

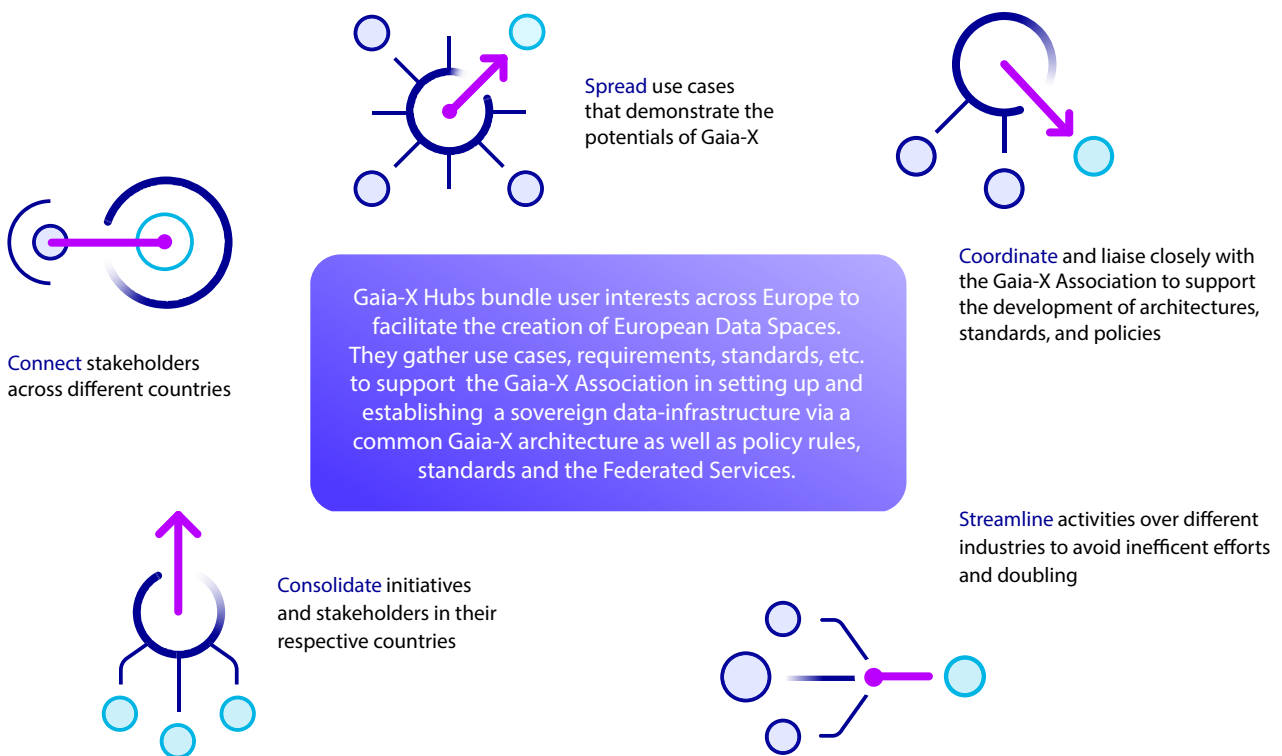
# Gaia-X Hubs – Join a thriving network across Europe

## What are Gaia-X Hubs?

Gaia-X is the next generation of digital data infrastructure: a trustworthy data ecosystem across Europe and beyond based on the European values of openness, transparency, and sovereignty. An international community of Gaia-X Hubs supports this unique pan-European idea on national levels to nurture a dynamic, grassroots ecosystem. This will help to identify relevant user requirements and to conceptualise use cases. For companies, stakeholders, initiatives, associations and public sector bodies national Gaia-X Hubs are the central contact points for participating in and developing the Gaia-X project.

## What is the role of Gaia-X Hubs?

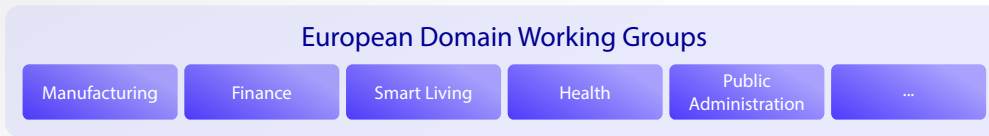
Hubs facilitate and support the creation of European Data Spaces. They are regional economy proxies to intercept digital transformation strategy directives and funding opportunities to implement Gaia-X services. Hubs focus on developing data spaces that are relevant or specific to the local region and also interact with other regions to build cross-national data spaces.



## How are Gaia-X Hubs organised?

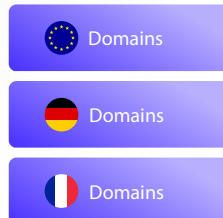
National Gaia-X Hubs pursue a bottom-up approach. They are self-organised while closely aligned with the Gaia-X Association. Memoranda of Understanding are striven for between Hubs and the Gaia-X Association to foster this partnership. Any organisation or company that can provide use cases, expertise and resources, or which is willing to contribute to the creation of data spaces, is welcome to join a Hub. A Gaia-X Hub incorporates at least one industrial sector and is open for participation to companies and organisations from other countries as well, especially those that do not have Gaia-X Hubs themselves. Each Hub is led by a Hub co-ordinator who ensures close contact to the Gaia-X Association. For all industry sectors involved in a national Hub, close cooperation between the Gaia-X Hubs and the Gaia-X Association is assured. Hubs are part of an open and global Gaia-X Community. Hub participants are not necessarily members of the Gaia-X Association but, are of course, encouraged to become one, so as to take part in the decision-making processes of architecture, as well as policy and rules development.

# European Data Spaces



European Domain Working Groups consolidate and align use cases. They also articulate requirements on technical level towards the Gaia-X Association and closely cooperate with data spaces initiatives to facilitate the development of European Data Spaces.

Regional Hubs consolidate and coordinate national initiatives, disseminate information and are central point of contact.



## Pre-selection

Being part of the Hubs the regional domain working groups collect, analyse and evaluate use cases. They work on regional issues and consolidate requirements for discussions on European level.

## Information



Hubs Representative Board consolidates strategic advice of the Gaia-X Association and coordinate interaction among Hubs.

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15 EU and 5 Global Hubs are established in:

Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, South Korea, Japan, US Texas, California and Washington DC.

## Why joining a national Gaia-X Hub is crucial?

- **Contribute** to a thriving data ecosystem based on European values
- **Develop and realise** numerous data spaces and stimulate innovation
- **Strengthen** ties with expert communities in your industry and provide inputs to discussions on innovations on a European level
- it is **free of charge**.

The aim is to set up one national Gaia-X Hub in each participating country.

## Do you wish to participate in a Gaia-X Hub?

Check <https://gaia-x.eu/who-we-are/hubs> to contact the Hub of your choice.

Missing your Hub? Contact the Gaia-X Association to launch your Hub and advice on next steps.

## Stay in touch!

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