

Research infrastructure in Europe: practicalities

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Funds / investment

Know-how





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Preparatory activities

Investment

Operational costs

Access

Decommissioning*

Integration / netw.

(Exceptions are possible)

⁸ *nuclear infrastructure

Preparatory activities



MYRRHA Multi-purpose hYbrid Research Reactor, Belgium



- preparatory studies
- safety assessment of design
- environment impact assessment report _____

via R&DI **projects** as a result of **competitive** call for proposals



Investment



MYRRHA

Multi-purpose hYbrid Research Reactor, Belgium



- *budget* ~1,3-1,5 *bln* €
- at least 40% Belgium
- 40% international partners

Phases (planning):

- 2017-2026 100 MeV accelerator
- 2026-2033 600 MeV accelerator reactor construction
- 2033+ operation



Investment

EC owned

HFR High Flux Reactor, Netherlands



• critical in 1961

- entrusted to NRG, Netherlands in 1962
- NRG is operator of HFR
- Netherlands and France pay "basic" operational costs



Investment

access rights

JHR

Jules Horowitz Materials Test Reactor, France



- budget 1,5+ bln €
- international consortium, but owner&operator CEA, France
- *Euratom helped with preparatory* phase – via competitive call for proposals / project
- Euratom should have 6% of the access rights for 38 M€



Investment

loans or equity-like

imission

InnoFin EU Finance for innovators

- H2020 + European Investment Bank Group
- Large Projects, Emerging Innovators, Science, Infectious Diseases Finance Facility, Energy Demonstration Projects, MidCap Growth Finance, MidCap Guarantee
- InnoFin Science: including financing of buildings and other infrastructure directly related to R&I activity – in form of debt or equity-type financing from 25 M€
- Euratom WP 2016-2017: Support for fission research & innovation (R&I) investment projects of pan-European relevance through the InnovFin instrument.
 - Up to 20 M€ guarantee for EIB loan, with multiplication factor 6-7
 - Assessment by EIB
- Example: 305 M€ EIB loan to 2 RD&I centres in Poland 13https://www.eib.org/en/press/all/2019-269-eib-boost-for-research-and-development-in-poland

Operational costs



- in R&I-type of projects or coordination/support
- depreciation of equipment (proportional to use)
- "indirect depreciation" internal service cost
- acquisition of minor items / consumables



Stellarator Uragan 2M in Kharkiv, KIPT

Tasks are performed for and paid by H2020 Euratom project EUROFUSION (EJP)



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Access

Yes

- targeted transnational access projects
- either transnational access, based on call for proposals, or virtual access (online services)
- Research Infrastructure landscape https://ec.europa.eu/info/files/research-infrastructures-landscape_en
- RI offering free access with EU support: https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/info/files/research and innovation/ris offering tna october2018.docx
- RICH, the European Network of National Contact Points (NCPs) for Research Infrastructures in Horizon 2020 http://www.rich2020.eu/
- <u>http://www.rich2020.eu/tas_calls</u>
- <u>http://www.rich2020.eu/proposals</u>



Access



- Neutron source, reactor Orphée at Laboratoire Léon Brillouin, France
- LLB is part of NMI3 Integrated Infrastructure Initiative for Neutron Scattering and Muon Spectroscopy



access via call for proposals

• for whole NMI3 https://nmi3.eu/about-nmi3/access-programme/facilities---submit-a-proposal.html

for LLB http://www-llb.cea.fr/en/Web/avr2000 e.php





ACCESS

- Joint Research Centre (JRC) of EU six sites in five different countries
- 10 scientific areas, including nuclear safety and security
- In Euratom Work Programme 2019-2020 OA-05: Administrative arrangement with the JRC on a pilot action on open access to JRC research infrastructure
- JRC contributes by personnel costs and operational costs
- DG RTD contributes by visiting costs (750 k€ in total)
- competitive call for proposals (run by JRC)
- should be in place from 01/01/2020



Yes

- "indirectly financed" access
- tasks as part of R&I action or coordination/support action
- Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions
 - Research and Innovation Staff Exchange (RISE) funds short-term exchanges of personnel
 - Research networks (ITN) supports joint research training and/or doctoral programmes
- ERC grants



Infrastructure & H2O2O / 12 Decommissioning* No JHR Jules Horowitz Materials Test Reactor, France



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all liability costs & decommissioning costs

stay with operator



European Commission

*nuclear infrastructure

Integration / networking

Objectives:

- reduce fragmentation of the research and innovation ecosystem
- avoid duplication of effort
- better coordinate the development and use of research infrastructures
- establish strategies for new pan-European, well-established intergovernmental or national research infrastructures
- join forces internationally to construct and run large, complex or expensive infrastructures



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Beyond EU framework RD&I programmes / 1

International Thermonuclear Experimental Reactor, ITER

Members of ITER consortium: European Union, India, Japan, China, Russia, South Korea and the United States Built in France, budget ~25 bln €, start of constr. 2013



First plasma – 2025 Deuterium/tritium operation – 2035 Heating – 50 MW Fusion power – 500 MW Continuous operation – up to 1000 s

EU financing - outside of Multiannual **Financial Framework**



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Beyond EU framework RD&I programmes / 2 European Structural & Investment Funds

Major ESIF projects



- European regional develop. fund,
 European social fund, Cohesion fund,
 European agricultural fund for rural
 development, European maritime and
 fisheries fund
- More than 50% of EU budget

5 priorities

- research and innovation
- digital technologies
- supporting the low-carbon economy
- sustainable management of natural resources
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Beyond EU framework RD&I programmes / 3 European Structural & Investment Funds

€3.5



- managed by the EU countries themselves, by means of partnership agreements
- example Slovakia, 2014-2020
 - total budget 19,3 bln €
 - ESIF contribution 15,2 bln €
- 7 Operational Programmes: Research and **Innovation**, Integrated Regional, Technical Assistance, Integrated Infrastructure, Quality of Environment, Human Resources, Effective Public Administration

R&I expenditure is to increase from 0.8% (2012) to 1.2%(2020) levering private R&I spending from 0.34% to 0.8% GDP



Beyond EU framework RD&I programmes / 4 European Structural & Investment Funds Extreme Light Infrastructure

- on ESFRI roadmap in 2006, 150 mln € (estimated)
- distributed research infrastructure: ELI Beamlines (Cz), ELI Attosecond (Hu), ELI Nuclear Physics (Ro)
- will become **ERIC** in operational phase
- ELI-PP, FP7, 6/8 mln €; ELITRANS, H2020, 3,4/3,4 mln €



Beyond EU framework RD&I programmes / 5 INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT Instrument for Nuclear Safety Co-operation

- TACIS: 1991-2006, INSC: 2007-2020
- 521 (!) contract on nuclear safety (468 closed)
- Establishing of the NDT Center for Training, Qualification and Certification of Personnel of Ukranian NPP ~ 1 M€
- Disposal concepts for radioactive waste in Ukraine
 ~ 2 M€
- National Maintenance and Management Training Centre for Energoatom personnel at Zaporizhzhia NPP ~ 5,7 M€



Conclusions

- 1. Investment in research infrastructure primarily responsibility of a state and a business
- 2. "Big scientific instruments" nowadays have strong international character
- 3. EU RD&I Framework programmes play strategic role in terms of vision and needs of RI in Europe, but rather complementary role regarding financing RI
- 4. EU RD&I Framework programmes are of crucial importance for transnational access to RI and their networking
- Neighbouring to Ukraine EU countries strongly improved their RI capacity. This RI should be rather easy to access for UA scientists, using different means
- ²⁹ **6. Future is bright. But** ...



Future is bright.

But can only be achieved via knowledge intensive path requiring, among other,

modern high-end Research Infrastructure



European Neighbourhood Instrument

Ukraine: Single Support Framework 2018-2020

Sectors	Indicative allocation	%
Sector 1: Strengthening institutions and good governance, <i>including</i> the rule of law and security	EUR 108.45 million - EUR 132.55 million	25
Sector 2: Economic development and market opportunities, <i>including</i> private sector development and improvement of the business climate	EUR 86.76 million – EUR 106.04 million	20
Sector 3: Connectivity, energy efficiency, environment and climate change.	EUR 65.07 million – EUR 79.53 million	15
Sector 4: Mobility and people-to-people contacts, <i>including</i> social inclusion	EUR 86.76 million – EUR 106.04 million	20
<i>Complementary support for capacity development</i>	EUR 65.07 million – EUR 79.53 million	15
Complementary support to civil society	EUR 21.69 million – EUR 26.51 million	5

