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Energy crisis impact on Research & Innovation

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Moving on from the pandemic, the RIs find themselves in a difficult situation, facing delays from the pandemic, increased inflation and energy prices at extreme levels. It is unlikely that governments in the short term will be able to compensate the large increase in costs. This causes the RIs to once again adapt to a new situation, which can be tackled in different ways and in which the solution is not a simple one but a complex combination of savings, projects put on hold and even complete shut-downs. However, the energy crisis also pushes a strive towards more energy sufficient approaches for the facilities, and the circumstances could potentially lead to a big leap in technology advancement and result in a more sustainable situation for research infrastructures in the future.

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