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Programm "Euroopa horisont"

ELI JÄRGMINE TEADUS- JA INNOVATSIOONIINVESTEERINGUTE PROGRAMM (2021–2027)

#### #HorizonEU

Põhineb komisjoni ettepanekul programmi "Euroopa horisont" kohta, samuti kaasseadusandjate vahelisel ühisel arusaamisel ja osalisel üldisel lähenemisviisil, mis mõlemad kiideti heaks aprillis 2019

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#### Meie visioon

Euroopa väärtustel põhinev jätkusuutlik, õiglane ja **jõukas** tulevik **inimestele** ja **planeedile** 

- Kliimamuutustega võitlemine (35% eelarve-eesmärgist)
- Kestliku arengu eesmärkide saavutamine
- Liidu konkurentsivõime ja majanduskasvu edendamine





Nlikas: https://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/sustainable-development-goals/

### **Horizon Europe: Preliminary structure**







Widening Participation and Strengthening the European Research Area

**Joint Research Centre** 

**Environment** 

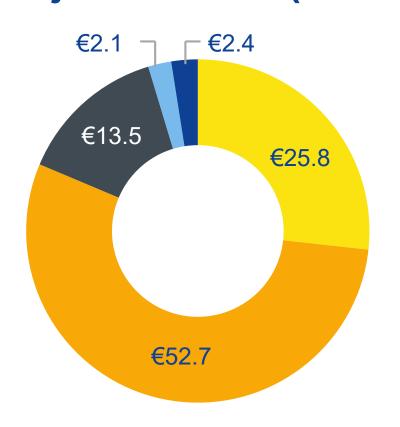
Resources, Agriculture and

Widening participation and spreading excellence

Reforming and Enhancing the European R&I system



## Komisjoni ettepanek eelarve kohta: 100 miljardit eurot\* (2021–2027)



Miljardit eurot, jooksevhindades

- Tipptasemel teadus
- Üleilmsed probleemid ja Euroopa tööstuse konkurentsivõime
- Innovatiivne Euroopa
- Osalemise laiendamine ja Euroopa teadusruum
- Euratom

\* See rahastamispakett hõlmab InvestEU fondist eraldatud 3,5 miljardit eurot.



# European Parliament and Council reached a common understanding on Horizon Europe on 19 March 2019

 Budget, synergies and third country association still pending, depending on the overall MFF negotiations

 Commission has started preparations for the implementation of Horizon Europe



# Programm "Euroopa horisont" – kesksed elemendid



## **Lessons Learned**

#### from Horizon 2020 Interim Evaluation

## **Key Novelties** in Horizon Europe



Support breakthrough innovation





Create more impact through mission-orientation and citizens' involvement



**European Innovation Council** 





Strengthen international cooperation



Extended association possibilities



**Reinforce openness** 



**Open science policy** 



Rationalise the funding landscape



New approach to Partnerships



**Encourage participation** 



**Spreading Excellence** 

Rules for participation: continuity and simplification





## **European Innovation Council**

Support to innovations with breakthrough and disruptive nature and scale up potential that are too risky for private investors (70% of the budget earmarked for SMEs)

EuropeanInnovation Councila one-stop-shop

Helping innovators create markets of the future, leverage private finance, scale up their companies, Innovation centric, risk taking & agile, proactive management and follow up

Two complementary instruments bridging the gap from idea to investable project

Pathfinder: grants
(from early technology
to pre- commercial)

## Accelerator: grants only & blended finance

(from pre-commercial to market & scale-up)





**R&I Missions** 

Relating EU's research and innovation better to society and citizens' needs; with strong visibility and impact

A mission is a portfolio of actions across disciplines intended to achieve a **bold and inspirational and measurable goal** within a set timeframe, with **impact** for society and policy making as well as relevance for a significant part of the European population and wide range of European citizens.

Horizon Europe defines mission characteristics and elements of governance, and 5 missions areas.

Specific missions will be programmed within the Global Challenges and European Industrial Competitiveness pillar (drawing on inputs from other pillars)



#### 1<sup>st</sup> Mazzucato report (2018)

https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/info/files/mazzucato\_report\_2018.pdf

#### **R&I** missions should:

- Be bold and inspirational, with wide societal relevance;
- Indicate a clear direction: targeted, measurable and timebound;
- Be ambitious but realistic research and innovation actions;
- Spark innovation across disciplines, sectors and actors;
- Be based on a bottom-up approach of multiple solutions





## 2<sup>nd</sup> Mazzucato report (2019)

https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/info/files/research\_and\_innovation/contact/documents/ec\_rtd\_mazzucato-report-issue2\_072019.pdf

#### **Implementation of missions:**

- Engage citizens in co-designing, cocreating, co-implementing and coassessing missions
- Innovation in public sector capabilities
- Mission-oriented finance and funding to leverage and crowd-in other forms of finance





## Adaptation to climate change, including societal transformation



Healthy oceans, seas, coastal and inland waters



Mission areas



**Cancer** 

Climate-neutral and smart cities





Soil health and food



#### **Chairs of the Mission Boards**

Adaptation to Climate Change including Societal Transformation:

**Ms Connie Hedegaard** 

(EE member: Ann Runnel)

Cancer:

**Prof Walter Ricciardi** 

(EE member: Andres Metspalu)

Healthy Oceans, Seas, Coastal and inland Waters:

**Mr Pascal Lamy** 

**Climate-Neutral and Smart Cities:** 

Ms Hanna Gronkiewicz-Waltz

(EE member: Anne Sulling)

Soil health and Food:

Mr Cees Veerman











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### **Steps towards Horizon Europe Missions**

Summer 2019

Establishment of Mission Boards
Start of exchanges with Member States
Research & Innovation Days 24 – 26 September

Autumnwinter 2019/2020

Extensive exchanges with the European Parliament Identification of missions based on advice from the Mission Boards

2020

Extensive programme of citizens engagement Drafting first Horizon Europe Work Programme for missions identified in Strategic Plan

2021

**Start of Horizon Europe** 





## **New approach to European Partnerships**

New generation of objective-driven and more ambitious partnerships in support of agreed EU policy objectives

**Key features** 

- Simple architecture and toolbox
- Coherent life-cycle approach
- Strategic orientation

#### **Co-programmed**

Based on Memoranda of Understanding / contractual arrangements; implemented independently by the partners and by Horizon Europe

#### **Co-funded**

Based on a joint programme agreed and implemented by partners; commitment of partners for financial and in-kind contributions

#### Institutionalised

Based on long-term dimension and need for high integration; partnerships based on Articles 185 / 187 of TFEU and the EIT-Regulation supported by Horizon Europe





International Cooperation

Tackling together global societal challenges; access to the world's best talents, expertise and resources; enhanced supply and demand of innovative solutions

#### **Extended openness to association**

- Third countries with good capacity in science, technology and innovation
- Taking into account objective of driving economic growth in Europe through innovation
- General opening for international participation
- Intensified targeted actions (flagship initiatives, joint calls, etc.)





### Open Science across the programme

**Open Science** 

Better dissemination and exploitation of R&I results and support to active engagement of society

Mandatory Open Access to publications: beneficiaries shall ensure that they or the authors retain sufficient intellectual property rights to comply with open access requirements

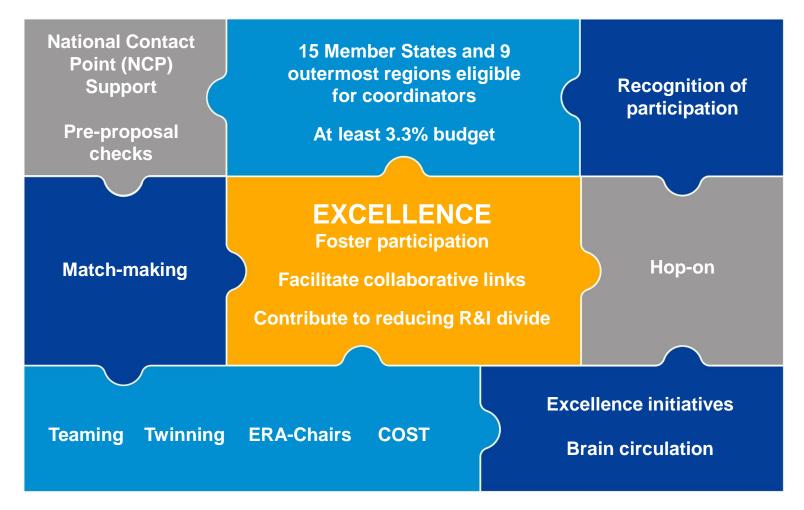
Open Access to research data ensured: in line with the principle "as open as possible, as closed as necessary"; Mandatory Data Management Plan for FAIR (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, Re-usable) and Open Research Data

- Support to researcher skills and reward systems for open science
- Use of European Open Science Cloud





### Widening participation/spreading excellence





### Simple and fit for purpose rules

- Further alignment to the Financial Regulation
- Increased use of simplified forms of grants where appropriate (building on the H2020 lump sum pilot experience)
- Broader acceptance of usual cost accounting practices
- Enhanced cross-reliance on audits benefiting beneficiaries taking part in several Union programmes

## while ensuring continuity and consistency for beneficiaries by maintaining

- Attractive H2020 funding model, including up to 100% funding rate of direct costs
- Single set of rules principle



## Commission proposal for synergies with other Union programmes

#### **Horizon Europe**



#### Other Union Programmes, including

Common Agricultural

LIFE

Erasmus

Policy

Connecting

Innovation **Fund** 

**ERDF** 

Europe **Facility** 

Internal Security Fund

External Instrument

ESF+

Maritime & Fisheries Fund

Digital Europe

Single Market

Programme

InvestEU Space Programme

#### **Enhanced synergies**

#### Compatibility

Harmonisation of funding rules; flexible co-funding schemes; pooling resources at EU level

> Coherence and complementarity

Alignment of strategic priorities in support of a common vision



# Horizon Europe – implementation, prioritisation and impact



## **Strategic Planning**

The Strategic Plan (new implementing act by the Commission) will prepare the content in the work programmes and calls for proposals for the first four years

- Strategic orientation for R&I support, expected impacts
- Partnerships and missions
- Areas for international cooperation
- Issues such as:
  - Balance between research and innovation
  - Social Sciences and Humanities
  - Key Enabling Technologies and strategic value chains
  - Gender
  - Ethics and integrity
  - Dissemination and exploitation



## Strategic plan gives direction to the work programme

Horizon Europe legislative package

Strategic Plan 2021-2024 Work programme 2021-2022

Calls for proposals

#### **Main Features**

Early involvement and extensive exchanges with Member States Extensive exchanges with the European Parliament Consultations with stakeholders and public at large



## Steps towards the first Horizon Europe work programme

Summer 2019

Early involvement and exchanges with Member States, consultation with stakeholders and the public at large Establishment of Mission Boards

Autumnwinter 2019/2020 Co-creation at Research & Innovation Days 24 – 26 September. Extensive exchanges with the new European Parliament. Establishment of new Commission - envisaged endorsement of Strategic Plan

2020

Drafting of first Horizon Europe Work Programme on the basis of the Strategic Plan

2021

Start of Horizon Europe



### Report on the co-design activities

- Main messages of the web phase consultation held between 28 June and 4 October, with 6806 respondents;
- Main discussions of the co-design activities (co-design sessions and the village) during the Research and Innovation Days between 24 September and 26 September, with more than 3800 visitors.

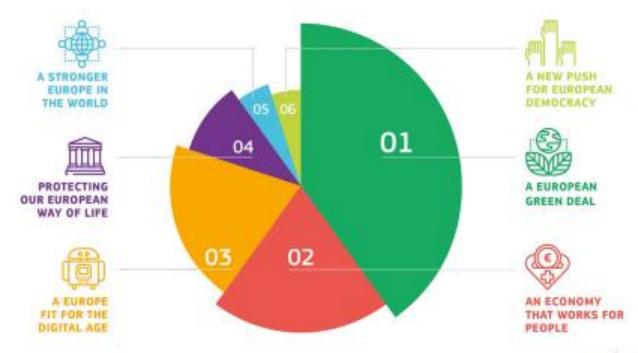
#### Objectives of the report:

- Providing information to any interested reader (R&I stakeholder, decision maker, citizen);
- Substantiating the revision of the Orientations to the stakeholders involved in the co-design activities.



## Summer Start 2

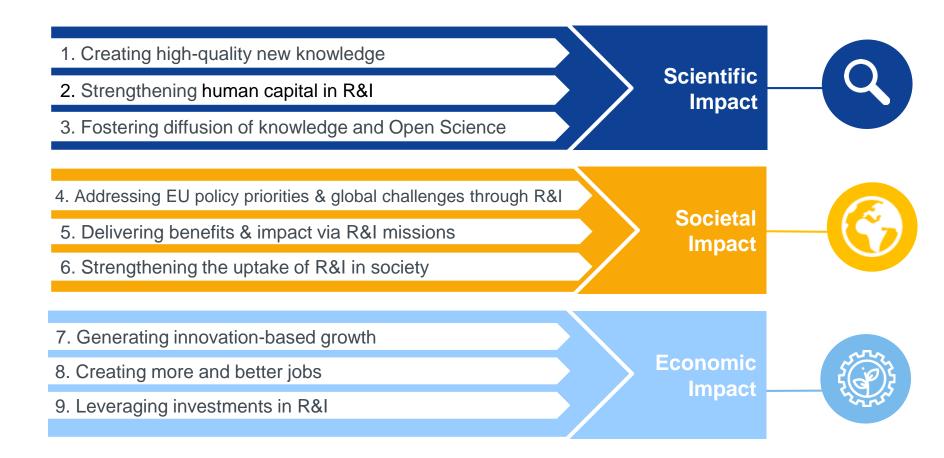
## <u>Distribution of Horizon Europe impacts</u> <u>supporting the Political Guidelines</u>







### Key impact pathways to track progress

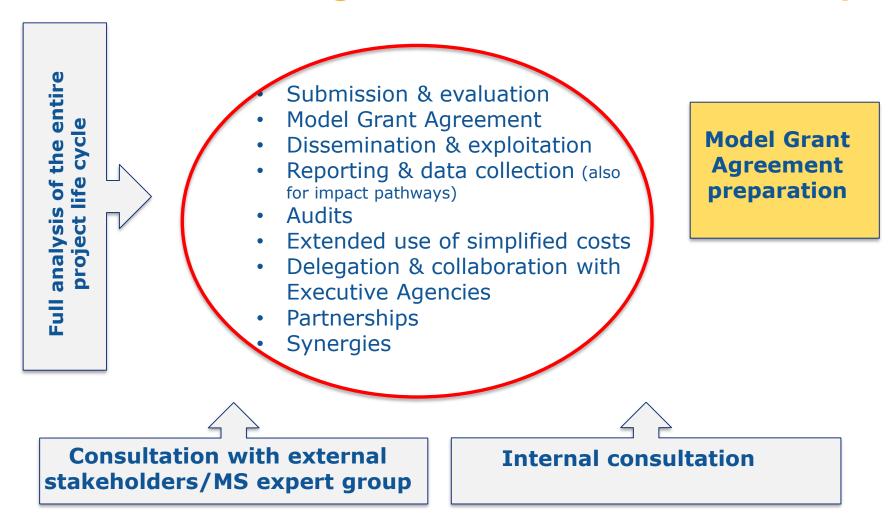


## Implementation strategy

- The <u>Implementation Strategy</u> will be an essential component for <u>delivering the objectives</u> of Horizon Europe, <u>in practice</u>;
- It will embrace all the processes involved in running calls, selecting proposals and managing projects, with joined-up systems and common principles.
- It will ensure that the new programme is managed according to highest standards, maximizing the impact of every Euro spent;
- The strategy will build on successful experience to date, but taking account of lessons learned, and also adapted to the new features of Horizon Europe.



### Review of changes needed for Horizon Europe



October 2018 2019



## Implementation strategy – Ongoing final steps

- Ongoing consultations
- Consolidating and co-drafting of the Implementation Strategy
- Key milestones
  - R& I Days 24-26 September in Brussels
  - National and Regional Stakeholder events
  - Co-design exercise through web survey, closed 4
     October (analysis ongoing)
  - Member States experts group meetings on Model Grant Agreement in July and November



## Co-design exercise on Horizon Europe Implementation Strategy



The survey covers the entire project life cycle, from organisation of calls, proposal submission and evaluation up to efficient reporting and exploitation of results.



## Feedback from the Horizon Europe Co design – Implementation (online consultation / R&I Days)

#### Key messages

 General acknowledgement of simplifications introduced in H2020, considered as good starting point.

Clear endorsement of the continuity in the implementation from Horizon 2020 to Horizon Europe. The approach "evolution, not revolution" taken by the Commission for the rules for participation and, by extension in a wider sense, to the implementation of the new programme is appreciated by respondents



## Feedback from the Horizon Europe Co design – Implementation (online consultation / R&I Days)

#### Some key messages per business processes

- Work programme: feedback underlines convenience to move towards less prescriptive topics and less complex calls.
- Submission process: respondents consider substantial margin for simplification, suggest shortening the proposals, simplifying the templates and removing noncore R&I parts.
- Evaluation: request of improving evaluation feedback, more extensive use of two-stage evaluation, introducing interviews with proposers, improving the quality of experts involved, or involving civil society actors in the evaluation process.

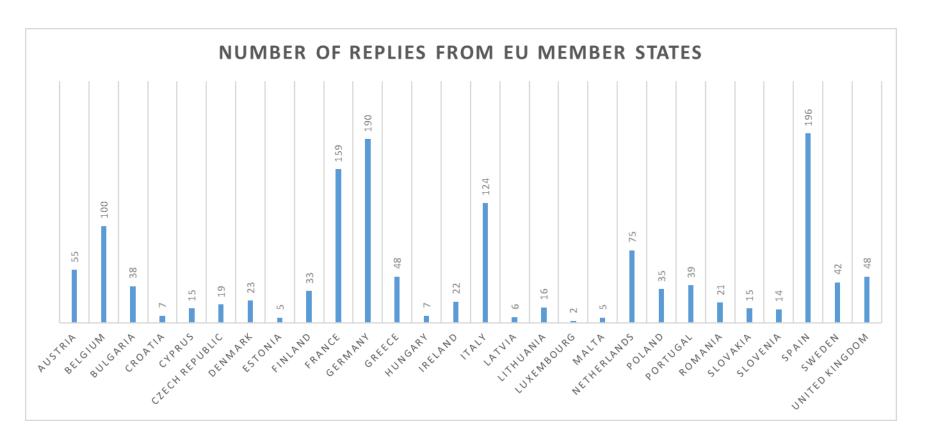
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- Project management: need to improve IT systems and the Funding and Tenders Portal, simplify the amendment process, improve automatic notifications, provide a channel for continuous feedback. Furthermore, some respondents highlight that individual POs should not set stricter requirements than the standard ones.
- Audits & control: respondents would like to be allowed to use their own accounting practices and request a more transparent audit process and a stronger link of CFS to 2nd level audit.



## Number of replies to online consultation



1549 replies, 5 replies from Estonia



### Replies to online consultation

#### Breakdown by category

#### Type of organisations represented:

- 41% universities and research organisations
- 35% business and industries
- 10% public authorities, 6% NGOs, 2% international organisations, 12% other

#### Interest in the Framework Programme:

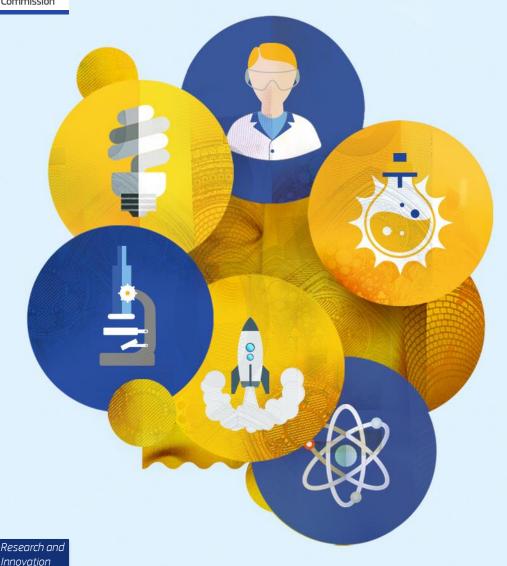
- 77% are currently participating in a project funded by a EU R&I framework programme
- 15% have participated/submitted a proposal before
- 8% have not participated before but are interested in the programme





# **European Partnerships**

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## New approach to partnerships: why?

#### Impact Assessment annex 8-5

- Need to rationalise the European R&I partnerships landscape
- Need to improve the openness and transparency of R&I partnerships
- Need to link the R&I partnerships to future EU R&I missions and/or strategic priorities





## New approach to partnerships: why?

Impact Assessment annex 8-5 – current partnership landscape

Partnership approaches

Public-public partnerships (P2P)

Public-private partnerships (PPP)

EIT-KICs\*

FET Flagships\*\*

Implementation modes

ERA-NET-Cofund, EJP Cofund, Article 185, Joint Programming Initiative (JPI)

Contractual Arrangement (cPPP) Article 187 H2020 Grant agreements for different types of actions Framework Partnership Agreements (FPA)

Currently active R&I Partnerships (Horizon 2020) a) ERA-NETs: ~70 b) EJP Cofund: 5

c) Article 185: 6

d) JPIs\*\*\*: 10

a) JUs: 7 (+HPC)

b) cPPPs: 10

a) KICs: 6 (+ 2 until 2020)

a) FET-Flagships: 2 (+Quantum)

Financial contribution from H2020, estimated)

2.500 M€ (3,1% of H2020 budget) **13.450 M€** (17,5% of H2020 budget)

2.400 M€ (3,1% of H2020 budget) 1.000 M€ (1,3% of H2020 budget)

\*EIT-KICs: Knowledge and Innovation Communities (KICs) of the European Institute for Innovation and Technology (EIT)

\*\*FET-Flagships: Flagships of the Future and Emerging Technologies programme (FET)

\*\*\* JPIs: Joint Programming Initiatives are no EU level instruments but included here as they receive EU support via ERA-NETs and/or CSAs



### **European Partnerships: what is new?**

- Only support partnerships if there is evidence that they are more effectively achieving policy objectives than Horizon Europe alone
- Fewer partnerships with higher impacts
- Common and coherent framework of criteria along the life cycle of partnerships, across all pillars, even across programmes and other regulations (e.g. EIT, DEP, space)
- Unified umbrella branding to improve visibility
- Increase openness and encourage a broader set of actors to participate
- Improve coherence between partnerships and Horizon Europe, also the missions
- Time limited with conditions for phasing-out the Programme funding



#### **European Partnerships and strategic planning**

- Candidates for European Partnerships have been identified as part of the strategic planning;
- Ares for possible institutionalised Partnerships based on Article 185/7 have been identified in the Annex Va of the Regulation;
- The Project Team of Commissioners for Innovation and Competitiveness endorsed in March 2019 the next steps of preparation (start of IA work, engagement with stakeholders, based on the criteria of Horizon Europe);
- Work within and across clusters resulted in a consolidated portfolio of 44 candidates for European partnerships;
- For each partnership candidate services have prepared a **fiche** that builds the basis for the next steps of preparation;
- Structured consultation of Member States (June-October 2019 in the 'shadow' Strategic Configuration of the Horizon Europe Programme Committee): To gather early input on the portfolio and all individual partnership candidates, ensuring transparent and evidence-based selection of partnerships.
- List of 48 partnership candidates is part of the <u>Orientation towards the</u> <u>Strategic R&I plan</u> (Annex 7).

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#### Portfolio of candidates for European Partnerships (48)

#### **HEALTH**

EU-Africa Global Health
Innovative Health Initiative
Chemicals Risk Assessment
Fostering an ERA for Health research
Large-scale innovation and
transformation of health systems in a
digital and ageing society
Personalised Medicine
Rare Diseases
One Health AMR

#### CLIMATE, ENERGY AND MOBILITY

Transforming Europe's rail system
Integrated Air Traffic Management
Clean Aviation
Clean Hydrogen
Built environment and construction
Towards zero-emission road transport
Mobility and Safety for Automated
Road Transport
Batteries

**Clean Energy Transition** 

**Sustainable, Smart and Inclusive Cities** 

and Communities

Smart and zero-emission waterborne

transport

DIGITAL, INDUSTRY AND SPACE

High Performance Computing
Key Digital Technologies
Smart Networks and Services
AI, data and robotics
Photonics Europe
Clean Steel - Low Carbon Steelmaking
European Metrology
Made in Europe
Carbon Neutral and Circular Industry
Global competitive space systems
European Geological Service

FOOD, BIOECONOMY, NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

Accelerating farming systems transition

Animal health: Fighting infectious diseases

Environmental Observations for a

sustainable EU agriculture

Rescuing biodiversity to safeguard life on

A climate neutral, sustainable and productive Blue Economy

Safe and Sustainable Food System for People, Planet & Climate

Circular bio-based Europe

Water4All: Water security for the planet

PILLAR III AND CROSS-PILLAR

EIT Climate KIC
EIT Health
EIT Manufacturing
EIT Food

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EIT InnoEnergy

**EIT Manufacturing** 

EIT Raw Materials
EIT Digital

EIT Urban Mobility

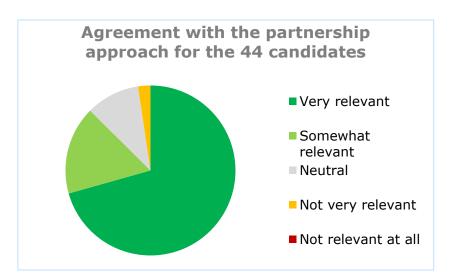
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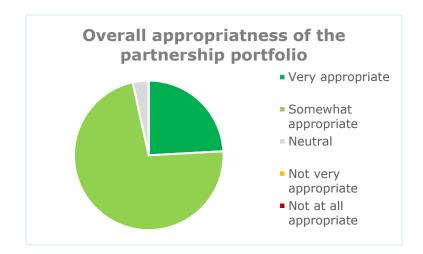
European Open Science Cloud (EOSC)

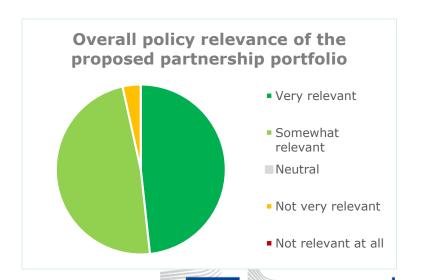


## Positive aspects of the proposed portfolio from MS consultation

- Appropriate portfolio to deliver clear impacts for the EU and its citizens;
- Considered to be highly relevant for national and EU policies;
- Strong agreement with the relevance of a partnership approach for the 44 candidates proposed.







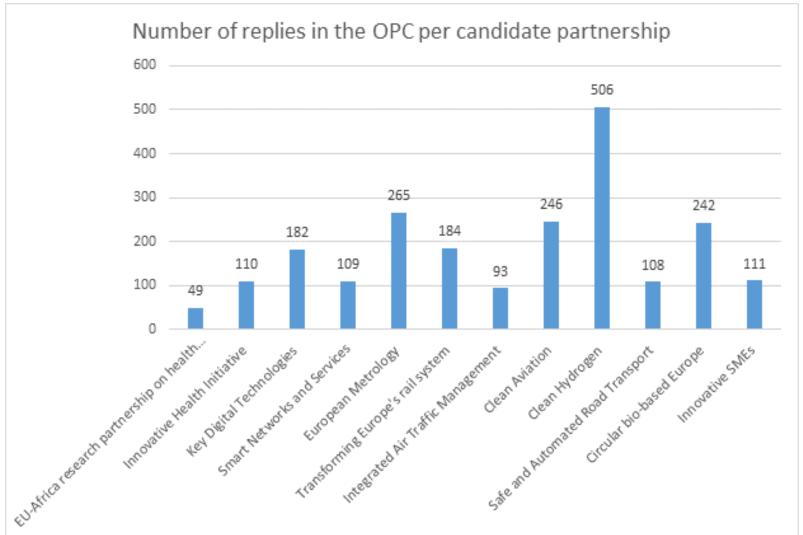
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#### Critical issues in general raised during MS consultation

- Strong criticism on the absence of partnerships in the clusters "Culture, creativity and inclusive society" and "Civil Security for Society";
- Critical view on the high number and openness of Joint Undertakings;
- Many countries miss a systemic approach to developing mobility and addressing related challenges, due to mode specific approach;
- Some proposals are more mature than others
- Societal dimension needs to be better articulated in many partnerships;
- Large number of additional priorities (25) proposed by delegations;
- Need to clarify the role of Member States in industry partnerships:
  - strong interest to join as partners in industry-led initiatives;
  - How to ensure involvement of Member States (notably in terms of contributions, in the governance, programming)?
  - special interest in testing and deployment activities, in synergy with Cohesion Funds and CEF priorities and investments.
- → Detailed comments on each candidate have been analysed and reflected in the further preparation, in particular on objectives, scope and implementation modes;
- → Discuss the role of MS in industry driven partnerships (workshops planned end of November).

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## Number of replies for the public consultation on Partnerships (Art 187/185)





Practical next steps

#### Roadmap for the preparation of European Partnerships

#### **Currently ongoing:**

- Further consultations on the Orientations towards the Strategic Plan
- Ongoing Impact Assessment work for Article 185/7 candidates
- Further elaboration of proposals for Partnerships in co-creation between partners and Commissions services

#### **Key elements for the next steps**

- Finalisation of Strategic Plan Horizon Europe
- Outcome of the Impact Assessment work
- Progress on MFF negotiations
- → Need for clarity: For which European Partnerships candidates will the new Commission adopt legislative proposals (Article 185/7), which candidates should be implemented as co-programmed/co-funded partnerships and included in the Strategic Plan
- → Without political agreement on budgetary envelope for Horizon Europe: No budget allocation to candidates for European Partnerships, no COM proposals for Article 185/7 initiatives

## Indicative timeline for Institutionalised Partnerships (Article 185/7): step by step

- **1. Partnership fiche** resulting from strategic planning describes Partnership from COM perspective (confirmed/commented by Member States during consultation);
- 2. Inception Impact Assessment publication, start of Impact assessment work, launch of Open Public Consultation (open until 8 November)
- **3. Finalisation of Ex-ante Impact Assessment**, submission of drafts to the regulatory scrutiny board (indicative submission date: 5/2/2020, hearings from 4/3 to 25/3)
- 4. In parallel: **Partnership proposal** is further developed together with partners, based on common guidance/template;
- 5. Drafting of **COM proposals** for Article 185/7 initiatives
- **6. Commitments from Partners**, finalisation of Strategic Research and Innovation agenda/roadmap
- 7. Agreement on **budgetary provisions** for the partnerships in the portfolio
- **8.** Commission adopts proposal for Article 185/7 initiatives
- **9. Negotiation in Council (and European Parliament),** in parallel: preparatory work (MGAs, preparation of first Annual Work Programme ...)
- 10. Adoption of basic act
- 11. Launch of the European Partnership, preparation and launch of implementation structure, subsequent launch of activities, including calls for proposals

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#### **Co-funded Partnerships: step by step**

- **1. Partnership fiche** resulting from strategic planning describes Partnership from COM perspective (confirmed/commented by Member States during consultation);
- 2. Partnership proposal is further developed together with partners (Member States), based on common guidance/template;
- 3. Strategic R&I Plan includes the Partnership in the list of co-programmed/co-funded European Partnerships [New Commission];
- 4. Agreement on **budgetary provisions** for the partnerships in the portfolio
- **5. Call topic** for the respective work programme Horizon Europe is prepared and discussed with the Programme Committee
- 6. In parallel:
  - further work of the partners to prepare the programme and
  - develop the Strategic Research and Innovation agenda/roadmap
- **7. Adoption of the work programme** (comitology) and publication of the call

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- **8. Submission of a proposal** for a co-fund action, evaluation, GA preparation
- **9. Launch of the European Partnership**, preparation and launch of activities, including e.g. calls for proposals

## Practical next steps Proposal guidance and template

1	General information
1.1	Draft title of the European Partnerships
1.2	Lead entity (main contact)
1.3	Commission services (main contact)
1.4	Summary
2	Context, objectives, expected impacts
2.1	Context and problem definition
2.2	Common vision, objectives and expected impacts
2.3	Necessity for a European Partnership
2.4	Partner composition
3	Planned Implementation
3.1	Activities
3.2	Resources
3.3	Governance
3.4	Openness and transparency



#### **Member State support and commitments**

#### **Article 185/187 initiatives** with Member State participation:

→ National commitments (typically from national ministries) before COM proposal is adopted

#### **Co-programmed European Partnership** with Member States:

→ National commitments (typically from national ministries) at the moment of concluding the "Contractual arrangements /MoUs" and adopting Annual Work Programme Horizon Europe

#### **Co-funded European Partnership:**

- → Indicative national commitments (typically from national ministries) at the moment of including the topic for the Programme-co-fund action supporting the Partnerships in the draft Annual Work Programme Horizon Europe
- → Confirmation of commitments with the submission of the proposal



#### **Open Issues**

- Remaining negotiations on Horizon Europe (synergies with cohesion funds, state aid)
- Union contribution/budget for partnerships (MFF, Horizon Europe, capping in pillar 2)
- Financial and in-kind contributions from partners (Article 185/7)
- Central management of financial contributions and justification for any exception (Article 185/7)
- Model basic act for Article 187 initiatives
- Practical solutions to ensure of complete data on proposals, projects, results in eCORDA
- European Partnerships addressing different partner configurations
- Member States participation and contribution in industry-driven initiatives (3 WS with MS at the end of November)
- Co-programmed partnerships: Template for contractual arrangements/MoUs, Contributions/commitments from partners
- Details on programme co-fund actions (MGA)



## European Partnerships: forms of implementation



#### **European Partnerships: forms of implementation (I)**

**Co-Programmed** 

**Co-Funded** 

**Institutionalised** 

Partners (other than the Union)	Suited to partnerships with private and/or public partners, including foundations and international partners	Suited to partnerships involving public authorities, with research funders (or governmental research organisations) and other public authorities at the core of the consortium. Possibility to include foundations and international partners etc.	Article 185: Member States Article 187: private and/or public partners, including Participating States, foundations and international partners EIT-KICs: 'partner organisation' may include private and public partners
Establishment	Based on memoranda of understanding and/or contractual arrangements between the Commission and the partners	Based on a Grant Agreement between the Commission and the consortium of partners, resulting from a call for proposals for a programme co-fund action in the Work Programme of Horizon Europe	Article 185: Decision by Council and European Parliament Article 187: Decision by Council (and EP) EIT-KICs: Framework partnership agreements and grant agreements between the EIT and the KIC, resulting from a call for proposals under the EIT

#### **European Partnerships: forms of implementation (II)**

	Co-Programmed	Co-Funded	Institutionalised
Main characteristics	Commitments are not legally binding, but political/ best efforts  Allows more flexibility during implementation (to evolve composition of partners, objectives, activities)  Best suited to partnerships addressing broader communities, medium term priorities, and where there is a need for flexibility  Commission: approves priorities (calls) that are implemented with Union contributions (comitology)	Commitments are ensured through the Grant Agreement  Allows more flexibility during implementation (to evolve composition of partners, objectives, activities)  Best suited to partnerships that rely on pooling national programmes and policies with Union policies and investments  Commission approves annual work programme of the consortium, covering all activities and resources	Legally binding commitments  Limited flexibility (as it is difficult to change core objectives, partners, commitments, which require amending legislation)  Best suited to partnerships addressing long term challenges and priorities that tend to go beyond a single MFF, stable partners and substantial commitments for contributions from all partners that other forms of partnerships would not allow  Article 185/7: Commission approves annual work programme of the initiative, covering all activities and resources  EIT-KICs: EIT approves activities and resources of the KICs

## **European Partnerships: forms of implementation (III)**

	<b>Co-Programmed</b>	Co-Funded	Institutionalised
Effort for preparation, setting-up, and implementation	Relatively low effort for the setup and implementation compared to the other forms of European Partnerships	Moderate effort for their set-up and implementation compared to institutionalised European Partnerships	High effort for their preparation and set-up, including the establishment of dedicated entities for their implementation
Union contribution	Implemented in calls for proposals published in the Work Programme Horizon Europe (comitology procedure)	Implemented by the consortium of partners in activities under their responsibility, including calls for proposals	Article 185/7: managed and implemented by structures created for their implementation EIT-KICs: implemented by the consortium of partners in activities under their responsibility
Partners contributions and their management	In-kind and/or financial contributions agreed in the work plan.  Typically only in-kind contributions from	In-kind and/or financial contributions Financial contributions from Member States are typically used for calls for transnational projects	Article 185: financial contributions and, if relevant in-kind contributions  Article 187: financial but typically mainly in-kind contributions

EIT-KICs: In-kind and/or financial contributions

private partners

#### **European Partnerships: forms of implementation (IV)**

	<b>Co-Programmed</b>	Co-Funded	Institutionalised	
Common characteristics	All partnerships have t FP funding:	o fully comply with the criter	ria, including phasing out of	
	<ul> <li>All partnerships allow synergies with other EU funding programmes</li> </ul>			
		on is committed to provide equal support and lity to all European partnerships intation is based on annual work programmes or equivalents		
	<ul> <li>Their implementation</li> </ul>			



### **Co-funded European Partnerships**

- Most relevant current types of actions: EJP Cofund, ERA-NET Cofund;
- Broad range of activities that can be implemented;
- Funding rate: 30%, in justified cases up to 70%
   Consideration can be e.g.:
  - Main element financial support to third parties: lower reimbursement rate;
  - Main element activities directly implemented by beneficiaries: higher reimbursement rate;
- Based on a grant agreement, 5-7 years duration;
- Implementation based on annual work plans;
- Core of partners: programme owners/managers, others in addition;
- Important: define for each co-funded ex-ante what types of partners are needed to form the partnerships (consortium), and which ones will be addressed/ involved by the activities implemented (third parties).



### Programme co-fund action

"programme co-funding action' means an action to provide multi-annual co**funding** to a programme of activities established and/or implemented by entities managing and/or funding research and innovation programmes, other than Union funding bodies. Such a programme of activities may support networking and coordination, research, innovation, pilot actions, and innovation and market deployment actions, training and mobility actions, awareness raising and communication, dissemination and exploitation, any relevant financial support, such as grants, prizes, procurement, as well as Horizon Europe blended finance or a combination thereof. The programme co-fund action may be implemented by those entities directly or by third parties on their behalf."



## **Co-programmed European Partnerships**

- Most relevant current types of actions: Contractual PPPs;
- Based on a roadmap / Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda, agreed with the Commission Services;
  - → need to be specific about objectives, expected impacts and milestones
- Partners implement their commitments (activities/contributions, investments) under their responsibility;
- Union contribution is implemented via the Horizon Europe Work programmes (comitology);
- Partners provide input on the drafting of the respective parts of the Work programme;
- Templates for contractual arrangement / memoranda of understanding will need to be developed.



### **European partnerships: provisions**

#### Regulation

- Recitals 16 and 17
- Definition 3
- Article 8
  - typology
  - conditions
- Annex III: Partnerships, with criteria for
  - Selection
  - Implementation
  - Monitoring
  - Evaluation, phasing-out and renewal

#### **Horizon Europe documents:**

Common understanding on the Framework Programme

https://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-7942-2019-INIT/en/pdf

Corrigendum on Annex III:

https://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-7942-2019-COR-1/en/pdf

PGA on the Specific Programme:

https://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-8550-2019-INIT/en/pdf

 Annex Ia: areas for possible institutionalised European Partnerships (based on Article 187 and 185 TFEU)

#### **Specific Programme**

- Article 4a: Identification of co-funded and co-programmed partnerships in the Strategic Plan
- Strategic coordinating process for European Partnerships

Impact assessment: annex 8-5

In addition: Draft Criteria Framework for European Partnerships:

https://www.era-learn.eu/documents/wk-14470-2018-init-en.pdf





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