OpenAIRE has collaborated with key stakeholders and has produced three sets of guidelines for its data providers, all based on existing well-established standards:

1. Guidelines for Literature Repositories: based on Dublin Core (DRIVER)
2. Guidelines for Data Repositories: based on Datacite
3. Guidelines for CRIS Managers: based on CERIF-XML

- Provide additional support for OAI Aggregators and Open Access Journals to maintain provenance on the record or at journal level
- Guidelines make it easy to participate in the OpenAIRE network and share your content

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- An aggregated global collection of resources that humans and machines can interpret in exciting ways gives opportunities for data re-use
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