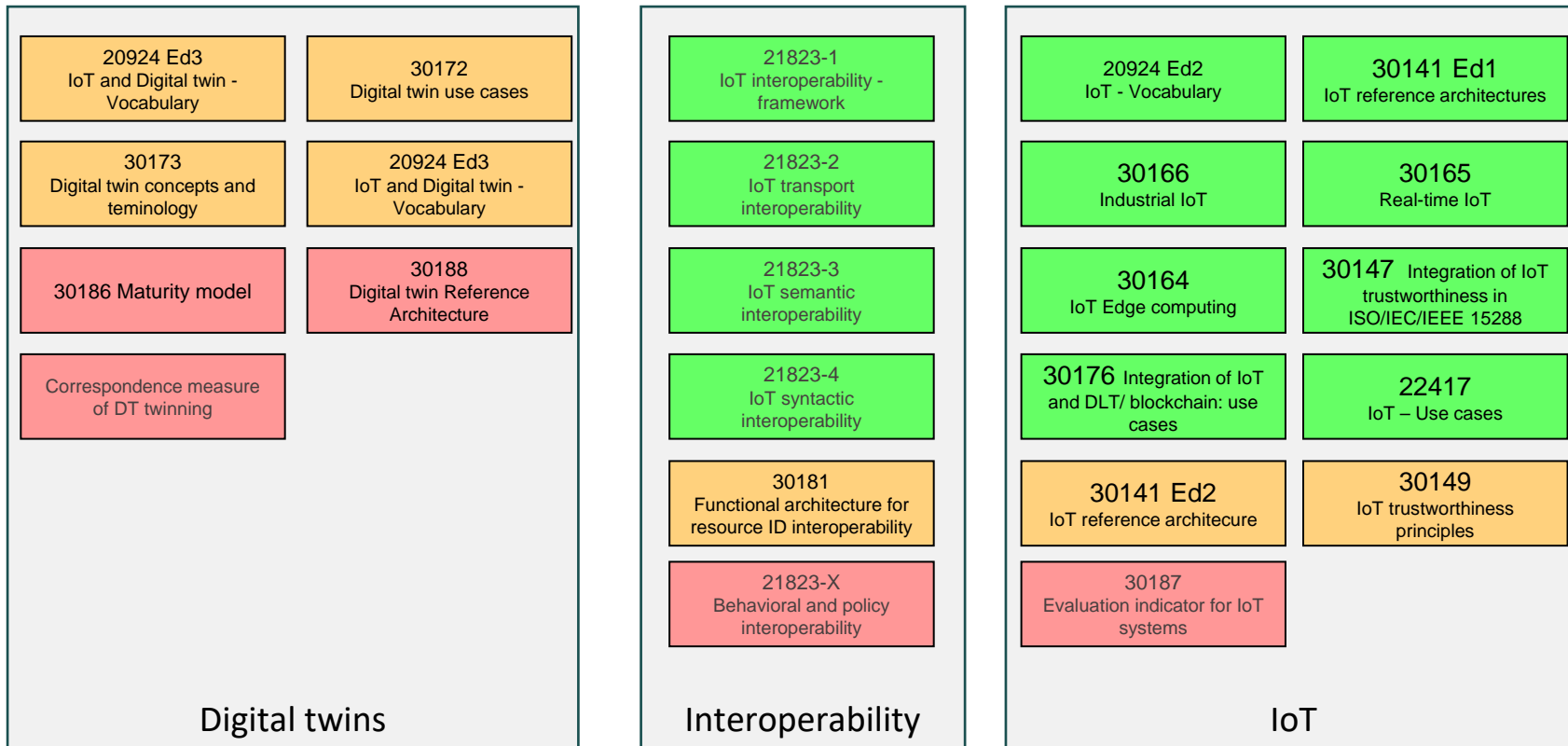
OGC and ISO/TC211 Geospatial API standards + AIM – Agriculture Information Model + UML and ArchiMate  
-> OIM – Ocean Information Model (+ ISO/TC211 ISO 19119 Geospatial Services (to be updated) (OGC partner in Iliad)  
EOSC – European Open Science Cloud – Data/Service Marketplace + EMODNET with ERDAP  
UK Environmental Digital Twin Information Framework – British Standards

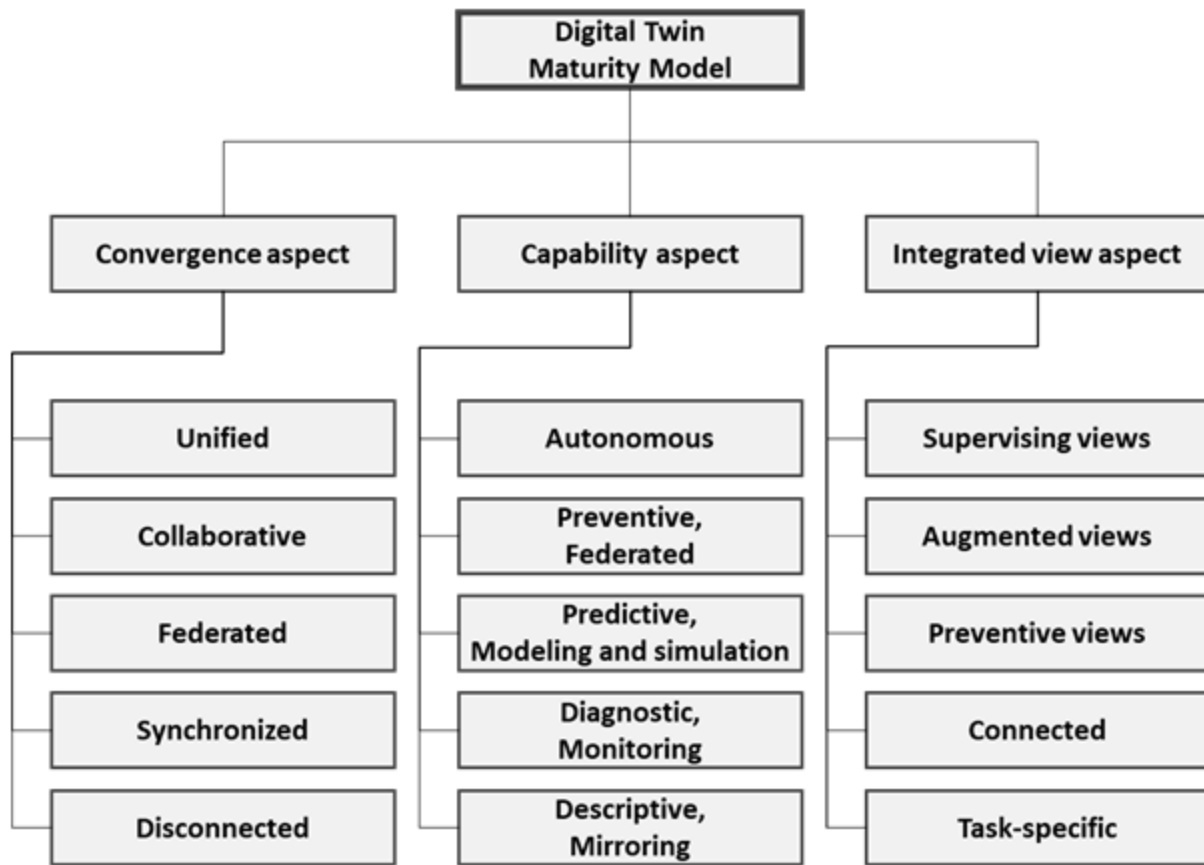
DTC – Digital Twin Association (DT Vocabulary and Periodic Table)



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# ISO SC41 landscape (standards in progress)







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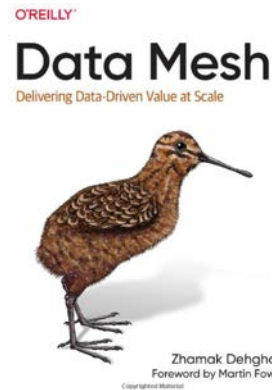
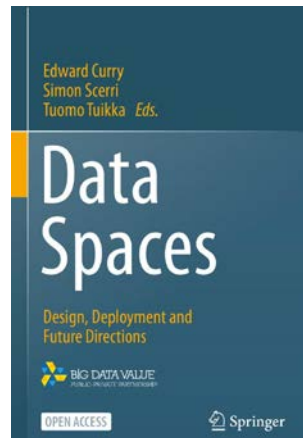
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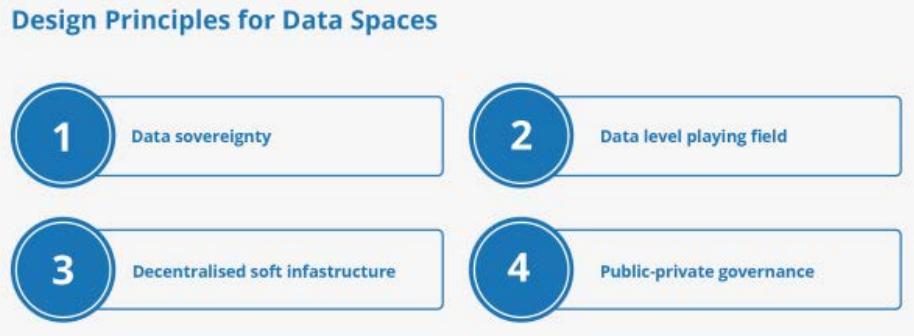
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Public Reports

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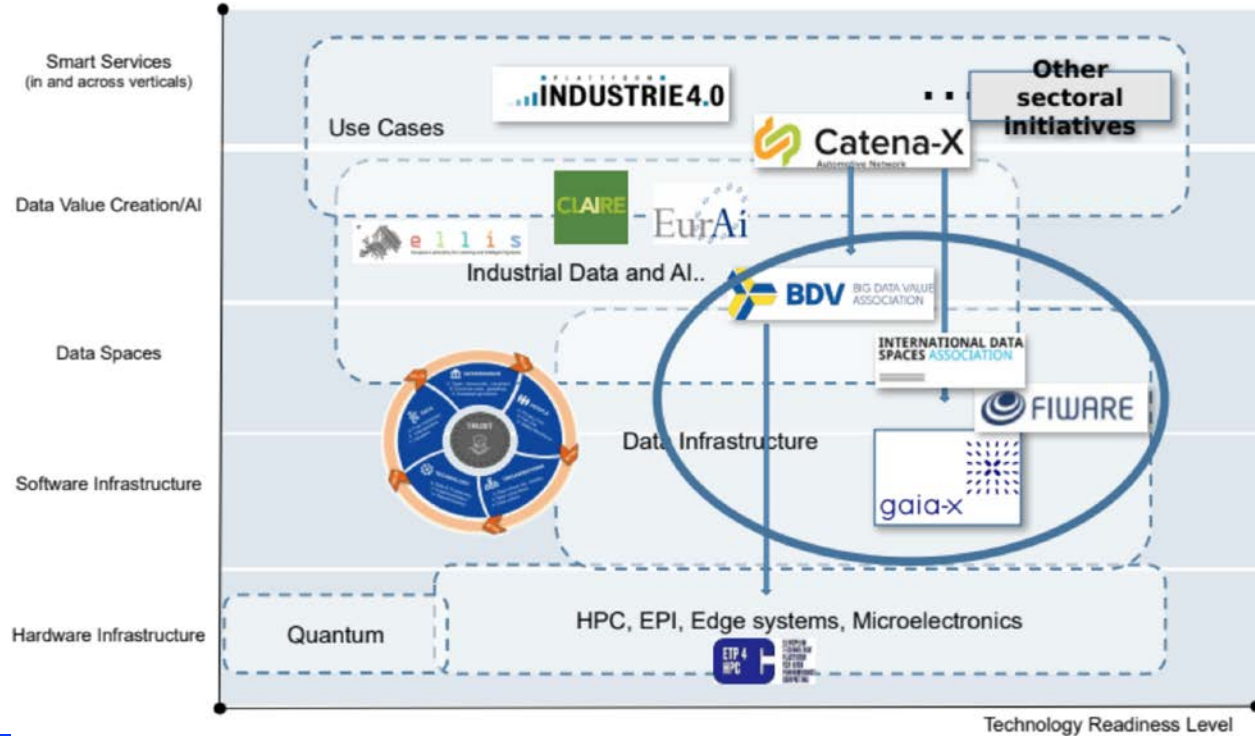


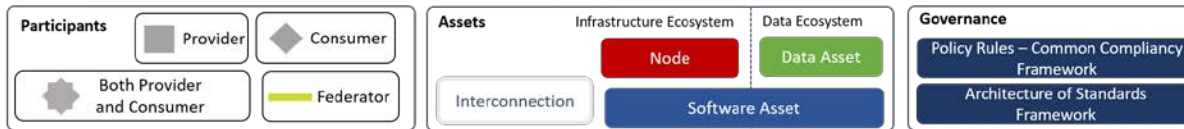
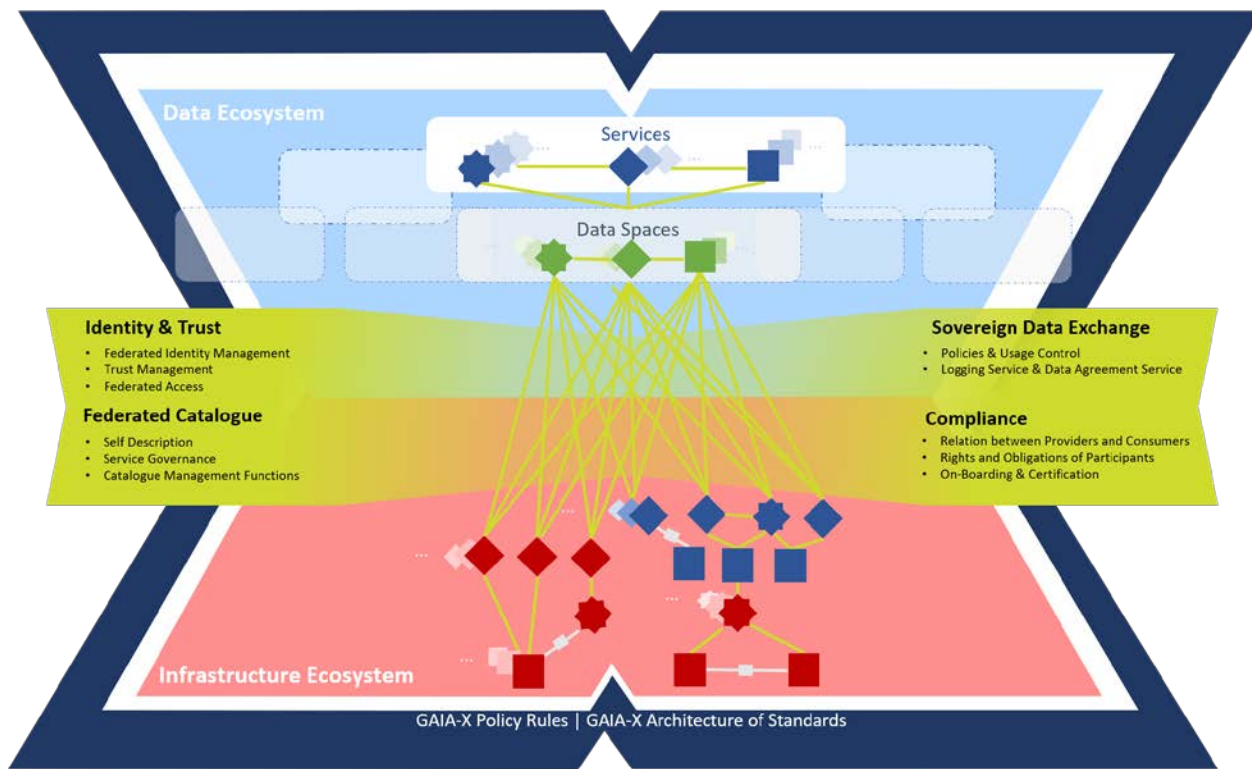




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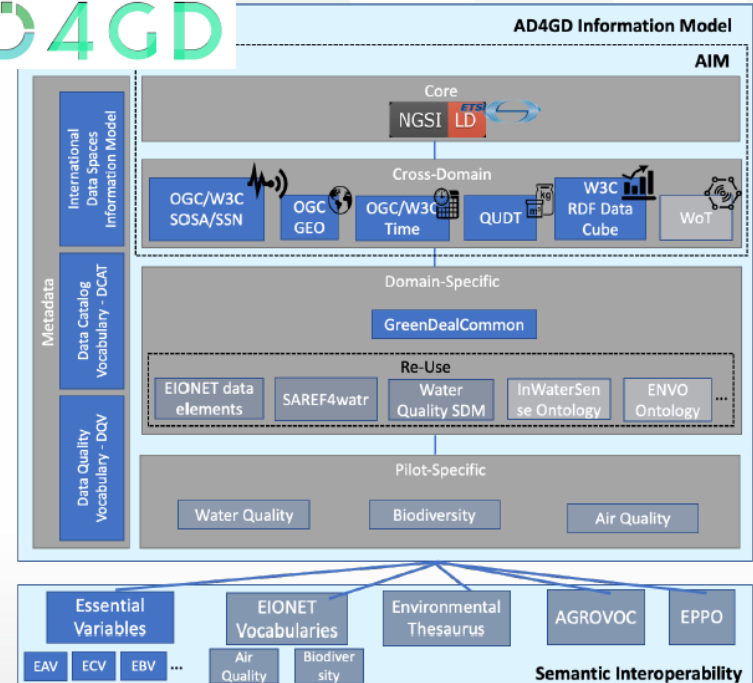
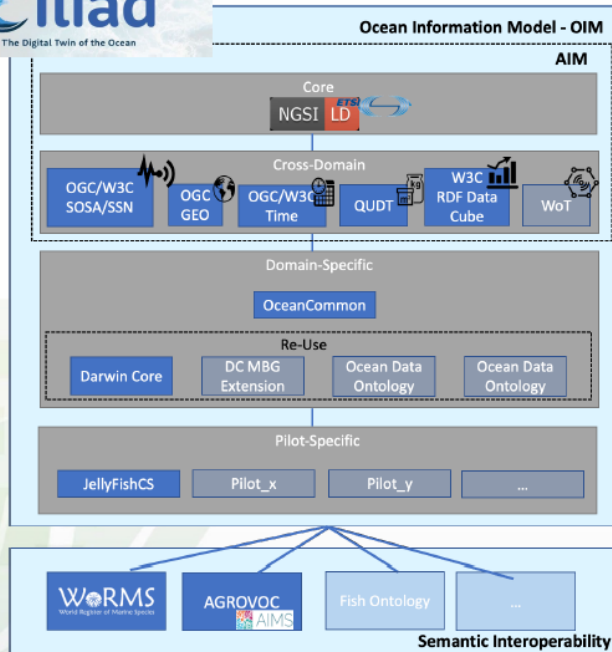
- Data spaces initiative
  - IDSA | Gaia-X | European commission
- References
  - IDSA reference architecture
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  - BDVA position papers - v1 and v2
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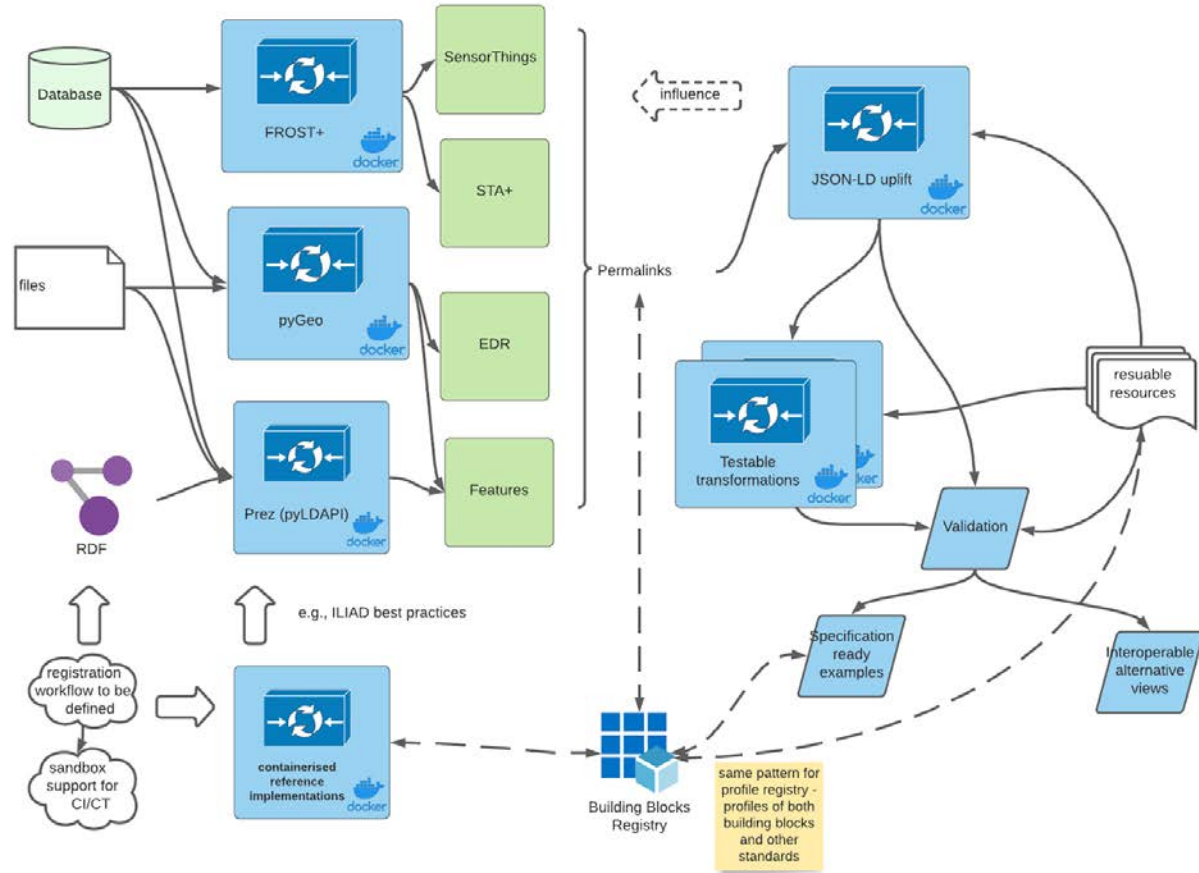
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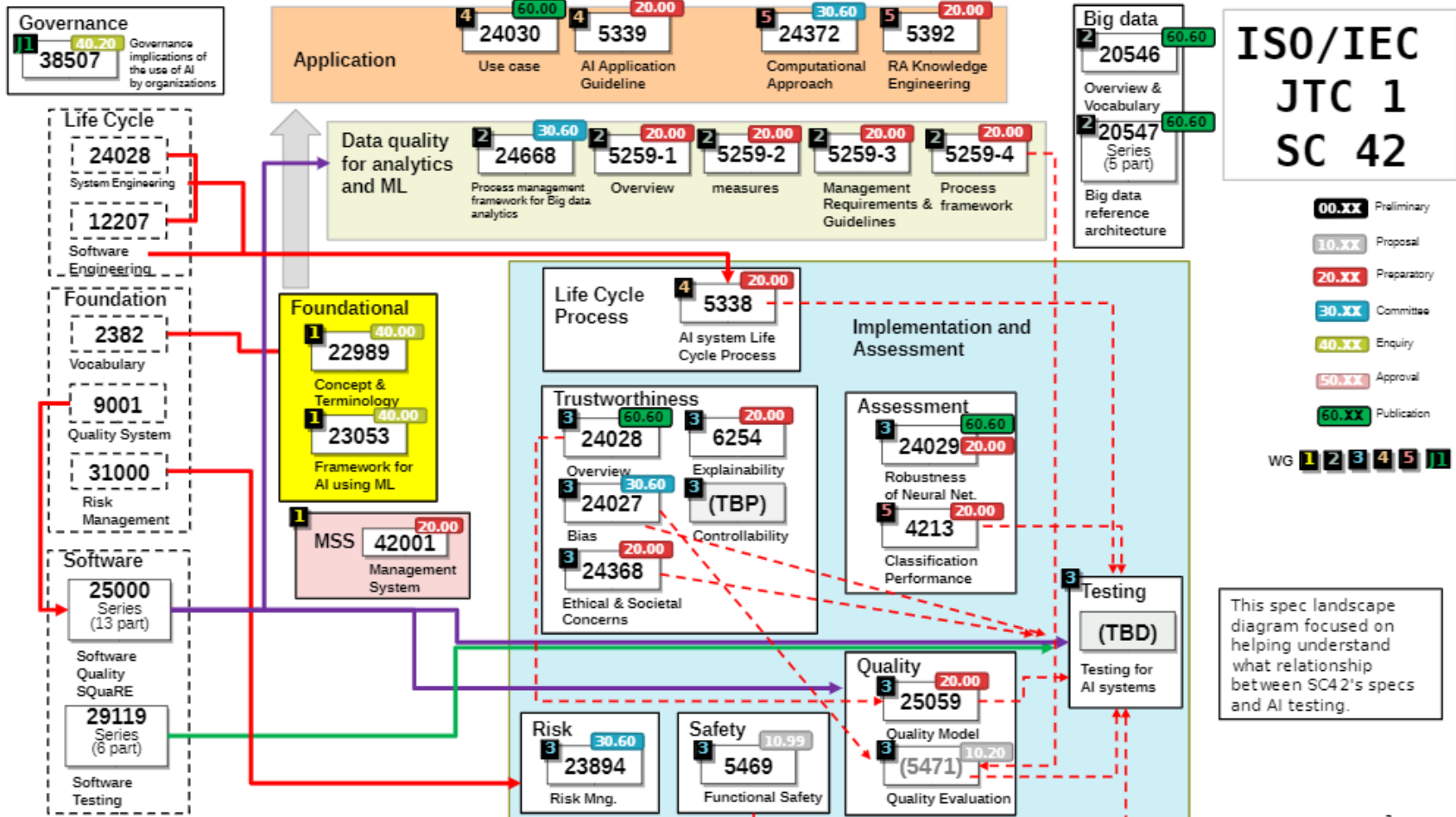
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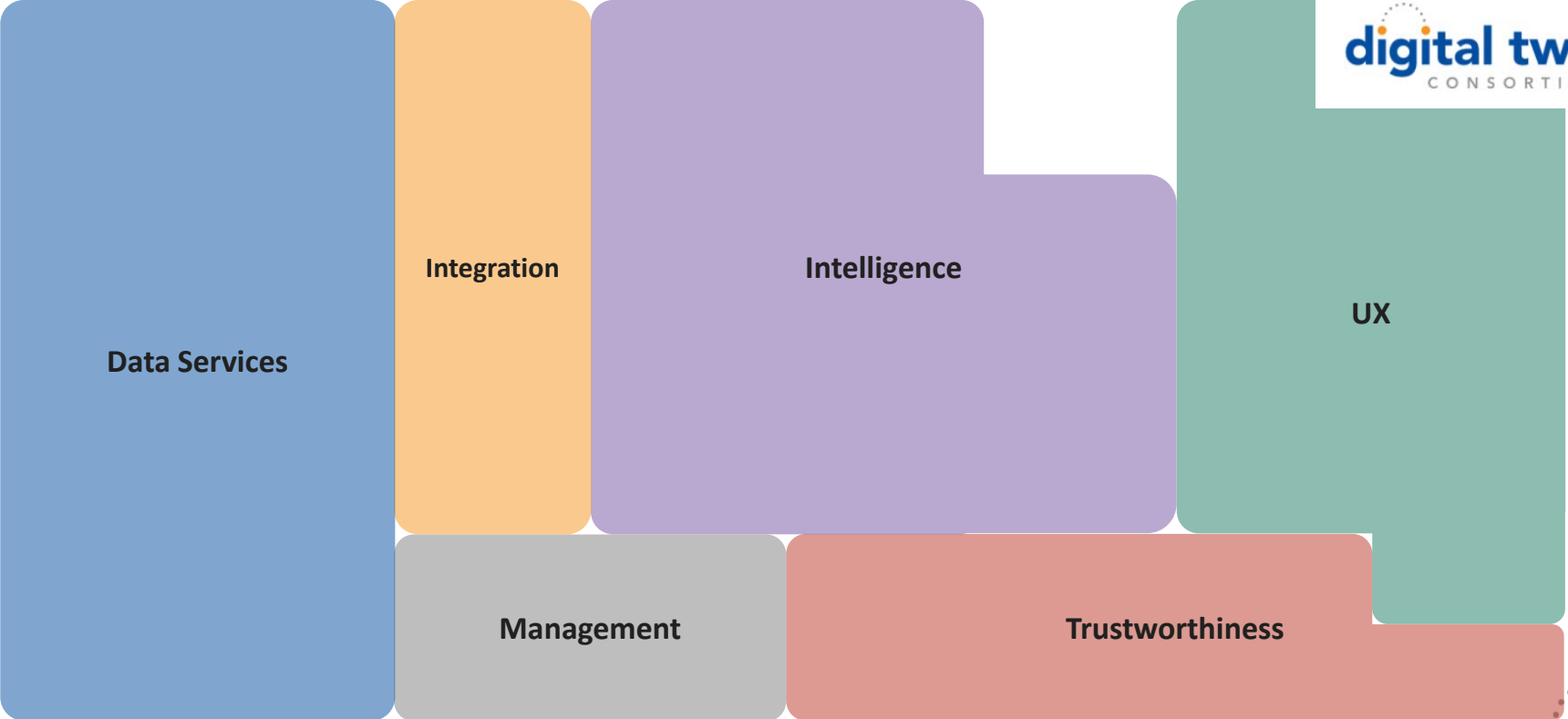
# Iliad DTO use of OGC services and new APIs

- Aggregates and derivates need
- Breadcrumbs of provenance
- Common APIs and connectors
- Vocabularies of service and data description
- Alignment with conceptual and system Building Blocks





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