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The National Plan Open Science has been presented, and the National Platform Open Science and <u>website</u> have been launched, as we had planned for, on 9 February 2017. It was great to have been able to play a part in this.

Perhaps the most difficult thing for me was finding the balance between being the neutral writer (because the Plan is a joint effort, and expresses the ambitions of the responsible coalitions, not mine) and the Librarian with an opinion (which I obviously have).



We have delivered fourteen concrete ambitions related to 100% open access for scientific publications (created via public funding) per 2020; optimal reuse of research data; implementing a broader view on the way research and researchers are assessed and rewarded; and promoting and supporting open science.

It was great that all Parties involved created responsible coalitions per ambition, and the collectivity that is needed for this, is perhaps one of the major achievements during the creation of this Plan. I said it <u>before</u> "I am, because we are".

I like to share in this weblog just a few of the things that came along, but were too difficult to grasp at this moment, or were not big enough to make it into an ambition:

- Could we give credit to researchers who start new research based on existing research data (and thus stimulate reuse)?
- How could we stimulate researchers to cite data(sets) as part of their reference lists?
- What would it mean if we would say: "if we invest in science, it needs to be open science"?
- An event for researchers to present all available infrastructure and tools is one thing, but do not forget to involve administrators and managers, and also those working in HR, Finance and ICT.
- All articles submitted are first routed to the research library > here the open access policy of the journal selected is checked, taken care of the right sort of license, and the final version after publishing is stored in the institutional repository. Is that a crazy thought?



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Take some time to read our <u>National Plan</u>, and have a look at our website. <u>Let us know</u> if you have ideas, comments, or would like to participate in the Platform. We need each other to make open science the new reality.



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