

STRATEGIC PLAN 2021-2023

ECRIN - COORDINATING CLINICAL
RESEARCH IN EUROPE

INTRODUCTION

ECRIN is the European Research Infrastructure for multinational clinical trials, started in 2004 and operating under the ERIC-status since 2013.

Since 2013, ECRIN has grown in the number and importance of projects, in its presence in the European life science and research infrastructure landscape, in its services and tools for its national partners, but also in assisting the European Union in achieving challenging scientific missions to improve the lives of all European citizens.

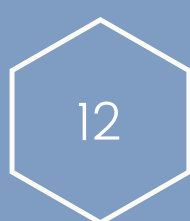
ECRIN's vision is to generate scientific evidence to optimise medical practice and our mission is to support the conduct of multinational clinical research in Europe.

Over the years, though each strategic and annual workplan was responsive to the specific times and evolving environment in which it was created, the primary objective remains our enduring and core value proposition.

ECRIN's mission, vision and strategic values continue to drive the strategic priorities and the development of the infrastructure and services offer. ECRIN looks to answer, even anticipate the users' needs, be leading-edge as well as recognised as the reference in the setup and management of multinational clinical trials in Europe.

This strategy sets out ECRIN's priorities over the next three years. They define areas of focus for ECRIN and carve out a path to advance our mission and vision.

KEY FIGURES



COUNTRIES



CITIZENS
REPRESENTED



CLINICAL TRIALS



AVG # OF
COUNTRIES/TRIAL

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GOAL 1

ENSURE ECRIN AS THE
REFERENCE RESEARCH
INFRASTRUCTURE (RI) FOR THE
PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT
OF HIGH QUALITY
MULTINATIONAL CLINICAL
RESEARCH

GOAL 2

ANTICIPATE CHANGES IN
CLINICAL RESEARCH

GOAL 3

STRENGTHEN AND DEVELOP
BALANCED PARTNERSHIPS WITH
USERS AND PATIENTS THAT
LEAD TO MORE EFFICIENT AND
SUCCESSFUL CLINICAL
RESEARCH

ENHANCE THE
RECOGNITION OF
ECRIN'S CORPORATE
IDENTITY

GOAL 4

CREATE A COHESIVE
COOPERATIVE PAN-EUROPEAN
CTU INFRASTRUCTURE:
BUILDING THE ECRIN COMMUNITY

GOAL 5

DEVELOP AND STRENGTHEN
COLLABORATION OF PAN-
EUROPEAN MEDICAL
RESEARCH
INFRASTRUCTURES (EU-
AMRI)

GOAL 6

GOAL 1

ENSURE ECRIN AS THE REFERENCE RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURE (RI) FOR THE PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT OF HIGH QUALITY MULTINATIONAL CLINICAL RESEARCH

Enhance collaboration with national partners to develop the capacity of European research infrastructures to better support investigator-initiated clinical trials and map the CTUs' expertise

ACTION 1

Develop/expand the qualification of CTUs

ACTION 2

Adapt the internal processes and expertise to better meet the users' needs

ACTION 3

Engage with the regulators

ACTION 4

Increase involvement in strategic and science policy action at EU and national levels

ACTION 5

Expand to new countries and beyond Europe

ACTION 6

GOAL 2

ANTICIPATE CHANGES IN CLINICAL RESEARCH

ACTION 1

Perform Horizon scanning

ACTION 2

Prioritise the new areas of interest to maintain ECRIN at the cutting edge

ACTION 3

Extend the scope of activities, develop specialised expertise and capacity of national partners

Promote clinical data sharing

ACTION 4

GOAL 3

STRENGTHEN AND DEVELOP BALANCED PARTNERSHIPS WITH USERS AND PATIENTS THAT LEAD TO MORE EFFICIENT AND SUCCESSFUL CLINICAL RESEARCH

ACTION 1

Engage with investigation/disease networks, research organisations, industry

ACTION 2

Collaborate and exchange with the patients' community

GOAL 4

ENHANCE THE RECOGNITION OF ECRIN'S CORPORATE IDENTITY

Establish corporate communication aligned with ECRIN as a mature organisation

Optimise visibility

Strengthen communication in synergy with national partners

ACTION 1

ACTION 2

ACTION 3

GOAL 5

CREATE A COHESIVE COOPERATIVE
PAN-EUROPEAN CTU INFRASTRUCTURE:
BUILDING THE ECRIN COMMUNITY

ACTION 1

Enhance structured interaction between ECRIN, its Network Committee and the national scientific networks

ACTION 2

Reinforce the involvement of national partners (CTUs*) in ECRIN activities

GOAL 6

DEVELOP AND STRENGTHEN
COLLABORATION OF PAN-EUROPEAN
MEDICAL RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURES
(EU-AMRI)

Synergise communication and advocacy actions

ACTION 1

Develop federated tools/services for the benefit of the user communities

ACTION 2

Contribute to the medical component of the EOSC**

ACTION 3

* CTUs: Clinical Trial Units

** EOSC: European Open Science Cloud