

Press Release

Constructive Advisory Board and Steering Board Meeting in Liblice, CZ

Prague, 13 November 2017

From the 6 – 7 of November 2017, the InRoad Advisory Board (AB) and Steering Board (SB) met at Liblice castle, which is located 28 kilometres northeast of Prague. During the meeting, participants reviewed the progress of the project and looked forward to the upcoming steps. Concretely, the AB and SB reviewed and validated the results and preliminary policy insights derived from the *InRoad consultation report*. The discussions also touched upon the organisation of the second InRoad stakeholder engagement workshop that will take place at the Renaissance Hotel in Brussels during the 15 and 16 of January 2018. Moreover, the Work Package (WP) leaders presented their latest updates and feedbacks within their WPs (see also agenda in the annex).

At the end of the meeting, the AB and SB agreed on the last changes on the *'InRoad Consultation Report'*, which will be released later this month including the compendium of the first analysis of national RI roadmap procedures. Moreover, the AB and SB decided to react on the [report of the European Commission \(EC\)](#) on the long-term sustainability of Research Infrastructures¹. InRoad will therefore select different elements from the EC action plan where the project makes a contribution and publish a small reply by the time of the Engagement workshop in January.

Finally yet importantly, the AB and SB members discussed and approved the programme for the [Engagement Workshop](#). The invitation for the workshop will be sent out in the upcoming week.

Following the AB and SB meeting, a regional workshop took place in order to discuss the roles of European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF) and national funding for research infrastructures. It is the first of a series of five regional workshops and involved around 34 RI managers and funders. The outcome of the workshop are key to select a second series of recommendations and best practices on how the different funding sources can be used for RI at different stages of the lifecycle.

The InRoad AB and SB members would like to thank the Czech partner *Ústav Fyzikální Chemie J. Heyrovského Av Cr, v. v. i. (HIPC)* for hosting the meeting in the conference centre of Liblice Castle. The Czech hospitality was highly appreciated.

More information

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¹ ['Sustainable European Research Infrastructures – A call for action'](#)



Agenda of the Advisory Board and Steering Board meeting

Meeting Agenda – 6. November 2017

MAIN TOPIC	SUB TOPICS	LEAD MODERATION /	ESTIMATED TIME
Arrival			07:00 – 12:00
Opening with light Lunch		Martin Müller and Jan Hrusak	12:00 – 13:00
Project Update & Feedback Round	Overall update on the project's progress and status of deliverables	Martin Müller	13:00 – 13:30
	Strategic feedback round from the Advisory Board about the project's development	Martin Müller	13:30 – 14:00
European Context of InRoad	Presentation about InRoad's position in the European developments in RI policy making	Jan Hrusak	14:00 – 14:30
	Discussion about InRoad's position in the European developments in RI policy making ➤ How to make InRoad more relevant for future RI policy-making?	Martin Müller and Jan Hrusak	14:30 – 15:00
Coffee Break			
Validation of the Consultation Results and according policy messages	Presentation of the consultation results and according policy messages	Martin Müller	15:30 – 16:00
	Discussion about the results and according policy messages ➤ Validation of InRoad's consultation analysis and policy messages	Martin Müller	16:00 – 17:00
Preparation of the January Stakeholder Workshop	Presentation of the agenda for the January workshop	Martin Müller	17:00 – 17:15
	Strategic feedback round on the workshop agenda and objectives	Martin Müller	17:15 – 17:45
	Role of advisory board during the January workshop ➤ Adoption of final programme and workshop briefings	Martin Müller	17:45 – 18:15
Wrap up and Closing		Martin Müller and Max de Boer	18:15 – 18:30
Dinner			

Meeting Agenda – 7. November 2017

MAIN TOPIC	SUB TOPICS	LEAD MODERATION /	ESTIMATED TIME
Opening and summary of decisions of day before		Martin Müller and Max de Boer	8:30 – 8:45
WP Updates and strategic feedback	Update WP3 and feedback round	Daniel Geyer and Gerd Rücker	8:45 – 9:30
	Update WP4 and feedback round	Teresa Jorge	9:30 – 10:15
Coffee Break			
WP Updates and strategic feedback	Update WP5 and feedback round	Stéphanie Lecoq	10:45 – 11:30
Wrap up sessions and next steps	InRoad activities to come and involvement of Advisory Board	Martin Müller	11:30 – 12:00
Closing with light lunch			

