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Sustaining Global Open Access

Canada's Next Steps for Collective Commitment

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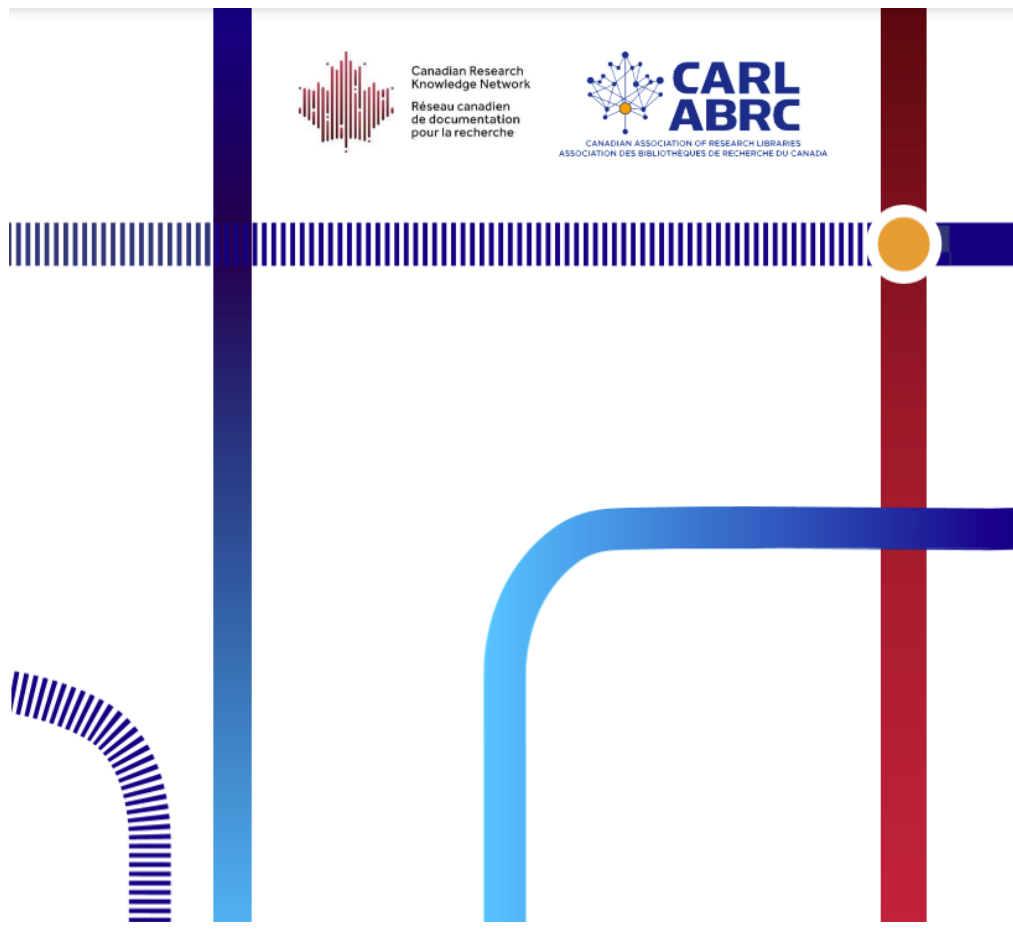


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Towards Open Scholarship: A Canadian Research and Academic Library Action Plan to 2025



SCOSS: Global Sustainability Coalition for Open Science Services



Open infrastructures are accountable to their communities, not to shareholders

Open infrastructures add balance to a system often dominated by commercial actors

Open infrastructures can interoperate, building a network of open information

Open infrastructures are transparent in terms of finances and governance

Who we are

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knowledge without boundaries

SPARC*
Europe



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مكتبة قطر الوطنية
Qatar National Library

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<https://scoss.org/what-is-scoss/who-is-behind-scoss>
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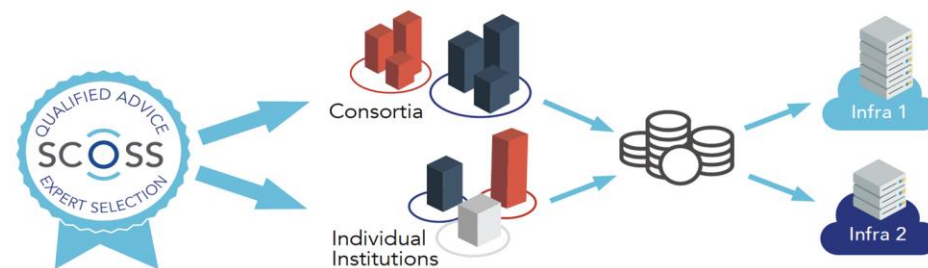
SCOSS In a Nutshell

A community-led international approach that receives and **vets applications from valued, existing open not-for-profit infrastructure organizations** and **recommends a select few for funding.**

- Assess funding needs
- Alert community of funding needs
- Ensure more transparency on costs
- Strongly encourage good governance
- Increase efficiency for investors

Not a subscription or payment agency

SCOSS endorses infrastructure for investment



SCOSS Governance

SCOSS Board

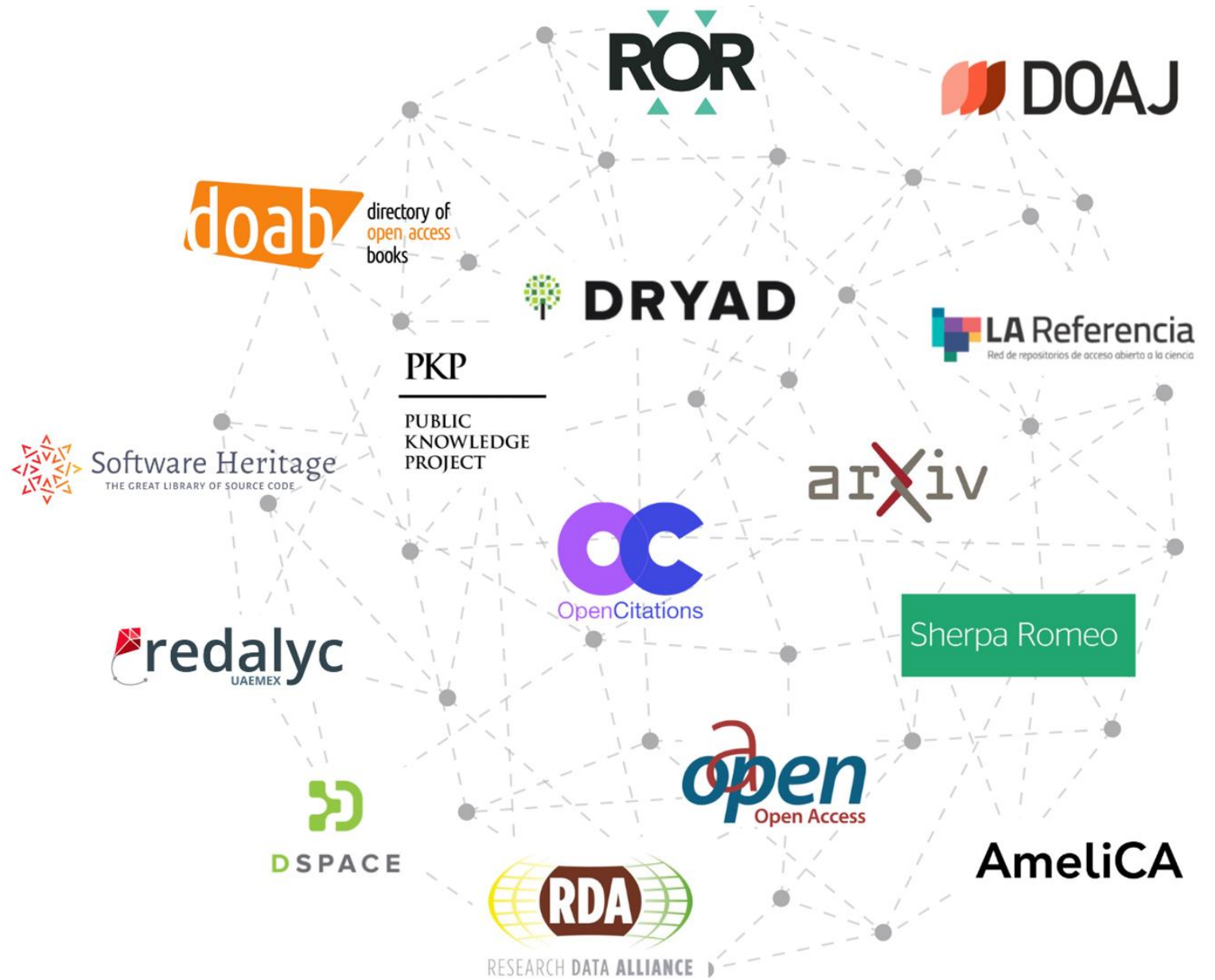
SCOSS Advisory Group - experts who vet and advise

SCOSS Executive Group

Formal organizational responsibility: SPARC Europe

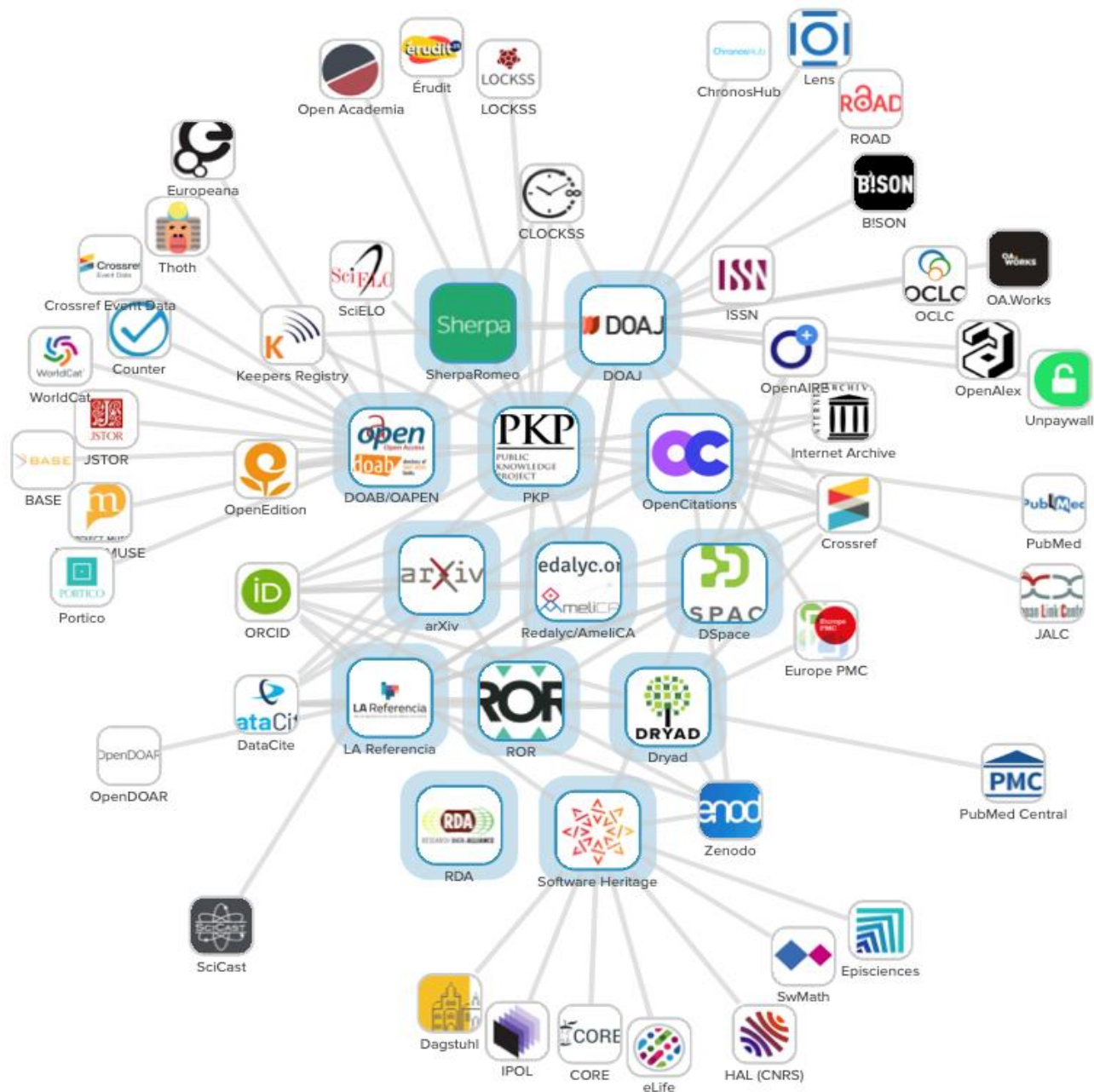
- **Geographic diversity a priority**
- **Representatives from research performing organisations: primarily universities & libraries**
- **With a sound understanding of OS needs**

The SCOSS 'Family' (to date)



The SCOSS Family in context

Technical connections



Pledges to date

345 institutions

24 countries

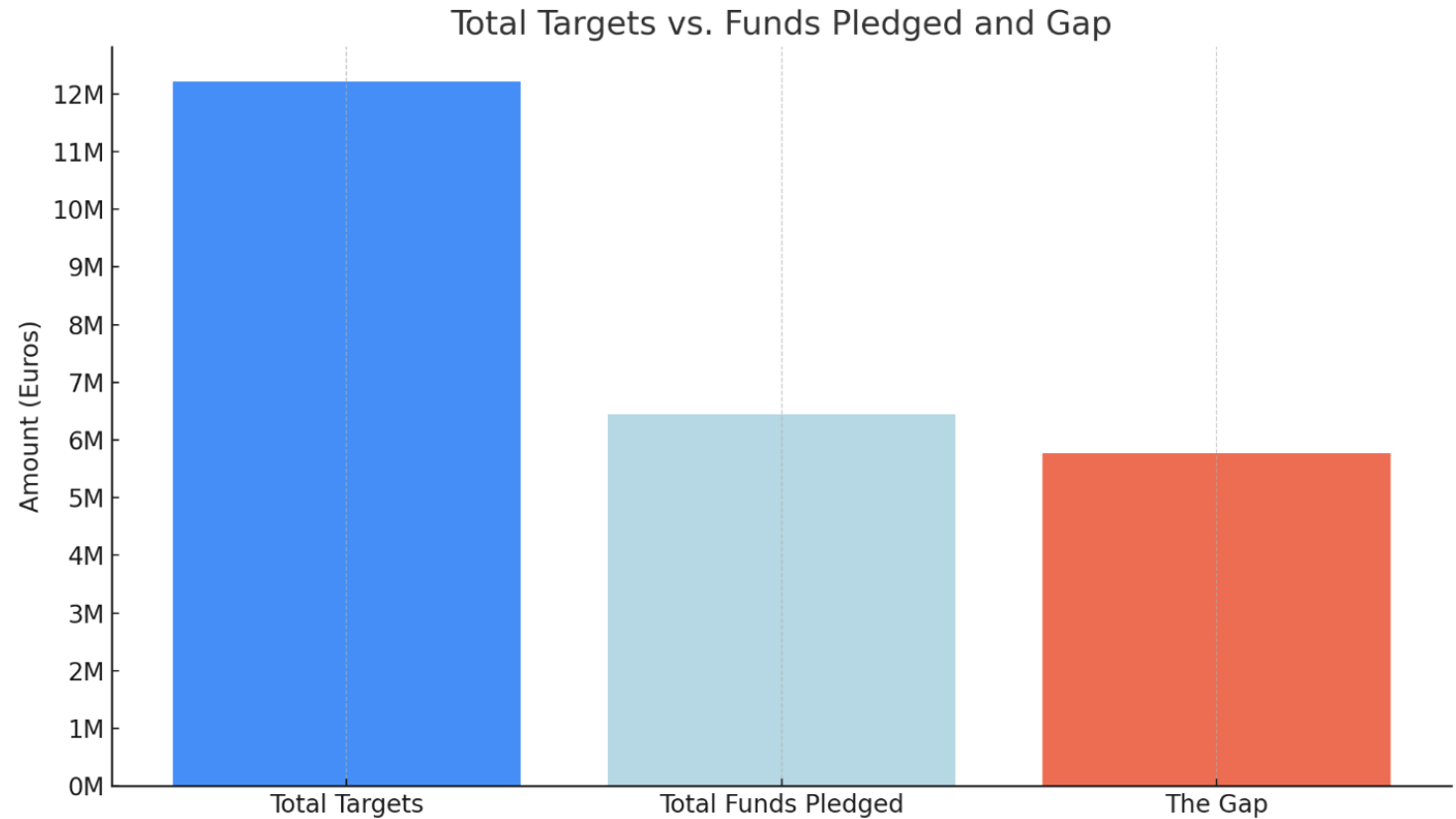
15 infrastructures from 13 organizations so far

Total pledged: 6,446,171 Euros

*as of August 2024

<https://scoss.org/how-it-works/current-funding-calls>

Funding Gap



Total funds pledged: 6,446,171 Euros
Total targets: 12,210,185
Euros
The Gap: 5,764,014
Euros

Some Current Strategies

- Cap amount that an infrastructure can request
- Better understand investment shortfalls and adjust model as necessary
- Increase country-specific outreach for pledging
- Strengthen promotion to library consortia
- Approach funders - how could they contribute?
- Foster Family collaborations toward increasing operational efficiency and interoperability
- Renew strategic plan



More information

Take things up with the infra directly

<https://scoss.org/help-sustain-open-infra/become-a-funder/>

or contact info@scoss.org

www.scoss.org



<https://www.linkedin.com/company/scoss/>



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We also have a newsletter:

<https://scoss.org/newsletter/>

Discussion

- Does our current Canadian consortial approach to global infrastructure investment through SCOSS work for you? If not, what has prevented you from pledging?
- If we added a generic fund to pool additional investment and allocate it strategically, would your institution be likely to choose to contribute to that?
- What would be the best method for selecting what infrastructures to collectively prioritize with support from Canadian institutions?