

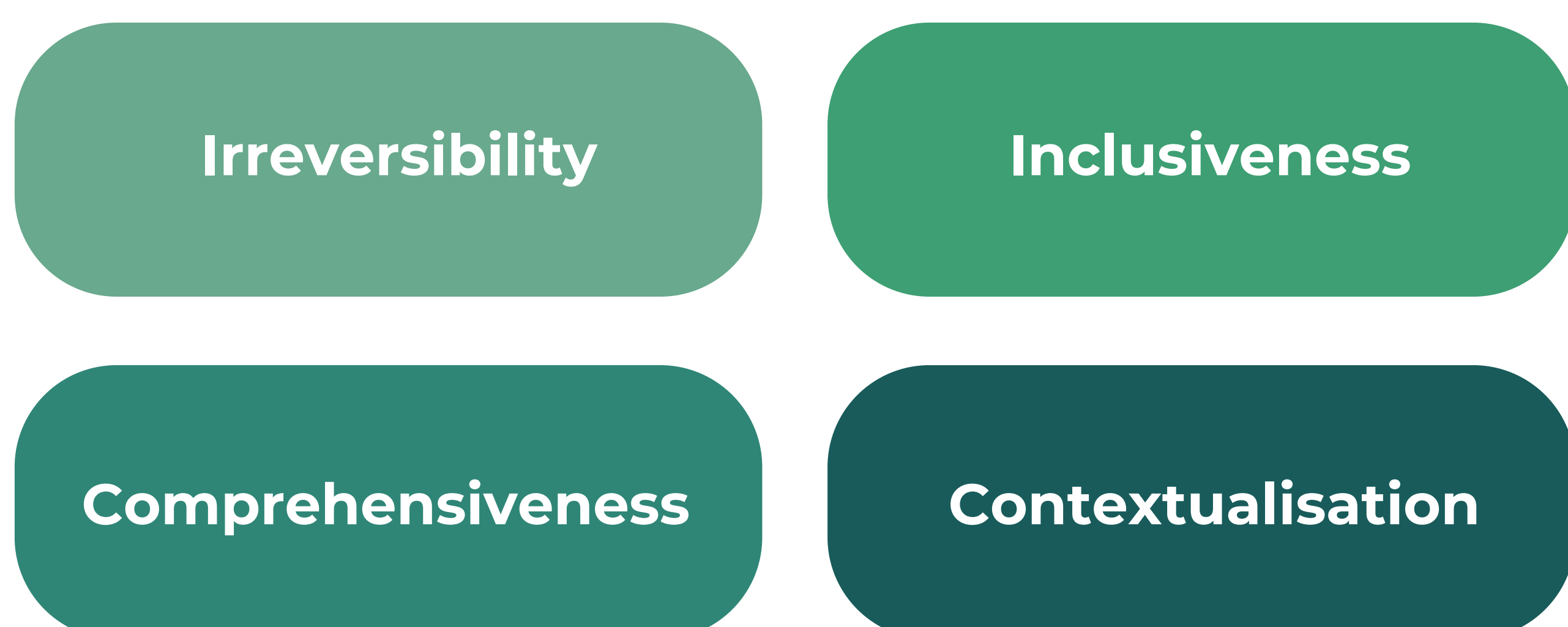
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Institutional Changes supporting Citizen Science in Research Performing Organisations

What you will find in this poster :

- an extensive overview of how the concept of institutional roadmap and GA can be applied to stimulate the adoption of CS as research methodology in RPOs;
- concrete examples and recommendations;
- the most common expected challenges and suggestions on how to overcome them.

1 - Sustainable institutional changes, essential features :



2 - Grounding Actions & Institutional Roadmaps :

Grounding Actions are any action aimed at implementing or favouring Institutional Change.

To ensure effective institutional change, the Grounding Actions should be embedded in a broader strategy : the roadmap.



3 - TIME4CS concept :

Implementers :

- Centre for Genomic Regulation (CRG), Spain;
- Università Vita-Salute San Raffaele (UNISR), Italy;
- Kaunas University of Technology (KTU), Lithuania;
- Tyndall National Institute, University College Cork (T-UCC), Ireland.

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Front-Runners :

- Aarhus University (AU), Denmark
- Competence Center - Citizen Science, University of Zurich (UZH), Switzerland
- University College London (UCL), United Kingdom

4 - Examples of Grounding Actions per Intervention Area :

Research:

- Establish connections with CS networks
- Implement changes in organisational structures

Education and Awareness:

- Set up information initiatives for researchers and training programs for students
- Create a working group on CS

Support Resources & Infrastructure:

- Identify an institutional contact point for Citizen Science
- Facilitate the set up of pilots/tests for the methodology

Policy & Assessment:

- Develop Strategic CS guidelines
- Implement reward mechanisms for CS practices

5 - Main challenges & possible solutions :

| Challenges | Possible solutions |
|--|--------------------|
| Lack of interest/time from researchers | |
| Lack of funding for CS projects | |
| Resistances to change | |

6 - Recommendations :

- ✓ Build a **core team** of motivated people from your institution
- ✓ **Map all the existing (or past) initiatives** in Citizen Science, Public Engagement and/or Open Science
- ✓ **Find inspiration** from others (champions in CS, EU-funded projects)
- ✓ Use **TIME4CS Reflection tool** to develop your Grounding Actions and define your roadmaps
- ✓ **Monitor the implementation** of the actions and measure their impact
- ✓ **Keep the whole institution informed** of the new actions and the ongoing institutional changes!

Resources



TIME4CS Reflection Tool



Lessons learnt repository



Best practices repository



Compilation of Roadmaps and GA



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