



EarthCube FAIR How-to Series:

Increasing the Visibility of Your Work

with

Research Organization IDs and Award Numbers

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Identifiers



Persistent, Resolvable Identifiers

- Provide accurate information that resolves to the current online location of digital objects and/or their metadata (descriptions)
- Link digital objects with their authors and other entities in databases, information systems, and knowledge graphs (for credit!)
- Can be assigned to people, organizations, publications, datasets, models, code, standards, and more

Research Organization IDs



Research Organization Registry - ROR

- One of several ID services for organizations
- Community-led focus ("open, sustainable, usable, and unique")
- Formalizes affiliations
 - Describes the relationship between a researcher and an organization (e.g. employer, educational institution, funder, or scholarly society)
- A ROR ID is a URL that resolves to a metadata record with descriptors for the organization

Funding Award Numbers as Identifiers



- **Identifiers for grants and other awards**
 - Grant or contract numbers are generally unique
 - Should be included in the metadata for research products (e.g., papers, data, project web pages)
- **Why include for funders, projects, products?**
 - Generally required to acknowledge funder and award in papers and other products
 - Facilitates relationship linkages (for future funding and collaboration prospects!)

FAIRifying your scholarly communication record



In Summary:

- Identifiers that link organizations and funding awards make your research data more accessible and increase citations for your work.
- What is the value for you?
 - Improve visibility of your work -- **Credit!**
 - Increase opportunities for reuse of your research products

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