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Dear Federation or Home Organisation IdP administrator,

ELIXIR (<http://www.elixir-europe.org/>) is a European research infrastructure for biological data. It is one of the ESFRI research infrastructures [1] and one of the three that European Council has prioritised [2]. More than 160 research institutions in 20 countries are affiliated with ELIXIR.

We are rolling out user authentication and authorisation services for ELIXIR. To enable European researchers to access ELIXIR, we have deployed a gateway (SAML Service Provider, SP) in the Czech Republic and registered it to eduGAIN. The SP has committed to the GEANT data protection Code of Conduct ver 1.0 that ELIXIR endorses [3]. The SAML SP also belongs to the REFEDS Research and Scholarship Entity category.

We would like to ask you to enable login and attribute release to the SP (entity ID <https://login.elixir-czech.org/proxy/>) from the SAML Identity Provider(s) in your Home Organisation/federation. Our required attributes are:

- eduPersonPrincipalName or eduPersonTargetedID
- eduPersonAffiliation or eduPersonScopedAffiliation (most importantly, value "faculty")
- schacHomeOrganization

We would use the attributes to identify the users in ELIXIR services and enforce access rights based on the affiliation. Enabling login and attribute release from your Home Organisation would streamline your researchers' work and increase your organisation's scientific output and impact.

Here is a listing of ELIXIR-affiliated universities and research institutions in your country: <http://tinyurl.com/zch37p9>

You can test the attribute release here: <https://perun.elixir-czech.cz/attribute-check/>

For any issues or further information, please contact aai-contact@elixir-europe.org.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rafael Jimenez".

Rafael Jimenez, ELIXIR Chief Technical Officer

[1] https://ec.europa.eu/research/infrastructures/index_en.cfm?pg=esfri-roadmap

[2] <https://www.elixir-europe.org/news/elixir-prioritised-esfri>

[3] <https://wiki.edugain.org/CoCoEndorsement>