

Press Release

## **OMEGA-X, new Gaia-X Lighthouse project**

- OMEGA-X has been announced as a Lighthouse Project by the Gaia-X Association for Data and Cloud, the first energy project to achieve this recognition.
- The announcement was made by Roland Fradrany, COO of Gaia-X, during the Market-X Conference & Expo held on March in Vienna (Austria).
- This is a major milestone for this project, which has as its core objective the creation of an energy data space.

**Vienna, Austria. March 2023.** Gaia-X lighthouse projects aim to create a data exchange platform built on transparency, trust, and openness. They target multiple industries, such as Agriculture, Mobility and Manufacturing, and now also Energy.

These projects will help Gaia-X to create and deliver a coherent data infrastructure ecosystem and are the front-runners in implementing the Gaia-X framework, which will also enable a comprehensive pipeline of future lighthouse projects.

As a project funded by the European Commission, OMEGA-X prime references were both the Gaia-X Association for Data and Cloud (AISBL) and the International Data Spaces Association (IDSA). While the latter was already a partner in the project, OMEGA-X has now received the full endorsement of the Gaia-X Association, where a large number of OMEGA-X partners are also very active.

Being a Lighthouse Project means, among other things, that OMEGA-X aligns with the Gaia-X view on the following:

- Shared vision and goals in cornerstone questions such as data sovereignty, avoiding dependencies, and transparency.
- Use of Gaia-X policies, rules, architecture, and trust framework as baseline for deployments: OMEGA-X will be open and interoperable with other energy dataspaces.
- Aim at having a positive impact on the European economy and society.

## **About Gaia-X**

Established in 2021 as a privately funded not-for-profit Association, Gaia-X brings together an international industrial, academic, and political community with the aim of building a common standard for transparent, controllable, and interoperable technologies in order to enable the creation of common data spaces, and in doing so boost the European data economy.

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