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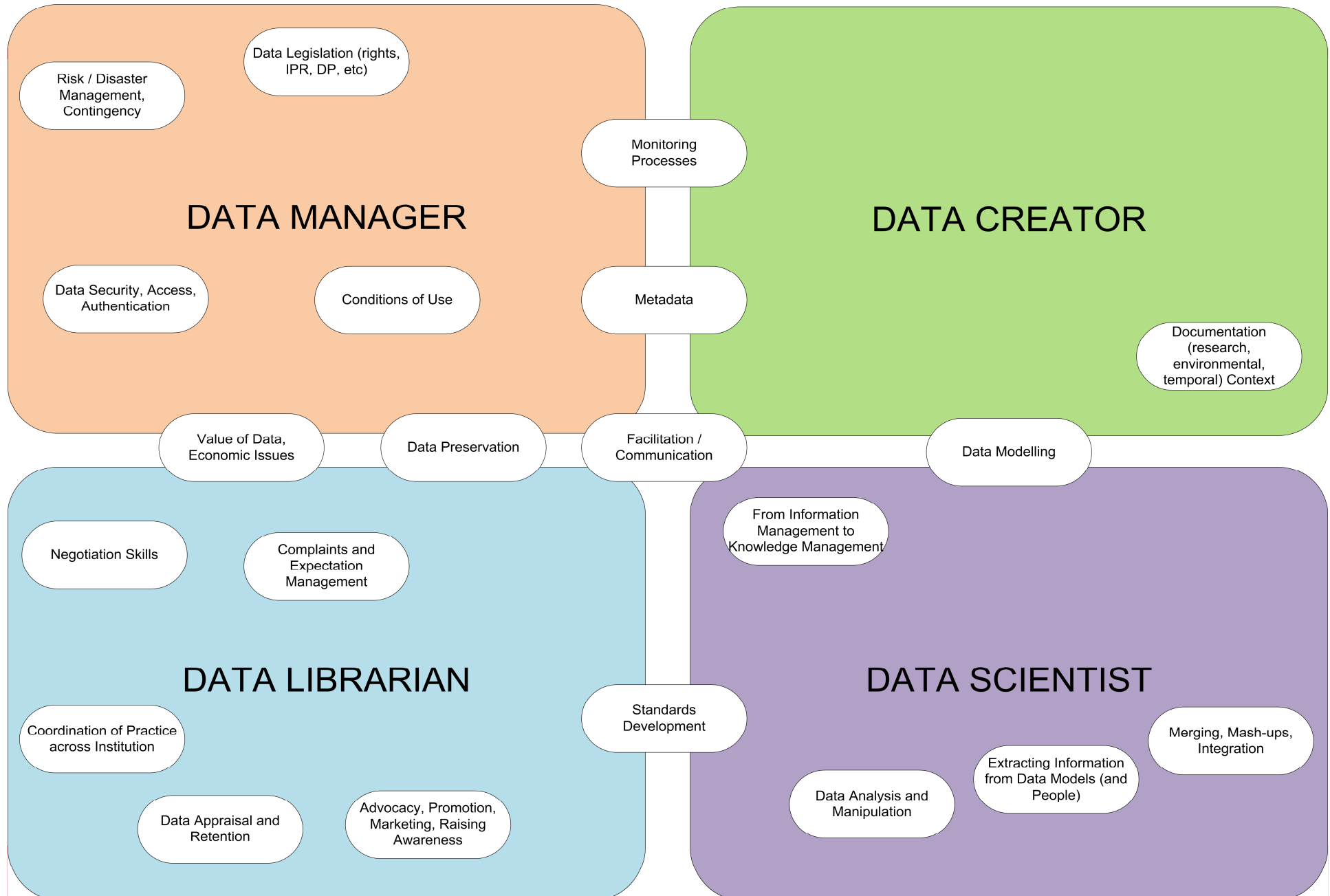
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Themes explored:

- Roles and responsibilities associated with data curation and good stewardship
- The core skills required for these roles
- Ways in which the various stakeholders might acquire the required skills
- Models and working practice to facilitate the exchange of skills

CORE SKILLS FOR DATA MANAGEMENT

A follow-up from the second DCC Research Data Management Forum (November 2008)





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Outcomes:

- The DCC should produce a white paper that identifies the training needs and career opportunities for those working in data management
- Appropriate measures for providing certification that will cover the skills acquired by practitioners already at work in data management should be explored and recommendations made
- The DCC should investigate options for the creation of a national data management education and training forum



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Actions taken:

- White paper → *International Journal of Digital Curation*
 - “*Skilling Up to Do Data: Whose Role, Whose Responsibility, Whose Career?*”
- Avoids repeating “*The skills, role and career structure of data scientists and curators: an assessment of current practice and future needs*”, Key Perspectives 2008
- Addresses all three outcomes as a single aspiration to recognise, enable and sustain those working with research data, at various points throughout the curation lifecycle
- Revisits previous investigations into the roles and responsibilities required by a ‘data workforce’, presents opinion from the Research Data Management Forum, and makes some recommendations for raising capability, capacity and status
- Informed by continuing dialogue with practitioners (e.g. NERC data managers, NeSC members, RIN case studies respondents)