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EIROforum Charter

Dear Directors General,

An original signed copy of the subject document is hereby forwarded (Enclosure 1) for your records.

Yours sincerely,

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Enclosure:

1. EIROforum Charter



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A number of powerful research infrastructures and laboratories which are used by an extensive network of scientists have been developed and deployed within Europe by European Intergovernmental Research Organisations since the early 1950s. These organisations have set up a co-ordination and collaboration Council (EIROforum) with their Directors General or equivalent as its members.

A primary goal of EIROforum is to play an active and constructive role in promoting the quality and impact of European Research. In particular the EIROforum Council will be a basis for effective, high-level interaction and co-ordination between the member organisations. It will mobilise its substantial combined expertise in basic research and in the management of large international infrastructures, facilities and programmes, for the benefit of European research and development. This will be pursued by exploiting the existing intimate links between the member organisations and their respective European research communities.



The aims of EIROforum are, in particular, to:

1. Encourage and facilitate discussions among its members on issues of common interest, which are relevant to research and development.
2. Maximise the scientific return and optimise the use of resources and facilities by sharing relevant developments and results, whenever feasible.
3. Co-ordinate the outreach activities of the organisations, including technology transfer and public education.
4. Take an active part, in collaboration with other European scientific organisations, in a forward-look at promising and/or developing research directions and priorities, in particular in relation to new large-scale research infrastructures.
5. Simplify high-level interactions with the European Commission (EC) and other organs of the European Union, and enable an effective response to specific requests for expert advice in the areas covered by the member organisations.
6. Provide co-ordinated representation to the outside world including the general public, national governments, non-European countries etc.



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