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PowerFolder secures German research results

Göttingen/Meerbusch. The GWDG will implement an „in-house cloud" file storage using software provided by PowerFolder. The GWDG is a corporate facility of the Georg-August University Göttingen and the Max-Planck-Gesellschaft that serves the purpose of a data processing and IT competence centre for the Max Planck Institutes and a data processing service centre for the University Göttingen.

By using PowerFolder all changes to files are updated in real time and distributed to all members of a project. This ensures that all scientists always have an up-to date file set and can access a consistent and current data set. Continuous versioning and backup ensures a reproducible trail of work. All users and scientists have their data set consistent and available on all computers, notebooks and devices, even at home and on the go. Access via mobile devices of all current mobile operating systems is supported.

Implementation as „in-house cloud" is necessary to ensure the full control over and safety of data and prevent access to sensible data to external companies, entities and governments. Scientists should not exchange data using external and unauthorized systems and services.

Data loss to third parties is an important economical factor. Access to research results by unwanted parties can jeopardize a leading position in science before the cost of the research can be recouped. The exchange between scientists, researchers and students is a necessary and wanted aspect of research, this in turn necessitates that the GWDG provides an in-house solution to data exchange, preventing shadow IT. The usage of PowerFolder ensures this by offering exactly this in-house alternative.

Both the GWDG and PowerFolder benefit from the co-operation. The scientists and researchers have access to optimized and accessible data management, safe and sound from undesired access, while PowerFolder can add one of the world leading centres of excellence in informatics to their customers.

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