

Building and Sustaining Commitment to Public-Public Partnerships

Session 1 – Looking to the future

What do JPIs need to become really big players in the ERA

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1. We need to create a common understanding of what JPIs are

- JPIs are strategic hubs for Joint Programming on Grand Societal Challenges in Europe
- They are far from being an instrument, they use instruments to implement their strategies
- Their main role is to run the JP cycle – develop SRAs, implement the SRAs, deliver results, update the strategies and so on...

2. Everybody should believe in the strategic importance of JPIs as core elements of the ERA

- The JPIs must believe in themselves
- MS/AC and the EC must recognise the JPIs as first address for the respective societal challenge
- The visibility and significance of JPIs to other stakeholders and the public must be increased

3. JPIs must be given the necessary resources to fulfil their ambitious task

- Functioning as a a strategic hub requires more substantial resources
- If we want it we have to fund it, otherwise...

4. MS/AC and the EC must give full commitment to the JPP and the JPIs

- This means for MS/AC to recognise the strategic role of JPIs also when defining national strategies or programmes
- This means for the EC to give JPIs the appropriate role within the Framework Programmes

5. JPIs must focus on delivering solutions

- Funding research is not a goal in itself
- Mission oriented research requires delivering solutions
- We need to demonstrate that JPIs are actually contributing to meet the Grand Societal Challenges

6. We must make Alignment happen

- Joint funding activities will not be sufficient to make the JPP big
- We need to bring together the activities of the MS/AC and the FP including the science/research institutions in the MS/AC

Talking about the future...

- ERA Learn 2020 is doing important work to support JPIs to get to the next step of the JPP
- Building on the work of ERA Learn, MS/AC and the EC will launch in February 2016 a Mutual Learning Exercise which will focus on the role of MS/AC and the EC in the JPP
- The MLE is supposed to find solutions for increased commitment, enhancing Alignment and improving interoperability between MS/AC