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Invest in Open Infrastructure (IOI) is dedicated to improving funding and resourcing for open, community-owned technologies and systems supporting research and scholarship.
We aim to provide targeted, evidence-based guidance to funders and supporters of open infrastructure worldwide on how and where to invest.
Trust
Evidence-Based
Transparency and Accessibility
Iterative Development
Community-Centered
What We Do

Research

We shed light on funding trends and areas of opportunity globally to prioritize investment to address systemic challenges and sustain critical and at-risk infrastructure.

Pilots & Strategic Support

We work with infrastructure providers and funders to aid in their planning, growth, and implementation of ideas to further the sustainability and use of open infrastructure.

Funding

We catalyze and deepen investment in under-resourced areas, increase and expand the pool of funders of open infrastructure, and activate a mechanism for bold, higher-risk investments.
Why Open Infrastructure?

Facilitating innovation

Through a common, open infrastructure, researchers, scholars, developers and technologists can more easily access and capitalize on shared knowledge and the expertise of others. This fosters multidisciplinary collaboration and innovation.

Fostering local expertise and building capacity

Investing in open infrastructure can help support the development of local expertise in research and development and build the capacity of local academic institutions. This contributes to the growth of a more robust and sustainable research ecosystem, capable of addressing local challenges and contributing to global knowledge production.

Advancing transparency, accountability and public trust

By embracing open technologies, public institutions like universities and governments can promote transparency and accountability, thus enhancing public trust in their operations.
What We’re Working On

The Open Infrastructure Fund is a collective funding pilot that will provide funds to projects supporting capacity building, strengthening community governance, and critical shared infrastructure within the open research ecosystem.

Find out more about the pilot

We are developing plans for a larger fund launching in 2024 to further the adoption and implementation of infrastructure and services necessary to achieve and advance open science.
The Catalog of Open Infrastructure Services (COIs) aims to help funders, users, and other interested stakeholders make informed decisions about open infrastructure services and increase visibility for these services.

Exploring the funding trends in open infrastructure to improve shared understanding of open infrastructure funding and identify gaps and opportunities to improve the health and resilience of the ecosystem.

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