

**EPN 2024 RI**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Council Meeting**

**Introduction & Overview**

### Executive bodies of the Europlanet-2024-RI:

1. **The EPN-2024-RI Council - Comprised of one representative from each beneficiary.**
2. **The Project Management Committee (PMC)** – Comprised of Executive Officers and representatives from WPs and task leaders.
3. **The Executive Committee** – Comprised of project management staff and members of coordinating institutions responsible for the management of overall project and its subtasks. The Executive Committee oversees four Sub-Committees tasked with managing the activities of the project: **1. The Transnational Access (TA) Sub-Committee** **2. The Virtual Access (VA) Sub-Committee;** **3. The Impact and Dissemination (I&D) Sub-Committee;** and **4. The Europlanet Sustainability Committee.**

### Consultative bodies;

1. The Europlanet General Assembly (EGA).
2. The Project Advisory Board (PAB) and its three sub-boards, the TA Review Board (TARB), the VA Review Board (VARB) and Impact Review Board (IRB).
3. The Europlanet Diversity Committee.

**The EPN-2024-RI Council** will be the major strategic decision-making body and will have the final responsibility for allocation and monitoring of the project resources.

It will hold executive powers in the event of major changes to the composition or conduct of the consortium (e.g. any changes required due to changed circumstances of individuals or institutions). It will meet once a year face-to-face and at other times as required by teleconference and will be chaired by the Coordinator.

## The EPN-2024-RI Council.

EPN-2024-RI Council meetings will be held at the project's Annual General Meeting.

Mid-term and final reports will be reviewed and ratified by the EPN-2024-RI Council before submission to the European Commission, with particular attention to ***detailing the spend patterns in the reporting period and making forecasts for forthcoming year***, including allocations to the TA facilities. The mid-term and final reports will include reviews of the impact of all NAs, TAs, VAs and JRAs PMC and include comments/recommendations from PAB, its sub-Boards and the EGA

### **The EPN-2024-RI Council.**

**Duties at this meeting are;**

- **Approve new partners and beneficiaries**
  - **Approve changes to the work packages and tasks**
  - **Approve changes to financial assignment to partners and work packages**
  - **Formally approve the above in a Grant Amendment**
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- **To comment on progress of work packages**

## Summary of Progress of Europlanet-2024-RI

- **Launch of the Europlanet-2024-RI February 1, 2020**
- **Kick-off meeting Windsor February 27 & 28**
- **Covid-19 lock downs from March**
- **First call for TA programme March 2020 – awards June 2020**
- **EPSC (Virtual) September 21<sup>st</sup> – October 2<sup>nd</sup> (plus one week)**
  
- **Executive Committee agreed not to request suspension of extension**
  
- **TA (JRA) programme progressing but concern about the hosting of TA visits as travel not possible - can they be virtual? JRAs mixed progress but expect to deliver to timetable**
- **VA (JRA) programme less effected by Covid-19 except no face to face meetings**
- **NA2 – Telescope network established – visits and projects limited by covid restrictions**
- **NA1 - Some tasks and actions suspended due to inability to travel – adoption of virtual conferencing but not all can be done online**

### Summary of Progress of Europlanet-2024-RI

- **Financial report – 6 months of project (12.5%) but spend only 6%**
- **TA no expenditure yet.**
- **Some partners (not just TAs) have NO LISTED EXPENDITURE**

**At mid term review (spend to end of July 2021) must show**

- **Spend in all activities**
- **Spend by all beneficiaries**

**Or EC will question operations and deliverables.**

**Horizon Europe – preparations must start now.**

**Sustainability planning – Tuesday October 13th**

Questions ?

**Then workpackage reports**