



European Joint Programme Cofund

**Exchange on first experiences in
preparation and implementation**

Objective

Discuss the first experiences with the preparation and implementation of EJP Cofund actions under EURATOM and Horizon 2020 in order to draw lessons that allow to:

- Better support preparation of any future EJP Cofund under H2020;
- Facilitate a possible upscaling towards larger EJPs
- Identify any improvements of modifications we need to consider for a future Cofund instrument under FP9.

→ modified EJP Cofund instrument is one option for the single Cofund instrument under FP9.

Agenda

Overview: European Joint Cofund actions

- Welcome and introduction, Joerg Niehoff, DG RTD
- Snap-shots from current EJP Cofund actions

Preparation of EJP Cofund actions

- Definition of scope and participants to the programme, link to FP/EU objectives, Governance structures, Selection of partners and commitments, Key performance indicators

Implementation of EJP Cofund action

- Annual cycle of reporting and preparation/approval of Annual Work Plans, Range of activities, Openness during programme implementation, Budgeting of activities

Open discussion and conclusions

European Joint Programme (EJP) Cofund

EJP Cofund under Horizon 2020 is a cofund action supporting coordinated national research and innovation programmes. EJP Cofund aims at pooling a critical mass of national resources on objectives and challenges of Horizon 2020 and at achieving significant economies of scales by adding related Horizon 2020 resources to a joint effort.

- **'Critical Mass'** – a stepping stone towards consolidation of transnational research;
 - **Public-public funding**
 - Eligibility: specifically mandated research programme owners and managers; other entities in addition;
 - Flexible reimbursement rate (up to 70%);
 - **Wide range of possible activities;**
 - **5-year Programme** with annual programming of Joint Activities.
- **Critical: Readiness of the targeted community ("public programmes") to build up and implement a joint programme.**

Thank you for your attention!

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