EC FAIR
How-to Series:
Getting a DOI for Your Data

https://doi.org/10.6075/J06973F4
To make (work) life *easy* for yourself! Your research will be:

- More FAIR (Findable Accessible Interoperable and Reusable)
- Much more easily discovered by yourself and others
- Simpler to track for re-use and reporting
- More accessible over time by following research data management best practices

### Why?

When your data (algorithms, models, software...) are to be:

- Stored and/or archived
- Published along with the results of your research
- Referenced in reports to your funder
- Cited by others who use your data

### When?

Check with your home institution’s data specialists to find an organization that can assign a persistent DOI to your data, and provide versioning support. Ask:

- Is your home institution or academic society a member of a DOI Registration Agency such as DataCite or Cross Ref?
- Which domain and generalist data repositories provide PID support services? See the “Generalist Repository Comparison Chart” to see how generalist repositories stack up.
- Can my publisher register a DOI to publish or reference my data in a journal article or data paper?

### Where?

Wherever you get your DOI, you’ll need to supply:

- ID information for yourself and your co-creators (if any)
- A title, description or abstract about your data, and the subjects or keywords
- The access conditions under which you want your data to be made available

### How?