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AB	Advisory Board
AP	Associated Partners
CA	Consortium Agreement
CM	Communication management
EC	European Commission
EU	European Union
GA	Grant Agreement
IM	Innovation Management
IP	Intellectual Property
IPR	Intellectual Property Rights
PC	Project Coordinator
PMC	Project Management Committee
PO	Project Officer
STC	Scientific and Technical Coordinator
TL	Task Leader
TMC	Technical Management Committee
WPL	Work Package Leader

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ABSTRACT

This deliverable includes a newsletter that informs the interested public (those subscribed to our newsletter) about the state of the project. The newsletter was sent out to the active subscribers on May 10.



Newsletter

The newsletter consists of the following sections:


- Introductory Text what the ETHNA lab is
- Latest News
- Spotlight on... public engagement
- Update from the work packages: WP5
- Our sister projects: Editors Pick: ResBios
- Upcoming events

It also includes multiple possibilities to follow the project on social media as well as the mandatory Unsubscribe-Link.

The newsletter will be sent to everybody who has subscribed to the newsletter on the website by the beginning of July. It will also be displayed on the website.



What is the ETHNA Lab?



After months of developing the ETHNA Lab method and training materials the labs are now up and running! But what exactly does the ETHNA Lab seek to achieve?

The concept of the Living Lab has steadily gained popularity since the early 2000s and is now frequently used as a social, physical and/or mental space for social innovation and experimentation. At its core it seeks to bring stakeholders together to deal with a complex problem and come up with new and better solutions through dialogue, experimentation and reflecting. This is exactly the purpose of the implementation of the newly released draft concept of the [ETHNA System](#) and the ETHNA Lab process – to bring stakeholders together, co-create, experiment with, and evaluate the elements of the ETHNA System.

To truly develop and improve the ETHNA System it must be tested out in real life situations. Through an iterative process of six lab steps, the ETHNA Lab takes six research and innovation performing and research funding organisations through an inclusive process of developing, testing, and refining the ETHNA System within the organisations.

Find out how the implementation process across five countries and in six organisations is progressing in the update from WP5 below.

Latest news



ETHNA System Concept

Perhaps you've heard the news about the newly released version of the ETHNA System Concept. With its release, the ETHNA Labs could begin refining and developing the concept.

[Read more](#)

ETHNA System for your ears

Our very own Elsa González-Esteban, project coordinator, was recently interviewed on the RRI Explained podcast about the project, its mission and what it takes to create an ethical governance system.

[Read more](#)

Spotlight on... public engagement

By 'public engagement' we mean fostering collaborative and multi-stakeholder research and innovation processes. By these means, it is ensured that results are aligned with society's values, needs and expectations. Public engagement includes in its definition the various ways in which research can be shared with the public. It also involves a two-way process with the aim of generating mutual benefit.



Update from the work packages



WP 5: Implementation of ETHNA System

After months of development the ETHNA Lab [method and training materials](#) have been released and are being put into practice. "It has been an eye-opening experience to see how the ETHNA Lab process is bringing together stakeholders to co-create, experiment with, and evaluate the elements of the ETHNA System in vastly different contexts," shared Sigrid Vedel Neuhaus from the Danish Board of Technology Foundation (DBT), the partner supporting the implementation process.

The ETHNA Lab process is currently running simultaneously in six different organisations from four different research and innovation contexts. Over the period from December 2021 to October 2022 the implementing organisations have adapted the ETHNA Lab process and the ETHNA System to fit their own, individual organisational reality.

Currently each of the organisations are facing different opportunities and challenges in their implementation of the ETHNA System. For example, in the context of a university, the Universitat Jaume I of Castellón (UJI) has led several critical external consultation workshops. UJI's Dr. Ramón Feenstra has found that, "the implementation project has been a real challenge for the participants. Discovering the great plurality of disciplines and thinking is one of the highlights. You end up meeting a wide range of people - who said research ethics is boring!?" In the other university, the Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU), where tools similar to those proposed by the ETHNA system are already in place, the RRI officer is exploring how successfully these instruments are integrated in the life of a department and how the ETHNA system could bring an added value...

[Read the full post here](#)

Our sister projects: Editors' pick



The aim of the ResBios project is to embed Responsible Research and Innovation (RRI) practices into the biosciences departments of four universities and research institutions, across 4 European countries.

Through the implementation of RRI Grounding Actions, it is the hope of the ResBios project to promote positive and long-lasting institutional changes and build bridges between those the work of bioscientists and society as a whole. These Grounding Actions relate to the five RRI keys; Gender, Ethics, Open Access, Education, and Public Engagement, and are aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

The ResBios project is focused on the biosciences sector, as this is, and will continue to be, a major crossroads where science and society intersect. The ResBios project is built upon the lessons learnt from the EU project StarBios2, which lay the foundations for transformative practices and tested interventions aligned with these new science policy Frameworks.

Watch an introductory video to the project [here](#).

Upcoming Events

Please note events are subject to change. Please make sure to verify event dates and venues with the organisers!

UKRIO Annual Conference 2022 "Good research practice: culture, environment and sustainability"

25. May - 26. May 2022

+++ virtual +++

7th World Conference on Research Integrity

29. May - 1. June 2022

+++ Cape Town +++

Eu-SPRI Forum: Challenging Science and Innovation Policy

1. June - 3. June 2022

+++ Utrecht +++

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