

WEBINAR

“EU-CELAC cooperation on research infrastructures: impact and best practices”

*hosted by the EU-CELAC Working Group on
Research Infrastructures*

Online session, 10th December 2020
16:15 – 18:00 hrs. (CET)

Agenda	
16:15	Participants coming in
16:30	Formal welcome <i>Objectives of the webinar/agenda/presentation of the speakers</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jeroen van der Zalm, International Cooperation Service Facility of the European Commission
16:40	Presentation 1 <i>Biregional cooperation between research infrastructures: Best practices and lessons learned from the Instruct-ERIC / Institut Pasteur de Montevideo collaboration.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • José Maria Carazo, Head of the Biocomputing Unit, CNB-CSIC, Instruct-ERIC, Spain • Alejandro Buschiazso, Head of Lab, Institut Pasteur de Montevideo / CeBEM, Uruguay
17:00	Q&A session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moderator: Inmaculada Figueroa, Ministry of Science and Innovation, Spain
17:20	Presentation 2 <i>Building a common cyberinfrastructure to support research infrastructures: RedCLARA, a collaborative approach.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Luis Eliécer Cadenas, Executive Director, RedClara, Chile
17:35	Q&A session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moderator: Andrés López, National Research and Development Agency, Chile

17:45	<p>Presentation 3</p> <p><i>Introducing the Latin America - Europe Symposium on Research Infrastructures, co-organised by EU-LAC ResInfra and RI-VIS</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natalie Haley, Project Manager RI-VIS, Instruct-ERIC, Hub UK
17:50	<p>Wrap up and closing remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inmaculada Figueroa, Ministry of Science and Innovation, Spain
18:00	<p>End of meeting</p>

Short CVs of the speakers:

1. José María Carazo, Head of the Biocomputing Unit, CNB-CSIC, Instruct-ERIC, Spain



José María Carazo specialized in the area of cryo Electron Microscopy/Structural Biology and has expertise in data management and data analysis. He is part of two European Research Infrastructures: INSTRUCT (Structural Biology) and ELIXIR (BioInformatics), bridging the world of data management and analysis with the one of the elucidation of the three-dimensional structure of biological macromolecules, paving the way to drug design.

José's impact in the field can be estimated quoting more than 13600 citations and h=63 (Google Scholar) and a large user base of software suites like XMIPP, Scipion and 3DBionotes. JoséMaría is partner in 4 International projects, including a European Research Council (ERC) Synergy grant.

2. Alejandro Buschiazzo, Head of the Molecular & Structural Microbiology Laboratory, Institut Pasteur Montevideo, Uruguay



Alejandro Buschiazzo's scientific career is focused on Microbiology, with the aim of understanding molecular mechanisms of key proteins and how they determine or regulate pathogenicity in micro-organisms. He obtained his PhD in Chemistry in 1999 at the Institute Leloir (Universidad de Buenos Aires, Argentina) studying sialidases and trans-sialidases from Trypanosomatid parasites. A postdoc (2000-2003) at the Dept of Structural Biology & Chemistry in the Pasteur Institute (Paris) led to a tenured researcher position there in 2003. He moved to the Inst Pasteur in Montevideo as Group Leader since 2006.

Alejandro is one of the founders of the the Latin American network CeBEM ("Centro de Biología Estructural del Mercosur") and has set up an open Macromolecular Crystallography Facility at Pasteur Montevideo.

3. **Luis Eliécer Cadenas, Executive Director, RedCLARA**



Luis Eliécer Cadenas has vast experience in academic networks and the Latin American ICT scene. Since 2017 he is Executive Director of RedCLARA. He is a computer engineer with postgraduate studies in economics, telematics, networking and computer science, with almost 30 years of experience in information technologies and telecommunications field both in the private and public domains. In his professional career Luis Eliécer has sought to be an agent of change, growth and development of people and organizations through information and communication technologies.

Amongst others, Luis Eliécer was President of the Latin American Research Network Association (Enredo 1998-1999). Before becoming CEO of RedCLARA in 2017, he worked with Cisco in various positions, both related to the academic area and the commercial arena.

4. **Natalie Haley, Project Manager RI-VIS, Instruct-ERIC, Hub UK**



Natalie Haley has a scientific background in bionanotechnology and biophysics. She began working for Instruct-ERIC as a project manager on the CORBEL project promoting harmonisation of European research infrastructures in the life science cluster of infrastructures in 2017. Through CORBEL, the infrastructures involved realised a forum to discuss common challenges and share best practices which led on to further collaborations between the infrastructures to address common challenges in visibility through the RI-VIS project, including international visibility and collaboration.

Natalie now also works as the project manager for RI-VIS which is coordinated by Instruct-ERIC, in addition to managing Instruct-ERIC participation in other projects especially those involving cooperation of research infrastructures.