

Memorandum of Understanding

Between

The European Network of Living Labs (ENoLL)

and

The Australian Living Labs Innovation Network (ALLIN)

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) sets forth the terms and understanding between the European Network of Living Labs (ENoLL) and the Australian Living Labs Innovation Network (ALLIN) to collaborate to further their mutual interest. The ENoLL and ALLIN have come together with the common intention to collaborate and develop the global Living Lab community. This document is not legally binding but is a simple statement of ideas by the two parties.

This MOU will be in effect for an initial period of 12 months, with the intention of continuation, from the date in which the MOU is signed by the 2 parties.

Background

ENoLL has been at the forefront of promoting Living Labs in Europe since 2006. ENoLL has led the standard setting for Living Labs and is emerging as a global network with more Living Labs joining from outside of Europe. Australia has three Living Labs that are members of ENoLL and there are a number of emerging Living Labs in Australia.

Living Labs are still an emerging innovation setting in Australia and there has not been an organisation to promote Living Labs locally. The Australian Living Labs Innovation Network was set-up in 2015 to promote Living Labs in Australia and to encourage collaboration with ENoLL Living Labs around the world. Foundation members of ALLIN have been represented at every summer school since 2014. We have also been a member of the evaluation group for the 9th and 10th waves of ENoLL. While we are in the early stages of formation there has been much interest in the concept and several emerging and some long-standing Living Labs are interested in the initiative.

Inspired by ENoLL, we note that we share the same values and passion for citizen and end user driven innovation that leads to positive sustainable societal outcomes. ALLIN is seeking to foster a close long term mutually beneficial relationship with ENoLL in our region as we grow and as ENoLL evolves into an increasing global network. It's important to ALLIN members that Living Labs meet the values and standards that of the global living lab community. ALLIN would appreciate ENoLL support in promoting ALLIN, its symposium and associated activities and ALLIN will reciprocate that in promoting ENoLL and its activities.

Purpose

In signing this MOU the parties will endeavor to collaborate between their members to foster closer ties and to expand the culture of living labs globally and cooperate on mutually beneficial projects. This collaborative approach to foster a close relationship with ENoLL will occur through:

Relationship Building Activities

- Regular conversations on opportunities between our living labs on potential joint projects and where appropriate leverage international research funding.
- Attendance at summer school, living lab theme conferences and individual connections.




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- Conversations with other members in our region with common interests.

Standards and Values

- ALLIN will encourage Australian Living Labs to meet ENoLL standards and values and promote the benefits of ENoLL membership to its members.
- A two way exchange of information sharing and knowledge will be encouraged between the networks and their members.

Conferences

- ALLIN has already run two symposia with ENoLL's support (2016 and 2017)
- ENoLL and ALLIN to explore the opportunity to hold an ENoLL/ALLIN summer school in Australia in 2020 – this may be in the form of a regional summer school.

The listed activities are indicative and may be extended or shortened during collaboration.

Outcomes of the MOU

- ENoLL has a regional network partner in Australia to further promote the global Living Lab movement
- ALLIN has a pathway to applying for Innovation Partner membership towards formal representation on ENoLL council as a voting member in the future.
- Collaborative projects between members are explored, developed and implemented
- Influence research and innovation EU-Australia collaboration policies and practices
- Further development of the Open Living Lab movement in Australia/Oceania (both in research and practice)
- Drafting a joint roadmap following the signature of the MoU, inspiring both parties for action and achieving tangible results on the course of the first-year timeline
- A short joint-progress report will be delivered during June 2019 to review outcomes of the current MoU to determine continuation based on the achieved results.

Funding/ Duration and Legality

This MOU is not a commitment of funds. This document is not legally binding but is a simple statement of ideas by the two parties.

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