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CONCLUDING PLENARY SESSION

16.11.2022



Plenary session Day 2 – Concluding Session

Results of parallel sessions and wrap up

Highlights of parallel sessions day 1 & 2 and discussion with representatives of parallel sessions

Moderation

Fabienne Gautier

DG RTD, Head of Unit G4 “Common Missions and Partnerships Service”

Panel A: Partnerships' Directionality

A1: Green transition

Michael Dinges, AIT, ERA-LEARN

A2: Digital transition

Pekka Sivonen, Better Outlook Advisors

A3: Industrial transition

Matthijs Soede, DG RDT, European Commission

A4: Resilience: Health

Dimitri Gagliardi, University of Manchester, ERA-LEARN

A5: Collaboration with EU Missions

Birgit Steininger, FFG

A6: Partnerships as drivers for deepening the European Research Area

Ulrike Ziegler, Coordinator Green ERA HUB, successfully funded CSA under WIDERA-Call

Panel B: Cross-cutting issues

B1: International visibility and positioning

Margit Noll, DUT Partnership, FFG

B2: Lifecycle implementation of partnerships

Hilde Eggermont, Biodiversa+

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

Esther Diaz, Coordinator of WaterJPI, Coordinator of Pillar A (Strategic Direction of the Partnership) in the Water4All Partnership

B4: Synergies with industrial strategies

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

B5: Synergies with Cohesion Policy Funds

Maarja Adojaan, Head of Department International Research Cooperation, Estonian Research Council

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ACTIVITIES OF THE PARTNERSHIP KNOWLEDGE HUB



Strategic Coordinating Process

New governance framework for European Partnerships in Horizon Europe to ensure strategic oversight of the partnership portfolio and evidence-base policy-making

Building blocks:

Programme committee: general information on implementation + identification on new co-programmed and co-funded partnerships (2nd Strategic Plan)

Partnership Knowledge Hub (launched in October 2021 as EC expert group): working-level interactions between the Commission, EU countries, as well as partnership representatives on issues related to monitoring, mutual learning and foresight.

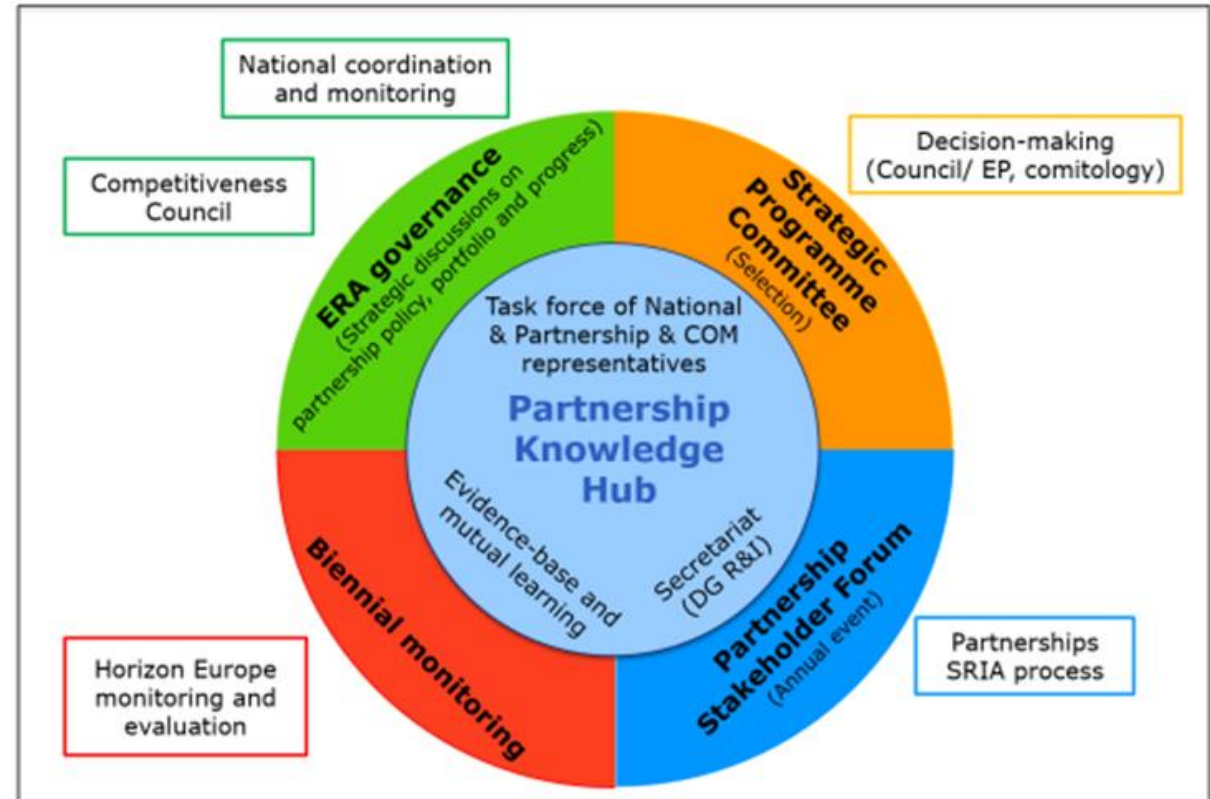
Stakeholder Forum: regular event bringing together the whole community discussing policy and practical dimensions related to Partnerships.

Partnership Knowledge Hub (PKH)

Composition:

- 31 members (MS/AC, Commission)
- 49 observers (Partnership representatives)
- two co-chairs (DG RTD/ MS (DE))

Figure 1: Strategic Coordinating Process for Partnerships - Schematic illustration of main elements and activities



Partnership Knowledge Hub - Mandate

- Supporting transparency and visibility of partnership portfolio and impacts
- Evidence base (**Biennial Monitoring Report** (BMR) on partnerships)
- **Foresight activities** supporting the identification of priorities for possible R&I partnership candidates
- **Strategic discussions** to ensure strategic steering and political guidance
- **Community building** and **mutual learning** across the R&I partnership community (i.e. Annual Forum)

Partnership Knowledge Hub – Working Modalities

- 4 meetings per year (so far mostly virtual)
- (Rolling) Annual Work Plan according to the topics of the PKH mandate, notably
 - Evidence Base (BMR)
 - Foresight
 - Strategic Discussions
 - Community Building
- ‚Products‘/ Deliverables: Opinions (see BMR opinion), input to BMR, Annual Partnership Forum, etc.

PKH Work Plan 2023

- Working Group to prepare an opinion for the partnerships under the 2nd strategic plan (by March/April 2023)
- Draft first guidelines for the partnerships phasing-out modalities (December 2023)
 - Involvement of stakeholders: Hearing, national coordination process
- Mutual Learning Actions on 'impact measurement frameworks' and 'role of partnerships in national R&I policies'
 - Involvement of stakeholders: to be discussed
- Input to next Partnerships Stakeholder Forum (by Easter 2023)
 - Involvement of stakeholders: Hearing, national coordination process

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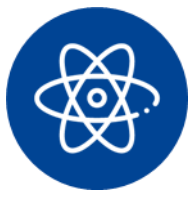
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THE SECOND HORIZON EUROPE STRATEGIC PLAN





The Second Strategic Plan – 1/2



- The 2025-2027 strategic planning process for Horizon Europe has been officially launched by Commissioner Mariya Gabriel during R&I Days on 28 September.
- The **Strategic Plan 2025-2027** will prepare the contents of the Horizon Europe work programmes for that period
- It will – as its predecessor – be co-created with Commission services and co-designed with stakeholders
- The Strategic Plan will consider a broad range of perspectives, from emerging Commission priorities, foresight, quantitative data, evaluations and analysis to citizens' insights and ideas
- The process will also include extensive exchanges with the Member States and the European Parliament
- The Strategic Plan 2025-2027 will have as a starting point the Strategic Plan 2021-2024 to ensure continuity and efficiency of the strategic planning

The Second Strategic Plan - 2/2



Main phases:

- Collection of lessons learned and planning of the process
- Collecting data
- Consulting stakeholders with the largest ever public online consultation of Horizon Europe. The exercise will be launched in November on **Have your say portal** and will remain open for 12 weeks until February 2023.
- Conducting analysis
- Drafting the Strategic Plan in co-creation and co-design
- Interservice consultation, adoption and communication
- Preparation and adoption of the Work Programme 2025



Second Wave of Partnerships

A relatively **small second wave of partnerships** are foreseen and are to be selected based on a set of key parameters :

- Ambitious objectives, EU added value and impacts
- Rationalisation (a limited number)
- Clear contribution to the current EU policy priorities
- Coherence and synergies at EU and national level
- Transparency and openness as well as flexibility of implementation
- Increased level of commitments from partners compared to the current level, in particular private partners
- International positioning



The Strategic Coordinating Process

The process for selecting new partnerships will be done in the context of **the Strategic Coordinating Process for European Partnerships**.

- Article 6.5. **Specific Programme of Horizon Europe**: *"The strategic planning shall be complemented by a **Strategic Coordinating Process** for European Partnerships, with the participation of Member States and the Commission on an equal footing. It shall function as an entry point for foresight analysis, analysis and advice on the portfolio development, possible setup, implementation, monitoring and phasing out of R&I partnerships and be guided by a comprehensive criteria framework, based on Annex III of Regulation"*



The Second Strategic Plan and the Partnership Knowledge Hub (PHK)



- The selection of European Partnerships is fully integrated in the strategic planning of Horizon Europe, with the **Strategic Configuration of the Horizon Europe Programme Committee** as the single-entry point for the structured and early consultation of Member States and Associated Countries.
- The preparatory work for the consultation will be done by the **Partnership Knowledge Hub** that is expected to provide advice on foresight activities supporting the identification of priorities for possible new R&I partnership candidates of European relevance, advise on potential new partnerships for the second wave, and thereby facilitating discussions in the Horizon Europe Strategic Programme Committee.
- This exercise has been launched at the **4th PKH meeting** that took place on 4 October 2022 with the launch of **PKH ad-hoc Working Group**, composed of Germany, Netherlands, Estonia, France, and Austria.



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