



WORKSHOP ON SYNERGIES BETWEEN
EUROPEAN STRUCTURAL & INVESTMENT FUNDS
AND HORIZON 2020
FOR PUBLIC-PUBLIC PARTNERSHIPS

ERA-NET E-Rare example

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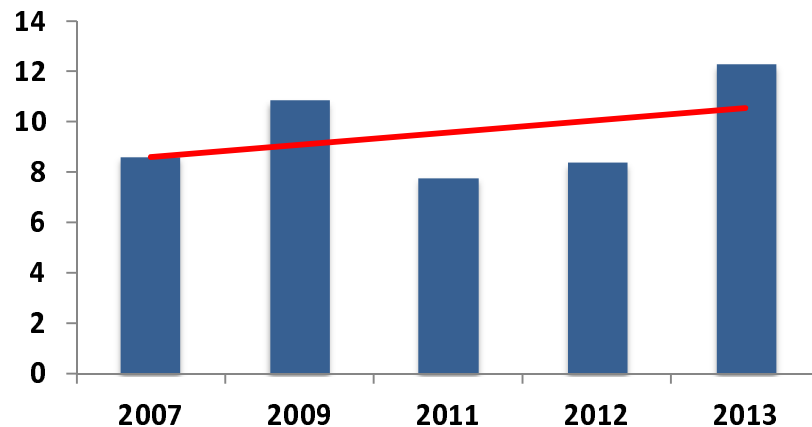
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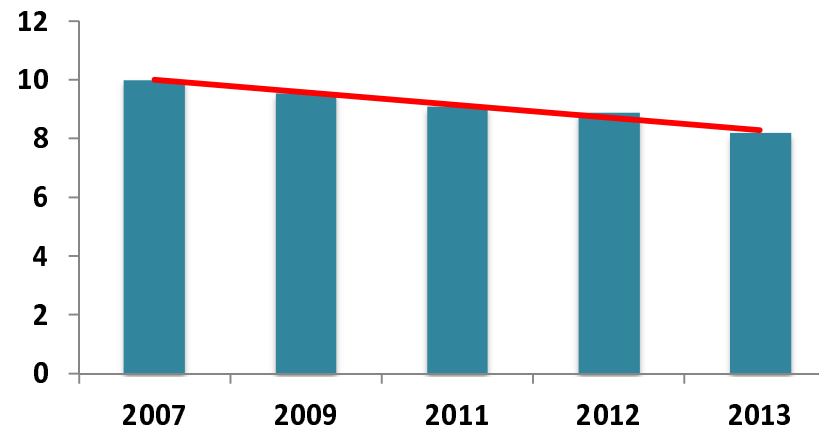
CONTEXT

- E-Rare: consortium of 17 partners + 2 observers – Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Greece, **Hungary**, Israel, Italy, **Latvia**, **Poland**, Portugal, **Romania**, Spain, The Netherlands, Turkey
- Yearly joint transnational calls: earmarked budget increases but is not being spent!

EARMARKED BUDGET in M€



FINAL BUDGET SPENT in M€



- Highly competitive calls: 10% of success rate
- **Scientific excellence criterion:** less competitive research groups are rarely invited to participate in transnational consortia





MOTIVATION

**INCREASE THE COMPETITIVENESS AND
STRENGTHEN THE POSITION OF RESEARCH
GROUPS/INSTITUTES/PLATFORMS IN
CENTRAL EUROPEAN COUNTRIES**





SOLUTION?

- **INVESTMENT IN RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURES AND CENTERS OF COMPETENCE IN A SPECIFIC TECHNOLOGY:**
 - Independent regional/national platforms and/or collaborating with existing European Research Infrastructures (BBMRI, EATRIS, ECRIN, EU-OPENSREEN, Infrafrontier, Elixir, etc...)
- **DEVELOPING HUMAN POTENTIAL IN THE FIELD OF RESEARCH AND INNOVATION:**
 - Specific funds for junior/post graduate training (exchange and training in high quality European laboratories)
 - Start grants or emerging scientific group grants





BENEFITS

- INCREASE OF **HIGH QUALITY SCIENCE** AND DECREASE OF DISCREPANCY BETWEEN COUNTRIES
- **COMPETITIVE PLATFORMS** (PARTICIPATING IN ESFRI NETWORK)
- PROMOTION OF **EUROPEAN** COOPERATION VIA **TRAINING AND EXCHANGE** PROGRAMS
- RETURN ON INVESTMENT AND **FUNDS LEVERAGE** VIA PARTICIPATION IN TRANSNATIONAL PROJECTS (ERA-NET)

