The NORA team is ready for 2024
Happy New Year! 2023 has flown by for the NORA team, and the fast pace continues well into 2024. We have exciting plans for the development of Research Portal Denmark, while always striving to deliver high quality in our current databases and services.

Official launch of Research Portal Denmark on March 21, 2024
After a few years of developing and operating prototype databases, we are now ready for the Ministry of Higher Education and Science to officially inaugurate Research Portal Denmark and all its services. This is an important milestone, and we would like to invite you to a launch conference on **March 21, 2024**, in Frederiksberg at Ovnhallen, Porcelænshaven at CBS. More information about the conference will follow, **but please mark your calendars now**. We hope to see many of our stakeholders, current and future users, research analytics colleagues, partners, and others who are curious about both Research Portal Denmark and the research analytics field in a broader context.

February *sneak release*
For those who can't wait to try the latest services in Research Portal Denmark, we are preparing a *sneak release* in February for two new databases:

- A database with **cross-searching across the current three commercial global data sources**. Here, you don't need to choose which source to search in - the search can be conducted across *all* global sources.
- A database with **cross-searching of data from local institutional data providers**. The database provides access to searching in a merged version of local data without duplicates, providing a better overview and more precise searches.

In addition to improved search options, a range of new filter functionalities will also be added. In connection with the changes and improvements to the Research Portal's services, please be aware that some links to the current databases will change, and there may be a need to update bookmarks or saved searches.

Furthermore, we are well underway in giving the website a makeover so that it will appear more user-friendly and informative. We will send out **a newsletter** when we are ready with the February *sneak release* with more details.

New (old) colleague in the NORA team
We are incredibly pleased to be able to employ Marija Rakas as Senior Analyst in the NORA team. Marija has been with us for two years and is sharp on patents, research data, data consolidation, publication metadata, and much more. Read more about Marija here.

Advisory board meeting
A meeting of the Advisory Board was held on December 4, where the action plan for 2024 was approved. Three new members have joined the Advisory board; Claus Werner Andersen from Statistics Denmark, Connie Skrubbeltrang from the Danish Regions, and Jesper Risom from the Danish Independent Research Fund.

National collaboration
From January 1, 2024, we have updated the purpose and name of the [Working Group for Data from Danish Research Institutions](), and members have been (re)appointed to the group. **A big thank you** for the

collaboration and input to all the members of the Working Group - those continuing, stopping, or starting in the group from the turn of the year.

In the autumn of 2023, a working group for **Funders and Grants** was established. The working group functions as an expert group and sparring partner in the design and development of the Research Portal Denmark database of Danish funders and grants, which will be launched later this year.

We have also met and talked with many of our users in 2023. We appreciate this user/stakeholder dialogue, which will continue to be a focus in 2024. As always, we are very interested in feedback, input, and questions at nora.info@dtu.dk. We look forward to hearing from you!