

# Partnership Stakeholder Forum 2022

## Sessions B1: International visibility and positioning

Time: 16. November 2022, 10:00 – 10:45, 10:50 – 11:30, Room Galilei

### Background

In order to tackle global challenges adequately, international collaboration between countries both in and outside of Europe is essential, and Partnerships are ideal for its manifestation through their joint activities. One of the EC's main goals in supporting future European Partnerships is to make sure that joint endeavors are created and implemented with respect for openness and transparency principle. Partnerships should demonstrate (targeted) openness towards relevant partners and stakeholders already in the process of the programme design and remain open to newcomers and interested parties throughout its lifetime. Adopting these principles also with a view to international visibility and thereby ensuring the right portfolio of partners will help identify priorities and build Partnerships' vision and work plan, attain strategic policy goals, and maximize the programme's impact.

### Goals/ Output

This session...

- addresses the motivations and goals of international activities and the involvement of international stakeholders,
- shows how Partnerships report about their strategies and mapping exercises for collaboration with countries outside Europe,
- demonstrates good practices of international cooperation within governance structures and the envisaged work plans,
- collects ideas for support needed to implement international collaboration.

**The overarching aim of the sessions is to discuss the motivations and goals of international cooperation, good practices and methods to achieve successful international positioning and involvement of international stakeholders by Partnerships, as well as the respective needs for support of Partnerships and international stakeholders.**

### Session 1 (10:00-10:45)

**Moderators:** Michael Dinges / Maximilian Zieser  
(AIT – Austrian Institute of Technology, ERA-LEARN)

### Speakers:

- Davide Valitutti, EC (DG RTD), Horizon Europe Association
- Tor Ivar Eikaas, Research Council of Norway
- Wouter IJzermans, BATT4EU (European Partnership for Batteries)
- Margit Noll, DUT (Driving Urban Transitions to a Sustainable Future)

## **Session 2 (10:50-11:30)**

**Moderator:** Michael Dinges / Maximilian Zieser  
(AIT – Austrian Institute of Technology, ERA-LEARN)

### **Speakers:**

- Davide Valitutti, EC (DG RTD), Horizon Europe Association
- Antonella Autino, PRIMA (Partnership for Research and Innovation in the Mediterranean Area)
- Antonio Io Porto, Water4All Partnership (Water Security for the Planet)

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## Session B2: Lifecycle implementation of partnerships

**Time: 16. November 2022, 10:00 – 10:45, 10:50 – 11:30, Room Einstein**

### Background

European Partnerships are to evaluate impacts achieved at Union and national level in relation to defined targets and key performance indicators, feeding into the Programme evaluation. This includes an assessment of the most effective policy intervention mode for any future action and the positioning of any possible renewal of a European Partnership in the overall European Partnership landscape and its policy priorities. European Partnerships have the responsibility, in the absence of renewal, to find appropriate measures ensuring to respond to emerging EU policy needs with a view to their SRIA, their workplan, as well as possible exit strategies. This new challenge has to be considered already in the implementation phase of the partnership.

### Goals/ Output

This workshop

- finds key indicators for the development of former networks and partnerships, considering the implementation with a view to the whole life cycle approach,
- reveals strategies for communication between relevant stakeholders on the proceeding of the partnership,
- collects ideas for support needed to implement the life cycle approach,
- examines former networks (ERA-NETS) that are self-sustained today and asks about challenges, motivation, success factors and results of the self-sustained network.

### Session 1 (10:00 – 10:45)

**Moderator:** Effie Amanatidou, ERA-LEARN

#### Speakers:

- Alexander Grablowitz, German Ministry of Education and Research, Co-Chair PKH
- Nicolas Tinois, European Partnership on Accelerating Farming Systems Transitions
- Ariane Blum, Water4all
- Hilde Eggermont, Biodiversa+

### Session 2 (10:50 – 11:30)

**Moderator:** Christiane Wehle, ERA-LEARN

#### Speakers:

- Petra Zagar, Ministry of Science SI, member PKH, former GPC Chair
- Baldissera Giovani, Euphresco Network for Phytosanitary Research Coordination and Funding
- Margit Noll, Driving Urban Transitions (DUT)

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## Session B3: Societal engagement (SSH, citizen science, dissemination and exploitation)

Time: 16. November 2022, 10:00 – 10:45, 10:50 – 11:30, Room Huygens

### Background

European Partnerships should continue facilitating contact and seek collaboration with different stakeholder communities and relevant parties in all phases of its implementation. They should strive to attract and support societal engagement to further define the partnerships' goals and priorities. European Partnerships should take every effort to disseminate results also to society in an open and transparent way. Programme outcomes should be promoted through appropriate channels, including non-members, across the EU and beyond. Communication within and beyond the own network and between different actors on the cross-cutting thematic areas is needed to be better achieve the set targets.

### Goals/ Output

This workshop

- shares good practices of communication and dissemination of results,
- invites partnerships to share information about their communication efforts within the recent challenges,
- refers to the ERA Action "Bring science closer to citizens" to support citizen science, citizen engagement and citizen empowerment events in the context of European Year of the Youth and Bauhaus,
- supports the co-designing with the Commission and stakeholders to facilitate exchange of best practices to open up science and innovation to citizens, especially the youth,
- collects ideas for support needed to implement societal engagement.

### Session 1

**Moderator:** Malwina Gębalska (PL, National Science Centre; ERA-LEARN)

#### Speakers:

- Tudor-Trestieni Ion (Head of Sector, DG Research & Innovation, A.3 - R&I Actors and Research Careers)
- Esther Diez-Ceborello (FR, Coordinator of WaterJPI; Water4All Partnership)

### Session 2

**Moderator:** Malwina Gębalska (PL, National Science Centre; ERA-LEARN)

#### Speakers:

- Apostolia Karamali (Head of Unit, DG Research & Innovation, A.3 - R&I Actors and Research Careers)
- Gerhard Schnyder (Professor of International Management & Political Economy at Loughborough University London)

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## Session B4: Synergies with industrial strategies

Time: 16. November 2022, 10:00 – 10:45, 10:50 – 11:30, Room Baekeland

### Background

The impact of R&I activities addressed by the European Partnerships can be increased through dedicated dissemination and uptake of focused strategies. The work between the European Commission and the Member States and Associated Countries is essential to collect and develop targeted R&I strategies for the green and digital transitions.

For the benefit of better and easier uptake of research results of European Partnerships, specific measures for replication and upscaling, alignment of measures with a perspective on national innovation and investment programmes and cross-partnership approaches could contribute to produce useable outputs for stakeholders and applicants.

The 'New ERA' aims to speed up the transfer of research results into EU industrial ecosystems through the development of common industrial technology roadmaps with Member States, industry and relevant stakeholders to include R&I investment agendas from fundamental research to deployment. Therefore, interaction with ERA Action 12 and the respective ERA industrial technology roadmaps and relevant technology infrastructures should be envisaged.

### Goals/ Output

This workshop

- will reveal synergies between partnerships with a perspective on national innovation and investment programmes,
- will make visible synergies between partnerships and the ERA industrial technology roadmaps for low-carbon technologies in energy-intensive industries and for circular industrial technologies and business models,
- refers to ERA Action 12 "Accelerate the green/digital transition of Europe's key industrial ecosystems",
- collects ideas for support needed for the benefit of better and easier uptake of research results into EU industrial ecosystems.

## **Sub-Session 1: Synergies of partnerships for the transformation of the industry**

This session discusses conceptual aspects of how the industry can become circular and low-carbon through innovation in production processes, and the organisation of partners in production networks through partnerships' synergies.

The session highlights best practices in certain industries in order identify transfer potential and synergies.

### **Moderator**

Christophe Rouselle. Deputy Coordinator, European Partnership for the Assessment of Risks from Chemicals (PARC)

### **Panellists**

- Zeljko Pazin. Made in Europe Partnership. Executive Director – European Factories of the Future Research Association (EFFRA).
- Pauline Sentis. EC, RTD – E1 Industrial Research, Innovation & Investment Agendas, Policy Officer – Economic and Business Analysis.
- Arian Zwegers. EC, CNECT – A3 Microelectronics and Photonics Industry, Head of Sector.

## **Sub-Session 2: Synergies of partnerships for innovative processes, materials and technologies for circularity**

This session discusses concrete material and technical innovation to bring circularity of materials and products to a next level through the utilization of partnerships' synergies. Different industries, like the battery and electronics industry, reveal their challenges and solutions.

The session identifies best practices and derives transfer potentials or opportunities to create synergies by learning from each other.

The session also discusses how roadmaps/Strategic Research and Innovation Agendas (SRIA) of the partnerships can be harmonized.

### **Moderator**

Christophe Rouselle. Deputy Coordinator, European Partnership for the Assessment of Risks from Chemicals (PARC)

### **Panellists**

- Ignacio Calleja. EIT Raw Material. Senior Advisor – Circular Economy and Recycling.
- Philippe Jacques. Batteries European Partnership. Secretary General - Batteries European Partnership Association (BEPA)
- Antonio Ferrández García. EC, RTD – E3 Industrial Transformation, Policy Officer – Research / Manufacturing and Energy Intensive Industries

# Partnership Stakeholder Forum 2022

## Session B5: Synergies with Cohesion Policy Funds

Time: 16. November 2022, 10:00 – 10:45, 10:50 – 11:30, Room Classroom

### Background

Synergies between the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation and European Structural and Investment Funds is a key topic since the preparation of Horizon 2020 based on the need to convey European funds in a strategic way with the objective of strengthening the social and economic impact of R&I results.

The Horizon Europe regulation, as well as the other concerned Programmes of the Multi-annual Financial Framework 2021-2027, are strengthening this aspect in order to enable and simplify the convergence of EU Funds.

The Commission guidelines on the synergies between ERDF and Horizon Europe provides very clear indication on how to implement synergies. The further implementation relies on the concrete solutions on bringing together national/regional R&I funders and Managing Authorities for ERDF.

### Goals/ Output

This workshop

- wants to bring about the conditions for more synergistic use of the Cohesion Policy Funds in order to support national participation in the next European Partnerships,
- supports all relevant stakeholders, especially Managing Authorities, in addressing the issue of synergies between Structural Funds and the European Partnerships by providing advice and concrete tools for the drafting of future operational programmes,
- collects ideas for support needed to implement the use of structural funds in partnerships.

### Session 1

**Moderator:** Michele Guerrini - senior policy officer - National Research Council of Italy - Bruxelles liaison office

### Speakers:

- Peter Schenk –Policy Officer European Commission - Directorate-General for Research and Innovation - ERA & Innovation - European Semester & Country Intelligence (RTD.A.1)
- Karolina Tilman – Policy Analyst - Directorate-General for Regional and Urban Policy - Smart and Sustainable Growth and Programme Implementation IV - Smart and Sustainable Growth (REGIO.G.1) Urban Policy Unit G1-Smart and Sustainable Growth
- Maria Rachele Nocera – Italian Ministry of Universities and Research – National Expert involved in Driving Urban Transition Partnership

- Katarzyna Walczyk-Matuszyk - Deputy Head of Centre for EU Research Programs, Institute for Fundamental Technological Research, Polish Academy of Sciences

## **Session 2**

**Moderator:** Michele Guerrini - senior policy officer - National Research Council of Italy - Bruxelles liaison office

### **Speakers:**

- Peter Schenk –Policy Officer European Commission - Directorate-General for Research and Innovation - ERA & Innovation - European Semester & Country Intelligence (RTD.A.1)
- Karolina Tilman – Policy Analyst - Directorate-General for Regional and Urban Policy - Smart and Sustainable Growth and Programme Implementation IV - Smart and Sustainable Growth (REGIO.G.1) Urban Policy Unit G1-Smart and Sustainable Growth
- Lucie Nunez - Ministry of Education, Prague, Czech Republic - previously Head of Unit of the European Research Area
- Simona Costa – Head of office TOUR4EU and chair of Giuri working group on synergies among eu funding schemes