



Welcome to the 20th newsletter of the State Initiative Research Data Management Lower Saxony. Today, we cover **News from the State Initiative & more**, **News from the RDM Community**, FDM-NDS introduces itself and **upcoming events** from FDM-NDS & Friends. Enjoy reading!

News from the State Initiative & more

Save the Date: Data Days Niedersachsen 2026

After Hannover and Braunschweig, we're moving on to the next round: Data Days Lower Saxony 2026 will take place in Oldenburg!

- In-person days: November 25 & 26 – discussion, networking, and exciting insights for researchers, RDM professionals, and NFDI participants
- Virtual theme day: November 27 – practical offerings on all aspects of research data management, conveniently accessible from anywhere

Mark your calendars – and join us on a journey: From Pacman to Open Worlds, from extra effort to the norm – big things start small.

More information coming soon!

[Impressions of the Data Days 2025](#)

Team Workshop of the State Initiative FDM-NDS: Creating New Momentum Together

On March 12, 2026, the team of the State Initiative FDM-NDS came together for an in-person workshop at TIB in Hanover. The workshop was facilitated by external moderator Nina Kaienburg and made possible through the FAIRnetz project ([FDM-NDS Pillar 3](#)). Prior to the event, an online retrospective had already been held with participants from Pillar 1 and Pillar 2, and the workshop in Hanover was able to build directly on those results.

The day focused on collegial exchange, making the team's resources and expertise more visible, and exploring how existing potential can be brought together more effectively. In various working phases, ideas on communication and collaborative working methods were taken up and further developed. The workshop's resource-

oriented approach opened up new perspectives and helped direct attention toward shared strengths and opportunities for shaping future collaboration.

The workshop provided important impulses for continued collaboration within the state initiative. In addition to the exchange itself, concrete next steps and follow-up formats were identified and will now feed into the project's ongoing work. With many valuable insights and a strengthened shared understanding, we are moving forward into the next phase of our collaboration.

Launch of New Pillar 3 Projects

As part of the second call for proposals under Pillar 3, several innovative projects have been launched with the aim of further developing the RDM in Lower Saxony.

The newly launched projects are:

Aerospace Knowledge Base develops sustainable solutions for managing research data in the aerospace sector.

IProDaFo strengthens data protection-compliant processes in research.

KOMPASS-FDM systematically analyzes the impact and development of the state initiative.

Nds-WiDaX links Lower Saxony research data via a semantic knowledge graph, thereby improving its discoverability and exchange.

OPUS-CKD provides controlled access to a large medical research database and enables data protection-compliant access to anonymized patient data for research.

WissKomm Wiki is developing an interoperable platform that makes scientific videos and podcasts discoverable, linkable, and reusable in accordance with FAIR principles.

We look forward to exciting developments and new ideas from the projects!

[Further information on Pillar 3 and the projects to date](#)

FDM-NDS actively involved in the GO UNITE! working group on research data usage agreements

Our colleague Doreen Rocholl (AP5) is actively involved in the working group "Agreements on Research Data Usage Rights" and supports practical solutions for legally sound and sustainable data agreements.

We appreciate her dedication and the ideas coming from the network!

[Visit the working group's website](#)

Academic Cloud Services at a Glance

Our website now features an overview of various Academic Cloud services. The page provides a compact introduction to services for research, collaboration, and research data management, and places them within the context of the research data lifecycle. It therefore offers practical guidance for anyone looking for suitable tools for different phases of the research process.

[Link to the overview](#)

New Publications in the Zenodo Community of FDM-NDS

Guidance for Advisory Practice on the Research Data Management Requirements of Major Funding Organizations in Germany and Europe

This publication provides a compact overview of the RDM requirements of relevant funding organizations in Germany and Europe and thus supports day-to-day advisory work at higher education institutions.

[Link to the publication](#)

Aerospace Knowledge Base: Linked (Semi-)Open Data for Aerospace Engineering

This contribution presents a connected knowledge base for (semi-)open data in aerospace engineering and outlines approaches for its structured reuse.

[Link to the publication](#)

WissKomm Wiki: Digital Knowledge Infrastructure for Audiovisual Research Data

This publication presents a digital knowledge infrastructure for audiovisual research data and highlights approaches to its organization and reuse.

[Link to the publication](#)

Sustainable Research Through Research Data Management – An Introduction for Supervisors of Qualification Theses

These materials provide a practice-oriented introduction to research data management for supervisors of qualification theses and support its use in training and teaching.

[Link to the publication](#)

News from the RDM Community

New Open Science Platform: TIB Knowledge Loom Launched

The TIB – Leibniz Information Center for Science and Technology has launched TIB Knowledge Loom, a new, open digital library for analysis-ready scientific knowledge. The platform publishes scientific results alongside the underlying data, code, and analyses, thereby making them more reproducible, transparent, and reusable—an important step for open science and FAIR-compliant research.

[Further information](#)

[Link to introductory video](#)

DARIAH-DE: AI and Humanities Research Infrastructures

How is artificial intelligence transforming research in the humanities? In a new short film, DARIAH-DE demonstrates how AI helps researchers and research infrastructures manage large volumes of data, and explains why established infrastructures will remain indispensable in the future.

[Link to the video](#)

FDM-NDS Introduces Itself

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Establishing an FDM advisory center at the University of Applied Sciences Emden-Leer as part of Pillar 2

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B.Sc. in Biotechnology
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Favorite Area or Topic in RDM?

Interdisciplinary and discipline-specific requirements; FAIR principles; FDM in research proposals

What is your wish for the future of RDM?

I hope that FDM becomes routine in science and research and that foundational training takes place as early as during education or university studies.

If you had a day for yourself and your favorite hobby, with unlimited time and budget, what would you do?

I'd go to the next Olympic Games in L.A. and watch various sports there live, especially swimming, gymnastics, and track and field.

Most important item in the office/home office?

Coffee, headphones, and ideally at least two screens

Wofür steht FDM? (nur falsche Antworten) [only in German]

Federleichte Drachenmaschine

Events by FDM-NDS & Friends

29.04.2026, 11 am - 12 pm, online

Titel: Advancing RDM: From Information Systems to Argumentation Support

[Link to registration and more information](#)

06.05.2026, 10 am – 12 pm und 2 – 3.30 pm, online

Titel: Gute Lehre offen gestalten: Didaktische Grundlagen und OER-konforme Aufbereitung von Lerninhalten

[Link to registration and more information](#)

19.05.2026, 11.30 am – 12 pm, online

Titel: FAIR potential! – the role of data papers

[Link to registration and more information](#)

FDM Campus Hannover (Event series)

Every second thursdax oft he month, 4 pm

[Link to registration and more information](#)

Data Days Niedersachsen 2026

25. & 26.11.2026 on-site, 27.11.2026 online

more information follows!

Overview to FDM-NDS recommends:

Selected events from colleagues in other RDM initiatives that are also relevant for researchers and RDM professionals in Lower Saxony.

[Link to overview of FDM-NDS recommends](#)

Thank you for reading. If you have any questions, you can reach us at info@fdm-nds.de.

See you next time!

Best regards,

The FDM-NDS Team

PS Do you have something you would like to promote in our newsletter? Let us know by **15.04.2026**, at info@fdm-nds.de, and you'll be featured next time.

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