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PROFILE

- Over 15 years professional experience in digital curation, research data management and open science
- A wide network of international collaborators from European e-Infrastructure projects and roles in coordinating fora such as the Research Data Alliance, FORCE11 and CODATA
- Currently EOSC Association Board Director, previous roles in other EC Expert Groups (FAIR data and Transport Research Cloud) and member of various steering committees and task groups
- Experience in delivering training, consultancy and data services on behalf of the Digital Curation Centre
- Strong community builder with well-developed co-ordination, liaison and interpersonal skills

EMPLOYMENT

07/20 - date **EOSC Engagement Manager**

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In this role I run regular coordination meetings, activities and events to engage European NRENs in EOSC and national Open Science initiatives. This facilitates the sharing of information and lessons learned to act as models for others. My work also involves inputs to the EOSC Future project and the EOSC Association Board, fostering alignments and engagement across these stakeholders.

12/16 - date **Independent Expert, European Commission**

Private consultant role

I have acted as an independent expert for the European Commission on three different contracts: the FAIR data expert group; the Transport Research Cloud (Open Science) Expert Group; and the EOSC Executive Board. I acted as rapporteur on the FAIR group, coordinating contributions and leading the authorship of the [Turning FAIR into Reality](#) report. On the TRC group I brought knowledge of FAIR and Open Science to a team of domain experts. The most substantive role to date has been within EOSC where I chair the FAIR Working Group and take a leading role on producing outputs, namely the Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA), workplan and progress reports. I am committed to working in an open manner and have brought elements of the FAIR Expert Group consultation approach to EOSC. I regularly blog, present and give webinars on EOSC related topics.

10/08 - 06/20 **Associate Director** (and previously more junior roles)

Digital Curation Centre, University of Glasgow Library

My role as DCC Associate Director required management of budgets and staff allocations, and general oversight of our portfolio of work. I played a key role in identifying service opportunities and enabling the team to respond to these. As service manager for [DMPonline](#), I developed the strategy and coordinated the team. In November 2018 we moved to a freemium subscription model and quickly achieved over 50 subscribing universities and funders. I also worked on projects such as RDA Europe, FAIRsFAIR and OpenAIRE, and delivered training and consultancy for DCC. I was academic lead on the [Delivering RDM Services MOOC](#) which had over 1950 learners from 116 countries in its first run. In terms of consultancy, I have monitored Open Science policy for SPARC Europe, led an investigation of digital curation services to guide KISTI strategy, and advised OECD on its digital skills agenda.

10/09 - 03/11 **Co-Investigator, Incremental Project**

HATII, University of Glasgow

The Jisc-funded Incremental project focused on scoping researchers' data management needs to deliver RDM support services at the Universities of Glasgow and Cambridge. The work initiated via this project has since been taken forward as core activity via Information Services at each institution.

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

2010 - date	Various CPD courses including coaching skills for line managers, negotiating and influencing skills, managing conflict, finance for non-finance managers, Converge Challenge entrepreneurial training, understanding 4* research and how to achieve it, success in grant applications, presentation skills, web editing, diversity and inclusion training.	
Feb 2008	PRINCE2 Practitioner level Project Management Qualification <i>Advantage Learning Limited</i>	<i>Pass</i>
09/05 - 09/06	MSc in Information Management and Preservation (Digital) <i>University of Glasgow</i>	<i>Pass with distinction</i>
09/99 - 06/04	MA (Hons) German and Economic and Social History <i>University of Glasgow</i>	<i>First class with distinction in spoken German</i>

PROFESSIONAL ROLES

- Project and proposal reviewer for the European Commission, DFG NFDI, Jisc, Nordforsk, ARDC and others
- Member of RDA Technical Advisory Board and co-chair of Global Open Research Commons Interest Group
- Advisory Board Member of the FAIR Impact, Biodiversity Digital Twin (BioDT) and Openwebsearch projects

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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