
Strategy for the Nordic e-Infrastructure Collaboration (NeIC)

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Vision

The vision of NeIC is to facilitate the development and operation of high quality e-infrastructure solutions in areas of joint Nordic interest.

Mission Statement

NeIC supports the Nordic research community by

- Supporting collaboration on e-Infrastructure in the Nordic region.
- Providing added value to researchers and national funders.
- Contributing to more cost-efficient development and deployment of e-Infrastructure services.
- Supporting the national e-Infrastructure providers in terms of competence building, task sharing and joint operation of services.

Tasks

The core tasks of NEIC will include the following:

- Operate a high-quality and sustainable Nordic Tier-1 Service within the WLCG.
- Establish new e-Infrastructure collaboration areas for Nordic e-Infrastructure services.
- Exploit funding opportunities from partners and from Horizon 2020.
- Support Nordic Centers of Excellence (including NeGI CoE's).
- Communicate success stories to researchers, funders and the general public.
- Increase the international visibility of the Nordic region in the area of regional e-Infrastructure collaboration.
- Investigate new opportunities for widening the scope of Nordic e-Infrastructure collaboration at a generic and targeted level.

Strategic Goals

The following key targets will be achieved by NeIC over the next 3-4 years:

- Develop a sustainable funding model and increase transparency in relation to costs and financing of activities.
- Consolidate all major strategic decisions within the national e-infrastructure organizations.
- Develop new services for Nordic research communities within the Bio- and Medical Sciences.
- Ensure that The Nordic Tier-1 service is run cost-efficiently and as example of excellence to other service providers within WLCG.