

UKRI Federated National Compute Services NetworkPlus

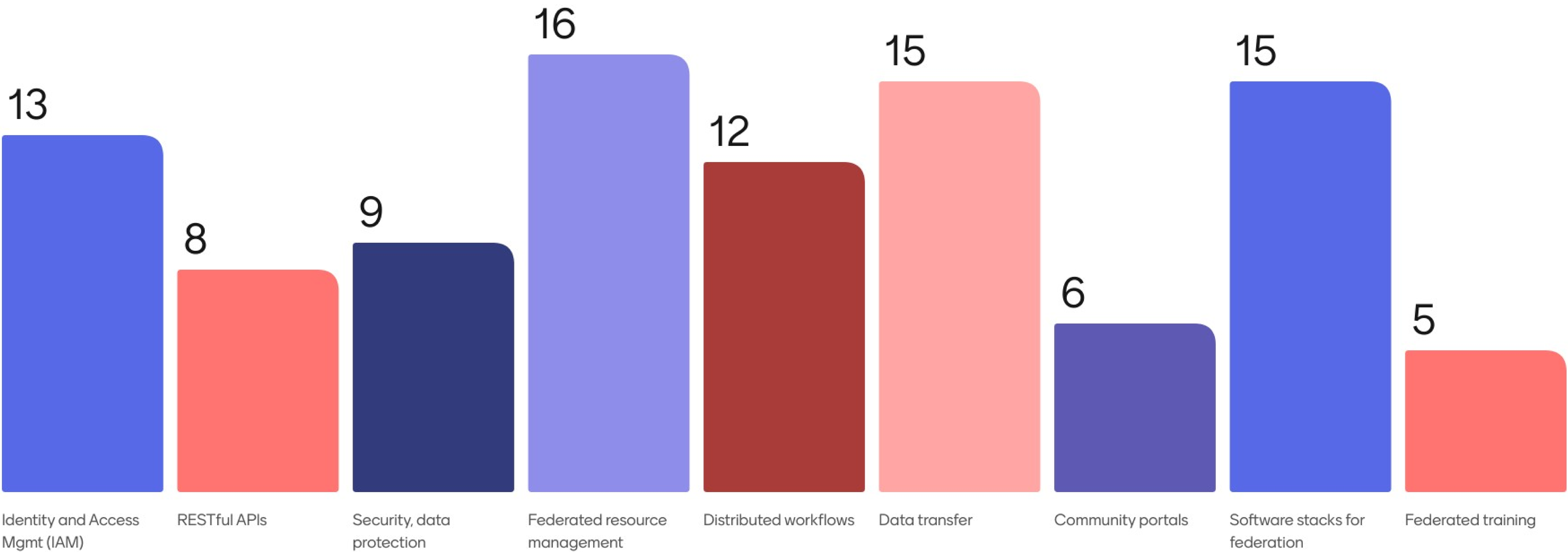


Top 3 reasons for participating to the workshop

49 responses



Technology Pillar Topics of Interest



Governance topics of interest

Trust frameworks

Resource allocation

Consistency of policy

Compliance

Relevance for net-zero

minimum requirements

Policies for resources
allocation and data
usage

Compliance with
Federation rules and
processes

Governance topics of interest

Compliance

Onboarding of
infrastructure to ukdri

user needs

Utilization of
Responsible AI

Security incident
response

Policies to enable
International collaborations
with a UK computer
federation eg exilir, gridpp,
UK SKA regional centre...

What factors are not
allowed

Dynamic/automatable
resource provisioning

Governance topics of interest

Relevance for users

Tech sovereignty

Governance that builds trust with resources, funders, and users

Interaction with other dris

Make it as simple and quick as possible to apply.

identify real user pain points

Plenary Discussion: How can we maximise success of the flexible funding call

- What factors should we ensure are covered in the call?
- What are the essential ingredients needed in the roadmaps to ensure they are successful?
- Where are the biggest challenges? Consider this for each of community, governance or technology?
- What barriers might get in the way of community participation, and how do we overcome these? Item 4

How can we maximise success of the flexible funding call (coverage, challenges, gaps, etc.)

This is intriguing project call to get involved in, and there is money, but the process seems very complicated, similar to a 1M funding application.

Ensure we know what users actually want

Established scientific communities should be used for promoting this call.

Engagement across ukri

What users want

Make proposal format and process as simple and rapid as possible.

Get the widest range of users involved

Ensure we know what the user roles are and that they are all included

How can we maximise success of the flexible funding call (coverage, challenges, gaps, etc.)

How the call is promoted to communities

Try and pool activities into a holistic whole

Support for finding partners for bids - maybe somewhere to post ideas for bids that interested parties could use to get in touch.

Reaching out beyond the "usual suspects" e.g. via mailing lists, social media etc - end user involvement particularly crucial

Support for new communities to find partners

Encourage proposals if they are technical that can be deployed as real world demonstrator

Don't be scared of duplicating work, different communities may come up with different solutions to the same problem

Appropriate resourcing of key personnel

How can we maximise success of the flexible funding call (coverage, challenges, gaps, etc.)

Release funds quickly to avoid delayed starts

Opportunities for grant holders /projects to share knowledge and experience during the funding period eg a cohort

It would be good to submit the proposal together for maximum success of the proposal; it will reduce internal competition.

Consider how to deal with proposals for projects that aren't really specific to a particular theme

Improve outreach to get new communities. Use something like the rse network

Try and leverage industrial funding if possible and have industry engagement

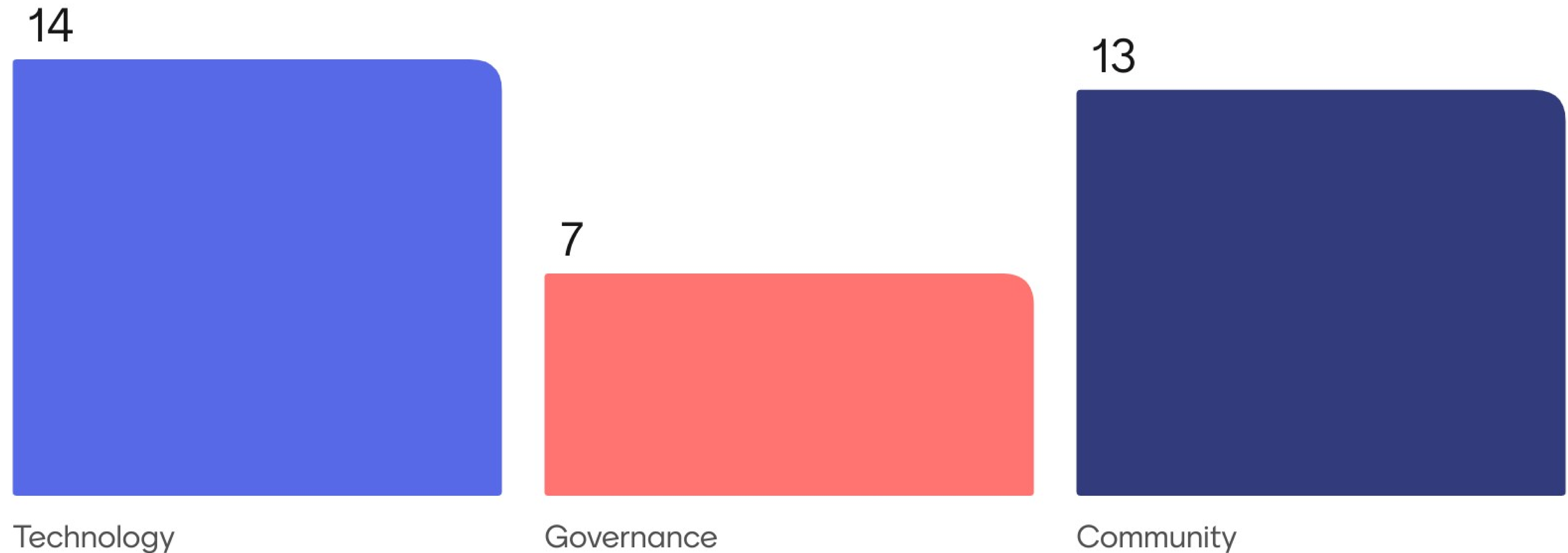
Make sure universities are aware so that tier 3 services can get involved

Involve knowledge exchange with similar projects eg data federation projects, net drive, use community

How can we maximise success of the flexible funding call (coverage, challenges, gaps, etc.)

Encourage proposals related to training are submitted and supported

If we do nothing more to facilitate proposals, how likely would you be to seek to get involved in a proposal each of the pillars (select any)



What factors are likely to affect your decision to seek involvement in a proposal?

Effort required for writing a proposal

Availability of staff at my institution.

Availability

Time

Temporal availability

Staff availability

Time and commitment and alignment with university! Aims

Collaborators, & time

What factors are likely to affect your decision to seek involvement in a proposal?

Time availability

Time/Effort Required

Terms and conditions.
Lengthy negotiations for
resource allocations

Possibility of no-cost
extension!

Having staff we can
assign to this

Alignment of our
expertise with the aims.

buyout payment for time

Specific challenge areas
to target could help
shaping ideas.

What factors are likely to affect your decision to seek involvement in a proposal?

Can we put one call together? If yes, is it possible to share details of attendees with each other?

Would you consider multiple proposals from the same group for different pillars?

Has the information shared at the workshop been helpful to inform your thinking? What other information would help further?

8 questions
3 upvotes

What actions could the Project Team take to facilitate involvement?

Give funding to those who do not have money at all; it will be more inclusive. Giving to those who already have funding will overburden them.

Create something like a zenodo knowledge base?

Use rse network, social media, etc

Reach out to dri type investments in ahrc, esrc, bbsrc...

Actively engage with communities through research councils that do not currently 'do HPC'.

I think all the attendees submit proposals together in 2-3 groups. If this is the case, please provide us with the details of all attendees so we can contact you directly.

Building on the knowledge base idea, perhaps a public wiki that people can contribute to whether or not they are associated with a project?

Announce workshops further in advance. 😊

What actions could the Project Team take to facilitate involvement?

A central readthedocs site that collates all the projects

Advertise through organisations like women in hpc

Can we have a "UKRI digital research infrastructure" Zendo community for this project and others to tag reports etc

Start lobbying senior management in HEIs as to the value

HPC-AI advisory council UK conference in October - co-location option?

Funding community development support across communities that others can leverage eg website to help people find and join the communities funded, approach to community governance/coordination, etc

HPC Days in June

Are there things the project is planning to do (like events) that proposals should avoid?

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ELIXIR UK and BioFAIR
community exposure

An unconference to help
develop ideas
/proposals

Workshop

Have clear online directory
of funded projects and
contact people to allow
others to find and contact
funded projects

<https://tnc25.geant.org/>

ELIXIR EU in June, very
developed with standards
and communities on
federated analysis; WES,
TES, Beacon etc

Write a roadmap

Someone from exec
attends community day
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Tnc25 looks interesting as it's the refeds conference too so looking at taxonomies of how we can formally describe research activities etc

Approach DRI providers to share information about the project with their user base in newsletters, blog posts etc

What actions should we ask others to take to facilitate involvement?

This is a test

Apply

this is another test

Apply and test

Clear user stories

advertisement

Ask UKRI for no cost
extension

Motivate attendees o
submit proposals in
common interest

What actions should we ask others to take to facilitate involvement?

Maximise lead time on funding call. Pre announce early

some support for our time

Ask UKRI to advertise on our behalf.

Outline impact on community of short turnaround funding as a standard practice on the outcome of federation

Learning from other federation projects eg user stories, approaches to codesign