Action Line C1.3: Mobilise and Facilitate Participation in Relevant International Initiatives

List of Approved Projects

Call Deadline: Continuous call until the budgeted funds are exhausted

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Short Summaries of the Projects

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**Swiss Associated EGI Membership**

The pan-european initiative EGI is a federation of computing and storage resource providers united by a mission to support research and development. It was founded in 2010 as a Dutch Stichting after a series of large european federated computing projects. In 2023 EGI has 29 full and associated members representing more than 300 organisations, supporting more than 70'000 users. Main income sources for EGI are membership fees and project and procurement funding from the European Commission (egi.eu).

Since 2010, the Swiss association EnhanceR (www.enhancer.ch), including its predecessor association SwiNG, provides the Swiss EGI membership for the Swiss research IT community and its users. In 2023 EnhanceR has as members ETHZ, EPFL, FHNW, FMI, HSLU, PSI, SWITCH, the University of Bern and the University of Fribourg. The University of Bern holds the presidency. Federated EGI computing and storage resources are supporting more than 10 Swiss research communities currently in the disciplines health, medicine and physics. Three Swiss data centers at the Swiss Super-Computing Center in Lugano (CSCS/ETHZ), the University of Bern and the Paul Scherrer Institute are connected to the EGI infrastructure and provide yearly hundreds of million computing hours. EGI is a major resource and service contributor to the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC). The membership in EGI ensures for Swiss scientists the exchange of research data and computing resources with international partners.

This proposal seeks the continued provision of the current Swiss associated membership in EGI by requesting the fee for 2023 and 2024, in total 55'000 CHF. The membership guarantees access to EGI and related EOSC services for Swiss research.