

**RI-WP 2018-2020**

**L'appel INFRAINNOV-02-2019 Network  
of research infrastructure Industrial  
Liaison and Contact Officers**

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# Challenges

- **Promote a more extensive partnership on joint research and development projects**, addressing the development of advanced technologies, as well as specific activities fostering collaboration such as innovation, training and exchange programmes
- **Develop mutual learnings among ILOs/ICOs and exchange of information** on various aspects such as: awareness and communication strategies, procurements activities, industry requirements and marketing of new technologies developed for their facility
- **Establish a European network of Industrial Liaison and Contact Officers (ILOs/ICOs)** engaged with pan-European research infrastructures, including ESFRI landmarks and projects, as well as of other relevant world class research infrastructures of European interest

# Expected impacts

- **Increase the awareness of industry (including SMEs) regarding opportunities offered by research infrastructures** and its involvement in the development of research infrastructures technologies and services, thus raising the technological level and competitiveness of European companies;
- **Improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the services provided by the ILO and ICOs;**
- **Help research infrastructures to develop more business oriented activities**, including specific support and services dedicated to industry, and the promotion of skills to manage any resulting intellectual property right;
- **Provide a better insight into the return of investment in and societal impact of Research Infrastructures.**

# Proposals should address:

- **Training sessions and exchange of best practices** across various research domains;
- **Enhanced cross-border and cross-thematic brokerage events** such as innovation exhibitions and industry-research infrastructures showcases;
- **Joint awareness campaigns towards industry** (including SMEs) on the potential added-value of engagement with research infrastructures for their activities. This could include specific support to industrial partners in acquiring the know-how on procurement actions related to Research Infrastructures;
- **The analysis of national indicators** to measure the performances of ILO/ICOs' activities;
- **The development and maintenance of portals** providing information on research infrastructures' calls, tenders, future needs and technology transfer opportunities

# Modalités pratiques

- **Type of action:** Coordination and Support Action
- **Budget:** 1,5 M€ (*this does not preclude submission and selection of proposals requesting other amounts*)
- **Duration:** 2 years ?
- **Publication:** 14 november 2018
- **Deadline:** 20 march 2019
- **Results:** July 2019
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