



# **MODATS SUBTASK 2.5**

Enhanced system understanding, Multi-party dialogue

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### ICS ACTIVITIES IN MODATS - OBJECTIVES OF SUB-TASK 2.5

- The objectives of ICS activities in MODATS were:
  - To contribute to the development of **mutual understanding and common views** on the key challenges and topics on monitoring system and data management.
  - To collect civil society's expectations on monitoring.
  - To introduce a socio-technical interpretation of monitoring systems.
  - To think about how CS organisations could contribute to research.



#### IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MULTI-PARTY DIALOGUE

- Two hybrid workshops dealing with five topics identified collectively:
  - Nancy on 18-20 April 2023 :

    Bure, discussion based on practical cases, articulation monitoring-safety case
    - Paris on 24-25 October 2023 : Téléray monitoring network visit, testing the PEP, digitalisation key aspects, articulation monitoring-confidence-trust
- Composition of the audience:
  - about 20 participants for each workshop
  - representatives from each EURAD college, engaged in MODATS Task 2
  - representatives from civil society, including Civil Society experts and members of the larger Civil Society group involved in EURAD

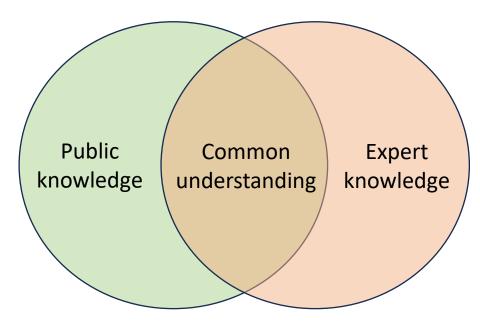






#### **KEY OUTCOMES**

- Review of Modern2020 stakeholder guide
- **Common understanding** of core concept of repository and its related monitoring
- Monitoring results → data cleaning → data analysis → data interpretation → parameters → modelling → digital twins → safety case : digitalisation of safety case
- Data and knowledge management (preservation) over the very long term is a key challenge → legacy for society and future generations
- Transparency → Confidence → Trust: many discussions lead to think about wording





# FROM CIVIL SOCIETY PARTICIPANTS POINT OF VIEW

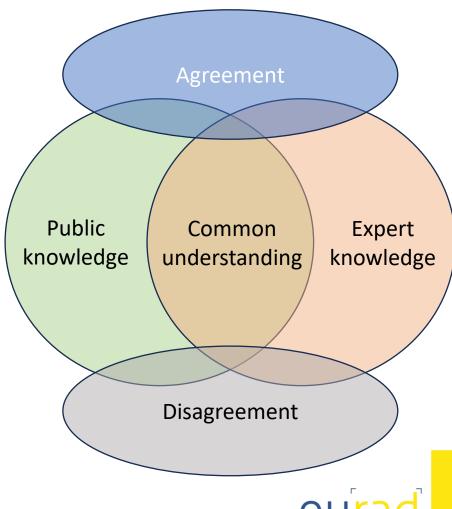
- Monitoring a geological disposal facility, considering high complexity of all components and long-term considerations, is a challenge.
- Discussions about post-closure monitoring and data interpretation (raw / processed data)
- Safety culture was transferred: training
- Possibility for CSO to express concerns and point of view to allow research co-construction
- MODATS was the only WP in EURAD in which CS was associated in such a way... and it worked...





# BENEFITS OF A GOOD METHODOLOGY FOR SUCH INTERACTIONS

- A **safe place for dialogue** is essential to allow postural changes and knowledge sharing
- Common understanding doesn't mean agreement
- Knowledge is always **shared in multiple ways**: the technical visit to Téléray online monitoring network was opportunity when no one was expert...
- It brings people to listen and sometimes to change point of view or opinion
- Tools & methodology + digital twins → higher engagement in work package





# **CONCLUSION AND PERSPECTIVES FOR FUTURE EURAD ACTIVITIES**

- Thanks to MODATS WP, it was demonstrated that **interaction with civil society is possible into a R&D work package**
- A key for this, is the methodology that allow a safe place for dialogue and open posture for knowledge sharing
- The **words** used, sometimes the jargon employed by the parties, can lead to difficulties in understanding. This is a crucial point to consider to make these interactions effective.
- When tools and knowledge are shared, it leads to high involvement of parties.
- CS interactions with experts could be considered as innovative training in KM.
- All this could be enhanced with better interactions between WPs through KM activities.
- A better and efficient data management could enhance transparency which could lead to higher confidence from public

