On 10 March 2016, the European Strategy Forum on Research Infrastructures (ESFRI) will present the 2016 ESFRI Roadmap on Large Scale Research Infrastructures during a one-day conference in Amsterdam. The venue will be the Trippenhuis Building, the headquarters of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Date: 10 March 2016  
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ESFRI identifies Research Infrastructures (RIs) of pan-European scope that meet the long-term needs of European researchers across all scientific areas. Since 2006, ESFRI has presented a series of updated Roadmaps supporting a coherent and strategy-led approach to the European Council’s policy-making. Its mission is to ensure that leading researchers in the Union have access to high-quality RIs and to facilitate initiatives leading to the better use of such infrastructures.

The 2016 Roadmap consists of 21 ESFRI projects with a high degree of maturity - including six new ones - and 29 ESFRI Landmarks. These are RIs listed in previous ESFRI Roadmaps that have become pillars of scientific excellence and competitiveness in the European Research Area (ERA).

ESFRI Chair John Womersley will present the 2016 ESFRI Roadmap. EU Commissioner of Research, Science and Innovation Carlos Moedas and Dutch State Secretary for Education, Culture and Science Sander Dekker will then comment on the new edition. In the afternoon, the focus will shift to the implementation and sustainability of research infrastructures. The detailed programme will be available at the end of January, when registration opens.

This conference is part of a series of events marking the Dutch presidency of the European Union. It is being organised by the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW) in close cooperation with ESFRI, the European Commission, and the Dutch Ministry of Education, Culture and Science.