

E7. UniversiDATA Project. Transparent University through Open Data.

IMPACT: This project has capitalized the transparency of the UC3M information thanks to the publication of its of standardized Open Data as a Public Sector Information (PSI) Institution. The project allowed UC3M to expose some of the most important data about the University using Linked Open Data and being visible in the Spanish Open Data Portal and harvested by the [European Open Data Portal](#). These open datasets contributed to the global transparency of the University inside and outside the University, showing different relevant datasets and make them reusable for data rousers. This made the UC3M compliant with the European Open Data Directive 2019/1024, and stablished a milestone for the University Strategic Plan, as well as for the general exposure of the PSI information in Europe. The participation in UniversiDATA put UC3M among the most open universities dealing with the new challenges of public institutions. One of the UniversiDATA developments (UniversiDATA Lab) won the prize of *Aporta Challenge* in 2021, giving the UC3M, along with the other universities participating in the project, an exemplar visibility among good practices in Open Data in Spain and in Europe.

EVIDENCES on this impact and actions:

- The UC3M joined approved the strategy of opening up datasets and the Open Data project and working group in November 2020 by the University Directive Council.
- UC3M joined officially UniversiDATA project in May 2021, being the 4th University in Spain to join the project: <https://www.universidata.es/universidades/universidad-carlos-iii-de-madrid-uc3m>
- From May 2021, the participation in the project was showed up and disclosed through the University dissemination channels: Newsletter (9460 views); Twitter news (general UC3M account 40.878 followers; UC3M-Science 26.341 followers), LinkedIn (125.084), Facebook (53.093).
- July 2021. UniversiDATA Lab, one of the related projects and open data endeavors led by UniversiDATA won the prize of *Aporta Challenge 2020*: <https://datos.gob.es/en/noticia/universidata-lab-mip-project-and-educawood-win-iii-aporta-challenge>
- April 2022: The Spanish Open Data portal underlined the role of the Universities in the Open Data landscape, pointing out specially the role of UniversiDATA and the Universities, like UC3M, being part of the Project. [See specific post in datos.gob.es](#)
- So far, June 2022, the UC3M published as Open Data all the agreed datasets of the universities participating in the project, being specially relevant the information / data, about Human Resources: https://www.universidata.es/search/field_topic/recursos-humanos-36/type/dataset?sort_by=changed We are actively participating in the discussion of the next important datasets to be published, probably some related to Research.
- All the current available data are visible through the Spanish Open Data Portal: <https://datos.gob.es/es/iniciativas/datos-abiertos-de-la-universidad-carlos-iii-de-madrid-universidata> and through the [European Open Data Portal](#) conveniently anonymized and opened.

Therefore, **UniversiDATA project gave the UC3M more transparency and commitment with the Openness principle in the Public Universities and Institutions in Europe, legitimizing its commitment with the Open and Transparent University on the realm of a big commitment with the Human Strategy for Research as well as with the internal Strategic Planning.** In a very near future (Q4-2022) UC3M open data in the UniversiDATA portal will be used for a specific datathon by students and citizens in Europe, giving more credibility and reusability to the public information we generate. UC3M will keep opening up this way (Linked Open Data) more relevant datasets related with the research practices in the University and contributing to the open and visible practices of research.