

Online seminar on the ability to use and re-use published data for which the copyright or license is missing or unclear

Time: Tuesday, March 1st, 2022 at 14:00-15:30 CET

Zoom link: <https://aaudk.zoom.us/j/62532165443>

Use case: We are members of a multi-institutional research community developing open global databases and models of environmental impact from human activities, obviously involving large statistical datasets. We combine data from many different sources and wish to publish the openly traceable combined data with the CC-BY 4.0 license.

Problem: We often encounter that publicly available data, whether from scientific publications, government websites, or even from national statistical agencies, do not always come with an explicit license. This causes concerns when redistributing or creating openly traceable data products from such data sources. Some researchers appear to regard data published without a license as open, while others suggest that depending on the jurisdiction, such data cannot be assumed to be open data. This appears to be an issue that needs to be clarified and confirmed.

Speakers: Robbie Morrison (Open Energy System Modelling) and Christoph Bruch (RDA-CODATA Legal Operability Interest Group) have kindly agreed to enlighten us on the above topic at this online seminar. There will be options for asking questions and exchanging views.

The seminar is open for anyone interested and will be moderated by us.

Kind regards

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