Building a world class Research Infrastructure: Experiences of Coordination

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Build a strong and organised scientific base in each country

• Identify scientific collaborators in each country – these are the “champions”

• “Champions” help to engage and align scientists around a common aim

• Critical mass of key scientists in national nodes
Develop trust with national policy makers & funders

- Building strong relationships with national funding bodies and their legal representatives is key
- Start at beginning of preparatory phase
- Build confidence through open dialogue
Deliver a scientific programme and governance model together

ELIXIR Timeline

Be patient – it takes a long time