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Outlining CLINF-RII Objectives

Overall objectives

The CLINF Nordic Centre of Excellence focus on Russia/Siberia is strategically well-aimed with the CLINF focus on climate change and change in ecosystems. A logical continuation from previous work must be the development of strategic informatic CSI infrastructures via deepened bilateral collaboration with Russian colleagues.

As an overall objective, CLINF-RII aims to produce a **White Paper** containing *recommendations regarding the establishment of such an infrastructure, backed up by a series of collaborative workshops*. Work is suggested along three interconnected themes of research: i) continued strengthening of Russian participation in building strategic CSI infrastructures and information flows across the North; ii) complement the CSI database with highly resolved CSI data, particularly covering trans-Ural Russia; iii) provide incitement for the establishment of a CSI organisation across the CLINF study region.

Detailed objectives

- a) The further development of CSI infrastructures, aiming at strengthening societal readiness and resilience, is suggested to be carried out along the two lines of
 - inventorying and analysing the compatibility of CSI management structures across the CLINF study region, with particular focus on Russian administration;
 - approach INTERACT field stations with recommendations regarding how to include CSI monitoring as part of continuously ongoing programmes of environmental survey.
- b) The CSI data so far acquired from the Russian report-system of human diseases (mostly zoonoses) is kept at a higher level of aggregation than in other nations. While reaching into detailed records of disease, date, gender and age (etc.) in other nations, Russian data have so far simply reported incidences per report district. Since CLINF has reason to believe that Russia is particularly important to cover with information regarding incidences intersected across gender and age-groups, an increased effort to access primary Russian human-side CSI databases is suggested.

A first workshop will be held in Moscow, 27-29 May 2019.