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RECOMMENDATIONS



- **ESFRI** is called to **analyse funding approaches** across different countries in view of collecting good practice examples. Good practices related to the usage of Cohesion policy and the Recovery and Resilience Facility are particularly welcome, as are the approaches to life cycle planning and budgeting in relation to various RIs.
- **RIs** need to demonstrate a broad **impact**, thus increasing the overall recognition of the importance of RIs. **ESFRI** or the **EC** should **review impact assessment studies** in order to collect best practice approaches.
- **RIs** should contribute to the ERA through their contribution to **all four pillars of Horizon Europe**. They are invited to connect to the specific communities gathering around the **Missions and Partnerships**. The support of the Commission and responsible national ministries in this endeavor would be welcome.

RECOMMENDATIONS



- **The EC contribution** is less than 10% of national expenditure on pan-European RIs, yet it is an important **catalyst of collaboration** and development.
- **National funders** could consider funding projects of RIs through the **Lead agency approach**.
- To overcome the risk of losing the **TNA** under changed conditions, it is proposed that the **national funders** consider providing the resources to the RIs based on reciprocity and considering the added value TNA brings to the facility and the country.

RECOMMENDATIONS



- The ESFRI Roadmap 2021 foresees the establishment of 11 new RIs, supported by MSs, with investment of €4.1 billion. This successful development, arguably one of the highlights of the ERA, needs to be accompanied by **increased national funding for the RIs**.
- **EC** should propose an **indicator for measuring the expenditure** of the MSs in the international and pan-European RIs, such as ESFRI and ERICs.
- The Commission is asked to update the **Charter for Access to Research Infrastructures**



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