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About ESF

- Independent association of European Science Organisations
- Established in 1974
- Offices in Strasbourg, Brussels, Ostend
- Budget: 52M€ in 2008

  (incl. COST)
- Staff: 151 (incl. COST)

ESF mission

The European Science Foundation provides a common platform for its Member Organisations (MOs) in order to:

- **Advance European research**
- **Explore new directions for research at the European level**

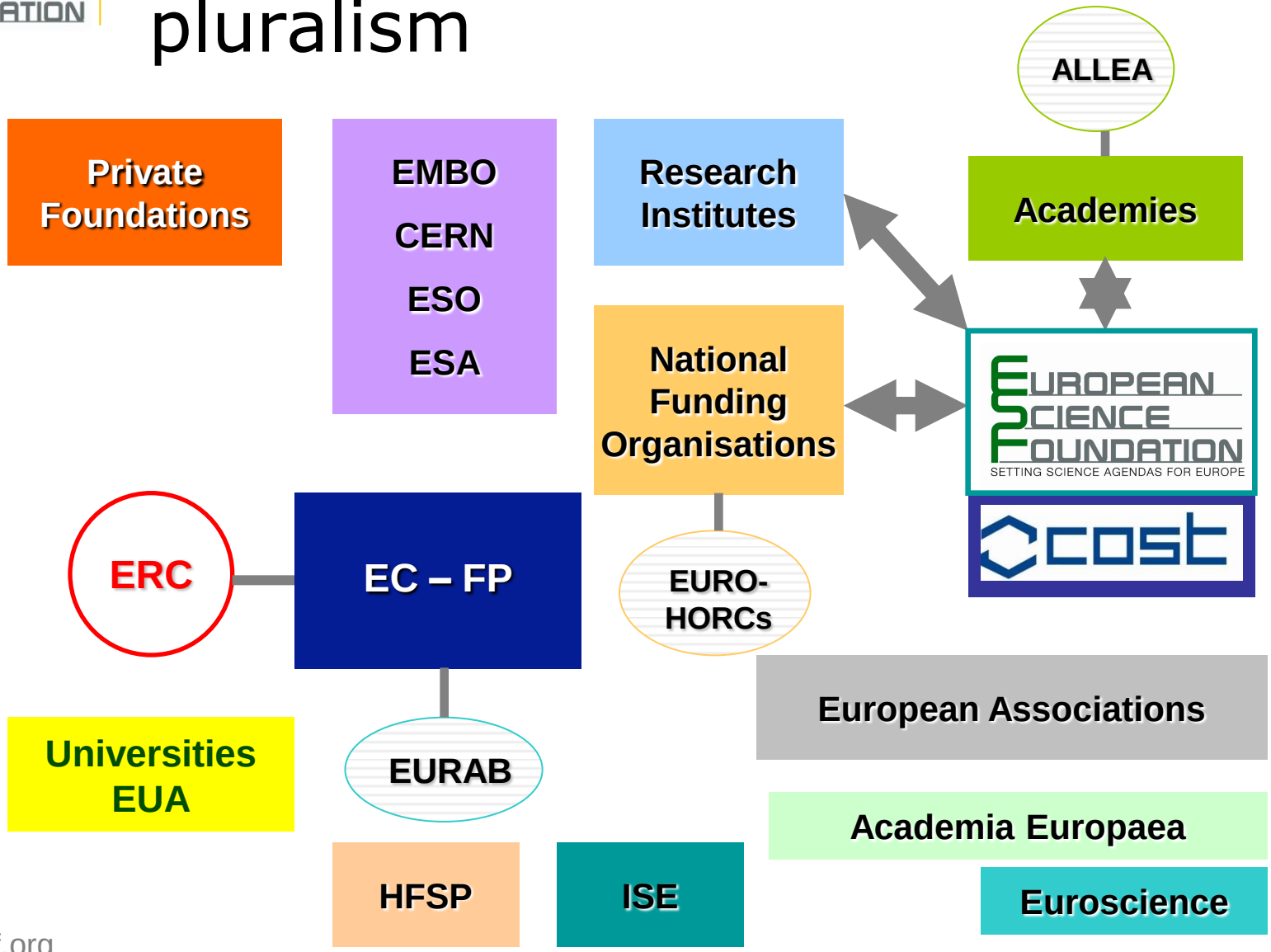
(from Strategic Plan 2006-2010)

Through its activities the ESF serves the needs of the European research community in a global context.

ESF Member Organisations

- 79 Member Organisations (research funding organisations, research performing organisations, academies)
- 30 countries

ESF and partners in the ERA: pluralism



Scientific domains covered by ESF

- Humanities
- Life, Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Medical Sciences
- Physical and Engineering Sciences
- Social Sciences
- Marine Sciences
- Nuclear Physics
- Polar Sciences
- Radio Astronomy Frequencies
- Space Sciences

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SCIENCE STRATEGY

- Exploratory Workshops
- Forward Looks
- MO Fora
- Science Policy Briefings

SCIENCE SYNERGY

- Research Conferences
- Research Networking Programmes
- EUROCORES

SCIENCE MANAGEMENT

- COST
- Other EC contracts (e.g. ERA-NETs)
- EUROHORCs activities
- Peer review

Forward Looks

- Medium - long term scientific perspectives
- Multidisciplinary topics viewed from a European level
- Bring together scientists and policy makers from ESF Member Organisations
- Wide consultation
- Should result in major reports and action plans

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Science Policy Briefings

- Address selected science policy issues of key concern to the ESF Member Organisations and the wider scientific community
- By drawing on the advice and expertise of the ESF's membership, the briefings aim both to provide information and to promote discussion

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