



ELIXIR Europe Conference

## Core Resources for Data Economy

*11 May 2017, Brussels, Belgium*

The Core Resources for a Data Economy Conference brings together funders, policy-makers and researchers in industry and academia to discuss the importance of data infrastructures for innovation and growth. It will present ELIXIR's work to develop indicators for Core Data Resources, showcase the impact of databases on science and the economy and discuss some of the challenges and solutions to the sustainability of these crucial resources.

## Programme

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9:30 Registration and welcome coffee (room: Coffee corner)

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10:00 **Keynote** Celina Ramjouw, DG CONNECT, European Commission  
Building a European Data Economy

10:30 **Session I** ELIXIR Core Data Resources (room: Belgium III and II)  
Chaired by Rein Aasland, Chair of the ELIXIR Board,  
Selection process for ELIXIR Core Data Resources and why this is important for other organisations

- Christine Durinx, Swiss Institute for Bioinformatics  
Overview of the process for the selection of ELIXIR Core Data Resources
- Valentina di Francesco, National Institute of Health  
A US perspective on Core Data Resources

11:15 Coffee break (room: Coffee corner)

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10:30 **Session II** ELIXIR Core Databases in Action (room: Belgium III and II)  
Chaired by Ana Teresa Freitas, Vice Chair of the ELIXIR Board  
Examples of ELIXIR Core Databases, their scope, services, usage and impact on science and economy

- Representatives of ELIXIR Nodes operating ELIXIR core databases

12:30 Lunch break (room: main restaurant)



13:30 **Session III** Panel Discussion (room: Belgium III and II)  
**Understanding the impact of research data infrastructures**  
Chaired by Ruben Kok, Vice Chair of the ELIXIR Board

Different forms of impact of data infrastructures – scientific, societal, economic – and how to measure them and demonstrate impact concretely

Panel members:

- **Iain Hrynaszkiewicz**, Springer Nature (TBC)  
Benefits to industry of a public open data infrastructure
- **Neil Beagrie**, Director of Charles Beagrie Associates  
Assessing the impact of research data infrastructures
- **Jean Moulin**, consultant for OECD GSF  
'OECD Global Science Forum Economic Impact Assessment exercise'

14:30 Coffee break (room: Coffee corner)

15:00 **Keynote** Philippe Froisard, Deputy Head of Unit, Research Infrastructures Unit, DG RTD, European Commission

15:30 **Session IV** Panel Discussion (room: Belgium III and II)  
**Sustainability of data infrastructures**  
Chaired by Alf Game, independent consultant, former Chair of the ELIXIR Board

Sustainability of the infrastructures that support data economy, including establishing current challenges and drawing up recommendations for the future

Panel members:

- **Jo McEntyre**, Head of Literature Services, EMBL-EBI
- **Gabriela Pastori**, Chair of ESFRI Food and Health Working Group, Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council
- **Mike Ryan**, Chair of ScienceEurope Working Group on Research Infrastructures, Science Foundation Ireland
- **Warwick Anderson**, Human Frontiers Programme

17:00 **Drink reception and networking cocktail**  
Welcome speech by Pierre Meulien, Executive Director of the Innovative Medicines Initiative Commission



## Venue

Hotel Thon EU  
Rue de Loi 75  
Brussels 1040  
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