

# **Association RRI Ibero - America**











### Missions and objectives:

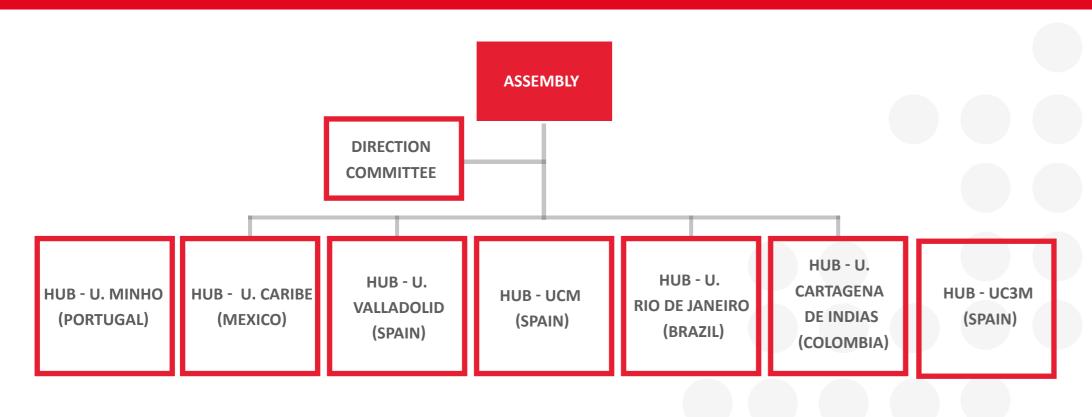
- Expand the principles of co-RRI to promote changes in the R&I system of Spain, Portugal and the Latin-American countries
- Changing people's mindsets about R&I towards co-RRI
- Contributing to the SDGs by making the current R&I systems more responsible and sustainable

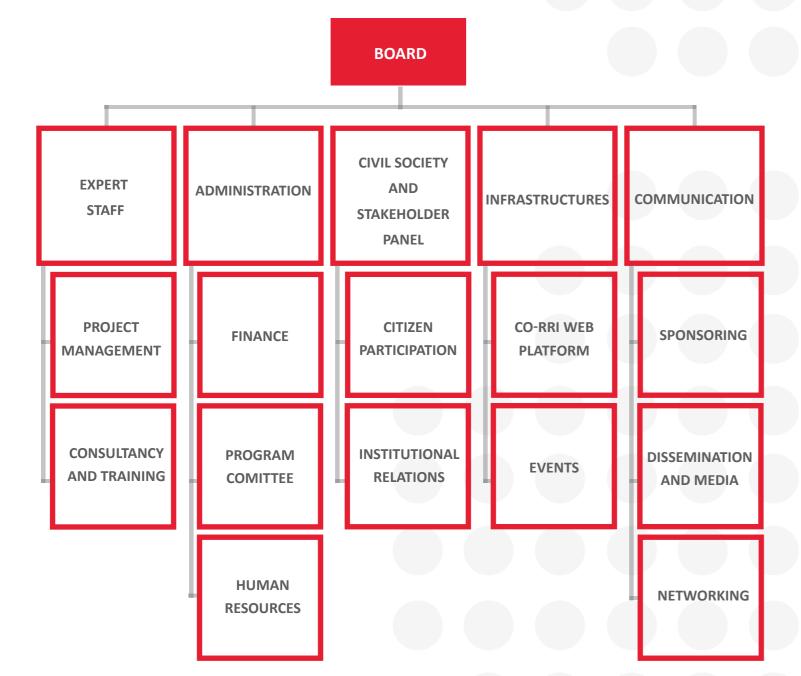
#### Our main activities:

- Creating a community of people in Latin America, Portugal, and Spain, sharing the same co-RRI vision
- Dissemination of the co-RRI concept, knowledge and successful case studies
- Development of infrastructure for co-RRI hubs in the Ibero-American countries
- Further development of the co-RRI concept and of co-RRI projects
- Consultancy and support to newcomers to co-RRI
- Maintenance and development of FoTRRIS' web platform

#### Governance structure

# Network of partners







#### Internal drivers:

- Highly motivated and enthusiastic multidisciplinary group of researchers and educators, trained in Co-RRI methodology, who have made of RRI their credo
- Desire to reaching a larger geographical scope of action
- ◆ Will to increase co-RRI's diversity of expertise to address Sustainable Development Goals

### **Tips**

- Trust that civil society organisations and citizens are willing to create and contribute to RRI based projects
- Connections with planetary, social and environmental benefits and truly believing in RRI's capacity to transform things is key to promoting Co-RRI
- Organization of Co-RRI workshops at different sites (future hubs) before setting the association, to show what it is all about
- ◆ Be aware that the application of the Co-RRI approach requires a cultural change in the way of doing R&D

### **External drivers:**

- Getting more autonomy to develop the mission and activities, as an association rather than as an internal unit of UCM
- Existing network of trusted partners in other Spain and other countries (Portugal, Latin-America)
- Momentum that RRI is gaining in Europe, and the inspiration that European R&I strategy produces in the research agendas of countries in the Latin American region

### Pitfalls

Never think that engaging businesses in RRI is impossible, it just requires a specific strategy and aligning RRI with Corporate Social Responsibility.

# Competence cell's ID:

Location: Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain

Action scope: **Spain, Portugal, Latin America**Legal Form: **Not for profit association** 

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