Research Infrastructures



- Support scientists at performing their research activities
 - running experiments relying on existing research products in order to yield new research products
- ICT facilities are becoming increasingly <u>essential</u> to perform research activities
 - supporting modern scientific investigation: datasets, experiments, etc.
 - publishing and re-using the resulting research products



Towards modern scientific communication workflows.



"Publishing" is invested of a <u>newer holistic</u> <u>interpretation</u>

Researchers should be able to publish any form of research outcome they perceive to be important: publications, datasets, experiments, etc.

Benefits:

- Better interpretation of scientific results
- More rigorous evaluation of the research outcomes
- Omni comprehensive scientific reward practices,
- Maximization of research reuse

What do we mean generally by "publishing"?



Literature communication workflows

- Publishing applies to selected research products while research activity is still ongoing, i.e. scientists decide "what" is a candidate research product and "when" to publish it
- Publishing is supported by a "research marketplace": online services for sharing publications, i.e. deposition, quality assessment, dissemination

Barriers to publishing non-literature products



"Cultural barriers"

- How to publish, peer-review, cite and be guaranteed of scientific reward for <u>non traditional scientific</u> <u>publications</u>?
- Non traditional scientific publication may remain in "the researchers desk drawer" or in the ICT services of Ris
 - Fear to lose control, lack of scientific reward mechanisms, etc.

But there are more barriers!



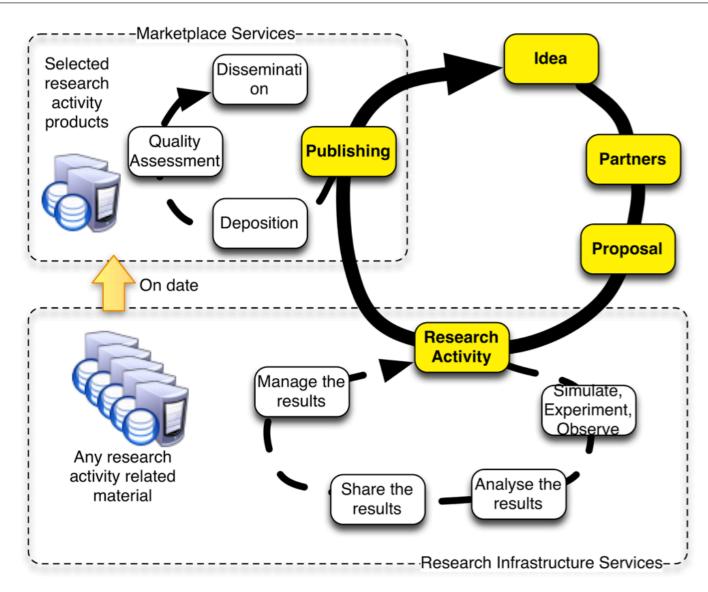
Publishing takes place "elsewhere" and "on date"

- Today most practices proposed tend to renovate by reflecting literature publishing workflows
 - Research activities are conducted into the RI
 - Products leave the RI ICT services to be transferred and deposited in new kinds of sources for non-literature products
 - Products are applied literature-like deposition, assessment, and dissemination methodologies

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"Sectorial" and/or
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sources are
created, e.g. data
repositories for
biodiversity,
experiment
repositories,
software
repositories



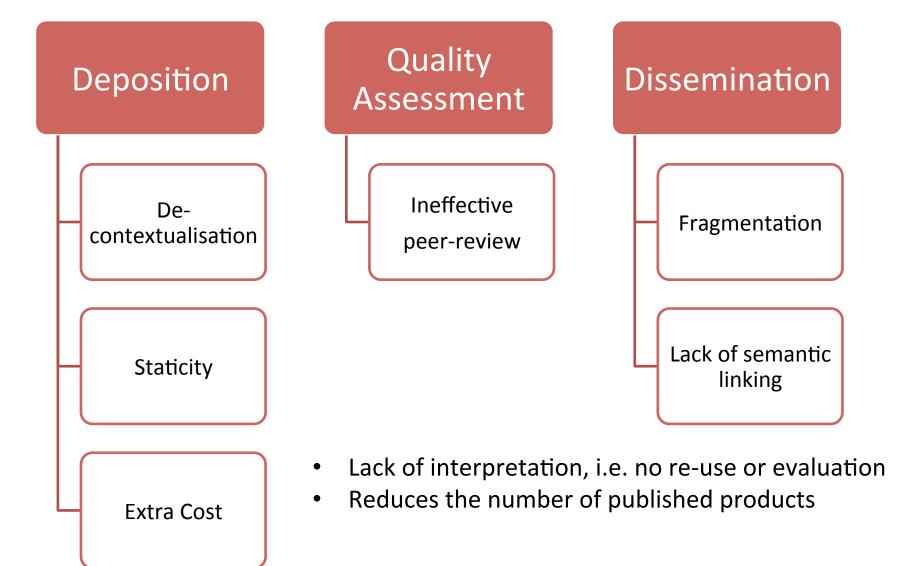
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- Modern research, being supported by RIoriented ICT services is
 - Strongly contextualized
 - Intrinsically dynamic
- These requirements conflict with the "elsewhere" and "on date" philosophy of literature scientific communication workflows

Issues of Current Publishing models





A simple idea to change the current publishing model,



Products publishing should occur "in place" the RI and "during" the research activities

- RI ICT services should provide facilities for:
 - Performing and monitoring research activities (e.g. VREs)
 - Supporting marketplace-like activities!!
- RIs should not rely on third-party marketplace sources to publish their products
- RIs should integrate/operate marketplace sources

Research Infrastructure Scientific Communication systems



"RI-oriented repositories" in the research marketplace supporting RI scientists at sharing products created in research activities

- "Hook" with RI ICT services in order to intercept creation of new products and publish them
- Rely on social tools to unify RI research activity management and scientific research product publishing, e.g.
 - Notification posting about local product creation to interested users
 - "like" and "open discussions" for in-context quality assessment

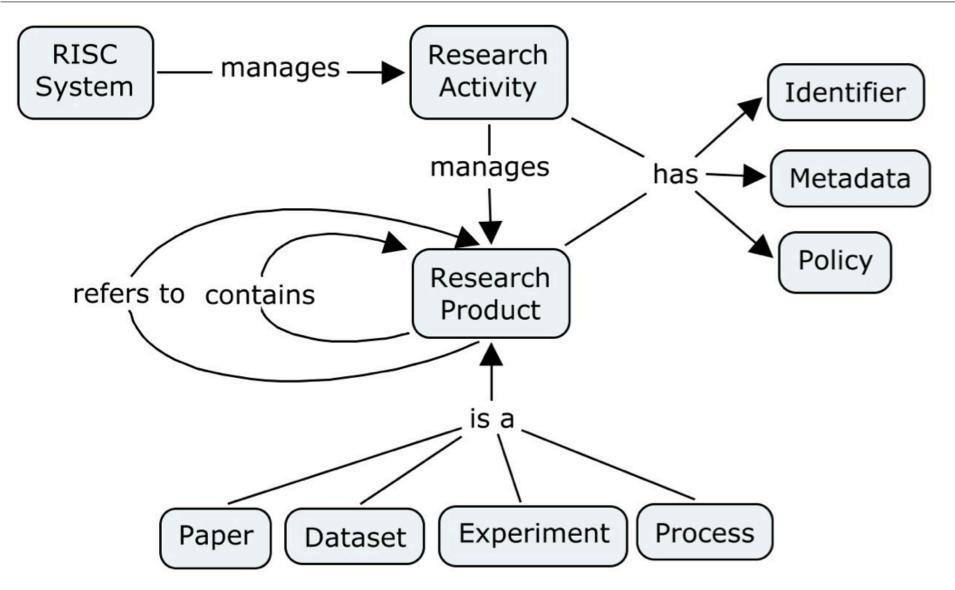
Publishing in RISC Systems



- "RISC Publishing" is intended as making products:
 - Online available
 - Discoverable
 - Assessable
 - Re-usable
 - Real-time accessible
 - Citable
 - In-context, i.e. interlinked with their research activity and associated products or versions

Research Activities and Research Products in RISC Systems





RISC System publishing model benefits





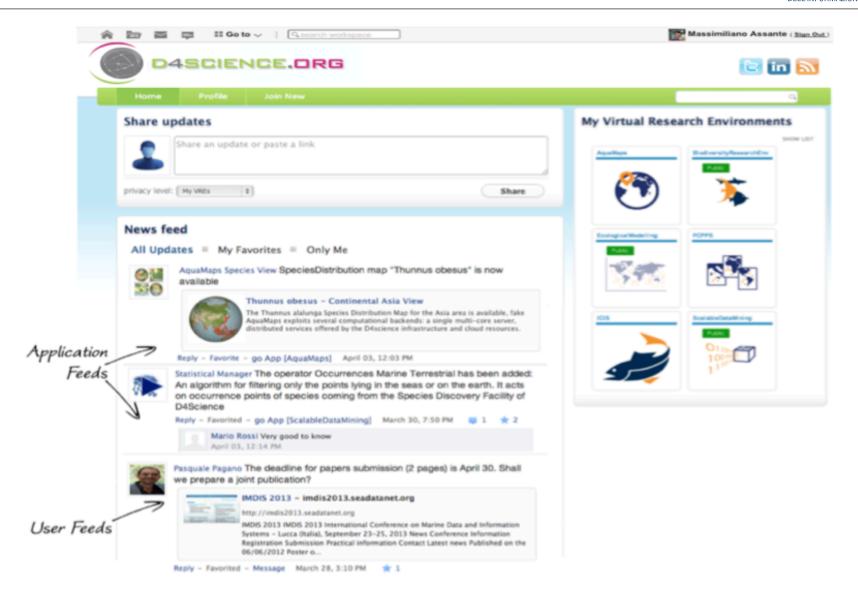
A real-case scenario: the D4Science RISC System



- Manifests in a number of applications made available through a web browser:
 - Home Social: a continuously updated <u>list of posts</u> produced by users and applications, e.g. publishing/availability of a research product, comments on a research product
 - **Workspace**: a <u>folder-based file system</u> allowing for storage, discovery, and export of products
 - **Privacy**: a <u>settings area</u> where users can configure diverse aspects characterizing the system behavior

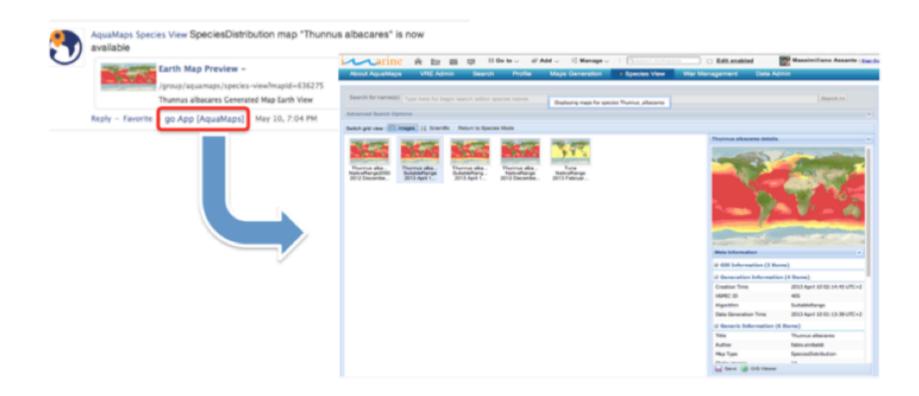
Deposition and Dissemination in the D4Science RISC System





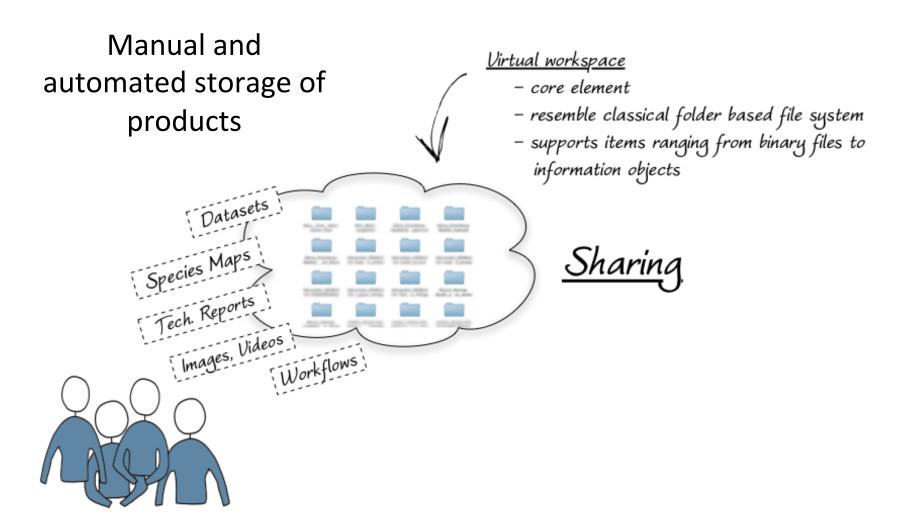
Contextualized Dissemination of a Species Distribution Map





Workspace: storage and discovery of products

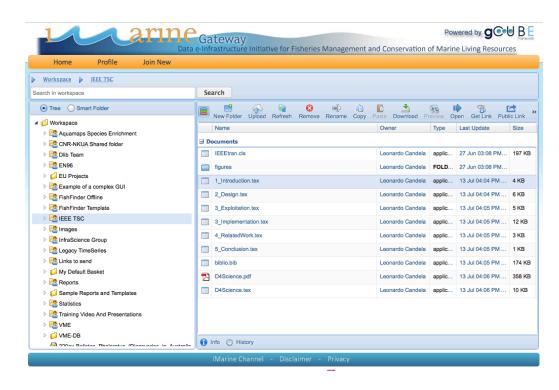




Workspace



- Users can organise and share very different items
 - tabular data, species distribution maps, time series
- Search
- Smart Folders
- Desktop Access



Notifications





alerts users on an as-it-happens basis

Notification Settings

Few examples:

- "Alice" shared folder X with you
- Your Job has finished;
- "Bob" Commented on your post;

Thu,	12 Dece	mber
<	1:06 PM	Leonardo Candela added Collaboration with C. Goble Team to your workspace shared folder /Workspace/InfraScience Group Go to Folder.
⋖	11:14 AN	Leonardo Candela updated MailingListsMembers.xlsx to your workspace shared folder /Workspace/BSCW Project Folders/iMarine Go to Folder.
•	9:19 AM	Nicolas Bailly also commented on Pasquale Pagano's post: Good question, but the answer is most probably no, with some marginal and localized escapes. However, education given by your parents is a strong bound, the issue being how invite the parents to educate their kids for actions with no economic incentives? Or reverse the question: maybe it is becasue of this economic approach that Homo sapiens took it over, probably temporarily. There is a system called UTOPIA by Thomas More, 1st Edition in 1516. I never read it, maybe there are some answers. I think someone else resumed More's efforts in the 20th century, but not sure. See this Post.
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2	10:01 AM	Pasquale Pagano also commented on his post: Is there another approach to think to the future and not only to the economic interest of the present generation? See this Post.
•	8:23 AM	Nicolas Bailly also commented on Pasquale Pagano's post: Seems that France does not want to go that way :-(See this Post.
2	8:21 AM	Nicolas Bailly commented on one of your favorite posts: There is a docufiction where octopuses-like animals spread on land in the future But this one is ftare the raise of the sea level due to climate change ;-). See this Post.
Wed	, 04 Dece	ember
•	3:56 PM	Pasquale Pagano added the following event in the TCom shared calendar: 8th Tcom Time: Sun 02 February, 2014 to Thu 06 February, 2014 Category: meeting Go to Calendar.
<	3:11 PM	Leonardo Candela updated MailingListsMembers.xlsx to your workspace shared folder /Workspace/BSCW Project Folders/iMarine Go to Folder.
Tue,	03 Dece	mber
<	6:23 PM	Francesco Mangiacrapa shared the workspace folder org with you Go to Folder.
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Privacy Settings



Notification Settings					
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Shared Calendars					Portal Email OFF ON Cancel Save

Future Plans



- Definition of a RISC system formal model, i.e. reference architecture
- Design and develop a general purpose software toolkit facilitating the realization of a RISC system over any ICT-based research infrastructure environment