Help Shape the Future of RDM Training – Apply Now for the ETH Domain MOOCathon

What if your own research experience could help thousands of other researchers better understand and apply Research Data Management (RDM)?

We're thrilled to invite you to the upcoming:

ETH Domain MOOCathon: E-Learning for RDM

10-11 September 2025 | ETH Zurich

This two-day, in-person event brings together researchers from across the ETH Domain to co-create and enhance short RDM training modules. Five modules – already drafted – will cover key RDM topics as part of a coordinated effort by the ETH Domain Open Research Data (ORD) Training Group (Measure 3). Final outputs will be published openly on the **OpenLearnity** platform and in the **Zenodo Open Educational Resources (OER) Community** ("ETH Domain Open Educational Resources for Research Data Management "), ensuring broad visibility and reuse.

What's a MOOCathon?

A MOOCathon is a focused, collaborative sprint where small teams refine pre-drafted training modules and transform them into engaging, real-world learning experiences. With expert support and a clear structure, it's a hands-on opportunity to co-author open content for the research community.

What You'll Actually Do

You'll join a team of 5-6 researchers and work on one of the five drafted modules. Over two days, supported by pedagogical and technical experts, you will:

- Review the module draft and assess clarity, usability, and structure
- Suggest improvements for interdisciplinary audiences
- Add 2-3 concise, real-world case studies based on your field
- Design 1-2 interactive or multimedia elements (e.g., quizzes, visuals, scripts)
- Finalize your team's contributions for integration into OpenLearnity and Zenodo

Your contributions will be **openly licensed**, **credited with your name**, and designed for **reuse across institutions**.
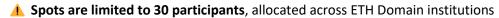
Why You Should Join

- **Make a real impact** on open training used across Switzerland.
- **All expenses covered**, including travel and one night of accommodation in Zurich (for participants not based there), plus lunches and coffee breaks.
- **It's rewarding – both symbolically and meaningfully.**
  CHF 1,200 in total prizes will be awarded across four categories.
  Each participant can receive up to **CHF 200**, depending on their team's wins.
  While modest, these prizes are a gesture of appreciation for your creativity and contributions to the ETH Domain community.
- **Collaborate and connect** with peers from other ETH Domain institutions in a dynamic and creative setting.

Apply Now – Spots Are Limited!

This MOOCathon is open to researchers from **Eawag, Empa, EPFL, ETH Zurich, PSI, and WSL**, across all disciplines and career stages.

If you received this invitation as part of the ETH Domain ORD Programme network, we warmly encourage you to share it with colleagues who might bring valuable perspectives – especially early-career researchers or those involved in RDM.

⚠️ **Spots are limited to 30 participants**, allocated across ETH Domain institutions

⚠️ **Applications are reviewed on a first come, first served basis**

🔗 **Apply now** → [Registration Form](#)

📅 **Application deadline:** 17 July 2025

Join us for two energizing days of collaboration, creativity, and impact – and help shape how open RDM training is built across the ETH Domain.

Got questions? Reach out to Dr Moushumi Ulrich Nath at: moushumi.ulrich-nath@lib4ri.ch

We can't wait to build with you.

Warm regards,
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