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# Trans-national Access (TA)

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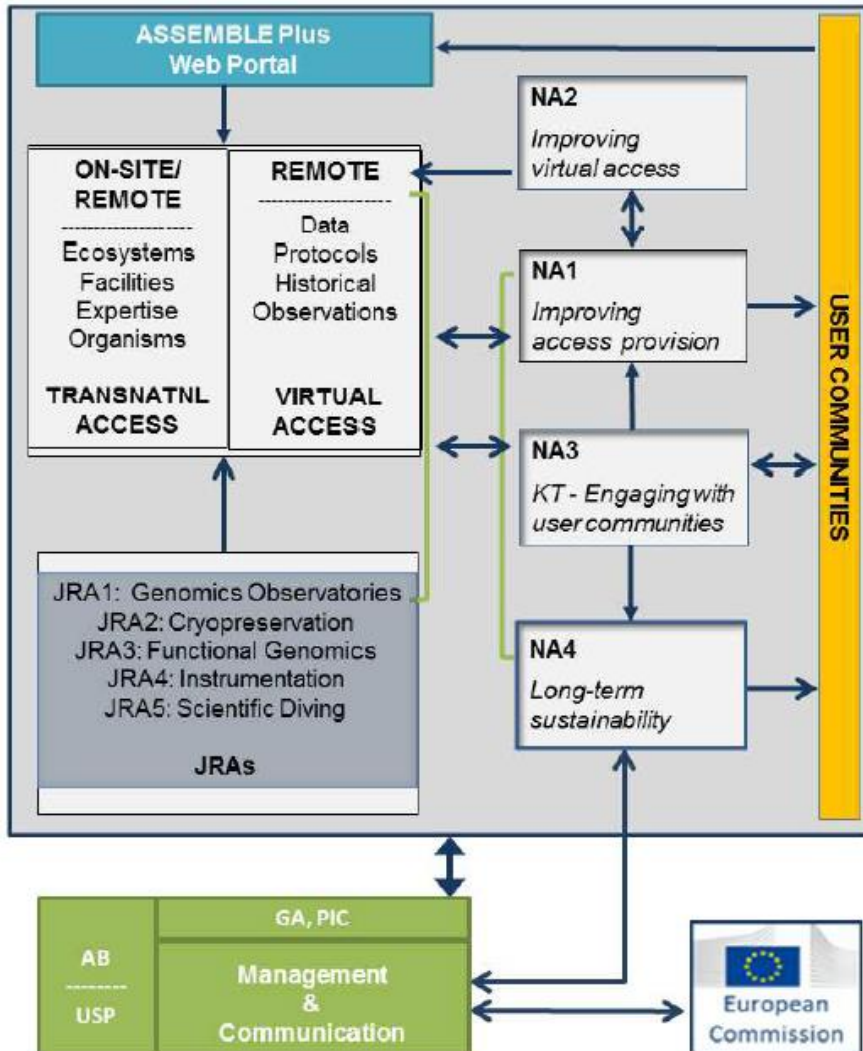
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# TA: What is it (1) ?

- Access to diverse services: marine ecosystems and a portfolio of biological resources, besides access to research platforms, analytical services and data,
- Offer training facilities and courses,
- Free access for research teams usually working in a country other than the country where the Access Provider is located,
- Strengthen the connections between science, policy and industry.

# TA: What is it (2) ?



- Orchestral conductor of a work plan to increase and diversify the user community

# Objectives

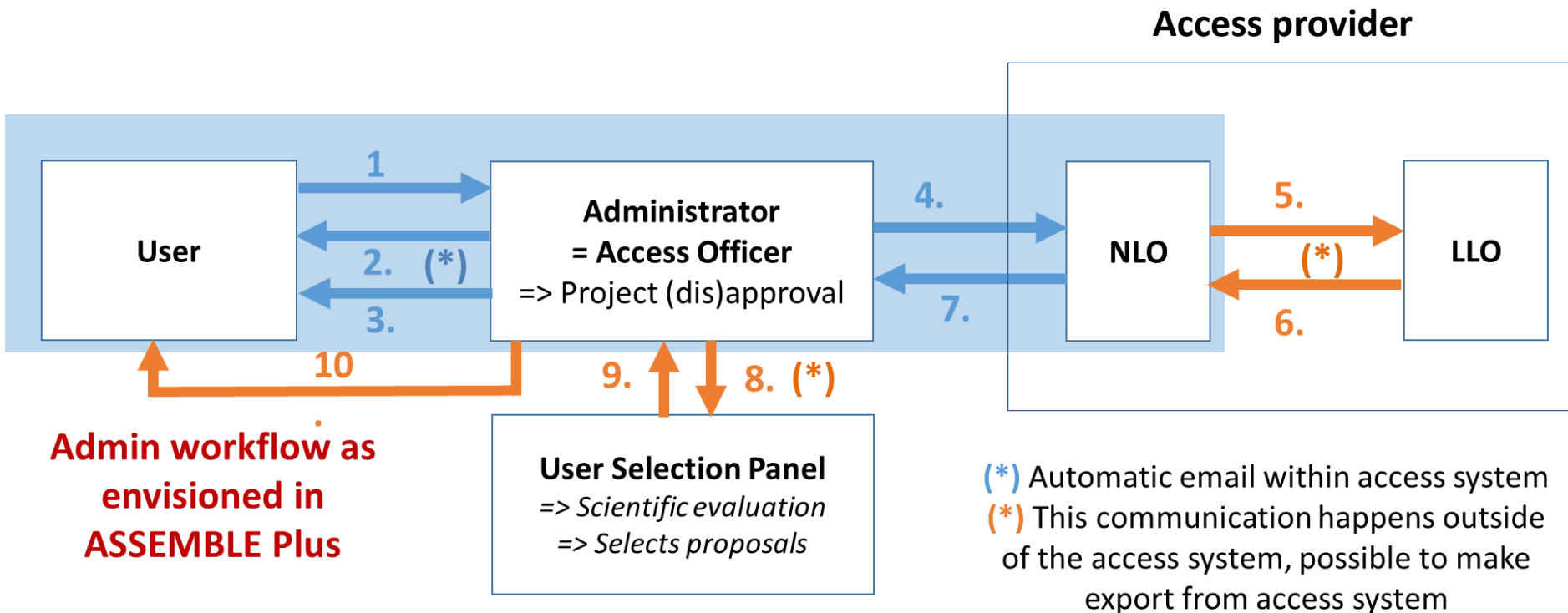
- **Coordination & management**

- Enhance TA to a coordinated set of state-of-the-art European infrastructures for marine biology and ecology,
- Attract new users from different disciplines and sectors,
- Test the interoperability and complementarity among partners' installations,
- Develop Key Enabling Technologies,
- Attract scientists in order to increase the Technology Readiness Level of their research

# Assemble +’s website

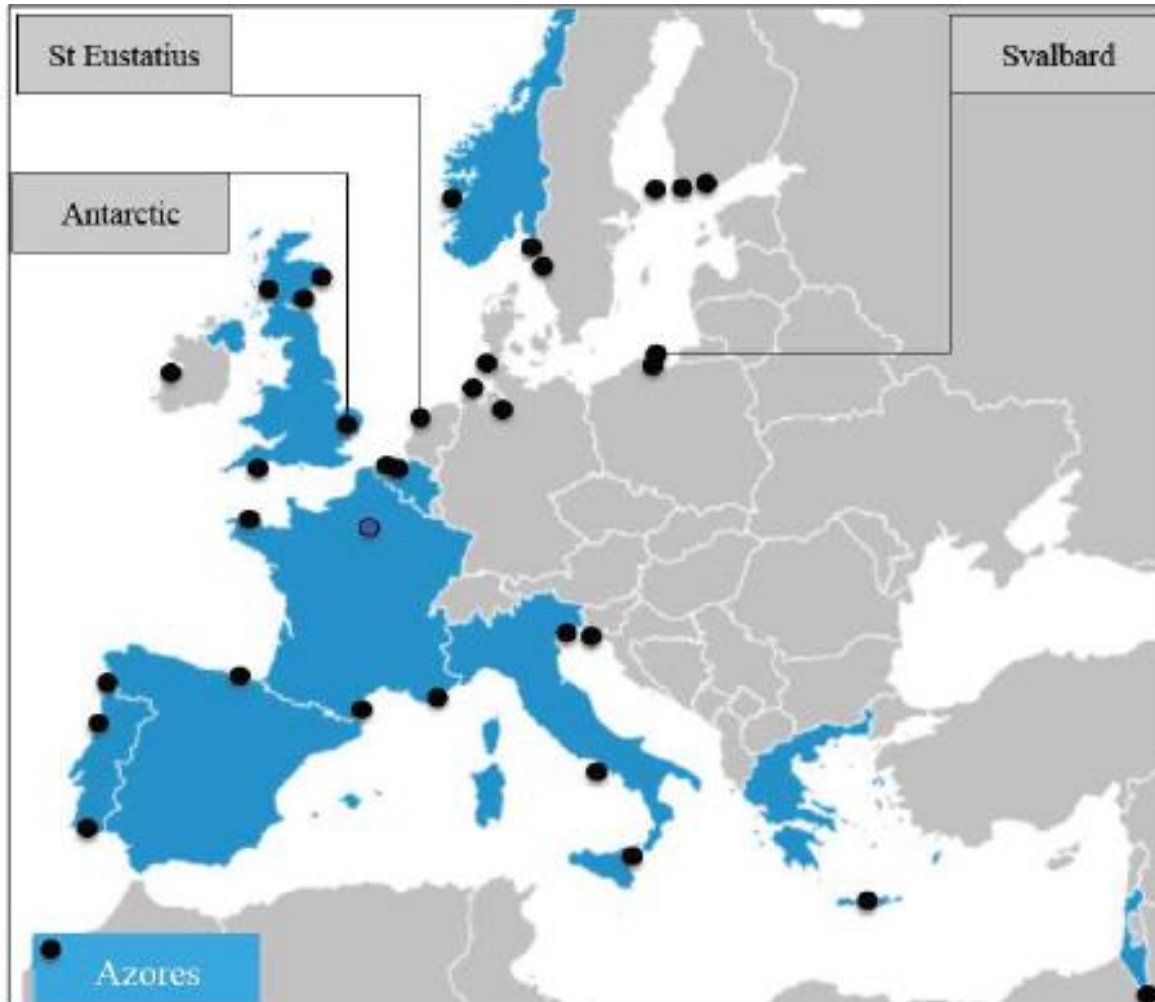
- EMBRC and A+ access websites will share similar architecture,
- Webportal with « one-stop-shop » for information,
- Access system functional within the first 2 months,
- Open calls for TA proposals twice a year,
- Comprehensive overview of accessible infrastructure, services, and their location

# Project Proposal Workflow





# Access Providers



➤ **32 marine stations in 16 countries**



# User Selection Panel

- Coordinator (Ilaria Nardello),
- 6 Executive Board Members,
- 6 Members of the Advisory Board.

## ➤ **Selection criteria**

- Scientific excellence, interdisciplinarity and novelty,
- Overall feasibility/probability of delivery,
- Compliance with themes to be tested in the TA program,
- New users, users from non-marine disciplines and from countries where state-of-the-art marine research infrastructure is unavailable,
- Compliance with A+ ethics and policy,
- Priority to external users (outside the partner institutes from the A+ consortium).

# User Access Contract (1)

- Following the selection of the project, the AO will establish a template the User Access Contract to be sent to the Local Liaison Officer for review and specification,
- Negotiations will be performed by the legal officers of each parties with support of HQ where necessary.

# User Access Contract (2)

- Requirements

- Name of the person in charge during the TA visit,
- Conditions: timing, service provided, financial support,
- Obligations of parties,
- Intellectual Property Rights issues,
- User's Feedback compulsory

- Signatures

- The access provider ?
- The applicant ?
- The legal representative of the users and access providers ?

➤ Acceptation of the project : once the agreement is signed

➤ Publication of accepted projects on the website

# TA visits and post-procedures

- Signature by the Access provider in charge and the User of the « Confirmation of visit » document,
- Reimbursement of Access Provision
  - Send the « Confirmation of visit » document to the AO,
  - Refunding of the costs for the TA visit,
- Survey/report of the TA visit sent to the AO by the users.

**Thank you for your  
attention !**

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