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When *Alberto Michelini, Director of the National Earthquake Center of the National Institute of Geophysics and Volcanology (INGV)*, Italy got involved in EUDAT he was looking for help to manage complex and diverse seismological data. He got a lot more than he bargained for and in a frank interview he provides a **9-point checklist for communities** on why and how they should get involved and how to prepare to get it right. Alberto also points out some home truths about the realities of research time versus data management time to inspire us to get on with the spring-cleaning and proper organisation of our data.
http://www.eudat.eu/news-media/published-articles/data-services-technology-expertise-community-perspective
The **EUDAT User Forum** gives communities and interested parties a chance to air their views and discuss collaboration now and in the future with EUDAT. Taking place in Prague from 23 to 24 April 2014, the user forum is open to all and will be of particular interest to community data managers, data practitioners, scientists and researchers who are seeking concrete solutions to their data challenges. Presentations from communities using and planning to use EUDAT data services will provide tangible examples of best practice. Participants can interact with EUDAT technical experts to understand how the services can be practically used and implemented in their everyday work. More information and registration **http://www.eudat.eu/3rd-eudat-user-forum**

March 2014 saw **DANS** becoming a new EUDAT Associated Partner. Through this collaboration DANS will be primarily contributing to the development of EUDAT policies on data management (in particular data management plans and licensing), as well as being involved in metadata and semantic activities.
http://www.eudat.eu/news/extending-our-network-dans-becomes-associated-partner
Travelling to Athens for **ICRI?**] Find us at the European Commission stand at the ICRI2014 Exhibition or attend the EUDAT Training on data services with the support of CHAIN-REDS (Athens, Greece, 2nd April 2014, from 9:30 to 12:30)
http://www.eudat.eu/training/training-data-services-eudat-support-chain-reds

Where will you Meet Us over the coming months? **UCL Big Data Symposium**, 7 April 2014, London where Rob Baxter will present EUDAT and its solutions for researchers **http://www.clms.ucl.ac.uk/node/332**. EUDAT special guest speaker Mark van de Sanden will present "The EUDAT approach regarding Storage Solutions" at the **APARSEN webinar on Storage solutions** 14th April 2014 - 14:00-16:00 CET (Central European Time) and scheduled to last 2 hours
http://www.alliancepermanentaccess.org/index.php/aparsen/webinars. For a complete list of events featuring EUDAT see
http://www.eudat.eu/events/meet-us