



**Why a Health RDI system cannot afford  
to miss DIPoH**

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# DIPoH

Distributed Infrastructure  
on **Population Health**



TEHDAS Joint Action  
Towards the European Health Data Space

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# Building momentum for the European Health Data Space

Commission President von der Leyen, State of the Union address, 16/09/2020

- *"We need common data spaces - for example, in the energy or healthcare sectors. This will support innovation ecosystems in which universities, companies and researchers can access and collaborate on data."*

European Council, Summit Conclusions, 02/10/2020

- *"The European Council welcomes the creation of common European data spaces in strategic sectors, including health, as a key element of the digital strategy for Europe, and as a data space, ..."*

Commission work programme 2021, 19/20/2020

- Plan: Legislative assessment

President von der Leyen, Statement after Covid-discussions, 29/10/2020

- *"I had five minutes to share comp..."*

German EU Presidency's Conference on Digital Health 2020 – EU on the Move, 11/11/2020

- *"The Commission will work closely with research and..."*

Commission Communication on building a European Health Union, 11/11/2020

- *"The set-up of the European Health Union..."*

Commission proposal for a European Data Governance Act, 25/11/2020

- COM(2020) 768

Council Conclusions on COVID-19 lesson learned in health,

09/12/2020:

*"CALLS upon the European Commission, the Member States, and all relevant public and private stakeholders to jointly collaborate in order to deliver a functioning European Health Data Space, ..."*

*"WELCOMES the close cooperation between Member States and the Commission in preparing the Joint Action for the European Health Data Space..."*

07/12/2020



# 2021 - Commission & Presidency joint press release on activities paving the way for better data-driven health care in Europe

Legal text on the European Health Data Space

- proposed by the Commission in Q4 of 2021

TEHDAS Joint Action

- to propose options on governance, infrastructure, data quality and data solidarity and empowering citizens with regards to secondary health data use in the EU

Investments to support the EHDS

- under the EU4Health programme, as well as common data spaces and digital health related innovation under Horizon Europe and Digital Europe programmes

Targeted Codes of Conduct

- for secondary health data use developed through engagement with relevant actors

A pilot project

- to demonstrate the feasibility of cross border analysis for healthcare improvement, regulation and innovation

Other EU funding opportunities

- for digital transformation of health and care available for Member States as of 2021 under Recovery and Resilience Facility, European Regional Development Fund, European Social Fund+, InvestEU.



# Proposal for a Data Governance Act - European Health Data Space

- Proposal for DGA: adopted on 25 November
- General framework/minimum rules for the use of data in Europe
- Includes health, but will be supplemented by the *lex specialis* on European Health Data Space, which can add additional rules that will also apply
- European Health Data Space:
  - Health data – primary and secondary use of health data
    - governance, privacy, quality, portability and access to health data, interoperability, standards, infrastructures
  - Removing obstacles to the free movement of digital health services and products in the internal market.
  - Establishing clear liability rules fit for digital health, including AI in health.



# Proposal DGA - EHDS

## Pillar 1: re-use of sensitive data held by public sector bodies

- Multi-sector **single information point in each MS** that can orient towards
  - Public sector bodies holding the data
  - Competent bodies providing access to data (on behalf of data holders)
- MS must designate national body providing **support function** to public sector bodies/data holders
  - Secure processing environment
  - Advice on technical and legal aspects for disclosure of data
- EHDS:
  - Building on DGA, designated national competent bodies in health
    - Can provide access to health data
    - Offer a secure processing environment



# Proposal DGA - EHDS

## Pillar 2: notification of **data sharing intermediaries**

- Data sharing schemes for B2B and C2B (personal data spaces)
- Requirements of structural separation and acting not-for-profit

## Pillar 3: **Data altruism**

- Register of data altruism organisations recognised in the Union
- EC will adopt template consent form(s) through ID

## Pillar 4: **European Data Innovation Board**

- Coordination between sectors, representation of MS competent authorities (including sectoral bodies)
- Technical standardisation cross-sector

## EHDS:

- Competent national digital health authorities to select appropriate standards and requirements for interoperability by data sharing intermediaries - and interoperability of data in health sector for primary and secondary use
- Competent national health authorities could manage data altruism scheme and obtain consent
- Tailor consent form to specificities of health



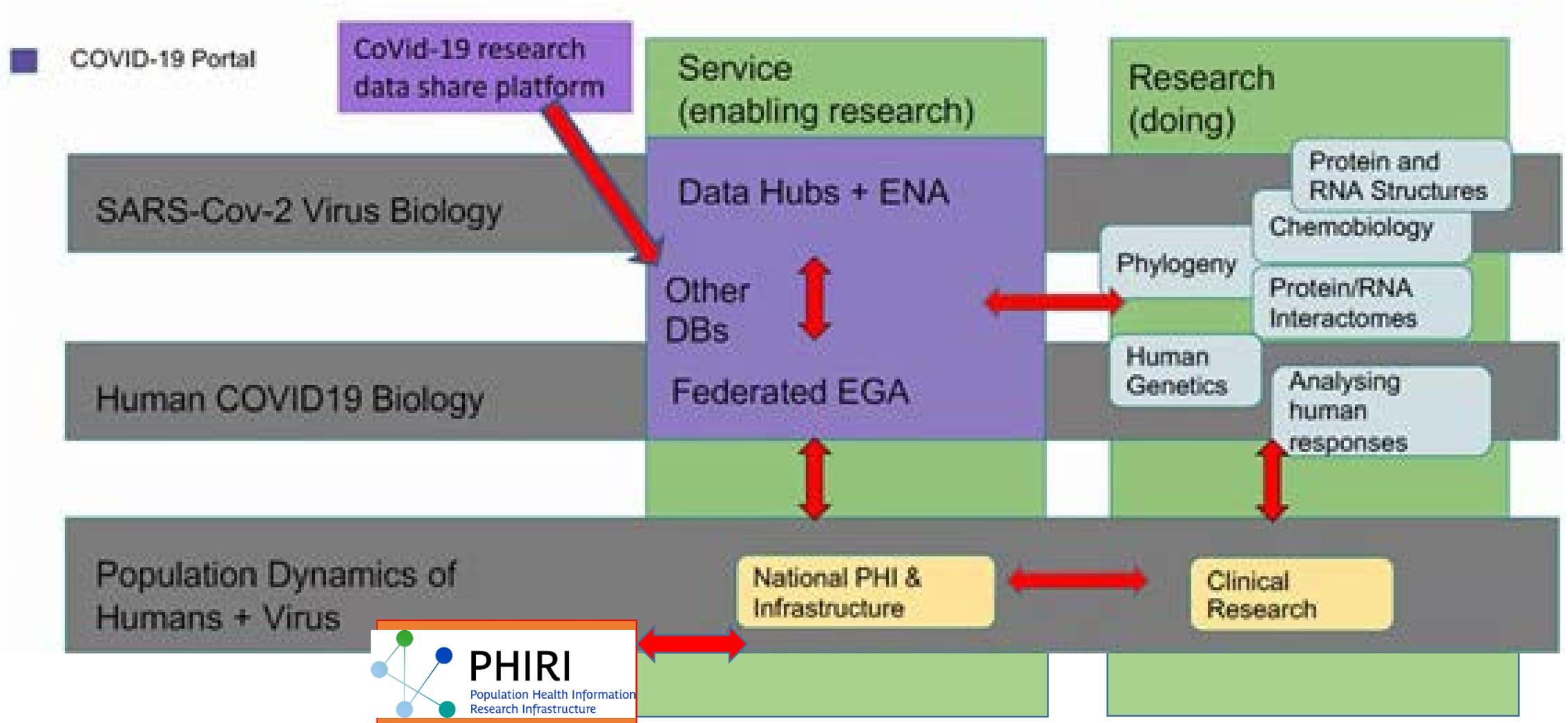
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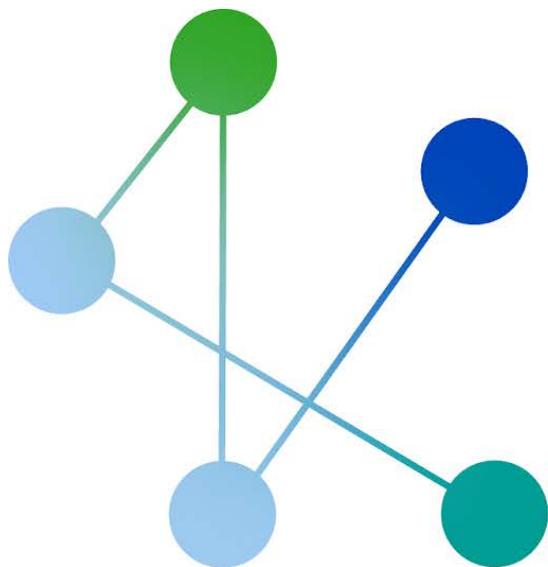
## EHDS?

- Clarify the specificities for health data
- Categories of health data to which access should be facilitated/granted
- Interoperability of data within health sector (for primary and secondary use)
- Data access rules
- Role of competent support bodies in health
- Rules for EU level infrastructure and conditions for participating



# COVID 19 Data Share Research Platform (EMBL- EBI/ELIXIR )

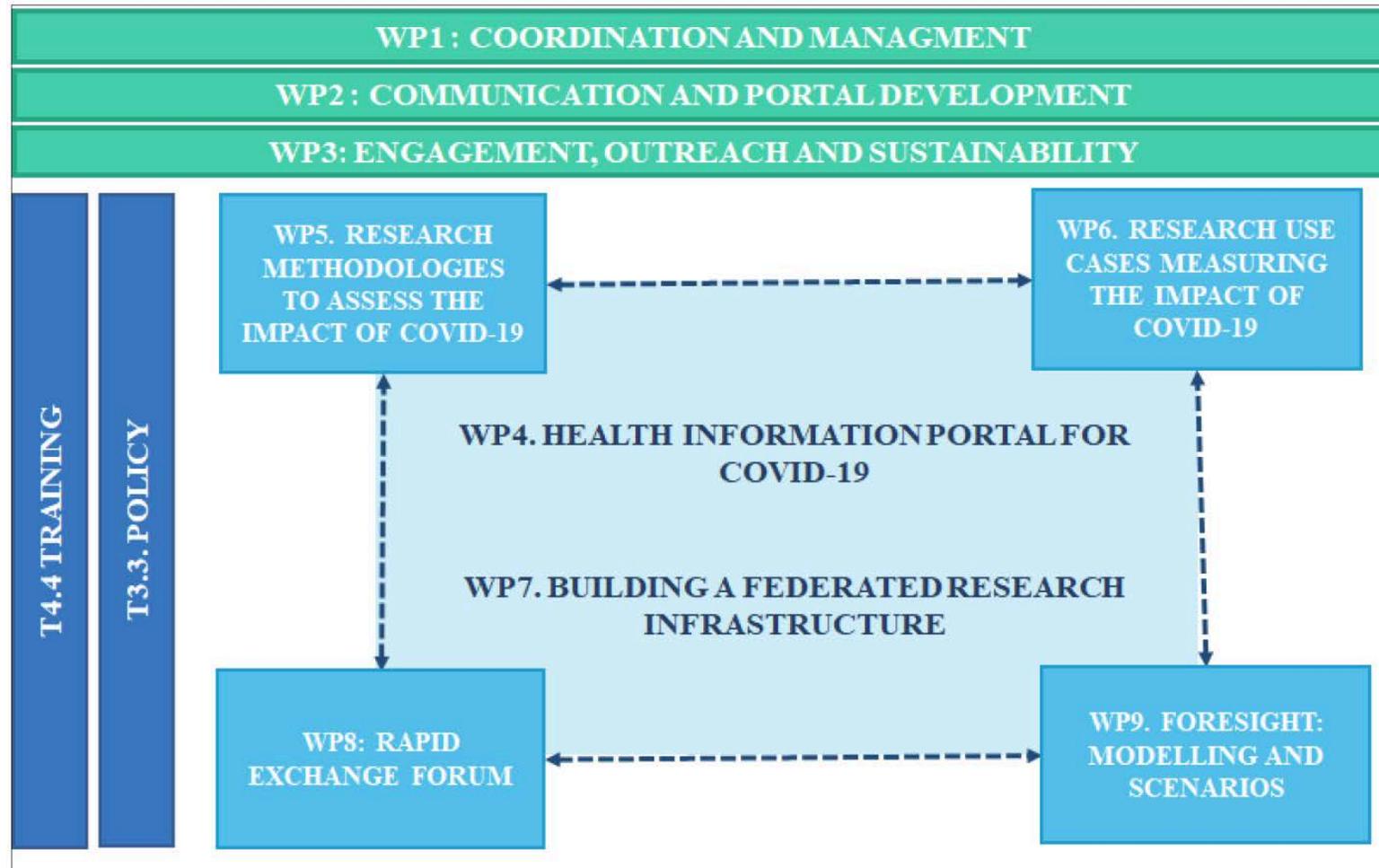




# PHIRI

Population Health Information  
Research Infrastructure

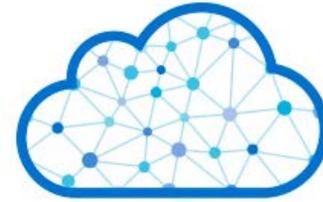
# WORKPLAN





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**HEALTHYCLOUD**  
Health Research & Innovation Cloud

## CSA Healthy Cloud:

**a distributed e-infrastructure (“cloud”) for  
research with any kind of health data**



