

Preview on ResInfra@DR publications which are forthcoming

A JOINT ACTION PLAN FOR RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT IN THE DANUBE MACRO-REGION

With this document the ResInfra@DR collected more than 15 distinct actions that are proposed for a Joint action strategy addressing the Danube macro-region and with a strong focus on research infrastructures. Stakeholders addressed include the RI hosts organisations; the active RI users inside and outside of the host organisations; the RI operation managers; the RI policy stakeholders on macro-regional, national, regional levels. It addresses also the wider coordination actors as the PA7 working group on research infrastructures. Separate actions start from a specific challenge; the activities and delivery of the action and the expected results. The joint action plan is the result of a consultation with stakeholders in and beyond the ResInfra@DR partnership, dedicated information sessions were also hold in Ukraine, Moldova, Montenegro, Bosnia and Herzegovina (Federation) and at broader events in Slovak Republic and Austria (the event you attend at the moment).

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR RI POLICYMAKERS

Specific recommendations were drafted by the ResInfra@DR project during four dialogue workshops held in 2017 and 2018 and findings from other interactions with STI policy-makers and funding agency representatives were taken on. A concluding consultation meeting in 2018 validated the findings. Given the rapid development and increased attention on the topic of research infrastructures (RI) on the STI policy agenda of the Danube macro-region as well as in other EU member states, the recommendations to STI policymakers also build upon recently published recommendations by ESFRI, the OECD, and other relevant documents.

The first set (of two) recommendations addresses policymakers involved in RI-specific strategic decisions and prioritisation processes; the design of funding schemes, and other associated strategic processes embedded in related policy domains. Funding agencies work hand-in-hand with policymakers and represent a second target group.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR RI MANAGERS

This set of recommendations addresses research infrastructure managers involved in the daily management, the practical user interaction and service as well as in setting the development strategy of a given RI. The document also addresses the hosts of RIs by focusing on practical issues, including governance and ownership, stakeholder management, or the monitoring of operations. These subjects reflect the diversity of how RIs are established, how they fulfil their scientific mission, and how they repeatedly reformulate their approach. The preparation was started during 4 ResInfra@DR dialogue meetings and a consultation meeting in 2018 validated the findings.

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