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Welcome to the e-IRG Workshop

This workshop addresses key aspects of the [programme for the French presidency of the Council of the European Union :](#)

- promote a **knowledge-based and industrial Europe** that is more sovereign, more innovative and that makes progress towards the digital and green transition
- enabling the necessary investments to be made in the **green and digital transitions**
- developing **digital health, European Health Data Space**
- reform to the digital world: **Digital Services Act, Digital Market Act**
- **digital policy programme**
- next generation **cloud infrastructure and services**



Examples for events under the French presidency

- January 24/25 : [Informal meeting of Ministers of Higher Education, Research and Innovation](#)
- February 4/5: [Open Science Europe Conference 2022 \(OSEC2022\)](#)
- March 21-25 : [EuroHPC Summit Week](#)
- March 23-25 : [ESFRI Forum & 20 years of ESFRI Conference](#)
- May 30/31 : [e-IRG workshop](#)
- June 7/8 : [e-IRG Delegates Meeting in Paris](#)
- June 17 : [EOSC Steering Board meeting in Paris \(the first in-presence meeting of this expert group of the European Commission\)](#)



Meeting of the Ministers of Higher Education, Research and Innovation



20 years of ESFRI Conference

e-IRG and the French Presidency of the EU Council

- e-infras are vital in the digital transition
- work closely together to create a powerful and resilient e-infra ecosystem for research in Europe
- special attention towards energy efficient e-infras, to decrease the carbon footprint of research
- digital transition requires enhanced connectivity between different e-infras, enabling work flows across various computing systems (HPC/HTC) and countries
- important role of e-IRG : accelerate the discussion, deliver input for decision makers, provide success stories

Looking forward to discuss today and tomorrow :

- EOSC and e-infrastructures — vital for the digital transition, key pillar of Open Science in Europe
- Green and Digital transition in e-infras — a must-have and an urgent task
- Cross-e-infrastructure collaboration and coordination — create new opportunities for research and make our e-infrastructure systems more resilient

e-IRG's role today and tomorrow

- important role of e-IRG : accelerate the discussion, deliver input for decision makers, provide success stories
- Continue to point out the non-obvious to enable e-infrastructures to move forward
- Looking forward to welcoming the e-IRG delegates on June 7/8 here in Paris!



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