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## Breakout Session (3-4 rooms)

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As introduced in the previous talks from EOSC SB and e-IRG members, there have been some main points identified:

- Gaps in the policy landscape for e-Infrastructures relevant to EOSC (see e-IRG talk), such as the inherent focus of EOSC on data (and less on e-Infrastructures), the lack of methodologies and processes for identification of underlying costs, etc.
- Aspects to consider from the e-Infrastructure point of view related to the 3 topics of the EOSC SB subgroup (skills, role of private sector and data sovereignty). In particular:
  - Supporting data related skills and competences through (national, institutional, EU?) policies. Furthermore, research/e-infrastructure providers and research performing organisations have a hard time retaining their data experts in their organisations, as industry usually offers better salaries.
  - The role service providers from the private sector could and should play in the EOSC. Relevant to this is also the discussion whether the research community should acquire (lease) resources (e.g. computing, storage) from commercial providers.
  - Data sovereignty: Independent of where data are stored (may be a cloud infrastructure beyond the country created/ collected) they are subject to the laws and governance of the country created/collected. Data sovereignty is thus closely connected with cloud computing, data protection regulations and data privacy, cross border data transfers and international data spaces.

All groups will be discussing the same questions, each starting from a different question as time is short.

Group 1:

1. Do you see important gaps in the European policy landscape for e-infrastructures apart from the policy issues under discussion (skills and competences, EOSC and the private sector, data sovereignty) at the EOSC Steering Board ?
2. Which are the most crucial elements to consider when preparing policies on these topics?
3. What's the most appropriate way to influence the national and European policy landscape?
4. How can good practices or failures on developing and implementing policies at national level help progress implementation by other MSs and ACs? And how a European-wide implementation benefits all users ?

Group 2 :

1. Which are the most crucial elements to consider when preparing policies on the topics raised by the speakers? (skills and competences, EOSC and the private sector, data sovereignty)
2. What's the most appropriate way to influence the national and European policy landscape?
3. How can good practices or failures on developing and implementing policies at national level help progress implementation by other MSs and ACs? And how a European-wide implementation benefits all users ?
4. Do you see important gaps in the European policy landscape for e-infrastructures apart from the policy issues under discussion (skills and competences, EOSC and the private sector, data sovereignty) at the EOSC Steering Board ?

Group 3

1. What's the most appropriate way to influence the national and European policy landscape?
2. How can good practices or failures on developing and implementing policies at national level help progress implementation by other MSs and ACs? And how a European-wide implementation benefits all users ?
3. Do you see important gaps in the European policy landscape for e-infrastructures apart from the policy issues under discussion (skills and competences, EOSC and the private sector, data sovereignty) at the EOSC Steering Board ?

4. Which are the most crucial elements to consider when preparing policies on these topics?

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Group 4 :

1. How can good practices or failures on developing and implementing policies at national level help progress implementation by other MSs and ACs? And how a European-wide implementation benefits all users ?

2. Do you see important gaps in the European policy landscape for e-infrastructures apart from the policy issues under discussion (skills and competences, EOSC and the private sector, data sovereignty) at the EOSC Steering Board ?

3. Which are the most crucial elements to consider when preparing policies on these topics?

4. What's the most appropriate way to influence the national and European policy landscape?

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