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About EnTIRE

The areas of Research Ethics and Research Integrity (RE+RI) are rapidly evolving. In the EU and internationally, new legislation, codes of conduct and good practices are constantly being developed. New technologies, complex statistical methods, pressure to publish and obtain grants, and growing emphasis on stakeholder driven science increase the complexity of conducting science. In this complex and dynamic environment, it is not easy to identify the correct rules and best tools for responsible conduct of research.

The EnTIRE project aims to create an online platform (The Embassy Of Good Science) that makes RE+RI information easily accessible to the research community. The platform will foster uptake of ethical standards and responsible conduct of research, and ultimately support research excellence and strengthen society's confidence in research and its findings. Our vision is to create a dynamic online Wiki-platform, owned by the RE+RI community, that will make the normative framework governing RE+RI accessible. The platform will adopt open source and open data approaches. By applying novel techniques for data collection, presentation, and comparison, users will navigate quickly and intuitively to appropriate content.

The Wiki approach for the platform software

The Wikimedia Foundation, Inc. (WMF) is a non-profit organization founded in 2003 by Jimmy Wales. It hosts sites such as Wikipedia. Wikipedia is an international online project which attempts to create free encyclopedias in multiple languages. The operation of Wikimedia depends on MediaWiki, a free and open-source wiki software platform.

Semantic MediaWiki (SMW) is a free, open-source extension to MediaWiki. Semantic MediaWiki can turn a wiki into a powerful and flexible knowledge management system. All data created within SMW can easily be published via the Semantic Web, allowing other systems to use this data seamlessly¹. Adapting the Semantic MediaWiki platform using expertise of the stakeholders will result in a dynamic platform which will contain numerous resources for the RE+RI community. The ability of linking related articles together will allow the novice to quickly find key information with minimal effort – including information which he might not have been aware of to be of relevance in the first place.

¹ https://www.semantic-mediawiki.org/wiki/Semantic_MediaWiki





About Work Package 6 “Platform development and maintenance”

Work package 6 is responsible for meeting overall objective 3: to develop a user-friendly platform, including a website and online resources, to facilitate access to RE+RI knowledge and experience and support application in research and evaluation, thus fostering uptake of ethical standards and responsible conduct of research.

List of Deliverables

D 6.1 EnTIRE platform, delivery date: 2018-04-30

D 6.2 Publication of the adapted platform software in a public open source software repository, delivery date: 2018-04-30

D.6.3 Report of the evaluation and graphical user interface of the platform, delivery date: 2019-03-31

D.6.4 Publication of the extensions to the platform in a public open source software repository, delivery date: 2020-08-31

D.6.5 Report of the efficiency evaluation of the platform, delivery date: 2020-10-31





Publication of the adapted platform software in a public open source software repository

The platform is composed of a number of different types of open source software components:

- Operating System
- Operating System Packages
- Web Server
- Database
- Server side programming languages
- Search Engine
- Wiki Software
- Wiki Software Extensions

To make the platform reusable and sustainable also for people without deep knowledge in information technology, D.6.2 creates a fully integrated virtual appliance². A virtual appliance is a pre-configured virtual server, ready to run on a local computer using a so called hypervisor. D 6.1 EnTIRE platform makes the platform available as website for stakeholders (M 14 "The EnTIRE platform is brought online for stakeholders", delivery date 2018-05-01):

<https://www3.semantic-apps.net/entire-staging>

The platform as well as the above mentioned website will be updated on a regular basis based on feedback of stakeholders before M 15 "The EnTIRE platform is brought online for the general public", delivery date 2019-05-01.

The above mentioned URL might be changed based on the proposals of the marketing agency. As of 2018-04-30, the final domain name is not yet available.

Access to the website can be requested at:

<http://entireconsortium.eu/footer-menu/contact/>

² https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Virtual_appliance

