



Session 1: Impacts at policy and network level

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Rationale & main objectives of the initiative

- Rationale: SRC wishes to contribute to the national and European discussion of the further development of Horizon 2020 and the design of the next framework programme.
- Stating "the opinion of SRC" takes months and includes a survey to Swedish universities and researchers, involvement of 9 scientific councils, and numerous in-house working groups.
- Two objectives:
 1. Provide SRC staff with a broad set of sanctioned opinions to stand up for in various contexts
 2. Identify the top prioritized questions



Key impacts of the initiative

- Also next FP needs an ERA-Net-like instrument to support cross-border collaborations. Should be flexible and cater for various needs. Topics for ERA-Nets should derive from the MS in a bottom-up process.
- FP needs to optimally support JPIs and other initiatives tackling societal challenges with collaborative instruments customized for their specific needs.
- Cross-cutting or horizontal issues, such as framework conditions, ethical issues etc. should be facilitated by a suitable instrument.
- The role of fundamental research must to a higher degree be acknowledged as a foundational tool for tackling societal challenges.
- FP should consist of broad societal challenge areas to which the JPIs and other mechanisms for tackling societal challenges should be related and, when appropriate, supported to enable them to take on global leadership.



Validity of the ERA-LEARN 2020 assessment framework, notably on policy and network level

- Does the framework capture effectively the various impacts you have experienced?

...Useful impact definitions. Puts the light on the diversity of impacts

- Does the framework appropriately address/consider network elements that are important, i.e. network organisation, governance structures, network processes, etc.?

...Relevant set of network elements.

Added value at the core of everything. Does the chosen organisation provide added value compared to other formats?



Suggestions for improvement

- To a higher degree take into account the differences between JPIs, ERA-Nets and Article 185's with regard to aims and timeframe.
- Indicators? What should we measure already now to allow for future analysis?