

The ERICs in Horizon Europe

A successful case



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On the ERICs and the ERIC Forum

The European Research Infrastructure Consortium (ERIC) is a specific legal form that facilitates the establishment and operation of Research Infrastructures with European interest.

The ERIC model

It provides a legal capacity recognised in all EU Member States, a faster process to create an international organisation, and exemptions from VAT and excise duty. This makes the ERIC model a fundamental tool for the establishment and operation of common research infrastructures.

The ERIC Forum

The ERIC Forum strategically contributes to the development of ERIC related policies by sharing best practices, tackling common challenges, fostering visibility, impact and sustainability of ERICs and contributing to the European science policies and research context.

With 32 ERICs established, the ERIC Forum has become one of the leading voices in European science policy.

ADVANTAGES OF BEING AN ERIC



A legal capacity recognized in all EU Member States



Flexibility to adapt to specific requirements of each infrastructure



A faster process than creating an international organisation



Exemptions from VAT and excise duty

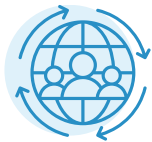
Advantages for Research

ERICs provide the European research community with access to high-quality data and cutting-edge technologies to support scientific excellence and respond to global challenges.

Moreover, they support mobility of researchers and knowledge across the ERA, promote collaboration between countries and favour a European coordination of national infrastructure capacities and capabilities.

More in details

ACCESS TO RIs



- Provide access to state-of-the-art research facilities and services for researchers from Europe and beyond, including universities, industries, SMEs, and incubators.
- Experts provide technical and scientific support to users accessing the RIs.
- ERICs offer predefined access processes, ensuring efficient and transparent use of resources.
- Researchers can access facilities either through funded projects (free access) or with their own funds (subject to capacity).

DEVELOPMENT & SERVICES



- Potential upscaling of research from TRL1 to higher TRLs (e.g. TRL7,8,9) in several research infrastructures facilities.
- Direct contribution to technological development.
- Promote the mobility of researchers and knowledge across the European Research Area, fostering international collaboration.

DARIAH

<https://www.dariah.eu>

The Digital Research Infrastructure for the Arts and Humanities (DARIAH) aims to enhance and support digitally-enabled research and teaching across the arts and humanities. DARIAH's mission is to empower research communities with digital methods to create, connect and share knowledge about culture and society.

SERVICES

Inspiring and Educating – [DARIAH Campus](#) is DARIAH's central hub for free and open training resources in a broad range of topics related to digital arts and humanities. It serves a dual purpose as a discovery framework for training materials that exist within the DARIAH eco-system, and as a hosting platform for training resources created by DARIAH-affiliated individuals, institutions and projects.

Connecting Tools with Communities – [SSH Open Marketplace](#) is a discovery portal which pools and contextualises resources for Social Sciences and Humanities research communities: tools, services, training materials, datasets, publications and workflows. Coming out of the SSHOC project, the Marketplace highlights and showcases solutions and research practices for every step of the SSH research data life cycle.

Advancing Open Science – [Transformations: A DARIAH Journal](#) is DARIAH's response to ensure that scholars in the arts and humanities receive meaningful academic credit for all their work, not just the final publication. The journal turns invisible labour into recognised scholarly contributions by recognising and publishing all stages of the research lifecycle – such as data papers, workflows, software, and digital editions. *Transformations* also operates under a Diamond Open Access model, which means publishing is free, transparent, and ethical for both authors and readers.

HORIZON EUROPE - FUNDING

Pillar I



Pillar II



Pillar III



ECHOES – A SUCCESSFUL CASE

<https://www.echoes-eccch.eu/>

ECHOES aims to create the European Collaborative Cloud for Cultural Heritage (ECCCH) as a shared platform for heritage professionals and researchers to access data, innovative scientific and training resources and advanced digital tools co-developed by the heritage community according to their specific needs. ECHOES will integrate the currently fragmented communities within the Cultural Heritage (CH) sector, bringing together diverse actors from various fields and disciplines into a cohesive community focused on the Digital Commons.

Within this project, DARIAH leads the Work Package on Gap Analysis and Integration Strategies for reusing datasets, tools and workflows, as well as the work on Collaborative Research Scenarios in the emerging Cloud ecosystem. Furthermore, DARIAH develops a comprehensive set of training activities that will form the ECHOES Curriculum, facilitating the development of knowledge, skills and practices in data sharing and reuse practices. DARIAH is involved in tasks across ECHOES focusing on Sustainability, Business Plans as well as Ambassadors' Schemes.

GENERAL INFORMATION

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PROJECT PARTNERSHIP

The ECHOES Consortium is composed of 26 beneficiaries, 16 affiliated entities and 9 associated partners, covering 15 EU member states. Project partners cover a broad spectrum of fields, including language, social and cultural data, art, archaeology, museums, archives, libraries, monuments and sites, conservation-restoration, cultural management, media culture, digital cultural heritage, and intangible heritage. The consortium's configuration ensures complementarity in terms of skills. The project is coordinated by the French National Center for Scientific Research (CNRS).