

Roadmapping Science in Society Impact, Evaluation, Accountablity

Outcomes of the Workshop

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advance European research collaboration
explore new directions for research at the European level





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- Established in 1974
- Budget 52 M€ in 2008
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- Member Organisations' General budget 8 M€ Staff 50



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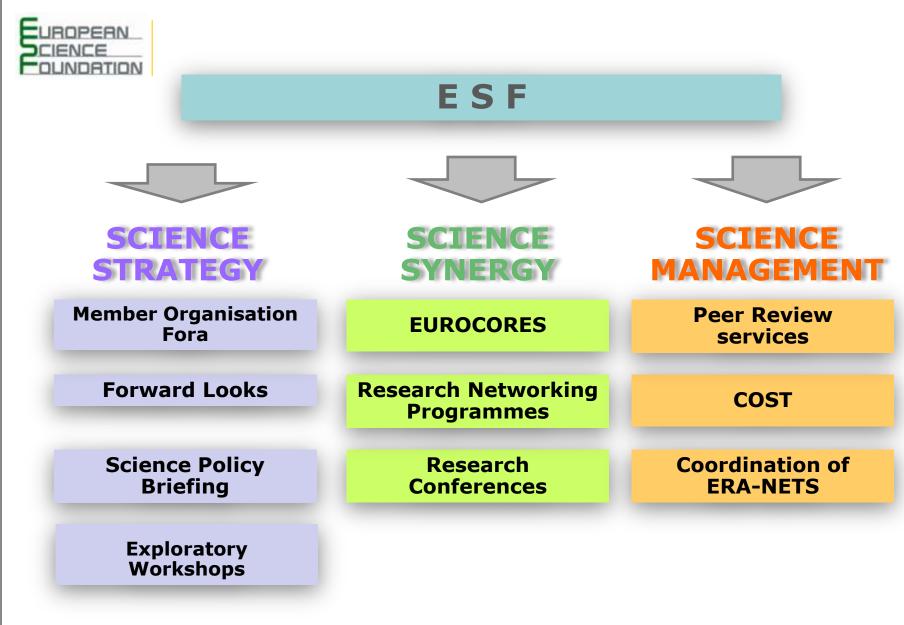


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Scientific domains covered by ESF

- Humanities
- Life, Earth & Environmental Sciences
- Medical Sciences
- Physical and Engineering Sciences
- Social Sciences





Science in Society



- Management of dialogue on SiS from national to European/international level
- Discussants: EUROHORCs, ALLEA, ESF Member Organisations, EC, other intl organisations
- The SiS theme proposed to CNRS (ESF MO)
- ESF has instrument for management of discussion: Member Organisation Forum
- ESF has an instrument for scientific exploration of the impact of science on society and its evaluation: Forward look

Member Organisation Fora



- Output-oriented, issue-related venues for MOs, involving decision-makers and target groups as appropriate
- To manage dialogue at European level
- To develop joint actions
- Actions to lead to development of
 - Best practices
 - Common procedures
 - Cooperative activities



Current MO Fora

- Researchers' Careers (37 Orgs)
- Peer Review (11 Orgs)
- Evaluation of Funding Schemes and Research Programmes (41 Orgs)
- Research Infrastructure (launched)
- Research Integrity (to be launched)

Forward Looks



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- Forsighting activities
- Themes from MOs, other Partners
 - Analysis of *status quo* and evolution of a scientific domain at European level
- Medium/long term perspectives
- Bring together scientists and policy makers from ESF MOs, using wide consultation
- Result in recommendations for national and supra-national levels, for setting research agendas and priorities



ESF Forward Looks since 2008

 Central and Eastern Europe beyond Transition 	05/2009	12/2010
Mathematics and Industry	05/2009	12/2010
 Responses to Environmental & Societal Challenges for our Unstable Earth 	05/2009	12/2010
New Media and New Media LIteracies	01/2009	12/2010
 Implementation of Medical Research into Practice 	01/2009	12/2010
Religion and Belief Systems	01/2008	12/2010
 Ageing, Health and Pensions in Europe 	05/2007	12/2009
 RNA World: a new frontier in biomedical research 	01/2008	12/2009
 Security: advancing a framework for enquiry 	12/2006	12/2009
Investigator-Driven Clinical Trials	07/2007	12/2009
 The Lincei Initiative: froms computers to scientific excellence 	05/2006	12/2008
 Higher Education in Europe and beyond 2010 	05/2006	12/2008
 European Food Systems in a Changing World (partnership with COST) 	03/2006	12/2008



Expectations



- Key experts and stakeholders in this meeting
- Invited to consider using ESF instruments
 Member Organisation Forum, Forward Look
- To explore the impact of science on society and how to evaluate it
- To promote accountability of science to society
- Special attention to dissemination and ensurance of impact of your work
- By involving the end-users of your work from the very beginning