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# **ICOS Belgium Consortium Mission Statement**

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# Introduction

# BACKGROUND

- ICOS Belgium Consortium is an **informal** group formed by the Belgian partners who are involved in ICOS
- Request from our stakeholders: to define some things more clearly
  - e.g. Who is the Focal Point? What is his role?
  - e.g. Who are the partners? What does the consortium do?

# PROPOSAL

Write an ICOS Belgium Mission Statement with:

1. Definitions
2. Goals of the ICOS BE Consortium
3. Role of the National FP
4. Role of ICOS BE Consortium partner
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**What else is missing?**

## MISSION STATEMENT

- Informal, not a legal document
- Signed by all the partners



## CONTENT



# 1. DEFINITIONS

- **ICOS Belgium Consortium:** consortium of research groups / institutions hosting one or more ICOS labeled stations
- **ICOS Belgium National Network:** network of ICOS labeled stations financed by the Flemish, Walloon and / or federal government.
- **National Focal Point:** coordinator of the ICOS BE Consortium, responsible for the information flow from the European ICOS ERIC and RI to the BE NN, the information flow within the BE NN and the outreach towards the wider Belgian scientific community and broader audience.
- **ICOS Belgium Consortium partner:** research group / institution hosting one or more ICOS labeled stations
- **ICOS Belgium Consortium observer:**
  - research group / institution planning to host one or more ICOS labeled stations,
  - research group / institution planning collaborating with a ICOS BE consortium partner in the framework of ICOS

## 2. GOALS

- **Science and research (output):** increase visibility, high quality data
- **Collaboration and cohesion:** opportunities, sharing expertise, new research questions
- **Outreach:** visibility, knowledge, publicity for ICOS BE



### 3. ROLE OF THE NATIONAL FP

- Communicating and **representing ICOS BE NN at the European level**: contacts with ICOS Head Office, participating in RICom, involvement in working groups (legal, financial)
- Communication **within the national network**: newsletter, study day, website, contact with the stakeholders, disseminating news from the European RI.
- Communication to wider **scientific community** and the **broader audience**: website, leaflets and promo material, outreach activities (press events, science conference, educational...)

## 4. ROLE OF CONSORTIUM PARTNER

- **Inform** FP of ICOS related activities, status of ICOS station, provide input and news for the website and newsletter
- **Promote** ICOS BE within scientific network and in education and outreach activities
- Actively create collaboration opportunities within ICOS BE NN and **cooperate** on joint projects, share knowledge and expertise with partners

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# YOUR INPUT AND IDEAS?