

# Gaia-X Standard Presentation

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## Introduction

# 01



The Gaia-X project was initiated to enable a secure, open and sovereign use of data.

In this way, self-determined decisions can be made on how and where data is stored, processed and used within the data infrastructure.

# What is Gaia-X?



## Our vision

Access and share data through a federated data infra-structure to ensure innovation for our future thanks to the next generation of Information Technology.



## European cooperation

Ensure the efficiency of European data infra-structure, based on European values and supported by the European Commission.



## Transparency

Secure open interfaces and standards to allow the aggregation of data while driving innovation and efficiencies within a transparent environment.



## Our objectives

Foster the creation, formation, roll out and growth of digital ecosystems that can be used commercially in and across data spaces.



## Maximum security

Maximise data sovereignty for business, customers and governments through services that ensure interoperability and privacy by design.



## Rights protection

Guarantee citizens' privacy as a human right and respect the sovereignty of other nations.

# Motivated by challenges to the European digital economy

Decentralised processing locations

Lack of transparency and sovereignty over stored and processed data and infrastructure

Sector-specific data spaces and lack of ontology



**Challenges  
and trends**

Multiple technology stacks

Insufficient clarity about the applicable jurisdiction

Absence of widely accessible application programming interfaces (APIs)

Multiple stakeholders and difficult accessibility of existing data and infrastructure services

# A strong alliance of companies and organisations has joined



500+ participants from  
ca. 350 companies and organisations



3 out of 4 organisations are private  
companies, **about half** of which are SMEs\*



Organisations from different industries, such as  
Mobility, Energy, Manufacturing, Finance etc.



Large Companies



SMEs



Start-Ups



Universities



R&D



Associations



Public Sector



Mentioned explicitly in the **European Data Strategy** and proactively addressing key issues.  
Exchange between Gaia-X and the **European Commission** to identify synergies between Gaia-X  
and initiatives and programs such as the **European Cloud Federation, CEF 2** and **Digital Europe**.

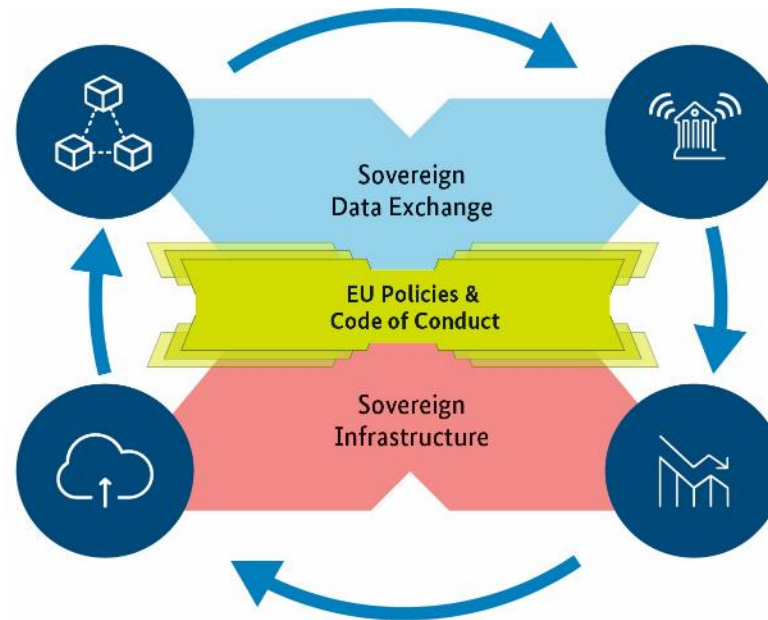
# Gaia-X aims at building a trusted, sovereign digital infrastructure for Europe

## Creation of digital infrastructures and an ecosystem for innovation

Trusted environment between partners and interoperable links between smart service applications and infrastructure services.

## Increasing transparency and attractiveness of digital services

Reduce barriers to compliant service usage; enable the development of new services and products.



## Data sovereignty

Strengthen the digital sovereignty of business, science, government and society.

## Reduction of dependencies

Reduce private and business consumers' dependency of single providers; control over location and regulatory environment of stored data; reduce sector-specific dependencies.



# Gaia-X will add value to the European digital economy



## Data-based business models

Enabling self-determined data-based business models from an entrepreneurial perspective.

## Raise the value of data

Supporting innovative collaborations across industries to aggregate and raise the value of data.

## Fairness and transparency

Promoting fair and transparent business models by providing the rules for such collaborative approaches, including the legally compliant use of data.

## Interoperability

Enabling collaboration across industries to create federated, interoperable services on the infrastructure layer.

## Data protection

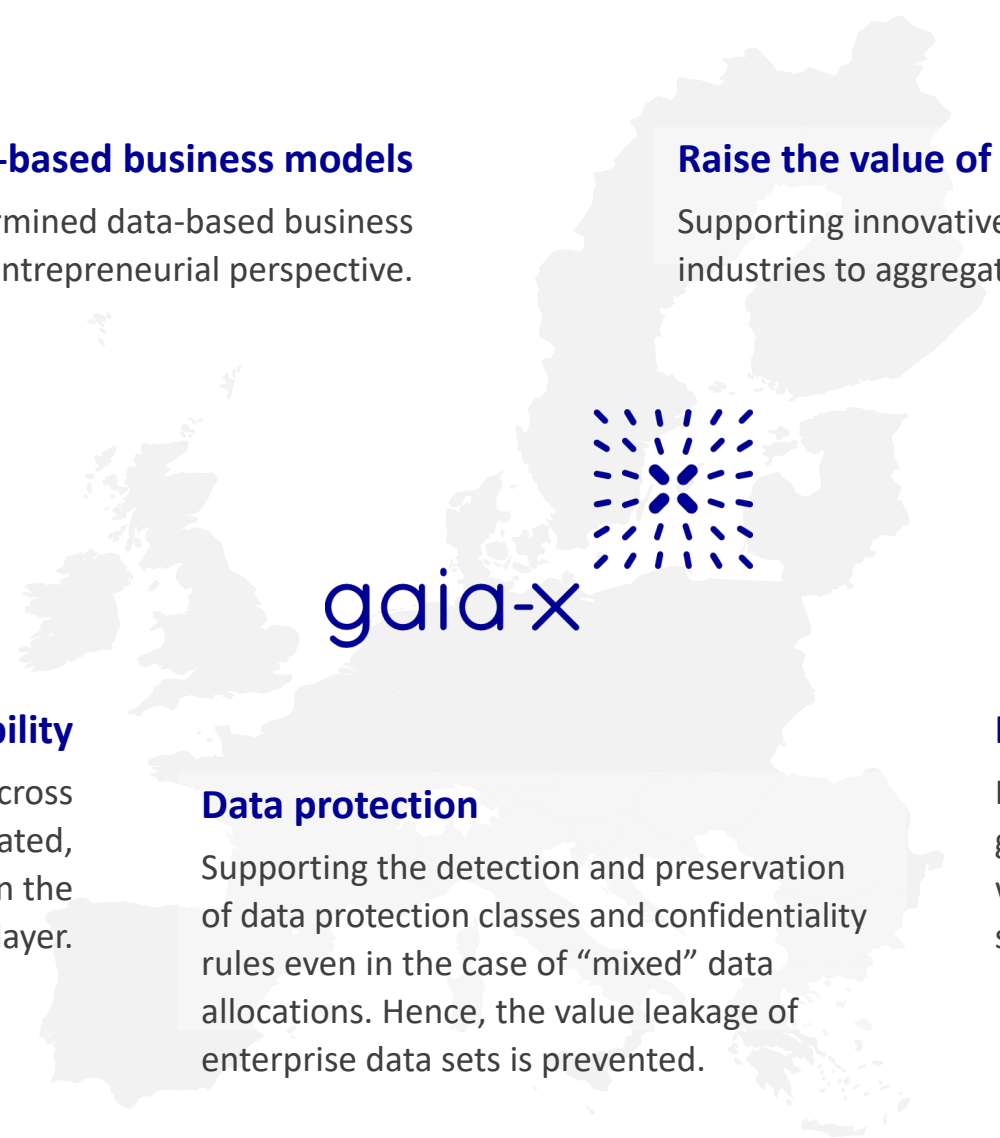
Supporting the detection and preservation of data protection classes and confidentiality rules even in the case of “mixed” data allocations. Hence, the value leakage of enterprise data sets is prevented.

## Data commercialisation

Providing common data monetisation schemes, sharing models and respective enforcement rules. As such, the commercialisation of data becomes less complex and costly.

## Infrastructure

Easing access to trustworthy next generation IT infrastructure, which will provide a productivity boost for software engineering teams.

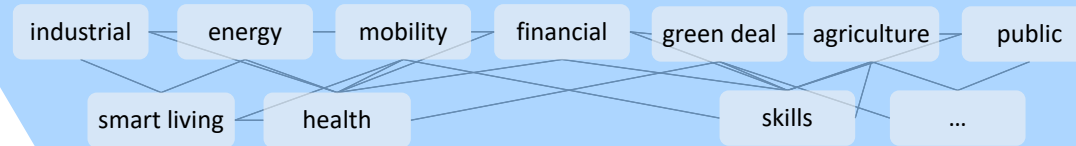


# The Gaia-X ecosystem of services and data

## Advanced Smart Services

(Cross-) Sector Innovations /  
Market places / Applications

### Data Ecosystem



## Data Spaces

Interoperable & portable (Cross-) Sector  
data-sets and services

## GAIA-X Federation services

Federated & distributed for  
interoperability Trust & Sovereignty  
services

Identity & Trust

Sovereign Data Exchange

Federated Catalogue

Compliance

## Portability, Interoperability & Interconnectivity

Technical: Architecture of Standards  
Commercial: Policies

Network/  
Interconn.  
Providers

CSP  
(e.g. Regional,  
specialized,  
Hyperscalers)

HPC  
(e.g. research...)

Sector  
specific  
clouds

EDGE

## Compliance

Legal: Regulation & Policies

### Infrastructure Ecosystem

## The user perspective

# 02

# Activate and represent the user side

Identify **suitable use cases** – from both a qualitative and a quantitative perspective

Initiate **further measures** for the **development** of Gaia-X



Analyse and evaluate the **requirements** of **use cases** from **different domains**

Define and validate **cross-domain requirements**

Define and validate **domain-specific requirements**

# All domains share common requirements

Energy

Finance

Agriculture

Health

Industry 4.0/SME

Mobility

Public Sector

Smart Living

**Common  
cross-domain  
requirements**

## Gaia-X as enabler

**Federated Identity Management**

**Algorithms for data monetisation**

**Trusted Relationship Management**

**Data Custodianship** as a business principle

**Open** to adapt of all market participants - and systems

**Authorisation and data usage control** by the data owner

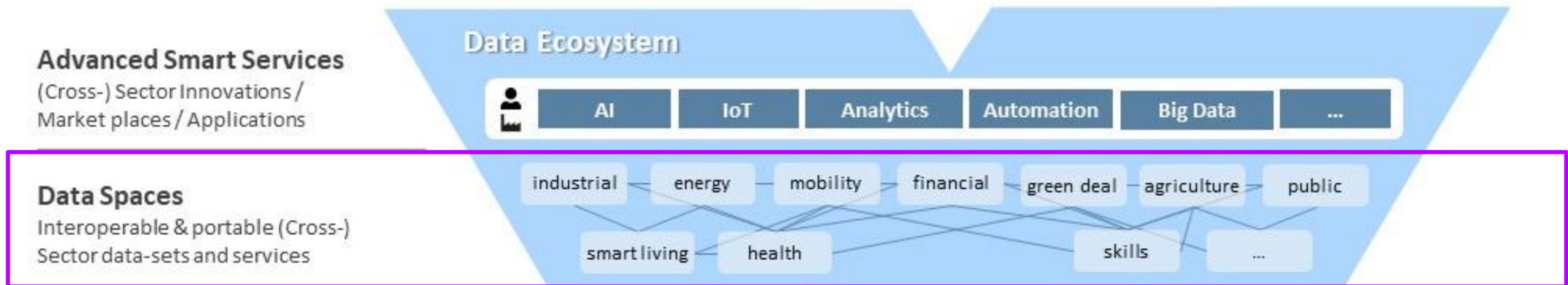
**Uniform definition of protection classes** for data and services for all participants

**Selectable Geography and Legislation** for data storage and service offering (locally/centrally)

**Hybrid Cloud Scenario** through distributed implementation (vertically and horizontally) across many vendors

## Additional domain-specific requirements

# User requirements as core of the development of Gaia-X



- In order to facilitate value creation based on digital services and mechanisms, we need **an architecture in the form of an underlying framework common to all domains.**
- GAIA-X allows the emergence of **Advanced Smart Services** such as **AI, Analytics or Big Data** and fosters **innovation in the Gaia-X Ecosystem.**
- Gaia-X offers ontologies for interoperability and API within and across sector specific **data spaces** according to the EU data strategy.
- It promotes the opportunity to collaborate in **data-driven horizontal and vertical value chains.**
- As a result, it encourages the emergence of **sustainable business and innovation ecosystems** for the next generation of digital infrastructure.

# The analysis of use cases has provided valuable insights

## The path from use cases to Gaia-X

1

Use cases from different domains **face the same challenges**.

2

Based on the consolidation of use cases, we can **identify common cross-domain requirements**, which are **shared by all domains**.

3

**Additional requirements** may be described depending on the domain and use case.

4

Through the synthesis of the use cases we will develop Data Space Demonstrators, which **represent the requirements of users and domains**.

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We will continue to develop Gaia-X into a **shared solution** and an **enabler within and across domains**.

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## The provider perspective



# Alignment of various providers in an infrastructure ecosystem

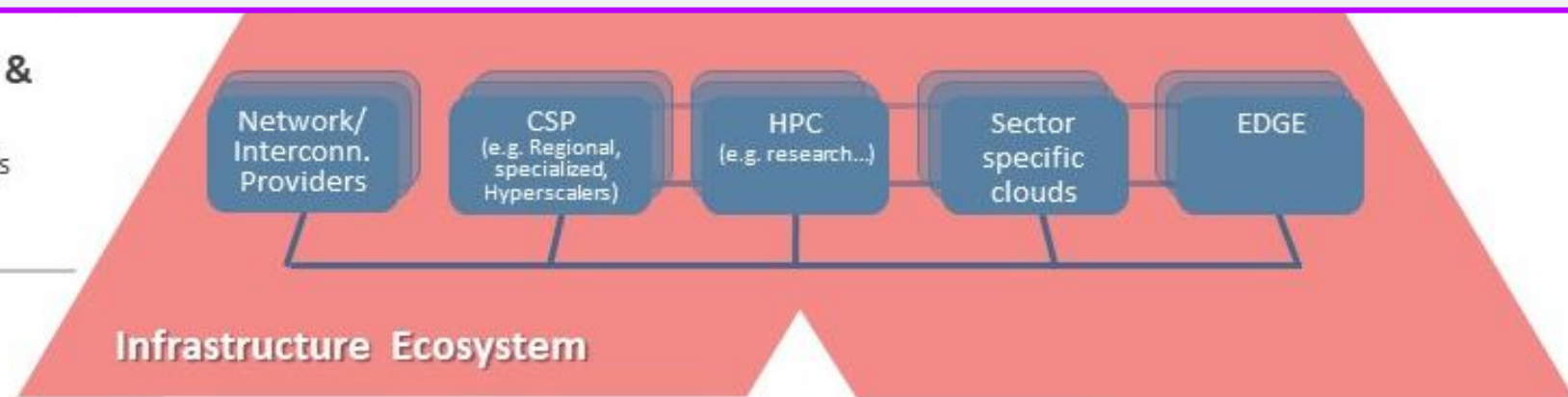
- Gaia-X creates an infrastructure ecosystem by establishing **portability** and **interoperability** between **network and interconnection providers, Cloud Solution Providers (CSP), High Performance Computing (HPC), sector-specific clouds** and **edge systems**.
- Mechanisms are developed to **find, combine and connect services** from participating providers in order to enable a **user-friendly infrastructure ecosystem**.
- Gaia-X **supports distributed use cases**, spanning from on-premise set-ups, cloud hosted infrastructure through to facility to edge cases.
- Gaia-X has to address the **complete technical stack**, including infrastructure and existing network/ interconnection requirements (Architecture of Standards) of distributed use cases.

## Portability, Interoperability & Interconnectivity

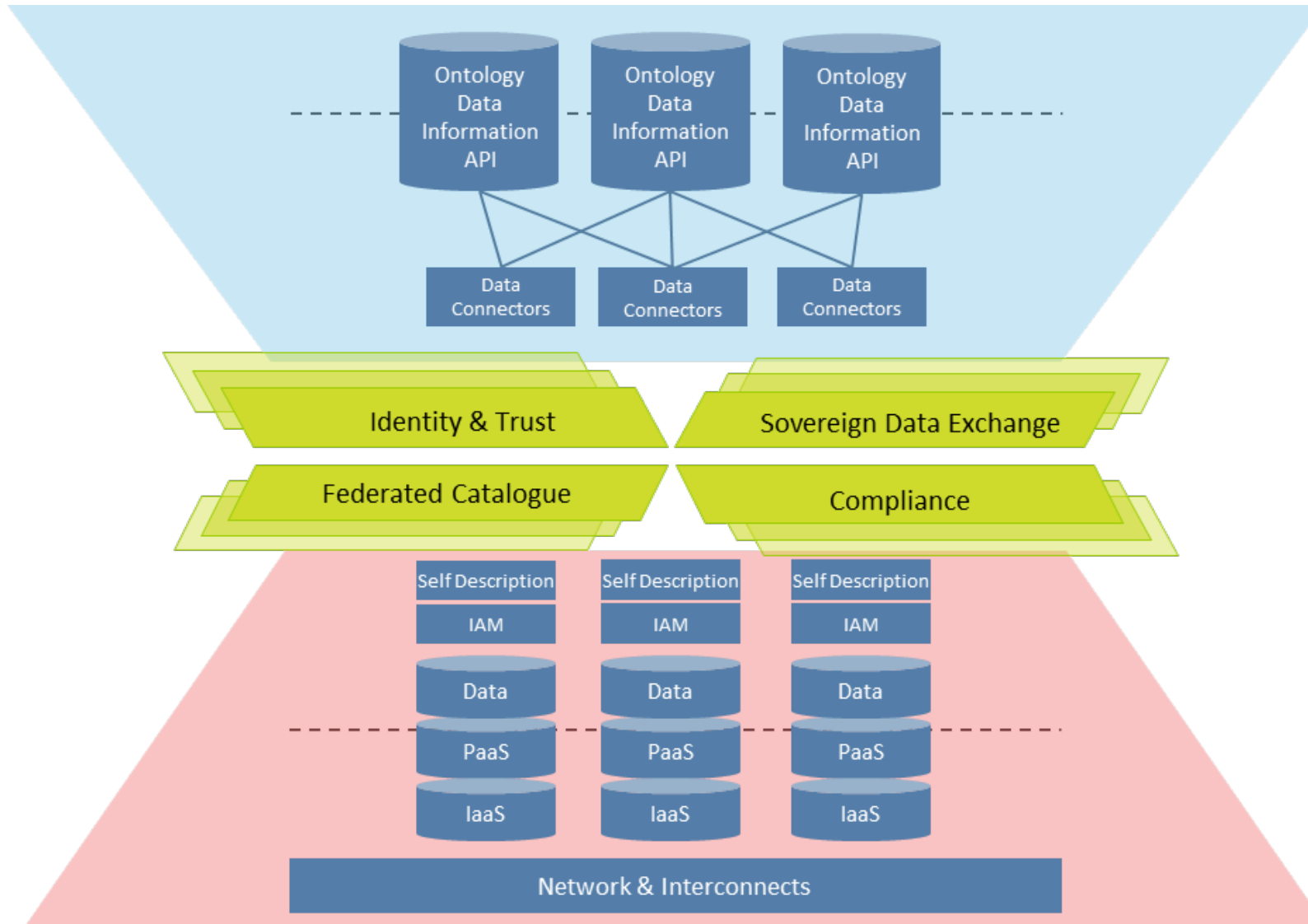
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# Architecture of Standards



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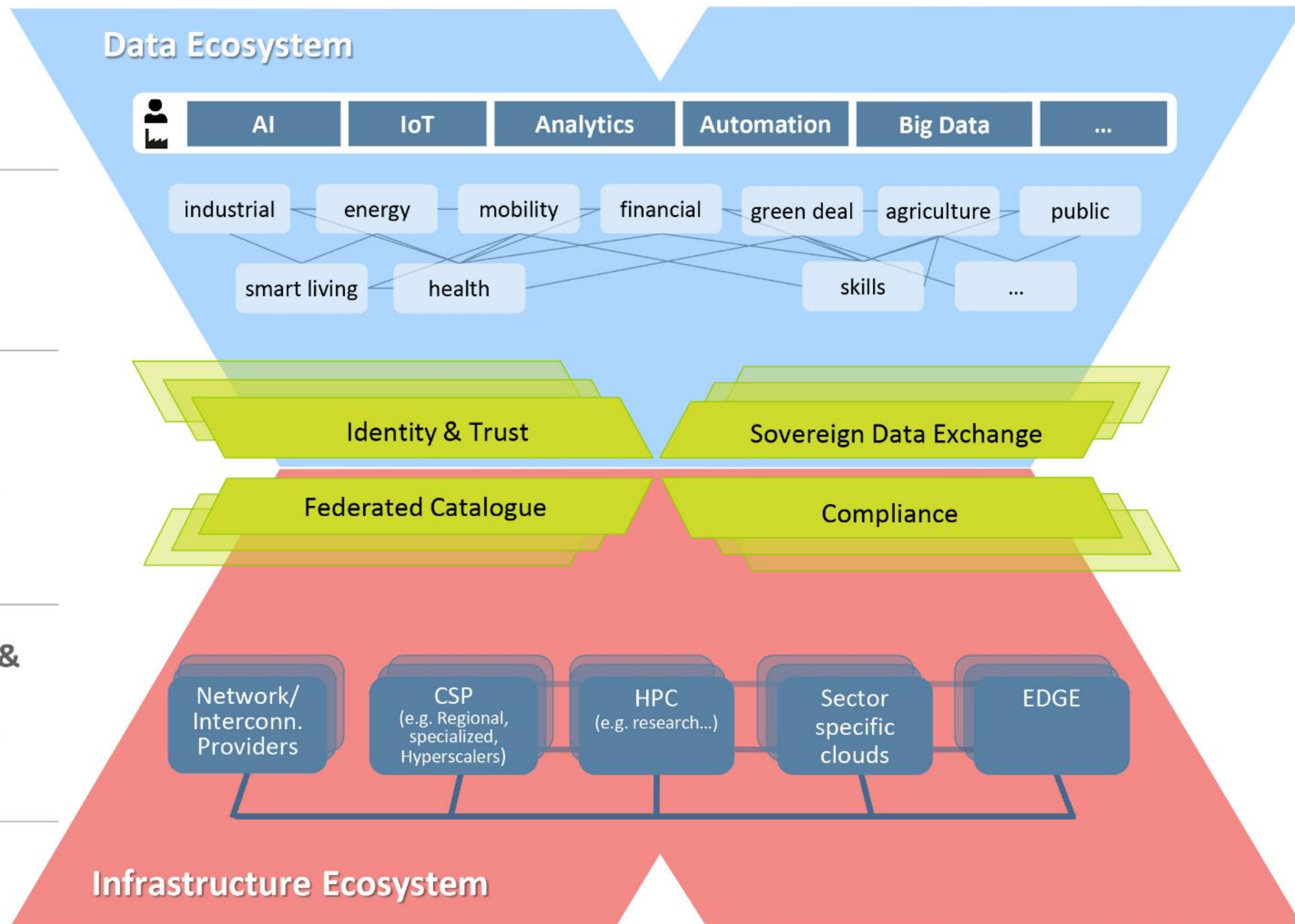
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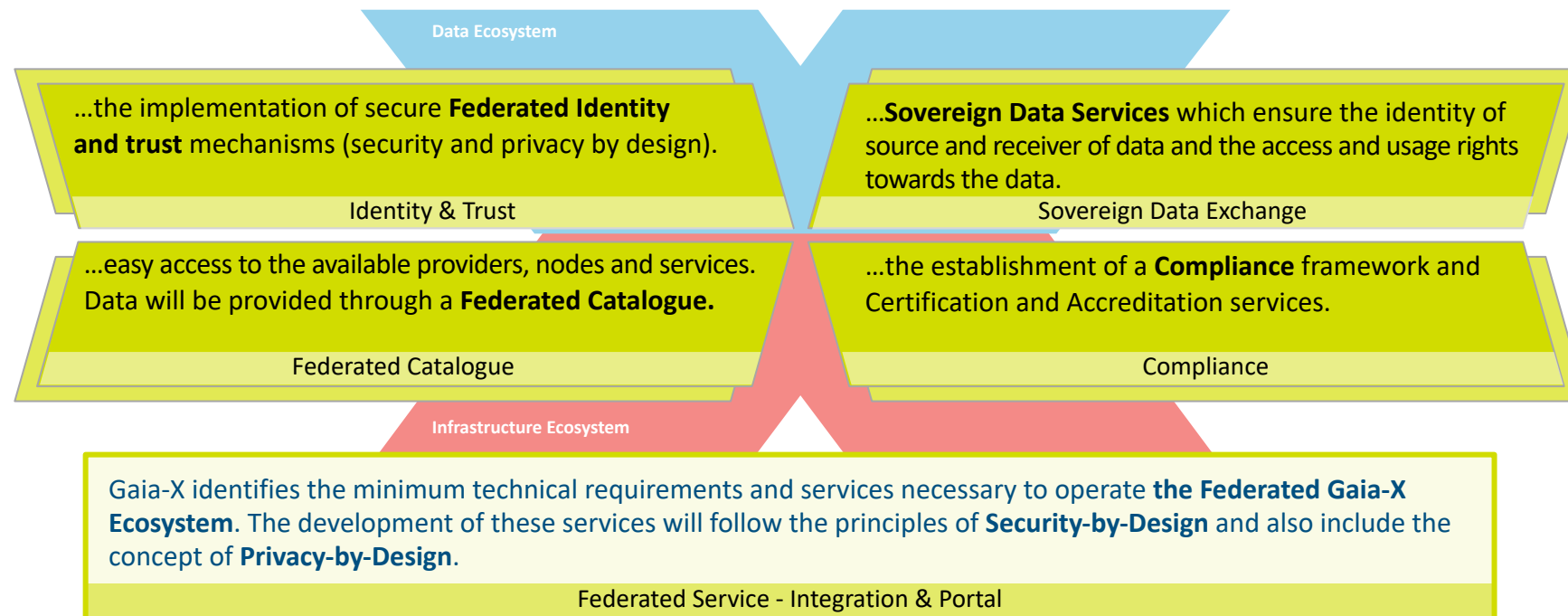


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What are the Federation  
Services?

# Federation Services as core of the technical infrastructure

The technical implementation of these Federation Services focuses on...



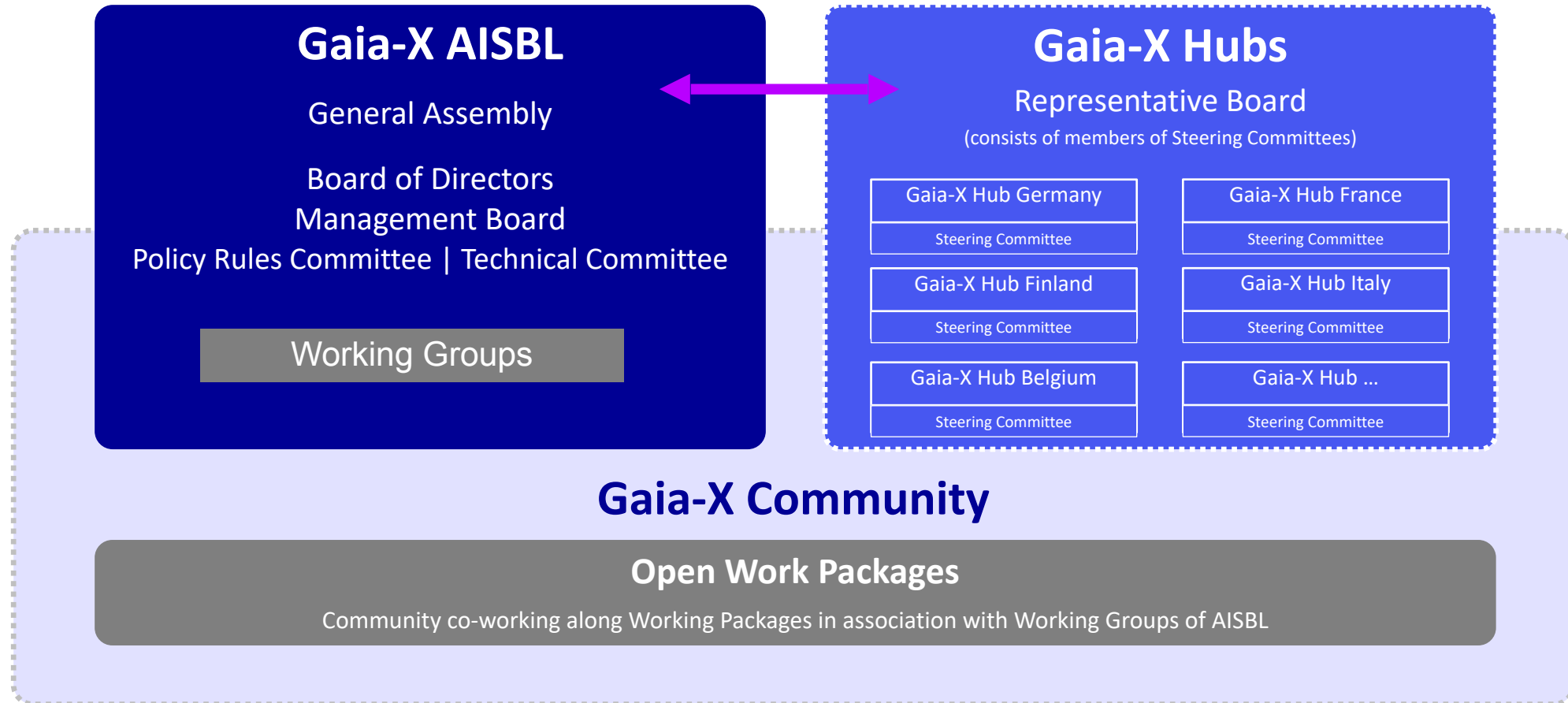
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How is Gaia-X structured?

General structure

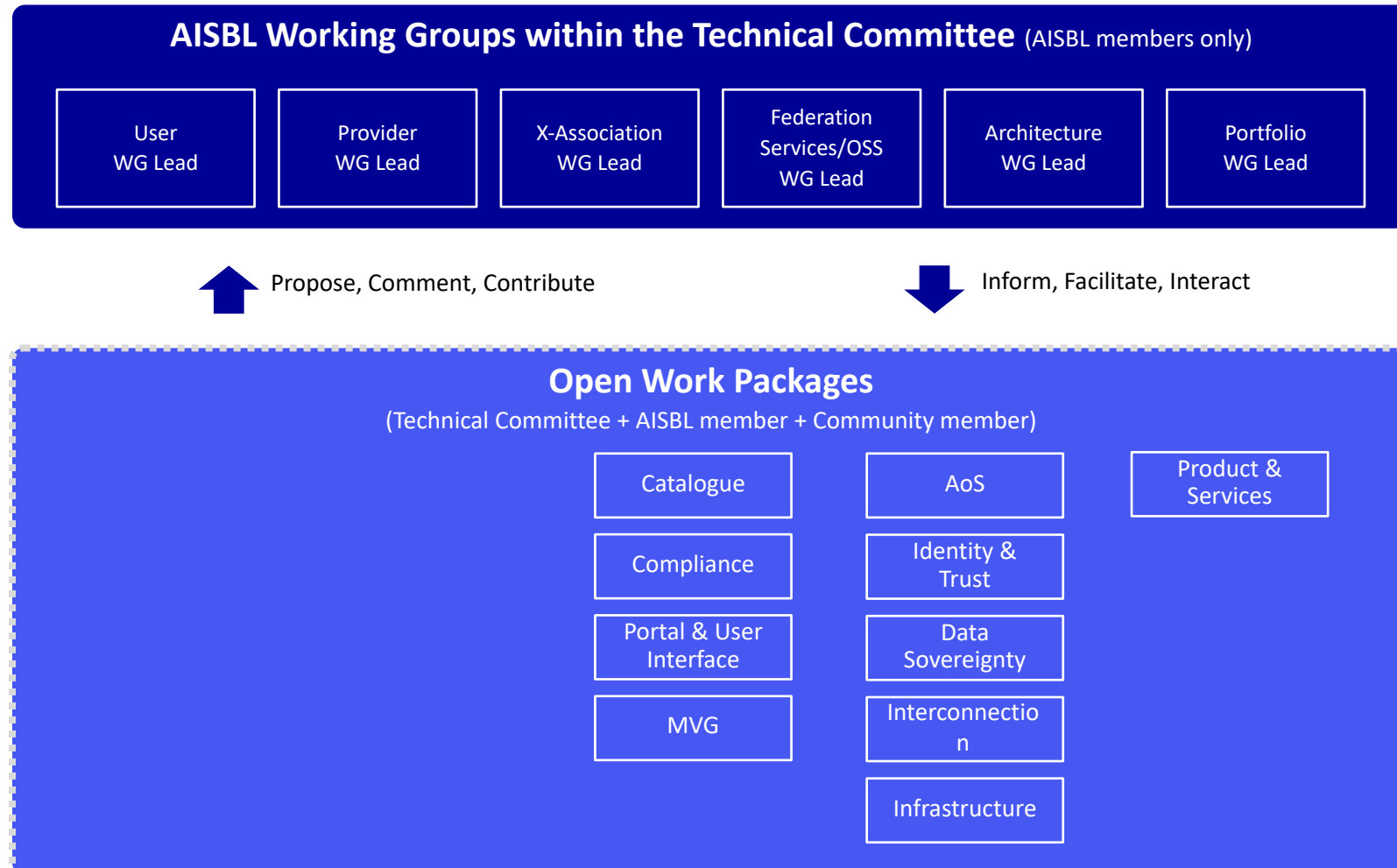
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# Organisational structure and groups





# How do TC, Working Groups and Work Packages interact?



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Gaia-X, European  
Association for Data and  
Cloud, AISBL

# Core deliverables of the Gaia-X AISBL



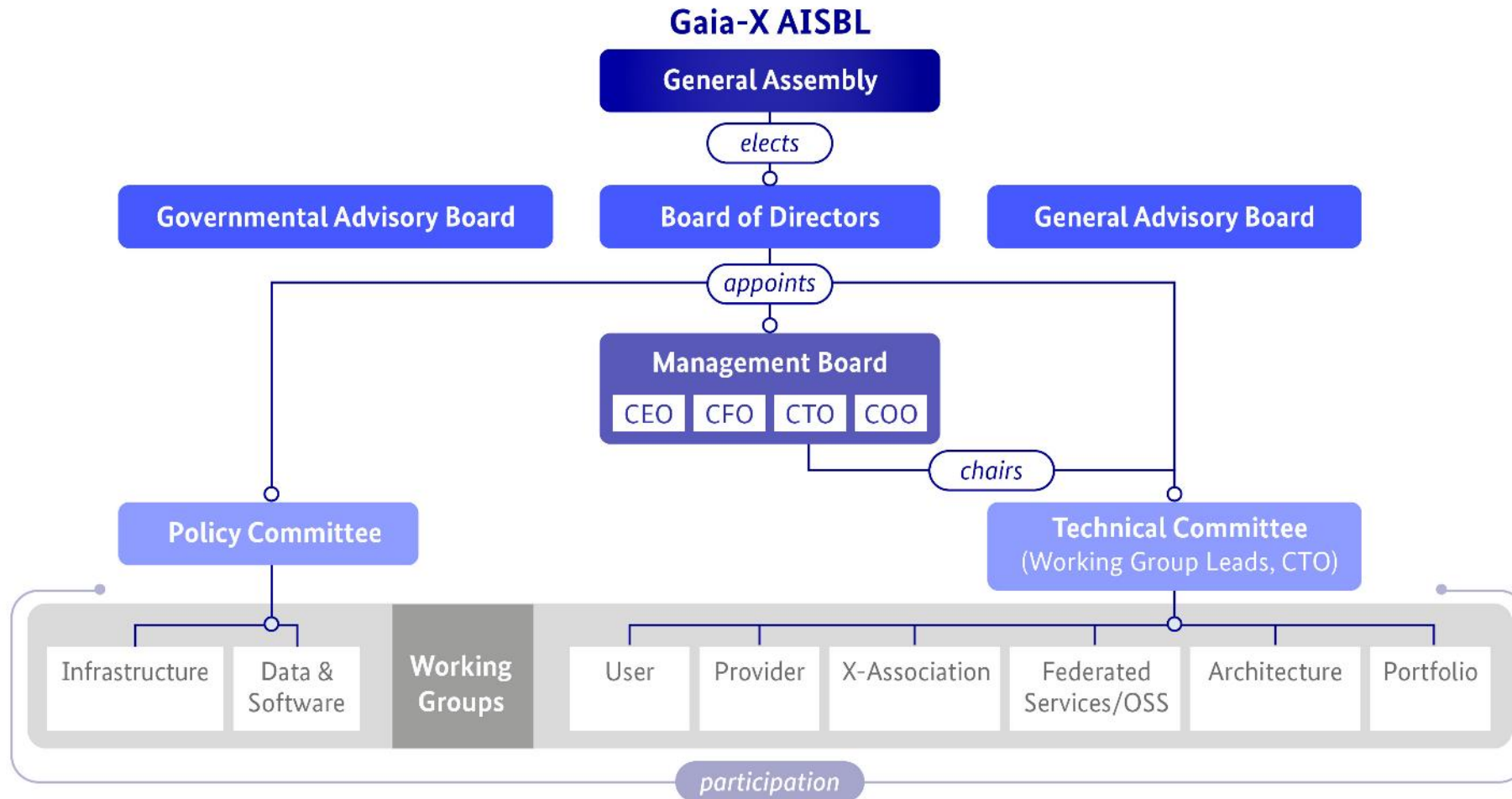
Use Standards

Provide Fundamentals

Foster Software Communities

Facilitate Data Spaces Creation

# The structure of the Gaia-X AISBL



# Data Spaces as enablers of cross-domain business models



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## 4 characteristics

- Data sovereignty and transparency
- Interoperability on a semantic level
- More than one single source of truth
- Can be nested and overlapping

## Mobility



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## Space



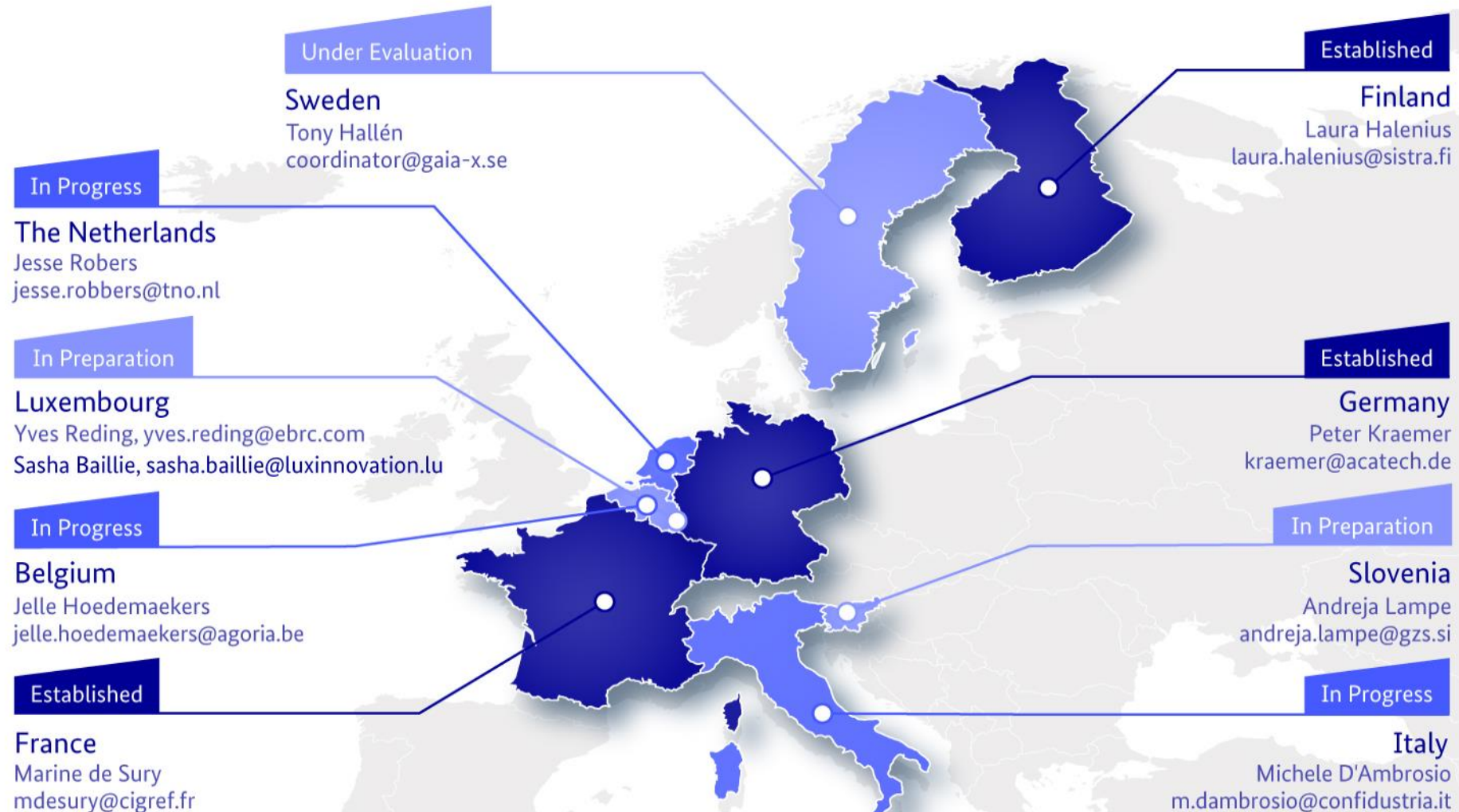
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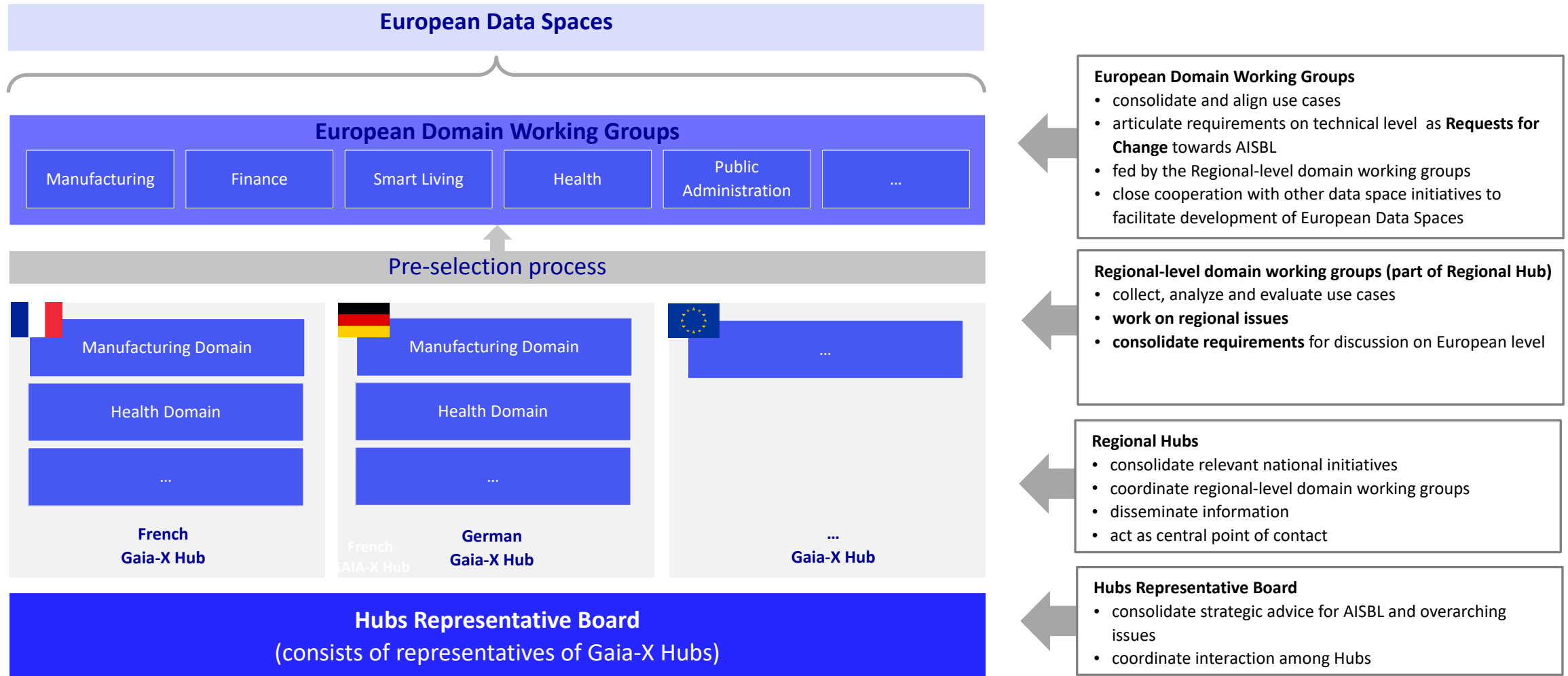
## Gaia-X Hubs

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# Establishment of Gaia-X Hubs



# Gaia-X Hubs help to channel information to the right places

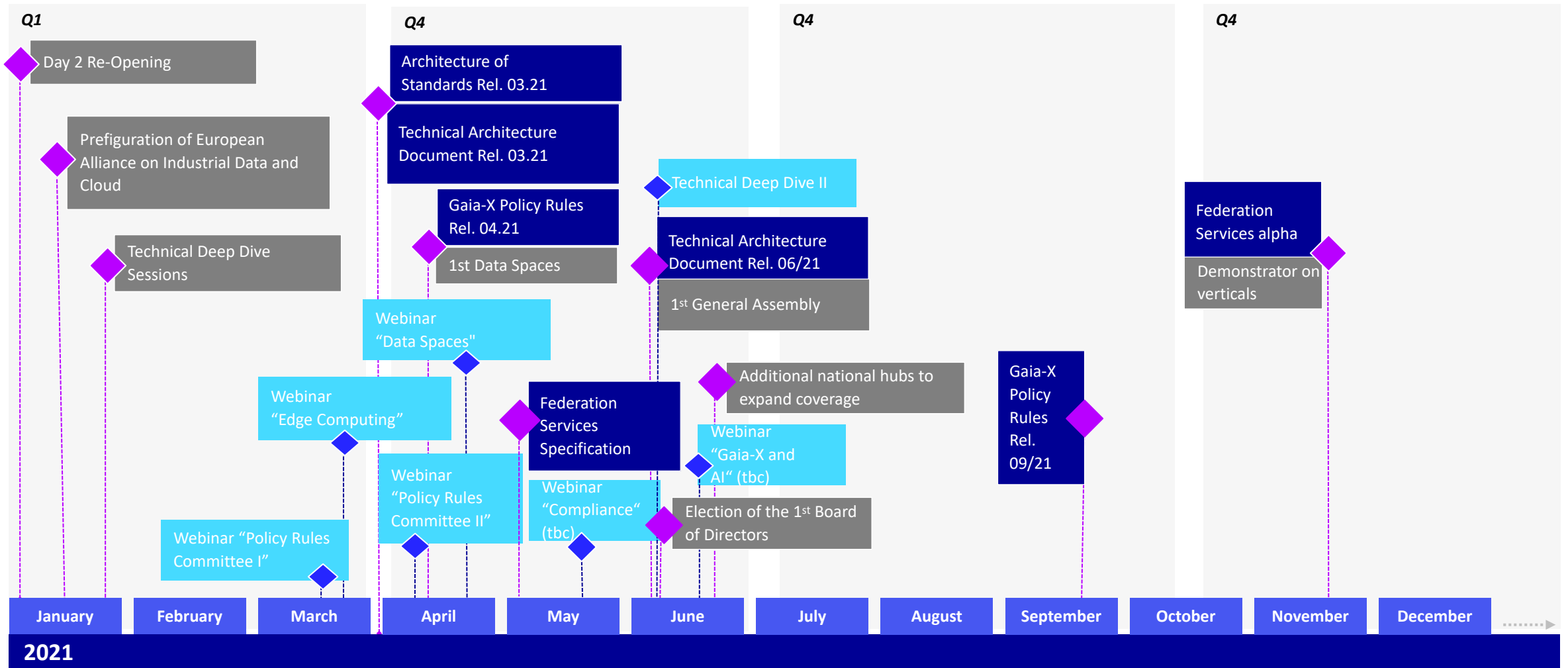




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## Roadmap

# Important milestones are upcoming



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Further information

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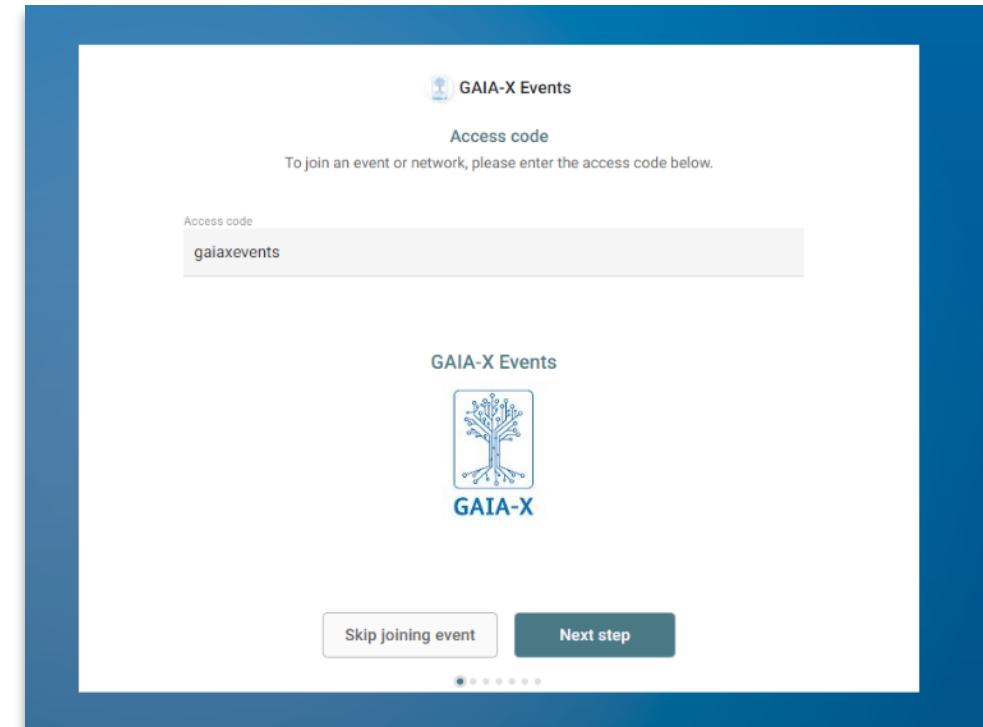


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New website coming soon: [www.gaia-x.eu](http://www.gaia-x.eu)


# Our current publications provide in-depth knowledge

**Project Gaia-X**




**Project GAIA-X**  
A Federated Data Infrastructure as the Core of a Virtual European Ecosystem


**Franco-German Position Paper**



**Gaia-X: The European project kicks off the next phase**




**Gaia-X: Policy Rules and Architecture of Standards**




**New version**

## Objectives & Principles

**Gaia-X: A Pitch Towards Europe**




**Use Cases: Gaia-X from the user perspective**




## User Ecosystems & Requirements

**Gaia-X: Driver of digital innovation in Europe**




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