The Group of Senior Officials (GSO) on global Research Infrastructures

The **GSO** was established (1st G8 Science Ministers' meeting, Okinawa, 15 June 2008) to:

- Provide a non-binding and open **forum for policy exchanges** on global research infrastructures and to inform and improve international cooperation;
- **Share information** about existing and planned new infrastructures;
- **Establish principles** for the development of new partnerships.
The GSO is composed of representatives from 14 countries (G7, BRICS, Australia, Mexico) + the European Commission (Executive Secretariat).

The GSO has developed a Framework that identified 14 key principles (criteria) to be addressed by global RIs; the Framework is a living document and its criteria are regularly revised, based on case studies.

The GSO new web pages https://ec.europa.eu/info/research-and-innovation/strategy/european-research-infrastructures/group-senior-officials-gso_en contain a Toolkit to help RIs assess their alignment with the Framework criteria.