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Internationalisation of the projects' results

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CzechGlobe specifics

Interdisciplinary research (from life sciences to socioeconomic fields)

Big amount of data (e.g. remote sensing data, climate modelling data, sensors in various ecosystems sites collecting e.g. 20 figures per second...) =) challenge to keep control and right interpetations

Change in time (data corrections, remodelling...based on the latest methodology development)

CzechGlobe specifics

International collaboration mainly within 7 pan-European infrastructures (ESFRI) and world databases (e.g. WMO, Fluxnet...) =) challenge to fulfil all data protocols and keep all background information necessary for the provided data interpretation (e.g. geographical conditions of the monitoring site), who takes the responsibility

International staff (more than 25 nationalities) and various national and international partners =) cultural differences, different background, expectations and experience

Czechgobe specifics

Multisource funded research =) different funders' rules (e.g. acknowledgement, embargos, trade secrets, data sustainability)

Various types of data (e.g. basic data, "cleaned" data, metadata (synthesized data), modelled data (e.g. via neural nets methods)

Czechgobe specifics

Political sensitivity of climate research (IPCC Climategate, climate skepticism, alarmism, big societal expectations)

Heavy effort of the data "production (time and financial costs, operational and managerial effort)

Wide range of users (stakeholders, researchers, governments, IPCC, world databases, companies, SMEs, students, mass media, wide public...)

Reuse of the others' data

Main information source

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The third volume of the ESFRI Scripta series is built on the outcomes of the ad hoc Working Group on Innovation as approved by the Forum in March 2016. This ESFRI Scripta volume 'Innovation-oriented cooperation of Research Infrastructures' describes the different forms of industry and Research Infrastructure collaboration that generate innovation: industry as supplier for the construction / upgrade of the RIs, being instructed and guided in developing new technologies or production protocols; industry as partner of RIs and industry as user exploiting the specific dedicated access modes as well as through the academic access supported by research grants. It is focused on the main objectives which were defined by the Forum – see the Terms of Reference of the Working Group on Innovation – INNO WG – namely to contribute to the development of a strategy aimed to strengthen and improve the relations between Research Infrastructures and Industry and to promote the potential for innovation of Research Infrastructures in all its aspects. All sections of the report are concentrated on these issues. Examples of good practices are given in the Boxes.

Identifying partnership opportunities with the business at the international stage

Business applied partners

- Companies (SMEs, international companies)
- NGOs
- With suppliers (joint improvement of the supplied instruments and technologies)
- Spin-offs and start-ups
- TNA (transnational access to research infrastructure)
- International organisations (UN, NATO, EU institutions...)

Identifying partnership opportunities with the business at the international stage

Personal contacts (e.g. family and professional contacts, employment of foreign experts, scientific mobility and traineeships, expats abroad

Project consortiums

References and recommendations (e.g. governmental support, participation and hosting ministerial foreign visits)

Networking with ambassies based in the country and abroad

Networking (must be very selective)

Identifying partnership opportunities with the business at the international stage

Active (co)organisation of the events (conferences) not only in home country but also abroad (esspecially Brussels...)

Sending experts to present topics to specifics events where are relevant contacts

Collaboration with the representatives of the international companies working in the country

Establishment of preconditions for effective transfer of technologies abroad, collaboration with industry and internationalisation of the projects' results

Be ready!

How:

- Long-term collaborations via "clubs" (ESFRI, ESFRI, ESFRI...)
- Clear centre competencies (who, what, when...)
- To have capacity (in-house, outsourced)
- To have experience
- Good contacts
- References

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How:

- References
- Teach and educate your (potential) users and partners
- ISO
- · Learning by doing approach
- Try crazy things (awards nominations, invitation of famous reputable persons/experts, nominations to international expert positions)
- Don't worry to lobby activelly participate in creation of the game rules, results promotion (e.g. legal norms and public policy based on your technology)

TT via pan-European research infrastructure consortiums

European Strategy Forum on Research Infrastructures (ESFRI)

European Research Infrastructure Consortium (ERIC)

Association of European-Level Research Infrastructures Facilities (AISBL)

European Institute of Innovation & Technology (EIT)

Long-term research infrastructure collaborations with non-EU countries

Mainly supported by: EU FP, national and ESIF funding

But also partner local funding (Vietnamese, Ghanian national funding, UN programmes)

International projects and public tenders abroad

UN tenders

Development aid

Bilateral projects

It is neccessary to have a very good local partner (it is not easy to find).

Conditions for participation of CoEs and CoCs in the Horizon 2020 programme

Quite quickly possible (even before centre final establishment)

Collaborate with the best from the beginning

Attract the projects professionals to the Centre from the beginning

FPs really help

Transnational open access to research infrastructure, technology transfer, capacity building, open access, open data

Open data (within the context of open access to infrastructure and results)

Active dissemination (e.g. via international databases, data management, collaboration on data protocols creation...)

Traceability (DOI)

Acknowledgment (e.g. to funding)

CzechGlobe data policy

Proactive approach via projects and collaborations with top partners e.g.

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- Safetica Technologies (globally operating IT company)
- CERIT-SC (Masaryk University IT partner)
- Participation in GDPR Commission of the Czech Academy of Sciences

Collaboration with Safetica Technologies

Data management

Data optimalisation

Data protection

Data safety (in case of scientific collaboration with the private partners)

Specific issues (global change research, GDPR...)

Challenges

Open data vs. commercial interests

Open data vs. acknowledgment and authorship

Open data vs. public aid

Open data vs. responsibility

Open data vs. personal data (e.g. GDPR)

Open data vs. time (e.g. sustainability)

Open data vs. innovation obsession of funders

Long term sustainability of research infrastructure

Benefits of current model that is OK:

- Stable long-term funding
- Based on robust international regular and fair evaluation
- Significant funding (surely more funding better funding)

Multisource funding supporting the RI development and operation is possible (e.g. H2020 project Readiness of ICOS for Necessities of integrated Global Observations (RINGO) implemented 2017-2020



Missed opportunities

Minimum support for the involvement of research in EU, UN and NATO development policies

Minimal support for "proexport" state policy in support of internationalization of new technologies and transfer of new knowledge

Hosting prestigious research institutes from abroad

Missed opportunities

Support for innovative public procurement

Systematic involvement of public administration as the first customer of R&D products

Absence of a culture of "improvers"