

The FET Flagships Science Forum (FFSF) and its Coordination Group



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Key Milestones of FET Flagships preparation I - past

- 2009 / 04** **EC Communication** *'Moving the ICT frontiers'*
- 2009 / 07** **ISTAG report**
- 2009 / 11** **Setup of the EC InterService Group**
- 2009 / 12** **COMP Council endorsement**
- 2009 / 12** **Online consultation for ideas opens**
- 2010 / 01** **Start of FET Flagship study** to design a valid legal and operational framework
- 2010 / 01** **FET Flagships Workshop in Brussels (22 Jan)**
- 2010 Q1** **Open consultation** with the scientific community on initial ideas



Key Milestones of FET Flagships preparation II - future

- 2010 /Q2** **Setup of National ICT Directors' WG**
- 2010 / Q2** **Setup of the FET Flagships Science Forum**
- 2010 / 06** **First joint scientific / policy event (9/10 June)**
- 2010 / 07** **Launch of a competitive call** to support comprehensive FET Flagship Pilots
- 2010-2012** **Preparation of implementation framework**
- 2011** **FET Flagship Pilots:** design & feasibility establishment of high-potential candidates
- 2012** **Selection of FET Flagships**
- 2013** **Launch of first FET Flagships**



Science Forum

- Discuss and refine Flagship concept
- Discuss and consolidate ideas for Flagship Initiatives
- Build synergies and networks with stakeholders



MS Group

Funding Agencies

- Provide input and feedback on Flagship concept
 - Map the FET Flagship ideas against the national programs
 - Advise on legal / operational frameworks



What is the FFSF and why does it exist?

The FFSF is an open platform composed of leading researchers in different relevant fields of science and technology with a firm and genuine interest in the FET-Fs.

Consultation with leading European research experts is deemed as an integral part of the setup process through debating orientations, maturing ideas in a wide scientific context, and providing recommendations on the concept and envisaged operation of FET Flagship Initiatives.



The FFSF is established with the view to

- Facilitate interaction between the scientific community, the EC and the Working Group delegated by the Member States.
- Facilitate dialogue between the various participating scientific communities; promote their sharing of information, building of networks and identification of synergies.
- Identify potential overlap and collaboration between different Flagship ideas. Promote consolidation and possible clustering of Flagship ideas, where appropriate.
- Provide help in the mapping of Flagship ideas against research priorities of Member States, funding agencies, EU and where appropriate, industry.
- Provide feedback and recommendations from and to the scientific community on the:
 - FET Flagship concept and qualifying criteria
 - suitability of existing instruments for FET-Fs implementation
 - results of the Flagship study.
- Promote the Flagship concept and ideas; reach out to other potential stakeholders and communities, also beyond ICT and outside of Europe.



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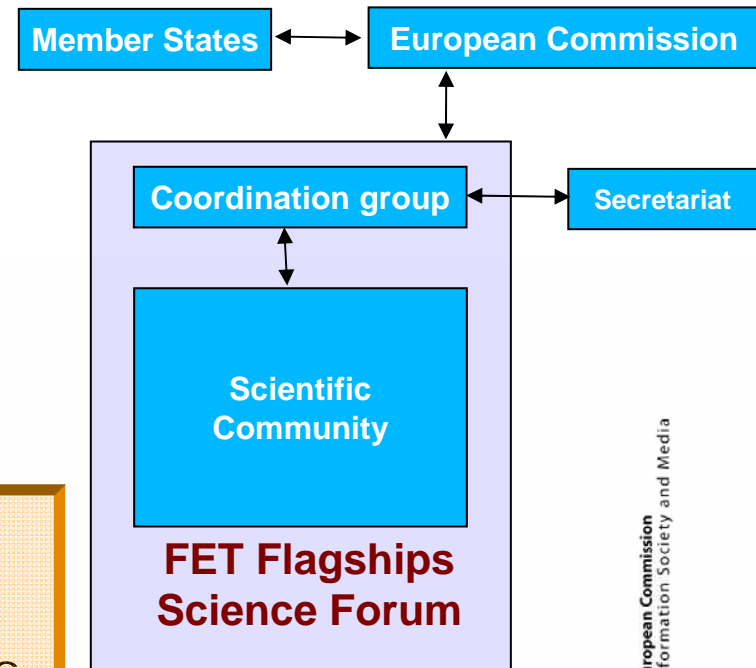
Profile

- High-level representatives of research related organisations
- Recognised track record in coordination of research
- Recognised role in shaping research policy and influencing political decision-making
- should not be directly linked to any flagship idea
- Other areas apart from FET ICT

Role

- Represent and assist the scientific community/FFSF and liaise towards the EC and member states

Size of the CG
6-10 members



FFSF Confirmed Coordination Group members

Alain Berthoz	Prof. College de France, Scientific Board CNRS	FR
Chris Hankin	Imperial College London, Director of the Institute for Security Science and Technology, Professor of computation science, ISTAG member	UK
Carl-Henrik Heldin	Director and Professor in Molecular Cell Biology, Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research and of University of Uppsala. ERC	SE
Erkki Oja	Professor of Computer Science and Engineering at Aalto University, Chairman of the Research Council for Natural Sciences and Engineering of the Academy of Finland.	FI
Iain Mattaj	European Molecular Biology Laboratory, Director General	UK
Stefan Michailowski	OECD Global Science Forum, Executive Secretary	US
Mario Rasetti	Professor Politecnico de Torino and general secretary of the Institute for Scientific Interexchange	IT
Gregory Vazquez	Professor at the Department of Signal Theory and Communications, Technical University of Catalonia (UPC), Barcelona. ICTC	ES
Thomas Lengauer	Max-Planck-Institut für Informatik Computational Biology and Applied Algorithmics, Director.	DE



Participation of the Coordination Group in the Science & Policy Forum

Today

- 14:45 – 15:00 Feedback on Flagship concept and ideas
- 16:30 – 17:15 Moderation of an open discussion following up on presentations

Tomorrow

- 10:00 – 12:15 Rapporteurs at each parallel session
- 12:30 – 13:30 Positive outcomes of networking should be communicated to them to report on.
- 14:45 – 15:30 Reporting back from the parallel sessions and lessons learnt
- 15:30 – 16:30 Panel: Practical Implementation issues (together with the EC)

