

## WP 9: Fellowship and Training programme for Ukraine WP10: Sustainability for RIs in Ukraine

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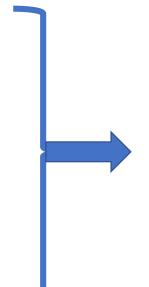


#### **EURIZON NON-TECHNICAL WPs: Status**

Two WPs have been completely transformed!

WP 9: Fellowship and Training programme

**WP10: Sustainability of RIs** 



## The amendment has been signed on Monday!

(thank you REA for the support!)

- Prolongation until April 2025 (M63)
- Budget rise for Fellowship programme
  - Pilot project with RI.Logistica
    - Etc...

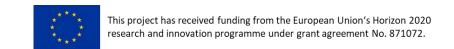






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### WP 9: "Fellowship and Training Programme" in EURIZON

M28= May 2022 M63= April 2025

9.1.1	Remote research grants for researchers from Ukraine	M28 -M63
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M28 -M63

#### 9.1.1 **Remote research grants** for researchers from Ukraine

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- The selection process and criteria;
- The budget;
- Current status of the selection process;
- Who are our applicants;
- First set of lessons learned so far;





please check if your questions are not already answered in the FAQ

#### WP 9.1 EURIZON Fellowship Programme

#### 9.1.1 **Remote research grants** for researchers from Ukraine

M28 -M63

Call and dissemination

<u>ACTION</u>: provide temporary fellowships, with the duration of 6 or 12 months, consisting in individual research grants to teams of vulnerable researchers, working remotely from Ukraine, on research projects conducted in collaboration with partners from European RIs (in all scientific domains).

<u>TARGET APPLICANTS</u>: teams of Ukrainian researchers and RI relevant staff (2-5 Members) led by one experienced researcher (Principal Investigator). Not only scientists but also engineers, PhD students, technicians, research assistants, etc.

**EUROPEAN PARTNERS**: will support UA teams on research topics of common interest from all scientific domains (not receiving the grant).

<u>Expected outcome</u>: provide temporary support to vulnerable researchers in Ukraine + if possible, initiate structured and long-term EU-UA scientific and technical collaborations and joint publications.

**TIMING**: Opening of call: April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023

Deadline: May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023

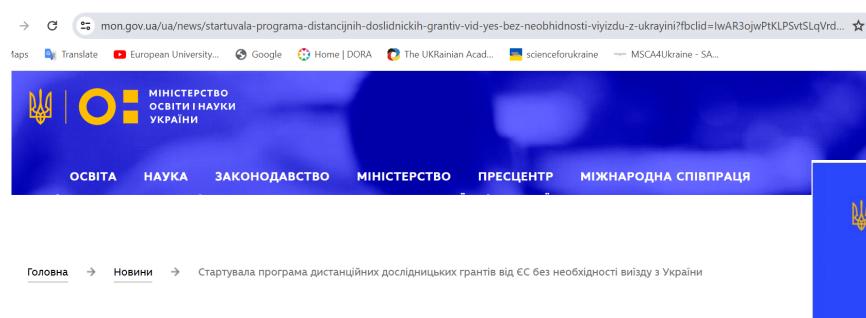
Starting of projects: Fall 2023 February – March 2024

Call announcement : <a href="https://www.eurizon-project.eu/news/">https://www.eurizon-project.eu/news/</a>

More than 780 applications received !!!

#### 9.1.1 **Remote research grants** for researchers from Ukraine

#### Call and dissemination



## СТАРТУВАЛА ПРОГРАМА ДИСТАНЦІЙНИХ ДОСЛІДНИЦЬКИХ ГРАНТІВ ВІД ЄС БЕЗ НЕОБХІДНО ВИЇЗДУ З УКРАЇНИ

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Announcement on the website of the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine www.gov.ua



EURIZON

#### 9.1.1 Remote research grants for researchers from Ukraine

#### Call and dissemination



The National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine

Announcement on the website of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine www.nas.gov.ua

#### The press service of the NAS of Ukraine

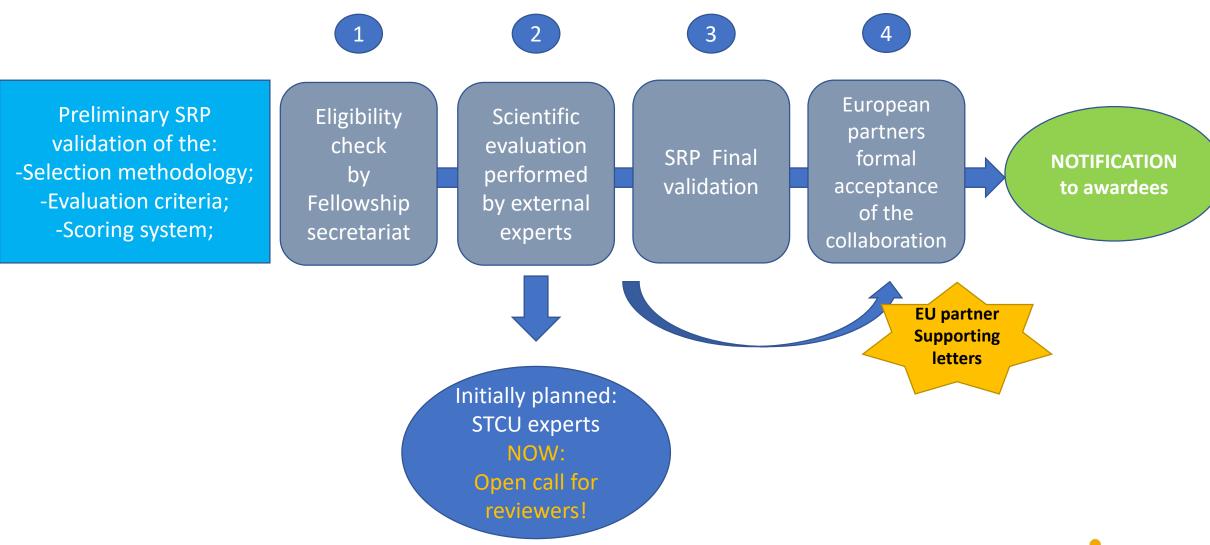
News The Academy proposes About NASU Presidium Members Staff Structure Awards Activity International cooperation Young scientists Trade U



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#### **Remote research grants - Selection process**







WP 9: Scientific Review Panel SRP

Domain	SRP Member	Function	Organization
Ukrainian Research Organization	<mark>Igor Girka</mark>	Dean of the School of Physics and Technology, Corresponding Member of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine	Kharkiv V.N.Karazin National University;  National Academy of  Sciences of Ukraine
Ukrainian Research Organization	Olga Polotska	Executive Director of the State budgetary institution established by the Government of Ukraine	NRFU -The National Research Foundation of Ukraine
Energy	Manuel J. Blanco	EC H2020 European Research Area (ERA) Project Chair	Cyprus Institute - EU SOLARIS
Energy	Sverre Quale	Executive Director	ECCSEL ERIC
Environment	Werner Kutsch	Director General	ICOS ERIC
Environment	Juan-Miguel González- Aranda	СТО	LifeWatch ERIC
Life Sciences	Niklas Blomberg	Executive Director	ELIXIR
Life Sciences	Michael Raess	COO	Infrafrontier GmbH
Physical Sciences	Jana Kolar	Executive Director	CERIC-ERIC
Social Sciences & Humanities	Angelika Scheurer	Deputy Director	ESS ERIC
Social Sciences & Humanities	Jennifer Edmond	Director	DARIAH ERIC
eInfrastructures	Tiziana Ferrari	Managing Director	EGI Foundation
eInfrastructures	Hilary Hanahoe	Secretary General	Research Data Alliance

## REMOTE RESEARCH GRANTS for Ukrainian researchers Current STATUS:

More than 780 applications received of which 730 are eligible!

**OPEN CALL FOR EVALUATORS (Since June 2023) - ongoing** 

https://indico.desy.de/event/40224/

You are welcome to join us as reviewers!

How it is going the external evaluation process? Extremely time consuming!



#### **BIG INTERNATIONAL EFFORT!**

- More than 450 scientists from all over the world regstered as volunteer reviewers so far!
- Evaluators from 54 Countries: all over Europe but also Canada, US, Chile, Morocco, South Africa, Egypt, Israel, Turkiye, India, Malaysia, Singapore, South Korea, Japan, Australia, New Zaeland, ...

#### **BUDGET** for the remote research grants programme: 1.5 Mio € (initial)

**REA** raised the budget to 4.5 Mio €!

OLD Budget of 1.5 Mio 19 teams of 5 members or more for 12 months

24 teams of 4 members for 12 months

32 teams of 3 members for 12 months

Around 96/100 persons per 12 months

NEW Budget of 4.5 Mio 58 teams of 5 members or more for 12 months

72 teams of 4 members for 12 months

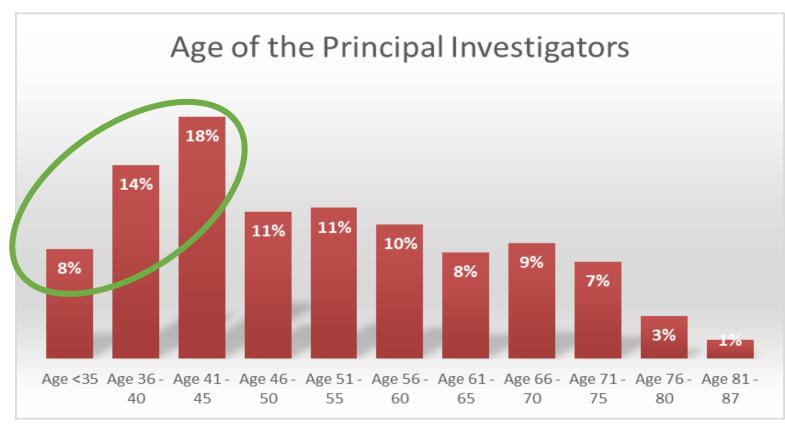
96 teams of 3 members for 12 months

Around 290/300 persons per 12 months

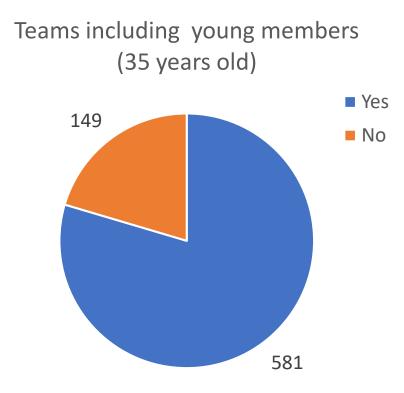
#### **WP 9.1 EURIZON Fellowship Programme**

#### WHO ARE OUR APPLICANTS?

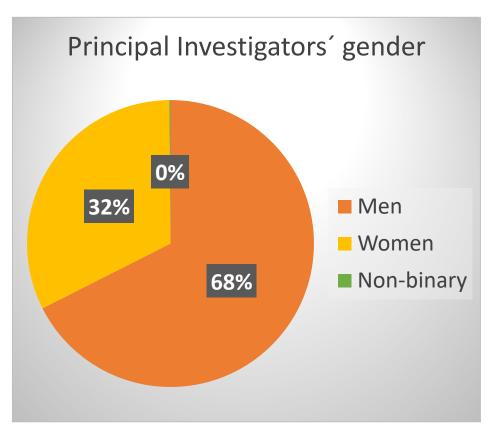
#### The age dimension within the teams



Age of the PIs: 40% of the Principal Investigators (experienced scientists holding PhD and 8 years of relevant experience) are 45 years old or younger.

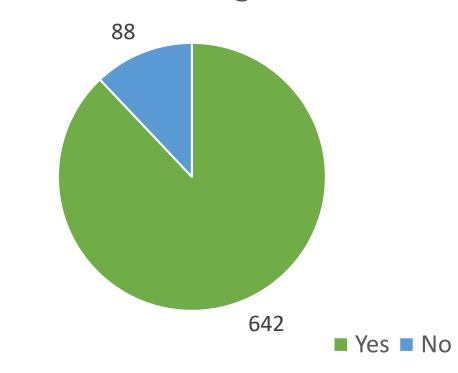


#### The gender dimension within the teams



Gender of PI: two third of PIs are men, one third are women.

#### Teams including women





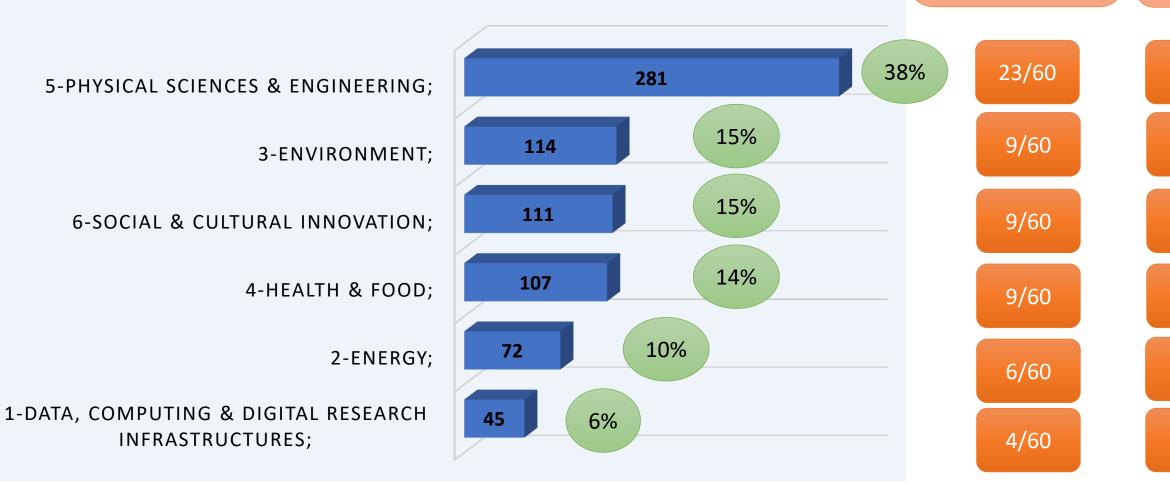
#### **SCIENTIFIC FIELDS**

awarded
proposals
(not compulsory to
respect this balance)

hypothesis: 60

#18 awarded in the 1st Shift

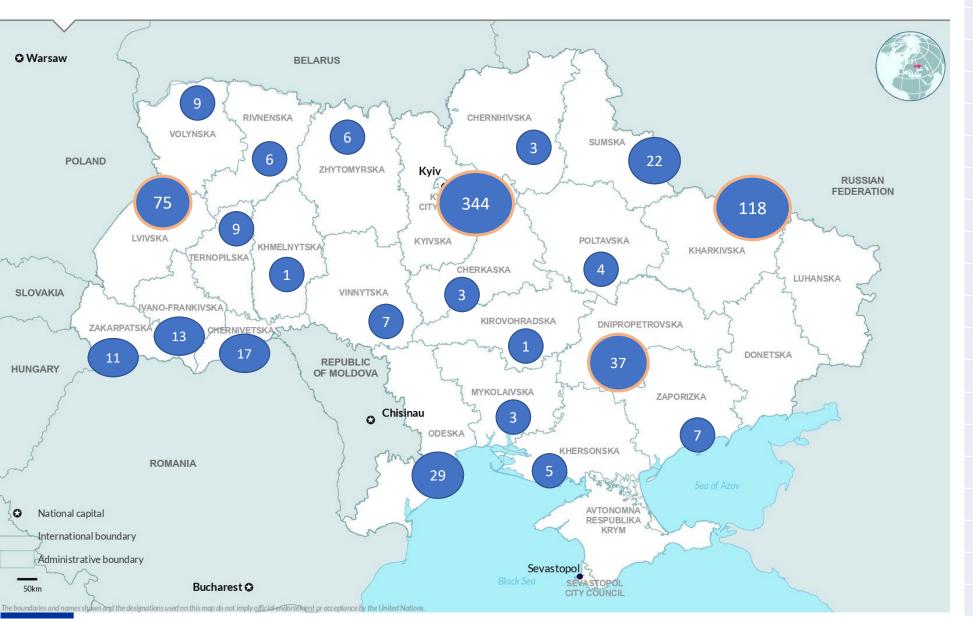
#### Thematic field of the eligible applications (730)



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#### PROVENANCE OF THE TEAMS

### Location of the affiliation institute of the PI



Khemelnytsk region	1
Kirovohrad region	1
Cherkasy region	3
Chernihiv region	3
Mykolaiv region	3
Poltava region	4
<b>Kherson</b>	5
Rivne region	6
Zhytomyr region	6
Vinnytya region	7
Zaporizhia region	7
Ternopil region	9
Volynsk region	9
Zakarpatsk region	11
Ivano-Frankivsk region	13
Chernivtsi regoin	17
Sumy region	22
Odesa region	29
Dnipropetrovsk region	<mark>37</mark>
Lviv region	<mark>75</mark>
Kharkiv region	<mark>118</mark>
Kyiv region	<mark>344</mark>

Projects duration	
6 months	50
12 months	680

Team members	
2 team members	39
3 team members	78
4 team members	118
5 team members	303
more than 5 members	192

#### **EUROPEAN PARTNERS**

## Geographic spread of European partners:

All UA teams had to nominate the name and contact of European scientists willing to collaborate during the research project. Ukrainian teams nominated partners from research Institutes located in 32 different European Countries\*. The following are the ones nominated more frequently:

Country of the affiliation Institute	
of the EU partner	# of applications
Poland	215
Germany	145
France	64
Czech Republic	55
Italy	52
Slovak Republic	38
Lithuania	33
Spain	21
Sweden	20
Latvia	19
United Kingdom	19

<sup>\*</sup>EU and H2020 Associated Countries.

#### FIRST SET OF LESSONS LEARNED

#### PRELIMINARY RESULTS FROM THE ANALYSIS OF APPLICATIONS AND FEEDBACK:

- ❖ Many Ukrainian scientists are still in their Country (80% as per NRFU analysis); are still working in research and being committed to excellent science, despite the extreme conditions;
- Main issues: lack of funding, salary cuts, facilities damaged, electricity and connectivity shortages, forced displacement (internally and externally), team fragmentation, trauma and stress, personal and family issues derived from war;
- European scientists are very willing to support Ukrainian colleagues and there are already many and very strong connections between UA and Europe science (it was easy to find partners from Europe for UA teams!).
- Ukrainian scientists abroad are very active and willing to support their teams home, creating links and collaborations.

#### WHAT WOULD BE NEEDED:

- > Programmes and funding to support scientists in Ukraine (especially working from remote) are urgently needed ALL SCIENTIFIC DOMAINS; Help scientists stay in research, allowing them to bridge this emergency situation and continue to work;
- ➤ Help scientists to keep contacts with **global scientific community**, to access data, archives and research tools; Create networks and partnerships; Allow Ukrainian users preference and fast tracks for RIS in Europe;
- Flexibility and quick adaptability (to the fast changing context) of the funding schemes are required;
- ➤ Help UA scientist to **apply to foreign grants**, to have a better overview of how science is organized and funded in other areas of the world help them exploit opportunities existing.
- ➤ Harmonize efforts and programmes needed coordination at international level and long-time plans;
- Involve also the **Ukrainian scientist who are currently abroad,** help them keep connections with their home Institutes and involve them in the process of reconstruction. Help revert brain drain.

ACTION: to support the participation of Ukrainian students to the RAC International Summer School 2022, 2023 and 2024

**TARGET APPLICANTS:** Young Ukrainian scientists (through an open call for applications).

**Expected outcome:** The RÅC International Summer School will help strengthening the scientific knowledge base of young researchers in advanced materials design with a strong connection to the excellent research infrastructures in the Baltic Sea region and to contribute to the necessary interdisciplinary literacy in relevant scientific fields and disciplines.

The RÅC International Summer School is a summer school on advanced materials research at large-scale X-ray and neutron facilities. The school is building on the German-Swedish Röntgen-Ångström-Cluster (RAC) and has a geographical focus around the Baltic Sea region. 2024 Edition= September 01-08, 2024 in Poland



**ACTION**: to enable a selection of representatives from the top scored Ukrainian teams awarded within the Fellowship programme (9.1.1), to travel to their European partners facilities (and/or vice versa, if the conditions will allow it).

**OBJECTIVES**: the aim is to fund around 15 staff/knowledge exchange visits, covering the organisational costs of the host, if applicable, and the full cost for the participants.

**TARGET APPLICANTS:** Selected team members of the FELLOWSHIP programme awardees.

<u>Expected outcome</u>: the staff exchange will to boost the teams mutual cooperation, facilitate the implementation of the research project, and will allow Ukrainian teams to develop a better understanding about European RIs and European research standards (open access procedures, etc). This will strengthen ties among the European and Ukrainian teams, which will be relevant to support the future integration of Ukrainian RIs in the European Research Area (ERA).

**TIMING**: Start of the programme: Spring 2024

End of the programme: March 2025

15 staff exchange visits

<u>ACTION</u>: funded **9 candidates from Ukraine** enrolled in the 5<sup>th</sup> Edition 2022-2024 of the **part-time** "Executive Master in Management of Research Infrastructures" ( <a href="https://emmri.unimib.it/home-2/">https://emmri.unimib.it/home-2/</a>) delivered by the University of Milano-Bicocca (Italy).

**EMMRI:** The Master programme has a duration of 18 months and is structured with both online sessions and 8 on-campus sessions in Milano. The fellowship waives the tuition fee for the Ukrainian candidates and also covers the travel for the 8 on-site visits to Milano. Fully remote participation is offered to those awardees who cannot travel outside Ukraine.

<u>TARGET APPLICANTS</u>: Selected research infrastructure (RI) researchers and staff from Ukraine benefit of the opportunity to participate in managerial training classes with participants from outstanding European and international RIs.

<u>Expected outcome</u>: contribute to empowering management skills of leaders of research Infrastructures and major research institutes of all scientific domains in Ukraine and contribute to strengthen the RI ecosystem of the Country.

**TIMING**: Deadline of the call: October, 2022

Programme start date: **28th November 2022** 

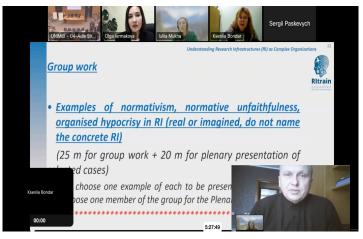
Graduation: 8-10 May 2024

Website: Home | General - EXECUTIVE MASTERS IN MANAGEMENT OF RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURES (unimib.it)

applications received,
9 awarded.

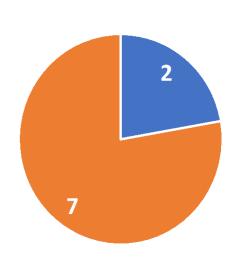


#### WP 9.3 – Fellowship Programme to EMMRI 5<sup>th</sup> Edition 2022-2024

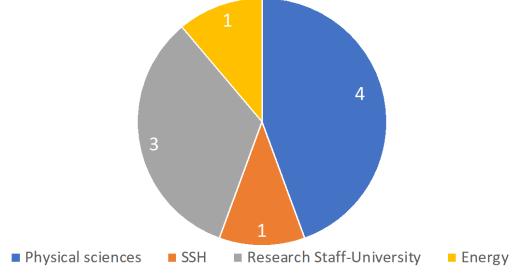








Average age: 39







This project has received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under grant agreement No. 871072.

**TIMING**: Programme start:

28th November 2022

Graduation:

8-10 May 2024

## Field projects – Ukrainian participants

Participants	Topic
Sergii Paskevych, Mukha Iuliia	Assessing the prospects and comparing the conditions for the development of scientific hub and a national Node in Ukraine
Vostriakova Viktoriia, Rubanenko Olena, Hryhoruk Irina	National initiative and strategic implementation plan of Bioeconomic National Node establishment
Shevchuk Oksana	Ternopil National Medical University RI Capacity Building
Iermakova Olga	Strategy for international visibility of Economic Research Institute through RIs
Motrunich Sviatoslav	Organisational structure and the role of teamwork during the development and implementation of welding procedure specification for nuclear power plants

#### 9.4 Mapping of the status and training needs for restoring capacity of RIs in Ukraine

(in parallel with task 10.1)

<u>ACTION</u>: mapping the existing RIs in Ukraine from all scientific domains (Headquarters and National Nodes), by identifying their current status and their training needs for restoring operations and capacity.

Role of NRFU: the task will be conducted in collaboration with the National Research Foundation of Ukraine (NRFU) (through subcontracting) and the newly established National Contact Points for RIs in Ukraine. NRFU will also help the WP9 team to perform a preliminary analysis of the survey results and to disseminate them to the Ukrainian research authorities.

**TARGET**: Directors of the Ukrainian Research infrastructures from all scientific domains.

**Expected outcome:** Based on the results of the explorative phase, and by later involving in the discussions on the analysis results also the researcher teams and their European partners from the Fellowship programme (through task 10.1), this task will help identify the competences and the potential networking and collaboration schemes needed to support the capacity of the Country's research system.



**TIMING**: Design of the survey: Ongoing

Dissemination of the survey: Spring – Summer 2024

Analysis of the feedback: Fall 2024

Dissemination results: Winter 2024 – Spring 2025 (recommendations on brain drain prevention – workshop)

through Outreach programme events (10.2)

M36-M63

#### 9.4 Mapping of the status and training needs for restoring capacity of RIs in Ukraine

(in parallel with task 10.1)

#### **SURVEY** will focus on 4 main objectives:

- 1-Mapping of the existing research infrastructures (situation pre-conflict), their main scientific topics and their governance structure.
- 2- Check what is the **current status** of the research infrastructures, the impact of the war on the infrastructures, on the operations of the institute and on the life and work of their scientists and technical staff ( particular focus on the gender dimension of the impact of the war).
- 4-Check what are the current **most urgent challenges to the operations of the Research infrastructures**, the immediate needs for continued operations (during the war and post conflict) and what are the needs for sustainability on the long term (post conflict).
- 3-Check what are the **main training needs of Research infrastructure** management, scientists and technical-administrative personnel in order to <u>restore and boost capacity building.</u> Special focus on reverting <u>brain drain.</u>





## WP10: Sustainability for RIs in Ukraine

Tasks 10.1 and 10.2 of this WP can be conceived as a work in progress. The concrete activities will evolve over the course of the project, becoming more precise and substantial and reacting to the evolution of the political situation in Ukraine.

WP leaders:
Greta Facile
Martin Sandhop
Enrico Guarini



## WP 10: Sustainability for Ris in Ukraine

This WP is designed to contribute to RI capacity building in Ukraine in all scientific domains and to raising awareness in Europe about the needs of Ukrainian RIs and the possible opportunities for support and cooperation.

Tasks 10.1 and 10.2 of this WP can be conceived as a work in progress. The concrete activities will evolve over the course of the project, becoming more precise and substantial and reacting to the evolution of the political situation in Ukraine.

WP 10.1 RI Capacity building for all scientific domains in Ukraine

WP 10.2 Outreach activities for the sustainability of Ukrainian RIs

### WP 10: "Sustainability of RIs in Ukraine"

#### WP 10.1 RI Capacity building for all scientific domains in Ukraine

M28-M63

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

- Assess the landscape and status of RIs in Ukraine before and during/after the crisis and evaluate needs of Ukrainian RIs for continuing operation and reconstruction (in parallel with task 9.4);
- \* Explore <u>funding</u>, <u>networking</u> and <u>collaboration</u> opportunities between European and Ukrainian research Institutes;
- Work out recommendations to prevent and revert (when the situation will allow) brain drain from Ukraine;
- ❖ Designing, testing and implementing a <u>logistic solution providing Ukrainian RIs with donations of scientific equipment, tools, and spare parts from European Research Infrastructures and Universities through a collaboration with RI.Logistica.</u>

DESY with the support of UNIMIB and NRFU will map the status of Ukrainian RIs and investigate their capacity building and sustainability needs. This will create the basis of knowledge that will be used to raise awareness in Europe. DESY with the support of INR NASU and NSC KIPT will set up a task force with representatives of Ukrainian Research Institutions and "corresponding" European stakeholders to evaluate the situation of Ukraine RIs and their needs for continuing operation and sustainability.

- RI.Logistica

We established a collaboration with the European ILO (Industry Liaison Officer) Network and the RI Logistica Association in order to collect scientific equipment from European research institutes and Universities, consolidate the collected donations in a collection point in Lund, and facilitate the shipment of donated materials to Ukrainian RIs to address their immediate operational needs.

The ILO network will coordinate the donations from the European Institutes, RI.Logistica will ensure the consolidation and the logistic aspects of the transfer.

STCU and DESY will play a crucial role in supporting the transport costs, in liaising with Ukrainian RIs to identify their specific needs and working authorities with Ukrainian establish a streamlined framework bureaucratic for customs and associated with the processes importation of donated materials into the country.

1-Collecting tools and instruments from EU RIs Consolidating donations and materials in warehouse in Lund

3-Establish
agreements
for facilitated
green
corridor (VAT
and customs
procedures)

4-Deliver materials and tools to Ukrainan RIs

**ILO** network

RI.Logistica

STCU

DESY and RI.Logistica

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

- Outreach activities to disseminate the results of the analysis of the status of Ukrainian RIs and advocate about their needs for sustainability and reconstruction;
- Set up and provide a <u>platform for the dialogue between</u> <u>policymakers and scientists for Ukraine RIs capacity building;</u>



Webinars and a workshop with European RIs and public authorities to exchange with representatives of Ukrainian RIs landscape will be organized, designed to identify opportunities for cooperation and support measures, building sustainable ties towards the future perspective of Ukraine RIs and of their integration with the European RI landscape. These outreach activities will be used to disseminate the results of the analysis of the status of Ukrainian RIs and to advocate about their needs for sustainability and reconstruction;

EURIZON as both a political and research effort will **enable the dialogue between policymakers and scientists from EU and Ukraine,** will set up and provide a platform to allow experts to exchange ideas and think about opportunities to **sustain Ukrainian researchers and RIs capacity building**;



## OPEN CALL FOR EVALUATORS (Since June 2023) - ongoing https://indico.desy.de/event/40224/

You are welcome to join us as reviewers!

Please help us disseminate the call to your communities!







#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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