

RM ROADMAP



RM-ROADMAP project has received funding from the European Union's Horizon Europe programme under grant agreement number 101058475.

ERA Action 17 and RM Roadmap
21 March 2023, Lilleström
NARMA Conference

By Nik Claesen (EARMA Managing Director)



What is research management ?

Current situation in Europe



Current situation: starting point

no clear
information for
policy making

no common term

no common
definition

no commonly
accepted
segmentation in
subcategories

no standardisation
of research
management
across the ERA

unclear number of
research managers

Lack of Awareness

Researchers

Research
managers

RPO, RFO and
government
policy makers

Politicians

R&I system
stakeholder

*The new European
Research Area*

Towards a Research Management Initiative

foRMAtion RMA event
Rome, 27 September 2022

*Stijn DELAURE, EC, DG R&I,
R&I Actors and Research Careers*



ERA Action 17: “Enhance the strategic capacity of Europe’s public research performing and funding organisations”

Aim: contribute to improve the European R&I system across the entire ERA, by strengthening the capacity for research management in Europe’s public research performing & funding organisations

Expected outcome (see *Council Conclusions*):

“By end of 2024, involvement of at least 100 participating public research performing and funding organisations and their research management staff in the training and networking programmes.”

Research Management Initiative

- **Upskilling:** improve training and skills of research management staff
- **Recognition:** contribute to professionalization
- **Networking:** support best-practice exchange
- **Capacity building:** support less R&I intense regions and organization

RM ROADMAP

Creating Framework Conditions for Research Management to Strengthen the European Research Area

Connect new and existing networks on a community platform to:

1. create a bottom-up consensus about the future of RM
2. inform about the existing training, networking, funding and mobility opportunities.

Clarify the role and potential for Research Managers to support the ERA and overall R&I System:

- Efficiency & Effectiveness
- Quality Control
- Reducing administrative burden for researchers
- Trust and accountability

Consortium

Beneficiaries



Associated partners



Methods

Survey(s)

Desk
research

Focus
groups

Interviews

Cocreation

Cocreation

- National and thematic communities (vCoPs)
- National: all interested countries from the European zone (40+)
- How?
 - Every group will have an ambassador
 - Every group will have a community space
 - Consortium will start a discussion in all community spaces simultaneous
 - Ambassador will form a conclusion document
 - All group members can vote to support, not support or abstain the document

What can you expect from RM Roadmap?

- Community perspective from across Europe
- Term and definition of RM based on cocreation in addition to other methods
- Thought leadership on the role and value proposition of research managers
- A roadmap to help enable a game changer in RM to the benefit of researchers, (national) R&I system and ERA.

How to get involved and stay informed

NARMA

RM Roadmap
Ambassadors

Research
Management
Helix

RMRoadmap.eu

Resources

<https://www.rmroadmap.eu/>

<https://www.rmroadmap.eu/faqs>

<https://earma.org/>

<https://crowdhelix.com/>

<https://earma.org/conferences/earma-conference-prague-2023/>

RM ROADMAP



RM-ROADMAP project has received funding from the European Union's Horizon Europe programme under grant agreement number 101058475.