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Topic 4: Commitment to JPI alignment and evaluation of impact

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Group 1: the challenges of evaluating alignment related impacts

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Group 2: alignment vs. other impacts from participation in P2P

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Group 3: alignment of research programmes and activities: obstacles and good practice elements

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Key Discussion items

Challenges in evaluating alignment

Alignment vs. other impacts of P2Ps

Obstacles and good practices in alignment

Key Findings

- JPIs as a political/global actor; Impact on society: the role of communication towards society; JPIs as exploratory instruments; JPIs as an instrument to develop a European vision and understanding: science diplomacy; JPI facilitate the allocation of investment in research; ensure flexibility
- It is crucial to coordinate nationally to align at the European/intern. Level: need for analysis and showcase of good examples
- Could countries align procedures and regulations better? yes
- Lack of common understanding of alignment, but is not a *major* obstacle but an ongoing challenge
- Indicators important: who's who; trust; is there a pgm to align? countries changed priorities, pgm, created new strategies; national funds mobilised by JPIs (point zero – after yrs); shrinking national funds; changes in FPs due to P2Ps; admin resources spent; MS initiative to lead...

Recommendations

- Share knowledge
- Disseminate and utilise existing experience
- Establish common understanding

- Organise a dedicated WS on alignment assessment