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CoreTrustSeal Newsletter 04-2026

New AMT features

We have added some new features to the CoreTrustSeal Application Management Tool:

- **Links:** Links can now be changed or removed, Note if you change/ remove a link it will be changed for the entire application as they can be reused.
- **Link preview:** If the evidence link has the correct metadata you can see a preview of the link; just hover the curser over the link.
- **WYSIWYG editor added:** it is now easier to structure your evidence text and you can even including tables and pictures!
- **Pdf:** can now be downloaded throughout the application process by applicant and reviewer just click the pdf picture behind an application in the tool.
- **Don't loose any data:** A check that data is saved is added for reviewers when switching between the review, guidance and attachments tabs.

Introducing Lisa de Leeuw
Head secretariat CoreTrustSeal Board



of the Data Seal of Approval (DSA) in 2009, a certification for trustworthy digital repositories, and has been closely involved in the development of the DSA, which in 2017 merged with the World Data System (WDS) into a new certification entity; CoreTrustSeal. She was a CoreTrustSeal board member until 2018 and is currently head of the secretariat to the CoreTrustSeal board. She enjoys working for the board that changes every 3 years and serves as a memory and constant factor over the years.

Current needs and challenges on data retention, appraisal, and reappraisal across stakeholders and communities

The latest EOSC Long-Term Data Retention TaskForce deliverable, "Current needs and challenges on data retention, appraisal, and reappraisal across stakeholders and communities" has just been published.

This paper focuses on the current needs and challenges related to long-term data retention. It provides an overview of the main issues faced by a wide range of stakeholders and communities regarding data retention, appraisal, and reappraisal, along with proposed solutions or recommendations addressing each identified challenge.

In total, nine key challenges are described in this report, based on the discussions and efforts of the Task Force. Several potential solutions or recommendations are provided for each identified challenge, encouraging relevant stakeholders and communities to consider them in their future practices.

Cross-links were observed between challenges, as some of them may contribute to issues described in others, and certain solutions may apply to multiple challenge areas.

report may serve as a valuable resource for data curators, data managers, and other interested stakeholders. Several topics remain crucial to long-term data retention.

Two CoreTrustSeal board members contribute to the TaskForce: Olivier Rouchon and Andrea Lammert.

The paper can be found here: <https://zenodo.org/records/19232470>

Feedback and comments welcome!

Please don't hesitate to contact info@coretrustseal.org if you have feedback or suggestions for us on the tool, process, website or anything else!



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