

- e-RI = a special RI component (special role, usage, coverage, applications, user communities ...)
 - ESFRI (on RI) and e-IRG (on e-RI) both advising the EC and the stakeholders in Europe
 - however, (decreasing) differences in role, power, responsibility, reputation ... with historical lessons to learn
- RI and e-RI weight compared [B€]: FP7 1,72 / 0,57 - H2020 2,52 / 0,88 (3-4 vs.1-2 % of FW budget)
- e-RI / e-IRG background:
 - late 1980's (network)
 - early 2000's (ERA, Gbps, HPC, grid) ⇒ e-IRG established (URL: e-irg.eu)
 - mid 2010's (cloud, data, commons, ECI) ⇒ e-IRG 32 states, 2 delegates each
- Start (2002): coverage = network + HPC + grid ... ⇒ early 2010's: vision & mission = e-RI commons
- Roadmaps, white papers, blue papers + workshops: advising the various stakeholder segments
- Time by time varying relation to the EC: changing preferences in level and way of cooperation
- e-IRG focus today and tomorrow: elevated emphasis on ECI (EOSC, EDI) by unbiased constructiveness
 - promotion + evaluation + advising (strategy, governance, interoperability, business model, sustainability ...)
 - outstanding emphasis on MS involvement (bidirectional)
- Obvious common interests in e-IRG - PLAN-E partnership: a remarkable promising option !