

Preliminary remarks

- National analytical facilities: important investment requiring long term operating budgets
- Access : national, international, industrial
- « Historical principle »
 - scientific excellence is the only access criterium for experiments to be published
 - fee for industrial and confidential uses
- Diverse situations
 - global budget for operation in some facilities
 - partial budget for others (expectation of user' fees)

Who does pay for what and for whom ?

- National access
 - what coverage by third-party funding ?
- International exchanges
 - between equipped countries ?
 - with countries without equipments ?
 - what EU funding & policy ?
- Industry
 - total / partial cost => unfair competition ?

Necessity for common guidelines

- Fair advantage to be a funder of a facility
- Agreed policy for industrial access
- International access
- National access ?