

Open Science Community: A Supportive Network Fostering a Culture of Collaboration

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Open science might be described as a movement to make scientific research more accessible, transparent and collaborative.

Challenges:

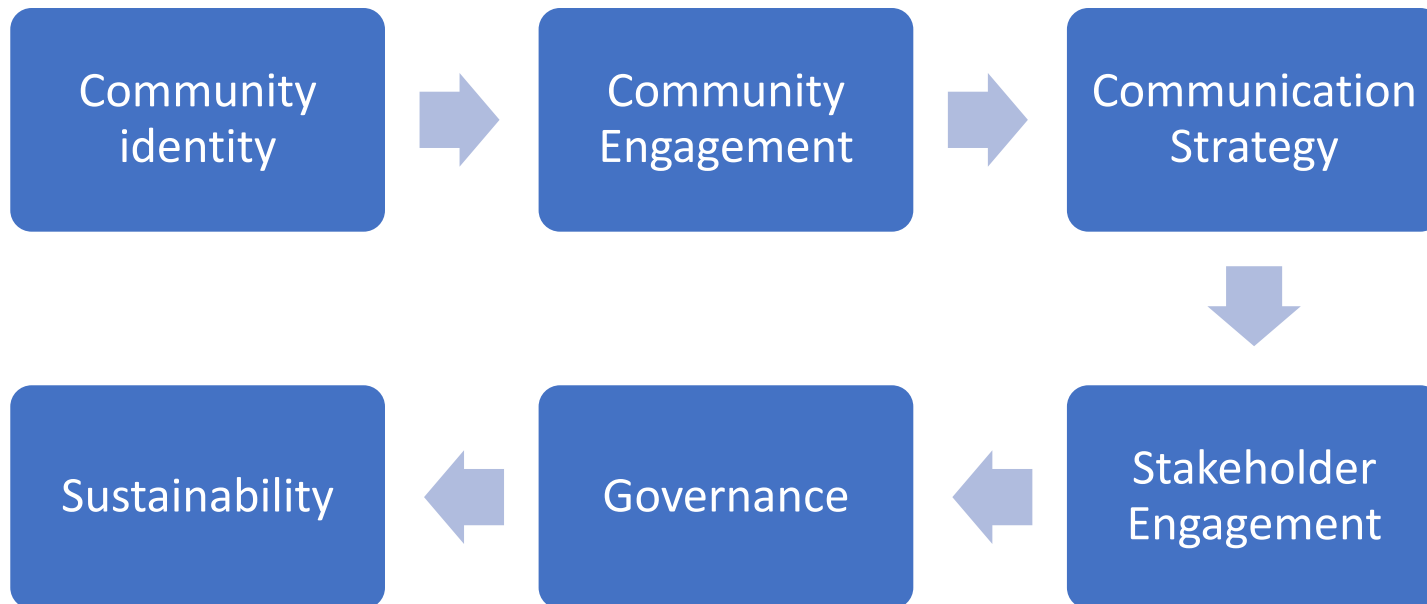
- OS practices are not yet a norm
- Majority of researchers stick to traditional methods
- Need for a critical mass to shift research culture

OS community acts to:

- Make OS knowledge more accessible.
- Foster dialogue between scholars and policymakers.
- Encourage bottom-up engagement and innovation.

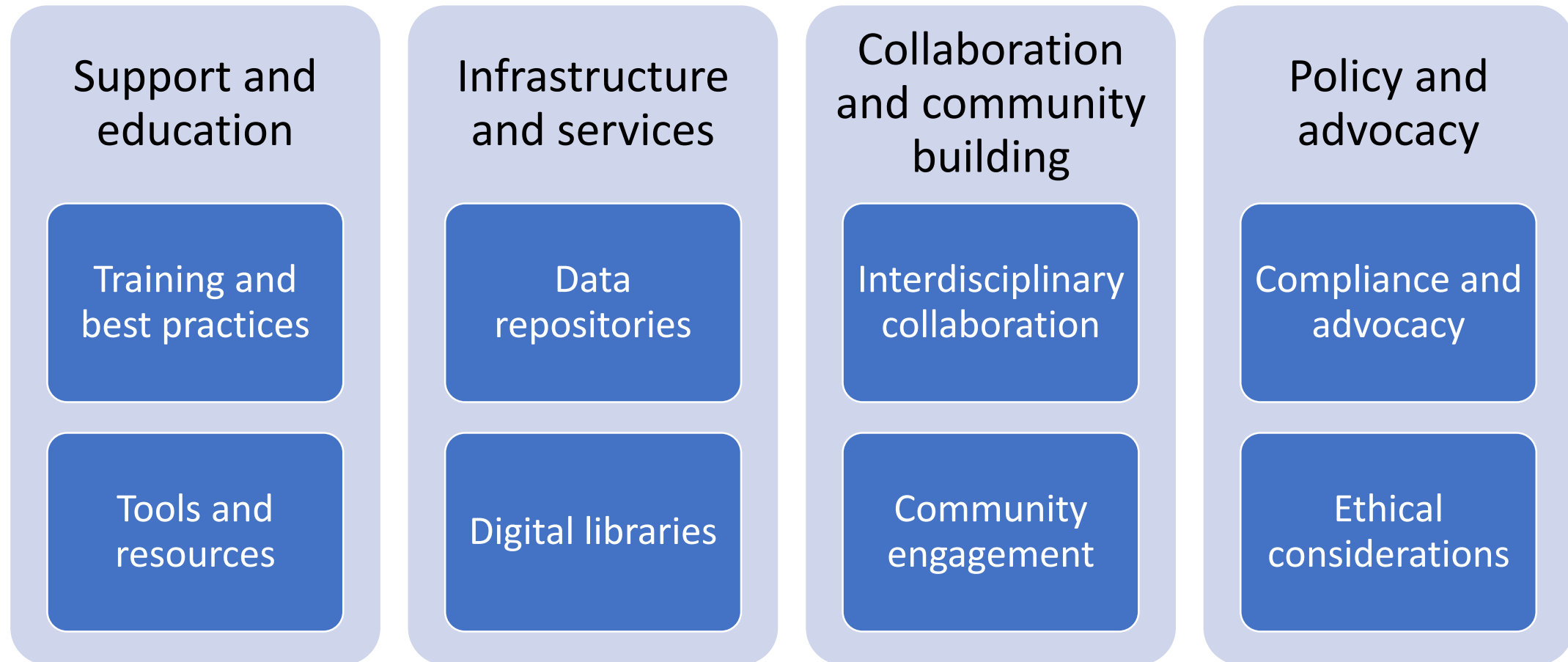
The OS Community Incubator Program

- Part of [Skills4EOSC](#)
- 14-week online training and mentorship program
- Consists of 6 modules:



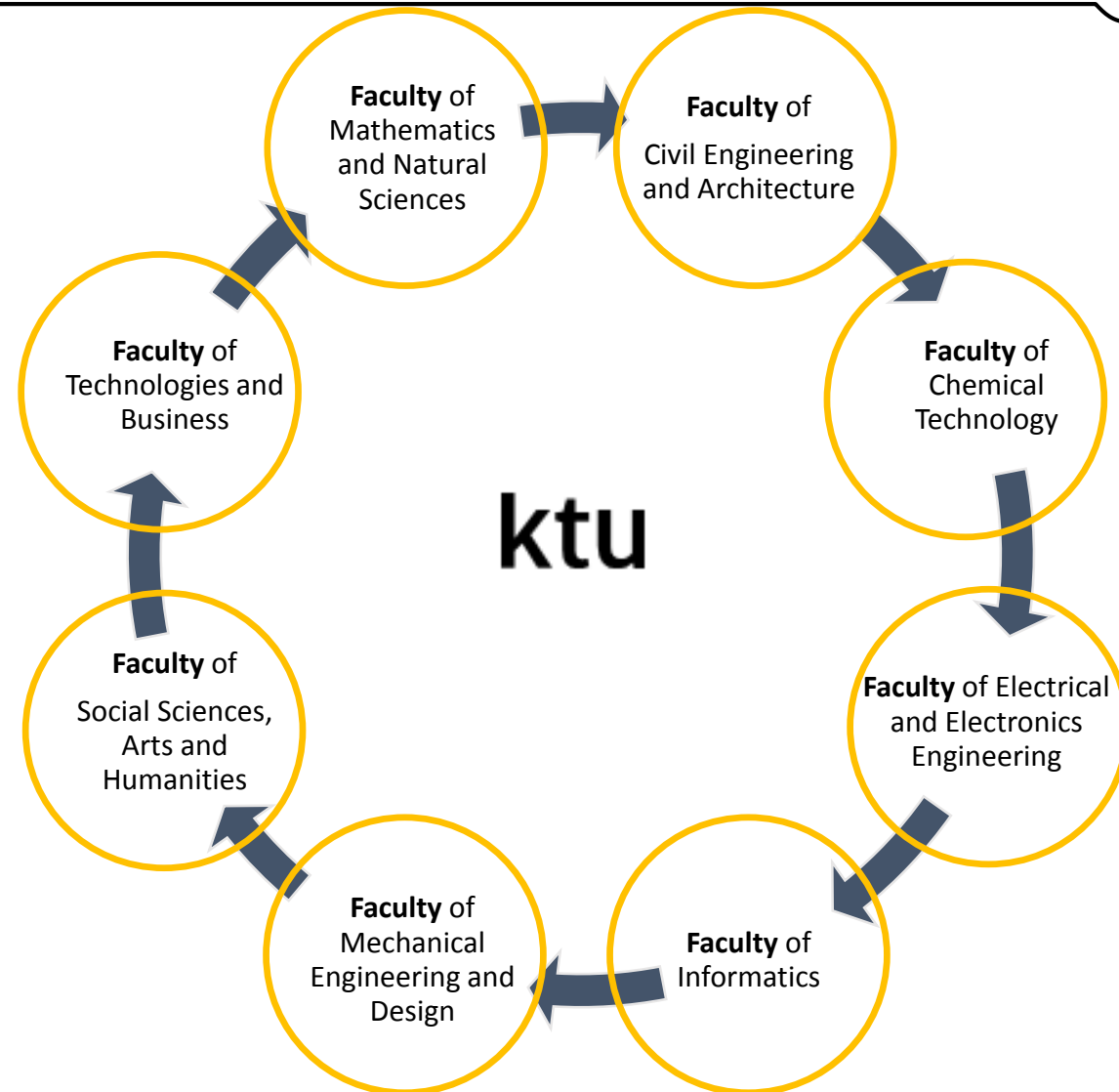
For more information, [INOSC website](#)

Roles of the library in Open Science Community

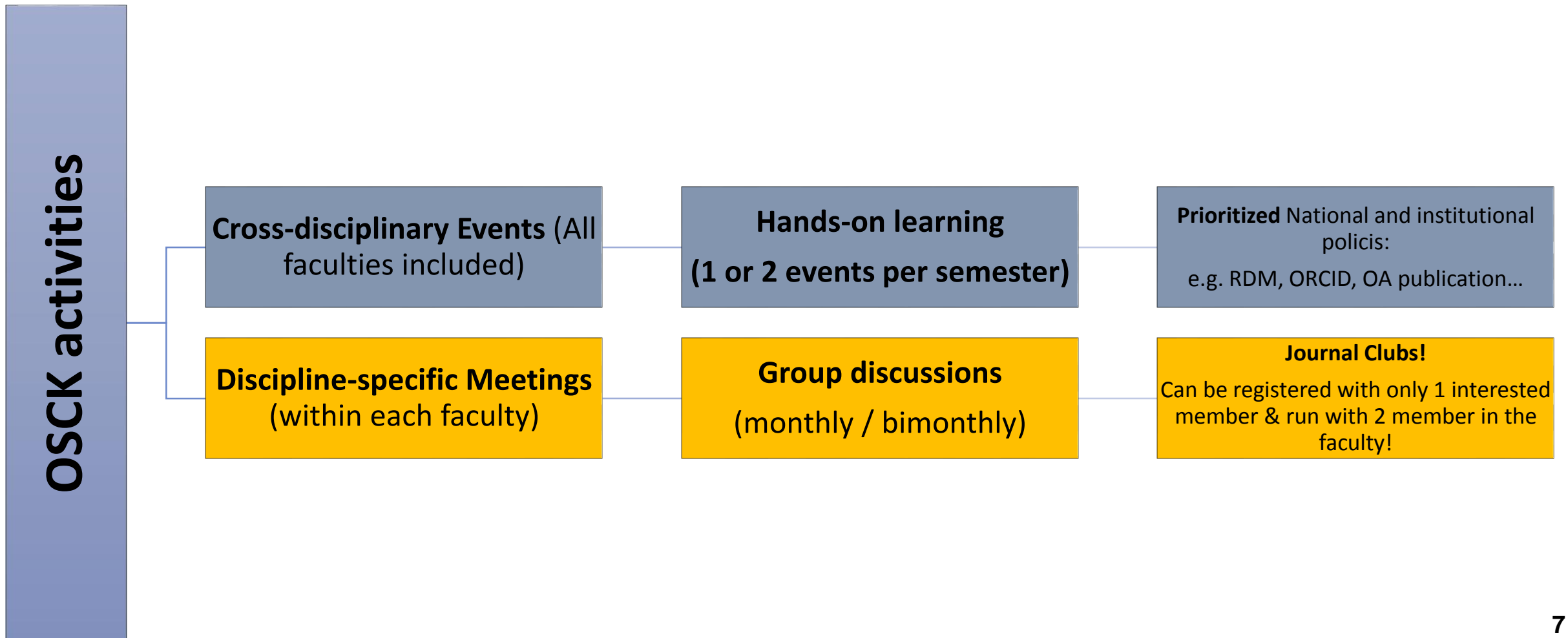


Primary target group: Early career researchers (~60%)

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Community activity strategy based on primary target group

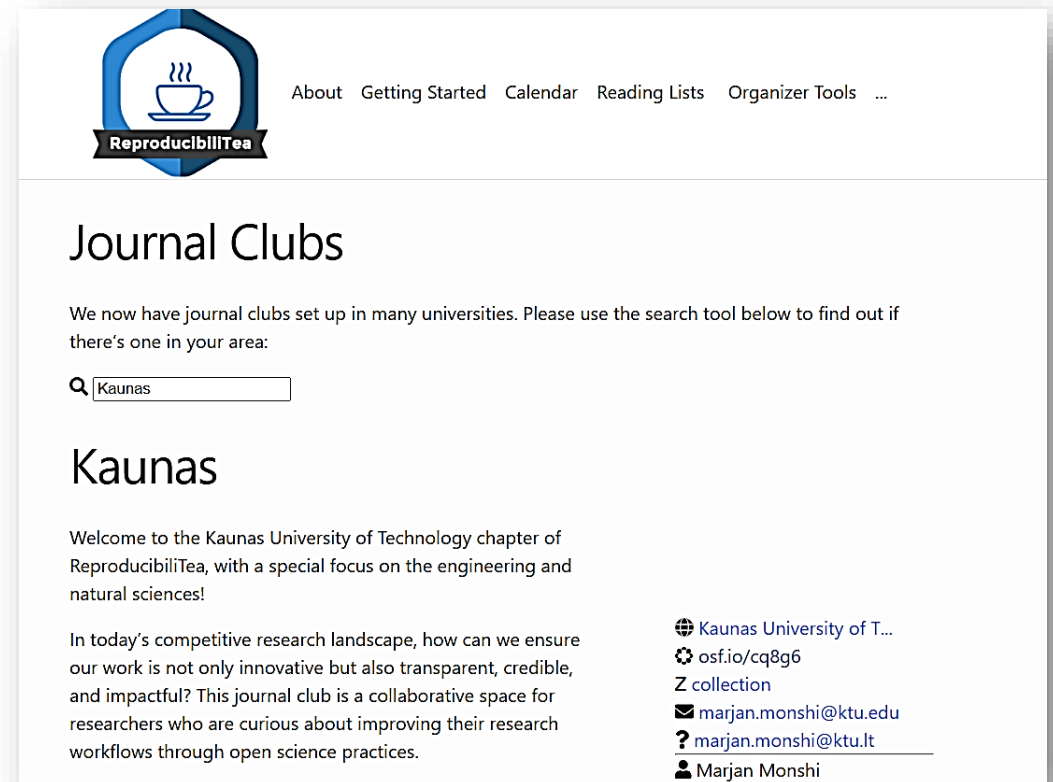


What is a Journal Club?

“Journal club” is a TERM that refer to “**Regular Group Discussions**” where peers meet to read, present, and share their experiences during research lifecycle.

“**ReproducibiliTea Journal club**” is an initiative started in 2018 at University of Oxford, volunteer-run, **support researchers to create local discussion groups**, to foster collaboration and improve Open Science implementation among peers.

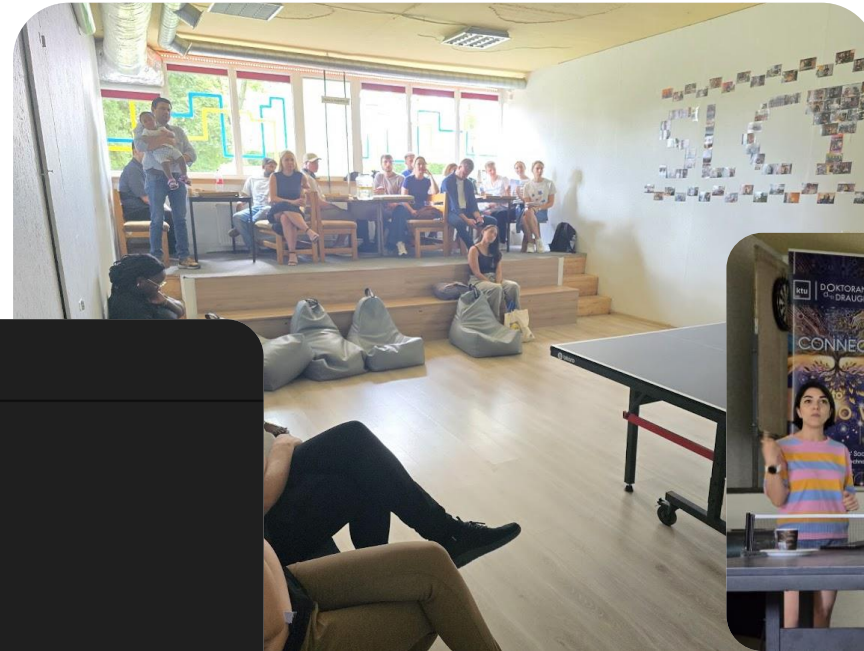
“**Kaunas University Journal Club**”, Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences is the first registered club in the global ReproducibiliTea Journal club Network. <https://reproducibilitea.org>



The screenshot shows the ReproducibiliTea website interface. At the top left is the logo, a blue shield with a white teacup and steam, with the text "ReproducibiliTea" below it. To the right of the logo is a navigation menu with links: "About", "Getting Started", "Calendar", "Reading Lists", "Organizer Tools", and "...". Below the navigation is the main heading "Journal Clubs". Underneath is a paragraph: "We now have journal clubs set up in many universities. Please use the search tool below to find out if there's one in your area:". Below this is a search input field with a magnifying glass icon and the text "Kaunas". Below the search field is the heading "Kaunas". Underneath is a paragraph: "Welcome to the Kaunas University of Technology chapter of ReproducibiliTea, with a special focus on the engineering and natural sciences!". Below this is another paragraph: "In today's competitive research landscape, how can we ensure our work is not only innovative but also transparent, credible, and impactful? This journal club is a collaborative space for researchers who are curious about improving their research workflows through open science practices." On the right side of the page, there is a list of links: "Kaunas University of T...", "osf.io/cq8g6", "Z collection", "marjan.monshi@ktu.edu", "? marjan.monshi@ktu.lt", and "Marjan Monshi".

Promotion strategy: Reaching audience where they already are!

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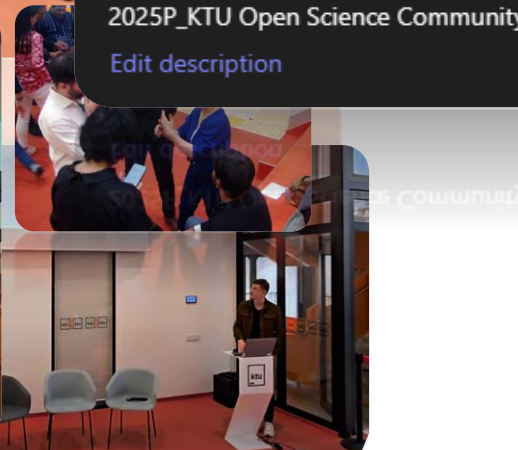
People (12)

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Description

2025P_KTU Open Science Community

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•Start small with a clear purpose

•A community can be initiated by just a couple of motivated individuals who can work together on the initial setup.

Develop a strategic plan that can be consistency

Have a well-prepared strategy and action plan for developing the OSC activities and engaging members.

Secure institutional support and engage key stakeholders

It is essential to have support from the Institution.

Focus on the needs and motivations of your members

Understand what different groups need and design activities that are relevant to them

Create a safe, supportive, and collaborative environment

This supportive network helps members apply OS principles in their work and fosters a culture of collaboration

Thank you!

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