



ELIXIR - ‘Impact and more’ workshop
08-10 April 2024, lunch to lunch, Bari (Italy), in person

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Logistics

- **Dates:** 08-10 April 2024, in person¹, lunch to lunch
- **Location:** Aula BaLab 'Guglielmo Minervini' Università degli Studi di Bari Aldo Moro Centro Polifunzionale Studenti (I floor) - P.zza Cesare Battisti, 1 - 70121 Bari [BALAB website](#)

Event’s key links

- <https://elixir-europe.org/documents/workshop-impact-and-more-april-2024> (intranet entry for the event, requires login)
- <https://elixir-europe.org/events/impact-and-more-workshop> (event’s page)
- <https://tess.elixir-europe.org/collections/impact-of-research-infrastructures#events> (TeSS Collection on the Impact of research infrastructures)

Intended outcomes of the workshop

- Increased social capital across ELIXIR in the area of impact evaluation and environmental impact;
- Improved skills and knowledge in impact evaluation, obtained through formal training, knowledge-exchange, as well as hands-on practical exercises, customised to the needs and interest of research infrastructures;
- Increased understanding of environmental issues of relevance to Nodes and how the carbon footprint can be assessed.

Who should attend

Anyone in ELIXIR who is interested in impact evaluation and environmental sustainability.

Participants are strongly encouraged to familiarise themselves, prior to the workshop, with [ELIXIR’s key impact-related resources](#), which include a *Toolkit*, an *Annotated bibliography* and a *List of indicators*

Workshop programme

When (CET)	What	Comments	Duration	Session lead
Day 1 - Monday 08 April 2024				
1pm	Lunch	c/o Aula BaLab 'Guglielmo Minervini'	1h	
2pm	Greetings from University of Bari	Mariangela Lupo, UniBa	5+10 min	Francesca

¹ The event is primarily designed as an in-person event, but some sessions will be accessible remotely (see programme).



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	ELIXIR Italy - an introduction	Graziano Pesole, Head of Node		
	Introduction to the whole workshop	Including round of introductions	10 min	Mariana de Freitas
	“Node intros”	Flash talks on Nodes to get to know each other better	40 min	Alessandro Cestaro (IT NC)
	Impact evaluation training (part 1, introduction)	Mixed format (plenary and group work)	1h	Corinne
4pm	Break		30 min	
4:30pm	Impact evaluation training (part 2, pathway logics)		1h30	Corinne
6pm	End of work day			
8:30pm	Dinner	Pizzeria “la Murattiana” Via Roberto da Bari, 152		Francesca
Day 2 - Tuesday 09 April 2024				
9am CET	Knowledge-exchange by Nodes on impact evaluation	Presentations in plenary format, followed by questions	2h	David, Mariana
10:50am	Group photo			
11am	Break			
11:30am	Impact evaluation training (part 3, indicators and evidence)		1h30	Corinne
1pm	Lunch		1h	
2pm	Impact evaluation training (parts 4 & 5, methods & question)		1h	Corinne
3pm	Knowledge-exchange by Nodes environmental impact and carbon footprint assessment at the Node level (1)	Presentation and discussion format. To cover status, possible joint/coordinated actions (e.g. handbook, measures, etc), etc. Could consider a remote connection for key participants	1h	Mariana, Ingeborg
4pm	Break			
4:30pm	Knowledge-exchange by Nodes environmental impact and carbon footprint assessment at the Node level (2)	Discussion on <i>What’s already done at Node-level</i> (or their home institutions)	1h30	Mariana, Ingeborg
6pm	End of work day			
6:20pm (2h)	Guided tour of Bari			Francesca/ Corinne
8,30pm	Dinner	Il “ sorso preferito ” Via Vito Nicola De Nicolò, 40		Francesca
Day 3 - Wednesday 10 April 2024				
9am	Knowledge-exchange by Nodes environmental impact and carbon	Common framework slides + what’s next How can nodes build up their own effort on environmental impact	1h30 Hybrid session	Mariana, Ingeborg



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	footprint assessment at the Node level (3)			
	Impact clinic (part 1)	Ask questions, advance the hands-on exercises, sharing pathways created during the workshop, discuss specific impact-related topics in more detail (e.g. how to tackle the impact under Horizon Europe, etc). Erika/Corinne can demo the back-end of ELIXIR’s indicator dashboard . Nodes can play with the Hub’s subscription to Overton.io (policy impact database)	30 min	Corinne, Erika, Despoina
11am	Break			
11:30am	Impact clinic (part 2)		1h	
	Summary of next steps	To consider how others in ELIXIR will be involved/consulted, both for impact evaluation and environmental impact	30 min	Ingeborg / Corinne
1pm	Lunch			
2pm	End of workshop			

Topics and group allocation for the hands-on practical exercises on impact evaluation

- Trainees to add their name to the below table, against a topic they would like to work on, as a group, during the workshop (day 2). No need to prepare anything specific ahead of time.
- Possible to add/modify topic descriptions if Node needs and interests are not well captured by current formulation.

Topics
Impact of running a bioinformatics resource such as a database, a piece of software, the provision of cloud computing
Impact of running a [e.g. data management] training course
Impact of ELIXIR’s core funding (e.g. of a portfolio of commissioned services, of recurring signature events)
Impact of running a programme (e.g. industry programme, training programme)
Impact of a EU- or nationally-funded project
Impact of Node activities in the policy sphere
Scientific impact/legacy of a Node
Impact of a national Node (e.g. as part of an annual/periodic evaluation/review, considering formats (e.g. infographic, annual report, etc)
Socio-economic impact of a Node (e.g. in innovation, job creation, human capital, etc) [for this topic, one might wish to start from impacts, then work out what outcomes and activities would lead to these, hence working right to left in the impact pathway logic]