



CREMLINplus: what does the European Commission expect?

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The call: scope

- Dedicated sub-topic of INFRASUPP-01-2018-2019: **Policy and international cooperation measures for research infrastructures**
- -> (c) **Research and Innovation actions** for the 2019 deadline
- The purpose of this sub-topic is to **support the further structuring of the cooperation with the Russian Federation in the Research Infrastructure domain.**
- Indicative budget **25 M€**



- *Demonstrate the involvement of relevant entities on both sides*
- *Build on the recommendations of the CREMLIN project*

The call: 3 dimensions

1. Complementarity between **Russian Mega Science initiatives** and their European counterparts:
 - Joint development and acquisition of specific instrumentation
 - Joint conceptual and technical design
 - Joint development of future technologies
2. Overcome the barriers that prevent **European scientists from accessing Russian Research Infrastructures -> LIST-11**
3. Develop a **staff exchange programme** and thematic courses and workshops

Evaluation

- One proposal submitted: **CREMLINplus**
- Evaluation by a panel of external experts on 23 May 2019
- Presence of **2 observers from the Russian Federation**
- Selected for funding
- Signed by both parties in January 2020.

EC's main expectations (1)

1. Megascience (WP2-7)

- Strengthen the cooperation between the 5 RU megascience initiatives and their EU counterparts: science, technology, governance, strategy, communication...
- Involve partners from several EU countries; go beyond historical bilateral links.

EC's main expectations (2)

2. Access (WP8)

- Assessment of the state-of-the-art in Russian RIs; existing policies, obstacles, risks, opportunities... Priority target: LIST-11 (non exclusive)
- Assessment of the awareness/interest of EU researchers towards Russian RIs
- Setting up of a transnational access policy and guidelines for Russian RIs (single access point; transparent access rules; excellence-based access policy; IPR; data management; support services...)
- Recommendations for improving access
- Visibility
- Access to scientific data; link with EOSC and other EU initiatives

EC's main expectations (3)

3. Staff exchange / training (WP9)

- Training for RI staff and scientists, focusing on RI management, long-term sustainability, access procedures...
- Staff exchange for mutual learning: technical or managerial. Side effect: community building
- Go beyond Megascience initiatives and LIST-11 RIs

Additional benefits

- Contribute to the **long-term sustainability** of Russian RIs, but also of the EU-Russia cooperation on RIs.
- Better **connect Russian and EU strategic initiatives** in the field of RIs.
- Encourage **Russian participation** in other parts of EU Research and Innovation Framework Programmes.
- Contribute to **Science Diplomacy** through Research Infrastructures.

Thank you



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