Congratulations on your offer to participate in the Belmont Forum Collaborative Research Action on Data Management and E-Infrastructure, Work Package 2 "Improved interface between the computations and data infrastructures" assembly. You can find a list of all invited assembly members as well as the leaders and support team <u>here</u>. Please feel free to **amend your own information** on this document if required.

Please **review the** <u>welcome packet</u> (also attached to your official offer of participation email) as well as the Work Package (WP) 2 <u>Draft Work Plan</u>, to be finalized by WP 2 members at an in-person or virtual meeting, with guidance from WP 2 Steering Committee leadership.

Speaking of in-person meetings, there is an opportunity to gather before the <u>Research Data Alliance</u> (RDA) Plenary III in Dublin, Ireland (26-28 March). However, this may be too short notice for most people but please do <u>let me know as soon as</u> <u>possible</u> if you plan to attend anyway and if we could therefore arrange a work package session on 25th March.

Another factor we are looking at early on is work distribution. Please <u>click here</u> to **add your perceived strengths, experience, contacts** etc. to our spreadsheet, which will help all group members to liaise efficiently with each other on topics of mutual interest throughout the programme.

Please **join the Belmont Forum Knowledge Hub** at <u>www.bfe-inf.org</u>. We will also sign you up once we have confirmation from all invited attendees. The Knowledge Hub will serve as the communications centre for further WP 2 activities. We have also signed you up for an email listserv to further facilitate communication.

On behalf of our work package leaders Jean-Pierre Villotte, Toshio Koike, Roberto Cesar and Andrew Treloar and our US WP 2 support team Kate Kretschman, I would like to thank you for your time and we very much look forward to working with you on WP 2.

yours faithfully,

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