



ERINHA Newsletter August 2018

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Dear Colleagues,

ERINHA Research Infrastructure's one-year implementation phase is approaching to an end and the RI will enter into its decisive phase of full operation. During this period a range of operational, administrative and strategic targets were achieved to enable a smooth transition to the operational Infrastructure and access to its service.



ERINHA aims to further enlarge its research capacities to answer the needs of Academia and Industry in the field of highly infectious diseases.

We hope to multiply scientific collaborations with you and wish you a nice summer holiday season.

ERINHA results

ERINHA AISBL joined the Landmarks' family on the new ESFRI Roadmap

Upon conclusion of a one year and half monitoring and evaluation process by the European Strategy Forum on Research Infrastructures (ESFRI) ERINHA was granted a Landmark status – successfully implemented Research Infrastructure of European relevance – on the ESFRI 2018 Roadmap.

The ESFRI Roadmaps reflect the long-term needs of the European research community. The EU strives for high-quality research facilities that are accessible to all top researchers to enable the scientific world to realize its full potential.

ERINHA welcomes the Hungarian and Dutch memberships

During its implementation phase ERINHA enlarged its research capacities in the field of highly pathogenic agents and high containment facilities by two new members. From January 2018, the Ministry of Human Capacities of Hungary with the National Public Health Institute as scientific member joined the ERINHA AISBL.

From July 2018, the Erasmus University Medical Center, the Netherlands, joined ERINHA AISBL as a full member.

New members enhance ERINHA research capacities in BSL4 and BSL3+ facilities as well as support capabilities in animal laboratory and in vitro research.

ERINHA Independent Advisory Board is set up

The ERINHA AISBL Independent Advisory Board set up was approved by its General Assembly vote on 12 July, 2018. The IAB is constituted to provide scientific, ethical and strategic advice and recommendations to the ERINHA General Assembly, Executive Board and Director General. It represents the ERINHA AISBL main instrument in assessing the scientific performance and impact of the ERINHA research infrastructure. The IAB is composed of recognized experts in the field of infectious diseases, high containment research, ethics, Public Health, and Health policies.

ERINHA officially joins the ongoing CORBEL project

Coordinated Research Infrastructures Building Enduring Life-science services – [CORBEL project](#) – financed under H2020 framework program integrated two new research infrastructures – ERINHA AISBL and EMPHASIS - through a recently accepted amendment.

The amendment is retroactive, and the RIs are considered to be official members from October 2017.



ERINHA is hiring

ERINHA is recruiting its full time Director General to join the ERINHA CCU in Paris and drive the RI through its full operation. The deadline for applications - 14 September 2018. The full application should be sent to recruitment@erinha.eu (copy to diana.stepanyan-yerdamian@inserm.fr)

[See the vacancy note here](#)



Events and meetings

Upcoming events

Europe Biobank Week 2018: Biosharing for Scientific Discovery, 4-7 September 2018, Antwerp, Belgium

Co-organised by BBMRI-ERIC and ESBB, the Europe Biobank Week 2018 is one of the most significant biobanking conferences worldwide. The event provides an exciting and unique opportunity for the biobanking community to discuss the future challenges for biobanking, network and explore new prospects for cooperation and collaboration.

More information is available from the conference [website](#)

**Launch of the 2018 ESFRI Roadmap on Research Infrastructures in Europe,
11 September 2018, Vienna, Austria**

On September 11th, the European Strategy Forum on Research Infrastructures (ESFRI) will present the 2018 ESFRI Roadmap on Large Scale Research Infrastructures during a half-day conference in Vienna. The ESFRI Roadmap identifies new Research Infrastructures (RI) of pan-European interest corresponding to the long term needs of the European research communities, covering all scientific areas, regardless of possible location.

The 2018 Roadmap consists of 18 Projects, with a high degree of maturity, and 37 Landmarks, RIs that reached the implementation phase.

**ICRI 2018 – 4th International Conference on Research infrastructures, 12-14
September, 2018, Vienna, Austria**

ICRI, an international platform for strategic thinking and exchange of experience will address this year strategic issues and the development of international cooperation for research infrastructures at a global level, as well as their contribution to societal challenges. It will also address issues related to the operation and implementation of research infrastructures.

ICRI 2018 is co-organised by the Austrian Federal Ministry of Science, Research and Economy (BMWFW) and the European Commission.

For more information see the website www.ICRI2018.at

**9th European & Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership (EDCTP)
Forum, 17-21 September 2018, Lisbon, Portugal**

The theme of the 2018 EDCTP Forum is: “Clinical research and sustainable development in sub-Saharan Africa: the impact of North-South partnerships”.

It is organized in partnership with the Portuguese Foundation for Science and Technology and the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation.

More information on [EDCTP website](#).

**Meeting to Advance Clinical Research in Infectious Disease Outbreaks, 20-21
September, Brussels, Belgium**

GloPID-R and the Platform for European Preparedness Against (Re-)emerging Epidemics' (PREPARE) will host a joint meeting aimed at advancing clinical research preparedness for ID outbreaks. This meeting will examine bottlenecks to deployment of clinical research in an infectious disease outbreak and what can be done to overcome them by joining the efforts of patients, researchers, regulators, funders and policy makers.

Through a series of plenary discussions and workshops, the event will highlight key solutions to common bottlenecks from different global regions.

More details on [GloPID-R website](#).

5th MIUF Meeting, 15 October 2018, Paris, France

The CORBEL Medical Infrastructure/Users Forum (MIUF) meets for the fifth time on October 15, 2018 in Paris to continue the discussion of efficient development and use of bio-medical RIs. The meeting is open to scientific communities interested in medical research and is intended to discuss

- the structuring of medical research communities at the pan-European level
- the emerging needs of medical research projects in the context of the big data and personalised/stratified medicine approach
- and the challenges raised in terms of development and deployment of data services

Registration for the meeting is possible [here](#) until September 15, 2018. Registration is free, but mandatory in order to attend. The preliminary program is available [here](#)

International Meeting on Emerging Diseases and Surveillance (IMED) 2018 International Society for Infectious Diseases, 9-12 November 2018, Vienna, Austria

IMED 2018 will bring leading scientists, clinicians and policy makers to Vienna to present new knowledge and breakthroughs and discuss how to discover, detect, monitor, understand, prevent, and respond to outbreaks of emerging pathogens.

More information on [IMED website](#).

Past events

ERINHA AISBL 4th General Assembly, 12 July 2018

The 4th ERINHA General Assembly voted on the new member inclusion, the setup of the Independent Advisory Board, as well as on the new call for contributions for ERINHA AISBL members. The budget spending and other financial and operational topics were also on the agenda.



News from our partners

CEPI's Request for proposals: biological standards to support and accelerate Lassa fever vaccine development

In its 3rd of July invitation CEPI asks for the submission of proposals for one or more of the following:

- Studies to obtain sera from Lassa-fever survivors, suitable for the development of serum standard and panels against Lassa fever
- Provision of recombinant antigens [Lassa virus (LASV) glycoprotein (GP) and nucleoprotein (NP)]
- Development of interim standard(s) through characterization, evaluation, and processing of antigens and serum
- Storage and provision of antigen(s) and serum to ensure long-term access by Lassa-vaccine developers

Submission deadline for proposals is August 6th, 2018.

For more information see the [CEPI website](#)

CORBEL extended until May 2020

In the course of a recent grant agreement amendment, the European Commission approved the cost neutral extension of CORBEL until the end of May 2020.

CORBEL 2nd Open Call - third submission round has started

During the second submission round of the CORBEL 2nd Open Call for research projects, several applications were received and are now being evaluated.

Due to the rolling deadline of the Open Call, researchers are now encouraged to submit their proposals during the third submission round.

The third submission round will close on 31 August, 2018.

More information on the [Corbel website](#).

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