

# BBMRI-ERIC

## Who we are

BBMRI-ERIC is the European research infrastructure (RI) for biobanking and biomolecular resources, one of the largest RIs in the health and life sciences. Set up in 2013, it includes around 500 biobanks within 26 Nodes from 25 Member/Observer countries plus the global organisation IARC/WHO.

## What we do

A distributed research infrastructure, BBMRI-ERIC successfully develops multidisciplinary expertise and implements cutting edge scientific and central services for the biobanking community that includes clinicians, researchers, biobankers, industry, patients and citizens.

Our core scientific services include IT tools such as the [BBMRI-ERIC Directory](#), a central catalogue of biobanks and their collections across BBMRI-ERIC member states and the world's largest biobank catalogue; the [BBMRI-ERIC Negotiator](#), which provides an efficient communication platform between biobankers and researchers requesting samples and/or data; and the [Federated Search & Analysis Platform](#).

In addition, we deliver services on Ethical, Legal, and Societal Implications (ELSI). We support the biobanking and life science communities by facilitating compliance with regulatory requirements and best-practice standards through the [ELSI Helpdesk](#), [Knowledge Base](#), and [Ethics Check](#), and by providing [training](#) and conducting [research](#).

We further offer [biobanking development support](#) and [quality management services](#) to our members, assisting the BBMRI-ERIC community and actively working towards long-term sustainability. Collectively, these services facilitate access to high-quality samples, linked data, and medical information, drawing on expertise in research, ethics, quality, datafication, imaging, AI, and biobanking development. Finally, BBMRI-ERIC provides central services in finance and project management, outreach, education and communication, and public affairs.

BBMRI-ERIC currently takes a leading or key role in EU Horizon projects that cover genomics, AI, Cancer, rare diseases, paediatrics, COVID-19 and other infectious diseases, federated platforms, personalised medicine, prevention, sensitive health data, EHDS, EOSC and One Health.



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## Our vision

BBMRI-ERIC's vision is that "by unlocking the potential of biobanking and biomolecular resources, BBMRI-ERIC inspires the best research to benefit patients, the public and the planet." This is simplified as: "Biobanking for a Healthier World" as outlined in our 10-Year Roadmap.

## Find out more

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