

## Turning Research Management into a Team Sport

### About ELLS & the RSO Team

The **Euroleague for Life Sciences (ELLS)** is a network of 14 leading universities promoting sustainable development through education and research. Within ELLS, the **Research Support Office (RSO)** Team consists of research support staff from eight ELLS members across Europe. Our collaboration has led to positive initiatives strengthening research support, professional development, and institutional competitiveness.

### Key benefits of transnational collaboration in research support

- ✓ **Enhanced Professional Development:** Joint training and exchanges improve skills and career prospects, while reducing costs and sharing administrative burdens.
- ✓ **Stronger Institutional Networks:** Long-term partnerships build trust and open doors for new funding and collaboration.
- ✓ **Knowledge Sharing & Best Practices:** Learning from different institutions leads to more effective and efficient research support strategies.
- ✓ **Increased Funding Competitiveness:** Collaborative efforts help institutions better navigate complex funding landscapes, including EU and other international grants.

### ELLS RSO: successful initiatives

- ✓ **"Navigating Brussels" Course:** A flagship training program providing early-career researchers with hands-on EU funding insights, proposal writing training, career development guidance and networking opportunities.
- ✓ **Best Practice Exchange:** A structured peer-learning approach combining online collaboration and in-person Erasmus-supported workshops.
- ✓ **Joint Training & Sustainability:** Integrating training events with existing ELLS gatherings to optimise resources and reduce environmental impact.

### Discussion table reflection: key questions

- ✓ What are the biggest challenges and benefits you have observed when collaborating with RMA colleagues from other organisations and countries?
- ✓ What are your best practices for transnational RMA collaboration?
- ✓ How do you fund your transnational RMA collaboration activities?

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