



**DATA** *fest*

Connecting to  
society via  
Open Data

# Agenda

11:00 - 11:05	Lotte Houtepen	Project & Policy officer of the “Evaluating societal impact” project
11:05 - 11:15	Roel van den Berg	Erasmus Initiatives Business Manager
11:15 - 11:25	Rajarshi Chakraborty	Erasmus Centre for Data Analytics (ECDA)
11:25 - 11:30	Questions and Answers	

# Lotte Houtepen

Project & Policy officer of the

“Evaluating societal impact” project

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“Working with data is not an object in itself,  
want to work on societal issues”



Urgent societal challenges ask for usable knowledge  
and evidence-based solutions



Economic



Policy



Social



Health



Cultural



Environmental

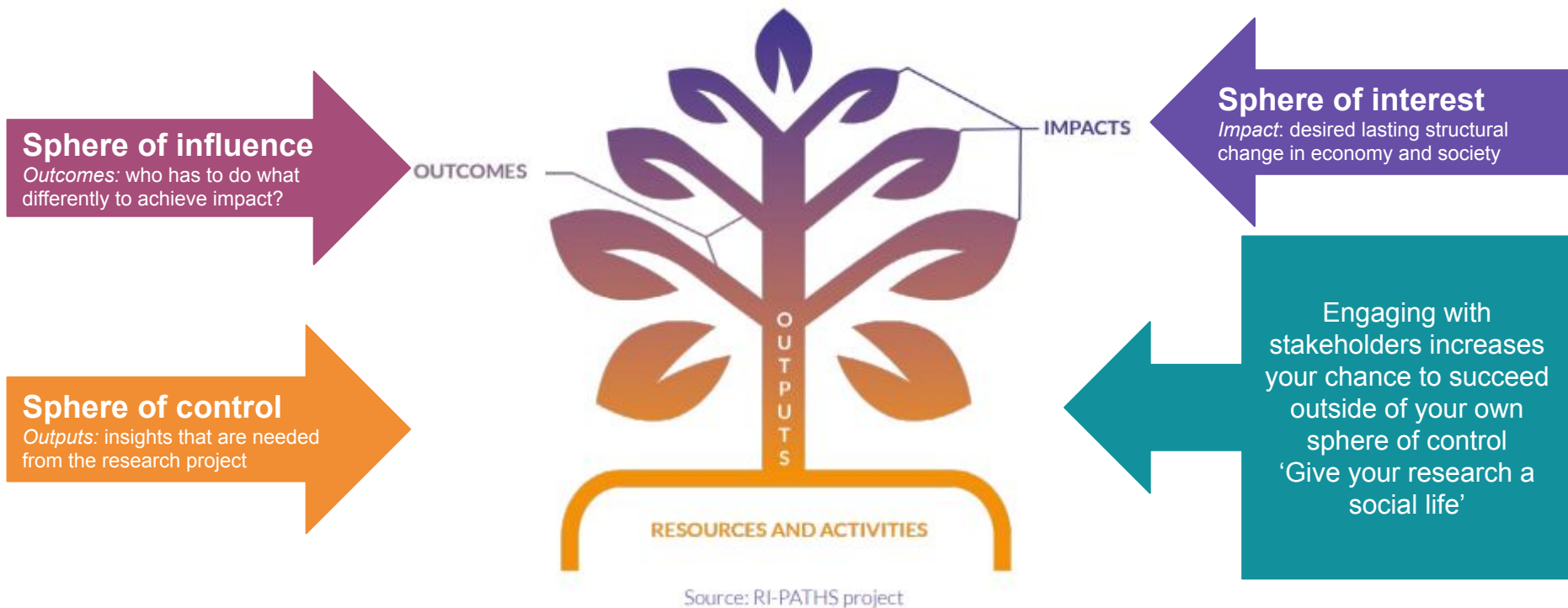


Technological



Legal

# Creating societal impact



**Open data is a way to increase productive interactions that is within your sphere of control**

# Benefits of connecting to society via open data

- Showing thought leadership:  
being visible as an expert on an area/method/ data type makes it easier for others to know for what topics to contact you
- More engagement and re-use data:  
higher citation rate studies with data available
- New perspectives:  
others see possibilities you would never have thought of yourself.  
Sometimes leads to new own work in other areas.

# Roel van den Berg

Program Manager of the Erasmus Initiatives

“Dynamics of Inclusive Prosperity” and

“Smarter Choices for Better Health”

# Main aims of Erasmus Initiatives

Stimulate interdisciplinary work between schools at EUR

Address Grand Societal Challenges

Enhance visibility and societal impact of our research

Examples of projects:

Differences in perinatal health per neighbourhood

Enhance prevention through life style app

Undermining in the Port of Rotterdam

Attitudes towards environmental crimes

# Open Doors about Open Data when connecting to Society?

Some considerations:

The consequences of including secondary data in your results

The protection of respondents/participants

The possible effects of your data amidst “merchants of doubt”

Differences between legal and business “ownership”

# Rajarshi Chakraborty

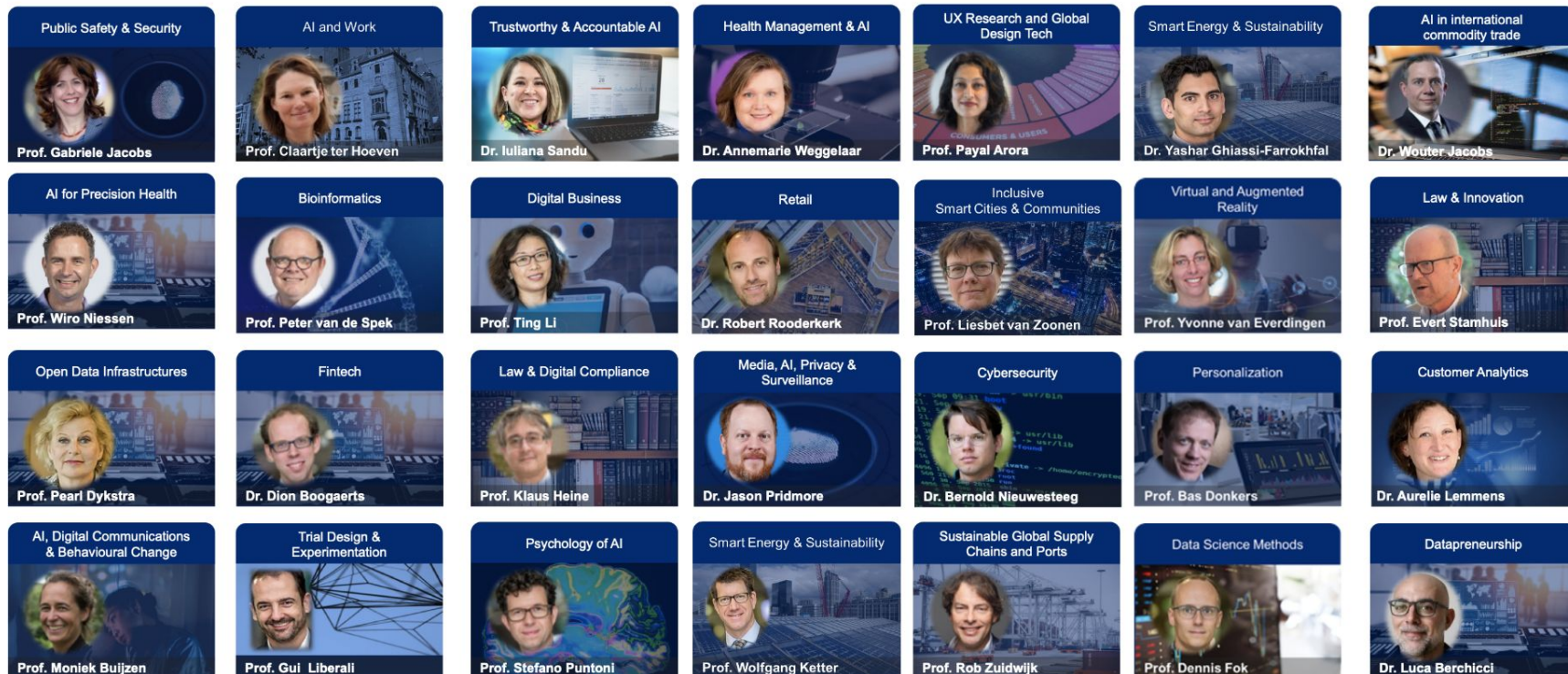
Manager, Erasmus Data Collaboratory

Erasmus Centre for Data Analytics (ECDA)



# How to fulfil this purpose

**By developing and maintaining 25+ Interdisciplinary Expert Practices collaborating in AI and data research, education and innovation.**



# How to fulfil this purpose



Application Domains

Foundational Domains

## How to fulfil this purpose

Supporting the Convergence with researchers and resources from the various Expert Practices.

AI, Data  
& Digitalisation

By Convergence



Universiteit  
Leiden



Leiden University  
Medical Center

House of AI



# How to fulfil this purpose

## Collaborating with a multitude of organisations an example set



## 01 LOUNGE

A lounge like space with abundant daylight and a campus view. Thematically connected to the entrance area and space for informal meetings. Pantry and coffee corner with possibility to hide from view with curtain or screen.

## 02 COMPUTER ROOM

An educational room with incorporated screens adjustable to specific contexts. A place for working together and interacting with the wall-sized display screen.

## 03 COMMON AREA

A meeting area with maximum transparency and interior landscape. A showroom like space with eye-catching 3D data-driven objects and display function towards the atrium.

## VISUALISATION ROOM 04

A 4D visualisation room for the use of VR and AR with adjustable, flexible, retractable and interactive screens.

## BOARD ROOM 05

Corporate meeting room where high-tech meets lo-tech. The most formal and private space of the Data Centre with a great campus view and abundant daylight. It's where students, teachers, scientists and executives meet.

## PROJECT ROOMS 06

Spaces for working in small groups or individually. A lounge like space with a small pantry and furniture adjustable to specific contexts to work on - or with.



Opening Friday 29.10 at 13:30 at Polak 1

# Future of Open Data

Where do you think Open Data will lead us  
regarding societal impact?