ACCESS Annual Assembly Working with data

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Aims of data work package

Champion data science and computational methods for environmental social sciences

Develop the "data exchange" in collaboration with partners Engage a user community and create the "public engagement tracker"



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Championing "environmental social **data** science"

- Focus point within wider ACCESS network (guide & advise)
- Demonstrate potential for data science and computational methods
- Collaboration on Flexible Fund projects
- Blog posts / code examples / walkthroughs
- Hackathons / training (*)

*Training being delivered in other work packages, ACCESS Data Fellow will participate in some data-focused activities



Data exchange

- Make **existing** data resources accessible
 - Promote secondary data analysis
 - cf. open data, FAIR data principles.
- Demonstrate data science methods
 - $\circ~$ e.g. find topics in news articles with NLP
 - e.g. spatial analysis of air pollution and demographics
- Host and/or signpost datasets (as appropriate)
- Aimed at: Academics, journalists, analysts, ...



Public Engagement Tracker (Name TBC!)

- Track media coverage of environmental issues and associated public opinion through online media
- Gauge attention to environmental topics and events
- Tools, dashboards, interactive visualisations

Uses: Quick insights, monitoring events in real time, data downloads, generating visualisations for stories/reports.

Data sources: Media (news), social media, surveys, ...



Plans so far for Tracker

- Work in progress
 - Twitter dashboard
 - Crowdtangle dashboard (Facebook / Instagram)
 - News article monitoring
- Ideas welcome!





Crowdtangle dashboards (Facebook / Instagram)

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Tracker - next steps

- Need for co-creation!
- Creation of the tracker to be informed by the ACCESS community
- Iterative approach to development
- We need ideas for:
 - \circ What to include
 - \circ $\,$ What it will be useful for
 - Name for the tracker!





Training



- Training around data analysis and computational methods
- Will build on existing training by the Exeter QStep Centre
- Delivered together with training planned in other packages
- Ad hoc workshops and events as project progresses
- Please share any ideas for data analysis training!

When	Time	Description	Add to your calendar
6 - 14 April 2022		NCRM UoE Computational Communication Methods Spring School - APPLY NOW	🗄 Add ever
		Researchers interested in computational social science will be given the chance to learn new skills at a spring school in April 2022. The NCRM/Exeter Computational Communication Methods Spring School will provide training at introductory and advanced levels, catering for both social scientists and data scientists. Full details	
23 November 2021	9:00	Exeter Q-Step/NCRM Introduction to Nvivo for Social Scientists	Add ever
		NVivo is a powerful and intuitive qualitative data analysis software for gaining richer insights from diverse data. This workshop is aimed at those who have no experience of Nvivo and little-to-no experience of computer coding. Full details	
1 July 2020	13:00	Data Analysis and visualisation with Python Building upon the basic introduction offered to Python in workshop 1, this workshop will cover exploratory data analysis, quantitative data analysis, and visualising data in Python and the Seaborn package. Full details	Add ever
24 June 2020	13:00	Introduction to Python for Social Scientists	🗄 Add ever
		This workshop is aimed at those who have no experience of Python and little-to-no experience of computer coding Full details	

workshop page

Q&A



Your feedback and ideas

- Now it's your turn to give us your feedback and ideas!
- Padlet link:

https://exeter.padlet.org/mdspruce/datafeedback





Call to action

- Working groups
 - Group I: Exchange (sources, open data, user feedback)
 - Group 2: Tracker (design, data sources, methods, user feedback)
- ACCESS Data Workshop
 - Alan Turing Institute, London / September 2022 (venue/date tbc)
 - Meetings of working groups / co-creation of data theme
- Please sign up! (<u>m.d.spruce@exeter.ac.uk</u>)