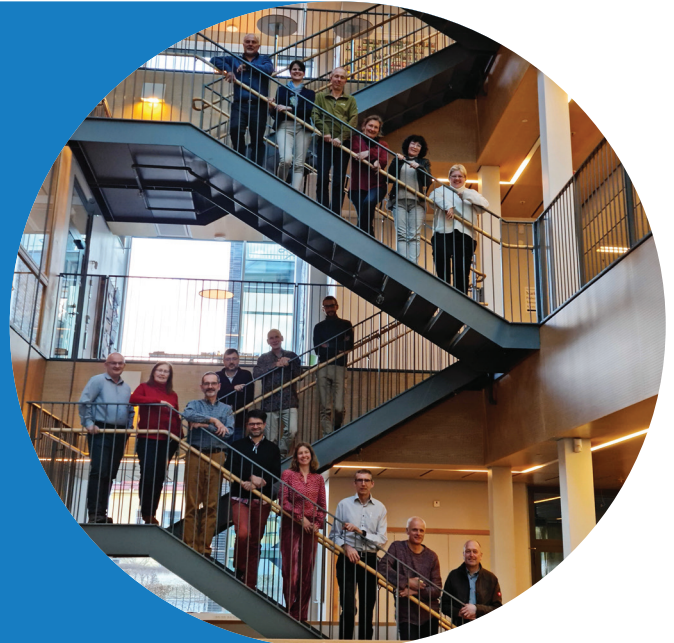


eLTER PREPARATORY PHASE PROJECT (PPP)

The eLTER Preparatory Phase Project (eLTER PPP) is a HORIZON 2020 funded project to prepare the implementation of eLTER RI (Integrated European Long-Term Ecosystem, critical zone and socio-ecological Research infrastructure). It coordinates the detailed design and service specification of eLTER RI. The outcomes are fed into the formal decision making processes towards the eLTER RI implementation and legal entity at the European and related national levels (eLTER ESFRI process).



Core objectives of eLTER PPP

The overarching objectives of the eLTER PPP are to carry out all required planning and specifications needed for constructing and operating the eLTER RI and to facilitate required high-level decision making and binding commitments across 19 participating countries. eLTER PPP closely interacts with eLTER PLUS (described in [InfoSheet 26](#)) in order to secure the highest relevance of eLTER RI services for the related research communities and other eLTER RI user groups.

- international gfdgcollaborations 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;
- Finalise 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.



Fig. 1: The Major focal areas of eLTER PPP.

Main activities of eLTER PPP

- Establish the vision, mission and strategic collaboration schemes of the eLTER RI, securing:
 - a solid anchoring and role in the European RI landscape



Moreover, eLTER PPP essentially contributes to paving the way towards a legal entity and fully operational and sustainable RI by:



Planning and consolidating effective governance and management structures as well as performance monitoring mechanisms with shareholders



Striving for a smooth transition from preparation into operations by establishing a legal entity (European Research Infrastructure Consortium, ERIC) and by taking appropriate measures to avoid known risks



Providing a cost-benefit analysis and secure appropriate financial planning



Preparing the Central Components including the Head Office and Topic Centres, which will collectively cover the full eLTER Service Portfolio

eLTER Preparatory Phase Associate Partnership Programme (eLTER PPP-APP)

The eLTER Preparatory Phase Project Associate Partnership Programme (PPP-APP) has attracted a range of different institutions across Europe that wish to be actively involved in the development of the eLTER Research Infrastructure (RI) but could not be included in the eLTER PPP consortium as beneficiaries. The programme enables these organisations to be involved in the overall evolution of the RI to influence its design. The organisations are expected to have signed the eLTER Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) and must already be involved in eLTER-related activities. Among other activities, representatives of the participating organisations are involved in an exchange with the project consortium and provide feedback to selected documents. The organisations are listed on the eLTER website and receive specific online resources to facilitate their work in the framework of the programme. Thus, the eLTER PPP-APP has become a useful extension of the eLTER PPP consortium for interested Research Performing Organisations (RPOs) in terms of contributing to eLTER and learning about it.

Consortium

28
partners across
25
countries

Duration

1 Feb
2020
–
31 Jan
2026

Budget

4
million €



 **eLTER PPP**

For more information, please scan the code or visit <https://elter-ri.eu/elter-ppp>