MO Forum on Research Infrastructures

Three years of activities
Why do we need a Forum?

- RPOs and RFOs as important stakeholders
- Representation of MOs in European discussions of ERA
- Positioned between ministries and researchers
- Boundary conditions of RI funding and operation require European discussion
- Many important RI topics are independent of RI size
- Development of funding schemes according to requirements from science
Results

► Annual meetings
► Representation in European discussions
► Contributions to several papers/publications
► Basic requirements for RIs
► Joint MOFRI/MERIL/ESFRI workshop on European relevance
► MERIL
What requires continuation?

► Intense interaction with scientific community
► Actions on mobility
► Fostering networks of RIs
► Joint funding of RIs
► Legal aspects
► Financial aspects (for example structural funds)
► MOFRI and ESFRI, alignment of activities

→ NEW WORKING GROUP of SCIENCE EUROPE in 2013
MOFRI serves for a joint understanding of RI related topics

MOFRI enables discussion and dissemination of results

Funding schemes can be improved based on that

MERIL as platform for researchers

MERIL as platform for MOs/policy makers