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From: Prof. Etienne Augé, Deputy vice-president of Université Paris-Saclay, in charge of Open Science

To: Dr. Gilles Poulleau, Head of IDOC/IDOC-DATA Copy to: Prof. Alain Abergel, OSUPS director

Subject: IDOC-DATA application for a CoreTrustSeal label

Dear Dr. Poulleau,

In the short text below, I bring a few arguments showing the strong support of Université Paris-Saclay to the IDOC-DATA application for a CoreTrustSeal label, as an important step in the open science strategy of the university.

Université Paris-Saclay has been created on january 1st 2020 by merging Université Paris-Sud with four Engineering schools and the Institut des Hautes Etudes Scientifiques (IHES). Université Paris-Saclay has endorsed all previous commitments of Université Paris-Sud.

The Observatoire des Sciences de l'Université Paris-Saclay (OSUPS) is a component, defined in the statutes of the university. The OSUPS council involves representatives from CNRS, CEA, CNES.

According to its own statutes (endorsed by the university), the OSUPS first mission is to organize services to the research in astrophysics, explicitly including treatment of observation data. The Integrated Data and Operation Center (IDOC) platform is operated by OSUPS under the supervision of the OSUPS council. IDOC, through its dedicated data handling department IDOC-DATA is without any ambiguity allowed and encouraged to take long term commitments, an absolute necessity for modern space missions.

Université Paris-Saclay is strongly involved in Open Science in general, and in Open Data in particular. We are participating to reflexions at various levels (National, European), and are a full member of the EOSC Association since December 2020. We are now working on a university data repository which would be connected to EOSC.

Astrophysicists are clearly ahead in the process of opening FAIR data, and we want to build on that example. For this reason, as deputy vice-president of the university in charge of open science, I strongly support the important work undertaken by the IDOC-DATA management to comply with best practices at an international level, and even more to contribute to improvements of these practices. I sincerely hope that they obtain the CoreTrustSeal label. This would confirm that they are progressing in the good direction. Having such a strong reference on our campus would represent a crucial asset for the university strategy in Open Science, paving the way towards another CoreTrustSeal label to our entire research Data Repository.

Sincerely,

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