POLICY ISSUES AND ICRI IN CONTEXT: REFLECTION ON THE 2016 OUTCOMES





Objectives of South Africa's co-hosting of ICRI 2016

- ICRI as the premier platform for discussions on research infrastructures (RI)
- Contribution to the policy debate on RI
- Effectively building capacity
- Expanding partnerships across sectors
- ICRI 2016 enriched by the contribution of global participation from Africa and other Continents
- Initiating and building on partnerships across regions



















The Research Infrastructure Ecosystem



Research Infrastructures are central and an integral part of an ecosystem:

- driving knowledge generation and exploitation;
- accelerating technology development;
- training for new generations of scientists and science managers;
- technological and social innovation;
- providing capacity to address global challenges; and
- Combining the best available knowledge, human capital and resources in one specific scientific area



Key messages from ICRI 2016 (1)

Global research infrastructures (GRI) societal dimension - poverty, inequality and unemployment challenges - climate change, energy global science international partnerships catalyst for development key human capital development attract interest from the public & learners in science



- data driven society research infrastructures are seen as the catalysts for disruptive technologies
- data management Global research infrastructures and how the dynamics of distributed knowledge are addressed
- open science and open innovation the need for research infrastructures to be able to respond as well have in place the appropriate systems



Key messages from ICRI 2016 (3)

Sustainable implementation of GRIs

- Robust Governance
- Funding
- IPR
- Mobility
- Political support
- Open science & innovation
- Excellence-based access policies
- Data policies
- Stakeholders

SKA



Benefits for Africa from hosting GRI (SKA)

development new skills -

essential in global knowledge economic growth, Local level job creation benefits -**Multiplier value** community derived from initiatives, big-data science benefits awareness schools **Benefits for** Africa from hosting GRI **Development Multiplier value** of RI in African derived from bigpartner data benefits countries Innovation opportunity and business

opportunity

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Launch of the Meerkat Telescope in Carnavon, Northern Cape, July 2018

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