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## Deploying e-Infrastructures to enable multidisciplinary collaboration in Environmental Science

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# Panel

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- “Specialised Support Centres (SSCs) will be created to provide **continuity, cohesion** and **cost savings** to the user communities
- “EGI will offer **services to large infrastructures** that have their own gateways and who expect **a seamless integration of grid services into their own infrastructure**”.
- “The scale and diversity of these projects immediately suggests that EGI should provide **specialised services for them on a case-to-case basis**.”
- “The SSC covers a multitude of goals
  - **Vertical** (Domain specific activities)
  - **Horizontal** (General purpose services)

- Might NGIs and SSCs, as they are intended now, be extended to meet the ES requirements? Should new types of superimposed domain-specific centres dealing with ES resources be introduced? Is anarchy the only feasible solution?