

Introduction by Carlo Rizzuto

Making the case

Life cycle of a Research Infrastructure

Legal and Governance Issues

Finance

Human Resources

Research Infrastructures Management

The RAMIRI Handbook (HB) is intended as an introductory instrument for people who need a quick access to the main definitions and references on the major issues related to Research Infrastructures. Many of these issues are similar to those affecting Research (as distinct but strongly interacting with Development and Innovation) and have to deal with the perceived or expected socio-economic results, with the ensuing management aspects.

Research Infrastructures (RIs) have, compared to Research, the additional burden of being often very expensive and visible, as well as of needing to outreach and serve researchers well beyond the “owners” and “paymasters” (“the shareholders”): this may open completely different aspects,

compared to Research activities, in the expectations of and interactions with both the “shareholders” and the “stakeholders” (i.e. those individuals, communities and institutions which should feel the advantage of the existence and activity of an RI and, therefore, be the “political” base for their existence).

The Handbook will follow closely the structure of the RAMIRI2 course and start by giving, in *Making the Case and Setting the Scene* the essential definitions of the issues and of the “rules of the game” involving and affecting the success of RIs and of the research performed in them. It will, then, go through the *Life Cycle of a RI*, *Legal and Governance Issues*, *Finance*, *Human Resources* and *RI Management*.

The content of the RAMIRI HB has been developed having in mind the following questions:

- *How can we explain the advantages of RIs for science and beyond (by using numbers if possible or by using convincing narratives and examples, if numbers are not available)?*
- *How can we achieve the best results in developing and operating RIs (and achieve success both in fund raising, and in using the funds in the most effective way)?*
- *How can we reach a long term sustainability in their operation/upgrade and eventual phase-off?*
- *How can we manage the personal and institutional interactions within a complex environment of different and differently motivated scientists, funders, and stakeholders?*
- *.....while dealing successfully with something very different from “normal” economic culture?*

The scope of the Handbook reflects the scope of the RAMIRI initiative which aims at developing a common understanding and cultural basis between RIs managers, users and policy makers at the various levels. The context in which this initiative was started is Europe and the European Strategy Forum on Research Infrastructures (ESFRI), but the reference frame is Global, and the know-how we want to share with the users of the Handbook has been developing in all fields

of Science and over many years (in some cases, centuries). Some of the definitions (i.e. “pan-European Interest”) reflect the environment where the initiative has started, but most of these are valid and applicable at all geographical scales, from local to global, and relate to the wider need of outlining the best ways in which RIs can support the pursuit of new knowledge and be connected to the challenges facing all of us in everyday’s life.

RAMIRI 2 Amsterdam Learning Programme

Tuesday, 14 June

12.30	Arrival and registration of delegates, optional lunch
14.00	Introduction and keynote talk (Professor Carlo Rizzuto)
14.30	Learning session: Making the Case
16.00	Coffee / tea break
16.30	Learning session: Making the Case
18.00	End of workshop
18.15	Drinks at restaurant Polder (next to the Faculty building)
19.00	Buffet dinner
21.30	Bus transfer to Casa400

Wednesday, 15 June

08.30	Learning session: Finance
10.30	Coffee / tea break
11.00	Learning session: Finance
13.00	Lunch
14.00	Tour of e-infrastructures based at Amsterdam Science Park
16.00	Learning session: Legal and governance issues
17.30	Brief transfer to hotel, before transfer by coach to the canal tour
18.30	Canal tour with drinks and <i>hors d'oeuvres</i> ; dinner on board
21.30	End of cruise. Delegates dropped off in city centre to explore Amsterdam or make their own way back to hotel.

Thursday, 16 June

08.30	Learning session: Legal and governance issues
10.30	Coffee / tea break
10.45	Summary session
12.15	Optional lunch and close



RAMIRI 2011 Learning Programme: Trieste 24-26 October 2011

Monday, 24 October

13.00 **Arrival of delegates and buffet lunch at *NH Hotel***

14.00 **Welcome and Amsterdam recap**

14.00 Safety/practical announcements: NWV, Flavia Bottaro

14.05 Welcome, 'Setting Together a Route for our Meeting' *Carlo Rizzuto*

14.10 Questions from Amsterdam

Considering the feedback

14.20 Keynote, 'Planning the End Before You Start' *John Wood*

14.40 Introducing the HR scenarios *Michel van der Rest, Peter Wittenburg*

15.00 **Learning Session: Project Management (Topic 4)**

15.00 Introduction: What is management? Objectives and Agenda *Florian Gliksohn*

15.10 The various dimensions and tools involved in the management of an RI project
(1/2)

a. Scope management *Florian Gliksohn*

b. Time management *Florian Gliksohn*

c. Cost management and cost containment *Karl Witte, John Wood*

d. Quality management *Michel van der Rest*

16.00 **Break**

16.30 **Learning Session: Project Management (Topic 4)**

16.30 The various dimensions and tools involved in the management of an RI project
(2/2)

a. Risk management *Florian Gliksohn*

- b. Procurement management *Alfonso Franciosi*
- 16.45 Long-term strategic planning *Allen Weeks*
- 17.00 A Week in the Life of a Research Infrastructure Manager *Karl Witte*
- 17.30 Key Factors for Success in RI Project Management *Wolfgang Meissner*
- 17.45 Final questions and discussion
- 18.00 Close

18.40 Bus departs from the hotel to *Cattedrale di San Giusto*

19.00 Tour of Cathedral and visit to Museum

20.00 Dinner at *Bottega del Vino*

Tuesday, 25 October

07.00 Breakfast available in *NH Hotel*

08.30 Bus departs *NH Hotel* for *Elettra Sincrotrone Trieste*

09.00 Learning session: Human Resources

Session led by Michel van der Rest, with Peter Wittenburg, Tim Wess, Catherine Stuck. The group will split into groups to work on one of two scenarios.

11.00 Break

11.30 Learning session: Human Resources

Plenary discussion of groupwork.

Roundtable discussion with Michel van der Rest, Peter Wittenburg, Catherine Stuck, Tim Wess, Andrea Crivelli

12.50 Group Photograph

13.00 Lunch

14.00 Tour of *Elettra Sincrotrone Trieste*

14.30	Tour of <i>FERMI</i>
15.00	Learning session: Managing an Established Facility Roundtable discussions led by Kimmo Koski and Carlo Rizzuto
16.15	Break
16.30	Learning session: Managing an Established Facility Roundtable discussions
17.15	Presentation of OGS (<i>National Institute of Oceanography and Experimental Geophysics</i>)
17.45	Bus departs to <i>Grotta Gigante</i>
18.00	Introduction to and tour of the cave
19.30	Drinks reception
20.00	Dinner at Cave Museum
21.30	Bus departs for hotel

Wednesday, 26 October

07.00	Breakfast available in <i>NH Hotel</i>
08.30	Learning session: Managing an Established Facility Group work and plenary discussions.
10.00	Break
10.30	Conclusions from the 2011 RAMIRI Learning Programme <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Locating yourself in the RI-management landscape <i>John Wood</i> ▪ Next steps <i>Carlo Rizzuto</i>
12.00	Lunch
13.00	Departure



REALISING AND MANAGING
INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURES

RAMIRI 2 Learning Programme (provisional)

Prague, Czech Republic – Hotel Diplomat

12-14 March 2012

Sunday, 11 March (optional)

20.00* Dinner at Hotel Diplomat
21.30* Walk in city centre

*Indicative time (will be adapted on the basis of arrival time of participants)

Monday, 12 March

Morning	Arrival and check-in of participants
11.00	Registration of participants
11.20	Welcome address by Professor Vlastimil Růžička (Institute of Physics of the ASCR)
11.30	Introduction to the RAMIRI 2012 Learning Programme by Professor Carlo Rizzuto, Naomi Wynter-Vincent and Florian Gliksohn
12.00	Participant introductions
12.30	Lunch
14.00	Learning session: Making the Case (part 1)
15.30	Refreshments
16.00	Learning session: Making the Case (part 2)
17.00	Learning session: Legal and Governance issues (presentation of case studies and group work)
18.30	End of learning session

19.00	Transfer to Strahov Monastery
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19.30	Guided tour of Strahov Monastery
20.30	Dinner in Monastery
22.00	Visit of the Monastery brewery OR first departure to Hotel Diplomat
23.00	Second departure to Hotel Diplomat

Tuesday, 13 March

08.30	Learning session: Legal and governance issues (group work on case studies)
10.30	Refreshments
11.00	Learning session: Legal and governance issues (feedback from case studies, and conclusions)
12.00	Lunch
13.00	Transfer to Institute of Plasma Physics of the Academy of Sciences
13.30	Introductory talks by representatives of the Institute of Plasma Physics, Institute of Physics and Prague Asterix Laser System Facility (PALS)
14.00	Visit of PALS and of the Tokamak of the Institute of Plasma Physics
15.00	Transfer to Hotel Diplomat
15.30	Learning session: Human resources (introduction and presentation of case studies)
16.00	Refreshments
16.30	Learning session: Human resources (group work)
18.00	End of learning session

18.30	Departure to city centre by metro
19.00	Guided tour in the city centre
20.15	Dinner in restaurant
22.00	Departure to Hotel Diplomat

Wednesday, 14 March

09.00	Learning session: Human resources (group work on case studies)
10.30	Refreshments
11.00	Learning session: Human resources (feedback from case studies, and conclusions)
12.30	Lunch
13.00	Latest check-out of hotel rooms
13.30	Summary session
14.30	End of workshop and departures for airport, etc.



RAMIRI 2012 Learning Programme: Trieste 17-20 June 2012

Sunday, 17 June (NH Hotel - Optional)

19.30 onwards *Dinner at NH Hotel*

Monday, 18 June (NH Hotel)

Morning	Arrival and check-in of participants
10.30	Registration of participants and hand-out of material for case studies
11.00	Welcome address, <i>Carlo Rizzuto</i> Recap of RAMIRI 2012 Learning Programme and feedback from Prague Announcements
12.00	Keynote, 'Planning the End Before You Start', <i>John Wood</i>
12.30	<i>Lunch</i>
13.30	Learning session: Managing an Established Facility <i>moderator: Kimmo Koski</i> Introduction to the topic, <i>Kimmo Koski</i>
14.00	Case Example: EMBL (including ELIXIR), <i>Silke Schumacher, (35 + 10 min)</i>
14.45	Case Example: Elettra, <i>Carlo Rizzuto, (35 + 10 min)</i>

15.30	<i>Refreshments and networking</i>
16.00	Collaboration possibilities of established facility, <i>Michele Bertolo, (20 + 10 min)</i>
16.30	Industry collaboration/Pre-procurement/Procurement, <i>Marco Marazzi and Ileana Gimmillaro, (20 + 10 min)</i>
17.00	Panel for questions, <i>Speakers for topic 6 + John Wood</i>
17.45	Wrap-up, <i>Kimmo Koski</i>
18.00	End of learning session
19.00	Bus departs from the hotel to <i>Cattedrale di San Giusto</i>
19.20	Tour of Cathedral and castle
20.15	<i>Drinks and dinner at Bottega del Vino</i>
22.00	Bus departs to hotel

Tuesday, 19 June (Elettra)

08.15	Bus departs <i>NH Hotel</i> for <i>Elettra Sincrotrone Trieste</i>
09.00	Learning session: Project management and the RI Life Cycle <i>moderator: Wouter Los</i>
09:00	What to consider in project management?, <i>Wouter Los</i> <i>Both for setting up an infrastructure, as well for large projects managed by an infrastructure.</i>
09:25	Introduction for three cases to be discussed in working groups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Group A: A project involving 10 persons – Group B: A project involving 100 persons – Group C: A project involving > 500 persons
09:40	Group work
11.00	<i>Break for networking and discussion</i>
11:30	Managing in-kind contributions, <i>Serge Prat</i>
12:00	Questions and answers
12:15	Reporting by the three groups to the "Governing Board" of the RI case Discussion

13.00	<i>Lunch</i>
14.00	Tour of <i>Elettra + FERMI</i>
14.50	Group Photograph
15.00	Learning session: Finance (I) <i>moderators: Florian Gliksohn, Jacco Konijn</i>
	Introduction: objectives and structure of the session
15.10	Case studies – Spending patterns of RIs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Introduction of the case studies – Identification of costs and of their evolution over time
16.30	Reports and discussion
17.00	<i>Break for networking and discussion</i>
17.30	Bus departs to Kyma
18.00	Presentation of Kyma, <i>Mauro Zambelli (10 min)</i> Industrial Liaison, <i>Marco Marazzi, (10 min)</i> <i>Networking, snacks and drinks</i>
19.00	Bus departs to <i>Grotta Gigante</i>
19.30	Introduction to and tour of the cave; presentation of OGS (National Institute of Oceanography and Experimental Geophysics)
21.00	<i>Dinner at Cave Museum</i>
22.30	Departure for hotel

Wednesday, 20 June **(NH Hotel)**

08.30	Learning session: Finance (II) <i>moderators: Florian Gliksohn, Jacco Konijn</i>
	What funding sources for RIs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Overview of the funding sources of the lifetime of RIs – Focus on structural funds and EIB loans, <i>Paola Bembich, (10 min)</i>

09.15	Negotiating contributions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – How contributions connect to governance? – How to convince the funders? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Narratives – Socio-economic impact
10.00	Final Feedback: filling of questionnaire <i>(+ refreshments)</i>
11.00	RAMIRI communication platform (Proteon), <i>Marije Van Den Boogaard</i>
11.30	Conclusions from the 2012 RAMIRI Learning Programme
	Next steps, <i>Carlo Rizzuto</i>
13.00	<i>Lunch</i>
14.00	Departure

RAMIRI2: Amsterdam, June 2011



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Final Workshop

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RAMIRI 2 Final Workshop

Brussels, 3 - 4 April 2013

Programme

3rd April

12.00 – 13.00	Registration
12.30 – 13.30	Light lunch
13.30 – 14.00	Welcome & Introduction to the RAMIRI project: <i>John Wood</i>
14.00 - 15.00	Thematic session 1 ERIC: <i>Paul Tuinder (European Commission)</i>
15.00 – 16.30	RAMIRI network: <i>Carlo Rizzuto</i>
16.30 – 17.00	Coffee break
17.00 – 18.00	Thematic session 2 Horizon 2020 - Research Infrastructures and the implementation of the ESFRI Roadmap: <i>Octavi Quintana-Trias (European Commission)</i>
19.00 – 21.30	Networking event (dinner)

4th April

9.00 – 9.30	Introduction to the RAMIRI Handbook (background): <i>Carlo Rizzuto</i>
9.30 – 10.30	Presentation and discussion of the RAMIRI Handbook (v.1) Making the Case: <i>Carlo Rizzuto</i> Life Cycle of a RI: <i>Michel van der Rest</i> Legal & Governance Issues: <i>Tim Wess, Karl Witte</i> Finance: <i>Florian Gliksohn</i> Human Resources: <i>Catherine Stuck</i> RI Management: <i>Kimmo Koski</i>
10.30 – 11.00	Coffee break
11.00 – 11.20	RAMIRI2 project outcomes: <i>Fabio Mazzolini</i>
11.20 - 11.40	RAMIRI2 alumni point of view: <i>Pamela Zolda</i>
11.30 – 12.00	EC point of view: <i>Ana Arana Antelo (European Commission)</i>
12.00 – 13.30	Round table - RAMIRI future perspectives: <i>All speakers, moderated by Carlo Rizzuto</i>
13.30 – 13.40	Closing remarks
13.40 – 15.00	Light lunch & networking

technology transfer and commercialisation of RI's outputs, approaching industrial partners,
communication with scientists
networking of RIs and mobility of researchers and personnel in general amongst RIs
socio-economic added value
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data storage, data management

Final Workshop

Brussels, April 4, 2013

