The consortium is committed to provide added-value to the Partner Universities, Industry, the Italian Public Administration and the overall country, thanks to its key role both at the domestic level, being the representative of almost all of the Italian academic informatics community, and at the global level, due to the links with its international partners and networks.

At the national level, CINI:
- Actively supports the Italian representative within the ICT Committee of the Horizon 2020 program
- Is involved in research projects and higher education with the major players of the national industrial system and consortia
- Shares various initiatives with the major national associations of ICT professionals.

At the international level, CINI is an active member of:
- Big Data Value Association (BDVA)
- Artemis Industry Association (Artemis Ilc)
- Electronic Components and Systems for European Leadership (ECSEL Joint Undertaking)
- European Forum for ICT BRITESTI
- Informatics Europe (IE)
- Networked European Software and Services Initiative (NESSI)

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  - Big Data
  - Cyber Security
  - Formal Methods and Algorithmics for Life Sciences (Infolife Lab)
  - IT Skills, Training, and Certification (ITC Lab)
  - Smart Cities and Communities
- 1 Lab at the University Federico II in Naples.