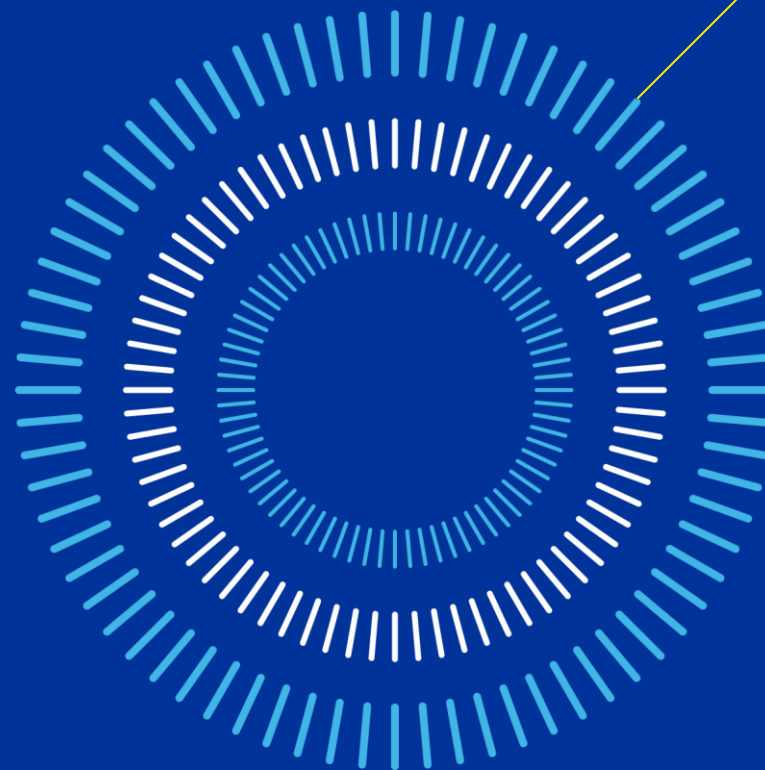# Operational Governance of the AIoD platform in AI4Europe – the Working Groups

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AI4Europe

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AI4Europe Operational Community Governance Model

The Operational Community Governance Model follows the meritocratic/do-ocracy approach as applied in several Open-Source Platform models.

That is, contributors that invest the most time, energy, and attention to the project have the most authority and influence over decisions in the project.

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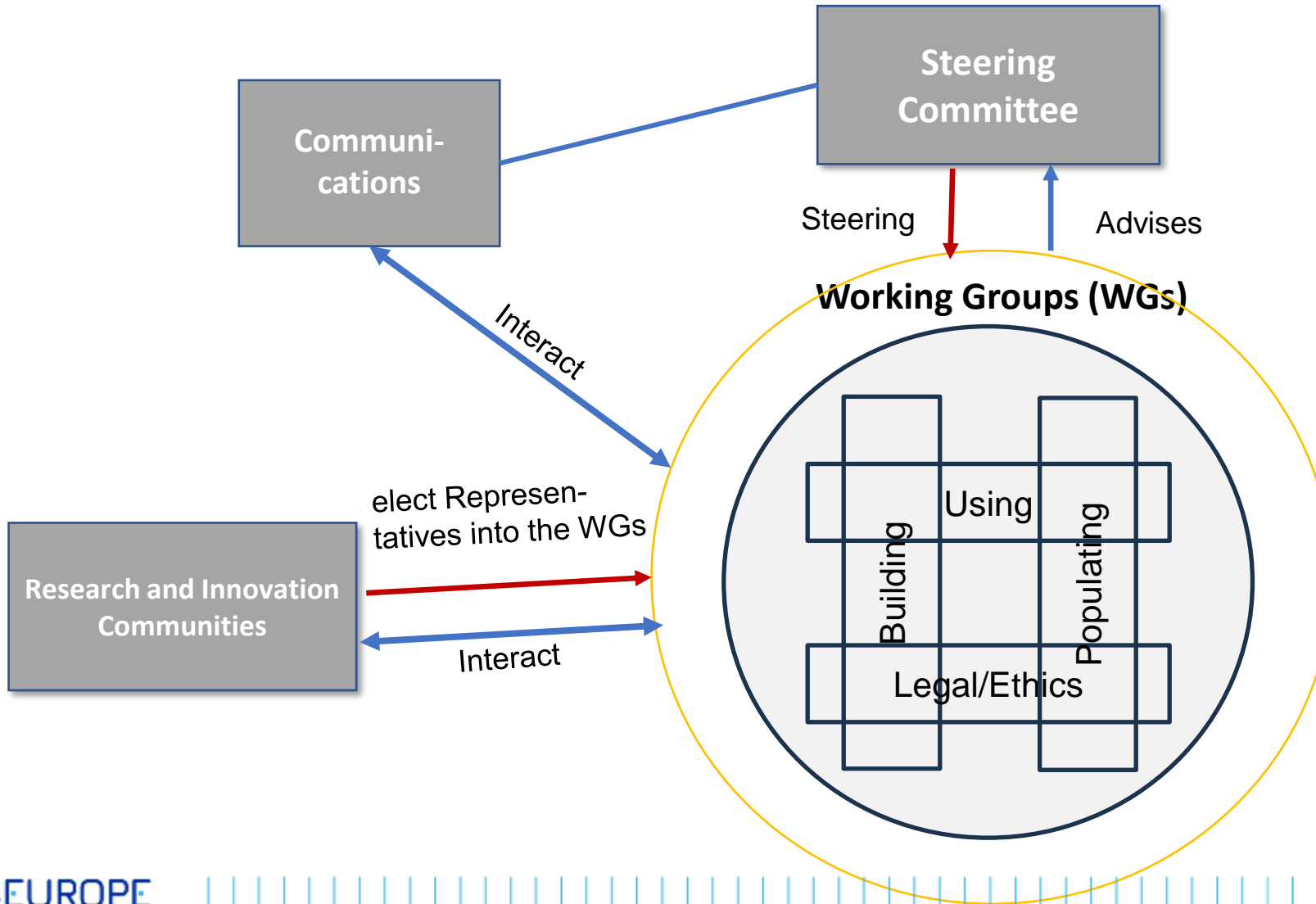
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AI4EU Technical Governance Board (TGB) 2020-2022

Technical discussions and decisions based on votings

- Each AI4EU WP had one vote

- Single Sign On System (=> EU-Login)

- Technology for the Community Portal (=> fresh Drupal)

- Collaboration with other projects and project groups: ELG, ICT-38, ICT-48, ICT-49

AIoD Technical Contributors Board (TCB), since 2023

Technical discussions and presentations

- Regular updates on the AI4Europe technical developments:
  - Metadata API
  - RAIL
  - AI-Builder
  - MyLibrary
  - The new Portal
  - Single Sign On
  - Ontology
- Technical presentations from associated projects

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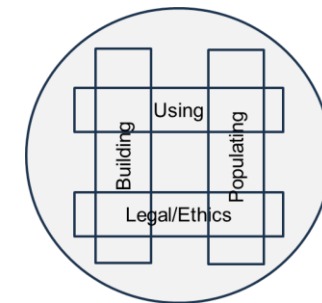- **Working Groups (current status and next steps)**

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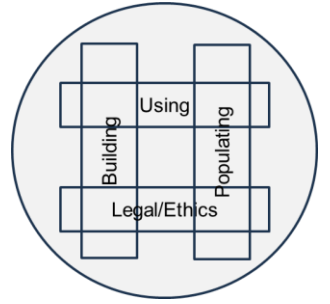
Following Working Groups defined

- **Building**: identify together with the community the further technical development of the Platform (extensions, functionalities)
  - discuss what would be needed in addition to the existing platform
  - discuss what is proposed by the community for extending the platform

- **Populating**: content upload, support mechanisms
  - upload of content proposed by the community

- **Using**: Community engagement

- **Legal/Ethics:** GDPR, AI Act, copyright, DSA/DMA, ethical guidelines

Invitation to join the Technical Working Groups

Building	
Who	AI4Europe WP3-4-5 + community members
Roles	**Responsibilities**
WG Chair(s)	responsible for operation of the WG, communication and coordination with other WGs, the Steering Committee (SC) and the broader community, present change requests affecting the whole platform to the SC for decision
Core Contributors	community members dedicated to continued development of the platform through ongoing engagement with the community, trusted member with voting rights
Contributors	community members that contribute in a concrete way to the platform, participate in meetings, support events, etc.
Processes	
prepare decisions to be taken by the Steering Committee	
Decision mechanisms/voting rights/meetings	
to be decided by the group	
Examples: Meritocracy approach (core contributors deciding)	
Membership	
open to community members, community members can become contributors	
Scope	
Two main points: * discuss what would be needed in addition to the existing platform * discuss what is proposed by the community for extending the platform	
Hosting a Root node, a Leaf Node	
adding a Service, Component or App to the Core of the AIoD (root nodes)	
Activities	
Periodical review on the need for extensions of core services	
Introducing new core services	
Decide upon integration of new services upon the architecture	
Decide how a new request is handled	
Approve pull requests	

Populating	
Who	AI4Europe WP3-4-5 + Community Members
Roles	
WG Chair(s)	Organisers/facilitators, responsible for operation of the WG, communication and coordination with other WGs, the Steering Committee and the broader community
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Processes	
Metrics for uploaded content: which information is needed to be able to decide about content upload (metadata, no harm)	
permission to upload content to the Metadata Catalogue	
process for sharing metadata records	
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upload of content proposed by the community	
Interconnection of uploaded content	
Activities	
supporting adding metadata for datasets, models, experiments	
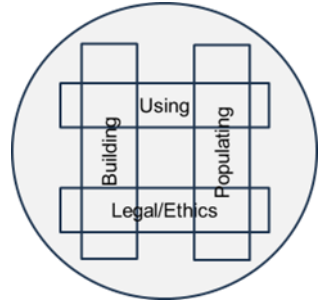
- **Setup of Working groups**

  - <u>Members of the working groups</u>

    Please indicate your interest by sending an email to building@aiod.eu or populating@aiod.eu by February 15th, 2025

  - <u>Kickoff Meeting for each working group</u>

    - Planned for end of February

  - <u>Proposed initial tasks in each working group (self-organizing):</u>

    Definition of:
    - Roles and Responsibilities
    - Finetuning of Activities
    - Decision mechanisms/decision power
    - Technical support

Join us in bringing the AIoD platform to the next level!

Questions, comments?

Thank you!