

Research Hardware in scholarly commons

RDA Plenary 2022



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Why his hardware missing ?

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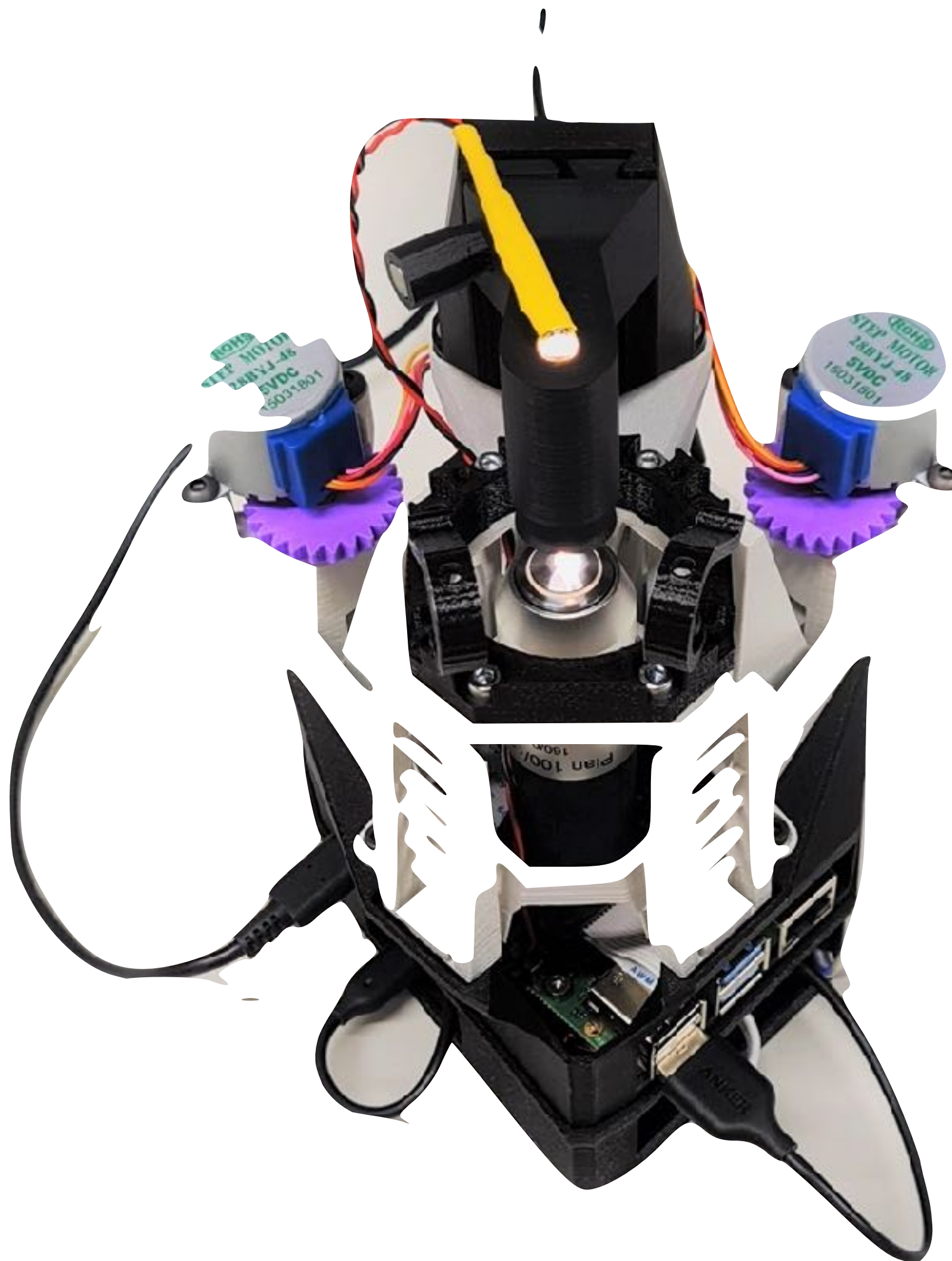
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Little Awareness

Hardware is complex

Hardware complexity

Open Flexure microscope



Modulatory

Actuators

Optics

Illumination

Motors

Different type of data

PCB (electronics)

3D printed parts

Bought components

Assembly description

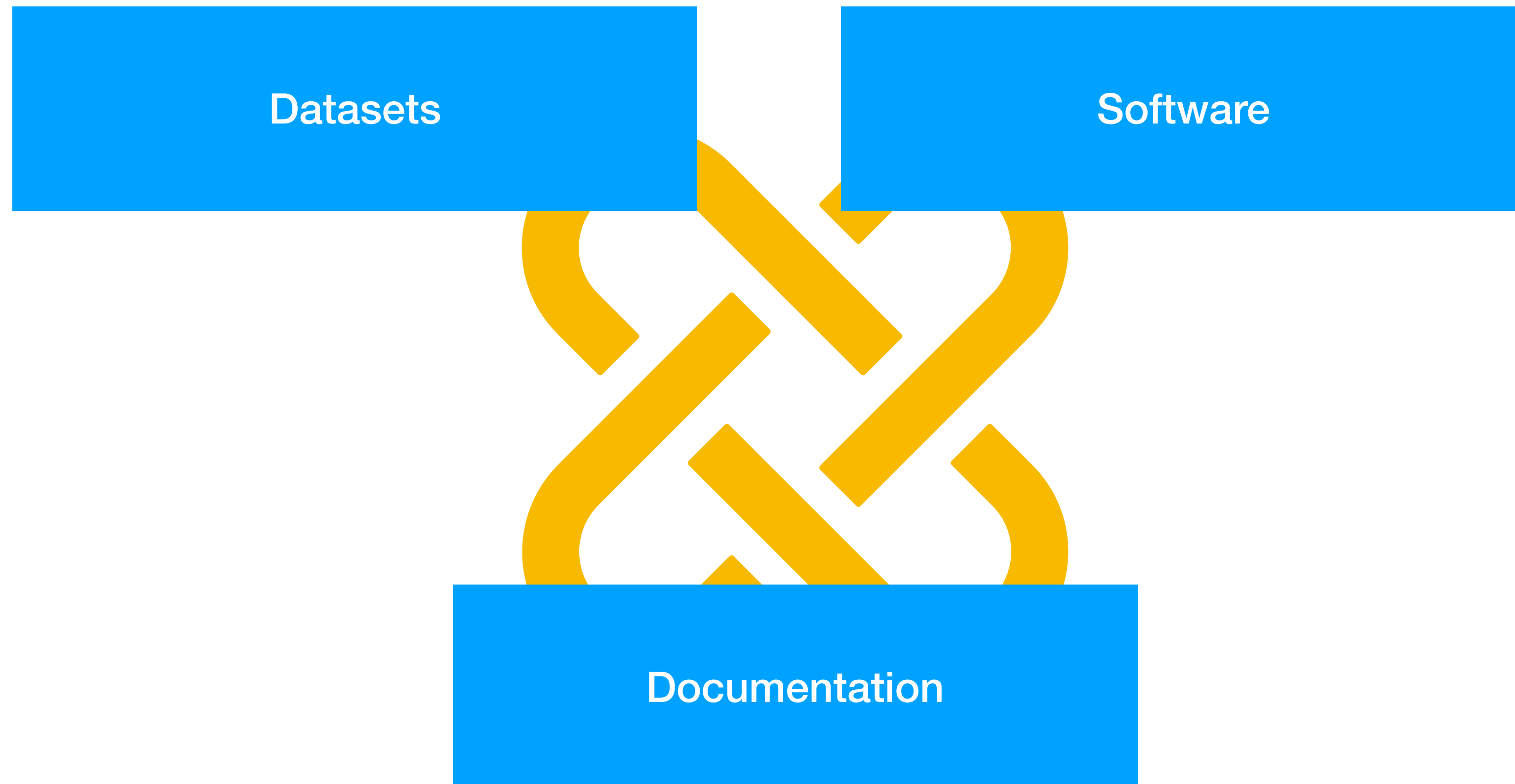
Documentations

Firmware

Software

Hardware complexity

- Different type of data:
- Different licenses
- Data organisation
- Metadata ?



FAIR principles for Research Hardware

- Embrace this complexity
- Guide different stakeholder on how to recognise Hardware publication
- Raise awareness

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FAIR Principles for Research Hardware

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- Analysis of current practices and gaps in research hardware lifecycle:
- Documentation
- Dissemination channels
- Maintainability
- Interoperability of hardware metadata schemas and academic metadata
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FAIR for Research Software (FAIR4RS) WG

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Persistent Identification of Instruments WG

► Taxonomy: Natural Sciences

Datacite

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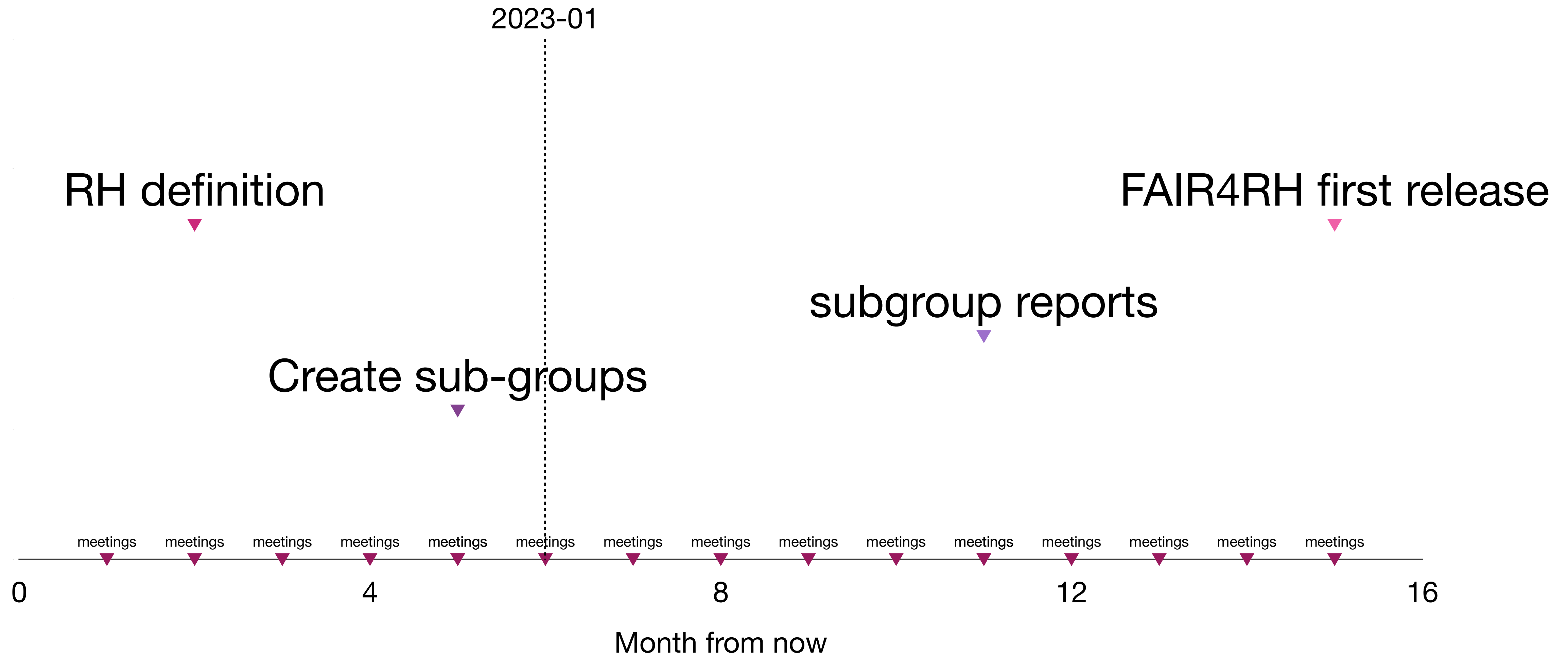
Importantly, we will put lots of energy into making our work as inclusive as possible and available to everyone. Our outcomes will also take Global South needs, achievements, and practices into account.

Therefore, involving communities from the Global South is one of the primary objectives of this group.

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- Monthly meeting, minutes on etherpad document
- Work asynchronously in google doc
- 24 members (8 active, 2022-05-10)
- Looking for additional chairing members

Loose timeline



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FAIR Principles for Research Hardware

 **Taxonomy:**



Posts



Create Wiki
index



Events



Repository



Outputs



Charter



Plenaries



Members

create new content



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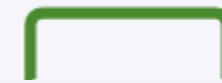
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