Introduction to Robotic Innovation Facilities in Europe

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Concept of Robotic Innovation Facilities

- Physical spaces with equipment, people and expertise
- Offer assistance and services in robotics, automation and other relevant areas
- Offer regular workshops in robotics, automation
RIF for Who?

- SMEs and start-ups
- Students
- New user groups
- E++ Experiments

Low engagement barriers
Nominal 6 weeks of engagement with possibility of extension
RIF@BRL located in Bristol, England
RIF@CEA located in Paris-Saclay, France
RIF@SSSA, located in Peccioli, Italy
Locations

- Bristol, England

RIF@BRL located in Bristol, England
Scope and specialization of the RIF UNITED KINGDOM

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Scope and specialization of the RIF ITALY

Indoor & Outdoor, Logistics, Agriculture, Medical Robotics

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Manufacturing & Healthcare Robotics
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How to access

T0

- Fill the 2 pages application Form and select your RIF site
- Interactive refinement of application
- Review by the Rif Board

T0+2 M

- travel support decision
- Scheduling and preparation

T0+6 M

- Use
- Feedback Request
- Reject and resubmission advices
RIF Bi-Monthly Review Process for Ad-Hoc Engagement

- Send applicant’s documents to all partners every two weeks
- Bi-Monthly review meeting
- Application Review Process
- Ranking criteria
  1. Broad alignment with robotics and automation
  2. Clarity and focus
  3. Evidence of Commitment
  4. Potential impact
  5. Novelty of proposal
  6. SME fit
  7. Continuation process
  8. Exploitation strategy

- Successful application: Yes
  - Contact applicant with formal invite to participate
- No: Go to RIF application process
Engagement

- On line form for submission of proposal
  http://www.echord.eu/facilities-rifs/rifsapplication/
- No specific calls, *continuous process*
- Bi-monthly assessment of applications and notification to applicants
- Preferred option would be for applicants to participate in the investigation
- E++ Experimenters are automatically accepted to use the RIFs facilities to demonstrate the results of their work
A **limited** financial budget is available for **assistance with travel and subsistence** costs for SMEs travelling over 500 kilometres.

There is **no cost** for the nominal 6 weeks RIF access.

Other financial schemes may be available based on local RIFs offers.

The RIFs make **no claims on the Intellectual Property developed during the engagement period**.

All RIFs offer **non disclosure agreements** to safeguard their client’s IP.

All RIF engagements are covered by **an agreed contract**.
Three facilities are operating across Europe to help you explore application of robotics and automation in your business.

These facilities do not charge for their services for a nominal 6 weeks of support and collaboration.

A variety of equipment and expertise are available to help you take advantage of the latest technologies.

Program duration to October 2018.

Why not use RIFs to carry out your initial feasibility study?
On line handbook gives detailed Information:
http://www.echord.eu/facilities-rifs/

Thank you

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