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EuPRAXIA Early Implementation Phase Project

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Early Implementation Phase Project

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- Natural evolution of the preparatory phase but narrower objectives
- HORIZON-INFRA-2025 -01-DEV-02
- Budget 1.5M€ (requested 1.7M€) Lump Sum grant
- Meant to support the implementation of the legal entity & answers shortcomings coming from the ESFRI monitoring evaluation (Apr.2025).
- Kick – off 01/10/2026 , 4 years duration

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SAVE THE DATE: Kick off meeting @ INFN-LNF 23rd November 2026 (date to be confirmed)

Agenda and invitation will follow soon (stay tuned!)

INFRA DEV

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INFRADEV - Consolidation and evolution of the European Research Infrastructure landscape, to develop an **integrated** European **ecosystem** of research infrastructures, including single-sited facilities, distributed facilities and networks of facilities providing joint services.

HORIZON-INFRA-2025-01-DEV-02:
Early phase implementation of ESFRI Projects that entered the ESFRI Roadmap in 2021

TYPE OF ACTION
- Coordination and Support Action (CSA)

INDICATIVE BUDGET
- EUR 16.5 million
- Expected EU contribution per project: EUR 1 - 1.5 million

OTHER CONDITIONS
- Indicative number of projects expected to be funded: 11
- Eligible costs will take the form of a lump sum

TIMING
- Call opening: 15 May 2025
- Deadline: 18 September 2025

INFRA DEV Scope

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Scope

- This topic targets the research infrastructure **projects that entered the ESFRI Roadmap in 2021**. Proposals must explicitly state which of these 11 ESFRI Projects* they target.
- Support can be provided for activities, such as:
  - Enlargement of the membership.
  - Establishment of the governance structure and legal entity.
  - Securing the funding.
  - Finalisation of the distributed architecture.
  - Development of ICT and data management solutions.
  - Development of access policies and users' strategies.
  - Consolidation of the international dimension.
  - Consolidation of the service offer.
  - Assessing possible expansion to new user communities/new needs.
  - Addressing staff and procurement related issues.
- Proposals should **focus on activities addressing identified bottlenecks**.

*ESFRI projects eligible for support: **EBRAINS, SLICES, SoBigData++, MARINERG-I, EIRENE RI, ET, EuPRAXIA, GGP, GUIDE, OPERAS, RESILIENCE**

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Project general data

1,49 M€	48	18 + 2	10	8
Total Budget	Months	Beneficiaries + 2 Associated partners	Countries	Work packages

Project Calendar

01/10/2026 — 48 Months — 30/09/2030

01/10/2028 – Mid term review

CALL

Call	HORIZON-INFRA-2025-01
Topic	HORIZON-INFRA-2025-01-DEV-02
PROJECT ID	101286681

Budget

€ 1.496.376,91

Funding Assigned after evaluation and updated DOA

€ 1.662.729.64

Funding Requested

90% Funded – 10% Cut after evaluation

Project Officer **Emanuela Marinelli**

Assessment

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Proposal Assessment

12,5 / 15	5/5	4,5/5	3/5
Overall assessment (Threshold 10/15)	Excellence	Impact	Implementation

Strength

- Excellent objectives and strategic alignment
- Strong consortium
- Credible implementation approach
- Strong expected impact and European Dimension
- Good dissemination and IPR approach

Weakness

- RIsk management under-developed
- Impact indicators to be addressed more accurately
- Gantt chart not very clear – sequence & timing to be developed better
- Some marginal inconsistencies between Proposal and Budget
- Very limited effort for some partners

Most of the short-comings corrected and implemented during the negotiation phase

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Work Packages & Leadership

1 Project Management & Coordination

Lead Beneficiary	WP Leader	Co-Leader
INFN	A.Falone	R.Hzveda

2 Outreach & Dissemination

Lead Beneficiary	WP Leader	Co-Leader
UniLiv	C.Welsch	S.Bertelli

3 Legal & Governance

Lead Beneficiary	WP Leader	Co-Leader
X-Officio	O.Graber-Soudry	R.Hzveda

4 Financial Model

Lead Beneficiary	WP Leader	Co-Leader
ELI-ERIC	R.Hzveda	O.Graber-Soudry

5 Distributed architecture

Lead Beneficiary	WP Leader	Co-Leader
CNRS	K.Cassou	A.Maier

6 User Access Strategy

Lead Beneficiary	WP Leader	Co-Leader
UniTov	F.Stellato	E.Principi

7 Data Governance

Lead Beneficiary	WP Leader	Co-Leader
IST	R.Fonseca	V.Klein

8 Application & Socio-Economic Impact

Lead Beneficiary	WP Leader	Co-Leader
CNR	L.Gizzi	R.Pattathil

Participants

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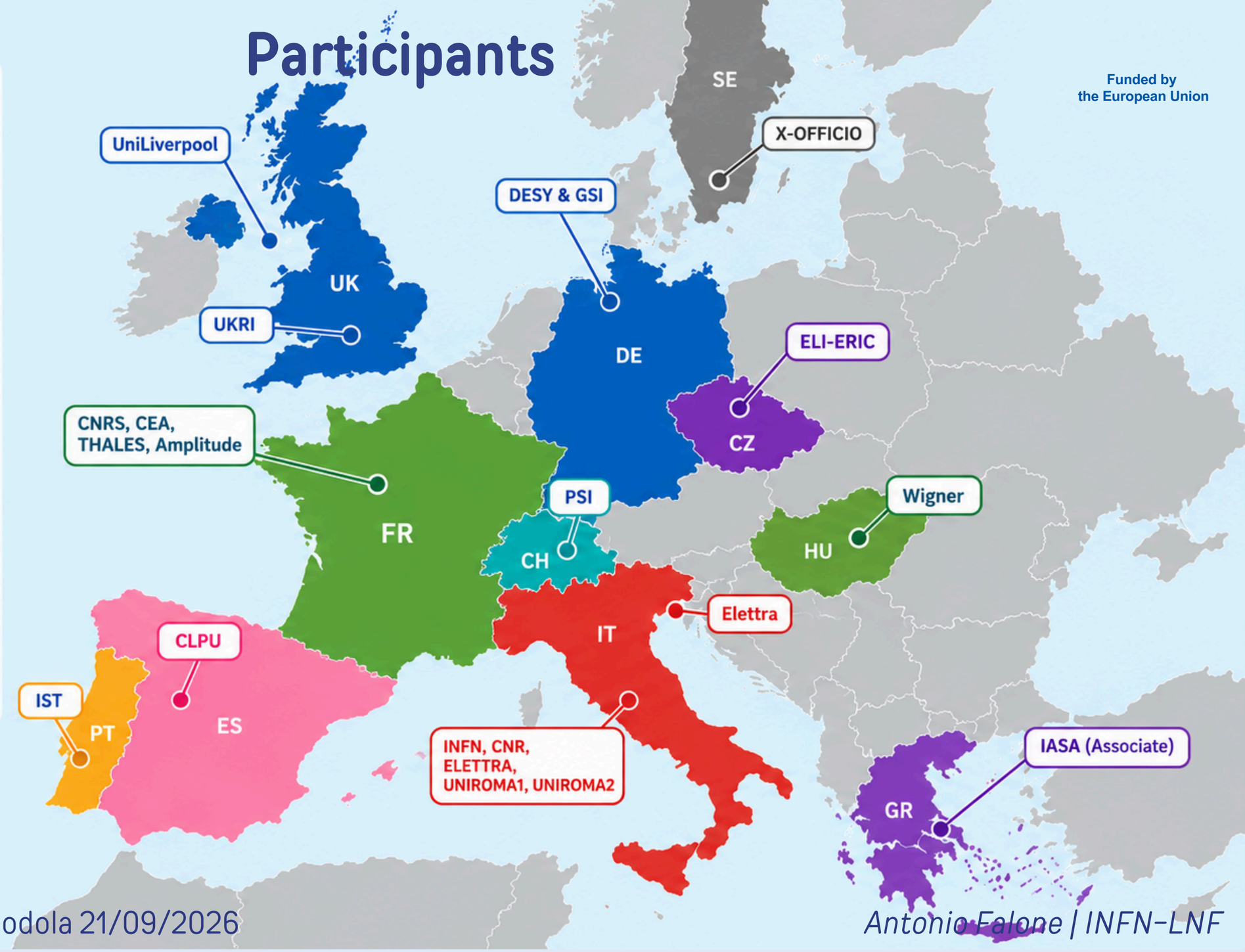
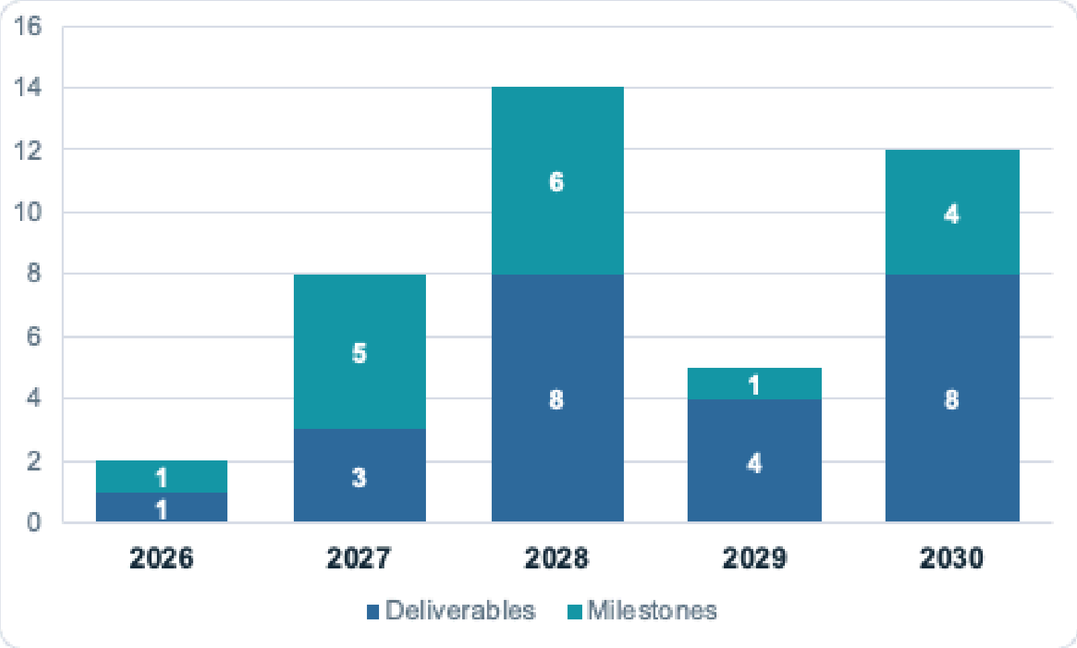
CZ	ELI-ERIC
DE	DESY (acting as national node) & GSI
FR	CNRS, CEA, THALES, Amplitude (Associate)
PT	IST
CH	PSI
IT	INFN, CNR, ELETTRA, UNIROMA1, UNIROMA2
ES	CLPU (acting as national node)
UK	UKRI, UniLiverpool
SE	X-OFFICIO
HU	Wigner
GR	IASA (Associate)



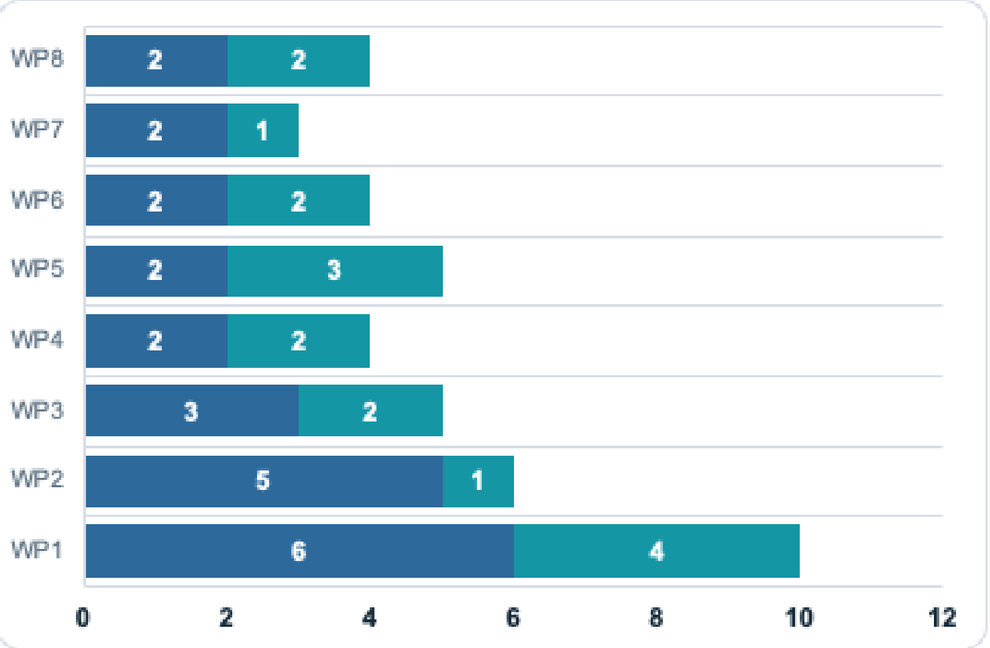
Milestones & deliverables

EuPRAXIA EIP
Project 101286681

Workplan



WP Milestones/Deliverables distribution



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Total deadlines
24 deliverables, 17 milestones

2028
14 deadlines – peak year

Tipi di deliverable

16 report **4 DEC** **4 DMP**

Work Plan

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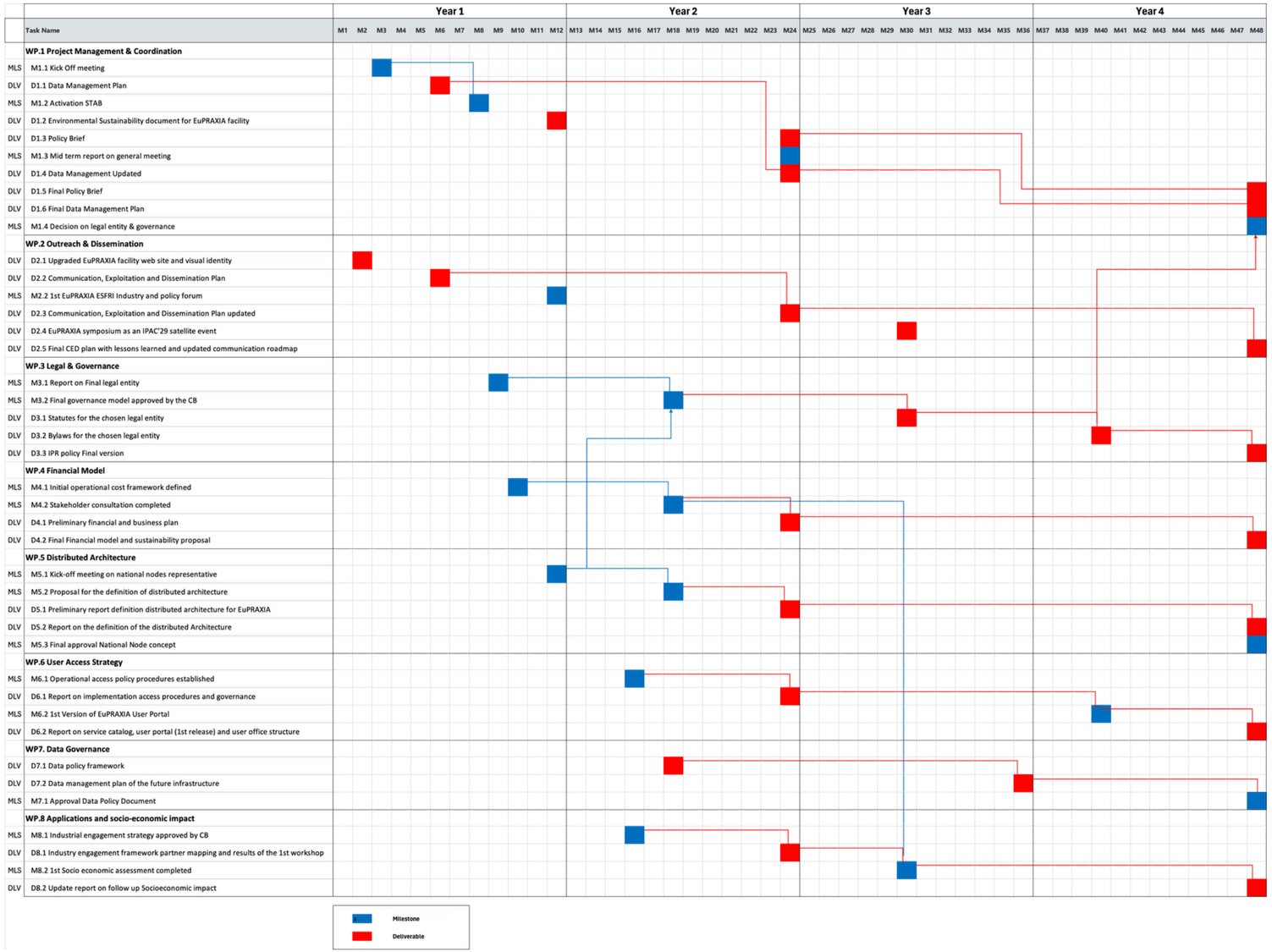

- **24 Deliverables**
- **17 Milestones**

Main outputs:

- Final agreement on the legal entity (likely an AISBL)
- Approval of the statute, bylaws and IPR Policy
- Governance and distributed architecture definition (National nodes role)
- In-Kind contribution framework
- Financial model and business plan (including running cost)
- Environmental sustainability report
- Data Management Plan
- Outreach & Dissemination events
- User base consolidation strategy

Project Objectives

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Main Goals

Bring the overall initiative to a level of maturity to finalize the implementation phase and ensure a proper transition to the operational phase.

Define the legal entity and legal relevant tools (Service Level Agreement, Bylaws, Statute, In-Kind etc.)

Finalize user access strategy

Finalize the general architecture (e.g. National Nodes role)

Produce a credible and sustainable financial plan

Environmental Sustainability strategy document

Progress on data management

Consolidate socio-economic impact and outreach & dissemination activities