

DMLaw Tool

Guiding Tool for Researchers to Address Legal
Aspects in Data Management

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Team



Project goal

To develop

... a scalable *web-based tool*

... that *guides*

... *researchers* working in the fields of *humanities & social sciences*

... through the most *relevant legal questions*

... related to *data management*

... and that proposes *different solution approaches* during the archiving process in a platform / repository

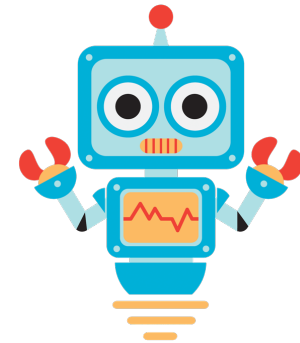


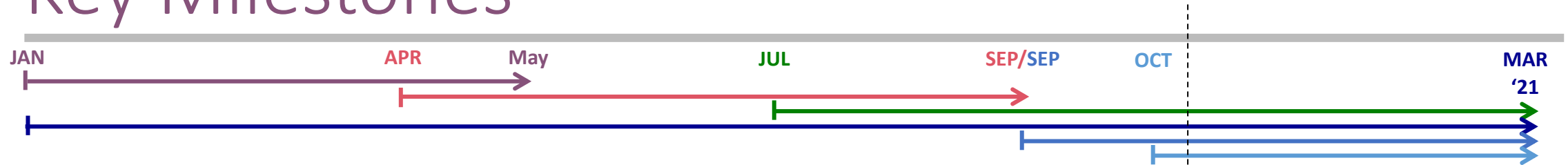
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Expected impact

- *Awareness rising* of legal risks linked to the management of research data
- *More legal safety* - reduced legal risks & avoidance of high penalties
- *Improved explainability* & understanding of legal issues in data mng
- *Systematic approach* on how to deal with legal aspects in data mng
- Avoidance of *reputation* damage
- *Safe costs* for legal assistance
- *Ensure reuse* of data from a legal perspective
- *Legal compliance* by design

Key Milestones



Data Collection & Analysis

- **Interview** people in charge of archiving platforms
- Collect & Analyze **data sets** / DMPs; talk to researchers
- Internal Working doc:
 - emerged legal issues
 - **selection** of most relevant
 - how platforms deal with legal issues

Design of guiding tool

- Develop **solution** approaches
- Design **working mechanism** / structure of guiding tool
- User friendly user-interface

Sw implementation

- **Coding** of tool (English, Open Source, Scalable)
- **Test**

Dissemination Activities

- **Regular Communication** on the Ccdigital^{law} platform & its social media channels
- Creation of a **showcase** on Ccdigital^{law} (Webinar)
- Dissemination **event**
- **Inform** research data archiving platforms (humanities & social science) in CH

Interviews

Research Data Archiving Platforms

6 interviews

- *Historisches Lexikon der Schweiz*
- *DODIS* (diplomatic documents)
- *FORS* (data on social science studies)
- *Yareta* (Repository of Geneva's HEIs)
- *Dasch* – 2x (humanities research data)

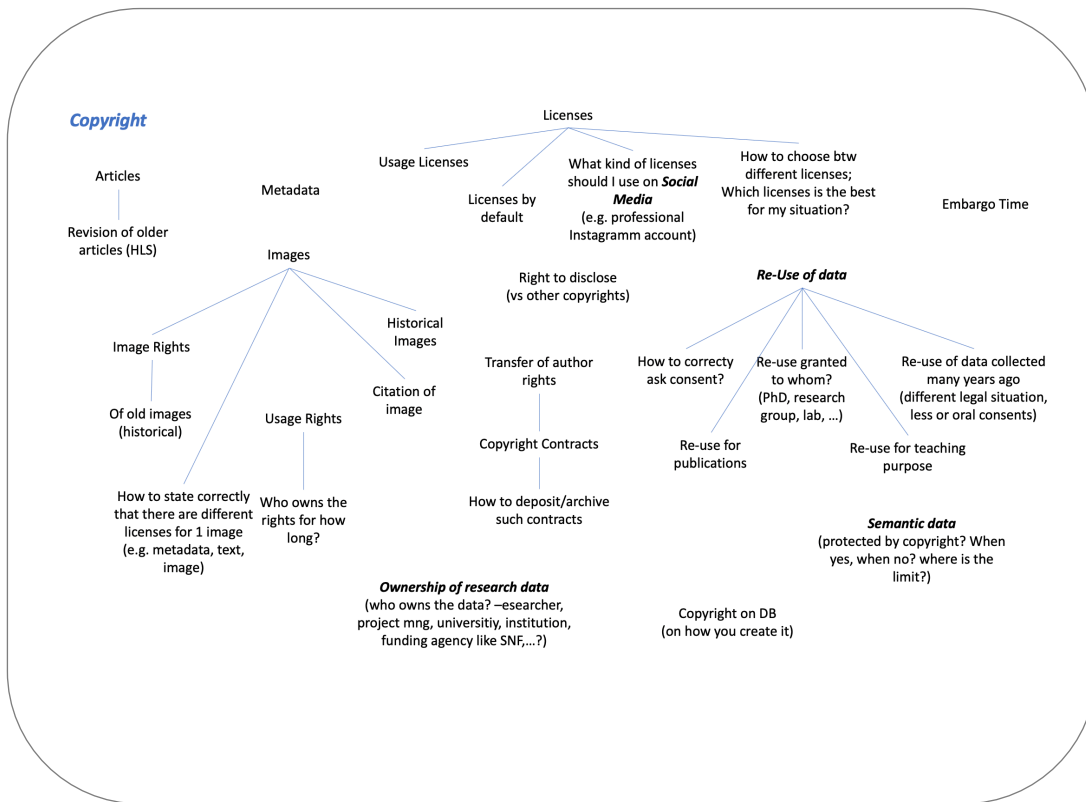
Others

4 interviews

- 2 *Researchers* working in the field of Social Sciences / Humanities
- 1 Head of *Research Support*
- 1 MA *Student* (thesis on legal framework and licenses for research data mng.)

Interviews' outcome

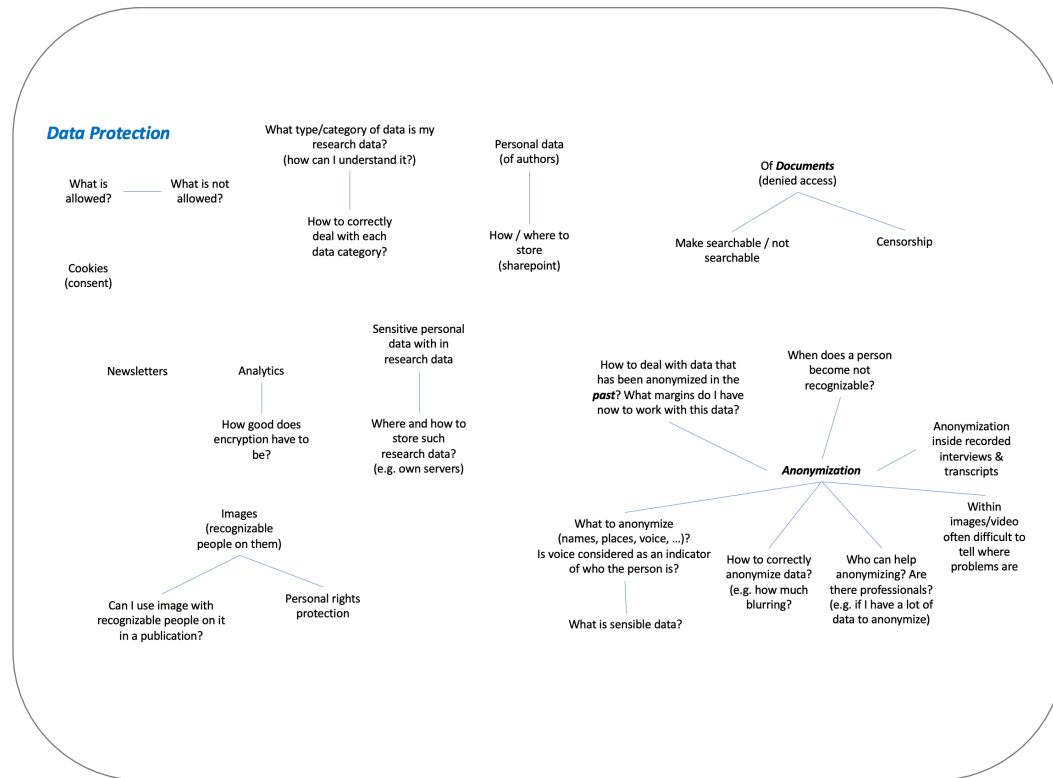
Copyright



- **Re-use** of data (for **publication / teaching**; of data collected **many years ago** - different legal situation, oral consent or less)
- How to choose among **different licenses**;
- Copyrights of **images**
- **Open access**

Interviews' outcome

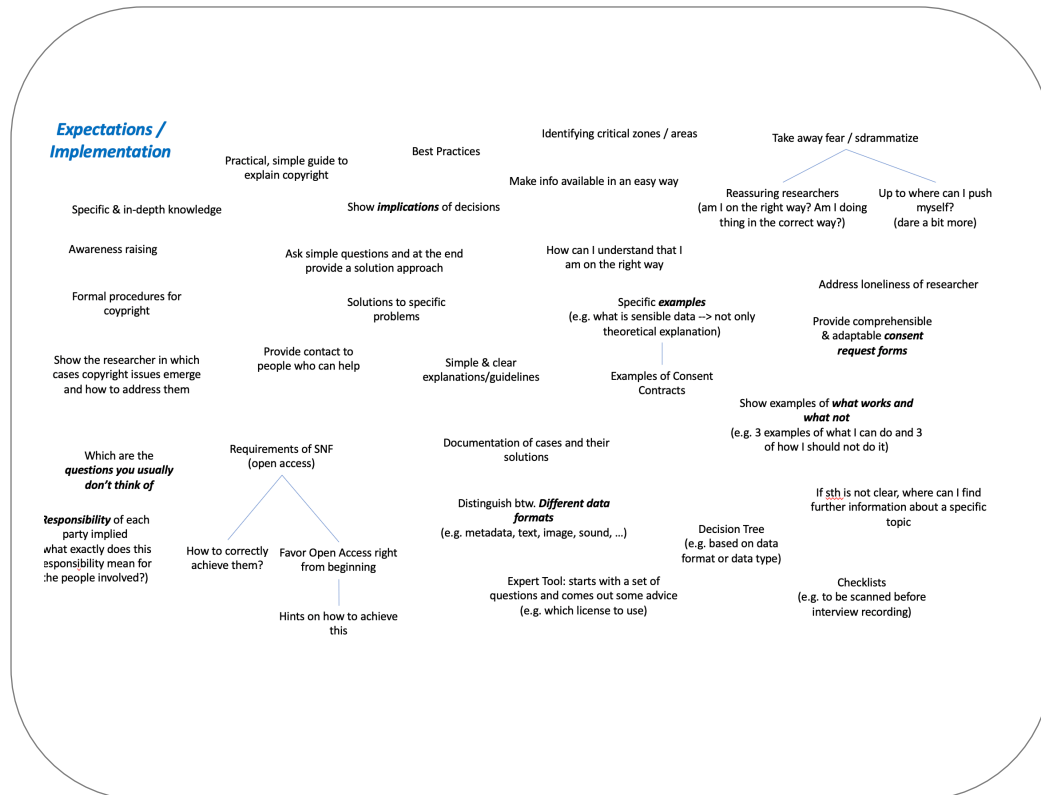
Data Protection



- **Anonymization:** When a person is no longer recognizable?
- **Data vs. Personal data vs. Sensitive data**
- How to correctly ask **consent**?
- How to **store** personal data?

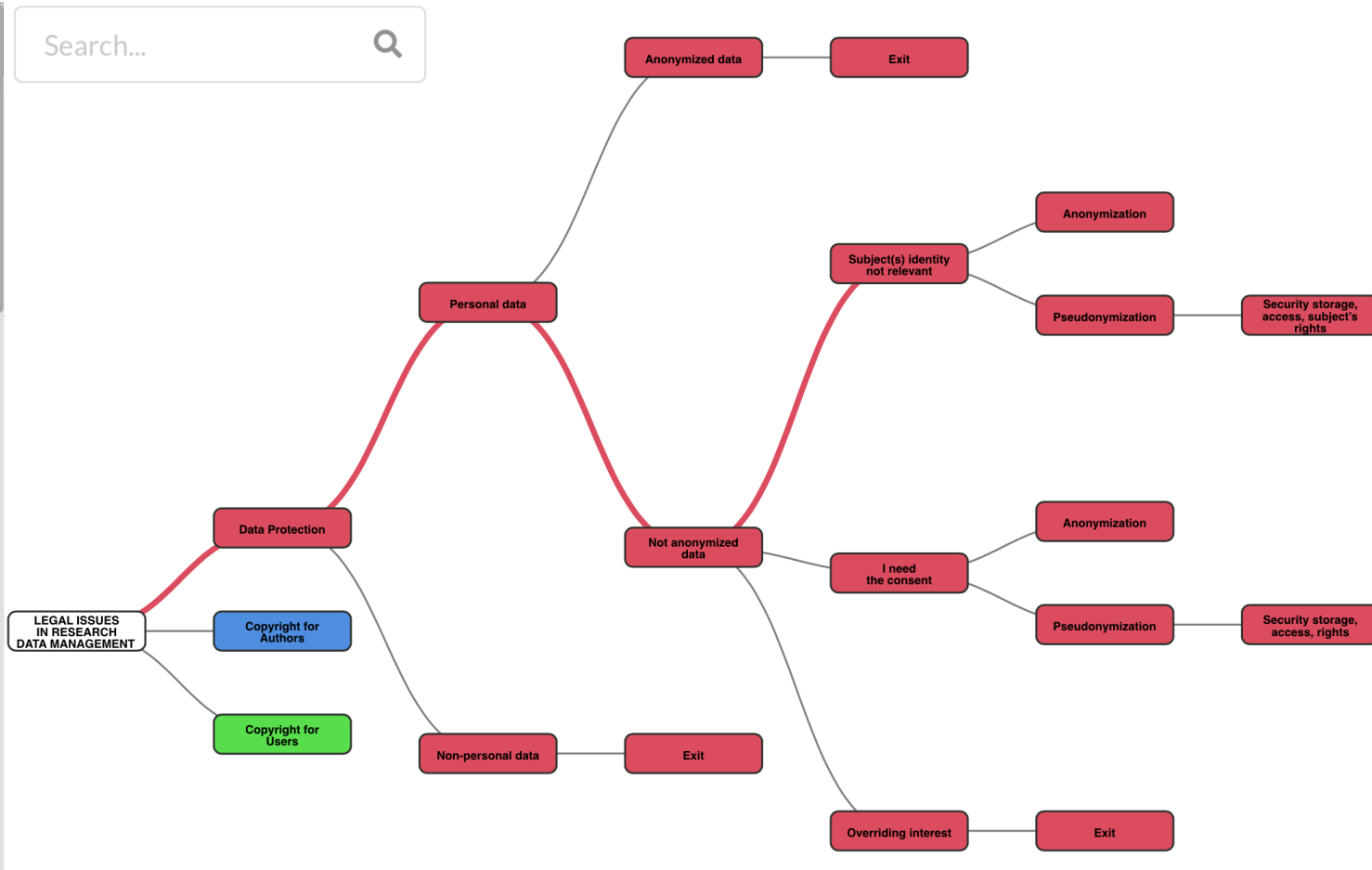
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Expectations



- Take away **fears** (address loneliness of researcher)
- Specific **examples**, not only theoretical explanation
- Best Practices: show what works and **what not** (how I should do it & **how I should not do it**)
- Provide comprehensible & adaptable **consent request forms**
- Where can further information be found?

Demonstration - beta version



Search... 

Data Protection

The Choice:
 Are you dealing with personal data or non-personal data? When working on personal data, there are a number of things you must consider because you must respect the Data Protection law.
 On the other hand, if you work on impersonal data, data related to natural events or objects, thus, data that are not directly nor indirectly related to a specific person, you are not subject to the Data protection law.

Definitions needed to be able to make your choice:

FADP is the Swiss Federal Act of Data Protection. In this Tool we consider that cases are under the Swiss legislation and this Act applies. Be careful if your case is linked to other countries, other legislations may apply or there may be a conflict of laws.

Data is a unit of information that can, alone or in combination with other pieces of information, be processed, that means collected, stored, analyzed, etc. Information is a broad category of elements that allow you to characterize anything, objects, places, people or events. An information is constituted of data. Whereas data is a precise information related to an object, a place, a person (such as specifically, for example, the measurement of somebody's height).

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