

# FAIR data management from a research institute's perspective: GeoNode at IGB

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# IGB's GeoNode task group



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# IGB in numbers (2019)

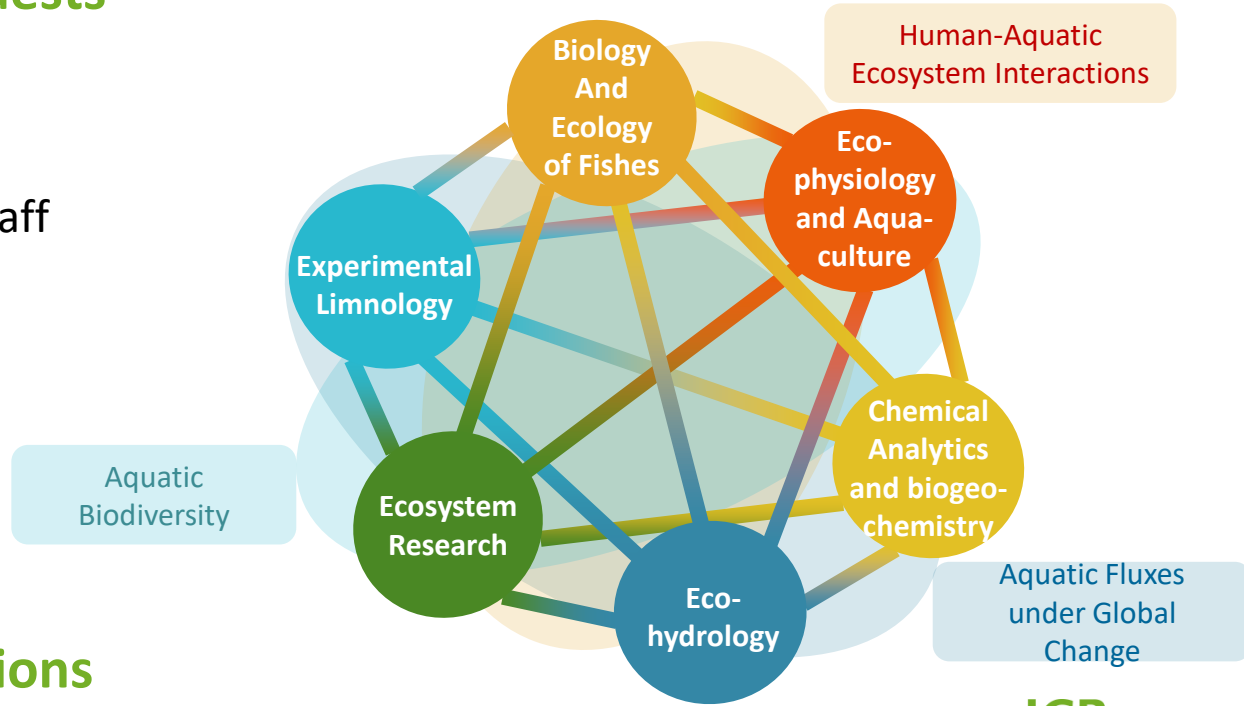
## 374 employees and guests

- 148 scientists
- 53 doctoral students
- 92 science supporting staff

## 6 departments

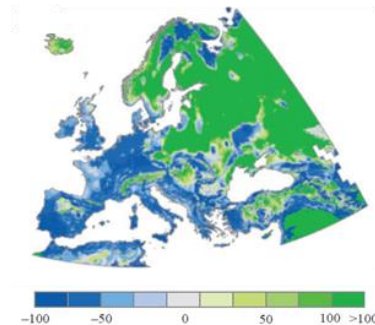
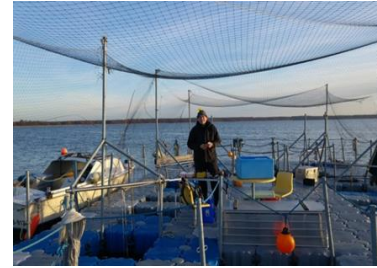
- 38 research groups
- 35 third party funded projects (ongoing)

## 291 scientific publications

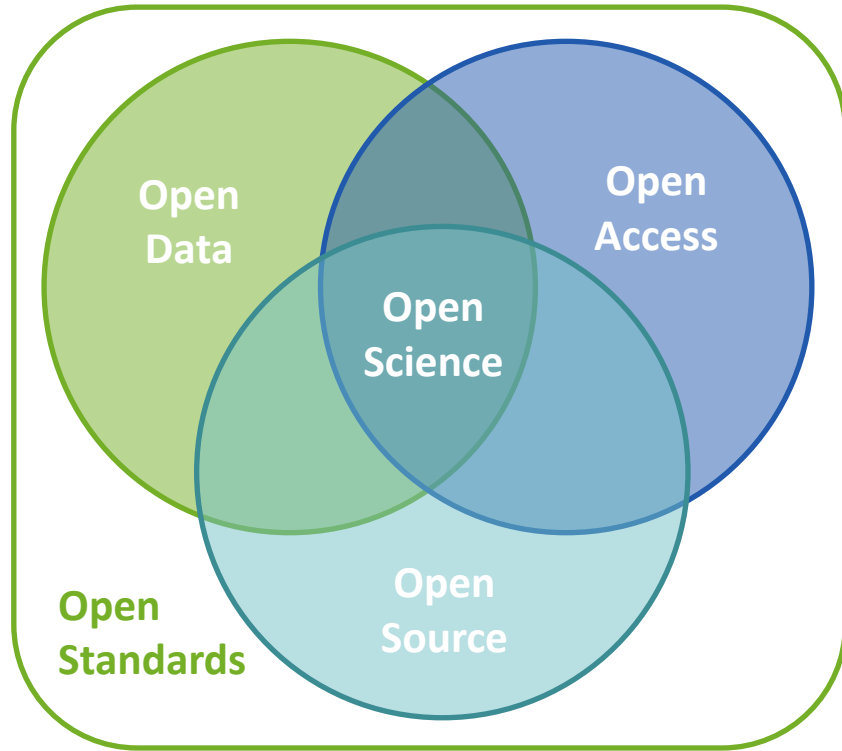


# Research data types at IGB

- environmental data, long-term monitoring or sampling data
- biodiversity data
- gene sequencing data
- data from experiments or modeling
- geodata, earth observation data
- social data from questionnaires/surveys
- source code (R, Python,...)



# Open Science and the FAIR data principles



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## Findable

Data and supplementary materials have sufficiently rich metadata and a unique and persistent identifier.



**A**

## Accessible

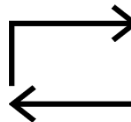
Metadata and data are understandable to humans and machines. Data is deposited in a trusted repository.



**I**

## Interoperable

Metadata and data use a formal, accessible, shared, and broadly applicable language for knowledge representation.



**R**

## Reusable

Data and collections have a clear usage licenses and provide accurate information on provenance.

figure altered after Jomier (2017)

FORCE11, 2014; Wilkinson et al, 2016; LIBER (2017); figure after Goudeseune et al. (2019)

# FAIR data at IGB



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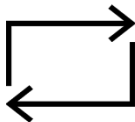
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## Findable

- Who has what kind of data?
- Are (minimal) metadata added?
- Is a DOI added?

## Accessible

- Research data portal available?
- Metadata and data understandable?

## Interoperable

- Are standards used (web services, file formats, metadata)?

## Reusable

- Where is the data from?
- Am I allowed to reuse it?
- What license applies?

# Research data management at IGB

## FRED - Freshwater Research and Environmental Database

- store and share environmental data and long-term monitoring data
- data from different sources can be combined in „packages“
- mandatory and recommended metadata
- DOI and data license
- semantic search
- data harmonization
- interoperability



<https://fred.igb-berlin.de/>

# GeoNode as IGB's geodata management system

## Why GeoNode?

- easy-to-use and customizable interface, user-friendly
- metadata automatically added, metadata wizard
- search and filter layers
- user management, access rights and groups
- implementation of OGC standards and protocols
- use of mature open source geospatial projects
- interactive map viewer
- Python/Django framework, relatively easy to extend and build on
  - active community and good documentation, workshops, mailing list, gitter...





# IGB GeoNode

## Implementation

- installation and customization done by GeoSolutions in 2019

→ [geo.igb-berlin.de](http://geo.igb-berlin.de)


## IGB requirements:

- group and group categories filter
- user authentication via LDAP

→ <https://github.com/GeoNode/geonode-contribs/tree/master/ldap>

Filters Clear

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Search by text 

> KEYWORDS

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> GROUPS

> GROUP CATEGORIES

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# Use cases

## 1 – Internal geodata management

- examples from current research projects

## 2 – Link to FRED

- building an integrated research data management infrastructure (FRED and IGB GeoNode) to link geodata to other research data and publications in single "packages"

## 3 – (Inter)national data and research networks

- Freshwater Information Platform and Global Freshwater Biodiversity Atlas
- extending and building on IGB's GeoNode to develop a pilot for NFDI4Earth



# Use case 1 – Internal geodata management

## GLANCE project

- 5-year research project funded by BMBF
- investigated the impacts of changing flow conditions in rivers on benthic invertebrates and fishes
- three catchments in Germany:
  - Treene in the lowlands,
  - Kinzig in the low mountain ranges
  - Ammer in the Alps

## GLANCE

Global change effects in river ecosystems



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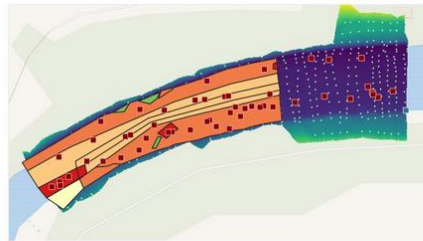
Research Group Leader

Research group

Aquatic Ecogeography

<https://www.igb-berlin.de/en/project/glance>

# Use case 1 – Internal geodata management



INLAND WATERS

ABT2

## Study site Ammer1 (GLANCE project)

The dataset presented here contains information on the rivers sampled in the GLANCE project. The Ammer1 and 2 catchments are dominated by gravel and stone substrates with steep gradients, which is located in the alpine region of Germany.

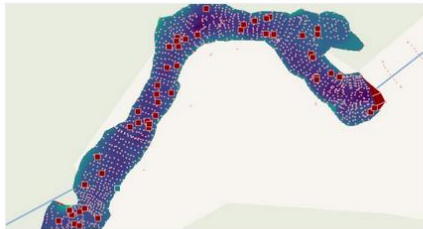
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View Map



## Map Layers

This map uses the following layers:

Ammer1\_Bathymetry  
Ammer\_Peissenberg\_Bathymetry  
Substrates\_Ammer1\_spring2015  
GLANCE SamplingData  
SamplingSites\_Qmeas



INLAND WATERS

ABT2

## Study site Treene (GLANCE project)

The dataset presented here contains information on the rivers sampled in the GLANCE project. The Treene River catchment, with a small gradient, sand-gravel sediment, and groundwater-driven conditions, is located in the northern lowlands of Germany.

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Substrates\_Treene1\_spring2015  
Treene1\_Bathymetry  
Treene\_Bathymetry  
Treene2\_Bathymetry  
GLANCE SamplingData  
SamplingSites\_Qmeas

# Use case 1 – Internal geodata management

## GLOWABIO

### junior research group

- global geospatial analyses
- creating novel high-resolution freshwater ecoregions (90m)
- analyzing spatial patterns in global freshwater biodiversity
- spatial conservation planning given habitat and biodiversity features to highlight potential protection gaps.

## GLOWABIO

Global freshwater biodiversity,  
biogeography & conservation



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Global Freshwater

Biodiversity,

Biogeography and

Conservation

<https://www.igb-berlin.de/en/projekt/ glowabio>

<https://glowabio.org/>

# Use case 1 – Internal geodata management

## GLOWABIO

### junior research group

- global scale, high spatial resolution
  - all analyses will be performed using open-source geospatial tools (e.g. R, GRASS, GDAL/OGR, pktools, OpenForis)
  - all data layers and codes will be stored in public repositories
- automated pre-processing and upload to GeoNode

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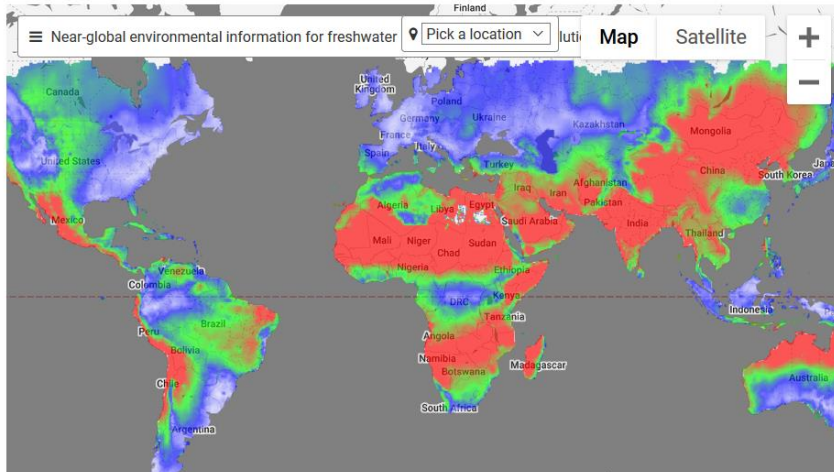
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# Use case 1 – Internal geodata management

## Freshwater-specific environmental variables at 1km resolution

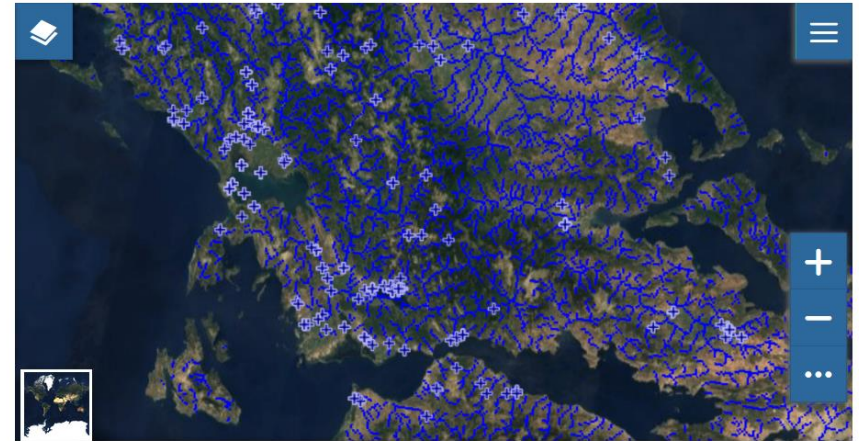
Near-global freshwater-specific variables at 1km spatial resolution (Domisch et al. 2015). Data download at [earthenv.org/streams](https://earthenv.org/streams).



[https://glowabio.org/maps/1km\\_variables/](https://glowabio.org/maps/1km_variables/)

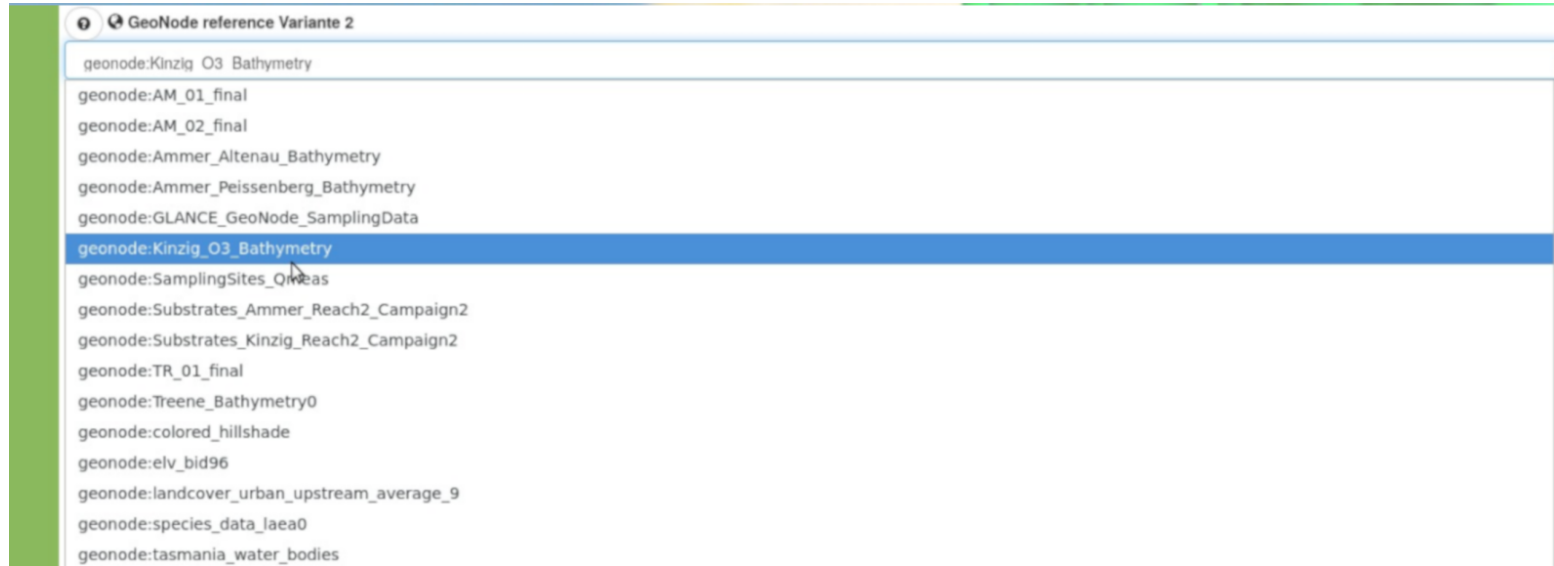
## Test data for freshwater distribution models

For illustration purpose: we use example stream networks, such as the one below that can be quickly generated in GRASS-GIS, for testing various tools and techniques for routing, network modeling, point processing etc.



[https://glowabio.org/maps/sdm\\_test\\_data/](https://glowabio.org/maps/sdm_test_data/)

# Use case 2 – link to FRED



## GeoNode to FRED:

- layer list from GeoNode read via REST



# Use case 2 – link to FRED

FRED Search for ...

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GeoNode Link Demo data package	GeoNode Link Demo Site	<a href="#">geonode:GLANCE GeoNode SamplingData</a>	Simone Frenzel	

Map showing location near Strandbad Müggelsee and Forsternwiese.

## GeoNode to FRED:

- selected layer(s) can be added to data package

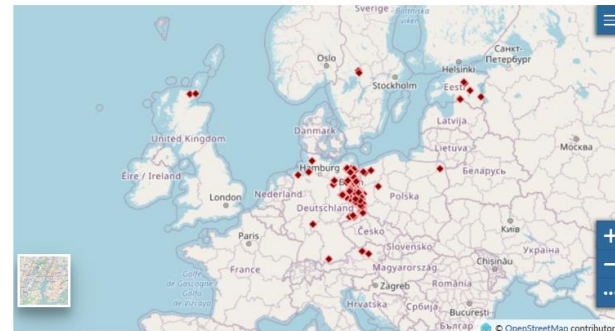
# Use case 2 – link to FRED

## FRED to GeoNode

- read access on selected PostgreSQL views to evaluate direct import into GeoServer
- e.g. sampling sites, study sites, long-term monitoring data



### IGB FRED sampling sites



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Abstract FRED - IGB Freshwater Research and Environmental Database  
List of sampling sites (as of 8th Sept. 2020)  
Publication Date Sept. 8, 2020, 10:10 a.m.  
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Keywords features  
Category Geoscientific Information ⓘ  
Regions Global

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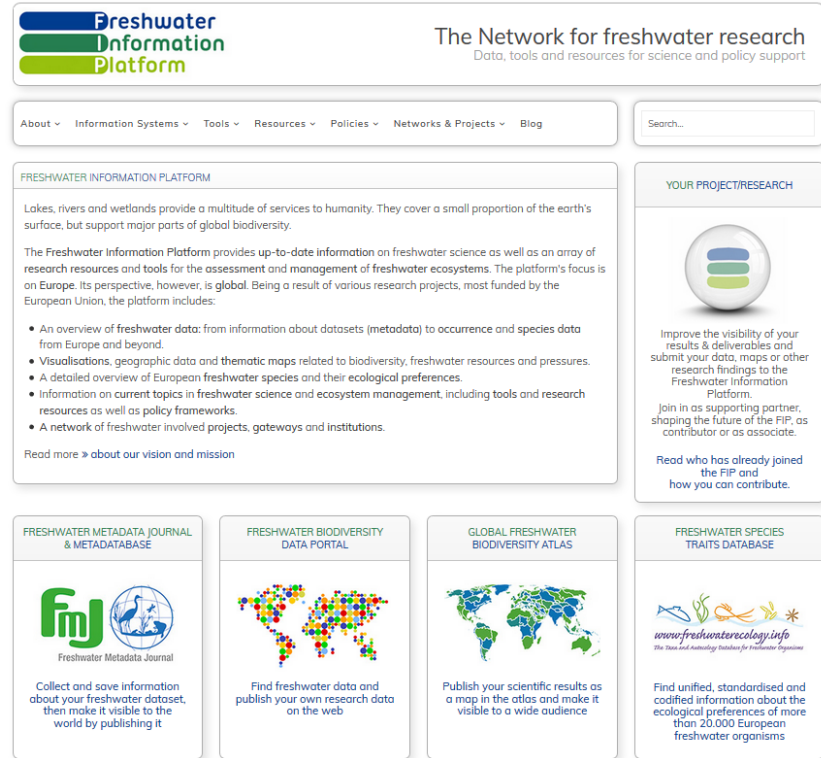
# Use case 3 – (Inter)national data and research networks

## IGB GeoNode as geospatial repository

- for the Freshwater Information Platform and the
- Global Freshwater Biodiversity Atlas



<http://www.freshwaterplatform.eu/>



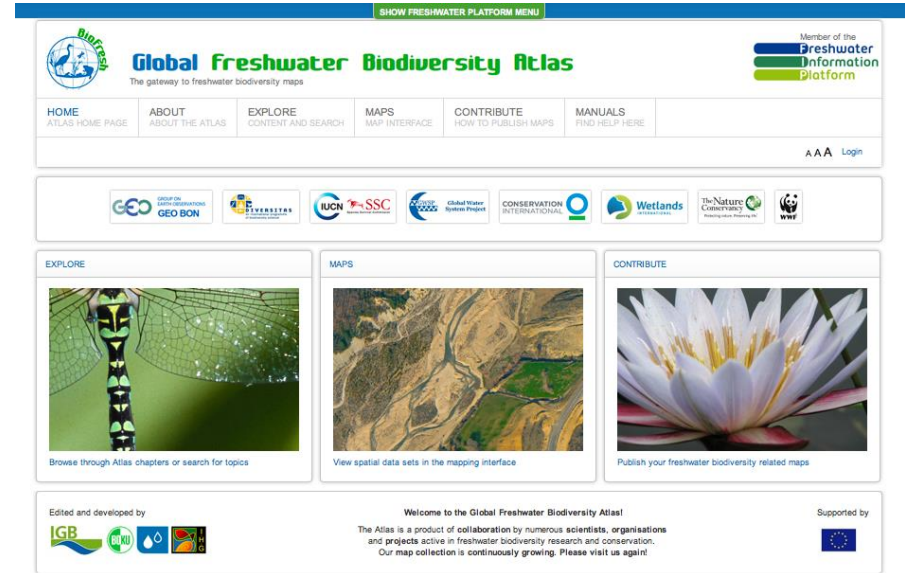
# Use case 3 – (Inter)national data and research networks

## Global Freshwater Biodiversity Atlas

- established in 2013
- EU FP7 project BioFresh
- focus on broad scale freshwater biodiversity maps

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**I**nformation  
**P**latform

<http://atlas.freshwaterbiodiversity.eu/>



# Use case 3 – (Inter)national data and research networks

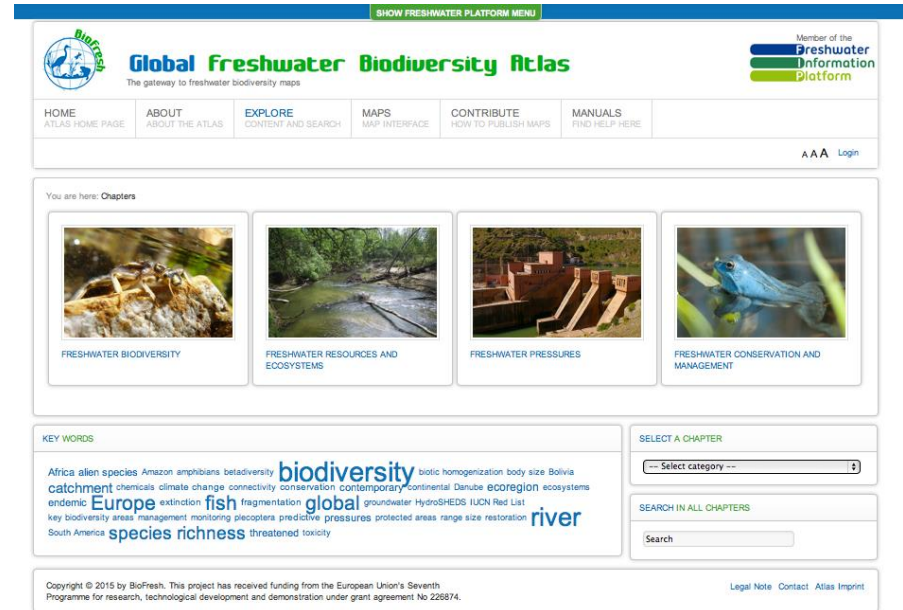
## Global Freshwater Biodiversity Atlas

maps in four chapters:

- Freshwater Biodiversity
- Resources and Ecosystems
- Freshwater Pressures
- Conservation and Management



<http://atlas.freshwaterbiodiversity.eu/>



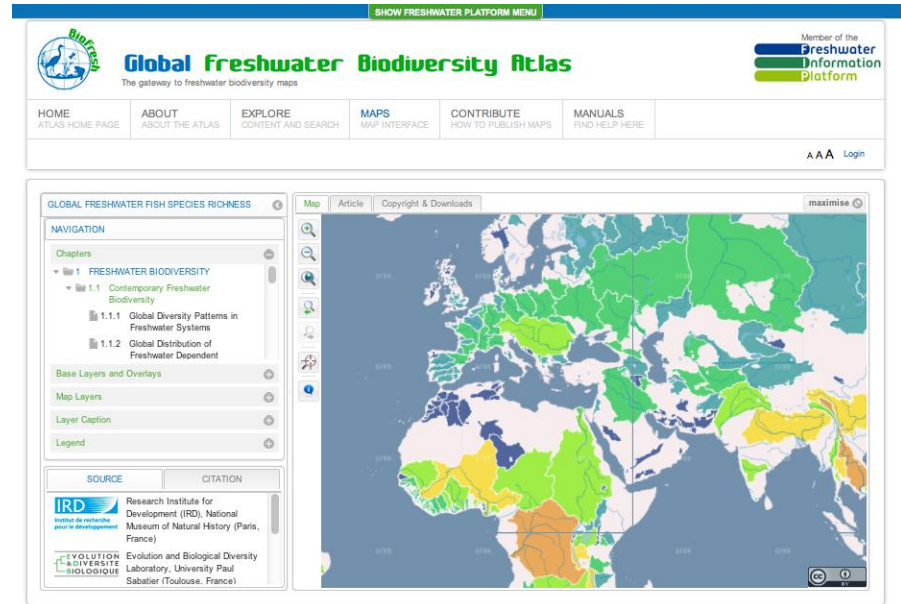
# Use case 3 – (Inter)national data and research networks

## Global Freshwater Biodiversity Atlas

- interactive GeoExt2 mapping tool
- GeoServer
- migrate to GeoNode
- metadata and download links



<http://atlas.freshwaterbiodiversity.eu/>



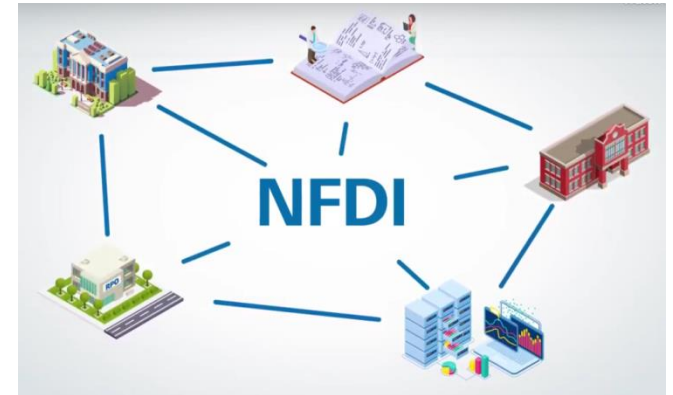
# National research data infrastructure (NFDI)

## NFDI

is a coordinated network of consortia tasked with providing science-driven data services to research communities.

## Aim

- systematically manage scientific and research data
- provide long-term data storage, backup and accessibility
- network the data both nationally and internationally



[https://www.dfg.de/en/research\\_funding/programmes/nfdi/index.html](https://www.dfg.de/en/research_funding/programmes/nfdi/index.html)

<https://youtu.be/x3Cvn1vNQ98>



# NFDI<sub>4</sub>Earth

# National Research Data Infrastructure for Earth System Science (NFDI4Earth)

- funding decision of the Joint Science Conference (GWK) in June 2021
- five years' work plan (2021-26)
- currently 54 partners

## Aim

- provide researchers with FAIR, easy, coherent, efficient (and open and unrestricted) access to all relevant Earth System data, scientific data management tools and data analysis services.

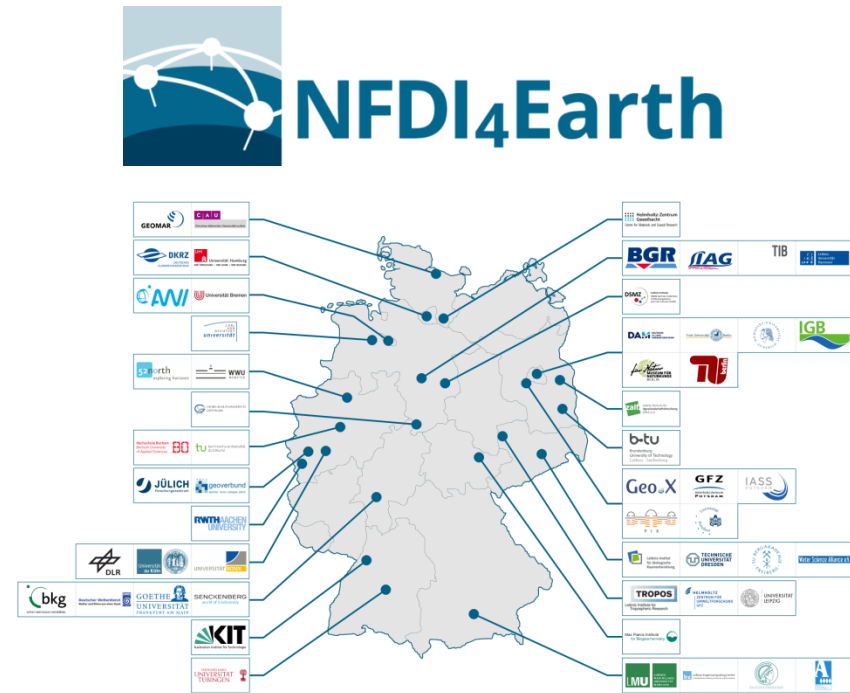


figure: <https://www.nfdi4earth.de/about-us/ambition-and-mission>



# NFDI<sub>4</sub>Earth Pilots 2020



## Search

## Topics

- 3 Atmospheric Science, Oceanography and Climate Research
- 2 Geography
- 2 Geology and Paleontology
- 2 Geophysics and Geodesy

## Pilot Principal Investigator

- 2 Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt
- 2 Technische Universität Dresden
- 1 Deutscher Wetterdienst
- 1 GEOMAR Helmholtz-Zentrum für Ozeanforschung Kiel

## Type of Institution

- 6 University
- 4 Helmholtz
- 2 Leibniz
- 1 Departmental Research
- 1 Max-Planck

14 Items filtered from 38 originally ([Reset All Filters](#))

Name-	Topics	Suggested for funding	Proposal
Bathy4All: Workflows for Multibeam Processing and Visualization	Geophysics and Geodesy	after 1st call	<a href="#">PDF</a>
Enhancing Earth system model evaluation with data cube enabled machine learning	Atmospheric Science, Oceanography and Climate Research	after 1st call	<a href="#">PDF</a>
GeoRoCc-MetBase Tools	Geochemistry, Mineralogy and Crystallography	after 1st call	<a href="#">PDF</a>
German marine seismic data access	Geology and Paleontology	after 1st call	<a href="#">PDF</a>
Getting freshwater spatiotemporal data on track (GeoFRESH)	Water Research	after 1st call	<a href="#">PDF</a>
Interoperability and reusability for geoscientific lab data	Geophysics and Geodesy	after 1st call	<a href="#">PDF</a>
Linking Environmental D			

<https://www.nfdi4earth.de/participate/get-involved-by-pilots>

# NFDI<sub>4</sub>Earth Pilots 2020 - GeoFRESH



NFDI<sub>4</sub>Earth

## ***Getting freshwater spatiotemporal data on track***

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### ***Abstract***

Spatiotemporal freshwater-related earth system data are currently poorly organized and its full potential for research or management is rarely exploited, due to data disparity and its missing interoperability given the different data standards and formats. It is especially the spatial struc-

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# Freshwater spatiotemporal data integration within an online platform

FRED



IGB GeoNode



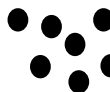
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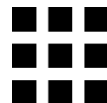
Citizen science



Museum collections



Opportunistic data

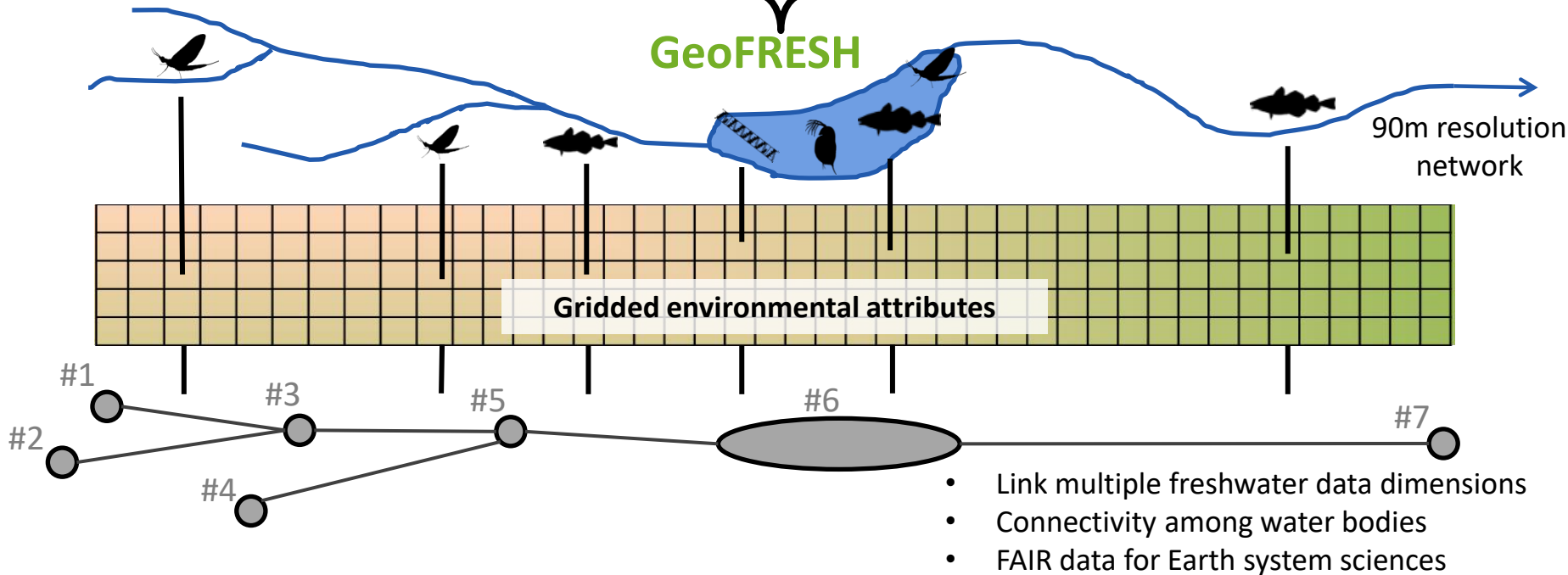


Gridded data



Polygon data

GeoFRESH



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