Initiative for Science in Europe (ISE)

ISE is a platform of European learned societies and scientific organizations whose aim is to promote mechanisms to support basic science at a European level, involve scientists in the design and implementation of European science policies, and to advocate strong independent scientific advice in European policy making



The begining of the ISE: The European Life Sciences Forum (2000)











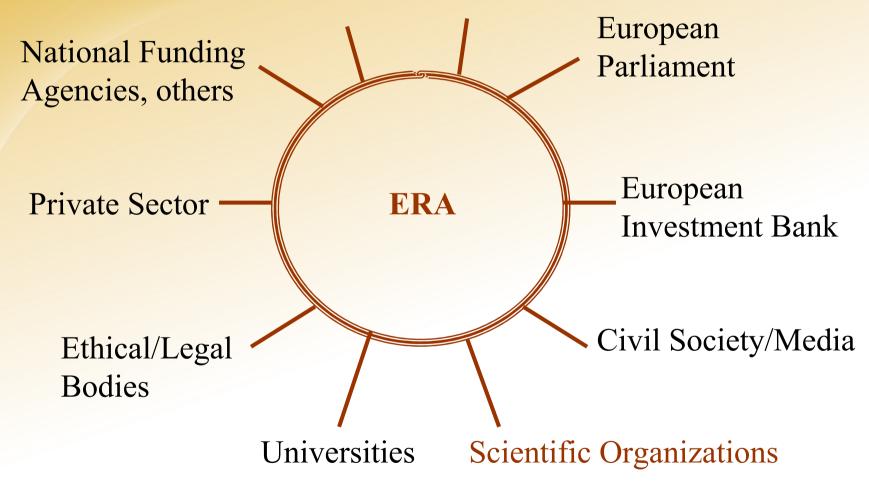
ELSF Mission

- To increase the visibility of the life sciences scientific organizations and their impact in the public and policy making arenas
- To advance research and promote the contribution of scientists to European society
- To speak with a single voice in matters of common interest



Stakeholders

Member States Commission





The Dublin Meeting 2003: Outcome

- Join forces
- Think European
- Speak with a single voice
- Set-up clear directions for how to proceed in order to ensure the success of the ERC initiative



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At this stage, ISE acquired a political operational status



INITIATIVE FOR SCIENCE IN EUROPE (ISE): EUROPEAN LIFE SCIENCES FORUM (ELSF), EUROPEAN MOLECULAR BIOLOGY LABORATORY (EMBL), EUROPEAN MOLECULAR BIOLOGY ORGANIZATION (EMBO), EUROPEAN PHYSICAL SOCIETY (EPS), EUROPEAN PLANT SCIENCE ORGANIZATION (EPSO), EUROPEAN SCIENCE FOUNDATION (ESF), EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATION (EUA), EUROSCIENCE, FEDERATION OF EUROPEAN BIOCHEMICAL SOCIETIES (FEBS), GROUP OF EUROPEAN NOBEL LAUREATES, STIFTERVERBAND FÜR DIE DEUTSCHEWISSENSCHAFT.

OTHER SUPPORTING ORGANIZATIONS: ACADEMIA EUROPAEA, ALL EUROPEANACADEMIES (ALLEA), ASSOCIATION OF EUROPEAN GEOLOGICAL SOCIETIES (AEGS), EUROPEANANTHROPOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION (EAA), EUROPEANASSOCIATION OF ARCHAEOLOGISTS (EAA), EUROPEANASSOCIATION OF EXPERIMENTAL SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY (EAESP), **EUROPEANASSOCIATION OF LAW AND ECONOMICS** (EALE), EUROPEANASSOCIATION OF PHARMA BIOTECHNOLOGY (EAPB), EUROPEANASSOCIATION OF RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY ORGANIZATIONS (EARTO), EUROPEANASSOCIATION OF SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGISTS (EASA), EUROPEAN ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY (EAS), EUROPEAN **BIOPHYSICAL SOCIETIESASSOCIATION (EBSA), EUROPEAN CYSTIC FIBROSIS SOCIETY (ECFS),** EUROPEAN COLLOID AND INTERFACES SOCIETY (ECIS), EUROPEAN CONSORTIUM FOR POLITICAL RESEARCH (ECPR), EUROPEAN FEDERATION OF BIOTECHNOLOGY (EFB), EUROPEAN FEDERATION OF IMMUNOLOGICAL SOCIETIES (EFIS), EUROPEAN FEDERATION OF ORGANIZATIONS FOR MEDICAL PHYSICS (EFOMP), EUROPEAN FEDERATION OF PSYCHOLOGISTS' ASSOCIATIONS (EFPA), EUROPEAN GEOSCIENCES UNION (EGU), EUROPEAN GROUP FORATOMIC SPECTROSCOPY (EGAS), EUROPEAN HIGH PRESSURE RESEARCH GROUP (EHPRG), EUROPEAN LIFE SCIENTIST ORGANIZATION (ELSO), EUROPEAN MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY (EMS), EUROPEAN MATERIALS RESEARCH SOCIETY (E-MRS), EUROPEAN NETWORK OF IMMUNOLOGY INSTITUTES (ENII), EUROPEAN NUCLEAR SOCIETY (ENS), EUROPEAN OPTICAL SOCIETY (EOS), EUROPEAN SOCIETY OF GENE THERAPY (ESGT), EUROPEAN SOCIETY OF HUMAN GENETICS (ESHG), EUROPEAN SOCIETY FOR NEUROCHEMISTRY (ESN), EUROPEAN SOCIOLOGICALASSOCIATION (ESA), EUROPEAN SOUTHERN OBSERVATORY (ESO), EUROPEAN SYNCHROTRON RADIATION FACILITY

ISE brings together about 50 independent organizations interested in the scientific and technological development of Europe

>500.000 members

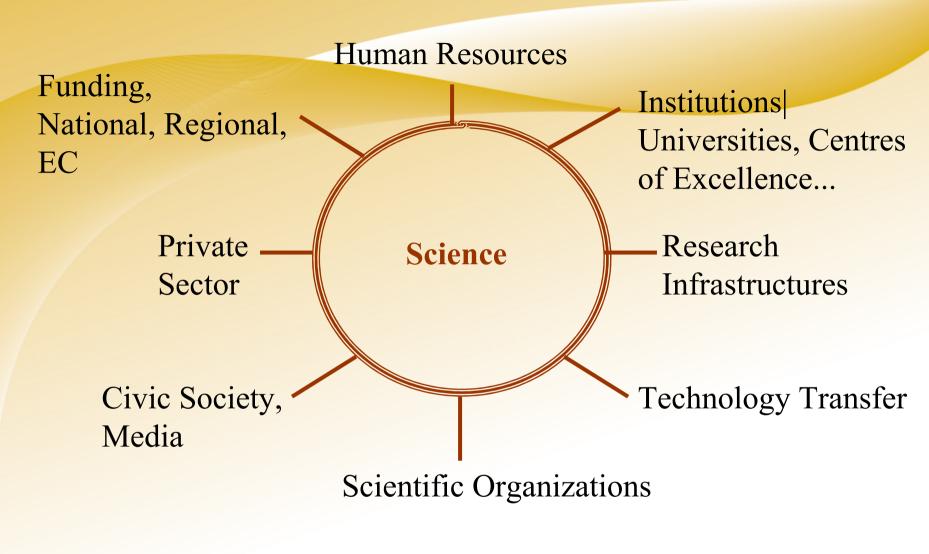


Next Challenges: Beyond the ERC

A vision for ISE: Science for Society

Green Paper: Re-launching ERA





ERA

Knowledge-based society



Research

- Research is a center-piece of a knowledge-based society
- Is the only potential source of answers to the pressing needs of modern society and to understanding its changing complexity
- It will fuel the knowledge-based economy and high tech solutions will be the basis of Europe's economical and social well-being
- It is at the heart of knowledge and evidence-based societies and political decision making



ISE Vision: Science for Society

- The need for scientific research and its relation to society
- The stakeholders in scientific research and their changing roles
- The specific responsabilities of the research community
- Improving the performance of European research



Essential Issues for ISE Members

- Human resources (mobility, career perspectives)
- Research infrastructures
- Improve technology transfer structures and relationship with the industry
- Societal responsability
- Global collaboration
- Scientific advice in science policy making



The Future

A main problem we foresee is how to engage and coordinate the activities of all the stakeholders so as to maximize their contribution and thus achieve the common goal of making Europe a knowledge-based society

