Executive Summary

EMIF is a complex project, with a large variety of users. The project is ambitious. Moreover, EMIF is envisioned to run at least for 5 years. As the project evolves, we will develop an ever-increasing understanding of the needs of the whole spectrum of users. It is key for the project to be able to appropriately elicit user requirements, translate these into specifications for system development, and devise adequate evaluation measures of the different prototypes to make sure that the requirements are fulfilled. More generally, benchmark measures of project success as a whole can also be devised.

In EMIF-Platform, user requirements gathering will follow a two-fold approach: On one hand, we focus on the overall requirements, and we have a long-term perspective. These high-level requirements will initially be more generic or abstract, and as our journey evolves will become clearer. On the other hand, we will focus on a few initial use cases that aim to get the project launched quickly. These initial use cases only cover the first 6 to 12 months of the project, aim to gain momentum, and are engineered to result in concrete products and services whose impact can be measured.

This document includes a description in general terms of the types of users we envision for the EMIF infrastructure. This initial overview of types of users is not intended to be complete or comprehensive – we envision that as the project develops, we will be able to further detail the different roles these users will play, and the activities we believe they will perform.

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