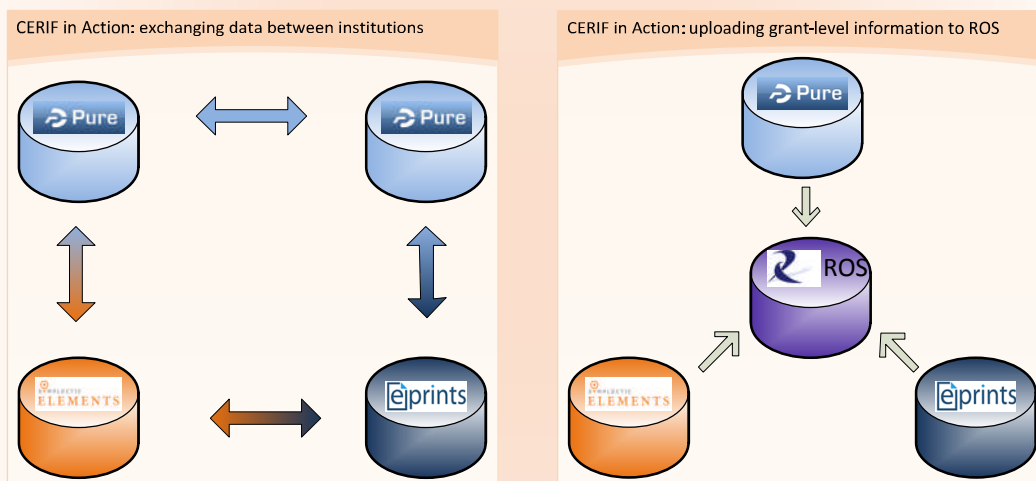The CERIF in Action project aims to consolidate existing work using CERIF to explore the possibilities of two-way data exchange by producing a stable, reusable system for frequent or real-time exchange between two or more live organisational systems using CERIF.

The project aims to develop plug-ins to exchange research information data, such as from University to University or University to Research Councils (via the Research Outcomes System).

CERIF in Action will work closely with the IRIOS-2 project (led by Sunderland) to ensure consistency of approach and to remove duplication of effort across the sector.

CERIF in Action will focus on two scenarios as shown in the diagrams below:

- **Exchanging research information data between institutions:** plug-ins produced to prevent duplication of effort and increased opportunity for errors;

- **Uploading research information data to Research Council:** addresses the imminent requirement for researchers to provide evidence of the outcomes from a project to the Research Council funder (Research Outcomes System).

CERIF in Action: exchanging data between institutions

CERIF in Action: uploading grant-level information to ROS

Expected Benefits of CERIF in Action approach

- Improved quality and completeness of research information data leading to more efficient processes involving the exchange of research information data for HEIs and RCUK.

- Well-defined standard CERIF-XML model

- 4 out of 7 research councils providing upload capability (to the Research Outcomes System)

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