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# SUPER MoRRI – Scientific understanding and provision of an enhanced and robust monitoring system for RRI

# Call: 23 country-correspondents for SUPER MoRRI

The consortium behind the "Scientific Understanding and Provision of an Enhanced and Robust Monitoring system for RRI" (SUPER MORRI) project is pleased to announce a call for 23 country-correspondents, who will contribute to data collection activities within the project.

# About SUPER MoRRI

Across Europe, research performing and research funding organisations increasingly appreciate the need for a more dynamic governance and a better societal integration of research and innovation (R&I). Internal drivers of change (such as the digitalization of science) and political will to better align with societal needs and concerns are bringing about aspirational policies and processes of transformation of the R&I system, including those of RRI – responsible research and innovation. In order for the aspirations of RRI to be realised, robust tools must be developed for R&I policy and practice. The MoRRI project (2014-2018) conceptualised and implemented the first RRI monitoring system in Europe. The SUPER MoRRI project builds upon and continues the work of MoRRI, ensuring sustained data collection, curation, further assessment and refinement of the MoRRI indicators. EU-28(-27) data will be complemented by monitoring data from selected non-EU countries. Furthermore, SUPER MoRRI will go well beyond the technical efforts of MoRRI and develop a more complete scientific understanding of the complex and diverse relationships between RRI policies and practices and related societal, democratic, economic and scientific benefits. These theoretical advances together with the continuous data stream into the project form the basis of the iterative learning processes needed to create a mature monitoring system with indicators and metrics that are robust, realistic, in themselves responsible, and easy to implement.

SUPER MoRRI runs from 2019-2023, and is coordinated by Dr. Ralf Lindner, Fraunhofer ISI. Information about the project can be found at <u>www.super-morri.eu</u>.



#### **Country-correspondent tasks**

The network of country-correspondents will be involved in Work Package 2 on data collection. Each correspondent will be responsible for contributing to data collection within their respective country. The SUPER MoRRI monitoring scheme and methodologies are not yet fully developed, but in broad terms, the country-correspondents will facilitate survey administration (e.g. by identifying respondents, providing contact details, conducting follow-up interview / reminders by phone etc.), carry out (and possibly transcribe) qualitative interviews, and engage in analytical work based on desk research. All data collection will be implemented on the basis of collective templates and guidelines, and will be reported back to the Work Package leader, Prof. Niels Mejlgaard, Aarhus University.

# Specifics

One correspondent from each of the following 23 countries will be appointed: Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Republic of Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden and the UK. Data collection across the remaining EU countries will be handled by consortium partners in SUPER MoRRI. The country-correspondents are required to participate in a training workshop on March 26-27, 2020 in Vienna, where all details of the work will be presented, and where specific instructions and guidance will be conveyed.

Data collection tasks will be performed in the period from April 2020 to August 2023 with expected bulks in Fall 2020 (ahead of the delivery of the project's 1<sup>st</sup> RRI Monitoring Report), Winter 2021/22 (ahead of the 2<sup>nd</sup> RRI Monitoring Report), and Spring 2023 (ahead of the 3<sup>rd</sup> RRI Monitoring Report).

The total amount of work is expected to be on average 2 Person Months, depending on the size of the country and hence the complexity of data collection. Correspondents from the Republic of Cyprus, Luxembourg, and Malta will receive a total lump sum payment of  $\in$  8K. Correspondents from Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, and Sweden will receive a total lump sum payment of  $\notin$  13K. Correspondents from France, Italy, Poland, and the UK will receive a total lump sum of  $\notin$  18K. 20% of the fee will be paid when the contract is signed (expected November 2019), 20% following acceptance of the 1<sup>st</sup> reporting, 30% following acceptance of the 2<sup>nd</sup> reporting, and 30% following acceptance of the 3<sup>rd</sup> reporting. Notice that correspondents will cover travel and accommodation in relation to the mandatory training workshop from the lump sum.



# Application and criteria

Applicants should submit a brief application with outline of research interests (max. 2 pages), CV, and publication list. Applicants should be knowledgeable about the research and innovation system in their respective country, and will be assessed based on their previous experiences with RRI-related research, their social science methods skills, and their experiences with cross-national projects.

The SUPER MoRRI project will set up an assessment committee to award the contracts. Questions should be directed to the Work Package leader, Prof. Niels Mejlgaard, <u>nm@ps.au.dk</u>, or to the SUPER MoRRI coordinator, Dr. Ralf Lindner, <u>ralf.lindner@isi.fraunhofer.de</u>.

Applications should be submitted to PhD fellow and project assistant Thomas K. Ryan, <u>tryan@ps.au.dk</u> no later than **October 18, 2019**.



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