



## INTEGRATED EUROPEAN LONG-TERM ECOSYSTEM, CRITICAL ZONE AND SOCIO-ECOLOGICAL RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURE PPP

The eLTER Preparatory Phase Project (eLTER PPP) marks a decisive phase towards achieving the **long-term strategic goals of the eLTER Research Infrastructure (eLTER RI)**.

### WHAT WILL THE eLTER RI OFFER?

- **Filling a critical gap** for top-class, continental scale science by providing information on the **state of European ecosystems** and impacts of pressures
- **Access** to integrated research **sites** and **long-term data**, data products, models and analysis tools
- Support for research **project design** and development and testing of **new observation technologies and approaches**
- A framework to support **socio-ecological research** and greater stakeholder engagement
- **Education and training** programmes for site PIs, RI managers, researchers, other data users and students

#### Users

Researchers  
Policymakers  
Students  
Civil society

#### Central Services

Head office  
eLTER Service Portal  
Topic centres

#### National Research Infrastructures

eLTER Sites  
eLTER  
Platforms

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The **main objective** of the eLTER PPP is to carry out all required planning and specifications needed for constructing and operating the eLTER RI. It will therefore facilitate required formal decision making and commitments across 19 participating countries.

### eLTER PPP will:

- Establishing the vision, mission and strategic collaboration schemes of the eLTER RI, securing
  - a solid anchoring and role in the European RI landscape
  - international collaborations on global Grand challenges
- Define the requirements of the eLTER RI to be met by the Central services in support of excellent ecosystem research and other user groups
- Finalize the criteria to be met by National Research Infrastructure (NRI) components of eLTER RI, and establish a site labelling process to support the national eLTER ESFRI processes
- Set up eLTER RI's communication, dissemination and marketing strategies and procedures suited for seamless continuation in eLTER RI

**eLTER PPP will accomplish fundamental work** towards to a legal entity and fully operational Research Infrastructure. It will



Plan and consolidate effective governance and management structures with shareholders



Strive for a smooth transition from preparation into operations by establishing a legal entity and by taking appropriate measures to avoid known risks



Provide a cost benefit analysis and secure appropriate financial planning



Prepare the Head Office and define governance processes

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## CONSORTIUM

**27** partners from  
across **25** countries

## DURATION

**1** Feb 2020 – **31** Jan  
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