**• ENLIGHTEN YOUR RESEARCH** EaPConnect
Eastern Partnership Connect

**2017**

## WHAT IS EYR@EaP?

The Eastern Partnership (EaP) is a regional and multilateral initiative between the EU and its six Eastern partners:

- Armenia
- Azerbaijan
- Belarus
- Georgia
- Republic of Moldova
- Ukraine

The partnership aims to provide support and assistance for reforms in the region in the fields of democracy, human rights, market economy, sustainability and governance.

EaPConnect is organizing the Enlighten Your Research program, EYR@EaP 2017, to help further promote the benefits of international-scale e-infrastructure services to researchers. EaP is collaborating with leading partners, such as PRACE, SURFsara and OpenAIRE, to create this opportunity for the research communities.

Join EYR@EaP 2017 and discover how our services can help you get the most out of your research!

We invite researchers from any discipline to submit a proposal with challenging research questions.

## ARE YOU A RESEARCHER? HOW CAN YOU PARTICIPATE?

You can participate by submitting a proposal for an international research project that could benefit from e-infrastructure services and/or support.

EYR is a two-round proposal-based program. In the first round, researchers submit a proposal answering these four questions:

1. What is your primary research objective?
2. Do you need to collaborate with other researchers in different countries?
3. Presently, what technology do you use in your research?
4. In the next 1-2 years, what technology could you use to accelerate your research?

Proposals can be submitted at:
https://goo.gl/forms/CmPtneG4VcrNxeel2

In the second round, a representative engineer from the organizing partners will help draft a final proposal discussing the technical requirements with the proposal submitters.

Then project approval! If the final proposal is approved, the project is accepted into the EYR@EaP program and the implementation of support and/or services will start.

**Need help finding international collaborators?**

There are many organisations in Europe ready to collaborate! From image analysis and synthesis with the Institut de Recherche en Informatique de Toulouse (IRIT) to robotics at PSNC, there are many opportunities to collaborate. Send us an email at **research_eap@geant.org** and we may be able to help find the right collaborators.

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# WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATING?

The final selected projects for EYR@EaP 2017 will receive:
- Support and advice on the use of network services and end-to-end network connectivity.
- Connections to e-infrastructure resources through the EaPConnect Partners.
- Commitment to an agreed level of resource provisioning and support for 1 year.

Example infrastructure services and resources that are made available through EYR@EaP 2017 include (but are not limited to)
- Network services
- Cultural heritage digitisation
- Cloud resources
- Compute resources in collaboration with PRACE and SURFsara
- Guidance on open data and open science with OpenAIRE

*"EYR has been insightful, EYR challenged the ideas I had about international interconnectivity."*
*David van Eckevort,*
*Cross-site-VM*
*Operation project*
*(EYR-Global 2013)*

# IMPORTANT DATES

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| 7 FEBRUARY 2017 | Call for Participation opens for 1st round proposals |
| 7 APRIL 2017 | Deadline for 1st round proposals submissions |
| 8 MAY 2017 | Notification of 1st round proposals are sent via email |
| MAY - JUNE 2017 | Consultation meetings with researchers and experts will be held |
| 3 JULY 2017 | Final proposals are due |
| 1 AUGUST 2017 | Awarded proposals are announced |
| 27-28 SEPTEMBER 2017 | Award Ceremony at the EaPEC'17 conference in Minsk, Belarus |
| DECEMBER 2017 - 2018 | Awarded projects are implemented |

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