OSF – Open Science Framework
Pre-registering a study

https://osf.io/

1) What is OSF?
it's a platform for:
- storing & sharing of materials /data, creation of a citable version of the project
- registration of research:

> Create a permanent, time-stamped version of your projects and files.
> You can pre-register your design and analysis plan to conduct a confirmatory study, or archive your materials, data, and analysis scripts when publishing a report.

2) How to pre-register a study:
1. Registrationat https://osf.io/
2. Creation of a project
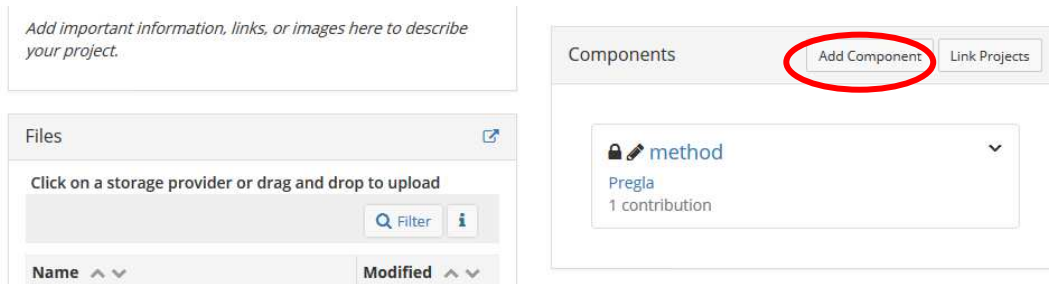3. Writing of an abstract for the project:

4. Upload of the parts of the project to be pre-registered:

> a) Upload of the whole project as one PDF file (description of the project similar to a paper, inclusion of: background, aim of the study, predictions, participants, procedure, design (includingexample item), stopping rule, analysis plan)

alternatively

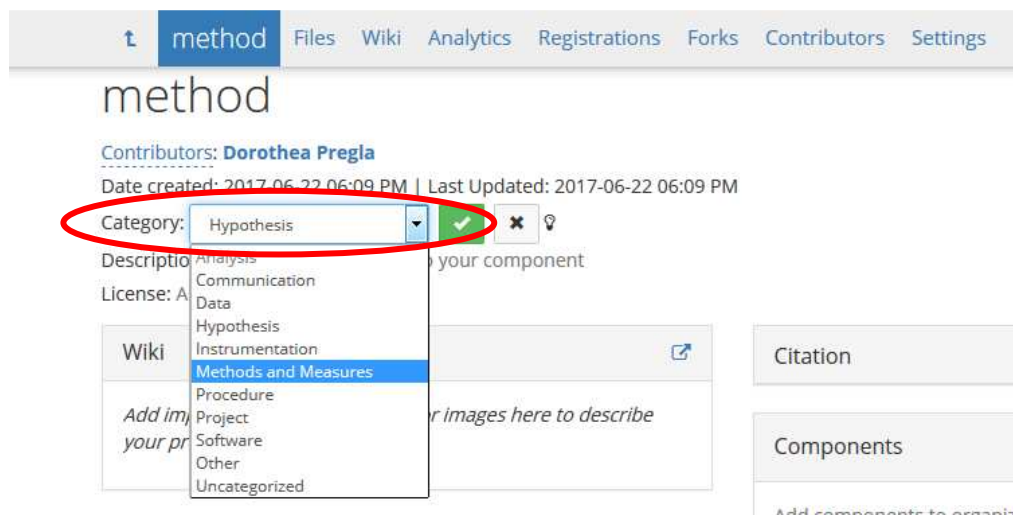> b) Upload the components separately

The following components should be included:
- procedure
- method
- hypotheses
- experimental design / items
- analysis plan

Steps to insert components:
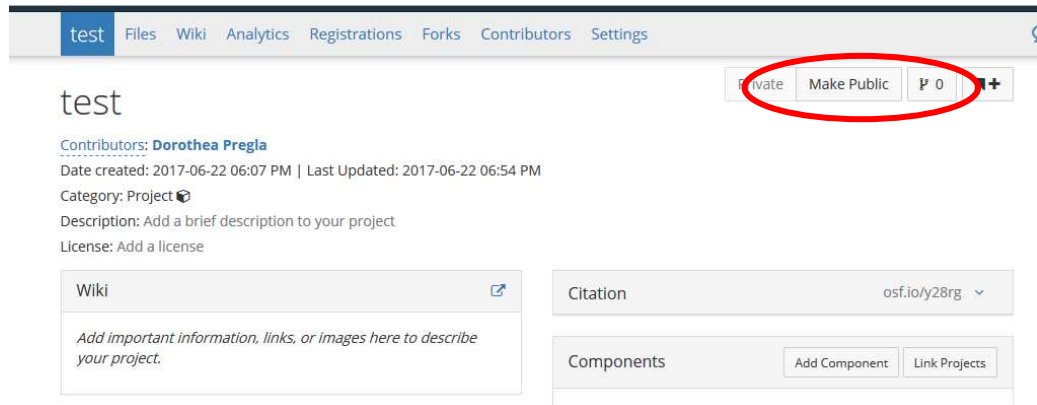
1. Selection of the category

2. Add a description or upload PDF files (click on: OSF storage)
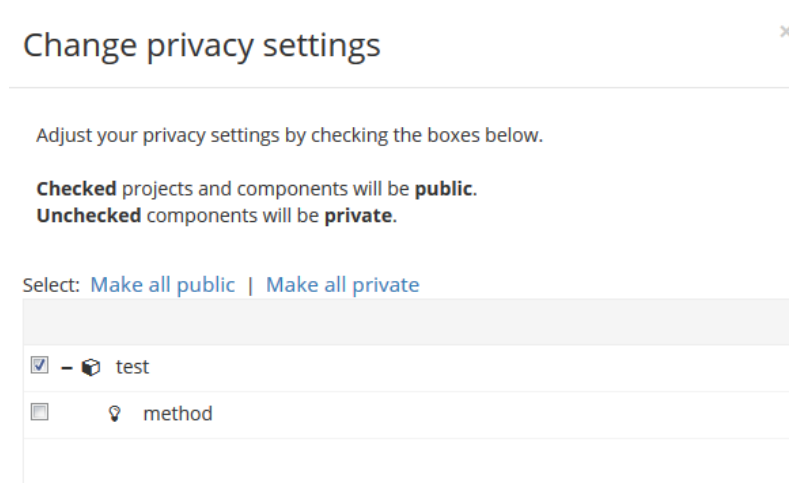
3. Who can look at the project?

The project cannot be seen by other people as long as the project is not made public (you can also choose to make certain parts of the project public)
To publish the project:

1. click*Make Public*
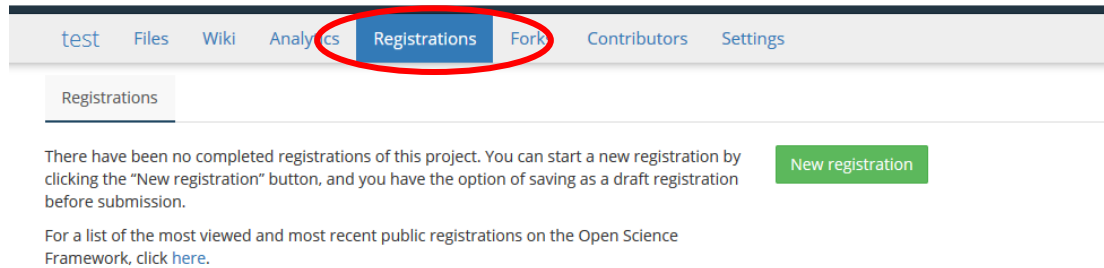

2. Select the parts that shall be public:

→the public parts of the project can be seen by anyone who visits OSF (including unregistered visitors of the page)

3. Public parts can be made private again (click on *make private*)

- you can pre register the project without making it public

4. How to pre register a project?

1. Click on Registrations --> New registration

2. Select a registration method (usually OSF-Standard)
You can also participate in the Prereg-Challenge (If you preregister your study in advance of data collection and then publish in an eligible journal, you receive USD1000.)

3. Fill in the registration form + submit it

4. Add the link to your pre-registered study when the study is submitted for publication.