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Community Call

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FRIDAY, March 28th | 12:00 PM EST Via Zoom

Commoning and Collaboration on Gala: From Open Educational Resources to Open Ecosystems in Ecology

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This community call explores content creation for curricular tools on the open source platform www.learngala.com. The discussion relates how original author communities with common norms, standards, and needs enabled modules to emerge through iterative processes, exemplifying the C.A.R.E. principles and commoning for the curation of open educational resources. The call then considers how wider circles of collaborators found, forked, and enhanced these modules, illustrating F.A.I.R. principles and collaboration for open-learning ecosystems as they emerge in practice.



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